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## Hannah Jordan Calef BioSketch

Hannah Jordan was born in 1693 at Spurwink (Cape Elizabeth) Maine the daughter of Captain Dominicus Jordan and Hannah Tristram Jordan. She had several brothers and sisters: Major Dominicus Jordan, Samuel Jordan, Sarah Jordan Dearing, Mary Ann Jordan Arabelle, Elizabeth Jordan Scammon, and Nathaniel Jordan. She was a granddaughter of Reverend Robert Jordan and Sarah Winter Jordan.

Captain Dominicus Jordan was killed by Indians at Spurwink on August 10, 1703. Dominicus' wife, Hannah, the six children, and his youngest brother, Jeremiah, were captured by the Indians and taken to Canada. Mother Hannah and family returned from Canada and she re-married Captain Stephen Greenleaf, Jr. and moved her young children to Newbury, Massachusetts. Daughter Hannah married Joseph Calef on November 9, 1718, in Newbury. They had seven children: Sarah Calef, Samuel Calef, Joseph Calef III, Hannah Pegg, Ebenezer Winter Calef, Robert Calef and Mary Perkins. Joseph Calef was a successful tanner.

The Calefs lived in a large brick mansion at Milk and Congress Streets making them neighbors to the Copleys. John Copley (1738-1815) was a well-known portrait artist and painted several of the Calef family members. The only painting known to have survived is the one he did of Hannah in 1764 and titled "Mrs. Joseph Calef" (Hannah Jordan). Hannah died in 1772.

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