

**Thomas' Whittier**, of Salisbury and Haverhill, born about 1620-22, m. Ruth Green [not Rolfe], and left many descendants. He was apparently younger than 1 John' and 2 Abraham', but he was not the son of either. Recent researches in England [Gen. Reg., 1912, p. 251] prove that he was the son of Richard Whittier of Sarum (Salisbury), Wilts, and his wife, Mary Rolfe, sister of John Rolfe. Thomas Whittier was therefore the nephew of John Rolfe of Salisbury and Newbury, with whom he came to this country, as his "servant."\*

Three generations of the descendants of Thomas Whittier are given in "The Old Families of Salisbury and Amesbury." Elizabeth and Abraham "Whittier," in the third and fourth lines of the note on p. 358 of that work should be *Whittaker*.

#### THE WIDGER FAMILY.

The WIDGER family (spelled also *Wiger*, *Widgear*, *Widiger*, *Widgier*, and *Widgerly*), appeared in Marblehead in the last of the 17th and the first of the 18th century. The sound of the name seems to be so much like that of *Whitcher* as to suggest the query whether they may not have been originally the same name. No evidence of relationship has been found, however, in this country. It is well known that *Whitcher* and *Whittier* are the same name. "*Wh*" seems to be essential in nearly every spelling of *Whittier* or *Whitcher*; but the "*h*" is not found in any spelling of *Widger*.

James "Widger" took the oath of fidelity to Massachusetts at Pemaquid in 1674. Administration of estate of a James *Widger*, or *Widgerly*, of Marblehead, was granted in 1723; perhaps the one who died in 1721, at the age of 32 years. There are other *Widger* probate records later, in the 18th century. The Marblehead rec-

\*Richard and John Whittier mentioned in the will of John Rolfe were not the sons of Thomas, as has been supposed, but his brothers, who may not have come to this country. This removes the difficulty in regard to the will of John Rolfe and the wife of Thomas Whittier.

ords give: John "Widgier" married Bethia Sweet, Nov. 12, 1685; also John "Widgier" married Elizabeth Owen, July 23, 1706; the marriages of James and William "Widger" in 1712; the births of children of William "Wiger" in 1714 and 1716; with many other records of later date. William "Widger" was a soldier in 1776 and a prisoner in the Old Mill Prison in 1779; also Thomas *Widger* was prisoner there, exchanged in 1777; both of Marblehead. The name also appears on the Manchester and Newburyport records in the last portion of the 18th century.

#### THE WHITTAKER FAMILY.

**1 Abraham' Whittaker**,\* of Rowley and Haverhill, "carpenter," born about 1626; married, March 19, 1655-6 [Hv.], Elizabeth<sup>2</sup> Simons (*William'*). She was born about 1635, and died Nov. 5, 1683 [Hv.]. From the records of the Ipswich court we learn that Abraham "Whitacre" or "Whiteker" was servant or apprentice of Joseph Jewett of Rowley in 1651. He is also mentioned in 1652, and on the records of the Salisbury court in 1654. His autograph is spelled "Ab. Whitticker" in 1655. He was in Haverhill as early as 1656, perhaps before that time; built a house there. 1660-'68; took oath of allegiance at Haverhill Nov., 1677. He died May 5, 1701 [Hv.]. Administration of estate granted to eldest son, Abraham, May 19, 1703; but he

\*Spelled also *Whittaker*, *Whitticker*, *Whitticker*, *Whittiker*, *Whitacre*, *Whittacre*, *Whittaker*, *Whitticker*, *Whitticker*, *Whitticker*, *Whitticker*, *Whitticker*, *Whitticker*, *Whitticker*, *Whitticker*, *Whitticker*, etc.

Austin's "Allied Families" states that he was the son of another Abraham; who was b. about 1604, probably of Haverhill. This error is doubtless based upon Joshua Coffin's "Early Settlers of Essex and Old Norfolk" Gen. Reg. 1854, which gives "Abraham Whittaker, ae. 60 in 1664." It was Abraham *Whittier* of Manchester, not Abraham *Whittaker* of Haverhill, who was b. about 1604. Pope has fallen into the same error of confounding the two Abrahams. Both Coffin and Savage give Abraham "Whiteyear" or "Whitehaire" (*Whittier*) ae. 60 in 1669.

We have not seen Sen. or Jun. used on the records earlier than 1677, when 2 Abraham<sup>2</sup> was about 20 years old. We have no hesitation in considering the 1 Abraham<sup>1</sup> given above the founder of the Haverhill family, and have made the number signifying the generation one less, in all cases, than in the "Allied Families."

There were Whittakers in Concord and Rehoboth, Mass., before 1700; but we have found no evidence of connection with the Haverhill branch.

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neglected it so long that son William was appointed, Sept. 7, 1713, the former administrator surrendering power.

