

THE WATERMAN FAMILY

Volume I

Descendants of Robert Waterman

of Marshfield, Massachusetts
through seven generations

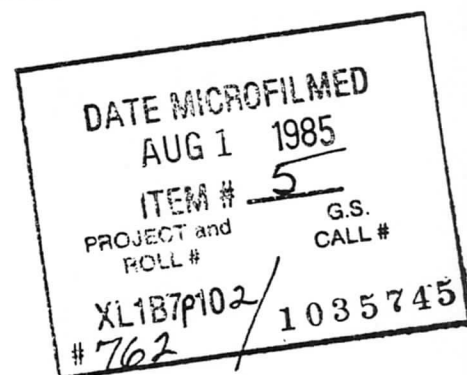
Based on the public records and several collections
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11 Sept. 1765; m. 18 Nov. 1742, SAMUEL⁴
grandson of her uncle Samuel.

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" until the death of his great-uncle
established by the will of his grand-
uncle Aquila's estate, as quoted above.
62, SARAH⁵ WATERMAN [No. 183],
n Arnold, and Stephen and Sarah
Arnold.

262, 388, 411, 421, 433.

(1933), pp. 11, 30, 32, 108.

and (1902), p. 154.

1897), p. 50.

THE GRISWOLD FAMILY

1. EDWARD¹ GRISWOLD and Matthew Griswold, sons of George Griswold of Kenilworth (also called Killingworth), Warwickshire, England, came to America, probably in 1639 with the group led by Rev. Ephraim Huet, with whom they settled in Windsor, Conn. They had a third brother, Thomas, who remained in their English home. These statements are based on various depositions, quoted or referred to in "Family-Histories and Genealogies," by E. E. and E. M. Salisbury, 1892, vol. 2, pp. 1-11; and in "Dawes-Gates Ancestral Lines," by Mary Walton Ferris, 1931, vol. 2, pp. 399-402. An abstract of the deposition of Edward's son George is also given in "The American Genealogist," vol. 11, p. 155.

Edward was born about 1607, and stated his age as seventy-seven in his own deposition dated 15 May 1684. His brother Matthew, born about 1620, removed to Saybrook, and served that town as Deputy in 1649, 1650, 1654, and 1660; after Lyme was set off as a separate town, he represented that town in 1667, 1668, 1669, 1671, 1672, 1673, 1674, 1677 to 1685 inclusive, served also as Commissioner [Justice] for many years, and was chosen Lieutenant of the Lyme Train Band, May 1677 [Col. Rec. of Conn., 1-185, 207, 256, 347; 2-70, 83, 94, 103, 106, 131, 147, 159, 170, 184, 192, 209, 221, 300, 317, 318; 3-3, 27, 36, 48, 49, 66, 75, 76, 86, 97, 115, 121, 140, 155, 169, 181, 195, 230, 252].

