

We have now considered the various Susannas above listed of the right age to have been the wife of George Gardiner, except Susanna, daughter of Robert and Amie Hazard of South Kingstown, who was born at Kingstown on 16 Jan. 1700/1. Robert and Amie Hazard of (South) Kingstown had issue: 1. Jeffrey ("Stout Jeffrey") born 29 Sept. 1698; 2. Susanna, born 16 Jan. 1700/1; 3. Hannah, born 26 Feb. 1702/3; 4. Robert, born 19 Jan. 1708/9; 5. Thomas, born 18 June 1713; 6. Amey, born 20 Sept. 1715; 7. Mary, born 14 May 1718. The will of Robert Hazard, dated 30 Sept. 1718, was proved 10 Nov. 1718. He left £100 to his daughter Susanna and like amounts to his daughters Amey and Mary at 17 years of age (Austin, p. 321).

There can be no shadow of a doubt but that George Gardiner's first wife Susanna was identical with Susanna, daughter of Robert and Amie Hazard, who was born in 1701. She lived in South Kingstown and was a near neighbor* of George Gardiner, whose wife was undoubtedly a South Kingstown woman. George and Susanna Gardiner had daughters named Amie and Mary, both names which do not occur in his father's family, but which do occur in that of Robert Hazard. Of these names Amie is quite an uncommon one. Susanna Hazard is exactly the right age to have married George and she is otherwise unaccounted for. She evidently married George Gardiner as his first wife.

The name Jeffrey occurring in the family of Robert Hazard is distinctive of the Champlin family of South County and there can be scarcely any doubt but that his wife, Amie, was a member of the Champlin family and undoubtedly a daughter of Jeffrey² Champlin, Jr. (*Jeffrey*¹) of Westerly and Kingstown, who died about 1715, one of whose children, his son Jeffrey, alone is known.

STRICKLAND NOTES

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I. *John Strickland of Long Island*

The early Stricklands are extremely difficult. No direct evidence has been seen to prove relationship between the early settlers of the name. There is something in the orderly processes

* The Mumford farm lay between that of George Gardiner and Robert Hazard. I am indebted to Dr. Sheridan E. Gardiner of Mount Pleasant, Michigan, for valuable information regarding the exact location of George Gardiner's home farm.

of the human mind, which causes us, in working on a problem of this sort, to seek connections and to fit each individual into a definite niche. Yet while it is true that some of the colonists came in family groups, and two, three, or more brothers came together, others with identical surnames who came to New England were unrelated. It is necessary, frequently, to curb the natural impulse to jump to the conclusion that two or more early settlers of the same name must have been members of the same family. Often they were; sometimes they were not. In each such problem, the evidence needs to be studied. Strong indications of relationship may be found, or such indications may be weak, and it is at times safest to leave the question unanswered in the end.

Most writers have assumed that John and Edmund Strickland were brothers, and Thwaite Strickland of Dedham, Mass., has usually been called a son of John. John in fact has become a kind of catch-all for stray Stricklands, who have been cast willy-nilly into his paternal lap. Nearly a decade ago, a critical study of the family of John Strickland was made by Mr. Herbert F. Seversmith and published in *The American Genealogist* (vol. 11, pp. 81-87, 145-153, 197-208). To the statements of fact there made, we find little to add, nor can we quarrel with the general conclusions reached. We are content, therefore, to give a brief resumé sufficient only to make our account of Edmund Strickland's family better understood.

JOHN STRICKLAND, or Stickline as he was often called, was among the early settlers of Charlestown, Mass., and was Sergeant as early as 1631 when he was admitted freeman of Massachusetts Bay. He may by then have been resident in Watertown, Mass., from the church of which town he was dismissed 29 May 1635 to join the settlement at Wethersfield, Conn. The following year, he was active as Sergeant, leading a small contingent to Saybrook because of Indian depredations there, and presumably saw service a few months later when war was declared on the Pequots (May 1637). He sold his Wethersfield homelot 28 Mar. 1640, and seems to have removed that year to Fairfield, Conn., for as Deputy to the General Court in Sept. 1641 there is reason to believe he was representing Fairfield rather than Springfield as sometimes claimed. This session of the Court appointed a committee to settle the bounds between Fairfield and Stratford, and in 1659 Strickland testified regarding the bounds, which he had been active in settling.

He remained not over four years in Fairfield, and sold his homestead there to William Frost before 6 Jan. 1644/5, when Frost referred to the purchase in his will. In 1644 he was one of the Patentees of Hempstead, L. I., was active there for a few years, being Magistrate there in 1658. He drew land at

Southampton in 1650, but his son-in-law, Jonas Wood, was his agent in this transaction, and no evidence has been seen that he ever lived there. He removed from Hempstead to Huntington probably early in 1659, calling himself of Huntington in the Fairfield testimony of that year. In 1661 he was named first among the petitioners who sought a home in Elizabeth, N. J., but he never resided there. In Huntington he served as Magistrate in 1661, but in 1663, when he sold his Huntington homestead called himself widower, of Jamaica. He remained in Jamaica until his death between 5 Sept. and 13 Dec. 1672.

The sale of the Huntington property is of special interest, because it was sold to Gabriel Lynch or Linch (misread as Finch in the printed Huntington Town Records). Margaret, widow of Gabriel Lynch, became the second wife of Jonathan Strickland of Newtown, L. I., before 1686, and this has a bearing not only on the probable relationship between John and Edmund Strickland, but also aids in estimating the age of Edmund.

The first known child of Margaret Lynch (and she may have had older children) was born 1660, so we may place her own birth roughly as 1640 or a bit earlier. On the basis that a man's wife was usually younger than himself, we may place the birth of Jonathan Strickland as approximately 1635 or earlier. There is reason to believe that his father, Edmund, was adult by that date. The birth of Edmund may therefore be guessed as around 1610.

The question at issue is whether it is possible to place Edmund as a putative son instead of putative brother of John. The known daughters of John apparently married in the 1640's and would be born in the 1620's. The birth of John may therefore have occurred around 1600 or slightly before, a date which agrees well with his active military service as a non-commissioned officer in the late 1630's.

On these grounds, it seems easier to place Edmund as a younger brother rather than as a son of John.

