

## **SUSANNA(H) COLE**

(25 January 1742 - After 6 September 1780)

### **Daughter of William Cole Wife of Abial Cook Grandmother of Henry Freeman Cook**

(Henry Freeman, William, **Susanna(h)**, William, John, John, Hugh, James)

Susana, b. Jan. 25, 1742.

(*The Descendants of James Cole of Plymouth, 1633*, p. 62, SLC Family History Library film # 929229.)

**SUSANNAH COLE**, was born January 25, 1742, daughter of William Cole and Elizabeth Luther. She married Abial Cook, "intentions at Dartmouth 2 August 1766." She died sometime after 6 September 1780 when her son William Cook was born. Her Husband, Abial married second, Anna Lee 23 January 1785, at Hoosick (later Stephentown), New York.

Warren, Rhode Island town council records indicate that on 13 December 1773, Abial Cook, his wife Susannah and their children Ann, Betty and Susannah were "warned out." (Calef Papers, RIHS).

Children: (Warren Town Council Records and Gordon Remington Research Report)

ANN, b. perhaps ca (about) 1768.

BETTY, b. perhaps ca. 1770.

SUSANNAH, b. perhaps ca. 1772

ABIAL (Abiel or Byle)\*, b. about 1775, m. Lois Chapman, daughter of Amassa and Ann (Darby) Chapman, d. 9 Sep 1835. Children:

Emmeline, b. Abt 1810; d. Apr. 1873

Hiram, b. Abt 1814

Mary Ann, b. Abt 1816

Elisa, b. Jun. 22, 1818; d. 1880

Eunice, b. Abt 1819; died, Jul 1907

Alfred B., b. Abt 1820

Alonzo, b. Jul., 1826; d. Dec.4, 1892

JOB\*, b. Abt. 1777. (Went to sea and wasn't heard of again).

**WILLIAM\***, b. Sep. 6, 1780, m. Lucy Chapman, d. 4 Nov 1840, daughter of Amassa and Ann (Darby) Chapman. Children:

Amassa, b. Apr. 16 1807.

Edwin, b. Feb. 10, 1809; d Oct. 9, 1877

William, b. Jan 26., 1811; Oct. 24, 1894

Henrietta, b. Mar. 31, 1813.

**Henry Freeman**, b. Jan. 12, 1815; d. Apr. 14, 1882

Anne E., b. Apr. 17, 1818; d. Jan. 7, 1840.  
Benjamin Franklin, b. Feb. 25, 1821; d. Mar. 24, 1902  
Harriett, b. Aug. 7, 1824; d. 1899.

\*(Abial, Job and William information from Gordon Remington's  
[Price & Associates] research report, 6 November 2008. - Children  
of Abial and William from Cook family research)

(The above is paraphrased from information in the book *Thomas Cooke, of Rhode Island*, Compiled and published by Jane Fletcher Fiske, Boxford, Massachusetts, 1987, Salt Lake Family History Library book # 929.273 C776, Volume One, pages 261-262.)

# **WILLIAM COLE**

(5 Oct 1719 - 1804)

**Son of John Cole**

**Father of Susanna(h) Cole**

**G Grandfather of Henry Freeman Cook**

(Henry Freeman, William, Susanna(h), **William**, John, John Hugh, James)

**WILLIAM COLE**, 3d ch., b. Swansea, Mass., Oct. 15, 1719; m. Nov. 12, 1741, Elizabeth Luther, b. Sept. 26, 1724, daughter of Ebenezer and Bethlah (Cole) Luther.

Children:

**SUSANA**, (Susannah) b. Jan. 25, 1742. M. Abial Cook, "intentions at Dartmouth 2 August 1766. d. Sometime after 6 Sept 1780. Abial m (2) Anna Lee, Jan 23, 1785, probably the daughter of Josephus and Anna (Tallman) Lee, b ca. 1759, died after 1844. Children

Children: (Warren Town Council Records and Gordon Remington Research Report)

Ann, b. perhaps ca (about) 1768.

Betty, b. perhaps ca. 1770.

Susannah, b. perhaps ca. 1772

Abial (Abiel or Byle)\*, b. about 1775, m. Lois Chapman, d. 9 Sept 1835.

Job\*, B. ABT 1777. (Went to sea and wasn't heard of again).

**William\***, b. 6 Sep 1780, m. Lucy Chapman, d. 4 Nov 1840.

\*(Abial, Job and William information from Gordon Remington's [Price & Associates] research report, 6 November 2008.)

**LUTHER**, b. Oct. 8, 1743; d. at sea, 1781; m m. Elizabeth Cole, b. Apl. 25 1753, d. Nov. 10, 1828, daughter of Isaiah and Eleanor (Nichols) Cole. Luther Cole was at Crown Point July 6, 1760, so inscribed upon his powder horn. He died a prisoner of war upon prison ship, 1781. His widow m John Throop, son of Deacon John and Rebecca (Smith) Throop of Bristol, R.I., Aug 2, 1784. Was a Revolutionary soldier. Children:

Luther, b. Mch. 1, 1776

Thomas, b. May 27, 1781

John, b. July 6, 1786; d. Sept. 20, 1820; m. Elizabeth Cogswell, Nov. 15, 1817. His widow m. Crawford Easterbrook.

**AMAZIAH**, b. Jan 9, 1749, m. Rebecca Cole. Amaziah Cole, it is said, lived somewhere upon the bank of the Mississippi river., Was also a Revolutionary soldier.

**SEBIA**, b. Nov. 8, 1751, m. Perez Wheaton son of Samuel and Prudence (Salisbury) Wheaton. Perez Wheaton m. (2) Elizabeth Joll. Children

(Wheaton)

Joseph, b. Jan 15, 1774

Sebia, b. \_\_\_\_\_ ; m. James Luther, May 27, 1794

WILLIAM, b. Oct. 8, 1753; removed to New York State.