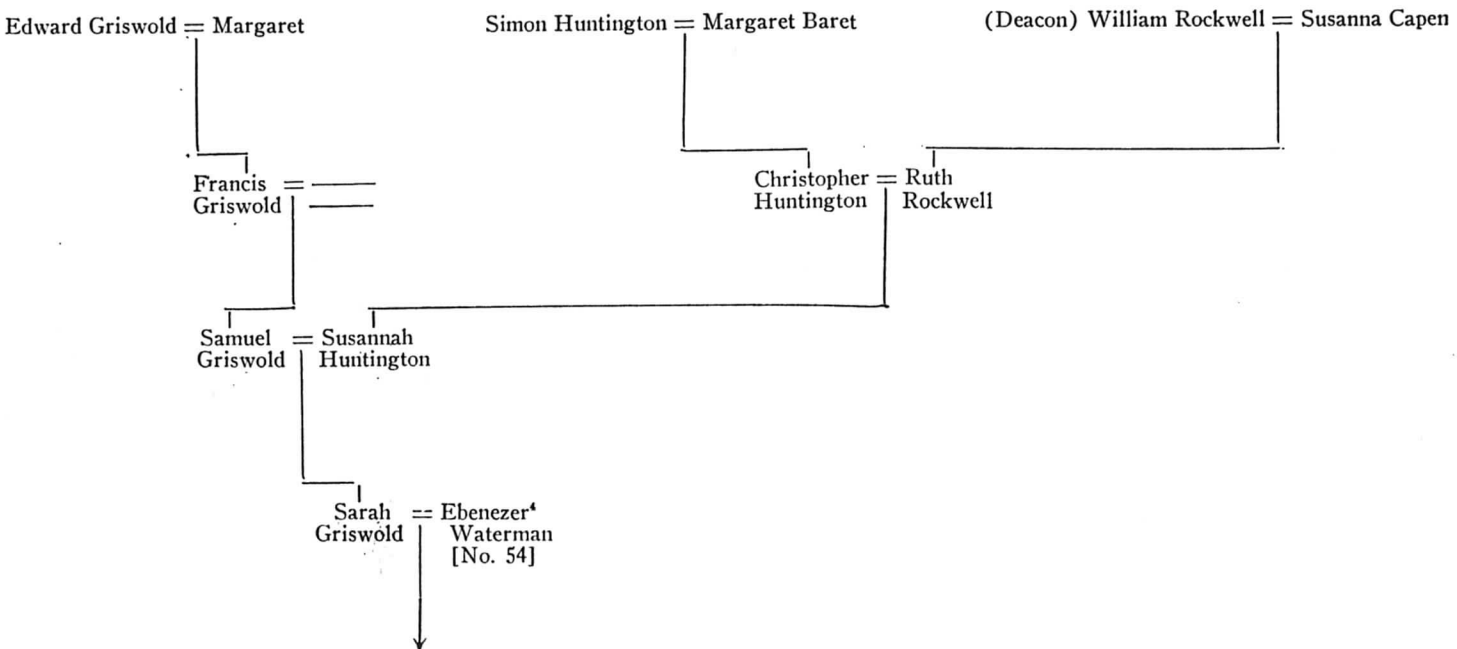
At Windsor, Edward Griswold was elected Deputy, 1656, 1658, 1659, 1660, and 1662. He was a leader in the settlement of Killingworth, which was named after his English home, and represented that town as Deputy, from 1667 to 1687, and in 1689 at the resumption of Charter government after the Andros "usurpation." He was also Commissioner [Justice] from 1667 to 1687 inclusive. [Col. Rec. of Conn., 1-281, 315, 323, 334, 340, 347, 353, 378, 384; 2-58, 63, 82, 84, 94, 105, 106, 116, 126, 131, 136, 152, 159, 169, 170, 184, 192, 193, 209, 221, 236, 240, 249, 250, 265, 274, 275, 286, 300, 304, 318; 3-3, 5, 17, 26, 36, 48, 49, 75, 76, 86, 97, 106, 121, 139, 140, 151, 155, 169, 195, 208, 214, 223, 230, 237, 251, 254.]

Edward's wife MARGARET died at Killingworth, 23 Aug. 1670. He married second, about 1672 or 1673, SARAH, widow of James Bemis of New London; and died in 1691.

Children of Edward and Margaret (——) Griswold:

- 2+ i. FRANCIS², b. perhaps about 1629.
ii. SARAH, bapt. at Kenilworth, 1631; d. young.
iii. GEORGE, bapt. at Kenilworth, 1633; d. at Windsor, 3 Sept. 1674; m. 3 Oct. 1655, MARY HOLCOMB.
iv. SARAH, bapt. at Kenilworth, 1635; d. at Windsor, 6 Nov. 1715; m. (1) at Windsor, 10 Nov. 1650, SAMUEL PHELPS, who d. 15 May 1669; m. (2) at Windsor, 21 July 1670, NATHANIEL PINNEY.
v. LYDIA, bapt. at Kenilworth, 1637.
vi. JOHN, d. at Windsor, 1642.
vii. ANN, bapt. at Windsor, 19 June 1642; known as Hannah; d. at Sims-

