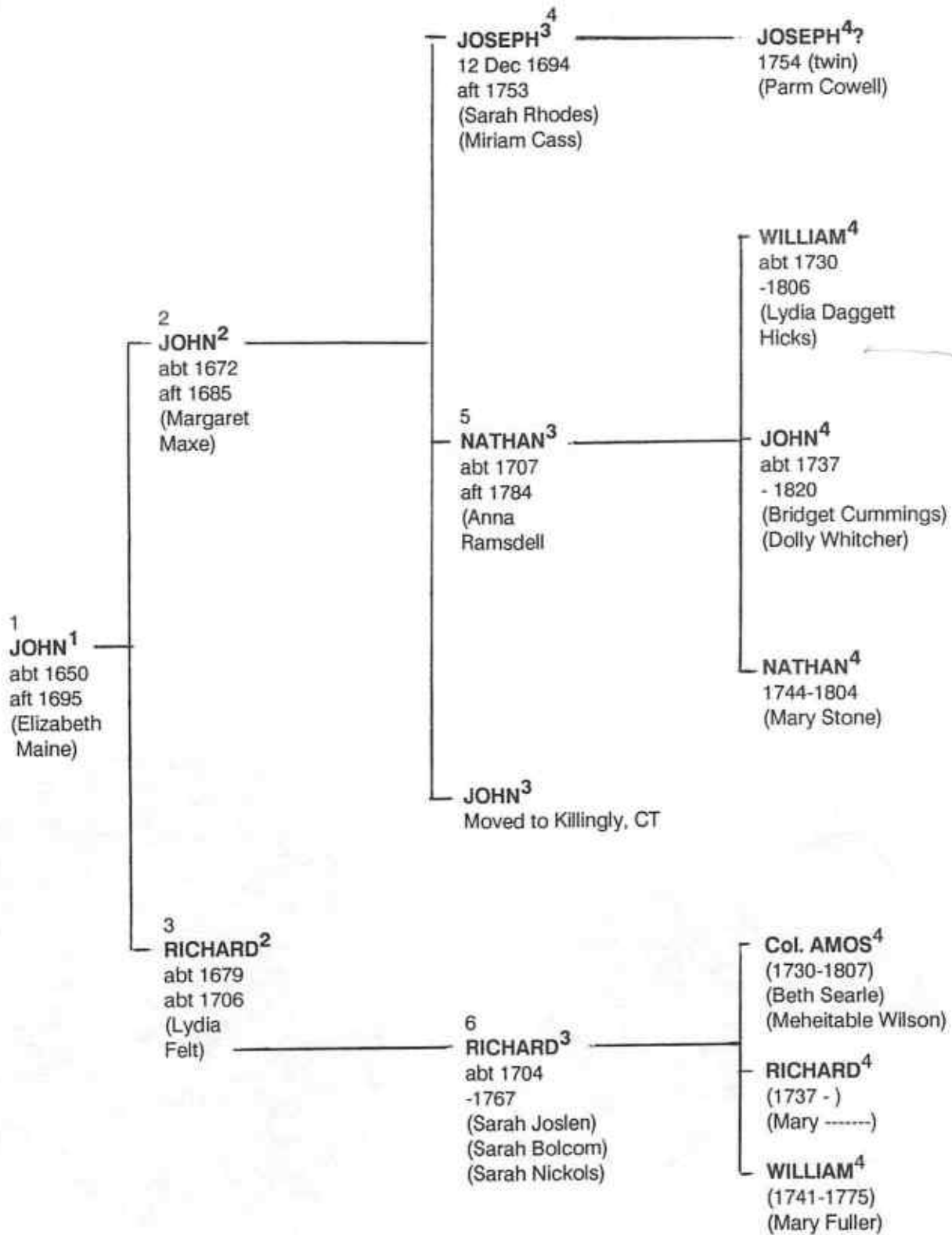


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Children:

- i. MARY (or Polly), b. at Lynn, 31 July 1770; d. before 1804 (not in father's will); m. at Lynn (intentions) 7 Oct 1792, THOMAS FARRINGTON of Lynn. (2 grandchildren, Thomas and Anna Farrington, named in Nathan Atwell's will).
Note: A Polley Atwell m. (int.) at Lynn, 21 Nov 1792, William Farrington, b. 14 Mar 1766, son of William & Sarah (Stocker; a twin) Farrington (TEG, 11:36).
- ii. ELIZABETH, b. at Lynn, 26 Apr 1773; m. there, 23 June 1797, JOSEPH RICHARDSON (Lynn VR); named in father's will.
- iii. ANNA (or NANCY), b. in 1781; d. 7 Feb 1854 age 73 of consumption; m. (int.) 29 Sept 1799, JOSEPH⁶ HAWKES (a Quaker), son of John⁵ & Jerusha (Merriam) Hawkes. Joseph was b. at Lynn, 8 May 1773 and d. there, 11 Aug 1828. Joseph (a cordwainer) was a member of the Society of Friends but married outside of the faith when he married Nancy Atwell, a Congregationalist. Children, b. at Lynn (surname Hawkes): i. Mary, b. 14 Jan 1801. 2. Joseph, b. 14 May 1803. 3. James, b. 23 Oct 1810; d. at Lynn, 5 July 1882; m. (int.) there, 1 Mar 1840, Lydia Robinson Gowdey, dau. of John & Betsey (Robinson) Gowdey. 4. Eliza, b. 14 Feb 1813. 5. Charles, b. 8 June 1815; d. 24 Mar 1898; m. 12 Mar 1854, at S. Reading, Sarah McLaughlin, b. at Baltimore, MD. 6. Anna, b. 16 Sept 1817. 7. Rachel, b. 25 Oct 1820; d. 29 Nov 1863. 8. George W., b. 2 Sept 1822m. 13 Apr 1851, Mary Ann McGarvey (Ethel Farrington Smith, *Adam Hawkes of Saugus*, 455-456). Anna Hawkes was named in her father's will (see above).
- iv. JAMES, (cordwainer of Lynn) living in 1804; m. SALLY BURRILL (perhaps daughter of Samuel Burrill, who witnessed Nathan Atwell's will). James d. of dropsy.
- v. NATHAN, living in 1804; m. NANCY (or Sally) ALDEN.
- vi. CHARLES, living in 1804; named in father's will.

