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# THE DESCENDANTS OF ADAM MOTT

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### INTRODUCTORY NOTE

The writer, in the following pages, presents to those interested in the Mott Family of Long Island a condensed statement of what has been accomplished in the preparation of the Genealogy of the Descendants of Adam of Hempstead.

Since the distribution of the first edition of these pages in 1899 some errors therein have been detected, new lines of descent have been determined, and some questions then in abeyance have been decided. This edition, as was its predecessor, is issued for free distribution in order to call the interest and cooperation of others.

Very many of those bearing the same surname, and presumably descended from Adam Mott, fail to trace their lines back to him. There are two reasons for this,—first, the almost entire absence of early public vital statistics, and,—second, the frequent and persistent occurrence of the same christian names in the family, sufficient in itself to baffle the most careful and patient attempt to identify the individuals. It is only by the collection of as large a number as is possible of family and bible manuscript records of undeniable authenticity, and by their careful study and comparison, that satisfactory results can be expected. The writer urges all those to whom this paper shall come, in the interest of their clan, to contribute copies of such records as they may possess, and supply him with other information that may place him in position to insure the best results of his labor.

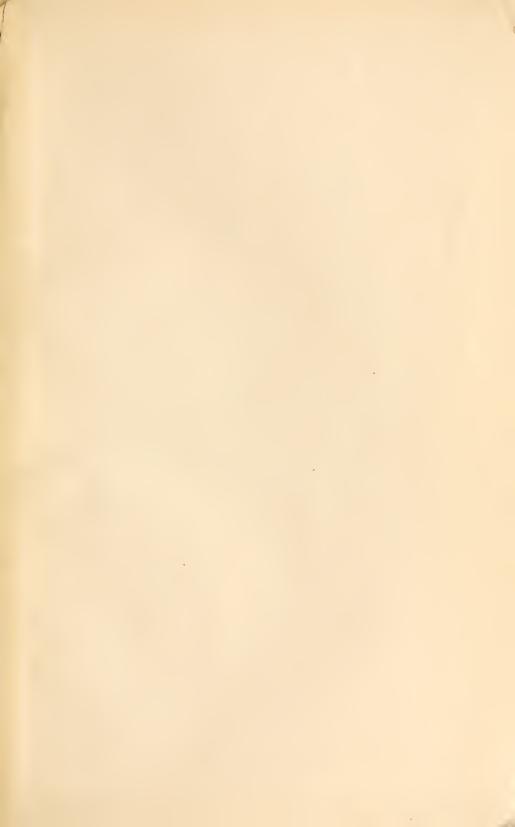
Beside the known and the presumptive descendants of Adam Mott on Long Island there are others of the name there of undeniably different origin. Contemporary with Adam of Hempstead two others of the name were there, Cornelius, whose stay was short, and who appears to have entered service against the Indians on the mainland, and is not afterwards heard of,—and another, called Lorus or Lowras, later Lawrens and Lawrence, who ultimately settled in Oyster Bay. He had two or three sons, Thomas² (wife Deborah), John² (wife Margaret) the carpenter of Wolver Hollow, and, apparently, Adam². Descendants have lived in that vicinity for many years. The late John Anderson Nichols Mott of Brooklyn was of this stock, as was Jarvis of Brooklyn, and the Motts of Mt. Vernon.

The Northport Motts, and those of Sagharbor and East Hampton, derive from Jacob (wife Deborah) whose origin, I believe, is not determined.

Descendants of Adam (wife Sarah) of Essex Co., Mass., a co-temporary of Adam of Hempstead, passed to Rhode Island, Block Island and Connecticut, and occasional individuals have crossed to Long Island to perplex the genealogist.

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# THE DESCENDANTS OF ADAM MOTT,

OF HEMPSTEAD, LONG ISLAND.

Adam Mott is first heard of in 1645, when he was of New York. On the 28th of July, 1647, he married there, Jane Hulet, he then as from county Essex, and she, a maid, from county Buckingham. His oldest children Adam and James were baptized in New York. years later he was settled at Hempstead, on the north shore, where he continued to reside until his death. There are several important documents upon record concerning him. One, dated 1682, enumerates his "four sonns by my First wiffe Jane Mott, viz. Addam, Jeams, John and Joseph." The second is his Will, dated March 12, 1681-2, wherein he names his "eldest son Adam," sons James, John, Joseph and Gershom, dau. Grace, three children of his deceased son Henry, "voungest son Adam," wife Elizabeth and "all ye children I have by her." The third document is an agreement dated 1691 by which the widow confirms certain lands to sons by the first marriage, viz. Adam, James, John and Joseph, being joined therein by one of her own sons, Richbell, probably the only one then of age. The last of these documents is a release given by John Okeson, in 1703, (who had meantime married the youngest daughter by the second wife,) of his interest in the estate which Adam Mott "did give to his six voungest children which he had by his last wife Elizabeth, unto Richbell Mott, William Mott, Charles Mott and Adam Mott, Jr.

