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Home and Street Scene
from the 1626 Village at Plimoth Plantation
Plymouth, MA
One of the places visited during the 2008 Soule Kindred Reunion

Front Cover Image: The mantle at the Drew Archives, Duxbury, MA. Back Cover Image: Apponagansett Meeting House in Dartmouth, MA. Soules were among the earliest members of this old Quaker community. The first building was constructed in 1699 and replaced in 1791 by the present structure. The building's current owner is the Allen's Neck Quaker Meeting House which is located in the same general area as Apponagansett. The older building is now used only in the warmer months and for special uses such as memorial services, etc. It is on the National Register of Historic Places.

All front and back cover photography by Susan Fogg Eisdorfer, PLCGS.



Major Alfred Soule of the 23rd Maine Infantry
Born 25 September 1825; died 7 February 1864

Charles Beal has been a frequent contributor to our newsletter through his interest in the American Civil War and his efforts to give all veterans of that conflict the respect and recognition that they deserve. In that spirit, we publish the following article on Major Soule written by Charles about one of our Soule cousins, Major Alfred Byron Soule.

Although Major Soule had children, the Mayflower Society states that no one has ever applied or been accepted on his line.

We regret to learn that Major A. B. Soule, late of the 23d regiment, died at his residence in this city, Sunday forenoon. Major S. had been sick with typhoid fever for nearly three weeks, and was supposed to be gaining, when he suddenly sank away. When the call for troops for nine months was issued, Mr. Soule came forward and enlisted as a private in the Lewiston company, was chosen captain, and subsequently Major of the regiment. He served with credit and came home with his regiment, subsequently returning to his position in the Hill Mill. He was a consistent and faithful christian, and was at the time of his decease Deacon of the Pine St. Church. In all the relations of life he sustained an unspotted reputation. May God bless and sustain his widowed wife and orphan children in this deep affliction.

From the Lewiston Journal, Lewiston, Maine

Honoring Major Alfred B. Soule of the 23rd Maine Infantry

Last July, I was reading a book titled "A Memorial of Alfred B. Soule, Late Major of the Twenty-Third Regiment, Maine Volunteers" by George Ward Nichols, published in 1866. Jarvis Thayer Beal & Moses Gould Beal (my 2nd and 3rd great grandfathers) served with Major Soule in the 23rd Maine. I wondered where Major Soule was laid to rest? The book only mentioned that his burial was at Manchester, New Hampshire. A day later and a little bit of research on the Internet, I discovered he was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Manchester, NH along with his family and some descendants, most of them in unmarked graves, including Major Soule. I ordered a Civil War Monument through the Veterans Administration and it was placed at his grave on October 28, 2008, 144 years after his death. The Veterans Administration was gracious enough to allow my request to state "Descendant of Pilgrim George Soule" on the Civil War Monument.

The following is a brief biography of the life of a remarkable man, loved by all and a tribute to his life and his religious beliefs that guided him and how his dedicated service to others was a true mark of his character.

Alfred was a descendant of Pilgrim George Soule of the Mayflower, descending through George, the Pilgrim, John, James, Jacob, William, James, Alfred and Alfred B. Alfred B. was a son of Alfred and Mahala Soule, born on September 25, 1825 at Middleboro, Massachusetts.

By age 15, Alfred was a devout, religious boy who gave his heart to Jesus Christ.

In the early 1840's he took a voyage by ship, his desire to see the world. On the seventeen month voyage he always attended Sunday services, prayer meetings during the week and pledged to abstain from liquor—a pledge he always kept. Upon returning home, his mother was a second-time widow with dependent children so he became the father and protector. Shortly afterwards they all moved to Manchester, NH. Within four years Alfred would be an overseer in a large mill.

On December 18, 1848 he married Caroline Dodge at Manchester, New Hampshire. Alfred would later write in a letter that he was married "to a devoted, praying wife, whose chief object has been to serve God and make me happy".

Alfred's delight was Sunday school, either as a teacher or assistant superintendent. In 1857 he was elected a deacon of Pine Street Church.

In late 1858 he moved to New York City. Later on his family would join him in 1859. They missed New England and unknown to Alfred, Caroline would pray that they might find a home at Lewiston. Soon Caroline's prayers were answered by a telegram asking Alfred "Will you take charge of one of my rooms in Lewiston, Maine"?

They would soon move to Lewiston where Alfred had charge of rooms in the Hill Mill. Alfred would also be chosen a deacon of the church.

In 1861 the United States was involved in Civil War, Alfred thought, "Shall I go"? The ranks of volunteers were readily filled, so Alfred decided that it was not his duty to go then. Alfred also thought he must hold himself in readiness. He devoted time drilling with gun and sword, saying often "When duty calls, I am ready". Union disasters, defeats, successes had their influence upon him. Finally he heard the voice in his soul; his duty was plain and clear. He had to convince Caroline that this was going to enlist. The last argument that persuaded her to give consent was that many of the young men from their church were going to enlist. These young men were not prepared for the temptations of camp life; someone must watch over and encourage them, that person being Alfred.

In September 1862 he enlisted as a Private in Company A of the 23rd Maine Regiment—a nine month regiment. He was quickly chosen captain of the company and ten days later he was promoted to major of the regiment.

Alfred was deeply interested in the welfare of his men. He constantly visited tents to see that they were in a healthy condition, distributing papers and looking after their wants in various ways. In addition to his Major's duties, he performed the Chaplain's duties. He organized parts of tents to build one big tent to hold 200 men for prayer and temperance meetings. He was always present at these meetings. It was not his ambition to gain reputation as a military man, but rather to do all the good he could to the cause of his country while in the service, a fellow officer said about him.

The 23rd Maine would not be stationary in location as they moved up and down the Potomac River in the defenses of Washington D.C. At new camp locations, Alfred would find ways to construct a large meeting place to continue prayer and temperance meetings.

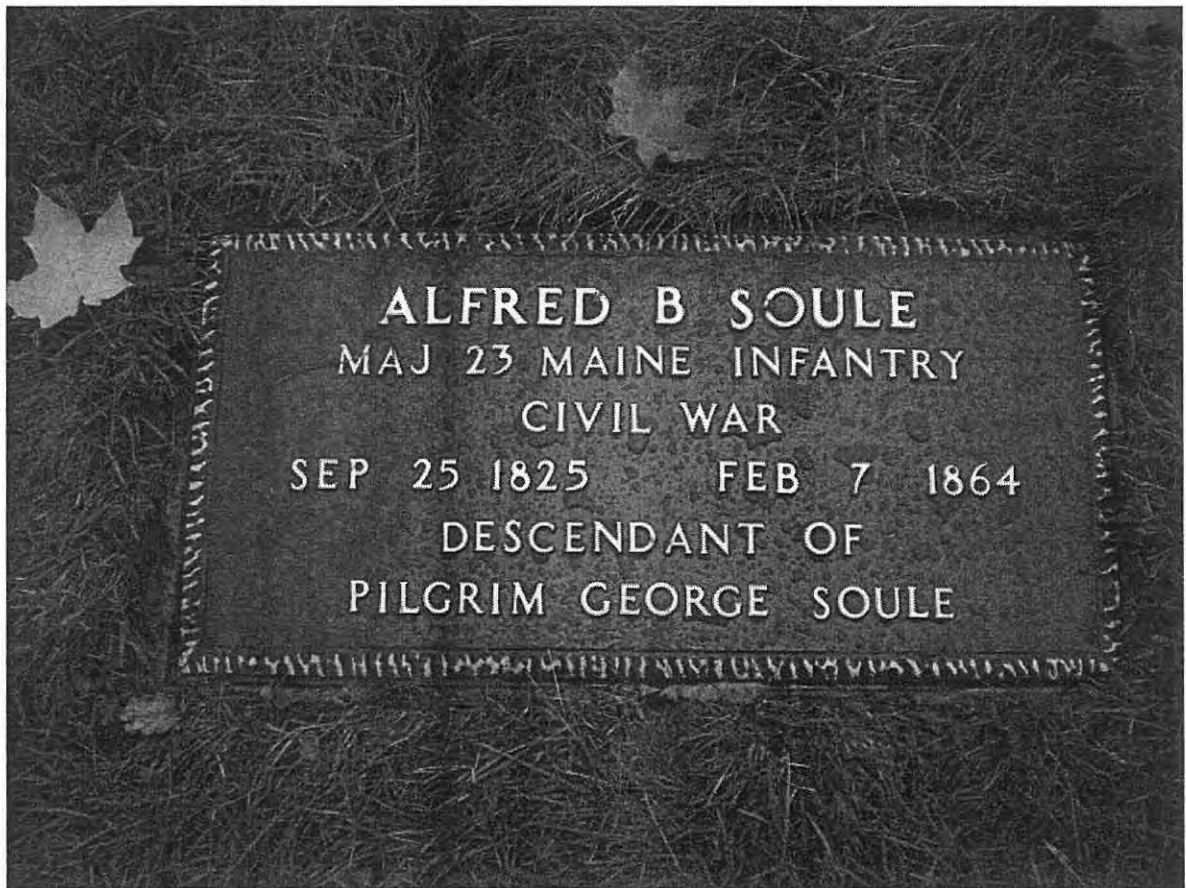
In letters written home by Alfred during the war, he stated that he violated the law of my country in his official capacity; he helped slaves escape and guided them to the Underground Railroad. In another letter Alfred said his superior officers ordered him to discontinue the Underground Railroad. He disobeyed orders and had the satisfaction of passing at least 26 over it, and was willing to suffer the consequences.

The 23rd Maine conducted guard duty along the Potomac River/Chesapeake & Ohio Canal from Alexandria to Harper's Ferry, West Virginia. The regiment was directed to Maryland Heights (Harper's Ferry) in late June 1863 to prevent the Confederate Army from marching towards the Capitol, Washington D.C. The Confederate Army crossed the Potomac River a few miles north of Harper's Ferry, headed for Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. The 23rd Maine would lose 56 men to disease during its nine month tour of duty.

