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EARLY RECORDS OF ENGLISH MERRITTS.

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The earliest known was Eadnoth, an Anglo Thane of Somersetshire, 1050. Killed 1068. His son was Harding de Meriet and there is a full pedigree of his descendants down to 1418, when the last one, Thomas Meriet, of Stanlinch, Wilts, disappeared. (Somerset Arch, Society Proceedings for 1882.) Galfrido de Merith, tent maker to the King, 1299. (*Wardrobe Book*, Edward I., p. 91.)

BERKSHIRE.

Joan, late wife of John Merret, tenant-in-chief, had license to marry, Windsor, 14 July, 1308. (Patent Rolls.)
John Meriot of Wantage made his will, 1533. (Berkshire Wills, A, 286.)
William Merritt and wife Elizabeth had son, William, baptized at St. Mary's Church, Reading, April 16, 1647.
Thomas Meryet and wife Mary, buried St. Mary's Church, Reading, 6 Aug., 1660.
William Meritt and wife Mary had son, John, bapt. St. Mary's Church, 2 Feb., 1655.
John Meritt mar. Elizabeth Tubbs at St. Mary's Church, Reading, 5 May, 1655.
Thomas Meritt and Mary had sons Edward and John baptized Reading, 28 Mar., 1660.

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

Symon Meriet of Brockton, 1216-72. (Patent Rolls.)
Adam Meriet or Merite, tenant, 40 acres, Bunstow Hundred, 1279; also 20 acres, 1246. (Rot. Hund.)
William Meriot, tenant, Hampslape, Bondsowe Hundred, 1346.

CHESHIRE.

Richard Merriot of Manchester, made his will 1618.
Richard Meriet and wife, innkeepers, died of the plague at Manchester, 22 Dec., 1630.

CORNWALL.

Robert Meriot, tenant of part of manor of Olneye, 22 March, 1284. (Close Rolls.)
John Merrett mar. Mary, dau. of Thomas Hearle of Prideaux Hearle. He was born before 1537. (Visitation of Cornwall.)
John Meriet, mar. Johan, dau. of Hugh Spry of Tillond; living 1620.
John Merrett, mar. Elizabeth, dau. of Thomas Lawrence at Padstow, 3 May, 1659.
Richard Merrett, mar. Blanche, dau. of David Pendarvis of Crowan before 1600.
Thomas Merrett mar. Margerie — at Luxulyan, 28 Jan., 1650.
Richard Merrett of Probus, had daughter, who mar. Arthur Hext, born 1593.

DEVONSHIRE.

Robert Meriot of Devon, had dau. Jane, who mar. John Cole about 1417. John's father, John, living 1415. (Mis. Gen. Vol 2.)
Edward Merratt of Calstocke made his Will, 1595. (Devonshire Wills.) (Vis. of Devon.)
John Meryet held land in Treneslynch, formerly Simon Meriets, 1428. (Pat. Roll.)

DORSETSHIRE.

Thomas Merethe held part of Stodlonde, Rouseburgh Hundred, 1316. (Patent Rolls.)
Richard Merrett, Will administered July, 1653. (Calendar of Dorset Wills.)
Walter Meriett of Poole, made his Will, 1590. (Prerogative Court, Canterbury.)

ESSEX.

Geoffry de Mereth, the tailor had 27s. due him 18 Feb., 1292. (Close Rolls.)
John Meryott, a monk, of Stratford Langthorne, 1539.
Robert Merritt, husbandman, Wrabness, made his Will, 1598. (Prerogative Court, Canterbury.)
Johanes Meret buried at St. Mary's, Bocking, 4 Feb., 1619.
Roger Meriet owes homage in Twynstedt, 1252. (Essex Arch. 57, part VII, p. 192.)

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

John of Meryet, Rector of St. Michaels, Gloucester, granted land outside east gate to Master Richard, 1262-3. (Gloucester Corp. Records.)
Henry Meryet, a customary tenant in the manor of Harescombe, near Gloucester, 1284-1300. (Bristol & Glouc. Arch. 57.)
John Meryot had grant from Richard Brenton of tenement in Gloucester, 8 Oct., 1412. (Gloucester Records.)
Daniel Merrit made his Will, 1631. (Calendar of Bristol Wills, Vol. II.)
Anthony Merrett, mar. Joane — at Matson, 23 Sept., 1609. (Gloucestershire Mar.)
Elizabeth Meryet mar. James Morse at Matson, 8 Oct., 1566. (Gloucestershire Mar.)

John Merriat, mar. Walthian Browninge at Standish, 29 July, 1580. (Gloucester-shire Mar.)

John Merrett, mar. Ann Parsons at Leonard Stanley, 22 Oct., 1588. (Gloucester-shire Marriages.)

John Merret, mar. Ann Tyler at Standish, 25 Jan., 1584. (Glouc. Mar.)

John Merritt, mar. Margery Perre at Leonard Stanley, 20 Feb., 1600. (Glouc. Mar.)

Richard Merret, mar. Alice Clarke at Cheltenham, 11 May, 1574. (Glouc. Mar.)

Richard Merret, mar. Margery Tiler at Standish, 15 July, 1583. (Glouc. Mar.)

Richard Merrett mar. Margaret Gardner at Painswick, 3 Mar., 1605.

Richard Merret, mar. Elizabeth West at Matson, 8 Oct., 1616. (Glouc. Mar.)

Richard Merret, mar. Anne Sellman at Stinchcombe, 17 Feb., 1614. (Glouc. Mar.)

Richard Merrett mar. Sarah Longe at Hinchinghampton, 25 Nov., 1632.

Samuel Merrett, mar. Joane Veale at Leonard Stanley, 26 Oct., 1590. (Glouc. Mar.)

Thomas Merret, mar. Margery Merret at Matson, 28 Nov., 1588. (Glouc. Mar.)

Edward Merret, mar. Joan Hebbard at Minchinhampton, 28 Nov., 1605. (Glouc. Mar.)

Thomas Merret, mar. Anne Coop at Painswick, 3 Feb., 1613.

Anthony Merrett of Matson, made his Will 1614. (Gloucester Wills).
Mar. Joane.

Edward Meret of Tytherington, " " " 1572. (Consistory Court.)

John Merrett of Standish, " " " 1568.

John Merret of Twining, " " " 1570.

John Merrett of Matson, " " " 1578.

John Merete of Standish, " " " 1608. Mar. Walthian Browning.

John Merrett of Stanley St. Leonard, " " " 1644. Mar. Ann Parsons.

Richard Myrreat of Standish, " " " 1552.

Richard Merrett of Gloucester, " " " 1568.

