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tion of legal pleadings, not entirely honest. There was some definite instability in his character, which finally overtook him in all of his ventures. Plausible at first acquaintance he must have been, and possibly he possessed good looks and great charm, although we can, of course, know nothing about his physical appearance. His father-in-law testifies to his expensive clothes and his companionship with men of "good fashion" in Shrewsbury's male social life. He succeeded in attracting and gaining the support of such diverse characters as Lady Cholmondeley, the Royalist Sir Ferdinando Gorges, Sir William Alexander (later Earl of Sterling), and the Roundhead Col. Alexander Rigby, but when he secured his immediate aims he became a thorn in the flesh of his associates and was ultimately defeated.

HOPE ALLEN AND GRANDDAUGHTER DEBORAH
(WAGER) HENCHMAN*

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HOPE¹ ALLEN, currier, probably born in England about 1625, died in Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts Bay Colony, testate, between 18 June and 21 July 1677. He married first, about 1649, RACHEL ———, who died about 1667; secondly, about 1669, MARY ———, who died about 1670; and thirdly, after 29 Sept. 1671 and before January 1672, HANNAH (TOWNSEND) HULL, born in Boston 4 April 1641, living 10 Aug. 1721, daughter of William and Hannah (Penn) Townsend, sister of Col. Penn Townsend and widow of Thomas Hull.

As this lineage descends from the third wife, we are, therefore, interested in her various marriages, for she had four husbands:

There is an able account of the family of William Townsend of Boston, by H. F. Waters, published in the *Collections of the Essex Institute* (1882), 19: 269, which clearly proves her identity. Her mother was a sister of James Penn, Marshal General of the Colony and the Ruling Elder of the Church in Boston. Her father, William Townsend, died in Boston 17 Sept. 1668, and the administration of his estate was granted his widow 29 Oct. 1669. However, Hannah (Penn) Townsend, died in Boston 17 Jan. 1699-1700, aged ninety-two, as see Sewall's Diary† before she could complete her

*To establish the identity and relationships of Deborah, the first wife of Rev. Nathaniel Henchman of Lynn, Mass., has been a most difficult and a most rewarding problem of investigation. If it had not been for the patience and understanding and the generosity of Mrs. Clark, the case would never have been solved. All those who find data of value in the following notes should be grateful to her. Although the material herein presented is in a somewhat brief form, the compiler has further data, particularly in relation to Benjamin and Jacob, sons of Hope Allen, and their families.

†Coil. Mass. Hist. Soc. 5th ser., 6:1.

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trust, and an administration *de bonis non* was granted her son, Col. Penn Townsend 6 Feb. 1699. According to Elder James Penn's statements, 29 Oct. 1669, on oath, the Townsend property was to be enjoyed by the widow, during her lifetime, and then to be equally divided among the children; which was done. It may be noted that Hannah's siblings bore the names of: Eliezer, Patience, Peter, Mary, James, Josiah, Deborah, Penn, and John, of whom Peter, James, Deborah (who married Nathaniel Thayer), and Penn lived to marry.

But let us consider the three husbands of Hannah — the fourth, not chronologically, being the subject of this account — Allen. She married first,* in Boston, 3 April 1657, THOMAS HULL, a cooper, of Boston, forbears unknown, who died in Boston by 10 Aug. 1670, when the inventory of his estate was made. This contained some interesting items, such as "two Silver Cups", a "brasse pistol", a "greene Rug", also coopers' tools, etc., the home consisting of the hall, hall chamber, kitchen chamber and great chamber. Hannah Hull, as widow, attested, 15 Nov. 1670, the total amount of the property being estimated at some £167. (Suffolk Probate, 553.) Before Hull's demise, he had leased a warehouse, etc., of Edward Hutchinson, 20 May 1662, which was witnessed by Thomas Bumsteed and Henry Powning, and sworn to by the former 7 Oct. 1676. On 2 Aug. 1671 "Hannah Hull the Relict & Administratrix to the Estate left by the within named Thomas Hull my late husband decd for . . . Eighty one pounds . . . paid by Edward Shippen Upholder & Seth Perry Taylor both of sd Boston unto mee", assigned this lease to them and signed and acknowledged as a "Hull", witnessed by William Hutchinson and Nathaniel Thayer. (Suffolk Deeds, 9:448, 449.) The next month, James Penn, uncle of Hannah, drew a will dated 29 Sept. 1671, which was duly proved 23 October, that year, and in which, among other legacies, gave a bequest to the children of Hannah Hull, viz: Thomas, Mary and Hannah Hull. Hence Hannah had not become the third wife of Hope Allen, and her second husband, until after 29 Sept. 1671 and, as their first child, James Allen, was born 6 Sept. 1672, it would seem that they were married by January 1672. So the time of their marriage, pending further facts, must be placed as between 29 Sept. 1671 and January 1672. James Penn's will, however, erred in naming her children as see the following record:

"3 (3d.) 83 [3 May 1683]

The day abovesd. I James Townsend of Boston Carpenter being by appointment of Court Guardian unto three of the Children of Thomas Hull late of Boston deced. (to wit) Samuel Hull who by mistake in the will is named Thomas; also Mary and Hannah Hull daughters of the abovenamed Thomas, all the Children of Thomas Hull deced. have for them . . . according to the dispose in the will mentioned Received of mr James Allen Teacher of the first Church of Christ in Boston the Same of Fifty pounds money and is in full

*"Thomas Hull & Hannah Townsend daughter of William Townsend of Boston were married 3rd April [1657] by John Endecott Governor." (B.R.C.9:62.) One had to be among the favored few to be married by a governor!

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discharge of a Legacy given unto the abovementioned Children by the last will . . . of mr James Pen late Elder of the Church of Boston deced. James Townsend & a Seale", wit: John Wiswall Sr., and Anthony Stoddard Sr. Ack. and recd. May 1683. (Suffolk Deeds, 12:364.)

Of the seven children born to this couple, Thomas Hull and Hannah Townsend, but three lived. They had: *Hannah*, born 24 Jan. 1657–58, died 9 Feb. 1657; *William*, born 23 Jan. 1659, died 27 Sept. 1660; *Mary*, born 22 Aug. 1661, died 19 Mar. 1661–62; *Thomas*, born 16 Jan. 1662–63, died 1 Aug. 1663; *Hannah*, born 1 Mar. 1663; *Mary*, born 18 Feb. 1665; *Samuel*, born 14 Aug. 1667, all in Boston.*

Hannah was the wife of her second husband, for some five years or so, when he died and she was again a widow. Between 1 Aug. 1677 and 28 Jan. 1678–79 she became the wife of RICHARD KNIGHT of Boston, a shopkeeper, about whom little appears to be known. He sold Boston property to John Hubbard 15 Mar. 1676–77, no release of dower rights; and, 17 Nov. 1677, with "his Brother in Law John Wing", bought two acres there of John and Elizabeth Mors of Boston, as given in last will of Zacheus Boswell to the said Elizabeth, etc. (Suffolk Deeds, 10:63, 214.) It is not known just when Knight died but he was certainly alive, and Hannah's husband, as late as 25 Aug. 1684. Apparently she had no issue by him.

