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NEWS LETTER - It was very gratifying to the officers to see the responses from the "News Letter" that was sent out in December. Some books have been sold, a number of lineages for the new genealogy came in and best of all a number of applications for membership (16).

NEW MEMBERS - We welcome our new members and hope they will add their support to to the purposes of the Association as it is expressed in our Constitution. It reads in part as follows: "*** is constituted for the purpose of encouraging antiquarian, genealogical and historical researches, especially with reference to the times the ancestors and the descendants of EDMUND RICE, who settled in Sudbury in 1638 and died in 1663".

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ANNUAL REUNION - Vice-President Seaver M. Rice has accepted chairmanship of the committee on Plans and Arrangements for the next Rice Reunion. Since so favorable comment was made by those attending last years meeting, the committee decided to again hold the reunion at "Old Sturbridge Village". Seaver has already contacted the Village and it is "ours" for September 30th. Full details will be sent out later but in the meantime put a big circle around that date on your calendar.

RESEARCH - This past year The American Society of Genealogists issued a book called "Genealogical Research Methods and Sources". For the amateur genealogist it should be a "must" for it covers such subjects as; Original Sources, such as family records or Bibles, diaries etc. Public Records, Instututional Records, Regional Genealogies (States) and some facts about Canada.

In the last News Letter we mentioned a Damaris Rice and how her descent had been traced through a deed. This item proved of interest to several persons and as space is available we would be pleased to list other "finds" that lead back to Deacon Edmund. If you have had a lucky find drop the Editor a letter telling about it.

HISTORIAN - Elsie Hawes Smith found this past winter a pretty rugged one with drifts of snow up to - well ask her about them at the reunion: Not being able to get out it left plenty of time to devote to the Rice genealogy and she put the time to good use. Elsie, while not wishing that others were snow-bound, does hope that members worked on their lineages this winter and will send her the results soon. No final "dead-line" has yet been set by the committee, however, it is unfair to them to wait until the last minute and then flood them with weeks of work.

DECEASED MEMBERS - Shortly after the last News Letter was mailed we received notice of the loss of two members. Both resided in New Hampshire and died during 1959.

Mrs. L. M. Tierney res Dover, N. H.
Mr. Warren Hunt Peterborough, N. H.

died 9 Jun 1959 5 Nov 1959

HARTFORD TIMES - At the request of your Editor, the Hartford Times, under date of 11 Feb. 1961, carried an item about the Rice Association with the announcement that we are working on a new genealogy and asking descendants of Edmund Rice to get in touch with us. A number of letters from ALL parts of the country have been received and some included new information that we needed. If other members have connections with newspapers carrying genealogical columns and can get a notice in the paper please let your Editor know.

ANNUAL DUES - It has been the habit of the Association to send out notices of meetings to all Rice descendants who have expressed an interest in or supplied us with information. We would like to continue this policy! However, our more
ambiticus program of sending out a number of mimeograph pages, several times a year,
really adds a burden on those members who regularly pay their dues. We may have to
revert back to just sending notices and only send the News Letter to paid-up members.
If not paid for this year send your remittance to Mrs. Randall (address on page 1).
The dues are \$2.00 per year and we have no objection if you enroll your Mate or the
children. It all helps with the Association work.

MEMBERSHIP - Before our reunion we hope to mimeograph the list of paid-up members with their addresses.

PUBLICATION COMMITTEE - Members of the Rice Association have had almost three years in which to purchase a copy of the reprinted Rice Family by Ward. It is still selling at \$6.50 to members in good standing and \$7.50 to others. Books can be ordered from Stanley I. Rice (address on page 1) The committee will recommend at the annual meeting that the price of the book be increased to at least \$8.50 for members and \$15.00 to non-members. The money will be placed in the Book Fund for printing the new Rice Genealogy. The new Rice Genealogy will carry on the numbering system Ward started, therefore, one should have a copy of the original or reprinted Rice Family.

Additional— It is well known that much material has been discovered since Ward's Genealogical "Rice Family" was published in 1858. We would be lost if he had not put Information so much in print. In the 1930's Dr. Alexander Hamilton Rice commissioned Mary Lovering Holman, a noted genealogist, to complete a new Rice Genealogy. She devoted several years (part time) to this work but it was suspended and never completed. The material is now on deposit in the vaults of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, Boston, Mass. where their members may examine it.

While this work was in progress, Dr. Rice and Mrs. Holman employed the services of English genealogists to check on the identity of Edmund Rice and much was discovered. Mrs. Holman's daughter, Winifred Lovering Holman, S.B., F.A.S.G. published the English background of Edmund Rice in volume II of her "Stevens-Miller Ancestry", copyrighter in 1952. Her findings are well documented and cannot be disputed. With her permission we shall cover briefly, Edmund's English background with respect to places of residence and births of his children.