The 23rd Maine Infantry was a highly respected unit, leaving behind a very good reputation among the persons with which it had contact. They were known for good order, quiet, sobriety, and thorough knowledge and performance of their duties. This tribute to the 23rd Maine was probably greatly due to Alfred's influence and guidance. Upon his discharge in July 1863, family and friends noticed a great change, spiritually and physically in Alfred. He indicated that his days to be few. Alfred died on February 7, 1864 at Lewiston, Maine.

The Lewiston Evening Journal (February 8, 1864, page 3) said he died on Sunday from typhoid fever he had for nearly three weeks. The Lewiston Evening Journal stated "He was a consistent and faithful Christian. In all the relations of life, he sustained an unspotted reputation."

The men of the 23rd Maine endured the harsh life of soldiers in the field, exposed to rain, heat, cold and snow conditions. Alfred gave his all to this Country and the men of the 23rd Maine. A parting tribute from the author states "He died not on the field, but he returned with faltering step; and in a few brief months he went up higher". §



Grave stone obtained for Major Soule by Soule Kindred member
Charles Beal
Pine Grove Cemetery, Manchester, NH

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Snippets from Susan: Occasional Musings from Your Editor

A lot was happening in 2001: our youngest child went off to college and, as his support system, my husband and I made many trips back and forth carrying both him and his "stuff." We noticed my parents starting to lose their ability to care for themselves, but they were very stubborn about maintaining their independence and were still managing to cope marginally with a bit of help. Things were good overall. It was also the year that I began with a single online genealogy course with The National Institute for Genealogical Studies and became hooked.

It is now the year 2008 and forty courses later with the end of the year quickly approaching. There were times that I had to post-pone courses to deal with my husband's deteriorating health and then my parents. Always though, after each crisis, I resumed studies and kept going. Also, in 2005, the same year our son graduated from college, I completed a one year diploma program in multimedia and took one course each semester the next year for a new software layout program called Adobe InDesign which is what allows me to do the newsletter. In 2007 my husband died and in 2008 my father followed him. Both of them missed my son's graduation from Boston University Medical School which hurt us all deeply, but the good news is that he made it through despite all the turmoil, is working full-time and making us even prouder of him every day. Mom is now in assisted living where she has adjusted very well. Dad took good care of her, but was far less social than she; it is good to see that in the twilight of her life that she can blossom and fulfill some of those previously unmet needs. During the summer, my step-son, his wife and I flew to California to attend the funeral of my last remaining brother-in-law. As a Marine spotter in WWII, he was one of the first to land on Iwo Jima and fought in every major battle in the Pacific. Miraculously, he survived and came home to marry his high school sweetheart and live out a full life. He received a Marine honor guard presence at his funeral that was recognized by all as more than well deserved.

This past weekend I completed the final exam of the final course and have finished something that began when my life was very different. For the past six months I have been trying on the PLCGS after my name quietly at home just to see how it looks and feels. And it feels pretty good, actually. The initials stand for Professional Learning Certificate in Genealogical Studies. The program is offered through a partnership between the Faculty of Information (read Library School) of the University of Toronto and The National Institute for Genealogical Studies. In another classic example of being too busy to see the forest for the trees, it never dawned on me that this would become a major transition tool in my life, but it is exactly that and I am very grateful. By the time that this Winter issue shows up in your mailboxes, I will also have become State Board Secretary for the NJ Mayflower Society. My induction is scheduled to take place at our Compact Day Meeting on November 22, 2008. It is also the day that our society will be dipping the flags in memory of those members who have left us during the year, my father included. My brother and I will do everything necessary to get Mom there for the day.

The first **Snippets from Susan** was printed in the initial issue done for Soule Kindred (Summer, 2006). I wrote in that piece about the great circle of life and how much I felt it to be an honor to help my cousins mark these important life events. Thank you for allowing me to continue doing that and of giving me a place to live out in community the values we share and to mark the events of my own circle of life. Little did it ever occur to me that taking on the newsletter would provide the vehicle for my own life transition and a source of healing. Who would have thought that the act of moving little blocks of text and color around on a page would provide the avenue of calming and comfort that it has? May there be blessings upon you all for today and forever.

Yours in Genealogy,

Susan Fogg Eisdorfer. PLCGS
November 27, 2008



In this article David Hargreave and Anne Kendall Smith present information on their own lines from Vermont.

THE REST OF THE STORY

David Hargreave¹ & Anne Kendall Smith²

In Ridlon's extensive but often flawed Soule Family tome (vol. 2, p. 515), he offers the following comment regarding Abigail Curtis, wife of Gardner Soule, sent to him by Mrs. H. S. Gray, a granddaughter of Gardner and Abigail: "My grandmother was a Curtis, daughter of David Curtis, and her brother, Hon. James Curtis was Governor of Vermont and a United States Senator." Mrs. Gray was wrong, but the truth, as is often the case, is more impressive than the fiction, so we offer here "the rest of the story."

Abigail Curtis, born 15 December 1801 in Dorset, Bennington, Vermont, was the eldest of five children of David Curtis and his cousin Mary. David was the eighth of eleven children of Elias Curtis, while Mary was the daughter (probably the second) of Elias' younger brother Nicholas. Abigail did have one brother, born 2 April 1807, and his name was James. However, the closest James got to any seat of governmental power beyond the Town of Dorset was the Vermont state legislature where he was the representative from Dorset in 1847 and 1848. After several fruitless searches for a James Curtis among the list of governors of and/or senators from Vermont, these investigators were ready to accept Mrs. Gray's statement as simply a substantial inflation of the facts.

Enter Zachariah Curtis, eldest son of Elias, and David's older brother (by some thirteen years). Zachariah first married Chloe Brown and their eldest child was Maria Waitstill Curtis, born 15 Nov 1796, probably in Dorset. Maria would have been a first cousin of Abigail and James. This Zachariah³ and family soon removed to Troy, New York. There, on 25 October 1814, Maria married an aspiring young lawyer by the name of John Smith. John and Maria, in turn, soon removed to St. Albans, Vermont where he commenced the practice of law. John Smith's fortunes must have blossomed in St. Albans for he would go on to serve as State's Attorney for Franklin County from 1826 to 1832, as a member of the State House of Representatives from 1827 to 1837, including serving as speaker from 1831 to 1833, and as a member of the 26th U.S. Congress from 1839 to 1841. And, on the side, John dabbled in the construction of railroads.⁴

Over the course of their married life John and Maria had seven offspring, four boys and three girls. The eldest of the boys was John Gregory Smith, born in St. Albans on 22 July 1818. John graduated from the University of Vermont and Yale Law School and joined his father's practice (as well as his father's railroad ventures). He would eventually serve in both the State House of Representatives and Senate, and, during the Civil War, two terms as governor of Vermont. In addition he was president of both the Vermont Central Railroad and the Northern Pacific Railroad.

John Gregory Smith married Ann Eliza Brainard on 27 Dec 1843. They would go on to have five children, two boys and three girls. Their younger son was Edward Curtis Smith, born on 5 January, 1854 in St. Albans. Edward would eventually receive his undergraduate degree from Yale and his law degree from Columbia. He practiced law for a short time before going to work for the Vermont Central Railroad where he rose to become president. He was also director and president of the People's Trust Company. Carrying on the Smith political tradition, he represented St. Albans in the state legislature in 1890, then served as governor of Vermont from 1898 to 1900.

Returning to John and Maria, their youngest son was Worthington Curtis Smith, born in St. Albans on 23 April 1823. Worthington too graduated from the University of Vermont and studied law, but never practiced. Instead he engaged in the iron trade, becoming the president of the St. Albans Foundry Company. He served in the Vermont State House of Representatives (1863) and the State Senate (1864 & 1865), being elected president-pro tempore of that body in 1865. He was then elected to the 42nd U.S. Congress (1867-1873).

Worthington married Katherine Walworth on 12 Jun 1850. The couple went on to have five children, two boys and three girls. The eldest child, Katherine Smith, was born in St. Albans on 7 May 1852. Twenty two years later, on 15 October 1874, she would wed William Walker Scranton in St. Albans. William was born in Augusta, Georgia but was "of" Scranton, Pennsylvania. The couple soon took up residence in Scranton where William would become president of the gas and water companies. They had one child, a son, Worthington Scranton, born on 29 August 1876, and he, in turn, married one Marion Marjorie Warren. Worthington and Marion had four children, three girls and then a boy.

That boy was William Warren Scranton who would eventually go on to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives (1961-1963), become governor of Pennsylvania (1963-1967), and become the U. S. Ambassador to the United Nations during the Ford administration.

Mrs. Gray, writing in the early 20th century, couldn't have known about the Scranton connection, but the success of the Smiths in Vermont must have been known at least to some extent by those in other strands within the Curtis clan. Lest someone unfamiliar with that clan assume that such success was commonplace amongst the Curtises, it should be pointed out that, with few exceptions, the progeny of old Zachariah of Wethersfield and Dorset were, like most in this fledgling country during the 19th century, farmers and the like. What the family of John Smith and Maria Curtis produced over the span of four generations is rather remarkable.

