

Edmund Rice (1638) Association Newsletter

24 Buckman Dr., Chelmsford MA 01824

Vol. 75, No. 1 Winter 2001

(return to: <[Information page](#)> <[Main page](#)>)

Send articles, corrections, member news, items of interest, obituaries, queries...to:

Keith Capen Allen, Editor

8911 S. Florence Pl.

Tulsa, OK 74137-3333

E-mail: editor@edmund-rice.org

Notice: The web edition of the newsletter does not include personal information about members who are still living or business information about our association.

Inside This Issue

- [President's Column](#)
 - [Editor's Column](#)
 - [Lifetime Memberships](#)
 - [Samuel Floyd Rice](#)
 - [New Members](#)
 - [Kathy Hoepfner](#)
 - [June Perry](#)
 - [Historian Report](#)
 - [Roger A. Rice](#)
 - [Rogers B. Finch](#)
 - [Indian Raids: Death and Captivity Along the Frontier](#)
 - [Therese Jemison](#)
 - [Jim Rice obituary](#)
 - [French and Indian War](#)
 - [Wars Between European Colonizers and Indian Allies](#)
 - [Loretta D. \(Rice\) Sanford, Amie S. Goddard obituaries](#)
 - [Carillon](#)
 - [From the Water's Edge; a book](#)
 - [Computers Helping Us Do Our Business](#)
 - [Barking Up The Wrong Tree](#)
-

President's Column

Dear Cousins,

Lately I have been contemplating possible connections to other families with Rice surnames who emigrated from England in 1638 or 1639 but who have not been identified as descendants of Edmund Rice.

Many years ago in Wisconsin when I was a teaching assistant in a quantitative chemistry class, I discovered there was a woman student in the class whose name was also Rice. I think we were both a little startled by each other's Rice identity for there were only a handful of Rices in Madison (but I note that Janice Van Lysel who just joined us is an Edmund descendant from a first settler of Madison!) At any rate, I ended up loaning the student my copy of Elsie Hawes Smith's Edmund Rice and His Family. She returned the book some weeks later dismissing it as not pertinent to her family. I was surprised for growing up in Barre, Massachusetts there were at least a dozen Rice families, none closely related but all descending from Edmund. That was in 1950. In 1954, Elsie published More About Those Rices that, in fact, dealt in part with other Rice families.

Surfing the Web one quickly finds that most people may be looking for Rices not obviously connected to our Edmund. Yet here and there are clues that some of them might belong to us, as the families claiming descent from a Henry Rice, for instance. There is an Irish Rice family in which a Henry Rice emigrated from England to Ireland and became a Catholic. Many Rices in the South claim descent from another Henry Rice who emigrated from England to Virginia in 1683. He could have been an offspring of a son of Henry Rice, presumptive brother of Edmund. We assume the elder Henry died at Stanstead in 1621. Henry had two sons who did not immigrate to Massachusetts as far as we know. They were Edward, baptized 8 May 1608 and Henry, baptized 20 Feb 1610. His daughter Elizabeth did immigrate. Either or both of the sons could have had male heirs named Henry (or otherwise) who might have been in their fifties in the 1680's.

This is where better genealogical sleuthing is needed. Y-chromosome DNA analysis will not differentiate between individuals but will definitely tell us if they are of our Rice family. As is usually the case in science, a scientific break-through opens up more avenues to investigate. So, genetic analysis should spur the growth of genealogy. Y chromosome DNA is confined to males but both males and females have mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) inherited from their mother that only females can pass it on. This does not mean that only females should research their mtDNA. We all should.

Most early settlers of Sudbury married within close confines of Sudbury, Marlboro, Concord, Charlestown, Watertown, etc. This means that many of us have mtDNA from the other early settlers of Sudbury and surrounding towns. My own umbilical lineage, published on page 7 of the Spring/Summer 2000 Newsletter, surprised me. My mother came from Scots settlers in northern New York in the mid 1800's but her maternal line went back to the Barne and Bent families of Sudbury. Both Bill Drury's umbilical line and mine include the Barne family. John Chandler's umbilical line shows he is part of both Mary King's and Elizabeth Moore's families.

We need more cousins to send in their mother-to-mother lines and when they do we should see a pattern of connection with many if not most of the families who immigrated in the 1630's.

Sincerely,
Robert V. Rice, President

Editor's Column

It is always so good to hear from cousins with comments, information on their lineages and families, and interesting material for newsletter articles. Now I not only hear from members who receive the newsletter but also from new cousins who have discovered our web site.

