

NOTES

FOR A

GENEALOGY OF THE FAMILY OF ELLIS COOK,

OF SOUTHAMPTON, L. I., N. Y.



The small figures in parentheses, (1), (2), (3), and so on, indicate the first, second, third, &c., generations. *b.* born, *m.* married, *d.* died.

Additions, corrections and further notes are desired. They may be sent to GEO. H. COOK, New Brunswick, N. J.

(¹)ELLIS COOK, the earliest of the family of whom any trace has been found, was a resident of Southampton, Long Island. The settlement was made in 1640, by Edward Howell and others, a company formed in Lynn, Mass. They were English, and it is said that Mr. Howell came from near Southampton, England.

Ellis Cook's name first appears on the town records in 1644. His village lot was on the east side of Main street and the second one south of the meeting house. He afterwards lived near the water-mill on the road to Bridgehampton. There is no record of his age, or death, or place of burial. His will is on record in the Surrogate's office, New York city. It is dated September 5th, 1663, though it was not recorded till July 17th, 1769, and he probably did not die till near that time. From the will we learn that he had children—John, Martha, Ellis, Elizabeth and Mary, and one other afterwards named Abiel. None of these children were of age when the will was made, but a grave-stone on the west side of Mecock's bay, marks the grave of Ellis Cook, the son mentioned in the will, who died in 1706, aged 44 years. The will mentions his carpenter's tools and property in the village and also on Mecock's bay. He makes his wife, Martha, his executrix, and his "brothers, John Cooper and Thomas Cooper, Overseers" of his property. In his will his name is spelled *Cooke*, but he made his mark and did not sign, and the name is spelled everywhere in the town records *Cook*.

In the Southampton rate lists for 1683, the names of widow Martha Cooke, and of (²)John Cooke appear, and we may infer that the latter was then of age. In 1690 the names of Martha Cook and (²)Abiell Cook, the widow and son of Ellis Cook, appear in a deed of some property to them. In 1698, a list of all the inhabitants in Southampton was made out. It is printed in the Documentary History of New York. In this appear in one group, (²)John Cook, (³)John Cook, Jr., (³)Ellias Cook, (³)Obadia Cook, (³)Ellijah Cook.* In another group, (²)Abiell

*The descendants of John Cook, son of the first Ellis, are given in large numbers in "The Early History of Southampton, L. I., N. Y., with Genealogies, by Geo. Rogers Howell." Mr. Howell is Assistant Librarian in the N. Y. State Library at Albany, and still pursues inquiries into the Genealogies of Southampton settlers. No record has been found of any descendants of Ellis Cook, 2d, or of Josiah Cook of 1698.

Cook, ⁽³⁾Abiell Cook, Jr., and ⁽³⁾Josiah Cook; and in another place ⁽²⁾Ellis Cook. In the list of females, in one group are Frances Cooke, Frances Cooke, Jr.; in another, are Elisabeth Cooke, Susanah Cook; and in another, separated from the last only by the name of Hanah Shaw, are the names of Elisabeth Cook and Martha Cook.

Opposite the water-mill east of Southampton, in a small and old burying-ground is a grave-stone marked, "Here lyes the body of Mrs. Temperence Cook, wife of Mr. ⁽⁴⁾Ellis Cook, who died Dec. 9, 1723, in ye 19th year of her age." She was probably the first wife of Ellis Cook who removed to New Jersey.

The will of ⁽³⁾Abiel Cook, (the Abiell Cook, Jr., of 1698,) is recorded in the Surrogate's office, New York, Liber 13, p. 391. It is dated at Southampton, April 3d, 1740, and was proved June 18th of the same year. In the will he names his children—Ellis, Phebe, Susanna, Matthew, Abiel, Zebulon, Samuel, Elniel, Abigail and Anna. ⁽⁴⁾Ellis was the executor of the will. Abiel mentions in his will his "husbandry tools," and was a farmer.

On the 22d of June, 1747, ⁽⁴⁾Ellis Cook, husbandman, bought of Cornelius Drake, of Hanover, a farm of 110 acres, lying on the south side of the road to the old "iron works," and extending from Passaic river 62 chains westerly. This lot had been sold by James Ball and Sarah Ball, and it was bounded on the south by John Canfield and meadow belonging to Caleb Ball, and on the west by Mrs. Wheeler's land.

