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## News from the President

### Norman Standish

#### Reunion 2002

Plans for the 2002 Soule Reunion are rapidly coming together. Additional information will be provided by the committee in this issue of the Soule Newsletter. The Reunion will be held near Mystic Connecticut with all the attractions of a historic seaport. In addition, there are many attractions in the general area, which may be of interest as side trips during the reunion. However, the focus is to join the opportunities planned by Barbara Johnston and Carol Godreau, meet cousins and have a good time. See you there!

#### Luke and Merle Soule Family Foundation Grant

Soule Kindred in America, Inc. has been awarded a grant of \$10,000.00 to work on developing information on Pilgrim George Soule's father, and determine if there are any connections to the de Soule Families of Scotland. This is a tremendous opportunity for everyone to join in, provide information and input, and take part in this important project undertaken by our historian, Charles Jack Sowles. Some interesting pieces of information have already been developed. Many leads on information surrounding the turbulent times of 1200 to the 1300's in Scotland have revealed information on the role of the de Soule Family and their contribution to the political life of that time. More recently we have found that the Soule families were members of the Douglas Clan in Scotland and more information may be available concerning that phase of history. Some surprises have turned up in that Lord William de Soules was so disliked by his tenants that they "wrapped him in a sheet of lead and plunged him into a boiling cauldron until they melted lead, bones and a'." (the full description of this tale is found in Ridlon, Vol 1, page 61 – Editor) Another, less violent version of this is printed above the "cauldron" story. This alternate version states that William was part of a larger conspiracy against Robert the Bruce, confessed his guilt in full before parliament, was spared execution by the King, had a large part of his lands confiscated and was confined in the castle of Dumbarton where he died. This treason caused the downfall of this once powerful Family. We still have not discovered a connection between these de Soule Families and George Soule. We welcome input from anyone who may be able to contribute to solving the genealogical mysteries of our forefather. We want to thank Elinor Soule Grancher of Spokane, WA who read my comments in the last Soule Newsletter, and contributed additional information, which produced some very valuable leads.

#### Digitizing Kindred Index

Work on digitizing the Soule Kindred Indexes (see article in Soule Newsletter, Vol. XXXVI, No. 1, January 2002) has been completed and the initial response, in terms of sales, has been good. Our historian, Charles Jack Sowles, has put a lot of effort into this project, and it is very satisfying to see the positive response. Input and suggestions for continuing improvement are encouraged. This will be an ongoing project. We apologize to members who had to wait for their copy, but as with many new products, there were several unforeseen delays.

However, response should be much better in the future. We hope to discuss this project at the 2002 Reunion and obtain input for future components that can be added to the CD.

### **Soule Newsletter**

Frank Flint Soule, III, our Soule Kindred Newsletter editor, produced his first Soule Newsletter, but had to overcome several obstacles in the process. In filing for a nonprofit mailing permit we found a problem with the corporate name. This problem has now been resolved as a document was found by our legal counsel that was filed with the state of Massachusetts consolidating "Soule Kindred, Inc." with "Soule Kindred in America, Inc.". The Chicago Post office refused to mail our Newsletter at the nonprofit rate until this was resolved and we had to mail at regular bulk mailing rates. We will apply for a refund of the difference. Frank deserves a lot of credit for the effort made to get out this latest issue. Future issues should be received on a timelier basis. We would like to see more articles of interest and information submitted by the membership.

We have several spelling variations of the family surname. Perhaps you would like to act as a byline editor to highlight background and events of interest within your family name group. This does not have to be more than a paragraph. Frank can then append articles, such as lineages under that section. The Sole Society in England already does this in their newsletter Soul Search and it makes for a well-organized research journal. We would welcome volunteers to serve in this capacity and to help prospective family group members in understanding the position they could have in our organization. Send your information to Frank in a timely fashion to make the next Newsletter (August 2002) His information as to deadlines and addresses is found in the Editor's Corner.

### **Cash Flow for Soule Kindred in America, Inc.**

The present financial status of Soule Kindred in America, Inc. will be reported at the 2002 Reunion. Although we do not have a lot of funds, our costs continue to grow each year. Since our dues have been constant for some years, developing a budget for approval at the 2002 Reunion will require careful review. To assist our treasurer, Betty-Jean Haner, I will send to each officer, director and committee chair a form to fill out and return before the Soule Reunion so that a proposed budget can be developed (Budget Request Form No.105). If you project a requirement for funds following the meeting through the 2003 Reunion, submit a form for requested funds. If you do not anticipate needing funds, do not file a form. Examples of our cost increases are as follows:

From 1996 to 1999 our Newsletter cost increased 54%

From 1996 to 1999 our Office Expenses increased 20%

All Soule Kindred expenses are paid from dues (excluding scholarships). In contrast, our scholarship funds have grown. Perhaps we should look at expanding our support program for our young people.

In addition to the budget, it will be important that any outstanding expenses be forwarded to the treasurer prior to the 2002 Reunion.

### **Soule Kindred Business Forms**

Financial records are important, particularly when Soule Kindred in America, Inc. is working with grant funds. Therefore, we need a formal record of expenditures and will use the following forms:

Travel Expense & Expenditure Form 101

Request for Reimbursement of Operating Expenses Form 104

(These forms are available upon request with copies made available at the Reunion Annual business meeting)

**Participation in your Society**

We want to provide an opportunity for everyone who wishes to participate in the Soule Kindred in America, Inc. At the 2002 Reunion we will elect officers and confirm committee chair and member appointments. If you would like to be considered for any of these positions please contact me before the 2002 Reunion. A call for people interested in the Mayflower Historic Site Committee was made in the last Soule Newsletter. We still need volunteers for this important position.

We would like to identify future Reunion sites and the committee will be meeting at the Reunion. We will work with anyone in developing a future Reunion. Some suggestions from past Reunion meetings have been San Antonio, Texas, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada and Toronto, Ontario, Canada. (Any suggestions? E-mail me at [standish@aeroinc.net](mailto:standish@aeroinc.net))

We want to establish a Trustee to maintain an inventory list of Soule Kindred in America, Inc properties or assets. I will be sending another form to be used in this office (Listing of Capital Items Form 103). If you have capital items used in performing your duties or office that have been paid for and owned by Soule Kindred, file this form. If not don't file a form. It is essential that we have these records on file so that if the IRS ever questions us we do not lose our nonprofit status, 501 (c) (3). This status has many advantages for us including the ability to deduct from Federal tax gifts and contributions to the organization. If you have disposed of capital items or plan to dispose any capital items, send a letter indicating and describing the item providing any residual value at disposal. If these items have been donated to a school, library, etc. be sure to indicate that disposal to remove the item from our books.

**Membership**

There are many descendants of Pilgrim George Soule who are not members. Application forms are included in every Soule Kindred Newsletter. If you know of someone who might be interested, provide the opportunity to him or her by sending a copy of the form. Remember proof of descendancy or even descent from George is not a requirement for membership. We are open to all who have an interest.

**Soule Kindred Website**

Have you seen our web site? Ruth Hall has done an excellent job of developing and maintaining an attractive and informative electronic Web Page for the Soule Kindred in America, Inc. She has currently available an extract of all Soule (& variations thereof) 1880 Federal Census records. This is in a text (.txt) format and should be easily downloaded. You may have information that you would like to submit to Ruth. If you have not seen the Web Page, you should take the time to look at it.

Web Site: <http://www.homepages.rootsweb.com/~ruthhall/Soule/Sksoulekindred.html>

Submit information to [ruthhall@worldnet.att.net](mailto:ruthhall@worldnet.att.net). Even if you don't have anything to submit, let Ruth know what you like about our Web Page. You can always go to your local library to use a computer if you don't have a personal computer.



Frank Flint Soule III, Editor

## *Editor's Corner*

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Also in this issue is a requested reprint by Colonel John Soule about George Soule of the Mayflower, which appeared in the 19<sup>th</sup> issue, No.4 October 1985. This article is timely in our new effort to determine the facts about the ancestry and origins of the man through the Luke and Merle Soules Family Foundation grant.

I will continue to provide information such as; reprints of wills, excerpts from publications, antique family photographs, family Bible transcriptions, etc as you provide them. As I have a library of all the past newsletters I will try to reprint some of the articles in response to specific requests.

The Sole Society of the UK has allowed us to reprint a humerous article printed in their April journal. They have also asked for permission to reprint some of our articles as well. Much of their information will be pertinent for Sole family researchers, as they currently do not follow the Soule surname. I urge you to view their web site at [www.sole.org.uk](http://www.sole.org.uk) Our research will be enhanced by forging a stronger bond between our organizations.

You can send your submissions to me at ([ffsoule1@juno.com](mailto:ffsoule1@juno.com)). I always seek your permission to publish your materiel. I do not have word perfect and cannot open those types of files clearly. I can get text (.txt) files, MS-word files (.Doc) and picture files (jpeg, gif, pdf, etc.)

When submitting documents remember to try to document your sources when and where possible for the sake of your fellow researchers. There are also copyright laws to comply with. Continue to send your information to our Treasurer, Ms. Betty-Jean Haner at Albany, NY or feel free to "snail mail" your information directly to me at 1413 Dorothy Drive, Palatine, IL 60074-5749. Deadlines for submission to the newsletter will be March 30<sup>th</sup>, July 31<sup>st</sup>, September 30<sup>th</sup> & December 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Reunion Committee Report**

April 1, 2002

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Dear Soule Kindred Cousins;

You're invited!!! This year's Annual Soule Kindred Reunion is being held at Mystic, Connecticut. The dates are Wednesday, September 25th thru Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>.

We have 30 rooms reserved at the Groton Inn and Suites, Rt. 187 in Groton, Connecticut.

The room prices range from \$79 to \$139 with our group rates. Room rates in the area run in the same price range. If you would like to have a list of other accommodations, we will be sending out an information package with your reunion confirmation once you register which will include further information on area attractions and accommodations.

If you plan to stay at the Groton Inn and Suites with us, please make your reservations as soon as possible to assure yourself a room. Their telephone number is 1-800-452-2191. Be sure to mention that you are with the Soule Kindred Reunion group to receive the reduced room rate.

We have so many interesting tours and events planned for you. I hope you will be able to join us for the entire reunion and all of the excursions.

Some of the planned visits are:

\*Essex Steam Train and Riverboat – An afternoon trip aboard an authentically restored 1920's steam train and multi-decked riverboat. This is a two and a half hour excursion through the beautiful Connecticut River Valley.

\*Mystic Seaport – The Museum of America and the Sea – Our country's leading maritime museum – Learn about whaling aboard the Charles W. Morgan, the world's last surviving wooden whaling ship and the industry that flourished in southeastern Connecticut well into the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

\*USS Nautilus and Submarine Museum – Board the world's first nuclear powered submarine and first to traverse the North Pole under ice.

\*Mashantucket Pequot Museum – Learn Native American history through outstanding interactive displays and a lifelike "village".

\*Mystic Aquarium and Institute for Exploration – take a journey to the ocean's floor guided by Dr. Robert Ballard, world-famous discoverer of underwater shipwrecks. Visit the "Alaska Coast", the stunning outdoor exhibit of Beluga Whales.

We also hope to include a Clambake Picnic, a foray to Mystic Pizza, where the movie of the same name was filmed (plus a showing of the movie for anyone who is interested).

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Carol and I are excited to host the Soule Kindred Reunion again. Many of you will probably remember the Madison, Indiana reunion we hosted a few years ago.

I'm sure I have forgotten or overlooked an important bit of information. Please feel free to call or e-mail me with any questions. My phone number and e-mail address are at the top of this page.

Can't wait to hear from you!

Yours,

Barbra Johnston and Carol Godreau

- A last minute query from Howard E. Lane: I'm trying to find the parents of Hannah Soule born about 1792 in New York and who died before 1850 in Olive, Ulster Co., NY. She married William Gilbert Lane about 1812 in Shandaken, Ulster Co., NY. I'm willing to share information about this family.  
Thank you, Howard,  
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## My Great-grandfather, S. S. Soule

My mother adored her mother, Jessie. She spoke of her many, many times while we were growing up, usually with sadness in her voice, as her mother died too soon, too young, in the terrible Flu Epidemic of 1918-1919.