Mr. Seversmith has already noted that the terms of John Strickland's will, which made the living children of his daughters his heirs, would be most unusual if he had left sons or living issue of deceased sons. The feeling was very strong among the English colonials of the period that real estate should descend to the male representatives, and there is no evidence that John Strickland had provided for any son during his life.

No evidence has been seen that there was more than one John Strickland. In his earlier career he was sometimes referred to as "Sergeant," and in his later career, particularly after his holding of magisterial office, as "Mr." There is no record of "Sr." or "Jr." to indicate that he had a son and namesake.

In many accounts he is credited with a son Samuel. This is based on Charles B. Moore's List of Proprietors of Hempstead in 1647, in which the 50th is John Strickland "or Sticklan," and the 51st is Samuel Strickland, of whom Mr. Moore said, "prob. a son of John, who d." The original list should be examined to determine whether the name was correctly read; if so, Mr. Moore was doubtless correct in believing that Samuel died, for no subsequent mention of him has come to light, in Hempstead or elsewhere. [Cf. *N. Y. Gen. and Biog. Record*, 10:13.]

The son most persistently attributed to John is Thwaite Strickland. Hatfield's "History of Elizabeth, N. J.," pp. 59-60, in the account of John Strickland, categorically states that John "removed to Wethersfield, Conn. His son, Thwait, settled there; but the father removed" We shall have occasion, when considering the history of Thwaite, to dispute, not only that he was son of John, but that he ever lived in Wethersfield. For the present, we leave John his daughters, but sonless.

II. *Edmund Strickland of Newtown, L. I.*

EDMUND STRICKLAND appears to have been a younger man, and was certainly a less prominent man, than John Strickland. He was born perhaps about 1610, and is referred to in the *History of Ancient Wethersfield* by Stiles and Adams (1:303) as owning a lot in that town, which he sold before 1640. In testimony taken in 1672 and recorded in Fairfield, he is referred to as an original lot-owner there, which would place his removal to Fairfield in 1639. He seems to have remained there until 1650, but in 1656 his name appears on the Indian Rate List of Middleburg (Newtown), L. I. He is referred to in Newtown records in the 1660's, but had died before 1674 when his widow Hannah had become wife of Richard Fidoe.

The Newtown list of 1675 shows Jonathan Strickland, 1 male, 15 acres, and Richard Fidoe, 1 male, 18 acres; that of 1683 shows the former, 0 heads, 20 acres, and the latter, 1 head, 16 acres. What no heads means, the present writer is uncertain. Richard Fidoe died intestate; his estate was inventoried 22 Feb. 1683/4, and the widow Hannah was appointed administratrix, 16 July 1686 [*N. Y. Gen. and Biog. Record*, 65; 116].

On 31 Jan. 1667, "voated that Jonathan Sticklin shall have six ackers of land by hemsted swamp;" and on 15 Apr. 1670, Jonathan Sticklin of Newtown, signing by mark, sold his right at "Hemsted Swomp" to Robert James, "being on the east side of Richard Fidos lott." [Town Minutes of Newtown, vol. 1.] An agreement was made, 26 Apr. 1675, between Jonathan Strickland, John Forman, Josiah Forman, Georg Wood, and Richard

Fidoe, "to sett suffetient fine Raile fenc with posts" [Minutes of the Town Courts of Newtown, 1656-1690, p. 89].

The following deed [Town Minutes of Newtown, vol. 2, pp. 433-5] is of great genealogical importance:

Sept. 12, 1691. Indenture made Between Hannah ffidoe of Newtown In Quens: on The One part And Josias fforman Junior of the town and county Aforesayd of the other parte. Witnesseth that the sayd Hannah ffidoe and In consideration of a certaine valluable sum to her In Hand payd at or before the Insealing or delivery Heare of by her sonne in law the sayd Josias fforman . . . doth hereby grant . . . A certayne mesuage or tennament of Land Cittiate & Lying and being In Newtowne A fore sayd bounded on the North by the Stret on the East by the Land of Linnard ffrandegrift on the west by her owne Land which was her first husband Strickland and one the South by A hywa that goes to the South Medows alsoe all that A Certayne parsall of Medowe ground belonging to the Said tenamant of Land scituate & Lying and being In the Sid towne on the north side of the sd Strate bounded on the East by the Medowe of Gorge wod and on the West by her owne Meddow that was her sd husband stricklins . . . also all her whole Sheare of Medow Situate Lying and being at the south Medows belonging to Newtowne A fore Sayd Runing from a neck of Upland comonly called Celler Neck unto Another neck of Land of Upland called Long neck and soe from thence away Southardly as may appere upon Record bounded West wardly by Edward Stevensons Medow bounded one part Estwardly by ye Medows of Jermiah Burroughs and the other Part by ye Medowe which was formerly Robert Colwells as ye sd tenement of land and medowe grounds are now at the make. . .

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This day Appared before me Thomas Stevenson Esq. one of their Majtys Justices of the peece hanna ffidoe Late relac Widow of Richard ffidoe Decesed Dec. 19, 1691, [etc.]

This proves that Hannah had married first a Strickland, and second, Richard Fidoe, and that she was mother of the wife of Josias Forman, Jr. This brings us to the oft-quoted item from the *Pennsylvania Gazette* of 27 Jan. 1742, which reports the death "Last Friday" at Trenton of "Sarah Furman, a Widow, about 97 years of age; she was born at Fairfield in New England; her Maiden name was Strickland; her first Husband's Name was Roberts, her second Husband's Name was Furman."

Thomas Roberts, born about 1636, deposed 4 Feb. 1677/8 aged 41 or thereabouts [Town Courts of Newtown, 1656-1690, p. 99], died at Newtown, between 16 and 21 Oct. 1679, married Sarah Strickland, born at Fairfield, Conn., about 1644-5, died at Trenton, N. J., 8 Jan. 1741/2. Thomas Roberts of Newtown in his will dated 16 Oct. 1679, (inventory 21 Oct. 1679), gave his lands to his children, Elizabeth, John, Thomas, Edmund and Jonathan, all minors, provided for an unborn child, and gave the use of all property to wife Sarah during the children's minority. [N. Y. Surrogate's Wills, Liber 1/2, p. 257.] The witnesses were John Ere and Nicholas Eades; the latter (who died 16 Oct.