Richard Merriatt of Oxlinche, " " " 1618.

Thomas Meritte of Chedworth, " " " 1557.

Walter Merret of Woodchester, " " " 1558.

Thomas Merritt of Michelhampton, " " " 1591.

Walter Merrett of Painswick, " " " 1609.

William Meret of Gloucester, " " " 1553.

William Merrett of Matson, " " " 1557.

William Myrret of Matson made his Will 1570.

William Merrett of Leonard Stanley, made his Will 1598.

William Merrett of Longford made his Will 1613.

William Merrett of Gloucester, merchant, made Will, 29 Oct., 1632, nephew Anthony. (Canterbury Court.)

Joseph, son of Joseph Merriote of Sainger, 4 Sept., 1655. Berkeley Records.

Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph Merrett of Fisheringe, 15 Feb., 1661. " "

Katharine, wife of Thomas Merriot of Berkeley, 23 July, 1656. " "

Thomas Merrett and Edith Atkins, both of Berkeley, Nov., 1657. " "

Thomas Merrett of Berkeley, Dec., 1664. " "

William Meret mar. Hester Ouldham at Skipton Moyne, 14 July, 1653.

Richard Merrett of Cheltenham, mar. Alice (dau. of Thomas Machin, or Alice, dau. of — Clarke, 11 May, 1574; made his Will 1581. (British Record Sy.)

Son Christopher who mar. Andrea, dau. of George Smith of Woodhouse, 29 June, 1602; made his Will, 31 Dec., 1624; died 7 Jan., 1625; buried in Winchcombe Church. Children: Richard, George, Christopher, Francis, Sarah.

Richard, born 18 June, 1606; mar. probably, Elizabeth West, 8 Oct., 1646.

George of Swindon, made his Will, 1671.

Christopher, born 1614, mar. Anne, dau. of Robert Jennour of Kempford; took his degree of M.D., at Oxford; became a prominent physician and author in London; the Meric arms granted to him, 13 July, 1666; died 1695. Children: Robert, aged 27 in 1666, Christopher and Anne.

Francis, mar. Anne, dau. of Solomon Smith of London. Children: Solomon, Richard.

HAMPSHIRE.

Henry de Meriet or Merieth, imprisoned at Winchester, bailed out 14 Oct., 1275, pardoned for his outlawry for killing Robert de la Doule in self defense, 14 Nov., 1281, lands restored to him 24 Sept., 1282. (Patent Rolls.)

William de Meret or Meret, merchant of Genoa, complains that goods were taken from his ship at Southampton, 21 July, 1322; he receives protection from the court while in England, 16 April, 1326. (Patent Rolls.)

Henry Meriot had daughter Joanne baptized at Priors Deane, 5 Nov., 1586. (Baptisms.)

Henry Meriot had son Stephen baptized at Priors Deane, 23 March, 1588.

Witness to Will of John Compton at Priors Deane, 3 April, 1605.

Henry Meriat buried at Priors Deane, Jan., 1613.

Mary Meriott widow buried at Priors Deane, 11 Jan., 1624.

Matthew Merret, aged about 73, buried at Priors Deane, 14 Jan., 1693; had s Matthew, born 3 Sept., 1658.

Elizabeth Merret, his wife, buried at Priors Deane, 29 April, 1690.

Charles Merrott Receiver of Island of Jersey, 31 Aug., 1653. (State Papers.)

Daniel Meriot had a pass to Ireland, 30 March, 1655.

Nathaniel Merritt had a pass to France, 1 July, 1650.

KENT.

George Merrett, overseer of Hearne, 1560. (Kent Archæological Society.)

Francis Merritt, pilot of *Ann Royal* of Rochester, 1636.

enry Merrit, mar. Katherine Baker, 16 April, 1661. (Maidstone Mar.)
 hn Merritt, mar. Elizabeth Merriam, 10 Feb., 1593. (Goodhurst Register.)
 ohn Merritt, husbandman, of Elmston, had daughter Jane, aged 38 in 1623.
 ephen Merritt of St. Lawrence in Thanet, aged 28; mar. Mary Faireman, 20 Feb.,
 1638.
 'illiam Merritt, husbandman, of Folkestone, about 24; mar. Phyllis Harte, 8 April,
 1637.
 harles Merritt sailor in "William" died abroad, wife Sarah, Will proved 17 Aug.
 1633.

LEICESTERSHIRE.

John Meryet of Ingoldmels, pardoned for killing Robert Cokle before Dec., 1374,
 12 Jan., 1385. (Pat. Roll.)
 James Merrett of Loughborowe, made his Will 1639-40. (Leicestershire Wills.)

LONDON.