Children :

2. ABRAHAM<sup>2</sup>, b. Feb. 28, 1656-7 [Hv.]; m. 1st, April 6, 1682, Hannah Bean; 2d, Sept. 7, 1694, widow Sarah Archer; 3d, Dec. 27, 1704, widow Huldah Kingsbury.
3. WILLIAM<sup>2</sup>, b. Dec. 21, 1658 [Hv.]; m. 1st, Jan. 15, 1684, Sarah Emerson; 2d, Jan. 23, or 28, 1702-3, widow Mary Corliss.
4. ISAAC<sup>2</sup>, b. July 30, 1661 [Hv.]; no further record found.
5. HANNAH<sup>2</sup>, b. April 15, 1664 [Hv.]; d. July 30, 1664 [Hv.].
6. JACOB<sup>2</sup>, b. May 26, 1665 [Hv.]; m. June 14, 1693, Mary Webster.
7. HANNAH<sup>2</sup>, b. Sept. 16, 1668 [Hv.]; d. Sept., 1668 [Hv.]
8. ELIZABETH<sup>2</sup>, b. Jan. 26, 1669-70 [Hv.]; no further record found.
9. HENRY<sup>2</sup>, b. Sept. 24, 1672 [Hv.]. His father was appointed administrator of his estate, March 27, 1695.
10. HANNAH<sup>2</sup>, b. March 19, 1674-5 [Hv.]; no further record found.
11. JOHN<sup>2</sup>, b. Aug. 27, 1679 [Hv.]; no further record found.

2 Abraham<sup>2</sup> Whittaker (*Abraham*<sup>1</sup>) of Haverhill and Salem, born 1657; married, first, April 6, 1682 [Hv.], Hannah Bean (*John*<sup>1</sup>)\* of Exeter, who was killed by Indians July 18, 1692 [Hv.]; married, second, Sept. 7, 1694, Sarah Trask (*Henry*) [widow of John Archer], of Salem, in Lynn, who was also killed by Indians, in Joseph Bradley's garrison house, Feb. 8, 1703-4; † married, third, Dec. 27, 1704 [Hv.], Huldah<sup>2</sup> Corliss (*George*<sup>1</sup>) [widow of Samuel Kingsbury]. Abraham and wife Huldah were

\*Her mother, Hannah, was dau. of Nicholas Litten.

†Pike's Journal states that 13 persons were then killed, and 5 carried away. Mirick doubts the truth of this statement; on the ground that six Indians could not have killed thirteen persons, that Penhallow does not mention the fact, and that only one death of a white person is recorded on the town records. It should be remembered that the "persons" were nearly all women and children, nearly all the men having gone out to work that afternoon, and that the vital records of the town are far from being complete.

Austin's "Allied Families" prints a statement made in 1841 by Ede Whittaker, who was 14 years of age when his grandfather Jonathan died, in 1788, and therefore must have obtained the details of the massacre from him. This shows that more were killed than the one Indian and one white man mentioned by Chase and others. Jonathan saw his mother killed and scalped, and was himself—then a boy about 8 years old—struck on the head with a tomahawk and left for dead.

March 6, 1705, the town of Haverhill voted to "pay Doctr Bradstreet" for what he did for Abraham Whittaker's children towards their cure; and also to pay John Stephens sen. for digging a grave for some of the said Whittaker's family, which were killed by the Indians." The grave was probably for his wife Sarah who was killed about a year before the vote was passed, and perhaps for Anna (not for his wife Hannah, as given in Chase's History.) The children cured were Jonathan, and perhaps Hannah, then about 16 years old.

both living in 1733; but he died before 1748. Either he or his father served in King Philip's War, Aug., 1676. He took the oath of allegiance at Haverhill, Nov., 1677; was of Salem in 1695-6; but was probably a "snow-shoe man" in Haverhill in 1710.

Children :

12. ABRAHAM<sup>2</sup>, b. May 20, 1683 [Hv.]; taken captive by the Indians Aug., 1691,\* and was still missing in 1701. An Abraham "Whitcecer" m., Dec. 17, 1716, Lydia Stone, in Beverly.
13. JOHN<sup>2</sup>, b. March 1, 1684-5 [Hv.].† There was a John Whitaker of Ipswich [No. 89], with wife Mary, who had children b. 1724-41; but the dates are late for 13 John<sup>2</sup>.
14. JACOB<sup>2</sup>, b. April 22, 1687 [Hv.]; d. May 29, 1687 [Hv.].
15. HANNAH<sup>2</sup>, b. April 21, 1688 [Hv.]; m. Holdridge Kelly of Stratham, N. H.; both living in 1748-9 [N. H. Deeds].
16. A CHILD<sup>2</sup>, b. May, 1690 [by 1st wife]; d. Oct. 20, 1693 [Hv.].
17. JONATHAN<sup>2</sup>, b. Aug. 7, 1696 [Hv.] [by 2d wife]; m. Nov. 5, 1718, Abigail Lambert; removed to Norwich, and afterwards to Stafford, Ct. His descendants are given in Austin's "Allied Families." See 2 Abraham<sup>2</sup>, Note.
18. ANNA<sup>2</sup>, b. Aug. 20, 1698 [Hv.]; probably killed with her mother, ‡ in 1703-4.

