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## DESCENDANTS OF ROBERT HEBERT OF SALEM AND BEVERLY, MASS.

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During the latter years of Mr. Smyth's life,\* he paid much attention to tracing out his mother's family, and together with Mr. Hebard prepared a complete genealogy of the Heberts. This is still in manuscript, and from it the following facts are taken. The spelling of the family name is extremely varied, and that of each branch is followed.

\* Hon. Ralph Dunning Smith of Guilford, Conn., whose collections and those of Harvey Hebard, Esq., have been used in preparing this article, died September 11, 1874, in his seventieth year. See Necrology, Register, vol. 29, pp. 326-28.—J. W. D.

We hear of Robert Hebart and his wife Joan first at Salem, Mass., where he was an early settler. His name appeared in the list of settlers for 1646: "Robert Hibberd and wife Joan." Felt (Annals of Salem, ii., 175, 176) states that he was in Salem in 1639, and refers to him as "Robert Hebard, salt-maker." He may have been one of those who came over for the purpose of assisting John Winthrop, Jr., at his salt works. The records of the First Church of Salem state that "Rob't Hebbert and Joanna his wife" were admitted to communion May 3, 1646. In 1659, he ibought thirteen acres of land in Salem from William Hascoll, and is descr bed as "Robert Hibbird, bricklayer." (Essex Deeds, Book i., p. 63.) He later removed to Beverly, and in 1670-1 conveys land there to a married daughter. (Essex Deeds, Book iv., p. 87.) He is then described as "Robert Hibbert, bricklayer." His will is dated April 9,1684 (Essex Probate Records, Book No. 2, Old Series, p. 35), and to it he makes his mark, which, as he could write, shows him to have been very feeble. In the will, he states that he has already made some provision for his children during his life time, and confirms these grants. A life estate in most of the property is given to his wife, and she is made executrix. The inventory of the estate was £281. 6. 6.

1. ROBERT HEBERT was born in England in 1612, and died in Beverly, May 7, 1684. His wife's maiden name and the date of her birth are unknown. She died at Beverly in 1696. Their children, born in Salem, were:

i. Marie, 2 b. Nov. 27, 1641; m. Nicholas Snelling of Gloucester, Nov. 8, 1664.

8, 1664.
2. ii. John, b. Jan. 24, 1642-3; m. (1) Abigail Graves, Oct. 20, 1670; (2)
Ruth Walden, Sept. 16, 1679; (3) Lydia ———, 16—.
iii. Sarah, b. Sept. 26, 1644; d. Nov. 8, 1644.
3. iv. Joseph, bap. May 7, 1648; m. Elizabeth ———.
4. v. Robert, bap. May 7, 1648; m. Mary Walden, 1673.
vi. Johanna, b. Feb. 23, 1651; m. John Swanton of Beverly.
vii. ELIZABETH, b. May 6, 1655, m. Thomas Blackford of Beverly.

viii. ABIGAIL, b. May 6, 1655; m. Thomas Blachford of Beverly. 5. ix. SAMUEL, b. June 20, 1658; m. Mary Bond.

2. John<sup>2</sup> Hebard or Hibbert (Robert<sup>1</sup>) was a carpenter, and lived at Beverly. He died March 27, 1718. In November, 1713, he made over all his property to his son Zaccheus. Thus there was no administration upon his estate. In a deed of property sold by him in 1707, he is described as "husbandman." By his first wife, Abigail Graves, his children were:

i. ZACCHEUS, b. 1671; m. (1) Susannah —, 1721; (2) Jane — 1722.

ii. William, b. 1673. He lived at Salem, was a clothier, and m. Ruth Rose, dau. of Richard of Salem.

iii. MARY, b. 1675; m. Joshua Jewett, probably son of Joseph of Rowley.

iv. George, b. 1678; settled at Rowley; m. Sarah -

By his second wife, Ruth Walden, his children were:

v. John, bap. June 4, 1682; m. Dorothy Graves, June 6, 1708.
 vi. Ruth, b. Aug. 12, 1683.
 vii. ELIZABETH, b. June 19, 1686.

viii. Martha, b. June 2, 1689.

ix. SARAH, b. April 19, 1691; d. May 11, 1700.

x. ROBERT, b, 1695; d. young.

xi. DANIEL, b. 1701; d. at Amenia, 1777.