The second wife of Adam Mott was the daughter of Ann, the wife of John Richbell of Mamaroneck, probably by a previous husband whose name was Redman. She married not long prior to Nov. 5, 1691, Robert Hubs, and was living as late as 1698, as his wife.

Adam Mott died probably a little while before Apr. 5, 1690.

His children were:—

Adam<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Grace<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Gershom<sup>2</sup>, by the first wife, and Richbell<sup>2</sup>, Maryanne<sup>2</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>2</sup>, and Adam<sup>2</sup>,

by the second wife.

Of the daughters, Grace married Jonathan Smith, Jr., and Eliza-

beth mar. John Okeson.

Adam<sup>2</sup>, the oldest son, was bapt, in New York Nov. 14, 1649. His wife seems to have been Mary, the dau, of Nicholas Stillwell. He was of Hempstead, a Justice of the Peace, and in 1713 was living at the south side, at Rockaway. Nothing is known of him or of his wife after 1719. The only children known as his were Ann<sup>3</sup>, Mary<sup>3</sup>, and Adam<sup>3</sup>, all on the census list of 1698. Of the daus, nothing is known. The son Adam<sup>3</sup> had, some time before 1719, married his half cousin Elizabeth Mott, and was living at Rockaway, but later was of Staten Island, where he was the county clerk from 1728 to 1738. He was afterwards "of the Province of Pennsylvania, gentleman," and died sometime before March 1749, when his widow gave the administration bond. She made her Will in 1777 (proved 1778) then of



Staten Is. Their children were Elizabeth<sup>4</sup>, who before 1743 had mar. Benj. Seaman, and Richbell<sup>4</sup>, who mar. 1736 Mary Seamans, dan, of Richard and Sarah, and died before July 11, 1745, leaving a son Richbell<sup>5</sup>.

Nothing further has been learned of this branch of the family. The residence on Staten Island, place of burial, and particulars of

the descendants of Adam<sup>3</sup> and Elizabeth are much desired.

James<sup>2</sup>, the second son of Adam<sup>1</sup>, was bapt, in New York Oct. 15, 1651. A license was granted Sep. 5, 1670, for his marriage to Mary Redman, the daughter-in-law (step-daughter) of John Richbell. He was living at Hempstead in 1682, but had removed to Mamaroneck in 1690, where his wife died before 1698. He married again Elizabeth ———— who survived him and administered his estate 1707. His children were Elizabeth<sup>3</sup>, Grace<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>3</sup>, Phebe<sup>3</sup>, and Martha<sup>3</sup>, all living in 1698. The son James<sup>3</sup>, was of Mamaroneck in 1728, but nothing further of this branch has been learned. The Motts of Mamaroneck in the next century were descendants of Richbell<sup>2</sup>.

Henry<sup>2</sup>, (probably the third) son of Adam<sup>1</sup> Mott died Nov. 21, 1680, and administration was issued to his widow Hannah Nov. 13, 1682. His real estate was a house and seventeen acres of land at Hempstead. Three minor children were living in 1682, their names unknown. Nothing further is known of them, and in 1698 none appears on the census list of Hempstead, unless the Grace Mott, living

in family of John Cornwell, was a daughter.

John<sup>2</sup>, son of Adam<sup>1</sup> Mott, born about 1658, mar. Sarah, daughter of John Seaman, was of Hempstead, and had living in 1698 children John<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>3</sup>, Sarah<sup>3</sup>, and Martha<sup>3</sup>, and two sons born later, Patrick<sup>3</sup> and Henry<sup>3</sup>. He is traced to the year 1727, and then disappears from the record. It has not been possible as yet to identify a John of Hempstead with wife Rebecca, as his son, although there is a strong probability of the connection. Nor is the son James<sup>3</sup> traced. One James was of Hempstead, whose son James mar. Anna Rogers at Huntington in 1723 and gave rise to a long line of descendants, but the connection with John<sup>2</sup> is problematical. The discovery of John's bible or family record is very much to be hoped for, and it seems highly probable that some Long Island home will yet prove to be its possessor, and so solve many perplexing questions.

Of Patrick<sup>3</sup>, who was a man of prominence in Hempstead (south), we know strangely little. He was born 1698-1701, was certainly alive in 1771, and dead in 1775. He, or a son of the same name, had wife Deborah who died 1792, aged 64. One Patrick, perhaps a grandson, and certainly son of a William, died in 1845, then of New York,

aged 55, leaving son Richard Wood and daughter Mary W.

Henry<sup>3</sup>, born about 1702, was of Rockaway. His will was made in 1767. His children then living were Adam<sup>4</sup>, Hannah<sup>4</sup>, the wife of a Lewes, Abigail<sup>4</sup>, the wife of a Foster, Henry<sup>4</sup>, Sarah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>,

Mary<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, and Elizabeth<sup>4</sup>.

Adam<sup>4</sup>, named as the executor of his father's Will, but of whom we know little, was of Woodsburgh, d. about 1790, the father of Henry H.<sup>5</sup> (who mar. Mary Seaman and died 1844 leaving children



Henry<sup>6</sup>, Adam<sup>6</sup>, David Seaman<sup>6</sup>, Hannah<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>6</sup>, Abigail<sup>6</sup>, Mary<sup>6</sup>, and Jane<sup>6</sup>), and Adam<sup>5</sup>, who removed to Renssalaer Co. N. Y.

