

SOME OF THE HERRICK GENEALOGY

HERRICK FAMILY

THIS INFORMATION COLLECTED BY HELEN INGRAHAM FRANCIS

PREFACE

The bulk of the material contained in these papers was originally sent to me by John Pierce Herrick of Los Angeles, who is number 9 II on page twelve. The material was compiled years ago by his wife Margaret, now deceased. Other Herrick researchers in different parts of the country have kindly contributed data on the early Herrick beginnings. The Leach data beginning on page seventeen was copied from the book I have named by Mrs. Myrl Webb, of Lewes, Delaware. Mrs. Webb is not a Leach or Herrick descendant, but when I mentioned my need for this book in a letter to her, she borrowed the book from the New England Historical Genealogical Society of which she is a member, copied the data I needed, and mailed it to me. I had not known previously she was a member of the Society. I was very surprised and pleased to so easily get the information.

Although the very ancient pedigrees I have given on page one are interesting, it is impossible to determine exactly how authentic they are. This is particularly true of the Anglo-Saxon pedigree. Most of it is probably true, but there is also a great deal of room for error. The Anglo-Saxon pedigree extends beyond Bedwig, back several generations to Adam, but this portion is known to be false, and I have omitted it.

(Signed) Helen Ingraham Francis

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HESPERIDES

The Argument of His Book

by Robert Herrick

I sing of Brooks, of Blossoms, Birds, and Bowers;
Of April, May, of June, and July-Flowers.
I sing of May-poles, Hock-carts, Wassils, Wakes,
Of bridegrooms, Brides, and of their Bridall-cakes.
I write of Youth, of Love, and have Accesse
By these, to sing of cleanly-Wantonnesse.
I sing of Dewes, of Raines, and piece by piece
Of Balme, of Oyl, of Spice, and Amber-Greece.
I sing of Times trans-shifting; and I write
How Roses first came Red, and Lillies White.
I write of Groves, of Twilights, and I sing
The Court of Mab, and of the Fairie-King.
I write of Hell; I sing (and ever shall)
Of Heaven, and hope to have it after all.

SOME OF THE HERRICK GENEALOGY

Earliest Generations¹

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| 1. Bedwig (Beow) | |
| 2. Hwala | |
| 3. Hathra | |
| 4. Itermon | |
| 5. Heremod | |
| 6. Sceldwea | |
| 7. Beaw | |
| 8. Taetwa | |
| 9. Geat | |
| 10. Godwulf | |
| 11. Finn | |
| 12. Frithwulf | |
| 13. Frealaf | |
| 14. Frituwald | |
| 15. Woden (all the Anglo-Saxon royal houses trace their descent from him.) | |
| 16. Baeldaeg | |
| 17. Brond (Brand) | |
| 18. Frithogar | |
| 19. Freawine | |
| 20. Wig | |
| 21. Giwis | |
| 22. Esla | |
| 23. Elesa | |
| 24. Cerdic (king of the West Saxons, conquered | 1. Gormo I, King of Sweden |
| 25. Creoda? Wessex, was succeeded by Cynric) | |
| 26. Cynric | 2. Siedfried |
| 27. Ceawlin (succeeded his father as king of W.S.) | 3. Boryn |
| 28. Cuthwine (defeated the Britons at Dyrham 577) | 4. Elsa married Siward I, |
| 29. Cuthwulf (fought against Britons at Bedford | King of Norway |
| 30. Ceolwals in 571 | |
| 31. Cenred | 5. Siward II, King of Norwa |
| 32. Ingild d. 571 | |
| 33. Eoppa | 6. Regner, King of Denmark, |
| 34. Eafa | married Thora ² |
| 35. Ealhmund (was king in Kent) | |
| 36. Ecgbryht (Egbert) d. 839 | 7. Siward III, King of |
| 37. Aethelwulf ³ m. Osburh, whose mother was | Denmark |
| Eadburh | |
| 38. Aelfred ⁴ (Alfred the Great) b. ca. 848, d. 900 | 8. Harold VII, King of |
| 39. Eadweard ⁵ (Edward the Elder) d. 924 | Denmark |
| 40. Thrya or Thyra Danebod married | 9. Gormo III, King of |
| | Denmark, b. 901 |

1-from Vol. 2, Two of the Anglo-Saxon Chronicles, by John Earle, revised by Chas. Plummer, Clarendon Press, 1899; Vol. I, History of the Norwegian People by Knut Gjerset, MacMillan Co. 1915. Knowland Genealogy: Anderson's Royal Genealogies, 1732: Early European & Royal Ancestories of Early American Pioneers.

2-Daughter of Heroth, King of Sweden 842-856, who came from an old line o Swedish kings.

3-Died 858. 4-Married Ethelbith, daughter of Aethelred Mucill

5-Married thrice. Two of his wives were Aelflaed and Eadgifu. Either could have been the mother of Thrya.

The son of Thyra Danebod and Gormo III was Harald VIII, king of Denmark, otherwise known as Harald Gormson and Harald Blaatand (Bluetooth). Gormo was the last of the pagan kings. His wife, however, was a Christian, and it was probably due to this fact that Harald who was born in 930, was baptized in 960.

Gormo ruled both long and well, and at the end of this reign Denmark was the most populous and powerful of the Northern kingdoms. His queen Thyra was able and popular. She rebuilt Danevirke, a castellated wall, stretching across the narrowest part of the peninsula, from the city of Schleswig to the mouth of the River Elder, forming the old boundry between Denmark and Germany.

Harald Blaatand seems to have emulated his contemporary Otto the Great of Germany. He sought to enlarge his possessions, especially in northern Germany, which at this time was inhabited by the Wends, a Slavonic people. In 960 he made an expedition to the mouth of the Oder, where he is said to have won a great earldom. On the island of Wollin, over against the river mouth, lay the important commercial town Julin. Close to this town Harald built a strong castle called "Jomsborg", which later became famous as the seat of a remarkable body of Viking warriors, the Jomsvikings. Jomsborg had a fine harbor, where 300 Viking vessels could ride at anchor, and was surrounded by great walls. Many coins and other articles of interest have been unearthed on the site of the old castle, and remnants of the old walls have also been laid bare.

