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BERMUDA
SETTLERS
of the
17TH CENTURY

*Genealogical Notes
from Bermuda*

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name or signs of 'The Unicorn', 'The Saracen's Head', and 'The Crowne' being late the inheritance of said THOMAS JADWYN.

Witnesses: RICHARD ESTOBB. JOHN DUDGEON. JOHN CLEROIS.

DURHAM

From the Manchester Papers, page 36.

Letter October 18, 1620 from THOMAS DURHAM to Sir NATHANIEL RICH telling of the death and funeral of his brother ROBERT RICH who had been treated by ED. ATHEN (?) a blood physician or rather a quack salver. Mr. DUTTON was Executor and had not given the deceased due honours at the funeral. He had not the honesty or the manners to write Mr C. KENDAL, Mr. SEMER (probably WILLIAM SEYMOUR, the first of his name in Bermuda) gave him a volley of shot at his burial but was not offered so much as a cup of aqua vitae or anything else by DUTTON according to the ancient and laudable custom which heretofore hath been used at burials. DURHAM, himself, however got out some liquor of his own to make such friends drink as came to the burial. DURHAM requests Sir NATHANIEL to go to the Herald's College and have his brother's Arms drawn and sent out for the purpose of having a solemn funeral performed.

Note: This letter proves that both WILLIAM SEYMOUR and THOMAS DURHAM were settled in Bermuda in 1620.

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From Port Royal Records:	Baptisms
THOMAS DURHAM son of THOMAS,	June 8, 1629
LEWIS DURHAM " " "	Oct 19, 1633
JOSEPH DURHAM " " "	Mar 30, 1635
MOSES DURHAM " " "	Nov 24, 1639

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The wife of THOMAS DURHAM buried August 21, 1639. THOMAS D. decd. Dec 28, 1653 & his estate adm. by JOHN STOWE & DANIEL DURHAM

BENJAMIN DURHAM married to KETURAH LEACRAFT, Nov 17, 1641

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HENRY DURHAM married to JUDITH HUNT, February 14, 1660

Their children: THOMAS bapt Mar 6, 1661. RICHARD bapt July 23, 1665

HENRY born Sept 21 and bapt Dec 8, 1667

JOSEPH bapt May 8, 1670. MOSES born Feb 9 & bapt Mar 11, 1672

JOSHUA bapt April 1675 DANIEL (or DAVID) bapt Apl 8, 1677

JUDITH born March 26 & bapt May 4, 1679

JOSIAH born Dec 7, 1680 and bapt Jan 11, 1681

JUDITH buried Jan 26, 1682

JUDITH (2nd) born March 10, 1682 & bapt May 6, 1683

ANNE born Nov 10, 1864 & bapt Jan 16, 1685

ELISHA born Sept 11 & bapt Oct 14, 1688

ELIZABETH born Sept 22 & bapt Nov 5, 1693

Notes: It seems probable that the DURHAM family in Bermuda descended from HENRY & JUDITH DURHAM as within the memory of the late WILLIAM HALL DARRELL some of the lands in Southampton were occupied by a Mrs HUNT and Mrs ELIZABETH DURHAM.

JUDITH HUNT was the daughter of Governor RICHARD HUNT and his wife FRANCES. They were the first HUNTS in Bermuda. Another HUNT daughter, SARAH married THOMAS GIBBS.

JUDITH DURHAM daughter of HENRY & JUDITH married JOHN WILKINSON

HENRY & ELIZABETH DURHAM (possibly this is HENRY the son) held several shares of land in Southampton in 1688

In 1690 WILLIAM RIGHTON of Burlington in Province of West Jersey in the parts of America,

CRAFT & THOMAS LEACRAFT on the West Side,
each 40/- Executors each 45. JONOTHAN TUCKER
& JOHN KING, Executors.

Witnesses: GEORGE TUCKER, SAM DAFFYE.
Proved Dec 8, 1697

GRIMDITCH

Will of MARGARET GRIMDITCH of Bermuda but
now November 8, 1653, a resident of Barbados. To son
THOMAS HARRIOTT 10 acres of the 50 that I own
in Port Royal Bermuda and 1 negro. The remainder
of estate to dear friend ARCHIBALD JOHNSON.

Note: This THOMAS HARRIOTT was possibly the
son of the Mathematician who was companion of the
Earl of Northumberland while he was confined in the
Tower of London, 1611

GUISE

Will of NEHEMIAH GUISE, May 6, 1686 Book 2,
page 63.