GIDEON, b. Nov. 15, 1755. His name appears on the records as a soldier in the Revolution, but has no other record.

(*The Descendants of James Cole of Plymouth, 1633*, p. 62 and 96, SLC Family History Library film # 929229.)

William Cole and Elizabeth Luther were married 12 November 1741 at Swansea, had three children born there, then one child at Freetown, then three children at Warren, Bristol County, Rhode Island. (FamilySearch [DOS Version] International Genealogical Index®).

William and (Elizabeth) Cole's entry in the LDS Ancestral File indicates that he was born 4 October 1719 in Swansea and died 17 October 1804 at "Shaker Village," Berkshire County, Massachusetts (FamilySearch [DOS Version] LDS Ancestral File™) "Shaker Village" is Hancock. It would seem, then Abiel Cook's move to Hancock may have been prompted by his father-in-law's move there - vice versa. Further Shaker connections are revealed in the fact that William Cole's daughter Sebia Cole married Perex Wheaton, son of Samuel Wheaton and Prudence Salisbury. (Ernest Byron Cole *The Descendants of James Cole of Plymouth, 1633* SLC Library film # 929229) Perex Wheaton was born 13 July 1750 at Swansea. The name Wheaton is significant. It was Noah Wheaton of the Shakers who subjected Betty Cook to "punishment" in 1784. Perez Wheaton had an older brother Noah Wheaton, born 21 February 1744, at Swansea. (FamilySearch [DOS Version] LDS Ancestral File™)

Is Noah Wheaton, born 1744, the same person as Noah Wheaton, the Shaker? Noah Wheaton the Shaker, at that time living in New Lebanon, Columbia County, New York (another Shaker community) gave testimony in 1808 concerning the miraculous cure of a dislocated ankle in 1780. At the time he gave this testimony, he was 64 years old - putting his date of birth at about 1744 - corresponding to the birth of Noah Wheaton, son of Samuel Wheaton and Prudence Salisbury. He also stated that this miracle occurred shortly after he converted to Shakerism, which helps to determine when the Coles and Wheatons moved from Rhode Island to Hancock. This information comes from a book called *Shakerism Unmasked or the History of the Shakers*.<sup>1</sup>

William Cole was supposed to have died at Hancock Shaker village in 1804. Shaker records show the death of William Cole, age 85, on 17 October 1804. This implies that William Cole was indeed a Shaker, at least at one time.<sup>2</sup>

William Cole is found in the 1790 census of Hancock, Massachusetts as follows:

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<sup>1</sup>William J. Haskett, *Shakerism Unmasked or The History of Shakers* Pittsfield, Mass., 1828 p. 56-61.

<sup>2</sup>Western Reserve Historical Society, Cleveland, Ohio, The Shaker Collection of the Western Reserve Historical Society, 1723-1952, (Glen Rock, New Jersey: Microfilming corporation of American, c1976-1977), Series III Membership, birth, death, and statistical records A6 Hancock, Mass. 1784-1840, SLC Film # 1550386.

Locality		1790 Hancock, Berkshire County, Massachusetts				
Page	Head of Family	Free White Males 16 and over	Free White Males under 16	Free White Females	All Other Free Persons	Slaves
	Nathan Cole	3	2	6		
	William Cole	1	1	1		
	Betty Cole	1		2		

William Cole was not found on the 1800 Census of Hancock. If he was living with the Shakers in 1800, he may not have been listed as head of his own household. The male under 16 could have been one of his Cook grandsons - even William Cook, born 1780.

There is no probate record for William Cole in Berkshire County, nor are there any deeds. Again, if he was living among the Shakers, he may have not owned property.

(The above was mostly copied from Gordon L Remington's [Price & Associates] research report 6 November 2008, pages 5-7)

## **JOHN COLE**

(3 Nov 1695 - )

### **Son of John Cole Father of William Cole GG Grandfather of Henry Freeman Cook**

(Henry Freeman, William, Susanna(h), William, **John**, John, Hugh, James)

**JOHN COLE**, 3d ch., b. Swansea, Mass., Nov. 3, 1695; m. (1) Abigall Butts, daughter of Zacheus and Sarah Butts, b. Nov. 1, 1715; d. Sept 26, 1757. He m. (2) Elizabeth Haile, Mch. 16, 1758, widow of Barnard Haile, and daughter of William and Sara (Holmes) Slade.

Aug. 10, 1752, John Cole deeds land to his son Ichabod, and is called a mariner.

Children:

**ICHABOD**, 1<sup>st</sup> ch., b. Swansea, Mass., Feb. 10, 1716; m. (1) Mary Hammond, Apl. 16, 1738, d Oct 20 1740; m. (2) Mary Purcell, Oct. 19, 1743. I find not record of death of Ichabod nor his second wife. Isaac Cole, his brother, deeded land to Caleb Luther in 1763, a portion of the land bounded by land of Ichabod Cole. Child:

Experience, b. Dec 25 1739; m. Eli Luther, Mch. 14, 1757.

**THOMAS**, 2<sup>nd</sup> ch, b. Swansea, Nov. 5, 1717; d. 1803; m. Jan. 1, 1740, Christian Luther, daughter of Ebenezer and Bethiah (Cole) Luther, d. Aug. 21, 1796.

Children:

Sarah, b. Feb 6, 1741

Anne, b. Dec. 9, 1743; m. Martin Luther, Nov. 4, 1762, son John and Susanna (Childs) Luther. Children (Luther)

Nancy, b. Jan. 20 1770; m. Samuel Childs, July 21, 1789.

Patience, b. June 1, 1773; m. Sylvester Childs, June 23, 1794.