- 3. JOSEPH<sup>2</sup> HIBBERT (Robert<sup>1</sup>) of Beverly, died May 10, 1701. By his will, dated April 19, 1701, he leaves an estate in most of his property to his wife, to continue till her death or remarriage. The eldest son, Jeremiah, shall assist his mother in the management of the estate, until he is of age, and then shall receive half the income of the estate "to his own particular disposing," if he has proved a "loving and obedient son to his mother." The children of Joseph and his wife Elizabeth were:

  - MARY,<sup>3</sup> b. ——; m. Daniel Collins, May 12, 1692.
     JOANNA, b. 1676; d. Oct. 14, 1678.
     DORCAS, bap. 1692; m. Nathaniel Abbott, youngest son of George of Andover, Oct. 22, 1695. He d. Dec. 1, 1749, and she d. Feb. 7, 1743.
  - iv. ELIZABETH, b. 1692; m. Benjamin Hascall of Gloucester.
  - v. ABIGAIL, b. 1692; d. young. vi. SARAH, bap. 1692; d. 1700.

  - vii. BRIDGET, b. May 11, 1687; m. Matthew Corey (son of Giles Corey?).
  - viii. REBECCA, b. July 13, 1692; m. Joshua Clark.
  - ix. Jeremiah, b. Aug. 9, 1693; m. (1) Mary Derby of Salem, Mass., March 2, 1704; (2) Hannah Leach.
     x. Joseph, b. 1695; m. Mary Stone.
- 4. ROBERT<sup>2</sup> HIBBIRD (Robert<sup>1</sup>) of Beverly and Wenham, Mass., removed from the latter place to Windham, Conn., in 1700, whither his sons Robert and Joseph had removed in 1698. The sons were made townsmen at Windham in August, 1698, and the father brought a letter to the Congregational Church there on October 29, 1700. It is said that many curious incidents occurred in the life of this man, making it quite romantic. He was a person of great activity and energy. His estate was settled in the Probate Court at Hartford, October 2, 1710. He died at Windham, April 29, 1710. His wife, Mary Walden, daughter of Edward of Wenham, died March 7, 1736, aged 81. Their children were all born at Wenham, and
  - MARY,<sup>3</sup> b. Aug. 18, 1674; m. Jonathan Crane (probably son of Jonathan of Norwich), July 31, 1705.
     ii. ROBERT, b. June, 1676; m. Mary Reed, Dec. 3, 1702.
     iii. JOSEPH, b. May 15, 1677; m. Abigail Kendall, April 20, 1698.

  - 11. iv. NATHANIEL, b. 1680; m. Sarah Crane, dau. of Jonathan. 12. v. EBENEZER, b. May, 1682; m. Margaret Morgan, March 16, 1709.
    - vi. Martha, b. February, 1684; m. Ephraim Culver, son of Edward of Norwich.
    - vii. Josian, b. 1686.
    - viii. HANNAH, b. 1691; m. Joseph Talcott. ix. SARAH, b. 1694; d. s.p. Oct. 9, 1762. x. ABIGAIL, b. 1694; d. s.p. 1760. xi. Lydia, b. 1699; d. young, 1706.
- 5. Samuel<sup>2</sup> Hebert (Robert<sup>1</sup>) of Beverly, died intestate April 17, 1702, leaving an estate valued at £128. 2. 2. His wife, Mary Bond, daughter of John of Newbury and Haverhill, administered upon the estate. Their children were:
  - i. Samuel,3 b. March 10, 1681; d. young.
  - ii. ABIGAIL, b. Feb. 24, 1682; m. Daniel Eaton, Jr., probably of Reading. iii. DEBORAH, b. July 19, 1685; m. Ebenezer Russell, 1710. iv. MARY, b. 1686; m. Stephen Danforth of Ipswich.