1685) married Mary, widow of John Furman, the brother of Josias, Sr. Of the Roberts children, the eldest, Elizabeth, married Samuel Furman (died at Hopewell, N. J., in 1732), brother of Josias, Jr. It is clear that Sarah (Strickland) Roberts named her son Edmund for her father, and her son Jonathan for her brother.

Edmund Strickland probably had more children than Jonathan and Sarah. Sarah's daughter and first child was not named for herself or her mother, but was Elizabeth. This suggests that Elizabeth wife of Capt. John Seaman of Hempstead, whose name was reported by a descendant in 1800 to have been Strickland, may have been a sister of Sarah and daughter of Edmund; she named a son Jonathan. However, it may be doubted whether a daughter of Edmund could have married as early as 1644, the date given, but without authority, for the Seaman marriage. It is likely that the date is too early, and if she married young, Edmund could probably have had a daughter who married shortly after 1650.

Another possible daughter of Edmund was Mary, second wife of Josias Furman, Sr., formerly the wife of John Weed of Stamford. Riker so states in his manuscript collections housed at the New York Public Library, but until the record has been seen, the suspicion must remain that he may have confused the Josias who was called son-in-law of Hannah Fidoe. If correct, the two Josias Furmans, father and son, married sisters, which is quite possible.

To return to Sarah (Strickland) Roberts, she married second, about 1680, Josias Furman, Jr. Land was laid out to him, Nov. 1679, on account of his father Josiah [Newtown Town Rec. 1: 147]. He was called son-in-law in the deed, quoted above, from Hannah (——) (Strickland) Fidoe, who conveyed again to "Josias Forman Junr" of Newtown, 6 Feb. 1695/6 [Town Minutes of Newtown, 2: 22-23]. On 23 Jan. 1695, Josias Forman, Jr., conveyed 10 acres "at the reare of my father farm" to George Wood of Newtown, signing by mark; and the same date, George Wood conveyed to Josias Forman 22 acres "bounded East by Thomas Robard sons Land to the South on Silas titases Land to the west on the highway to the north on Land belonging to thomas Robards children" [*ib.*, 2: 17-18].

To make clear the connections between the Strickland and Furman families, we take pleasure in presenting an account of the families of Josias Furman, Sr., and of his son, Josias, Jr., based on the records of Dr. Robert Furman.

III. *Furman Connections*

JOSIAS² FURMAN (Forman, Firman), born at Watertown, Mass., about 1632, died at Newtown, L. I., in 1709 (Riker Mss. at New York Public Library), son of John¹ Furman; married first, ALICE ——— (probably the same wife also called Angelche), living 1688; married second, about 1692, MARY (STRICKLAND?) WEED, widow of John Weed of Stamford, Conn.; she died at Stamford, 31 Mar. 1714.

Josias Furman settled in Hempstead, L. I., where he appears in records as early as 1657 and in 1658, 1659, 1660, and 1663; and his land there was mentioned in 1664 [Records of the Towns of North and South Hempstead, 1: 18, 63, 75, 82, 96, 132, 142, 148, 157, 175]. He was of Newtown, L. I., by 1666. In 1669 "Ailce the wife of Josias Firman testyfieth" [Town Courts of Newtown, 1656-1690, p. 205]. On 22 Feb. 1687/8, Josiah Forman Sen: sold to Jeremiah Burroughs, both of Newtown, Josiah and Angelche Forman attesting the deed by mark [Town Minutes of Newtown, 2: 379].

On 3 Jan. 1692/3, Josias firman of Newtown with the consent of Mary his wife conveyed to Francis Comes; both attested by mark. They also conveyed, 10 Feb. 1693/4, to John fforman a lot in Newtown "Bounded with Jonathan Stricling medow on ye North and on ye South with John Hunt, and francis Comes medow and flushing crick on ye East." They conveyed, 7 Jan. 1694/5, to John Monfort of Jamaica, David firman witnessing the deed. They conveyed, 24 May 1695, to Josias firman, Jr. On 3 June 1695, "Josias firman Senior of Newtowne husbandman" for good causes and consideration, conveyed to "my true and lawfull and well beloved son Josias firman Junior of Newtown Husbandman," land at "Hempstead Swamp in ye bounds of Newtown" containing 10 acres, "Bounded by ye highway on the East and south John Smith on the west and John Robardes on the north." [Town Minutes of Newtown, 2: 516, 497, 539, 566, 565.] No intimation has been seen in the deeds in which Mary joined that she was born a Strickland.

The will of Marah Firman of Stamford, widow of Josiah of Newtown, L. I., dated 27 Mar. 1714, named her son Isaac Weed; daughter Mary Lockwood; daughter Hannah Scofield; daughter Rebecca Firman; son-in-law [step-son] Samuel Weed; grandchildren, children of son Joseph Weed, deceased, and Joseph's widow Rebecca; son-in-law Samuel Scofield, executor. She died 31 Mar. 1714; inventory taken 29 Apr. 1714. [Fairfield Probate Records; see *Families of Old Fairfield*, 1: 653.] Mary was the second wife of John Weed, who died early in 1690, and her Weed children were born 1679-1687; her one Furman child was born 1693. It is difficult to gauge her age, because she was second

wife of both husbands and certainly much younger than Josias Furman. If we suppose her to be 40 at the birth of her Furman child, she was born about 1653, and that makes her 26 when her first Weed child was born. She may have been younger, but was probably not much older. We know that Edmund Strickland's daughter Sarah was born about 1644-5; we have guessed from several indications that his son Jonathan was born around 1635. If Edmund was born about 1610, and was about 25 when he settled in Wethersfield and married, there is no reason he could not have been father of Mary as late as 1653. It seems certain that Mary was younger than Sarah, and it is unusual for a younger sister to marry the father and an older sister to marry the son. Yet stranger things have occurred.