\*This date has been printed 1697 by the State of Mass.; but it can be read either 1691 or 1697, on the original petition of "Onesepherus Mash, Stephen Dow, Sarah Haines, widow, and Abraham Whitticer" of Haverhill, dated April 17, 1701, asking that measures be taken to secure the return of six children taken by the Indians from Haverhill "such as are yet wanting," and giving ages and dates of capture. Three of them were plainly taken in the Dustin massacre, 1697 and two in 1696; but the Whittaker (spelled Whittier in Es. Ant. 1899, p. 61), date has been written over with a pen by some one who evidently thought the year should be like the other three, all of whom were taken in March, not August. The true date is settled by the age given, 8 or 9 years, when taken in connection with the date of birth. We have been unable to find evidence that any one of the other five ever returned. It is certain that the Haines brothers, Jonathan and Joseph (not Thomas, as Chase's Hist. gives it) captured in 1696, never returned; and we find no later mention of the other three: Daniel Brady, Abigail Kimball and Philix Cod.

†A "Joseph" Whittaker, aged eleven, was taken captive by the Indians in the fall of 1695, but escaped the next spring and returned to Haverhill. Chase's History of Haverhill, pp. 179-183. Chase also tells a story of the courtship and marriage of "one Joseph Whittaker" and Mary Whittaker, soon after, pp. 200-1. As the age corresponds, John and "Joseph" were probably the same person. The only Mary on the records of about that age is 21 MARY<sup>2</sup>, b. 1689, his cousin. We find no record of such a marriage, but two of her brothers married their cousins.

‡The "Anna Whittaker" mentioned in connection with the massacre of the family of Rev. Mr. Kolfe in 1708 (Chase's Haverhill, p. 221), was undoubtedly HANNAH<sup>2</sup> CORLISS (daughter of John<sup>2</sup> Corliss and step-dau. of 3 WILLIAM<sup>2</sup> WHITTAKER), b. 1691-2, m. 1st, JOHN HIND, 2d, OLIVER HEYWARD, d. Sept. 8, 1764 in her 74th year, in Brookfield (Not 15 Hannah<sup>2</sup> Whittaker, b. in 1688), nor 18 ANNA<sup>2</sup>, b. 1698, as given by Austin.) One of her sons was named Corliss Hind (Gen. Reg. 1865, p. 59). She is said to have had 112 descendants at the time of her death.

The names Hannah and Anna are sometimes used interchangeably, as above, on old records; but it must have been 15 Hannah, and not 18 Anna, who m. Holdridge Kelly, for the deeds relate to property of the Bean family.

**3 William<sup>2</sup> Whittaker** (*Abraham<sup>1</sup>*), of Haverhill, born 1658; married, first, Jan. 15, 1684 [4-5?] [Hv.], Sarah Emerson (*Robert*), who died Aug. 20, 1702 [Hv.]; married, second, Jan. 23 or 28, 1702-3 [Hv.], Mary Wilford [widow of John Corliss].\* She was the "cousin" mentioned in the will of Josiah Gage, in 1717.† He took oath of allegiance at Haverhill, Nov., 1677; was living there in 1724, and probably in 1730. A William, either he or his son William<sup>3</sup>, was "a snow shoe man" in 1710. A William was in the northwest part of Haverhill in 1711, and in the west part in 1723.

Children :

