

THE
STOCKTON FAMILY
OF
NEW JERSEY
AND OTHER STOCKTONS

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The Stockton Family

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RICHARD¹ STOCKTON, of Flushing, Long Island, and afterward of Oneanickon, Springfield Township, Burlington County, New Jersey, was a descendant of John Stockton, Esquire, of Kiddington, in the parish of Malpas and county of Chester, England. He arrived at Flushing, from England, some time prior to Nov. 8, 1656, when his name appears in a petition of some of the inhabitants of that town requesting the release of William Wickenden, who had been fined and imprisoned for preaching without a license.

After the discovery of the North (Hudson) River by Hudson in 1609 the contiguous country was colonized by Holland and called the Province of New Netherlands. King Charles II sent a fleet over from England to New Amsterdam (New York city), in command of Colonel Richard Nicolls, to demand its surrender, and it was surrendered accordingly, in 1664, by Peter Stuyvesant, the governor of the colony. King Charles executed a charter to his brother, James, Duke of York (afterward James II) for this land, and it was then called New York in honor of the Duke of York. Colonel Nicolls, as governor of the colony, after the conquest, commissioned Richard Stockton a Lieutenant of Horse; this was in 1665.

Transcript of record on page 26, volume 2, "Deeds" in the office of the Secretary of State of New York, and certified to by him:

Richard Stockton was commissioned Lieutenant of Horse of Flushing Apr. 22d, 1665.

Transcript of order of Governor Francis Lovelace (who succeeded Governor Nicolls), given under his hand at Fort James, Colony of New York, Apr. 9, 1669, page 377, vol. 2, "Orders, Warrants and Letters," manuscript volume in custody of the regents of the University of New York in the State Library, certified to by A. J. F. Van Laer, archivist:

Whereas I intimated lately that I did approve of Richard Stockton to be Lieutenant of the Company of Foot, but I am since informed he was before enlisted and engaged in the Horse service, and I have thought fit to acquit him either as Officer or otherwise from the Foot service.

In 1675 his estate at Flushing consisted of twelve acres of land, one negro slave, five horses, five cows, and five swine; and in 1683 of ten acres of upland, the same slave, two horses, four oxen, seven cows, four swine, and twenty sheep. This did not, however, represent the full amount of his landed estate, as will be seen from the following proposal entered in an account book kept by John Browne, of Flushing, who acted as his agent in the matter:

10 mo. [Dec.], 1690. Richard Stockton's proposal for [the sale of] all his housing, lands and conveniences belonging thereunto, being about seventy acres or more at home and two ten-acre lotts and two twenty-acre lotts at a mile or two distance. with so much medow as may yield 20 or 25 loads of hay a year; price £300.

In 1685 Richard Stockton was one of the freeholders of Flushing, as appears by a deed made in that year confirming the old Dutch patent of 1645. He must have been in easy circumstances at that time, because on the 30th day of January, 1690 (old style), he purchased of George Hutchinson his house and plantation, called Oneanickon, or Annanicken, as it was first called, in West Jersey, consisting of about two thousand acres, although he did not succeed in disposing of his property at Flushing until March 12, 1694, when—

In consideration of three hundred pounds, good and lawful money of the Province of New York, Richard Stockton, formerly of Flushing, with the consent of his wife, Abigail, conveyed to John Rodman, his messuages or tenements, situate, lying and being by coast on the bay, commonly called Mattagareson Bay, within the bounds of Flushing, being about eighty acres of land more or less; with all ye Privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging, as also a piece of Salt medow commonly called ye Lumkill, which was belonging to Richard Stockton by virtue of his interest in the s'd towne of Flushing.

It is stated by Mr. J. W. Stockton, in his *History of the Stockton Family*, that the tract of land purchased by Richard Stockton in West Jersey was originally known by the Indian name of An-na-nicken; that it was over two miles in length and one in width; and that the mansion house of the late James Shreve is

on the site of the house built and occupied by Mr. Stockton until his death.

Richard Stockton was a member of the Society of Friends (or Quakers), having become one, without doubt, after the date of his commission as a lieutenant of horse, since he certainly could not serve in that capacity, and was not very likely to be appointed, while a Quaker.