Children of Josias² Furman by first wife or wives:*

- i. JOSIAH³ [Josias], b. abt. 1653; res. Newtown, L. I., and Maidenhead (now Lawrenceville), N. J.; m. abt. 1680, SARAH (STRICKLAND) ROBERTS, b. at Fairfield, Conn., abt. 1644-5, d. at Trenton, N. J., 8 Jan. 1742, dau. of Edmund and Hannah Strickland, and widow of Thomas Roberts. Children:
 1. Josiah⁴, remained in Newtown and d. there 30 Dec. 1750 [Pres. Church Record]; m. Sarah Wood, who d. at Newtown, 28 Jan. 1729, dau. of George and Elizabeth (Wright) Wood.
 2. Richard, removed to Maidenhead, N. J., abt. 1710, will 13 Feb. 1751/2, proved at Trenton 8 Nov. 1757; m. Sarah Way, who survived him.
 3. Sarah, d. after 1749; m. abt. 1701, Major Ralph Hart, b. at Newtown, L. I., 1680, buried at Trenton, N. J., 30 July 1749 ["Rev. Cowell Memorandum," Hist. Pres. Church, Trenton, p. 146], son of John and Mary (Hunt) Hart.
 4. Mercy, living 1758; m. (1) Gershom Moore of Maidenhead, N. J., will 3 Apr. 1722, proved 23 Jan. 1723, son of Gershom and Deborah (Betts) Moore; m. (2) Thomas Burroughs, will 4 Jan. 1758, proved 15 Dec. 1764.
 5. Martha, m. at Newtown, L. I., 17 May 1712 [Pres. Church Rec.], Edward Hart of Hopewell, N. J., who d. there 27 July 1752, son of John and Mary (Hunt) Hart.
- ii. JOSEPH, b. abt. 1655; living in 1699; said to have m. JANE, widow of John Bull [Wood Furman Mss., not verified].
- iii. JOHN, b. abt. 1656; d. at Newtown, L. I., Nov. 1726; m. before 1691, MARGARET LYNCH, b. at Branford, Conn., 8 Feb. 1659/60, d. at Newtown, 11 May 1742, dau. of Gabriel and Margaret Lynch. Her mother m. (2) Jonathan Strickland, son of Edmund. John and Margaret (Lynch) Furman named a son Gabriel.
- iv. DAVID, m. MARY MORRELL.
- v. SAMUEL, of Hopewell, N. J., will 6 May 1732, proved 2 Aug. 1732; m. before 1710, Elizabeth Roberts, dau. of Thomas and Sarah (Strickland) Roberts, and step-dau. of his brother Josiah.
- vi. JONATHAN.

* No evidence has been seen that Alice or Angelche was wife of Josias as early as the probable birth dates of the older children, and the name does not seem to have been handed down.

- vii. MARTHA, will dated 12 Dec. 1700; m. (1) JACOB REEDER of Newtown, whose will 8 Feb. 1694/5 was proved 23 May 1695, son of John and Margaret Reeder; m. (2) JEREMIAH BURBOUGHS, b. abt. 1651 (aged 26, record of 6 Jan. 1677, Newtown Courts), drowned in 1698, son of John and Joanna (Jessup) Burroughs.

Child of Josias² Furman by Mary (Strickland?) Weed:

- viii. REBECCA, b. at Jamaica, L. I., 24 Aug. 1693 [Newtown Town Records]; d. 26 Sept. 1752 [Riker Mss., New York Public Library, Box 19]. The will of Rebecca Furman of Newtown, "school mistress," dated 2 Sept. 1752, proved 12 Oct. 1753, named her cousin [nephew] Nathan Furman; her cousin [nephew] John Furman, son of Nathan; cousin [niece] Sarah, dau. of Nathan Furman; Josiah, son of Wood Furman; Abigail, dau. of William Furman; Nathan Furman, executor [Abstracts of Wills, New York, 4: 459-460]. Nathan⁴ Furman was son of John³ and Margaret (Lynch) Furman.

Josiah, Samuel and Jonathan Furman located at Hopewell, N. J., and built there a substantial stone house at a point subsequently known as "Furman's Corners" [Letters of Moore Furman, Deputy Quartermaster General in the Revolution]. The locality is now known as Marshall's Corner [Ege, *Pioneers of Old Hopewell*, p. 186].

[To be continued]

THE FOUNDERS OF THE BRAS(S), BRASSER, BRESSER, BRIES AND BRAZIER FAMILIES IN AMERICA

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[Continued from Vol. 20, p. 148]

Besides the above children (numbered 2 to 8 inclusive), I have made the supposition that Hendrick Pieters had the following *step-children* by marrying the widow (Geertje Rutgers?) of Bruyn (Bruno) (Willemsz?), for these children are called the "brothers" of 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8.

- a. RUTT (mentioned as Rutt Brimassen in conveyance of 1692). He is to be identified with *Rutger Brunosz* (son of Bruno), young man from Gelderland, whose mar. int. was entered at Flatbush Mar. 15, 1684 to GEERTRUID JANS, young dame from New Amersfoort, and both residing there. The above couple, that is Rutger Brunoos and Geertje Jans, have a daughter Geertje bapt. at New Amersfoort (Flatb. rec.) on Jan. 11, 1685, sponsors Gerrit Hendricksz (No. 7), Catharina, wife of Pieter Hendricksz (No. 2). The appearance of these two sponsors in itself might not be convincing, if it were not for the fact that the records in regard to a brother Walter, whom Rutt had according to the 1692 conveyance, also show this same close relationship with the Bras family. *Rutger bruynsen* took the oath of allegiance as of

his father, living on the Middelgraft, and Sara Pieters van Hasebroech, j.d. van Leiden, living on the Minnebroedersgraft, assisted by Niesge Jacobs Withaer, her mother, living at Leiderdorp (a village near Leiden).

It is therefore evident that both Jacobus Kolf and his wife were natives of Leiden. Further research, at present out of the question, might determine the ultimate origin of this couple. The bride's family undoubtedly hailed from Hazebrouck in Flanders.

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IV. *Family of Edmund Strickland*

EDMUND¹ STRICKLAND, born perhaps about 1610, of Wethersfield, Conn., probably 1635, of Fairfield, Conn., 1639, and of Newtown, L. I., about 1652, died perhaps around 1670; married HANNAH ———, who married second, as early as 1674, Richard Fidoe, who died before 22 Feb. 1683/4. Hannah died after 6 Feb. 1695/6.