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- viii. MARY, bapt. at Windsor, 13 Oct. 1644; m. at Windsor, 19 Mar. 1661, TIMOTHY PHELPS.
- ix. DEBORAH, bapt. at Windsor, 28 June 1646; d. at Killingworth, 7 Feb. 1717; m. at Windsor, 13 Nov. 1662, SAMUEL BUELL.
- x. JOSEPH, bapt. at Windsor, 12 Mar. 1647/8; d. at Windsor, 14 Nov. 1716; m. 10 June or 14 July 1670, MARY GAYLORD.
- xi. SAMUEL, bapt. at Windsor, 18 Nov. 1649; d. 6 July 1672. Inventory taken 26 Feb. 1672/3; administration granted to George Griswold [Manwaring's "Digest," 1-205].
- xii. JOHN, bapt. at Windsor, 1 Aug. 1652; d. at Killingworth, 7 Aug. 1717; m. (1) at Killingworth, 28 Nov. 1672, MARY BEMIS, who d. at Killingworth, 27 Oct. 1679; m. (2) BATHSHEBA NORTH, who d. at Killingworth, 19 Mar. 1736.

Note

The baptisms of four children in England are given on authority of the Salisbury "Family-Histories and Genealogies," vol. 2, p. 11, footnote. The sixth child (John) is not positively proved; Stiles' "History of Windsor," 2-351, omits him; his death is recorded ["Some Early Records and Documents of Windsor," 1930, p. 80], but not his parentage, and he could have been a brother instead of a child of Edward. For records of the other children, see "Some Early Records and Documents of Windsor," pp. 41, 55, 56, 27; "Births, Marriages and Deaths," by E. S. Welles, pp. 9, 10, 12, 34, 35, 42; "Simsbury Records," by A. C. Bates, p. 42; and Killingworth Records, vol. 1, pp. 66, 79, 89. Mrs. Ferris in "Dawes-Gates Ancestral Lines," 2-403, places Francis as the fifth child, but he must have been the eldest.

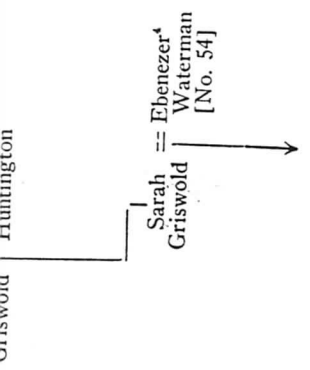
2. FRANCIS² GRISWOLD (*Edward*¹), born in England, perhaps about 1629, doubtless came to Windsor with his father, but removed early to Saybrook where his first four children were recorded, the eldest born in 1653. He was an original proprietor of Norwich in 1660, where his other children were born, and where he died in Oct. 1671.

He represented Norwich as Deputy, Oct. 1664, May and Oct. 1665, May and Oct. 1666, May and Oct. 1667, May and Oct. 1668, May 1669, and May 1671; was on the Committee for the Stonington Indians, Oct. 1666, and was called Lieutenant, though record of his commission has not been found; and May 1668, received a colonial grant of 100 acres [Col. Rec. of Conn., 1-431; 2-14, 24, 31, 47, 56, 59, 70, 83, 91, 94, 106, 147].

The name of his wife is unknown. The statement that he married Mary Tracy appears to have originated in "Fifty Puritan Ancestors," by E. T. Nash, 1902, but although often repeated since, no evidence has been adduced, and no Mary Tracy has been found who could have been his wife. Lieut. Thomas Tracy had no such daughter. Possibly the statement was due to a confusion of his wife with the daughter Mary Griswold who married a Tracy.

Children of Francis² and ——— (——) Griswold, four born at Saybrook, five at Norwich [Saybrook Records, 1-14, 45, 98, 161; Norwich Vital Records, 1-8, 10, 18]:

- i. SARAH³, b. 28 Mar. 1653; d. at Saybrook, 7 Apr. 1692; m. (called "Sarah Griswold of Norwich") 27 June 1671, ROBERT CHAPMAN.



