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ALEXANDER STEWART OF CHARLESTOWN

ALEXANDER STEWART, a tailor, married Oct. 15, 1662, Hannah Templar in Charlestown, Mass. She was born in Yarmouth Jan. 5, 1643, daughter of Richard and Hannah (Prichard) Templar. Richard Prichard, a shoemaker of Yarmouth, in his will dated Jan. 22, 1669, probated Feb. 20, 1669, bequeathed to his grandchild Hannah, wife of Alexander Stewart, and to her children James and John. Alexander was administrator of the estate of James Nicholls in 1667; he bought a house of Ann Templar in 1674, and in 1678 he signed a receipt for £20 from the Templar estate. In 1682 he sold to Peter Tufts 11 acres on the Mystic side, from Richard Pritchett, lot 128. His wife Hannah died Aug. 21, 1674; and all the children, except James, were baptized May 9, 1675. Children, born in Charlestown:

- 1 James, May 8, 1665; probably died young
- 2 John, Nov. 24, 1667. No trace
- 3 Samuel, Dec. 19, 1669. No trace
- 4 Hannah, Jan. 24, 1672
- 5 Margaret, Aug. 11, 1674

Dr. Savage thought he afterwards went to Marlborough, but there is no evidence.

ALEXANDER STEWART OF MARLBOROUGH

ALEXANDER STEWART of Marlborough, Mass., married May 23, 1688, Deborah [Rediat] Forbes in Sudbury. She was born in Sudbury in 1652, daughter of John Rediat and his wife Anne Dolt, who were married Aug. 26, 1643, in Sudbury. Deborah married (1) May 23, 1679, in Concord, Daniel Forbes, as his second wife: Forbes died in October, 1687, in Marlborough. Alexander Stewart was called "of Boston": he was a member of the west regiment of Middlesex, garrisoned in Marlborough Mar. 18, 1691-2, and also in the Indian war, 1704. His wife Deborah died Apr. 22, 1720 [1721], aged 68. Alexander died Apr. 6, 1731.* Children recorded in Marlborough:

- 1 Mary, Feb. 13, 1689
- 2 Daniel, Feb. 6, 1691; =+ Dec. 12, 1719, Persis Witte
- 3 Alexander, Jan. 15, 1695-6. No trace*

DANIEL STEWART (Alexander's) married Dec. 12, 1718-9, Persis Witte, in Marlborough. She died July 26, 1786, in New Braintree, at the home of her daughter, Persis Ayers. Children of Daniel and Persis, born in Marlborough:

- 1 John, May 4, 1721: + Aug. 20, 1740
- 2 Daniel, Oct. 14, 1722: + Mar. 13, 1748, Lydia Cutting, in Leicester: Paxton
- 3 Mary, Oct. 16, 1724: + May 27, 1756, Edmund Parmenter
- 4 Deborah, Feb. 18, 1727; = Feb. 24, 1747-8, Isaiah Watt
- 5 Persis, Mar. 23, 1729; + Aug. 25, 1736
- 6 Antipas, Dec. 28, 1733; 1= Sep. 8, 1773, Rachel Haley, in Cambridge
- 7 Rediat, Apr. 12, 1736; = May 22, 1765, Lucy Adams, Brookfield: Montague
- 8 Ebenezer, Aug. 22, 1738; + Aug. 1, 1740
- 9 Persis, June 19, 1743; = May 15, 1766, Jabez Ayers

*Alexander Stewart married Feb. 7, 1721-2. — Wheeler. — Marlborough church record.
+ = means married; + means marriage intention; + means died; — means refer to page.

STUARTS OF NORWALK, CONN.

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ROBERT¹ STUART (sometimes Stewart) of Norwalk left no will. His widow Bethia and eldest son James were appointed administrators Dec. 5, 1688 [Fairfield county wills III, 260]. James Beebe sold their land [IV, 4b, 4c]. Children:

- 1 James, aged 26 [in 1689. He was born Mar. 19, 1663.]
- 2 Abigail Cosier, aged 23
- 3 John, aged 21. [The town of Norwalk on Mar. 4, 1708-9, "makes choyse of
- 4 Deborah, aged 19 John Steward to claim and sell all stray jades for
- 5 Elizabeth, aged 17 the town," etc.]
- 6 Phebe, aged 15
- 7 Sarah, aged 13
- 8 Samuel, aged 11 ye next May ensuing
- 9 Rachel, aged 3

Ensign JAMES² STUART (Robert¹) of Norwalk left a will, Jan. 19, 1750-1 [X, 218a]. Wife Experience. Executors: son Robert and son-in-law John Taylor. Witnesses: Elnathan Hanford, James Taylor, Hannah Hanford (Hannah Hanford now wife of David Lockwood. June 12, 1751; X 219). [James Stuart was appointed May 11, 1710, ensign of the north company in the town of Norwalk by the general assembly of Connecticut.] Children named in will:

- 1 James
- 2 Robert
- 3 Hannah, wife of James Taylor
- 4 Deborah, wife of James Pickett. [They were married Apr. 14, 1726]
- 5 Mary, wife of John Morehouse
- 6 Eunice, deceased, wife of John Parret

SAMUEL² STUART, Sr. (Robert¹) of Norwalk, will Sep. 6, 1748 [XI]. Wife Hannah. Executor: oldest son Samuel. Witnesses: William Taylor, John Stuart 3rd and Isaac Chase. Inventory taken by Nathaniel Darrow and John Stuart, jr. Children named in will:

- 1 Samuel, eldest son (also referred to as 3rd Samuel). [Ensign 1748]
- 2 John, second son
- 3 Simeon, third son
- 4 Nathan, youngest son
- 5 [Daughter], deceased: children—Joseph, Elizabeth and Mary Araton
- 6 [Daughter], deceased: children—Samuel, Dorothy and Sarah Saintjohn

STEWARTS OF LONDONDERRY, N. H.

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FROM THE BOOK BY B. FRANK SEVERANCE

Lt. WILLIAM³ STEWART (Charles,⁴ John,³ Robert,² Walter¹), born Feb. 12, 1733, in Londonderry, N. H., came to Colrain, Mass., with his father and resided on the old homestead. He married Elizabeth³ Clark, daughter of Matthew² Clark (who was killed by the Indians in 1746) and granddaughter of John¹ and Agnes (Adams) Clark. She was born in 1733. William Stewart became prominent in the affairs of the town, both in peace and war. He was a soldier under Capt. Israel Williams at Colrain and Charlemont in 1755, 1756 and 1757 in the contest against the Indians and the French: he was one of the minute-men who marched on the Lexington alarm in April, 1775, under Capt. Hugh McClellan, and he later served as a lieutenant in the militia. He served with Lt. James Stewart [page 3] on the com-

mittee of correspondence for the Revolutionary war, and was a member of the committee of seven appointed May 16, 1779, to discuss, approve or disapprove the new constitution of Massachusetts. He was chosen selectman in 1769, 1779, 1781, 1783, 1784 and 1786. In 1770 he with three others bought land lying in Bernardston Gore "on a river called Green River," and in 1771 he was one of the signers of the petition to have the Gore annexed to Colrain. He sold his old homestead to William Nelson and went to live with his son in the Gore. He died following a paralytic stroke Dec. 6, 1799, and Matthew Clark was appointed administrator. His widow was still living when the inventory was taken Nov. 19, 1804. Children:

- 1 Thankful, Dec. 24, 1758, Colrain
- 2 David, Feb. 24, 1761; =Miriam Haven and lived in Colrain
- 3 Sarah, July 26, 1763
- 4 Jonathan, Nov. 30, 1765; +Sep. 10, 1767
- 5 Mary, Nov. 5, 1768
- 6 Jonathan, Apr. 10, 1771. [Jerusha, Apr. 10, 1771.—Town clerk]
- 7 Ann, — 1781. [Perhaps daughter who married Thaddeus Maynard]

JOHN⁵ STEWART (Charles,⁴ John,³ Robert,² Walter¹) born about 1735 in Londonderry, N. H., came to Colrain probably with his father in 1748. He became one of the bravest and most daring Indian fighters of his day. When still a mere youth he started out one day with his gun to find a stray cow. As he went through the woods he heard the tinkling of the cowbell, but he noticed an odd regularity to the tapping. With the caution which life in the wilderness develops young Stewart crept through a thicket until he discerned an Indian sitting near a spring—the redskin had taken the bell off the cow and was alternately ringing it and picking the flint of his musket, waiting for the white man to walk into his trap. It was a bright idea, alright, but the bullet which the lad put through his head ended forever this Indian's scheming. On Mar. 25, 1756, Stewart enlisted under Capt. Israel Williams and served at Charlemont until Oct. 18, enlisted again the next day and served till Jan. 20, at the same place, entered the service Nov. 3, 1758, under Capt. John Burk and served four weeks at Morrison's fort in Colrain, and enlisted again Dec. 1, 1758, and served till Sep. 24, 1759. Tradition claims him as a Revolutionary soldier, but no enlistments have been found. He married Ann McClellan, born in Ireland in 1736, daughter of Michael and Jane (Henry) McClellan. She died in Colrain Feb. 14, 1801, and the following year he sold his homestead and lived with his son Enos. Some five years later he went to live with his children at Truxton, Cortland county, N. Y.: there he died Aug. 28, 1818. Children [his record]:

- 1 Robert, Sep. 29, 1761, Colrain; +Mar. 1, 1776
- 2 Charles, July 5, 1763; 1=Mary Hurlbert: 2=Hannah Gates: lived in Truxton
- 3 Enos, July 15, 1766; =Dec. 6, 1787, Lucretia Clark: Colrain
- 4 Mary, Apr. 13, 1769; +Jan. 14, 1773
- 5 John, Sep. 20, 1771; +June 22, 1772
- 6 Hugh, June 16, 1773; = ——— and settled in Truxton, N. Y., in 1803: +1857
- 7 William, Feb. 23, 1776; = ——— and settled in Truxton in 1803: +in Ohio
- 8 Anna, Oct. 15, 1778; =John Wilson of Colrain
- 9 Polly, Mar. 16, 1782; =1802, Dea. Billy Trowbridge: Truxton

SAMUEL⁵ STEWART (Charles,⁴ John,³ Robert,² Walter¹), born about 1737 in Londonderry, N. H. We'll give you our hat if you can complete this man's story.

To be continued

STEWARTS OF JOHNSTOWN, N.Y.

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BY ALBERT MONTEITH STEWART

Eunice Jane⁵ Stewart (Robert W.,⁴ James,³ Robert,² Alexander¹), born Feb. 26, 1843, married Feb. 22, 1863, Prentice Bowman. She died Apr. 9, 1866. Their only child, Susie Bowman, died in 1865.

Mary Elizabeth⁵ Stewart (Robert W.⁴), born May 25, 1853, married Jan. —, 1873, Thomas Charles. She died Aug. 28, 1878. Children: Robert Stewart, Mar. —, 1874; Alfred, Sep. —, 1876, died Dec. 13, 1876; Susie Luella, July 31, 1878, died Dec. 24, 1885.

JOHN JAMES⁵ STEWART (Robert W.⁴), born Dec. 24, 1854, married Sep. 22, 1880, Frankie Nichols. Hebron, Ill. Children:

- 1 Mary Nichols, Nov. 6, 1881
- 2 Robert Wright, Dec. 9, 1883
- 3 Donald, May 2, 1891

HARRY EDWARD⁵ STEWART (Robert W.⁴), born Aug. 27, 1860, married Feb. 23, 1882, Hattie Thomas. He lives in Minnesota. They had: Bessie May, June 30, 1883; and others of which I have no record.

ALBERT MONTEITH⁵ STEWART (William H.,⁴ James,³ Robert,² Alexander¹), born June 25, 1866, married in Lincoln, Neb., June 14, 1888, Marion Tresise. In 1892 he returned to Chicago and engaged in the coal business, going to Tennessee in 1906 to operate mines. Knoxville, Tenn. Children:

- 1 Helen Wylhemien, Feb. 1, 1891; = June 25, 1912, William Ernest Evans
- 2 Harriett Marion, June 25, 1892; + July 25, 1892
- 3 Kathryn Eugenie, Dec. 11, 1897; = July 11, 1917, Walter Robert Moore

JAMES EHLE⁵ STEWART (John,⁴ James,³ Robert,² Alexander¹), born Sep. 2, 1850, married (1) Nov. 18, 1874, Nettie Van der Karr. She died Mar. 21, 1885; he married (2) Feb. 3, 1886, Mary J. Darling. Children, by first wife:

- 1 Frank Cogswell, Sep. 3, 1875. He and the others live in Washington state.
- 2 Glendora, Nov. 24, 1878
- 3 Clyde Irwin, Nov. 18, 1881
- 4 Clarence Vanderkarr, Mar. 15, 1885

RICHARD HENRY⁵ STEWART (John⁴), born Dec. 25, 1862, married Feb. 4, 1885, Mary A. Wilson. Champaign, Ill. Son:

- 1 Harold Wilson, July 3, 1886

WALTER SCOTT⁵ STEWART (John⁴), born Oct. 18, 1867, married (1) Feb. 19, 1890, Margaret Merry; married (2) Eva Inman. Washington state. Son:

- 1 Clifford Waterman, Mar. 9, 1891

WILLIAM JAMES⁵ STEWART (James M.,⁴ James,³ Robert,² Alexander¹), born Aug. 2, 1855, married Nov. 1, 1877, Dora Dixon. Children:

- 1 William Ballard, Aug. 23, 1878
- 2 Noah James, Apr. 4, 1880
- 3 Milton John, Aug. 31, 1882
- 4 Jessie Hamilton, Aug. 14, 1887

THE END OF A PERFECT TRAIL

Janesville, Wis., Oct. 7, 1922. Dear sir:—Your letter at hand and I am sorry that I am unable to give you any information. My father, W.W. Stewart, had an old leather traveling bag full of old letters and papers; some of them were very old and you could scarcely read the writing, and after his death we sold our home and furniture and came to Janesville to live and not thinking anyone would care for them I burned all the papers and letters. I am sorry now, for I think you could have found all the information you wish in those very papers. Hoping you will be able in some way to find what you wish, I am yours truly, Belle Stewart.