1. David Hargreave, a great great grandson of Gardner and Abigail Soule, is currently on the Board of Directors of the Soule Kindred in America. He has focused his attention during the past few years on some of the maternal lines that have intersected his Soule lineage, particularly on the Curtis family of Dorset, Vermont.
2. Anne Kendall Smith is also a descendant of George Soule of the Mayflower, tracing her lineage through Gardner Soule's brother Wesson. Wesson also married into the Curtis family of Dorset, stimulating Anne's interest in that family. If you have any questions concerning the Curtis family please feel free to contact either author at one of the address below
3. This branch of the Curtis family was awash with Zachariahs from the late 18th century onwards. The father of brothers Elias and Nicholas was Zachariah Curtis who was born on 13 Sep 1719 in Wethersfield, Connecticut and died on 18 May 1805 in Dorset. He is reputed to have sired twenty five children, though these investigators believe that seventeen or eighteen is a more likely number. One of that brood, in addition to Elias and Nicholas, was Zachariah Junior. From that point onwards Zachariahs continued to show up in several lineages for at least four generations..
4. The information presented herein concerning the political exploits of the Smith family were taken from three web sites:
POLITICAL GRAVEYARD - <http://politicalgraveyard.com/geo/VT/FR.html>. This site will link to the next two.
BIOGRAPHICAL DIRECTORY OF THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS - <http://bioguide.congress.gov/biosearch/biosearch.asp>
NATIONAL GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION - <http://www.nga.org/portal/site/nga/menuitem.8fd3d12ab65b304f8a278110501010a0?submit=Submit&State=VT>

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David Hargreave is a member of the Soule Kindred Board of Governance and has attended reunions in Niagara Falls and Plymouth. When Anna Bristol found a postcard on eBay, bought it and developed an article about the Soule family of Plainwell, MI, David realized the site is near his home and decided to visit. We are delighted that he has "adopted" these Soules and continues to provide us with an ever growing amount of information about them.

This is really a wonderful thing to do and your editor hopes that if readers find Soule sites near you, even if not the your own line, that you will consider "adopting" them as David has. Someone out there will be very grateful that you cared enough to do this act of genealogical kindness for your cousins. Thank you David for your excellent work.

WEATHERING THE STORM

David Hargreave

The June/July 2006 issue of the Soule Kindred Newsletter (vol. XXXX, #1, p. 6) featured newspaper clippings describing the unfortunate demise of Ellis G. Soule and his father George G. Soule of Plainwell, Michigan. On the back cover of that same issue was an old postcard image of the Soule fountain at the main intersection of the village erected by George's wife in his honor. In a subsequent issue of the newsletter (vol. XXXXI, #1, p. 17) were two recent photographs of the same memorial fountain submitted by the present author.

The family in question is interred in the Soule family plot in Hillside Cemetery, about two miles east of the fountain, a lovely burial ground on the edge of the village graced by a large number of old fir trees. The plot is marked by an obelisk with the Soule named inscribed on its base (see photograph #1) surrounded by a total of eleven headstones.

On the second of July of this year (2008) thunderstorms ripped through the Plainwell area uprooting and snapping several of the trees in the cemetery. One of the toppled giants narrowly missed the Soule plot, doing major damage to the monuments in the adjoining plot to the north (see photograph #2). Though the Soule grave markers were not damaged by this event, they have suffered from the less severe but more relentless effects of weathering over the past century or so, prompting this author to offer a report on the family members interred in the plot and the condition of their headstones.

The headstones all appear to be of the same material, a fairly soft stone that has pitted and weathered severely over time. The inscribed surfaces of these stones, which are some two miles or so down wind of the paper mills which once represented the economic engine of the area, face west, into the prevailing weather. Whether emissions from those mills hastened the pitting of the stones is unknown, but the end result of a century more or less of exposure to the elements is that most of the inscribed faces are indecipherable. Luckily, many of the stones have something inscribed on their top edge as well and this, together with burial records allows for a reconstruction as to who is buried where. Also, three of the stones are off their base and have been propped against them, thus protecting and preserving the inscriptions. These stones have been photographed. Several other stones are still atop their base but are cracked or crumbling. Below is a description of each stone in the plot. Unless otherwise indicated the dates provided come from the cemetery records.

There are five stones aligned in a row from north to south behind or to the east of the family monument (see photograph #1). These mark the resting places of the following persons from north to south or left to right in the photograph:

1. On the top of the stone, "R. L." face almost impossible to read - Rowland Lucius Soule, 12-24-1929.
2. There is no evidence that this stone was ever inscribed and the cemetery shows only four persons buried in this row.
3. (Behind the obelisk in the photograph) - On the top of the stone, "FATHER," some information still legible on the face - Rev. Rowland Soule, 3-3-1879.
4. On the top of stone, "MOTHER," face illegible - Philena Soule, 6-17-1855.
5. Stone off its base (inscription photographed - #3) - "JOSEPH C. SOULE, BORN OCT. 9, 1881, DIED MAR. 9, 1917" (cemetery records have 3-10-1917).

There are four stones aligned in a row from north to south along the front or western side of the family plot (see photograph #2). These mark the resting places of the following persons from north to south or left to right in the photograph:

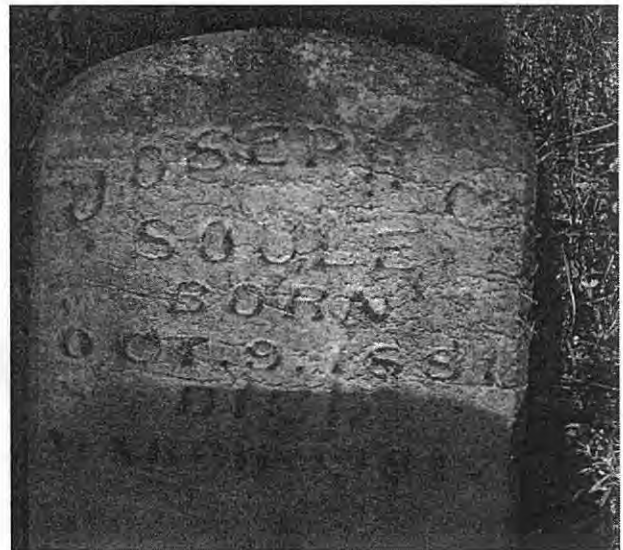
6. On the top of the stone, "ELLIS," face almost impossible to read - Ellis G. Soule, 2-12-1905.
7. On the top of the stone, "DAISY," face almost impossible to read - Daisy E. Hugo, 9-27-1902.
8. Stone off its base (inscription photographed - #4) - "CARRIE E. H., WIFE OF G. G. SOULE, NOV. 26, 1842, FEB. 16, 1911"
9. Stone off its base. On the top of the stone, "G. G." face difficult to read but photographed (#5) - "GEORGE G. SOULE" remainder illegible - 2-14-1905.

In between these two rows of stones are two more stones, one slightly in front and to the north (left in picture #2) of the obelisk and the other in front and to the south (right in picture #2) of the obelisk. Interred here are the following from north to south:

10. Nothing on the top of the stone and the face is illegible, but inscribed on the back or east side of the stone is the following, "LITTLE MORNING GLORY" - Bertha Soule, 1-2-1902
11. On the top of the stone, "OUR LITTLE ONES" face illegible - twins of G. G. Soule, 12-25-1872. This stone is badly cracked. §



Left: Soule family Gravesite
Hillside Cemetery
Plainwell, MI



Above:
Grave of Joseph C. Soule
Born 9 October 1881
Died 9 March 1917
Plainwell, MI

Milestones

Weddings

◆ THE DAILY GAZETTE

◆ SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2008 ◆

WEDDINGS



**BRIAN COUDRAY SOLE
VICTORIA ANN OWENS**

Victoria Ann Owens and Brian Coudray Sole were married March 8, 2008 in Phoenix, AZ. The bride is the daughter of Victor Owens of Richmond, TX and MaryAnn Green of Houston, TX. The groom is the son of John and Joanne Sole of Saratoga Springs.

Attendants were all college classmates of the bride and groom. Flowergirls were Erin and Natalie Sole, nieces of the groom.

Victoria (Tori) graduated from Columbine High School and Charleston Southern University with a BA in business. She is carrier sales manager for C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc., in Phoenix.

Her husband is a graduate of Scotia-Glenville High School and Charleston Southern University with a bachelor's degree in biology. He will be attending Touro University College of Pharmacy in the fall of 2008. He is a pharmacy intern at Walgreens in Phoenix.

The couple took a honeymoon trip to Hawaii. They will be relocating to Vallejo, CA.

Accomplishments

Kelsey Ann Rideout, daughter of Bruce W. and Peggy J. Rideout, was graduated June, 2008 from Severna Park Senior High School in MD. She was accepted into the biological sciences program at Virginia Tech and is now a first year student there. Her Soule lineage is through her father, via Edward H. Rideout's marriage to Corlena Mehitable Soule in 1861, Cumberland Center, ME.



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Deaths

Silvia Poules reports the death of her father, Vernon W. Dyer, on 1 November 2007. His grandmother was Agnes May Soule who was married to the Rev. Benjamin H. Johnson.

Sole, Grace (Maimone)

COLONIE — Grace Maimone Sole, 95, entered into eternal life on Saturday, June 7, 2008.

Born in South Bethlehem, Grace was the daughter of the late John and Nancy (Crisafulli) Maimone and had lived in Colonie for most of her life. Grace was a predeceased by her husband of 65 years, Rosario Sole and daughter, Josephine Sole Girgenti. She worked for several years as a seamstress at the Berkshire Dry Cleaning Co. in Albany.



She was a longtime communicant of the Church of Our Lady of Mercy in Colonie, a lifetime member of Our Lady of Mercy's Rosary Society, a member of the St. Francis de Sales Senior Citizens and the American Legion Scully Post Ladies Auxiliary. She also was a volunteer at the VA Hospital in Albany. Her family will always remember her creativity and how much she enjoyed traveling to Italy, cooking, crocheting and sewing.

She is survived by her grandchildren, Anjelicque (Jose) Martinez, Krystal Laramée, Randy Girgenti and Kyle Girgenti; great-grandchildren, Kayla and Dylan; brother, Dominic (Peggy) Maimone; brother-in-law, Francis Franze; and many nieces and nephews. Grace was also predeceased by her sisters, Santa Franze, Sara Ricciardi and Rose Catalfamo; and brothers, Sam and Angelo Maimone.

Funeral 10:30 Thursday morning from the Reilly & Son Funeral Home, Colonie and at 11:00 o'clock at the Church of Our Lady of Mercy, 26 Wilson Ave., Colonie, NY 12205. Burial will be in Our Lady of Angels Cemetery in Colonie. Calling hours will be Wednesday from 4 - 7 p.m. in the Reilly & Son Funeral Home, Colonie.

