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*"This first stock was full of righteousness  
True of his word, sober, pitous and free  
Clean of his ghost, and loved businesse  
Against the vice of sloth, in honestee."*

—CHAUCER.

*"Honour \* \* \* \* old virtues, conformable unto  
times before you, which are the noblest armoury."*

—SIR THOMAS BROWNE.

## THE FAMILY.

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In the New Jersey of a hundred years ago, one family of Suttons was so numerous, that, in the writer's opinion, to bear the name and to derive ancestry from the State is almost proof of membership in it. They were, for the most part, farmers and artisans, attached to the Baptist or Presbyterian creeds, and located chiefly in the northern half of the State—the East Jersey of colonial times. The townships of Piscataway in Middlesex, Tewkesbury in Hunterdon, and especially Bernard in Somerset, with the village of Basking Ridge, may be mentioned as particular family centers. The name is comparatively rare in New Jersey to-day, as the later generations have scattered in all directions. Canada has its representatives, and there is probably not a State in the Union but has been planted with shoots from this old New England stock.

## WILLIAM SUTTON.

The first of the family of whom we have record was William Sutton, who appears in Massachusetts in 1666, at Eastham on Cape Cod. As the stream of Puritan immigration had almost dried up twenty years before this date,\* it is extremely probable that he represents the second generation in New England. Their proximity suggests a relationship to one or the other of two families of Suttons, respectively, of Hingham† and Scituate,‡ small towns of old Plymouth Colony directly across the bay from Eastham.

Careful investigation, however, has failed us yet to establish a connection with either, or to suggest any other line of research. Our history opens, therefore, at Eastham, on the eleventh of July, 1666, with the marriage of William Sutton, yeoman (aged probably twenty-five years), of

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\* See Bancroft's "History of the United States," vol. i., page 468.

† John Sutton, who settled in Hingham, came from Attleborough, in Norfolkshire, arriving in the ship *Diligent* in 1638, with his wife Julien, a son John, and three other children. He also lived in Rehoboth. He died apparently about 1652; his wife in 1672. From "Vital Records of Rehoboth" the present writer infers that among his children were three, named Esther, Anne, and Margaret.

‡ George Sutton, of Scituate, arrived in 1638. He had a brother Simon, of Scituate, of whom nothing further is known. George married Sarah Tilden, and had children (according to Savage), John, Lydia, Sarah, and Elizabeth.

either English birth or descent, to Damaris, daughter of Alice and Richard Bishop.\* Eastham, originally called Nausett, after the name of a local Indian tribe, was at this date a settlement of some twenty years' standing, and numbered some four or five dozen souls—a tiny outpost of English life and civilization, planted upon the "narrow neck of land" between the bleak bay and the bleaker Atlantic. It was in this very year of 1666 that tidings began to spread through New England of the founding of another colony down in the southwest, between the great North† and South Rivers, where settlers were welcome, the Indians friendly, the soil and climate excellent, and civil and religious liberty guaranteed. Many people from all parts of the land of the Puritans migrated to this new country of "the Jerseys;" and about the year 1672 William Sutton also removed, and became a landholder under Berkeley and Carteret. As Cape Cod was one of the few districts in New England where Quakerism gained a footing, and as William

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\* Richard Bishop is noted as a soldier of the colony, in the "Genealogical Register of New England," vol. iv., page 255, second column. When William Sutton removed to New Jersey, Bishop sold his property at Duxbury, Mass., and came to live with him.

† The Hudson and the Delaware.

Sutton in his New Jersey home was an influential Quaker, it is very probable that matters of religious belief had much to do with his departure from Eastham. In the year 1666 a "plantation" of some forty thousand acres was laid out upon the banks of the Raritan, within the bounds of the present Middlesex County, and not far from the spot where a few years later New Brunswick was founded. Its possession was confirmed not only by the white man's title, but by deed from Canackawack and Thingorawis, chiefs of the Naraticong Indians, who were a branch of the Lenni Lenape. As the settlers were mostly from those parts of New Hampshire and Maine which border the Piscataqua River, they called it Piscataqua or Piscataway, in memory of their old home. Here William Sutton pitched his tent, and prospered; for, thanks to fair dealings with the Indians, the wolves and the forest were the only enemies. In 1682, when the town and township numbered some four hundred souls, he was owner of two hundred and forty-nine acres of land, burdened only by the nominal quit-rent of one-half penny per acre annually. Small items of his life, grave or humorous, we glean from the records of more than two centuries ago. A Quaker, he was a pillar of the congregation that

met in the neighboring town of Woodbridge. We see him a person of some honor in the little community: chosen freeholder at one time, constable at another, town-clerk at another, and we find that, with advancing years, his services were desired upon boards of church discipline and inquiry. It is recorded that he contributed "a year old steer" toward the proposed erection of the Friends' Meeting House at Woodbridge—a donation that seems to have been a thorn in the flesh of the finance committee. For two years they were unable to convert the animal into cash, and were obliged to board it during three winters at exorbitant rates, varying from six to eight and one-half shillings per winter. The growth of sons to man's estate and matrimony, is marked in the records by such entries as this:

"William Sutton hath, in consideration of fatherly love and affection, given and granted to Daniel Sutton, his son, 75 acres of land."

Finally, in 1713, William is spoken of as an aged man, and we hear of him no more. Doubtless another year or two brought the end of his homely and laborious life, and rest in the little Quaker Churchyard at Woodbridge.

Damaris Bishop, first wife of William Sutton, died in Piscataway, February 6, 1682-3. He mar-

ried, in that town, Jane Barnes, January 9, 1684-5.

## CHILDREN :

- 1 Alice<sup>2</sup>, b. in Eastham, Mass., May 13, 1668.
- 2 Thomas<sup>2</sup>, b. in Eastham, Mass., Nov. 11, 1669.
- 3 Mary<sup>2</sup>, b. in Eastham, Mass., Oct. 4, 1671; m.,  
Dec. 23, 1689, Daniel McDaniel.
- 4 John<sup>2</sup>, b. in Piscataway, N. J., April 20, 1674.
- 5 Judah<sup>2</sup>, b. in Piscataway, N. J., Jan. 24, 1674-5.
- 6 Richard<sup>2</sup>, b. in Piscataway, N. J., July 18, 1676.
- 7 Joseph<sup>2</sup>, b. in Piscataway, N. J., June 27, 1678;  
d. Dec. 19, 1682.
- 8 Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, b. in Piscataway, N. J., Feb. 24,  
1679-80; d. Dec. 22, 1682.
- 9 Daniel<sup>2</sup>, b. in Piscataway, N. J., Feb. 25, 1681-2.
- 10 Joseph<sup>2</sup>, b. in Piscataway, N. J., Sept. 11, 1693. *See Thomas*

THOMAS<sup>2</sup> (William<sup>1</sup>)

Lived at Piscataway. Married, April, 1693,  
Mary Adams of Woodbridge.

## CHILDREN :

- 1 Joseph<sup>2</sup>, b. about 1694.
- 2 Rachel<sup>2</sup>, b. March 27, 1695.
- 3 Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, b. Jan. 19, 1696-7.
- 4 Samuel<sup>2</sup>, } b. March 16, 1698-9 (twins).
- 5 Hannah<sup>2</sup>, }



- 6 Nathaniel<sup>s</sup>, b. May 23, 1701.
- 7 Thomas<sup>s</sup>, b. about 1705.

JOHN<sup>s</sup> (William<sup>1</sup>)

Married, about 1695, Elizabeth ———. Removing from Piscataway, he settled at Passaic Valley, in Morris County, N. J., four to five miles from Basking Ridge, in Somerset County. He bought land at Harrison's Neck, N. J., November 11, 1741, and sold Piscataway lands, December 31, 1741. His will (dated December 17, 1740) was probated December 20, 1750; so he must have died that year, aged seventy-six. The will mentions all his children excepting Sarah. His wife Elizabeth died (according to her gravestone in the Baptist Churchyard at Stelton, Piscataway), May 10, 1731, aged fifty-two years.

## CHILDREN:

- 1 Moses<sup>s</sup>, b. Feb. 2, 1696-7.
- 2 Aaron<sup>s</sup>, b. July 2, 1699; married, and died before 1746.
- 3 John<sup>s</sup>, b. Sept. 19, 1701.
- 4 David<sup>s</sup>, b. July 31, 1703.
- 5 Sarah<sup>s</sup>, b. July 21, 1706.
- 6 James<sup>s</sup>, b. May 9, 1709.
- 7 Jesse<sup>s</sup>, b. July 6, 1711.

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- 8 Mary<sup>s</sup>, b. Aug. 15, 1717.  
9 Ephraim<sup>s</sup>, b. Dec. 7, 1719.

JUDAH<sup>s</sup> (William<sup>1</sup>)

Lived at Piscataway. Married, May 6, 1698, Emma Canter. (This name may be Carter or Cauter.)

CHILDREN :

- 1 Emma<sup>s</sup>, b. March 9, 1698-9; m. Hugh Dunn, Jr., June 19, 1720.
- 2 Damaris<sup>s</sup>, b. Dec. 18, 1700.
- 3 Patience<sup>s</sup>, b. Jan. 27, 1702-3.
- 4 William<sup>s</sup>, b. Jan. 4, 1706-7.
- 5 Mary<sup>s</sup>, b. July 3, 1709.
- 6 Sarah<sup>s</sup>, b. Feb. 28, 1711.
- 7 Elizabeth<sup>s</sup>, b. Oct. 3, 1713.
- 8 Anne<sup>s</sup>, b. June 25, 1714.
- 9 Joseph<sup>s</sup>, b. Dec. 6, 1716.
- 10 Rachel<sup>s</sup>, b. May 28, 1719.
- 11 Benjamin<sup>s</sup>, b. April 13, 1722.

RICHARD<sup>s</sup> (William<sup>1</sup>)

Lived in Piscataway. Married Sarah, daughter of Vincent Rognon (the Huguenot founder of the Runyon family), and Anne Boutcher, an English woman, his wife, January 25, 1702. Richard died in 1732, and his widow in 1736 married James Campbell.

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### CHILDREN :

- 1 Sarah<sup>s</sup>, b. Dec. 31, 1703; m. Joseph Manning.
- 2 Anna<sup>s</sup>, b. May 20, 1706; m. Hendrick Sleight.
- 3 Nathan<sup>s</sup>, b. Aug. 16, 1708; d. 1733, unmarried.
- 4 Richard<sup>s</sup>, b. Feb. 14, 1711-2.
- 5 Peter<sup>s</sup>, b. May 2, 1713. (Probably the man dying in 1740 at Piscataway. Wife Sarah administratrix.)
- 6 Catherine<sup>s</sup>, b. Jan. 24, 1715-6.
- 7 Joshua<sup>s</sup>, b. Nov. 18, 1718.
- 8 Jonas<sup>s</sup>, b. April 18, 1721.
- 9 Amos<sup>s</sup>, b. July 16, 1723.
- 10 Joseph<sup>s</sup>, b. Aug. 15, 1726.

### DANIEL<sup>s</sup> (William<sup>1</sup>)

Married, I., October 31, 1704, Patience, daughter of John and Dorothy Martin, of Piscataway. (John Martin\* was one of the four Piscataway grantees. He came from Dover, in the valley of the Piscataqua, in what is now New Hampshire. He was a landholder there in 1648, served on the grand jury in 1654, and was freeman in 1666. His first wife's name was Esther Roberts.) Married, II., August 25, 1724, Lydia Collier, of Woodbridge. In 1719 he was member

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\* John Martin, Charles Gilman, Hugh Dunn, and Hopewell Hull applied for, and received, December 18, 1666, the Piscataway land grant.

of the board of freeholders. As late as 1729 he is noted as living at Piscataway; but in 1730, when he serves as an executor of his brother Richard's estate, he is said to be a resident of Somerset County. He is probably the man who was dismissed from the Piscataway Baptist Church in 1752, and admitted the same year to the Morristown Baptist Church, where his death is recorded in 1761. His age was seventy-nine years. When we consider the place of residence of his sons, and the fact that he attended church at Morristown, it seems beyond doubt that his Somerset County property was located in Bernard Township, near Basking Ridge, where, as we learn from the Elizabethtown Bill in Chancery, some one of the Suttons had located prior to February, 1729-30. As late as 1735 this part of the county was almost unbroken wilderness.

## CHILDREN:

- 1 Anne<sup>s</sup>, b. Sept. 16, 1705.
- 2 Zebulon<sup>s</sup>, b. Sept. 1, 1707.
- 3 Zacharias<sup>s</sup>, b. Oct. 5, 1709.
- 4 John<sup>s</sup>, b. Aug. 10, 1713.
- 5 Dorothy<sup>s</sup>, b. May 1, 1717.
- 6 Patience<sup>s</sup>, b. May 23, 1719; m., about 1752.  
Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Doty, son of Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Doty.
- 7 Esther<sup>s</sup>, b. Aug. 2, 1721.

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8 Daniel<sup>2</sup>, b. May 8, 1725. (By second wife Lydia Collier.)

JOSEPH<sup>3</sup> (Thomas<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>)

Of Piscataway. Married, December 25, 1718, Priscilla Langstaff. One tablet stands to the memory of both in St. James' Churchyard, Piscataway, stating that he died March 17, 1762, aged sixty-nine, and she died the same year, aged sixty-three.

CHILDREN :

- 1 Martha<sup>4</sup>, b. Sept. 3, 1719.
- 2 Sarah<sup>4</sup>, b. Dec. 1, 1721; d. in infancy.
- 3 Sarah<sup>4</sup>, b. Feb. 9, 1723.
- 4 Henry<sup>4</sup>, b. April 6, 1724; d. Oct. 8, 1806, aged eighty-two. (A soldier of the Revolution.\*)
- 5 Joseph<sup>4</sup>, b. Feb. 15, 1728.
- 6 Jacob<sup>4</sup>, b. July 3, 1730.
- 7 Priscilla<sup>4</sup>, b. April 14, 1735.

SAMUEL<sup>3</sup> (Thomas<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>)

Of Piscataway. Married, about 1725, Martha

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\* For an inventory of his losses during the war, see page 25.

## CHILDREN (LIST PROBABLY INCOMPLETE):

- 1 Sarah<sup>s</sup>, b. March 12, 1726.
- 2 Amaziah<sup>s</sup>, b. Jan. 4, 1728-9.
- 3 Hannah<sup>s</sup>, b. Dec. 4, 1730.

THOMAS<sup>s</sup> (Thomas<sup>s</sup>, William<sup>s</sup>)

Of Piscataway. Married, January 6, 1734-5,  
Mary Lewis.

## CHILDREN (LIST INCOMPLETE):

- 1 Nehemiah<sup>s</sup>, b. Sept. 28, 1735.

MOSES<sup>s</sup> (John<sup>s</sup>, William<sup>s</sup>)

Married, about 1717, Yanick ———. (The name is so written in the record; it probably stands for the Dutch "Jannetje.") He removed from Piscataway to Bedminster Township, Somerset County, about 1737, in which year he is recorded as living in Lamington and selling land at Piscataway. He seems also to have lived at Peapack, in Bedminster Township. His eldest son, John, was appointed administrator of his estate in 1740; so he doubtless died in that year, aged forty-three.

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## CHILDREN (BORN IN PISCATAWAY):

- 1 John<sup>4</sup>, b. June 18, 1718.
- 2 Aaron<sup>4</sup>, b. March 17, 1718-9.
- 3 Martha<sup>4</sup>, b. Feb. 15, 1722.
- 4 Susanna<sup>4</sup>, b. May 14, 1723.
- 5 Hugh<sup>4</sup>, b. about 1725. } \*
- 6 Levi<sup>4</sup>, b. about 1727. } \*

JOHN<sup>4</sup> (John<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>)

Resided in Somerset County. Married Mary ———, and probably died in 1761, aged sixty, as in that year his will was probated. The will is authority for the names of his children.

## CHILDREN:

- 1 Elizabeth<sup>4</sup>.
- 2 Anna<sup>4</sup>.
- 3 Lois<sup>4</sup>, b. ———; m. Thomas, son of Richard Smith.
- 4 Mary<sup>4</sup>, b. ———; m. Elijah, son of Richard Smith. (She was not of age in 1758, the date of the will.)
- 5 Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>.
- 6 Abner<sup>4</sup>, b. ———; deceased at the date of the will, 1758.
- 7 Philip<sup>4</sup>.

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\* These two Bedminster Township Suttons are assigned to Moses' family on grounds of probability.

## DAVID' (John', William')

Of Basking Ridge, Bernard Township, Somerset County. Died between December 1 and December 19, 1775, the respective dates of the drawing and probating of his will. He was then aged seventy-two years. The will mentions his wife (without giving her name) and names his children.

## CHILDREN (NOT KNOWN TO BE IN ORDER OF BIRTH):

- 1 Isaac', b. ———. (Noted as the eldest; m. Rachel Doty.)
- 2 David'.
- 3 John', b. 1733; m. Ruth Stout; d. about 1813, aged eighty.
- 4 Abraham'.
- 5 James'.
- 6 Moses'.
- 7 Sarah'.
- 8 Elizabeth', b. ———. (Her three youngest daughters were named Marah, Joanna, and Abigail.)
- 9 Mary', b. ———; d. 1746. (Had a son David.)

The four brothers—Isaac', David', John', and James'—were all Baptist clergymen and missionaries to Tennessee. Isaac' is the ancestor of the Suttons of Fayette County, Pa. James' settled in Kentucky. John' also settled in Kentucky, at



Harrodsburgh, and left a numerous posterity. As an early advocate of emancipation, and as a successful worker in a large and difficult field, he has earned for himself an honorable place in the history of his adopted State. He was educated at Hopewell, N. J., ordained at Scotch Plains in 1763, and began his work as a missionary to Nova Scotia. Previous to his final removal to Kentucky, he had charges at Newport, R. I., Salem and Cape May, N. J., and Welsh Tract, Del.; and at other times he labored in Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Tennessee.

#### EPHRAIM<sup>2</sup> (John<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>)

Of Passaic Valley. Lived on "Sutton's Hill." He doubtless died in 1790, aged seventy-one, for in that year his will was probated. It mentions his wife Phoebe and four children.

#### CHILDREN:

- 1 James<sup>1</sup> Gouverneur.
- 2 David<sup>1</sup>.
- 3 Jesse<sup>1</sup>.
- 4 William<sup>1</sup>, b. ———; m. Lavina, "a Dutch girl."  
(After William's death the family removed to Ohio. The date of removal is perhaps indicated by the fact that Lavina and her children—then living in Bernardsville, Somerset County—sold land in 1801.)

ZEBULON<sup>1</sup> (Daniel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>)

Of Bernard Township, Somerset County, on February 28, 1746-7, leased of James Alexander (father of William Alexander, the Lord Stirling of Revolutionary fame) one hundred and thirty acres of land, bordering on the Passaic River and next to John Doty.\* The Dotys are an old New Jersey family, and have been associated with and have intermarried with the Suttons from the earliest times. They are descended of Samuel Doty (a son of Edward, the Mayflower Pilgrim), who removed from Eastham, on Cape Cod, and settled at Piscataway. So many Dotys went to the neighborhood of Basking Ridge, that (to use the words of the author of the "Doty Genealogy") "the town was like a Doty settlement." All of Zebulon Sutton's brothers acquired land, either by lease or purchase, of the Alexander estate, a tract of some 800 acres, which was a portion of the original "Harrison's Purchase," and included the town of Basking Ridge. Zachariah Sutton†

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\* John Doty leased 300 acres of the Alexander estate in 1739. The Alexander property consisting only of some 800 acres, John and Jonathan Doty and the four Sutton brothers must have occupied most of it. John Doty, 300 acres; Zeb. Sutton, 130 acres; Zach. Sutton, 120 acres; John Sutton, 85 acres. Total, 635 acres.