- 19. WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, b. Dec. 4, 1685 [Hv.]; m. 1st, Mehitable Herriman; 2d, Dec. 21, 1752, widow Susanna Bradley.
20. SARAH<sup>3</sup>, b. June 5, 1687 [Hv.]. A Sarah m., before 1709, Stephen Johnson.
21. MARY<sup>3</sup>, b. May 14, 1689 [Hv.]. [See 13 John<sup>3</sup> Note.]
22. RUTH<sup>3</sup>, b. June 11, 1691 [Hv.]. A Ruth m. June 11, 1719 [Hv.], Ephraim Clark.
23. HANNAH<sup>3</sup>, b. Aug. 7, 1693 [Hv.]; probably d. young.
24. STEPHEN<sup>3</sup>, b. March 13, 1695-6 [Hv.]; m. April 2, 1728, 37 Hannah<sup>3</sup> Whittaker.
25. PRISCILLA<sup>3</sup>, b. March 13, 1695-6 [twin] [Hv.]. A Priscilla m., Dec. 4, 1718 [Hv.], Jonathan Clark.
26. ELIZABETH<sup>3</sup>, b. April 7, 1698 [Hv.].
27. DANIEL<sup>3</sup>, b. Dec. 14, 1699 [Hv.]; m. 1st, Dec. 18, 1729, 36 Mehitable<sup>3</sup> Whittaker; 2d, in 1756, Mary Emerson.
28. THOMAS<sup>3</sup>, b. Jan. 21, 1701-2 [Hv.] [by 1st wife]. His father, Wm.<sup>2</sup> was appointed administrator of his estate, May 8, 1724.
29. RACHEL<sup>3</sup>, b. Nov. 4, 1703 [Hv.] [by 2d wife]. A Rachel m., April 16, 1724 [Hv.], John<sup>4</sup> Currier.
30. SUSANNA<sup>3</sup>, b. Jan. 13, 1705-6 [Hv.].
31. HANNAH<sup>3</sup>, b. Feb. 20, 1707-8 [Hv.].
32. ABRAHAM<sup>3</sup>, b. April 17, 1711 [Hv.].

\*She brought him several Corliss step-children, under 18 years of age. (See Note, 18 ANNA<sup>3</sup>.)

† "Cousin" is often used on old records in the sense of niece or nephew, but Mary Wilford was really first cousin of Martha<sup>3</sup> Dow, Josiah Gage's second wife, who died five months before the will was written, and whose "next best" clothing he gave to her "cousin Whittaker, wife of William." Mary Wilford was the daughter of Mary<sup>2</sup> Dow (Thomas<sup>1</sup>), who m. 1st, Gilbert Wilford and 2d, April 2, 1679 (Hv.), Matthew Clarke. Martha<sup>3</sup> Dow was the daughter of Stephen<sup>2</sup> Dow (Thomas<sup>1</sup>). The will of Stephen Dow and the gravestone inscription clearly prove that this Martha Dow was not killed in the Dustin massacre (Old Fam. S. & A., p. 744). The Haverhill record is not correct.

**6 Jacob<sup>2</sup> Whittaker** (*Abraham<sup>1</sup>*), of Haverhill; born 1665; married, June 14, 1693 [Hv.], Mary<sup>3</sup> Webster (*Stephen<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>*). He was a soldier, 1668-9; died Oct. 9, 1742 [Hv.]. Widow Mary died Jan. 30, 1763 [Hv.].

Children :

33. MARY<sup>3</sup>, b. Jan. 1, 1693-4 [Hv.]; lived in Hv.; "spinster;" will Dec. 7, 1767; Aug. 31, 1772.
34. ABIGAIL<sup>3</sup>, b. Sept. 17, 1696 [Hv.]; m. — Doyme, of Suncook; dead in 1767.
35. SAMUEL<sup>3</sup>, b. April 21, 1699 [Hv.]; not mentioned in Mary's will, 1767. He was of Hv. in 1738, when he received his father's homestead by deed; he to pay a sum to the four daughters of Jacob<sup>2</sup>. There was a Samuel in Hv., 1737-'57.
36. MEHITABE<sup>3</sup>, b. Aug. 4, 1701 [Hv.]; m. Dec. 18, 1729 [Hv.], 27 Daniel<sup>3</sup> Whittaker.
37. HANNAH<sup>3</sup>, b. Sept. 20, 1705 [Hv.]; m. April 2, 1728 [Hv.], 24 Stephen<sup>3</sup> Whittaker.

**12<sup>2</sup> Abraham<sup>3</sup> Whittaker** (*Abraham<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>*)\*, of Beverly [born 1683?]; married, Dec. 17, 1716 [Bv.], Lydia Stone. Lydia "Whitecar" recognized covenant with Beverly church and child baptized, Aug., 1718. He died before 1734, perhaps before Dec., 1724. She was dead in 1754. A Lydia "Whitecar" married, Dec. 8, 1724 [Bv.], Edward Whittington, of Marblehead.

Child :

38. ABRAHAM<sup>4</sup>, b. Sept. 29, 1717 [Bv.]; bp. Aug., 1718 [Bv.]. John Moulton, of Wenham, was appointed his guardian, June 24, 1734. The name is given "son Abiah" in one place; but the original may be read either Abra or Abia "Whitticer." In 1754, Abraham "Whiticur" of Beverly, "cupper" [cooper], sold to David Ellinwood land in Bv., of which he was sole owner, "descended" to him by right of his mother, Lydia Whiticur, late of Beverly, deceased.

\*The above arrangement assumes that 12 Abraham<sup>3</sup> returned from captivity, of which we have no direct proof. See p. 43. The second wife of 2 Abraham<sup>3</sup> was of Salem, and he was living there during a portion of the time that his son was in captivity. It is possible that the Beverly man did not belong to the Haverhill family.