Jessie was the daughter of Sardine (long i) Stone Soule, a direct descendent of the Mayflower Pilgrim, George Soule. His parents were Almon Soule and Mary Kimball Soule. They moved from Waterville, Kennebec County, Maine to Marietta, Washington County, Ohio about 1815, soon after the War of 1812. Almon and his family were in the 1820 Census at Fearing Township, Washington County, Ohio.

My Great-grandfather was born on 14 March, 1821. He was the namesake of Judge Sardine Stone, of the Stone Family, prominent early settlers in Washington County (later in life Sardine went only by S. S. Soule, as he disliked his name). At that time James Monroe was President and our young Republic was only 45 years old. Many of the men living had fought in the Revolutionary War.

At the tender age of seven Sardine's mother, Mary, died ( 4 November, 1828). His father, Almon, and family lived in Salem Township, Meigs County, Ohio and are in the 1830 Census. In 1835 they returned to Fearing Township. Sardine was then a young teenager of fourteen.

On 6 November, 1845 Sardine Soule of Harman Township and Sarah Chambers of Newport Township were married in Marrietta, Wahington County, Ohio. Sarah was an Irish beauty, the daughter of James Chambers. who came to Washington County from County Down, Northern Ireland.

By 1850 Sarah had given birth to three children, the first of whom, Robert, had died before the 1850 Census.

Sardine worked on the Ohio River as steersman on the Marietta Ferry and on the steamship, "Lindsey." Later on he worked as a carpenter, the same occupation of some of his brothers.

Five more children were born in Ohio. The second, Jasper Stone, was named after Judge Stone's brother.

In 1859 Sardine's Father, Almon, died in Salem Township, Meigs County and was buried in Old Salem Cemetary.

In the 1860 Census Sardine and family are found at Milton Township, Jackson County, Ohio. In the Spring of 1861 he and his brothers, Asa and Jonathan, with their families, made the long trek from Ohio to Johnson County, Kansas. In that year Kansas was admitted as a state, and the state became embroiled in a Civil War. This was the bloodiest American war of all time - 620,000 men killed and many, many others were maimed, blinded and crippled. The cream of the crop, the finest young men, slaughtered to fulfill the politics of the time and the ambitions of the politicians.

On the 28th of August, 1862 Sardine enlisted in the Union Army, Kansas Volunteers, Company I, 12th Regiment, Infantry; Captain J. F. Gordon commanding. He was sent to patrol the border of Kansas and Missouri. During his service (as described in his pension papers) "his Company was thinly-clad, poorly supplied with tents, sleeping on cold, wet ground, wading streams and was freezing stiff". As a result of these circumstances he became ill and was honorably discharged with a Certificate of Disability by the Company Surgeon on the 26th of September, 1863. On this Certificate is a physical description of Sardine - "41 years of age, 5 foot 8 inches high, light complexion, dark eyes, sandy hair - occupation farmer". His commanding officer, Captain Gordon, stated - "I knew nothing of his being

subject to spasms prior to his enlistment?

After his discharge from the Army he returned to his farm at Olathe, Johnson County, Kansas.

In the month before Sardine returned to his farm, on August 19, 1863 William Quantrill and his men raided the nearby town of Lawrence shortly before sunrise. His band killed, looted and burned homes and stores, then rode away leaving 150 dead and wounded men. Quantrill's Raiders also burned Olathe and when pursued across a corner of the Soule farm, the Soule family were eyewitnesses as men were shot and killed. Much of the history of this was written and later on made into movies.

My Grandmother, Jessie Soule, was born the following year on November 11, 1864.

In 1868 the family moved from Johnson County to El Dorado, Butler County, Kansas. They arrived in September in a covered wagon drawn by oxen. At that time the family consisted of Sardine and his wife, Sarah, and their surviving children - Jasper, Albert, Nettie, Ida, Charles, Bertha, Almon and Jessie. They homesteaded the land that provided one of the four corners of Old El Dorado (in historical records).

The Homestead Act of 1862 offered any head of a family 160 acres of land. The recipient paid a small fee and agreed to live on and cultivate the land for 5 years. The Homestead Act constituted an landmark in American frontier history. It had a background reaching back to the colonial period when pioneers were offered land as an inducement to take and hold frontier areas exposed to Indian attacks.

Sardine hewed logs and built a home for his family on their homestead. Later on he had a stand at the Locust Avenue Bridge Dam in El Dorado where, using his carpentry skills, he constructed boats and rented them out to those who liked to wile away hours on the Walnut River.

In 1879 the Soule Family moved to Arkansas City, Cowley County, Kansas. They are found in the 1880 Census.

On 17 April, 1880 Sardine filed a Declaration for Original Invalid Pension. He stated that while in his Civil War Service he contracted epilepsy caused by exposure to cold and hard marching. The affidavit states that "prior to his entry into service he was a man of good, sound physical health, that he is now disabled due to his service".

In September, 1880 his wife Sarah died and was buried at Riverview Cemetary in Arkansas City.

Sardine and his children returned to Johnson County. In December, 1880 an affidavit was filed by John Collins, a neighbor acquainted with Sardine in 1862. He stated - "I remember perfectly well and knew his health to be good, he was stout and able-bodied, sound in mind and body before he went into service. But on his return home from the Army, and after, the scene had sadly changed, his health seemed a total wreck". On the 9th of July, 1881 another affidavit was filed by Charles Delabunk. He stated - "I became well acquainted with S. S. Soule in 1861 in Johnson County. He was a stout, healthy man, and not afflicted with any disease, but when he came home from the Army he was afflicted with epileptic spasms". Another neighbor, Alexander Petrie, attested that S. S. Soule was "a good moral man, and not addicted to the use of strong drink or any other poor habits".

In December, 1882 Sardine submitted a Claimant's Statement in Compliance with Circular Number 62 of the Pension Office. He was then living at Desota, Johnson County, Kansas. He stated his age, residence, occupation and past residences. He further stated that the disabilities for which he claimed pension arose from fits or spasms which were contracted in the Winter of 1862, leading to general failure of health. The degree of disability had increased over the years. Eventually, after reams of paper work, Sardine received his pension (Reading through his numerous pension papers I've concluded that red tape bureaucracy has been around for a very long time).

Sardine and his family were living in El Dorado, Butler County, Kansas at the time of the marriage of his daughter, Jessie, on October 7, 1883 to Albert Hardin Baker, whose family had moved from Iowa to El Dorado in 1876.

On 22 April, 1889 the Oklahoma Unassigned Homestead Lands were opened with a run for land. About 50,000 determined, would-be claimants made the run. Sardine's eldest sons, Albert and Jasper, raced on horseback, won land and settled in Oklahoma. In the fall of 1895 Sardine visited his sons at Guthrie, Logan County, Oklahoma. He died there at the age of 74. During his lifespan he had witnessed and participated in much that is historical today. He is buried at Guthrie's Summit View Cemetery.

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Written by Marie (Birdsall) Renstrom, January 2002.

**2002 SOULE KINDRED REUNION  
MYSTIC, CONNECTICUT  
SEPTEMBER 25 - 29**

**REGISTRATION FORM**

NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_ X \$30 = \_\_\_\_\_

**WEDNESDAY - WELCOME IN HOSPITALITY ROOM 3PM TO 7PM. JOIN US  
FOR DINNER AT MYSTIC PIZZA FOLLOWED BY MOVIE "MYSTIC PIZZA"**

**THURSDAY - MYSTIC SEAPORT**      ADULT \_\_\_\_\_ X \$13 = \_\_\_\_\_  
CHILD \_\_\_\_\_ X 7 = \_\_\_\_\_

**MYSTIC AQUARIUM**      ADULT \_\_\_\_\_ X \$12 = \_\_\_\_\_  
CHILD \_\_\_\_\_ X 8 = \_\_\_\_\_

**FRIDAY - ESSEX TRAIN AND  
BOAT RIDE**      ADULT \_\_\_\_\_ X \$16 = \_\_\_\_\_  
CHILD \_\_\_\_\_ X 10 = \_\_\_\_\_

**PICNIC**      \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10 = \_\_\_\_\_

**SATURDAY - MASHANTUCKET  
MUSEUM**      ADULT \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10 = \_\_\_\_\_  
CHILD \_\_\_\_\_ X 7 = \_\_\_\_\_

**USS NAUTILUS**      FREE

**BANQUET DINNER**      \_\_\_\_\_ X \$19 = \_\_\_\_\_  
**TOTAL**      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO BARBRA JOHNSTON. SEND REGISTRATION AS SOON  
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**SPOUSE'S AND GUEST'S NAMES** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE NUMBER & E-MAIL** \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR SOULE LINEAGE, IF KNOWN

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7 \_\_\_\_\_ 8 \_\_\_\_\_ 9 \_\_\_\_\_ 10 \_\_\_\_\_ 11 \_\_\_\_\_ 12 \_\_\_\_\_

## SOULE COUSIN REUNION

The Soule Cousins from Montana, Idaho, & Washington States held our first Reunion on September 5, 2001 at cousin Robert's vacation place on the North Fork of the Coeur d'Alene river, N. W. of Kellogg, ID.

We are all descendents of George Soule, John Soule, Aaron Soule, Aaron Soule, John Soule, Samuel W. Soule, Alexander Soule, Arthur Soule was our grandfather. His children were our parents.

Susan Soule Thayer was Susan & June Thayer's mom. Ernest Guy Soule was Carol B. & Geri S.'s dad. Margarette Soule Cummings was Sam & Roberta Cummings' & Peggy Fleshman & Della Twidt's mom. Kenneth Soule was Elise Newgard's dad. So, all of us are of the 10<sup>th</sup> generation.

We had a great time visiting and getting re-aquainted with each other. We used to visit back and forth when we were children, but sort of lost track as we married and raised our own children. Now, most of us are retired, so we have time to get together again, and catch up on old times.

If all goes as planned, we will have a "Soule Cousin" reunion every summer, and hope more of our cousins will be able to join us. The 2002 reunion will be in Aug., but the exact date hasn't been set.

We keep in touch by e-mail, so the date can be set closer to Aug. and we will get the word out to all our cousins. Some of whom, we have lost contact with. We hope to track them down and extend an invitation to join us.

We hope all of you good Soules have a great year!

*This note and picture was received from Elise Soule Newgard  
107 Erie Ave, Hamilton, MT. Elise has been a Soule Kindred member  
since 1989.*

*B. J. Haner*



Back row: Carol Soule Bresnen  
Susan Thayer, Sam Cummings,  
Elise Soule Newgard, Robert Cummins  
June Thayer  
Front row: Geri Soule Stienile,  
Peggy Cummings Fleshman,  
Della Cummings Twidt.

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**SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT**

Soule Kindred in America, Inc. will continue to award a scholarship to a George Soule descendant. These scholarships are known as the SOULE KINDRED IN AMERICA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS. Application on reverse page should be completed and sent by July 1st to:

**Miss Betty-Jean Haner  
Chairman, Scholarship Committee  
53 New Shaker Road  
Albany, NY 12205**

(Remainder of this sheet to be used by applicant)

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**SOULE KINDRED IN AMERICA, INC.  
SOULE KINDRED MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS  
\$1000.00 AWARD**

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT

- I.           Name \_\_\_\_\_  
              Address \_\_\_\_\_  
              Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
              Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
              Mother's Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_
- II.           Proven Lineage to George Soule - Mayflower Passenger. (on separate sheet)
- III.          What college or training program do you expect to attend? \_\_\_\_\_  
              \_\_\_\_\_
- IV.          Have you been accepted by this college or training program? \_\_\_\_\_
- V.           What will be your major field of study? \_\_\_\_\_
- VI.          List school and community activities below:
- VII.         Please write a short statement of your goals for the future on the back of this form.
- VIII.        Please enclose 2 letters of reference from teachers or religious counselor.
- IX.         A transcript of student's grades is requested to be forwarded with this application.
- X.          All applications must be received by Chairman of Scholarship Committee by July 1st of applicant's Senior year, or of year of application.





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Betty -Jean Haner, Treasurer  
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Dear Miss Haner:

On behalf of the General Society I would like to thank the Soule Kindred In America, Inc. for its donation of \$2000.00 to the Society of Mayflower Descendants. Your donation will be placed in the Five Generations Project Fund as you requested. This donation is for continued research on the George Soule family. We are progressing with this effort and just recently I wrote two large checks to Soule researchers. Therefore, the donation is especially welcome at this time. Your donation will also be acknowledged in the Mayflower Quarterly.

