

The Eastburn Family

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Geneological and Historical Record

OF THE DESCENDANTS OF

JOHN EASTBURN, who came to America in 1684 from the Parish
of Bingley, Yorkshire, England,

and of

ROBERT EASTBURN, who married Sarah Preston in 1693, in
Yorkshire, England, and who came to America in 1713,
bringing with them a family of eight minor children,
and settled in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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B. for born. D. for died. M. for married. N. C. for no children.

FIGURES.

Reading from left to right the first figures denotes the *month*, the second, or *middle figures*, the *day* of the month, and the last set of figures the year—6-30, 1828, is June 30th, 1828.

Introduction.



A SHORT HISTORY OF THE VILLAGE OF EASTBURN, IN THE PARISH OF KILDWICK, YORKSHIRE, ENGLAND.

Mr. Harry Speight, the well-known Yorkshire historian, supplies us with the following account of Eastburn in Airedale, Yorkshire, whence the American family of Eastburn is descended.

Eastburn is an ancient village situated on the high road from the city of Bradford to Skipton-in-Craven, and is distant from the former place 14 miles, and from the latter, 5 miles. With Steeton it forms a township in the ancient parish of Kildwick, a place that is mentioned in William the Conqueror's great inquest of A. D. 1083-6 as then possessing a church. With the exception of Long Preston, it is the only place in the Deanery of Craven that is mentioned in the Domesday Survey as having a church. Within the precincts of this sacred building, and within its ancient church-yard, generations of the inhabitants of this parish including many of the Eastburns have been baptized, married and interred. How long before the Norman Survey a church and burial-yard had existed at Kildwick we have no means of ascertaining, but during a recent restoration of the church many fragments of Saxon crosses have been discovered, and it is not improbable that the place had been a preaching-station where the inhabitants of the surrounding townships flocked to hear the living Word, in the early days of Christianity, and that its burial

yard was formed soon after the adoption of such enclosures in England in the middle of the 8th century. Eastburn is mentioned in the same Domesday inquest as follows :

MANOR. In Esebrune Gamelbar had two carucates and two bovates of land for geld. These are declared to be in the hands of the King, but in a later part of the Survey the same two carucates, and two bovates, together, with three carucates in Steeton, and some other lands are stated to belong to Giselbert Tyson, so that between the time of the first survey in 1083 and its completion in 1086 the Manor of Eastburn had been granted to the great Norman Chief Gilbert Tyson, who was standard-bearer at the Battle of Hastings A.D. 1066. Subsequently it passed to the Vavasours, a noted Yorkshire family, who were large landowners in the district. But in 1566 it passed out of their hands, and the property of the township is now held by many owners.

This Eastburn was so called because it was first colonized by the Anglo-Saxons at some period anterior to the 11th century, and the Anglo-Saxon word *est* means east, and *burn*, a stream. Burn in the sense of stream is now extinct in this part of Yorkshire, and its place is taken by the Danish "*beck*"—the Danes or Norsemen having over-run the district and finally established themselves in this Aire valley during the Viking raids in the 9th and 10th centuries. All streams in this part of Yorkshire are still called *becks*, and the clearings which the Vikings made for their settlements are called "Thwaites." An old village between Bingley and Keighley is called Thwaites, and within the Parish of Bingley is another place, Micklethwaite ; i. e. the great clearing.

Eastburn gave name to a family which has resided in the neighborhood and in the adjoining parishes of Bingley and Keighley for many centuries and has sent out branches which have settled in various parts of the world. Their names are found in early charters and and as local landowners down to our time. They were originally no doubt vassals of the Norman Tyson, who in 1095 was deprived of his Barony, and Eastburn with other estates went to the family of Vesci, whose heiress married John, Lord Clifford proprietor of the extensive Barony of Skipton-in-Craven, and whose armorial insignia or, a cross sable may be seen in the courtyard of the ancient castle of that town.

The family of Eastburn does not appear to have been enfranchised at this early period, and the name is found only as witnesses to local grants and in other documents of the time. The name does not occur in the Great Rolls of the Exchequer, or Pipe Rolls as they are commonly called, for Henry I and Henry II (A. D. 1100-1189,) but in

an undated charter of King Richard I or John(*ca.* 1200) respecting a grant of land in Helvesthorp (parish of Calverley near Leeds,) one of the witnesses is Simon de Eastburn. Again in a charter of Thomas de Lungevilers, dated at Wakefield April 25th, 1300, concerning lands in Glusburn in Ayredale (a township adjoining Eastburn) among the witnesses is Alex. de Eastburn. No doubt he was father of the Thomas de Eastburn who appears among the vicars of Kildwick as Thomas fil Alex. de Eastburn instituted in 1326.