19 **William<sup>3</sup> Whittaker** (*William<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>*), of Haverhill, born 1685; married, first, Mehitable Herri- man\*; married, second, Dec. 21, 1752 [Hv.], Widow Susanna Bradley.† [See 3 William<sup>2</sup>] He was living in 1762; was William, junior, in 1724, and probably later.

Children :

39. SARAH<sup>4</sup>, b. Nov. 10, 1710 [Hv.]. A Sarah m., Feb. 5, 1735-6 [Hv.], Samuel Hadley.
40. DAVID<sup>4</sup>, b. April 2, 1712 [Hv.]; m. April 20, 1738, Ann Cle- ment.
41. JONATHAN<sup>4</sup>, b. May 31, 1714 [Hv.]; m., April 14, 1737, Low Simons.
42. JOSEPH<sup>4</sup>, b. March 23, 1716 [Hv.]; m. Oct. 6, 1741, Hannah Guile.
43. MEHETABLE<sup>4</sup>, b. March 29, 1717-8 [Hv.]. A Mehetable m., Aug. 6, 1740 [Hv.], John Simons.
- 44. RUTH<sup>4</sup>, b. April 28, 1720 [Hv.]. A Ruth m. April 23, 1751 [Hv.], John Attwood, of Hampstead.
45. ANN<sup>4</sup>, b. Sept. 14, 1722 [Hv.]; d. Sept. 19, 1728 [Hv.].
46. ANN<sup>4</sup>, b. April 27, 1725 [Hv.]; d. Sept. 23, 1737 [Hv.], of "throat distemper."
47. THOMAS<sup>4</sup>, b. May 1, 1727 [Hv.]; living in Hv. in 1752; received land in Plaistow. A Thomas m., July 22, 1756 [Hv.], Re- becca Webster, of Plaistow. [See 49 Thomas<sup>4</sup>.]

24 **Stephen<sup>3</sup> Whittaker** (*William<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>*), of Haverhill and Plaistow, born 1696; married, April 2, 1728 [Hv.], 37 Hannah<sup>3</sup> Whittaker. She was living in 1762, but dead in 1767; he was of Plaistow, both dates.

Children :

48. "JOAL"<sup>4</sup>, b. May 30, 1728 [Hv.]; d. Dec. 18, 1736 [Hv.].†
49. THOMAS<sup>4</sup>, b. Oct. 20, 1729 [Hv.]; living in 1767. [See 47 Thomas<sup>4</sup>.]
50. STEPHEN<sup>4</sup>, b. Oct. 5, 1732 [Hv.]; d. Dec. 13, 1736 [Hv.].†

\*MATTHEW HERRIMAN of Hv. m. ELIZABETH SWAN in 1673. Children: *Mat- thew Jr.*, b. 1673-4; *Elizabeth*, b. 1675, m. Thomas Gordon of Exeter, 1699, d. before 1732; *Hannah*, b. 1677; *Mary*, b. 1679, m. Timothy French of Salls., 1704-5; *Marga- ret*, b. 1681, m. Daniel Gordon of Kingston, 1708, widow in 1732; *Abigail*, b. 1683, m. Samuel Judkins of Kingston; *Mehetable*, b. 1686, m. Wm. Whittaker, Jr., liv- ing in 1732; *John*, b. 1688; *Leonard*, b. 1689-90; *Nathaniel*, b. 1692, d. 1695; *Richard*, b. 1694-5; *Abner*, b. 1699.

†A Susanna, dau. of Thomas Staples, bp. Jan. 9, 1697-8 (Hv.). John Bradley m. Sept. 16, 1724 (Hv.), Susanna Staples, perhaps the above.  
†Stephen Whittaker lost three children by "throat distemper," in 1736.

51. NATHAN<sup>4</sup>, b. Aug. 12, 1735 [Hv.]; d. Dec. 28, 1736 [Hv.].
52. SARAH<sup>4</sup>, b. July 28, 1738 [Hv.]; m. William Clement; living in 1767.
53. PRISCILLA<sup>4</sup>, b. Feb. 27, 1740-1 [Hv.]; m. Micajah Morrill; living in 1767.
54. MOSES<sup>4</sup>, b. Feb. 3, 1743-4 [Hv.]; living in 1767. A Moses m., July 9, 1767, Rachel Griffin; 3 children recorded at Atkin- son, b. 1768-75.
55. HANNAH<sup>4</sup>, b. May 6, 1748 [Hv.]; living in 1767, name Whittaker.