It is through the generosity of our members, friends, State Societies, and Colonies that we are able to further the goals of the General Society. The Library is a very important part of our Society. This donation will help the Society continue researching our ancestors and provide help to future members.

I acknowledge full receipt of the above amount and confirm that no goods or services were provided in consideration of this gift. I certify that this organization is a tax-exempt institution and that it is eligible to receive tax deductible gifts under the Internal Revenue Code. The General Society of Mayflower Descendants' EIN is 63 -6005641.

Sincerely,

*Marlin W Brossart*

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Treasurer General

## THE STORY OF GEORGE SOULE

*(Mrs. Edwin Harris has asked that this article by Colonel John Soule be included in her series. Colonel Soule, co-founder of Soule Kindred wrote the article in the late 1960's.)*

# George Soule of the Mayflower and his Descendants

By Colonel John Soule

1. GEORGE SOULE, the 1620 Pilgrim, was born in England, possibly in Eckington, County of Worcestershire. Dr. Charles Edward Banks, the late noted authority on the subject says (p80 "English Ancestry and Homes of the Pilgrim Fathers" 1929) he is "tentatively identified as the son of John Soule of Eckington, Worcester, and probably kinsman to Robert Soule, a wealthy London salter, who died in 1590 a native of Eckington". Various authors have placed the date of his birth between 1590 and 1600 - let's say circa 1597. We are reasonably certain as this is written (March 1967) that no record has actually been found confirming either date or place (see COMMENTARY following this biographical sketch). We do know that George Soule died at Duxbury, Plymouth County, Massachusetts probably in January 1680 (new style - as the inventory of his estate was taken 22 Jan 1679 (old style) or 1 Feb 1680 (new style). (See appended excerpts from THE MAYFLOWER DESCENDANT 2:81-84). According to Banks "the name of Mary Bucket (undoubtedly a variant of Beckett) the wife of George Soule, who came in the ANNE (arrived Plymouth on 31 Jul 1623) should be looked for in the parish of St. Botolph, Aldersgate, London". (We would suspect from this that Dr. Banks did not look). It seems safe to assume that George & Mary were married at Plymouth and probably, in 1623 shortly after her arrival. In fact, Ridlon (p186) theorizes that they had known each other in London and that a matrimonial understanding brought her to America, although Ridlon definitely is in error concerning her arrival in 1622 (see Samuel Elliot Morison's 1952 edition of William Bradford's "Of Plymouth Plantation 1620-1647" pp 13n, 125, 127, 130-2, 148n and 154). George Soule received a land lot for building in 1623 indicating the probability that he was at least considering marriage if not already married at that time. This lot was situated on the south side of the brook to baywards (PLYMOUTH COLONY RECORDS 12:4). We can be reasonably certain that the marriage took place no later than 1626 since the family of George Soule included his wife Mary and son Zachariah on 22 May 1627 when their names were listed in the division of cattle (PLYMOUTH COLONY RECORDS 12:12). Mary died at Duxbury in December 1676.

In listing the passengers in the Mayflower, Bradford says (Morison edition p441) "Mr. Edward Winslow, Elizabeth his wife and two men-servants called George Soule and Elias Story; also a little girl was put to him called Ellen, the sister of Richard More". Later (on p444) Bradford wrote "One of his servants died, as also the little girl, soon after the ships arrival. But his man George Soule is still living and hath eight children." Here is a minor puzzle. Morison theorizes that the first quotation was written about 1647/48; the second about 1650. Since George & Mary (Bucket) Soule had nine children, was Bradford in error in his count or was Morison in error in placing this writing in 1650? Or was their youngest child born after that date? A frequently repeated explanation of the Winslow-Soule relationship places the latter as a tutor of the Winslow children. It is much more logical and concomitant with the times if the term "servant" is read as "employee". Winslow was a relatively wealthy man and one of the financial backers of the Plimoth Colony venture. We find that he made repeated voyages between Plymouth and England, and had no children until after George Soule married and had his own family (see Hubert Kinney Shaw's 1956 "Families of the Pilgrims" and Plymouth Colony Records). We also know that George Soule was the 35th of the 41 signers of the Mayflower Compact of 11 Nov 1620 (see SOULE NEWSLETTER 1:1).

In July 1627 George Soule was one of a group of fifty-eight "Purchasers or Old Comers" who assumed the Colony's debt to "The Adventurers" who were the promoters and capitalists who financed the voyage of the Mayflower and other early ventures and expenses of the colony. In return the former group was granted trading concessions in Maine, at Cape Ann, Buzzards Bay and subsequently on the Connecticut River. The General Court, the governing body of the colony, voted 5 Mar 1639/40 to pay these "Purchasers or Old Comers" for the surrender of their patent (see Morison pp37, 184-196 and 429; also Plymouth Colony Records).

The date of the removal of George Soule and his family from Plymouth to Duxbury, or Ducksborrow as it was called originally, has not been established. However, we are of the opinion that it was some years earlier than the frequently cited date of 1645. According to the Plymouth Colony Records he was named with 28 others on the Plymouth Tax List of 2 Jan 1632/33; was a freeman of the incorporation of Plymouth in 1633; taxed 00:02:00 on 25 Mar 1633; was ordered 1 Jul 1633 to mow grass for cow near his dwelling house; again on the Plymouth Tax List with 30 others 2 Jan 1633/34 and was taxed 00:03:00 on 27 Mar 1634; on 14 Mar 1635/36

assigned land for haying for 1636; and on 6 Oct 1636 The General Court granted to Will Bradford for Constant and Thomas Southworth "land now in occupation of George Soule and from thence to swamp on north side of Eele River". Obviously still of Plymouth, he was ordered by The General Court on 10 May 1637 to provide "heigh wayes" from his house next the river Eeel thence over the river by bridge. Soon thereafter his interests shifted to Duxbury as he was assigned a garden place on "Ducksborrow sle \* \* to lye to his ground at Powder Point" on 4 Dec 1637; and on 7 May 1638 he was granted one acre at the watering place and two additional acres at "Pouder Point". In the trek to Duxbury, George Soule was following rather than leading a trend. As early as 1632 Bradford wrote (Morison pp 252-53) "Also the people of the Platation began to grow in their outward estates, by reason of the flowing of many people into the country, especially into the Bay of

the Massachusetts. By which means corn and cattle rose to a great price, by which many were much enriched and commodities grew plentiful. And yet in other regards this benefit turned to their hurt, and this accession of strength to their weakness. For now as their stocks increased and the increase vendible, there was no longer any holding them together, but now they must of necessity go to their great lots. They could not otherwise keep their cattle, and having oxen grown they must have land for plowing and tillage." Duxbury was granted permission to establish it's own church in 1632 (Morison p253) and became a separate town on 7 Jun 1637 (Plymouth Colony Records 2:62). George Soule may have been living in Duxbury 5 May 1640 when he was appointed to view and measure meadows at Greenes Harbor and on 2 Nov 1640 when he was granted by The General Court "meddow he desires against Mr. Prince' land at Greenes Harbor". It may be of interest that Greenes Harbor became Rexhame on 2 Mar 1640, later Marshfield (Plymouth Colony Records 11:37).

In 1639 Plymouth Colony established representative government after finding it no long practicable to have all the colonists participate as individuals. George Soule appeared before The General Court on 27 Sep 1642 as one of the two "Deputies" or representatives from Duxbury. Consequently, it seems logical to presume that he must have become a resident well before his assumption of that office. Other Plymouth Colony Records show that George Soule was selected as a grand juryman for Duxbury on 7 Mar 1642/43 (2:53); was on the list of freemen in Duxbury in 1643 (8:175); sworn to "The Grand Inquest" 6 Jun 1643 (2:56); appointed to review and make report of land 4 Jun 1645 (2:88); committeeman (duputy) of General Court 28 Oct 1645, again 3 Mar 1645/46, 7 July 1646, 5 Jun 1651, 7 Jun 1653 and 6 Jun 1654. Note here that the Colony did not permit it's officers to be elected for more than one year at a time to prevent the formation of an entrenched bureaucracy. Other public assignments included his appearance on 7 Mar 1653/54 when he "acted" regarding the confederation with Massachusetts (Plymouth Colony Records 3:44); and, what has generally been given considerable weight of importance by other writers on the subject, his appointment 5 Jun 1650 to a committee of The General Court on making and repealing laws (Plymouth Colony Records 11:56 and 59). An interesting earlier assignment came 20 Oct 1646 when with Anthony Thatcher he formed "a committee to draw up an order concerning disorderly drinking of tobacco" (Plymouth Colony Records 2:108).

We can find only two court cases in which George Soule was personally involved - both times as plaintiff and prevailing both times. On 3 Jan 1636/37 the jury found for him in his complaint against Nathaniel Thomas "who trespassed and attached two heiffers" (Plymouth County Records 7:4) and on 27 Oct 1674 won-in-law John Peterson was fined on complaint of George Soule regarding lands at Powder Point in Duxbury (Colony Records 7:193). George Soule was a member of the jury on 1 Jun 1647 hearing the complaint of Thomas Prence against Edward Holeman and Nicolas Hodges (Colony Records 7:117). He and Josiah Winslow took inventory 26 Sep 1651 of the estate of William Thomas of Marshfield (NEH&GR 4:319); was one of the jurors on 3 Jun 1656 deciding the division of lands of Arthur Howland and Thomas Chillingworth, deceased (Colony Records 3:102); was appointed 1 Jun 1658 to set boundary between Mr. Bourne's and Anthony Snowes' lands at Marshfield (Colony Records 3:138); a juror on 3 Mar 1662/63 in action between Richard Church and John Thompson as plaintiffs against Captain Willett (Colony Records 7:108); and was a witness 6 Mar 1667/68 to the will of John Barnes of Plymouth (NEH&GR 7:236).

George Soule is also found in court in close support of his family. On 7 Mar 1653/54 he appeared to request a continuance for his son John (Plymouth Colony Records 3:47) and on 5 Mar 1667/68 George Soule, Sr., joined by his son John, gave bond in amount of 10:00:00 for son Nathaniel (Colony Records 4:179).

George Soule was involved in a large number of land transactions. A few of them pertinent to establishing his places of residence have already been mentioned. Most of the others appear immaterial and irrelevant to his biography. However, it does seem important that he, with a number of others, purchased extensive lands from the Indians on 29 Nov 1652 in the area which became Dartmouth 8 Jun 1654. His interests in these lands were conveyed to sons Nathaniel and George (Boston Court Records #1128 and #8324). When Bridgewater was set off from Duxbury on 3 Jun 1656 (Plymouth Colony Records 3:101) he was one of the original proprietors of that town but soon disposed of his property there. George Soule, with others, was also an original purchaser of "Middleberry" or Middleboro on 7 Mar 1661 of the so called "Twenty-Six Men's Purchase" confirmed 3 Jun 1662 by the Plymouth General Court; also Lot 21 "bounded with two red oak trees marked" on Pochade Neck near Nemasket (Indian name for Middleboro) circa 1663/64. In 1668 George Soule conveyed his lands in Middleboro to his sons-in-law Francis Walker and John Haskell, Sr., and their wives Elizabeth (Soule) Walker and Patience (Soule) Haskell. The remainder of his "housing and lands whatsoever" were bequeathed by his will (copy of which is appended) to his son John as were his personal effects. The same document bequeathed a small amount of cash to his daughters Sussannah and Mary who were not there identified as married.

Early in 1637 the Pequot (sometimes Pequon or Pequod) Indians "fell openly upon the English at Connecticut". In response to a plea for assistance, the Plymouth General Court agreed forthwith to send fifty men. George Soule volunteered for this service on 7 Jun 1637 (Plymouth Colony Records 1:60) as one of 42 men

under Lieutenant William Holmes and Reverend Thomas Prence as chaplain "but when they were ready to march \* \* \* they had word to stay; for the enemy was as good as vanquished and there would be no need (Morison pp 294 and 295). Several reliable sources report that five years later George Soule was appointed to the committee for offensive and defensive war. However, we failed to find reference to this in the Plymouth Colony Records. Both George and his son Zachariah appear in the August 1643 roster of Duxbury men aged 16 to 60 and able to bear arms (Plymouth County Records 8:189 and NEH&GR 4:256). His only other military service appears during King Phillip's War in 1675 when an eye witness identified George Soule as a member of the party which occupied the fort at Middleboro for about six weeks (Weston's 1908 "History of Middleboro p35). Admitting that George Soule, Sr., was an original proprietor of Middleboro, the disposal of his property there in 1668 coupled with his advancing age tend to raise doubts in our mind as to his actual presence. Perhaps his son George Soule, Jr. (1639-1704) was the one in the Middleboro fort party of 1675!