† One of the three brothers of Zebulon Sutton had a son, Zebulon, who served in the Revolution, afterward removed to Knox County, Ohio, and died there at a good old age. His pension papers are on file at Washington.

leased, April 26, 1746, 100 acres. Daniel leased a tract, April 7, 1749, and John, on August 13, 1749, bought for £96 17 s., Jersey money, 84 87/100 acres of land. The town of Basking Ridge dates from about 1720, and is situated, as its name implies, upon a sharply rising ground. It lies in the finest agricultural region of the State, one of low rolling hills, which Stirling found a suitable environment for his famous manor, where were entertained so many of the notables of the Revolution. This disappeared a century or more ago; but the region has again, in these modern days, become noted for its beautiful country-seats. About and in the old town marched and encamped the French and Continental armies, and in its tavern the traitor Lee was captured by English troopers, and removed from further interference with the fortunes of the American cause. Zebulon Sutton, according to his son Uriah, lived at the town of North Branch. He attended the old Presbyterian Church at Basking Ridge. He married, about 1731, Mary ——, probably in Piscataway. Her surname was probably Doty,\*

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\* Family names, neighborhood, and association, and the intimacy shown by intermarriage (Patience<sup>8</sup> Sutton and Jonathan<sup>4</sup> Doty) make it seem probable that Zebulon Sutton's wife's name was Mary Doty. This could not be the case if the date of Jonathan<sup>8</sup> Doty's marriage was 1717, as the author of the "Doty Genealogy" estimates. There is nothing to show that the marriage did not take place earlier.

daughter (born about 1713) of Jonathan<sup>2</sup> Doty, of Piscataway, and Mary, his wife. Jonathan<sup>2</sup> Doty\* removed to Basking Ridge and leased a farm from the Alexander estate (close to the one soon after occupied by Zebulon Sutton) in 1739. He was a son of Samuel Doty and Jane Harman, and a grandson of Edward Doty (the Mayflower Pilgrim) and Faith Clarke.

## CHILDREN : †

- 1 Patience<sup>4</sup>, b. May 31, 1732.
- 2 Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, b. March 23, 1735.
- 3 Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, b. Oct. 29, 1738.
- 4 Uriah<sup>4</sup>, b. July 21, 1741.
- 5 Peter<sup>4</sup>, b. about 1743.
- 6 Mary<sup>4</sup>, b. Sept. 19, 1744.
- 7 Joseph<sup>4</sup>, b. July 9, 1747.
- 8 Anna<sup>4</sup>, b. Dec. 30, 1750.

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\* Jonathan<sup>2</sup> Doty was born 1687-8, and married to Mary about 1712 (author of "Doty Genealogy" estimates 1717); Samuel<sup>2</sup> Doty was born 1643, died 1715, married, November 15, 1678, Jane Harman of Piscataway. Edward<sup>1</sup> Doty came on the Mayflower, 1620, died August 23, 1655, married, January 6, 1634-5, Faith (born 1619), daughter of Faith and Thurston Clarke. Thurston Clarke came to Plymouth in 1634, having sailed April 30th of that year from Ipswich in Suffolkshire on the ship Francis.

† The Bible which contained the original of Zebulon<sup>2</sup> Sutton's family record has long been lost. A transcript of the latter was made by his grandson, Shadrach<sup>5</sup> Sutton (son of Joseph<sup>4</sup>) some seventy or eighty years ago. This is now in possession of Shadrach's niece, Mrs. Nancy C. Sutton Axtell, of Minneapolis, Minn., and is the present writer's authority. It does not contain the name of Peter<sup>4</sup>. Reasons for adding Peter's name will be discussed in connection with his family.

JONATHAN<sup>4</sup> (Zebulon<sup>3</sup>, Daniel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>)

Lived in Bedminster Township, Somerset County, where he paid, in 1787, taxes on one hundred and fifty acres of land, amounting to £2, 12s., 8d. He married, about 1761, Rachel Colyer, who was born March 12, 1740. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church at Basking Ridge, and after his removal, about 1789-90, to Sparta, in Sussex County, was an elder in the local Presbyterian Church until his death, on February 2, 1818, at the age of eighty-three years. His wife, Rachel, died at Sparta, April 12, 1810, aged seventy years.

Jonathan<sup>4</sup> was a Revolutionary soldier,\* and, like his brother Uriah, held a captain's commission. He was always referred to by his immediate descendants as "the captain." The facts of his service and losses, the hardships and suffering of his wife and children during his absence in the field, owing to the ravages of the Hessians, we have from the statements of his son Jacob (died 1852) and Jacob's wife, Hannah (died 1862), to their grandson, the Rev. J. Ford Sutton, D.D.

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\* Unfortunately, Jonathan<sup>4</sup> Sutton's name does not appear in the "Official Register of the Officers and Men of New Jersey" (compiled by Adjutant-General Stryker). The author, however, does not claim that the "Register" is absolutely complete, since the rolls from which it was compiled were often very carelessly kept and quite imperfect.

(born 1827). From this authority we learn that Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, and his brothers Uriah<sup>4</sup> and Joseph<sup>4</sup>, were present at the battle of Monmouth, and bore their testimony to the great suffering of the troops on account of the intense heat. We are told how his family would sit up all night to make cartridges, with windows darkened for fear of spies, and how the Hessians came and pitched the sheaves from the stacks of wheat till their horses waded "up to the belly" in it, and how, turning the mother and children out of the house, they plundered it of what they desired, and destroyed the remainder. How near Captain Jonathan came to losing the powder that was in his charge is another incident. He had removed it from its hiding-place under a stack of buckwheat straw only the night before a squad of cavalry came in search of it. They tore the stack to pieces, and were much exasperated to find only the place where it had lain.

## CHILDREN :

- 1 Zebulon<sup>6</sup>, b. Feb. 1, 1762.
- 2 Mary<sup>6</sup>, b. ———; never married.
- 3 Sarah<sup>6</sup>, b. ———; never married.
- 4 Hannah<sup>6</sup>, b. ———; m. Jos. Miller. (No issue.)
- 5 Rebecca<sup>6</sup>, b. ———; m. Cornelius Wiesner.
- 6 Jacob<sup>6</sup>, b. Oct. 12, 1773.

The following account of the losses in the Revolution of Henry<sup>s</sup> Sutton (Joseph<sup>s</sup>, Thomas<sup>s</sup>, William<sup>s</sup>) may be of interest. Henry<sup>s</sup> was a private of N. J. State Troops, and one of the Middlesex County "Committee of Observation:"

\*" Inventory of Sundries taken and destroyed by the Enemy and their Adherents, the property of Henry Sutton, of Piscataway, Middlesex County:

		<i>£ S. D.</i>
1776. Dec. & in 1777.	"To 6554 Rails in fence, midling good . . .	49. 0.0
	2100 Stakes " " " . . .	7. 17.6
	5 Tons of fresh Hay . . . . .	12. 10.0
	6 do. of Salt Hay @ home . . . . .	9. 0.0
	3 do. of do. in the Meadows . . . . .	3. 0.0
	40 Bushels Wheat & 20 do. of Rye in Sheaf . . . . .	13. 15.0
	1 Yoke of Oxen, midling large . . . . .	15. 0.0
	1 Year old Bull 25/. 20 Sheep £10. . . . .	11. 5.0
	50 lb. Flax in the rough . . . . .	18. 0
	9 acres of Wheat in the Ground . . . . .	13. 10.0
	Timber cut & destroyed to the amount of . . . . .	7. 0.0
	2770 Rails & 900 Stakes at the place that was Capt. Langstaff's . . . . .	23. 0.0
	1 Barn Burnt on place £30. House on do. place destroyed by 3 floors taken out, the Boards taken off, the chimney & walls down, £25. . . . .	55. 0.0
	20 Fruit Trees . . . . .	3. 0.0
		<i>£223. 16.3</i>

"Henry Sutton being sworn saith that the above Inventory is just and true. And that he was knowing to Sundry of the

\* From Original MSS., Vol. No. 172. State Library at Trenton, N. J.

said Articles being taken by the British Troops, and that he had Sufficient reason to believe the said Troops took all the remainder of the said Articles. And that he had not received any satisfaction for any one thing therein contained.

"Sworn before me Jos. Olden } Henry Sutton.

"Thomas Holtom being Sworn Saith that he was called to View the damages done to the building that Henry Sutton purchas'd of Capt. Henry Langstaff, being done by the British Troops, &, having considered of the same, do adjudge the said damages to the amount of £55. 0.0.

"Sworn before me Jos. Olden } Thomas Holtom."

ZEBULON<sup>1</sup> (Jonathan<sup>1</sup>, Zebulon<sup>2</sup>, Daniel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>)

Married, March 2, 1786, Mary, born August 30, 1768, daughter of Edward and Martha Lewis. He died July 1, 1826, at Newfoundland, N. J., and was buried there. His wife, Mary, removed to Pennsylvania, and died April 7, 1856. He was an elder of the Presbyterian Church, and a soldier of the Revolution (see Stryker's "Officers and Men of New Jersey," page 776). His descendants, by the line of his eldest son Nathan, live at Gardner, Grundy County, Ill.

CHILDREN :

- 1 Martha<sup>1</sup>, b. June 22, 1787; m. Henry Brasted.
- 2 Nathan<sup>1</sup>, b. April 12, 1789; m. Martha Beardsley, and died in Illinois, March 30, 1879.



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- 3 Lewis<sup>s</sup>, b. July 12, 1791; m. Jane Ketcham, and died 1867.
- 4 Mark<sup>s</sup>, b. Aug. 17, 1802.

MARK<sup>s</sup> (Zebulon<sup>s</sup>, Jonathan<sup>s</sup>, Zebulon<sup>s</sup>, Daniel<sup>s</sup>, William<sup>s</sup>)

Married, December 6, 1826, Lydia Young, born August 4, 1803. His descendants live at Muncy, Lycoming County, Pa.

CHILDREN:

- 1 Zebulon<sup>s</sup> B., b. Oct. 4, 1827; d. Dec. 12, 1890.
- 2 Mary<sup>s</sup> E., b. Jan. 30, 1830; m., Oct. 5, 1858, Samuel Sprout.
- 3 Sarah<sup>s</sup> M., b. May 5, 1832; m., April 20, 1856, Stephen F. Edsell.
- 4 Martha<sup>s</sup> L., b. Feb. 22, 1835.
- 5 Susan<sup>s</sup> A., b. May 18, 1837; d. July 15, 1837.
- 6 Lavinia<sup>s</sup> G., b. Aug. 2, 1839; m., May 7, 1864, Allan Welch, and d. Dec. 26, 1890.
- 7 James<sup>s</sup> E., b. April 8, 1843; d. March 26, 1853.

JACOB<sup>s</sup> (Jonathan<sup>s</sup>, Zebulon<sup>s</sup>, Daniel<sup>s</sup>, William<sup>s</sup>)

Lived in Hardyston Township, Sussex County, N. J. Married, March 18, 1797, Hannah Rorick—born April 21, 1777. (She was daughter of Michael Rorick, born in Bergen County, April 10, 1749, died at Franklin Furnace, Sussex County,

October 28, 1832; and Lucretia Hardin, born in Massachusetts, February 21, 1762, died at Franklin Furnace, September 12, 1834: they were married in 1774. The name Rorick was originally spelled Röhrig, and is probably of Palatine German origin.) Jacob Sutton died December 27, 1852, aged seventy-nine; his wife died March 27, 1862, aged eighty-five.

## CHILDREN :

- 1 Michael<sup>o</sup> Rorick, b. Nov. 16, 1797. ✓
- 2 Rebecca<sup>o</sup>, b. Dec. 7, 1799; m. Samuel Bedell.
- 3 Lewis<sup>o</sup>, b. Jan. 6, 1802. ✓
- 4 Jacob<sup>o</sup>, b. Nov. 5, 1804.
- 5 Jonathan<sup>o</sup>, b. Dec. 24, 1807. ✓
- 6 John<sup>o</sup> Rorick, b. Nov. 13, 1810.
- 7 Catharine<sup>o</sup>,\* b. Aug. 9, 1813; m. Wm. Van Blarcom.
- 8 William<sup>o</sup> Inglis, b. June 23, 1817. ✓

**MICHAEL<sup>o</sup> RORICK** (Jacob<sup>o</sup>, Jonathan<sup>o</sup>, Zebulon<sup>o</sup>, Daniel<sup>o</sup>, William<sup>o</sup>)

Lived in Hardyston Township, Sussex County, N. J., near Franklin Furnace. Married, March 29, 1822, Elizabeth Forrester, born January 23,

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\* She died April 19, 1891, survived by six children. One of these, Captain Lewis Van Blarcom, is a leading lawyer of Sussex County. He married, August 17, 1871, Mary, daughter of Dr. Alexander H. Thompson, and has children, Katharine and Andrew.

1799. She was daughter of Peter Forrester (son of an Englishman, John Forrester, and Anna Van Buskirk, a woman of Dutch descent) and Katharine Pietersen (daughter of Daniel Pietersen, a man of Dutch ancestry, and Eva Hardt\*). Michael R. Sutton died January 6, 1881, aged eighty-four, in Romeo, Mich., whither he removed in 1856. His wife died in Romeo, January 6, 1865, aged sixty-six.

## CHILDREN :

- 1 Hannah', b. Aug. 12, 1823; m. Joseph Ayres.
- 2 Lucy', b. Jan. 7, 1825; m. Manuel Sibbet.
- 3 Joseph Ford', b. July 15, 1827.
- 4 Katharine', b. May 30, 1829; d. 1884, unmarried.
- 5 Elias Fairchild', b. June 25, 1831.
- 6 Amos Munson', b. Jan. 15, 1835; m. Joanna Bates; d. March 24, 1884.
- 7 Matilda Fairchild', b. Dec. 30, 1839; m. Wm. L. Barclay.

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\* The father of Eva Hardt, who married Daniel Pietersen, was a well-to-do German of the Rhenish Palatinate. He fled from the civil and religious disturbances of his native state to America about 1735, accompanied by his wife, his daughter Eva, and four other children. He had paid passage for all in full; but, when he died at sea, the captain of the vessel not only seized the entire effects of the widow (including some valuable old silver), but, on reaching port, sold her and her children as redemptioners. Such abuses were only too common in those days. A reminiscence of Eva Hardt's old home on the Rhine is perhaps not unworthy of notice, as showing how slight a tradition may survive the lapse of nearly two centuries. Her father owned a vineyard, and in the time of the vintage she and other children, standing at upper windows of opposite houses, would fill their mouths with the sweet must, and try which could spurt it farthest into the street below. It may be imagined that, in thrifty German households, this did not occur very often.

JOSEPH' FORD (Michael', Jacob', Jonathan',  
Zebulon', Daniel', William')

Resides in New York City. A. B., Rutgers College, 1852, A. M., 1855; Union Theological Seminary, 1857, and ordained minister of the Presbyterian Church the same year; D. D., Marysville College, 1883; chaplain 102d Regiment New York Volunteer Infantry, 1862; general agent United States Christian Commission, Department of the Gulf, 1863. Fellow of the American Geographical Society. Married, I., Eliza Storrs, April 12, 1859, daughter of Horace Holden, Esq., of New York City, and Mary Cotton. She was born December 23, 1829; died August 6, 1860. Married, II., Katharine Judson Holden, daughter of Horace Holden, Esq., and Katharine Plant Judson, April 10, 1866. She was born April 26, 1838; died December 30, 1898.

## CHILDREN:

- 1 Horace' Holden, b. July 6, 1867; d. Nov. 13, 1874.
- 2 Joseph' Holden, b. Oct. 23, 1869. (A. B., Princeton, 1890, A. M., 1893; LL. B., New York Law School, 1893.)
- 3 Daniel' Judson, b. May 17, 1872; d. Nov. 30, 1874.

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- 4 Edward<sup>s</sup> Forrester Holden, b. Feb. 15, 1874.  
(A. B., Princeton, 1895; M. D., Columbia,  
1899.)
- 5 Frederick<sup>s</sup> Judson Holden, b. June 3, 1876.  
(A. B., Princeton, 1898.)

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**ELIAS<sup>s</sup> FAIRCHILD** (Michael<sup>s</sup>, Jacob<sup>s</sup>, Jonathan<sup>s</sup>, Zebulon<sup>s</sup>, Daniel<sup>s</sup>, William<sup>s</sup>)

Resides at Lake Linden, Mich. Married, September 5, 1865, Mary, b. June 7, 1843, daughter of William Harris and Elizabeth Tregoning, of Lake Linden.

CHILDREN :

- 1 Elizabeth<sup>s</sup>, b. June 24, 1868.
- 2 Walter<sup>s</sup> Harris, b. June 18, 1885.

**JONATHAN<sup>s</sup>** (Jacob<sup>s</sup>, Jonathan<sup>s</sup>, Zebulon<sup>s</sup>, Daniel<sup>s</sup>, William<sup>s</sup>)

Removed to Oakland County, Mich., and there died, December 5, 1874. Married Delilah Predmore, born in Sussex County, N. J., February 21, 1815, and died at Romeo, Mich., April 3, 1893.

CHILDREN :

- 1 Joshua<sup>s</sup> P., b. June 27, 1837.
- 2 Jemima<sup>s</sup> R., b. Dec. 13, 1840; m., 1856, Joel W. Linderman.

- 3 Amzy ' R., b. April 23, 1842.
- 4 Joseph ' D., b. April 26, 1845.
- 5 Hannah ' M., b. March 20, 1846; d. Sept. 18, 1864.
- 6 Adelia ' C., b. Jan. 22, 1849; d. Sept. 3, 1865.
- 7 Edward ' M., b. May 30, 1850; d. Jan. 1, 1893.
- 8 Drusilla ' D., b. Aug. 8, 1851; m., 1867, Daniel  
W. Bennett.
- 9 Elmer ' B., b. March 20, 1853.

**JOSHUA ' PREDMORE** (Jonathan<sup>o</sup>, Jacob<sup>o</sup>, Jonathan<sup>o</sup>, Zebulon<sup>o</sup>, Daniel<sup>o</sup>, William<sup>o</sup>)

Married, April 25, 1863, Mary E. Shadbolt, of Orion, Mich.; she was born April 10, 1840. He resides at Kansas City, Mo.

CHILDREN :

- 1 Linton ' Beach, b. Sept. 17, 1865.
- 2 Archie ' L., b. Feb. 15, 1868; d. Jan. 6, 1871.
- 3 Bessie<sup>o</sup>, b. Nov. 13, 1869; m., Oct. 12, 1893,  
Luther C. Slavens, Jr., of Kansas City.

**JOSEPH ' DUNLAP** (Jonathan<sup>o</sup>; Jacob<sup>o</sup>, Jonathan<sup>o</sup>, Zebulon<sup>o</sup>, Daniel<sup>o</sup>, William<sup>o</sup>)

Resides in Kansas City. Married, April 3, 1883, Eliza Gist Ferguson, born at St. Louis, June 15, 1861.

CHILDREN :

- 1 Edwin<sup>o</sup> Arnold, b. Jan. 18, 1884.
- 2 Josephine<sup>o</sup>, b. June 15, 1890.

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AMZY' R. (Jonathan<sup>o</sup>, Jacob<sup>o</sup>, Jonathan<sup>o</sup>, Zebulon<sup>o</sup>,  
Daniel<sup>o</sup>, William<sup>o</sup>)

Married, in 1864, Sarah A. Coates, of Oakville,  
Ontario.

CHILDREN :

- 1 Gertrude<sup>o</sup> E., b. March 20, 1865.
- 2 Marvil<sup>o</sup> C., b. June 23, 1867.

ELMER' BEACH (Jonathan<sup>o</sup>, Jacob<sup>o</sup>, Jonathan<sup>o</sup>,  
Zebulon<sup>o</sup>, Daniel<sup>o</sup>, William<sup>o</sup>)

A prominent lawyer of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.  
Married Anna A. Scranton, of Sault Ste. Marie,  
born December 24, 1863.

LEWIS<sup>o</sup> (Jacob<sup>o</sup>, Jonathan<sup>o</sup>, Zebulon<sup>o</sup>, Daniel<sup>o</sup>,  
William<sup>o</sup>)

Married, November 8, 1823, Elizabeth Losey,  
born March 12, 1804. He removed to Clarkston,  
Mich., and there died, July 27, 1852. His wife  
died August 5, 1898.

CHILDREN :

- 1 Harriet<sup>o</sup> F., b. Oct. 6, 1824; m. Samuel Groover,  
March 22, 1842.
- 2 Cornelius<sup>o</sup> L., b. Dec. 26, 1827; m. Elizabeth  
Brower, June 11, 1850.
- 3 Abigail<sup>o</sup> M., b. July 22, 1829; m. Ebenezer T.  
Beardslee, May 15, 1851.

- 4 Susan ' T., b. May 2, 1836; m. Charles Beardslee,  
June 11, 1856.
- 5 Marion ' L., b. Dec. 24, 1838; m. Ada Palmer.
- 6 Delphina ' M., b. Feb. 11, 1845; m. Isaac H.  
Lawrence, Jan. 1, 1866.

**JACOB** ' (Jacob ' , Jonathan ' , Zebulon ' , Daniel ' ,  
William ' )

Married, December 4, 1825, Teresa Cox, who  
was born January 3, 1810, and died May 22, 1891.  
He died March 26, 1891. He resided in Sussex  
County, N. J.