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THE NATHAN ATWELL HOUSE, WHIPPING
STREET, LYNN



ZACHARIAH ATWELL

- 1 May 1808. 8. Franklin (twin), b. 1 May 1808. 9. Miranda, b. 3 Apr 1811. 10. Jonathan, b. 12 Aug 1813.
- v. BRIDGET, b. 24 May 1770; d. at Groton NH, 30 Dec 1839; m. at Hollis, 1 Jan 1789, DAVID HOLDEN, Jr.
- vi. EBENEZER, b. 22 Nov 1772; d. 13 Mar 1861. (His wife may have been SARAH G. SMITH).
- vii. JOSIAH, b. 27 Mar 1775; m. at Boston, MA, 5 June 1798, HANNAH BOWLAND.
- viii. JAMES, b. 3 Feb 1777; d. at Enfield, NH, abt. 1873; m. at Hollis, 4 Mar 1798, SARAH "or SALLY" LAWRENCE.

9. **NATHAN⁴ ATWELL** (Nathan,³ John,² John¹) was born at Lynn, 16 Oct 1744 and died there 10 Oct 1804. He was married at Lynn, 24 Nov 1768, by Rev. John Treadwell, MARY STONE "resident of Lynn" (Lynn VR; *Essex Antiquarian*, 190). Nathan Attwell was a cordwiner at Lynn, MA.

Nathan⁴ Atwell was a Sergeant, Capt. Rufus Mansfield's Co (4th) which marched on the alarm of 19 April 1775; service 2 days (Sanderson, 192-3). On 24 May 1784, Nathan Attwill, with brothers William Attwill of Lynn and John Attwill of Hollis New Hampshire, for 40 pounds paid by Zachariah Attwill of Lynn (cordwainer), sold to Zachariah a dwelling house in Lynn near the old meeting house, land which their mother Anna Attwill died seized of. Signing also were wives Lydia, Mary & Bridgit

Nathan Attwill's will, dated 15 May 1804 and proved 10 Oct 1804.

"I, Nathan Atwell of Lynn, cordwainer, make this my Last Will & Testament. I commend my soul to God through the extensive merits of Christ, etc... and direct my Executor to pay all debts." I give to my 2 daughters Elizabeth Richardson and Anna Hawkes \$10 each, which, with what they have already received will be their full share in my estate; to my two grandchildren Thomas Farrington and Anna Farrington one dollar each; to my beloved wife Mary Atwell the use & improvement of all the residue & remainder of my estate, both real and personal for & during the term of her natural life with liberty to dispose of any part of the same if necessary for her comfortable support & maintenance. I order and direct that all my said estate which shall remain after the decease of my said wife should be equally divided between my three children: James, Nathan & Charles & their heirs. I apoint my said son James Attwill sole Executor. In whitness whereof I have set my hand and seal this 15th day of May 1804. Witnesses: James Garner, Ezekiel Moulton, Jr. and Samuel Burrill. On 10 October 1804, the estate of Nathan Attwell, late of Lynn, cordwainer, deceased, was presented for probate by James Attwill, Executor & witnesses, who made oath that they saw the testate sign, etc.

Inventory of the Estate of Nathan Atwell, late of Lynn

Dwelling house, barn, shop and 4 acres of land, \$1300.00. The Clove (Cove?) near Thomas Newhalls, \$125; 1 1/3 acres of upland & fresh meadow at Pan Swamp \$40; 3 1/2 acres at Penny Bridge, \$60; Total Real Estate: \$1,515. Personal estate included: 2 pine tables, 6 chairs, 7 pewter plates, 2 platters (\$5), a pair of andirons, shovel & tongs & a trammel, a flat Iron & tin iron (\$4.75), 4 silver teaspoons, basket of knives & forks, a pair of bellows, a lantern & a wheel, \$2.80. In the East Room, bed, bedstead & bedding, a desk, a large round table, a small table, a looking glass & a great chair, 6 common chairs, a Bible, blassware & crockery (\$5.20). In the East Chamber, a bed & bedding, a bureau, 3 sheets, a chest, 4 chairs, a gun, & wearing apparel (\$23.75). In the West Chamber, one bed & bedding, one "ditto" (\$18). In the Kitchen, 2 iron pots, 2 kettles, a tea kettle, 2 pails, a tin paid, a great wheel, a 50-cent bond & 3 bushels of barley, a beattle & wedges, 2 wooden measures, 15 bushels of corn in the Garret (\$16.10); In the Cellar, 20 bushels potatles, 300 "ewt?) of Pork, a tub, 4 casks & 2 kegs (\$26.50). The Shop contains 2 seats & tools, a grindstone & 1 small iron crow (\$4.00); The Barn, one cow, 1 heffer, 2 cords of hay & fodder, a fork & a shovel (\$46.20). Total inventory: \$1,717.20. Inventory presented by James Atwell, Executor. The Committee included James Garner, Sarah Breed & Ephraim Breed. Signed at Salem, 4 January 1805.

- viii. MARY (or POLLY) bpt. 22 Jan 1769; died young.
- ix. JOHN DAGGETT, b. 7 May 1771; d. 12 Apr 1842; m. (1) 18 Nov 1794, MARTHA INGALLS, dau. of Jacob, Jr. & Martha, b. 2 Mar 1775; d. 3 July 1817. John m. (2) 10 May 1820, Hannah Palfrey, dau. of Warwick & Hannah Palfrey. Children, all by Martha Ingalls). 1. Martha (or Patty). 2. Nelson Reed. 3. Mary, b. 25 Apr 1802; d. 3 May 1826. 4. Betsey F. 5. Alfred, b. 29 Jan 1806. 6. Gustavus. 7. Edwin, b. 7 Aug 1810. 8. Richard Ingalls, b. 17 July 1812; d. at Boston, 8 Dec 1902. 9. William Augustus, b. 22 Mar 1814; d. 26 Feb 1827. 10. Benjamin Franklin, b. 3 July 1817; d. at Swansea, MA, 5 Apr 1866. 11. Joseph Warren, b. 3 July 1817; d. Apr 1866. (Note: Sampler # 3342 at Lynn Historical Society: "John Atwell, b. 7 Ma7 1771; m. 18 Nov 1794, Miss Martha Ingalls, b. 2 Mar 1778. 13 children, b. 1797-1807).
- x. ELIZABETH (or Betsey), bpt. 17 Oct 1773; m. (1) 23 Dec 1792, JOSEPH FULLERTON; m. (2) 22 Sept 1797, WILLIAM BURROUGHS (or Burrows), a sea captain.

