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# EARLY NEW ENGLAND STEWARTS

JAMES STEWARD, who came in the ship Forume, which arrived Nov. 11, 1621, at New Plymouth, was the first of the family to set foot on the shores of the New World. It was the second ship to arrive in Massachusetts Bay, the famous Mayflower having been the first. In the division of lands in 1624 James received a single share, indicating that he had neither wife nor child. His name does not appear in the division of cattle June 1, 1627, and as the total population is supposed to have been represented it has been assumed that he died or removed before that date. There is a possibility that he was the father of Daniel Steward of Barnstable (page 10) and Hugh of Chatham (page 18), and perhaps others.

JAMES STEWART was in New Haven, Conn., on Dec. 4, 1639, on which day a court of New Haven Colony enjoined him and another man to make double restitution to John Cokerill for 5 pounds and 17 shillings which they stole out of his chest on the Lord's day in the meeting time. Feb. 18, 1643, he and about a dozen others were "fined each man six shillings for late coming to the meeting with their arms": Mar. 7, 1643, he was fined one shilling for "late coming to trayne." In 1646 he was "complayned of for severall disorderly expressions and comtempt of the magestracye in this place." He might have been the adventurer of the Fortune.

JAMES STEWARD, perhaps the same man as above, was in Stamford, Conn., defendant in a civil action in 1649, and was a landowner there in 1650. Huntington, in his History of Stamford, says he was "probably a son of Alexander of Watertown," whoever that person may have been. This James was possibly the father of Robert of Norwalk (pages 6 and 14).

An odd bit of information gleaned from the History of Northern Wisconsin (1881) is this: "His (Alexander's') great-grandfather, Robert! Stewart, came over in the Mayflower when an infant and settled at Roxbury (Litchfield county), Conn."

JAMES STEWARD, a Scotchman of Salem, 1653, was a servant to John Gifford.—Essex Antiquarian, XII no. 2, 70. . . At a Court of Assistants held at Boston Mar. 3, 1673, James Stewart was "plaintiff on appeale relating to 430 the jury found against him. The jury brought in their virdict, they found for the plaintiff's reversion of the former judgment." This may have been the James of Weymouth, 1669 (page 6).

JOHN STEWARD's name is included Nov. 4, 1653, in a list of "35 Scotts belonging to the iron works" in the inventory of William Paine (Essex Quarterly Courts, VIII 102).

JOHN STEWARD of Springfield, Mass., was a prisoner at the battle of Worcester, England, Sep. 3, 1651, and was bought by John Pynchon in England. His house was among those consumed in the burning of Springfield by the Indians in

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<sup>\*&</sup>quot;Cromwell captured the entire army..... Many of the prisoners were deported; John Steward was among them. On coming to England he was sold to service and John Pynchon was buyer."—A petition, in the bandwriting of James Cornish, clerk of Hampshire county court, sent by Steward to Sir Edmund Andros, Boston. Scotch prisoners sent to Massachusetts in 1652 by order of the English government included William, Charles, Niel, Austin and Robert Stewart, shipped aboard the "John & Sarah" from London for New England, May 13, 1652, John Greene, master.

October, 1675. He was among those who took the oath of allegiance Oct. 1, 1678 and was one of the 123 heads of families or legal citizens of Springfield who on Feb 3, 1685, shared in the division of common lands on the east side of the Great Rive [History of Ludlow, 33]. His wife was Sarah, daughter of John Stiles of Springfield. He died Apr. 21, 1690, and his widow Sarah married in 1691 John Sacke (Simon) of Northampton, who was born in 1632 and who died Oct. 8, 1719. I births of John Steward's children were recorded, but he probably had:

John, who bought land in Springfield in 1693 of John Riley Allen, born 1678. —Fergus Family, mss., 1906, by B. Frank Green JOSEPH STEWART and his wife Mary, in Salisbury, Mass., had:

Joseph, Dec. 19, 1667, Salisbury. No trace

"RICHARD STEWART is mentioned by Farmer as of the artillery company in 1652, but to me the existence seems shadowy."—James Savage, 1862.

WILLIAM STEWART, Lynn, Mass., died Mar. 18, 1664. His widow Sarah returned the inventory of his estate June 29, 1664. (A Sarah Stewart married Dec. 15, 1664, Thomas Abbott in Andover. She died Feb. 16, 1715-6, aged about 69.)

WILLIAM STEWART, a shopkeeper in Ipswich, Mass., came in 1684, from Scotland. His wife was described by John Dunton, a bookseller from England who paid Stewart a business visit, as a beautiful woman of \$3. Stewart presented the North church with a silver cup inscribed "Mr. William Stewart's gift to ye Church of Ipswich, June, 1693." He died that year. (History of the Stewart Family, 69.) William Stewart died Aug. 3, 1693, aged about 44, and his widow Ann married Col. Bartholomew Gedney of Salem and died Oct. 15, 1697.