She married, as her fourth husband, in Boston 13 Aug. 1689, LT. RICHARD WAY, who died there between 2 Jan. and 28 Oct. 1697, testate, by whom she had no children, indeed she was in her forty-ninth year at the time of this fourth marriage. His home had been burned 27 Nov. 1676 (Pro. Mass. Hist. Soc., 2d ser., 13:411), and, as a cooper, with wife Bethiah, he had sold land in Boston 17 Dec. 1677; also, as a cooper, but with wife Katherine, he had sold land there 20 Oct. 1680, in both cases, he acknowledged by his military title, and in the last transfer, his wife had the dignity of being called "Mrs." (Suffolk Deeds, 10:234; 11:377.)† Further comment on his will appears in proper time.

But seven of Hope Allen's known fifteen children (by three wives), lived, and, of these, three were by the third wife, Hannah (Townsend) (Hull) (Allen) (Knight) Way. She lived to at least her eightieth year.

Nothing is known of the birthplace or antecedents of Hope Allen. Our first authentic record of him is in 1651, when, a currier, he was admitted an inhabitant of the town of Boston (B.R.C., 1:106); next, 22 Feb. 1653–54, his son "Jacob Alline" was born to him by his wife Rachel, the births of the rest of his large family of children being recorded in Boston. (*Ibid.*, 9.) He lived on Wings Lane, now Elm Street near Dock Square, in the north of Boston. He made his first purchase in 1654:

20 May 1654, Robert Bellow of Boston, tobacco winder, for £30 sterling, sold Hope Allen, of same, a currier, a dwelling house on northeast side of street lead-

*The compiler has made no exhaustive research in regard to Thomas Hull, Richard Knight or Richard Way, all husbands of Hannah.

†See Essex Deeds, 1:9, 77, 79, 115 (1651, 1652, 1659). There are also a number of mentions of Richard Way in the Mass. Archives and the Index at the Mass. Hist. Soc.

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ing to Castle Tavern; wife Susannah r.d., and they both mark; ack. 1654 and recd. 1673; wit: James Oliver, Richard Gridly, John Stevenson and Nathaniel Souther, N.P. (Suffolk Deeds, 8:118.)

However the following October he was a tenant of James Evereill's (or Everill), who sold to Simon Lynde [a mortgage?] the "howse and Grownde wherein Angell Hollard formerly dwelt, now in ye occupation of Hope Allen Currier". (*Ibid.*, 2:87.) The estate of Philip Alley of Boston was "prized" by Hope Allen and others 11 Dec. 1655. (THE REGISTER, 9:138.) And, 20 April 1659, a schedule of debts owed by Thomas Broughton, names "Mr" Hope Allen. (Suffolk Deeds, 3:231; Sup. Ct. of Jud., #314.) The next year he mortgaged his house:

14 May 1660, "Hope Allin of Boston . . . and Rachill his wife", for £400, mortgaged to Samuel Bennett, of same, their dwelling house there, etc., he signs and she makes her mark; recd. 1660; wit: Samuel Hill and Joseph Bonde. (Suffolk Deeds, 3:368.) [This mortgage was released 12 May 1666, as see 5:40.]

This same month Hope Allen bought a large tract of land in what is now Portland, Maine:

31 May 1660, an indenture between "George Cleeves of Falmouth on Casco bay in York Shyre New England Gentle", and "Hope Allen of Boston In Suffocke New England Currier", for certain money and an annual rent of 8s. sterling, whereby the former conveyed to Allen 400 acres at Cascoe River and signed; possession was delivered 3 June 1662; Joanna r.d.; ackn. 8 June 1661; wit: Robert Howard, N.P., Benjamin "Chwing", Nicholas Bartlett, his mark; Richard Tucker consented 3 June 1660. Wit. to Joanna: mark of George Lewis and Anthony Brackett. (York Deeds, 1:120.)*

Hope Allen served, with others, in a jury of inquest in 1663. (Sup. Ct. of Jud., 605.) A deed of Thomas Walker, brickmaker, of Boston, as the attorney to John Collins, cordwainer, of Saybrook, Conn., which conveyed Boston property and names Hope Allen, as a bound on the west; wife Mary Walker r.d., 19 July 1665; recd. 1712-13, may be seen at the State House. (Mass. Archives, 15B: 170.)

A suit brought in Salem, Mass., in 1674 by Jacob Allen, son of Hope, vs. John Coney, the silversmith, contains the indenture, dated 3 April 1666, given by the said Jacob to the said Coney and will be considered later.

In November 1677 there was another Essex County suit, wherein a deed dated 2 Feb. 1659 by William Pitts of Boston, merchant, and wife, Susannah, conveyed Marblehead land to Christopher Lattamore of same, and which was witnessed by Hope Allen, Abraham Haukins and Richard Genett. (Essex Files, 6:362.)

In May 1666 an answer to a petition of Allen's to the General Court appears, viz:

23 May 1666, "In answer to the petition of Nathaniel Bishop & Hope Allin, curriers, humbly desiring the favor of this Court so to order it that tanners & shoemakers may not excersise the trade of a currier, &c, the Court judgeth it not meete to grant ye peticoners request." (Mass. Bay. Col. Recds., IV, part 2:303.)

*This is again recd. York Deeds, 3:68-69, wherein Cleeves is called of Falmouth Casco Bay Yorkshire, etc. A copy of this deed is in Boston. (Sup. Ct. of Jud., 1867.)

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Jacob, Joseph, Rachel, Mary and Benjamin, "of Hope Allen's wife", were all baptised 16 Sept. 1666. (B.R.C., 9:103.) And, 26 March 1667, the suit of Joseph Bond vs. Hope Allen was withdrawn, Ipswich Court. (Essex Files, 3:395.)

Hope now got involved with the local authorities for his daughter Rachel's marriage:

17 May 1670, an order imposing a fine on John Pease and Hope Allen, for their misinformation to Captain Marshall at the marriage of the said Allen's daughter to Mr. Deacon, not consented to by their deputies. (Mass. Archives, 9:57a.)