  - v. Joanna, b. 1688
  - 13. vi. Jonathan, b. May 24, 1691; m. Annah --

- 6. JOHN<sup>8</sup> HEBBERT, Jr. (John, 2 Robert<sup>1</sup>) of Lynn, Beverly, Andover, Haverhill and Methuen, was alive in 1750, when he gave land to his son. The date of his death is not known. The children of John<sup>8</sup> and his wife Dorothy Graves were:
  - i. ELIZABETH,4 b. at Lynn, Feb. 12, 1709.
  - ELIZABETH,<sup>4</sup> b. at Lynn, Feb. 12, 1709.
     EBENEZER, b. at Lynn, March 15, 1710; m. Abigail Whittier, dau. of Richard; lived at Methuen, and d. July, 1789.
     JOHN, b. at Beverly, Nov. 24, 1716; m. Hannah Pattie of Methuen, December, 1742; lived at Methuen, and was a farmer.
     DOROTHY, b. at Andover, April 20, 1720.
     MARTHA, b. at Andover, May 17, 1724.
     JOSEPH, b. at Andover, July 5, 1726; m. Rebecca Sawyer, 1750; lived at Newbury, Vt., and d. 1806. His wife d. 1807.
     DANIEL, b. at Methuen, 1728; m. Ruth Hughes, 1750; lived at Haverhill, Mass., and Middletown, Conn.
     RUTH, b. at Methuen, 1730; d. Feb. 9, 1736.

  - viii. RUTH, b. at Methuen, 1730; d. Feb. 9, 1736.
- 7. Jeremiah<sup>3</sup> Hebert (Joseph,<sup>2</sup> Robert<sup>1</sup>) of Manchester, Mass., "husbandman" and "seaman," died May, 1743. He probably removed from Beverly after the death of his first wife. He died intestate leaving an estate of £289. 6. 0., of which his widow was made administratrix. His children, by his first wife, Mary Derby, were:
  - i. JEREMIAH, 4 b. at Beverly, June 6, 1705; d. young.

  - ii. Mary, b. Nov. 7, 1706; m. ——— Lee.
    iii. Sarah, b. Aug. 27, 1708; m. ——— Leeman.
    iv. Jeremiah, b. July 4, 1712; m. Elizabeth —— -, and d. 1784.
    - By his second wife, Hannah Leach, his children were:
  - v. Joseph, b. Dec. 22, 1723; m. Louisa Ingals (b. June 27, 1725), Oct. 31, 1744, and was a sea captain. On Dec. 15, 1755, he brought the first news to New England of the great earthquake at Lisbon.

  - vi. Hannah, b. May 9, 1725; m. ——— Lee.
    vii. Jenima, b. Oct. 18, 1726; m. ——— Bishop.
    viii. Benjamin, b. May 15, 1728; imbecile; d. s.p.
- 8. Joseph<sup>8</sup> Hebbert (Joseph<sup>2</sup> Robert<sup>1</sup>), a weaver and rope maker, of Beverly, Mass., Preston, Conn., and Salem, Mass., died at the last place, 1746, leaving an estate of £136. 3. 1. The children of Joseph<sup>8</sup> and his wife Mary Stone were:
  - i. HENRY,4 b. at Beverly, July 21, 1717.

  - ii. Samuel, b. at Beverly, April 20, 1719.
    iii. Esther, b. at Beverly, Nov. 15, 1720.
    iv. Jacob, b. at Preston, 1723; m. Rachel Bennett of Gloucester, Mass.,
    Oct. 9, 1747; lived at Gloucester and Watertown, Mass., and d. at the latter place in 1809.
- 9. ROBERT<sup>3</sup> HEBARD (Robert, Robert<sup>1</sup>) of Wenham, Mass., and Windham, Conn., died June 26, 1742. By his wife, Mary Reed (died March 7, 1763, aged 76), he had the following children:
  - i. John, 4 b. Oct. 30, 1704; m. Martha Durkee of Windham, Sept. 22,
  - John,<sup>4</sup> b. Oct. 30, 1704; m. Martha Durkee of Windham, Sept. 22, 1725; lived at Canterbury, Conn., and d. 1762.
     Robert, b. April 30, 1706; m. (1) Ruth Wheelock (dau. of Dea. Ralph and sister of Pres. Eleazer Wheelock) Nov. 6, 1730; (2) Joanna Cleveland, May 12, 1760; lived at Windham, and d. April 12, 1771.
     Josiah, b. Sept. 30, 1708; d. Dec. 19, 1733.
     Samuel, b. May 2, 1710; lived at Windham; d. Nov. 29, 1792; m. (1) Lydia Kingsley, Jan. 17, 1738. She d. April 16, 1747. He m. (2) Mary Burnett, Sept. 27, 1748. She d. April 8, 1809, aged 83.
     Mary, b. Dec. 14, 1711; m. Samuel Lawrence, Nov. 6, 1738.
     Joshua, b. Oct. 19, 1713; m. Ruth Boss. He lived at Windham, Conn., and Hampton, Vt., and d. Dec. 19, 1788.