Andrew Ward's list of children was not complete nor entirely correct. This was due mainly to the fact he did not have the correct birth date and further included one child Ann, the daughter of his son Edward. In order NOT to re-number all of Ward's book his numbers will be shown in brackets () and used hereafter.

CHILDREN OF EDMUND AND THOMASINE (FROST) RICE

1 Mary bart 23 Aug 1619-Stanstead, Suffolk, Eng.; d. unmar.

2 (2) Henry bapt 13 Feb 1620/1 same ;m Elizabeth Moore.

3 (3) Edward bapt 20 Oct 1622 as Edmund (original error)-Stanstead, Eng.; aged 70 in 1692;d 15 Aug 1712, aged 91-Marlboro;m Agnes Bent; had 11 chil. among them Ann, b 19 Nov 1661-Sudbury. (Wards #12 and #30)

4 (4) Thomas bapt 26 Jan 1625/6-Stanstead, Eng.; aged 44 in 1671;d 16 Nov 1681in Sudbury;m Mary King.

5 (8) Lydia bapt 9 Mar 1627/8-Berkhamstead, Herts, Eng.; m Hugh Drury.

6 (5) Matthew bapt 28 Feb 1628/9;d 1717, aged abt 89-Sudbury.;m Martha Lamson.

Dahiel bapt 1 Nov 1632-Berkhamstead, Eng.; bur there 10 Nov 1632.

8 (6) Samuel bapt 12 Nov 1634-Berkhamstead; d 25 Feb 1684/5, aged abt 50-Marlboro;

m Elizabeth King, Mary (Dix) Browne and Sarah (White) Hosmer.
9 (7) Joseph bapt 13 Mar 1637/8-Berkhamstead, Eng.; d bet 1706 and 1714; m Martha King, Mary Beers and Sarah (Prescott) Wheeler.

10 (10) Benjamin b 31 May 1640-Sudbury; d. there 19 Dec 1713, aged 73; m Mary Browne and Mary (Chamberlain) Graves.

CHILDREN OF EDMUND AND MERCY ()(BRICHAM) RICE

11 (12) Lydia b abt 1657-Sudbury, proven by fact she was given land by her father, 10 May 1662, long after the other Lydia had mar. Drury in 1645.

12 (11) Ruth b 29 Sep 1659-Sudbury; d 30 Mar 1742, aged 82-Glastonbury, Conn.

m. Capt. Samuel Welles, 20 Jun 1683-Wethersfield, Conn.

The Publication Committee has assembled many many little facts, such as dates, names of wives or husbands, marriages and deaths, that do not appear in Ward's Rice Family. It proposes to list this information as space permits and to continue it in future editions of the News Letter, providing the membership in interested?

Ward's No.

- #12 LYDNA RICE, b abt 1657-Sudbury; m abt 1678, James Hawkins, Jr. They had five children. (The last child of Edward as given in Ward's book was Ann. This has been proved in error as Ann was the child of Edward with the same birth date. That number was therefore used for Lydia.)
- (2) HENRY RICE, bapt 13 Feb 1620/1-Stanstead, Suffolk, Eng.; m Elizabeth Moore.

13 Mary Rice, b 19 Sep 1646; m. Thomas Brigham, step-brother.

15 Hammah Rice, b. abt 1651; m. Eleazer Ward; m. 2nd Richard Taylor.

- 16 de Mar Rice, b. 3 Jul 1654; m. Martha Eames; m. 2nd Rebecca Watson; m. 3rd Dilabeth Wheeler.
- (3) EDWARD RICE, bapt 20 Oct 1622-Stanstead, Suffolk, Eng.; m. Agnes Bent. There is no record to show that Edward married other than once. John Bent, subseque.ut to the birth of Edward's last child left a bequest to his daughter Agnes Rice. Old records of the Pent Family show several spellings for Agnes as Ann Anna and even Alpis.
 - 23 John Rica, t 20 Dec 1651; m. Tabitha Stone, 27 Nov 1674.
 - 25 Lydia Rice, b 10 Dec 10-9; m Deacon John Woods.

29 Janob Rise, b 2 Feb 1660; m Mary

- 32 Benjamin Rice, b 22 Dec 1666; m Mary Rice #62.
- (4) THOMAS RICE, bapt 26 Jan 1625/6-Stanstead, Sufflok, Eng.; m Mary King, dau of Thomas King of Sudbury.
 - 40 Ephrain Rice, b 15 Apr 1665; m Hannah Livermore, 21 Feb 1688.

