

The WILEY FAMILY

of ANDOVER

ROBERT WILE and his wife, Jane, were in Andover in 1738, and the baptism of their son, James, born at sea, is recorded at South Church, Oct. 29, 1738. The father's name is there spelled WYLLIE. In Dec. 1738, Robert, now spelled WILE, is listed on the records after the name of Thos. Wardwell, as paying a small head tax- and he is <sup>down</sup> listed as a tenant on a farm of Jonathan Jones- evidently in Scotland District.

There is a large number of Scotch names added to the Town rolls on the same date, obviously of the Scotch weavers who came to work in Frye's new filling mill in Frye Village. Robert's name remains on the Tax Records until 1744, then there is a gap until 1759, when James Wiley's name is down. James served in the French War and the Revolution, was a Minute Man and went with Arnold through Me. to Canada.

The children of Robert (1) Wiley and wife, Jane, were :-  
James (2), bapt. 1738; m. 1762, widow Bethia (Frye) Johnson; she was b. 1727.  
Jane (2)

- twins; bapt. April 5, 1741.

Sarah (2)

John (2), b. June 12, 1743.

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James (2) Wiley and wife, Bethia ( Frye ) Johnson, had:-

Sally (3), b. about 1764; m. David Richardson of Princeton, Mass., 7/1/1784

Chloe (3), b. about 1766; m. James Davis, Oct. 3, 1782; see Methuen records.

William (3), b. about 1768; m. Sarah Hadley, here, Jan. 29, 1788; she m. 2nd, Stephen Richardson of Danvers, Dec. 1, 1808.

David (3), b. about 1770; m. Chloe Holt, April 20, 1789; he d. before 1800, as she m. Jn. Holt, Feb. 25, 1800; m. 3rd Jn. Frye, 1821.

Lydia (3), b. Dec. 26, 1772; d. April 30, 1826, in Limerick, Maine. She was

b. in North Andover,; went with her parents to Standish, Me. about 1795; she m. there Gen. John McDonald, April 14, 1796; he was of Lemington, Me.

David (3) Wiley (James (2) Robert (1) and wife, Chloe Holt, had :-  
 (Sargent?)  
 James (4), b. Feb. 1797; m. Phebe S--- before 1834; he d. Jan. 9, 1852; had :-  
 George Nath'l (5), b. Sept. 1, 1837  
 Rebecca Jane (5), b. 1834; d. Aug. 6, 1841.

Rhoda (4), b. ; d. in almshouse, May 9, 1827.  
 (Whittier)  
 William (4), b. ; m. Mary Ann/Abbott, pub. May 12, 1844; she had m.  
 1st, Nov. 6, 1834, Ben Abbott who was separated from her.

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William (4) Wiley (David (3) James (2) Robert (1) and wife, Mary Ann, had :-  
 Elizabeth (5), b. July 30, 1844; m. Horatio Johnson; she used to recite  
 poems in Universalist Church. Lived with Sargent family in No. A.  
 Joseph (5) ; bound out to Boxford; d. there.  
 Melissa (5), b. June 1846; d. Aug. 19, 1851.  
 Julia Frances (5), b. in North Parish, July 31, 1850: ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~  
 Sarah A. (5)-

The family lived on Pierson street from 1856-1861. William finally  
 left Mary Ann and she went to Haverhill to live. Elizabeth was adopted  
 by Jesse Sargent and his wife, Hannah. They lived at the Rea place  
 on road back of the Bradstreet house.

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 (The Wiley who is with Davis & Furber, John A. Wiley, has  
 a summer home in West Boxford. I must ask for him and see where he enters  
 the Wiley tribe.)

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Essex Ct. Deeds :-

112:269;Dec.21, 1764:-

James Wiley of Andover, laborer, for 40 £ sells to Samuel Johnson, of Andover, gentleman, a piece of pasture-10 acres- North Precinct- part of the estate of Wm. Johnson, late of sd. town, dec.;- bds. on stone wall between J.Wiley and Sam Johnson's pasture- white oak-Ruff meadow. etc.

Wife, Bethia(Frye) makes her X. (She was widow, B(Frye) Johnson)  
( Amos Mullikin; Joshua Barker, ack. Jan.22,1765.)

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116:118 ;Sept. 12, 1765:-

James Wiley of Andover, yeoman, and wife Bethia, for 34 £ 1s 4 d.; sell to Samuel Johnson of Andover, gentleman, 2 pieces of land in Andover; 1st one a meadow and upland, 4 acres 96 p.; bds. on Oak tree and Ruff meadow, Johnson's lot and Joseph Robinson; the 2nd- 5 acres 26 p. on Highway-Ruff Meadow, stake and stones, etc.

( Sam Johnson, Jr.; Jn. Osgood, Jr. )

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152:88;Feb.5,1789:-

Bethia Wiley, wife of James of Andover, yeoman, for 145 £ 15s. 11d., from Alexander Montgomery of Andover, yeoman, - with the consent and approval of sd. husband, conveys a tract of land in Andover, on Road from Andover Meeting House to Haverhill- and a dwelling house and barn standing on sd. land, which contains 35 acres 20 p.- tilling, mowage and pasture-orchard and woodlot; bds. on Road to Col. Samuel Johnson's lot- meadow- an Island- John Phillips- Road leading from this Country Road by Phillipps' home, and st. and st..

( In North Andover Centre near Phillipps Brooks' house).

(Samuel Phillips; Timothy Osgood.)

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155:86..Dec.14, 1770:-

Bethia Wiley of Andover, wife of James Wiley of Andover, with voluntary consent of her husband, for 12 £, sells to Samuel Johnson of Andover, gentleman, meadow and upland in Andover, part of Rough Meadow; bds. described with S-s- and Red Oaks and Jn. Philips' lots and S.Johnson's land.

Bethia makes her X.

( Amos Millikin; Samuel Chickering, Jr.

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105:240;April 26,1758:-

Ben Holt of Suncook, N.H.; gentleman, and wife, Sarah ( Frye)-Francis Swan of Methuen, gentleman, and wife, Lydia(Frye) Moses Perley of Boxford and wife Hannah (Frye)-Phebe (Frye) Osgood and Bethia (Frye) Johnson, widows- and widow, Priscilla (Frye) Bailey of Newbury, for 46 £ 13 sh.4 d., sell to James Frye, Jr., of Andover, a yeoman, 20 acres of upland and meadow in Andover, near Half Moon Meadow, near the Middleton line- " belonged to our honored father, Nathan(3)Frye, dec., late of Andover; bds. described in sd. Frye deed in grants of Andover Proprietors' Book of Records; also a tract of land near Ben Fiske's of A.- 2 acres, described in Book of Records; also all Common Rights not yet laid out. (Priscilla is the only woman who can write)

( Nath and John Frye, witnesses.

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A 2nd deed seems to concern the same parties:-

For 420 £ sell to James Frye, house in Andover, our father, Nathan's (3), which was the homestead, including land and buildings, orchard and mowing and pasture, 58 acres 68 p.- on Road from Sam Frye's lot past hoghouse; bds. Maple tree; a fence, Capt. Frye and an Island.

2nd lot, SW of Boston Hill- a woodlot- a parcel laid out on the road over said Hill, near Timothy Frye's- 12 acres.

( Bethia was still a widow in 1758.)

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