## CHILDREN :

- 1 Reuben ' R., b. Oct. 7, 1826; d. July 2, 1894;  
m. Elizabeth Fox.
- 2 Martin ' C., b. July 7, 1829; m. Mary Bray.
- 3 Esther ' C., b. Dec. 23, 1832; d. Aug. 20, 1860;  
m. Henry Fox.
- 4 Lemuel ' F., b. April 30, 1833; d. Feb. 19, 1897;  
m. Eleanor Westfall.
- 5 Emily ' , b. Aug. 26, 1835; d. June 12, 1870.
- 6 John ' H., b. Oct. 23, 1838; m., Jan. 2, 1872, Mary  
Benjamin.
- 7 George ' M., b. Oct. 24, 1840; m. Harriet Mack-  
erley.
- 8 Dayton ' C., b. Jan. 10, 1843; m. Abigail Farber.
- 9 Teresa ' M., b. March 24, 1845; m. Rev. A. J.  
Adams.
- 10 Georgiana ' L., b. Aug. 12, 1857; m. John C.  
Tibbits.



JOHN<sup>o</sup> RORICK (Jacob<sup>o</sup>, Jonathan<sup>o</sup>, Zebulon<sup>o</sup>,  
Daniel<sup>o</sup>, William<sup>o</sup>)

Married, in 1836, Jemima Stoll. He removed  
to Racine, Wis., and died there, November 24,  
1848.

## CHILDREN :

- 1 Lewis<sup>o</sup> H., b. Aug. 28, 1837.
- 2 Delphina<sup>o</sup>, b. Dec. 28, 1839.
- 3 George<sup>o</sup> B., b. Feb. 24, 1842.
- 4 John<sup>o</sup> R., b. Feb. 5, 1844.
- 5 Theodore<sup>o</sup> D., b. March 24, 1846.
- 6 Estella<sup>o</sup>, b. Aug. 19, 1847.

WILLIAM<sup>o</sup> INGLIS (Jacob<sup>o</sup>, Jonathan<sup>o</sup>, Zebulon<sup>o</sup>,  
Daniel<sup>o</sup>, William<sup>o</sup>)

Married, February 4, 1840, Mary Stoll. He  
removed to Clarkston, Mich., and died there,  
March 11, 1897. His wife died November 22,  
1864.

## CHILDREN :

- 1 Jacob<sup>o</sup> R.
- 2 Abram<sup>o</sup>.
- 3 William<sup>o</sup> H.
- 4 Anna<sup>o</sup> M.
- 5 George<sup>o</sup> Edward.
- 6 Franklin<sup>o</sup> Pierce.
- 7 Amos<sup>o</sup> H.
- 8 Sarah<sup>o</sup> E.
- 9 Joseph<sup>o</sup> F.

## URIAH' (Zebulon', Daniel', William')

Lived at Kimballs Mountain, in Somerset County, N. J., and attended the Presbyterian Church at Basking Ridge.\* He was a captain of New Jersey State Troops (see Stryker's "Officers and Men of New Jersey," page 413), and there is record of his presence at the battles of Monmouth, Watsessing, and Connecticut Farms. His granddaughter, Mrs. Ruth Howell, states that, when the Continental Army lay at Morristown, Washington often dined at his house. A large dog used to follow the general about, and on its back Uriah's little son Stephen (Mrs. Howell's father) was often allowed to ride. Uriah Sutton married, about 1772, Elizabeth Bockover, born November 26, 1751, and died November 13, 1815. Uriah attained the great age of ninety-eight years, dying in 1830, at the home of his son Stephen in Bound Brook, N. J. He was blind for nearly thirty years before his death.

## CHILDREN (ORDER OF BIRTH UNKNOWN):

- 1 Stephen', b. Feb. 2, 1775.

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\* Prior to 1800 the following Suttons are recorded as pew-holders in the trustee-book of the Basking Ridge Presbyterian Church (records antedating 1770, it should be said, were destroyed by fire): Zachariah, pew 20; year, 1770. Jeremiah, pew 70; year, 1770. Peter, pew 71; year, 1770. Uriah, pew 72; year, 1770. Jonathan, pew 55; year, 1770. Zebulon, pew 72; year 1783. John, pew 40; year, 1795.

- 2 Peter<sup>2</sup>, b. ——— (named for his paternal uncle); d. unmarried.
- 3 Polly<sup>2</sup>, b. ———; m. Johnson.
- 4 Phœbe<sup>2</sup>, b. ——— [probably named for her (paternal) uncle Peter's wife]; m. Norris.
- 5 Ann<sup>2</sup>, b. Aug. 9, 1778; m. Barnabas Doty.
- 6 Katharine<sup>2</sup>.
- 7 Gertrude<sup>2</sup>, b. ———; m. Brush.

STEPHEN<sup>2</sup> (Uriah<sup>1</sup>, Zebulon<sup>2</sup>, Daniel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>)

Lived first at Liberty Corner, Bernard Township, Somerset County, N. J., afterwards at Bound Brook, and died March 9, 1846. Married, I., about 1798, Sarah Bedell, born March 31, 1781; d. January 21, 1807. Married, II., about 1808, Abigail Martin, born May 31, 1786 (born Compton).

## CHILDREN:

- 1 Katharine<sup>3</sup>, b. July 30, 1800; d. Oct. 15, 1822; m. Abner P. Howell.
- 2 Letitia<sup>3</sup>, b. Aug. 31, 1801.
- 3 Ruth<sup>3</sup>, b. Oct. 29, 1802; m., I., Elbert Baldwin of Newark; m., II., Abner P. Howell, of Newark. (She was living in 1895.)
- 4 Eliza<sup>3</sup>, b. Feb. 4, 1804.
- 5 Uriah<sup>3</sup>, b. Jan. 12, 1806.

By the second wife, the following, all of whom removed to the vicinity of Springfield, Ill.:

- 6 Sarah<sup>3</sup>, b. Jan. 10, 1809.

- 7 Abner<sup>o</sup> M., b. March 19, 1810; d. at Springfield, Ill.
- 8 Abigail<sup>o</sup>, b. Feb. 15, 1812.
- 9 Stephen<sup>o</sup>, b. Jan. 17, 1815; d. at Jacksonville, Ill.
- 10 Gawin<sup>o</sup> A., b. April 8, 1816. (Note that this name occurs in the family of Peter<sup>4</sup> Sutton, brother of Uriah<sup>4</sup>.)
- 11 Phœbe<sup>o</sup>, b. May 20, 1818.
- 12 Caroline<sup>o</sup>, b. Nov. 17, 1819; d. in infancy.
- 13 Joseph<sup>o</sup>, b. Feb. 22, 1823.
- 14 Caroline<sup>o</sup>, b. July 13, 1826.
- 15 Mary<sup>o</sup> Louisa, b. Nov. 13, 1828; m. Dr. Sturges, of Macon, Ill., where she lives.

PETER<sup>4</sup>\* (Zebulon<sup>2</sup>, Daniel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>)

Lived at Basking Ridge, and attended the

\* The following are the reasons for adding Peter<sup>4</sup> Sutton's name to the family record of Zebulon<sup>2</sup> Sutton (Daniel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>). (*Vide supra.*)

I. Statement by Uriah<sup>4</sup> Sutton's grandson, Daniel Doty, who was living, at the age of nearly ninety years, at Liberty Corner, N. J., in 1897, and who knew his grandfather well for thirty years before his death: that Uriah<sup>4</sup> had a favorite brother Peter, of whom he often spoke, and for whom he (Uriah) named his second son.

II. Statement by aged descendants of Peter Sutton in Indiana County, Pa.: that he had a great fondness for the name Uriah, and that he treated the grandchild to whom he gave this name with particular affection.

III. Statement of an aged descendant of Peter Sutton in Indiana County, Pa.: that Mary, Peter's daughter, named a son Jonathan for her father's brother.

IV. The facts that similar accounts of Peter Sutton's escape from the Indians were current among both Peter's descendants in Indiana County, Pa., and Uriah's in New Jersey, though the two families had been separated for a hundred years, and had no knowledge of their kinship.

V. From the occurrence of the unusual name Gawin among both Uriah's and Peter's descendants.

Presbyterian Church there. He was a soldier of the Revolution (see Stryker's "Officers and Men of New Jersey," page 776). He married, about 1768, Phoebe Kinnan. In 1796 he removed from Basking Ridge, and in June of that year bought a farm in that part of Westmoreland County, Pa., which is now Indiana County. Subsequently he sold the farm and established an inn on the road from Kitanning, east (which was afterwards the Philadelphia turnpike), and on the spot where the town of Indiana now stands. Among his descendants are numbered some of the most influential residents of the county, in times past and present. His will was probated April 29-30, 1829; so he doubtless died that year, aged about eighty-six. A tradition, current among Suttons both in Indiana County and in New Jersey, states that Peter Sutton was, in his younger days, captured by a band of Indians, to whom he had made himself obnoxious. At nightfall a huge fire was lighted, and a council assembled about it, to determine what should be done with him. Supposing that he did not understand their language, they discussed freely the tortures to be inflicted. Some suggested flaying alive, others burning at the stake, and so on. They had not taken the precaution to bind their captive, and he, at an

opportune moment, seized a young Indian who chanced to be near, pitched him into the fire, and ran for his life. The diversion thus created gave him a little start, and reaching a stream which was crossed by means of a big log, he plunged in and hid himself under it. When his pursuers had passed over it, he made good his escape.

## CHILDREN :

- 1 Gawin<sup>s</sup>, b. ———. (Note that this name occurs among the children of Stephen, son of Uriah<sup>s</sup>, Peter's<sup>s</sup> brother.)
- 2 Malachia<sup>s</sup>.
- 3 Mary<sup>s</sup>, b. ———; m. Sylvanus Ayres.
- 4 Thomas<sup>s</sup>, b. March 5, 1784.
- 5 Phœbe<sup>s</sup>.
- 6 Peter<sup>s</sup>, b. ———. (Had a son *Uriah*, who died in infancy.)

**THOMAS<sup>s</sup>** (Peter<sup>s</sup>, Zebulon<sup>s</sup>, Daniel<sup>s</sup>, William<sup>s</sup>)

. Lived at Indiana, Pa. Married, April 1, 1809, Rebecca Loughrey, born December 8, 1787. He died in 1833, aged forty-nine.

## CHILDREN :

- 1 Rebecca<sup>s</sup>, b. Jan. 8, 1810.
- 2 Phœbe<sup>s</sup>, b. April 7, 1811.
- 3 James<sup>s</sup>, b. April 23, 1812.

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- 4 John<sup>s</sup>, b. May 20, 1814; m., in 1847, Mary A. Walker; d. June 9, 1877.
- 5 Thomas<sup>s</sup>, b. Dec. 31, 1815.
- 6 Mary<sup>s</sup>, b. Oct. 29, 1817.
- 7 William<sup>s</sup>, b. Aug. 2, 1819.
- 8 Peter<sup>s</sup>, b. July 24, 1822.
- 9 Margaret<sup>s</sup>, b. Aug. 21, 1825.
- 10 Robert<sup>s</sup>, b. April 10, 1828. (A Presbyterian clergyman of Cincinnati.)
- 11 David<sup>s</sup>, b. ———, 1830; d. in infancy.

JAMES<sup>s</sup> (Thomas<sup>s</sup>, Peter<sup>s</sup>, Zebulon<sup>s</sup>, Daniel<sup>s</sup>, William<sup>s</sup>)

Married, September 3, 1840, Sarah Stansbury,\* born May 27, 1816; died March, 1899. He died September 10, 1870. He resided at Indiana, Pa.

CHILDREN :

- 1 Rhodes<sup>s</sup> Stansbury, b. July 8, 1841.
- 2 Elizabeth<sup>s</sup>, b. Sept. 19, 1843.
- 3 Thomas<sup>s</sup>, b. Oct. 14, 1845; m. Mary L. Anderson. (Lives in Russell, Kan.)
- 4 Clara<sup>s</sup> R., b. April 6, 1847.
- 5 William<sup>s</sup> B., b. Feb. 12, 1849; m. Agnes Black, 1869. (Lives in Russell, Kan.)
- 6 James<sup>s</sup>, b. Sept. 9, 1851; d. July 1, 1852.
- 7 John<sup>s</sup> A., b. June 6, 1853.

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\* Her grandfather was the first surveyor-general of the State of Delaware, and for some time was partner in business with Robert Morris, of Revolutionary fame.

- 8 Rebecca<sup>'</sup>, b. July 20, 1855; d. March 8, 1856.  
 9 Arthur<sup>'</sup> D., b. Dec. 4, 1857; m. Katharine  
 Johnston. (Lives in Beaver Co., Pa.)  
 10 Helen<sup>'</sup> S., b. July 14, 1860; m. Wm. J. Moore,  
 M. D., of Westfield, N. Y.

**RHODES' STANSBURY** (James<sup>'</sup>, Thomas<sup>'</sup>,  
 Peter<sup>'</sup>, Zebulon<sup>'</sup>, Daniel<sup>'</sup>, William<sup>'</sup>)

A leading surgeon of Pittsburgh, Pa. A. B.,  
 Washington and Jefferson College, 1862; A. M.,  
 1865; attached to Medical Department of Union  
 Army, 1863-4; M. D., University of Pennsylvania,  
 1865; LL. D., Wooster University, 1886; gynæ-  
 cologist to the Allegheny General Hospital at  
 Pittsburgh, and surgeon of the Terrace Bank  
 Sanatorium of Allegheny. He married, April 17,  
 1867, Josephine, daughter of the Hon. James  
 McCullough, of Canonsburgh, Pa.

CHILDREN:

- 1 Stansbury<sup>'</sup>, b. Nov. 15, 1869.  
 2 Eliza<sup>'</sup> McCullough, b. June 23, 1871; m. A.  
 Hartupee McKee, of Pittsburgh.

**JOHN' A.** (James<sup>'</sup>, Thomas<sup>'</sup>, Peter<sup>'</sup>, Zebulon<sup>'</sup>,  
 Daniel<sup>'</sup>, William<sup>'</sup>)

Married, September 9, 1875, Anne Gilchrist



Woods, who was born in Allegheny County, Pa., June 27, 1853. He resides in Pittsburgh, Pa.

## CHILDREN :

- 1 Edna \* Woods, b. April 11, 1877.
- 2 Robert \* Woods, b. May 7, 1879.
- 3 William \* Stansbury, b. Oct. 25, 1880.
- 4 John \* Blair, b. Sept. 21, 1882.
- 5 Donald \*, b. Aug. 17, 1884.
- 6 Clinton \* Irving, b. Aug. 21, 1889.

**JOSEPH** <sup>1</sup> (Zebulon <sup>2</sup>, Daniel <sup>2</sup>, William <sup>1</sup>)

Noted by Stryker ("Officers and Men of New Jersey," page 471) as sergeant of militia. There is record of his serving during Washington's retreat through New Jersey in 1776, at the battle of Monmouth, at Springfield, at Connecticut Farms, and when the Pennsylvania line revolted in 1781. He lived in Mendham Township, Morris County, N. J., near Basking Ridge in Somerset. His farm is still in possession of his descendants. He married, April 14, 1778, Martha Pierson. He died November 8, 1822.

## CHILDREN :

- 1 Uriah \*, b. March 27, 1779.
- 2 Shadrach \*, b. March 25, 1781.
- 3 Rebecca \*, b. June 2, 1783.

- 4 Jonathan<sup>s</sup>, b. Feb 18, 1787.
- 5 Elizabeth<sup>s</sup>, b. June 19, 1789.
- 6 Martha<sup>s</sup> S., b. Sept. 27, 1792.
- 7 James<sup>s</sup>, b. July 4, 1796.
- 8 Joseph<sup>s</sup> P., b. Nov. 9, 1798.

JOSEPH<sup>s</sup> PIERSON (Joseph<sup>s</sup>, Zebulon<sup>s</sup>, Daniel<sup>s</sup>,  
William<sup>s</sup>)

Lived at the old homestead in Mendham Town-  
ship. Married, November 13, 1821, Persis Horton.

CHILDREN :

- 1 Nancy<sup>s</sup> C., b. Aug. 21, 1824; m. Stephen D.  
Axtelle, and lives in Minneapolis, Minn.
- 2 Sarah<sup>s</sup> Stewart, b. Oct. 14, 1827.
- 3 Caroline<sup>s</sup> Wells, b. March 4, 1832; m. Babbitt.
- 4 Daniel<sup>s</sup> Stewart, b. Jan. 19, 1835.
- 5 Henry<sup>s</sup> Horton, b. Feb. 15, 1838. (Lives at  
the old homestead.)
- 6 John<sup>s</sup> Stewart, b. Sept. 12, 1841.
- 7 Charles<sup>s</sup> Albert, b. June 17, 1843.

## ADDENDA.

The following family belongs probably among the descendants of John<sup>s</sup> Sutton, as the similarity of locality and of names suggests. See family of John<sup>s</sup> Sutton (John<sup>s</sup>, William<sup>s</sup>), and note. Probably 4th generation.

### REV. ABNER<sup>s</sup> SUTTON

Born May 8, 1741, near Basking Ridge, in Bernard Township, Somerset County, N. J. He married, May 31, 1768, Mary Davison, born May 12, 1742. He died February 26, 1795. He was a Baptist minister.

#### CHILDREN :

- 1 Sarah<sup>s</sup>, b. April 11, 1769; d. Nov. 30, 1812.
- 2 A son<sup>s</sup>, b. Dec. 25, 1770; d. Jan. 27, 1771.
- 3 David<sup>s</sup>, b. about 1771; d. May 14, 1852.
- 4 George<sup>s</sup>, b. Jan. 8, 1773; d. ———.
- 5 Jeremiah<sup>s</sup>, b. Aug. 8, 1774; d. May 8, 1848.
- 6 John<sup>s</sup>, b. Feb. 25, 1776; d. May 15, 1779.
- 7 Rozanna<sup>s</sup>, b. Nov. 15, 1780; d. April 28, 1811.
- 8 John<sup>s</sup>, b. Sept. 3, 1783; d. Oct. 31, 1806.

### GEORGE<sup>s</sup> (Abner<sup>s</sup>, ———<sup>s</sup>, John<sup>s</sup>, William<sup>s</sup>)

Married, November 23, 1805, Rebecca Conklin.

#### CHILDREN :

- 1 David<sup>s</sup> Conklin, b. Aug. 27, 1806.
- 2 Ann Maria<sup>s</sup>, b. April 17, 1808.
- 3 Eliza<sup>s</sup>, b. Feb. 1, 1810.
- 4 John<sup>s</sup> Conklin, b. Jan. 12, 1811.

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## Quebec revisited! My July trip to Stanstead County in search of SUTTONs

*by Jim Sutton, Editor*

It is very difficult for me to know where to begin to describe my too short but wonderful trip through Vermont into Quebec this past July. If you were to know me you'd understand that I am easily distracted into sidebar discussions or explanations on any subject but generally manage to find my way back to closure on a given topic. So I struggle now whether to tell you first about my wonderful hosts, Ian and Shirley Smith; the beauty of an automobile drive through upstate New York, Vermont and lower Quebec counties; or the SUTTON family research breakthroughs that I had.

I will begin chronologically. [That sentence proves I'm no professional writer!] I finished a three day business seminar last July in New Jersey and left immediately for Stanstead Co., Quebec. Stanstead county and the town of the same name are immediately north of the state of Vermont. I drove through New York and Vermont the first day and got as far as Burlington, VT where I spent the night. Burlington is in Chittenden county where many early generations of Sutton families lived. It was exciting to drive through the towns with names I've come to know from hours of census study.

The next morning I left for a short remaining drive to the Canadian border, fully trusting the two hour drive time estimate provided the previous evening by the motel clerk. After all, she was a local inhabitant who would obviously be able to provide an accurate travel time estimate to the nearby border.

As I approached the two hour drive time estimate the next morning my AAA map showed me I still had a good distance

to go. I'm sure glad I had my radar detector with me and that I was flying along on relatively empty county roads. This reminds me of another story that I'll try to tell later on, chronologically. When I arrived at the Stanstead County Registry Office I was only an hour past my appointed time of meeting Ian Smith. Ian, of course, had arrived early and was waiting patiently in his car for my arrival.

It may be useful to note here, for other genealogist's benefit, that the Registry Office rules in Quebec seem to be interpreted uniquely in each locality. This Stanstead County office seem more severe in that they wanted to charge both Ian and I an hourly rate to research the land records. So Ian suggested he visit the Stanstead Historical Society museum and library just down the street while I looked for SUTTONs in the land records. I found a number of entries for several SUTTONs [Philpot Sutton, John Sutton, ] who came to the Barnston and Stanstead township areas shortly after they were opened for settlement around 1800. But the names were not

of my family line. I should note before leaving the subject of Registry Offices what an excellent resource these are to genealogists. These county offices contain recorded land transactions as expected but also, frequently, many other documents of interest to the researcher. Wills, guardianships, estate settlements, etc. all found their way to the county Registry Office. On my last visit Ian took me to the Drummondville, Quebec Registry Office where I found much information. He has always found them to be of immense value to his

research efforts. I agree; put them on your list when you plan a research trip to Quebec.