Look for mail from Doyle Rice, Kathy Hoeppner, Jim Tyler, Gerry Rice, Tim Sanford, Douglas Rice, Roger Rice, Rogers Finch and June Perry in this issue.

We rejoice with Doyle and Susan Rice at the arrival of their son, Samuel Floyd Rice. We sorrow with the families of James Albert Rice and Loretta Darlene (Rice) Sanford & Amie Sabrina Stoddart at the deaths of their loved ones.

A recent newspaper headline caught my eye: "Rice genome mapped". For one excited second my heart jumped and I thought, What fantastic news – there is a Rice family genome and it has been decoded! Of course, the family in question turned out to be of the eatable kind but it sure shows how my priorities are oriented! We have reprinted the page, "Calling All Rice Cousins!", from the Fall 2000 issue to encourage those who have not seen it or are still thinking about it to response.

-Keith Capen Allen

Notice Concerning Lifetime Memberships:

Beginning September 1, 2001, a lifetime membership will increase from \$100.00 to \$200.00. This increase was approved at the board of directors meeting held during April 2000.

Samuel Floyd Rice

c/o Doyle and Susan Rice

E-mail: rhysx2any@altavista.com

Proud father, Doyle Rice, writes that Samuel Floyd Rice was born on 1 Nov 2000, the day after his twin sisters, Ariel Donalda and Yaqirah Donna, turned three years old. (See, "Twins Upon Twins", Fall 1998)

"Samuel Floyd Rice is in the 14th generation from Edmund. He came almost full grown, 9lbs 8oz., 23". He was 2 oz. more than the girls together, (but they were 5 weeks early, and he was 5 days late). His first name is in honor of his great-great-great-great-grandpa Samuel Tainter Rice (1797-1865), and two other progenitors from other lines, Samuel Milligan & Samuel Wilbur. His middle name is that of my beloved grandpa Floyd Manley Rice (1889-1978), his great-grandpa Rice."

1. Edmund Rice
2. Thomas Rice 2. Edward Rice
3. Thomas Rice = Anna Rice 3. Anna Rice = Thomas Rice
4. Charles Rice
5. Zebulon Rice
6. Adam Rice
7. Ephraim Rice
8. Samuel Tainter Rice
9. Rollin Gordenio Rice
10. Lucius Manley Rice = Elizabeth Mitchell
11. Floyd Manley Rice = Lucy Ward
12. Donald Ward Rice = Lillian Lumbert
13. Doyle Rice = Susan Sayle

14. Ariel Donalda Rice and Yaqirah Donna Rice
15. Samuel Floyd Rice

New Members

Jessie H. Rice	Gilmer, TX
Conni Wimmer	Pleasant Grove, UT
Nancy J. Boulter	Berea, OH
Beatrice V. Fitts	Florence, MA
Macy C. Courtney	Dallas, TX
Benjamin Ballard	APO Pampa, TX
Amanda Ballard	APO Pampa, TX
Lewis Pike Olson	Port Allen, LA
Rogers B. Finch	Little Silver, NJ
Ina M. Atchison	Campbell, CA
Ray W. Justus	Chandler, AZ
Peg McLaughlin	Canon City, AZ

Kathleen Mary Hoeppner

E-mail: kathyhoeppner@huntel.net

Lineage:

1. Edmund Rice (1594-1663) = Thomasine Frost (1600-1653/54)
2. Thomas Rice (abt 1625-1681) = Mary King (abt 1630-1714/15)
3. Gershom Rice (1667-1768) = Elizabeth Balcom (1672 -?)
4. Gershom Rice Jr. (abt 1696- 24 Sep 1781) = Esther Haynes (28 Jan 1697-16 Aug 1770)
5. Comfort Rice (10 Aug 1729-Aug 1816) = Martha Morris (abt 1731-June 1812)
6. Darius Rice (2 Nov 1766-1799) = Anna Stevens
7. Comfort Rice (11 May 1798- 9 Sep 1869) = Lucinda Wood (abt 1798- 10 May 1871)
8. James Austin Rice (21 Sep 1824 Worcester MA-11 Oct 1921 Orchard, Antelope Co NE) = Clarissa Clark (7 Apr 1831 Auburn, Worcester MA – 2 Oct 1911 Orchard, Antelope Co., NE)
9. Charles Elsworth Rice (2 Sep 1872 Creston IA – 1 Feb 1944 Neligh, Antelope Co NE) = Stella DeEtta (17 Feb 1878 Brown County IL- 9 Nov 1965 Tilden NE)
10. John Daniel Earl Rice (8 Feb 1907 Orchard, Antelope Co NE -25 Dec 1990 Osmond, Pierce Co NE) = Elizabeth Mary Green (2 Oct 1902 Osmond, Pierce Co NE - 2 May 1992 Osmond, Pierce Co NE)
11. James Duane Earl Rice (9 Oct 1929- Yankton SD = Theresa Ann Windeshausen (10 Aug 1929- Yankton SD)
12. Kathleen Mary Rice (8 Dec 1954 - Osmond, Pierce Co NE) = Louis William Hoeppner (1 Jan 1956 - Bloomfield, NE)
13. Chad James Hoeppner (21 Jan 1979 -Norfolk NE)
13. Star Angel Hoeppner (27 Sep 1982 - Osmond, Pierce Co NE)