Harald labored earnestly, and with great success, to introduce Christianity in Denmark. During his reign the greater part of the people seem to have accepted the Christian faith. It was natural that in his efforts to enlarge his kingdom he should also think of Norway as a legitimate field for conquest. Harald conquered Norway and installed a Haakon Jarl as vassal ruler, while he himself was over-king. For a time Haakon was loyal to his overlord, the king of Denmark. When the German emperor Otto the Great died, war broke out between his successor Otto II, and Harald Gormson. As a vassal, Haakon was called to Denmark, where he fought valiantly in defense of Danevirke. After the campaign was over, King Harald demanded of Haakon that he should be baptized, and exacted from him a promise that he would introduce Christianity in Norway. After arriving home, Haakon reneged on his promise, and declared Norway independent of Denmark. King Harald made efforts to reconquer the country and to introduce Christianity in Viken, but he failed to regain the lost territory. Harald Blaatand died about 986 from a wound received while he was fighting against his rebellious son, Svein Tjugeskjæg (Forkbeard.) As soon as Svein became king, he renewed the attempt to subdue Norway. Harald married Cynthia, Queen of Sweden. I have not been able to, as yet, find out anything about her parentage or ancestry. The son of Harald and Cynthia, from whom we are descended, was named Erick (e). He is supposed to have been a Danish Viking chieftain who invaded England and became King of East Anglia. Of the identity of his wife or wives, or the next two generations, there is no record. The next ancestor we find is Erick, known as Erick the Forester, supposedly great-grandson of the Viking chieftain. It was during this great-grandson's lifetime that William the Conqueror invaded England, and Erick(e), so the story goes, raised an army to oppose William. He was, of course, defeated, but after the conquest, William made him a commander of military forces. Erick(e) died in Leicestershire.

Erick the Forester was a great-grandfather of Alan Eyryk, resident of Leicestershire. Alan's father may have been Henry, and Henry's father may have been Alan, but this is not sure. Starting with this great-grandson of Erick the Forester, the pedigree is as follows:

- I. Alan Eyryk, contemporary with King Henry III, 1216-1272.
- II. Henry Eyrick, of Stretton Magna, or Great Stratton or Bishop Stretton, in Leicestershire.
- III. John Eyrick, of Stretton Magna.
- IV. Robert Eyrick, of Stretton Magna, m Joanna -----.
- V. Sir William Eyrick, of Stretton Magna. Had two brothers, John of Adelenia, Stretton, and Robert, who was bishop of Lichfield and died in 1383. It is because of Robert that Stretton is sometimes called Bishop Stretton. In 1378, Robert founded a "Chan-Try" there. Sir William was commissioned to attend the Prince of Wales on his expedition into Gascony in 1355. The Prince of Wales in this case was Edward the Black Prince, son of King Edward III. From the Encyclopaedia Britannica, 'In September 1355 he (Edward) was sent to Gascony at the head of an English army, having been appointed his father's lieutenant there in July. He was warmly welcomed by the Gascons, and at once led a foray through Armagnac and Languedoc. By November he had got as far as Narbonne, whence he returned to Bordeaux, where he kept his Christmas court. In August 1356 he started from Bergerac on another marauding expedition, this time in a northerly direction. He penetrated as far as the Loire, but was there compelled to retire before the superior forces of king John of France. On September 19 the two armies met in the battle of Poitiers, fought about 6 miles southeast of the city. It was the hardest fought and most important battle of the Hundred Year's War and Edward's victory was due.....to the superior fighting capacity of his army.' Sir William Eyrick was probably in the battle of Poitiers.
- VI. Robert Ericke married Agnes-----.
- VII. Thomas Eyrick, died about 1517.
- VIII. John Eyrick or Heyricke born about 1513, died April 2, 1589, married Mary or Marie, daughter of Hohn Bond of Warwick. She was born about 1514, died December 8, 1611. They lived in Leicester.
- IX. Sir William Herrick, born 1557, died March 2, 1652/3. Knighted by James I in 1605. Married 1596, Joan, daughter of Richard May. Her brother, Sir Humphrey May, was chancellor of the duchy of Lancaster. Sir William was the 5th son of John. Both he and brother Nicholas were goldsmiths in London. William was a member of Queen Elizabeth's court, considered to be one of her courtiers and an associate of such men as Sir Walter Raleigh. He was made an ambassador by the queen to Turkey, and it is believed he had commercial interests in Virginia. There are, in the Herrick genealogy by General Jedediah Herrick, reproductions of a portrait of Sir William, and a portrait of his wife Lady Joan. There are two pedigrees available for Lady Joan. I believe the one given below is closest to fact. The other states that Richard May's father was William who married Isabell Ballero of Portugal.
 1. John May of Kennington, near Ashford, Kent.
 2. Richard of Wadhurst, Sussex, married Alice Shogswell of Sussex.
 3. Thomas of Wadhurst.
 4. Glove of Bunghurst, married Elizabeth, daughter of Henly of Cranbrooke, Kent.
 5. Richard of Mayfield, Essex, married Hillersden or Hilderson, who was buried December 30, 1618.
 6. Joan married William Herrick.

Children of William and Joan:

1. William b. 1597, m 1623 Elizabeth, dau. Humphrey Fox
2. Robert b. 1598
3. Richard b. 1600
4. Thomas b. 1602
5. Elizabeth b. 1603
6. Henry b. 1604, named Henry at the request of Prince Henry, son of James I, went to Salem, Massachusetts, 1629., married Editha Laskin
7. Roger b. 1628-9
8. John b. 1612
9. Mary
10. Martha m. 1634 to John Holmstead
11. Dorothy m. 1628
12. Elizabeth m. 1633

IXa. Nicholas Herrick, 2nd son of John and Mary, m. Julian Stone.

Children: (all named Herricke)

William	Thomas
Martha	Nicholas
Mercie	Anne
Robert (the poet, b. 1691, d. 1674)	

John Eyrick, father of Nicholas and Sir William, was sometimes mayor of Leicester.

A marriage license was issued December 8, 1582, to 'Nicholas Herycke, Goldsmith, and Julian Stone, spinster, of the city of London'. They were 'to marry at St. Leonard's, Bromley, county Middlesex.' The baptisms of their children were registered at St. Vedast Church, Foster Lane, London. It is thought that Nicholas Herrick died by suicide the day after this will was made: 'In the name of God, Amen. The seventh daye of November, A thousand five hundreth ninety twoe I Nicholas Hericke Goldsmith, of perfecte memorye in sowyle but sicke in bodye Doe makke and ordayne this my last will and testament wherein I Doe command my soule to the hands of Almighty God and my Bodye to be buryed in the parrish Church of St. Ffosters. My worldly goods I will and give as the Lorde hathe given me freely in this sorte. My state is worthe three thowsand pounds, I give to my loving wyfe Julyan Hericke the thirde parte which is one thowsande poundes and the twoe partes to be divided my funeralls being Discharged amongst my six children, my two Brothers, Robert and William chefe overseers And my sonnes Thomas and Nicholas wholle and sole Executors. This I request my brethern to see performed. 'Signed Nicholas Hericke, witnessed by William Herricke and Helyn Holden.

John Eyrick, husband of Mary Bond, had a brother Nicholas. They were both free-men of Leicester in 1935. On John's tombstone: 'Here lieth buried the body of John Heyricke, late of this parish, (St. Martins Church, Leicester) who departed this life ye 2nd of April 1589, beinge about the age of 76. He did marrie the daughter of John Bond, of Warend, of the county of Warwicke, Esquire, who lived with

ye said Marie in one house, full 52 years; and in all that time never buried man, woman, nor childe, thought they were sometimes 20 in a household. He had issue by the said Marie, 5 sons and 7 daughters; Robert, Nicholas, Thomas, John, and William; and daughters, Ursella, Agnes, Elizabeth, Ellen, Christian, and Alice. The said John was Mayor of this town in anno 1559; and again in anno 1572. The said Marie departed this life ye 8th of December 1611, being of the age 97 years. She did see before her departure, of her children, and her children's children, to the number of 142.'