Henry<sup>4</sup>, the second son, born Nov. 22, 1730, was of Hempstead, mar. Mary Southard and died 1768, about the time his father did. The widow married Garret Burtis and removed to Dutchess Co. The sons were William<sup>5</sup>, Henry<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>5</sup>, and Samuel<sup>5</sup>. William<sup>5</sup> was of Verbank, Dutchess Co., married Lutetia Losee, and died 1799; descendants are now of Poughkeepsie. Of Henry<sup>5</sup> and James<sup>5</sup> nothing can be gathered; their descendants must be looked for in Dutchess Co. Samuel<sup>5</sup>, b. after his father's death, in 1768, married Meribeth Richetson and died in Durham, Greene Co., 1842. His children were Henry<sup>6</sup>, of Gorham, Rowland<sup>6</sup>, of Greene Co. and later of Poughkeepsie, where his son Samuel<sup>7</sup> now lives, Ricketson<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>6</sup>, mar. Morgan Jones, Jane<sup>6</sup>, mar. Edmund Brant, and Ruth<sup>6</sup>, mar. Gilbert Titus.

Richard<sup>4</sup>, the third son of Henry, was of Valley Stream and alive in 1768. He had two sons, Elkanah<sup>5</sup>, born 1761, died 1822, with no issue, and Richbell<sup>5</sup>, a tobacconist of New York, and later of Far

Rockaway with son Stephen<sup>6</sup> of whom we know nothing.

John<sup>4</sup>, the youngest son of Henry, born Apr. 17, 1748, was of Far Rockaway. He was married twice, first to Martha Sammis, and last to Lucy Nichols. He was the owner of large real estate and the father of Sammis<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>5</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>, Calvin 11.<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, and Benjamin Birdsall<sup>5</sup>. Most of the Motts of Far Rockaway are of this stock.

Joseph<sup>2</sup> (probably the fifth) son of Adam<sup>1</sup> Mott, was of Cow Neek, a vestryman of St. George's parish, and had wife Mariam. His Will was made Mar. 24, 1734-5 and was proved in Feb. following. His children were Mariam<sup>3</sup> married Samuel Cornell, Jane<sup>3</sup> mar. Benj. Seamans, and three sons, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup> and Jacob<sup>3</sup> (the last born

Aug. 9, 1714 or '15). All had issue.

Joseph<sup>3</sup>, the oldest, born 1696 or earlier, mar, his half cousin Deborah<sup>3</sup>, dau. of Richbell<sup>2</sup> Mott, and for 2d wife, June 3, 1759, Cathren Boerum. He was vestryman of St. George's from 1743 to '9. He removed to Charlotte Precinct, Dutchess Co., and made a Will in 1762, which was proved in 1765. His children by first wife were Richard<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Martha<sup>4</sup> who mar. James Valentine, Jane<sup>4</sup> who mar. Timothy Smith, Elizabeth who mar. Samuel Smith, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, and Jemima<sup>4</sup> who mar. John Cannon. By second wife there were Richard (2d), Jacob and Catherine. Richard, the eldest, remained in Hempstead, mar. Elizabeth Smith and died 1757-8 without issue. Joseph<sup>4</sup>, mar. Jan. 19, 1748-9 Phebe Smith, had a son Joseph<sup>5</sup>, and was living in Charlotte Precinct 1767 and in Clinton 1789. The father and son, together with Samuel<sup>4</sup> and Jacob<sup>4</sup>, the younger brothers of Joseph<sup>4</sup> all being Tories, went, soon after, to the northwestern part of Vermont, and settled in that part of Caldwell's Manor which is now Alburgh. Their descendants are numerous both on the Canadian side and in the northern counties of Vermont and New York. Of Richard (2d) nothing has been learned.

Samuel<sup>3</sup>, the second son of Joseph<sup>2</sup>, was born in 1707, married May 27, 1728 Martha Smith. He died Feb. 15, 1736-7, leaving a

Will of the previous Dec. 21, in which his wife and "children" are mentioned. The widow married John Hicks. Nothing whatever has been learned of his descendants, not even the names of his children, but it is probable that some of the families of the name now

in the neighborhood of Hempstead are of this branch.

Jacob<sup>3</sup>, the voungest son of Joseph<sup>2</sup>, was born Aug. 7, 1714 or He was first of Cow Neek, and later of Oyster Bay, and the progenitor of several prolific lines. He married, July 16, 1735, Abigail Jackson. In 1763 he was a petitioner to the town of Hempstead in behalf of St. George's parish for a plot adjoining the burial ground to increase its capacity. He served the Colony as captain of Queen's Co. militia, and voted Nov. 7, 1775 for deputies to the Provincial Congress. On Jan. 1, 1776, with thirty of his Cow Neck neighbors he signed "the form of association," recommended the previous April, which bound the signers "under all the ties of religion, honor, and love of country, to adopt and endeavor to carry into execution whatever measures may be recommended by the Continental Congress or resolved on by our Provincial Convention for the purpose of preserving our constitution and opposing the execution of the several arbitrary and oppressive acts of the British Parliament." died Oct. 6, 1805, his will being dated at Oyster Bay, Aug. 23, 1803. Of his thirteen children seven only lived to maturity, Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Ruth<sup>4</sup>, who mar, successively Jordan Lawrence and Stephen Coles, Samuel Jackson<sup>4</sup>, Jacob<sup>4</sup>, Miriam<sup>4</sup>, who mar. Benjamin Birdsall, Richard<sup>4</sup>, and Joseph<sup>4</sup>.

