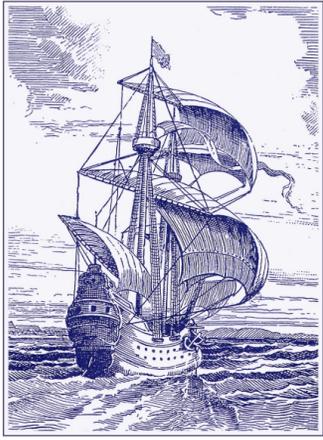


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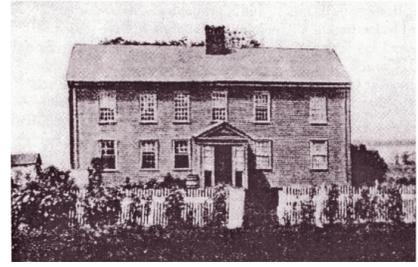


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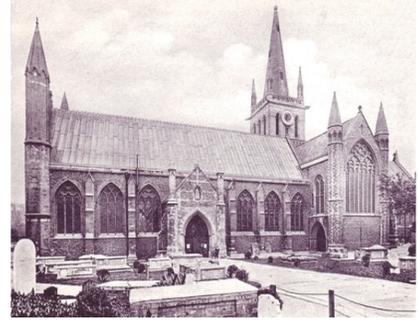


Thomas Cornell; b. county of Essex, England, ca. 1595, d. Portsmouth, RI, ca. 1655. Thomas came to America with his wife and family about 1638, and is first found in Boston records. He followed his friend Rogers Williams to Portsmouth about 1640 and other Quakers to New Amsterdam about 1642. During an Indian uprising in 1643 Cornell's neighbor Anne Hutchinson (the Antinomian martyr) was killed, Cornell's property was burned, and he was forced to flee to Portsmouth. In 1646 he was granted 100 acres by the town of Portsmouth "on the south side of the Wading River," where he built a house called "The Homestead." Thomas and Rebecca were buried there, and the home remained in the Cornell family until the late 19th century.

Rebecca (Briggs?); b. prob. county of Essex, England, 1600, d. Portsmouth, RI, 1673. According to Quaker Records, Rebecca "was killed strangely at Portsmouth in her own dwelling house, was twice viewed by the Coroner's Inquest, dug up and buried again by her husband's grave in their own land." Her son Thomas was charged with her murder, convicted and executed, though she most likely fell asleep and set herself on fire. Among the descendants of Thomas and Rebecca are Lizzie Borden, actresses Betty Grable and Marilyn Monroe, Cornell University founder Ezra Cornell, computer mogul Bill Gates III (world's richest man), Declaration of Independence signer William Ellery, Jr., US First Ladies Frances (Folsom) Cleveland and Elizabeth (Kortright) Monroe, and US Presidents Richard Nixon and Jimmy Carter.



The Cornell home, West Main Road, Portsmouth, RI (where Rebecca Cornell died).



St. Nicholas' Church, Great Yarmouth, Norfolk, consecrated in 1119; it is England's largest parish church.



Christopher Almy, son of **William Almy** and **Audrey Barlow**, all of whom came to Massachusetts on the *Abigail* in 1635; b. Dunton-Bassett, Leicestershire, 1632, d. Newport, RI, 1712/13.

Elizabeth Cornell; b. 1636/37, m. Portsmouth, RI, 1661, d. Newport, RI, 1714.

George (Joris) Woolsey; bapt. St. Nicholas' Church, Great Yarmouth, Norfolk, England, 1616, d. Jamaica, Long Island, NY, 1698.

Rebecca Cornell; bapt. Saffron Walden, Essex, England, 1629, m. New Amsterdam, NY, 1647, d. Jamaica, Long Island, NY, 1713.

William Almy; b. Portsmouth, RI, 1665, d. Tiverton, RI, 1747.

Deborah Cook; b. Portsmouth, RI, ca. 1668, m. 1688, d. prob. Tiverton, RI, before 1723.

Capt. William Hallett, Jr., son of **William Hallett** and **Elizabeth Fones**; b. Greenwich, CT, 1648, d. 1729. Elizabeth's life is chronicled in *The Winthrop Woman*, by Anya Seton.