In the matter of religion, we've never found any valid evidence to support the often cited claim that George Soule was a French Huguenot or even of French Huguenot descent. Since we do not even know for certain the date and place of his birth nor the identity of his ancestors, it would appear presumptuous to assign arbitrarily such a background unless or until clearly established by facts rather than theory. Certainly, after migration to America he has appeared to conform fully to the precepts and membership requirements of the First Parish Church in Plymouth; later to the church at Duxbury although his wife Mary was fined 10 shillings on 1 Mar 1658/59 for absence from church. The many impassioned and obviously prejudiced writings of that era and arguments over mere semantics make it difficult to provide a brief and objective evaluation or definition of the local churches. It is generally accepted that the "puritans" espoused "purification" or reform of the established English Church whereas "separatists" desired complete separation. Bradford (Morison p153) denies that the Pilgrims were separatists. None-the-less our Pilgrim forebears of Plymouth Colony were to a large measure responsible solely to themselves and to their own interpretation of the written word of God with no bishop or other hierarchy of supervision. In the light of 1987 standards at least, their vaunted religious freedom must be suspect. Laws were passed against the Baptists in 1644 and several of them were cruelly dealt with. The Quakers were also persecuted, more particularly from 1656 to 1662, four being put to death and many others whipped, imprisoned, branded or banished during that period. The last decade of the 17th Century was also marked by the witchcraft delusion, mainly in Salem village during 1691 and 1692. In all, some 32 persons were executed on charges of witchcraft. The Pilgrims were significantly serious and cold blooded in the interpretation and execution of what they considered to be the laws of God. One Thomas Granger, aged about 16 or 17, was executed at Plymouth on 8 Sep 1642 for unnatural sexual relations with several animals and the animals were destroyed with no use made of their flesh to avoid spreading sin (Morison pp318, 319-21, 322n, 404-12).

The children of George and Mary (Bucket or Beckett) Soule were probably all born at Plymouth although some of the younger ones may have been born at Duxbury. Birth dates of some of their children have been established by historic information but dates for the remainder as well as the sequence are given below in a somewhat arbitrary but presumed logical placement:

- 2 I ZACHARIAH<sup>2</sup> SOULE was born no earlier than 1624 and no later than May 1627; say circa 1624 to 1626.
- 3 II ELIZABETH<sup>2</sup> SOULE was perhaps the next child and therefore presumed to have been born 1627-28.
- 4 III PATIENCE<sup>2</sup> SOULE was perhaps the next child and therefore presumed to have been born circa 1630.
- 5 IV JOHN<sup>2</sup> SOULE was born circa 1632.
- 6 V SUSANNAH<sup>2</sup> SOULE was perhaps the next child and therefore presumed to have been born circa 1634.
- 7 VI MARY<sup>2</sup> SOULE was perhaps the next child and therefore presumed to have been born circa 1636.
- 8 VII NATHANIEL<sup>2</sup> SOULE was perhaps the next child and therefore presumed to have been born circa 1637 or 1632.
- 9 VIII GEORGE<sup>2</sup> SOULE was probably born in 1639 or thereabouts.
- IX BENJAMIN<sup>2</sup> SOULE was perhaps the youngest and therefore presumed to have been born circa 1641. We do know that he was killed during King Phillip's War in action with the Indians before Pawtucket on Sunday, 26 Mar 1676. However, there is no evidence that he ever married or left issue.

#### COMMENTARY

- (1) Every effort has been made to assure completeness and accuracy on the foregoing biography of GEORGE SOULE, Sr. The following source and reference material has been consulted and considered:

Plymouth County Records - "Records of the Colony of New Plymouth in New England (1620-1692)"  
edited by Nathaniel P. Shurtleff and David Pulsifer.

"Mourt's Relation" - edited 1865 by H. M. Dexter.

"Story of the Old Colony of New Plymouth (1620-1692)" - New York 1956.

"Historical Data Relating to Counties, Cities and Towns in Massachusetts" prepared by Kevin H. White, Secretary of the Commonwealth - 1966.

"Of Plymouth Plantation 1620-1647" by William Bradford - Edited with an Introduction and Notes by Samuel Elliot Morison, Professor of American History, Harvard University - 1952.

"Familles of the Pilgrims" - Compiled for the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants by Hubert Kinney Shaw - 1956.

"Plymouth Church Record (1620-1859)" - Boston 1920.

"English Ancestry and Homes of the Pilgrim Fathers" by Dr. Charles Edward Banks - 1929.

"Saints and Strangers" by George F. Willison - 1945.

"The Truth About the Pilgrims" by Francis R. Stoddard - 1952.

"New England Historical & Genealogical Register" to date.

"The Mayflower Descendant" (all issues published).

Plymouth County Probate Records and Plymouth County Deeds.

"History of the Town of Middleboro, Massachusetts" by Thomas Weston - 1906.

"History of the Town of Duxbury with Genealogical Register" by Justin Winsor - 1849.

"Ancient Landmarks of Plymouth" by W. T. Davis - 1883.

Massachusetts Records - Richard LeBaron Bowen - 1957.

The Dartmouth, Mass., Branch of the Soule Family - Waldo Chamberlain Sprague, late of Wollaston, Mass., - The American Genealogist, Vol. 38 (1962) p164 et seq.

Soule, Soule and Soulls History - Rev. Gideon T. Ridlon, Sr. - 1926.

Encyclopaedia Britannica.

Voluminous correspondence with individuals who claim to have authentic information - but have never been able to offer specific citation to source.

- (2) It is quite interesting to note the way the printed word is revised from time to time to achieve perhaps an involuntary but none-the-less substantive change in meaning. A classic example exists in connection with the parentage and birthplace of George Soule of the Mayflower. Dr. Charles Edward Banks in 1929 concluded that George was born "possibly in Eckington" and tentatively identified him as the son of John Soule of that place. By 1945 Willison, citing Banks as his authority, eliminated these qualifications as did Stoddard in 1952, again citing Banks. Thus we read that he really was born in Eckington; that his father certainly was John Soule. Others have found "evidence" of the name of the wife of John Soule but have been unable to state from whence came that evidence. A similar situation exists concerning his birth date. Banks and his plagiarizers prefer about 1600 but Ridlon with some logic contends that if our George had been in his minority at the time of the writing of the Mayflower Compact, he would not have been one of the signers so he prefers a date "as early as 1590". To compromise, we have recorded "about 1597", circa 1597 or ca 1597. Fortunately, these arguments may soon become academic or moot as the Genealogical Helper for March 1967 reports that the Genealogical Society of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints (the "Mormons") have stepped up the microfilming in the British Isles of church and government records of interest to genealogists; also that their "Records-Tabulation (R-Tab)" program has so far extracted more than five million names with dates, places, and relationships from the birth, christening and burial entries contained in over 1,500 English parish registers. This information is being transferred to an electronic data processing system. Presumably it should not be too many years before the data concerning George Soule and his ancestors can be retrieved through this source.
- (3) The placement of the children of GEORGE & MARY (Bucket) SOULE in a logical sequence and the assignment of an approximate birth date to each has been most difficult. There are certain of the children whose birth dates have been established with relatively close limits through evaluation of historic data we have found. These facts and our reasoning is given with the biographies of those

children. We have been forced to disregard some very tempting clues. For example, one correspondent insisted that he had "authentic family information" that Benjamin Soule was forty-six years old when he was killed. Considerable credence is given to the order in which children are named in the wills of their parents, deeds and other documents. Finally, colonial families have had a distinctly repetitive 2-year cycle of child birth. Admittedly, high rates of infant mortality and mishaps of pregnancy do tend to disrupt such a cycle. Perhaps we are guilty of crowding this family group into a shorter span of years than justified. However, we think it reasonable and hope it will stand the test of time. Certainly, no one can accuse us of plagiarizing previous writers on the subject!

- (4) George Soule is carried as Mayflower Index No. 31,852. To facilitate citation to references for his descendants, each subsequent biographical sketch will indicate the Index number where one has been established by the General Society of Mayflower Descendants.

SOULE KINDRED NEWS

# Salem lawyer is Citizen of the Year

## Lewis Soule honored for caring about community and his family



LAWRENCE EAGLE-TRIBUNE, Lawrence, Mass. — Friday, May 17, 1985



Lewis Soule, at right,

after accepting award from Frank Murray

*Eagle-Tribune Photos by Tom Yonker*

By Annemargaret Connolly  
SALEM, N.H. — A self-confessed poor businessman is Greater Salem Businessman of the Year.

Lewis F. Soule, 61, a long-time Salem attorney, was presented the Salem Area Chamber of Commerce's fifth annual William Brown Businessperson of the Year award at its dinner last night.

He was also named "Citizen of the Year" by special proclamation from Gov. Sununu, also a Salem resident.

"Citizen of the year is a lot more appropriate than businessman of the year because this guy isn't the businessman of the year, this year or any year. I'm not a good businessman," Soule said.

After entertaining the 300 guests with tales of early business deals that turned sour, Soule said he was honored by the award.

"The honor is a personal satisfaction because back in the 1940s my father worked for the town and in the 1970s my mother worked for the town. Because of that I'm sort of proud of this," Soule said, fighting back tears.

Soule, and his firm of Soule, Leslie, Bronstein and Zelin, are legal counsel to more than 20 towns and school districts in New Hampshire.

"He is considered to be without peer in his profession, gives of himself freely and cares about others. He is a professional, a businessman, a dedicated member of the Salem community, and a family man," said Rockingham County Trust President Frank Murray who presented Soule with the award.

The award is named for the late William Brown, a long-time Salem businessman and community leader. It pays special recogni-



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tion to the individual who has made significant contributions to the Salem area business community.

It was Soule's stories that highlighted the program.

He said that when he was young he wanted to make some money. So, with a real estate agent, he invested \$1,000 on a trailer and land on Arlington Pond. He wanted to sell it a year or so later for a profit, but his partner never paid up. He said the trailer got musty and he finally unloaded it three years later at a loss.

Soule and his wife, Virginia, live in an 18th century saltbox house on Zion Hill Road. With the Soules last night were their children and grandchildren. Also attending were Soule's law partners, whom he told the audience, "keep the business afloat."

Soule also talked about being the first president of Rockingham County Trust, which he helped form in 1981.

He said a few years later he

almost caused its demise.

He said he pumped a great deal of money into a local radio station trying to become "rich." But, said, no matter how much money went in, the books were in the red. The only paid advertiser was Rockingham County Trust — the main underwriter of the venture.

"In the end Rockingham County Trust sponsored the news, sports and everything else, but I'm sure you could guess why they were interested," Soule said. The fact that Rockingham County Trust still in business is unbelievable.

Soule was born in Lawrence and raised in Salem where he attended public schools. A Harvard graduate, he served in World War II.

He was also a selectman and has been Salem's town clerk since 1981. He is a member of the Massachusetts Bar, the New Hampshire Bar, former president of the Rockingham County Association and has run for several political offices.

From

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### Tanner to Soule: The Samuel West Diary Found, Again

We all have our genealogical breakthroughs: some more modest than other, some a clear breakthrough. Once and a while, a significant discovery is made. Or, in the events described below, a significant discovery is discovered again. Last year, I discovered that my maternal grandfather descended from a Mayflower passenger. Although my genealogy research has uncovered many wonderful discoveries, this discovery, including all of its pieces, has been the most exciting and rewarding.

For some time, I knew that my ancestor William Chestney probably had married Jane Tanner and that Jane Tanner was the daughter of Samuel Tanner and Merinda, surname unknown.<sup>1</sup> This uncertain information arose from information obtained through family members. In my research and review of census records, I confirmed that William and Jane were indeed husband and wife.<sup>2</sup> I also learned that William was born in Saratoga County, New York while Jane in Schoharie County, New York. Most importantly, I learned both were deaf and mute.<sup>3</sup> After some significant research, I discovered that both William and Jane attended the New York School for the Deaf. The school's records indicated they both had attended and did indeed marry. Now, my efforts focused on moving beyond Jane and learning more of her father Samuel Tanner.