27 **Daniel<sup>3</sup> Whittaker** (*William<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>*), of Haverhill, Plaistow, and Atkinson), born 1699; married, first, Dec. 18, 1729 [Hv.], 36 Mehitable<sup>3</sup> Whittaker, who died Sept. 11, 1754 [Pl.]; married, second, Mary Emer- son, int. Oct. 23, 1756 [And.]. He was on the New Hampshire side of the line in 1741. Will, May 18, Aug. 29, 1770; mentioned wife Mary; of Atkinson.\*

Children :

56. SARAH<sup>4</sup>, b. July 6, 1730 [Hv.]; d. Feb. 22, 1736-7 [Hv.].
57. MARY<sup>4</sup>, b. Dec. 27, 1731 [Hv.]; d. Feb., 1736-7.
58. SAMUEL<sup>4</sup>, b. —; bp. Sept., 1736 [Hv.]; d. Feb., 1736-7.
59. DANIEL<sup>4</sup>, b. —; bp. Sept., 1736 [Hv.]; d. Feb., 1736-7.
60. PETER<sup>4</sup>, b. Jan. 7, 1738-9 [Pl.]; bp. Jan., 1738-9 [Hv.]; soldier, Hv., 1758; not mentioned in wills, 1767 and 1770.
61. MEHETABLE<sup>4</sup>, b. Dec. 6, 1742 [Pl.]; bp. Dec., 1742 [Hv.]; m. — Hadley; living, "only dau.," in 1767, but dead in 1770, leaving daus. *Tamar* and *Mehitable* Hadley, and "reputed son," Jonathan Eaton, Jr.

40 **David<sup>4</sup> Whittaker** (*William<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Abra- ham<sup>1</sup>*), of Haverhill, born 1712; married, April 20, 1738 [Hv.], Ann Clement. He was of East Haverhill in 1741; died April 24, 1752 [Hv.]; administration of estate granted widow Ann, June 8, 1752. She married, Oct. 16, 1755 [Hv.], Robert Calfe of Chester, N. H. (origi- nally called Cheshire), and he was appointed administra- tor of her former husband's estate in 1759.

Children :

62. ANNA<sup>5</sup> b. May 6, 1740 [Hv.].
63. SOLOMON<sup>5</sup>, b. Jan. 11, 1741-2 [Hv.]; d. July 13, 1745 [Hv.].

\*Daniel Whittaker lost all his children (four) by the "throat distemper," in the same week, Feb. 1736-7. From Nov. 1735 to Dec. 1737, 256 children died of this disease in Haverhill. (Essex Antiquarian, Vol. 1, pp. 16-18.)

**41 Jonathan<sup>4</sup> Whittaker** (*William<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>*), of Haverhill, North Parish, Plaistow, born 1714; married, April 14, 1737 [Hv.]. Low Simonds.\* He was on the New Hampshire side in 1741.

Children :

64. WILLIAM<sup>5</sup>, b. Oct. 8, 1738 [Pl.]; bp. Aug. 8, 1742 [Hv. N. Parish]. It was probably this William who m. Susanna Johnson, settled in S. Weare, N. H., and removed to Deering. Eight children, b. 1762-'84, given in History of Weare.
65. JONATHAN<sup>5</sup>, b. Dec. 10, 1740 [Pl.]; bp. Aug. 8, 1742 [Hv.]; d. July, 1751 [Pl.].
66. ELIZABETH<sup>5</sup>, b. June 30, 1743 [Pl.]; bp. July 3, 1743 [Hv.].
67. CALEB<sup>5</sup>, b. July 4, 1745 [Pl.]; bp. July 7, 1745 [Hv.]. He was probably the Caleb who m., 1st, Susanna —; 2d, Rachel —; settled in S. Weare, N. H., and removed to Goshen. Four children, b. 1776-'94, given in History of Weare.
68. MEHITABEL<sup>5</sup>, b. May 17, 1747 [Pl.]; bp. July 12, 1747 [Hv.].
69. MOSES<sup>5</sup>, b. May 22, 1750 [Pl.]; probably d. young.
70. MOSES<sup>5</sup>, b. July 25, 1758. [Pl.].

**42 Joseph<sup>4</sup> Whittaker** (*William<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>*), of Haverhill, born 1716; married, Oct. 6, 1741 [Hv.], Hannah Guile of Ipswich. He died Sept. 27, 1774 [Hv.]; will, April 14, Nov. 7, 1774. Widow Hannah died Sept. 15, 1781 [Hv.]; administration of estate of Widow Hannah granted James Whittaker, Feb. 5, 1782; inventory estate, Feb. 3, 1782.