Isaac<sup>4</sup>, the oldest, born May 6, 1743, married Anne Coles, daughter of Joseph and Freelove (Weeks) Coles. Her benevolence was actively exerted to relieve the necessities and sufferings of American prisoners during the Revolution, and she was made the recipient of a table cloth, now cherished by her descendants, which was given her by some officers confined in the Sugar House (for sketch of her life see N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Record, Jan. and April, 1905). Isaac Mott died in 1780, leaving issue, Samuel Coles<sup>5</sup>, of Sing Sing, Jordan<sup>5</sup>, of New

York, Jacob Coles<sup>5</sup>, of New York, and Jernsha<sup>5</sup>.

Of these, Samuel Coles<sup>5</sup>, b. Nov. 19, 1766, drowned Oct. 30, 1839, mar. Mary Leonard, who d. Nov. 22, 1826; issue, seven children, of whom Samuel Leonard<sup>6</sup>, b. Aug. 16, 1803, d. Mar. 29, 1871, mar. Lavinia, dau. of Rev. George and Jerusha<sup>5</sup> (Mott) Strebeck. Jordan<sup>5</sup>, b. Feb. 6, 1768, mar. (1) Elizabeth, dan. of James Ellison of Hempstead (see Allison Family Gen. p. 245), no issue, and (2) Lavinia (Winifred) dau. of James Striker of Striker's Bay, by whom he had seven sons; he was a merchant of Pearl St. N. Y., and first treasurer of St. Stephen's P. E. Church. Jacob Coles<sup>5</sup>, b. Jan. 5, 1770, mar. Mary Green Smith, was a leather dresser in the Swamp, and first clerk of St. Stephen's. Jerusha<sup>5</sup>, b. Feb. 5, 1772, mar. Rev. George Strebeck, and died 1811. He was the translator of the Lutheran catechism, pastor of Zion Lutheran Church (now a component part of Zion and St. Timothy), and founder and first rector of St. Stephen's in N. Y. He was also rector of Grace Church, Jamaica, and principal of a young ladies' school at Fredericksburg, Va.

Samuel Jackson<sup>1</sup>, second son of Jacob<sup>3</sup>, born Feb. 6, 1753, lived at North Hempstead, married Glorianna Coles, and died about 1828.

His children were James<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Mirinm<sup>5</sup>, the wife of John Carpenter, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, the wife of Charles Kissam, Benjamin<sup>5</sup>, Mary<sup>5</sup>, the wife of Titus Boerum, Abigail<sup>5</sup>, the wife of Timothy Townsend, and Jacob C.<sup>5</sup>

Jacob<sup>4</sup>, the third son of Jacob<sup>3</sup>, born June 30, 1756, was of New York, and an alderman, married Deborah Lawrence, and died Aug. 16, 1823. He had four sons, William Lawrence<sup>5</sup>, grocer, of New York, and the grandfather of Rey, George 8.7 Mott, of Newark, Richard Lawrence<sup>5</sup>, of New York, Jacob Lawrence<sup>5</sup>, Quaker preacher, of Tarrytown (bought in 1826, and occupied, the house there made famous by Irving, in which Ichabod Crane courted Katrina van Tassel), and Jordan Lawrence<sup>5</sup>, of New York, the father of the present Jordan L.<sup>6</sup>, of Mott Haven.

Richard<sup>4</sup>, the fourth son of Jacob<sup>3</sup>, born May 9, 1761, was of Roslyn, died Nov. 1, 1814, and had Jacob S.<sup>5</sup>, of Roslyn, Abigail<sup>5</sup>, wife of Jacob Kirby, Elisha S.<sup>5</sup>, Phebe<sup>5</sup>, wife of Samuel Kissam.

Joseph<sup>4</sup>, the youngest son of Jacob<sup>3</sup>, born Aug. 21, 1763, had died

before 1803, leaving a minor daughter Phebe<sup>5</sup>.

Gershom<sup>2</sup>, the youngest son of Adam<sup>1</sup> Mott by his first wife, had removed to Monmouth, N. J., before 1685, married Catherine Bowne, was high-sheriff and member of the Provincial Assembly, and died about 1733. None of his descendants appear later in Long Island. The late General Gershom<sup>6</sup> Mott was the great grandson of his son William<sup>2</sup>. A notice of this branch of the family is in the N. Y. Gen. & Biographical Record of 1894.