The census and map records indicated Samuel had been somewhat wealthy. Indeed, he had sent his daughter to a private school for the deaf in New York City, quite away from Schoharie County, New York. However, I could not connect him to any Tanners for the longest time. After several months had passed, I came across some legal papers regarding the guardianship of a Johanna and Joshua Tanner. In essence, these papers indicated that a Samuel Tanner agreed to be the guardian of both Johanna Tanner and Joshua Tanner, minors. Most importantly, Johanna Tanner's guardianship papers inferred that a Sherman Tanner of Cobleskill, New York was her father. I then explored various web sites and came across one that indicated a "Shearman" Tanner descended from a Job Tanner and Annie Sherman; Job being the son of John Tanner and Susannah West.<sup>4</sup> Questions remained: Is the Samuel Tanner in the guardianship papers my Samuel Tanner? Is the Sherman Tanner the same Shearman Tanner in the Ancestral File? Other than the suggestive evidence I described, similarity existed between Samuel's signature on the guardianship papers and other papers I had found. In addition, William and Jane (Tanner) Chestney had named one of their children Sherman Veeder Chestney, the Sherman being significant.

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<sup>1</sup> William Chestney is the son of James W. Chestney and Sarah Davis of Saratoga Springs, New York. See Will of James W. Chestney, Saratoga County Will Book 13, page 288 et seq.

<sup>2</sup> The 1900 Census reflects William and Jane as husband and wife in the home of their daughter Eunice and her husband. 1900 Census, Jefferson, Schoharie County, New York, Sup. 9, Enum. 49, sheet 11. The 1850 Census reflects Jane and William in the home of Samuel and Merinda Tanner, 1860 Census, Fulton, Schoharie County, Page 11.

<sup>3</sup> See id.

<sup>4</sup> Family Search Ancestral File 4.19.

Joshua and Johanna had to be the siblings of the Samuel Tanner identified in the 1825 guardianship papers. My Samuel would have been about 25 years old, closer to being an older brother than uncle.<sup>5</sup> Consequently, I pursued research on Joshua and Johannah.

I had previously corresponded with an individual on the Martin family of New York. On one not-so-unusual day, he sent me an unexpected email with a list of cemetery entries with Tanners contained therein. Fortuitously, the email named a Johannah Tanner in the Argusville Cemetery of New York whose grave reads: "Johannah Tanner daughter of Sherman and Aceannath, Dec. 22, 1851, 46 years." Also, the email named a Joshua Tanner who died in 1903 and was buried in the Gilboa Rural Cemetery. While Johannah's year of death precluded any real chance of obtaining her death certificate, the grave inscription confirmed that Sherman was the father of Johannah and, more than likely, Joshua and Samuel. Joshua's inscription did not reveal much. However, his date of death provided the real possibility of finding his death certificate. Indeed, Joshua's death certificate confirmed his father and mother as Sherman Tanner and Asentha Dean.<sup>6</sup> At about this time, I received notice about a Drake Family website containing a diary entry of Drake descendants, including some Tanners.<sup>7</sup> The website contained a transcription of Anna A. Frost's diary that had been obtained from the Durham Center Museum. From the museum, I requested, paid for, and acquired a copy of the handwritten diary. The diary not only mentions Sherman Tanner as the son of Job and Anna Tanner, but also that Sherman had four children: Samuel, Charlotte, Hannah, and Joshua.<sup>8</sup> It also provided the ancestry of Job Tanner.<sup>9</sup>

Although almost certain, the question remained whether the Samuel Tanner who was father of Jane (Tanner) Chestney happened to be the same Samuel Tanner brother to Joshua and Johannah. After obtaining the death certificate of Joshua Tanner, I hired an individual to research New York surrogate court legal records. From the legal perspective, I hoped that some papers might exist for Joshua. Incredibly, Joshua Tanner's estate had been disputed and a multitude of pages existed. The estate papers identified not only Samuel Tanner as a brother, but also identified Samuel's children, specifically Jane (Tanner) Chestney.<sup>10</sup> In fact, a family tree had been filed with the court as proof of those entitled to Joshua's intestate estate. Consequently,

<sup>5</sup> Johannah Tanner entered this world in 1807, Joshua Tanner in 1811.

<sup>6</sup> Death certificate of Joshua Tanner. Town of Gilboa, date of death November 12, 1903, register line 409. As is so often the case, nothing comes entirely easy. The father's name is listed as "Therman Tanner." However, the clerk noted the uncertainty of the mother's name due to the difficulty in reading the register. I therefore took liberty to assume the Therman had to be Sherman.

<sup>7</sup> [http://www.rootsweb.com/~nygreen2/drake\\_family\\_record.htm](http://www.rootsweb.com/~nygreen2/drake_family_record.htm)

<sup>8</sup> Anna A. Frost Diary, January 1<sup>st</sup> 1870, pages 30, 37. Again, as usual, the diary complicates the issue of Sherman's wife by listing her name as Lucena.

<sup>9</sup> Anna A. Frost Diary, page 28 ("Some time in the 1600-17<sup>th</sup> century a little boy by the name of Tanner William Tanner was stolen in the streets of London, As he was going home from school with a bible under his arm and put aboard a ship and taken to America and settled in Rhode Island. He grew to be a man and married a lady by the name of Mary. They lived and died in Rhode Island. They had three sons one of them was named John Tanner. John Tanner Married and had sons and Daughters. One of John Tanner's sons was named Job Tanner. Job Tanner was born about August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1733. Job Tanner Married Anna Sherman. The above Job Tanner was my Mother's Grandfather's Father And I am Priscilla A. Frost, January 1<sup>st</sup> 1870.")

<sup>10</sup> Of course, the estate papers failed to identify Joshua's parents. My hired researcher searched all of the many, many legal papers to no avail.



Jane (Tanner) Chestney and her father Samuel Tanner had been connected to their heritage and ancestry through significant documentation.

Upon connecting my Samuel Tanner to John Tanner and Susanna West, I explored the West surname. I soon realized that Susanna West was the daughter of Francis West and the granddaughter of Francis John West. At about the same time, I learned that Francis John West allegedly married Susanna Soule, daughter of George Soule, the Mayflower passenger.<sup>11</sup>

#### **Controversy and Proof**

I have long had a subscription to the Genealogy Library, a wonderful source of transcribed and/or scanned genealogical references. Having learned of the Soule/West mystery and connection, I scoured the resources on Susanna Soule and Francis John West. I wanted to find evidence to support their marriage. Finally, after hours and hours of searching and reading, I came across an entry in the History, Biography and Genealogy of the Families Named Soule, Sowle and Soulis, Volume I. Specifically, the entry read:

Susanna Soule (1), a daughter of George (1) and Mary (Beckett) Soule, was mentioned in her father's will. Her name disappeared from the records of Duxbury and nothing was known of her fate for many years. Some who were interested in the history of the Soules and who had searched for some recorded item that would prove a clue to her after-life and failed to find such reference, came to believe there was no such daughter and discontinued their inquiries; but at last, some time during the year 1924, a Diary, or Memorandum, was found in an ancient house not distant from Boston that contained her name and proved that she was married to one FRANCIS WEST, who had come from England soon after the first settlement, by whom she had seven sons and two daughters whose names were written down under her own. This discovery caused considerable excitement among genealogists throughout New England at the time it became known, and a full account of the finding with a fac-simile of the page of the Diary on which the family record was written, clearly legible, was published in the Boston Evening Transcript. Continued research may reveal much more concerning her children and descendants. In his will her father had given her "twelve pence," a meagre legacy that was a hint of some disaffection.

History, Biography and Genealogy of the Families Named Soule, Sowle and Soulis, Volume I, page 208. Immediately, I had to find the Boston Evening Transcript containing the diary entry.

Again, nothing comes easily. The Boston Evening Transcript was a daily paper. Moreover, very few libraries have the Boston Evening Transcript on microfilm, much less the particular year I needed. So, my wife, mother, and I traveled from New Haven, Connecticut to Boston and the magnificent Boston Public Library. Now – let me set the tone for you. The trip to the library happened to be but one of the events intended for the day. Though interested in genealogy, my mother and wife do not share the same deep-rooted (and to some, inexplicable) passion that I continuously exude about genealogy. Consequently, we had little time to do actual

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<sup>11</sup> This information obtained through searching the Internet and reading various sources.

research because we also intended to enjoy whale watching, eat dinner, and return to New Haven. In fact, we had just over an hour to search all daily editions of the Boston Evening Transcript for the year 1924 and, possibly, 1925.<sup>12</sup>

Upon arriving at the microfilm section of the Library, the individual-in-charge casually informed me that I required a temporary membership card to check out the microfilm materials. He told me this after pulling out some of the microfilm requested and placing them before my salivating eyes. I dashed back to the membership area, waited in line, and obtained the temporary membership card. Essential time had disappeared. I hurriedly returned to the microfilm area. I, along with the two most important women in my life, began our search with the year 1924. This made the most sense based on the information. At first, I suggested that one begin in January, one in May, and one in September. One of my companions suggested that did not make sense and so we began with the first three months of the year. All three of us industriously proceeded to view the microfilm at our individual machines: my mother reviewed January; my wife reviewed February; and I reviewed March. Because I had been much more familiar with the names, I quickly learned that I could search faster. Others became interested in the old clothing advertisements and the odd differences between papers of yesteryear and today. Not to worry. As it turns out, not fifteen minutes after beginning our search, I found the magical article in the March 8, 1924, Boston Evening Transcript.<sup>13</sup> We all became very excited and printed the pages as best we could from the quality of the machines. We then whale watched and later ate in John Hancock's old office building. Simply put, it turned out to be a marvelous day.

Upon returning to Connecticut, I wanted to obtain an actual edition of the March 8, 1924, Boston Evening Transcript. Believe me, I tried vigorously, but to no avail. Moreover, the copies from the microfilm machine were less than spectacular. However, I did finally secure images of the article and diary entry that are much more presentable. Here, for what may be the first time in more than 75 years, I present the article of the Boston Evening Transcript and an image of the famed diary entry.

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#### **The Landing of More Mayflower Descendants Arouses Great Interest**

G.E. Bowman, After a Quarter-Century Search, Unearths Startling Genealogical Data, Long Hidden in an Old Diary Yellowed with Age  
By Karl Schriftgiesser

One of the biggest genealogical finds of recent years came to light last week in the discovery of a faded and yellow journal written in 1801 by a wandering New England evangelist by the name of Samuel West. With the unearthing of this book, which had lain hidden in the house of an elderly woman in Ware, Mass., George Ernest Bowman, secretary of the Society of Mayflower Descendants and editor of that society's quarterly journal, has finished a search which has occupied his attention for nearly a quarter of a century, and at last has found what he believes conclusive evidence making a large number of people heretofore ineligible now eligible for

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<sup>12</sup> The book entry had not provided a date for the edition.

<sup>13</sup> I would like to add that had it not been for my wife and mother both being present, I would not have started with March. Moreover, had the absurdity of my initial division of labor been pointed out, March would not have been searched that day.

membership I that exclusive circle. Without doubt the finding of this old diary is the most important Mayflower data to come to the attention of that society during this century.

That one may fully appreciate the value of this ancient book one must go back to the days when the Pilgrims landed in America. The people who were aboard the vessel were not many; in fact, there were but twenty-three men among them. It has been decided that to consider one's self a person of Mayflower ancestry one must conclusively prove his descendancy from one of these men. It may easily be seen that today there may be hundreds, owing to the large families of those days and by marriage, who may claim this distinction.

#### **George Soule of Plymouth**

Among the twenty-three was one George Soule. Little is known about this man except what may be gleaned from his will and inventory, which were recorded in Plymouth Colony Wills and Inventories, Vol. IV, Part I, page 50. This will was printed in "The Mayflower Descendant" for April 1900, and mentions the four daughters of George Soule, who were Elizabeth, Patience, Susanna and Mary. All were mentioned in such a way as to make one assume that they were married, yet their married surnames were not given.