Children :

71. EBENEZER<sup>5</sup>, b. July 11, 1742 [Hv.]; d. Oct. 13, 1753 [Hv.].
72. ASA<sup>5</sup>, b. Sept. 25, 1744 [Hv.]; living in 1774. It was probably he who m. Sarah Hardy of Bradford, removed from Hv. or Plaistow to S. Weare, N. H., before 1770; d. 1825. Ten children, b. 1769-'88, given in History of Weare. A son, Asa<sup>6</sup>, b. 1776, m. Sarah<sup>7</sup> Colby (*Winthrop<sup>6</sup>, Gideon<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>*), b. 1779.
73. JOSEPH<sup>5</sup>, b. Jan. 1, 1746-7 [Hv.]; living in 1774.
74. ESTHER<sup>5</sup>, b. March 27, 1749 [Hv.]; m. June 2, 1768 [Hv.], Zechariah Johnson of Salem [N. H.]; living in 1774.
75. ELISHA<sup>5</sup>, b. May 31, 1751 [Hv.]; d. Sept. 8, 1753 [Hv.].
76. DAVID<sup>5</sup>, b. Aug. 24, 1753 [Hv.]; living in 1774.

\*A Jonathan m. Feb. 24, 1774, ELIZABETH DODGE; 4 children recorded at Atkinson, b. 1775-84. If a second marriage of the above, he was then 60 years of age.

77. JAMES<sup>5</sup>, b. Jan. 12, 1756 [Hv.]; probably m., Oct. 27, 1778 [Hv.], Susanna Simmonds. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, settled in Deering, N. H., after the war; died there May 12, 1835. A son, Peter<sup>6</sup>, served in the war of 1812. [Hayward's History of Hancock, N. H.].
78. EBENEZER<sup>5</sup>, b. May 15, 1758 [Hv.]; living in 1774.
79. WILLIAM<sup>5</sup>, b. March 6, 1761 [Hv.]; living in 1782. A William m., Feb. 11, 1794 [Hv.], Sally Harriman of Plaistow, and d. July 14, 1814 [Hv.]; 7 children on Hv. records, b. 1794-1804.
80. PETER<sup>5</sup>, b. Sept. 17, 1764 [Hv.]; m. Sept. 30, 1794 [Hv.], Sally Duston. He d. Nov. 22, 1829 [Hv.]; 7 children on Hv. records, b. 1795-1811.

**47 or 49 Thomas<sup>4</sup> Whittaker** (*William<sup>3</sup> or Stephen<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>*), of Haverhill and Atkinson, born 1727 or 1729; married, July 22, 1756 [Hv.], Rebecca Webster of Plaistow.

Children :

81. MARTHA<sup>5</sup>, b. Nov. 4, 1757 [Hv.].
82. NATHAN<sup>5</sup>, b. April 6, 1761 [Hv.].
83. ASA<sup>5</sup>, b. March 7, 1764 [At.].
84. REBECCA<sup>5</sup>, b. June 14, 1767 [At.].
85. SAMUEL<sup>5</sup>, b. March 13, 1770 [At.].
86. ISRAEL<sup>5</sup>, b. Feb. 14, 1772 [At.].
87. STEPHEN<sup>5</sup>, b. Jan. 18, 1774 [At.].
88. SARAH<sup>5</sup>, b. July 27, 1777 [At.].

**89 John Whittaker** of Boston and Ipswich, born —; married Mary —. He mortgaged land in Ipswich, "peruke maker," 1734-'40. He probably died Aug. 5, 1747 [Ip.]\* A Mary int. m. Sept. 8, 1751 [Ip.], to Daniel Warner.

Children :

90. JAMES, b. March 9, 1724 [Boston]; d. Feb. 21, 1737 [Ip.], "a. 13 y."
91. MARY, b. June 13, 1727 [Boston]. A Mary of Ip. m., Oct. 2, 1744 [Boston], Ebenezer Blair.
92. JOHN, b. July 7, 1734 [Ip.]; bp. Feb. 4, 1734-5 [Newbury]; probably d. Sept. 22, 1758 [Ip.]\*
93. JAMES, b. Dec. 12, 1741 [Ip.].

\*The Ipswich records give "John d. Aug. 5, 1747" and "John d. Sept. 22, 1758." As the record of this family is incomplete, it is uncertain whether it belongs to the Haverhill branch. See 13 John<sup>5</sup>.

AMES, Agnes H.  
 Ames Ancestry, Europe to Maine  
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 Henry m. Abigail Allen  
 George m. Susanna Stowers  
 Joseph d. Oct. 13, 1659

The line continues as Duston.

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#### ABRAHAM WHITAKER

ABRAHAM WHITAKER, immigrant ancestor, was born in England 1590-5. He first appears in Salem as a carpenter. He was taxed in Marblehead in 1637 but moved to Manchester, Mass. and then to Haverhill where his son had settled. There he died in August or November 1674. The name of his two wives is not known.

Children: Edward of Amesbury

2. Abraham b. 1626

John

Others

2. Abraham Whitaker, born about 1626 in England, settled in Haverhill as a young man. He married March 19, 1655/6 Elizabeth Simonds. She died Nov. 5, 1683 and he remarried, wife unknown, except Noyes says Nicholas Lisson in his will called Hannah Kelley his granddaughter. Abraham built his house in 1660 but failed to pay sixpence a year land rent, so lost it.