Richbell<sup>2</sup>, the oldest son of Adam<sup>1</sup> Mott by his second wife, was of Great Neck. He married, 1696, Elizabeth Thorne, and died in the fall of 1734. His children were Edmund<sup>3</sup>, Richbell<sup>3</sup>, who apparently died soon after his majority and unmarried, Elizabeth<sup>3</sup>, the wife of Adam<sup>3</sup> Mott of Staten 18... Mary<sup>3</sup>, wife of Jo. Treadwell, Richard<sup>3</sup>, Ann<sup>3</sup>, the wife successively of Daniel Kissam and Jotham Townsend, Jemima<sup>3</sup>, wife of Stephen Wood, Kezia<sup>3</sup>, wife of John Jackson, and

Deborah<sup>3</sup>, wife of Joseph<sup>3</sup> Mott of Dutchess Co.

Edmund<sup>3</sup>, the oldest son, was of Cow Neck. He married Catherine Sands in 1726 and died in 1743. They were Friends. Besides the oldest child Margaret<sup>4</sup>, Westbury records give births of Richbell<sup>1</sup>, 1728, Edmund<sup>4</sup>, 1730, and John<sup>4</sup>, 1732. Richbell<sup>4</sup> was of Hempstead (north), mar. 1749 Deborah Dodge, and d. 1758 leaving two daughters only. Edmund<sup>4</sup>, a mariner, mar. 1753 Deborah Sands and died without issue. John<sup>4</sup> was of Cow Neck, d. 1781 without issue,

and probably unmar.

Richard<sup>3</sup>, the other surviving son, married 1741 Sarah Pearsall, was of Hempstead where he bought the Robinson mill property of Thomas Pearsall, and of N. Y., called "bolter." He died Aug. 15, 1743 and his widow married Richard Alsop in 1747. The only child was James<sup>4</sup>, b. 8, 8, 1742, merehant, of Beckman St., N. Y., and of Mamaroneck. He mar. 1765, Mary Underhill, and died May 7, 1823 in N. Y. His children were Richard<sup>5</sup>, b. 1767, Quaker preacher of Mamaroneck, Anne<sup>5</sup>, b. 1768, mar. Adam<sup>4</sup> Mott of the youngest branch, Robert<sup>5</sup>, b. 1771, the N. Y. merehant, and Samuel,<sup>5</sup> b. 1773, of N. Y. and Brooklyn. All were Friends. Their descendants have been made known by the publication of Mr. Cornell's book

"Adam & Anne Mott," a dan. of this James being the Anne of the narrative.

William<sup>2</sup> Mott, the second son of Adam<sup>1</sup> by the second wife, was born Jan. 20, 1674. His wife was Hannah Ferris. They lived at Great Neck, where he died June 30, 1740. Issue were an only son William<sup>3</sup>, Hannah<sup>3</sup>, wife of Philip Pell, Martha<sup>3</sup>, and Elizabeth<sup>3</sup>, both of whom died unmarried.

William<sup>3</sup>, the only son, born 1709, was of Great Neck and mar. 6, 18, 1742, Elizabeth, dau. of Henry and Mary Allen (not Elizabeth Valentine, as often told). Their children that survived childhood were William<sup>4</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>4</sup>, mar. David Underhill, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Henry<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, and Hannah<sup>4</sup> who d. unmar. 1805.

William<sup>4</sup>, the oldest, b. 8, 1, 1743, merchant of 240 Water St., N. Y., mar. Mary Willis, and d. at Great Neck 30, 3, 1825, leaving three sons, William Willis<sup>5</sup>, b. 1791, Robert Willis<sup>5</sup>, b. 1796, and James Willis<sup>5</sup>, b. 1799, all merchants of New York. Samuel<sup>4</sup> was a New York merchant, mar. Sarah Franklin, and was father of William F.<sup>5</sup> and Samuel F.<sup>5</sup> The present John L. B.<sup>7</sup> Mott of New York is of this branch. Henry<sup>4</sup> was the distinguished physician, married Jane Way, and was the father of John Way<sup>5</sup> and the well known Dr. Valentine<sup>5</sup> Mott who died in 1865.

James<sup>4</sup> and Richard<sup>4</sup> died probably unmar., certainly with no surviving issue. Joseph<sup>4</sup> mar. Abigail Thorne and d. 1801, leaving Joseph S.<sup>5</sup>, and a posthumous dan. Susan<sup>5</sup>, who mar. Isaac S. Allen. Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, associated in business in N. Y. with his brother Joseph<sup>4</sup>, mar. Elizabeth Akerly and d. 1816 leaving Benjamin A.<sup>5</sup>, Alfred A.<sup>5</sup>, and Eliza A.<sup>5</sup> who mar. Wm. H. Titus. For a complete account of this branch of the family see article by the writer in N. Y. Gen. &

Biog. Record. XXXVI, p. 239.

Charles<sup>3</sup>, the eldest, born in 1696 or earlier, had wife Deborah before 1729, settled on his father's tract at Kakiat and was dead in 1748, leaving three sons, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, of whom we know nothing, and Sylvanus<sup>4</sup>, who was probably the Haverstraw man of that name who made his Will in 1785. The surname still is found about Haverstraw, but documentary proof is wanted to complete the connection.