Dorcess, b. Jan. 31, 1740; d. Oct. 11, 1747.

Haste, b. Mch. 11. 1748; d. Jan. 29, 1823; m. Charles Collins; (No Children).

Deborah, b. Apl. 1, 1750; d. unkm.

Abigail, Nov. 15, 1752;

James; , b. Apl. 21, 1755;

Mary, b. July 10, 1757; m. Peleg Kingsbury, June, 1780.

Infant, b. June 16 1759, d June 16, 1759.

Bethiah, b. Mch. 14, 1761; d. Mch. 30 1769.

Louisana, b. Oct. 5, 1762; d. June 3, 1790, unkm.

**WILLIAM COLE**, 3d ch., b. Swansea, Mass., Oct. 15, 1719; m. Nov. 12, 1741, Elizabeth Luther, b. Sept. 26, 1724, daughter of Ebenezer and Bethlah (Cole) Luther. Children:

**Susana, (Susannah)** b. Jan. 25, 1742. m. Abial Cook, "intentions at Dartmouth 2 August 1766. d. sometime after 6 Sept 1780, when William was born.

Luther, , b. Oct 8, 1743; d. a prisoner of war upon a prison ship, 1781.

Amaziah, b. Jan. 9, 1740; m. Rebecca Cole.

Sebia, b. Nov. 8, 1751

William, b. Oct. 8, 1751.

Gideon, b. Nov. 15, 1755.

SUSANNAH, b. Nov. 17, 1721.

JOHN, b. Feb. 28, 1724; d. Jan. 20, 1736.

ISAAC, 6<sup>th</sup> ch., b. Swansea, Mass., Oct. 30, 1726; m. (1) Sept. 26, 1745, Sarah Easterbrook, daughter of Thomas and Joanna Wood Esterbrook, d. Oct. 13, 1770. He m. (2) Abigail Rarden. Children:

Joanna, b. Dec. 20, 1746; d. Arl. 23, 1769, umd.

Ichabod, b. Nov. 17, 1748.

Isaac, b. Oct. 1, 1755.

Thomas, b. July 1, 1758.

Reuben, b. Dec. 12, 1762

Rarden, b. July 9, 1772

NATHAN, 7<sup>th</sup> ch., b. Swansea, b. Jan. 2, 1729; d. Aug. 4, 1760; m. Dec. 13, 1747, Sarah Butterworth, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Thomas) Butterworth. Sarah, the widow of Nathan Cole, married John Martin, Apl, 18, 1765.

Children:

Elizabeth, b. Feb. 22, 1748

John, b. May 16, 1751.

Sarah, b. Feb. 21, 1756; m. ----- McMillen.

Peace, b. May 16, 1760.

JAMES, b. Feb. 2, 1731; d. Mch. 20, 1731.

ABIBAIL, 9<sup>th</sup> ch., b. Swannsea, Mass., b. Aug. 11, 1732; m. Samuel Toogood, Feb. 28, 1754, son of Samuel and Anna (Bowman) Toogood. Children (Toogood).

Anna, b. Sept. 7, 1754

Zilpha, b. Feb. 10, 1757; m. Daniel Cole, May 28, 1780.

Nancy, b. Feb. 28, 1762; m. Edward Kennecut.

Mary, b. Feb. 28, 1702.

SARAH, b. Feb. 11, 1735; d. July 13, 1736.

COMFORT, b. Jan. 20, 1739.

JOHN, 12<sup>th</sup> ch., b. Sept. 12, 1742; m (1) July 19, 1764, Mercy Wood, daughter of Noah and Elizabeth (Mason) Wood, d. Apl. 10, 1770. He m. (2) Morah Eddy, Nov. 8, 1777. Children:

Nathan, m. Mary Daufet, Sept. 12, 1784.

Asa, m. Susanna Cole, Nov. 12, 1787.

Sarah.

*(The Descendants of James Cole of Plymouth, 1633, p. 45, 62-63. SLC Family History Library film # 929229.)*

## **JOHN COLE**

(15 May 1660 - 25 Jan. 1748)

### **Son of Hugh Cole Father of John Cole GGG Grandfather of Henry Freeman Cook**

(Henry Freeman, William, Susanna(h), William, John, **John**, Hugh, James)

**JOHN COLE**, 3d ch., b Plymouth, Mass., May 15, 1660; m. (1) Susannah (maiden name and the date of their marriage unknown); m. (2) Sarah, probably the widow of Zacheus Butts; Aug. 15, 1712. He d. June 25, 1748. She d. Jan. 16 1749. They were both buried in the Kickemult burying ground. The house built by John Cole before the year 1700 is still standing. Savage in his Plymouth Records gives the children of John Cole, son of Hugh, and states "he lived in Plympton." This is an error. The John he speaks of was the son of James'; they were both b. 1660. The will of John Cole, dated Sept. 22, 1742, begins with: "I, John Cole, son of Hugh"; speaks of "wife Sarah"; gives to daughter Susanna Rounds five pounds; to his daughters, Mary Luther and Hannah Hammond, 28 pounds each; to his granddaughter, Elizabeth, 15 pounds; to my son, John, who has and does take care of me, all of the farm where I dwell in Swansea aforesaid" – hereafter follows a description of the land, "also all my household goods, cattle, etc., and constitute him my executor. Signed in the presence of Thomas Easterbrook, Caleb Cole, Joseph Mason, and Benjamin Cole, his brother," At the time of the will this land was in Swansea, but at the time the will was probated it had become a part of Warren, Rhode Island.

Children:

**MARY**, 1<sup>st</sup> ch., b. Swansea, Mass., July 8, 1689; date of death unknown; m. Mch. 18, 1714, Caleb Luther, son of Samuel and Sarah Luther. Children (Luther).