In the Poll Tax for Steeton of 2nd Richard II (1378) occur the names of Lawrence de Estburn and wife, John de Estburn and wife, each taxed at 4d. In the year 1583 when George, the spendthrift Earl of Cumberland, lord of the Manor of Skipton-in-Craven, held the Manor of Steeton with Eastburn, among the tenants with their holdings, were Robert Eastburn in Steeton, who paid 4d a year rent and heriot, that is, every ten years' end one whole year's rent, besides the accustomed rent. Likewise at the death of the tenant, his best goods and chattels fell to the lord of the Manor. This was partly a consequence of the easy terms on which the tenants held their lands and tenements by copy of Court Roll. In Eastburn at the same time were John Eastburn, who paid an annual rent of 17 shillings and 1 heriot for lands and tenements, and likewise in Eastburn was Anthony Eastburn who paid 1 shilling yearly rent and heriot. Shortly after this time the Eastburn and Steeton estates were sold and eventually divided up into various ownerships, but the exact time when the Eastburn family came to own land in the neighborhood is not very clear. A William Eastburn purchased an estate at Sutton Crag, not far from Eastburn in Airedale, in 1707, for 505 £. But before this time some of the family had joined the Society of Friends, and one branch went to America. From the Bingley Registers I gather that in 1683 John Eastburn, Richard Shackleton and about a score others, were excommunicated. This John Eastburn was the pioneer of this family in Pennsylvania, and Richard Shackleton was the first of the Harden family to join the Society of Friends, as related in my

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THE EASTBURN FAMILY IN AMERICA.

CHAPTER I.

FIRST GENERATION.

Descendants of Robert Eastburn and Sarah Preston.

Robert Eastburn, son of John Eastburn, of Swaits Rightly^{*} parish, married Sarah Preston, daughter of Jonas Preston, of Rastrick parish, Yorkshire, England, 3-10, 1693. The place where the marriage took place was at John Eccles' house, near Rastrick, which is near the city of Leeds, Yorkshire, England.

They had *10 children* born in England, viz. :

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| <i>Esther Eastburne</i> | born 1-27, 1694. Married Jonathan Livezey in 1717. |
| <i>Benjamin</i> | " b. 7-15, 1695. M. Ann Thomas in 1722. |
| <i>John</i> | " b. 1-12, 1697. M. Grace Colston in 1721. |
| <i>Mary</i> | " b. 11-17, 1698. Unmarried. |
| <i>Samuel</i> | " b. 2-20, 1702. M. Elizabeth Gillingham in 1728. |
| <i>Joseph</i> | " b. 1-21, 1704. Unmarried. |
| <i>Sarah</i> | " b. 12-10, 1706. M. Hugh Thomas in 1734. |
| <i>Twins</i> | b. 4-8, 1708. Died and buried next day. |
| <i>Robert</i> | " b. 2-7, 1710. M. Agnes Jones in 1733. |
| They had <i>one child</i> born after arrival in Pennsylvania, in 1713. | |
| <i>Elizabeth</i> | " b. . M. David Clark, 6-11, 1737. |

Robert and Sarah P. Eastburn brought a certificate from Brighthouse Monthly Meeting of Friends, England, dated 12-6, 1713, which was accepted by Philadelphia Monthly Meeting of Friends.

Robert and Sarah P. Eastburn removed their certificate to Abington in 1714, and back to Philadelphia in 1729.

The date of marriage of Robert Eastburn and Sarah Preston, and the dates of birth of their ten children born in England have been obtained from the records of London Yearly Meeting of the Society of Friends.

Robert Eastburn died 7-24, 1755.

Sarah P. Eastburn died 8-31, 1752.

^{*}Probably changed in transcribing from Thwaites Keighley.

CHAPTER II.

SECOND GENERATION.

Descendants of Esther Eastburn and Jonathan Livezey.

Esther Eastburn, the oldest child of Robert and Sarah Preston Eastburn, was born in England 1-27, 1694. She came to Philadelphia with her parents in 1713, being then 19 years of age. She married Jonathan Livezey, Jr., of Lower Dublin township, Montgomery county, at Abington Meeting, in 1717. They had eight children, whose names and dates of birth have been obtained from the Abington records, as follows:

Jonathan, b. 12-8, 1719. M. Catharine Thomas, 12-22, 1747.

Joseph, b. 1-23, 1722. M. Ann Roberts, 12-20, 1753.