For those who wish, memorial contributions to the Our Lady of Mercy Memorial Fund would be appreciated.

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THE VROUWEKERK – NOW AND THEN

Some symbols – even when they exist as partial remains of an old church in the Dutch city of Leiden – may be considered by some as having no special value and just as it appears – an old ruin. To others it is a heritage, a place where ancestors walked, worshipped, shaped our lives and our ideals. This symbol is the Vrouwekerk!

It was in 2000 when the precious and historic area of our forefathers was jeopardized and the cry “Save the Vrouwekerk” was heard. It was proposed that the Vrouwekerk be demolished and a shopping area and parking garage be built. Also in jeopardy were other old 16th century buildings in the area and St. Catherine’s hospital where Myles Standish was said to have recuperated after being injured during the Battle of Ostend.

One might ask why an old moss covered wall or a few old buildings hold so much significance. We might answer that it is our one connecting cord to Leiden and as past PA Mayflower Society governor Stacy B.C. Wood, Jr., FPS has said “without Leiden there would not be Plymouth.” Leiden was the refuge for so many people who suffered religious persecution and we are reminded that it was the people of Leiden who sheltered the Pilgrims with their kindness and hospitality. The Vrouwekerk represents a hope, their hope, to worship Almighty God as they desired.

It is disappointing that the Vrouwekerk has been allowed to regress to the present state of disrepair but at least we do have something that is still tangible – a moss eaten wall which still stands in memory of our loved ancestry.

Jeremy Bangs has now proposed that we erect a bronze plaque honoring our Huguenot and Pilgrim ancestors. This plaque is to be erected on the site of the present remains of the Vrouwekerk during the Commemoration of the 400th anniversary of the Pilgrims migration to Leiden in 1609.

We, descendants of our Pilgrim and Huguenot ancestors are eternally grateful for our Leiden friends for their support, their unbiased religious beliefs and for being there as the benefactors of our ancestors.

Your financial support in this matter is important. Checks should be made payable to “GSMD” with the memo line marked “Vrouwekerk Plaque,” and sent to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants-Vrouwekerk, which is acting as the fund’s central collection and transfer site, at PO Box 3297, Plymouth, MA 02361-3297.

Relatively yours,

Muriel C. Cushing, Historian, SMD-FL

George DeLano, President, Delano Kindred, Inc.

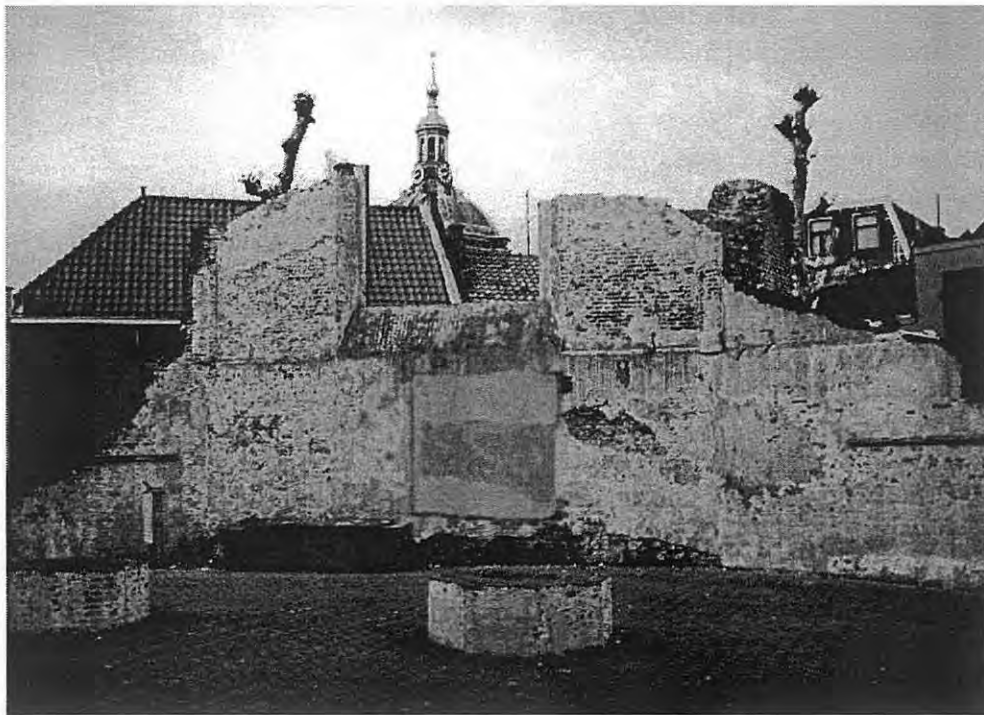
Stacy B. C. Wood, Jr., Co-founder, Pilgrim Henry Samson Kindred

If you are unfamiliar with the work of Dr. Jeremy D. Bangs, now is a great time to learn. Dr. Bangs is the founder and director of the **Pilgrim Museum in Leiden**, The Netherlands. His mission is to preserve those sites, artifacts and documents pertaining to our Mayflower ancestors and to conduct ongoing research to learn new information about them. One such new insight was published in our most recent Soule Kindred Newsletter which indicates the possibility that George Soule was already in Leiden at the time the of the Pilgrim’s departure for the New World and was not one of those who boarded in England as “strangers” (those brought along on the trip because of the need for skills, rather than because they were part of the spiritual flock). This discovery, although yet to be completely proven, is very encouraging and would not have been possible without Dr. Bang’s continual presence in Leiden. For more information, please take a moment to visit the website of the Pilgrim Museum at <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~netlapm/Page01.htm>

Dr. Bangs provided the images on the following page of the Vrouwekerk when it was intact and the ruins as they presently look.



The Vrouwekerk in Its Prime
Leiden, The Netherlands



The Vrouwekerk Ruins as they Now Exist
Leiden, The Netherlands

5-25-08

Dear Scholarship Committee,

Thanks so much for selecting me as a recipient of the Soule Kindred Award for this past academic year. As the cost of tuition rises my education becomes more of a financial burden, and I want to thank you for your generosity. This award has helped make the cost of tuition much more affordable this year. My freshman year at Stanford has been a great experience. I have become friends with people from all over the world and have been given opportunities that I probably wouldn't have had back home. I plan to major in Economics or public policy and pursue a career in investment banking. Thanks again for your support.

Sincerely,
Adam Wiley

Adam Wiley

Above:

Thank you letter from Adam Wiley, a 2008 Soule Kindred scholarship winner.

Adam is currently attending Stanford University in California where he studies investment banking.

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AND
BANQUET SPEAKER

Compiler of the Mayflower Families Series on Pilgrim George Soule, Parts 1-5
(Please see p. 37 of this newsletter)

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Marcy Kelly Brubaker
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marcykelly@sbcglobal.net

***Important:** If you are planning to attend, or even just thinking about it, please send your email address to Marcy. She will periodically send you updates on reunion arrangements as they are completed.*

About Children:

Let us know if you will be bringing young children. If there is enough interest, we will arrange special events for them.

MAYFLOWER LINEAGE WORKSHOPS

Pre-Registration Interest Assessment Form

Soule Kindred will host individual and group workshops with Mayflower genealogist Louise W. Throop at the June 24-28, 2009 reunion in Beverly Hills.

If you are interested in learning more about your Soule family tree, please provide us with the following information. This will help us prepare for the workshops.

Your Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

E-mail address _____ Phone _____

Please fill in what you know about your Soule line:

- | | |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| 1) <u>George Soule</u> _____ | 8) _____ |
| 2) _____ | 9) _____ |
| 3) _____ | 10) _____ |
| 4) _____ | 11) _____ |
| 5) _____ | 12) _____ |
| 6) _____ | 13) _____ |
| 7) _____ | 14) _____ |

Is there specific information you are seeking? _____ YES _____ NO

If yes, what? _____

What information do you have that might be helpful in your quest?

_____ Census data

_____ Birth/marriage/death information

_____ Military records

_____ City/Town/Church records

_____ Other _____

Please bring your information with you to the workshop should you decide to attend.

Fax this form to Marcy Kelly Brubaker at 310-786-7869. You can also access the form online at www.soulekindred.org (click on 2009 Reunion) and send it by e-mail. Snail mail works too - address on p. 15.

Book Review: Mourt's Relation

(as transcribed by Caleb Johnson from a 1622 copy in 2003)

by Susan Fogg Eisdorfer, PLCGS

Every once in a while it seems like a good idea to return to the beginning and this is especially true in a year when our reunion was in Plymouth. Periodic Homecomings are a way to keep the connections as an alive and vital part of our lives. It is in this spirit that Mourt's Relation is offered as a book review selection for the Winter, 2009 issue. Many of you know **Caleb Johnson** through his website www.mayflowerhistory.com. Additionally, he has been a past contributor to our newsletter on the topic of George Soule's parentage and origins.

A full version of the book reprinted in 1865 and still held at the Harvard College Library can be found on Google Online Books as a free download. Caleb's transcription can be found at this url:

<http://www.mayflowerhistory.com/PrimarySources/MourtsRelation.pdf> or on the site of the Plymouth Colony Project at <http://www.histarch.uiuc.edu/plymouth/mourt1.html>

Mourt's Relation was first published in London in 1622 and recounts the first year of the Pilgrim's experiences in the New World. Thus it is one of the earliest books about the English story in America. It has been attributed primarily by Edward Winslow, but also with some contribution from William Bradford. George Morton (Mourt) apparently wrote only the preface and gave the hand-written content of the book to the printer for publication. A continuation of Mourt's was printed in 1624 under the title of Good News from New England.

Caleb has done the modern reader a huge service by transcribing from an original 1622 printing. Although the prose remains true, he uses the modern alphabet which spares us all from such challenges as deciphering when an F is an F and not an S; also, he frees us from Us that look like Vs and other confusing conventions of previous eras. Thank you, Caleb for both doing this and for making it available to all.