Freelove, b. Jan. 5, 1715; d. Aug. 26, 1736; m. John Baker, Feb. 20, 1734.

Sussannah, b. Aug. 20, 1717.

Hannah, b. Sept. 25, 1720; m. Elisha Franklin, Nov. 6, 1737.

Caleb, b. Aug. 22, 1723.

Jabez, b. July 8, 1725; m. Alice Pierce, July 1, 1749.

Frederie, b. Feb. 15, 1730; d. May 13, 1822; m. Johanna Luther, Feb. 16, 1750.

**ELIZABETH**, 2<sup>nd</sup> ch., b. Swansea, Mass., Nov. 9, 1692; m. William Wheeler, Nov. 1, 1715; she d. Aug. 1726. Child (Wheeler):

Elizabeth, b. Mch. 12, 1722.

**JOHN**, 3<sup>rd</sup> ch., b. Swansea, Mass., Nov. 3, 1695; m. (1) Abigail Butts, daughter of Zacheus and Sarah Butts, b. Nov. 1, 1715; d. Sept. 26, 1757. H m. (2) Elizabeth Haile, Mch. 16, 1758, widow of Barnard Haile, and daughter of William and Sarah (Holmes) Slade. Aug. 10, 1752 John Cole deeds land to his son Ichabod, and is called a mariner. Children:

Ichabod, b. Feb. 10, 1716  
Thomas, b. Nov. 5, 1717.  
**William**, b. Oct. 5, 1719.  
Susannah, b. Nov. 17, 1721.  
John, b. Feb, 28, 1724; d. Jan. 20 1736.  
Isaac, b. Oct. 30, 1726.  
Nathan, b. Jan. 2, 1731; d. Mch. 20, 1731.  
Abigail, b. Aug. 11, 1732.  
Sarah, b. Feb. 11, 1735; d. July 13, 1736.  
Comfort, b. Jan. 20, 1739.  
John, b. Sept. 12, 1742.

SUSANNAH, b. Nov. 19, 1696; m. (Robert, son of William and Lydia [Cushman] Harlow).

HANNAH, b. Feb. 4, 1698; m. Gideon Hammond, Dec. 13, 1722.

EXPERIENCE, b. June 8, 1702; probably d. young.

(*The Descendants of James Cole of Plymouth, 1633*, p. 33-34, 44-45, SLC Family History Library film # 929229.)

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(The following was taken from the Internet [[www.arq.net/~ljacobs/cole.html](http://www.arq.net/~ljacobs/cole.html)] from an article by Rita Jacobs called *Our Cole Ancestors*, "James Cole" pages 3-4. The [web] site is maintained by Lou and Rita Jacobs, 3312 Stoneleigh Drive, Lansing, MI 48910. Email: [ljacobs@arq.net](mailto:ljacobs@arq.net).)

#### HUGH'S SON JOHN

At the present time I have little information about Hugh Cole's son John. He was born at Plymouth 15 May 1660. He married Susanna (maiden name unknown). His second wife was Sarah, widow of Zacheus Butts, whom he married 15 August 1712 in Swansea.

The part of Swansea, (Massachusetts) where John Cole lived later became part of Warren, R.I. John had at least six children, all with wife Susanna. His fifth child, Hannah, born 4 February 1698 married Gideon Hammond in Swansea on 13 December 1722. Hannah and Gideon were second cousins - she being a granddaughter of Hugh Cole, and he being a grandson of Hugh's brother John. Our later Hammond descendants are all equally descended from these two lines in the Cole family.

(The above was taken from the Internet [[www.arq.net/~ljacobs/cole.html](http://www.arq.net/~ljacobs/cole.html)] from an article by Rita Jacobs called *Our Cole Ancestors*, "James Cole" pages 3-4. The [web] site is maintained by Lou and Rita Jacobs, 3312 Stoneleigh Drive, Lansing, MI 48910. Email: [ljacobs@arq.net](mailto:ljacobs@arq.net).)

## **HUGH COLE**

(1627 - 22 Jan 1699)

**Son of James Cole**

**Father of John Cole**

**GGGG Grandfather Henry Freeman Cook**

(Henry Freeman, William, Susanna(h), William, John, John, **Hugh**, James)

**HUGH COLE**, 2<sup>nd</sup> son, b. London, England, 1627; he came with his father to Plymouth, Mass., in 1633, and was admitted as freeman of Plymouth in 1657. He m. (1) Jan. 8, 1654, Mary Foxwell, daughter of Richard and Ann (Shelly) Foxwell of Barnstable, Mass. She was b. in Scituate, Aug. 17, 1635, and d. in Swansea, Mass. (Richard Foxwell came from England with Governor Winthrop in 1631, and the same year removed to Scituate and was admitted as freeman. He removed to Barnstable and was a member of the Barnstable Militia in 1643.) He m. (2) Jan. 1, 1689, Elizabeth, widow of Jacob Cook, former widow of William Shurtliffe, and daughter of Thomas and Ann Lettuce of Plymouth. She d. in Swansea, Mass. Oct. 31, 1693. He m. (3) Jan. 30, 1694, Mary, widow of Deacon Ephraim Morton, former widow of William Harlow, and daughter of Robert and Judith Shelly, a cousin of his first wife.

The following appears upon the Plymouth records: "Apl. 8, 1634. It was agreed with James Cole that his son Hugh shall keep the Cowes from Arl. 15 to November, and shall have for his pay fifty bushels of corn. He shall bring them up every morning to be milked and then carry back to feed and bring them home at night."