Further Information:

[Kathy supplied copied documentation on numerous ancestors. Below are the obituaries and information from death certificates on her great-great grandparents, James Austin Rice and Clarissa (Clark) Rice, who left

Worcester, Massachusetts to finally settle in Antelope County, Nebraska.]

Obituary:

"James Austin Rice, without a doubt the oldest person in this county passed away at the home of his son, William, southeast of Orchard, Tuesday afternoon, October 11. He had been lame for a number of years and was forced to get about with aid of crutches, and this together with his age had retired him from manual labor a number of years.

He was born September 21, 1824 in the state of Massachusetts and at the age of 23 years was united in marriage with Clara Clark, who also resided in that state. Ten years afterward they moved to Illinois then to Iowa and in the year of 1882 moved to Antelope county locating on a homestead on Antelope Creek, south of Clearwater, where the family resided until about 19 years ago when they moved to the place now occupied by William Rice, southeast of town.

He leaves to mourn his death five sons, three daughters, 33 grandchildren and 51 great grandchildren. The children are: George, Charley and William, of this place, John and Frank, of Beatrice, Mesdames, J. Ludwick, of Omaha, J. Trease, of Kellogg, Iowa, and Emma Gurnsey, of Clearwater.

The funeral services were held at the home Thursday afternoon at two o'clock conducted by Rev. H. H. Spracklen, and interment made in the Orchard cemetery beside his wife who preceded him about ten years."

- from The Orchard News, 14 Oct 1921

Death Certificate: (Information given by son, William. Note difference of death & burial dates in obituary)

Full Name: James Austin Rice

Occupation: Farmer

Birthplace: Massachusetts

Father's Name: Comfort Rice

Father's Birthplace: USA

Mother's Maiden Name: Lucinda Rice

Mother's Birthplace: USA

Date of Birth: 09/21/1824

Date of Death: 10/18/1921 at Orchard, NE.

Cause of Death: senility

Date of Burial: 10/20/1921 at Orchard Cemetery

Name of Spouse: Clarissa Rice

Obituary:

"Clarissa Clark was born in Auburn, Mass., April 7, 1831, and died at her home near Orchard, NE, Oct. 2, 1911.

In 1849 she was married to Austin Rice at Thompson, Conn. to which union there were born eight sons and four daughters, five of the former and all of the latter with the husband and father surviving. The deceased after her marriage resided in the state of Mass. for twelve years, in Illinois ten years and Iowa fourteen years moving with her family to Antelope Co., NE in the spring of 1884 which place has been their home.

Burial - Orchard cemetery - Oct 3. Tues afternoon"

-from The Orchard News, 6 October 1911

Death Certificate: (Information given by her daughter, Mrs. L. A. Ludwick)

Full Name: Clarise Rice

Occupation: Housewife
Birthplace: Mass
Father's Name: Francis Clark
Father's Birthplace: Mass
Mother's Maiden Name: Wealthy Hewett
Mother's Birthplace: Mass
Date of Birth: 04/07/1831
Date of Death: 10/02/1911 at Orchard, NE.
Cause of Death: The infirmities due to old age
Date of Burial: 10/08/1911 at Orchard Cemetery

June Perry

From: June Perry
To: <editor@edmund-rice.org>
Subject: Edmund Rice
Date: Sun, 18 Feb 2001

Hi:

I was just browsing your website...I am a newly found member of the Rice family....was so excited that I haven't finished reading the descendants of Deacon Edmund Rice in your web site.

