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PRESIDENT'S  
Message

Your President urges all members planning to attend the Reunion on September 26th, to make a serious effort to bring a new prospective member with them, as Sturbridge is a fine place to associate the old and the new, and to help instill closer ties of family relations and an interest in ancestral activities, especially in our younger members.

REDUCED  
RATES

In the past the Old Sturbridge Village has given us a special rate for admission for those registering in advance. This has been considerably below the regular admission. The Committee is trying to arrange for a Buffet Luncheon, where we can dine together as we did before, however, there is a cafeteria or, picnic lunches may be brought. Full details will be sent out later with cards for registration.

EXTRA  
DIVIDEND

Shortly after our last meeting in Sturbridge your editor received a letter from which the last sentence reads: "My wife and I had a marvelous time with the delicious punch adding a nice dividend. We spent so much at the various shops in the Village that I had to stop off at my old school, ( ), to borrow enough to get home. We were also able to report to our 17 year old boy that there were several young female and pretty Rices in attendance also."

Your Editor is not trying to play "Cupid" but we do have some nice "kids" and this is a golden opportunity for them to get acquainted. The earlier they become interested in their ancestors the better the affairs of the Association will be carried on after we are gone.

INCORPORATION  
CHARTER

At the past annual reunion the membership voted to take the necessary steps to place the incorporation papers in good standing with the State of Massachusetts. Vice-President Ray I. Ellis checked with the Secretary of State on what would be required. All requirements have now been met and we can again legally use our full title, "Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc."



**FISCAL  
YEAR**

This is just a reminder that the annual meeting closes our fiscal year and that the dues (\$2.00) will again be acceptable. The Treasurer tells us she has plenty of membership cards and is just awaiting your check. YOUR DUES are what are needed to keep the Association healthy. Your officers are frugal and in many cases use their own funds. There are no salaries paid to anyone. Surplus over postage and supplies will be used for the new book. Many thanks to those who have included extra dollars in their checks or enrolled other members of the family.

**RICE  
GENEALOGY**

Letters are constantly being received by your Editor submitting additional lineages or seeking information on a Rice ancestor. We are very happy to see that notice of our project is spreading throughout the country and that additional descendants are seeking to have their lines on record with the Edmund Rice (1638) Association. Please include return postage with all requests for information.

Until such time as the Association can see its way clear to printing the new genealogy, your Editor has taken the position that the book should not be issued until we are satisfied that the majority of Rice Descendants have had the opportunity of placing their lineages on record. We are still getting lineages covering children listed in Ward's book. Andrew Ward listed 6276 names and in some instances nothing beyond a child's name. We are happy to report that lineages received cover more than 1,000 of those listed by Ward. In addition our records cover additional children that Ward was not aware of. To bring all these persons up to date runs into a fantastic number of descendants and presents a quandary that the Association has yet to solve.

Stanley I. Rice of the Publication Committee states that the response to our suggestion that members send in an advance order for the book, together with \$15.00, has not been what was hoped. Only three dozen orders with cash have been received. The last News Letter carried our financial statement and it is obvious that at the moment there are not sufficient funds to print a book.

From time to time this News Letter has carried the mild suggestion that it would be appreciated if members would donate money for printing. As of this date the amount sent in would not purchase a \$100.00 plate at a political dinner. A \$10,000 to \$15,000 revolving fund would go far towards making it possible to print one or more volumes that will be compiled. Donor's names will be inscribed in the finished books for all to know who helped sponsor them. Your Committee has worked hard for a number of years to assemble the records perpetuating the name of RICE. Send your remittances (in any amount) to Stanley I. Rice - 16 Longmeadow Avenue - Worcester, Mass. 01606

A suggestion has been made that we issue a printed booklet covering every correction and addition that has been found in Ward's book. We would then issue the printed book starting where the supplement left off. This plan would eliminate repeating or using space in the new book that could be used for additional descendants.

**IN  
MEMORIAM**

Our deepest sympathy goes to our member Wendell A. R. Babcock who SUFFERED THE LOSS OF HIS WIFE RUBY in February. They had been married sixty years. Mr. Babcock is the President of the Babcock Family Association that also holds annual reunions

A form on the last page can be used for remitting dues and/or ordering books.



CHIT  
CHAT

Our Sec-Treas. of many years celebrated her 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, June 21, 1964. The congratulations of the Rice Association go to Dr. and Mrs. Howard B. Randall, of Framingham.

Our Director, Albert W. Rice, was the recipient of an Honorary Degree from Clark University at the recent commencement exercises.