The given name of Richard Stockton's wife was Abigail, but her family name has not been learned. They were married in England and their eldest son, Richard Stockton, 2d, is said to have been born there. Richard Stockton died at an advanced age at his home at Annanicken, in September, 1707. His will was dated January 25, 1705-6, and proved 8th month (October), 10, 1707. A copy of it is given below. The date of Mrs. Stockton's death is not known, but she was living as late as April 14, 1714, when she conveyed some property to her sons, John and Job Stockton.

WILL OF RICHARD STOCKTON

In the name of God, Amen:

I, Richard Stockton, being sick and weak of body but sound of memory, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following:

First, I bequeath my soule into the hands of Almighty God and my body to be buried at the discretion of my executors hereafter named, in hopes through the merrits of Jesus Christ to obtain a joyfull resurrection.

Item, I give to my son Richard after the decease of my wife four hundred ackers of land to him and to his heires and assignes forever.

Item, I give to my son Job my plantation and all the improvements with four hundred ackers of land to him and to his heires and assignes forever, not to possess it till the decease of my wife; only in consideration of the said improvements my said son Job shall pay to Abigail the daughter of my son [son-in-law] Richard Ridgeway the sum of ten pounds within a year after he enjoys the said plantation, and if uppon a resurvey of the whole twelve hundred ackers there happen to be any overplus, my will is that my son John shall have one-third part thereof

joyning on his four hundred ackers which I formerly gave him, and the other two-thirds to be equally parted between my said sons Richard and Job.

Item, I give to my dear wife Abigail all my personall estate with the use of my plantation during her life, and after her decease the said personall estate to be equally divided between my five daughters, Abigail, Mary, Sarah, Hannah, and Elizabeth; and I do make and Constitute my said wife Abigail my sole Executrix of this my last will and testament, revokeing all other wills and testaments heretofore made, as witness my hand and seale this 25th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and five.

[SEAL]

, RICHARD (his R mark) STOCKTON.

Signed, sealed, published and declared in the presence of us.

WILLIAM EARLE (WE) his mark,
THOMAS RIDGEWAY (T) his mark,
DANIEL LEEDS.

Burlington, 10th, 8 mo., 1707.

Then appeared before Richard Inglesby, Esqr., Lieutenant Governor of her Majesties Provinces of New Jersey, New York, &c., Daniel Leeds, Esqr., one of the witnesses to the within written will, and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that he saw the Testator sign, seal, and publish the within instrument to be his last will and testament, and that at the time of the publishing thereof he was of sound and perfect understanding and memory to the best of this deponent's knowledge and belief, and that at the same time he saw Thomas Ridgeway and Wm. Earle sign the same as witness thereto in the presence of the Testator.

RICHARD INGLESBY.

The reason Richard's signature was by his mark was, of course, because of his advanced age and feebleness. He was in full possession of his mind, but weak. His son Richard died, at an advanced age, two years later, in 1709.

Children of Richard and Abigail Stockton

* 2. RICHARD².

* 3. JOHN², b. 1674.

- * 4. JOB².
- * 5. ABIGAIL².
- * 6. MARY².
- * 7. SARAH².
- * 8. HANNAH².
- * 9. ELIZABETH², b. 1680.

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RICHARD² STOCKTON (Richard¹), son of Richard and Abigail Stockton, was b. in England and removed with his parents to Flushing. He also accompanied them to New Jersey, but settled first at Piscataway, in Middlesex County. In August, 1696, he purchased, for the consideration of a yearly quit-rent of £4 sterling, from Dr. John Gordon, a tract of 400 acres of land on the north side of Stony Brook, bounded on the east by Washington road and the land of John Hornor, on the west by the Olden tract, and on the north and south by the main street and Stony Brook.

This land includes all of what is now the campus of Princeton University and the grounds of the Theological Seminary. It is supposed that "the Barracks," an old stone house on Edgehill street, Princeton, which stood near the western boundary of his estate, was the original dwelling of Richard Stockton, and its age and situation make this probable. During the Revolution, and probably also in the French and Indian war, this house was used as a quarters for the soldiers, and hence its name.