Gershom<sup>3</sup>, the second son of Charles<sup>2</sup> Mott, was also a settler at Kakiat, with his wife Ruth. He died 1758–9, and his Will tells us his issue were Solomon<sup>4</sup>, Gershom<sup>4</sup>, Mary<sup>4</sup>, the wife of Peter Lott, Elizabeth<sup>4</sup>, the wife of a Clark, Charles<sup>4</sup> and Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, all of whom were alive in 1758. Solomon<sup>4</sup> was of Kingwood, X. J., and I think his only son Gershom<sup>5</sup> died without male issue. Gershom<sup>4</sup> was also at Kingwood, and later at Baltimore, where he died in 1772. Of Charles<sup>4</sup> and Benjamin<sup>4</sup> nothing is found in the Orange Co. records.

Jacob<sup>a</sup>, Amos<sup>a</sup>, and Benjamin<sup>a</sup>, the third, fourth and fifth sons of Charles<sup>2</sup> Mott, all died before 1748 without issue.

Adam<sup>3</sup>, the sixth son of Charles<sup>2</sup>, was perhaps the same man that married Elizabeth Smith and lived at Cow Neck. He certainly was the father of Jacob<sup>4</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup> and Mary Ann<sup>5</sup>, all alive

in 1748, but nothing further is known of them.

John<sup>3</sup>, the seventh son of Charles<sup>2</sup>, was alive in 1748 with two children, Mary Ann<sup>1</sup> and Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, but nothing further is known of father or children. The fact that this Benjamin<sup>4</sup> inherited lands at Cape Fear, N. C., from his bachelor uncle Benjamin<sup>3</sup> suggests the thought that the Wilmington, N. C., Motts of to-day may be his descendants.

Adam<sup>2</sup>, the youngest son of Adam<sup>1</sup> Mott, lived at Cow Neck. He mar. 1732 Phebe Willets and died Dec. 10, 1738. They were Friends.

His two sons were Adam<sup>3</sup> and Stephen<sup>3</sup>.

Adam<sup>3</sup>, older son of Adam<sup>2</sup> Mott, born 10, 10, 1734, was of Cow Neck, (North) Hempstead, married 1755 Sarah Willis, and secondly, 1785, Abigail Batty. He died 12, 18, 1790. His two sons Adam<sup>4</sup> and Samuel<sup>4</sup> both left male issue. Adam<sup>4</sup>, born (10), 11. 1762, mar 1785, Anne<sup>5</sup>, dau. of James Mott, of the Richbell<sup>2</sup> Mott branch, and died at Rochester 1839. Their children were James, Sarah<sup>5</sup>, the wife of Silas Cornell, Mary W.5, the wife of Robert Hicks, Abigail L.5, wife of Lindley M. Moore, and Richard5. The eldest of these, James<sup>5</sup>, born 6, 20, 1788, married Lucretia Coffin, who was afterwards famous as a lecturer and preacher. Their son, Thomas6, of Radnor, near Philadelphia, is the oldest representative of the youngest branch of Adam<sup>1</sup> Mott's family, and is without male issue. The youngest son of Adam<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>, born July 21, 1804, removed to Toledo, where he became a prominent citizen, and died 1888 without male issue.

Samuel, the younger son of Adam, born 9, 29, 1773, married Catherine Appleby and lived at Cow Neck. He died in 1864. His issue were Leonard, Thomas, Sarah, the wife of Benjamin Willis, and Silas, Leonard, the oldest, born 1799, married Hannah C. Willis and died in 1866; his sons Edward, and Samuel, are of Port Washington. Thomas, born 1891, died unmar. 1860. Silas, the youngest of the family, born 4, 4, 1807, married Mary Willis, and died 1881, leaving an only son, Thomas, born 7, 24, 1845, mar. Martha Willets, and for many years has occupied the old Mott homestead on the west shore of Hempstead Harbor.

Stephen<sup>3</sup>, the youngest child of Adam<sup>2</sup>, born (2) 1, 1736, was of Cow Neek. His wife was Amy Willis. He died 11, 11, 1813. His issue were Daniel<sup>4</sup>, Phebe<sup>4</sup>, Mary<sup>4</sup>, Jane<sup>4</sup>, Abigail<sup>4</sup>, Stephen<sup>4</sup> who

died a child, and Henry4.

Daniel<sup>4</sup>, the eldest, born 10, 10, 1763, married Amy Searing and died 1837, leaving a large family of children. Of his sons, Stephen<sup>5</sup> was of Battle Creek, Mich., where his descendants still live, John<sup>5</sup> was of the West with female issue only, and Joseph Prior<sup>5</sup> was of Auburn, N. Y., father of Rev. William Lucas<sup>6</sup> Mott of Modisto, Cal. Henry<sup>4</sup>, the youngest child of Stephen<sup>3</sup>, born 7, 17, 1782, married Temperance Hicks 1811, and died 8, 17, 1851, leaving three children, Adam<sup>5</sup>, (born 1813, died 1881, whose son George F<sup>6</sup>, is of Brooklyn.)