8. **Sergt. JOHN⁴ ATWELL** (Nathan,³ John,² John¹) was born about 1737 and died at Groton (Grafton co) New Hampshire, 31 Jan 1820 (or 1821) (the DAR "Patriot List" says 1831, but the pension application of 2nd wife lists his death as 1821). He m. first, at Worcester, Mass., 13 Nov 1760, BRIDGET CUMMINGS, b. at Groton, 16 Sept 1739; d. at Hollis, NH, 17 June 1794. She was the dau. of Deacon William and Lucy (Colburn) Cummings. Her tombstone in the Congregational Church Cemetery at Hollis, NH reads "*Erected in memory of Bridget Atwill, wife of Mr. John Atwill who deceased June 17th in the 55th year of her life. Now let your hearts begin to melt, when this record you see. This is the debt which I have paid, and you must follow me.*" On a stone with the Holden family, his date of death is shown as 31 Jan 1821. John Atwell was a sergeant in Reuben Dow Company in the Rev. War. Enlisted 19 Apr 1775 for Lexington and Cambridge. He was in the Garrison at Portsmouth, NH for 3 months in 1776. He served in Rhode Island in 1778 for 22 days in Capt. Emerson's Company. He settled on Long Pond north of the center of Hollis, NH, said to be the 8th settler there. He was the Sexton of the Meeting House (Hollis Congregational Church). He is shown on the Hollis Tax List 1 Jan 1775 "on the West Side."

On 26 May 1784, **William Atwell** and **Nathan Atwell** (both of Lynn) and **John Atwell** of Hollis, New Hampshire, for 40 pounds, sold to Zachariah Atwell of Lynn a dwelling house in Lynn near the Old Meeting House (Essex Deeds, 162:23).

Children, born at Hollis, New Hampshire:

- i. JOHN, Jr. ⁵ b. 6 June 1761; d. at Coventry, NH, 3 Feb 1821; m. (1) at Hollis, 1 Jan 1786 REBECCA LAWRENCE; m. (2) 21 Oct 1814, DOLLY WITCHER, dau. of Chase & Hannah (Morrill) Witcher. Children, by 1st wife Rebecca Lawrence (surname Atwell), b. at Hollis: 1. Rebecca, b. 28 Jan 1787; m. a Mr. Sterns. 2. John, b. 26 Mar 1788; d. at Orono, Maine, 30 May 1868; m. 30 Aug 1875, Sarah B. Atwell, b. 9 July 1785; d. 4 June 1826. 3. William Cummings. 4. Samuel, b. 29 Dec 1791. 5. James, b. 21 Apr 1793; d. at Groton. 6. Thomas Page. 7. Bridget, b. 29 Aug 1796; m. Thomas Cochron. 8. Ebenezer, b. 4 Mar 1796. 9. James, b. 23 Nov 1799; m. at Rumney, NH, 20 Mar 1827, Hannah Smith. 10. Paul Pritchard, b. 28 Mar 1801; d. at Saratoga, NH; m. at Northville (Fulton Co) NY, Nancy Nichols. 11. Mary, b. 20 Mar 1803. 12. Susanna, b. 12 Dec 1805. Children of John Atwell, Jr., by 2nd wife, Dolly Witcher, b. at Hollis: 13. Chase Witcher, b. 15 Aug 1816. 14. Chase W., b. 8 Dec 1818; m. at Haverhill (Grafton Co.) New Hampshire, 30 July 1840, Nancy Roberts.
- ii. WILLIAM CUMMINGS, b. 7 May 1763, d. at Hollis, 26 Jan 1778.
- iii. NATHAN, b. 15 June 1766; d. at Johnson, Vermont, 13 Nov 1844; m. at Bradford, VT, 15 June 1794, LYDIA HUNKINS.
- iv. JONATHAN, b. 21 Feb 1768; d. at Waterville, VT; m. 1793, POLLY ATWELL. Children, b. at Johnson, VT: 1. Mary, b. 14 Dec 1795. 2. James, b. 4 Jan 1798. 3. Hollis. 4. Cynthia, b. 26 Nov 1802. 5. Russell. 6. Sally, b. 3 June 1806. 7. Francis (twin), b.

Mansfield (again). Acknowledged 3 April 1795; Recorded 19 May 1797; (Essex Deeds, 162:156). On 8 August 1795, Samuel Mansfield (gentleman), Henry Mansfield (cordwiner), Ephraim Smith (housewright, with Lois his wife), and **Thomas Hicks Atwill with Joanna wife**, Thomas & Mary Mansfield, seamstresses all of Lynn, for 18 pounds paid by Ebenezer Mansfield of Lynn, cordwainer; gave all right & title to a piece of tillage in Lynn on Mansfield's Lane, bounded S & SE on Joseph Mansfield's land, N on Col. John Mansfield's Land, NW on part of a field acquitted to Samuel & Henry Mansfield, being part of the Real Estate of Ebenezer Mansfield, late of Lynn, deceased. "We, together with Mary, wife of said Samuel relinquished her right of dower. Signed 24 Nov 1789 before William Whittermore, Benjamin Alley, Jr. William Farrington Jr. and Thomas Farrington. Signed Samuel Mansfield, Jr. & a seal, Henry Mansfield, Lois Smith (by mark), Joanna Atwill (by mark), Ephraim Smith, Mary Mansfield & Mary Mansfield (again). Signed 3 apr 1795; recorded 8 Aug 1795; Recorded 8 Aug 1795 (Essex Deeds, 160:64). 10. William Burroughs, b. 7 Aug 1799; d. 22 Aug 1800. 11. Lydia Hicks, b. 16 Nov 1802; m. 24 Nov 1822, William Ingalls. 12. Addie (Ludovine Hamilton's list; see following this account).