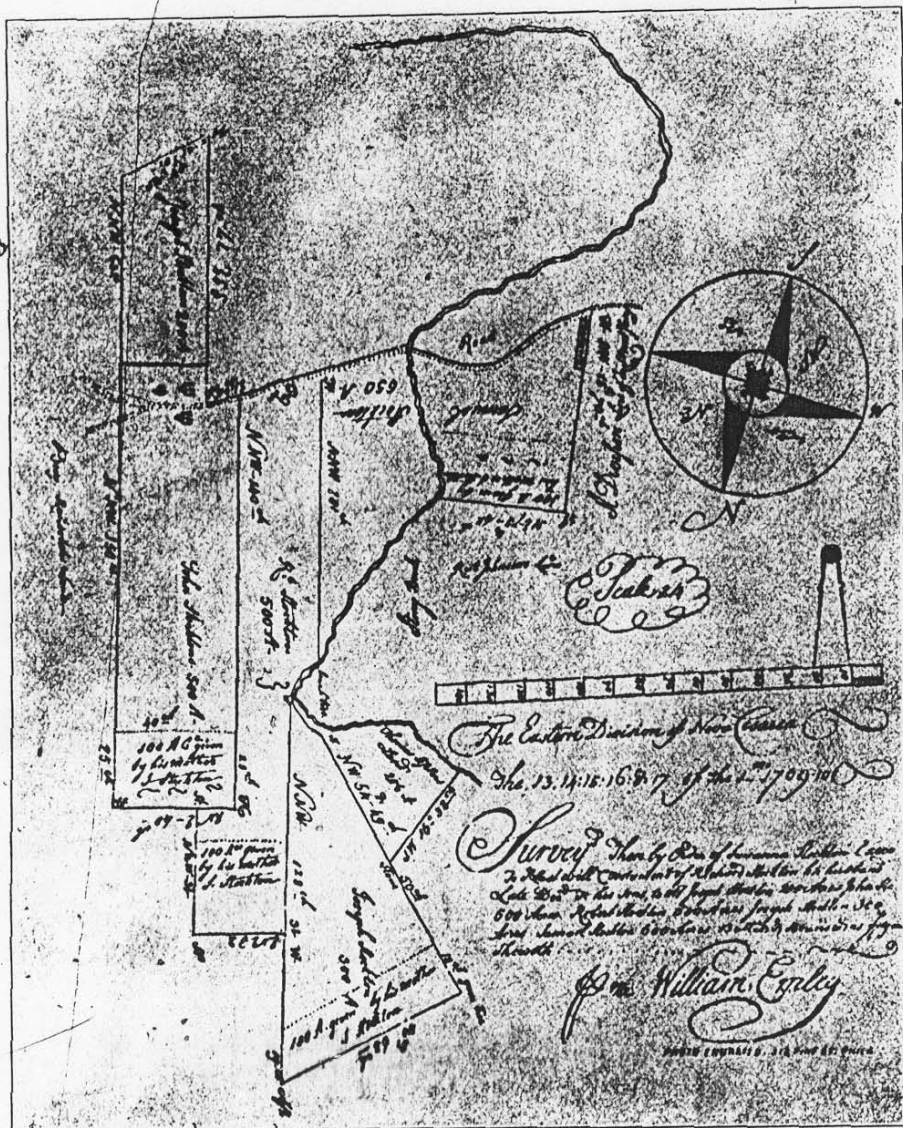
In 1701 he purchased from William Penn, for the sum £900, an estate of about six thousand acres on Stony Brook, of which the present city of Princeton is nearly the center. The estate is described in the *Life of Commodore Stockton* as "bounded by the Province line of New Jersey on the west, the Millston on the east, and Rocky Hill on the north, embracing the present borough of Princeton."

By reason of his large possessions, as well as by his character, Richard Stockton held an important place among the early settlers. He and a number of his associates who formed a settlement upon this tract were the first white or European settlers in the district. A portion of his estate, called "Morven," has remained in the family to this day. He did not live long in the house called "the Barracks." Between the years 1701 and 1709 he built the fine old house shown in the illustration at page 6,

which is still occupied by the Stockton family and called "Morven." It is the oldest house in Princeton, with the possible exception of "the Barracks," and has an interesting history. It was enlarged and added to by later generations and is now the residence of Mr. Bayard Stockton. The house suffered considerably at the hands of the British soldiers during the Revolution. It is a two-story brick structure, comprising a main building and two wings. There is a portico over the main entrance and the house contains, in all, fifteen rooms. On the walls of the rooms are many portraits of members of the Stockton family, from the earliest times, and the library contains a valuable collection of books. Many distinguished visitors have been entertained within its hospitable walls, among them General Washington, who was a frequent visitor.