The Rice Association was formed by persons residing mostly in Massachusetts. It then spread to the other New England States and New York. The publicity about a new genealogy spread the word and we now have members from all parts of the nation.

RECORDS

Thanks go to the members who have been sending in census, vital and cemetery records. The thought occurs that if the Association decides to carry out the plan for a printed supplement that the space could be used in the News Letters for such records. A number of members have written expressing the desire to be of help - they can if they copy records or send clippings where the name RICE is mentioned. Send them to your Editor until such time as a new Historian is named. We maintain a scrap-book.

RICE'S  
OF  
VIRGINIA

Thomas Rice was an early immigrant of Virginia. We do not know the name of his wife, but they had nine sons and three daughters. The names of the sons were: Hezekiah, Benjamin, David, Nathan, Micajah, James, Matthew, Thomas and William. The names of the daughters were not included in the records sent us.

It is said that this Thomas Rice or Rhys was of Welsh and Norman extraction claiming descent from William the Conqueror. Perhaps this is the reason for the conflicting claims that Deacon Edmund Rice was of royal blood. To the best of our knowledge there is no conclusive proof showing Edmund's parentage.

OTHER  
RICE'S

Our "no record" file contains Rice names from New York, Conn. Maine and Ohio, in addition to many from the South. Time does not permit the research necessary to identify many of those so classified. The News Letters in the past have carried requests for information on unknowns, but to-date no one has ever come up with an answer. Here are some more!

Inquiry from Vermont re. Anna Rice #156. This party is interested in proof that she might have married Jonathan Bullard (b 25 Dec 1672-Watertown; d 14 Sep 1719-Weston) and mar. 2nd Edward Harrington on 24 May 1727. Our records show nothing beyond Ward listing. (RAH)

Wanted children of Asa Rice, b 13 Oct 1785; m Relief Rice. He studied law and lived at Eagle Village, near Manlius, N.Y. Reported to have had several children, Their names might clear some of our "no record" cards. 1585g - VI (4-32-120-267)

Another correspondent asks; Who was Rial Rice, father of Nettie Belle Rice, an early settler in northern Ohio?

Wanted parentage of Rachel Rice, b 1 Apr 1782, m John Perin, 10 Dec 1803 in Charlemont, Mass. (SEP)

Parentage of Abigail Rice, b 17 Jun 1733; d 20 Jun 1793; m Elias Wilder, 4 Jan 1749 at Petersham. Both bur. Brattleboro, Vermont.



ADDITIONAL This continues the additional material that your Committee has found  
 GENEALOGICAL supplementing Ward's book on the Rice Family. It does not continue  
 INFORMATION the families beyond his book, but, instead lists additional children,  
 dates of birth, marriages, deaths, places and names of spouses, etc.  
 Numbers in brackets (234) are the family numbers as they appear in  
 his book and the other numbers belong to the individual persons.