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 ter and her husband: with what they have already Received: as part thereof,"
 etc. Witnesses, Jsaac Huntington, Rebeckah Huntington, Hannah Carrier.
 The inventory of his estate was taken, 19 May 1741, by John Edgerton and
 Joseph Post.

Two receipts are in the file, one from Caleb Huntington of Lebanon and
 his wife Lidya (both signed), 2 June 1741. The other reads:

Norwich June y^e 2nd day A: D 1741

We Ebenezer Waterman and Sarah Waterman his wife Both of Norwich have this
 day Receiv^d. of our brother Francis Griswold the Sum of forty Nine pounds—money
 being in fulfillment of a Legacy bequeathed to us in y^e last Will of our Honrd father
 Sam^l Griswold Deceas^d and have therefore by these presents acquitted our said brother
 from all further Demands etc., excepting any Right of Land in Saybrook and also
 about Seventy Acres of Land Lying in Norwich upon y^e Rhode between y^e house of
 Sam^l Hide & James Pettis

Elis^a Tracy

Caleb Huntington

Ebenezer Waterman

Sarah Waterman

Children of Samuel and Susannah (Huntington) Griswold:

- i. FRANCIS⁴, b. 9 Sept. 1691; d. at Norwich, 10 Apr. 1760; m. (1) 30 Nov. 1714, ELIZABETH LOOMER,* who d. 13 Apr. 1718; m. (2) 13 Dec. 1721, ABIGAIL BINGHAM, b. 7 June 1696, d. 18 Feb. 1754; m. (3) 23 Dec. 1755, PATIENCE (SEABURY) (LATHAM) STARR of Lyme, who d. 19 Apr. 1761, widow of Joseph Latham and Benjamin Starr.
- ii. SAMUEL, b. 8 Feb. 1693/4; m. 2 Apr. 1719, ELIZABETH ABELL.
- iii. LYDIA, b. 28 May 1696; m. at Lebanon, Conn., 28 Jan. 1719/20, CALEB HUNTINGTON, b. 8 Feb. 1693/4.
- iv. HANNAH, b. 30 Apr. 1699.†
- +v. SARAH, b. 19 June 1700/1; m. 9 Dec. 1721, EBENEZER⁴ WATERMAN [No. 54], *q. v.*
- vi. JOHN, b. 16 Dec. 1703; d. at Norwich, 19 Apr. 1730; m. at Braintree, Mass., 24 July 1729, SUSANNA SANDERS, b. 5 Mar. 1699; she m. (2) at Roxbury, Mass., 6 Dec. 1739, Ebenezer Warren.
- vii. JOSEPH, b. 17 Oct. 1706; m. (1) 6 Feb. 1728, SARAH DURKEE, who d. 11 Oct. 1744; m. (2) 10 July 1750, LYDIA HUNN of Lyme.
- viii. DANIEL, b. 25 Apr. 1709; d. 22 Dec. 1724. [Norwich V. R., 1-18, 19, 50, 73, 78, 84, 106, 107, 116, 126, 127, 309.]

The Huntington and Rockwell Families

The founder of the Huntington family, whose name was traditionally Simon¹, died on the passage, and his widow and children settled in Roxbury, Mass. Here Rev. John Eliot, the "Apostle to the Indians," entered in his church records:

Margret Huntington widdow; she came in the yeare 1633. her husband dyed by way of the small pox, she brought children with her.

* The Loomis Genealogy (1909), p. 134, and The Griswold Family (1935) incorrectly make her Elizabeth Loomis, b. 31 Dec. 1677, some fourteen years older than her husband.

† The Griswold Family (1935), p. 83, states that she m. 5 Nov. 1742 (probably a misprint), Ezekiel Ashley, and had five children born 1726-1738. The Ashley Genealogy (1896) states that Ezekiel Ashley m. at Westfield, Mass., 5 Nov. 1724, Hannah Griswold, but indicates her supposed parentage with an interrogation point. The will of Samuel Griswold makes it very unlikely that it was his daughter who married Ashley.