Richard Stockton m., 9th month (Nov.), 8th day, 1691, at the Chesterfield Friends' monthly meeting, Susanna Witham Robinson. She was b. Nov. 29, 1668, was the dau. of Robert and Ann Witham and widow of Thomas Robinson. In June, 1709, Richard Stockton was one of the trustees of Friends' meeting house at Stony Brook; but he d. the following month, while his children were all under age. His widow was m., for the third time, to Judge Thomas Leonard, of Princeton; they had no issue. She d. in April, 1749.

By his will, dated June 25, 1709, Richard Stockton divided his estate in the following manner: To his eldest son, Richard, 300 acres of land; to his second son, Samuel, 500 acres; to the third son, Joseph, 500 acres; to the fourth son, Robert, 500 acres; to the fifth son, John, 500 acres; and to the sixth son, Thomas, 600 acres at Oneanickon which had been left him by his father, and 140 acres besides. The meadows were to be divided equally among the five elder sons. To his mother, Abigail Stockton, who had been well provided for by his father, he left twenty shillings a year; and to his loving wife, Susanna, all his dwelling plantation until his son, John, became of age, and then she was to have the use of half the house and improvements during her natural life, with all the residue of his estate, both real and personal, and the use of all his negro slaves except Dinah, whom he gave to his brother-in-law, Philip Phillips. Each of his sons, upon coming of age, was to have a slave. The family seat, "Morven," was devised to the fifth son, John.



MAP SHOWING, BY HIS WILL, DIVISION OF THE ESTATE OF
RICHARD STOCKTON, 2d

Children of Richard and Susanna (Witham-Robinson) Stockton

- * 10. RICHARD³, b. 1693.
- * 11. SAMUEL³, b. 1695.
- * 12. JOSEPH³, b. May 10, 1697.
- * 13. ROBERT³, b. 1699.
- * 14. JOHN³, b. Aug. 8, 1701.
- 15. THOMAS³, b. 1703; d. unm. He inherited considerable property from his father, all of which was sold during his minority.

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JOHN² STOCKTON (Richard¹), son of same, was b. at Flushing, Long Island, and accompanied his father to Springfield, New Jersey, in 1690. During the celebrated controversy between the Society of Friends and George Keith, he became a disciple of the latter's party and, with many others, went over to the Church of England. He was baptized at St. Ann's (now St. Mary's) Church, Burlington, Sept. 24, 1704. The homestead on which he lived and died was a farm of 400 acres belonging to the Annanicken estate, which had been given him by his father, about the time of his first marriage. He also possessed a two-and-thirtieth part of a proprietorship of land in West Jersey which was conveyed to him, in December, 1713, by his father-in-law, Daniel Leeds, as part of his wife's dowry. It is evident that he had the confidence of those who knew him, for on Aug. 27, 1705, Margaret Waus, of Philadelphia, appointed her friend, John Stockton, of Oneanickon, attorney for the sale of considerable property in West Jersey.

The first wife of John Stockton was Mary Leeds, dau. of Daniel and Dorothy (Young) Leeds, whom he m. in 1704. She was b. Apr. 19, 1685. Daniel Leeds was surveyor-general of West Jersey for twenty-nine years, and his maps are still extant. He was also a publisher of almanacs, several of which are preserved in libraries and collections of historical societies. He was a member of the New Jersey assembly, one of the governor's council for five years, and a judge of the supreme court of New Jersey. He was three times married, John Stockton's wife being his dau. by his second wife, who was Dorothy Young, dau. of Robert Young.

John Stockton's first wife dying about 1715, he m., 2d, Ann Ogborn, widow of John Ogborn. She d. at Burlington, July 25, 1745, aged 68 years, and John Stockton d. at the same place, March 29, 1747, at the age of 73. His will, dated Aug. 31, 1745, and proved Apr. 4, 1747, directed that his property should be equally divided between his sons, Daniel and David, who were to pay certain legacies to their sisters.