In the first portion of the book are the stories about William Bradford getting hoisted after stepping into and Indian deer trap, young Francis Billington almost blowing up the Mayflower and again young Francis first spotting the body of water that even today bears

the name Billington Sea. One can go kayaking there nowadays should that be desired. Clearly the book is both history and advertisement; the intended goal was to entice more people into moving to Plymouth to swell the ranks of the colony and to ensure its success. Importantly for all of us Soule descendants, there is a description of the drawing up and signing of the Mayflower Compact of which our George Soule was a part. If you ever thought your ancestors were dull, just reading through this will change that notion forever.

The book is in several parts with incidents from the first section covered in the above paragraphs. Subsequent sections deal with the first formal meeting with Massasoit, the journey to the home of the Nauset to rescue John Billington, the younger, and brother to Francis, a confrontation with the Narragansett over the death of their interpreter Tisquantum and a relation of the voyage and what anyone intending to make the trip might reasonably expect. It is not a long work; the hardest part is getting used to a way with words that we no longer employ.

We live in a world where many people think nothing of catching a flight to London after work on Friday, spend Saturday and Sunday in the theater district and then catching a flight home in time to let them get back to work on Monday morning. Reading works like Mourt's Relation reminds us of the era when crossing the ocean took true courage, often stoked by desperation. Our ancestors had "the right stuff" and for that I, for one, am very proud.

Caleb Johnson has given us permission to reprint his version of Mourt's Relation in serial format for our readers. The first eleven pages are printed in this issue with the remainder to follow in subsequent newsletters.

Preserving
Soule Heritage
for
Future Generations

A RELATION OR

Journal of the beginning and proceedings
of the English Plantation settled at Plymouth in NEW
ENGLAND, by certain English Adventurers both
Merchants and others.

With their difficult passage, their safe arrival, their
joyful building of, and comfortable planting them-
selves in the now well defended town
of NEW PLYMOUTH.

AS ALSO A RELATION OF FOUR
several discoveries since made by some of the
same English Planters there resident.

- I. In a journey to Pokanoket the habitation of the Indian's greatest King
Massasoit: as also their message, the answer and entertainment they had of him.
- II. In a voyage made by ten of them to the Kingdom of Nauset, to seek a boy that
had lost himself in the woods: with such accidents as befell them in that voyage.
- III. In their journey to the Kingdom of Nemasket, in defense of their greatest
King Massasoit, against the Narragansetts, and to revenge the supposed death of their
interpreter Tisquantum.
- IIII. Their voyage to the Massachusetts, and their entertainment there.

With an answer to all such objections as are any way made
against the lawfulness of English plantations
in those parts.

LONDON,
Printed for John Bellamie, and are to be sold at his shop at the two
Greyhounds in Cornhill near the Royal Exchange, 1622.

To the Reader.

Courteous reader, be entreated to make a favorable construction of my forwardness, in publishing these ensuing discourses, the desire of carrying the Gospel of Christ, into those foreign parts, amongst those people that as yet have had no knowledge, nor taste of God, as also to procure unto themselves and others a quiet and comfortable habitation: where amongst other things the inducements (unto these undertakers of the then hopeful, and now experimentally known good enterprise for plantation, in New England, to set afoot and prosecute the same and though it fared with them, as it is common to the most actions of this nature, that the first attempts prove difficult, as the sequel more at large expresth, yet it hath pleased God, even beyond our expectation in so short a time, to give hope of letting some of them see (though some he hath taken out of this vale of tears) some grounds of hope, of the accomplishment of both those ends by them, at first propounded.

And as myself then much desired, and shortly hope to effect, if the Lord will, the putting to of my shoulder in this hopeful business, and in the meantime, these relations coming to my hand from my both known and faithful friends, on whose writings I do much rely, I thought it not amiss to make them more general, hoping of a cheerful proceeding, both of adventurers and planters, entreating that the example of the honorable Virginia and Bermuda Companies, encountering with so many disasters, and that for divers years together, with an unwearied resolution, the good effects whereof are now eminent, may prevail as a spur of preparation also touching this no less hopeful country though yet an infant, the extent and commodities whereof are as yet not fully known, after time will unfold more: such as desire to take knowledge of things, may inform themselves by this ensuing treatise, and if they please also by such as have been there a first and second time, my hearty prayer to God is that the event of this and all other honorable and honest undertakings, may be for the furtherance of the Kingdom of Christ, the enlarging of the bounds of our Sovereign Lord King James, and the good and profit of those, who either by purse, or person, or both, are agents in the same, so I take leave and rest

Thy friend, G. Mourt.

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About Soule Kindred Co-president Christine M. Hill

Lineage from George Soule:

GEN 1: George Soule
GEN 2: George Soule
GEN 3: William Soule
GEN 4: George Soule
GEN 5: George Soule
GEN 6: Joseph Soule
GEN 7: Gilbert Randall Soule
GEN 8: Freeman Gilbert Soule
GEN 9: Freeman Wilbur Soule
GEN 10: Bertha Mae Soule Erickson
GEN 11: Christine M. Erickson Hill

I had heard about the Soule Kindred in America for years before becoming involved with the organization. My mother learned about the group soon after it was formed and joined. My first real involvement was in 1996 when I accompanied my mother and two of her sisters to the reunion in Madison, Indiana. Since that time, I have attended all of the reunions except for one. I have also had the pleasure of introducing some of the Kindred members to my home city and state by hosting the 2005 reunion.

I have lived in Hutchinson, Kansas since my husband and I moved here following graduation from the University of Kansas in 1973, one year following our marriage. Prior to attending college, I grew up in the Eureka, Kansas area—a “country kid”, the youngest of the four children of Chris and Bertha Erickson.

My husband, Stan, and I have two daughters, Judy and Sarah, both members of the Soule Kindred. Judy has attended reunions since the one in Ventura, CA. Sarah's first reunion was the 2006 Niagara, NY reunion. Respectively, they currently live in Knoxville, TN and Kansas City, KS.

During the thirty-five years, that I have lived in Hutchinson, I have been involved in a variety of activities, mainly activities at our church and doing things at the girls' schools when they were young. Currently, my main activities outside of work are playing golf and going out to our farm where we are cleaning out some trees to make a recreation area. I also make quilts, like to knit or do counted cross-stitch, still occasionally tat (thanks to my Aunt Sue), and take photographs.

I work at our local hospital in the Quality Management area as the Risk Management Coordinator. When my daughters were young, I stayed at home with them and was able to be actively involved in their activities and school. My education is as a Medical Technologist, something that I have not done for years, but is still helpful for working in the medical field.

Attending Soule Kindred reunions has been great for meeting and getting to know cousins as well as an opportunity to spend time with my mother, my daughters, and some of my aunts. I'm looking forward to the 2009 reunion in LA. §

Chris Hill was the host/planner for the SK Reunion in Hutchinson, Kansas. She served as President last year and First Vice-president prior to that. It is always a pleasure to see Chris with daughters Sarah and Judy at our reunions.. Many thanks to Chris, Rosemary and all others who helped make the 2008 Plymouth reunion the success it was for us.



About Soule Kindred Co-President Rosemary Soulé Peters:

My Lineage from George Soule:

- GEN 1: George Soule
- GEN 2: Nathaniel Soule 1st
- GEN 3: Nathaniel Soule 2nd
- GEN 4: Wesson Soule
- GEN 5: James Soule
- GEN 6: Gardner Soule
- GEN 7: William H. Soule
- GEN 8: James W. Soule
- GEN 9: Norman R. Soule
- GEN 10: Rosemary A. Soule Peters

I was born in Eden, NY; married my husband, Dennis, in 1975, & although we had moved a few times before we built our home, I have never moved more than a 2 mile radius. (There truly is no place like Home!) We have 3 sons, Chad, Michael, & Rick, and 1 Grandson Mathew. Our boys all followed the same career of Heating & Air Conditioning and have been out on there own now for a few years so now our nest is empty.

My goal was to have a business in my home so I could raise my children, so I became a hairdresser. It has been a real joy being able to work around my boys & watch them grow; the time really does go by too fast! Once they were all in school, I became a school bus driver as well. Although my sons didn't appreciate at times the other 30 bus driver eyes that were on them as well (since we all look out for one another's families), I enjoyed getting to know my children's classmates & friends and being able to take or go on field trips.

Over the years I have been active in different organizations, Fund Raiser in the Co-op Nursery school, Teacher in Religious Education, Eucharistic Minister, Den Mother for Cub Scouts & also Tiger Cub Leader, member of the Child Study Club, & Bible Study Club. Currently I am still active in the Eden American Legion Auxiliary Post 880, the Eden Garden Study Club as Program & Yearbook Chairman, & have also become a Board member of the CSEA Union.

In my free time I enjoy working on genealogy, over the past years I have been working on my mother's lineage. We have a family reunion for my maternal side every other year & 3 years ago we also celebrated the 60th wedding anniversary of my parents, Norm & Florence Soule; at the reunion to their surprise! In the evening, as my brother, Bill, was playing Sax to the back round music of the Big Band Sound, Mom & Dad's friends came to join in the celebration. A great time was had by all!

Other activities I like to do are: scrap booking, crafts, dancing, music, camping, traveling, white water rafting, snow skiing, motorcycle riding, & spending time with my family & grandson. I love to remodel, decorate, & work in the garden, so with my 3 boys all in places of their own, there is always something for me to do.

I have really enjoyed attending the Soule Kindred Reunions & learning more about our Soule Heritage while meeting new cousins. Hopefully I will be able to attend next years as well in California, I am really looking forward to it. §



Rosemary Peters with her family. She previously served as First Vice-President, board member and was the host/planner of the Niagara Falls Reunion in June, 2006. Rosemary is the daughter of long-time Soule Kindred members Norm and Flo Soulé.