On the tombstone of Robert, first son of John and Marie listed above: 'Here lieth the bodie of Robert Herick, Ironmonger and Alderman of Leicestershire, who had been thrice Maior thereof. He was the eldest son of John Herrick and Marie, and had two sonnes and 9 daughters by one wife, with whom he lived 51 years. At his death he gave away 16 pounds 10 shillings a year to good uses. He lived 78 years; and after dyed very godly the 14th of June 1618. All flesh is grasse; but younge and ould must die; and so we pass in judgement by and by.'

The name of Thomas (father of John who married Mary Bond) first appears in the Corporation Books of Leicester, where he is mentioned as a member of that body in 1511. He died 'about six years afterward, most probably in early life, as he never executed the office of chief magistrate of Leicester.' His will is dated 1517.

In 1598 'were granted from the Herald's office, unto Robert and William Herrick, the sonnns of John Heyricke, the sonne of Thomas Herick alias Erick, of Houghton, in the county of Leicester, gent, and their posterity for ever.--- A certain creast or badge, ivy, on a wreath of these colours, a bulls head Argent, issuing forth a laurell garland, the mussell, ears, and hornes tipped Sable, to be annexed and borne with their ancient coat of arms, which is, Silver, a fess verrey or, and Gules.

The arms of Mary Hillerden, or Hilderson, supposed to be as follows: Argent, on a chevron sable, 3 bull's head cabossed argent. from Vol. II, p. 57, Winwood's Memorials of Affairs of State. 1725 Samuel Calvert writes to Ralph Winwood on April 6, 1605: 'On Easter Tuesday, one Mr. William Herrick, a goldsmith in Cheapside, (part of London) was knighted for making a Hole in the great Diamond the King doth wear. The party little expected the honour, but he did his work so well as won the King to an extraordinary liking of it.' The King was James I.

All of the foregoing, beginning at the lower part of page 4, is from Volume I, The Complete Poems of Robert Herrick, edited by Reverend Alex. B. Grosart.

Sir William Herrick was also a member of Parliament from 1601 to 1630. It is said he was remarkably handsome. He purchased Beau Manor in Leicester in 1594-5. Beau Manor is today still standing, and is owned by the British government. He was appointed to a high position in the Exchequer which he held through the reign of Elizabeth and following reign of James. William was born on February 1, 1557, and died March 2, 1652-3. His wife Joan was born 1578, died July 3, 1645. Joan's father Richard May was a citizen and merchant of London. He built Blackwell Hall in London and purchased the manor of Rawmore in Sussex.

The Generations in America

1. Henry Herrick, son of Sir William and Lady Joan, was born August 16, 1604 at Beau Manor Park in Leicester. It is thought that at an early date he traveled to Virginia as his father's business representative. In 1629, he journeyed from England to Salem, Massachusetts, and settled. The fleet of 1629 contained the ships Pilgrim, Mayflower, Four Sisters, Talbot, The George, and The Lion's Whelp.¹ It is thought that Henry traveled on the last named. Their arrival date was either June 16 or June 29, and they landed on "Cape Anne Syde."

'They had been six weeks and three days at sea; and the passengers called the voyage "short and speedy".....the only person who described the Voyage says, "Our passage was both pleasurable and profitable; for we received instruction and delight in beholding the wonders of the Lord in the deep water, and sometimes seeing the sea around us appearing with a terrible countenance, and, as it were, full of high hills and deep valleys; and sometimes it appeared as a most plain and even meadow". Then, when they came along the coast, the same writer says, "By noon we were within three leagues of Cape Ann, and, as we sailed along the coast, we saw every hill and dale, and every island, full of gay woods and high trees. The nearer we came to the shore, the more flowers in abundance; sometimes scattered abroad, sometimes joined in sheets nine or ten yards long, which we supposed to be brought from the low meadows by the tide. Now, what with pine-woods and green trees by land, and these yellow flowers painting the sea, made us all desirous to see our new paradise of New England, whence we saw such forerunning signals of fertility afar off." This new colony was called the Massachusetts Bay Colony. John Endicott preceded it, with a few men, the year before, and had been appointed governor of the colony..... Those who came in the five ships were Reverend Francis Higginson and two hundred more. The Massachusetts Bay Colony was large, strong, and rich, compared with that at Plymouth. It included many highly-educated men and some rich men. They had power-ful friends in England...and a charter from the king...These colonists were not Pilgrims, but Puritans...It is reported that Francis Higginson said, as his ship sailed away from the English shores, "We will not say, as the Separatists were wont to say at their leaving of England, 'Farewell Babylon! Farewell Rome! But we will say, 'Farewell, dear England! Farewell, the Church of God in England, and all the Christian friends there!" But for all their large number and great wealth, the Massachusetts colonists suffered almost as much hardship as the Plymouth settlers had undergone...one of the early settlers wrote, "Bread was so very scarce, that sometimes I thought the very crumbs of my father's table would be sweet to me. And, when I could have meal and water and salt boiled together, it was so good, who could wish better?...The Indians did sometimes bring corn, and truck with us for clothing and knives; and once I had a peck of corn, or thereabouts, for a little puppy-dog. Frost-fish, mussels, and clams were a relief unto many."...A good many died of hardships and fatigue during the first year or two.....²

1. Volume I, Felt's Annals of Salem

2. Higginson, Thomas Wentworth, Young Folk's History of the United States, Lee and Shepard, 1889, pp. 60-64.

On August 6, 1629, Henry Herrick was one of the thirty founders of the First Congregational Church at Salem. Henry's friend Francis Higginson was pastor, and a man named Skelton was teacher. (Reverend Higginson was a dissenting minister in Leicester before going to Salem.) Roger Williams was pastor of this church in 1634-35. Also in 1629 Henry was listed as a Yeoman. On May 18, 1631, he became a freeman, and as such, entitled to hold office and vote. About 1632, he married Editha Laskin, the daughter of Hugh and Alice Laskin. Editha was born 1614 in England. In 1643 Henry and Editha removed to Wenham, Mass... and were established there on May 10. The first Congregational Church was established October 8, 1644. John Fiske, paster.¹ In 1650 Henry Herrick and Benjamin Balch were fined for entertaining a stranger. In 1667 Henry was one of the founders of the First Congregational Church in Beverly, Massachusetts. Records show him established there by October 14, 1668. Henry's estate was known as Cherry Hill. I do not know if this was located in Salem, and if it was, whether he still remained owner of it after going to Wenham and Beverly. Henry died March 15, 1671. Editha died November 23, 1672. Their children as named in Henry's will, were as follows:

Children:

- I. Thomas died without children.
- II. Zachary bap. December 26, 1636.
- 2 III. Ephraim b. 1637. Bap. February 11, 1638, d. 1693.
- IV. Henry b. January 16, 1640, d. 1702. m. 1st, Lydia Woodbury
- V. Joseph b. August 6, 1645, d. 1717. m. 1st, Sarah Leach,
d. ca. 1674, m. 2nd, Mary Endicott
- VI. Elizabeth. July 4, 1647, died without children.
- VII. John b. May 26, 1650.
- VIII. Benjamin. d. 1671, one of founders of church of Beverly, died without children.