- ii. LYDIA, b. in 1754 or 1758 (ages given in death records in Lynn VR); bpt. 20 apr 1766; d. at Lynn as "Lydia Tarbox" wife of William, 29 Jan 1828, age 78 y (Old Burying Ground) or age 74 (Bible Record of Mrs. William Waite, cited in LVR). Lydia married at Lynn, 23 Sept 1779, WILLIAM⁴ TARBOX, who was bpt. at Gloucester, Mass., 13 Mar 1742/3, son of Joseph³ and Susannah (Stevens) Tarbox. Children of Lydia & William Tarbox, b. at Lynn (surname Tarbox): 1. Lydia, b. 27 Oct 1781; m. (int.) 20 Oct 1805, William Redfern of Boston (1 child). 2. Mary, b. 23 Dec 1785; m. (int.) 8 Apr 1804, Isaiah Burrill (5 children, b. at Lynn surname Burrill). 3. William, Jr., b. 23 Feb 1788; m. at Lynn, 17 May 1808, Dolly R. Hill (9 children b. at Lynn, Exeter [NH] & Haverhill, MA, all recorded in Lynn VR). 4. Anna, b. 29 Oct 1789; m. at Lynn, 3 May 1807, Joseph Alley, Jr. (Bible & sampler of Frank W. Palmer) (4 children, b. at Lynn, surname Alley). 5. John, b. 12 June 1791; perh. m. (int.) 30 June 1816, Mary Bell of Danvers. 6. Samuel, b. 23 Sept 1795; d. 15 Feb 1829 (age 84, Old Western Bur. Ground; Lynn VR); m. 3 Feb 1817, Sally L. Newhall (4 children b. at Lynn) (See Tarbox Family).
- iii. WILLIAM, b. abt. 1760; bur. 20 Apr 1760.
- iv. SARAH (or Sally), b. 24 June 1764; d. 26 Dec 1804; m., as his 1st wife, 2 Oct 1781, AARON BREED, b. 7 Mar 1761, d. 23 Dec 1817, son of Amos & Ruth Breed. He m. (2) at Groton, MA, 10 Nov 1805, Mrs. Mary Filebrown. Children, all by 1st wife, b. at Lynn (surname Breed). 1. Anna, b. 18 July 1782; d. 2 Oct 1782. 2. Anna (again), b. 8 Sept 1784; m. 24 Aug 1803, Samuel Mudge. 3. Ruth (or Ruthy) b. 10 Aug 1786. 4. Sarah (Sally), b. 18 Oct 1788. 5. Aaron, b. 9 Jan 1791. 6. Lydia, b. 18 July 1792. 7. Warner, b. 27 July 1794. 8. Nabby Burrill, b. 28 July 1798. 9. Fullerton, b. 16 Aug 1799. 10. Isaac, b. 27 July 1801. 11. Isaac (again), b. 27 Oct 1802. Children of Aaron Breed & Mary Filebrown: 12. Horace Anson, b. 19 Nov 1806. 13. James Edwin, b. 16 Oct 1808. Harriet Almira, b. 22 Sept 1810. 15. Hermione, b. 18 Mar 1812. 16. Lydia Miria, b. 22 Feb 1816.
- v. ANNA, bpt. 20 Apr 1766; d. 9 Oct 1806; m. 12 Feb 1778, NEHEMIAH RAMSDELL; s. of Nehemiah, bpt. 20 Feb 1757 (no children found).
- vi. THOMAS HICKS, b. 10 June 1760; bpt. 20 Apr 1766; m. 22 Jan 1788, JOANNA MANSFIELD, bpt. 10 June 1764, dau. of Ebenezer & Mary (Norwood) Mansfield. She d. "widow of Thomas H., 24 Feb 1817 in her 53rd year." Child: 1. Joanna, b. 15 May 1788 (Lynn VR).
- vii. HANNAH HICKS, bpt. 16 Nov 1766; m. 25 Sept 1783, JAMES ALLEY. Children, b. at Lynn (surname Alley): 1. Salley, b. 3 Oct 1784; perhaps m. 21 Jan 1808, Nathaniel Newhall, Jr. 3. Polly, b. 27 Dec 1790; m. 30 Nov 1815, William Brown, Jr. 4. James, b. 14 Apr 1793. 5. John, b. 22 July 1795; m. as John, 3rd, 13 Nov 1815, Mary Newhall. 6. Hannah, b. 19 Oct 1799; m. (int.) 26 Feb 1815, Reuben Durant.

ern Burial Ground, where his grave is marked by a white stone bearing the inscription, "Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright, for the end of that man is peace." Zachariah; m. 16 July 1778, by Rev. John Treadwell, ELIZABETH BREED, b. 7 June 1758; d. 2 July 1827. She was a daughter of Amos and Ruth (Newhall) Breed (See Breed family). On 8 January 1782, Lydia Breed of Lynn widow of Jabez Breed Tertius, late of Lynn, deceased, granted to Zachariah Atwell (cordwainer of Lynn) for 90 pounds 1/2 a dwelling house & land adjoining, viz: the W end of the house that was formerly Isaiah Newhall's late of Lynn, deceased, & 1/2 the cellar under the E end & 1/2 the garden adjoining said W side, bounded S by the road from Boston to Marblehead, W & E by widow Mary Newhall's thirds; also 2/3 of the barn near said house from the N part of same barn (except said Mary Newhall's right thereof, with the S half & 1/2 of the cow yard adjoining the S end of the barn. Signed 8 January 1782 by Lydia Breed (& a seal); consented to by Daniel Newhall & James Basset. Witnesses: Henry Oliver & Richard Pratt, Jr.; Acknowledged 15 March 1782; recorded 21 Dec 1786 (Essex Deeds, 146:189). Zachariah & Elizabeth (Breed) Atwell lived in a dwelling house with barn & 10 poles of land in Lynn, near the meeting-house, the land bounded in every part by the town common. This land was deeded to Zachariah 24 May 1784 and he lived there until he was appointed keeper of the almshouse at the corner of Fayette & Chestnut Streets. This he kept for a number of years until the almshouse on Tower Hill was opened and he continued as keeper there. Zachariah Atwill was a private in Capt. Rufus Mansfield's 4th co., which marched on the alarm of April 19, 1775; also in Capt. Joseph Hiller's co., 11 July 1777, 2 months, 6 days, & on an alarm at Rhode Island; roll dated Camp at Providence; remained in camp under Lieut. John Watts (Howard Kendall Sanderson, *Lynn in the Revolution*, 194). On 5 March 1785, **Zachariah & Elizabeth (Breed) Atwill, Aaron Breed & Benjamin Newhall Breed** (cordwainers all of Lynn), for \$50 paid by Richard Pratt, Jr. of Lynn (cordwainer) granted to said Richard Pratt & his heirs all right & interest in the real estate whereof Jabez Breed, our grandfather (late of Lynn, yeoman) died seized of, being in common & undivided, 1/2 a dwelling house & piece of land adjoining.... in Lynn. Signed 5 March 1785 by Zachariah & Elizabeth Atwill, Aaron & Sarah Breed, Benjamin Newhall Breed; Witnesses: 22 Oct 1787, Theophilus Hallowell & Benjamin Newhall (Essex Deeds, 162:71). Children, b. at Lynn: 1. Zachariah, Jr.,⁶ b. 1 Nov 1779; d. 15 Jan 1847; m. 24 Aug 1804, Anna Breeden. 2. Amos m. 23 Dec 1806, Mary Bachelor. 3. Micheson m. 15 May 1808, Sally Diamond. 4. Ruthe (or Ruthy) m. 6 Oct 1805, James Mudge. 5. George m. 11 Feb 1813, Druzilla Doane (or Dane) of Orrington. 6. Betsy F., b. 5 Sept 1790; m. 1 Oct 1822, Benjamin Ward (?); m. Jonathan Tuttle?. 7. Jesse Lee m. (int.) 3 Nov 1816, Rebecca Woodbury of Salem, N.H. 8. Polly, b. 26 Dec 1794 (Bible Rec. of R. Newhall); m. (int.) 12 Dec 1813, James Clough. 9. Thomas Hicks, b. 21 June 1796; m. 9 June 1822, Lucy Rhodes. Thomas Hicks Atwell served in the Rev. War, enlisting 12 July 1780, when only 14 years old. He was discharged 10 Oct 1780 (Sanderson, 193). After the war, T. H. Atwell taught music & travelled through VT & NY. On 19 May 1797, Thomas Hicks Atwell's wife granted to Samuel Mansfield, Jr. (gentleman) of Lynn, Henry Mansfield (cordwainer) & Ephraim Smith (Housewright) with Lois his wife, all of Lynn, for 53 pounds paid them by Joanna Atwell, wife of Thomas Hicks Atwell of Lynn (cordwainer) & Mary Mansfield of Lynn (seamstresses) granted & quitclaimed all rights to a dwelling house from the center of the front door through the center of the chimney to the backsides of the kitchen with privilege of entering the front door, etc .. provided said Joanna be at 1/2 the expense of repairing the same ... beginning at the corner of Ralph Merry's land ... They relinquished their right of dower. Signed: Samuel with Mary his wife and Ebenezer with Rebecca his wife, 13 December 1793. Signed Samuel Mansfield, Henry Mansfield, Ebenezer Mansfield, Lois Smith, Ephraim Smith, Mary Mansfield, Rebecca Mansfield & Mary