CERTAIN USEFUL ADVERTISEMENTS SENT

in a Letter written by a discreet friend

unto the Planters in New England, at their first setting
sail from Southampton, who earnestly desireth
the prosperity of that their new
Plantation.

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Loving and Christian friends, I do heartily and in the Lord salute you all, as being they with whom I am present in my best affection, and most earnest longings after you, though I be constrained for awhile to be bodily absent from you, I say constrained, God knowing how willingly and much rather than otherwise I would have borne my part with you in this first brunt, were I not by strong necessity held back for the present. Make account of me in the meanwhile, as of a man divided in myself with great pain, and as (natural bonds set aside) having my better part with you. And though I doubt not but in your godly wisdoms you both foresee and resolve upon that which concerneth your present state and condition both severally and jointly, yet have I thought but my duty to add some further spur of provocation unto them who run already, if not because you need it, yet because I owe it in love and duty.

And first, as we are daily to renew our repentance with our God, special for our sins known, and general for our unknown trespasses; so doth the Lord call us in a singular manner upon occasions of such difficulty and danger as lieth upon you, to a both more narrow search and careful reformation of our ways in His sight, lest He calling to remembrance our sins forgotten by us or unrepented of, take advantage against us, and in judgment leave us for the same to be swallowed up in one danger or other; whereas on the contrary, sin being taken away by earnest repentance and the pardon thereof from the Lord, sealed up unto a man's conscience by His Spirit, great shall be his security and peace in all dangers, sweet his comforts in all distresses, with happy deliverance from all evil, whether in life or in death.

Now next after this heavenly peace with God and our own consciences, we are carefully to provide for peace with all men what in us lieth, especially with our associates, and for that end watchfulness must be had, that we neither at all in ourselves do give, no nor easily take offense being given by others. Woe be unto the world for offenses, for though it be necessary (considering the malice of Satan and man's corruption) that offenses come, yet woe unto the man or woman either by whom the offense cometh, saith Christ, Math. 18:7. And if offenses in the unseasonable use of things in themselves indifferent, be more to the feared than death itself, as the Apostle teacheth, 1 Cor. 9:15, how much more in things simply evil, in which neither honor of God nor love of man is thought worthy to be regarded.

Neither yet is it sufficient that we keep ourselves by the grace of God from giving offense, except withal we be armed against the taking of them when they be given by others. For how unperfect and lame is the work of grace in that person who wants charity to cover a multitude of offenses, as the Scriptures speak. Neither are you to be exhorted to this grace only upon the common grounds of Christianity, which are, that persons ready to take offense, either want charity to cover offenses, or wisdom duly to weigh human frailty; or lastly are gross, though close hypocrites, as Christ our Lord teacheth, Math. 7:1,2,3, as indeed in mine own experience, few or none have been found which sooner give offense, than such as easily take it; neither have they ever proved sound and profitable members in societies, which have nourished in themselves

that touchy humor. But besides these, there are divers special motives provoking you above others to great care and conscience this way: as first, you are many of you strangers, as to the persons, so to the infirmities one of another, and so stand in need of more watchfulness this way, lest when such things fall out in men and women as you suspected not, you be inordinately affected with them; which doth require at your hands much wisdom and charity for the covering and preventing of incident offenses that way. And lastly your intended course of civil community will minister continual occasion of offense, and will be as fuel for that fire, except you diligently quench it with brotherly forbearance. And if taking of offense causelessly or easily at men's doings be so carefully to be avoided, how much more heed is to be taken that we take not offense at God Himself, which yet we certainly do so oft as we do murmur at His providence in our crosses, or bear impatiently such afflictions as wherewith He pleaseth to visit us. Store we up therefore patience against that evil day, without which we take offense at the Lord Himself in His holy and just works.

A fourth thing there is carefully to be provided for, to wit, that with your common employments you join common affections truly bent upon the general good, avoiding as a deadly plague of your both common and special comfort all retiredness of mind for proper advantage, and all singularly affected any manner of way; let every man repress in himself and the whole body in each person, as so many rebels against the common good, all private respects of men's selves, not sorting with the general conveniency. And as men are careful not to have a new house shaken with any violence before it be well settled and the parts firmly knit: so be you, I beseech you brethren, much more careful, that the house of God which you are and are to be, be not shaken with unnecessary novelties or other oppositions at the first settling thereof.

Lastly, whereas you are to become a body politic, using amongst yourselves civil government, and are not furnished with any persons of special eminency above the rest, to be chosen by you into office of government: let your wisdom and godliness appear, not only in choosing such persons as do entirely love, and will diligently promote the common good, but also in yielding unto them all due honor and obedience in their lawful administrations; not beholding in them the ordinariness of their persons, but God's ordinance for your good; not being like unto the foolish multitude, who more honor the gay coat, than either the virtuous mind of the man, or glorious ordinance of the Lord. But you know better things, and that the image of the Lord's power and authority which the Magistrate beareth, is honorable, in how mean persons soever. And this duty you both may the more willingly, and ought the more conscionably to perform, because you are at least for the present to have only them for your ordinary governors, which yourselves shall make choice of for that work.

Sundry other things of importance I could put you in mind of, and of those before mentioned in more words, but I will not so far wrong your godly minds, as to think you heedless of these things, there being also divers among you so well able to admonish both themselves and others of what concerneth them. These few things therefore, and the same in few words I do earnestly commend unto your care and conscience, joining therewith my daily incessant prayers unto the Lord, that He who hath made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all rivers of waters, and whose providence is over all His works, especially over all His dear children for good, would so guide and guard you in your ways, as inwardly by His Spirit, so outwardly by the hand of His power, as that both you and we also, for and with you, may have after matter of praising His name all the days of your and our lives. Fare you well in Him in whom you trust, and in whom I rest.

An unfeigned well-willer
of your happy success
in this hopeful
voyage,

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To His Much Respected Friend, Mr. J. P.

Good Friend:

As we cannot but account it an extraordinary blessing of God in directing our course for these parts, after we came out of our native country, for that we had the happiness to be possessed of the comforts we receive by the benefit of one of the most pleasant, most healthful, and most fruitful parts of the world: so must we acknowledge the same blessing to be multiplied upon our whole company, for that we obtained the honor to receive allowance and approbation of our free possession, and enjoying thereof under the authority of those thrice honored persons, the President and Council for the affairs of New England, by whose bounty and grace, in that behalf, all of us are tied to dedicate our best service unto them, as those under His Majesty, that we owe it unto: whose noble endeavors in these their actions the God of heaven and earth multiply to his glory and their own eternal comforts.

As for this poor relation, I pray you to accept it, as being writ by the several actors themselves, after their plain and rude manner; therefore doubt nothing of the truth thereof: if it be defective in anything, it is their ignorance, that are better acquainted with planting than writing. If it satisfy those that are well affected to the business, it is all I care for. Sure I am the place we are in, and the hopes that are apparent, cannot but suffice any that will not desire more than enough, neither is there want of aught among us but company to enjoy the blessings so plentifully bestowed upon the inhabitants that are here. While I was a writing this, I had almost forgot, that I had but the recommendation of the relation itself, to your further consideration, and therefore I will end without saying more, save that I shall always rest

From PLYMOUTH in
New England

Yours in the way of
friendship, R. G.

A RELATION OR
JOURNAL OF THE
PROCEEDINGS OF THE
Plantation settled at Plymouth in
New ENGLAND.

Wednesday the sixth of September, the wind coming east northeast, a fine small gale, we loosed from Plymouth, having been kindly entertained and courteously used by divers friends there dwelling, and after many difficulties in boisterous storms, at length by God's providence upon the ninth of November following, by break of the day we espied land which we deemed to be Cape Cod, and so afterward it proved. And the appearance of it much comforted us, especially, seeing so goodly a land, and wooded to the brink of the sea, it caused us to rejoice together, and praise God that had given us once again to see land. And thus we made our course south southwest, purposing to go to a river ten leagues to the south of the Cape, but at night the wind being contrary, we put round again for the bay of Cape Cod: and upon the 11 of November, we came to an anchor in the bay, which is a good harbor and pleasant bay, circled round, except in the entrance, which is about four miles over from land to land, compassed about to the very sea with oaks, pines, juniper, sassafras, and other sweet wood; it is a harbor wherein 1000 sail of ships may safely ride, there we relieved ourselves with wood and water, and refreshed our people, while our shallop was fitted to coast the bay, to search for an habitation: there was the greatest store of fowl that ever we saw.

And every day we saw whales playing hard by us, of which in that place, if we had instruments and means to take them, we might have made a very rich return, which to our great grief we wanted. Our master and his mate, and others experienced in fishing, professed, we might have made three or four thousand pounds worth of oil; they preferred it before Greenland whale-fishing, and purpose the next winter to fish for whale here; for cod we assayed, but found none, there is good store no doubt in their season. Neither got we any fish all the time we lay there, but some few little ones on the shore. We found great mussels, and very fat and full of sea pearl, but we could not eat them, for they made us all sick that did eat, as well sailors as passengers; they caused to cast and scour, but they were soon well again. The bay is so round and circling, that before we could come to anchor, we went round all the points of the compass. We could not come near the shore by three quarters of an English mile, because of shallow water, which was a great prejudice to us, for our people going on shore were forced to wade a bow shot or two in going a-land, which caused many to get colds and coughs, for it was many times freezing cold weather.

This day before we came to harbor, observing some not well affected to unity and concord, but gave some appearance of faction, it was thought good there should be an association and agreement, that we should combine together in one body, and to submit to such government and governors, as we should by common consent agree to make and choose, and set our hands to this that follows word for word.

In the name of God, Amen. We whose names are underwritten, the loyal subjects of our dread sovereign Lord King James, by the grace of God of Great Britain, France, and Ireland King, Defender of the Faith, etc.