31 May 1670, "Hope Allin & John Pease, being sent for, appeared in Court, & ye said John Pease acknowledged, that not wthstanding the counsell of the major generall, who had declined ye marrying of Mr Deacon to Hope Allins daughter, he did accompany them to Lynn, to Capt Marshall, &c, and Hope Allin declared he did give his consent yt said Mr Deacon should have his daughter, & told Capt Marshall yt he hoped they might be legally published before yt time, &c, the Court judged it meet to censure the said Hope Allin to pay tenn pounds as a fine to the country for his irregular procedure, & John Pease forty shillings." (Mass. Bay Col. Recds., IV, part 2:458.)*

There is no record of this marriage in Lynn or Boston but married they were, although but a short time, for Rachel was remarried a year later:

13 May 1671, "I William Shute of the Island of Jameica Pleantr: & Rachell my wife . . . appoint . . . or: well beLoved father Hope Allen of Boston . . . Currier & or: well beloved freind John Saffin of Boston . . . Mrchant or True & Lawfull Attorne's . . . to . . . Recover of and from Arthur Mason & John Pease Executors of the Testament of Joseph Deacons Deceased . . . all Such . . . Legscyes . . . Due to the Estate of the said Decon or to us . . . Rachill being the Relicte of the Said Joseph", etc., both sign; ack. and recd. 1671; wit: Thomas Badgare, Samuel Walker and Richard Crisp. (Suffolk Deeds, 7:312.)

31 Oct. 1671, session of Suffolk County Court: Petition of Hope Allen and John Saffin attorneys for William Shute and wife, Rachel, the "Late relict of Joseph Deacons now resident in Jamaica", re the said Deacon's estate and also re an "orphant named mary Burroughs", that the said Deacon left in the care of Arthur Mason, at his last departure from hence (Boston) to Jamaica, before his death. The Court appointed Mason as the guardian of the said Mary Burroughs, the daughter in law to the said Joseph Deacon, until she comes to the full age to choose for herself, and such of Deacon's estate as in the said Mason's hands for the use of the said child and to pay £300 to her at full age, or day of her marriage, and if she die before this, then the said sum to be given to Rachel, the relict of the said Deacon, etc. (Pub. of the Col. Soc., 29:29.)†

The following record, dated 8 Sept. 1670, is a puzzler:

"An order sent to Goodwife Alexander to deliver the child of wid. Bushnell under her care & custody, to Hope Allen who desired the same that he might dispose thereof and free the town thereof." (B.R.C., 7:55.)

Hope Allen was plaintiff in an action vs. John Jennings, dated 19 July 1672, but withdrew the act at a session held 30 July 1672. It was brought out, at a session held 30 Jan. 1671-2, that Thomas Broughton had owed Allen the sum of £200. (Pub. of the Col. Soc., 29:66, 139.)

*The objection to the m. *per se* is not given, why was John Pease involved? And was this Mr. Joseph Deacon related to John Deacon of Lynn? Pease was probably related to Deacon.

†It is not within the scope of this account to try to solve the relationship of Pease, Mason, Deacon and Burroughs — it would be of interest. These Suffolk Co. Ct. Recds., 1671-1680 are at the Boston Athenaeum.

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At a session held 29 July 1673 we learn that "ALLEN ADMONISHED Hope Allen presented for tending & drying his leather on the Sabbath day, Which hee Owned in Court for pleading the necessity of it, upon due consideration of the case The Court Sentenced him to bee admonished & to pay fees of Court standing committed &c." Further, 27 Jan. 1673-74, "Whereas parcel unwrought leather seized on the Catch, whereof Elias Roe is master, bound for Jamaica", partly shipped by Jacob Jesson and partly by Hope Allen, contrary to law, the said leather to be seized and forfeited. (*Ibid.*, 29:307, 413.)

11 March 1674, Hope Allen, father-in-law to William Shute, petitioned the General Court in regard to seizure of leather, etc. And, 3 June 1674, "In ansr to the petition of Hope Allin, the Court Judgeth the seizure of the leather mentioned in the petition to be legall, & see no cause to release the same." (Mass. Archives; Mass. Bay Col. Recds., 5:10.)

And now we have the sworn testimony, 17 June 1674, of Hope Alline [autograph], in Essex County Court, before Thomas Clarke, Commissioner, in a case brought at Salem Court, 30 June 1674, by Jacob Allen vs. John "Conney"; verdict for plaintiff to be paid in apparel as money:

Writ: Jacob Allen v. John Conney; non performance of covenant; dated 28 May 1674; signed by Jonath Negus, for the court; and served by Returne Waite, marshal's deputy. Bond of John Conney.

Letter of attorney,* dated 9 June 1674, given by John Conney, of Boston, cooper, to *Leift. Richard Way*, of Boston, cooper. Wit: Bozoun Allen and Returne Waite.

Indenture, dated 3 Apr. 1666, given by Jacob Alline, son of Hope Alline of Boston, currier, who of his own free will and with the consent of his trade, put himself to John Conney of Boston, cooper, to learn the trade of wine cooper, and to serve for seven years from May 1, 1666; at the end of his time he was to have two suits of apparel, one for work and another for Lord's days, also four new shirts, two new pair of shoes, one cooper's ax, an adze and a handsaw. Wit: Hope Alline [autograph], John Bushnell and William Pearse, scribe. [A verbatim copy of this indenture appears in the Coney Genealogy, taken from the Essex Files, 21:87-88.]

Bill of cost, £1-08-06.
(Essex Files, 5:334.)

24 Nov. 1674, an execution dated 3 Sept. 1674 against John "Conney", to satisfy judgment granted Jacob Allen, 30 June 1674, at Salem Court, signed by Hilliard Veren, for the Court, and served by Henry Skerry, marshal of Salem, presented. (*Ibid.*, 5:438.)

Hope Allen was taxed, in Boston in 1676; and on 22 Feb. 1675-76 a petition addressed to the General Court about King Philip's War, bears his signature. (B.R.C. 1; Mass. Archives, 68:140.)

The original will of Hope Allen is missing from the file; only the inventory is extant. This document, made 27 July 1677, was "produced pr^o Aug^o 1677", by Hannah Allen, who attested the same day. The home was unusually large for those days and its value was estimated at £450, it consisted of a kitchen, hall, "Lodging roome next to Streete", the parlour, the "little Lodging roome next the parlour", the little chamber next the street, the chamber over the hall, the garret next the street, the little chamber next the yard, the chamber over the parlour, the garret over the parlour, and the work house. The total estate was appraised at £660-10-00,

*John, son of this John Conney, cooper, was the famous silversmith, see Coney Genealogy (1928), by M. L. Holman, pp. 61-62, in which a copy of the letter is given verbatim.

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included many items indicative of culture and also listed "2 negroes a man & woman", at £40. [A copy of this inventory appears in volume 12, page 181.]