Whole estate to three sisters, SUSANNAH NEW-
BOULD, ELIZABETH TODD or TRAD MIRIAM
MUSSONE. Executors: THOMAS HARFORD &
PAUL NEWBOULD

Witnesses: WILLIAM STONE, JOHN KIDGELL
Proved January 26, 1693.

Note: The MUSSON family is not believed to have
been settled in Bermuda at as early a date as this.

GULDEN or GOULDEN or GOULDING or GOLDING or GOLDIN

Goulden Book V (A) p. 351. This is to certify that
JOHN GOULDEN son of WILLIAM GOULDEN,
Minister, was baptised, April 23, 1630 as you will find
by the Register Book of Smiths Tribe. THOS WELLS
Counsellor, July 16, 1670.

Goulding Letroy Vol 2 p. 51. Letter confirming PER-
CIVAL GOULDING as a pious teacher for school in
Devonshire Tribe.

Extract from Proclamation by the Governor March 3,
1659

Mr PERCIVAL GOULDING is now in these parts
Mr. JONOTHAN BURR, Teacher and whoever will
send their children unto him he will teach them Eng-
lish & Latin and write & last accounts for nothing
Thus desiring every person in the Islands that desires
their children to be trained up in knowledge and fear of
the Lord to send their children to them to be edu-
cated that we may leave a Generation behind us to
praise and glorify the Lord when we are in the dust.
In 1661 NORWOOD whom GOULDING had suc-
ceeded, was reinstated and the latter was given notice
to provide another habitation for himself. About the
same time GOULDING's wife was presented at the
Assizes on suspicion of adultery. She was censured by
the Counsellor, FRANCIS WATLINGTON of Devon-
Tribe. In 1681 GOULDING is described as very old
and unable to execute his place as formerly so JAMES
HILL is appointed assistant schoolmaster
Colonial State Papers, Jamaica, 1661-68
Minutes of Council, Jamaica. JOHN GOULDING
pardoned for suspicion of Mutiny.
Goldin EPHRAIM GOLDIN in passenger list, sloop
'Experience,' LEONARD WHITE Master, Bermuda
to Barbados, June 10, 1687.

THOMAS HILTON) £40 to be paid to her 20 days after her marriage by her brother SAMUEL HUBBARD (married MIRIAM PENISTON) in goods, slaves or money, also one Feather Bed, bolster & pillows and bedstead with curtains and Valence with 3 pair sheets and 2 pair pillow bares and till the time of marriage, she shall have her living and maintenance in my Mansion House with her brother SAMUEL HUBBARD.

Daughter LOVE HUBBARD (married Capt. LEONARD WHITE) same as above.

Daughter SARAH (second wife of SAMUEL TROTT of Walsingham) same

To three daughters now married, JANE TUCKER (married ST GEORGE TUCKER, the first in Bermuda) ELIZABETH WILLIS and MARY VAUGHAN (married HENRY VAUGHN, Minister) £10 each in remembrance of me.

Son DANIEL (married SARAH TUCKER, widow of NICHOLAS HINSON) one share land north by Mr SAM TROTT with all houses belonging when he shall be 21 yrs & until then his brother SAM shall maintain him & bring him up to a trade when he is done schooling. (Note: Five years later he was a goldsmith)

My will is that the long table in the Hall shall remain in the Mansion House but all moveables to be sold at decease of wife. Rest & residue between 3 youngest daughters: CHARITY, LOVE & SARAH. DANIEL to have a feather bed when he marries.

Wife JANE (nee LEACRAFT, see above) and friend RICHARD STAFFORD of Hamilton Tribe and son SAMUEL Executors.

Proved August 2 1705.

Notes: The son SAMUEL married MIRIAM PENISTON daughter of RICHARD. She married secondly JOHN BAILEY and with him emigrated to Pennsylvania. DANIEL had two sons JOHN and DANIEL and two daughters REBECCA (married THOMAS OUTERBRIDGE) and JANE (married GILES CORBUSIER)

SAMUEL & MIRIAM PENISTON had a daughter MIRIAM born 1694 and in 1709 she then being 15 yrs of age chose her uncle DANIEL HUBBARD

to be her guardian. Her petition mentions that her mother & stepfather are now in Pennsylvania

Virginia, Feb 1683. JOHN HUBBARD witness to a deed of sale ROBT. COBB to MICHAEL MASTERS.