Children of John and Mary (Leeds) Stockton

* 16. DANIEL^s, b. Nov. 10, 1705.

* 17. REBECCA^s.

Children of John and Ann (Ogborn) Stockton

* 18. DAVID^s.

19. A daughter^s; m. Mr. Butterworth and had issue.

20. RACHEL^s; m. Mr. Briggs and had issue.

* 21. MARY^s.

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JOB² STOCKTON (Richard¹), son of same, m. Anna Petty (sister of William Petty), who d. in 1746. He lived in Springfield Township, Burlington County, N. J., and was a large owner of and dealer in real estate. He d. in 1752.

Children of Job and Anna (Petty) Stockton

* 22. JOSEPH^s.

23. JOB^s; d. in 1732, s. p.

* 24. WILLIAM^s, b. Nov. 6, 1712.

25. ANNA^s; m. Vincent Leeds in 1736.

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ABIGAIL² STOCKTON (Richard¹), daughter of same, became the second wife of Jacob Ridgway, sen., of Springfield Township, Burlington County, N. J. He was a widower with a family of children, a native of England, and a prominent and influential citizen. He d. in 1722 and Mrs. Ridgway in 1726.

Children of Jacob and Abigail (Stockton) Ridgway

26. JOB³ RIDGWAY; m. Rebecca, dau. of John Butcher, in 1719, and d. 1761. They had, with other children:

I. Solomon⁴ Ridgway; m. and had:

I. Henry⁵ " m. and had:

I. Ann⁶ " m. to Job Stockton (see No. 234).

27. ABIGAIL³ RIDGWAY; m., 1717, Henry Clothier.

28. JOHN³ "

29. MARY³ " m., 1718, John Ballenger.

30. JANE³ " m., 1721, Isaac Antrim.

31. SARAH³ " d. unm.

32. JOSEPH³ " m., 1st, in 1727, Sarah Butcher; and 2d, in 1738, Hannah Allen. He d. 1760. By his second wife he had:

I. Sarah⁴ Ridgway, b. 1748; m. Joseph Pancoast (b. in 1741 and d. in 1808) and had:

I. Elizabeth⁵ Pancoast.

II. Hannah⁵ "

III. Abigail⁵ "

IV. Sarah⁵ "

V. John⁵ " b. 1771; m. Ann Abbott and had, with other children:

I. Joseph⁶ Pancoast, M. D., late of Philadelphia.

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MARY² STOCKTON (Richard¹), dau. of same, was m. 1st, to Thomas Shinn, son of John Shinn, March 6, 1693. He d. Nov. 15, 1694, leaving one son, Thomas, and a posthumous son, Samuel Shinn. This is shown in a deed of trust, dated Dec. 28, 1697, which recites that "Mary Shinn, of Burlington County, widow of Thomas Shinn, deceased, late of said county," conveys to "Richard Stockton, jr., of said county, brother-in-law [brother] of said Mary, certain lands, and "a negro boy, Tabby, for the use of Thomas and Samuel Shinn, sons of said Mary, given her by her late husband, Thomas Shinn, deceased, by will dated November, 1694." It also recites that said Mary was "about to be mar-

ried to Silas Crispin, of Pennsylvania." The will of Thomas Shinn was admitted to probate on Det. 15, 1694.

Mrs. Shinn was m. 2d, in 1697, to Silas Crispin, son of Rear-Admiral William Crispin, of the British Navy, by his wife, Ann Jasper, dau. of William Jasper, an English merchant of Amsterdam, and sister to Margaret, wife of Admiral Sir William Penn, and mother of William Penn, of Pennsylvania. Silas Crispin was therefore a cousin, on his mother's side, of Wm. Penn. He m., 1st, Hester, or Esther, dau. of Captain Thomas Holme, surveyor-general of Pennsylvania, in 1683. The next year he went to live on a 500 acre tract of land he had taken up on Pennypack Creek, a short distance above Philadelphia. He and his wife had eight children, two sons and six daughters. The first Mrs. Crispin d. in 1696.