2. Ephraim Herrick was born 1637, baptized February 11, 1638 at Salem, the third son of Henry and Edith Laskin Herrick. Ephraim Married July 3, 1661 Mary (Cross(e) born June 14, 1640, daughter of Robert and Anna or Hannah Jordan Cross(e), of Ipswich. Major Dennison performed the marriage ceremony. Ephraim settled at Birch Plain, Beverley, Massachusetts, on a farm given him by his father. On April 29, 1668, he took the oath of freeman. He died September 18, 1693 at Beverly. His wife Mary died October 29, 1677. Their children were as follows:

Children:

- 3 I. John b. May 31, 1662, d. January 25, 1723/24.
- II. Ephraim b. August 13, 1664, m. Judith Woodbury.² Their daughter Elizabeth m. Jonathan Spencer of Preston, Connecticut.
- III. Mary b. July 14, 1667.
- 3 IV. Stephen b. March 15, 1670, bapt. May 22, 1670, m. December 3, 1692 Elizabeth, daughter of John and Hannah Trask.
- V. Sarah
- VI. Samuel b. June 4, 1675, moved to Preston, Connecticut, 1702.
(Myron T. Herrick's line)

1. Wenham local history. It does not seem to be known if Henry was one of the founders of this church. Other references-Genealogy and Dictionary of New England, Volume 2, 1860; American Ancestry in U. S., Volume 3, 1888.
2. There is a Woodbury genealogy named Woodbury Family, by C. L. Woodbury, 251 pp. 1904.

- VII. Timothy b. January 4, 1681, moved to Preston, Connecticut, 1702.
(Lucius C. Herrick's line)
VIII. Anna b. November 20, 1683.

3. John Herrick was born May 31, 1662, the first son of Ephraim and Mary Cross(e) Herrick. He married on April 21, 1684, Bethia Solart. I do not know Bethia's parentage, but I have found that there was a John Solart of Beverly, Massachusetts whose daughter Mary m. 1666 John Edwards 1644-1697 of Wenham.¹ Perhaps Bethia was a granddaughter of this John Solart. The Wenham death records give John Herrick's date of death as January 26, 1723 or 24. His wife Bethia died August 4, 1729 at Wenham. Their children were:

Children:

- I. John b. between 1684 and 1699 in Beverly, Massachusetts. He was killed by Indians in 1745. He married Susanna _____.
- II. Hilkiah b. April 29, 1699 Wenham, Massachusetts.
- III. Israel

3. Stephen Herrick was born March 15, 1670 bapt. May 22, 1670. The fourth son of Ephraim and Mary Cross(e) Herrick. He married December 3, 1692 Elizabeth, b. 1675/6, the daughter of John and Hannah Trask. Stephen removed to Preston, Connecticut after 1716. His military record is as follows:

"We find in Colonial Records of Connecticut, October 17, 1737.
'This assembly do establish and confirm Mr. Stephen Herrick to be Lieutenant of (the) second Company, or train band in town of Preston and order that he be commissioned accordingly.'"

The children of Stephen and Elizabeth Trask Herrick were as follows:

Children: (All born in Beverly, Massachusetts)

- I. Elizabeth b. October 17, 1693
- II. Edward b. October 17, 1695, d. 1775, m. Mary 1701-35, daughter of William and Mary Avery Denison. Their son
 - a. Rufus m. 1st Miss Gibbs. Their son
 - aa. Samuel b. 1757, m. Margaret Per-Lee
 - a. Rufus m. 2nd Lydia, daughter Samuel Leonard. Their children:
 - aa. Plattm. Patience Kellogg
 - bb. Sally Ann m. Garret Scott
 - cc. John m. Nancy Platt

Rufus commanded a company in the 4th Continental regiment and served as Lt. Colonel Of the New York militia. He retired with the rank of Colonel. He was born 1734 Preston, Connecticut, died 1811, Amenia, New York.

1. From the Abridged Compendium of American Genealogy, by F. A. Virkus

- III. Stephen b. July 24, 1697
- IV. Ebenezer b. May 17, 1699.
- 4 V. Abigail b. June 15, 1701, bap. June 28, 1702, m. John Rea
- VI. Anna b. November 2, 1702
- VII. Mary b. April 15, 1705
- VIII. Lydia b. July 13, 1707
- IX. Sarah b. October 10, 1708

4. John Herrick, born between 1684-1699 in Beverly, Massachusetts, the son of John Herrick and Bethia Solart Herrick. John married Susanna _____. He was killed by Indians in 1745. Two of John's and Susanna's children were:

- 5 I. Eleazar b. 1734, Preston, Connecticut, m. April 11, 1759 at Preston
Mary Rea, bap. May 26, 1734, daughter of John and Abigail Herrick Rea.

II. John

4. Abigail Herrick was born June 15, 1701, bap. June 28, 1702 at Beverly, Massachuse the daughter of Stephen and Elizabeth Trask Herrick. She married April 22, 1718 John Rea, born 1696 at Salem, Massachusetts, the son of Joshua and Elizabeth Leach Rea. The only record of the children is:

Children:

- I. Mary bap. May 26, 1734 at Salem. m. April 11, 1759 at Preston, Connecticut
Eleazar b. 1734 Preston, Connecticut, the son of John and Susanna Herrick.

5. Eleazar Herrick was born in 1734 at Preston, Connecticut the son of John and Susanna Herrick. He was married April 11, 1759 at Preston. Mary, bap. May 26, 1734, the daughter of John and Abigail Herrick Rea. In 1775 the List of the North Society which formed new town of Griswold contained the names: Isaac, Ephraim, Eleazar, Israil, Henry Herrick. In 1791 Eleazar's name was in the list of those signing "Grand List of Second Society of Griswold." His name is not in the list of those Griswold soldiers in the Revolution. He was, however, in the French and Indian War. His military record: 'Company of Matthew Leonard, Captain Eleazar served 16 days 1757; Enlisted April 6, 1756, discharged 30 p. 232nd (?) Enlisted April 1, 1758. discharged 20N 1758 (November 20) p. 33; 1761 11th Col. Capt. Ledlie, p. 254.¹ Eleazar was active in affairs in Griswold. The children of Eleazar and Mary Rea Herrick were:

Reference for Ephraim Herrick (2) are New England Historical and Genealogical Register Vol. 83, p. 387, Hughes Thomas American Ancestry, p. 21, 1887- Myron T. Herrick. Savage Genealogical Dictionary of New England, Vol. 2, p. 405. Reference for Edward Herrick's descendants was the Compendium by Virkusm previously mentioned.