1st wife: 1. Sarah (or Sally), b. 31 Jan 1756. 2. Rufus, b. 23 June 1758; d. 22 May 1759. 3. Betty, b. 30 May 1760; d. 13 June 1760. 4. George Rufus, b. 9 June 1761. 5. Charlotte, b. 22 May 1764; d. 10 June 1764. 6. Amos Main, b. 10 June 1765; d. 24 May 1815; m. 3 Oct 1795, Mary (Polly) Young (4 children). 7. Betty Charlotte, b. 8 Aug 1767; d. 22 Aug 1767. 8. Betsey, b. 18 Oct 1770; d. at Medfield (Norfolk) MA, 18 Mar 1834; m. 19 Mar 1789, Nicholas Tillinghams, b. at Providence, 24 Jan 1767; d. at Taunton, 24 Apr 1818 (1 child; Amos Atwell Tillinghast). 9. Mary (or Polly), b. 10 May 1773; d. at Boston, 15 May 1854. Col. Amos Atwell's children by 2nd wife Mehitable Wilson, b. at Providence, RI: 1. George Lovell, b. 12 Feb 1789; d. 27 June 1819. 11. Charlotte, b. 17 Sept 1799. 3. Charles Rufus, b. 20 Oct 1801; d. 19 Dec 1802. 13. Horatio Nelson, b. 12 Oct 1803; d. 13 July 1813.

- iii. a daughter, b. 1733.
- iv. ANNE, b. 8 Oct 1735; d. at Attleboro, 19 Aug 1771.
- v. RICHARD, b. 18 Jan 1737; m. MARY -----.
- vi. ICHABOD, b. 16 Nov 1739; d. 29 Dec 1739.

Child by 2nd wife, Mary Lawrence, b. at Attleboro.

- vii. WILLIAM, b. 9 Nov 1741; d. at Attleboro, 4 Mar 1775; m. there, 17 June 1762, MARY FULLER. Children: 1. William Lawrence, b. 15 Feb 1763; d. 13 June 1843; m. 4 Oct 1804, Welthea Woodcock (2 children). 2. Mary, b. 16 Dec 1765. 3. Richard, b. 3 Dec 1767. Chloe, b. 21 Nov 1769. 5. Anna, b. 2 Feb 1772.

7. **WILLIAM⁴ ATWELL** (Nathan,³ John,² John¹) was born at Lynn about 1730 and died there, 5 November 1806 (Lynn VR) *"at the age of 81, in the home of Amos Attwill. Their home was in the old Attwill house, which stood upon the Common and which was moved to Whiting Street, where it still remained in 1909."* William Atwell was buried on the south side of the old Western Burial ground where his grave is inscribed: *"Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright, for the end of that man is peace"* (Sanderson, 193). He m. at Boston, 22 Apr 1753, LYDIA DAGGETT HICKS, who was born at Boston, 31 Oct 1732 and died there, 8 Jan 1812. In Lynn Vital Records, it states: "The wife of William Atwell died 8 Jan 1812, at the poorhouse. (Note: Her son Zachariah was keeper of the poorhouse (see below). She was the daughter of Zachariah and Lydia (Daggett or Doggett) Hicks ("Joseph Sanger Attwill, 1900-1977," typescript by Ludovine Hamilton at Lynn Historical Society)

"William Attwell was a private in Capt. Daniel Galeucia's company, Colonel Benjamin Ruggles Woodbridge's regiment, and in Capt. Eleazer Lindsey's company of the same regiment; enlisted in the latter company May 20, 1775, service two months and thirteen days; also in Captain Brown and Devereux's company, Colonel Jacob Gerrish's regiment of guards, at Cambridge, enlisted February 3, 1778, service five months, three days; on muster-roll for January 1778, dated Camp at Winter Hill. -- Mass. Archives." (Sanderson, 193).

On 26 May 1784, **William Atwell** cordwainer, **Nathan Atwell** (cordwainer, both of Lynn ... and **John Atwell** of Hollis in the county of Hillsborough in the state of New Hampshire (housewright) for 40 pounds paid by **Zachariah Atwell** of Lynn (cordwainer) sold to said Zachariah a dwelling house in Lynn near the Old Meeting House with 10 poles of land adjoining. Signed 26 May 1784 by William Atwell (mark & seal) John Atwell (mark & seal) & Nathan Atwell. Witnesses: John Flagg, Joseph Barry, Joel Newhall, Nehemiah Greene. Acknowledged 24 May 1784; Recorded 7 Nov 1796 (Essex Deeds, 162:23)

Children of William & Lydia (Hicks) Atwill, b. at Lynn (order uncertain):

- i. ZACHARIAH,⁵ b. 9 Oct 1755 (christened 20 April 1766) and d. 6 Nov 1836 at the age of 81 years, in the home of Amos Attwill, a house which was torn down to make way for the St. Mary's parochial residence. He was buried on the S side of the old West-

5. **NATHAN³ ATWELL** (John,² John¹) was born at Lynn about 1707 and died after 24 May 1784 (last recorded deed, see below). He married at Lynn, 27 November 1729, ANNA RAMSDELL, daughter of Jonathan and Anna (Chadwell) Ramsdell. She was born at Lynn, 27 February 1708/9 and died there, 3 April 1755 (Lynn VR).

At a Lynn Town Meeting on 3 March 1734/5, Nathan Atwell, Henry Silsbe, Nathaniel Ingalls & Samuel Hart were chosen hogreaves (Records of the Town of Lynn, 1742-1759).