Richard Meryot, barber, of Westminster, had goods stolen 16 Mar., 1403. (Patent
 Rolls.)
 Lawrence Merrytt, sexton, mar. Jane Green at St. Michael's, Cornhill, 12 July, 1562.
 She was buried 15 June, 1569. He was buried 31 Oct., 1569, at St. Michael's,
 Cornhill. His first wife, Katherine, buried 19 Apr., 1562.
 John Marret, mar. Margaret Gymbert at St. Thomas Apostle, 4 Sept., 1575.
 Matthew Merrett, gent., of London, and Elisabeth Adrinson of Shoreditch, 12 Feb.,
 1567. (Mar. Lic.)
 Robert Meritt, mar. Alice Normantown at St. Dunstons, Stepney, 30 May, 1580.
 Thomas Marrett, gent., of Inner Temple, and Dorothy Philbie of Holborn, 20 Oct.,
 1567. (Mar. Lic.)
 Thomas Morrett, mar. Avis Nookes at St. Dunstons, Stepney, 24 May, 1573.
 William Merrit mar. Dorothie Agar at St. Dunstons, 25 Feb., 1571.
 William Merrett, of Poole, defendant at Greenwich, 24 May, 1573. (Privy. Council
 Papers.)
 William Merritt, a stranger from Islington, buried at St. James, Clerkenwall, 6 Oct.,
 1594. Had son William, buried 23 Nov., 1642.
 Azaria Mereyt, mar. Marion Stafford at St. Dunstons, Stepney, 15 July, 1606.
 Charles Merret, mariner, of Shadwell, mar. Sarah Winter at St. Dunstons, Stepney,
 18 Nov., 1627.
 Christopher Merentt carrier of Waldon, Essex, mar. Ann Rogers, 28 May, 1612.
 (Mar. Lic.)
 Ferdinando Merrett of Limehouse, mar. Ann Hoare at St. Dunstons, Stepney,
 15 Jan., 1619.
 Francis Merriott, cordwainer for the Irish Army, 1649.
 Harry Merritt, mar. Mary Selby at St. Dunstons, Stepney, 28 Jan., 1582.
 Henry Merritt, vestryman, 1600-1602; churchwarden, 1603, St. Dunstons.
 Henry Merritt, mar. Sarah Wilkinson, both of Hammersmith, at Kensington
 Church, 4 Oct., 1607.
 Henry Merritt and Margery Packer at St. Mary le Strand, 28 May, 1607. (Marriage
 Licenses.)
 Hugh Merritt, a pensioner, Signet Bills, May, 1604.
 Hugh Merrit, prisoner in Colchester to be sent to East Indies, 1651.
 James Merritt, son of John, buried St. Thomas Apostle Church, 4 Oct., 1597.
 James Merrett, mar. Francis Dalle at St. James, Clerkenwall, 26 July, 1605.
 James Merrett, church warden of St. Vedast Church, Nov., 1620-22.
 James Merritt of Limehouse, mar. Mary Nelson at St. Dunstons, Stepney, 4 Dec.,
 1644.
 Jeremiah Merrett, cooper of London, and Rose Fox at St. Bennet, 20 Feb., 1622.
 (Mar. Lic.)
 John Merrett of Ratcliffe, mar. Joan Peryn at St. Dunstons, Stepney, 2 Oct. 1622.
 John Merrett, mar. Sarah Belcher at St. Dionis Backchurch, 13 Aug., 1649.
 John Merrett, about 23, of St. Botolphs Aldgate, and Rosamond Alley, 24 Aug.,
 1665. (Mar. Lic.)
 John Marete, mar. Bridget Welch at St. James, Clerkenwall, 24 Feb., 1663.
 Matthew Merrett, shipwright, of Popler, mar. Ellen Horne at St. Dunstons, Step-
 ney, 16 Oct., 1659.
 Nathaniel Merriat, received a pass for France, 1650.
 Nicholas Meret and Martha had son Edward baptized at All Hallows, 7 June, 1640.
 Robert Merryt of Whitechapel, mar. Ellen Lowfield at St. Dunstons, Stepney,
 7 June, 1601.
 Robert Merrit, mar. Marion Stafford, at St. Mary, Whitechapel, 27 Dec., 1623.
 Samuel Meritt had dau. Elizabeth, bap. at St. Mary, Alderney, 20 March, 1617.
 Samuel Merrett had widow Hester of Stepney, who mar John Bond, 18 Sept., 1621
 (Mar. Lic.)
 Thomas Marrett, fishmonger of St. Botolphs, mar. Jane Locklay, 21 Oct. 1589.
 Thomas Merrytt of St. Edmunds, and Dorothy Burton of St. Dunstons, 23 Feb.,
 1617. (Mar. Lic.)
 Thomas Maret, gent., of St. Martins on the Fields, aged 30, and Mary Barret, 4
 Jan., 1630. (Mar. Lic.)
 Thomas Merriott, desires to be employed for setting fish, 29 Oct., 1649.
 Thomas Merritt, a fugitive from England at Rotterdam, 1663.
 William Merrytt of Mileindgreen, mar. Margery Lawrence at St. Dunstons, Step-
 ney, 29 Jan., 1607.
 William Maret, mar. Maudlyn Tatome at St. James, Clerkenwall, 22 Nov., 1608.
 William Meriot had son John buried 2 June, 1651, and son Thomas, 28 March, 1651.

OXFORDSHIRE.

Andrew Meryott, admitted a banaster of Oxford, 1551.

SOMERSETSHIRE.

- Baldwin de Meryett had dau. Matilda or Maud, who mar. about 1260, Richard Knolles, the first of the Devon line. (Westgate's Hist. of Devon.)
- Baldwin de Meriet, first wife Joan put in claims for lands in Hylecomb, Pusemeyr and Illegh, 1279-80. He and others ordered to build a bridge at Donlisforde, 1280. (Som. Rec. Sy., Vol. 14.)
- Richard Meryet, juror, Hundesberge, 1284-5. (Patent Rolls.)
- Sir William Merriet and wife Elizabeth had grant of manor of Ashton Merriet from Sir William Easton after 1290.
- William de Meriet, son of John and brother of John and George, had part of Marston Bigot. (Collinson's Somerset.)
- William Meryet, rector of Sutton, Bingham, 1427. (Batten's Hist. Collections.)
- William Meryt of Crewkerne, husbandman, made his Will Sept., 1544, leaving money to St. Andrew's Church, Wells, and to Crewkerne Church, remainder to wife Elizabeth, who was executrix. (Arch. of Taunton, Vol. I.)
- John Merrit claimed Shobenesh Park, Hinton in 1607.
- John Merriott of Littleton, Somerton, gent, compounded for £16 for not appearing for Knighthood, 23 Sept., 1631.
- John, son of John Merrett, tombstone at Compton Dundon, 6 June, 1640.
- Edward Merret mar. Mary Clarke at Kingsbury, 17 Jan., 1610. (Somerset Mar.)
- Henry Merret, mar. Edith Bettye at Aller, 20 June, 1631. (Somerset Mar.)
- John Meriot, mar. Elizabeth Marden, at High Ham, 7 May, 1603. (Somerset Mar.)
- John Meriot, mar. Julianna Scott at High Ham, 3 June, 1611. (Somerset Mar.)
- Jeannes Meryott, mar. Maria Stacie at High Ham, 30 May, 1636. (Somerset Mar.)
- John Merriot, mar. Christianna Higgess at High Ham, 3 May, 1641. (Somerset Mar.)
- John Merrit mar. Joanna Willie at Kingsbury, 21 April, 1619. (Somerset Mar.)
- Nicholas Merriott, mar. Joanna Petty at High Ham, 23 May, 1641.
- William Merritt, mar. Avis Couche at Aller, 21 Nov., 1593. (Somerset Mar.)
- William Merit, mar. Edith Watts at Martock, 9 Oct., 1598. (Somerset Mar.)
- William Merret, mar. Anne Martine at Aller, 23 July, 1627. (Somerset Mar.)
- William Meriet mar. Edith Bradford at Kingsbury Episcopi, 1 Dec., 1658.
- Andrew Merit of Queene Camel had dau. Dorothea who mar. Roger Collins; living 1620.
- John Merrett of Martock, mar. 29 Jan., 1585, Elinor, dau. of Joane Hillard, who left her £60, Dec. 24, 1611. Children: John, Thomas, Alice, Elinor.
- Thomas Meriott of High Ham, Will proved 15 May, 1634, wife Margaret.
- Edward Meryott, inquisitioner post mortem, 1612.

SURREY.