Later that day after a wonderful lunch in a local and very French cafe, Ian and I found a Sutton genealogy in the Stanstead Historical Society library. We found there an old publication that is a compilation of local and family history articles called "Forest and Clearings" from The Stanstead Journal which date back to the early days of Stanstead County. An article focused on the **Philpot Sutton** family and their arrival in Barnston from England after eight years of moving around New England. This was all very exciting and also frustrating as I'm sure you'll understand. Here we'd found a wealth of information on this Sutton line but it was

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clear this was not my ancestors. I will include in this issue some of the extensive information collected on this English Sutton family.

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After all the Stanstead area research facilities closed, Ian Smith took me on a scenic drive north to his home in Danville, Quebec. We avoided the four lane super highway for the beautiful county roads. My visit last September was at an overwhelmingly pretty time of the year. Many of you have probably seen the Fall change of season color in the northeast. You've probably taken a weekend trip to drive up through Vermont, New Hampshire or Maine. Quebec is similarly spectacular. When we arrived at Ian's home, Shirley still had dinner warming and ready for us. I can almost not describe to you how wonderful Ian and his family have been to me. They are of a place and lifestyle that is almost forgotten to many of us who live in busy and bustling cities south of the border. Plus, they are one of the remaining few English families in their town, county and province. I know they really delight in the periodic contacts they get from American researchers who are researching their early Canadian roots. This trip I had an additional treat in meeting Ian and Shirley's youngest daughter, Jenny, who has now graduated college and works nearby for a snowmobile & jetski manufacturer. She is also quite attractive --- heavy emphasis on the *quite!*

Over the next four days, Ian and I went to many area historical societies, national archives, churches, cemeteries, etc., in search of my **Joshua and Robert Sutton**. When we "crashed" a wedding reception at the St. James Anglican Church in Hatley township, the minister, who also coincidentally has an interest in genealogy, told us of the XX cemetery only 2 miles east where most of the **Philpot Sutton** family can be found. He also mentioned that a female Sutton descendant married a French farmer and lives on the adjacent farm. So we had a nice visit with her after recording most of the information that could be gleaned off the headstones in the cemetery.

The St. James minister did confirm from his records that **Robert Sutton** married a **Sarah C. Buckland** in 1829 which we had learned earlier. This is my line. The Buckland's were a well established family descended from a military general; they came to Stanstead from Vermont/ New Hampshire in about 1806. An article in the Buckland Genealogy file at the Stanstead County Historical Society described a large Buckland family gathering in 1908 where a ten generation Buckland genealogy was read. We were not able to locate anyone with knowledge of this genealogy record. Because I do not speak French and Ian does fluently, he was often the lead interviewer on our visits. I would

chime in on cue whenever I got Ian's nod. I learned that a few well placed French phrases worked wonderfully.

It was in the Registry Office in Coaticook that the hours of line by line reading of land registry records was rewarded. We found a pair of land sales where Robert Sutton, Jr. bought and sold five acres of farm land. In 1882 when the land is sold, Robert Sutton, Jr. is described as "of Turner, Maine." This simple reference led me to look up the census and vital records microfilms for Turner, Maine. I found Robert and Sarah Buckland Sutton and several of the children there. I believe that several of Robert's children went to Maine before Robert and Sarah followed from Quebec. The historical context of this period is that a great many of the English speaking families were leaving Quebec as the French speaking population expanded. The Turner vital records' death entries offer a few tantalizing hints on areas in other New England states to look for the Sutton children. I am now contacting genealogical groups in Maine to find anyone with Sutton surname knowledge.

I was introduced to one of my last pleasant treats of this trip as Ian and I were returning from another outing to Stanstead county. As we were getting close to the dinner hour we decided to take the superhighway home. It would be only a little more than an hour driving time to reach Danville. I was paying more attention to the other motorists flying along at 80 - 85 mph than I was to the French language highway signs. Ian settled in to story telling, confident in my ability to find our way home. So we're barreling along with the other traffic when Ian finally surfaced from our conversation to remark that we'd been driving long enough to be home or nearly so. About this same time I began to discern the skyline of a large city in the distance ahead of us. After only a brief time to get his bearings, Ian pronounced that we had obviously missed the turnoff in Sherbrooke where the highway bends west toward Montreal.

I had that sinking feeling in my stomach immediately as I understood which skyline we were approaching, rapidly. Not to worry! We took the next exit and being fully armed with road maps we quickly reconnoitered our route over to the Trans-Canadian Highway toward Quebec City which would be part of our quickest route home to Danville. Our short hour drive home turned out to be more than three hours. Yes, dinner was still warming when we arrived.

The treat came the next morning when Ian took me over to a nearby farm he had been describing on our way home the night before. The family made maple syrup and other maple products. I brought home more than a dozen pint cans of heavenly delicious pure, CANADIAN, maple syrup. Very inexpensive, too.

In case you're interested, the farmer's name, address and telephone number are:

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## Dempsey Sutton's Bible Record

submitted by Lester E. Sutton, 254 Old Spring Lane,  
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"The attached six pages were copied from a small brown Bible that belonged to Dempsey Sutton. It is in remarkably good condition considering it shows a lot of use. It was brought to Texas by Anderson Sutton. It has been wet. The story was that it got wet fording a stream on the trip from Arkansas to Texas in 1851/52. As of August 12, 1995 when these copies were made, it was in the possession of

Don Sutton  
Route 11, Box 216  
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Inside the front cover: Demcy Suttons book, Anderson Sutton

Title Page:

The  
Holy Bible  
containing  
The Old and New Testaments  
translated out of  
Original Tongues  
and with the  
former translations diligently compared and  
revised  
stereotype edition  
New York  
Stereotyped by James Conner  
for the American Bible Society  
1829

On the first blank page after Revelation

Demcy Sutton was born  
August 18th 1795

Anderson Sutton was born  
July 19th 1816

Mereday Sutton was born  
December 30th 1817

Permelia Sutton was born  
February 4th 1820

Luisa Sutton was born  
December 4th 1821

Calvin Sutton was born  
August 6th 1822

Logan Sutton was born  
July 29th 1825

On the following page:

Revenny Sutton was born  
October 22th 1828

Selina Sutton was born  
Aprile 30th 1829

Harriet Sutton was born  
March 9th 1831

James Sutton was born  
March 19th 1833

William Sutton was born  
March 19th 1835

Those are the sons and daughters of Demcy Sutton and Elizabeth Sutton his wife

Upside down on the back of the previous page:

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Demcy Suttons book

On the next page in obviously different handwriting:

Harriet Sutton was born the 9 day of March 1831 ♣

## A SUTTON Family in NC, TN, KY, IN, GA, AR & TX

*contributed by Ron Sutton, 104 Truett, McKinney, TX*

The following was published as a news article in the Macon County Times in Tennessee. This is the first of many genealogical sketches to be printed on this SUTTON family.

### "THE SUTTON FAMILY

Below is a letter we wrote to Mrs. H.A. Russell, wife of Elder Henry A. Russell, of Murfreesboro, TN, about ten years ago. Since it is already written and as time is limited, we are taking the liberty of publishing it as it was written, for the benefit of others who might be interested in the history of the family, even though there are several personal matters contained in the letter, which is as follows:

Lafayette, Tenn., Aug. 3, 1940

Dear Mrs. Russell:

At last I have found that record I made from information given me by your late father, James M. Sutton, relative to the history of



his family. I put down what he told me largely in the form of a diagram and from it, I will give you most of the information I received from him. If any part of it is not plain, please write me and I will do my best to make it all clear. He told me that the first James Sutton of whom he had any knowledge was a native of Wales, coming to North Carolina about 1650. Four brother, names unknown, came with him. This James Sutton had a son, named James, a grandson bearing the same name, a great-grandson named James and a great-great-grandson, James, all in direct line of descent from the first James Sutton. With this great-great-grandson the record becomes a little more detailed. The great-great-grandson, born in 1736, was a second Lieutenant in the Revolutionary War, married Elizabeth Brown, weighed 550 pounds when last weighed and died on Defeated Creek in Smith County in 1836. Three of his brothers are mentioned, although the name of one of them is unknown. He left Tennessee for Scottsville, later moving to Indiana where one of his sons became Governor of that state. Another brother, Will Sutton, settled in Putnam Co., Tennessee. The fourth brother, John Sutton, had two children, George Sutton and Ann, who married a Cooper. This is the entire record I have of the family up to the this point except the family record of the large man, James Sutton, whose date of birth was in 1736. He married Elizabeth Brown, and the record shows that he twice married; but the name of the other wife is not given, nor is the order of the marriages. However, the children of his first marriage appear to have been: Colby, George, Abner, Logan, Jonathan, Joel and Oneida. His children by the second marriage were: Edmund Sutton, James Sutton, Demps Sutton (Note: by Vada Sutton - This Dempsey, father of Anderson Sutton), Mellie and Nellie Sutton.

I have nothing as to the wives or husbands of any of the children of the first marriage except George Sutton, who married a Cartwright, an aunt of Clark Cartwright, a Confederate Soldier who died on the head of Defeated Creek about 25 years ago. George Sutton went to Dade County, GA, where he died a very old man in 1878. He had one son, Leroy Sutton, who married an aunt of Judge Sam Young, for many years a prominent citizen of Dixon Springs. Leroy's children were: Howard Sutton, a Christian preacher; James Sutton; another son whose name is believed to be Will; and a daughter, Harriet.

Logan Sutton never married, but was a bachelor farmer on Peyton's Creek, owning six slaves and 1,000 acres of land. He left home with a drove of horses and was never heard from again. Colby is the only one whose descendants were given to me by your father. He had two children, Wilkerson and Bernettie Sutton. Wilkerson married Barbara Wix, and Bernettie married the father of Aunt Bide Russell. Wilkerson's children were: James, married a daughter of Levi Shoulders; David Colby Sutton, married Celia J. Austin; Jane Sutton, married Sherd Bailey; Mary Sutton, married Sam Shoulders; and one daughter whose name I do not have. The offspring of James Sutton and the Shoulders woman, if any, is unknown to me. David Colby and Delia J. Austin were the parents of Christian, Sallie, Eveline, James D., Clark, Philander and Cora Sutton. Jane became the mother of one son, Matthew Shoulders.

Now back to the children of the second marriage of the old Revolutionary soldier: Edmund, born in 1793, died in 1861, married Lucy Harris. Their children were: John Sutton, who went to Illinois; Susan and Jane, about whom nothing else is known.

Demps Sutton married Betsy Donoho (Note by Vada Sutton - This is Dempsey and Elizabeth Sutton, mother of Anderson Sutton). They moved to Arkansas and became the parents of Anderson and James Sutton. I have nothing else about this line.

Mellie married a Williams. Their children were: Anderson, Betsy, Layton, Fannie, Henderson, Martha, Haywood, Bailey and Eveline Williams.

Nellie Sutton married Spicer Brown. Children: Sidney L., who married Elder Levi A. Smithwick in 1846, and became the mother of three children; Nancy, who married a Stewart; one [child] whose name I do not have; Nelse and Joseph Brown, who married a Miss McDuffee, a relative of mine. Joe Brown was the father of Lee Brown, for many years a resident of Ebenezer. I might add here that I am also related to all the Shoulders mentioned in this sketch.

I now come to the remaining member of the family of children of the Revolutionary giant and his name was James Sutton. He was born on August 25, 1795, (Note by Vada Sutton - This birth year is incorrect. While on vacation in the County where Old James Sutton lived, I found the bible of this James Sutton, giving his birth year as 1794. Our Dempsey was born in 1795.) and died on April 5, 1864. He married Miss Mary F. Cornwell. Their children were: Martha, born February 21, 1820, and died in September, 1883; James Tyrel Sutton, born November 25, 1821, and died April 20, 1869; Mahala, date of birth or death not known; Betsy, no dates given; Johnson, born November 25, 1833, died February 19, 1914; and Campbell Sutton, born May 23, 1845 and died December 23, 1909.

Martha married Barnett Cornwell. Their children were: lee and Mary Cornwell, the latter marrying Silas Smith.

I do not have the name of the wife of James Tyrel Sutton, but it appears that he left Tennessee and went to Coldwater in Wayne Count, MO. His Children: Simpson Clay, married a Cosner; Ben F.; Mary E., married an Oliver; James N.; William Jasper, married a Bennett; Martha Susan; Joel Warren; and Jane, who married a Glover.

Betsy Sutton Kemp was the mother of Marvey, Mary Grissom, Carroll (Tobe), Martha, Minerva, John Head, Ellis, Carey and Leroy Kemp.

Campbell Sutton married Millie Kennedy. Children: Bennie A. and Jeanie.

Johnson Sutton, your grandfather, married an Austin. Their children were: Your father, James M. Sutton, born July 22, 1856; Sarah, born October 20, 1858 and Died November 5, 1878; William T. Sutton, born May 22, 1862 and died April 14, 1907; and Jeff Sutton, born October 11, 1869 and died June 24, 1905.

You know who your father's wife, your mother, was and the children and I do not need to give them. Your aunt Sarah married a Wright first, later a Seagraves. Jeff married Louvella Canter.

William T. married a Morrow. They went to Texas. Jeff's sons are Hugh and Tommie Sutton. William T. Sutton's children are: Barnett, Lucy, Ray and Ellen.

I have also the history of the Cornwell family if you need it.

I am sorry to have been so long in getting up these records for your use. Did your father ever note down any of the history of the family so far as you know? I had him in my home one night several years ago and I took the trouble to records the facts I am giving you herewith. I am very, very glad that I did so, for it is possible the record would have been lost if I had not put it down.

I trust you and your reverend husband are both well and that the children are likewise enjoying good health. We are doing very well at present although I have had the three hardest week's work I can call to mind in all my life. Come to see us sometimes.

With the best of wishes for you and your family, I am

Sincerely yours,

Calvin Gregory" ♣

## William M. Sutton - KY

*contributed by Patricia A. Boyle, 5802 North 42nd Av,  
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From The Heritage of Buchanan County, Missouri, by  
Missouri River Heritage Association

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William M. Sutton was born on May 28, 1788, in Garrard Co., Kentucky. His father was John Sutton (c. 1750- c. 1817), one of the first Baptist preachers in Kentucky. John had immigrated from Culpepper Co., Virginia during 1784-87 with his two brothers, Benjamin and Rowland Sutton.

Benjamin, Rowland and another brother, William, had all served in the Virginia Continental Line during the Revolution, for which they received Kentucky land grants or pensions. William M. Sutton grew up on his father's farm along the Dix River, near Lancaster, Kentucky. The Suttons and related families were early members of the Forks of Dix River Baptist Church founded in 1782. William's brother, Humphrey, served as a private in a volunteer unit during the War of 1812.

William Sutton married Lucinda Barlow, daughter of Henry and Nancy Barlow, on 24 Nov 1815. Lucinda apparently died in childbirth with the birth of their seventh child in January 1830. On April 1, 1831, William married Elizabeth Hampton and of this union nine children were born. In July 1835, William bought a 129½ acre farm in Lincoln County, KY, bordering Hanging Fork Creek. During the next fifteen years all of William's children by his first wife either married or moved away from home.

In March 1851, William Sutton journeyed to Platte Co., Missouri and purchased a 140 acre farm about three miles west of Parkville, Missouri. On 12 Sep 1851, he sold his farm on Hanging Fork Creek and left Kentucky after his

children, Granville and Barbara Ann were granted letters of dismissal from the Dix River Baptist Church on the third Saturday of September.

Less than a year after the Suttons arrived in Platte County, daughter Barbara Ann (age 14) married Benjamin Franklin Harris, a neighbor. Near William Sutton's farm, on the opposite side of the Missouri River, was Quindaro, Kansas. Founded by Abolitionists, Quindaro was one of the major stations of the Underground Railroad for smuggling slaves out of MO into KS and NE. William Sutton, a former slave holder in Kentucky, either did not like being so close to the abolitionists, or the border war that was developing over the slavery issue. Possibly for his family's safety he decided to move to another farm.

On 25 January 1853, William Sutton purchased 80 acres in Section 9, Crawford Township, Buchanan County near the village of Taos. The following winter three Sutton children died after drinking infected milk during an outbreak of tuberculosis. In January 1858, William and Elizabeth Sutton moved into a house on a 3/4 acre lot in Taos, located behind the crossroads general store. They still maintained their farm. During the Civil War, George Washington Sutton (William's son) was enlisted in the Paw Paw Militia, a Union home guard militia composed of southern sympathizers. George participated in a Southern bushwacker raid against a Union militia unit in Ridgeley, Platte County on 10 Jun 1864. The leader of the bushwackers was killed outright while the second in command, Lt. William Feland was captured and executed by firing squad. On 19 Jul 1864, a Federal patrol from Ft. Leavenworth entered Taos and searched several homes for Federal muskets. They entered William Sutton's house and stole a suit belonging to George Sutton, despite protests by Mrs. Sutton.

William M. Sutton died at age 85 on 8 Dec 1873, followed by his wife, Elizabeth in June 1875. Both are buried in the old Taos Cemetery, now destroyed, near Taos. William's direct descendants in Buchanan County are traced through his son, Harvey Sutton, my great grandfather.

Harvey Sutton was born 1 Sep 1839 in Lincoln Co., KY. He married Phoebe E. Boller of Taos on 28 Dec 1876. Of their twelve children only four survived to adulthood: Mrs. Mabel Wiggington, John R. Sutton, Luther Sutton, and Charles W. Sutton. Harvey Sutton died in 1911; Phoebe remarried a John Lynch in 1923. She died in 1940 and was buried with Harvey in the Halleck Cemetery.

Charles W. Sutton was born in Taos on 21 Sep 1883 and married Bessie Sellars on 2 Jun 1908 in St. Joseph. They were residents of South St. Joseph for many years and raised three children. Mr. Sutton retired from the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad in 1952. Charles W. Sutton died on 26 Feb 1970 followed by Mrs. Sutton on 5 Feb 1978; both are buried in the Halleck Cemetery.

Descendants of William M. Sutton are found in the following states: MO, IA, KY, WA, TX, AZ, IL and OH. There are

many related families in Buchanan County including Foster, Wiggington, Dean, and others. His lineage has been traced back to 1666 and is in the process of being verified. ♣

## Sutton Wills in Colonial New Jersey

from research by Jim Sutton

From the New Jersey Archives' New Jersey Colonial Documents

Calendar of Wills, First Series: Vol. XXX 1730-1750, pg. 467:

**1745, Jan. 10 Sutton, Daniel**, of Mansfield, Burlington Co., blacksmith; will of. Wife, Mary, Son, Daniel Jackson, ½ of plantation on Rackoon Creek, which I bought of my father-in-law, John Jackson, and Margaret, his wife. Son, John Jackson, the other half. Brother-in-law John Jackson, to give my son John the plantation he bought of Joseph Foster, and then son Daniel to have my entire plantation at age. Daughters - Catherine, Mary, Elizabeth, and Jane. All my children under age. Lot on Pearl Street, adjoining Samuel Barker left me by my father. Lot on Salem Road I bought of Thomas Clark. Executors -- wife and John Jackson. Witnesses -- John Weldin, Robert Sutton, Jno. Raworth. Proved May 21, 1746. Lib. 5, p.245.

**1741, April 28, Sutton, John**, of Essex Co. Int. Adm'x, Mercy Sutton, widow. Joseph Smith, of Hunterdon Co., fellow bondsman. Lib. C, p. 405.

**1746, Dec. 17, Sutton (Sotton), John**, of Middlesex Co.: will of. Wife ----. Aaron, son of Moses Sotten, and his mother. My son, Aaron's daughter and her mother. Other children -- John, Dave, Jams, [sic] Jesse, Mary and Epram. Names Peter Marten. Real and personal estate. Executors -- John and David Sotten. Witnesses -- George Boice, Jacob Boice, Leander Boice. Proved Dec. 20, 1750. Lib. E, p.469

**1740, April 5, Sutton, Moses**, of Peapack, Essex (Somerset?) Co., weaver. Jane Sutton, widow, renounces right to administer, and desires John Sutton, her elder son, be appointed. Witness - Benjamin Manning.