## FIFTH GENERATION - Continued

- (256) ELNATHAN RICE #678, m Lucy Walker Elnathan d 6 Dec 1806  
 1532 Elisha b 7 Jun 1755; m Katherine Gouldsberry  
 1536 Joseph b 5 Mar 1766; m Alice Rice #1308; she d 21 Apr 1829
- (258) Adam Fay m SARAH RICE #692. He d 25 Oct 1810; she d. 13 Mar 1773 @37
- (259) Thaddeus Fay m THANKFUL RICE #693  
 693.1 Hannah Fay b 1 Jan 1757; m Isaac How  
 .2 Abraham Fay 3 Jan 1759; m Abigail Martin  
 .3 Millescent Fay 11 Nov 1760  
 .4 Susannah Fay 21 Dec 1763; m John Robinson  
 .5 Sarah Rice Fay 9 Apr 1765; m a son of John Howe  
 .6 Zilpah Fay 29 Mar 1769; m Joel Parmenter  
 .7 Thankful Fay 9 Jul 1771; m Jonas Bartlett, Jr.  
 .8 Zeruah Fay 5 Dec 1774; m Asa Parmenter
- (260) PETER RICE #696 m Sarah Brown 12 Jul 1759 (per Brookfield VR)  
 1548a Charles b 1763; m Sarah Bryant
- (261) Paul Brigham b 26 Mar 1737; m ELIZABETH RICE #705, 29 Nov 1759; she died  
 30 Mar 1793  
 1551 Persis Brigham b 17 Mar 1760; d 30 Mar 1793  
 1552 Paul Brigham 17 Jun 1761; m Fannay Brigham  
 1553 Samuel Brigham 14 Sep 1762; m Asanath Bailey 1787  
 1554 Miriam Brigham 9 Jan 1764; d 10 Jan 1776  
 1555 Thomas Brigham 25 Dec 1765; m Azubah Babcock  
 1556 Aaron Brigham 7 Feb 1768; d 10 Oct 1771  
 1557 Sarah Brigham 16 Oct 1769; d 10 Oct 1771  
 1558 Pierpont Brigham 22 Nov 1772; d 29 Aug 1775  
 1559 Eli Brigham 16 Oct 1773; d 29 Aug 1775
- (262) PETER RICE #710 m Levinah Howe. She d 10 Jul 1751  
 1561 Lucy b 21 Dec 1774; m Col Ephraim Brigham 4 Nov 1794; he b 10 Aug 1748
- (265) REUBEN RICE # 719 m Ruth Haynes  
 1571 Nathaniel bp 23 Jan 1785; m Hannah Maynard; He d 29 Jul 1865  
 1572 Israel bp 1 Dec 1786; d 29 Apr 1873 @85 (G.S.)
- (266) AMOS RICE #720 m Martha Hagar  
 Amos d 31 May 1807-Dummerston, Vt.; Martha d there 10 Apr 1808  
 1579 Amos b 29 Apr 1751; m Jane Robbins 31 May 1772  
 1580 Bathshebah 6 Oct 1753; m (int) John Hagar 20 Jan 1776  
 1580a Marcy (Mary) 11 Mar 1756; d 25 Dec 1758  
 b Ephraim 10 Apr 1758; m Hannah French  
 c Marcy 14 Aug 1760; m Lt Asa French 17 Apr 1783-Dummerston, Vt.  
 d Abraham 20 Mar 1763; m Lucy Nurse  
 e Jonas 20 Mar 1765; m Mary (Polly per Petersham VR)  
 f Gardner 10 Oct 1767; m Lydia -----  
 g Levi 18 Jul 1770



- (267) CYRUS RICE #724 m Elizabeth Eaton 27 Mar 1750; she d before 1767  
 m 2nd Elizabeth Wright 19 Oct 1767; she d 16 Feb 1779-Conway  
 m 3rd Mrs Ruth Lamb of Deerfield 29 Nov 1779, she d 3 Oct 1803  
 Cyrus d 4 Aug 1804-Conway
- 1580<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Elizabeth 12 Sep 1753-Barre; m Samuel Crittenden  
 1581 Sarah 26 Aug 1755; m Samuel Daniels of Conway  
 1582 Lucina (Levina-Barre VR) 28 Jun 1757; d 7 Mar 1782  
 1583 Cyrus 10 Aug 1759-Barre; m Abigail Rice of Conway  
 1584 Josiah 15 Aug 1761-Barre; d 9 Oct 1776-Conway  
 1585 Beulah 10 Jan 1764-Conway; m Bethel Benton 22 Sep 1797-Ashfield  
 1585a Henry 10 Jan 1768; m Zillar Rice #1618 of Deerfield, 23 Mar 1800  
     b Stephen 16 Mar 1769; m Mrs Lucy (Baker) Harvey  
                     m 2nd Mrs Abigail Freeman Hamilton  
     c Lydia 16 Sep 1771; m Russell Loomis 3 Jul 1794  
     d Ezekial 21 Jan 1774; m Hannah Billings 11 Feb 1799  
     e Josiah 23 Jul 1780; m Polly Hamilton  
     f Obed 6 Dec 1782; m Sarah Kinney  
     g Asa 3 Oct 1785  
     h Lavina 13 Aug 1787; m Walter Kinney of Troy, N.Y.
- (269) THOMAS RICE #731 m Lydia Totman (Tatman, Tolman)  
 1590 Thomas 14 Oct 1779; m Lucy Dana 9 Jan 1812
- (271) JOSIAH RICE #733 m Elizabeth Trowbridge  
 1596 Sarah bp 5 Mar 1780
- (272) MOSES RICE #734 m Sarah Walker  
 1598 Sarah 4 Jun 1753; prob dy  
 1599 Eunice 16 Mar 1755, pos m 1773-Natick, Elisha Palmer  
 1600 Sarah 4 Jun 1756; m Benjamin Farnum 17 Jul 1780  
 1602 Fanny (Annie) in Sudbury VR) b 1 Apr 1758  
 1605 John 22 Mar 1766; m Prudence Dodge
- (274) EPHRAIM RICE #736 m Mary Battle (Battelle) of Dedham, at Sudbury 14 Apr 1757  
 Montague VR show an Ephraim died there 8 Mar 1818 @83  
 1611a Lois b 30 Sep 1769
- (275) JOSIAH RICE m Sybil Battle  
 1618 Zillah (Zeller) m Harry Rice #1585a of Sullivan, NY  
 1620 Tirzah (Terzalie); m Stephen Jones
- (277) SAMUEL RICE #742 m Abigail Underwood 4 Feb 1773; He d 27 Aug 1828-Orange  
 Abigail d 28 Aug 1827-Orange
- 742.1 Ebenezer 8 Apr 1773; m Martha Hammond  
     .2 Levi abt 1777; m Clark; m 2nd Keziah Curtis Rice  
     .3 Abigail  
     .4 Asa abt 1781; m Abigail she d 28 Mar 1865 @84  
     .5 Reuben m Keziah Curtis  
     .6 Hapzibah m Calvin Howland  
     .7 Rufus m Rebeckah Kimball; m 2nd Lucinda Pierce
- (283) Joseph Livermore m ANNA RICE #756  
 1661a Molly 20 Apr 1766; m Joel Owen