- James Merritt had dau. Mary, buried at Wandsworth, 10 Nov., 1644. (Wandsworth Records.)
- Thomas Merritt had son Thomas, bap. at Wandsworth, 24 May, 1674. (Wandsworth Records.) Also sons Richard, Peter, Joseph and Robert, 1676-83.

WARWICKSHIRE.

- Robert Maret, mar. Anne Bregis at Stratford on Avon, 22 July, 1596.

WILTSHIRE.

- John de Meriet and wife Mary held manor of Aldeborne, 1326. (Wilts. Notes and Queries.)
- Robert de Meriot in Wiltshire, 1316.
- Gilbert Meriott, mar. Beatrice, dau. of John Thatcham and died childless at Alderbury before 1467. (Hoare's *Modern Wiltshire*.)
- John Meriot accused of carrying off the goods of Richard Danesay, of Dulton, 23 March, 1327.
- Robert Merriott, aged 19, of Wiltshire, admitted to New College, Oxford, 14 Oct., 1608.
- Thomas Merriott, Rev., born at Steeple, Langford, 1589; admitted to New College, 14 Oct., 1608; Vicar of Swalcliffe; died 19 July, 1662. (Hoare's *Modern Wiltshire*.)
- Thomas Merriott, admitted to New College, 22 Nov., 1615.
- William Meriott in 1482, was repaid 20 shillings given for silver candlesticks for Salisbury Cathedral. Church warden, 1456-84. (Churchwarden Accounts.)
- Edward Meret, mar. Sarah Stockwell at Start, 27 Oct., 1656. (Wilks Parish Reg.)
- William Merret mar. Grace Simons at Mere, 28 June, 1630.

WORCESTERSHIRE.

- Robert de Meriet, 1316. Tredynton, 17 Feb., 1325. (Patent Rolls.)
- William de Meryet went to Wales with John de Moun on King's service, 24 Jan., 1277. (Patent Rolls.)
- John Meriott had a dau. who married Sir William Blount of Worcestershire before 1560.
- Thomas Marret of Brycklehampton, husbandman, made his Will, 1584. (Worcester Wills.)

YORKSHIRE.

- Thomas Meriot defendant in suit for Hansworth and Wodhouse, 1529. (Yorkshire Fines.)

THOMAS MERRITT OF RYE, N. Y.,

AND

First Three Generations of His Descendants.

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1. THOMAS MERRITT, son of _____, born _____, died _____, married _____, married 2nd before 1688, Abigail, daughter of Robert and Joan Francis, of Wethersfield, Conn. She was born 14 Feb., 1660. He settled at Rye, N. Y., 1673. Witness to deed to Thomas Statham, 24 Jan., 1676. One of the purchasers of Hog-pen Ridge, 4 Sept., 1680. Bought land adjoining John Merritt's from Jonathan Vowles, 22 Nov., 1682. On list of Rye proprietors, 1683. Constable 12 July, 1684. Witness to deed from Isaac Sherwood to Caleb Hyatt, 15 Sept., 1684. Appraiser of will of Caleb Hyatt, 15 Sept., 1684. Bought a half lotment next to Disbrow's from Robert Bloomer, 5 March, 1685. Francis and Thomas Brown and Thomas Merritt deliver to executors of John Budd of Southold, L. I., certain animals from his farm at Rye, 11 June, 1685. One of the grantees of land to John Brondige, 28 Aug., 1687. Witness to deed to Lockwood, 15 Jan., 1688. Owned a home lot between Boyd and Disbrow and two acres in the plains between Richard and Jonathan Vowles, 1688. Rye proprietors acknowledged grant to Thomas Merritt of a parcel of land called Pine Island, adjoining said Merritt's meadows, 14 Feb., 1690. Commissioner to renew the Indian purchase at White Plains, 12 April, 1694. Vestryman of Rye 28 Feb., 1694, 1695, 1697. On committee to select a minister, 22 July, 1697. On committee to build a meeting house, 25 Sept., 1697. A collector of minister's salary, 1667-98. The patent of Rye was granted to Joseph Theale, Thomas Merritt, Deliverance Brown and others at Hartford, 22 Jan., 1696. He and Brown appeared before the General Court of Conn., to obtain a charter for Rye, 19 Jan., 1697. Deputy to General Court, Oct., 1699. Townsman or trustee, 1697-99. A proprietor of Peningo Neck, 11 Dec., 1699. On committee to run a line between White Plains and Col. Heatcote's patent, 24 Feb., 1702. Gave his son Thomas a house and lot then occupied by the son, 20 Jan., 1703. He and Robert Bloomer granted land to John Merritt, 7 Feb., 1704. Owned land at Rye, 6 Dec., 1704. Bought land adjoining his from Caleb Hyatt, 1 May, 1705; deed recorded 23 Jan., 1722. Supervisor, 1705. Bought 15 acres from Wm. Fowler for £27, 25 Dec., 1706. On committee to settle the line between Greenwich and Rye, 1 Nov., 1707. One of the grantors of land in Wills Purchase to Samuel Lane, 17 Oct., 1709. On grand jury 2 June, 1713, 14, 15, 16. Gave a deed to his son Joseph of Rye, yeoman, 5 Aug., 1714. Witness to deed from George Lane to John Boyd, 9 Sept., 1714. He and son Thomas sign a permission for building a mill to Isaac Anderson, 6 Jan., 1717. A proprietor of Peningo Neck, 1715. Sold 6 acres at Rye for £25 to Ebenezer Kniffen, 19 May, 1719; acknowledged 29 April, 1721. Sold 40 acres at White Plains for £40 to Samuel Merritt, 21 March, 1720; acknowledged 17 June, 1721. He lived nearly opposite the site of the present Park Institute. Children: Thomas, Joseph, Ephraim, Samuel.
2. ¹THOMAS, ²son of Thomas, born _____, died _____, 1719, married about 1696, Mary, daughter of Jeffrey Ferris and widow of Jonathan Lockwood. Called Sergeant Merritt. One of the surveyors of the White Plains purchase, 1699. Lived in a house at Rye given him by his father, 1702. Bought 6 acres at Rye from Jonathan Vowles for £7, 8 March, 1705. Bought 13 acres adjoining from Samuel Hoyt for £25, 21 Jan., 1709. One of the surveyors for school-house, 29 Jan., 1711. Vestryman, 7 May, 1711. Townsman, 1713. On jury, 1713. Signed permission to Christopher Bridge to move a fence, 18 Oct., 1715. A proprietor of Peningo Neck, 1715. Bought from his brother Ephraim for £85, certain houses and lands in possession of their father Thomas, 26 Dec., 1718. Sold 18 acres at Rye to his brother Ephraim for £85, 26 Dec., 1718; called *junior* in the deed. Made his will 26 Jan., 1719, (New York, book 9, p. 47). The house of Thomas Merritt, deceased, was in a place called the "Cedars" near Grace Church St., 1732. Children: Thomas, Edward, John, Benoni, Mercy.