- 1. Connecticut Historical Society French and Indian Wars, 1755/56, 2v.
Collections Vol. 10 (v. 1 & 2).

- I. Sarah, b. April 5, 1761
- II. John, b. July 27, 1763, m. Sarah Rositer or Rosseter?, November 11, 1784
- III. Rufus, b. August 25, 1765 (tombstone 1764. 1765 may be bap. date)
- IV. Stephen, b. 1767, died Randolph, Vermont 1840
- V. Hiram, b. 1769, m. March 23, 1791 Ann Bromley of Preston. Their daughter:
 - a. Lucy Ann 1804-1885, m. 1829 Robinson Dawley 1808-1901, son of Isaac and Lucy Hawkins Dawley
- VI. Eleazer, b. July 10, 1776, living in Griswold in 1815
- VII. Mary, b. September 5, 1778

Notes: Preston in 1700 was part of Norwich. Many people who lived there recorded from Norwich, New London Co. Later moved to Griswold, Connecticut which broke away from Preston, but part of Preston township. Griswold is now called Newton.

Margaret Herrick states that in the summer of 1939, she called on Mrs. Bates, who lived in what must be called a precinct of New London, but was Preston previously. No town remains. Mrs. Bates said there was an old cemetery off the highway where many Herricks are buried, and she promised to visit it and report regarding her findings regarding Eleazar's tombstone, but she did not do so. Mrs. Bates was also a descendent of Eleazar.

6. Rufus Herrick was born August 25, 1765 (tombstone record 1764) son of Eleazar Herrick and Mary Rea Herrick. He married Jerusha Pierce,¹ daughter of Willard and Jerusha Pellet Pierce of Plainfield, Connecticut. Rufus Herrick died 1828. (tombstone) She died 1827 (tombstone). Their children were:

Children:

- I. George, by 1st wife. Lived in Corning, New York
- 7 II. Pierce, b. 1803 or 1804, Chenango County, New York
- III. Charles
- IV. Daniel
- V. Hiram
- VI. Sally, m. William Hill
- VII. Edith, m. _____ Rowley. Had son, W. C. Rowley, Corning, New York
- VIII. Jerusha

Notes: The 1790 census of New London County, Connecticut listed the household of Rufus as including, besides himself; '1 male, 2 females'. Margaret Herrick says, "If he had married at 20, in 1785 could have had wife and 1 child, possibly George."

Chenango County was formed from Herkimer and George, March 15, 1798. Sangfield (Oneida County) was taken off in 1804 and Madison in 1806.

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1. Distantly related to U. S. President Franklin Pierce
2. From Irene Herrick Pearsall on September 8, 1931

Copied from tombstone in Caton, New York on August, 1938:

Rufus, 1764-1828
Jerusha, 1779-1827

In 1778 Fred Calkins of Vermont built a log cabin on banks of Chemung River within bounds of Corning. First white man to build home in Genesee County.

In 1784 Harris, hunter and trapper, built cabin near Painted Post on banks of Cohocton River. (From Mulford's Pioneer Days in Corning & Vicinity, 1780-1920).

7. Pierce Herrick was born in 1803 or 1804 in Chenango County, New York. He lived at Caton, near Corning. Pierce married Ann Miller who was born in 1807. "Miller family came from Maryland: Robert Morris wished to build a house in Baltimore without debt and gave Miller timber land in southern New York (where he settled) in payment. He brought his family and lived in a long low house surrounded by great pines. This was near Lindley and Caton. Ann taught school there, and Pierce Herrick, a school director, became interested in her and came courting on horseback." Pierce Herrick died April 25, 1887 at Larned, Kansas. Ann died April 26, 1872, according to the tombstone. Pierce was in the Civil War. His war record: Pierce Herrick, Company A, 1st Rifles (13 Regt.) Pennsylvania Reserve Infantry, was born in Chenango County, New York, the exact place not found of record; and he was honorably discharged December 5, 1861 at Camp Pierpont, Virginia. Entered service April 25, 1861. This information from the Adjutant General's Office, War Department, February 6, 1932. Pierce and Ann Miller Herrick's children were:

Children:

- I. William Phineas, b. May 4, 1831, Steuben County, New York
- II. Electra, b. 1832, d. 1914, Married Edward Johnston
- III. Augustus, b. 1834, d. 1912, Caton, New York, m. Josephine Niver----daughter of William and Charlotte Ann Clark Niver.
- IV. Harriet A., b. 1837, d. 1873
- 8 V. Joseph Miller, b. September 7, 1839, d. February 23, 1894
m. Melissa Ann Collins, daughter of John P. Collins and _____ Robinson
- VI. Myra L., m. 1st Captain J. B. Rathburn, 141 Reg., New York 1st volunteers who died June 17, 1877. Their child Hattie, d. May 12, 1871. Myra m. 2nd to John Webb.

8. Joseph Miller Herrick was born September 7, 1839. He married December 25, 1864 Melissa Ann Collins, b. October 27, 1844, Espyville, Pennsylvania, daughter of John P. Collins and _____ Robinson possibly born at Linesville, Pennsylvania. Joseph Miller died February 23, 1894. Melissa Ann died October 10, 1922 at Shinglehouse, Pennsylvania. Children of Joseph and Melissa were:

- I. Irene, b. November 21, 1865 at Espyville, Pennsylvania
- 9 II. John Pierce, b. January 1868 at Muskegon, Michigan, m. Margaret _____.
Had children.
- III. Charles Augustus, b. January 4, 1871, Muskegon, Michigan, d. October 30, 1951 at Shinglehouse, Pennsylvania
- IV. Orrin Collins, b. March 19, 1873, d. March 10, 1926
- V. Frank Albert, b. November 20, 1875, Sterling Run, Pennsylvania, d. July, 1954, Ontario, California. His daughter, Miss Anita Herrick lives at 3570 Poe Street, San Diego, California.
- VI. Anna Grace, b. September 2, 1877, d. June 20, 1912, Paris, France
- VII. Robert Lincoln, b. June 25, 1883, Sterling Run, Pennsylvania