**1740, April 14, Adm'r John Sutton**, of Paypack [sic], yeoman. Benjamin Shelley and Samuel Willett, both of Lebanon, Hunterdon Co., yeoman, fellow bondsmen. Essex Wills, Lib.C, p. 332.

**1740, July 7. Inventory, L86.6.4;** made by James Suttten, Jelbes Johnson. Debtors -- Joseph Samle, Edward Luis, John Johnson, John Harris, John Bell, Hennery Beegel, Edward Jones, James Alen, Aaron Rice, Abraham Drake, Aaron Suttten, James Piat. Bond form James Pyat and Philip Cox, dated April 23, 1719.

**1733, May 25, Sutton, Nathan**, of Piscataway, Middlesex Co. Inventory, £1.10.0; made by Daniel Sutton and Jeremiah Drake.

**1733, Aug. 22 Administration** granted to Richard Sutton. Lib. B, p. 455.

Pg. 468:

**1740, Oct. 13. Sutton, Peter**, of Metuchen, Middlesex Co., weaver; will of. Wife, Sarah. Brother and sisters, no names given. Real and personal estate. Executors -- wife, Sarah, James Campble and John Blackford. Witnesses -- William McCreery, Alexander Thomson, Richard Sutton. Proved Nov. 1, 1740. Lib. C, p. 359.

**1722, Sept. 8. Sutton, Richard**, of Piscataway, Middlesex Co., yeoman; will of. Son, Nathan. Other sons and daughters, not mentioned by name. Real and personal estate. Executors -- wife, Sarah, brother, Daniel Sutton, and brother-in-law Peter Runyon. Witnesses -- Jno. Borrowe, William Hunt, Elizabeth Borrowe. Proved Feb 28, 1732. Lib. B, p. 385.

Calendar of Wills -- 1751-1760 VOL. XXXII, vol. III, pg. 315:

**1759, Apr. 7. Suttten, Mary**, of Mansfield, Burlington Co., widow; will of. Children -- John Jackson, Daniel Jackson (under age), Jean, Mary and Elizabeth. Farm in Gloucester Co. Personal property. Executors -- daughter Mary and son Daniel. Witnesses - William Folwell, Thomas Boulton, Jonathan Fenimore. Proved Dec. 31, 1759. Lib. 9, p. 305. [Editor's note: appears to be related to Daniel SUTTON entry of Jan. 10, 1745, above.]

**1759, Dec. 17. Inventory, £ 796.8.11.,** include. bonds and books debts, £367.13.11; made by Jonathan Fenimore and William Folwell.

**1761, Mar. 11. Account** by Joseph Cox and wife, Mary, late Mary Sutton, the Executrix named above, who report for distribution a balance of £680.16.3.

Calendar of Wills -- 1761-1770 VOL. XXXIII, vol.IV, pg. 418:

**1769, Sept. 27. Sutton, Benjamin**, of New Windsor, Middlesex Co. Int. Adm'rs -- Esther Sutton and Joseph South. Fellow bondsman -- John Height, all of said place. **1769, Sept. 28. Inventory, £74.12.10,** made by John Height and Andrew Davison. Lib. 15, p. 8.

**1761, Feb. 23. Sutton, Jane**, of Burlington Co. Ward. Daughter of Daniel Sutton. Guardian -- Arent Schuyler, of Burlington, yeoman. File No. 7177 C

**1758, Aug., 25. Sutton, John**, of Somerset Co.; will of. Wife, Mary, 1/3 of the moveable estate and 1/3 the income of the land. Daughters, Elizabeth, Anne, Lois, and Mary, £70 each. To sons, Jeremiah, Abner and Phillip, my land. Executors -- my brother, David Sutton, my wife and son, Jeremiah. Witnesses -- Joseph Pound, John Pound, Adonilah Pound. Proved Jan. 22, 1761. more ... Lib. G, p. 354

**1754, Oct. 23. Sutton Joseph**, of Piscataway, Middlesex Co., yeoman; will of. Wife, Priscilla, use of personal and all of real, except 19 acres. Eldest son, Henry, after the death of my

father, Thomas, Sutton, the said 19 acres, which lies on highway between Piscataway and New Brunswick, and which joins Moses Fitz Randolph. Youngest son, Jacob, the place where I live; also the lot I bought of William Robert and Edward Potter; also that lot which was my father, Thomas Sutton's, homestead, with 3 acres of salt meadow, at Roundabout, after the decease of my father. After the death of my wife, the personal estate is to be given to my 2 daughters, and granddaughter, Priscilla Foster. (The said daughters are named Sarah and Priscilla.) If my said granddaughter dies before she comes of age, the her share is to go to her sister, Johannah Foster. Executors -- sons, Henry Sutton, of Woodbridge, and Jacob Sutton, of Piscataway, and my friend, Isaac Ferrit. Witnesses -- William Potter, Ebenezer Collins, Josiah Davis. Proved April 21, 1762. Lib. H, p. 51.

1762, Dec. 11. Sutton, Julius, of Middletown, Monmouth Co. Int. Adm'r -- Isaac Vandorn, of Freehold, the principal creditor. Fellow bondsman -- Jacob Vandorn, Jr.; both of said Co. Lib H, p. ?

1768, March 8. Sutton, Richard, of Monmouth Co. Int. Adm'r Elizabeth Sutton, widow of Richard. Fellow bondsman -- John Anderson and Amos Sutton; both of said Co. Witness -- Richard Sutton. Lib. I, p. 191.

1766, March 30. Sutton, Robert, of Burlington Co.; will of. My house and lot in Burlington, and my meadow, to be sold, and the money divided among my 5 children, Robert, Daniel, James and John Sutton, and daughter, Deborah Bird. Witnesses -- Ann Price, Christopher Flower, Gabriel Blond. Proved June 25, 1766.

1766, June 25 Whereas Robert Sutton made his will and appointed me Executor, therefore James Sutton, of Burlington, mariner, is made Adm'r with will annexed, and John Carty of same place, taylor, goes on his bond. File No. 8083 C.; Lib. 13, p. 25.

**Calendar of Wills -- 1771-1780 VOL. XXXIV, vol. V, pg. 512:**

1777, Sept. 5. Sutton, Aaron, of Hunterdon Co.; will of. Son, John, £5. Daughter, Rachel Sutton, a horse, etc. Sons, Aaron and Richard, and my daughter, Rachel Sutton, all my land. If my plantation is sold, the 3½ acres, which I bought of Daniel Handly, to be excepted, which I give to my son, Aaron. Executors -- sons, Aaron and Richard, and my daughter, Rachel Sutton. Witnesses -- Alexander Moore, Phillip Row, Peter Brunner. Proved Feb. 13, 1778. Lib. 18, p. 640.

1775, Dec. 1. Sutton David, of Bernards Township, Somerset Co.; will of. To my wife, ½ of my estate. To Marah, Jeonner and Abigail, who are the 3 youngest of my daughter, Elizabeth, deceased £5 a piece. To the children which my daughter, Marah, had, who is deceased, viz., to eldest son, David, £10, and to each of the rest, £5. Eldest son, Isaac, £10, and then to have equal with David, John, Abraham, Jeames, Moses and Sarah. Executors -- sons, David and

Moses. Witnesses -- John Collins, Hannah Collins, Benjamin Courton. Proved Dec. 19, 1775. Lib. L, p. 276. ✦

## Seventeen Pounds Reward

New Jersey Colonial Documents: Newspaper Extracts, New Jersey Archives, 1st Series Vol. XXIV, vol. V - 1762-1765, p. 91.

From The Pennsylvania Gazette, No. 1764, October 14, 1762.

"Whereas a certain John Zenger came to the Dwelling house of Jonas Sutton, in the Township of Amwell, Hunterdon County, and Province of West-New-Jersey, and in a false and fraudulent manner, obtained from him a Woman's Side-Saddle and Bridle, under Pretence of borrowing them for his Aunt to ride on, who was an aged woman in the neighbourhood, with whom said Zenger lived, but he, fraudulently intending, did, in the Night of the 20th of September last, abscond himself from his Uncle's, which was his usual Place of Abode, and has taken his wife, and said saddle and bridle with him. Whoever will take up said John Zenger, and secure him in the Jail of the County aforesaid, shall receive the above Reward of Seventeen Pounds, paid by me Jonas Sutton" ✦

## Benjamin Sutton of North Castle, NY

Artcile taken from the Abstracts of Wills Liber. 21, Collections of the New York Historical Society for the Year 1892, On file in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York, vol. V, 1754-1760, pp. 341-342:

"Page 424. - In the name of God, Amen, September 1, 1759. I, Benjamin Sutton, of North Castle, in Westchester County, being very sick. I leave to my wife the use of my farm where I now live until my daughter Abigail shall be 13 years of age. "My daughter Rachel shall have as much as my two daughters have had that was married before her." When my daughter Abigail is 13, my Plantation shall be sold. From the money there shall be paid to my eldest son John £105, To my son Benjamin £95, and the rest to my 4 younger sons, Reuben, Charles, Josiah, and Caleb. I leave to my wife Eleanor 1/3 of my movable estate, and the other 2/3 to be sold and the money paid to my daughters, Rachel, Mary, and Abigail. I make my son John, and my son in law, Stephen Farrington, executors.

Witnesses: Benjamin Smith, John Leverich, Joshua Hutchings. Proved, October 8, 1759, on affirmation of Benjamin Smith and Joshua Hutchings." ✦

# Home Grown in the Garden State: The Sutton Family of New Jersey

by Dennis P. Sutton, columnist.

This article continues to trace the SUTTON family based on the information I have acquired through my own research and that provided by others. In my last article (Issue Fifteen), I left off discussing the descendants of John<sup>(7)</sup> Philhower SUTTON [Peter<sup>(6)</sup>, John<sup>(5)</sup>, Aaron<sup>(4)</sup>, Moses<sup>(3)</sup>, John<sup>(2)</sup>, William<sup>(1)</sup>] and Elisabeth APGAR. As promised in that article, I will now trace the descendants of Aaron SUTTON, son of John SUTTON and Elizabeth AUBEL.

## 1. Aaron<sup>(6)</sup> SUTTON [John<sup>(5)</sup>, Aaron<sup>(4)</sup>, Moses<sup>(3)</sup>, John<sup>(2)</sup>, William<sup>(1)</sup>]

Aaron<sup>(6)</sup> SUTTON, the son of John SUTTON and Elizabeth AUBEL, was born before 1782 in New Jersey. (Note: The birth of Aaron was determined based on reference in will of his grandfather, Andrew AUBEL. It states, "to Aaron Sutton, son of daughter of Elizabeth Sutton, 5 pounds. The will was dated 16 July 1782.) He married Mary SCHUYLER. She was born in New Jersey, the daughter of Philip SCHUYLER and Ann ANDERSON. Aaron died circa 1844 in New Jersey at approximately 62 years of age. At least three children were conceived from this marriage:

- i. Philip
- ii. Peter
- iii. Aaron, Jr.

## 2. Philip<sup>(7)</sup> SUTTON [Aaron<sup>(6)</sup>, John<sup>(5)</sup>, Aaron<sup>(4)</sup>, Moses<sup>(3)</sup>, John<sup>(2)</sup>, William<sup>(1)</sup>]

Philip<sup>(7)</sup> SUTTON was born in New Jersey before 1800. He married Elisabeth HOFFMAN on 2 Jun 1825 in Hunterdon Co., NJ (Hunterdon County Marriages 1795-1875, Deats). One child, Elizabeth, has been found from this marriage.

- i. Elizabeth SUTTON, daughter of Philip SUTTON and Elisabeth HOFFMAN, was born in Hunterdon Co., NJ on 26 August 1832 (Elizabeth Sutton, Death Certificate). She married Morris CONOVER on 23 Aug 1851 (Marriage/Death Returns, Hunterdon Co., 1848-1867) in Tewksbury Twp, Hunterdon Co., NJ. Morris was born 9 Apr 1829 in Hunterdon Co., NJ to David and Sarah CONOVER. Morris died 12 Mar 1894 in Hunterdon Co., NJ at the age of 64 years. Elizabeth died 29 Jun 1905 (Ibid.) at the age of 72 in Clinton Twp, Hunterdon Co., NJ. Both are buried in Lebanon, Hunterdon Co., NJ. One child, Morris S. CONOVER was known born of this marriage. Morris S. was born circa 1860.

## 3. Peter<sup>(7)</sup> SUTTON [Aaron<sup>(6)</sup>, John<sup>(5)</sup>, Aaron<sup>(4)</sup>, Moses<sup>(3)</sup>, John<sup>(2)</sup>, William<sup>(1)</sup>]

Peter<sup>(7)</sup> SUTTON was born circa 1789 in NJ. He married Elizabeth TIGER. She was born circa 1788. Two children were found from this marriage:

- i. Catherine, born in NJ circa 1823
- ii. Jeremiah C., born in Tewksbury Twp., Hunterdon Co., NJ circa 1825 and died 17 Aug 1856 (Returns of Marriage and Deaths for Hunterdon Co., 1848-1867) at the place. Jeremiah married Catharine PARKS on 15 Mar 1849 (Ibid.) in Tewksbury Twp., Hunterdon Co., NJ.

Catharine was born circa 1832 in NJ.

Peter died 10 Feb 1876 in Cokesbury, Tewksbury Twp., Hunterdon Co., NJ at approximately 86 years of age (Returns of Death for Hunterdon-Warren Cos., 1875-76).

## 4. Aaron<sup>(7)</sup> SUTTON, Jr. [Aaron<sup>(6)</sup>, John<sup>(5)</sup>, Aaron<sup>(4)</sup>, Moses<sup>(3)</sup>, John<sup>(2)</sup>, William<sup>(1)</sup>]

Aaron<sup>(7)</sup> SUTTON, Jr. was born in Fairmount, Tewksbury Twp., Hunterdon Co., NJ on 5 Jan 1798. He married Catherine (Katie) AUBEL on 15 Apr 1820 in Flemington, Raritan Twp., Hunterdon Co., NJ. Catherine was born 24 Apr 1800, the daughter of Jacob AUBEL and Charity PICKEL. Aaron died 5 May 1857 (Ibid.) and was interred in the First Presbyterian churchyard in Fairmount, Hunterdon Co., NJ. Charity died 29 Jul 1894 in Fairmount, Hunterdon Co., NJ and was interred in the First Presbyterian churchyard in Fairmount. Seven children are noted from this marriage:

- i. Julia Ann, born in NJ circa 1821. She married William EICH on 22 Jan 1842 (Hiram E. Deats, Marriage Records of Hunterdon Co., 1795-1875).
- ii. Mary Ann, born circa 1824 in NJ. She married Richard STEVENS in Washington Twp., Morris Co., NJ on 16 Nov 1849 (Return of Marriage and Deaths, Morris Co., 1848-1867). Richard was born circa 1824, the son of Eve ?
- iii. Eliza Jane, born in NJ on 18 Jan 1828. She married George FLEMING on 17 March 1857 in German Valley, Morris Co., NJ (Ibid.). George was the son of Levi FLEMING and Mary BEAM. Eliza died 27 Jul 1896 in NJ. She was interred in Fairmount, Hunterdon Co., NJ.
- iv. Aaron S., was born 1 March 1832 (John Hill, Biographical and Genealogical History of Morris Co., NJ).
- v. Hannah was born in NJ circa 1835. She married Phillip SCHUYLER in Farmersville, Tewksbury Twp., Hunterdon Co., NJ on 9 Feb 1856 (Hunterdon Co., Marriages/Deaths, 1848-1867). Phillip was born 6 Mar 1831 (Early Germans of NJ, Chambers) in Hunterdon Co., NJ to Peter SCHUYLER and Barbara APGAR.

- vi. Laura, born in NJ on 21 Dec 1839. Laura died 4 Nov 1842 in Fairmount, Hunterdon Co., NJ at 2 years of age. Her body was interred in the First Presbyterian churchyard, Fairmount, Hunterdon Co., NJ.
- vii. Elisabeth was born in NJ circa 1845. She married George S. HOFFMAN in Nov 1865 (Marriage/Death Returns, Morris Co. 1848-67) in Fox Hill, Tewksbury Twp., Hunterdon Co., NJ. George was born circa 1839 in NJ, the son of Jacob HOFFMAN and Agnus APGAR. Elisabeth died before 1886.

**5. Aaron S.<sup>(6)</sup> SUTTON [Aaron<sup>(7)</sup> SUTTON, Jr., Aaron<sup>(6)</sup>, John<sup>(6)</sup>, Aaron<sup>(4)</sup>, Moses<sup>(3)</sup>, John<sup>(2)</sup>, William<sup>(1)</sup>]**

Aaron S.<sup>(6)</sup> SUTTON was born in Washington Twp., Morris Co., NJ on 1 Mar 1832 (Morris Co., NJ, Biographical). He married (1) Sarah W. ANDERSON on 6 Feb 1858 (Marriage/Death Returns, Hunterdon Co., 1848-1867) in Fairmount, Hunterdon Co., NJ. Sarah was the daughter of Jacob and Hannah ANDERSON and was born 4 Jun 1840 (Morris Co., NJ, Biographical) in Liberty Corner, Bernard Twp., Somerset Co., NJ. The 1860 U.S. Census notes Aaron and Sarah living near Schooley's Mt., Washington Twp., Morris Co., NJ. Sarah died 3 Jan 1874 (Returns of Deaths for Hunterdon-Warren Cos., 1873-74) in Unionville, Washington Twp., Morris Co., NJ at the age of 33 years. Her body was interred in Fairmount, Hunterdon Co., NJ. Following her death, Aaron married (2) Mary E. APGAR on 5 January 1875 (Returns of Marriages for Hunterdon-Warren Cos., 1875-76) in Dover, Morris Co., NJ. Mary was daughter of Isaiah APGAR and Jane WALTERS. She was born 27 Apr 1851 (Returns of Birth for Hunterdon Co., 1848-1878) in Lebanon Twp., Hunterdon Co., NJ.

Aaron died 17 Feb 1909 in NJ at the age of 76. Mary died 22 Jan at the age of 73, also in NJ. Both are interred in Fairmount, Co., NJ. Aaron S. SUTTON and Sarah W. ANDERSON had the following children:

- i. (unnamed), born in Washington Twp., Morris Co., NJ on 18 December 1852 (Returns of Births for Morris Co., 1848-1878).
- ii. Austin E., born 22 May 1859 (Baptism Records of Presbyterian Church of Parkersville, NJ. Now Fairmount).
- iii. Elias B., born in Parkersville, Tewksbury Twp., Hunterdon Co., NJ on 30 Sep 1863 (Baptism Records of Presbyterian Church of Parkersville, NJ. Now Fairmount). He married Elizabeth MEYER. She was born 28 Jul 1865 in NJ. Elias died 22 Apr 1914 in NJ at the age of 50 years of age. Elizabeth died 1 Feb 1945 in NJ at the age of 79. Both are interred in Fairmount, Hunterdon Co., NJ.
- iv. Edward, born in NJ on 7 Jan 1866. He married (1) Jennie RINEHART on 17 Jul 1884 (Marriage Certificates for Hunterdon Co., 1878-1903) in

Pottersville, Bedminster Twp., Somerset Co., NJ. Jennie was born circa 1865 in Hunterdon Co., NJ to John RINEHART, Jr. and Margarette VESCELIUS. Following Jennie's death, circa 1894, Edward married (2) Mary A. DOYLE on 26 Feb 1895 (Ibid.) in Califon, Hunterdon Co., NJ. Mary was the daughter of Nelson J. DOYLE and was born circa 1865. Edward died 5 Jan 1910 in German Valley, Washington Twp., Morris Co., NJ.

Aaron S. SUTTON and Mary E. APGAR had the following children:

- v. Erastus W., born in NJ on 10 May 1876. Erastus married Angeline (Angie) RHINEHART. She was born in NJ circa 1875. Erastus died 3 Sep 1954 at the age of 78 years in NJ. He is interred in Fairmount, Hunterdon Co., NJ.
- vi. Eli L., born on 16 Jan 1878 (Returns of Births for Hunterdon-Warren Cos., 1877-78) in NJ. Eli died in Fairmount, Hunterdon Co., NJ on 14 Feb 1949 at the age of 71. He is interred in Fairmount, Hunterdon Co., NJ.
- vii. Roy was born in Fairmount, Hunterdon Co., NJ in 1882. He died the same year. His body is interred in Fairmount, Hunterdon Co., NJ.