Volume 6, in which a copy of the will is written and the volume for public use, is a copied volume, so permission was granted to utilize the original volume 6, page 194, and a copy of the last follows:*

"In the name of God Amen: the Third day of May in the Year of our Lord one Thousand Six hundred Seventy and Seven, I Hope Allen of Boston in New England Currier, being weake of body but of Sound & perfect memory Praised be almighty God for the Same Knowing the uncertainty of the present life and being desirous to Setell that outward Estate the Lord hath Lent me, I do make this my last will & Testament in manner following That is to Say first and Principally I Commend my Soull into the hands of Almighty God my Creator, hoping to receive full pardon & remission of all my Sins and Salvation through the alone meritts of Jesus Christ my Redeemer and my body to the Earth to be buryed in Such decent manner as to my Executrix hereafter named shall be thought meete and Convenient, and as touching such worldly Estate as the Lord hath Lent me, my will and meaning is the Same Shall be Employed and bestowed as hereafter & by this my will is Exprest

Impr I do hereby revoke renounce and make void all wills by me formerly made and declare and appoint this my Last will & Testament

Item I will that all the debts that I justly owe to any manner of person or persons whatsoever shall be well & truly paid or ordained to be paid in convenient time after my decease by my Executrix hereafter named

Item after my funerall charges are Satisfied, and all my Just debts are paid I give and bequeath unto my Son Edward Allen to his heires and assignes forever, all my land in Casco bay Contayning foure hundred acres be the same more or lesse with the privildges and appertenances thereunto belonging.

Item my will is That my Two Negroes named Dego and Hager, shall Serve my wife Hannah Allen for the Tearme of foure yeares Next after my decease and that then they shall have their freedome they then paying unto my said wife the Summe of Thirty pounds in money, which said Summe I hereby give unto my said wife for the educating & bringing up of my Children that I now have or hereafter my have borne by her, and in Case my Said Negroes Shall not purchase their freedome, as aforesaid that then They shall be sold or otherwise Improved by my Said wife, for the uses abovementioned.

Item I give and bequeath unto my said wife Hannah Allen, the use profit and Improvement of the remainder of my Estate for and during the Tearme of foure Yeares next after my decease —

Item My will is That at the end of the said foure yeares my said Estate Shall be divided and that then my said wife, shall have one third part of the Remainder of my said Estate during the Tearme of her naturall Life and that then the other Two third parts thereof shall be Equally divided amongst my Children Namely, Edward Allen Jacob Allen Benjamin Allen Mary Allen Elizabeth Allen and Deborah Allen Also my will is that if my wife shall be delivered of a Living child with which she now goeth,† that the Same shall have an Equall Share of my Estate with the rest of my children.

Item my will is that after my said wifes Decease, the third part of the remainder of my Estate hereby bequeathed unto her during her life shall be Equally divided betwene my Children as well that Childe not yet borne as those before named

Item my will is that in case any of my said Children shall dye before they come of age or be married that then that part of my Estate hereby bequeathed unto Such Childe or children shall be Equally divided betwene the Survivors of them

*Through the courtesy of Arthur Sullivan, Esq., Register of Probate, photostatic copies of the will as it appears in *both* these volumes were obtained by the compiler and used for this typed copy.

†Hope Allen, the youngest child, was born 18 June 1677, of Hope and Hannah.

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Item I do hereby Nominate authorize Constitute & appointe my said wife Hannah Allen, the sole executrix of this my Last will & Testament

Also I do hereby authorize and constitute my Loving friends Joseph How of sd Boston Cooper and William Gibson of sd Boston Cordwainer the overseers of this my Last will hereby desiring them to assist my said Executrix in the Execution of this my Last will & Testamt:

Also my will is that in Case my Said wife shall marry againe within the space of foure yeares abovementioned that then my Estate shall be divided as above-said anything above Exprest to the contrary notwithstanding.

Also I do hereby Impower my said wife with the advice of my Said overseers at the end of the Said foure yeares or day of her marriage to Sell my house and Land that so there may be a more easy and Equall division of my said Estate.

In Witsesse whereof I have hereunto sett my hand & Seale, the day and yeare first above written

Hope Allen & a Seale

Signed Sealed and publshed by the abovenamed Hope Allen that what is Contained in these Two pages is his Last Will & Testamt in the presence of us Charles Crosthwayt John Hayward Scr"

These two witnesses testified 1 Aug. 1677, and the will was proved. (Suffolk Probate, 898.)

As this will was drawn, 3 May 1677, in which the testator speaks of an unborn child, and this child, Hope, was born to Hope and Hannah Allen, 18 June 1677 it is evident that Hope, the father, died between 18 June and the date the inventory was made, 21 July 1677 — probably in July.

After his death, his eldest son, Edward Allen, sold all of the land that his father had given him:

13 Nov. 1678, "I Edw: Allen of Dover In the County of Portsmouth & Dover do Assigne over to George Bramhall . . . the whoole right & title to ye within mentioned [copy of the indenture between George Cleeves of Falmouth, etc.] excepting fivety Acres to Henery Kirke as appears by a deed of Gyft", signs as "Edw Allen", ack. same day and recd. 19 May 1680; wit: Hene Kirk and John Barsham. He later sold the residue: 15 July 1681, Edward "Alline" of Dover, Province of New Hampshire, sold to Andrew Marenell, of same, tanner, fifty acres at Casco River, as may appears "by a deed of sale, given to my father Hope Allene, from Mr. George Cleeves, and afterwards to mee before my fathers decease", Sarah r.d.; ack. same day; recd. 16 Sept. 1681; wit: John Tuttle and Thomas Roberts. (York Deeds, 3:68-69, 100.)

Jacob Allen then brought suit against the widow, case heard at a Session of Suffolk County Court, 28 Jan. 1678-79: Allen *contra* Knight:

Jacob Allen plaintiff vs. "Richard Knight & Hannah his wife as Shee is Executrix to the Estate of her former husband Hope Allen deced Defendt", for not paying Jacob Allen £64 left him in last will of his sd father; the jury found for the plaintiff that the defendant pay and "deliver to him his proportionable part of his Father Hope Allen's Estate according to will & costs of Court allowed Forty One Shellings and five pence."

Session held 29 Apr. 1679, action for review: Jury found for Jacob Allen, "that the sd Knight shall sell the house late belonging to Hope Allen decd", within three months next, and then shall pay him his proportionable share of the value of the said house and the movables, and to pay him £45, three fourths in money and one fourth in movables, as appized, within the next four months. (Pub. of the Col. Soc., 30:984, 1007.)

Richard Knight now mortgaged the property he had acquired, with John Wing, of John Morse, in 1677:*

*Wing, wealthy Boston shopkeeper, was brother-in-law to Richard Knight, and m. Joshabeth, dau. James Davis, states Savage, etc.

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27 Aug. 1679, "Richard Knight of Boston . . . Shopkeeper . . . with the . . . full consent of Hannah his wife for . . . fifty pounds . . . paid by John Richards of sd. Boston Mercht . . . Confirme unto the sd. John Richards", one half part of the two acres, in Boston, "formerly purchased by the sd. Richard Knight and John Wing jointly of John Morse"; both sign; ack. and recd. the same day; wit: Samuel Phillips and Isa Addington. On the margin appears the statement, by Knight, that he has not performed the conditions for the redemption, that the time of redemption has long since expired, and that he is still unable to comply, so gives absolute possession to Richards; signs 25 Aug. 1684; ack. same and recd. 30 Aug. 1684; Also, "Livery & Seizen with full & peaceable possession given & received of the premises by the withnamed ptys in their own proper psons in presence of Richard Knight Edward Crick Henry Messenger." (Suffolk Deeds, 11:212.)