On 3 March 1739, Nathan Atwell (husbandman of Lynn) sold to Samuel Breed Jr. (husbandman) and Joseph Coats (house carpenter) both of Lynn, for 70 pounds in hand paid, a dwelling house and barn and 10 poles of land in Lynn near the meetinghouse and lately enjoyed by Edward Howard, the land bounded on every part by Town common, the aforesaid granted premises with tenancy & privileges unto them & their respective heirs forever. Nathan Atwell stated he was the true sole proper and lawful owner. Nathan Atwell & Anna his wife (who surrendered her thirds) set their hands and seals; Nathan by seal and Anna by mark & seal. Witnesses were David Dummer & William Barton (Essex Deeds, 79:182).

On 26 May 1784, **William Atwell** and **Nathan Atwell**, both of Lynn (cordwainers) and **John Atwell** of Hollis in the county of Hillsborough in the state of New Hampshire, housewright, for 40 pounds granted to said Zachariah Atwell & his heirs, a dwelling house in Lynn near the Old Meeting House with 10 poles of land adjoining. Signed by William Atwell, John Atwell and Nathan Atwell. Witnesses: John Flagg, Joel Newhall, Joseph Barry and Nehemiah Green; Acknowledged 24 May 1784; Recorded 5 (or 7) November 1796 (Essex Deeds, 162:23).

On 18 January 1742/3, the town of Lynn sold to Nathan Atwell, 6 poles of land at the east end of his house ("Records of the Town of Lynn").

"There is a tradition in the family that in the days when the king needed more fighting men, and was obliged to resort to impressment to increase his army, Nathan Atwill, the grandfather of Zachariah, was washing his hands in the brook which ran past his house on the Common, where the press-gang came along. In the fight which followed, his arm was broken, but he was told that, being a strong man, they had rather have him with one good arm than many another man having two. He was taken away subsequently, and never returned" (Howard Kendall Sanderson, *Lynn in the Revolution*, 1:194).

Children, b. at Lynn (surname Atwell):

- ?i. HANNAH,⁴ m. 22 Jan 1765, AARON FELT of Andover (Lynn VR).
- 7. ii. WILLIAM, b. abt. 1730; ; m. LYDIA DAGGETT HICKS.
- 8. iii. JOHN, b. abt. 1737; m. (1) BRIDGET CUMMINGS; m. (2) DOLLY WHITCHER.
- 9. iv. NATHAN, b. 16 Oct 1744; m. MARY STONE.

6. **RICHARD³ ATWELL** (Richard,² John¹) was born at Lynn about 1704 and died at Attleboro, Mass, 26 January 1767. *When Richard Atwell was still in his 20s, he took up residence in Attleboro, Mass.* (B. F. Atwell). He married (1) at Attleboro, 28 October 1727, SARAH BALKOM (or BOLKUM), who was born there, 3 February 1703 and died there, of complications of childbirth, 17 November 1739. She was the daughter of Alexander and Sarah (Woodcock) Balkom. Richard Atwell married (2) at Providence, Rhode Island, 9 April 1741, MARY LAWRENCE, who died 18 January 1755. Richard married (3) 30 December 1756, widow SARAH NICHOLS of Rehoboth.

Children, by 1st wife Sarah Balkom, b. at Attleboro:

- i. SARAH,⁴ b. 11 June 1728; d. 16 Nov 1747.
- ii. Col. AMOS, b. 19 Oct 1730; d. at Providence, R.I., 10 Aug 1807. He m. (1) 19 Nov 1754, BETH (or BETSEY) SEARLE (or SEARL). He m. (2) at Providence, MEHITABLE (or HATTIE) WILSON, b. at Providence 25 Mar 1798; d. 16 Nov 1859. Children by

The distance prevented John from participating in town affairs (Benjamin F. Atwell, p. 35).

5. v. NATHAN, b. abt. 1707; m. ANNA RAMSDELL.
 - vi. MARGARET ("Peggy"), b. abt. 1710; m. 31 July 1734, JACOB GOODELL.
 - vii. ELIZABETH, b. abt. 1718; m. 28 Dec 1738, SAMUEL WILLSON, both of Lynn;
(nothing further found)
- (Note: A William Atwell m. at New London, Conn., 29 Mar 1744, Phebe (-----) Amesbury, widow of Stephen Amesbury (TEG, 3:83).

3. **RICHARD² ATWELL** (John¹) was born about 1679, probably at North Yarmouth, Maine. His marriage intentions were published at Lynn, 11 September 1703, to his cousin LYDIA FELT. She was the daughter of Moses (Joshua) and Lydia (Maine or Mains) Felt (Holman, *Felt Families*, 3-4).

"Shortly after the birth of his son, Richard Atwell went to sea and disappeared. Neither he nor any of the ship's crew were ever heard from again (B. F. Atwell, 35).

Child:

6. i. RICHARD,³ b. abt. 1704; m. (1) SARAH JOSLEN; m. (2) SARAH BOLCOM; m. (3) SARAH NICKOL.

4. **JOSEPH³ ATWELL** (John,² John¹) was born at Lynn, 12 December 1694 and died there after 1758?, when he married his 2nd wife (see below). He married, first at Lynn, 8 July 1718, SARAH RHODES. She was born at Lynn, 2 November 1700, daughter of Henry³ and Elizabeth (Paul) Rhodes. She died before 4 August 1749 when her father Henry Rhodes, in his will, bequeathed to his sons Hezekiah and Ezekiel, to his daughter Sarah Atwell's children, 12 pounds; to his daughter Martha Coats, 20 pounds, to his daughter Tabitha Ramsdell (25 pounds), to daughter Eunice Rhoads (30 pounds) (Essex Probate, 23493; copy book 331:20-22). Joseph³ Atwell (a widower for many years) married (2) 27 December 1753, MIRIAM CASS who was born in 1735 and died 4 June 1765 (B. F. Atwell).

Children by 1st wife Sarah Rhodes, b. probably at Lynn:

- i. & ii & possibly more (Grandfather Henry Rhodes' will (4 Aug 1749) named "daughter Sara Atwell's children." (Note: On 21 October 1748, a Benjamin Atwell was warned out of Lynn. He came into the town in the month of April & was "a stranger" wherefore he was inquired of where he came from & where he had his last residence (*Records of the Town of Lynn, 1742-1759*).

Children by 2nd wife Miriam Cass (according to B. F. Atwell):

- iii. JOSEPH (twin) b. 25 Oct 1754; prob the Joseph Atwell of Lynn who married PARM (or "Pamerla " or Perm" or "Pearm") COWELL of Stoneham, 26 February 1776 (Lynn VR). (Note: A Joseph Atwell (cordwainer) & Pann his wife of Lynn ... with their children, Elizabeth, Joseph, Rebecca, Hannah & John were warned out of Reading, Mass. (Anne Smith Lainhart, "Warnings Out 1757-1791 for Reading, Mass." [TEG, 9:135]). An Elizabeth [Atwell, int] & Joseph Richardson m. at Lynn, 23 June 1797 (or 1796; Lynn VR). On 2 February 1781, a Joseph Atwell was named a "hog reeve").
- iv. BENJAMIN (twin), b. 25 Oct 1754; died 26 Oct 1754.
- v. ANNE, bpt. 17 Oct 1756.
- vi. OZIOS , bpt. 23 July 1758.