Children of Abraham and Elizabeth (Simonds) Whitaker:

Abraham b. Feb. 28, 1656 m. Hannah Beane. Killed by Indians.

3. William b. Dec. 21, 1658

Hannah b. April 15, 1664 died 1664

Elizabeth b. Jan. 26, 1669

Henry b. Sept. 24, 1672

4. Hannah b. March 19, 1674/5 m. Holdridge Kelley

John b. Aug. 27, 1679

3. William Whitaker, born Dec. 21, 1658 in Haverhill, married Sarah Emerson, daughter of Robert Emerson. She died Aug. 20, 1702 and he married Mary Corly on Jan. 28, 1703.

Children of William and Sarah (Emerson) Whitaker:

5. William b. Dec. 4, 1685

Sarah b. June 5, 1687

Mary b. March 14, 1689

Ruth b. June 11, 1691

Hannah b. Aug. 7, 1693

Twins Stephen b. March 13, 1695/6

Priscilla "

Elizabeth b. April 7, 1698

Daniel b. Dec. 14, 1699

Thomas b. Jan. 21, 1701/2

By Mary (Corley):

Rachel b. Nov. 4, 1703

Susannah b. Jan. 13, 1705/6

Hannah b. Feb. 20, 1707/8

Abraham b. April 17, 1711

4. The line continues as Kelley.

5. William Whitaker, born Haverhill Dec. 4, 1685, was one of the "snow shoe men" in 1710, one of the soldiers the General Court equipped. He signed the petition for a schoolhouse in his section of town. He married Mehitable Harriman, daughter of Mathew and Elizabeth (Swan) Harriman, and second Widow Susannah Bradley.

Children of William and Mehitable (Harriman) Whitaker:

- 6. Sarah b. Nov. 10, 1710 m. Samuel Hadley
- David b. April 2, 1712 m. Ann Clement
- Jonathan b. May 31, 1714
- Joseph b. March 23, 1716
- Mehitable b. March 29, 1718
- Ruth b. April 28, 1720
- Ann b. Sept. 14, 1722 died 1723
- Anna b. April 27, 1725 d. 1737
- Thomas b. May 1, 1727

The line continues as Hadley.  
 Ref.: # 1 p. 1420-1422.

JAMES WIGGINS

JAMES WIGGIN(S), immigrant ancestor, was born 1635-37 and by June 1656 had married Magdalene Hilton, daughter of William Hilton of Dover, N.H.. Wiggin is an English name and Scales says it is common only in New Hampshire (1923.) In 1659 he had a grant in York, Maine and was marshal's deputy, later marshal of the State of Maine for the commissioners of Charles II. In Feb. 1678-9 he was at Blue Point Farm, Scarborough, and received a grant there in March 1682-3. No death date is given, only that his widow married in 1698 Henry Kenning.

Only known child:

2. James Wiggin, son of James and Magdalene (Hilton) Wiggin, born 1658, lived in Kittery and at Blue Point. In 1679 a group filed a petition that Mass. was suppressing religious freedom and both he and his father were then at Kittery and signed. In 1680 they, along with about every other grantee, asked the Council of London that they be reinstated under royal authority, rather than that of Mass.. In June 1687 he was "accused" by Sarah Winnock, pleaded innocent but was ordered to pay her 2 s. a week. In Aug. 1693 he is called "late of Blue Point" and widow Sarah later married James Davis.

Children of James and Sarah (Winnock) Wiggin:

- James m. at Wells Abigail Cloyes Cousins
- Ann of Haverhill m. Joseph Merrill

2. Sarah m. George Hadley of Haverhill & Amesbury

The line continues as Hadley.  
 Ref.: # 11 p. 751 and 752; # 36 p. 313

JOHN WINSLOW

JOHN WINSLOW, immigrant ancestor, was born in Droitwich, England, the brother of Gov. Edward Winslow, Kenelm, Gilbert and Josiah. He came to Plymouth in the Fortune in 1621, called "stranger", not a member of the church. May 22, 1627 he married Mary Chilton, daughter of JAMES CHILTON, Pilgrim, and the first woman to step ashore at Plymouth. He was awarded cattle in the division of 1627. In Oct. 1643 he was on a committee to rate and assess for fortifications. From 1651-54 he was agent for the Colony in their fur and trading venture at Kennebec, now Augusta. In 1657 he moved to Boston where he became a wealthy owner and master of ships. His will was filed May 21, 1675. His widow died either late 1678 or early 1679 and is buried in King's Chapel, Boston, under the Winslow coat of arms. The Winslow family goes back to 1300 when they became prosperous wool merchants.