**6. Austin E.<sup>(9)</sup> SUTTON [Aaron S.<sup>(6)</sup> SUTTON, Aaron<sup>(7)</sup> SUTTON, Jr., Aaron<sup>(6)</sup>, John<sup>(5)</sup>, Aaron<sup>(4)</sup>, Moses<sup>(3)</sup>, John<sup>(2)</sup>, William<sup>(1)</sup>]**

Austin E.<sup>(9)</sup> SUTTON was born in Parkersville, Tewksbury Twp., Hunterdon Co., NJ on 22 May 1859. He married Edna Miller VESCELIUS on 6 Jan 1881 (Hunterdon Co. Marriages, 1878-1903) in Fairmount, Hunterdon Co., NJ. Edna, the daughter of Oliver VESCELIUS and Angeline SHARP, was born in Hunterdon Co., NJ circa 1856. One child was found of this marriage:

- i. Angie V., born in NJ on 26 Sep 1881. She was a teacher and never married. Angie died 1 Apr 1929 in Newark, Essex Co., NJ and was interred in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Chester, Morris Co., NJ (GMNJ Vol 57, 1982).

Austin E. died 27 Jun 1922 in NJ and was buried in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery (GMNJ Vol 57, 1982) in Chester, Morris Co., NJ. Edna, his wife, died sometime after 1922.



# Dublin SUTTONS

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## The Ancient Freedom of Dublin

The ancient Freedom of Dublin was instituted at the time of the Norman Invasion in the late 12th century. Holders of the Freedom were known as "Free Citizens" and were entitled to significant trading privileges and the right to vote in municipal and parliamentary elections.

Admission to the Freedom of Dublin was granted by the Dublin City Assembly at the great feasts of Christmas, Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas. In order to qualify for the Freedom, it was usually necessary to have been born within the city boundaries, or "franchises," and to be a member of one of the Trade Guilds of Dublin. Members of "the Irish Nation" were excluded, but in practice many people with Irish surnames succeeded in obtaining the Freedom. Under the Penal Laws, Roman Catholics were excluded from the Freedom of Dublin from 1691 to 1793.

There were six main categories of admission to the ancient Freedom of Dublin:

1. Admission by *Service* (S) was granted to those who completed an apprenticeship in one of the Trade Guilds of Dublin.
2. Admission by *Birth* (B) was granted to sons, and sometimes daughters, of Free Citizens. Several generations of one family could hold the Freedom of Dublin, and this makes the surviving Freedom Records important for family history.
3. Admission by *Marriage* (M) was granted to sons-in-law of Free Citizens and this is also of interest to genealogists.
4. Admission by *Fine* (F) was confined to prosperous professional men who were required to pay a substantial sum of money into the city treasury. Sometimes the Fine consisted of the presentation of a pair of gloves to the Lady Mayoress.
5. Admission by *Grace Especial* (G.E.) also known as Special Grace (sp. gr.) was the equivalent of the modern Honorary Freedom, and was reserved for dignitaries and craftsmen who were not in a trade guild.
6. Admission by an *Act of Parliament* (A.P.) to "Encourage Protestant Strangers to Settle in Ireland" was granted to French Huguenots and Quakers from England.

Under the Representation of the People Act, 1918, the ancient Freedom of Dublin was abolished to make way for a more democratic franchise. Nowadays all inhabitants of the city of Dublin who have reached the age of 18 are entitled to vote in municipal elections.

Lists of those admitted to the ancient Freedom of Dublin survive for the period 1225-1250, 1468-1512 and 1575-1918. These lists may be consulted at Dublin Corporation Archives, City Hall, Dublin 2. A computerized index to the lists is being prepared by the Dublin Heritage Group.

## The Honorary Freedom of the City of Dublin

The Honorary Freedom of Dublin was instituted under the Municipal Privileges Act, 1876, and is presently conferred under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1991. The founder of the Home Rule Party, Isaac Butt, was the first person to receive the Honorary Freedom of Dublin. Other illustrious recipients include Charles Stewart Parnell, George Bernard Shaw, John Count McCormack, and John Fitzgerald Kennedy, President of the United States of America.

The Honorary Freedom of Dublin is the highest award in the city's gift and is conferred very rarely. The recipient becomes an Honorary Citizen of Dublin and although no financial or other benefits are attached to the award, the prestige which it carries is immense. The conferring is usually marked by a reception in the Mansion House, where a commemorative illuminated scroll is presented to the new Honorary Citizen by the Lord Mayor of Dublin. On the death of an Honorary Citizen, the flags of the city are flown at half-mast as a mark of respect.

**SEARCH OF THE FREEMEN DATABASE FOR THE NAME "SUTTON"**

Name	First	Year	Assembly	Occupation	Addr	Right	Derv	Relation	Addl Info
Sutton	David	1596	Mid 1596	Merchant	-	S.Ro.20	Usher, John	Apprentice of	Alderman
Sutton	Walter	1604	Mid 1604	Sword Bearer	G.E.	-	-	-	-
Sutton	Lawrence	1620	Chr 1620	Merchant	-	S.	-	-	-
Sutton	Robert	1622	Chr 1622	Haberdasher	-	G.E.	-	-	-
Sutton	Thomas	1659	Mid 1659	Shoemaker	-	B.	Sutton, Robert	Son of ...	Haberdasher, deceased
Sutton	Robert	1660	Mid 1660	Barber - Surgeon	-	F.G.E.	-	-	-
Sutton	Thomas	1720	East 1720	Goldsmith	-	S.	Golton, Thom.	Apprentice of	Alderman
Sutton	Edmund	1724	Mid 1724	Chandler	-	S.	-	-	-
Sutton	William	1724	Chr 1724	Goldsmith	-	S.	Bolton, Thom.	Apprentice of	Alderman
Sutton	John	1727	Mich 1727	Merchant	-	S. Qr.	-	-	-
Sutton	George	1729	Mich 1729	Merchant	-	S.	-	-	-
Sutton	John	1731	Mich 1731	Tanner	-	S.	-	-	-
Sutton	Samuel	1754	Mich 1754	Carpenter	-	S.	-	-	-
Sutton	George	1756	Mid 1756	Carpenter	-	G.E.	-	-	-
Sutton	George	1764	Chr 1764	Merchant	-	B.	Sutton, George	Son of ...	-
Sutton	John	1767	Chr 1767	Merchant	-	B.	Sutton, George	Son of ...	-
Sutton	Thomas	1768	East 1768	Merchant	-	B.	Sutton, George	Son of ...	-
Sutton	John R.H	1869	16 Jul 1869	-	22 Harcourt St	B.	Sutton, Frederick	Son of...	-
Sutton	Frederick O.	1882	19 Jul 1882	-	22 Harcourt St	B.	Sutton, Frederick	Son of ...	-
Sutton	Charles James Edward	1884	18 Jul 1884	-	22 Harcourt St	B.	Sutton, Frederick	Son of ...	-
Sutton	George	1780	Mich 1780	Merchant	-	S.	-	-	F.B. Mid 1780
Sutton	Joseph	1789	Mich 1789	Carpenter	-	S.	-	-	-
Sutton	Thomas	1797	East 1797	Merchant	-	B.	-	-	F.B. Chr 1797
Sutton	George	1797	East 1797	Merchant	-	B.	-	-	F.B. Chr 1797
Sutton	George	1806	Mich 1806	Carpenter	-	G.E.	-	-	-
Sutton	James	1807	Chr 1807	Merchant	-	B.	-	-	-
Sutton	Robert	1831	East 1831	Merchant	-	B.	-	-	F.B. Mid 1820
Sutton	Frederick	1835	Chr 1835	Merchant	-	B.	-	-	F.B. 25 Jul 1835

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## SUTTON SEARCHERS is on the Internet!

The SUTTON SEARCHERS internet homepage went on-line in July. My compilation of Sutton research is available in a linked, easy to access format for SUTTON researchers worldwide to see and use.

If you have a computer and internet access directly or through any of the commercial services such as Genie, Compuserve, America Online, Prodigy, etc., you can reach us through the following address:

*<http://sutton.org/p/jsutton/searcher.htm>*

Many genealogy groups have on-line access during their meetings or have members who are computer users that could help you visit our SUTTON SEARCHERS homepage. Hope you visit soon!

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# Letters

Dear Editor:

Please inform people who leave information at the libraries to put an address of their's down [sic] so one can connect them. I found a small book in Daviess County, Kentucky genealogy library that belong to a lady who lived in Henderson Co., KY who asked that anyone with info contact her. But guess what, no address was provided! I think I now have a good amount of info on her line but I sure can't do her any good.

I am working on my GGGGGf James Sutton of Ohio Co., KY. James was b. ca 1787 in PA, d. 1842 in Ohio Co., KY. His wife's name was Mary Ann. I have some ideas and possible leads but haven't been able to pinpoint actual proof. In the biography it said he came to Vanderburgh Co.(Evansville), IN and lived there. I do find a James Mackey Sutton who purchased land here and there was a David Sutton owning land next to his and exchanging land. Also there was a James Mackey Sutton buying land in White Co., IL around the same period of time. This James Sutton had Mary Sutton as an administrator to his land. Which leads me to think that this is the same people from Ohio Co., KY. But then again, every James seems like had a wife named Mary if not an Elizabeth. Ha-ha.

We have no idea or leads as to who are the parents and sibling(s) to James Sutton or his wife Mary. BTW, I found an Alpine and a Fielding Sutton in early Ohio Co., KY. So I wonder if anyone has run across any of these names. M. Rose Sutton Hibbs, 2317 N. Fulton Ave, Evansville, IN 47710

Dear "Rev." Sutton,

Do I recognize a challenge when I see one? Do believe you called my bluff so I have been doing double duty on the copy machine. The enclosed is just "some" of my accumulations. You didn't actually believe for a minute that I would actually throw out any of it, did you?

Thank you for your great contribution to posterity in the SUTTON SEARCHERS Newsletter. You are doing an excellent job of it and must feel great satisfaction. I have great admiration for anyone with such tenacity and dedication. [Ed: Patricia really did write this, I didn't prompt her for any of it!]

I am very flattered with your invitation to initiate a Mrs. Sutton maiden name search...(I think)! Perhaps it would behoove you to be receptive to ideas from those more clever than I. My first impulse is to copy the FIRST BOAT publication's format of "Mary who?" but I try to stay away from plagiarism as much as I can.

But, perhaps something like this would work:

JOHN SUTTON, b. ca 1752 of Culpeper Co., VA, d. Aug. 1815 Garrard Co., KY, married two of a Pope who also had a son Eleamandor. (*This should get the attention of the Vatican anyway.*) His first wife was America by whom he had: (1) William b. 28 May 1788, (2) Alexander, (3) Elizabeth who m. Jacob Miller on 3 Apr. 1799; (4) Humphrey who's marriage bond date was 18 Apr. 1818 to Sophrona Gilmore, (5) Rowland, (6) Christopher, (7) John, (8) Edmond, (9) Lucinda who marriage bond date was 20 Feb. 1800 to Thomas Bosley (bondsman Edmond Sutton), and (10) Armsted. Searching for parentage of Mrs. Sutton.

Or, maybe:

SARAH WHO? m. Christopher Sutton, b. 13 Jan 1714/15, d. ca 1793, son of Christopher and Hope (Beaumont) Sutton. SARAH was b. abt 1796 in Lincoln Co., KY.

*I would have written SARAH WHOM but with my luck someone would send me a WHOM lineage chart.*

Patricia Donahue O'Boyle, 5802 North 42nd Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85019-1820

Dear Editor:

I would like to contact anyone with information on this Fletcher family:

James Clinton Fletcher son of Job L. Fletcher and Nancy Chapin, b. 9 Jan 1832 in Springfield, IL, d. 5 Aug. 1923 Boelus, NE. married Emmar Victoria SUTTON (b. 4 Jan 1833 England, d. 16 Nov. 1923) on 10 Sep 1851, Jo Daviess Co., IL. They had four children:

1. Columbus Washington Fletcher, b. 28 Feb. 1854, IL.
2. Emma Olive Fletcher, b. 25 Sep 1868, IL.
3. Christopher Carson Fletcher, b. 23 Feb. 1873, IL.
4. Maude Sylberta Fletcher, b. 8 Feb. 1881, Loup City, Sherman Co., NE.

Robert Fletcher, 14 President Way, Belleville, IL 62223-5424

Dear Jim:

The 1995 Anderson Sutton Reunion was held August 12 and 13. This 31st consecutive gathering was a great success. For some reason, no reunion was held between 1906 and 1965. It has traditionally been held on the weekend following the Church of Christ Camp Meeting at the Nolanville Campgrounds. This was the 110th year for the Church Camp Meeting. There were adult in their 50's that had been every year of their lives.

There were many interesting stories including 85 year old Alleen Sutton's about a donkey being an attentive witness at her wedding. There were also lots of pictures, scrap books and other history and genealogy to share. One item that might be of interest to others is Dempsey Sutton's Bible record. Dempsey was born in 1795 in Elbert (Wilkes) Co., GA the son of James Sutton.

I agree with others that you a doing a great job with this newsletter. One specific, we have been out of town and the

Sutton +  
Rickard +  
Families

**Sutton Store and Bible Records of Sutton and Rickard Families**  
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Contributed by Joyce Mercer

**T**he SUTTON general store was operated by William E. Sutton (1849–1931). The combination store and home was located at Centaur and Eatherton Roads in St. Louis County, near Spirit of St. Louis airport. The store likely closed during the Depression. A public auction was held 18 September 1976. Laurence SMITH purchased the building on 15 June 1977 and it burned to the ground 24 May 1978. Journal entries were kept through 1985 by other members of the Sutton family. If you have questions about entries after 1913, please contact Joyce Mercer at StLGS.

- 1895**
- 22 Jan W. E. Sutton robbed
- 1902**
- 27 Dec Union Bank robbed
- 1903**
- 24 Jan Detective Schumacher killed  
 8 Feb John Norclair died  
 10 Feb E. J. Arnold bankrupt  
 14 Feb John Corless public sale  
 23 Feb Wm. Gifford killed  
 28 Feb John Eatherton public sale  
 2 Mar Union Bank robber captured in Hartford, Connecticut  
 6 Mar W. E. Sutton bought corn mill  
 10 Mar Mrs. Fred Mueller died  
 9 Mar Mrs. Dr. Terry died  
 12 Mar Kraus family: suicide, killed wife and six children  
 12 Mar Wm. Essen child died, five months old  
 4 May W. E. Sutton on Grand Jury  
 10 May Ticket office (Railroad) at Monarch closed  
 7 Jun Highest water in flood  
 June Hesseman began grading road  
 15 Jul W. E. Schulze & Rose Noreclair married  
 1 Sep John Walters' twin girls died  
 1 Sep Wm Rickard completed summer kitchen  
 22 Oct H. Hesseman completed road

- 4 Nov Phil Hahn & Katie Bayer married  
 2 Dec Walter Ferguson & Maud Terry married  
 14 Dec Mrs. Marguerette Bernard died  
 15 Dec Monarch Post Office inspection  
 21 Dec Mrs. Marguerite Wetzel died  
 29 Dec Hy. Rickard's child stillborn

**1904**

- 17 Jan Bill Rudolph captured  
 21 Jan Mrs. Steffan died  
 15 Feb Mark Hanna died  
 18 Feb Mrs. M. Orr died  
 20 Feb Ruf Hohman public sale  
 26 Feb Bill Rudolph sentenced to hang  
 20 Mar Dave Corless died  
 22 Mar John Gown died  
 26 Mar Geo. Collins hung at Union, Missouri  
 15 Apr A. J. Silvey public sale  
 20 Apr Heavy snow  
 12 May Dr. R. G. Coleman died  
 11 Aug Mrs. R. G. Coleman public sale  
 12 Aug Geo. Burkhart's child died  
 13 Aug Mrs. G. A. Bacon's barn burned

**1905**

- 28 Jan Christ Goehri public sale  
 30 Jan R. R. telephone cut in at Monarch  
 8 Feb Eugene Coleman died  
 13 Feb Twenty degrees below zero  
 14 Feb Mrs. Wm. Coleman died  
 17 Feb James Breeden died  
 22 Apr J. H. Puellman opened saloon  
 26 Apr Peter Steffan married  
 4 May John Hartman married  
 8 May Wm. Rudolph hanged  
 — Jun Monarch Elevator completed  
 4 Jul E. W. Warfield suicide  
 9 Aug J. H. Coleman & Rose Sutton married  
 12 Aug Frank Corless public sale  
 21 Aug Fred Haupt killed  
 15 Sep W. E. Sutton went to Wheeling, Virginia  
 7 Oct J. Sanford sale



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## Trust, But Verify

mailed them to him. Even without talking to me, this family researcher could have found the information he was seeking relatively easily by doing a little detective work.

Ordinarily the cause of death is listed on the death certificate. For some reason my great-grandfather's death certificate is missing from the records. But there are two other sources that are readily available that could have easily been checked. The first is the coroner's records. The coroner will investigate the death of anyone who dies suddenly and who has not been under a doctor's care. Since in this case it was suspected that suicide was the cause of death, and the date of death was known, a call to the coroner's office would quickly have revealed that the office did indeed investigate the death and the cause of death was listed as suicide. Additionally, the following day the coroner held an inquest at which both my grandmother and her mother (my great-grandmother) were called to testify.

The second source that could easily have been researched was local newspapers. Most newspapers will carry reports of local people who commit suicide. A check of the microfilm of the two St. Louis newspapers at the time of my great-grandfather's death would have led to the discovery of the death being reported as suicide in both St. Louis papers the day following the death.

In summary, in a perfect world all the information relating to a person in every record would be identical and accurate. Yet as we genealogists know only too well this isn't a perfect world and the information we find in our research of records and documents may or may not be accurate and often is contradictory. This is why I like the motto of the commandant at my grandson's school. Whenever I find information on someone in my research, I will trust that it is true. But I will always try to verify that it is correct from some independent sources.

Gene Block has been tracing his family and his wife's family for over thirty years. His undergraduate degree is in Geological Engineering from St. Louis University. He also holds masters degrees in Business Administration and Environmental Studies. He retired in December of 2000, after a career of over thirty-six years employed in the mining industry. In addition to the St. Louis Genealogical Society *Quarterly*, his articles on genealogy have appeared in the *Missouri State Genealogical Association Journal* and *Avotaynu, The International Review of Jewish Genealogy*. He and his wife live in Claremont, California.