Please contact me if you wish any current information. I am presently working on the history of the Bent family and go back to Edward Bent 1509. I can go back through the Bacons to early 1100.

Would you please pass on this to the right person.

Thank you,
June Perry

I am a descendant of Edmund Rice as follows:

2. Matthew Rice (1629 -) = Martha Lamson
3. Sarah Rice (13 May 1655 -) = John Loker (2 Dec 1650 -)
4. Mary Loker (3 Aug 1680 -) = (6 Jan 1704) Stephen Bacon (12 Aug 1677-)
5. Mary Bacon (20 Mar 1708 -) = Ebenezer Felch (20 Jul 1701 -)
6. Mary Felch (9 Feb 1740 -) = (6 Jun 1761) David Bent (18 Mar 1739 -)
7. Asaph Bent (ca 1776 -) = (ca. 17 Jun 1825) Ann Busby
8. John Zenus Bent (2 Sep 1839 -) = (4 Dec 1865) Famitchie Gesner
9. Arthur Reinforth Bent (29 Nov 1868 -) = (3 Apr 1897, Victoria B.C.) Annie Elizabeth Bent
10. Ernest John Bent (17 Apr 1897 -) = (1921) Ruth Law
11. Myrtle Winifred Bent (21 Apr 1923 -) = (21 May 1945) Nelson Martin
12. June Louise Martin (24 Jun 1946 -) = Dave Perry
13. Tracey Leigh Perry

Historian Report

Work continues on the family database. At present we are on a 'hold' status on new data entry as I am currently merging updated data that George King has provided with his very diligent documentation research. We look forward to having a first rate document that others can use to prove their lineage.

George submitted over 6000 updates last summer to be merged. So far I have reduced the number to 3500. This is a massive task and progress is slow - but it is being made. John Chandler has an additional 10,000 + set of entries to add, but many of these are new lines of information rather than merging individuals. George has also received several works by other cousins of predominately new names that he is preparing for me to add to our database.

As for our five books, I have completely entered the Ward book and Supplement 1. That leaves the last three and I have barely started on the sixth generation. Generations 6 and 7 are the most massive in size. After that, we lose track of many of our cousins. Only those with an interest in our Association are working to update data.

How can we spark your interest to add more cousins to our ranks? As the robot in that movie keeps saying, "I want input". Let other cousins know who we are, what we are doing and please keep us informed of additional members in your family.

Also, I want to encourage you to add more personal detail in the work you submit. Life is interesting and we want to know more about you than the names of your parents and children. All of us have accomplished interesting things in our lives. We have traveled, been educated, and have our families. Tell us your stories so we can add them to our database. This makes for much more interesting reading.

If we publish a book with the information that we have now on 35,000 individuals, it will be about 2,000 pages. This does not include the citations or the index. I believe, therefore, that the best way to publish our work is on a computer disk. We can place our whole document, including color photos, on one CD. And the cost will be about \$15 per CD rather than over \$100 per printed book.

I look forward to hearing from you and enjoy receiving your lineages and stories.

- Dennis Rice, Historian

Roger A. Rice

Holden MA 01520

Lineage:

1. Edmund Rice = Thomasine Frost
2. Thomas Rice (1622-81) = Mary King (-1710)
3. Elisha Rice (1679-1761) = Elizabeth Wheeler
4. Elijah Rice (1722-1818) = Huldah Keyes (1727-99)
5. Elijah Rice (1749-1827) = Relief Williams
6. Elijah Rice (1786-1855) = Martha Goddard (1789-1842)
7. Emerson K. Rice (1813-94) = Maria Farnum (1820-91)
8. George Calvin Rice (1864-1939) = Marie Dansereau (1875-1933)
9. Roger A. Rice (1903-64) = Eva Giard (1899-1966)
10. Arthur F. Rice (1926-) = Pauline M. Lambert (1927-)
11. Roger A. Rice (1961-) = Elizabeth Torrey (1962-)

Further information:

Roger recently became a life member of the Edmund Rice Association and also sent his lineage

Roger recently became a life member of the Edmund Rice Association and also sent his message.