Benjamin<sup>5</sup>, who died childless in 1891, and Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, the wife of Henry II. Barrow.

Among the many branches of the Motts that are not, as yet, to be connected, indisputably, with the parent stock is a large detachment descended from one John of Hempstead by his wife Rebecca. He was born as early as in 1685, and died 1750–1, at Hempstead. It is likely that he was the oldest son of John<sup>2</sup>. Proof of the connection should be carefully sought among the private records about Hempstead. His Will, proved 1751, furnishes the only authentic record of the family that has yet appeared. His children were John<sup>4</sup>, died in his father's life time, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Jacob<sup>4</sup>, Sarah<sup>4</sup>, Martha<sup>4</sup>, Jehu<sup>4</sup>, Rebecca<sup>4</sup>, Phebe<sup>4</sup>, and Micajah<sup>4</sup>.

Jacob<sup>4</sup>, son of John<sup>3</sup> and Rebecca, was of Bethpage, married Keziah Seaman, and died about 1782. Of his children, Jacob S.<sup>5</sup> was merchant of New York, and seems to have died 1820, leaving only two daughters. Samuel Nottingham<sup>5</sup>, the other son, married Phebe Gedney, was a merchant of New York and father of John Gedney<sup>6</sup> of New York, whose son Lawrence Proudfoot<sup>7</sup> died in New York 1897, leaving only son, the present Lewis Camp<sup>8</sup> Mott of New York.

1745, died 1824, married Abigail Hall. Their son John<sup>6</sup>, born 1783, married Hannah Townsend and died 1848, leaving many descendants.

Jehu<sup>4</sup>, the next son of John and Rebecca, was born 9, 26, 1723, married Ruth Powell, was a Quaker preacher, and died 1782, leaving two sons, John<sup>5</sup> and Jehu<sup>5</sup>. John<sup>5</sup>, born 1750, was of Patchogue, died 1828, leaving many descendants who are to be found to-day in that vicinity. Jehu<sup>5</sup>, born 1756, came to New York, married Ruth Burtis, died 1801, and was the father of William Burtis<sup>6</sup> Mott, Keeper at Blackwell's Island.

Micajah<sup>3</sup>, the youngest son of John and Rebecca, born Mar. 23, 1735, was of Hempstead with wife Rachel. He died 1781, leaving three sons Micajah<sup>5</sup>, Israel<sup>5</sup>, and John<sup>5</sup>. Micajah<sup>5</sup> mar. 1785 Ann Flowers, and died probably not long before 1826, léaving sons William<sup>6</sup>, Oliver<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, and Israel<sup>6</sup>, the last of whom left X. Y. in a schooner for Key West in Nov., 1834, and was never again heard from. Israel<sup>5</sup>, b. 1774, grocer of X. Y., and later of White Plains, married Charity Haviland and died in 1859, leaving sons William<sup>6</sup>, Solomon<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, and Israel A.<sup>6</sup>. Of John<sup>5</sup> nothing is learned.

# FAMILY OF JAMES AND ANNA (ROGERS) MOTT

James<sup>1</sup> Mott, called "Jr." and "of Hempstead," was married at Huntington, Feb. 2, 1747–8, to Anna Rogers. His descendants assert that he was born on Long Island, Oct. 1723. He may have been a grandson of John<sup>2</sup> of Hempstead, through James<sup>3</sup>, who certainly was living in Hempstead (South) in 1727, and of whom we know nothing further. Or, he may have been a grandson of James<sup>2</sup>, whose son James<sup>3</sup> was of Mamaroneck in 1728, and then disappears. James<sup>4</sup> removed with his family about 1762 to Dutchess Co., in what is now Washington, and died there Oct., 1770. His issue were James<sup>5</sup>, b. 1750, John<sup>5</sup>, b. 1753, Jemima<sup>5</sup>, mar. Sylvester Sweet, Zebulon<sup>5</sup>, b. 1757, Anna<sup>5</sup>, mar. Stephen Titus, Jesse<sup>5</sup>, b. 1762, Rhoda<sup>5</sup>, mar. Silas Haight, Samuel<sup>5</sup>, b. 1766, Martha<sup>5</sup>, mar. Joseph Doyes, and Deborah<sup>5</sup>, died young.

James<sup>5</sup>, b. 1750, mar. Mary Denton, and died in Dutchess Co. 1808, leaving sons Denton<sup>6</sup>, Hamilton<sup>6</sup>, Eghert Benson<sup>6</sup>, Barton<sup>6</sup>, and James<sup>6</sup>. The two older sons were living with their mother in Moreau, Saratoga Co., in 1825, removed to Penn., and subsequently to Calhoun Co., Michigan. Eghert B.<sup>6</sup> was of Indiana, the father

of John Grenville7 Mott, now of Michigan City, Ind.