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15 Oct	Wm. Hartman wife and 5 children burned [buried?]	28 Feb	Wm. Keeler died
20 Oct	Nannie Bacon died	14 Mar	Sahm & Anne Schaefer married
27 Oct	J. L. Coleman sale	24 Mar	Perl Orr died
3 Nov	John Fick public sale	6 Apr	Mrs. Mertz died
5 Nov	Telephone completed	11 Apr	Mrs. Bernard died
	Attachment on Monarch elevator	21 Apr	Aug. F. Brommelsick died
18 Nov	Phil Hurtebise discharged from RR	29 Jun	Mike Fick buried
21 Nov	John Fick moved to Oklahoma	14 Aug	Wm. Corless public sale
13 Dec	Fred Mueller & Anne Mitchell married	1 Sep	Peter Steffan public sale
30 Dec	Fred Mueller died	25 Sep	Mrs. Wm. Walter died
	<b>1906</b>	20 Oct	Wm. Walter public sale
1 Jan	Fred Mueller's body dug up	2 Nov	Walter Schine died
10 Jan	Sale of Monarch Elevator	2 Dec	Mrs. Wm. Guckes died
11 Jan	Ralph Bayer died	9 Dec	John Smith died
16 Jan	Sam Davis & E. C. Goehri went to Texas	9 Dec	Louis Puellman barn burned
27 Jan	Chas. Kelpie public sale		<b>1907</b>
10 Feb	John Wellman public sale	9 Jan	Jos. Glaser's child died
22 Feb	Jack Coleman moved to Cass County	29 Jan	Mrs. Aug. Glaser died
		1 Feb	Mrs. Got. Bayer died
		6 Feb	Mrs. A. Scheag died
		15 Feb	Monarch Post Office closed
		8 Mar	Gramma (Josephine) Bayer died
		24 Mar	Louis Heiman died



*The Sutton General Store building.*

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	<b>1907, cont'd.</b>		
10 Apr	Chas. Paffrath killed	31 Dec	Bertha Corless & Ed. Bates married
15 Jun	Mae Eatherton searched by Glasers		<b>1909</b>
23 Jun	John Walter's boy shot John Goehri & Ester Bacon married	6 Jan	Jacob Keller died
22 Jul	Mrs. Herman Ficke died	25 Jan	Wm. Sutton moved barn
23 Jul	Willie Dachsweden died	4 Apr	Mrs. Lawrence Fick died
24 Aug	Geo. Eatherton public sale	17 Apr	J. Shipman public sale
25 Aug	Maud Konneman burned [buried?]	18 Apr	Oscar Fick & Miss Stines married
4 Oct	Cindy Paubel died	25 Apr	Mrs. Hays Brooks died
5 Oct	Allen Anderson public sale	13 Jul	Highest water
8 Oct	Fred Schulze died	16 Aug	Wm. Corless' child died
19 Oct	Ben Zumsteg died	3 Sep	Grandpa Fick died
— Oct	Sam Davis died	20 Sep	Miss Hahn died at Philip Hahn's
3 Nov	Wm. Walter died	4 Nov	Solomon Rickard died
9 Nov	Charles Boisselier died	15 Nov	Mrs. John Silvey died
12 Nov	Mrs. Clarkson died	22 Dec	Chas. Puellman & Cora Fick married
18 Dec	Christ Goehri married		<b>1910</b>
	<b>1908</b>	28 Jan	Eatherton Road to railroad completed with gravel by Wm. Kesselring
15 Feb	Straw shed burned at Centaur	9 Feb	Dick Riach killed
24 Feb	John Corliss house caught fire	9 Feb	John Corless house burned
25 Feb	Mrs. Rudolph Essen died	20 Apr	Dick Walter child died
26 Feb	Russell Eatherton & Katie Gaehle married	23 Apr	Heavy snow and cold
27 Mar	Dr. Coon moved	21 May	Aug. Heiman died Began work on Olive Street, completed 26 June
30 Mar	Minnie Orr died	24 Aug	Herman St. Onge & Marie Orr married
4 Apr	Grandma (Barbara) Dinkle died	27 Oct	Henry Kelpel & Effie Rickard married
9 Apr	Mrs. Konneman died		R. C. Wardenburg & Mae Rickard married
28 Apr	Mrs. Gown died	1 Nov	Lena Steffan died
— May	J. Keeler & J. Taylor married	15 Dec	John Rickard & — [sic] Eather- ton married
— May	Cora Schulze & E. Hoch married	17 Dec	Lige Silvey burned
18 Jun	Dick Walter & Martha Jose married	24 Dec	Elsie Bayer died
16 Jul	Lloyd Walters shot by Pete Gown		<b>1911</b>
18 Aug	Will Schulze broke his leg	1 Mar	Hazel Mae Sutton died
4 Oct	Scott Sutton & Tillie Bayer married	3 Mar	Frank Schine died
2 Dec	Martin Eatherton & Leana Clarkson married		
23 Dec	Elsie Boisselier & Wm. Wellman married		

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17 Mar	Mrs. Henry Kelpie died	20 Apr	Bob Coleman died
1 Apr	Mrs. Otto Hohman died	28 May	J. Wetterer & Maggie Coleman married
21 Apr	Mrs. Cloie Bacon died		
22 May	Reba Sutton died	31 May	Arline Kroenung died
31 Jul	Dick Walter died	30 Sep	Andria Mueller & Bauer married
4 Aug	Tommie Boisselier killed	4 Oct	Tom Eatherton & Tena Albrecht married
25 Sep	A. J. Silvey died		
	<b>1912</b>	8 Oct	Lynn Sutton born
12 Feb	Geo. Walter public sale	24 Oct	John Rickard public sale
28 Feb	Scott Sutton opened store	10 Dec	John Eatherton died
14 May	John Silvey public sale	20 Dec	Roy D. Sutton died
19 May	Mrs. John Walter died	27 Dec	Bob Fennenbach broke his leg
25 May	Joe Bayer married		<b>1915</b>
9 Jun	James W. Eatherton died	2 Mar	Chas. Eatherton died
26 Jun	Will Bacon died	12 Aug	Rosa Kroenung & — [sic] Bauer married
19 Jul	Mrs. M. Hewith died	15 Aug	Mrs. Theo. St. Onge died
6 Nov	Chas. Rickard & Maggie Corless married	28 Aug	Philip Steffan public sale
	Elmer Waters & Bessie Corless married	6 Sep	Mrs. Dr. J. L. Defoe died
10 Nov	Roy Sutton shot himself	16 Oct	John Corless public sale
14 Nov	— [sic] Eatherton public sale	25 Nov	Virginia Godair died
25 Dec	John Steffan died	10 Dec	Christ Hohmann died
	<b>1913</b>		<b>1916</b>
6 Feb	Mrs. John Steffan public sale	4 Mar	Calvert public sale
27 Feb	Wm. Kroenung public sale	8 Apr	Ernest Bayer died
25 Apr	Eugene Jacques died	5 May	Mrs. Louis Puellman, Sr., died
4 Aug	Robert Eatherton died	13 May	Mrs. F. W. Steines died
2 Sep	Ed Bates store burned	14 May	Chas. Wardenburg & Della Gruben married
13 Sep	Chas. Wardenburg public sale	14 Jun	Lucille Coleman & — [sic] Hine-man married
6 Oct	W. E. Sutton bought Chester — [sic] store	15 Jun	Minnie Buck & Luty Bellaire married
27 Oct	Sophie Hilkenkamp died	29 Jul	Wm. Rickard, Sr., died
	<b>1914</b>	30 Nov	Ed Bayer & Nora Kroenung married
18 Feb	Ham Mueller & Marg Shott married	21 Dec	Mrs. Jacob Keller died
28 Feb	A. C. Gaines public sale	26 Dec	Chas. Bosselier & Annie Nae married
15 Mar	Nat Ferguson died		

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### **Sutton Family Bible Record**

#### Births

W. E. Sutton born 26 June 1871  
Marriage 15 Aug. 1894  
Lanna J. Sutton born 17 July 1873, nee Rickard  
Roy D. Sutton born 19 Dec. 1895  
Harris Sutton born 19 Oct. 1898  
Nelson Sutton born 1 July 1901  
Lucinda Sutton born 25 Dec. 1903  
Hazel Mae Sutton born 19 Nov. 1906  
Maurice Sutton born 9 Dec. 1909  
Edna Sutton born 22 June 1912  
Lyn Sutton born 8 Oct. 1914  
Wm. Sutton, Sr., born 4 Dec. 1849  
Mrs. Wm. Sutton born 12 Nov. 1847. [Another  
entry lists her as Ellen (Godair) Sutton.]

#### Deaths

Harvey Rickard died 28 Feb. 1855  
Hazel Mae Sutton died 1 March 1911  
Roy D. Sutton died 20 Dec. 1914  
Gramma Sutton died 2 Oct. 1921 [Sarah Ellen  
Sutton, nee Godair]  
Granpa Sutton died 25 Jan. 1931 [Wm Sutton]  
[On another page:]  
Aunt Polly born 8 Sept. 1846, Died 27 Jan. 1869  
— Uncle Carl Corless' first wife.  
[On another page:]  
Lucinda Ludwig Rickard born 27 Nov. 1849, died  
21 Apr. 1877

#### Anniversary

A newspaper clipping from 1944 records the August 15th fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sutton. The couple deferred a formal celebration because they wanted to wait until the children came home to stay. Two sons, Cpl. A. L. Sutton and Pfc. Ollie Sutton, and one daughter, Sgt. Edna A. Sutton, were overseas. Other children were Harris and Nelson Sutton and Mrs. Fred Broemmelsick.

### **Rickard Family Bible Record**

#### Births

Peter Rickard was born 21 August 1784  
Nancy Houck was born 3 July 1789  
[On another page:]  
Peter Rickard was born 28 June 1812  
William Rickard was born 22 April 1834  
Madison Rickard was born 1 September 1836  
Augustus Rickard was born 28 July 1839  
Solomon Rickard was born 28 August 1841  
Freeman Rickard was born 15 May 1847  
Harvey Rickard was born 30 June 1852  
Elizabeth Rickard was born 26 June 1863

#### Deaths

My father Peter Rickard died 22 Sept. 1844, aged  
sixty-one years, one month, one day  
My mother Nancy Rickard died 13 Oct. 1863,  
aged seventy-four years, two months, thirteen  
days  
Wm. Rickard, Sr., born 22 Apr 1834  
Margaret (Johnson) Rickard born 28 Nov 1854  
Wm. Rickard, Sr., died 26 July 1916  
Mrs. Wm. Rickard, Sr., died 27 Oct 1934

#### Births (written 20 June 1918)

Lanna Sutton born 17 July 1873  
Bill Rickard born 9 May 1878  
Henry Rickard born 11 Nov 1879  
Effie Kelpo born 11 Sep 1881  
— [sic] Rickard born 13 Mar 1883  
Charley Rickard born 20 Feb 1885  
— [sic] Wardenburg born 23 Oct 1887  
Ollie Rickard born 4 July 1891  
Margaret Folkers born 19 Dec 1897

*Note: The above records were transcribed exactly  
as they originally appeared in the store and Bible  
records.*



## FROM THE FAMILY RECORD OF: THE SUTTON FAMILY OF NEW YORK, &amp; PENN.

1. James Sutton, a Quaker and hardware merchant of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., probably born on L. I., March 7, 1744; obtained marriage license and posted bond April 25, 1769, and married Sarah Smith on June 22, 1769, (b. June 17, 1747 at Rye, N. Y., d Aug 20, 1834 at Exeter, Pa.) daughter of Dr. Wm. Hooker Smith of White Plains, N. Y. - sold out his store and removed to Wyoming Valley, Pa., in 1774; built the first grist mill at and founded Sutton's Creek, Luzerne Co., Pa. - during the Wyoming Massacre, July 3, 1778 the family was at Forty Fort, Kingston, and later escaped and went down the river; listed in first Federal Census, 1790, with 2 males over 16 years, 3 males under 16 years and 3 females, total 8 including all but Polly; given Warrantee of Land, Luzerne Co., Pa., June 23, 1787 of 400 acres; the family became Methodists and very active therein; died July 19, 1824 at Exeter, Luzerne Co. Pa.

Dr. Wm. Hooker Smith, father of Sarah Smith, born at White Plains, N. Y., March 23, 1725, married Sarah Browne of Rye, N. Y., daughter of Jonathan Browne, removed to Wyoming Valley, Pa., in 1772; was Capt. in 24th Regiment, Conn. Militia, 1775 from Westmoreland Co., Pa., attended wounded at Forty Fort during Wyoming Massacre, July 3, 1778 and later escaped; Surgeon-Mate with Gen. Hands Brigade under Gen. Sullivan during campaign against Indians in 1779, and Congress voted his heirs \$2400 in 1838 for services rendered; with James Sutton built an iron mill at and founded Old Forge, Lackawanna Co., Pa. died July 17, 1815 at Tunkhannock, Pa.

Dr. Wm. Hooker Smith was descended from Wm. Smith, a soldier under Cromwell about 1641, who married Elizabeth Hartley; and Thos. Smith, a lawyer, who came to America about 1710 and married Susannah Odell; his son was Rev. & Dr. John Smith, born May 5, 1702 in Newport, Pagnell Bucks, England, who married May 6, 1724 Mehitable (Mabel) Hooker, (1704-1775) daughter of Judge James Hooker (1666-1740) who removed from Farmington to Guilford, Conn., and Mary Leete (married 1691) daughter of Wm. Leete, Jr., son of Gov. Wm. Leete of Conn. Judge Hooker was the grandson of Rev. Thos. Hooker (1586-1647) who founded Hartford, Conn., in 1636. Rev. & Dr. John Smith, father of Dr. Wm. Hooker Smith, was both a minister and physician who graduated from Yale University in 1727. He was the first Presbyterian minister in Rye and White Plains, N.Y., and died Feb. 26, 1771.

The 10 children of James Sutton of whom 7 survived were:

- i. Polly Sutton, born Sept. 30, 1770 at North Castle, N. Y., married Putnam Catlin in 1789, died July 15, 1844 at Delta, Oneida Co., N. Y. Their son George Catlin (1796-1872) was the famous author and artist whose works are in the George Catlin Indian Gallery, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C.
- iii. Deborah Sutton, born Feb. 8, 1773, married Jacob Bedford (2nd wife) died April 3, 1869 at Waverly, Pa. Very active in Methodist Church.
- iv. William Sutton, born Feb. 20, 1775, married Phebe, died at Starkey, N. Y., Jan. 30, 1828.
- vi. James (Jr.), born Sept, 10, 1779, died July 27, 1827.
- vii. Sarah (Sally), born July 4, 1782, married Daniel Sterling (2nd wife) Nov. 11, 1800, died June 2, 1812.



## SUTTON FAMILY RECORDS CONTINUED:

- ix. John Sutton, born Oct. 9, 1786, lost while trading with the Indians.
  - x. Samuel Sutton, born Nov. 2, 1788, married Mary Buckingham Nov. 14, 1822, died March 25, 1842, by drowning. His son James (born 1825) founded the James Sutton Home at 57 W. Jackson St., corner No. Franklin, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
2. John Sutton (son of William) a stone cutter, born Lodi, N. Y., 1805, married Catherine Libolt of Lysander, Onondaga Co., N. Y., removed to Penn Yan, N. Y. in 1831. Had a brother, Daniel.
  3. William Libolt Sutton, (son of John) a photographer, born Reading, Schuyler Co., N. Y., Nov. 6, 1828, married Mary Louis Eaton of Benton, Yates Co., N. Y., Nov. 17, 1854, daughter of Adolphus Eaton and Phoebe Lane (born April 23, 1824, died April 23, 1904 at Onarga, Ill.). At age 18 William sailed on whaler "Columbia" from Nantucket, Mass., for four years; died at Hornell in 1900. Had a brother, Henry, married Emiranda, died at Hornell; and a sister, Mary Jane (Mate), married Wood Kimball, died in San Diego, Ca.
  4. Charles Parker Sutton (son of William L. ) a photographer, born Hornell, N. Y., Oct. 28, 1855, married Lillie Jane Comstock of Andover, N. Y., on Sept. 4, 1883 (born Oct. 5, 1863, died Jan. 4, 1948) died in Hornell, N. Y. Had a sister, Helen Frances born May 8, 1864, married Joseph Burgess, died in San Diego, Ca.; another sister, Jennie Augusta born Nov. 24, 1856, married Judson Chubbuck, died in Le Roy, Ill.
  5. Francis William Sutton, (son of Charles P.) an engineer, born Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 23, 1890, married Amy Alvord of Hornell, N. Y., Oct. 12, 1915, removed to Los Angeles, Calif., in 1923. Had a brother, Dr. Willard James Sutton, Ph.D., born Hornell, N. Y., July 22, 1895, married Ellen Holmes, taught in China for many years.
  6. Richard Alvord Sutton (son of Francis) an engineer and Lt. USNR, born Hornell, N. Y., May 29, 1919, married Doris Dow of Aberdeen, Scotland, Nov. 10, 1944, removed to Venezuela in 1947. Had a brother, Francis William Jr., born in Lakewood, Ohio, Jan. 7, 1921.

It is assumed that the Suttons came over to England with William the Conqueror and were given Sutton-on-Trent as their part of the spoils. The name appears to have been originally O. E., "Sup-tun" meaning a place or dwelling in the south. More than 50 coats of arms were granted to various branches of the family.

The so-called original John Sutton was from Attleboro, England, and came over in 1638 on the "Diligent" to Hingham, Mass., removed to Rehoboth (Seekonk) Mass., in 1643 and died June 1, 1672. He received 4 grants of lots at Rehoboth. His wife was Julian and his son, John Jr., removed to Scituate, Mass., in 1653.

George Sutton, no apparent relative of John, born 1613, died April 12, 1669, came over on the "Hercules" in 1634 as a servant of Nathaniel Tilden of Tenterdam Co., Kent, settled in Scituate, Mass., married Sarah Tilden, daughter of Nathaniel, in 1636. A Quaker, he removed to Suttons Creek, Perquiman's Co.,

## SUTTON FAMILY RECORDS CONTINUED:

No. Car., in 1668. William, son of George, settled at Piscataway, N. J., in 1672. He heads the N. J. Suttons amongst whom were the Suttons who operated the Clipper Line including the "John Q. Adams" from N. Y., to San Francisco during the Gold Rush in 1849. Most of these Suttons were Baptists.

## FROM THE FAMILY RECORD OF: THE UPDIKE FAMILY

Virgil McCracken Updike, born Aug. 31, 1822, near Brookville, Indiana. Married Ruth Ann Sithen (born Aug. 20, 1821, in New Jersey, killed by a cow, Aug. 18, 1879, buried at Castana, Iowa). Virgil died Jan. 19, 1859, buried at Waynesburg, Indiana. Married Oct. 16, 1844, at Brookville, Indiana.

The 8 children of Virgil and Ruth Ann Updike are:

Emily Missouri, Born July 9, 1845, near Brookville, Indiana. Married Nov. 17, 1867, in Westport, Decatur Co., Indiana, to Jasper Pattisson. She died Oct. 27, 1925, entombed in Modesto Mausoleum, California.

Margaret Ann, born Nov. 13, 1846, near Brookville, Indiana. Married Dec. 29, 1867, in Jennings Co., Indiana, to William Wilson Patrick. She died Dec. 8, 1906, in Ute, Iowa, buried in St. Clair Cemetery.

Monroe, born Mar. 8, 1848, near Brookville, Indiana. Married Dec. 22, 1870, in Waynesburg, Indiana, to Julia A. Scott. He died Dec. 2, 1935. Buried at Halfway, Oregon.

Isaac Wesley, born Aug. 12, 1849, near Brookville, Indiana. Married Nov. 3, 1878, in Modesto, Ca., to Sarah Jane (Jennie) Crispin. He died Apr. 13, 1934, buried in Modesto Cemetery.

Samuel Murphy, born Feb. 17, 1851, near Brookville, Indiana. Married Feb 19, 1897 in Salida Church near Modesto, Ca., to Christine Patrone. He died Nov. 16, 1936, entombed in Modesto Mausoleum.

John Mason, born Aug. 29, 1853, near Brookville, Indiana. Died Apr. 13, 1934, buried in Modesto Cemetery.

Claracy Elizabeth, born Feb. 26, 1856, near Brookville, Indiana. Married Mar. 17, 1875, in Onnawa, Iowa, to Charles D. Butler. She died Jan. 10, 1933, entombed in Modesto Mausoleum, Ca.

Aaron, born Sept. 2, 1857, near Brookville, Indiana. Died May 9, 1892. Buried at Salem, Oregon.

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12-1 DIEDRICH, SCHUMACHER. Wish to contact descendants of John DIEDRICH & Maria SCHUMACHER, m 1856 in McHenry Co. IL. No further info found in IL. Must have moved West! Where? Rosemary H. Moody, 23314 Saticoy St., Canoga Park, CA 91304.

12-2 FRETT, FREUND. Seeking info on desc of Mathias FRETT & Maria FREUND, m early 1850's in McHenry Co. IL. Came to CA during Gold Rush with Maria's bro Christian FREUND. Rosemary H. Moody, 23314 Saticoy St., Canoga Park, CA 91304.

12-3 BRANSON, WHITE. Seek any info on Charles C. BRANSON & wife, Ellen WHITE. Son David W. BRANSON was born 22 July 1827 in Montgomery Co. Ohio & died 5 July 1914 in Manning (Carroll Co.) Iowa. Rowena Branson, 2150 Rodeo Ct., Thousand Oaks, CA 91362.

12-4 LEACH. Request info on Charles A. LEACH who was born in 1836 in NH. Also seeking maiden name of wife Rosina (Rose) who was born 1840-42 in NY. Charles and Rosina resided Winona Co. Minn in 1870. Betty Miller, 701 Paseo Camarillo, Camarillo, CA 93010.

12-5 DENNO, MEADE. Seek info on Joseph DENNO b. 1788-95 in Canada & wife Sampah MEADE b. Canada, in order to extend lines. Joseph res in Winona Co Minn in 1860. Betty Miller, 701 Paseo Camarillo, Camarillo, CA 93010.

12-6 KINGSLEY, HARVEY. Want any info on Archie KINGSLEY who lived PA. He was age 14 in 1880. Mor. was Mary HARVEY and fr was Richard KINGSLEY. Mary Jensen, 17533 Rayer St., Northridge, CA 91324.

12-7 HAIT. Request info on Carlos Emory HAIT M.D. b ca 1829. Was Civil War surgeon in TE. Practiced medicine in Stanton (Montcalm Co) MI in 1880's. Died 1893 in Cottonwood Falls, KS. Anne Christian, 17805 Rayer St., Northridge, CA 91325.

12-8 PRICE. Seek info on John Byrd PRICE who was born in Frankfort, IN in 1850-60. Farmed in southern KS in 1890's. John had a bro Mort & a sis Ruth. Anne Christian, 17805 Rayer St., Northridge CA 91325.