Silas and Mary Shinn had six children, b. in Pennsylvania. He d. May 31, 1711, and left a will dated May 5 in that year, which made his wife executrix and left her his personal estate. His plantation went, under the law, to Thomas Crispin (his eldest son by his first wife), and the other children of his first wife were the heirs of the large estate of their maternal grandfather, Captain Holme. Mrs. Crispin returned to New Jersey after the death of her second husband, and was m. there, a third time, in 1714, to Richard Ridgway, jr., the stepson of her sister Abigail, who was the wife of Richard Ridgway, sen. They had no children.

(For the record of the Crispin family which follows, the compiler is indebted to Rev. William Frost Crispin, D. D., of Akron, Ohio, who very generously allowed them to be copied from his book, *Captain William Crispin and the Crispin Family*.)

Children of Thomas and Mary (Stockton) Shinn

33. THOMAS^s SHINN, b. Jan. 6, 1693-4; m. Martha Earl, Jan. 22, 1718-9; d. Feb. 27, 1753. Had nine children.
34. SAMUEL^s SHINN, b. Apr. 15, 1695; d. 1761, in North Carolina. Three times m.; 1st, Sarah Schooley, in 1718, seven children; 2d, Provided Gaskill, in 1737, one child; and 3d, Abigail Urie, in 1740, four children. Removed to Hope-well, Rowan County, North Carolina, with part of the family, others remaining in New Jersey.

SARAH² STOCKTON (Richard¹), dau. of same, was m., first, about 1693, to Benjamin Jones, of Burlington County, N. J., by whom she had four children, whose names have not been learned. He d. in 1702, and she was m., second, in 1706, to William Venicomb, by whom she had four more children.

Children of William and Sarah (Stockton-Jones) Venicomb

41. SARAH³ VENICOMB; m. to Thomas Webster, Nov. 31, 1732.
42. ANN³ " m. to William Davis, Apr. 24, 1735.
43. RACHEL³ " m. to Robert Engle, son of John and Mary (Ogborn) Engle, and had:
 - I. Robert⁴ Engle; m. Jane Sharp, dau. of William and Hannah Sharp, and had:
 - I. Samuel⁵ Engle, b. Apr. 27, 1762; d. at 21.
 - II. William⁵ " b. Nov. 12, 1764; m. Rachel Tarapin.
 - III. Josiah⁵ Engle, b. Apr. 27, 1766; m. Mary Middleton.
 - IV. Rachel⁵ Engle, b. Nov. 28, 1768; m. Caleb Laine.
 - V. Robert⁵ Engle, b. Feb. 26, 1771; m. Mary Woolman, and had:
 - I. Eber⁶ Engle; m. Alcenia B. Peacock.
 - II. Elizabeth C.⁶ Engle; m. Arthur Engle.
 - III. Abraham⁶ Engle; m. 1st, Elizabeth Peacock; 2d, Sarah Engle.
 - IV. Hannah⁶ Engle; m. Isaac Sharp.
 - V. William⁶ " m.
 - VI. Isaac⁵ Engle, b. March 15, 1773; m. Sarah Price.
 - VII. Hannah⁵ Engle, b. Sept. 6, 1775; m. James Hughes.
 - VIII. Sarah⁵ Engle, b. Jan. 30, 1778; m. Kendall Cole.
 - IX. Joshua⁵ Engle, b. Oct. 11, 1781; m. Hannah Weatherly.

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III. Annie^s Haines, b. Nov. 19, 1764; d. unm., 1854.

IV. Mary^s Haines, b. July 10, 1784; m. 1822, Benjamin Davis, son of David and Martha (Cole) Davis; s. p.

V. Rachel^s Haines, b. Nov. 20, 1779; m., 1804, John Bishop, and had:

I. Emeline^s Bishop, who was m. to Gen. John S. Irick, son of William and Margaret (Stockton) Irick, and had:

I. Henry J.⁷ Irick; m. Harriet Clement.

II. Samuel⁷ Irick, m. — Butterworth.

III. John B.⁷ Irick; m. Clara Moore.

IV. Margaret⁷ " m. Harry Burr.

V. Rachel⁷ " m. Charles Sailor.

VI. Robert⁷ Irick; d. unm.

VI. Beulah^s Haines, b. May 10, 1787; m., 1813, to Joseph Deacon, sen.

VII. Charlotte^s Haines, b. Jan. 21, 1768; m., 1798, to Michael Woolston.

VIII. William^s Haines, b. May 21, 1774; m., 1822, Mary Mullin.

8

HANNAH² STOCKTON, (Richard¹), dau. of same, was m. to Philip Phillips and had five children; among them—