John<sup>5</sup>, b. 1753. mar. Jane Mabbett and removed in 1804 from Dutchess Co. to Bridgewater, Oneida Co., where he died 1833, having sons Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Samuel M.<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, and Parmenos<sup>6</sup>. Joseph<sup>6</sup> mar. Susan Germond and died in Utica 1823, the father of four sons, and great grandfather of the present John Thomas<sup>9</sup> Mott of Oswego. Samuel M.<sup>6</sup> was of Pittsburg and Wellsville, Penn. John<sup>6</sup> was of Oneida Co., mar. Eliza Williams and died 1874, the father of six sons. Parmenos<sup>6</sup> mar. Olive Rhodes and died 1860 at Utica.

Zebulon<sup>5</sup>, b. 1757, early settled in Half Moon, Saratoga Co., where he was Supervisor in 1801, and always prominent in public affairs. He mar. Rebecca Smith and died 1842, the father of James<sup>6</sup>, Thomas S.<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>6</sup>, and John<sup>6</sup>. Of these, James<sup>6</sup>, the eldest, was of Moreau, mar. Anstis Merritt, and left a large family. Thomas S.<sup>6</sup> mar. Magdaline Vanderburgh, was of Moreau, and left many descendants. William<sup>6</sup> mar. Sarah Merritt and died at Glens Falls. John<sup>6</sup> was of Half Moon, mar. Jane Gates, and was the father of Samuel R.<sup>7</sup> of Bouckville, and John Owen<sup>7</sup> Mott, the late magistrate of New York City.

Jesse<sup>5</sup>, b. 1762, was of Saratoga, a Justice, Supervisor, and Member of Assembly, mar. Amy West and had sons John Rogers<sup>6</sup>, James<sup>6</sup>. Jesse<sup>6</sup>, Samuel J.<sup>6</sup>, and Lafayette.<sup>6</sup> John Rogers<sup>6</sup>, the eldest, died at Schuylerville 1856, leaving issue. James<sup>6</sup> lived and died in Saratoga, leaving issue. Jesse<sup>6</sup> was of Saratoga, died 1845. Samuel J.<sup>6</sup> mar. Amelia Wright, was of Saratoga, and had sons William Henry<sup>7</sup> and Jesse Shepard<sup>7</sup> of Saratoga Springs. Lafayette<sup>6</sup> mar. Mary A.

Weston, died in Saratoga 1872, the father of several sons.

Samuel<sup>5</sup>, b. 1766, the only son of James<sup>4</sup> who remained in Dutchess Co., was of Washington, a school teacher, and the editor of Mott's Almanac. He was living as late as 1830, but I have learned nothing of his family.

### WANTED

Copies of Mott Bible Records of births, marriages and deaths.

Locations of Mott Farm Burial places, particularly on Long

Island.

\*\*Information concerning descendants of Adam² Mott, the oldest son of Adam¹, of Hempstead. The only son was Adam³, sometime county clerk of Richmond and later of the "Privince of Penn." where he died before March, 1749. If the male line survives it is, apparently, through Richbell¹, who may have been with his father in Penn.

What became of James Mott<sup>3</sup>, son of James<sup>2</sup>, who was of

Mamaroneck in 1728?

John of Hempstead, wife Rebecca, the father of Jehu and Micajah, in his will of 1750, mentions the family burying ground on the farm. Where was it?

Information of the descendants of the first Patrick3?

Who was James Mott, the glover of Ann St., New York, from 1789 to 1796, perhaps the same man who in 1799 was living at 184 William St., and whose widow Catharine continued at the same address until 1810?

Who was John Mott, the butcher of New York, who in 1758, married Anna Somerendyke, and, of loyal propensities, withdrew to St. John, where he died in 1812? It is claimed that he was of Long Island origin.

Who was Richard Mott of Herricks who died in 1780, naming

in his will brother Seaman Mott, and sister Sarah Manlove?

Who was Joseph Mott of Rockaway, whose will of 1763 names brothers James and John, and sons Benjamin and Joseph?

Who was Samuel Mott of Hempstead whose will of 1805 names

wife Deborah and sons Samuel, John and Joseph?

Who was Benjamin Mott of Hempstead who, in his will of 1805, gives land near Grassy Pond to son Smith, and names, besides, sons William and Benjamin?

Who was John Barnes Mott who was killed Dec. 19, 1822, by

eaving-in of a well at Hempstead, leaving a large family?

Who was Jonathan Mott, weaver, of Queens Co., who married

1773, Jane Burtis?

Who was Joseph Mott who married 1752 Deborah Woods, and had children baptised by the minister of St. George's Hempstead, Mary in 1755, and Thomas in 1761?

Who was Joseph Mott who married 1779 Polly Southward?

Who was Joseph Mott, butcher and innkeeper in N. Y. 1784-1805, with wife Lydia?

Who was Richard Mott who married 1760 Jane Pettit, both of Queens Co.?

Who was Samuel Mott of Hempstead who married 1755 Rebecca Mott?

187 Who was Stephen C. Mott, the brassfounder of New York from 1828 to 1838?

Who was William Mott who married 1750 Mary Seaman and died at New Garden, Penn., 1765? His will was proved in New York, he of Mamaroneek, and names minor children and brother-in-law John Townsend.