Mortgages were enacted in the settlement of Hope Allen's estate, etc.:

20 April 1681, Richard Knight, of Boston, shopkeeper, and Hannah, his wife, for £150 paid them by Penn Townsend, merchant, and John Man, "Loafe bread baker", convey to Townsend and Man, land and buildings, including the mansion house, all property of Hope Allen decd., either by purchase of the children of the decd., or otherwise; both sign; ack. and recd. 1681; wit: John Saffin and Isa Addition. (*Ibid.*, 12:48.)

2 Jan. 1682-3, Richard Knight, of Boston, shopkeeper, for securing the payment of £317 owed by him unto Thomas Kellond, Humphry Luscombe, Adam Winthrop, James Taylor, Henry Mountfort and Robert Johnson, all of same, merchants, and with the consent of Hannah, his wife, conveyed to them all their land in Boston, with a house thereon, in which they dwelt, bounded east by the land of John Wing, etc., also all right to another house there, it "being the late Mansion House of Hope Allen deced." either by purchase of the children of the said Hope, or otherwise, the said Hannah being the late relict and sole executrix of the last will of the said Hope Allen, said house being situated on Hudsons Lane; also a piece of land adjacent to the said house; also part of said estate; ack. and recd. Jan. 1682-83; wit: Isa Addington and Anthony Stoddard Jr.* (*Ibid.*, 12:321.)

29 April 1684, an attachment [copy] issued against Knight's failure to deliver mortgaged property, formerly in the possession of Hope Allen decd., etc. (Mass. Archives, 36:341-342.)

23 Sept. 1684, Abigail Kellond, widow, relict and sole administratrix of the estate of Thomas Kellond, merchant, decd., with Humphry Luscombe, Adam Winthrop, James Taylor, Henry Mountfort and Robert Johnson, all of Boston, merchants, for £220, paid them by Sampson Stoddard, of same, mariner, convey to him all their house and land there, "(being sometime the Mansion house of Hope Allen deced)" on Hudsons lane, and a parcel of land adjacent; ack. and recd. 1684. (Suffolk Deeds, 13:186.)

Hannah, widow of Hope Allen, and widow also of Richard Knight, became the wife of Lt. Richard Way, 13 Aug. 1689. † 18 Dec. 1690, we have the objection of Nathaniel Thayer, administrator, to his settlement of the estate of the late James Townsend of Boston, and the answer of Elizabeth, widow of the said decd., etc. (Mass. Archives, 36:248-252.)

Also, 28 Oct. 1691:

Lt. Richard Way, who married Hannah Knight, formerly Hannah Allen, Executrix of the last will of Hope Allen, late of Boston, decd., and Hannah, his wife, as Plaintiffs, vs. Samson Stoddard, of Boston, mariner, defendant. The latter was keeping, in his possession, three seventh parts of a house and land formerly Hope Allen's, which was left in the hands of said Hannah for payments to Elizabeth Allen, Deborah Allen, and Hope Allen, the children of the said Hope Allen decd., out of the estate of their father and by him bequeathed, in his will, it being on Hudson's Lane, now Wing's Lane. They won the case and were

**Vide* Mass. Archives, 36:338, in which a copy of this transfer appears.

†There are many mentions of him in the Archives from 1667.

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granted the three sevenths, with the costs of the suit etc. (Sup. Ct. of Jud., 2255.)*

In view of the verdict on the above case, we have the very interesting and valuable, genealogically, conveyance and sale made by the children of Hope and Hannah (Townsend) (Hull) Allen, in which Elizabeth (Allen) Wager, wife of Andrew Wager, joins, viz:

14 Dec. 1691, "Witness Whereas Sampson Stoddard of Boston . . . Mariner formerly purchas[ed] a Certain . . . messuage . . . in Boston in . . . Hudsons alias Wings lane being the Dwelling house of Hope Allen late of Boston Currier deced three seventh parts of the said house & Land . . . belonging unto Elisabeth now wife of Andrew Waker Deborah now wife of Mr Deodate Lawson & Hope Allen three of the Children of . . . Hope Allen . . . by Vertue of his last Will . . .", mentions a court action about this property, and "Now Know . . . that Richard Way & Hannah his wife late relict & sole Executrix of the last will . . . of Hope Allen Andrew Waker & Elisabeth his wife Deodate Lawson & Deborah his wife for . . .", £120, convey to the said Stoddard, and "with the . . . Consent of Joseph How & William Gibson Overseers of the last will of . . . Hope Allen", their said three sevenths part of the said messuage; all sign and with them Andrew and Elisabeth "Waker"; ack. same day and recd. 20 March 1729; wit: Christopher "Web" and Joseph Townsend. (Suffolk Deeds, 44:118.)†

Richard Way lived for some six years after the passing of the above deed and then died testate. His will, as of Boston, calls him infirm of body, etc., and was dated 2 Jan. 1696-97 and proved 28 Oct. 1697. It contains this clause:

"And forasmuch as I have no Reason to believe any of my owne children are surviving I do . . . bequeath unto my Lovinge Wife Hanah Way all my Estate . . . to be at her Dispose forever", she to serve as executrix, with Capt. John Attwood and Stephen ffrench, of Boston, as her assistants. The will was witnessed by John Comer, Adam dinsdell and William Stretton. The inventory mentions his sword, a dwelling house worth £200, and came to a total of £265-02-06, to which Hannah attested, 28 Oct. 1697. There is only the will and the inventory in the file. (Suffolk Probate, 2403.)

With the generous provision made for her by her second husband, Hope Allen, plus her inheritance from her father and another from her uncle, in addition to which she had her rights in the estates of her first husband, Thomas Hull, of her third husband, Richard Knight, and all of the estate of her fourth husband, Lt. Richard Way, Hannah was a "warm" widow. In 1700, she joined with other Townsend heirs in this conveyance:

14 Oct. 1700, "Hannah Way, widow, Deborah Thayer, widow, Peter Townsend, son of Peter Townsend deced, James Townsend, Son of James Townsend deced being: four of ye imediate children & right heirs of Wm Townsend late of Boston . . . Planter deced send Greeting Know yt we . . . in our right & Peter Townsend & James Townsend in right of representation of our respective Fathers before named for . . . Fifty Pounds apiece to each of us . . . paid by Penn Townsend of Boston . . . Esqr one other Son & heir of Wm Townsend above named (including what was formerly advanced & in way of Portion . . . upon Peter Townsend & James Townsend deced . . . As also what has been advanced & paid by the said Penn Townsend for ye Support of Hannah Townsend relict . . . of . . . Willm Townsend . . . During her life & decent interment at her death", etc., quit claim all their rights to said Penn Townsend in the estate of the said William Townsend; Hannah Way ack. 7 Jan. 1700-01; recd. 8 Jan. 1700-01;

*4 papers in this File.

†The place of residence of the grantors is not cited.