Known children:

- i. JONATHAN², b. [say 1635]; d. in 1691; perhaps m. (1) ———; m. (2) MARGARET, widow of Gabriel LYNCH. Children (incomplete record):

1. Jonathan³, living 1716; m. Hannah ———, living 1714.

Children (incomplete record):

- (1) (possibly) Edmund⁴, m. at Newtown, 25 June 1719 [Pres. Church Rec.], Elizabeth Morrel

- (2) Thomas.

2. Jane.

- ii. SARAH, b. abt. 1644-5; d. 8 Jan. 1741/2; m. (1) [say abt. 1677], THOMAS ROBERTS, b. abt. 1636, d. between 16 and 21 Oct. 1679; m. (2) abt. 1680, JOSIAS FURMAN, Jr., b. abt. 1653.

Possible children:

- iii. ELIZABETH, b. [say 1633-5]; m. [say 1650], CAPT. JOHN SEAMAN.
- iv. MARY, b. [say 1653]; d. 31 Mar. 1714; m. (1) JOHN WEED; m. (2) abt. 1692, JOSIAS FURMAN, SR., b. abt. 1632, d. in 1709.
- v. PETER, of Flushing, L. I.

The following deed is important, tying together three generations of the family in the male line [Town Minutes of Newtown, 2:425]:

March 22, 1689/90 Intallment. This intailment being a deed of gift made the 22 day of March in the yeare of the Lord 1689-90 and in the 2nd yeare of the Raigh of Kinge Williame by me Jonathan Stricklan of Newtown in quens County one Longe Island sener to my sone Jonathan Stricklan iuner of the foer sd towne and place know ye theare foer that I the sd father doe give unto my said sone for divers good causes in me their unto moving and my owne fre voluntary will and plasuer I give and grant unto sone Jonathan Stricklin my home Lote in Newtown Lying betwen that which was Peter Macocks and Garsham Moors with the madows and all that doth their unto belong it ded belonge to my owne father Edman Stricklan the Lot which I now give to my sone Jonathan Stricklan his gran sone and his heyers for Ever and more over I give my sd son and his heyars for Ever a sarten trackt of Land Lyinge at Mashpake Kiles in the bounds of Newtown bounded by Edward Stevensons Land on the south west side and by the highway that goes to the farey on the north west side by the woods and on the north east sid and by the wood on the south East sid and moer over I the sd Jonathan Striklan senr Doth Give unto my sd son Jonathan Stricklan and his heyars for Ever one ingen lade* to have and to hould the said Lade to him and his heyers for Ever with the sd Lands and Every part and parsel their of with all the prevelegs and appurteninces there unto belongin inrevokabel to him and his heyers for Ever now the Conditions of this Deed of gift is. Such that if my sd son shall without issue die the sd Lands with the ingen Lade shall retarn to me his sd father agaien if Liven if not Livin all the foer sd Lands with the Lade shall return to his sister Jane and hur heyars for Ever and If shee should be dead and have no Children Livin then the foer sd Lands and Lad shall return to the next of kind which is nerist to me the sd Jonathan Stricklan sener by Blud and their to Remain to them their heyers for Ever and for the true preformment heare of I seat to my hand and seale the day and date above write

His
Jonathan (R) Stricklan
Mark

Wit.: John Stueard
Elesebeth Stueard

The elder Jonathan did not long survive this deed of entailment. He died at Newtown intestate, and his inventory, taken 16 June 1691, showed only personal estate valued at £62. The third Thursday in September, the widow Margaret was appointed administratrix. [*N. Y. Gen. and Biog. Record*, 65:118.]

Gabriel Lynch or Linch, a weaver, had two children born at Branford, Conn.: *Margaret*, born 8 Feb. 1659/60, who became the wife of John Furman; and *Elizabeth*, born 24 Feb. 1661/2, who became the wife of Benjamin Severns. There was also a son Gabriel, a blacksmith, who settled in Rye, N. Y. On 2 Mar. 1663, Gabriel (his name rendered Finch in the printed record) bought from John Strickland of Jamaica the latter's house and land in Huntington, and on 24 Feb. 1666 Gabriel sold to Epenetus Platt the property "formerly in the occupacon of Mr Stiklin." [*Huntington Town Rec.* 1:54, 82.]

The marriage of Jonathan Strickland to the widow Margaret Lynch is proved by the following records:

* Indian lad.

March 26, 1686. Know all men by these presents that wee beni . . . severns and Elizabeth his wife being the daughter of Gabrill Linch deceased doe fully and absolute . . . acknowledg to have Realy and fully Receaved full satisfaction of our father In Law Jonath strick . . . concerning our father Linch Estate. [Town Minutes of Newtown, 2: 325.]

Sept. 19, 1690. Jonathan Strickland of Newtown for and in consideration of a certaine sum of money to him in hand paid before the ensealing and delivery by Gabriell Lynch of Rye in the county of Westchester, blacksmith, whereof he doth hereby acknowledge and himself to be fully satisfied—for ever acquit and discharge the said Gabriell Lynch grant and sell all that a certain moytie or equal half part of all the lands meadows and pastures late in the tenure occupacon and possession of the sd Jonathan Strickland.

Wit.: Jonathan Hazard
Benjamin Severns
Andrew Gibb

Jonathan Strickland
(L. S.)

June 30, 1691

[Liber A, page 50, Queens County Deeds.]

The following deed pertains to Jonathan Strickland, Jr.:

Sept. 14, 1691. Gabriell Lynch of Rye in the county of Westchester blacksmith and sone and heir to Gabriell Lynch late of Newtown deceased, in consideration of a certain sum of money to him in hand paid before the ensealing and delivery of these presents by Jonathan Strickland of New Towne where he doth acknowledge himself fully satisfied and paid of every part and parcell for ever acquitt and discharge the sd Jonathan Strickland release quitt claim and confirm unto the sd Jonathan Strickland all these messuages tenements lands meadow pastures scituate lying and being in New Towne.

Wit.: Jonathan Hazard
Benjamin Stevens [Severns]
Andrew Gibb

Gabriell Lynch (L. S.)

Sept. 17, 1691

(Liber A, page 52, Queens County Deeds.)