He was made surveyor of highways at Barnstable, and granted 100 acres of land at Acushauett. In 1667 with others he purchased of King Phillip 500 acres of land on the west bank of what was named for him Coles River. He was a shipwright and civil engineer, and many of the tracts of land of Swansea were surveyed by him. He was a selectman of Swansea for many years and was representative and deputy to the general court in the years, 1773, '74, '75, '80, '83, '84, '85, '86, and '89. He was for years the friend of King Phillip (the Indian chief). Having been requested by the Plymouth colony council to visit King Phillip and report the conditions made the following report:

"Swansea, Arl. 1, 1671. Most Honorable Sirs: ---- Yours I received this day whereby I perceive you desire to know what posture the Indians are in. I do not find them to continue in a posture of war as they have been. I went to Mount Hope last second day on purpose to see their proceedings and was in many of their houses, but saw nothing as intending to war. But asking them of their reason of continuing together at Mt. Hope, they answered, it was to see Phillip's child buried, and I have seen some return, but the greater part of them are together. And they gave as the reason, because the wind does so blow against them that they cannot go home with their canoes – not else. Rest assured I am yours to command what I am able. "Hugh Coles."

"Oct.. 27, 1669." Hugh Cole was granted fifty acres of land lying between Manneonest Point and the Salt Marsh with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging, unto him and his heirs forever. (Page 149, vol. 3, Plymouth Records.) He was granted by the court respecting his father's grant, he being an ancient freeman. Six score acres of land between the Mattapoiset

River and the bounds of Acushasset.

In June 1675, at the commencement of the war with King Phillip, two of Hugh Cole's sons were made prisoners by the Indians and taken to Phillip at Mount Hope. Phillip ordered them set at liberty, because, as he said, Hugh Cole had always been his friend. He sent word to Hugh that he could not longer restrain his warriors, and for him to take his family and immediately remove to Rhode Island. This he did, and one hour afterward his home was in flames. While he had been on such friendly terms with Phillip, his was the first house burned, and Gershom Cole was the first person killed. After leaving his home Hugh Cole located at Portsmouth, R.I. The town records of Portsmouth show that, Oct. 12, 1675, Hugh Cole was granted liberty to use some of the windfalls that are down to build a small frame, and to make wheels for the use of the townsmen for their money. Savage says: "Hugh was a sergeant in the war against King Phillip." After the war in his election as representative he is always spoken of as sergeant. After the close of the war, 1677, he returned to Swansea and built a house a few rods from where Miss Abby Cole now lives. The well walled by him on the bank of the Kickemuit River is still there. This part of the land has descended by will, no deed have been made for it; it has never passed out of possession of the Cole family and is now owned by Miss Abby Cole. Part of the land owned by him in Swansea is now a part of Warren, R. I.

He died in Swansea, Jan. 22, 1699, and was buried in the Southern extreme of Meadow Neck, now known as Howland Meadow in Barrington, in what is known as the Tyler Point Cemetery. He had ten children, the first seven were born in Plymouth, the other three in Swansea.

Children:

JAMES, 1<sup>st</sup> son, b. in Plymouth, Mass., Nov. 3, 1655; removed with his father to Swansea, Mss., in 1667; m. Mary (maiden name unknown). He was admitted as freeman of Swansea in 1680; elected constable in 1632, a lieutenant in 1689, deputy and representative from Swansea in 1689 and 1690; Mch, 1704, was elected as captain of a company in Colonel Benjamin Church's regiment against the Indians. They had one child.

Abigail, b. -----; m. John Brown, July 2, 1696.

HUGH, 2<sup>nd</sup> ch., b. Plymouth, Mass., Mch. 8, 1658; m. Deborah Buckland, May 6, 1684. She was b. Sept., 1660; d. Dec 7, 1724; was the daughter of Joseph and Deborah (Allen) Buckland. Hugh Cola was admitted as freeman of Swansea, Nov. 19, 1680. He d. Feb, 17, 1738. Both he and his wife are buried in the Kickemuit burying ground. The house built by him, probably in 1681, is still standing, some additions having been made thereto.

Children, all born in Swansea:

Deborah, b. Feb. 11, 1682; m. John Cole, son of John.

Hugh, b. May 30, 1683.

Mary, b. Apl. 17, 1686.

Joseph, b. Mch. 19, 1687.

Lydia, b. Oct. 7, 1691.

James, b. June 11, 1699.

Hannah, b. July 1, 1702; d. Dec, 26, 1790; m. Nicholas Thomas.

Deborah, b. Feb. 14, 1704.

Christian, b. date unknown.

Bethiah, b. date unknown.

**JOHN**, 3d ch., b. Plymouth, Mass., May 13, 1660; m. (1) Susannah (Maiden and the date of their marriage unknown); m. (2) Sarah, probably the widow of Zacheus Butts, Aug. 15, 1712. He d. June 25, 1748. She d. Jan. 16, 1749. They were born buried in the Kickemuit burying ground.

Children:

Mary, b. July 8, 1689.

Elizabeth, b. Nov. 9, 1692.

**John**, b. Nov. 3, 1695.

Sussannah, b. Nov. 19, 1696; m. Robert Harlow, Son of William and Lidia (Cushman) Harlow.

Hannah, b. Feb 4, 1698; m. Gideon Hammond, Dec. 13, 1722.

Experience, b. June 8, 1702; probably d. young.

**MARTHA**, b. Apl. 16, 1662, d. 1711; m. John Brooks. They had no children.

**ANNA**, 5<sup>th</sup> ch., b. Plymouth, Mass., Oct. 14, 1664; d. June 23, 1704; m. July 30, 1684, William, son of William and Susanna Saulisbury; He was b. June 14, 1659; d. Apl 3, 1726. William Salisbury m. (2) Mary Ormsbury, Jan 27, 1705. Children (Salisbury):

William, b. Oct. 9, 1685; m. Bethiah

Ann, b. -----; m. Samuel Bullock, June 21, 1711.