A letter written from Norwich, England, in 1650 by Peter Baret to his cousin [i.e. nephew] Christopher Huntington, proves that he was brother of Margaret,* and that she had married a Stoughton for a second husband. He is believed, with great probability, to be Mr. Thomas Stoughton of Dorchester, Mass., who removed early to Windsor, Conn., where he died 25 Mar. 1661. This explains the removal of the Huntington children to Windsor, where Christopher was married. The proved Huntington children were Christopher, Simon, Thomas, and Ann.

CHRISTOPHER² HUNTINGTON, born in England, was in Saybrook, Conn., in 1649, but returned to Windsor where he married, 7 Oct. 1652, RUTH ROCKWELL, born at Dorchester, Mass., Aug. 1653, daughter of (Deacon) William and Susanna (Capen) Rockwell.

Christopher was one of the original proprietors of Norwich in 1660. He received a colonial grant of 100 acres, Oct. 1668. He was town clerk in 1678. In 1685 he was one of the eleven men named in the Patent of Norwich; Thomas² Waterman was also a Patentee. Christopher died in 1691.

Children of Christopher and Ruth (Rockwell) Huntington:

- i. CHRISTOPHER³, b. Jan. 1653/4; d. [May 1655] ae. 1 yr. 4 mos.
- ii. RUTH, b. 13 Apr. 1658; † d. at Norwich, 14 Feb. 1683; m. 26 Mar. 1681, SAMUEL PRATT.
- iii. CHRISTOPHER, b. 1 Nov. 1660; d. at Norwich, 24 Apr. 1735 in 75th yr. (gravestone); Deacon; m. (1) at Norwich, 26 May 1681, SARAH ADGATE, b. Jan. 1663/4, d. Feb. 1705/6 ae. 42, dau. of (Deacon) Thomas and Mary (Marvin) (Bushnell) Adgate; m. (2) Oct. 1706, JUDITH (STEVENS) BREWSTER, widow of Benjamin Brewster.
- iv. THOMAS, b. 18 Mar. 1664; d. at Windham, 7 Nov. 1732 ae. 69 (gravestone); m. at Norwich, 10 Feb. 1686/7, ELIZABETH BACKUS, b. about 1670, d. at Windham, 29 Dec. 1729 ae. 59 (gravestone), dau. of Lieut. William and Elizabeth (Pratt) Backus.
- v. JOHN, b. 15 Mar. 1666; d. between 1695 and 1703; m. at Norwich, 9 Dec. 1686, ABIGAIL LATHROP, b. May 1667, dau. of Samuel and Elizabeth (Scudder) Lathrop. He was Constable of Norwich, 1691.
- +vi. SUSANNAH, b. Aug. 1668; d. at Norwich, 6 Mar. 1727; m. at Norwich, 10 Dec. 1685, (CAPT.) SAMUEL GRISWOLD, *q. v.*
- vii. LYDIA, b. Aug. 1672.
- viii. ANNE, b. 25 Oct. 1675; d. at Windham, 20 Aug. 1756 (gravestone); m. at Windham, 28 Oct. 1697, JONATHAN BINGHAM, b. at Norwich, 15 Apr. 1674, d. at Windham, 28 Feb. 1751 in 77th yr. (gravestone), son of Thomas and Mary (Rudd) Bingham.

(DEACON) WILLIAM¹ ROCKWELL, of Dorchester, Dorset, England, married there at Holy Trinity Church, 14 Apr. 1624, SUSANNA CAPEN, born 11 Apr. 1602, died at Windsor, Conn., 13 Nov. 1666, daughter of Bernard Capen. He was a deacon in Rev. John Warham's church and came over with him in

* Margaret Baret was probably related to Christopher Baret, Mayor of Norwich in 1634.

† Recorded at Norwich as born April 1658; printed Windsor records state birth as 13 Apr. 1653, which was only six months after the marriage of parents, and conflicts with the birth of the first Christopher, so is probably an error or misreading for 1658.

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