JOSEPH,² son of ¹Thomas, born _____, died _____, 1754,
 married Jane, daughter of _____, _____ A proprietor of
 Rye, 1683. He and other surveyors of lands assigned to himself 2 acres which he
 had fenced in on Hog-pen Ridge, 1707. A proprietor of Wills Purchase, 1708.
 Owned lot No. 34 in 1710. His land joined Jonathan Kniffen's, 16 Jan., 1710.
 Had a deed from his father Thomas, 5 Aug., 1714. On grand jury, 1717, 18, 22.
 Ensign in Westchester Co. militia, 27 Feb., 1722. Signed a petition of Presby-
 terians, 11 May, 1727. Sold 32 acres near the present Park's mill to Gilbert
 Bloomer for £130, 16 Dec., 1740. Made his will 27 March, 1752; proved 6 June,
 1754 (New York, book 19, p. 56).
 Children: Joseph, Thomas, Nehemiah, Elizabeth, Jane.

EPHRAIM,² son of Thomas, born _____, died _____, _____ Mentioned at
 Rye in 1713. Sold to his brother Thomas for £60, a house and barn, two allot-
 ments of land and two acres bounded by the Mill Road and the lands of Isaac
 Denham, Timothy Knapp and Jonathan Vowles (now in possession of his father
 Thomas, and given to Ephraim by an instrument in writing), to become the
 property of Thomas, his brother, after the death of their father, 26 Oct., 1718;
 recorded 13 Jan., 1719, (White Plains, book E., p. 186). Bought land near the
 drift way from Stephen Stockham, 20 Feb., 1721. Van Horn and Roosevelt sued
 him for 40 shillings, 7 Dec., 1721. Not having any bail he surrendered himself,
 1722. No wife or children known.

¹SAMUEL,² son of Thomas, born _____, died _____, _____ Mentioned at
 Rye in 1706. Living at White Plains 1710. Lived also at Port Chester where the
 Union Free School now stands. Bought land at White Plains from John Boyd
 for £20, 27 Nov., 1713. On grand jury Feb., 1717. Bought his brother Thomas'
 land at White Plains, 21 March, 1720. Bought land at White Plains from Joseph
 Budd, 18 Jan., 1723. Granted a lot to Humphrey Underhill, who released his
 claim 29 May, 1722. He was tried and imprisoned as a tory, 15 June, 1776, and
 petitioned to be released on parole, 18 Aug., 1776.
 Children: William, George, David.

3. ¹THOMAS,³ son of ¹Thomas,² born _____, died _____, _____ Overseer of
 roads at White Plains, 1739. He and wife Elizabeth sold 53 acres at White
 Plains to Monmouth Hart for £285, 17 June, 1740. Thomas Merritt of Phillips-
 burgh, gent., sold to Edward Merritt of same place, gent., for £3, 25 Jan., 1742,
 three-quarters of an acre at Rye, bounded easterly by land of Edward Merritt,
 southerly by land of John Disbrow and westerly by the road; also all right to land
 given by Thomas Merritt, deceased, to his son Edward. Recorded 22 Jan., 1767,
 the grantor being dead. Bought a farm of 54 acres at Rye for £369, from John
 and Stephen Stockham, 15 Nov. 1755.
 Children: probably Thomas, born 24 April, 1736.

²EDWARD,² son of ¹Thomas,² born _____, died _____, 1791,
 married _____, _____ He sold to Joseph Hait for £54,
 1 March, 1743, 6 acres received from his father Thomas Merritt, Jr., including
 land bought of his brother, Thomas. Bought 8 acres and house near the church
 at Rye from Benjamin Brown, Jr., for £300, 24 March, 1749. Recorded 15 July,
 1769. Executor of John Sutton, 9 Dec., 1752. Was living at Mamaroneck and
 owned one male slave in 1755. Bought 40 acres at Mamaroneck from Anne
 de Lancey for £100, 20 June, 1760. Bought 8 acres adjoining this land from
 William Sutton for £59, 8 Aug., 1767. Daniel Brown mortgaged land to him,
 14 April, 1768. Paid 13, March, 1776. Signed protest against Rebellion at White
 Plains, 13 April, 1775. Mortgaged land to Robert Bloomer, 11 Feb., 1786. Made
 his will, 29 June, 1789; proved 6 April, 1791. Gave to his grandsons, Edward
 and John, all the farm on which his son John now lives, on condition that they
 pay John £100, when the grandson John is of age; gave to his son Edward the
 remainder of his lands; to his daughter Hannah, £250, also £300 to purchase
 land for her benefit. To his grandson Edward, £100. Executor, son Edward.
 Children:

Edward, born 4 June, 1753; died 14 Nov., 1803,

John, born _____, died _____,

Hannah, born _____, died _____, married Major Bazaleel Howe.

³JOHN,² son of ¹Thomas,² born _____, died _____, married Mary, daughter of _____ Brundage. Mentioned 1721. Living in King St., Rye, 1727. Made his will 1 July, 1753; proved 20 Aug., 1753. (New York, book 18, p. 374). Appoints as a burial place, a half acre lot on the south side of King St., where some of his children are already buried; one third of estate to wife Mary; to son Daniel, £160, already lent him; to son Caleb, land at Greenwich and 28 acres at Rye; to son Nathan, lands at Greenwich; to sons Nathan and Thomas, lands at Rye. Thomas, when 25, to pay John £50; to son John, £200; to daughters Phebe, Amy and Ruth, £30 each; remainder to daughters Mary and Hannah. Executors, Caleb, Nathan and son-in-law Reuben Green. His wife died, 1757.

Children:

Daniel, born _____, died _____	1799,
Caleb, born _____, died _____	1780,
Nathan, born July 20, 1721, died 28 Jan. 1813,	
John, born _____, died _____	
Thomas, born _____, died _____	1785,
Mary, born _____, died _____	, married Reuben Green.
Hannah, born _____, died _____	, married Samuel Pine.
Phebe, born _____, died _____	
Amy, born _____, died _____	, married Samuel Brown.
Ruth, born _____, died _____	, married Solomon Purdy, Jr.