Mary, b. 1689; d. May, 1725; m. David Bullock, May 24, 1710.

Susannah, b. Mch. 29, 1692; d. Mch. 17, 1777; m. Robert Wheaton, Oct. 11, 1712.

John, b. May 25, 1694; m. Abigail Cummings of Bristol, R.I.

Richard, b. Nov. 3, 1696; m. Ruth Boomer.

Martha, b. 1689; d. Aug. 14, 1745; m. Phillip Wheeler, Mch. 25, 1721.

Experience, b. 1700; m. Seth Bullock, Jan. 18, 1718.

Benjamin, b. 1702; m Mary Giddings, May 15, 1734.

Patience. b. Feb. 5, 1704; m. William Easterbrook, Apl. 3, 1824.

**RUTH**, 6<sup>th</sup> ch., b. in Plymouth, Mass., Jan. 6, 1666; d. in Swansea, Mch. 17, 1718; m. Deacon Nathaniel Luther, June 10, 1693. He d. Apl, 12 1719. He was the son of Hezekiah and Sarah Luther. Hezekiah was a deacon of the First Baptist Church of Swansea. Children (Luther):

Moses, b. June 20, 1694; d. Nov. 23, 1763; m. Amy Round.

Elizabeth, b. Apl. 8, 1696; m. Alexander Briggs, Mch. 21, 1715.

Hannah, b. Mch. 25, 1698; d. Apl. 16, 1719; unm.

Abel.

Hezekiah, b. Aug. 2, 1703; d May 2, 1730; m. Patience Butterworth, Nov. 10, 1726.

Mary, b. Jan 2, 1705; d. Aug. 19, 1785; m. Walter Haile, Feb., 1727.

Ruth, b. Mch. 23, 1708; m. Hezekiah Cole, son of John Cole, July 25, 1728.

Experience, b. Feb. 22, 1710; m. Seth Cole, son of John Cole, Jan.

2, 1730.

JOSEPH, b. May 18, 1668. Supposed to have died young.

EBENEZER, 8<sup>th</sup> Ch., b. Swansea, Mass., 1671; d. Sept. 4, 1719; m. date unknown) Mehitable Luther, daughter of Elder Samuel and Mary Luther of Swansea, who d. Nov. 18, 1764, aged 89 years. They were both buried in the Kickemuit burying ground. Children:

Ebenezer, b. Oct. 27, 1699; d. young.

Phebe, b. Jan. 10, 1701; d. after 1719. unm.

Samuel, b. June 24, 1704.

Anne, b. Mch. 1, 1706

Martha, b. Mch 1, 1709.

Mary, b. Apl. 17, 1711.

Edward, b. July 3, 1713.

Ebenezer, b. Oct. 27, 1715.

Benjamin, b. Feb. 3, 1717.

MARY, 9<sup>th</sup> ch., b. Swansea, Mass., 1676; m. Nov. 27 1697, Jonathan Kingsley, son of Eldad and Mehitable (Mowry) Kingsley. He was b. Feb. 21, 1671, and d. June 15, 1750. Children (Kingsley):

Hezekiah, b. Sept. 15, 1699; m. (1) Hopestil Nelson, Dec. 5, 1722; m. (2) Elizabeth Thomas, Dec. 3, 1724.

Benjamin, b. Mch. 21, 1700; d. Oct. 1, 1776; m. Sarah Easterbrook, Sept. 20, 1722.

Aaron, b. Dec., 2, 1703; d. June 19, 1785; m. Patience Cole, daughter of Nathaniel Cole, Jan. 18, 1728.

Jonathan, b. Feb 25, 1706; d. Aug. 29, 1732; unm.

John, b. July 17, 1709; m. Sarah Wright, Jan. 23, 1734.

Mary, b. May 5, 1713; d. May 27, 1804; m. Thomas Pack, June 11, 1733.

BENJAMIN, 10<sup>th</sup> ch., b. Swansea, 1678; m June 27, 1701, Hannah Eddy, daughter of Ealeb and Elizabeth (Bullock) Eddy; d. Sept. 29, 1748. His wife di. May 15, 1768 and both were buried in the kickemuit burying ground. He was a deacon from 1718 until time of his death. Children:

Hopestil, b. Oct 9, 1703.

Jonathan, b. Oct. 4, 1704.

Benjamin, b. oct. 31, 1706.

Foxtil, b. Sept., 1708, d. young.

Israel, b. Mch. 4, 1710.

Ebenezer, b. Mch. 29, 1712.

Andrew, b. May 28, 1714.

Hannah, b. Jan. 14, 1716.

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## **BROTHERS HUGH AND JOHN COLE**

Hugh Cole was baptized on 29 June 1628 in Barnstaple, Devonshire, England. He moved with his family at five or six to Plymouth, Massachusetts. The early records of Plymouth show him on a 1643 list of men able to bear arms. He was also paid 50 bushels of corn by the town of Plymouth in 1634 for tending the cows of the townspeople - bringing the up every morning to be milked, taking them to feed, and bringing them home at night.

In contrast to his parents, Hugh Cole had fewer encounters with the courts for violating the laws, became a prominent citizen and founder of a new town, and also became a prominent church leader. He married Mary Foxwell on 8 January 1684/5 in Plymouth. Despite a later showing of good character, Hugh was fined 20 shillings in 1655 when he and his wife were found guilty of "keeping company each with other in an undecent manner, at an unreasonable time and place, before marriage."

Hugh Cole's first seven children were born in Plymouth. In 1668 he moved his family to Swansea and built a home on the west bank of the Mattapoissett River, now called Cole's River. His brother John also moved with him to Swansea.

Hugh Cole negotiated land purchases with the Indians and was also an experienced surveyor. He was active in the management of the town, being chosen surveyor, serving as a selectman from 1672 to 1675, deputy to the Plymouth Colony General Court in 1673, 1674 and 1675, and a member of the Swansea Prudential Affairs Committee in 1672. He also served several times as a juror.