Having undertaken for the glory of God, and advancement of the Christian faith, and honor of our King and Country, a voyage to plant the first colony in the northern parts of Virginia, do by these presents solemnly and mutually in the presence of God and one of another, covenant, and combine ourselves together into a civil body politic, for our better ordering and preservation, and furtherance of the ends aforesaid; and by virtue hereof to enact, constitute, and frame such just and equal laws, ordinances, acts, constitutions, offices from time to time, as shall be thought most meet and convenient for the general good of the colony: unto which we promise all due submission and obedience. In witness whereof we have hereunder subscribed our names Cape Cod 11 of November, in the year of the reign of our sovereign Lord King James, of England, France, and Ireland 18 and of Scotland 54. Anno Domini 1620.

The same day so soon as we could we set ashore 15 or 16 men, well armed, with some to fetch wood, for we had none left; as also to see what the land was, and what inhabitants they could meet with, they found it to be a small neck of land; on this side where we lay is the bay, and the further side the sea; the ground or earth, sand hills, much like the downs in Holland, but much better; the crust of the earth a spit's depth, excellent black earth; all wooded with oaks, pines, sassafras, juniper, birch, holly, vines, some ash, walnut; the wood for the most part open and without underwood, fit either to go or ride in: at night our people returned, but found not any person, nor habitation, and laded their boat with juniper, which smelled very sweet and strong, and of which we burnt the most part of the time we lay there.

Monday the 13 of November, we unshipped our shallop and drew her on land, to mend and repair her, having been forced to cut her down in bestowing her betwixt the decks, and she was much opened with the people's lying in her, which kept us long there, for it was 16 or 17 days before the carpenter had finished her; our people went on shore to refresh themselves, and our women to wash, as they had great need; but whilst we lay thus still, hoping our shallop would be ready in five or six days at the furthest, but our carpenter made slow work of it, so that some of our people impatient of delay, desired for our better furtherance to travel by land into the country, which was not without appearance of danger, not having the shallop with them, nor means to carry provision, but on their backs, to see whether it might be fit for us to seat in or no, and the rather because as we sailed into the harbor, there seemed to be a river opening itself into the main land; the willingness of the persons was liked, but the thing itself, in regard of the danger was rather permitted than approved, and so with cautions, directions, and instructions, sixteen men were set out with every man his musket, sword, and corslet, under the conduct of Captain Myles Standish, unto whom was adjoined for counsel and advice, William Bradford, Stephen Hopkins, and Edward Tilley.

Wednesday the 15 of November, they were set ashore, and when they had ordered themselves in the order of a single file, and marched about the space of a mile, by the sea they espied five or six people, with a dog coming towards them, who were savages, who when they saw them ran into the wood and whistled the dog after them, etc. First, they

supposed them to be Master Jones, the master and some of his men, for they were ashore, and knew of their coming, but after they knew them to be Indians they marched after them into the woods, lest other of the Indians should lie in ambush; but when the Indians saw our men following them, they ran away with might and main and our men turned out of the wood after them, for it was the way they intended to go, but they could not come near them. They followed them that night about ten miles by the trace of their footings, and saw how they had come the same way they went, and at a turning perceived how they ran up an hill, to see whether they followed them. At length night came upon them, and they were constrained to take up their lodging, so they set forth three sentinels, and the rest, some kindled a fire, and others fetched wood, and there held our rendezvous that night. In the morning so soon as we could see the trace, we proceeded on our journey, and had the track until we had compassed the head of a long creek, and there they took into another wood, and we after them, supposing to find some of their dwellings, but we marched through boughs and bushes, and under hills and valleys, which tore our very armor in pieces, and yet could meet with none of them, nor their houses, nor find any fresh water, which we greatly desired, and stood in need of, for we brought neither beer nor water with us, and our victuals was only biscuit and Holland cheese, and a little bottle of aquavita, so as we were sore athirst. About ten o'clock we came into a deep valley, full of brush, wood-gaile, and long grass, through which we found little paths or tracks, and there we saw a deer, and found springs of fresh water, of which we were heartily glad, and sat us down and drunk our first New England water with as much delight as ever we drunk drink in all our lives. When we had refreshed ourselves, we directed our course full south, that we might come to the shore, which within a short while after we did, and there made a fire, that they in the ship might see where we were (as we had direction) and so marched on towards this supposed river; and as we went in another valley, we found a fine clear pond of fresh water, being about a musket shot broad, and twice as long; there grew also many small vines, and fowl and deer haunted there; there grew much sassafras: from thence we went on and found much plain ground, about fifty acres, fit for the plow, and some signs where the Indians had formerly planted their corn; after this, some thought it best for nearness of the river to go down and travel on the sea sands, by which means some of our men were tired, and lagged behind, so we stayed and gathered them up, and struck into the land again; where we found a little path to certain heaps of sand, one whereof was covered with old mats, and had a wooden thing like a mortar whelmed on the top of it, and an earthen pot laid in a little hole at the end thereof; we musing what it might be, digged and found a bow, and, as we thought, arrows, but they were rotten; we supposed there were many other things, but because we deemed them graves, we put in the bow again and made it up as it was, and left the rest untouched, because we thought it would be odious unto them to ransack their sepulchers. We went on further and found new stubble, of which they had gotten corn this year, and many walnut trees full of nuts, and great store of strawberries, and some vines; passing thus a field or two, which were not great, we came to another, which had also been new gotten, and there we found where an house had been, and four or five old planks laid together; also we found a great kettle, which had been some ship's kettle and brought out of Europe; there was also an heap of sand, made like the former, but it was newly done, we might see how they had paddled it with their hands, which we digged up, and in it we found a little old basket full of fair Indian corn, and digged further and found a fine great

new basket full of very fair corn of this year, with some 36 goodly ears of corn, some yellow, and some red, and others mixed with blue, which was a very goodly sight: the basket was round, and narrow at the top, it held about three or four bushels, which was as much as two of us could lift up from the ground, and was very handsomely and cunningly made; but whilst we were busy about these things, we set our men sentinel in a round ring, all but two or three which digged up the corn. We were in suspense, what to do with it, and the kettle, and at length after much consultation, we concluded to take the kettle, and as much of the corn as we could carry away with us; and when our shallop came, if we could find any of the people, and come to parley with them, we would give them the kettle again, and satisfy them for their corn, so we took all the ears and put a good deal of the loose corn in the kettle for two men to bring away on a staff; besides, they that could put any into their pockets filled the same; the rest we buried again, for we were so laden with armor that we could carry no more. Not far from this place we found the remainder of an old fort, or palisade, which as we conceived had been made by some Christians, this was also hard by that place which we thought had been a river, unto which we went and found it so to be, dividing itself into two arms by an high bank, standing right by the cut or mouth which came from the sea, that which was next unto us was the less, the other arm was more than twice as big, and not unlike to be an harbor for ships; but whether it be a fresh river, or only an indraught of the sea, we had no time to discover; for we had commandment to be out but two days. Here also we saw two canoes, the one on the one side, the other on the other side, we could not believe it was a canoe, till we came near it, so we returned leaving the further discovery hereof to our shallop, and came that night back again to the fresh water pond, and there we made our rendezvous that night, making a great fire, and a barricade to windward of us, and kept good watch with three sentinels all night, every one standing when his turn came, while five or six inches of match was burning. It proved a very rainy night. In the morning we took our kettle and sunk it in the pond, and trimmed our muskets, for few of them would go off because of the wet, and so coasted the wood again to come home, in which we were shrewdly puzzled, and lost our way, as we wandered we came to a tree, where a young sprit was bowed down over a bow, and some acorns strewed underneath; Stephen Hopkins said, it had been to catch some deer, so as we were looking at it, William Bradford being in the rear, when he came looked also upon it, and as he went about, it gave a sudden jerk up, and he was immediately caught by the leg; it was a very pretty device, made with a rope of their own making, and having a noose as artificially made, as any roper in England can make, and as like ours as can be, which we brought away with us. In the end we got out of the wood, and were fallen about a mile too high above the creek, where we saw three bucks, but we had rather have had one of them. We also did spring three couple of partridges; and as we came along by the creek, we saw great flocks of wild geese and ducks, but they were very fearful of us. So we marched some while in the woods, some while on the sands, and other while in the water up to the knees, till at length we came near the ship, and then we shot off our pieces, and the long boat came to fetch us; Master Jones, and Master Carver being on the shore, with many of our people, came to meet us. And thus we came both weary and welcome home, and delivered in our corn into the store, to be kept for seed, for we knew not how to come by any, and therefore were very glad, purposing so soon as we could meet with any inhabitants of that place, to make them large satisfaction. This was our first discovery, whilst our shallop was in repairing; our

people did make things as fitting as they could, and time would, in seeking out wood, and helving of tools, and sawing of timber to build a new shallop, but the discommodiousness of the harbor did much hinder us for we could neither go to, nor come from the shore, but at high water, which was much to our hindrance and hurt, for oftentimes they waded to the middle of the thigh, and oft to the knees, to go and come from land; some did it necessarily, and some for their own pleasure, but it brought to the most, if not to all, coughs and colds, the weather proving suddenly cold and stormy, which afterwards turned to scurvy, whereof many died.