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wit: Penn Townsend Jr., Philip and Hannah Finnee — Philip by his “P.F.” mark. (Suffolk Deeds, 20:125.)

Twelve years later, the widow, Hannah Way, sold the house her last husband had left to her:

19 July 1712, “Hannah Way Relict Widow Sole Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of Richard Way late of Boston . . . Cooper deced Sendeth Greeting &c Whereas the said Richard Way in his Last Will”, dated 2 Jan. 1696–97, and approved, stated that “Forasmuch as I have no Reason to believe any of my own Children are surviving I do by these presents will . . . to my now loving wife Hannah Way all my Estate”, therefore the said Hannah Way, for £205, sold John Sunderland, of Boston, mariner, all her dwelling house and land there, of which her said husband had died seized, etc., bounded on Fish St. [North St.]; ack. 15 Oct. 1712; wit: William and Elizabeth Sheeprave and Thomas Rowell. (*Ibid.*, 26:237.)

The will of Col. Penn Townsend, brother of Hannah, and uncle of our Elizabeth (Allen) Wager, names his sister as living, 10 Aug. 1721:

“Item I give unto my sister Hannah Way the sum of ffive pounds pr annum during her Natural Life.”

The will was proved 26 Aug. 1727. There are no records of any payments made Hannah nor any further mention of her in the various papers and records of this estate; however, a citation to John Searle, of Chelsea, the surviving executor of the will, 10 Apr. 1749, to appear in court with an inventory, was filed, and, an account, by the said Searle, names Madame Townsend and Sarah Sale, but no mention of Hannah Way. [Col. Townsend, the testator, left only daughters.] (Suffolk Probate, 5489.)

There is no recorded probate for Hannah (Townsend) (Hull) (Allen) (Knight) Way in Suffolk, Middlesex or Essex Counties.

Children* by first wife:

- i. EDWARD,² of Dover, N. H., b. about 1650; m. SARAH ———, who d. about 1720.

As has been noted his father gave him 400 acres, being a large part of the present Portland, Maine, which Edward sold by two deeds, 1678 and 1681. He was first of Berwick, Maine, where he was fined at York Court, 1673, but soon settled on Dover Neck. He was prison keeper, 1678, and in “1703–04 he visited Lynn, to assist the widow about his bro. Capt. Benjamin’s estate.”†

Children:

1. *Edward*,³ of Nantucket, Mass., b. in Boston, Mass., 11 July 1671; m. Ann Coleman.
2. *Jacob*, of Dover, cordwainer, m. (1) Martha Dam; m. (2) Mary (Spencer) Jones.
3. *Benjamin*, d. between 1705 and 1708. He was raised by his paternal uncle, Capt. Benjamin Allen (*vide post*).
4. *Ebenezer*, remembered in the 1703 will of said uncle. Probably Benjamin or Ebenezer was the son who “went to sea”.†
5. *Rachel*, m. 3 Oct. 1692 John Twambly.
6. *Sarah*, m. Benjamin Wentworth of Somersworth, N. H.
7. *Leah* (probably), m. 1 Dec. 1699 Thomas Canney.
8. *Elizabeth* (probably), m. 2 Dec. 1700 Thomas Pinkham.

These children are not named in order of birth; he is said to have had three sons and “several” daughters, perhaps Ebenezer, *s.p.*?

*With the exception of Elizabeth no special research has been made re these children. The compiler is especially indebted to G. Andrews Moriarty, Esq., for additional data on Jacob, from whom he is twice descended.

†See “Maine and New Hampshire Genealogical Dictionary”, 1928–39, Libby-Noyes-Davis, p. 62.

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- ii. RACHEL, b. about 1652 and bapt. in Boston 16 Sept. 1666; probably d. *s.p.* by 3 May 1677, as she is not named in her father's careful will; m. (1) probably in Lynn, Mass., in 1670, "Mr." JOSEPH DEACON, who d. by 27 Feb. 1671, when his will, dated 4 Nov. 1670, was proved. Of Boston, and by God's Providence, "called forth to sea", etc., he left all his estate in New England, Jamaica and Old England, and elsewhere, to "Rachill Deacon the Daughter of Hope Allen of Boston . . . now my wife"; to dau.-in-law, Mary Burroughs, £300 at day of m. or age of 21, and wife to care for her; to Mr. Arthur Mason and Mr. John "Peas", £10 each, and they to be co-ex.; signed by mark of J. D.; wit: Lyonell Wheatly, his mark, and Thomas Bingley. Test. re the child, Mary Burroughs [a step child?], and provisions for her care, 27 Feb. 1670-71; inventory of the estate of said decd., late of "Iland of Jameca", filed by Mason and Pease, 28 July 1671, and attested by them; also list of debts filed same day — Deacon had done much business with Henry Bull of Rhode Island (Suffolk Probate, 560). 18 July 1672, Arthur Mason, with *Richard Knight* and Thomas Blog [rest torn and no copy] as sureties, was app. gdn. to Mary Burroughs, dau.-in-law to Joseph Deacon decd., who was left by sd. decd. to sd. Mason's care [signatures torn off]. (*Ibid.*, 560½.) [*Vide ante* for more data re Rachel and the ward and orphan, Mary Burroughs.] Rachel (Allen) Deacon m. (2) by 13 May 1671 WILLIAM SHUTE of Jamaica, who was alive in 1674.
- iii. JACOB, mariner, b. in Boston, Mass., 22 Feb. 1653-54 and bapt. there 16 Sept. 1666; d. in Sewee Bay, S. C., between 18 Sept. 1702 and 1 Oct. 1706; m. (1) probably in Lynn, Mass., by 26 Feb. 1674-75, ELIZABETH CLIFFORD, living 20 June 1700, daughter of John Clifford; m. (2) probably in South Carolina, between 1700 and 1706, MARY ———, who survived.

We have noted his being apprenticed to John Coney of Boston in 1666, and the court action re the non performance of Coney in 1674, also, the legacy to him in his father's will in 1677, and in 1678-9, Jacob's suit re the same.