If descent from Deacon Edmund Rice has not been established YOU can still be a member of the Rice Association as a Contributing Member! Send in \$2.00 annual dues.



- (287) MICAH RICE #774 m Silence Rice #820 at Barre 1 Mar 1759; b 25 May 1739  
 dau of Jonas Rice #263 and Jean Hall  
 774.1 Sarah b 5 Sep 1759  
 .2 Molly b 2 Mar 1761  
 .3 Silence b 1 Jun 1763  
 .4 Betsey b 29 Jul 1765  
 .5 Nathan b 5 Jul 1767  
 .6 Asa b 24 Oct 1769  
 .7 Hannah b 12 Feb 1772; m James Camp 29 Jul 1790  
 .8 Lydia b 5 Sep 1774
- (288) ABISHAI RICE #776 b 14 Oct 1740; d 5 Apr 1797  
 Ward shows wife as Rebecca, however the vital records of Sandisfield  
 shows wife as Elizabeth and d 15 Feb 1828 @78, mother of all children.  
 1686 Chester b 29 Feb 1772  
 1686a Abisha b 16 Jan 1774; d 19 Jun 1787  
 1687 Submit b 27 Oct 1787  
 1689 Watson b 3 Jan 1776; m Hannah \_\_\_\_\_  
 1690 Frances b 12 Feb 1778  
 1691 Huldah b 1 Jul 1785  
 1692a Elizabeth b 27 Mar 1781  
     b Electa b 26 Jun 1790  
     c Almira Smith                      d 19 Apr 1795  
     d Hannah Watson                    d 2 Jan 1795
- (289) ITHAMAR RICE #779 m Susanna Balcom 10 May 1769  
     m 2nd Sarah Puffer                      1771  
     m 3rd Eunice Balcom 24 Feb 1779  
     m 4th Sarah Purbank in Stowe 3 Jul 1796 per VR  
 1705a Summer bp 20 Jul 1806  
     b Reuben bp 3 Jun 1808 per old parish records  
     c Obed bp 16 Jun 1811
- (292) DANIEL RICE #787 m Keziah Snow  
 1724a Keziah b 3 Apr 1765-Barre, Ms.
- (293) RALPH RICE #788 m Sarah Sawyer 27 Jun 1749  
 1732 John b 20 Jan 1758; m Abigail Broad
- (294) WILLIAM Walker m MARTHA RICE #789; He d 21 Feb 1777  
 Martha m 2nd Benjamin Chandler of Petersham in 1781
- (296) JOTHAM RICE #791 m Harriet Snow 11 Feb 1767 (b 7 Feb 1746; d 28 Jan 1775)  
     m 2nd Elizabeth Sullivan 15 Jan 1778; She d 18 Aug 1826  
     Jotham d 28 Mar 1814  
 1744 David b 12 Nov 1771; m Widow Cynthia Stears 11 May 1800
- (301) SAMUEL RICE #798 m Hepzibah Flint 6 Dec 1765 (b 1 Nov 1747; d 4 Jun 1790)  
     m 2nd Mary (Melvin) Davis                      (b 17 May 1756; d 5 Feb 1820)  
     Samuel d 5 Sep 1805-Ashby @ 64  
 1778a Mary b 4 Mar 1782; d 15 Apr 1784  
 1781 Ephraim b 26 May 1780; d 17 Sep 1801  
 1783 Thomas b 30 Jul 1794; m Charlotte Flint of Concord  
 1784 Amos b 5 Feb 1797; m Betty Fairbank 2 Apr 1818 of Ashburnham



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