41 Cershom Rice b 9 May 1667; m Elizabeth (Faynes) Balcom.

- 46 Flisha Rice, b 11 Dec 1679; m Elizabeth Wheeler, dau of Obadiah Wheeler and Elizabeth White. Elizabeth White was dau. of Resolved White and grand-daughter of William White of the Mayflower. (All descendants of this couple are eligible for membership in the Society of Mayflower Descendants
- (5) MATTHEW RICE, bapt 28 Feb 1628/9-Berkhamstead, Herts, Eng.; m Martha Lamson on 7 Jul 1654; bapt 13 Jan 1633/4; dan Bernabas and Mary Liggett Lamson.
 - 51 Flizabeth Rice, b 20 May 1563; m Samuel Ware, 21 Jul 1690-Dedham
 - 52 Dorothy Rice, b 14 Feb 1664/5; m Eleazar Ward abt 1685; m 2nd Capt John Ware.
 - 55 Patience Rice, b 5 Mar 1071-Subbury; m Fbenezer Leland. (The marriage of Patience Rice and Ebenezer Leland is proved by the agreement at time of marriage and deed graing half his land to Patience Rice, daw. of Matthew and Martha Rice of Sudbury. There is nothing to indicate a previous marking for Patience as she would have been listed by her married name or as the widow of ()
- INFORMATION Trees Place, b 30 Apr 1775-place unkn.; d 1850, aged 75; m Lois Houghton, WANTED b 11 Co. 1, N-Baratoga Co., N.Y.; d 7 Sep 1874-Plover, Wisc. 9 chil.

Loren Rice who mar. Polly Houghton Brown, i Dec 1827. She was born 28 Apr 1811-Hudson, N. Y. 4 children.

Ward's No.

- (6) SAMUEL RICE, bapt 12 Nov 1634-Revibanciesd, Herts, Eng.; m Elizabeth King (Sister of Mary King who mar. Thomas Rice #4); m 2nd Mary (Dix) Brown, Sep 1668; dan of Edward Dix and Jame Wilkinson; b 2 May 1639-Watertown.; m 3rd Sarah (White) Hosmer, 13 Dec 1676.
 - 58 Joshua Rice, b 19 Apr 1661; m Mary Sawyer.
 - 60 Esther (Hester per Marlboro V.R.), b 18 # Sep 1665; m Daniel Hubbard.

62 Mary Rice, b 6 Aug 1669; m Benjamin Rice #32.

- 64 Abigail Rice, b 10 Mar 1673-cross cut marriage to Palmer Goulding. Ward on page 39, under family (51) admits that this was not the Abigail that Palmer married.
- (7) JOSEPH RICE, EAPT 16 Mar 1637/8-Berkhamstead, Herts, Eng.; m Mercy King; m 2nd Martha ___; m 3rd Mary Beers who d 13 May 1677 and he m 4th Sarah Wheeler, 22 Dec 1677-Dedham V.R.; He d 23 Dec 1711-Stow, aged 76.
- (8) LYDIA RICE, tapt 9 Mar 1627/8-Berkhamstead, Herts, Eng.; d 5 Apr 1675 at Boston aged 47; m Hugh Drury abt 1645; b abt 1617; d abt Jul 1689 in Boston.

 Both bur Kings Chapel Burial Grounds.

76 John Drury, b 2 May 1646-Sudbury; d 6 Oct 1678; m Mary Weare in 1667.

- (9) Andrew Ward lists Edmund as the ninth child, however, it is generally agreed that this was an error and that the confusion might be the result of the mix-up at time of baptism. (See #3 under Mrs. Holman's material).
- (10) BENJAMIN RICE, b 31 May 1640-Sudbury; d 19 Dec 1713-Sudbury, aged 73; m Mary Browne 2 Jun 1662-Sudbury; b 18 May 1643; m 2nd Mary (Chamberlain) Graves.
- (11) RUTH RICE, b 29 Sep 1659-Sudbury; d 30 Mar 1742, aged 82; m Capt Samuel Wells 20 Jun 1683-Wethersfield, Conn.

THIRD GENERATION

(12) THOMAS BRIGHAM, b wht lotal; m Mary Rice #13
79 Nathan Brigham, b 17 Jun 1671; m Elizabeth Maynard; b 2 Apr 1664; dau of John Maynard and Mary Gauss.

83 Gershom Brigham, b 23 Feb 1630; m Mehitable Stimpson.

- 85 Mary Brigham, b 26 Oct 1687; m James Houghton, 30 Jun 1710.
- (13) JOHN BREWER, m Elizabeth Rice #14

92 Abigail Brewer, b 5 Apr 1682; m David Parmenter #124, 12 Feb 1713. 94 Jonathan Brewer, b 21 Jun 1689; m Arabella - - - -

A complete listing of those who have offered money towards printing the new book will be made in a later News Letter.