7 Nov. 1670, George Hacker sold him, as of Salem, and a cooper, land there at So. Harbor, Bethiah r.d. ack. 1678. (Essex Deeds, 5:17.) In a court case of John Clifford's Elizabeth Allen [autograph] acts as a wit., 26 Feb. 1674-5, and both Jacob and Elizabeth Allen [autographs] wit. a bond, 27 June 1676, same case; also Jacob was surety, 1679, for Clifford, same case; and, in June 1680, signed a Salem petition. (Essex Files, 6:165-6; 7:324, 402.) Jacob paid rates at Salem, 1683, and appears in the town records. (Perley's Salem; Salem Town Records, 3:164, 239, 253.) There are a number of mentions of him in the Massachusetts Archives. 30 Sept. 1693, John Clifford of Lynn, ropemaker, and wife, Elizabeth, convey, for £100, to Jacob Allen, mariner, of Salem, 20 acres in Lynn, at Spring Pond, with housing, also a house and land in Salem, with certain provisoes; 30 Dec. 1693, Whereas my beloved father-in-law and mother-in-law, John and Elizabeth "Cleford", for £100, have sold unto me, Jacob Allen, all their dwelling house in Lynn, as also their house in Salem, therefore I, the said Allen, give the same at my death, to my wife, Elizabeth Allen, the dau. of the sd. Cliffords, and to her issue b. by me, etc. In 1694-95 Alice, widow of Evan Thomas of Boston, sold Jacob Allen of Lynn, mariner, land in Lynn and also made a second sale to him of Lynn property that year. (Essex Deeds, 11:188; 10:168; 11:126, 127) [A Jacob Allen deed, 11:276, torn off.] 25 May 1696, Thomas Arthur test. that Capt. Jacob Allen, shortly before that date, had been captured by the French off Hispaniola, and was put ashore on Jamaica. (Sup. Ct. of Jud.) In 1696, Capt. Jacob Allen was granted land in or near Charleston, S. C. (S. C. Deeds, Columbia, S. C.) 14 June 1697, Capt. Jacob Allen of Salem,

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mariner, gave a power of attorney to his wife, Elizabeth, which he ack. at Newport, R. I., and, acting under this, 12 July 1697, Elizabeth Allen sold property on N. side of Salem Harbor to Philip English (Essex Deeds, 12:1), which was confirmed by John "Kronshiel" and wife, Elizabeth, and Mary Allen. (Sup. Ct. of Jud.) 29 Dec. 1698, Elizabeth, wife of Jacob Allen of Lynn, bought property there of William Stacy. (Essex Deeds, 13:69.) 16 Jan. 1698-9, Capt. Jacob Allen of Salem appeared in Lower Norfolk Co. Ct. (Va.) as attorney for Thomas Maule of Salem, Mass. (Minute Book, Lower Norfolk Co. Ct., Portsmouth, Va.) 20 June 1700, Elizabeth Allen, attorney of her husband, Jacob Allen of Salem, mariner, mortgaged to "John Casper Richter von Cronkenschiel" of Boston, physician, for £150, property at Spring Pond in Lynn, as purchased by her said husband of John Clifford of Lynn, etc. (Essex Deeds, 18:206.) 18 Sept. 1702, Capt. Jacob Allen was granted 250 acres in Berkeley Co., S. C., bounding on his own land and S. on Sewee Sound. (S. C. Deeds, Columbia, S. C.)

1 Oct. 1706, Mary Allen, widow, with John Buckley, Esq., as surety, was app. adm. of the estate of Jacob Allen, "late of Sewee deceased". (S. C. Records, Columbia, S. C.) 18 Nov. 1712, the heirs of Jacob Allen and his wife, Elizabeth, "he more lately of S. C. deceased", sold land at Salem, which had belonged to John Clifford of Salem, decd., father of the said Elizabeth, etc. (Essex Deeds.) "There was a settlement of New England people in Charleston Ch. Parish (Sewee), in 1695-6, composed of persons who had been wrecked at Cape Fear. This settlement was augmented and became quite important." (Hist. Presbyterian Ch., in S. C., 1870, 1:119.)*

Children by first wife:

1. *Rachel*,* b. in Salem 4 Feb. 1675; m. there, 10 Oct. 1694, Joseph Hilliard of Salem, d. in Marblehead, Mass., in 1744-5, son of Capt. Edward Hilliard. Child: (surname *Hilliard*): (1) Martha, m. her first cousin, Clifford Crowninshield (see below).
 2. *Mary*, b. about 1677, as daughter of Jacob Allen, mariner; m. in Lynn, 20 Oct. 1699, Benjamin Boyce of Salem.
 3. *Elizabeth*, bapt. in Salem 4 May 1679; m. (1) in Lynn, 5 Dec. 1694, Dr. John Kaspar Richter von Kronenshelt, d. in Boston 19 Dec. 1711; m. (2) in Boston, 14 April 1712, Thomas Pomfret. Children by first husband (surname *Crowninshield*): † (1) John. (2) Clifford. (3) Richard.
- iv. JOSEPH, b. 4 Oct. 1655 and bapt. in Boston 16 Sept. 1666; d. by May 1677.
- v. LEAH, b. 16 May 1657; d. in Boston 9 July 1657.
- vi. MARY (twin), b. 15 June 1659 and bapt. 16 Sept. 1666; living in May 1677.
- vii. MARTHA (twin), b. 15 June 1659; d. young.
- viii. BENJAMIN, of Salem, mariner, b. 10 Jan. 1661 and bapt. 16 Sept. 1666; d. by 1 July 1703; m. about 1686 MARY ———, d. in Salem 10 March 1703-04, aged 43.
- He was named in his father's will of 1677; there are a number of references for him in Massachusetts Archives. The Sup. Ct. of Jud. has not been examined; he must not be confused with a contemporary of the same name of Salisbury, Mass. He was of Salem, 1686, 1691, 1691-2. (Salem Town Records, 3:165, 247, 252, 260, 262.)

*Mr. Moriarty points out that care must be made not to confuse this Capt. Jacob Allen of Sewee with a Jacob Allen, merchant, of Charleston, S. C., who came from Madeira and owned land on Goose Creek up the river above Charleston, an Anglican.

†For Crowninshield see Driver Genealogy (1889), p. 268.

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In 1694, Capt. Benjamin Allen bought land in Salem, with a house, of James and Anstice Powland; in 1695, he bought more land there, and, the same year, as a mariner, sold some to Samuel Archer, mentioning a deed of even date; wife Mary r.d. (Essex Deeds, 9:108; 11:12, 14, 15; 15:156.) 3 Sept. 1697, he bought wharf property in Salem of Gedney *et als.*, and, in Lynn, of Joseph Newhall of same. (*Ibid.*, 12:100, 138, 139.) In 1691, he was app. to command the ketch, *Endeavor*, and wrote letters in this connection. His commission of 22 June 1691 was signed by Governor Bradstreet. (Perley's Salem, 3:306.)

1 July 1703, Mary Allen, as widow, was app. adm. of the estate of her husband, Capt. Benjamin Allen, late of Salem, decd., with Stephen Sewall and William Gedney, as sureties; 17 May 1704, Gedney became adm. *de bonis non*, due to the widow's decease. There is, on file, a letter written by her, 8 Sept. 1703, and an answer by Ambrose Crowley of London, 12 Sept. 1704, etc.

The inventory of his estate is detailed and of interest—walnut chest of drawers, pendulum clock (£12), £200 pieces of eight, 2 "outlandish spears", etc. (Essex Probate, 379.)

10 March 1703-04, Sarah Bowditch, Abigail Verry and Ledia Carkette, test. that Mrs. Mary Allen, widow of the late Capt. Benjamin Allen of Salem, decd., then sick, gave her estate equally to daus. Mrs. Mary and Mrs. Rachel Allen, also a legacy of £30 to her husband's nephew, Benjamin Allen, and a legacy of £15 to her other nephew, Ebenezer Allen, the children of her husband's brother, Edward Allen of Dover in Piscataqua. Verry and Carkette sign by mark. (*Ibid.*, 473.)

