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Skinner and Allied Families

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KINNER is an English family name which is derived from the occupation of dealing in skins. Robertus Skynner, skynner, and Willelmus de Parlyngton, skynnar, were recorded in the "Poll Tax of Yorkshire" in 1379. Henry le Skynia was registered in the "Hundred Rolls of the County Oxford," A. D. 1273, Robert le Skynnere in the "Writs of Parliament" in 1302, and Robert le Skynnar in "Kirby's Quest for Somersetshire" in 1327.

(Bardsley: "Dictionary of English and Welsh Surnames.")

Skinner Arms—Sable, three griffins' heads erased argent.
Crest—A griffin's head erased argent in the beak a dexter hand couped at the wrist gules.
(Burke: "General Armory.")

I. John (1) Skinner was mentioned in the will of John Talcott, of Hartford, Connecticut, in 1659, as his kinsman. John Talcott's mother was Anne Skinner, daughter of William Skinner, of Braintree, County Essex, England. John (1) Skinner was apparently also from Braintree and embarked in the ship "Susan and Ellen," April 11, 1638. He arrived in Boston, Massachusetts, July 17, 1638, and joined the new settlement led by the Rev. Thomas Hooker, at Hartford, Connecticut, where he was found, in 1639, among the original proprietors. The inventory of his estate was taken October 23, 1651.

John (1) Skinner married, apparently at, or near, Braintree, County Essex, England, in 1637, Mary Loomis, who was born about 1620, and died at Windsor, Connecticut, August 10, 1680. She was a daughter of Joseph Loomis, who was at that time of Braintree, but who emigrated, as a fellow-passenger with John Skinner in the "Susan and Ellen," to Boston, Massachusetts, in 1638. Mary Loomis married (second), November 13, 1651, Owen Tudor, of Windsor, Connecticut. They had the following children: Samuel, Sarah, Owen, Ann, and Mary Tudor. Children of John (1) and Mary (Loomis) Skinner: 1. Mary, born in 1638; married Robert Reeve, of Hartford, Connecticut. 2. Ann, born in 1639; married

*What is relationship
of John' and Anne
Skinner?
Nephew. See NEWER
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Brother of
Rachel Talcott,
who m. John
Skinner in Braintree
Oct 23, 1651
10 Oct 1622*

SKINNER AND ALLIED FAMILIES

John Colt, ancestor of the Hartford Colts. 3. John (2), of whom further. 4. Joseph, born in 1643; married, April 5, 1666, Mary Filley, of Windsor, who died April 15, 1711. 5. Richard, born in Hartford, Connecticut, in 1646.

(Elias Loomis: "Descendants, by Female Branches, of Joseph Loomis," Vol. I, p. 108; Revised Edition, p. 127. H. R. Stiles: "History and Genealogies of Ancient Windsor, Connecticut," Vol. II, p. 687.)

II. John (2) Skinner, son of John (1) and Mary (Loomis) Skinner, was born in 1641 and died September 15, 1690.

John (2) Skinner married Mary Easton. (Easton II.) Children: 1. Mary, born December 1, 1664; married Joseph Carter. 2. John, born March 1, 1666-67; married Rachel Pratt. 3. Joseph, born August 26, 1669. 4. Nathaniel, of whom further. 5. Richard, born January 16, 1674. 6. Sarah, born November 4, 1677. 7. Thomas, born November 15, 1680.

(“Hartford, Connecticut, Probates,” Vol. I, p. 442. H. R. Stiles: “History and Genealogies of Ancient Windsor, Connecticut,” Vol. II, p. 687.)

III. Deacon Nathaniel Skinner, son of John (2) and Mary (Easton) Skinner, was born April 5, 1672. He removed to Colchester, Connecticut.

Deacon Nathaniel Skinner married, June 13, 1706, Mary Gillet, daughter of Jonathan Gillet. Children: 1. Nathaniel, born July 10, 1707. 2. Mary, born June 10, 1709. 3. Thomas, of whom further. 4. Eunice, born December 5, 1715. 5. David, born January 7, 1717. 6. David, born November 6, 1719. 7. Jonathan, born August 15, 1721. 8. Josiah, born April 30, 1724. 9. Joanna, born March 19, 1727. 10. Zeria, born June 25, 1730.

(Michael Taintor: “Colchester, Connecticut, Records,” pp. 101-109. H. R. Stiles: “History and Genealogies of Ancient Windsor, Connecticut,” Vol. II, p. 687. “New England Historical and Genealogical Register,” Vol. XLVII, pp. 168-69.)

IV. Rev. Thomas Skinner, son of Deacon Nathaniel and Mary (Gillet) Skinner, was born April 6, 1712, and died October 10, 1762. He was pastor of the Westchester, Connecticut, church in 1740-42.

Rev. Thomas Skinner married (first), July 9, 1740, Mary Newhall, who died November 29, 1745; he married (second), October 2,