12-9 HARRISON, CARROLL, CROWSON. Seek pts of Nathaniel HARRISON who was b in NC or SC ca 1794. Nathaniel in Fed census in Shelby Co, AL in 1820 through 1840 census. Mar (1) Sarah CARROLL ca 1814 & (2) Peggie CROWSON ca 1820. Need to locate mar records. Betty Jo Hulse, 281 Aborla Lane, Walnut, CA 91789.

12-10 CARROLL. Need info regarding Dennis CARROLL b 1766 Wake Co NC. Who were his pts? Will answer all responses & trade info. Betty Jo Hulse, 281 Aborla Lane, Walnut, CA 91789.

12-11 HARRISON, BECKHAM. Need any info regarding Kate HARRISON b England. Married name was BECKHAM. Lived OK and AR in early 1900's. Kathe Hornbeck, 4245 Sand Cyn Rd., Moorpark, CA 93021.

# Richard F. Sutton's Story: A Revolutionary War Soldier ~ Part 2

By Raleigh Sutton  
His Seventh Great Grandson

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*[Editor's Note]: Part 2 repeats a portion of Part 1 so as not to divide the list of children between two issues of the ISGS Quarterly. Footnote numbering continues from Part 1. For reference purposes, note that Richard and Margaret Sutton married 16 April 1783.*

Baby Betsy was born on December 28, 1783.<sup>7</sup> John arrived on October 26, 1785 and Agness came on August 15, 1787. Richard had built a cabin, probably with the help of his neighbors. It would be no bigger than 10 feet by 20 feet, with a loft for the children.

On January 1, 1785, Nelson County, Virginia was created from Jefferson County, Virginia. In 1789, Richard and Margaret, with their first three children, moved there. On February 12, 1789, another child, Jain, was born, increasing the family to six. She was called "Jinny," and was the first of the family to be born in what was to be Nelson County, Kentucky.

In the middle of 1789, the family's cabin caught fire and burned to the ground. Everything was

<sup>7</sup> The dates of the children's births were written in the family bible. Upon Margaret Sutton's death, the bible was sold at an estate sale, but purchased by Mary "Polly" and Elijah Scott.

lost including Richard's army discharge papers, but the community stepped in to put them back on their feet as Richard had done for so many others in their time of need.

Kentucky became a state on June 1, 1792, and soon after, on June 23, Washington County was created from Nelson County as the population grew. The family now lived in Washington County, Kentucky. Their home was south of Bardstown near Raywick. Moving a bit south of Raywick to modern Dry Fork Road and going down the side of a ridge, you can find a small cemetery called the "Sutton Cemetery."

July 14, 1792 brought "Marey" into the family.

She was called "Polly." Another girl, Ann, was born on March 14, 1794, followed by Reachel on February 12, 1796. Another girl, Peggy, was born in May of 1801. At last a boy arrived by the name of Richard on March 14, 1803, followed by another boy, William, on August 14, 1805. The last, Lidy, would arrive on December 31, 1807. Most of the children lived to adulthood and married.

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Elizabeth "Betsy" married Joshua Harrison in 1803 in Washington County. Elizabeth died in 1826 and there is no mention of children.

Agness Nancy married Nicholas Gardner on December 30, 1800 in Fleming County, Kentucky.

Jain married a man named Kindley<sup>8</sup> and moved to Indiana. She next married Samuel Scott, a member of the family that lived on Scotts Ridge" on another ridge across the bottom land from the cemetery.

On November 10, 1812, Mary wed Elijah Scott, a member of the same family of Scotts Ridge."

Reachel married Thomas Lyons on December 9, 1819. Jain, Mary, and Reachel were all married in Washington County.

Richard Sutton the Younger moved south to Davidson County, Tennessee. There on December 25, 1823, he married Judy Bailey.

Last but not least, William married Clarissa Mikels or Mickels in Washington County, Kentucky. Sadly there are no records found for John, Ann, Peggy, and Lidy. They may have died in their youth.

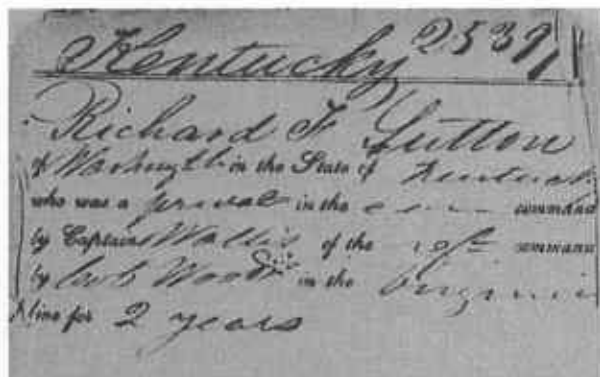
At this time, the frontier areas of Kentucky produced few birth or death records. Babies were delivered by midwives, usually a neighbor. Those who died were often interred in a family cemetery in a corner of their property.

Except for the deaths of the children, life was pretty normal for the Sutton household until 1834 when the rising population of the "frontier" forced the creation of Marion County from

Washington County. Once again the Sutton family had a new address.

In 1832 Richard's friends, neighbors and family urged him to apply for a Revolutionary War pension made available by an Act of Congress passed 7 June 1832. At seventy-six years old, he decided to apply. The 27<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832 marked his first appearance before the Washington County Court. On that day he related his story, including his military service,

as far as his memory allowed. Richard Scott, who was the father-in-law of two of his daughters, and a Mr. Beauchamp both spoke on his behalf, vouching for his truthfulness and honesty. The statement was deemed truthful by John Hughes, the Clerk of the Court, who was also acquainted with Richard.



**Richard F. Sutton  
Pension Record**

On August 21, 1833, John Baird of Hardin County stated that he had known Richard for thirty years and that he considered Richard "to be a man of veracity." On the same day, Lewis Read, the Justice of the Peace from Hardin County, also attested to Richard's character.

On December 14, 1833, Barnabas Carter testified that he saw Richard at the Battle of Germantown and that he was in the same brigade as Richard.<sup>9</sup>

On December 14, 1833, Leonard A. Spalding, a lawyer of Lebanon, sent the pension application papers to the Pension Office in Washington, D.C. and by June 4, 1834 Richard was receiving a pension of \$80.00 per year starting March 4, 1834 that included a retroactive award of \$24.00. The fact that Richard F. Sutton received a pension without any supporting documents

<sup>8</sup> Mentioned in Richard F. Sutton's pension application papers but no other information has been found.

<sup>9</sup> At this time, it was General Gate's Brigade in Wallace's Company under the regiment commanded by Colonel James Wood.

illustrates the tremendous respect his neighbors had for him whose sworn statements as to his honesty got him the pension.

Richard died December 23, 1837. The story doesn't end here, though, as his widow, Margaret, soon became destitute without a husband. However, Congress passed an additional act on 17 July 1838 providing for a widow's pension and Margaret applied for it.

On November 29, 1838, the Marion County court was called into session. The court, once again, had to establish Richard's proof of being a soldier before proof that Richard and Margaret were married.

Barnabas Carter, now eighty-eight years old, was called to testify. Barnabas, saying his memory was very bad, recalled much more this time than he did in 1832. He now claimed that he stood guard with Richard at Valley Forge and was with him at Brandywine and Germantown. He also stated that his company was commanded by Captain Moore and that he had enlisted about twenty miles south of Fort Pitt at Dogtown.

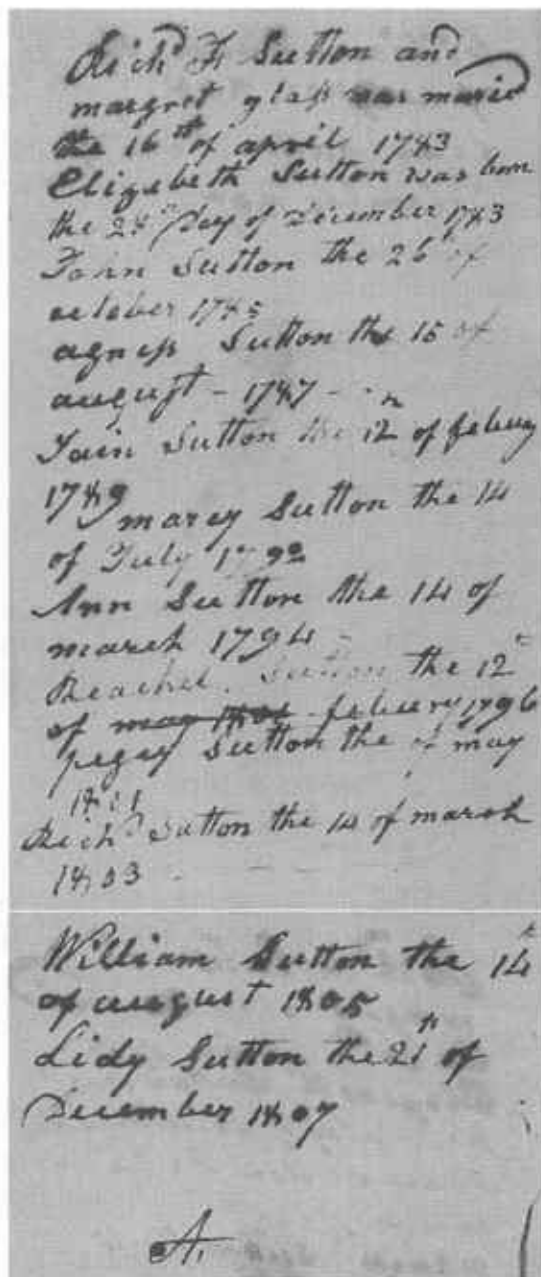
Also on November 29, 1838, Margaret was called and sworn before the court. She testified that she and Richard were married in March of 1783 about 55 years ago" in Pennsylvania near Redstone Old Fort on the Monongahela River.

John Masterson was sworn and said that he lived in Pennsylvania when he was twenty-four years old and was acquainted with Richard and Margaret and was present at their wedding. He said he had known them when both families moved to Kentucky some fifty years ago.

On August 19, 1840, Margaret Sutton was called before the Court in Marion County. However, she was too frail to make the trip from Raywick to Lebanon, Kentucky, so her statements were taken down by an officer of the Court and then presented to the Court in writing. She stated that she was then seventy-eight years old. She remembered that she and Richard were married on the sixteenth of April 1783 and that the only record of the marriage was an entry in the family bible with the birth dates of their children. She also declared that she was not married to him prior to his military service.

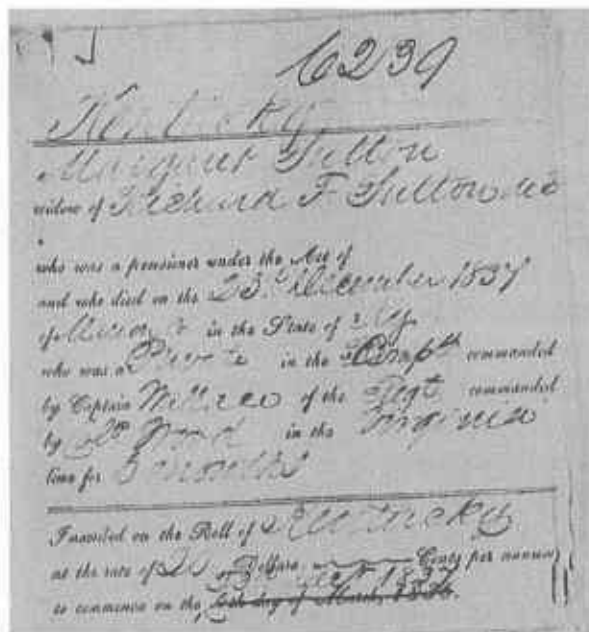
Next to appear was Richard Sutton, the son of Richard the Elder and Margaret. He testified that his father was a pensioner on the Roll of Kentucky and that his mother had not remarried

since the death of her husband, Richard F. Inscriptions in the family bible were copied and placed in the records of the Court. H. Ray, the Clerk of the Court, testified that Richard was a man of good moral character and a man of truth and veracity.



Richard and Margaret Sutton Bible  
Richard F. Sutton Pension Record

The application was sent in to the Bureau of Pensions, Washington, D. C. and Margaret was given \$20.00 per year as a widow. Congress subsequently passed the pension acts of March 3, 1843; June 17, 1844; February 2, 1848; and a revised act of July 29, 1848.<sup>10</sup> Under the pension act of March 30, 1843, Margaret was receiving \$20.00 per year, but under the revised act of July 1, 1848, her pension increased to \$80.00 a year.



Widow Pension for Margaret Sutton  
Richard F. Sutton Pension Record

Margaret died on August 28, 1854 and her youngest son, Richard, became the administrator of her estate on October 9, 1854. By the time of her death, Margaret had outlived all her children except Richard and Mary "Polly" Scott. Richard returned to Tennessee with his wife, Judy Bailey. One of his children, Charlie, and his wife, Eliza Malone,<sup>11</sup> were the first Suttons living in White County, Illinois. Charlie's son was Henry Mortimore Sutton. Henry's son was Raleigh Liggett Sutton. Raleigh Liggett's son was Raleigh Leslie Sutton. Raleigh Leslie's son is Raleigh LaVerne Sutton – me, the author of this article.

**Author's Note:** In Raywick, Kentucky, there was another Richard Sutton, who was about the same age as Richard Sutton the Younger. The Raywick,

Kentucky Richard was married to Maria Beale, but was no relation to Richard F. Sutton's family. Today Raywick has a population of about 140 and is in the middle of forested hills and gullies. It is located about twenty miles south of Bardstown, which was founded about 1780.

Richard's descendants settled in White County, Illinois, in 1868, in the old Illinois Territory created from Augusta County, Virginia. From there they spread out all over the world. But Richard and his

family lived in Old Virginia for more than 150 years without moving an inch.

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<sup>10</sup> An Act for the Relief of Certain Surviving Widows of Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary Army and for the Benefits of Any and all Acts Prior and Subsequent Thereto Guaranteeing like Persons or Enlarging the Same.

<sup>11</sup> Eliza's ancestor, Thomas Cotton, was a Captain of Militia in North Carolina. He eventually moved to Tennessee in 1795, where Cottontown, Sumner County, Tennessee is named after him. He was captured and held by the British for nearly a year. He was proud of the scars on his legs made by the manacles.

# Faces from the Past

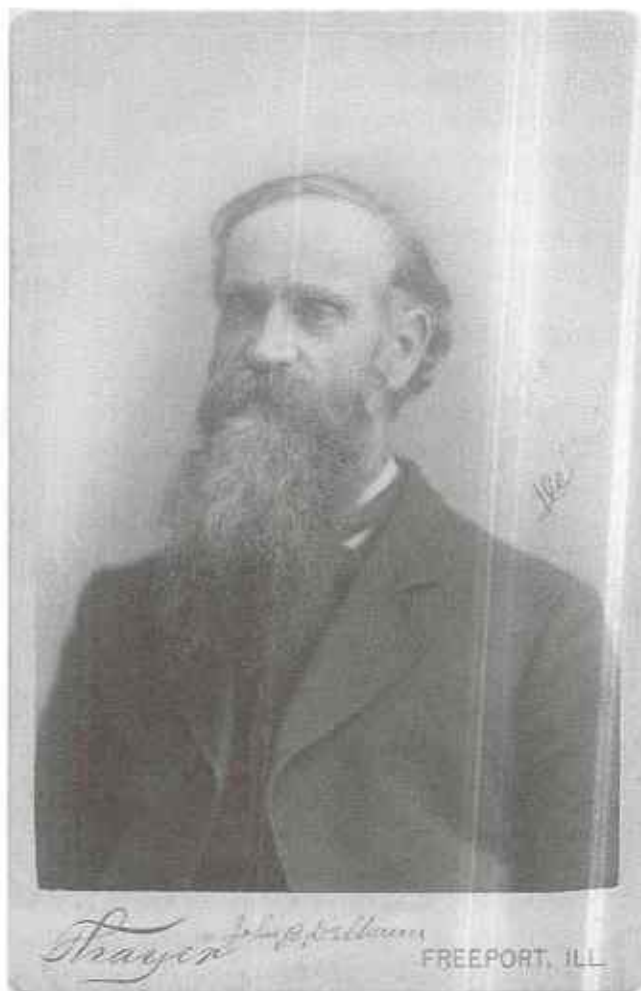
## Identifying Photos with Marge Rice



Photo by Josh Ragusa

This column is based on the work of ISGS member **Marge Rice**, of Joliet, IL, who collects identifiable unclaimed photos from such places as antique shops, flea markets, and garage sales in the hope of reuniting them with their families. The photos shown here are among the many yet-unclaimed images in Marge's collection. The text identifying the photo is noted in parentheses, followed by Marge's research notes and comments. If you belong to any of the names or if you would like her to check her present inventory of 2000 photos for your surnames and locations, she may be contacted at [margerice@prodigy.net](mailto:margerice@prodigy.net). Search requests must be limited to only two surnames.

**Photo 1: "Laswell Children,"** cabinet card photo taken about 1898, identified on the back as Lee, about 1 year; Elsie, about 4 years and "Lloyd," about 3 years. The family is found in the 1900 census of Cass (Fulton Co.) IL as children of John Laswell, occupation farmer, b. Dec 1859; wife Della, b. May 1866; and children Elsie, b. Jan 1893; Lloyd, b. Feb 1895; and Lee, b. May 1897. Census indicates that all were born IL.



**Photo 2: "John B. Delhauer,"** cabinet card photo taken in Freeport (Stephenson Co.) IL. John is found in the 1870 Freeport census as age 41, a grocer, born Pennsylvania. His wife Catharine, age 39, was born OH. Children noted on that census are Charles, 15; Ava M., 11; John, 9; Maggie, 7; and Edward, 5, all born IL.



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SUTTON-DUDLEY

John de Sutton of Ashton and Wells, Northamptonshire, married Margery (sister and heiress of John de Somery, died 1321, owner of Castle and Lordship of Dudley, Staffordshire). John de Sutton was summoned to parliament in 1322 to 1341 as Baron Dudley. Issue John.

- 2- John de Sutton II (died 1359) of Dudley. Summoned to Parliament Feb. 1341-2. Married Isabel de Chariton. Issue John.
- 3- John de Sutton III (died 1370) of Dudley. Married Margaret de Beauchamp. Issue John.
- 4- John de Sutton IV (d 1396) of Dudley. Married Joan. Issue John.
- 5- John de Sutton V (died 1436) of Dudley. Married 1st Alice Despenser, second Caroline Blout. Issue John.
- 6- John de Sutton VI (born 1401 died 1487). Baron Sutton of Dudley. Summoned to Parliament Feb. 15, 1439 to 1487. He served in France under Henry V. Created Knight of the Garter 1451. He was taken prisoner with the Lancastrian Party at St. Albans May 21, 1455. Was reconciled to the Yorkist Party at the accession of Edward IV and died Sept. 30, 1487. Buried in Priory of St. James at Dudley. Married Elizabeth Berkeley. (She was the widow of Sir Edward Charlton of Powys and daughter of Sir John Berkeley.) She died before 1479, leaving issue Edward Sutton, John Sutton, William Sutton, -Bishop of Durham, and Oliver Sutton.
- 7- Oliver (Sutton) Dudley (died 1469) was slain at the Battle of Edgecombe July 25, 1469. Did not hold title or estates of his father. His will made July 22, 1469 constituted his brother William, Bishop of Durham, the executor of his will. His sons and heirs were Edward and John.
- 8- Edward (Sutton) Dudley married 1st Joyce Tiptoft (daughter of Sir John Tiptoft and his wife Joice Charlton). Married second Matilda or Maud de Clifford (daughter of Thomas 8th Lord Clifford). By his first marriage he had, Edward, John, Thomas, and Joice. By 2nd he had seven sons and four daughters, one son Thomas.
- 9- John Sutton Dudley had sons Edward Sutton Baron Sutton of Dudley died 1534 and Sir John Sutton of Dudley.
- 10- Sir John Sutton of Dudley (died 1541) had a daughter Margaret.
- 11- Margaret Sutton (died 1563) married John Butler, who died Oct. 1553. She brought to the Butler family the estates of Ashton and Wells in Northamptonshire. They had William Butler (3rd son) who acquired Brighton and Sulgrave. (His daughter Margaret Butler married Aug. 3, 1568 Laurence Washington and brought to him Sulgrave Manor.)
- 12- Thomas de Dudley of London (son of Edward Sutton Dudley and Matilda or Maud de Clifford). Had son John.
- 13- John Dudley of London had son Roger.
- 14- Capt. Roger Dudley, killed in the Wars before 1588, married Susan Thorne (daughter of Thomas Thorne of Yardley Hastings). Had son Thomas
- 15- Thomas Dudley, the immigrant, second Governor of Massachusetts.

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Sutton Family

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