The omission of this important detail was the cause of the quarter-century search on the part of Mr. Bowman. In various records he disposed of three of the daughters. Elizabeth had married a Francis Walker; the daughter Patience had married John Haskell; and the daughter Mary had married John Peterson. No one apparently had learned the name of the husband of Susanna. Mr. Bowman has searched records, followed blind clues, and spent much time and effort since 1900 in a vain endeavor to find the name and whereabouts of the husband of Susanna.

A few months ago the trail began to get warm. The first definite clue came from Eugene Crandall of Pasadena, Calif., who is interested in Mayflower genealogy. He had sent Mr. Bowman some photographs of pages in "Samuel West's Memmorandum Book Containing Useful Remarks Both Religious and Morral Intermixt with his own History." This journal, or diary, was in the possession of Mrs. Elvira Jerusha West Coney of Ware, Mass., who is the granddaughter of Elder Samuel West, author of the "Memmorandum."

#### **The First Clue**

A hurried trip to Ware and Mr. Bowman was soon in possession of the old book. Two pages particularly interested him for herein lay what to him appeared conclusive evidence of the marriage of Susanna and pointed the way to the goal which Mr. Bowman had been seeking these many years. Mr. Crandall had read in this journal that Samuel West had, in 1802, visited his uncle, Francis West, at Petersburgh, N.Y., and while there had copied some of the family records which were in his uncle's possession. From them Samuel West had taken the statement: "my great grandfather Francis West . . . married a young lady 'by the name of Sole daughter' of Mr. George Sole," who was the Mayflower passenger.

Mr. Crandall had been under the impression that this Samuel West was a certain Samuel Walker which printed records showed had married one of George Soule's daughters. While Mr. Crandall had made a wonderful find, it was not recognized until it was called to the attention of Mr. Bowman. He knew that the daughter Elizabeth had married Francis Walker and that there

was no real reason to suppose that Samuel West and Samuel Walker were identical. Immediately it dawned on him that the missing Susanna for whom he had sought so long was at last found. It was she who had married Samuel West. All the other daughters of this Mayflower passenger, George Soule, had been accounted for, and now the husband of the fourth was located.

Another train journey, this time to North Kingston, R.I., where Elder Samuel West had lived, and Mr. Bowman found in the town records there that two of the children mentioned by Samuel West were born to Francis and Susanna West, and that one of them was Samuel West's grandfather, William West. There is now no doubt in the mind of Mr. Bowman that George Soule's daughter Susanna married Francis West and became grandmother of Samuel West.

#### **Many Descendants**

There has not been time as yet to make a thorough investigation in regard to the children and grandchildren of Francis and Susanna (Soule) West; but it is safe to say that the daughter Susanna West married Moses Barber and had twelve or more children, most of whom married. The daughter, Martha, married Thomas Card and upon his death married Jeremiah Fones, and had children by both husbands. The son, William West, ancestor of Mrs. Coney, owner of Samuel West's diary, married Jane Tanner and had twelve children, some of the other sons also appeared to have married and had families.

According to the yellowed journal of the itinerant Baptist Elder, Samuel West, his grandparents, William and Jane (Tanner) West, had, as stated above, twelve children, one of whom, Elder Thomas West, of Hopkins, R.I., had eleven children, including Elder Samuel West, who had eight children, one of them being Samuel Bailey Colgrove West, the father of Mrs. Coney, of Ware. Thus she is a direct Mayflower descendant and undoubtedly a large number of people related or remotely related to her are also of the same origin.

There is one mistake in the journal of Elder Samuel. He states that George Soule came to this country "with his family." Mr. Soule did not marry until after he had been in this country for some years. This appears to be the only error; everything else therein relating to the West family firmly dove-tailing with established evidence.

Samuel West himself, from the little material available, appears to have been a most interesting man. He was a Baptist Elder, a sort of traveling evangelist. It is certain that he preached at different times in quite a number of places where he delivered one or two sermons each visit.

Some of the remarks set down in his "Memorandum Book Containing Usefull Remarks Both Religious and Morral," with their quaint spelling and antiquated ideas are most amusing. In part he says:

"My Father and Mother imbraced the Christian Religion in the early part of their lives Soon after which my father commends preacher & was ordained to the Pastoral Care of a Church in Hopkington in the year AD 1771.

My 2 Eldest Brothers & Eldest Sister Made profession of Religion Soon after. So that my fathers hous was now one of the best Schools of Religion and Morrality; My mind in My Childhood was much attached to Reading (Especially the Holy Scriptures).

**Careless of Soul's State**

"But I Remained Careless about the State of my Soul (Although I was indulged with the best Oppertunityes) until I entered my 12<sup>th</sup> year.

" submitted to the ordinance of baptism" and joined the Church under my fathers care Hopkington July AD 1779."

"at a certain tim(e) after meeting I heard one of the Brotherin (sic) say if they did not Stop my speaking in meeting it would not Be long Before I would think that I was called to preach, this gave me such a blow that I doubted whether I was not deceived. . . . I concluded that I would never speek any more in meeting."

However, he did not let this cruel blow stop him from his preaching for later on in the diary are many times mentioned various places at which he delivered sermons. No doubt they were good ones for Elder West, even if he waited until he was twelve years old, seems to have taken good care of the "State of his Soul," and was a zealous follower of the Word of God. At one time he declares that he "thinks he will marry" for then he will be able to "live Religion with more Ease." Accordingly he married Jerusha Stanton, of Preston, Conn., on the tenth of March, 1785. "But this did not help me to live Religion for in my Courtship I had never said much about Religion & now was afraid to lest it should offend my wife."

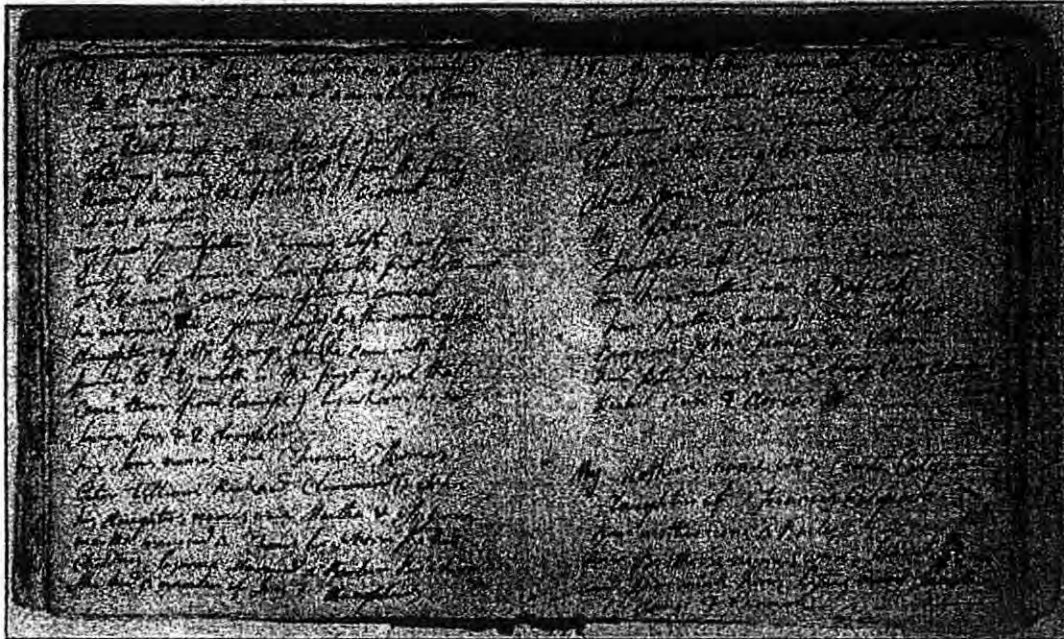
This pious Elder married three times. His second wife was Mrs. Mary Lester, who he married in August following his first wife's death which occurred in February, 1816. By his first wife he had eight children. One of them, Amia Colgrove, whom he evidently loved very dearly, died when she was two years old and in his diary recording her death, is this little couplet:

My Babe is gone at gods Command  
And I Can trust her in his hand

One the death of another child, his sone Levi, who died of whooping cough at the age of five months he says, "the Lord is Righteous in all his ways & Just in all his commands." When his daughter, Mary Doane, died, leaving three little daughters, he writes: "O! may the Kind Lord who is a father to the fatherless be a father in grace and truth to these motherless Children to his wisdom and goodness I Cheerfully commit them - Amen." Samuel West it can be seen from these excerpts was a kindly and righteous man.

**Once of Vershire, Vt.**

At one time he lived in Vershire, Vt., where his father was a preacher. He says " . . . my father preaches half the time at Vershire & the other half at Corinth." In 1792 Samuel West left Vershire and went to Preston, Conn., where, with his family, he worked his brother's farm on shares. In January 1794, he left his family at Preston and went to Pennsylvania, ostensibly as an



The above facsimile of "Samuel Wests Memmorandum Book Containing Useful Remarks Both Religious and Morral Intermixt with His Own History" reads as follows:

1802 august 23<sup>rd</sup> leave New London on a journey to the Northward preach at a number of towns on the way. At Petersburg in the State of New York Visit my uncle Francis West & from the family Records Received the following account of my ancestors. My great great grandfather Francis West came from Europe to Amarica Soon after the first settlement at Plymouth and Soon after his arrival he married A Young Lady By the name of Sole daughter of Mr. George Sole (he came with his family to Plymouth in the first Vessel that came from Europe) by whom he had Seven Sons & 2 daughters. His Sons names were Francis Thomas Peter William Richard Clement & John his daughters names were Martha & Susanna martha married a Fones by whom she had Children. Susanna Married a Barber by whom she had a number of Sons & daughters. 1802 My grandfathers name was William West his sons names were William John Joseph Benjamin Thomas Francis Hezzekiah and Ebenezer his daughters names were Deborah Abiah Jane & Susannah. My fathers mother was Jane Tanner Daughter of Francis Tanner hur mother was a Babcock hur brothers names were William Benjamin John Francis & Nathan hur sisters were Mary Avis Abigail Rachel Ann & dorcas. My Mothers name was Amie Colgrove Daughter of Francis Colgrove hur mother was a Bailey hur Brothers names were Samuel and Jeremiah hur sisters Mary Sarah Anne & Hannah.

evangelical preacher. In September of that year he returned to move his family and there appears the following statement in his "Memmorandum";

"... On the 24<sup>th</sup> of October shipped my family & furniture on board a vessel at Norwich landing Bound to Albany Buy was taken sick with a fever & put on shore with my family at New London. ... I Removed to Norwich Landing in November." In 1796 this appears, "... my wife after having Partly Recovered from the Measles ... her aged Father was taken sick with his last illness. I went with my wife & family to pay our last visit to him we ariv just time enough to hear the groan that is Repeated no more, he departed this life June the 7<sup>th</sup> AD 1796 in the 76<sup>th</sup> year of his life."

"The discovery of the book is indeed a historical find of no little value. "I have no doubt," said Mr. Bowman to the Transcript, "that this is the biggest Mayflower find in more than a quarter of a century. There can be no question that from the large number of grandchildren of Francis and Susanna (Soule) West there are a large number of living descendants. This is at least the second child of a Mayflower passenger whose marriage, before unknown, I have proved. I want full credit to be given to Mr. Crandall, who, although mistaken in his view of the subject, put me on the right track to finish my search. Mrs. Elvira Jerusha (West) Coney, owner of the journal and granddaughter of its author, who is now over eighty years of age, will be elected a member of the society on Monday, March 10. She's the first, but I am sure far from being the last applicant to apply as a descendant of George Soule, through his daughter Susanna."