ALEXANDER STEWARD was granted 14 shillings 2 pence on Aug. 24, 1676, for service as a soldier in King Philip's war. (Alexander of Groton, Conn.)

HUGH STEWARD received 42-04-06 as a soldier under Capt. William Turner June 24, 1676, and his name appears in a list of Turner's men as they came from Boston, taken at Medfield 1675-6.—N. E. Register, 1887.

HUGH STEWARD, aged about 20, gave testimony Feb. 3, 1656. —Middlesex County court file.

## HUGH STUARD OF YARMOUTH

HUGH STUARD was in Falmouth, Mass., in 1669, and the births of a number of his children appear in an obliterated condition on the records of Yarmouth, only James' name being legible. In 1676 he was taxed £12-15-06 "towards the charge of the late war," only three men in Yarmouth paying a heavier tax. He removed to Chatham,\* farther out on Cape Cod, where he was living Feb. 11, 1690-1, on the promontory of Monomoy.† He made his will Mar. 5, 1710-1, "well stricken in years." The witnesses were Mary Doane, Joseph Doane, jr., and Mary Doane, jr.; executors, Joseph Doane, esq., of Eastham and son Joseph Stuard. Affidavits as to signatures were made Jan. 25, 1715-6. Children (except James) named in will, with probable fragmentary birth records:

#### 1 Mercy Hull

\*The name of Hugh Stewart appears in the Chatham tax list Apr. 29, 1673.

<sup>\*</sup>Hugh Stuard of Monomoy was a signer June 27, 1711, of a petition from said village to have a release from "being impressed into remote service" on account of the presence of a French privateer; and to remove the province tax hecause "twenty-three rateable men" and their families had lately gone to a place named Duck creek in Pennsylvania.—N. E. Register, 1880, 408.

[Mercy married Edward Hall, son of Gershom Hall of Harwich]

- 2 James, Feb. 11, 167-
- 3 John, Feb. 11, 1674-5
- 4 Michael, May 2, 1677
- 5 Katherine = \*May 13, 1702, Nathaniel Nickerson, son of William
- 6 Lydia =about 1700 Joseph Covell, son of Nathaniel, and died
- 7 Joseph = about 1712 Mary [before 1704; daughter Lydia
- 8 Samuel [1=Nov. 21, 1721, Deborah Lathrop]?
- 9 Temperance
- 10 Joanna
- 11 Ebenezer = Oct. 17, 1716, Ruth Higgins of Eastham

Hugh left widow Wait. John, 2 not mentioned in his father's will, later appears as part owner with Joseph 2 and Samuel 2 of the Steward farm.

MICHAEL<sup>2</sup> STUARD (Hugh!) had already "received his part," as stated in his father's will in 1711. The administration of Michael's estate was granted Sep. 6, 1716, to his brother Samuel—both of Chatham. Widow Mary. Children of Michael and Mary Stewart, recorded in Chatham:

- 1 Bethiah, Sep. 21, 1704; = May 25, 1727, Samuel Hamilton
- x Patience, Aug. 27, 1713

### DUNCAN STUART OF NEWBURY

DUNCAN¹ STUART, a ship builder, was in 1654 a servant of George Hadley of Ipswich, Mass., and it is probable that he was a prisoner from the battle of Worcester, England, 1651, born in Scotland about 1623. Savage suggests that he was perhaps a brother of Alexander Stewart of Charlestown (page 13). He married Anne Winchurst, an English girl who came over in 1647. They lived in Ipswich in 1658, in Rowley in 1659, Newbury from 1659 till 1689, and again in Rowley, where they died—he on Aug. 30, 1717, and she on July 9, 1729. Children:

- 1 Katherine, June 8, 1658, Ipswich; [=Paul Wentworth]?
- 2 Martha, Apr. 4, 1659, Newbury
- 3 Charles, June 5, 1661; +\*May 8, 1689, unmarried
- 4 Elizabeth, Nov. 2, 1662: =Nov. 3, 1685, Sylvanus Wentworth
- 5 James, Oct. 8, 1664; he was thrice married, and died Sep. 17, 1750
- 6 John. 1666; he was married four times, and died Dec. 23, 1753
- 7 Anna ;=Nov. 10, 1685, Collin Fraser, Newbury
- 8 Henry, May 1, 1669; + young
- 9 Samuel, 1674; -Jan. 30, 1700-1, Dorcas Baston, in Wells, Maine
- 10 Ebenezer, 1675; = May 23, 1698, Elizabeth Johnson. He + Apr. 30, 1749

