

Rededication at Elizabeth Tilley Howland's gravesite

A special tour was arranged by The Pilgrim John Howland Society to include a rededication at the gravesite of Elizabeth Tilley Howland. On Friday, September 6 the society visited the first Baptist Church in America in Providence. It was founded by Roger Williams after he was warned to leave Massachusetts. From there the tour went to Little Neck Cemetery in Riverside, R.I.

In his remarks President Harry L. Walen noted that "we remember Elizabeth Tilley as a girl, baptized Aug. 30, 1607 and nurtured in Henlow, England, in a time of religious and political unrest. Yet she was in a loving family that brought her at the age of barely 13 to a land where she could hopefully mature into a person free to worship with her family and friends according to their beliefs."

Mr. Walen said her character was further shaped by the trauma of the crossing, the abysmal crowded and wintry living conditions on the anchored *Mayflower*, the sickness of the first winter, the deaths of her father and mother and her uncle and aunt, and the demanding life ashore as the colony began to grow. "Just before her 16th birthday," he continued, "she married John Howland, almost twice her age, and found in him an understanding and considerate husband. Her will, written shortly before her death on Dec. 21, 1687 in her 80th year, reflects her affection and respect for the father of her 10 children, as his will reflects his loving care for her."

Also at the gravesite service Lura Sellow recounted that Elizabeth was buried there because she had gone to live with daughter Lydia after John died.

In 1949 the Howland Society placed the stone, designed after John Howland's stone in Plymouth, on Elizabeth's grave. Sheila Ray Whitcomb, nine years old at the time, placed a wreath on the grave after Delaney Howland had unveiled the stone.

Sheila Ray Whitcomb Surgento and her mother, Mrs. Reginald D. Whitcomb, were at the ceremony and Sheila again placed a wreath on the grave.



President Harry L. Walen at the grave of
John Howland

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Winslow
Farm

Found: The Ancestry of John Winslow of Dartmouth, Massachusetts

A New Soule Line

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Mayflower Families Through Five Generations [hereafter *MF*], Volume 3, George Soule (pp. 129-130) lists among the children of Jonathan Winslow and Patience⁴ Paine (Susannah³ Haskell, Patience² Soule, George¹) John Winslow, for whom there is no further record.

A line has been accepted by the Society of Mayflower Descendants (filed by Richard Walter Turner, Gen. Soc. #44980; MA #7288) showing that John⁵ Winslow in this Soule line was the same as the John Winslow who married in Dartmouth, Massachusetts, to Abigail Mosher. The circumstantial evidence for this identification includes the following:

1. While *MF*, 3:129-130 does not provide documentation placing Jonathan and Patience (Paine) Winslow in Dartmouth, the revision of that work by Robert S. Wakefield, *Mayflower Families in Progress, George Soule of the Mayflower and His Descendants for Four Generations*, [1992], #224, cites two deeds regarding Jonathan and Patience. In the first, Jonathan Winslow of Dartmouth and wife Patience sold land in Dartmouth in 1758 (a later deed, dated 1794,2 states they were living in Freetown).
2. David P. Holton's *Kenelm Winslow Memorial* [hereafter *Holton*] (1877), 1:423 states [italics added]:

"Rebecca A. Winslow, b. May 1806, at D[artmouth], dau. of John and Elizabeth (Chandler) of Dartmouth, and grandau. of John Winslow, who was lost off Cape Horn, and gr. granddau. of *John* Winslow, concerning whom we know nothing."

The published vital records of Dartmouth include the birth record of Rebecca A. Winslow, "daughter of John, son of John and Abigail," and the birth of John Winslow, son of John and Abigail. The way in which Holton's text is written suggests that he was relying on an account perhaps provided by Rebecca A. (Winslow) Winslow [she married Ezra Winslow], who was still alive at that time, as there is no mention of dates or places. It is very possible if this is the case, that she may have

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been mistaken about her great-grandfather "John, concerning whom we know nothing."

3. Jonathan Winslow of Dartmouth sold to John Winslow of Dartmouth land in Dartmouth for £78 on 5 October 1770. The deed does not name any relationship between Jonathan and John, but does mention Reuben Winslow, who evidently had purchased the land with Jonathan Winslow in April 1769 (Bristol County LR, 53:233). This could be Reuben Winslow, brother of Jonathan Winslow (Holton, 102, 235-236).
4. The probate of "John Winslow, Dartmouth, 1778" includes a petition dated 9 February 1779 in which Abigail Winslow, widow of John Winslow of Dartmouth, requested Jonathan Winslow of Leicester [sic] be removed as administrator of the estate and the guardianship of John's two children, for which Jonathan Winslow had applied without her permission on 30 November 1778. Jonathan⁵ Winslow (#1013 in *MF*, 3:130, 386), brother of John⁵ Winslow, had moved to Worcester County and married his second wife in Leicester in 1779.