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#### **Final Words**

The article included a photograph of an entry in Samuel West's "Memmorandum" and provided the following caption below the photograph:

SOULE KINDRED NEWSLETTER, VOL. XXXVI, NO. 2 APRIL 2002  
**Merrill Oliver Fogg's Descent From Mayflower George Soule**

1. Generation **GEORGE SOULE**, 1593-1679. Died at Duxbury, MA 22 June 1679. Married Mary Bucket (Becket?)
2. Generation **GEORGE SOULE**, Born probably Duxbury, MA about 1648. Died at Duxbury, MA about May 1704. Married Deborah \_\_\_\_\_, Birthplace unknown, about 1648. She died at Dartmouth, MA February 1710.
3. Generation **NATHAN SOULE**, Born Dartmouth, MA between 1675 and 1680. Died Dartmouth, MA 10 September 1736. Married at Dartmouth, MA 12 June 1704 to Mary Gifford, possibly daughter of Robert and Sarah (Wing) Gifford. Born probably Dartmouth, MA about 1683. Died Dartmouth, MA January 1772.
4. Generation **TIMOTHY SOULE**, Born 10 April 1714 at Dartmouth, MA. Died Beekman's Precinct, Dutchess County, NY about April 1770. Married Elizabeth Allen at Dartmouth, MA on 6 January 1736/37. She was the daughter of Ebenezer and Margaret (Williams) Allen. Elizabeth Allen was born at Dartmouth, MA "first week" March 1710. She died probably at Dutchess County, NY after 1770.
5. Generation **JOSEPH SOULE**, Probably born at Dartmouth, MA about 1747. Died at Fairfield, Franklin County, VT 12 May 1820. Married probably at Fairfield, CT about 1766 Eunice Hungerford, daughter of Samuel and Mary (Graves) Hungerford. Probably born in CT about 1751. She died at Fairfield, VT 19 August 1839, 88 years.
6. Generation **TIMOTHY SOULE**, Born 1768 at Dover, NY. He was of Fairfield, VT. Died at Fairfield, VT 27 December 1860 in his "93<sup>rd</sup> year." Married Betsey Elliot "of Connecticut" who died at Fairfield, VT on 19 April 1843 in her "73<sup>rd</sup> year."
7. Generation **AMANDA SOULE**, Born 1793. Died at Fairfield, VT on 23 March 1852. Married Willis Northrop who was born at Fairfield, VT in 1792. He died 18 June 1875. He was the son of Amos and Zora Hungerford Northrop. Willis fought in the War of 1812 at the defense of Plattsburg, NY.
8. Generation **JANE ELLIOT NORTHROP**, Born 23 July 1821. Died at East Fairfield, VT 28 June 1876. Married 1 February 1843 to William Nelson Isham, Born 21 May 1816. Died at Fairfield, VT 30 April 1890.
9. Generation **ELLA AGNES ISHAM**, Born 21 January 1851. Married Albert S. Merrill on 7 July 1868. He was born 28 June 1841. Living in 1910. He was the son of Merro and Aurelia (Wheeler) Merrill of East Fairfield, VT. Aurelia was daughter of Ira and Eunice (Bradley) Wheeler.
10. Generation **ALICE AMANDA MERRILL**, Born 24 August 1876 (8 August 1882?) Married on 14 January 1914 to Dr. Clinton Oliver Fogg who was born on 13 October 1881 at Charlestown, MA. He died on 28 June 1962. He was a graduate of Middlesex College of Medicine and the Massachusetts College of Osteopathy. Dr. Fogg is buried in Old Tennant Church cemetery, Tennant, NJ.
11. Generation **MERRILL OLIVER FOGG**, Born on 1 March 1916 at Lakewood, NJ. Married Marian Kathleen Washington on 30 September 1943. She was born in New York City, NY in 1920 the daughter of Lonist Oleo and Marian (Reckling) Washington. NJ Chapter Mayflower Society G65C67, S1968. **VERNON ARTHUR FOGG**, Born on 7 December 1918 at Lakewood, NJ. Died \_\_\_\_\_ at Toms River, NJ. He married Elizabeth Cecelia Weightman on 16 December 1939. She was born 21 September 1918 at Lakewood, NJ, the daughter of Alfred Lawrence and Lydia Cecilia (Hawkins) Weightman.
12. Generation **MICHAEL VERNON FOGG**, Born 7 June 1941 at \_\_\_\_\_ **SUSAN JOAN FOGG**, Born 5 August 1944 at Newark, NJ. She is a member of the NJ Chapter Mayflower Society G6687, S1991. **MARY ANN FOGG**, Born 30 June 1945 at \_\_\_\_\_. **TIMOTHY MERRILL FOGG**, Born 3 March 1951 at Tokyo, Japan. **VERNON ARTHUR FOGG**, Born 7 August 1952 at Toms River, NJ.
13. Generation **IAN OLIVER ANDREW EISDORFER**, Born 30 April 1971. Married 16 June 1996 Kimberly Rachelle Hess at Highlands, NC. **ETHAN AARON EISDORFER**, Born 24 March 1983.
14. Generation **CHLOE KIMIAN EISDORFER**, Born 28 September 1998 at Flagstaff, AR. Daughter of Ian Oliver Andrew and Kimberly Rachelle. NJ Junior member #856



**General News**

- William L. Soule of Kalamazoo, MI reports that Mia Soule married Shaun P. Wright August, 2000 and Deryk Soule and Michelle Soule gave birth to Maria Josephine Soule 4 November 2000
- Mrs. Harold C. Thole and Susan (Soule) Thole reports the marriage of Karen Ann Thole to John Gus Peters in Des Moines, IA on 1 September 2001
- Shirley Brendemuehl of Beloit, WI reports the birth of a new granddaughter, Emma Marie Tate on 9 December 2001 to Donna (Brendemuehl) Tate and Scott Tate.
- Susan Fogg Eisdorfer of Bridgewater, NJ reports that her 3-year-old granddaughter, Chloe Kimian Eisdorfer was admitted to the NJ Mayflower Society as a junior member on descendency from GEORGE SOULE. Chloe and her parents, Ian and Kimberly live in Flagstaff, AZ.
- Matilda Soule of Bismarck, ND reports her grandson, Gregory K. & Kristen Soule of Pensacola are the proud parents of twin girls born 1 May 2001. They have been named Carolyn Janice Soule and Kaylee Marion Soule. They have a big brother Kenton Soule, age 3 & 1/2. Gregory is the son of Roger and Marion Soule of St. Paul, MN. Dean and Mindy (Soule) Paulson of Anchorage, AK welcomed a baby daughter on 2 August 2001. She was named Sadie Grace. She has two brothers, Conner and Karlon. Mindy is the daughter of Loren and Jeannie Soule of Wichita, KS. Roger, Loren and Willis F. Soule of Columbia, SC are brothers and are my sons.
- Thomas F. & Jennie L. Soule of St. Louis, MO reports the birth of their granddaughter, Alexis Christina Hassy on 2 October 2001. Alexis was born to Rebecca Soule Hassy and Erik C. Hassy at East Jefferson Memorial hospital in Metairie, LA. Time of birth 0434 hours, 7lbs, 9oz, 19.75". Alexis was born on my (Thomas F. Soule, Jr. 2 October 1941) birthday and was christened on 8 December 2001 whereas I was christened 7 December 1941. Alexis is the greatest birthday gift I ever received. Rebecca, Erik and Alexis are doing well and everyone came through childbirth healthy.
- Barbara Keohane of Allendale, NJ reports that her daughter, Elizabeth, who was awarded a Soule Kindred scholarship in 1998, will graduate from college this May. She will graduate with as B.S. degree in Biology and Philosophy with a minor in Chemistry. She has been accepted into several 7-year programs (she hasn't decided on one yet) where she will get both an M.D. and Ph.D. at the end of seven years. She is still very interested in genetics and wants to help people by furthering research on genetic caused diseases. She is also interested in medical ethics (hence the double major including Philosophy) She has done very well in college, will graduate in the honors program and has continued her community service and volunteer work.
- Gretchen K. Reese of Savannah, GA reports the death of her Mother, Katherine R. Kohrt (23 Dec 1905-08 Nov 2001) who was a much cherished Mother and Grandmother. Katherine was also a Soule Kindred member. Other events in 2001 are births to her children's children: To Lon Ricketts (wife Sarah) son of Katherine Kohrt Ricketts – Brianna Joy Ricketts 14 May 2001. To Gayle Canter McGee daughter of Gretchen Kohrt Reese – Andrew Scott McGee 18 June 2001. To Karl Kohrt (wife Adrian) son of Richard Keene Kohrt – Erik Keene Gail Kohrt 14 August 2001.
- Linda G. Brown of Cotter, AR is hoping to join The Society of Mayflower Descendants and wonders if someone is "out there" who is a descendant of Harry L. Soule (& Annie Kerns) of New Bloomfield, PA and who is already a member of the Society. If so, please write to the following: Linda G. Brown 264 Walnut Hill Ln., Cotter, AR 72626-9775 (Editor's Note: I had a similar situation and I was advised to send a letter of inquiry to the Mayflower Society (see the letter in this newsletter for the address) stating how you think your lineage runs with a \$10 donation. Keep it brief listing each generation only from George. If anyone along your line has been accepted they will let you know. fs )

Sent by  
Greg + Linda Soules  
Bismarck, N.D.



## Pounds, Soules Engaged

Carol Law of Medford, OR and David Pounds of Spokane, WA announce the engagement of their daughter, Deborah J. Pounds of Eugene, OR, to David Soules of Astoria, OR. He is the son of Greg and Linda Soules of Bismarck.

The bride graduated from Astoria High School in 1988 and from the University of Oregon in 2001. The groom is a 1992 graduate of Dakota Adventist Academy in Bismarck and received his bachelor's degree from Walla Walla College in 1997. He is employed as a controller with Fergus-McBarendse Inc. in Astoria.

An August 5th wedding is planned.

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Obituaries

Dorsey Sowles

AUBURN- Dorsey D. Sowles, 70, died today, Sept. 13, 2001, at 1 am in his Auburn home.

Mr. Sowles was an assembler at Dana Corp. and a truck driver, retiring in 1981 with 30 years of service. He formally lived in Montpelier, Ohio, where he had worked for the city of Montpelier. He attended Dayspring Community Church in Auburn.

He was born June 21, 1931, in Auburn to J.E. and Nina (Collins) Sowles. His mother survives in LaGrange and his father preceded him in death.

He married Viola Purk on May 13, 1950, in Akron, Ind., and she survives. Also surviving are one son, Dorsey Wayne Sowles of North Carolina; three daughters and two Sons-in-law, Judy Beard of Auburn, Janet and Steve Carper of Auburn, and June and Rick Fifer of Hamilton; five brothers, Leon Sowles of Auburn, Donald Sowles of Garrett, Ronald Sowles of Albion, and Eugene Sowles and Lloyd Sowles, both of Talaquah, Okla.; three sisters, Betty Sauders of New Haven, Sandra Curtis of LaGrange, and Diana Strong of Atlanta, Ga.; seven grandchildren, four step-grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Services will be held Monday at 11 a.m. in Dayspring Community Church, 1700 E. Seventh St., Auburn, with calling after 10 a.m.

The Rev. Bill Lyne will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo cemetery.

Additional calling is Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 pm in Feller Funeral Home, 875 S. Wayne St., Waterloo.

Memorials are to DeKalb Memorial Hospice or Dayspring Community Church.



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Dorsey Dean Sowles

Viola Rose Purk Sowles

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Janet Sowles Carper

Dorsey Dean Sowles

J.E. Sowles

Daisy Sowles

Jonathan Frank Sowles

Hiram Sowles

Remaining lineage unknown



*In Loving Memory  
Of  
Ruth Johnson*

### **Ruth Johnson**

Ruth Marie Johnson died in her home in Safford Feb. 7, 2001. She was 98 years old.

Ruth was born Nov. 25, 1902, to George and Clara Pratt in Juniata, Neb.

In 1920, she married Leland Fuller. They had three children, Douglas, Maurice and Yvonne. Leland died in 1927. As a young widow she struggled to keep her family together until 1930 when she married William Johnson of Ayr, Neb.

Ruth and Will farmed until 1947. During those years, she was active in the Methodist Church and served on the election board. In 1947, they moved to Hastings, Neb. She was a member of the Mayflower Descendants, Daughters of the American

Revolution, Eastern Star and Woman's Club. In 1976, they moved to Safford.

She enjoyed gardening, flower arranging and crafts.

Ruth was preceded in death by her husband, William; and her son, Douglas Fuller of Anderson, Calif. She is survived by her son, Maurice Fuller of Fort Myers, Fla.; daughter, Yvonne Berver of Safford; daughter-in-law, Flora Fuller of Anderson, Calif.; and grandchildren, Carol Fly, of Fort Thomas, Jeanne Hervol of Tuscon, Rae Marie Kennedy of Las Vegas, Nev., Glenn Fuller of Anderson, Calif.; Felice Claxton of Redding, Calif., Pat Fuller, William Fuller and Mary Susan Campbell, all of Fort Myers, Fla.; and 12 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held March 4 at 2:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 1020 Tenth Ave. in Safford.