June 12, 1679. Memo that Capt JOHN HUBBARD Senior, JOHN BRISTOW Junr, SAMUEL TROTT, PERIENT TROTT Junr, Capt ANDREW COLLYARD, ARTHUR JONES, THOMAS OUTERBRIDGE, & WILLIAM SMITH, Chirugian, interested in a negro boy called 'Tome' did freely give & bestow upon Sir JOHN HEYDON Knight, the aforesaid 'Tome' him the said negro to hold & use for his own & his heirs & administrators for the term of 99 years if the said 'Tome' shall so long live for in consideration of favours by the said Sir JOHN HEYDON afforded unto the gentlemen aforesaid. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this day & year above said.

HENRY TUCKER, Secretary.

HUDSON

February 26, 1686. Be it known to those whom it may concern that I, WILLIAM EDWARDS in Somers Island, Clerk, have before witnesses joined ROBERT HUDSON and SARAH FFARMER in the holy estate of matrimony.
Vera Copia Orig. JOHN JAUNCEY, Dept. Secretary.

HUNT

HENRY DURHAM who was made Governor of Bermuda in November 1682 on the death of Gov. FLORENTIUS SEYMOUR married SARAH HUNT who with her father and mother RICHARD & SARAH HUNT of Bromley, Kent, arrived in Bermuda, 1647

(Note: The above statement was given in Obituary notice of HENRY GILBERT HUNT, Royal Gazette, December 2, 1651, but I found in Port Royal Records that HENRY DURHAM married JUDITH HUNT February 14, 1660 and in will of RICHARD HUNT (Old Book No. 3, p. 1) proved 1687 he claimed HENRY DURHAM as his son in law. J. E. Mercer) Another note dated Dec 11, 1677 speaks of RICHARD

HUNT & his wife FRANCES (possibly a second wife) Son in law JAMES GIBBS & SARAH his wife. Son in law HENRY DURHAM & JUDITH his wife.

Colonial Records Vol 2 p. 26. March 1st 1638
ROBERT HUNT swears that EDWARD CHAPLIN & THOMAS SHARPE came out to serve for seven years as servants of EDWARD BURGESS.

Port Royal Records:
1674 Baptism May 21 FRANCES daughter of NATHANIEL HUNT
1676 Baptism Aug 23 NATHANIEL son of NATHANIEL
1681 Baptism Feb 3 ANGELINA daug. NATHANIEL HUNT.

Letter dated May 18, 1683. Brother STRINGER: I being on board RICHARD HUNT's vessel to search for tobacco I found there several barrels oyle whereof I have attached them. The matter is for them to prove where they had that oyle. Therefore I require you forthwith to come to town & put me in security for all damage that may happen in the taking of the said oyle ashore, thereofe fail me not for I will wate at towne this day for your coming, so I rest, your friend & brother, JOHN HUBBARD, Sheriff.

To Mr JOHN STRINGER, Agent to the Whalefish ing.

Examined by me JOHN TUCKER, Secretary.

Deeds No 7. 1683. Deed of gift from RICHARD HUNT to JOHN WETHERSBY, his son in law to him for life: house & 1/2 share land in Southampton & at his death to his two children. Wife FRANCES HUNT.

Will of RICHARD HUNT of Southampton Tribe. February 20, 1687.

Wife FRANCES (nee VESEY) All my sons in law together with son RICHARD having already had some legacies by deed of gift to each of them, my other sons NATHANIEL & JOHN excepted. NATHANIEL & his wife ANGELINA (nee VESEY) and JOHN

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Wills E. p 141.
Will of RICHARD HUNT of Southampton, September 15, 1690
Wife MIRIAM, real & personal estate for life. Son RICHARD, son JOHN, daughters MARY, MARTHA & FRANCES.
Wife & brother in law JOHN MORRIS, Executors. Witnesses JOHN WETHERSBY WILLIAM BASKIN.
Proved August 24 1691.

HUTCHINGS

Pembroke Records: ANN HUTCHINGS married NATHANIEL WATERMAN 29 March 1648.
MAPTHA HUTCHINGS married RICHARD HANGER, May 10 1655
JOSEPH son of ROBERT & MARY HUTCHINGS baptized 1670.

Will of JOHN HUTCHINGS of Pembroke Tribe, 1695.