PIERCE

1. Thomas Pierce (Pers) was born 1583/84 in England. He came to America in 1633/34 and settled at Charlestown, Massachusetts. He was made freeman in 1635. In 1642 he was one of 21 commanders appointed by the General Court (Legislature) "to see that Saltpetre heaps were made by all the farmers of the Colony." He married Elizabeth _____, b. 1595/6, probably in England. Thomas Pierce died October 7, 1666. Their son was
2. Thomas Pierce, born 1608 in England. He lived in Charleston Village, now called Woburn, Massachusetts. He was often called Sgt., was taxed at Woburn in 1645; a selectman in 1660; a member of the commission for division of common lands; member General Court commission in 1668. He married in 1635 Elizabeth, the daughter of Ryse (Rice) and Arrolde Cole. Elizabeth died in 1688. Her husband died in 1683. Their son was
3. Thomas Pierce, b. 1645, d. 1717, lived in Woburn, Massachusetts. He married first Eliza _____. He married second Rachel Bacon of Woburn, b. 1652. The son of Thomas and Eliza Pierce was
4. Timothy Pierce was born 1673, and died 1748. He lived in Plainfield, Connecticut. He married first Lydia Spaulding, who died in 1705. In 1709 he married Hannah Bradhurst, 1682-1747. The son of Timothy and Lydia was Nathaniel. Timothy was a judge.
5. Nathaniel Pierce was born in 1701, and died in 1775. He married first in 1723 Elizabeth Stevens, 1707-1748. Nathaniel married second Mrs. Simonds. The son of Nathaniel and Elizabeth was
6. Willard Pierce, born in 1743, died in 1826, married Jerusha Pellet who died in 1815. They lived in Plainfield, Connecticut. Their daughter
7. Jerusha Pierce was born 1779, perhaps Plainfield, Connecticut, died 1827, buried Caton, Steuben County, New York. She married Rufus Herrick, son of Eleazar and Mary Rea Herrick.

The preceding is taken from Seven Pierce Families, by Cushman Pierce, and from the Compendium of Virkus. The first one gives these names of Willard Pierce's children: 1-Edith, b. 1764, m. Herrick; James, 1776-1851, m. 1817 Elizabeth Fuller; 3-Jerusha, b. 1768, m. Nathan Parker; 4-Hezekiah, b. 1770, m. _____ White; 5-Annis, b. 1772, m. _____ Frink. Unless the marriage given here of Jerusha to Nathan Parker was a first marriage, and her marriage to Rufus Herrick was her second, I believe this to be in error. She must have married Rufus since their tombstones in Caton have the names Rufus and Jerusha. Perhaps Edith Pierce was the one who married Nathan Fuller.

There were seven families of the name Pierce-Peirce-Pearce etc. who settled in New England. The heads of these families were Abraham Peirce of Plymouth, Massachusetts; Daniel Peirce of Newbury, Massachusetts; John Peirce of Watertown, Massachusetts; Michael Pierce of Scituate.

THE HERRICK FAMILY

Research by: CARLTON HERRICK

Written by: DOROTHY WELCH GALLAGHER

(The dates used may not all be accurate, but are to the best of our knowledge.)

Augusta C. Herrick	Born 1834	Died 1912
married to		
Josephine Niver	Born 11/11/34	Died 1919
Children born to this marriage	(5)	
Whiting	Born 1857	Died 1922
Nettie	Born 1865	Died 1936
Eber	Born 1866	Died 1938
Chester	Unknown	Died-about four years of age
Bert	Born 1874	Died 1946-buried in Savona, N.Y.

Whiting Herrick	Born 1857	Died 1922
married to		
Ida M. Howland	Unknown	Unknown
Children of this marriage	(3)	
Mabel	Born 1886	Died 1960
Edgar	Born 1893	Died 1952 (never married)
Floyd	Born 1895	

Mabel Herrick	Born 1886	Died 1960
married to		
Clifford Baker	Born 1886	Died 1940
Children born to this marriage	(4)	
Marjorie	Born 1907 -3/21	
Leona	Born 1908 -12/30	
Irene	Born 1911 -5/24	
Whiting Clifford	Born 1914 -10/23	

Marjorie Baker	Born 1907	
married to		
Cholas Emerson Compton	Born 1888	
Children born to this marriage	(4)	
Cholas Jr.	Born 1927 -4/24	
Robert	Born 1929 -11/21	
Elizabeth (Betty)	Born 1931 -5/7	
Carlton	Born 1932 -7/3	Died 1954 - Killed in service (Naval Aviator No. 4206)

Cholas E. Compton, Jr. Born 1927
 married to
Dolores Marie Jordan Born 1932
 Children born to this marriage (4)
Cynthia Lee Born 1950-7/28
Claudia Lynn Born 1952-6/29
Carmen Louise Born 1953-12/5
Cholas Fay 3rd Born 1956-6/25

Robert E. Compton Born 1929
 married to
Norma Mae Snow Born 1930
 Children born to this marriage (2)
Robert Wayne Born 1956-6/25
Debra Sue Born 1961-4/26

Elizabeth Ann Compton Born 1931
 married to
Harold Charles Kords Born 1924
 Children born to this marriage (4)
Donald Nathan Born 1954 -3/2
David Charles Born 1955 -11/11
Timothy John Born 1958 -5/19
Sharon Marie Born 1959 -8/10

Leona Isabel Baker Born 1908

Irene Lillian Baker Born 1911
 married to
John Quincy Adams Born 1907

Whiting Clifford Baker Born 1914
 married to
Dorothy Mae McClary Born 1921
 Children born to this marriage (2)
James Whiting Baker Born 1942-7/12
John Allen Baker Born 1950-1/18

Edgar Herrick Born 1893 Died 1952 (Never married)

Floyd Herrick Born 1895
 married to
Mable Brown

Children of this marriage (1)
Ruth Herrick Born 1918
married to
Joseph Hamilton

Children of this marriage (1)
Joseph Hamilton Jr. Born 1942

Nettie Herrick Born 1865 Died 1936
married to
Charles Weale Born 1865 Died 1894
then married to
Daniel Cain

Children of this marriage with Charles Weale (3)
Josephine Born 1888-10/1
Irene Born 1890-7/31
Robert Born 1893-8/18

Josephine Weale Born 1888
married to May 25, 1907
James Welch Born 1889-1/27
Children of this marriage (11)
Dorothy Irene Born 1908-3/13
Coral Robert Born 1910-9/5
Marie Josephine Born 1912-6/30 Died 1913
Leo James Born 1914-9/19
Kenneth Weale Born 1916-3/14
Daniel Eber Born 1918-3/18
Clarence Edgar Born 1920-11/29
Richard Fredrick Born 1922-5/25 Died 1935
David Junior Born 1923-12/25 Died 1935
Jerald William Born 1925-12/11
Lewis Charles Born 1929-3/2

Dorothy Irene Born 1908-3/13
married to March 14, 1941
Thomas Gallagher Born 1896-3/3

Coral Robert Born 1910-9/5
married to
Annabelle Button Born
Children of this marriage (2)
William James Born 1929-1/27
Beverly Ann

Coral Robert Welch Born 1910
2nd marriage to
Molly
 Children of this marriage (2)
Larry -3/20
Jerry -11/11

Leo James Welch Born 1914
 married to
Mary Yaw Born -11/30
 Children of this marriage (4)
Ronnie
Thomas
Jo Ann -9/27
Nancy Lee -6/11

Kenneth Weale Welch Born 1916-3/14
 married to
Alice Avery
 Children of this marriage (3)
Ronnie A.
Winona Jean -12/8
Virginia -12/18