10 Aug. 1705, Capt. Benjamin Allen, late of Salem, mariner, d. some years since, beyond Sea, and left his widow, Mary Allen, and since that time she is also d. and the sd. Capt. Allen left 2 daus., viz: Mary and Rachel, being minors, for whom Capt. Walter Price of Salem, merchant, was gdn. to Mary, the eldest, and Mr. William Gedney, of Salem, merchant, was gdn. to Rachel, the youngest. (Notarial Records, Essex Co., copied by Waters; see THE REGISTER, 29:319.) 31 March 1708, adm. estate of Benjamin Allen, son of Edward, was granted to John Richards, of Salem, mariner, with William Pickering, mariner, as his surety; from the files it appears that he had been given a legacy by his "ant Mary Allen", in her verbal will, and had been raised by his uncle, Capt. Benjamin Allen; in 1705, young Benjamin wrote an excellent hand, as see one of the papers. (Essex Probate, 380.) In 1704, we have the gdn. of Mary Allen (wife of Capt. John Richards in 1705).* (*Ibid.*, 474.)

A map of Captain Allen's Salem holdings appears in the *Essex Antiquarian*, 11:160, 167 (see also 4:15). 3 Jan. 1705, Capt. John Richards of Boston, mariner, and wife Mary, one of the daus. of Capt. Benjamin Allen, late of Salem, mariner, decd., gave a release to Capt. Walter Price, as her gdn.; recd. 1706. (Essex Deeds, 18:134, 135.) 28 Oct. 1709, Mrs. Rachel Allen, one of the daus. of Capt. Benjamin Allen, decd., sold Capt. John Richards, of same, mariner, land there; she signs; wit: Edward Richards and Samuel Greenwood, Jr. (*Ibid.*, 21:133.) 23 July 1711, John Richards of Salem, mariner, for £90, with wife Mary, sold land there to Phippen; both sign. (*Ibid.*, 22:278.) 29 March 1716, Capt. John Richards of Boston, and wife Mary, sold Salem property; also, with wife Mary, of Boston and a mariner, he sold land in Salem to Samuel Giles, 7 Dec. 1720. (*Ibid.*, 29:267; 39:249.) In 1727, as of Boston, with wife Mary and dau. Mary, a spinster, he sold Salem land to Grafton, and all 3 sign. (*Ibid.*, 50:5.) In 1732, Benjamin Alford of Boston, for £20, sold John Richards,

*The guardianship of Rachel Allen, if any, has not been examined in Salem.

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formerly of Boston, and now of Lynn, mariner, land in Lynn; wit: *Nathaniel Henchman* and *Mary Legaree*.* The same year Benjamin Alford of Boston, with John Richards of Lynn, and Mary Richards, spinster, of Lynn, for £40, sold Peter Osgood of Salem, land in Salem, formerly the estate of Capt. Benjamin Allen, late of same, decd., and which he had purchased in 1697 of Bowditch, etc., all 4 sign, as Mary Richards r.d. (*Ibid.*, 61:41.) In 1733, Mary Richards of Lynn, dau. of Capt. John Richards, a single-woman, sold property. (*Ibid.*, 64:149.)

Children, probably b. in Salem:

1. *Mary*,³ b. about 1687; m. in Salem, 25 Oct. 1705, Capt. John Richards of Boston, Salem and Lynn.†
2. *Rachel*, b. about 1689; m. in Boston, 10 Nov. 1709, Benjamin Alford, b. there 5 Oct. 1686, son of Benjamin and Mary (Richards) Alford (see Bradford MS., by Winifred Lovering Holman). Mary (Richards) Alford and Capt. John Richards, husband of Mary Allen, were not related.

ix. *MARTHA*, b. 30 March 1664; d. by 16 Sept. 1666.

Child by second wife:

x. *JOHN*, b. 20 Nov. 1670 and bapt. in Boston 24 Nov. 1670; d. by May 1677.

Children by third wife:

- xi. *JAMES* (twin), b. 6 Sept. 1672; d. by May 1677.
- xii. *ELIZABETH* (twin), b. 6 Sept. 1672; m. Andrew Wager, *vide post*.
- xiii. *DEBORAH*, b. 26 March 1674 and bapt. 29 March 1674; m. Rev. DEODATE LAWSON, son of Rev. Thomas Lawson of Denton, Norfolk.

He came to New England about 1680; of Edgartown, 1681–1682, of Danvers (Salem), 1683–1688, ordained in Norwell (Second Church of Scituate), November 1694, settled there until 1698. He returned to England and died there.

She joined with her sister, Elizabeth Wager, and brother, Hope Allen, as the wife of Deodate Lawson, in a deed drawn in 1691 and recorded in 1729, *vide ante*. (See *The Mayflower Descendant*, vol. 11.)

xiv. *RACHEL*, b. 16 May 1676; d. by May 1677.

xv. *HOPE*, b. 18 June 1677; living in December 1691.

[To be continued]

*These two witnesses will appear later.

†The Richards Mem. (1861), pp. 163-4, identifies this John as b. 1 May 1677, son of John³ Richards (Edward,² Richard¹) of Lynn, which may or may not be correct. 14 Sept. 1688, articles of agreement between Thomas Maule of Salem, shopkeeper, and John Richards of Boston, mariner, cite the latter's dwelling house in Salem. (Essex Deeds, 8:112; see also under Jacob Allen.) If this is our John, he was not b. in 1677! A John became a freeman in 1691. As shipmaster of Boston, Salem and Lynn, there are many references to our John in the Massachusetts Archives. The said Richards Mem. gives John a second wife, Lydia Phillips, and names issue by her, but the compiler of this article thinks that the author, Morse, was confused with the divers John Richards; however, the compiler has done no special research re Capt. John Richards, beyond proving that Mary, daughter of Capt. Benjamin Allen, was his wife and that their eldest child, Mary Richards, became the third wife of Nathaniel Henchman, Sr., of Boston and Lynn. Capt. John and Mary (Allen) Richards had: Mary, b. in Boston 17 Nov. 1706; m. as his 3d wife, in Lynn, 6 Nov. 1733, Nathaniel Henchman, Sr., a merchant, who d. in Lynn 19 July 1749, aged 94. He had m. (1) Hannah (Greenwood) Green and (2) Dorothy Emerson. By his first wife he had Rev. Nathaniel Henchman, pastor in Lynn, whose first wife was Deborah Wager, daughter of Elizabeth (Allen) Wager and a granddaughter of Hope Allen; perhaps Sarah, b. 16 July 1717. [Perhaps the third wife of Nathaniel Henchman, Sr., was Mary (Allen) Richards and not her daughter? *vide post*.]

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