# STEWARTS OF LONDONDERRY, N. H. —15

Lt. JOHN' STEWART (John, 'John, 'Robert, 'Walter') born Sep. 22, 1743, in Windham, N. H., married there Dec. 31, 1765, Rebecca' Stewart (Charles, 'John's). In the fall of 1773 he removed to Shelburne, Mass., settling on a farm he bought of his cousin, Samuel' Stewart (Samuel, 'John's). He marched Apr. 20, 1775, on the Lexington alarm as a sergeant in Capt. Hugh McClellan's company, Col. Samuel Williams' regiment, but being too late to participate in the battle they returned af-

<sup>\*=</sup> means married; : means marriage intention; + means died; - means refer to page.

ter 15½ days' service. He was chosen second lieutenant in the 2nd company, 5th Hampshire county regiment, on Apr. 22, 1776, under Capt. Hugh McClellan, Col. David Field. Feb. 23, 1777, he enlisted with the rank of lieutenant in Capt. Lawrence Kemp's company, Col. Leonard's regiment, for service at Ticonderoga; discharged Apr. 10, 1777. He enlisted Sep. 22, 1777; as lieutenant in Hugh McClellan's company, Col. David Wells; discharged Oct. 18, 1777; he was in Capt. John Wells' company in Shelburne Nov. 21, 1777. His wife Rebecca died July 23, 1815, in the 73rd year of her age, and he died Jan. 19, 1819. Children:

- 1 Mary, Oct. 7, 1766, Windham, N. H.; =Oct. 19, 1794, Ephraim Cady
- 2 Rebecca, Dec. 8, 1767, Windham: + Dec. 25, 1860, unmarried
- 3 Lydia, Dec. 16, 1768, Windham; +Dec. 29, 1818, unmarried
- 4 Elizabeth, June 6, 1770, Windham; 1=Feb. 23, 1792, Thomas Fowler.
- Agnes, Aug. 4, 1771, Windham; =1793 Dr. Daniel Allen of Colrain: went west
- 6 John, Apr. 27, 1773, Windham; =Apr. -, 1796, Charlotte Flagg
- 7 Catherine, July 27, 1775, Shelburne; -William Anderson of Colrain and went
- 8 Margaret, Oct. 1, 1776, Shelburne: +July 26, 1777 [to Kingsbury, N. Y.
- 9 Clark, —, 1777; +July 31, 1777
- 10 Jane, Nov. 29, 1778; =Dec. 31, 1805, Clark Fowler
- 11 Martha, May 30, 1780; = Mar. 1, 1803, John Fowler
- 12 [Infant], Apr. 22, 1782; +May 3, 1782
- 13 Adam, Mar. 22, 1784; = Feb. 2, 1809, Judith Phinney: no issue

ROBERT'S STEWART (John, John, Robert, Walter), born Sep. 15, 1748, in Windham, N. H., married (1) Sarah Woodward of Halifax, Vt.: (2) Sarah Smith of Salem, N. H. He inherited 314 acres of his father's land in Halifax, Vt. He was a resident of Cambridge, Mass., at the outbreak of the Revolutionary war: his name appears as first lieutenant in Capt. John Calef's company of New Hampshire troops in a return of the company dated Nov. 5, 1775, at Great Island, Piscataqua Harbor: he enlisted in June, 1775, for six months. Jan. 1, 1776, he enlisted as a private in Capt. John Wood's company in Paul D. Sargent's regiment to serve a year: re-enlisted Feb. 11, 1777. He served as ensign in Capt. Benjamin Whittier's company in Col. Jacob Gale's New York regiment, his name appearing on a pay roll of the company dated Nov. 4, 1778, at Exeter, which joined the continental army on Rhode Island. He enlisted from Windham May 8, 1779, to serve three years in the continental army, and in October that year he took part in the battle of Saratoga. He resided in Shelburne, Mass., in 1800, removing to Salem, N. H., where he spent the remainder of his life. Children, born in Windham, N. H.:

- 1 Rebecca, Oct. 16, 1782; + Mar. 4, 1803, in Shelburne, Mass.
- 2 Sarah, Oct. 16, 1782; drowned July 31, 1787, in a well at Windham
- 3 Abraham W., Aug. 4, 1786; =Betsey Cochran

To be continued

ARCHIBALD¹ STEWART had son Thomas.

THOMAS² STEWART (Archibald¹) lived in County Down, Ireland. He married Mary Stewart or Stuart, born in County Monaghan, died Dec. —, 1799. Rev. Thomas died Dec. —, 1816, at his home in Cootehill, County Cavan, Ireland. They had: Susanna, 1770; Margaret Catharine, 1772; Olivia, 1776, and Thomas.

THOMAS' STEWART (Thomas, Archibald'), born Mar. —, 1780, in Ireland, married Catharine Shute in New York City. Their son Franklin' married Amelio Barron Jacques, born in Woodbridge, N. J., and had: David Dennison, born Cct. 10, 1858, in Philadelphia, died June 13, 1905; and Katharine.