Daniel E. Welch Born 1918-3/18
 married to
Evelyn Davis -2/1
 Children of this marriage (3)
Barbara Born 1942-6/19
Kay -3/10
Gary Born 1950-2/18

Clarence Edgar Welch Born 1920-11/29
 married to
Madeline
 Children of this marriage (4)
Bonnie Marie
Linda Anne -10/8
Richard
Robert

Gerald William Welch Born 1925-12/11
 married to
Doris
 Children of this marriage - one child, a girl - died at birth

Irene Weale Born 1890
married to March 31, 1909
Liston Larrison

Children of this marriage (5)

Charles Augusta Born 1910 Died 1910
Doris Louise Born 1911-9/3
Agnes Irene Born 1917-4/5
Elwyn Liston Born 1922-12/18
Robert Douglas Born 1933-11/15

Doris Larrison Born 1911-9/3
Married to
Carl Rockwell

Children of this marriage (5)

Richard Neil Born 1932-7/30
Jerald John Born 1935-7/19
Donald Carl Born 1937-3/18
Wayne Elwyn Born 1943-5/17
Lorraine Carol Born 1945-12/14

Elwyn Larrison Born 1922-12/18
married to
Myrtle Stull

Children of this marriage (4)

Robert Allen Born 1947-4/23
Sally Ann Born 1949-6/27
Timothy John Born 1951-7/30
Daniel Stull Born 1954-11/2

Robert Larrison Born 1933-11/15
married to February 8, 1958
Sally Hall

Children of this marriage (1)

Cathy Ann -8/

Agnes Larrison Born 1917-9/3
married to
Robert V. Evans

Richard Neil Rockwell Born 1932 (Son of Doris & Carl Rockwell)
married to October 21, 1956

Carol Vivian Congdon
Children of this marriage (1)

Karen Born 1959-11/11

Jerald Rockwell Born 1935
married to September 9, 1954

Claralyn Jo Pantier
Children of this marriage (4)

Dale
Lynne
Jay
Susie

Donald Rockwell Born 1937

married to June 29, 1957

RoseMay Warner

Children of this marriage

(1)

Rose Marie Born 1959-6/18

Robert Herrick Weale

Born 1893

(Son of Nettie Herrick and Charles Weale)

married to

Ruth Ester Barnard

Born 1896-3/18

Children of this marriage

(3)

Marion Barnard

Born 1918-8/28

Durland Robert

Born 1922-5/9

Dean Jackson

Born 1926-6/12

Marion B. Weale

Born 1918-8/28

married to

Helen Brennan

Born 1918-11/16

Children of this marriage

(3)

Gary Dean

Born 1941-3/21

Marilyn

Born 1943-7/5

Lorraine

Born 1945-7/14

Durland R. Weale

Born 1922-5/9

married to

Martha E. Laffkas

Born 1926-9/7

Children of this marriage

(2)

Alice Jane

Born 1949-4/24

Peter Robert

Born 1951-2/7

Dean Jackson Weale

Born 1926-6/12

married to

Shirley Platt

Born 1926-4/5

Children of this marriage

(3)

Virginia L.

Born 1950-2/25

Linda

Born 1952-1/5

Richard

Born 1958-12/8

Eber Herrick

Born 1869

Died 1938 (Son of Augusta & Josephine)

married to

Bertha Riffle

Children of this marriage

(7)

Blanche

Born 1893-3/13

Frances

Born 1895

Died 1905

Mary

Born 1897-5/1

Percy Charles

Born 1899-11/

Died 1931

Carlton Amy

Born 1903-4/3

Clarence

Born 1904-11/13

Donald

Born 1910-4/23

Blanche

Born 1893-3/13

married to

June 1945

Henry Barnes

Born 1893-5/3

Died 1960

Mary Herrick	Born 1897-5/1	
married to		
Lee Bulkley	Born 1896-1/20	

Carlton Herrick	Born 1903-4/3	
married to April 11, 1923		
Katherine Adler	Born	Died 1938
second marriage to 1939		
Edith Herron		
Children of the marriage to Katherine Adler	(3)	
Corrine	Born 1925-12/15	
Alton	Born 1927-2/8	
Joyce	Born 1928-6/7	

Corrine Herrick	Born 1925-12/15	
married to April 21, 1946		
Donald Swan	Born	
Children of this marriage	(5)	
Larry	Born 1947-10/31	
Roger	Born 1948-11/13	
Barry	Born 1949-10/15	
Jeffrey	Born 1958-12/4	
Candace	Born 1960-12/28	

Alton Herrick	Born 1927-2/8	
married to		
Kathrine Farantie		
Children of this marriage	(2)	
Cheryle	Born 1953-7/4	
Jack	Born 1955-6/10	

Joyce Herrick	Born 1928-6/5	
married to July 26, 1946		
Edward Holmes		
Children of this marriage	(2)	Carol Born 2/17/51
	*****	David Born 8/16/55
Clarence Herrick	Born 1904-11/13	
married to June 18, 1927		
Margaret Johnson		
Children of this marriage	(2)	
Delores	Born 1932-5/27	
Robert Charles	Born 1944-6/17	

Delores Herrick	Born 1932-5/27	
married to February 2, 1957		
John Schell		
Children of this marriage	(2)	
John Clarence	Born 1958-6/8	
Mark Richard	Born 1960-4/12	

Donald Herrick Born 1910 -4/23
married to
Edith Heckart

Children of this marriage

(3)

Frances Joan Born 1940 -11/12
Roy Bert Born 1947 -1/13
Wayne Donald Born 1948 -8/11

Frances Joan Born 1940 -11/12
married to
Terry Hackett

Children of this marriage

(2)

Scott Fredrick Born 1959 -7/4
Janet Key Born 1960 -6/4

Bert Herrick Born 1874
married to
Grace Brand

Died 1946

Children of this marriage

(3)

Helen Born 1912
Hazel Born 1916
Theodore Born 1918

Died 1928

Hazel Herrick Born 1916
married to August 31, 1941
Robert Ingraham Born 1911 -1/15

Children of this marriage

(2)

Helen Born 1937 -12/4
Robert, Jr. Born 1943 -1/14

Helen M. Charles Francis August 1, 1958

Theodore Herrick Born 1918
married to
Alta Conklin

Children of this marriage

(3)

Richard Born 1939 -10/8
Ronald Born 1942 -5/19
Verna Born 1944 -12/3

HERRICK, MYRON T. (1854-1929), American diplomat, was born at Huntington, Ohio, October 9, 1854. He studied law in Cleveland and was admitted to the bar in 1878. He practiced in Cleveland from 1878 to 1886 and then turned his attention to banking and manufacturing. He also became interested in politics and held many local and State offices in the Republican organizations, serving six times as delegate to the Republican national convention and once (1892) as presidential elector from Ohio. From 1903-06 he was Governor of Ohio, having been elected by the largest majority that had been given to an Ohio governor up to that time. He was forced by his business interests to decline appointments as secretary of the Treasury under McKinley and again under Taft, but in 1912 accepted the latter's appointment as ambassador to France. He continued to serve under Wilson, and at the outbreak of the World War also assumed charge of the German and Austrian embassies and later those of Turkey and minor nations. During the Marne offensive of 1914 when the French government moved to Bordeaux, Herrick maintained headquarters in Paris. He formed the American Committee, which gave help to Americans and others travelling in Europe at the outbreak of the war. With Mrs. Herrick he established the American Ambulance hospital at Neuilly, staffed and managed by Americans. After his return to America in December 1914, he continued to devote much of his time to war relief activities and in recognition of his services France conferred upon him the cross of the Legion of Honour. Herrick was one of the initiators of the rural credit movement in the United States; he published RURAL CREDITS (1914). In April 1921 he was again appointed ambassador to France and served in this post until his death in Paris on March 31, 1929.