Various accounts have been written concerning Hugh's relationship with the Indians. Although he was a frequent visitor to the Indian camp and had peaceful dealings with King Philip, Philip was charged with incivility toward Hugh in 1671. Hugh also sued King Philip for 200 pounds for breach of a land sale agreement which he later settled. Hugh warned Plymouth Colony leaders in 1671 that he had observed the Narraganset Indians repairing guns and making weapons. Subsequently Hugh was asked by colony officials to visit the Wampanoag Indian camp and report back to them concerning the activities there. Hugh observed a number of strangers at the Indian camp and reported this back to colony officials.

Several published sources give various accounts of the kidnapping of two of Hugh's sons by the Indians shortly before the outbreak of King Philip's War. Supposedly King Philip ordered members of his tribe to return the children to their home. Legend also reports that King Philip warned Hugh of the impending attack by the Indians at the outbreak of the war, enabling Hugh to remove his family from Swansea before the Indians attacked. Hugh's home was one of the first burned in the attack.

Hugh's family remained in Portsmouth during the war. Although Hugh Cole's record of military service during King Philip's War is unknown, he was frequently recorded as Sergeant Hugh Cole afterward.

Upon his return to Swansea Hugh rebuilt his home at a new location. He was again elected selectman and deputy and resumed his active role in town affairs.

Hugh and Mary Cole had twelve children. The date of Mary's death is not know. Hugh married twice after Mary's death and he died in Jan 1699/1700. He was buried in Tyler Point Cemetery in Barrington, Rhode Island. There is no marker on his grave.

Hugh's brother John, born 21 November 1637, was also one of the original proprietors of Swansea, but was not as active and prominent in town affairs as his brother. He married Elizabeth Ryder, daughter of Samuel Ryder of Yarmouth. They had four children. John died in 1677 in Swansea. His daughter Elizabeth married our ancestor William Hammond of Swansea on 10 Jan 1695.

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**HUGH (COLE)**, SON OF 1<sup>ST</sup> James, m., 1654, Mary, d. of Richard Foxwell of Scituate, and had James, 1655; Hugh, 1658; John, 1660; Martha, 1662; Ann, 1664, m. William Salisbury; Ruth, 1666; Joseph, 1668. Hugh, son of above, m. Elizabeth Cook, 1689.

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**JAMES COLE**  
**Son of \_\_\_\_\_**  
**Father of Hugh Cole**  
**GGGGG Grandfather of Henry Freeman Cook**

(Henry Freeman, William, Susanna(h), William, John, John, Hugh, **James**)

FIRST GENERATION

**JAMES COLE**, of Plymouth, Mass. The earliest information obtained of James Cole, was name stands at the head of the family in American, dates from 1616 when he was living at Highgate, a suburb of London, England. He is spoken of as a great lover of flowers, and it is probably due to the fact that he became acquainted with and married Mary Lobel, a daughter of the noted botanist and physician, Mathieu Lobel. (Later research has demonstrated that he was married to Mary Tibbes not to Mary Lobel - See below)

James Cole and Mary (Tibess) were married in 1624. Their first children, James and Hugh, were probably born in London. They came to Saco, Maine, in 1632, (A different James Cole came to Saco, Main in 1632 - See below) and the following year, 1633, located in Plymouth, Mass., where he was admitted as freeman the same year. He was known as a sailor. His name appears upon the tax list of Plymouth in 1634; Jan. 2, 1636, he had a grant of ten acres of land; Jan. 2, 1637, the court deeded him seven acres of land to belong to his dwelling house. Three acres of land probably included all the land on the south side of Leydon Street, from the corner of Warren Street to the westerly line of the lot opposite the Universalist Church. His dwelling stood on the lot next below the Baptist Church. He was the first settler of and lived upon what is still know as "Cole's Hill," the first burial ground of the Pilgrims. This land probably included the ground upon which rests Plymouth Rock. In September, 1641, he had a further grant of fifty acres of land at Lakenham meadow. In October, 1642, he had a further grant of land at the same place. In 1662 a grant of land at Sacconet Neck. In 1665 he had thirty acres of land on the west side of the Namuet River. He was surveyor of highways in the years, 1641,42, 51 and 52; was constable in 1641 and 1644. In 1637 his name appears upon a list of volunteers against the Pequot Indians.

Soon after his arrival at Plymouth he opened the first inn or public house of Plymouth, and one of if not the first, public house in New England. This house was kept as a public house by him and his son James until 1698.

In 1668 he sold to his son James the land down to and including the lot upon which stands the Baptist Church. In 1689 his son James sold it to William Shurtliffe.

I have been unable to find any record of the death of James Cole or his wife Mary.

Children:

JAMES, 1<sup>st</sup> child, b. London, England, 1626; came with his father to Plymouth in

1633; m. (1) Dec. 23, 1652, Mary Tilson; m. (2) Abigail Davenport. He removed to Seltuate, and from there to York, Maine, and probably from there to Kennebec, Main, where he remained but a short time, as he was admitted as freeman of Plymouth in 1654. He died in Plymouth in 1712.

Children:

Mary, b. Dec. 16, 1653.

John, b. Mch. 16, 1660.

Nathaniel.

Ephraim.

Elizabeth, m. Elkanah Cushman.

Martha, m. Nathan Howland.

Joanna, m. Thomas Howland.

Hannah, m. Elisha Bradford.