From these and other references, we can re-construct the family of John⁵ Winslow:

1. **JOHN⁵ WINSLOW** (Patience⁴ Paine, Susannah³ Haskell, Patience² Soule, George¹), born at Freetown, 30 June 1744 (Helen Gurney Thomas, *Vital Records of the Town of Freetown, Massachusetts, 1686 through 1890*, [1988], n.p.); died "off Cape Horn," before 3 November 1778 (Holton, 1:235, 423; and probate).

He married at Dartmouth, 29 October 1769 (*Vital Records of Dartmouth, Massachusetts, to the Year 1850* [1929-1930], 2:559), **ABIGAIL MOSHER**, daughter of Barnabas and Bethiah (Walker) Mosher, born at Dartmouth, 10 October 1746, (*VR*, 1:163; Mildred Chamberlain and Laura Clarenbach, *Descendants of Hugh Mosher*, [1990], 18-29); died after 4 May 1779 (administration of husband's estate). There is no probate for Barnabas or Bethiah Mosher in Bristol County.

On 5 October 1770, Jonathan Winslow of Dartmouth sold to John Winslow of Dartmouth 45 acres of land in that town for £78. This land was bounded by other land divided "between me & Ruben Winslow." Witnesses were James Tisdale and James Williams and the deed was acknowledged on the same date (Bristol Co. LR, 53:233).

Administration on the estate of John Winslow late of Dartmouth was granted to Jonathan Winslow of "Leicester," Worcester County, 3 November 1778. Bond was given by Jonathan with John Evans, Jr., and George Winslow, yeomen, both of Freetown. On 9 February 1779, Abigail Winslow, widow of John Winslow late of Dartmouth, petitioned the court to have Jonathan removed as administrator of the estate and as guardian of her two children. She stated that Jonathan had applied for administration without notifying her. On 4 May 1779 Abigail was appointed administratrix and gave bond with John Smith, yeoman,

and David Gifford, yeoman, both of Dartmouth. The inventory was taken 3 May 1779, totalling £116.8, including 40 acres of land valued at £78 (Bristol Co. PR "John Winslow, Dartmouth, 1778," 25:568-571).

Children of John and Abigail (Mosher) **WINSLOW**, born at Dartmouth (VR, 1:308):

2. i. **JOHN**⁶, b. 11 May 1770.

3. ii. **THOMAS**, b. 24 Jan. 1773.

2. **JOHN**⁶ **WINSLOW** (John⁵, Patience⁴ Paine, Susannah³ Haskell, Patience² Soule, George¹), born at Dartmouth, 11 May 1770 (VR, 1:308); died at Dartmouth, between 10 and 17 February 1815 (death notice, *New Bedford Mercury*, issue of 17 Feb. 1815, "son of John & Abigail").

He married at Dartmouth, 11 October 1787 (VR, 2:559), **ELIZABETH CHANDLER**, born at Dartmouth, 5 October 1768 (VR, 1:308, which only states she was wife of John; parentage not determined); died after 19 March 1819 (deed).

The will of John Winslow of Dartmouth, dated 14 January 1815 and proved 3 October 1815, ordered his executor to sell enough of the real estate to settle his debts and funeral charges. To his "beloved wife Elizabeth Winslow" he gave all of the household furniture and moveables, all his wearing apparel "free and clear to her own use and disposal," and all of the remainder of the real estate, live-stock, farming utensils, as long as she remained his widow, "she performing what I shall here after order (viz., to bring up my two youngest daughters to the age of Eighteen years and give them as much Opportunity of school learning as my other Two Eldest daughters have had). After his youngest daughter Rebecca Winslow arrived at the age of eighteen and after Elizabeth ceased to be his widow, all of his real estate was to be divided among his four daughters: Abigail Rider, Phebe Mosher, Elizabeth Winslow, and Rebeccah Winslow in the following percentages – daughter Phebe Mosher $\frac{1}{8}$ part ("which I think with what I have already given her will make her equal to my other Daughters"), the other $\frac{7}{8}$ "I order Equally divided amongst my Other three Daughters." He appointed his wife executrix. Witnesses were W^m Gifford, Joseph Mosher, and Gideon Mosher (Bristol Co. Probate, "John Winslow, 1815, Dartmouth," 50:527-531, 560, 52:537-538).