⁴BENONI,³ son of ¹Thomas,² born _____, died _____, married Mary, daughter of _____, Sold land to John Merritt, 14 May, 1720. Bought 200 acres in Forcaneers West Patent from Richard Cornell for £135, 4 May, 1724; recorded 1742. Signed petition of Presbyterians to the Governor of Connecticut, 11 May, 1727, and a second petition, 6 Oct., 1727. He was a merchant of Oyster Bay in 1737, and sold his house and 16 acres on the country road at Rye. Sold land to Solomon Purdy and Gilbert Bloomer, 22 May, 1738. Gave Jonathan Brundage a power of attorney to sell the 200 acres of Forcaneers, 5 Dec., 1745. Owned land adjoining Nehemiah Purdy, 20 April, 1747. He is probably the same as Benjamin Merritt of Rye. His wife Mary appears, 1 May, 1749.

Children:

Solomon, born _____, died _____

¹JOSEPH,³ son of ²Joseph,² born _____, died _____, married Mary, daughter of Ebenezer Theall who left her a negro boy in his will, 27 May, 1747. Lived on the southeast corner of Ridge Road and Park's Mill Road. Called *junior* in 1727. Had one male slave, 26 March, 1755. Bought 61 acres adjoining his own land from John and Rebecca Purdy, 21 March, 1758.

Children:

Daniel, born _____, died _____
 Joseph, born 14 Jan., 1731, died 19 May, 1782,
 Sarah, born 29 Oct., 1749, died 29 June, 1810,

²THOMAS,³ son of ²Joseph,² born _____, died _____, married (?) _____ A Thomas Merritt of North East Dutchess Co.; signed Association for Rebellion, June, 1775.
 Children: (?)

³NEHEMIAH,³ son of ²Joseph,² born _____, 1715, died _____, 1794, married Dinah, daughter of Ichabod Hopkins and Sarah Coles; married second, Mary, daughter of Robert Dingy before 1761. He showed a certificate of removal from the Mamaroneck Meeting at the Oblong Meeting at Quaker Hill, Dutchess County, December, 1758. On a committee to review the sufferings of the Friends at Oblong, 1760. He and nine others sign a petition in behalf of themselves and fifteen others for 25000 acres on east side of Hudson River between Fort Edward and Lake George, 25 July, 1761. (Fort Ann, Washington Co., and Queensbury, Warren Co.) The Queensbury patent, 23000 acres, was granted to twenty-three persons, not including him, 20 May, 1762. A meeting of the proprietors of Queensbury was held at the shop of Nehemiah and Daniel Merritt in Beekman Precinct, Dutchess Co., 10 July, 1762. A second meeting was held at the same place when partition deeds were given to the thirty proprietors including Nehemiah and his sons Daniel and Ichabod, 8 Nov., 1762. He received plot 32 in division 103 and 60, and half of plots 38 and 39, 13 Jan., 1763. One of the trustees to rent out all undivided lands, 23 Feb., 1763. Nehemiah Merritt of Beekman's Precinct, gentleman, released his half of the saw-mill, house and utensils, built by them at Queensbury, to Abraham Wing for 5 shillings, 7 Oct., 1765.

Walter Franklin of New York, merchant, leased to Nehemiah Merritt, yeoman, of the Oblong, Lot 32 of 500 acres in the Oblong, for 5 shillings for one year, 21 Dec., 1768, and sold him the same for £1400, 22 Dec., 1768. He was agent for Franklin and signed a lease in his behalf to Elisha Smith of Lot 70, rental £14 1 May, 1774. He and wife Mary, granted to his son Daniel, one-third of Lot 32, supposed to contain 167 acres, 4 March, 1774; acknowledged 2 Oct., 1793; recorded 17 Jan., 1794. On a committee to visit Quaker slaveholders, 14 Aug., 1776. Had an attack of numb palsy, 25 June, 1786. Gave deeds of one-half of Lot 103, on north side of town plot at Queensbury to his grandson Benjamin, and one-half to his grandson Jacob, 10 and 18 Sept., 1792. Granted to his son Daniel, one-half of Lots 33, 39 and 76 of 125 acres each at Queensbury, 21 Sept., 1792. Conveyed to Daniel the remainder of Lot 32, being 333 acres in the Oblong, for £1250, 4 April, 1793; recorded 20 Jan., 1794. This was given in consideration of the payment of all Nehemiah's debts, 25 May, 1790; recorded 25 March, 1805.

Children:

Daniel, born 23 July, 1738, died 25 May, 1805,
 Nehemiah, born 14 Jan., 1740, died Sept., 1793,
 Anna, born 19 Sept., 1742, died 22 Nov., 1760, killed by lightning.
 Ichabod, born 10 Sept., 1744, died

¹ WILLIAM,³ son of ⁴Samuel,² born _____, died _____, married Tamer, daughter of _____. He bought 100 acres in Harrison's Purchase on the White Plains road from Joseph Haight for £200, 19 Feb., 1739. He and his wife mortgaged land to Job Hadden and Isaac Merritt for £628, 25 July, 1764. They sold 100 acres near Underhill Merritt's land to Alexander Haines for £687, 14 Oct., 1765.

Children:

Joseph, born _____, 1734, died 3 Sept, 1793,
 Elisha, born _____, 1740, died _____

Who were Isaac and Underhill Merritt ?

² GEORGE,³ son of ⁴Samuel,² born 23 April, 1702 or 1711; died 2 Feb., 1750, married Glorianna, daughter of Samuel Purdy and Penelope Strang of Rye. She was born 31 March, 1715; died 13 Sept., 1765. He bought 100 acres north of his brother William's land at White Plains for £200, 19 Feb., 1739. Moved to Newburgh about 1747. He and Francis Purdy bought 1200 acres near Newburgh from William Campbell for \$750, 28 March, 1750. Sold 17½ acres at White Plains to Caleb Hyatt for £240, 27 April, 1750. Made his will 5 Jan., 1759; proved 23 March, 1759. Gave to his wife £25 and maintenance; to son Caleb, 83 acres on north side of homestead, and all lands at White Plains inherited from grandfather Humphrey Underhill; to son Humphrey, 100 on west end of homestead; to son Samuel, 100 acres adjoining Humphrey's; to son George, 100 acres adjoining; to sons Gabriel and David, all remainder of homestead; to son Josiah, any remaining land in Ulster Co. allotment. The other sons to pay £10 each to Josiah when he is twenty-three. Land from his father at White Plains to be sold and proceeds given to daughters Elizabeth, Glorande and Jane. Executors, wife Glorande, Samuel Fowler and son Humphrey. Witness, Thomas Merritt of Ulster Co., miller. (New York, book 21, p. 256).