Sarah, b. 10-12, 1724; d. 1790.

Benjamin, b. 5-31, 1727. M. Phebe Roberts, 5-15, 1753.

Mary, b. 1-21, 1730; d. 1731.

Esther, b. 7-14, 1732; d. 1734.

Martha, b. 6-15, 1735. M. George Shoemaker, 3-21, 1754.

Nathan, b. 4-11, 1739. M. Hannah Williams, 4-21, 1763.

Jonathan Livezey the elder, son of Thomas Livezey, who came to Pennsylvania with William Penn, died 9-23, 1698, and was buried at Oxford, near Tacony bridge.

Jonathan Livezey, Jr., who married Esther Eastburn, died 3-24, 1764, aged 72 years.

Esther Eastburn Livezey died 4-18, 1788, aged 94 years.

THIRD GENERATION.

Jonathan Livezey, son of Jonathan and Esther E. Livezey, married Catharine Thomas, 12-22, 1847. Nine children.

Esther, b. 6-14, 1749. M. Jacob Holcomb.

Jonathan, b. 1-21, 1751.

Daniel, b. 12-14, 1752. M. Margery Croasdale.

Susanna, b. 8-3, 1754.

Sarah, b. 9-7, 1756. Died in infancy.

Martha, b. 12-29, 1757. Died in infancy.

Thomas, b. 12-12, 1759.

Joshua, b. 3-24, 1764. Died in infancy.

Isaac, b. 2-20, 1767.

Jonathan Livezey, 3rd, died 11-14, 1789, aged 69 years.

THIRD GENERATION.

Joseph Livezey, son of Jonathan and Esther E. Livezey, married Ann Roberts, 12-20, 1753. One child.

Joseph, Jr., b. 11-7, 1756. M. Deborah Lloyd, 12-15, 1791.

THIRD GENERATION.

Nathan Livezey, son of Jonathan and Esther E. Livezey, married Hannah Williams, 4-21, 1763. One child.

Nathan, Jr., b. M. Rebecca Jones, 3-19, 1801.

Nathan Livezey died in 1823, aged 64 years.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Daniel Livezey, son of Jonathan and Catharine T. Livezey, married Margery Croasdale. Eight children.

Robert, b. 2-22, 1780. M. Sarah Paxson, 11-14, 1804.

Thomas, b. M. Sarah Paxson.

Isaac, b. 4-20, 1786. M. Deborah Burton.

Jonathan, b. 1-22, 1782. M., went west.

Sarah, b. 3-4, 1784. Unmarried.

Deborah, b. 4-20, 1788. "

Ezra, b. 3-20, 1792.

Samuel, b. 4-23, 1794; d. 7-19, 1813.

Daniel Livezey died 1796, aged 44 years.

FIFTH GENERATION.

Robert Livezey, son of Daniel and Margery C. Livezey, married Sarah Paxson, 11-14, 1804. Eight children.

Cyrus, b. 8-14, 1805. M. Rebecca Small, 4-26, 1832.

Elizabeth, b. 2-26, 1807. M. Hirman Jones, n. c.

Ann, b. 4-5, 1809. M. Samuel H. Rice. 1840-

Albert, b. 9-12, 1811. M. Hannah Bright, n. c.

Allen, b. 1-11, 1814. M. Mary Ann Gordon, 11-28, 1839.

Samuel, b. 9-18, 1816. M. Harriet Bright, 1838.

Elias, b. 6-3, 1819. M. Elizabeth Elton, 1841.

Abraham, b. 9-15, 1821. M. Marianna Dilworth, 1850.

Robert Livezey died 3-14, 1864, aged 84 years.

SIXTH GENERATION.

Cyrus Livezey, son of Robert and Sarah P. Livezey, married Rebecca Small, 4-26, 1832. Nine children.

Sarah Ann, b. 5-7, 1833. Died young.

Mary, b. 12-30, 1835. M. Silas H. Beans, 3-24, 1859.

Caroline Fry, b. 11-13, 1838. Died young.

Felicia H., b. 4-21, 1841. M. John Huey 1856.

Elizabeth, b. 10-13, 1842. Deceased.

Lucretia, b. 12-9, 1843. M. Wilson Hoppock, 1878.

Emma C., b. 10-12, 1846. M. Isaiah Q. Kenderdine, 12-13, 1866.

C. Albert, b. 3-28, 1850. M. Lilla C. Eckel 12-30, 1872.

Kate, b. 8-29, 1853. M. Daniel Tinsman, 1872.

Cyrus Livezey, died 12-12, 1885, aged 80 years.