Sarah Woolsey; b. Flushing, Queens Co, NY, 1650, m. Newtown, Long Island, NY, 1669, d. Newtown, 1734.

Job Almy; b. Tiverton, RI, 1696, d. Dartmouth, MA, 1777.

Lydia Tillinghast; b. prob. Providence, RI, ca. 1700, m. Tiverton, RI, 1717, d. Dartmouth, MA, 1774.

James Jackson, son of **Col. John Jackson** and **Elizabeth Seaman**; b. Hempstead, Long Island, NY, ca. 1670, d. Flushing, Queens Co, NY, 1735.

Rebecca Hallett; b. Hallett's Cove (now Astoria), Queens Co, NY, 1675, m. Hallett's Cove, 1694, d. Rocky Hill, Flushing, 1730.

Joseph Almy; b. Dartmouth, MA, 1727, d. Cambridge, Washington Co, NY, 1824.

Abigail Sisson; b. Tiverton, RI, 1731, m. Dartmouth, MA, 1750, d. after 1774.

Benjamin Jackson; b. prob. Flushing, Queens Co, NY, 1719, d. Chesterfield Co, SC.

Mary Lively Rushing; b. Isle of Wight Co, VA, ca. 1726.

Benjamin Almy; b. Dartmouth, MA, 1761.

Hepzibah _____; b. ca. 1768, m. Dutchess Co, NY, 1781.

Edward Jackson; b. Craven (later Chesterfield) Co, SC, 1755, d. Waterville, Walker Co, GA, 1845.

Charity "Polly" Hill; b. Cheraw Dist, SC, ca. 1760, m. Chesterfield Co, SC, 1780, d. Chesterfield Co, 1799.

Almon Almy; b. ca. 1805, d. Forest, Hardin Co, OH, 1861.

Sarah Cross; b. ca. 1813, m. Washington Co, NY, 1837, d. after 1860.

George Brogdon; b. TN, 1783, d. 1869. He settled in Gwinnett Co, GA, about 1820.

Sarah Jackson; b. prob. SC, 1791, m. 1807, d. 1864.

John P. C. Dycus; b. OH, 1825, d. Forest, OH, 1894.

Hannah Almy; b. NY, 1839, m. Kankakee Co, IL, 1859, d. OH, 1864.

Hope Jackson Brogdon; b. 1813, d. 1873.

Emily Bogan; b. Suwanee, Gwinnett Co, GA, 1816, m. 1833, d. 1883.

Almon Leroy Dycus; b. Hancock Co, OH, 1860, d. Forest, OH, 1940.

Alice Armstrong; b. AL, 1870, m. Moreland, Winston Co, AL, 1908, d. Haleyville, Winston Co, 1917.

Emanuel Sudderth; b. Gwinnett Co, GA, 1829, d. 1916.

Sarah Caroline Brogdon; b. GA, 1833, m. 1852, d. 1886.

Benjamin Franklin Jones; b. Borden Springs, Cleburne Co, AL, 1906, d. Birmingham, AL, 1965.

Lillie Iloma Dycus; b. Moreland, AL, 1909, m. Nesmith, Winston Co, AL, 1927, d. Birmingham, AL, 1962.

John Clower Sudderth; b. GA, 1877, d. Birmingham, Jefferson Co, AL, 1953.

Mary Floy Grogan; b. GA, 1884, m. 1903, d. Birmingham, Jefferson Co, AL, 1973.

Ivan Charles Dowdey, son of **Frank Lincoln Dowdey** and **Perry Catherine Leath**; b. Birmingham, AL, 1926.

Benna Jean Jones; b. Birmingham, AL, 1928, m. Birmingham, 1947.

Henry Alexander Wildsmith; b. Birmingham, AL, 1909, d. Birmingham, 1965.

Elizabeth Sudderth; b. Birmingham, AL, 1913, m. Birmingham, 1934, d. Birmingham, 2003.

Benjamin Charles Dowdey, M.D., F.A.C.E.P.; b. Birmingham, AL, 1948.

Susan Lee Wildsmith; b. Birmingham, AL, 1953, m. Birmingham, 1979.

Amy Elizabeth Dowdey; b. Birmingham, AL, 1981.