Children:

Caleb, born 28 Feb., 1735, died 29 Nov. 1793,
 Elizabeth, born 13 Feb., 1733, died _____
 Humphrey, born 17 May, 1737, died _____
 Samuel, born 22 April, 1739, died 6 Dec., 1811,
 George, born 26 May, 1741, died 10 July, 1822,
 Gabriel, born 1 May, 1744, died 5 Jan., 1776,
 Glorianna, born 11 Oct., 1745, died _____
 Jane, born 25 Sept., 1747, died 2 March, 1807,
 David, born 31 Dec., 1749, died 27 Dec., 1817,
 Josiah, born 15 Nov., 1752, died 12 March, 1817.

Who was Thomas Merritt, miller?

³ DAVID,⁴ son of ⁴Samuel,² born _____, died _____, 1751, married Jane, daughter of _____, Bought 122 acres at White Plains from Joseph Budd for £384, 6 Oct., 1742. Sold land to Isaac Oakley for £457, 12 April, 1745. Made his will 26 June, 1751; proved 25 July, 1751. Gave personalty to wife Jane and only child Mary, and to David and Jane, children of George Merritt, and Elisha, son of William Merritt. Executors, wife Jane, brother George, and Elisha Budd.

Child:

Mary, born _____, died _____

THOMAS MERRITT OF RYE, N. Y.,

AND

First Three Generations of His Descendants.

FURTHER INFORMATION DESIRED.

Address: DOUGLAS MERRITT, Rhinebeck, N. Y.

1. THOMAS MERRITT, son of _____, born _____, died _____, married _____, married 2nd before 1688, Abigail, daughter of Robert and Joan Francis, of Wethersfield, Conn. She was born 14 Feb., 1660. He settled at Rye, N. Y., 1673. Witness to deed to Thomas Statham, 24 Jan., 1676. One of the purchasers of Hog-pen Ridge, 4 Sept., 1680. Bought land adjoining John Merritt's from Jonathan Vowles, 22 Nov., 1682. On list of Rye proprietors, 1683. Constable 12 July, 1684. Witness to deed from Isaac Sherwood to Caleb Hyatt, 15 Sept., 1684. Appraiser of will of Caleb Hyatt, 15 Sept., 1684. Bought a half lotment next to Disbrow's from Robert Bloomer, 5 March, 1685. Francis and Thomas Brown and Thomas Merritt deliver to executors of John Budd of Southold, L. I., certain animals from his farm at Rye, 11 June, 1685. One of the grantees of land to John Bron-dige, 28 Aug., 1687. Witness to deed to Lockwood, 15 Jan., 1688. Owned a home lot between Boyd and Disbrow and two acres in the plains between Richard and Jonathan Vowles, 1688. Rye proprietors acknowledged grant to Thomas Merritt of a parcel of land called Pine Island, adjoining said Merritt's meadows, 14 Feb., 1690. Commissioner to renew the Indian purchase at White Plains, 12 April, 1694. Vestryman of Rye 28 Feb., 1694, 1695, 1697. On committee to select a minister, 22 July, 1697. On committee to build a meeting house, 25 Sept., 1697. A collector of minister's salary, 1667-98. The patent of Rye was granted to Joseph Theale, Thomas Merritt, Deliverance Brown and others at Hartford, 22 Jan., 1696. He and Brown appeared before the General Court of Conn., to obtain a charter for Rye, 19 Jan., 1697. Deputy to General Court, Oct., 1699. Townsman or trustee, 1697-99. A proprietor of Peningo Neck, 11 Dec., 1699. On committee to run a line between White Plains and Col. Heathcote's patent 24 Feb., 1702. Gave his son Thomas a house and lot then occupied by the son, 20 Jan., 1703. He and Robert Bloomer granted land to John Merritt, 7 Feb., 1704. Owned land at Rye, 6 Dec., 1704. Bought land adjoining his from Caleb Hyatt, 1 May, 1705; deed recorded 23 Jan., 1722. Supervisor, 1705. Bought 15 acres from Wm. Fowler for £27, 25 Dec., 1706. On committee to settle the line between Greenwich and Rye, 1 Nov., 1707. One of the grantors of land in Wills Purchase to Samuel Lane, 17 Oct., 1709. On grand jury, 2 June, 1713-14-15-16. Gave a deed to his son Joseph of Rye, yeoman, 5 Aug., 1714. Witness to deed from George Lane to John Boyd, 9 Sept., 1714. He and son Thomas sign a permission for building a mill to Isaac Anderson, 6 Jan., 1717. A proprietor of Peningo Neck, 1715. Sold 6 acres at Rye for £25 to Ebenezer Kniffen, 19 May, 1719; acknowledged 29 April, 1721. Sold 40 acres at White Plains for £40 to Samuel Merritt, 21 March, 1720; acknowledged 17 June, 1721. He lived nearly opposite the site of the present Park Institute.

Children:

Thomas, born _____	, died _____	1719,
Joseph, born _____	, died _____	1719,
Ephraim, born _____	, died _____	
Samuel, born _____	, died _____	

2. 'JOSEPH,' son of 'Thomas, born _____, died _____, 1754 married Jane, daughter of _____, _____, A proprietor of Rye, 1683. He and other surveyors of lands assigned to himself 2 acres which he had fenced in on Hog-pen Ridge, 1707. A proprietor of Wills Pur-

chase, 1708. Owned lot No. 34 in 1710. His land adjoined Jonathan Knifen's, 16 Jan., 1710. Had a deed from his father Thomas, 5 Aug., 1714. On grand jury, 1717-18-22. Ensign in Westchester Co. militia, 27 Feb., 1722. Signed a petition of Presbyterians, 11 May, 1727. Sold 32 acres near the present Parks' mill to Gilbert Bloomer for £130, 16 Dec., 1740. Made his will 27 March, 1752; proved 6 June, 1754 (New York, book 19, p. 56).