- vii. David, b. March 19, 1716; m. (1) Elizabeth Swan, Sept. 8, 1743. She d. Feb. 15, 1762. He m. (2) Dorcas Thorpe, Jan. 26, 1763. She d. July 31, 1801, aged 77. He was a farmer, and lived at Killingly, Conn.
- viii. Martha, b. Sept 9, 1718; d. Sept. 23, 1718. ix. Hannah, b. April 22, 1721. x. Seth, b. April 19, 1724.

- JOSEPH<sup>8</sup> HEBARD (Robert, Robert<sup>1</sup>) of Wenham, Mass., and Windham, Conn., died February 28, 1755. He was one of the fifteen who formed the church at Windham, December 10, 1700. By his wife, Abigail Kendall (died December 6, 1756), he had the following children:

  - i. ABIGAIL, b. March 15, 1699; m. —— Thacher.
    ii. JOSEPH, b. Feb. 9, 1701; d. Jan. 26, 1703.
    iii. JOSEPH, b. Jan. 15, 1703: d. May 15, 1751. He was a physician, and lived at Windham. He m. (1) Anna Strickland, 1726. She d. Jan. 31, 1741. He m. (2) widow Martha (Smith) Gould, Feb. 1, 1742. She d. 1801. He was a man of extraordinary perseverance and of creet more) worth. A physician of great learning and skill. and of great moral worth. A physician of great learning and skill, his practice at his death was very extensive. He d. of a protracted fever caused by over exertion, in the manhood of his life.
  - iv. Mary, b. 1705; m. Seth Carey, 1721.

  - IV. MARY, D. 1705; M. Seth Carey, 1721.
     V. JOANNA, b. June 25, 1707.
     Yi. JEMIMA, b. Aug. 16, 1711; m. Martin.
     VII. MEHITABEL, b. Sept. 29, 1713; m. Terrill.
     VIII. RUTH, b. Sept. 30, 1717; m. Shalock.
     ix. Moses, b. April 10, 1719; d. March, 1813; m. Hannah Murdock, March 31, 1744. He lived at Windham, Conn., and Sturbridge, Mass
- 11. NATHANIEL<sup>3</sup> HEBARD (Robert,<sup>2</sup> Robert<sup>1</sup>) of Windham, Conn., died April 26, 1725. His children, by his wife Sarah Crane, were:

  - April 20, 1/23. The children, by his while Sarah Crane, were.

    i. Nathaniel, 4 b. Jan. 3, 1703; d. May 16, 1704.

    ii. Samuel, b. July 21, 1704; d. July 21, 1704.

    iii. Anna, b. May 30, 1705; m. John Gray.

    iv. Deborah, b. May 28, 1707; m, Isaac Robinson.

    v. Nathaniel, b. Oct. 23, 1709; m. Abigail Couch.

    vi. Jonathan, b. Oct. 23, 1709; of Greenwich, Conn.; m. Sarah——.

    vii. Paul, b. March 4, 1712; d. Jan. 12, 1791; lived at Norwich, Conn.

    He m. (1) Deborah Lawrence, Jan. 6, 1735; (2) Martha Dodge,

    dau. of Amos, April 30, 1741. She d. Oct. 22, 1801, aged 89. He

    was for many years sheriff's denuty for Windham Co., and held
  - was for many years sheriff's deputy for Windham Co., and held several responsible offices and trusts.

    viii. Zebulon, b. Feb. 20, 1714; d. July, 1788, leaving an estate inventoried at £1,961. 2. 10. He was captain in the militia, and lived at Windham. He m. Hannah Bass, dau. of John, March 3, 1737.

  - ix. SARAH, b. June 27, 1717; m. Ebenezer Spencer. x. ELISHA, b. Dec. 11, 1719. He lived at Windham, and m. Mary Pal-
  - mer, Aug. 6, 1744.

    xi. Gideon, b. May 2, 1721; lived at Windham, and d. May 2, 1804.

    He m. Elizabeth Kingley, Dec. 14, 1748. She d. Feb. 4, 1814.

    His inventory was £2,255. 54.
- 12. EBENEZER<sup>8</sup> HEBERT (Robert, Robert<sup>1</sup>) of Windham and Scotland, Conn., died October, 1752. By his wife, Margaret Morgan, he had the following children:
  - i. PRUDENCE,4 b. Feb. 3, 1711, at Windham; m. -

  - ii. Margaret, b. May 10, 1713, at Windham; m. Welch.
    iii. Marthan, b. Nov. 16, 1715, at Windham; lived at Scotland, and d.
    1797. He m. (1) Zippora Bushnell, Dec. 14, 1738. She d. January, 1763; (2) widow Irena Warner.