On 26 Apr. 1695, Jonathan Strickland of Newtown with the consent of Hannah his wife sold land to Jonathan Field of Newtown, one of the witnesses being Josias Forman [Liber A, p. 182, Queens County Deeds]. Jonathan Strickland of Newtown, with the consent of Hannah his wife, sold 14 Dec. 1696 to Jacob Ramson of Jamaica, 10 acres at "Oldfelds Necke" in Jamaica [Records of the Town of Jamaica, 2: 283]. On 1 Jan. 1706/7, Jonathan Strickland of Newtown, planter, and Hannah his wife, for £20, conveyed to Johanis Fyn, about 10 acres "begining at a chestnut Tree so running down by a Range of Stakes to Flushing Creek by ye meadow of John Reeder and on the north side by ye meadow formerly belonging to Gabriel Luich [Linch] now in possession of Jno Furman Senior also by a range of stakes from ye first station to the towns lands" [Liber B, pp. 309-311, Queens County Deeds].

This Jonathan, unlike his father, signed his name. On 28 May 1712 he, with Joseph Forman, John Foreman, and other freeholders, granted full power to the Trustees of Newtown to settle all boundaries of the town [Liber C, p. 128, Queens County

Deeds]. Jonathan Strickland and Hannah his wife conveyed to John Hunt, 9 Jan. 1714, and Jonathan Stricklan witnessed a deed, 13 Dec. 1716 [Newtown Record, edited by William O'Gorman, pp. 86, 95].

Margaret Strickland who was received into the Newtown Church after 1708 was probably the widow of Jonathan, Sr. [Pres. Church Rec. p. 2]. She was probably also the "Widow Stricklan" who on 2 Oct. 1717 was "freed from paying any rates in this town for Ever" [Newtown Records, O'Gorman, p. 183]. The following record is of interest:

Sept. 18, 1721. This Indenture Witnesseth that Thomas Stricklan, son of Jonathan Stricklan, Hath put himself, and by these presents doth voluntary and of his own free will and accord put himself apprentice to Cornelius Berrien Weaver to learn his Art, Trade, Etc. Wit.: Jonathan Fish, Gershom Moore. [ib. p. 99.]

Among the large number of debtors to the estate of John Severns of Trenton, Hunterdon Co., N. J., 4 Mar. 1732/3, were Jonathan and Thomas Strickland [N. J. Archives, 30, Wills 2: 426, 427].

V. *Peter Strickland of Flatbush, L. I.*

Cornelius Johnson Berrien of Newtown, in his will dated 12 Dec. 1687, signature acknowledged 29 Jan. 1688/9, proved 21 May 1691, named his wife Johannah, children (unnamed except John), and overseers: "brothers-in-law Abram of Newtown & Peter Strickland of Flatbush" [N. Y. Gen. and Biog. Record, 65:117]. The wording is peculiar; the surname of Abram may have been omitted by accident in the liber of Queens County wills, which is not the original record book, but a fairly modern copy, and unless the original can be seen, we cannot even be certain that "brothers-in-law" should be plural. The wife of Berrien, it has always been supposed, was a Stryker, yet Berrien would not likely have *two* brothers-in-law named Strickland unless he married their sister.

Further records are needed before any legitimate conclusions can be drawn. All that we know is that there was a Peter Strickland of Flatbush, and that he may have been brother-in-law of Cornelius Johnson Berrien of Newtown. It is possible that Peter was a younger son of Edmund Strickland. It is certain that Edmund's great-grandson apprenticed himself, as shown above, to a younger Cornelius Berrien. This may or may not be significant.

Peter was of Flatbush in 1687, so can hardly be the Peter who was of New London from 1675 on, nor is it likely that he was old enough to be his father.

VI. *Thwaite Strickland of Dedham and Hartford*

THWAITE STRICKLAND of Dedham, Mass., married ELIZABETH, probably daughter of Edward and Violet SHEPARD of Cambridge, Mass. At Dedham "y^e wife of Twaites Strickland" was received into the church 3 May 1650. Five of their children were recorded there [*Dedham Records*, 1:3, 4, 6, 7; 2:31, 32, 34]; the sixth and youngest, from his stated age, was probably born in the neighborhood of Stonington, Conn.

In 1670 Daniel Gookin of Cambridge, Mass., claimed a right in the Pequot country which had been incorporated in the new town of Stonington, one of his evidences being the fact that in May 1662 he had built a dwelling house there for his tenant, "Thait Strickland" [Col. Rec. of Conn., 2:546]. It seems that for some years he lived in the wilderness. He appears to have died at Hartford, Conn., his inventory being taken by Hartford appraisers on 21 June 1670, but he may have died some time before that. Administration on the estate was granted, 1 Sept. 1670, to "Nicholas Disbroe," who by that date was almost certainly married to the widow. The children were named as Elizabeth Andrews, aged 23, John, 21, Joseph, 15, Jonathan, 13, and Ephraim, 7. [Manwaring's *Digest*, 1:243].

The estate was small, the widow receiving £20, and each child £5. But Gregory Wolterton or Winterton of Hartford took an active interest in the family, and on 30 June 1674 (only seventeen days before he made his will) gave them 30 acres in Hartford on the Wethersfield highway. This is entered in the Hartford Book of Land Distribution immediately under the lands of Nicholas Disborough, as "land which Gregory Winterton gaue to Eliz. Disborow lyeing about poke hill dureing her life & after her deceasse to be to her Sons John Strickland, Joseph Strickland Jonath. Strickland & ephraim Strickland, equally diuided &c as appears by a writeing dated June 30. 74 Signed by sd Gregory winterton recorded Aprill. 24. 1677." [Conn. Hist. Soc. Coll. 14:140.]

This land was sold 5 Feb. 1683/4 to Nathaniel Sanford by "John Joseph & Jonathan Strickland & Ephraim Strickland wth consent of eliz. Disbrow," and was now described as "lyeing near poak Hill containing by estimation about forty acres" [*ib.*, 14:100].