Children:

Joseph, born	, died	
Thomas, born	, died	
Nehemiah, born	1715, died	1794,
Elizabeth, born	, died	
Jane, born	, died	

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Ichabod, born 10 Sept.,	1744, died	

4. ²NEHEMIAH,⁴ son of ²Nehemiah,³ born 14 Jan., 1740, died Sept., 1793, married 25 June, 1760, Phebe, daughter of Abraham Wing and Anstis Wood, at Quaker Hill, N. Y. She was born 22 Feb., 1743; died 19 Mar., 1819, at Troy. He was of Beekman and had a deed from John Page of part of the Page Grant between Fort Edward and Lake George (Queensbury), 25 June, 1762. Gave deed of lots at Queensbury to his brother Daniel, 13 Jan., 1763. Had deed from Abraham Wing of Lot No. 1, 10 acres, at Queensbury, 16 Mar., 1767. Requested to come under care of Nine Partners Meeting, 1776. Had deed from Edward Palmer of part of Lot 25 in Nine Partners, 125 acres, for £1400, 21 Mar., 1781. Had deed from J. Allen of 40 acres at Millbrook for £200, 1786. Appointed on committee to raise funds for White Creek

Meeting House, 1786. He writes from Nine Partners to his father and mother, 19 May, 1786, that he will give the five acres of land desired for a meeting house lot. Mortgaged land to the loan officers of the county for \$60, 22 Aug., 1786. Paid interest on 3 July, 1787. Interest after that date paid by Thomas Poole. Had deed from Nathaniel Platt of 53 acres at Millbrook for £30, 22 May, 1789. Nehemiah Merritt, Jr., merchant, of Washington Township, sold to Consider Merritt about 53 acres in Great Nine Partners for £300, 8 Oct., 1790; acknowledged by witness, 17 May, 1794; recorded 9 July, 1796, Poughkeepsie, lib. 14, p. 206. (This land is at Millbrook, now owned by Stephen H. Merritt.) From Nine Partners Meeting to Saratoga Meeting, 26 Mar., 1793; acknowledged at Saratoga, May, 1793. "Phebe Merritt, wife of Nehemiah, having removed with her husband and family to Queensbury within your meeting requests a certificate for herself and daughters Mary and Ruth." Ditto 11 Sept., 1793; acknowledged Jan., 1794. "Benjamin Merritt, son of Nehemiah, a youth and member of this meeting, having removed with his father to your parts, etc." Saratoga Meeting to Nine Partners Meeting, 16 May, 1794. "Certificate of removal is granted Phebe Merritt and her daughters Mary and Ruth." It is said that Nehemiah and his wife died of bilious colic.

Children:

Abraham, born 11 May,	1761, died
Anna, born 21 Aug.,	1762, died
Daniel, born 23 Feb.,	1765, died 9 May, 1830,
Consider Morgan, born 18 May,	1766, died 12 May, 1802,
Isaac, born 25 Feb.,	1768, died 25 Feb., 1848,
Hannah, born 20 Nov.,	1769,
Sarah, born 21 April,	1771,
Jacob, born 1 Sept.,	1773, died 1 Nov., 1848,
Mary, born 12 May,	1775,
Benjamin, born 21 June,	1777, died 4 July, 1854,
Ruth, born 5 Aug.,	1779, died 14 Oct., 1849.

5. ¹⁰BENJAMIN,⁵ son of ⁹Nehemiah,⁴ born 21 June, 1777, died 4 July, 1854. He was born at Quaker Hill. Married at Kingsbury, Washington Co., 3 Oct., 1800, Thankful, daughter of Matthew Scott and Mercy Ashley. She was born at Spencertown, Columbia Co., 21 May, 1780, died at Troy, 22 May, 1845. He had a deed of half of lot No. 103 at Queensbury from his grandfather Nehemiah, 10 Sept., 1792. Lived one year at Fort Ann and one year at Troy. Later at White Creek, Washington Co. At Troy 1813-15, New York 1815, White Creek 1830, Troy 1834, White Creek 1842-45, Staten Island 1848. He was at first a china dealer, afterwards a dry goods merchant. Partner of his brother Daniel in Troy. His wife became a Quaker in 1811 and frequently preached. He died of bilious colic at Cleveland on his return from a visit to Milwaukee. Buried with his wife in Oakland Cemetery, Troy.

Children:

Cornelia, born 14 Oct.,	1801, died 20 April, 1885,
Juliet, born 25 Dec.,	1803, died 4 Aug., 1835,
Mary, born 13 Oct.,	1805, died 29 Aug. 1835,
George, born 14 Aug.,	1807, died 5 Oct., 1873,
Jane, born 10 Sept.,	1809, died 25 April, 1829,
Henry, born 31 Oct.,	1811, died 15 April, 1863,
Matthew Franklin, born 2 Sept.,	1814, died 2 Sept., 1839,
Caroline, born Feb.,	1817, died 29 May, 1841,
Eliza Walker, born 4 Nov.,	1819,
Edward, born 4 Nov.,	1822, died 18 May, 1864,

6. ⁴GEORGE,⁶ son of ¹⁰Benjamin,⁵ born 14 Aug., 1807, at White Creek, married at Troy, 5 Nov., 1845, Julia, daughter of Alanson Douglas and Ann Sutherland. She was born 17 Sept. 1823, died 4 Nov., 1904. He was sent to the Friends boarding school, Nine Partners, at the age of five. Went to New York in 1822 and was in the dry goods business until 1851, living six years in Georgia. Of Cutter, Buckley & Merritt, 1838-42. Merritt, Ely & Co., 1843-52. President of New England Car Spring Co., 1851-68.

Vestryman of Calvary Church, New York, for many years. Trustee of General Theological Seminary. A prominent member of the Protestant Episcopal Church. He removed to his country seat, Lyndehurst, Irvington-on-Hudson, in 1867, and died there of heart disease, 5 Oct., 1873. Buried with his wife and two children in Sleepy Hollow Cemetery, Tarrytown.

Children:

Douglas, born 4 Dec.,	1847,
Annie Douglas, born 10 June,	1849, died 13 Dec., 1849,
Mary, born 2 Oct.,	1850,
Cornelia, born 27 Oct.,	1853, died 27 Oct., 1853,
George William, born 30 Aug.,	1856, died 17 Jan., 1907,
Julia Douglas, born 1 April,	1859, died 28 Nov., 1892,

7. ¹DOUGLAS,⁷ son of ⁴George,⁶ born 4 December, 1847, at 42 Barclay St., New York, educated at the school of John McMullen and the Columbia College Grammar School; passed two years in Europe and was graduated from Columbia Law School in 1874. Purchased his farm called Leacote, near Rhinebeck, N. Y., in 1875, and is now living there. Married at Buffalo, 3 Aug., 1876, Elizabeth Cleveland, daughter of Rt. Rev. Arthur Cleveland Coxe, Bishop of Western New York, and Katherine Cleveland Hyde. He has been a trustee of Hobart College, Geneva; St. Stephen's College, Annandale; St. John's Church, Barrytown; the Starr Institute, Rhinebeck, Public School No. 3, Rhinebeck; vestryman of the Church of the Messiah, and for thirty years a delegate to the Diocesan Convention.

Children:

Ethel Douglas,
Alan Douglas,

8. ²ALAN DOUGLAS,⁸ son of ¹Douglas,⁷ born 6 Dec., 1885, at Lakewood, N. J., educated by private teachers and at Morristown School. He spent two years in Europe and has lived for some time on a ranch in Arizona. Now living at Leacote, Rhinebeck.



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