45. ABIGAIL³ PHILLIPS, b. Aug. 9, 1708; m. to John Stockton, son of Richard and Susannah Stockton; see No. 14.

9

ELIZABETH² STOCKTON (Richard¹), dau. of same; was m. to William Budd, jr., of Burlington County, N. J., in 1703. He was the eldest son of William and Ann Budd; Wm. Budd was the

youngest son of Thomas Budd, rector of Martock, in Somersetshire, England, who, about the year 1657, renounced his benefice and became a minister among Friends. William Budd, jr., was b. 1680 and d. 1723.

Children of William and Elizabeth (Stockton) Budd

46. MARY³ BUDD, b. 1704; m. Joseph Shinn, 1726.
47. SUSANNAH³ BUDD, b. 1706; m. 1725, Jacob Gaskill, son of Josiah and Rebecca (Lippincott) Gaskill.
48. THOMAS³ BUDD, b. 1708; m. Jemima Leeds, 1735; d. 1775.
49. WILLIAM³ BUDD, b. 1709; m. Susanna Cole, 1738; d. 1770.
50. DAVID³ BUDD, b. 1712; m. Catherine Allen, 1738; d. 1760.
51. REBECCA³ BUDD, b. 1714; m. Joseph Lamb, 1738.
52. ABIGAIL³ BUDD, b. 1716; m. John Fisher.
53. SARAH³ BUDD, b. 1718; m. John Gosling, 1736.
54. ANNE³ BUDD, m. Kendall Cole, 1744.
55. ELIZABETH³ BUDD; d. 1752, s. p.

10

RICHARD³ STOCKTON (Richard², Richard¹), son of Richard and Susanna (Witham-Robinson) Stockton, conveyed to his brother, John Stockton, in 1744, all of his property in Somerset County, N. J., and removed to Windsor Township, in Middlesex County, where he resided until his death, in 1760. He m. Esther Smith, of Long Island, N. Y., in 1717.

Children of Richard and Esther (Smith) Stockton

56. RUTH⁴; m.; in 1746, to John Scott, of Princeton, and had issue.
- * 57. JOHN⁴, b. 1732.

11

SAMUEL³ STOCKTON (Richard², Richard¹), son of same, of Princeton, N. J., m. 1st, in 1719, Amy Doughty, dau. of Jacob and Amy Doughty; 2d, Rachel Stout, dau. of Col. Joseph and Ruth Stout. Samuel Stockton d. in 1739 and his second wife d. in 1771.

Children of Samuel and Amy (Doughty) Stockton,

58. SAMUEL⁴, b. 1724; d. 1767, probably unm; his estate was administered by Amy Stockton.
 59. AMY⁴, b. 1725; d. 1777, unm.

Children of Samuel and Rachel (Stout) Stockton

60. Joseph⁴.
 * 61. RICHARD WITHAM⁴, b. July, 1733.
 62. JACOB⁴; mentioned in his uncle Richard's will.
 63. RACHEL⁴; m. John Riddell.
 64. ANN⁴.
 65. RUTH⁴; m. John Voorhees.

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JOSEPH³ STOCKTON (Richard², Richard¹), son of same, of Princeton, N. J., m. Elizabeth Doughty, dau. of Jacob and Amy Doughty (sister of his brother Samuel's wife), who was b. March 17, 1707, and d. Dec. 9, 1781. Joseph Stockton d. March 15, 1770.

Children of Joseph and Elizabeth (Doughty) Stockton

66. ANN⁴ (or Amy), b. May 3, 1725.
 * 67. DANIEL⁴, b. Feb. 17, 1727.
 68. ELIZABETH⁴, b. Jan. 1, 1728; d. March, 1729.
 * 69. ELIZABETH⁴, b. Dec. 28, 1729.
 70. MARY⁴, b. Dec. 22, 1731; m. Mr. Anderson.
 71. JOSEPH⁴, b. May 22, 1734; d. in 1760, s. p.
 72. DOUGHTY⁴, b. Jan. 19, 1738.
 ~ 73. SAMUEL⁴, b. Jan. 7, 1740.
 74. JOHN⁴, b. March 6, 1742. The minutes of the Council of Safety for New Jersey show that John Stockton, son of Joseph, was summoned to appear before it at Princeton, Nov. 17, 1777, to take the oath of abjuration and allegiance.
 75. SARAH⁴, b. 1745; m. her second cousin, Richard Stockton, son of Joseph and Mary; see No. 124.