(Names probably do not appear in the order of their birth)

**HUGH**, 2n son, b. London, England, 1627; he came with his father to Plymouth, Mass., in 1633, and was admitted as freeman of Plymouth in 1657. He m. (1) Jan. 8, 1654, Mary Foxwell, daughter of Richard and Ann (Shelly) Foxwell of Barnstable, Mass. She was b. in Scituate, Aug. 17 1635, and d. in Swansea, Mass. He m. (2) Jan. 1, 1689, Elizabeth, widow of Jacob Cook former widow of William Shurtliffe, and daughter of Thomas and Ann Lettuce of Plymouth. She d. in Swansea, Mass., Oct. 31, 1693. He m. (3) Jan. 30, 1694, Mary, widow of Deacon Ephraim Morton, former widow of William Harlow, and daughter of Robert and Judith Shelly, a cousin of his first wife. Children:

James, b. Nov. 3, 1655; m. Mary.

Hugh, b. Mch. 6, 1658.

**John**, b. May 13, 1660.

Martha, b. Apl. 16, 1662, d. 1711; m. Johjn Brooks, They had no children.

Anna, b. Dec. 14, 1664.

Ruth, b. Jan 8, 1666.

Joseph, b. May 18, 1668. Supposed to have died young.

Ebenezer, b. 1671.

Mary, b. 1676.

Benjamin, b. 1678.

**JOHN**, 3d ch., b. Plymouth, Mass., Nov. 21, 1637; d. Swansea, 1677; m. Nov. 21 1667, Elizabeth Ryder, daughter of Samuel Ryder of Yarmouth. He was one of the original proprietors of Swansea, Mass., signing the agreement at the organization of the town. "Ordered by the court, in ragard to the estate of John Cole. Forasmuch as the estate is small, and there being four small children to bring up, that the whole personal estate be settled upon his widow for the bringing up of his children, and the profits of the land until the children become of age. In case there shall be necessity for the bring up of the children, then some of the land shall be sold by further advise and leaving of the court. All lands left shall be disposed to the two sons, a

small legacy being allowed the two daughters.” While this order of the court speaks of two daughters, there is no record to be found of but the one. The widow of John Cole m. Thomas Boardman. Children:

John, b. 1672

Nathaniel.

Elizabeth, b. 1695 (1675?); m. Nathan Hammond, June 10, 1695.

MARY, b. 1639, in Plymouth, Mass.; m. (1) John Almy, who was a captain in the war against King Phillip; he d. Oct. 1, 1676; m. (2) John Pocoke. She d. without children.

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## OUR COLE ANCESTORS

by Rita Jacobs

### JAMES COLE

I find our Cole ancestor to be one of the most colorful characters I have found in my family tree. In reading the second-hand accounts of his appearances in public records I would characterize James Cole of Plymouth, Massachusetts as intelligent, respected, prominent, business-oriented, politically astute, and notorious.

James Cole arrived in Plymouth, Massachusetts in 1633. Although some published accounts of his arrival in the colonies place him first in Saco, Maine, later published records show that a different James Cole most probably settled in Saco, Maine.

The most comprehensive information on the descendants of James Cole is found in an extensive genealogy, *The descendants of James Cole of Plymouth 1633*, by Ernest Byron Cole, published in 1908. Several later published articles have corrected and amplified Ernest Byron Cole’s work.

Although an early “myth” about James Cole claimed he married the daughter of a famous botanist, whose surname was Lobel, more recent published information cites records from Barnstaple, Devonshire, England that identify Mary Tibbes as the wife of James Cole. His first two children, James and Hugh, were likewise baptized in Barnstaple, Devonshire.

James Cole had at least two more children for whom records can be found: John and

Mary.

Of particular interest is James Cole's apparent lack of church membership among the scores of early prominent settlers whose places of prominence in the community were usually paralleled by leadership roles within the church. Not only did James Cole appear to avoid church, but also operated a rather rowdy tavern - almost reminiscent of those which gave the old west a notorious flavor.

James Cole became a freeman in Plymouth about 1634. He obtained from the colony a license to operate a public house, and by 1637 his first violation of the liquor control laws was recorded in the court records. A later account describes the throwing of stools and general disturbance until early morning hours. By 1640 the court withdrew James Cole's license to sell liquor, after which he was fined for selling liquor without a license. His license was not restored until 1645.

James continued to operate an inn even without his liquor license. He was apparently financially successful and acted as surety on bonds at various times and loaned money. He undoubtedly won the respect of the townspeople. He was elected constable in 1641/2 and again in 1644. He was also appointed highway surveyor several times beginning in 1642.

James Cole, as well as his wife, continued to experience problems in operating the tavern within legal boundaries after his license was restored. James and Mary were fined for allowing drunkenness in the tavern, selling liquor on Sunday, and selling liquor to Indians. In 1652 one of his tavern patrons was up all night drinking in Cole's house before he went out fishing and accidentally drowned.

James himself was cited three times by the court for being drunk, the last time in 1671. In defense of his third offense he claimed to have an infirmity which caused him to appear drunk, and was not fined. He was also charged with battery in 1650, but cleared of the offense.

Despite the rowdy reputation of Cole's tavern, the court in 1653 decided to pay James Cole for his expense of operating an "ordinary," and provided him with "necessaries" for entertaining strangers. In 1659 the court again paid Cole 10 pounds for improvements in his "ordinary."

James also appeared numerous times in court records as either plaintiff or defendant in various actions involving business contracts and debt collections.

In 1670 the operations of the tavern succeeded to James, Jr., who was not charged the excise tax that year because he was beginning a new business. The operation of the tavern went smoothly after James, Jr. took it over, and there were no more fines for license and liquor violations, although one of the patrons was charged with "drinking, gameing and uncivil revelling" in 1671 when he brought a mare into Cole's parlor. Although James, Jr. was not held responsible he was cautioned to "keep good order in his house ... " with "no revelling there."

There apparently is not recorded of the deaths of James and his wife Mary.

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