Abigail Hawkins (by mark & seal) in the township of Boston, 12 Oct 1714. Witnesses: Hananiah Huchinson & Joshua Felt; Attested by Nicholas Page (Essex Deeds, 44:201).

On 9 July 1716. **Moses Felt of Lynn** (husbandman) granted to **John Atwell** of Lynn (husbandman) for 7 pounds, 10 shillings, 1/2 of a lot in Lynn laid out to Lieut. John Breed on Lynn town commons & since purchased by Moses Felt; the 4th lot in the 2nd range of the 1st division, called the "600 acres" between lots laid out to Benjamin Allen's successors on one side & the lot laid out to Robert Rand & son Robert lying on the other side and containing 4 acres 22 poles. Signed by Moses Felt (with mark & seal). Witnesses: John Breed & Mary Burrill (Essex Deeds, 49:117). On 16 October 1723, **John Atwell** (husbandman) of Lynn, sold for 50 pounds currant money to **John Parrish** of Lynn (brickmaker) for 50 pounds currant money well and truly paid by John Parrish, **2 parcels of land in Lynn in the "600 acres,"** bounded W & N with John Breed, etc. Signed by John Atwell (by mark & seal) and Margaret Atwell (by mark & seal). Witnesses: Joseph Coats & Thomas Cheever; Recorded: 22 May 1727 (Essex Deeds, 47:255).

On 12 November 1723, **John Atwell** (husbandman) of Lynn sold to **David Potter** of Lynn, for 50 pounds lawful money, 2 parcels of land in Lynn, 1 containing about 5 acres, 60 poles and was part of a piece of land Atwell had improved, **near the dwelling house of Moses Felt**, and was bounded W by the country road, S by Mr. Brintnall's, E by said Brintnall & partly on Joseph Farr's & N on John Parrish's land, by a white Oak tree & N on the country road... the other is 1/2 of a lot laid out to Samuel Parker, the 1st lot obtained by Samuel Walton by sale dating 22 May 1724. John Atwell appeared at Middlesex County & acknowledged. Witnesses: Thomas Cheever (& Margaret his wife) and John Parrish (by mark) (Essex Deeds, 48:217). On 29 April 1729, **John Atwell of Lynn and wife Margaret Atwell** conveyed to John Brintnall of Boston, 10 acres of **land in North Yarmouth, Maine and 1/10th of the right of the heirs of John Maine, said Atwell being grandson of said John Maine** (North Yarmouth Maine Deeds, Book 13:92).

On 18 April 1734, final approval was given by the House of Representatives in Boston, to the 104 settlers of North Yarmouth, Maine. The list of those settlers included **George Felt, Moses Felt, John Atwell and John Maine.**

"In 1735, John Atwell went to that part of West Dunstable, known as the "Niccitisset Wilderness," which later became Hollis, New Hampshire. There he purchased land of the original proprietors of Dunstable. He cleared a small area and built a cabin, thus becoming the eighth settler of Hollis (Early Settlers of West Dunstable, Monson and Hollis, N.H., Worcester, page 187). His homestead was at the head of Long Pond, since renamed Silver Lake. (On 1 August 1947, the author with the aid of an elderly Hollis resident, located the site of John's cabin. The foundation stones were intact and easily discernable, although overgrown. There is evidence that John spent only part of the time in Hollis, returning to Lynn periodically. In the spring of 1751, John sold his homestead to Phineas Hardy of Bradford, Massachusetts. There is no record of the deaths of John and Margaret or the location of their graves" (Benjamin F. Atwell, "A Partial History of Ye Atwell Race, 1876-1898," a manuscript at Lynn Historical Society, page 35).

Children of John and Margaret (Max or Maxie) Atwell, b. at Lynn:

- i. ?ANDREW, "son of John Atwell, Jr." was baptized at Charlestown (Mass.) 20 January 1693 (Thomas Bellows Wyman, *The Genealogies & Estates of Charlestown, Mass.* [1879]. Nothing further found.
4. ii. JOSEPH,³ b. 12 Dec 1694; m. SARAH RHODES.
- iii. SARAH, b. abt. 1700; m. 5 May 1731, SAMUEL CONVERSE, probably the Samuel Converse of Woburn (son of Samuel & Sarah) who had a son Samuel born 22 Nov 1686, was named in father's will in 1738; nothing further known (*NEHG Register*, 50 [1896], 346-350).
- iv. JOHN, b. 16 Oct 1702. "In 1726, John moved to Killingly, Connecticut, where he bought a farm. His property was 6 or 7 miles from the village on the Hartford-Boston turnpike (*History of Windham, CT, 1:178*) by Larnard).

1. **JOHN¹ ATWELL**, ancestor of the Lynn Atwells, was born perhaps about 1650, as his first known son was born about 1672. But according to some sources (see above), he came from Devonshire in England and settled in the Casco Bay area of Maine between 1630 and 1640 with **John Maine**. This would put his birth a lot earlier, but there is nothing found to substantiate it. He died, probably at Lynn, after 1685 (the last official record found). He married **ELIZABETH MAINE**, daughter of John and Elizabeth Maine.

On 15 August, 1685, Richard Bray (husbandman), inhabitant of Casco in New England, for 11 pounds, granted to **John Atwell** (fisherman), inhabitant of Casco in New England, 60 acres of land in Casco Bay in Maine, being on the westernmost side of a river there, formerly called Ryalls River at Westgostuggo, joining upon Thomas Maynes.

Children of John and Elizabeth (Maine) Atwell, probably born at North Yarmouth, Maine:

2. i. **JOHN²**, b. abt. 1672; m. **MARGARET MAXE**.
3. ii. **RICHARD**, b. abt. 1679; m. **LYDIA FELT**.
- iv. **SARAH**, b. in 1683; d. after 14 Oct 1720; m. at Malden (Middlesex County) MA, in 1702, as his 3rd wife, **JOSEPH TOWNSEND**, b. at Boston, 23 Dec 1665, son of Thomas² and Mary (Davis) Townsend (Boston VR). Joseph died bef. 14 Oct 1720, when administration was granted to widow Sarah. Joseph Townsend had 2 children by his 1st wife Elizabeth Berry and 3 children by his 2nd wife Judith Woodman. Children by 3rd wife, Sarah Atwell, the first 5 born at Malden, the last child born at Framingham (surname Townsend): 1. Jacob, b. 1 Oct 1703; m. Sarah ----- of Framingham, 1727-8) (5 children). 2. Sarah, b. 28 Feb 1705/6. 3. Priscilla, b. 7 Jan 1707/8; m. at Lynn, 10 June 1735, John Larrabee. 4. Timothy, b. 28 Aug 1710; m. at Holliston, 21 July 1737, Hannah Foster (8 children). 5. Hannah, b. 14 Mar 1712. 6. Jerusha, b. 29 May 1717 (Henry H. Townsend, *The Townsend Family of Lynn*, 3rd edition, cited in TEG, 8:21).