When our shallop was fit indeed, before she was fully fitted, for there was two days' work after bestowed on her, there was appointed some 24 men of our own, and armed, then to go and make a more full discovery of the rivers before mentioned. Master Jones was desirous to go with us, and took such of his sailors as he thought useful for us, so as we were in all about 34 men; we made Master Jones our leader, for we thought it best herein to gratify his kindness and forwardness. When we were set forth, it proved rough weather and cross winds, so as we were constrained, some in the shallop, and others in the long boat, to row to the nearest shore the wind would suffer them to go unto, and then to wade out above the knees; the wind was so strong as the shallop could not keep the water, but was forced to harbor there that night, but we marched six or seven miles further, and appointed the shallop to come to us as soon as they could. It blowed and did snow all that day and night, and froze withal; some of our people that are dead took the original of their death here. The next day about 11 o'clock our shallop came to us, and we shipped ourselves, and the wind being good, we sailed to the river we formerly discovered, which we named, Cold Harbor, to which when we came we found it not navigable for ships, yet we thought it might be a good harbor for boats, for it flows there 12 foot at high water. We landed our men between the two creeks, and marched some four or five miles by the greater of them, and the shallop followed us; at length night grew on, and our men were tired with marching up and down the steep hills, and deep valleys, which lay half a foot thick with snow: Master Jones wearied with marching, was desirous we should take up our lodging, though some of us would have marched further, so we made there our rendezvous for that night, under a few pine trees, and as it fell out, we got three fat geese and six ducks to our supper, which we ate with soldiers' stomachs, for we had eaten little all that day; our resolution was next morning to go up to the head of this river, for we supposed it would prove fresh water, but in the morning our resolution held not, because many liked not the hilliness of the soil, and badness of the harbor, so we turned towards the other creek, that we might go over and look for the rest of the corn that we left behind when we were here before; when we came to the creek, we saw the canoe lie on the dry ground, and a flock of geese in the river, at which one made a shot, and killed a couple of them, and we launched the canoe and fetched them, and when we had done, she carried us over by seven or eight at once. This done, we marched to the place where we had the corn formerly, which place we called Corn-hill; and digged and found the rest, of which we were very glad: we also digged in a place a little further off, and found a bottle of oil; we went to another place, which we had seen before, and digged, and found more corn, viz. two or three baskets full of Indian wheat, and a bag of beans, with a good many of fair wheat ears; whilst some of us were digging up this, some others found another heap of corn, which they digged up also, so as we had in all about ten bushels, which will serve us sufficiently for seed. And sure it was God's good

providence that we found this corn, for else we know not how we should have done, for we knew not how we should find, or meet with any of the Indians, except it be to do us a mischief. Also we had never in all likelihood seen a grain of it, if we had not made our first journey; for the ground was now covered with snow, and so hard frozen, that we were fain with our cutlasses and short swords, to hew and carve the ground a foot deep, and then wrest it up with levers, for we had forgot to bring other tools; whilst we were in this employment, foul weather being towards, Master Jones was earnest to go aboard, but sundry of us desired to make further discovery, and to find out the Indians' habitations, so we sent home with him our weakest people, and some that were sick, and all the corn, and 18 of us stayed still, and lodged there that night, and desired that the shallop might return to us next day, and bring us some mattocks and spades with them.

The next morning we followed certain beaten paths and tracks of the Indians into the woods, supposing they would have led us into some town, or houses; after we had gone a while, we light upon a very broad beaten path, well nigh two feet broad then we lighted all our matches and prepared ourselves, concluding we were near their dwellings, but in the end we found it to be only a path made to drive deer in, when the Indians hunt, as we supposed; when we had marched five or six miles into the woods, and could find no signs of any people, we returned again another way, and as we came into the plain ground, we found a place like a grave, but it was much bigger and longer than any we had yet seen. It was also covered with boards, so as we mused what it should be, and resolved to dig it up, where we found, first a mat, and under that a fair bow, and there another mat, and under that a board about three quarters long, finely carved and painted, with three tines, or broaches, on the top, like a crown; also between the mats we found bowls, trays, dishes, and such like trinkets; at length we came to a fair new mat, and under that two bundles, the one bigger, the other less, we opened the greater and found in it a great quantity of fine and perfect red powder, and in it the bones and skull of a man. The skull had fine yellow hair still on it, and some of the flesh unconsumed; there was bound up with it a knife, a packneedle, and two or three old iron things. It was bound up in a sailor's canvas cassock, and a pair of cloth breeches; the red powder was a kind of embalmment, and yielded a strong, but no offensive smell; it was as fine as any flour. We opened the less bundle likewise, and found of the same powder in it, and the bones and head of a little child, about the legs, and other parts of it was bound strings, and bracelets of fine white beads; there was also by it a little bow, about three quarters long, and some other odd knacks; we brought sundry of the prettiest things away with us, and covered the corpse up again. After this, we digged in sundry like places, but found no more corn, nor anything else but graves: there was variety of opinions amongst us about the embalmed person; some thought it was an Indian lord and king: others said, the Indians have all black hair, and never any was seen with brown or yellow hair; some thought, it was a Christian of some special note, which had died amongst them, and they thus buried him to honor him; others thought, they had killed him, and did it in triumph over him. Whilst we were thus ranging and searching, two of the sailors, which were newly come on the shore, by chance espied two houses, which had been lately dwelt in, but the people were gone. They having their pieces, and hearing nobody entered the houses, and took out some things, and durst not stay but came again and told us; so some seven or eight of us went with them, and found how we had gone within a slight shot of them before. The houses were made with long young sapling trees, bended and both ends stuck into the

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Major Alfred B. Soule Lineage:

1st Generation:

George Soule, b. England before 1600; d. Duxbury, MA before 22 January 1679.

He m. probably Plymouth, MA before 1626 probably Mary Buckett who d. Duxbury, MA December 1676.

They had John Soule.

2nd Generation:

John Soule, b. Plymouth, MA ca. 1632; d. Duxbury, MA before 14 November 1707.

He m. (1) probably Duxbury ca. 1654 Rebecca Simmons, who d. probably Duxbury, MA between 1675 and 1678; daughter of Moses Simmons.

He m. (2) probably Duxbury, MA ca. 1678 Esther (-----) Sampson.

John and Rebecca had James Soule.

3rd Generation:

James Soule, b. Duxbury, MA 4 October 1659; d. Middleboro, MA 27 August 1744; buried at "The Green" Cemetery.

He m. Duxbury, MA 14 December 1693 Lydia Thompson, b. Barnstable, MA 5 October 1659; d. Middleboro, MA 14 March 1741/2. She was daughter of John and Mary (Cooke) Thompson, a descendant of Pilgrim Francis Cooke.

They had Jacob Soule.

4th Generation:

Jacob Soule, b. Middleboro, MA 30 August 1702; d. Middleboro 20 August 1744.

He m. Middleboro, MA 31 March 1731 Mary Thomas, b. Middleboro, MA 4 December 1701; d. Middleboro, MA 1 March 1749/50. She was daughter of William and Sarah (Pratt) Thomas a descendant of Pilgrim Degory Priest.

They had William Soule.

5th Generation:

William Soule, b. Middleboro, MA 16 September 1739; d. Middleboro, MA 9 December 1777. He is buried in the Small Pox Cemetery, East Middleboro, MA. William was a soldier in the American Revolution.

He m. Middleboro, MA 30 October 1760 Sarah Briggs, b. Plympton, MA 9 October 1741; d.

Middleboro, MA 4 November 1820 and was buried in Middleboro in The Greene cemetery. She was daughter of John and Remember (Raymond) Briggs.

They had James.

6th Generation

James Soule, b. Middleboro, MA 23 July 1761; d. Middleboro, MA 2 February 1845.

He married Middleboro, MA 20 April 1786 (1) Eunice Tomson and Middleboro, MA 13 January 1813 (2) Elisabeth (Sampson) Shaw.

James and Eunice had Alfred B. Soule

7th Generation:

Alfred Byron Soule, b. Middleboro, MA 15 November 1796; d. Middleboro, MA 13 April 1833.
He m. Middleboro, MA 1 February 1821 Mahala Shaw, b. Middleboro, MA 22 October 1803; d.
Rochester, NH 6 November 1890.

They had Alfred B. Soule

8th Generation:

Alfred Byron Soule, b. Middleboro, MA 25 September 1825; d. Lewiston, ME 7 February 1864.
He m. Manchester, NH 17/18 December 1848 Caroline Dodge, b. Francestown, NH 13 May 1824; d.
Manchester, NH 4 July 1899

Children:

i Emma Frances Soule, b. Manchester, NH 3 July 1850; d. 3 November 1918*

ii Henry Dexter Soule, b. Manchester, NH 1 June 1857; buried 20 July 1899*

Henry m. 24 September 1887 Ella Brown.

iii George Frederick Soule, b. Lewiston, ME 14 November 1860; d. 15 February 1923*

George m. 3 December 1887 Lizzie Alberta Robinson.

Caroline and their 3 children are buried in unmarked graves by Alfred at Pine Grove Cemetery,
Manchester, NH. There are other Soule descendants buried in this plot.

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* = death/burial dates per Pine Grove Cemetery, Manchester, NH.

Note: The reading of the Dodge genealogy indicates suggests that only George Frederick Soule had
children, although Henry Dexter Soule married twice. This clue is from the fact that of the three
children of Alfred B. Soule, only George was given a number. The Dodge book uses the Register
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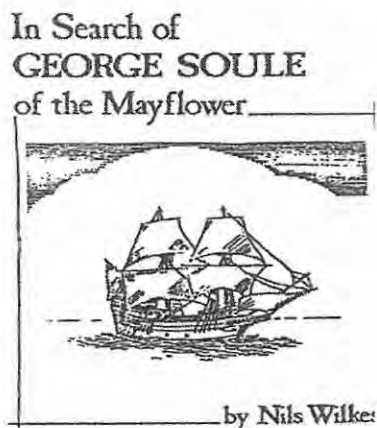
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The Soule Kindred in America, Inc. is a non-profit organization incorporated in Massachusetts in 1972 with members in Europe, Canada and throughout the United States. Through the diligence of the first presidents, George Soule, Colonel John Sollie, both direct descendants of Pilgrim George Soule, a great heritage was found to have been left by our founding fathers.

Genealogical records are available through the Soule Kindred Historian to assist those interested in tracing their family roots. The Soule Kindred has microfilm records containing thousands of names and information back to Mayflower passenger George Soule. Through the quarterly Soule Kindred Newsletter Quarterly, genealogical information is contributed and distributed to our membership.

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If you would like more information, please contact our President, Christine M. Hill, 2402 Kipling Place, Hutchinson, KS 67502. Otherwise please copy and send this membership application, along with a check payable to Soule Kindred in America, Inc., to Betty-Jean Haner, Membership Secretary at 53 New Shaker Rd., Albany, NY 12205-3615.

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