Wife SUSANNAH. Children: DANIEL, JOSEPH, RUTH wife of JOSEPH HARRIOTT (bapt 1659) SUSANNAH wife of EZEKIEL CONYERS, HANNAH (married COVERLEY)

Grandchildren: JOHN HARRIOTT, JOSEPH HARRIOTT BENJAMIN HARRIOTT, ELIZABETH HARRIOTT, RUTH HARRIOTT, SUSANNAH HARRIOTT, WILLIAM CONYERS, NATHANIEL CONYERS, JOHN CONYERS, DAVID CONYERS, SUSANNAH CONYERS, JOHN INGHAM, HANNAH INGHAM JOHN HUTCHINGS, ELIZABETH HUTCHINGS.

Wife, son DANIEL & Friend JOSEPH DARRELL, Executors

Witnesses JOHN HINSON SAM DUNSTON JOHN HINSON AND KITTRELL

Will of WILLIAM REYNOLDS of Smith's Tribe
Sept. 22, 1690

Wife SARAH to have dwelling house as long as she
remains widow, also land given her by her father
WILLIAM YOUNG, also land bought of JACOB
AXON & wife ALICE, also land in possession by vir-
tue of a mortgage from ROBUCKAH HANDLONG
(?) now of New England.

Sister MARY REYNOLDS. Son JOHN, gold but-
tons & gold buckle & one long gun. Son WILLIAM
silver tankard about 28 oz. wt. marked W. R., one
silver boule marked I. Y., which boule heretofore be-
longed to father in law JOHN YOUNG, decd. Son
ANTHONY an 8 cornered 'pos cot'

Daughter JOANNAH, silver scalloped cup with feet.
Daughter SUSANNAH one silver punch cup & 2
small tastors, all marked I. Y.

Brother JOHN REYNOLDS of Hamilton Tribe.
Capt. ANTHONY WHITE & CHARLES WALKER
of Smith's Tribe, Excers. WM. CHAPMAN, JOHN
GILBERT Sen. CHRISTOPHER SMITH &
GEORGE SMITH Witnesses.

Proved April 3, 1691

RICH

1636 May 20. Deed from Sir NATHANIEL RICH,
London, to SAMUEL BRADLE for 2 shares land
in Pembroke for purpose of building a town.

Will of Sir NATHANIEL RICH, Dec. 2, 1635.
(Genealogical Gleanings in Eng.)

Sister GRIMDITCH & her husband. Nephew Rev.
ROBERT BROWNE, named for ROBERT SYD-
NEY, Earl of Leicester, residing in Somers Island
Nov. 1635.

Sister ELIZABETH MORGAN wife of Sir JOHN
MORGAN of Chillworth, Surrey.

Nephews SAM BROWNE & NATHANIEL
BROWNE. Nephew THOMAS GRIMDITCH
eldest son of sister & now residing in Island of Provi-
dence. Cousin Mrs. MARTHA WILFORD. Proved
Dec. 1, 1636.

Note: The father of ROBERT BROWNE was
PERCY B. who mar. a dau. of Col. NATHANIEL
RICH of Standon, Essex, before 1635

RICHARDS

1625. Aug. 3. THOMAS RICHARDS mar. ANN
BRIGHAM.

1633. Bapt. NTOPHER son of THOS RICHARDS

1649. July 25. Buried JOSIAS RICHARDS.

1655 An action against THOMAS RICHARDS for
profiteering.

Barbadoes Year

1650. Feb. 28 Married ABIGAIL RICHARDS
& RICHARD FOOT.

1665. Feb 14 Bapt. SARAH & MARY daugh-
ters of THOS RICHARDS

1682. The widow RICHARDS buried
this year.

1694. Sept. 9. SAMUEL RICHARDS bapt.

1642. Sept. 7 RACHEL dau. THOS RICH-
ARDS bapt.

RICHARDS

Baptisms Nov 20, 1631 GEORGE RICHARDS

1626 NICHOLS son of THOMAS
RICHARDS

1646 Feb 28. THOMAS son of
THOMAS RICH-
ARDS

1642 RACHEL, dau. of
THOMAS RICH-
ARDS

1624 URSULA dau.
WM. & MARY
RICHARDS

1679 JOHN s. JOHN &
PHILLIPA RICH-
ARDS

Marriage

1693 Capt. THOMAS RICH-
ARDS, aged 84 to AGNES
STIRKE, a sister in law of
WM. RUGHTON aged be-
tween 60 & 70

1676 April 15. Deed of gift from THOMAS RICH-
ARDS to his son in law JOHN JENNINGS &
SARAH his wife, daughter of THOMAS RICHARDS.
2 shares of land in Southampton Tribe.

Witnesses RICHARD LEACRAFT Junr. WM
EVANS. WM. SHERLOCK PERIENT TROTT.