In the Hanover burying ground is a small grave-stone marked "Here lyes ye body of Mary wife of ⁽⁴⁾Ellis Cooke, Dec'd April 19th 1754, Aged 38 years." And near this is another marked "Here lyes ye body of John Williams, dec'd Feb. 8, 1755 in the 77th year of his age."

In a paper dated March 12th, 1751, John Williams, of Hanover, cordwainer, gives to his daughter Mary Cook, wife of ⁽⁴⁾Ellis Cook, a tract of land estimated at 40 acres, with dwelling upon it, after the decease of himself and wife. In case of her death, it was to be given to her five sons, "the eldest named Williams to have a double portion of the same." This lot was "bounded east by Passaick River, west by the Lane or Road,

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north by John Balls land, and south by Henry Burnet." Witnesses, Justus Burnet, William Dixon.

In Book F, Wills, p. 404, in office of Secretary of State, at Trenton, is recorded the will of ⁽⁴⁾Ellis Cook. It is dated March 11th, 1756, and was proved August 31st of the same year. He names his sons ⁽⁵⁾Williams, ⁽⁵⁾Ellis, ⁽⁵⁾Jonathan, ⁽⁵⁾Epaphras and ⁽⁵⁾John. Witnesses, Jonathan Squier, Thomas Biglow, William Dixon. The occasion for the will at this time is said to have been the drafting or enlistment of his sons Epaphras and John in the Jersey regiment which, under Col. Schuyler, was sent to Oswego. He accompanied his sons, and was killed on the way out. They returned in safety.

The will gave the property in Hanover to Williams and Ellis, and legacies to the other sons. Williams sold out his share to Ellis—and much of the land is still held by the descendants of the latter.

⁽⁵⁾Williams, son of Ellis, was twice married and had sons ⁽⁶⁾Ellis and ⁽⁶⁾Williams by first wife, and ⁽⁶⁾Calvin by the second wife. He is said to have died at Troy, N. J., but no further dates have yet been found regarding him.

Ellis, son of Williams, married Isabella ——— and had son Samuel, who lived in Vermont, and daughters Sarah and Martha. Samuel had sons Martindale and James, and Martindale had son Raymond, now living in Hoboken. Sarah was first wife of Cyrus Ball, in Hanover, and left three sons; Martha was second wife of Cyrus Ball and also had three sons; and afterwards married Phineas Beach and had one daughter.

Williams, second son of Williams, married and lived in Vermont; had no children. Calvin and two sisters lived in Troy, N. J.; no further record.

⁽⁵⁾Ellis, son of Ellis 1st, of Hanover, b. 1732, died Apr. 17, 1797; m. Margaret Griswold Cocker, b. Dec. 15, 1735, d. Mar. 15, 1777; 2d m. — Perkins (*nee* Ely). He had children—

Zebulon, b. Mar. 22, 1755, d. Dec. 12, 1810; m. Mary Jones, b. May 20, 1758, d. Apr. 14, 1830.

James, b. Mar. 25, 1760, d. Mar. 26, 1836; m. Eliz. P. Condit, Nov. 25, 1781, d. ; 2d w. Ruth Pierson, Aug. 3, 1786. He lived in Succasunna.

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Margaret, b. , d. ;
 m. Wm. Kitchell, Hanover.
 Matilda, b. , d. ;
 m. David Plum, Newark.
 Ruletta, b. , d. ;
 m. ——— Gregory, Newburgh, N. Y.
 Jabez, b. , d. ;
 m. ———.
 Ambrose, M.D., b. , d. ;
 m. Sarah Wheeler, of Hanover, b. ,
 d. , in Monmouth Co.
 George Whitfield, M.D., of Hudson, N. Y., b. ,
 d. ; m. .

(6) Zebulon, son of Col. Ellis, of Hanover, had children—

Clarissa, b. Apr. 4, 1776; m. Abram Squier; d. Apr.
 22, 1847.
 Margaret Griswold, b. Jan. 20, 1779; m. Thomas
 Hopping; d. .
 Mary, b. Nov. 10, 1781, died in youth.
 Ellis, b. Jan. 26, 1784, d. ; m. Rhoda Sayre.
 John, b. Sept. 28, 1786, d. Feb. 12, 1863; m. Dec. 16,
 1812, Sarah Munn, b. Nov. 24, 1786, d. Sept. 16,
 1880.
 Jabez, b. Sept. 12, 1789, d. ; m. Lucy Dodd.
 Phebe, b. Aug. 12, 1792, d. ; m. Ephraim
 Stiles.