Gregory Wolterton of Hartford made his will 17 July 1674 and gave many legacies to several groups of people who were presumably related to him or to one or more of his wives. He gave land to John Shepard, Sr. (who settled in Hartford), stipulating that John should make certain payments to his father Edward Shepard, his sister Deborah Fairbanks, and his sister Abigail's children [Manwaring's *Digest*, 1:259, with correc-

tion]. He left nothing to John Shepard's sister Elizabeth, and this may be because he had just conveyed land by deed of gift to Elizabeth (Shepard?) (Strickland) Disbrow and to her four sons. The deed gave nothing to Elizabeth's only surviving daughter, who in 1670 was 23 years old and was then Elizabeth Andrews. But in his will he gave "unto Elizabeth Andrews, the wife of John Andrews Junior, 40 shillings."

It will be seen from the above facts that Thwaite Strickland was not connected with John Strickland at Charlestown or Watertown, Mass., nor at Wethersfield or Fairfield, Conn. He was of Dedham, Mass., was agent for a Cambridge man, probably married a Cambridge girl who had Hartford connections, and the removal of the family to Hartford may properly be attributed to the influence of Gregory Wolterton. There is not the slightest reason to assume any connection between Thwaite and John Strickland except that they were born with the same surname.* The pay-off is a passage in Winthrop's Medical Journal† (p. 808), which states that in 1668 he doctored Ephraim, five-year old "son of Twaits Strickland at G[oodman] Walterton of Hartford." The Stricklands were *living* with Gregory Wolterton.

In conveying the property received from Wolterton, it appears that Elizabeth Disborow was disposing of her life interest in it and also acting for her son Ephraim, who was incapable. He was cared for by his brother Joseph, as appears by a petition of Joseph's widow in 1706 [*Col. Rec. of Conn.*, 4:540]. Of the other brothers, John founded the Glastonbury family, and Joseph founded the Simsbury family. We believe that Jonathan removed to Southampton, L. I., a point which requires discussion.

The Southampton Census in 1698 shows Jonathan and Mary Strickland living there, evidently recently married as no children appear. Peregrine Stanborough, on 13 June 1700, "for love and affection for my daughter Strickland, and a bill for the sum of £9, from my son-in-law Jonathan Strickland," sold to the latter 12 acres, which Strickland, calling himself "cordwainer," sold the same day to Joseph Moore. The same day, Jonathan bought 3½ acres from Joseph More, gentleman. On 20 Apr. 1704, Jonathan Strickland, tanner, and wife Mary, for £60, sold to Joseph Moore a house, 5½ acres, barn and tan yard. [Sixth Volume of Records of Southampton, pp. 15, 43.]

The will of Peregrine Stanborough of Southampton, dated 17 May 1699, gave 12 acres to his daughter Mary wife of Jonathan Strickland. Deacon Peregrine Stanborough died 4 Jan. 1701 in 62nd year, according to his stone in the Sagg burying ground, but the probate record states his death as 15 Jan. 1701/2.

* The writer states this conclusion with all the more vigor because some years ago, after only a partial study of the sources and relying too greatly on printed "authorities," he left Thwaite as son of John when editing *One Branch of the Miner Family* (1928).

† Genealogical items extracted by Col. C. E. Banks, Library of Congress.

The daughter Mary was born 14 Oct. 1672. [Pelletreau's *Early Long Island Wills*, pp. 233-238; Second Volume of Records of Southampton, p. 294.]

Jonathan Strickland of Southampton cannot be identified with Jonathan, Jr., of Newtown, who was living at Newtown with a wife Hannah at this time. Since Thwaite's son Jonathan was fifteen years older than Mary Stanborough, it might be questioned whether he was suitable in age for her husband. We believe, nevertheless, that he was the Southampton man. Thwaite's son was living 5 Feb. 1683/4, when he joined his brothers in selling the Wolterton property. We find no further record of him in Connecticut. But when Sarah, widow of Thomas Wickham of Wethersfield, made her will, 15 Dec. 1699, she gave a legacy to her son Joseph Wickham "besides that £5 which he received in Money Pay of Jonathan Strickland of Long Island" [Manwaring's *Digest*, 1: 596]. Now Joseph² Wickham, as is well known, settled in Southampton, L. I. The payment made to Wickham by Jonathan Strickland was probably money he owed to Wickham's mother in Wethersfield, which she permitted Joseph to retain as part of his portion; or else Jonathan had taken the money to Joseph at Southampton, acting merely as Sarah Wickham's agent in the matter. In either case, a connection with the Connecticut River towns is clearly indicated.

Children of Thwaite and Elizabeth (Shepard?) Strickland:

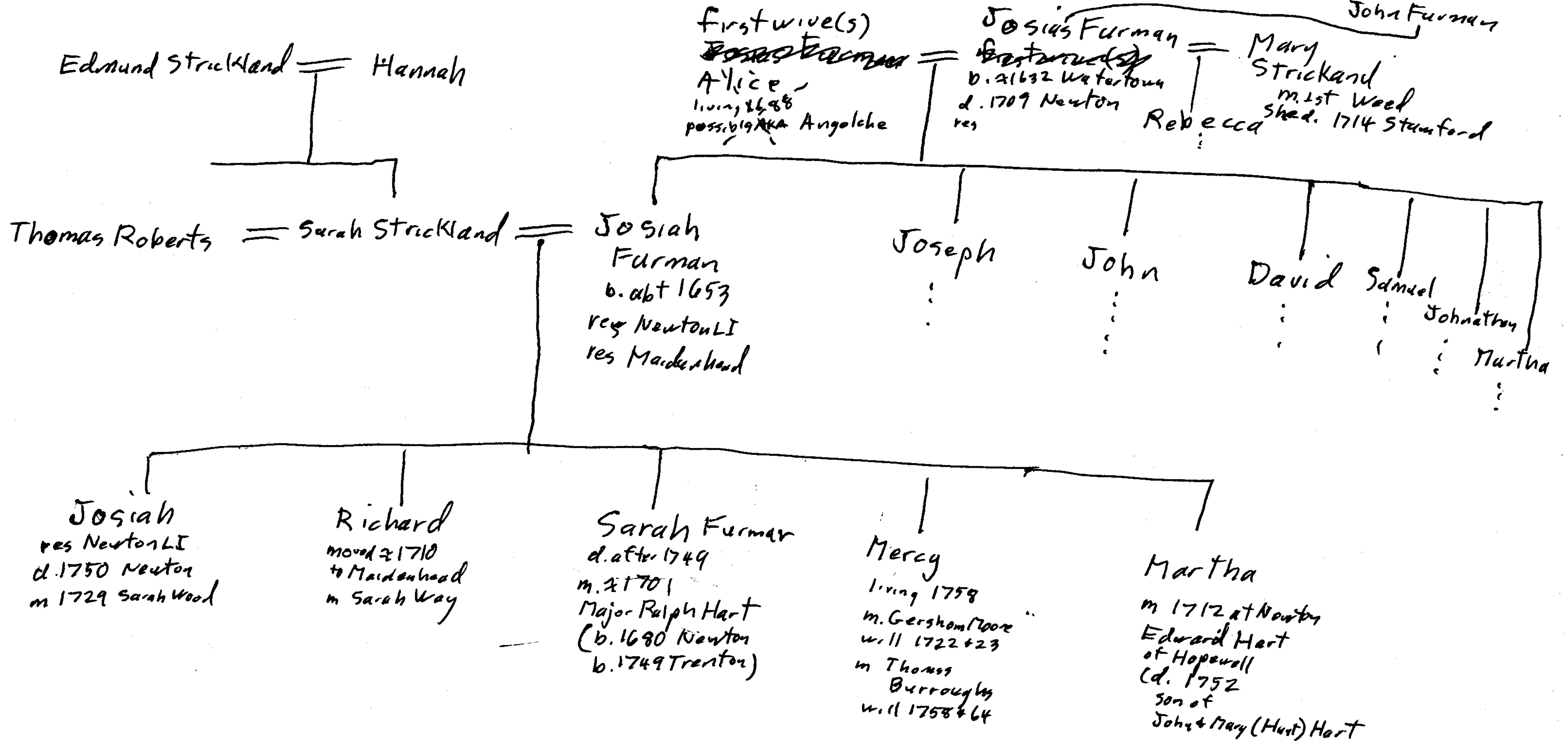
- i. ELIZABETH², b. 15 Apr. 1647; bapt. 5 May 1650; m. JOHN ANDREWS, JR.
- ii. JOHN, b. 17 Feb. 1648/9; bapt. 5 May 1650; settled in Wethersfield, the east side which in 1690 became Glastonbury; m. 1 Sept. 1676, ESTHER SMITH, dau. of Richard of Wethersfield. She d. before 4 Oct. 1725 [Manwaring's *Digest*, 2: 484].
Children (incomplete record):
 1. Rebecca³, b. 4 Sept. 1677; d. Sept. 1715; m. 7 Mar. 1705, Simon Couch.
 2. Joseph, b. 16 Feb. 1678/9; d. in 1726 [Manwaring's *Digest*, 2: 585]; m. Naomi ———, who m. (2) Thomas Loveland. Issue.
 3. John, b. [say 1681]; d. 25 Dec. 1711 [Manwaring's *Digest*, 2: 310]; m. 8 Mar. 1705, Elizabeth Dickens of Hartford. Three children.
 4. Benjamin, b. 1 Mar. 1682/3; m. 2 Dec. 1708, Elizabeth Loveland. Issue.
 5. Jonah, b. 2 Feb. 1685/6; m. at Middletown, Conn., 21 Nov. 1711, Martha Hubbard.
 6. (perhaps) David, m. at Middletown, Conn., 2 May 1711, Elizabeth Hubbard.
 7. Samuel, m. 4 Dec. 1717, Sarah Pryor, dau. of John of Enfield. Issue.
- iii. REBECCA, bapt. 19 Jan. 1650/1; d. young.
- iv. JOSEPH, b. 22 Jan. 1654/5; bapt. 4 Mar. 1654/5; d. at Simsbury, Conn., 9 Feb. 1702/3 [Manwaring's *Digest*, 2: 123]; m. ELIZA-

BETH ———, living in 1714, not having then remarried. Children (complete record):

1. *Elizabeth*^s, b. 29 Jan. 1685/6.
2. *Hannah*, b. 26 (Mar. or May) 1687; m. 12 Dec. 1717, Joshua Moses.
3. *Joseph*, b. 19 Aug. 1689; d. 13 Apr. 1714 [Manwaring's *Digest*, 2: 310].
4. *Mary*, b. abt. 1691; d. 15 July 1714.
5. *Samuel*, b. 11 Nov. 1697; m. 28 July 1720, Sarah Hill, who d. 25 Dec. 1736. Issue.
6. *Edward*, b. 19 July 1701; m. 22 July 1734, Rebecca Slater. Issue.

v. JONATHAN, b. 23 June 1657; settled in Southampton, L. I.; m. abt. 1697 (possibly as his second wife), MARY STANBOROUGH, b. 14 Oct. 1672, dau. of Peregrine and Sarah (James) Stanborough, and granddau. of Rev. Thomas James.

vi. EPHRAIM, b. abt. 1663; living 1706; d. unkm.



Edmund Strickland & Hannah = Richard Fidoe
- b. $\approx$ 1610 d. after Feb 1695/6
- of Wethersfield Conn $\approx$ 1635 d. after Feb 1693/4
- of Fairfield Conn $\approx$ 1639
- of Newton LI $\approx$ 1657
- d. $\approx$ 1670

possibly
also

(~~—~~) = Jonathan = Margaret
~~living 1716~~
b. $\approx$ 1635
d. 1691
Margaret
~~living 1716~~
widow of Gabriel Lynch
b. $\approx$ 1640

~~Sarah~~ Thomas = Sarah = Josias Furman Jr
Roberts $\approx$ 1677 b. $\approx$ 1644 d. 1741/2
b. $\approx$ 1680
b. $\approx$ 1657

Elizabeth
m. Samuel
Mary
m. Wead
and Peter
m. Josias
Furman Sr

~~Edmund~~
~~m. 1716~~
~~Elizabeth~~
~~at Newton~~
Edmund

~~Jonathan = Hannah~~
Edmund Thomas

John S Strickland
(Strickline)

- early settler Charstown Mass
as early as 1631
- 1635 Watertown
- 1640 Wethersfield
to Fairfield
- 1645 to Hempstead
- 1663 Jamaica (widower)

b. $\approx$ 1600

possible
brother
of

Edmund
b. $\approx$ 1610

father of Jonathan
the husband of Margaret

daughters

no sons