Ruth Johnson had been a member of Soule Kindred since 1970. She attended several reunions with her daughter, Yvonne Berver, also a long time member. She attended at least one reunion with her daughter, son in law, granddaughter, Carol Y. Fly and great granddaughter Erin M. Fly.

- Submitted by Lorraine D. Gilchrist – “Both Patricia Kearney Castro and I are members of Soule Kindred and longtime friends and for years I have been a neighbor to her mother, Grace Kearney. We discovered we were also connected as BORDEN descendants, making our friendship more precious. I would like to submit this obituary for publication in the next issue as a memoriam and notice of her death for whom it may concern”

### **Patricia Jeanne Kearney Castro (1934-2001)**

Patricia Jeanne Kearney Castro, daughter of Charles Chase Kearney and Grace Wight Kearney, was born at Scottsbluff, Nebraska, Sunday 28 October 1934. She died in Las Vegas, Nevada, Sunday 18 November 2001, after a long and valiant struggle with ovarian cancer. She was sixty-seven years old. A memorial service was held at the Chapel of the Bolder City, Nevada National Cemetery, followed by internment.

“Pat” became very interested in genealogical research and after finding herself eligible, became a member of the Society of Mayflower Descendants while she and her husband resided in Ramona, San Diego County, California. She continued her research largely on the Internet and through e-mail and made many close associations and friends who became a caring support group during her illness.

Pat was a loyal friend, a devoted daughter, wife, mother, sister and grandmother. She is greatly missed by her husband Frank Castro; mother Grace Kearney, children Martin A. Staab, Ida Jean McLean, Maurice A. Staab, and brothers Charles W. Kearney and John L. Kearney. Four grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and a stepdaughter and her children also survive her.

**THE DAILY GAZETTE**  
Thursday, November 29, 2001

## Margaret 'Peg' Sowle, 76, owned Covenhoven Gifts

**GLEN** — Mrs. Margaret "Peg" L. Sowle, who owned and operated Covenhoven Gifts out of her home in Glen for many years, died Sunday at her winter home in Melbourne, Fla. after being stricken. She was 76.

Born in Glen, Mrs. Sowle lived most of her life on the family farm in Glen. She also spent the summer months at Canada Lake. She attended Hartwick College.

She was an antiques dealer at one time and later rented cabins on her property in Canada Lake.

She was a member of the Glen Reformed Church.

Mrs. Sowle was the widow of Carl W. Ruby. She later married John Sowle. He died in 1994.

Survivors include four sons, Richard Ruby of Canada Lake, Rex Ruby of Caroga Lake, Scott Ruby of Gloversville and Michael Sowle of Glen; a daughter, Amy Sowle of Gloversville; a stepson, Chet Sowle of Florida; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at the Glen Reformed Church, Main Street, Glen. Calling hours will be from 5 this afternoon until 8 tonight at the Jackson & Betz Funeral Home, 15 Main St., Fultonville.

Burial will be in Maple Avenue Cemetery, Fultonville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mountain Valley Hospice.

**Soule Kindred in America, Inc.**

**Soule Kindred Indices,**

**Millenium Edition**

**Introduction to:**  
**Use of the Soule Kindred Indices in**  
**Computerized Genealogical Research**

I. Introductory Notes:

- A. Use of these instructions is primarily geared for the computer literate genealogical researcher, and especially those familiar with the computer tools--Spread Sheets and Word Processors.
- B. These indices consist of tables of genealogical descendency from the Mayflower Pilgrim, George Soule. Similar tables for other Mayflower passengers are available from other sources.
- C. The term "Soule Kindred Indices" includes all three of the indices presently being maintained by Soule Kindred in America. (ie: The Soule Kindred Index; The Soule Spouses Index; and the Soule (Other Surname) Index.
- D. These indices have been published on computer media (CD-Rom) in two formats--Corel/Word Perfect and Microsoft Word/Works. In addition they have been duplicated in separate alphabetical and numerical listings for each of those formats; admittedly redundant, but necessarily required for the ease of future corrections and additions.
- E. Since there are numerous spellings of the Soule Surname, these indices are constructed under the general surname, "Soule". Other surname spellings will be randomly interspersed within the Soule name where known. (ie: Souls, Soules, Sole, Soles, Sowl, Sowls, Sowle, Sowles etc.)

II. How to Use Them:

A. Starting with the supposition that one knows the name of a person (male or female) who married a Soule:

1. Go to the alphabetical listing of the **Soule Spouses Index**, in the Word Processing format you prefer. (ie: Corel/Word Perfect **(Filename:2KSKSX.DOC** or Microsoft Word/Works **File Name: 2KSKSX.DOC**)
2. "Open" that File.
3. Follow down alphabetically in the left hand column until you find the name of the person you know married a "Soule:"
  - a. (Now you will find that Soule persons last and first names in the middle column.)
  - b. (You will also find the Soule Persons Ancestral Number in the right hand column.)
  - c. (Jot down these two facts on note paper.)
  - d. Now "Minimize" the open file, maintaining it in an "Open" condition.
4. Go to the numerical listing of the **Soule Kindred Index**, in the Word Processing format you prefer. (ie: Corel/Word Perfect **(Filename:2KSKDXN.DOC** or Microsoft Word/Works **File Name: 2KSKDXN.DOC**)
5. Follow down the **left hand column** of this table until you find the same number as listed on your note of step 3-c above. With your mouse, highlight this entire line.
  - a. You have now found the line of data of **your ancestor** whom married the **spouse** you first looked up in the **Soule Spouses Index**.



- b. The 2<sup>nd</sup> column of this line of data is the Parent of the person in column 1.
  - c. The 3<sup>rd</sup> column of this line of data is the full name (as well as has been recorded) of the Soule Kindred Ancestor of your search.
  - d. Column 4, is the birth year, of the Soule Kindred Ancestor of your search, (if known.)
  - e. Column 5 is the reference number for the originator of the information contained on this line.
  - f. The 6<sup>th</sup> column of this listing is the spouse of the Soule Kindred Ancestor. (The same person whom you started with in step #3 above.
  - g. Now in your word processor click on the "Edit" Menu."
  - h. In the "Edit" Menu Click on "Copy"
  - i. Minimize "Document-1."
  - j. Now open a "New document--Document 2" and copy the highlighted line to it. By clicking on "Paste" in the "Edit" Menu
- 6.
- a. Select "Find and Replace."
  - b. In the "Find-- blank bar"--Type in the parent number from column 2 of Step 5-b. above.
  - c. Click on the "Find Next" Button--The "Edit-Find" menu will take you to the next occurrence of the Parent Number typed in.
  - d. This number should normally occur in the 2<sup>nd</sup> column, indicating that the "Find" menu has found a 2<sup>nd</sup> occurrence of the parent ancestral number of the Soule Ancestor found in Step 5a, above. The Number in Column 1, will be a brother(or sister) to that first Ancestor found in Step 5a, above.
  - e. With the mouse, highlight this line of data.

7. Now reopen "Document 2" and copy the highlighted line to it.

(Note: You will need to shift back to your original document of step 4 above for each time you desire to search for an additional line of information for transferring it to Document 2.)

8. Continue steps 4 through 7 which will advance you through the spreadsheet until you arrive back at the step where the number you are searching for, has now appeared in Column 1. You have now found all the children of the person in Column 1, and you have also constructed a list of those children, their spouses and their birthdates, ancestral numbers and a list of references of where this information has been sourced from.

**NOTE: A source of confusion may possible arise where the number in the "Find-Next" box jumps to the Birth Year column (Column 4). Should this occur. Just press the "Find-Next" key in one step sequences until the number being searched for, reappears in column one or two.**

9. Repetition of steps (4 & 5) will take you through the operations for successively looking for the father and mother; grandfather and grandmother; g-grandfather and g-grandmother, ...by generations all the way back to George Soule-Mayflower Pilgrim and his wife Mary Bucket/(Becket ?)
10. The resulting list will be a step-by-step generational search of all the reported descendents in one line backward to George Soule.

### **III. Performing a "Backward Search"**

- A. It is possible to use the "Edit--Find & Replace" feature of this Word Processor/Spread Sheet to perform a search for children of a known parent.
  1. Start by locating the Parent name (Column 3) on the Alphabetical Listing of your choice. Note the Parent ancestral Number.
  2. In the "Edit--Find and Replace" menu--Type the above Parent Ancestral Number into the "Find" box. Click on "Find Next".
  3. You are now searching column 2 for the Parent Number, and noting the





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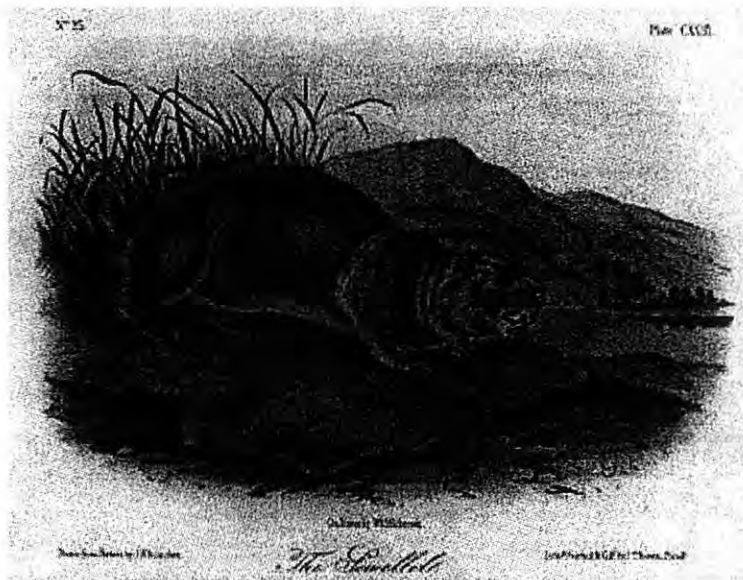
**By Eric Sewell**

I eliminated all but two clues in The Times Christmas Eve Jumbo Crossword my wife and I only solved one clue after an exhaustive search in the dictionary:

**62 Across - 'Beaver in a stream in grounds to the west'**

The answer had to fit \*E\*E\*L\*L. This very unlikely arrangement of letters only seemed to fit a word like PARALLEL, which was already the answer to another clue.

When we found SEWELLEL - 'an American rodent linking beavers and squirrels' known as the 'mountain-beaver' - we were astonished not to have heard of it before. No doubt SEWELL fans of David Attenborough are better informed. According to my dictionary the name is derived from Chinook shewallal - a robe of its skin.



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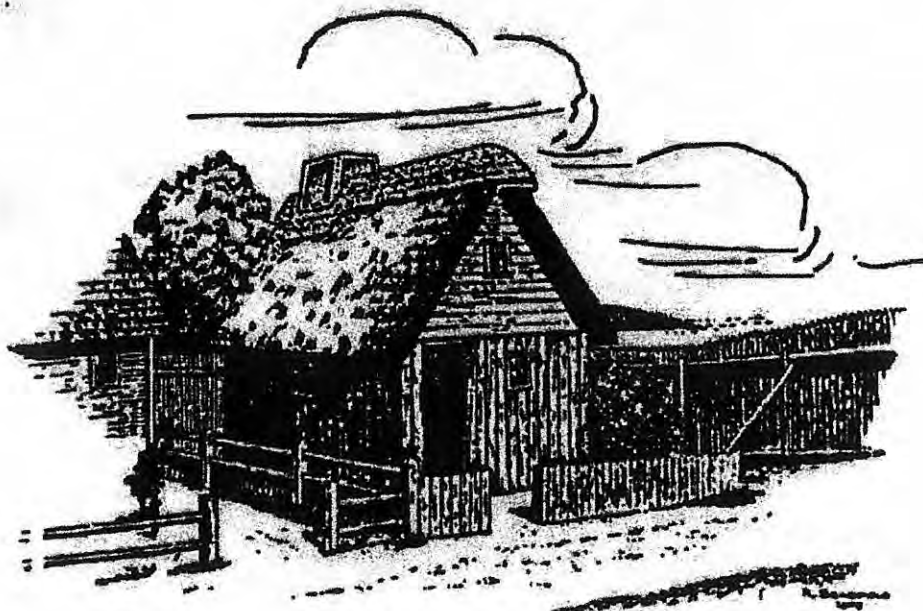
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