Elizabeth gave bond on 3 October 1815 with Thomas Winslow and Joseph Mosher. The inventory included the homestead farm containing 30 acres valued at \$1,000, $\frac{1}{6}$ part of a lot of land of 26 acres in common and undivided with Samuel Rodman (\$80), and $\frac{1}{3}$ of a lot of 14 acres in common with Thomas Winslow (\$20). Elizabeth filed accounts on 7 May 1816 and 29 October 1816.

On 19 March 1819 Elizabeth Winslow of Dartmouth, widow of the late John Winslow of Dartmouth, quitclaimed to David Rider of Dartmouth, yeoman, her right in one half of the farm lately owned by Elihu Mosher of New Bedford situated in Dartmouth, containing 47 acres and bounded southerly by land of Thomas Winslow. At the same time Elizabeth quitclaimed her right in the home-

stead farm "that my late Husband John Winslow died seized of" in Dartmouth containing 27 acres. Witnesses of these deeds were William Potter and Joseph Gifford, and the deeds were acknowledged on the same date (Bristol Co. LR, 107:38-39).

Children of John and Elizabeth (Chandler) WINSLOW, born at Dartmouth (VR, 1:308-309; *Winslow Mem.*, 1:423):

- i. **ABIGAIL**⁷, b. 27 Feb. 1790; m. at Dartmouth, 12 July 1812 (VR, 2,558, Dartmouth Friends Meeting), **DAVID RIDER**, of Dartmouth.
 - ii. **PHEBE**, b. 4 June 1793; m. at Dartmouth, 22:4 mo. (July): 1812 (VR, 2:560), **ASA MOSHER** of Canaan, N. Y., son of Barnabas Mosher.
 - iii. **ELIZABETH**, b. 27 Nov. 1797; un. 14 Jan. 1815 (father's will); poss. m. at Dartmouth, 7 Oct. 1827 (VR, 2:558), **JAMES HATHAWAY** of Dartmouth.
 - iv. **REBECCA A.**, 9 May 1806; d. at Dartmouth, 6 Dec. 1889 (D/C filed with Gen. Soc. #44980; MA #7288); m. at Dartmouth, 23 Nov. 1820 (VR, 2:559), **EZRA WINSLOW**, son of Ezra and Mary (Hollis) Winslow (*Winslow Mem.*, 1:423), b. at Dartmouth, 12 Dec. 1797 (VR, 1:308); died at Dartmouth, 7 Apr. 1871, age 73-4-15 (D/C with Gen. Soc. #44980/MA #7288).
3. **THOMAS**⁶ WINSLOW (John⁵, Patience⁴ Paine, Susannah³ Haskell, Patience² Soule, George¹), born at Dartmouth, 24 Jan. 1773; died in Dartmouth, before 4 August 1840 (bond on estate).

He married (intention filed at Dartmouth, 7 May 1796, both of Dartmouth) (VR, 2:561), **LYDIA PECKHAM**, born 6 June 1776 [Dartmouth VR, 1:308 given as "w. Thomas (s. John & Abigail)"] who survived her husband and died before 3 February 1857 (division of estate).

The will of Thomas Winslow of Dartmouth, yeoman, [the date of which cannot be read because a portion of the will has been folded and sealed over another portion] gives all of the real estate to his wife Lydia Winslow "so long as she remains widow and no longer." After her widowhood, the estate was to be divided among his three daughters: Elizabeth Gifford, wife of Lewis Gifford, Jr.; Mary Gifford, wife of Taber Gifford; and Rhoda Winslow, or among their children. He excepted his dwelling house from that division, giving it to his two daughters Mary P. Gifford and Rhoda Winslow. [The remainder of the will is covered up.] On 4 August 1850, Joseph Gifford, of Dartmouth, executor of the will of Thomas Winslow gave bond with Rowland Rider and George Kirby, both of Dartmouth. An undated acceptance of probate was signed by Lydia Winslow (by mark) and children of Thomas: Lewis Gifford, Jr., Elizabeth Gifford, Mary P. Gifford, Rhoda Winslow, and Tabor Gifford (by mark).

On 3 February 1857, Asa W. Read and Rhoda Read, his wife in her right, and Elizabeth Gifford both of Dartmouth; Thomas A. Gifford and Elisabeth A. Gifford both of New Bedford, and Susannah Gifford, Caroline Gifford, and Lydia Gifford all of New Bedford, minors under the guardianship of Thomas A. Gifford, petitioned to have the estate ($\frac{1}{3}$ each to Rhoda and Elizabeth, and $\frac{1}{15}$

each to the rest). A receipt was signed by all parties 5 May 1857 (Bristol Co. PR, "Thomas Winslow, Dartmouth, 1840," 81:458-459).