Ward's No.

- (14) ELEAZER WARD, b abt 1649; m Hannah Rice #15
 95 Hannah Ward, b 1676; m John Cobleigh.
 98 Anna Ward, b 1 May 1684; m Deacon George Barbour.
- (17) DAVID RICE, b 27 Dec 1659; m Hannah Walker, 7 Apr 1687; b 10 Jan 1669/70-Sudbury; d 18 Dec 1784; dau Thomas Walker and Mary Stone.
- (18) FENJAMIN PARMENTER m Tamasin Rice #19
 122 Lydia Parmenter, b 29 Sep 1681; m Jonathan Griffin.
 123 Benjamin Parmenter, b 21 Jan 1682/3; m Mary Adams, 1708.
 124 David Parmenter, b 12 Apr 1686; m Abigail Brewer #92, 12 Feb 1713.
- (19) THOMAS DRURY, b 10 Aug 1668; d abt 1722/3; m Rachel Rice #20.
 - 129 Thomas Drury. b 29 Aug 1690; m Sarah Clark, 10 Jun 1719; m 2nd Mary (Ward)
 Harrington who d 3 Nov 1752; He d Dec 1783, aged 96.
 133 Lydia Drury, b abt 1698; m Joseph Pike, 5 Dec 1722.
- (20) SAMUEL WHEELOCK, m Lydia Rice #21
 138 Samuel Wheelock, b 14 May 1696; m Huldah Rice #312.
 139 Martha Wheelock, b 13 Apr 1698; m Ephraim Pratt.
 140 Elizabeth Wheelock, b 1 Apr 1700; m Israel Allen #151

141 Hannah Wheelock, b 23 Jan 1701.

142 Tamar (Thamar, ch. rec.), b 2 Mar 1703/4; m Ebenezer Keyes.

143 Mary Wheelock, b 5 Jun 1706; m Eli Keyes.

144 Daniel Wheelock, 10 Aug 1708.

145 Lois Wheelock, b 25 Dec 1710; m Cyrus Wheeler.

- 146 Rachel Wheelock, b 25 Nov 1714; m Daniel Willard.
- (22) JOHN RICE, b 20 Dec 1651; m Tabitha Stone, 27 Nov 1674; b 29 May 1655.
 158 Tabitha Rice, b 25 Nov 1683; m Thomas Cutler, abt 1703; m 2nd John Haynes.
 159 Prudence Rice, b 26 Jul 1685; m Joseph Stevens, abt 1705.
 - 160 Abigail Rice, b 27 Nov 1687; m Uriah Wheeler, 28 Dec 1704. (Uriah Wheeler the son of Obadiah Wheeler and Elizabeth White. Elizabeth the dau of Resolved White and Granddaughter of William White of the Mayflower. All descendants of this couple are eligible for membership in the Society of Mayflower Descendants.)
- (23) EDMUND RICE, b 9 Dec 1653; d 25 Sep 1719; m Joyce Russell, 13 Mar 1660; d abt 1719.
- (25) JACOB RICE, b 2 Feb 1660; d 30 Oct 1746; m Mary Barrett; she d 6 Oct 1752, @80. 181 Obadiah Rice, b 13 Nov 1698; m Esther Merrick to this line add the family number (93).

REMEMBER THE ANNUAL REUNION: Old Sturbridge Village, Stürbridge, Mass. -30 Sep 1961.

Application for Membership

EDMUND RICE (1638) ASSOCIATION, Inc.	
Print Name (in full)	
Residence (street no.)	
City	
Occupation	
I horoby apply for membership as a descendant of Deacon Edmund Rice	
I hereby apply for membership as a contributing member	
Membership Fee \$2.00 - Please find enclosed \$	
Signed	
The Association requests, for their permanent records, the lineage of all member descendants of Deacon Edmund Rice, especially back to the last person listed in the "Rice Family, 1858, Genealogy" by Andrew H. Ward. Please list—so far as possible—full names of Parents, Grandparents, etc. following the outline suggested below, giving dates of birth, death and marriage. The reverse side of this paper and extra sheets may be used.	
Father son of	•
Born	,
Died	
Married (date)	,
Mother dau. of	

List below children of this marriage, with birth dates, deaths and marriages.

Once again we are printing order blanks for your use in requesting the books we are

offering our membership:
Mr. Stanley I. Rice, 16 Longmeadow Avenue, Worcester 6, Mass.
Enclosed please find \$ for copies of the reprinted edition of the "Genealogical History of the Rice Family" by Andrew Ward, 1858.
Price to members in good standing is \$6.50 each.
Rrice to NON-members is \$7.50 each; Price includes dues in the Association for one year.
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