2. **JOHN² ATWELL** (John¹) was born probably at Wescustogo (Cumberland Co.) Maine, about 1672. He married at Topsfield in the Massachusetts Bay Colony, 13 (or 19) June 1693, **MARGARET MAXE** (Topsfield VR). Margaret Maxe's birth date or place is not known. The Topsfield Vital Records list several Maxes, but not Margaret.

The published *Town Records of Lynn*, which start in 1690, show that **John Atwell** served the town of Lynn as "Haward" from 1710 to 1713. Serving with him were Timothy & Allen Breed, Samuel Stocker, Jr., Joseph Edmunds, Jr., Crispas Richards, Benjamin Collins Jr. Benjamin Bigsbee, John Bates & Henry Libby (2:61-71). He served on a grand jury on 14 Oct 1723 (*ibid.*, 3:51).

In a writ dated 30 September 1695, "**John Atwell junior of Lynn** was sued by a Mrs. Mary Daffern and Mrs. Martha Padishall (widows and heiresses of Richard Woody, late of Boston, deceased) in an action of trespass upon the case, and according to writ, the plaintiffs being called 3 times, made default and were nonsuited. The judgment was that the plaintiffs pay unto the defendant costs" (Alonzo Lewis and James R. Newhall, *History of Lynn...* [1865], 297).

Deeds recorded at Essex County:

On 9 October 1714, **John Hawkins of Lynn** (weaver) & Abigail his wife (who renounced dower rights) granted to **John Atwell of Lynn** (husbandman), for 16 pounds, 2 lots of land in Lynn in the "600 acres" so-called (i.e., land now in Lynnfield), one lot laid out to Robert Rand (the 5th lot, 2nd range, 1st division); the other laid out to Richard Johnson, both lots containing 8 acres, the lot laid out to John Breed on one side & the lot laid out to Joseph Breed on the other side, with the liberty of passing over said lot & rights of herbage belonging to the town of Reading, if there be any. Signed by John Hawkins (and a seal) &

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The ATWELL FAMILY

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There were two or perhaps three Atwell families in early New England. *The Genealogical Dictionary of Maine and New Hampshire* by Sybil Noyes, Charles Thornton Libby and Walter Goodwin Davis, lists the following Atwells: *1. **Benjamin**, known only for selling 95 ducks at the Trelawny plantation in 1639/40. Presumably his widow Dorothy married (2) Richard Martin. She was the mother of Benjamin Atwell and Lydia Atwell, who married Robert Corben, to whom in 1673 she deeded her estate for life support. 2. **Benjamin** married in 1668, Alice Lewis, daughter of George Lewis. Benjamin was killed by the Indians on 11 August 1676. His children (besides one who died young) were Joseph, born 1671, at age 14 chose William Scriven of Kittery his guardian. Mr. Scriven claimed for him the entire estates of his father, grandfather Martin and uncle Corben. * 3. **John**, North Yarmouth, according to tradition written by Amos Atwell, came from England with John Mains, whose daughter he married. He is mentioned at Lynn in 1650, but came with Mains to North Yarmouth, where "Atwell's Creek" is on the south side of Royal's River below the cemetery... In King Philip's War he fled to York, where he built and fenced at Cape Neck. From York in 1690, he fled to Lynn, where two John Atwell's were living in 1695, and his son John (with wife Margaret) was living in 1727. He raised a family in North Yarmouth of four children (not including Andrew baptized at Charlestown, January 20 1692). John's son John removed from Lynn to Killingly, Conn. He m. in Wenham, Mass. (intentions 11 Sept 1703), his cousin Lydia Felt, dau. of Moses and Hannah (Mains). They were parents of Richard of Attleboro. John Atwell's other children were Joseph and Sarah who married Joseph Townsend of Malden.* 4. **Philip** lived in Kittery and vicinity over 20 years; was employed in the fisheries. He married the widow of John Andrews by 1672 but soon had a falling out and on 26 March 1673, had taken his chest out into the bushes. He was questioned in 1695 for absence from meeting. (Note: Apparent errors appear in the above account. 1. There is no record found that John¹ Atwell was in Lynn in 1650. 2. It was probably John³ rather than John² who removed to Killingly, Conn. 3. It was Richard Atwell (not John) who married at Wenham, Lydia Felt.

ATWELL Connections to the MAINE, FELT, LARRABEE & DAGGETT Families

There is a strong connection between the families of John Atwell, the Larrabees and the Felts, as well as the Maine family. William Larrabee settled at Malden, Mass., where he married, Nov 1655, **Elizabeth Felt**, daughter of George & Elizabeth Felt. "George Felt was the most prominent of the early settlers of North Yarmouth, Maine. When troubles with the Indians began, William Larrabee returned to Malden, where he was made a freeman 22 March 1699/1700. William's cousin, Stephen Larrabee (ancestor of all the Larrabees of Maine & Mass. Bay Colony), was born about 1630 and died at North Yarmouth. He married a wife whose last name was Main or Mains, "probably a daughter of John Mains." When Stephen's family left North Yarmouth during the Indian hostilities, they went to Lynn. Some returned later to North Yarmouth, but others remained in the Lynn area. John Atwell's granddaughter, Priscilla Townsend married John Larrabee and Richard² Atwell (John¹) married Lydia Felt. In *Confession of Faith and Covenant of the First Church in North Yarmouth* (p. 48), a list of 103 proprietors includes **John Atwell, Stephen Larrabee (plus 7 other Larrabees), John Maine's assignes, Richard Bray's assignes and Thomas Dogett (or Daggett)**, all names connected with John Atwell and his family. In *Ancient North Yarmouth and Yarmouth, Maine* by William Hutchinson Rowe [1737; repr. 1980], pages 38 & 40, it states: "All [settlers] were given "10-acre lots of land extending from Falmouth line to the land of the tide on Royal's river. The place of building and settling should be at **Main's Point** ... following the general line of the present street were the farms of 4 Larrabees ... Across the inlet, since called **Atwell's Creek**, up the river from the Larrabees, lived **John and Margaret Atwell**"

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