Children of Thomas and Lydia (Peckham) WINSLOW:

- i. **ELIZABETH**⁷, living 3 Feb. 1857; m. at Dartmouth, 30 Sept. 1824 by Rev. David Hix, First Christian Church (int. at Dartmouth, 3 Sept. 1824) (VR, 2:558) (VR, 2:558), **LEWIS GIFFORD, JR.**
- ii. **MARY P.**, d. bef. 3 Feb. 1857; m. at Dartmouth, 30 Apr. 1829 (VR, 2:559), **TABER GIFFORD**. Children (surname **Gifford**):
1. **Thomas A.** 2. **Elizabeth A.** 3. **Susannah A.** 4. **Caroline G.** 5. **Lydia P.**
- iii. **RHODA**, m. at Dartmouth, 11 Jan. 1848 (VR, 2:559), **ASA W. REED**, son of Lemuel, Jr., and Ruth Reed of Westport.

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Thomas Rogers of the Mayflower, 1620

Thomas Rogers, born ca. 1572, son of William & Eleanor (_____) Rogers m. 24 October 1597, Watford, Northamptonshire

Alice Cosford, daughter of George Cosford

Children, baptized at Watford:

Thomas, bap 24 March 1598/9, buried 27 May 1599

poss. **Richard**, bap 12 March 1599/1600, buried 4 April 1600

Joseph, bap 23 January 1602/3, arrived *Mayflower* 1620 with father

John, bap 6 April 1606, arrived by 1630 (perhaps bringing his sisters)

Elizabeth, bap 26 December 1609, (probably married here & had issue)

Margaret, bap 30 May 1613, (probably married here & had issue)

Bradford stated that the rest of Thomas Rogers's children came over, married, and had children. He was usually correct.

The discovery was made by Clifford Stott, and was published by Robert Charles Anderson in Volume Three of *The Great Migration Begins*, which was published in 1995 by the New England Historic Genealogical Society, and is excerpted here with their permission.

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Fuller Society Meetings

Thirty-six members and guests attended the Annual Meeting of the Fuller Society held in Portland, Maine on September 6 and 7. A two-hour genealogical workshop was held on Friday with member and genealogist Jim Cumming presiding. A 90-minute tour of Portland with a stop at the Portland Light House and browsing through the Old Port gift shops were among other activities.

The Annual Meeting and banquet were held at DiMillo's Floating Restaurant, where we enjoyed the view of the cruise ship *Scotia Prince*, with its dazzling lights. Jim Cumming spoke on "Genealogical Goals."

An invitation from the Lothrop Foundation was accepted to hold a joint meeting October 17, 18 and 19, 1997 in Sandwich (Cape Cod), Mass. The location is near Barnstable, where the Rev. John Lothrop lived and preached at the First Congregational Church. The famous Sturgis Library in Barnstable contains material concerning the Rev. John Lothrop and his church, including artifacts of his home within the building. It is open for research and tours. The program on Saturday, October 18, will be given on the life of Jane Lothrop, wife of Edward Fuller's son, Samuel.

Membership in the Fuller Society is open to anyone interested in, or descended from the Mayflower Pilgrims, including Dr. Samuel Fuller, Edward Fuller and Matthew Fuller. For information contact Mary Lee Merrill, Governor, The Fuller Society, HCR 69, Box 666, Friendship, ME 04547.

Bert Tatem honored by Howland Society

Robert M. Tatem, a member of the Pilgrim John Howland Society for 70 years and vice president for 18 years, was honored at the society's annual meeting for his many accomplishments and devoted support of the organization. President Harry L. Walen presented him with a beautiful colored certificate.

With the membership number 308, Tatem became a member of the Society on April 10, 1926. Founder of the "Golden Oldies," he was named a member of the Executive Board in 1987, serving in that capacity until 1996.

The framed certificate read in part: "In 1965 he wrote a handsome resolution which was sent to Baroness Churchill following the death of honorary member Sir Winston Churchill, in 1982 initiated and in that same year carried through the creation and installation of the sixth bell in the 'ring' at the church of Saints Peter and Paul in Fenstanton as a memorial to John Howland, was instigator and designer of the memorial plaque dedicated in the church of Saint Mary the Virgin in Henlow, England, April 30, 1989, to memorialize Elizabeth Tilley, and has been our official correspondent with that church."