13

ROBERT³ STOCKTON (Richard², Richard¹), son of same, of Princeton, N. J., was twice married. The name of his first wife has not been ascertained, but his second was Rebecca Phillips, whom he m. in March, 1740. He d. in 1744-5. Apparently all his children, except the youngest son, who was posthumous, were by his first wife.

Children of Robert Stockton

- * 76. ROBERT⁴.
- 77. THOMAS⁴.
- * 78. JOB⁴, b. 1734.
- 79. SUSANNA⁴; m. Thomas Mershon and had issue.
- 80. EUNICE⁴; m. Mr. Gaw.
- 81. ELIZABETH⁴.
- 82. SARAH⁴.
- 83. JOHN⁴, b. 1745.

14

JOHN³ STOCKTON (Richard², Richard¹), son of same, was for many years one of the presiding judges of the court of Common Pleas of the County of Somerset, N. J., under the Royal Government. He was a man of education and influence in the early history of New Jersey, and was universally respected. He inherited that part of his father's property described in the will as "the homestead plantation," later called "Morven," and conveyed it to his son, Richard Stockton, known as "the Signer." He and his wife were members of the Presbyterian Church, and he served as an elder. He was instrumental in securing to Princeton the College of New Jersey, and was a friend and liberal patron of the college. With Thomas Leonard and John Hornor he gave the necessary bond to secure the conveyance of the lands required. The records show that—

September, 1754, the first corner stone of the New Jersey College was laid in the northwesterly corner of the cellar by Thomas Leonard, Esq., John Stockton, Esq., John Hornor, Esq., Mr. William Worth, the mason that built the brick work of the college, etc.

This was the beginning of Princeton College.

John Stockton m. Abigail Phillips, dau. of Philip and Hannah (Stockton) Phillips, Feb. 21, 1729 (his cousin, see No. 45). Mrs. Stockton d. Sept. 15, 1757 and John Stockton d. May 20, 1758.

Having made a deed in his lifetime to his eldest son, Richard, for the eastern part of the homestead plantation, called "Morven," he devised by his will that portion lying on the north side of Main street (also called the King's Highway) to his second son, John, and directed that the land lying south of that street should be equally divided between his two sons, Philip and Samuel Witham Stockton. These four sons all became distinguished men, the eldest known to fame as Richard "the Signer" being the best known.

Children of John and Abigail (Phillips) Stockton

- * 84. RICHARD⁴, b. Oct. 3, 1730.
- 85. SARAH⁴, b. June 19, 1732; d. at four years.
- 86. JOHN⁴, b. Aug. 4, 1734; d. at two years.
- * 87. HANNAH⁴, b. July 21, 1736.
- * 88. ABIGAIL⁴, b. Nov. 13, 1738.
- * 89. SUSANNA⁴, b. Jan. 2, 1742.
- * 90. JOHN⁴, b. Feb. 22, 1744.
- * 91. PHILIP⁴, b. July 11, 1746.
- * 92. REBECCA⁴, b. July 5, 1748.
- * 93. SAMUEL WITHAM⁴, b. Feb. 4, 1751.

DANIEL³ STOCKTON (John², Richard¹), son of John and Mary (Leeds) Stockton, m. in July, 1728, Hannah Fisher, of Burlington County, N. J., b. Apr. 14, 1710, and d. June 8, 1797. Daniel Stockton's younger brother, David, inherited that part of their father's plantation at Annanicken which included the dwelling house, and Daniel inherited as his share the remaining half, which he shortly afterward conveyed to David. Having thus disposed of his property in Springfield Township, he removed to Willingborough Township and took up land on Rancocas Creek, where he continued to reside until his decease, in March, 1763. His will was dated Feb. 10, 1755, and proved March 23, 1763.