HERRICK, ROBERT (1591-1674), English poet, was born at Cheapside, London, and baptized on August 24, 1591. He belonged to an old Leicestershire family which had settled in London. He was the seventh child of Nicholas Herrick, goldsmith, of the city of London, who died in 1592, under suspicion of suicide. The children were brought up by their uncle, Sir William Herrick, one of the richest goldsmiths of the day, to whom in 1607 Robert was bound apprentice. He had probably been educated at Westminster school, and in 1614 he proceeded to Cambridge; and it was no doubt during his apprenticeship that the young poet was introduced to that circle of wits which he was afterwards to adorn. He seems to have been present at the first performance of THE ALCHEMIST in 1610, and it was probably about this time that Ben Jonson adopted him as his poetical "son". He entered the university as fellow-commoner of St. John's college, and he remained there until, in 1616, upon taking his degree, he removed to Trinity Hall. A lively series of 14 letters to his uncle, mainly begging for money, exists at Beau-manoir, and shows that Herrick suffered much from poverty at the university. He took his B.A. in 1617, and in 1620 he became master of arts. From this date until 1627 we entirely lose sight of him; it has variously been conjectured that he spent these years preparing for the ministry at Cambridge, or in much looser pursuits in London. In 1629 (September 30) he was presented by the King to the vicarage of Dean Prior, not far from Totnes in Devonshire. At Dean Prior he resided quietly until 1648, when he was ejected by the Puritans. The solitude there oppressed him at first; the village was dull and remote, and he felt very bitterly that he was cut off from all literary and social associations; but soon he was pleased with the rural and semi-pagan customs that survived the morris-dances, wakes and quintains, the Christmas mummers and the Twelfth Night revellings, that diversified the quiet of Dean Prior. Herrick never married, but lived at the vicarage surrounded by a happy family of pets, and tended by an excellent old servant named Prudence Baldwin. His first appearance in print was in some verses he contributed to A DESCRIPTION OF THE KING AND QUEEN OF FAIRIES

(1635. In 1650 a volume of WIT'S RECREATIONS contained 62 small poems afterwards acknowledged by Herrick in the HESPERIDES, and one not reprinted until our own day. These partial appearances make it probable that he visited London from time to time. We have few hints of his life as a clergyman. Anthony Wood says that Herrick's sermons were florid and witty, and that he was "beloved by the neighbouring gentry". A very aged woman, one Dorothy King, stated that the poet once threw his sermon at his congregation, cursing them for their inattention. The same old woman recollected his favourite pig, which he taught to drink out of a tankard. He was a devotedly loyal supporter of the King during the Civil War, and immediately upon his ejection in 1648 he published his celebrated collection of lyrical poems, entitled HESPERIDES; OR THE WORKS BOTH HUMAN AND DIVINE OF ROBERT HERRICK. The "divine works" bore the title of NOBLE NUMBERS and the date 1647. That he was reduced to great poverty in London has been stated, but there is no evidence to that effect. In August 1662 Herrick returned to Dean Prior, supplanting his own supplanter, Dr. John Syms. He died in his 84th year, and was buried at Dean Prior, October 15, 1674. A monument was erected to his memory in the parish church in 1857, by Mr. Perry Herrick, a descendent of a collateral branch of the family. The HESPERIDES (and NOBLE NUMBERS) is the only volume which Herrick published but contributed poems to LACHRYMAE MUSARUM (1649) and to WIT'S RECREATIONS.

As pastoral lyrist Herrick stands first among English poets. His genius is limited in scope, and comparatively unambitious, but in its own field it is unrivalled. His tiny poems-and of the 1,300 that he has left behind him not one is long-are like jewels of various value, heaped together in a casket. Herrick has himself summed up, very correctly, the themes of his sylvan muse when he says: -

"I sing of brooks, of blossoms, birds and bowers,
Of April, May, of June and July flowers,
I sing of May-poles, hock-carts, wassails, wakes,
Of bridegrooms, brides and of their bridal-cakes."

He saw the picturesqueness of English homely life as no one before him had seen it, and he described it in his verse with a certain purple glow of Arcadian romance over it, in tones of immortal vigour and freshness. His love poems are still more beautiful; the best of them have an ardour and tender sweetness which give them a place in the forefront of modern lyrical poetry, and remind us of what was best in Horace and in the poets of the Greek anthology.

After suffering complete extinction for more than a century, the fame of Herrick was revived by John Nichols, who introduced his poems to the readers of the GENTLEMAN'S MAGAZINE of 1796 and 1797. Dr. Drake followed in 1798 with considerable enthusiasm. By 1810 interest had so far revived in the forgotten poet that Dr. Nott ventured to print a selection from his poems, which attracted the favourable notice of QUARTERLY REVIEW. In 1823 HESPERIDES and the NOBLE NUMBERS were for the first edited by Mr. T. Maitland, afterwards Lord Dundrennan. Since then the reprints of Herrick have been numerous. They were edited by A. W. Pollard, with preface by Swinburne, for the Muses Library (2 volumes, 1891); by G. Saintsbury for the Aldine Poets (2 volumes, 1893); by E. Rhys for "Everyman" (1908); and by F. W. Moorman (1921)

HERRICK, ROBERT (1868-1938), American author, was born at Cambridge (Mass.), April 26, 1868. He was educated at the Cambridge Latin school and at Harvard University where he graduated in 1890. He became instructor in rhetoric at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1890; in 1893 he accepted a similar position at the University of Chicago, where he was made professor of English (1905-23). His novels and short stories, as a rule, deal with problems of modern life; his style is realistic. He has published THE WEB OF LIFE (1900); THE REAL WORLD (1901); THE COMMON LOT (1904); THE MEMOIRS OF AN AMERICAN CITIZEN (1905); THE MASTER OF THE INN (1908); THE HEALER (1911); ONE WOMAN'S LIFE (1913); CLARK'S FIELD (1914); THE CONSCRIPT MOTHER (1916); HOMELY LILIA (1923); WASTE (1924); WANDERING'S (1925); and CHIMES (1926).