- iv. REUBEN, b. May 21, 1718, at Scotland (Preston).
- 14. v. EBENEZER, b. March 16, 1720, at Scotland (Preston). vi. KEZIAH, b. May 19, 1722.

  - vii. ABIGAIL, b. June 11, 1724; m. Joseph Carey, Dec. 10, 1741. viii. Shubael, b. Aug. 2, 1726, of Middletown, Conn.; m. Margaret Southmayd of Middletown, July 23, 1752, and d. June 28, 1755.
- 13. Jonathan<sup>3</sup> Hibbert (Samuel, Robert<sup>1</sup>) was a tailor, living at Portsmouth, N. H., Coventry, Conn., and Dudley, Mass. He married Annah ——, and died 1751. Their children were:

  - i. Annah, bap. April 7, 1718, at Coventry.
    ii. Jonathan, bap. 1720; of Dudley, Mass.; m. Experience Wafield, 1740.
    iii. Samuel, bap. 1721; of Dudley; m. Mary
    iv. Southwick, bap. 1722; of Dudley; m. Abigail Collier of Shrewsbury, Mass., Feb. 11, 1757.
    v. Seth, bap. 1724; of Woodstock, Conn.; d. Oct. 25, 1761; m. Eunice

  - vi. Mary, bap. 1726; m. Mark Ellwell of Thompson, Conn., April 15,
- 14. Lieut. EBENEZER4 HEBERT, Jr. (Ebenezer, 3 Robert, 2 Robert1) married Hannah Downer, daughter of Dr. Andrew (she died 1779), and was a saddle and harness maker in Lebanon Crank, now Columbia, Conn. He traded in London, and was lost on a passage from England about 1759. Children:
  - 15. i. EBENEZER, 5 b. Sept. 26, 1743; d. April 16, 1802.
    - ii. WILLIAM, b. 1750; d. 1834; m. (1) Bathsheba Strong, Aug. 27, 1769. She d. 1779. He m. (2) Ann Bishop of Bolton, Dec. 24, 1781. She d. 1816. He m. (3) Mrs. —— Phelps of Bolton. iii. Cyprian, b. 1755; m. Sarah Burritt of Stratford, Conn. His name
    - is also spelt Zipperae or Ziphron. He went to Wyoming, Penn., with his mother and stepfather, Caleb Spencer, and was killed in the massacre there, July 3, 1778. Stone's "Poetry and History of Wyoming" and Miner's "History of Wyoming" contain notices of him.
- 15. Lieut. EBENEZER<sup>5</sup> HEBERT (Ebenezer, Ebenezer, Robert, Robert) married Ann Spencer, daughter of Edward, November 9, 1769 (she died October 25, 1838). He was ensign of a picked company called the Roxbury Rangers at the battle of Bunker Hill, June 17, 1775. The next day, he was promoted for bravery for a lieutenancy. He remained with the army until December, when he returned to Bolton, Conn., where he had formerly resided. In February, 1776, he removed with the family of his wife to Wyoming, Penn. He was with Sullivan when he made his inroad upon the Indians in New York. He was out at various times during the war, and was in the field at the time of the famous massacre. After the war, he was one of the pioneers of Kentucky, where he spent some seven years. He returned sick and disabled to Wilkesbarre, where he died, aged 59. His widow died at Loudonville, Ohio. Their children were:
  - i. Oladina,6 b. December, 1770; m. Josiah Pell.
  - ii. Calvin, b. Nov. 26, 1774; m. (1) Mary Tilbury of Wyoming, Penn., 1801. She d. March 8, 1802. He m. (2) Elizabeth Turner of Kingston, Penn., 1806. He d. November, 1852.

    iii. Clara, b. April, 1776; m. (1) Ebenezer Halstead; (2)

  - iv. LOVINE, b. Dec. 24, 1780; m. Richard Smith, Jr., of Southbury, Conn., Dec. 24, 1800. He d. Aug. 8, 1826. She d. Feb. 24, 1844. Ralph<sup>7</sup> Dunning Smyth was her second son.
  - v. Anna, b. 1783; d. July 25, 1846.