(7) Ellis, son of Zebulon, lived in Livingston, had children—

Jabez, b. ; m. Gertrude ———; 2d m. Har-
 riet Poinier.
 Jeanette, b. , d. ; m. ——— Crane.
 Lindley Guerin, b. Jan. 12, 1818; m. Jane Van
 Blarcom.

(8) Jabez, son of Ellis, lives in Newark, had children—

William, b. , d. ; m.
 Three children of William—
 ———, b.
 Mary, b. , m.
 Horace, b.

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(8)Lindley G., lives in Hanover, had children—

Henry, b.	; d.	.
Charles, b.	; m.	; has children.
Edward, b.	; m.	; has children.
Frank, b.	; m.	; 2d m.

(7)John, son of Zebulon, lived in Hanover, had children—

Isaac Munn, b. Oct. 3, 1813, d. June 15, 1841, in
Tuscumbia, Ala.

David Tichenor, b. Oct. 15, 1815; m. Mary Elizabeth
Hopping.

George Hammell, b. Jan. 5, 1818; m. March 26, 1846,
Mary Halsey Thomas, b. March 3, 1821.

Mary, b. Feb. 20, 1820.

John Henry, b. Jan. 26, 1823, d. Feb. 11, 1884.

Matthias Munn, b. Mar. 17th, 1825.

Sarah Margaret, b. June 22, 1828, d. July 11, 1832.

Joanna Eliza, b. Feb 1, 1832.

(8)David T., son of John, lives in Hanover, has children—

Isaac, b.	; m. Ida Byrd; has
one child.	

George, b.	; m.	;
has two daughters.		

Samuel H., b.	; m. Agnes Mead.
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Sophia, b.	
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(8)George H., son of John, lives in New Brunswick, had
children—

Paul, b. Sept. 13, 1847; m. April 28, 1875, Esther M.
Gurley, b. Feb. 8, 1853.

Sarah, b. Oct. 13, 1849; m. Nicholas Williamson;
d. Aug. 12, 1878;

John Willard, b. Aug. 27, 1852; d. May 19, 1854.

Emma Willard, b. Dec. 14, 1854.

Anne Bigelow, b. May 17, 1857.

Robert Anderson, b. Apr. 7, 1861; m. Sept. 23, 1885,
Margaret McL. Seabury, b. July 30, 1861.

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(9) Paul, son of George H., lives in Lansingburgh, N. Y., and has children—

William Gurley, b. April 3, 1876.
 Sarah Williamson, b. April 20, 1878.
 Margaret Cooper, b. March 23, 1880.
 George Hammell, 2d, b. July 2, 1883.
 Mary, b. July 8, 1885; d. Aug. 7, 1885.

(7) Jabez, son of Zebulon, lived in Newark, had children—

Edward, b. , d. ; m. Estelle ———.
 Frances, b. ; m. Rev. W. H. Steele, has
 daughter ———, son deceased, ———.

(6) Jabez, son of Col. Ellis, removed from Hanover to near Auburn, N. Y., and had several children—

Mrs. Hedges, widow of Osborn Hedges, lives in
 Columbia (Afton P. O.), N. J.
 Geo. Whitfield, lives in Newark and has children.

(6) Ambrose Cooke, M.D., son of Col. Ellis, lived in Bound Brook and had children—

Maria, b. , d. ;
 m. Rev. ——— Boggs.
 Robert, M.D., b. , d. ;
 m. Susan Gansevoort.
 Edward, b. , d. ;
 m. Augusta Cammann.
 Richard, M.D., b. , d. .
 George Wheeler, b. , d. ;
 m. Catharine Gansevoort.
 John S., b. , d.
 Theresa Ann, b.
 Aletheia B., b.

(7) Robert, son of Ambrose, lived in Holmdel and had children—

Henry Gansevoort, M.D., b. m. Maria
 Cowdry, has three children.
 Sarah Elizabeth, b. , d.
 Ambrose, b.
 Robert Woodruff, b. ; m. Huldah
 Van Mater, has four children.

(7) Edward, son of Ambrose, lived in Bound Brook and had daughter.

(6) George Whitfield, M.D., son of Col. Ellis, lived in Hudson and had children—

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(5) Jonathan, son of Ellis 1st, of Hanover, had sons—

Jonathan, no record.

William, b. ———, d. ———; m. ———

(6) Williams had children—

Benjamin, b. ———, d. ———; m. ———

Elizabeth, b. ———, d. ———; m. John S. Courter.

Jane, b. ———, d. ———; m. John Raymond.

(7) Benjamin, son of Williams, had children—

Williams,

(5) Epaphras, son of Ellis 1st, of Hanover, b. Jan. 20, 1738,
d. Apr. 13, 1809; m. Sarah ———; had children—

Peter, b. 1768, d. April 11, 1841; m. ———

Abram, b. Feb. 17, 1782, d. March 11, 1825; m. ———

———, b. ———, d. ———; m. Moses Ely.

(6) Peter, son of Epaphras, had children—

James Harvey, b. ———, d. ———; m. ———

——— Fairchild.

George, b. ———, d. ———; m. ———

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———, b. ———, d. ———; m. ———

John Kitchell.

(6) Abram, son of Epaphras, had children—

Ashbel, b. ———, d. ———

James, b. ———; m. ———

(5) John, son of Ellis 1st, of Hanover, b. , d.
; m. Sarah Parrot and had children—

Silas, b.	, d.	; m.
——, b.	, d.	; m. Wm. McFarlan.
——, b.	, d.	; m. ——— Bur-
roughs.		

(6) Silas, son of John, lived in Montville and had children—

Frederick, b.	, d.	; m.
Charles, b.	, d.	
Silas, b.		; m.
Isaac, b.		
Frances,		
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Anna,		
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(7) Frederick, son of Silas, lived in Montville and had children—

Albert Stanborough, b.	m.
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THE OTHER CHILDREN OF (3) ABIEL 2D, OF SOUTHAMPTON,
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(4) Phebe ; no record.

(4) Susanna, mentioned in will of Samuel Cook, of Shrewsbury, in 1745, and was heir to his farm ; no other record.

(4) Matthew, mentioned in will of Samuel Cook, 1745, and was heir to Samuel's house in New Brunswick ; no other record.

(4)Abiel 3d removed to Upper Freehold, Mon. Co., N. J., and lived near Imlaystown. He had children—

Abiel, b. Nov. 15, 1723,	m. Mary Thompson.
Sarah, b. Jan. 23, 1726,	m. ——— Mattison.
Nathaniel, b. Apr. 10, 1728,	m.
Frances, b. Sept. 16, 1731,	m. ——— Mount.
Susanna, b. Apr. 3, 1735,	m. Peter Imlay.
Mary,	m. ——— Lippincott.
Phebe,	m. ——— Dewitt.
Abigail,	m. ——— Stricklin.

(5)Abiel, b. 1723, lived near Imlaystown and had children—

Sarah, b. July 26, 1766,	m. Lewis Robbins.
William, b. Feb. 26, 1769,	unmarried.
Susanna, b. Jan. 8, 1772,	m. John Snowden.
Samuel, b. Jan. 30, 1775,	m. Elizabeth Boggs.
Hannah, b. March 30, 1778,	m. Rev. Joseph Stephens.
Elizabeth, b. April 8, 1778,	unmarried.
Nathaniel, b. Sept. 10, 1784,	unmarried.

(6)Samuel, b. 1775, lived near Holmdel and had children—

Ann, b.	, m. ——— Taylor, Holmdel.
Mary, b.	, m. ——— Lasher, New York.
William, b.	, m. in New Orleans and lived in Holmdel, removed to Illinois.

(5)Nathaniel, b. 1728, removed to near Albany, N. Y. Rev. Mr. Cook, of Hagadorns Mills, Saratoga Co., N. Y., is of his descendants.

(4)Zebulon, was in Upper Freehold, administrator of Philip Fagan in 1739; no other record.

(4)Samuel, was in Shrewsbury, and made his will May 2, 1745, which was proved June 14, 1745, and witnessed by Samuel Leonard, Henry Leonard and Joseph Throckmorton.

(4)Elemuel, Abigail and Anna; no record.

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DESCENDANTS IN NEW JERSEY OF ⁽²⁾JOHN COOK 1ST, OF
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Obadiah Cook, of Morris Co. (Halseytown), his brother-in-law, Joel Halsey, appointed executor March 13, 1765; no other record.

Ellis Cook, of Madison, Morris Co., died in 1808, aged 80 years (b. 1728); no other record.