Rogers B. Finch

E-mail: ka2hsu@juno.com

Lineage:

1. Edmund Rice = Thomasine Frost
2. Edward Rice = Agnes Bent
3. Edmund Rice = Joyce Russell
4. Lydia Rice = Joseph Parmenter
5. Rebecca Parmenter = Thomas Ball (d. Saratoga during Revolution)
6. Mary Ball = John Priest (served in Revolution & War of 1812)
7. Reuben Priest = Harriet Miller
8. Mary Elizabeth Priest = David Newton Barker
9. Charlotte Alice Barker = Henry Clement Finch
10. Cecil Clement Finch = Olga Ulrika Lofgren
11. Rogers Burton Finch = Barbara Ellen Hine

Further information:

Rogers also joined the Association recently. He wrote,

I'm in your "over 80" category....I just "discovered" the Association web page this morning and learned for the first time the ancestry of Lydia Rice Parmenter. I am very much impressed with the quality and extent of the work of the Association.

Our younger daughter lives in Northborough so I hope to be able to visit the Association's archives in Sudbury and to attend the reunion in September. The Priest Family Association might be a good candidate to join in the September reunion.

Indian Raids: Death and Captivity Along the Frontier

Bob Rice mentioned meeting Therese Jemison, descendant of Silas Rice who was captured by Indians on 8 Aug 1704 in Marlboro, in his report on the September 2000 Rice Reunion. His comment rekindled my interest in the Indian raids among the frontier settlements during colonial 18th century New England.

Eunice Williams and Silas Rice

Several years ago Gerry Rice piqued my curiosity when he mailed me very interesting material about the Rice brothers, Silas (age 9) and Timothy (age 7) who were captured during the August 8, 1704 raid on Marlborough (now Westboro). I used it for the article, "Rice Boys in Captivity" (Winter 1998).

Then I read *The Unredeemed Captive* (Demos, John. *The Unredeemed Captive, A family story from early America*, New York, 1994), a history of the February 1704 Indian raid on Deerfield told with a focus on the Williams family. The Rev. John Williams and five of his children were carried off to Canada, all of whom were redeemed except Eunice. I also read the Rev. Williams' memoir, *The Redeemed Captive*, (Williams, John. *The Redeemed Captive, Returning to Zion*, Reprinted from the 1853 edition, Cambridge, 1987) in which he recounts his family's captivity experiences.

As many of you know, the Rev. Williams' daughter, Eunice, who was six when captured, refused to return when her father came to redeem her. She remained in Canada among the Kahnawake, converted to Catholicism, and married within the tribe. Eunice's choices were seen as a devastating failure for the Williams family and for the entire colonial Massachusetts Puritan society.

Eunice Williams' grandson married the granddaughter of Silas Rice who, along with his brother, Timothy, also remained in Canada.

Captain Moses Rice

Learning about Therese Jemison triggered a childhood memory about the books of Mary P. Wells Smith (1840-1930), specifically, *The Boy Captive of Old Deerfield* (1904) and *The Boy Captive of Canada* (1905). I wrote about the author, her books and her connection to my family in the Fall 2000 newsletter.

Last month, I pulled out old file folders and found out that Mrs. Smith also wrote, *Boys of the Border* (1907) that, "Tells in a most spirited way the events in the Deerfield valley from 1746 to 1755 as they affected the Rice family." Rice family, I wondered? Did Indian raids directly affect other Edmund Rice descendants?

Yes, Gerry Rice told me. He said the book was about the Capt. Moses Rice family of Charlemont and that he had found a copy from the Internet. "She has all the right people at the right places at the right times!!", he said, so I also bought a copy. The book taught me a great deal about the frontier settlements and the families who lived in them.

"Captain Rice had been an active and prominent citizen of Rutland, Mass., where he was captain of a cavalry company. In 1741 he had bought twenty-two hundred acres of land in the valley of the upper Deerfield, at a township recently granted to Boston, called Boston Township No. 1." (Smith, Mary P. Wells. *Boys of the Border; A story of the Mohawk Trail*, Greenfield, 1954, p.14)

In April 1743, Moses Rice, his wife Sarah, children, Aaron, Dinah, Sylvanus, Tamar and Artemas became the first settlers of the township, later called Charlemont. Hit and run Indian raids were a constant reality among frontier settlements, such as Charlemont, so in 1746 the Rice family decided they had to retreat to the relative safety of Deerfield. They returned to rebuild their burnt out homestead three years later during a calmer period. This time their eldest son, Samuel, and his family joined them. Life did not remain peaceful for long.

In June 1755, a band of Indians killed Moses Rice and captured his brother-in-law, Titus King, and almost nine-year-old grandson, Asa Rice, Samuel's son. Asa remained a captive in Canada for six years. Titus went to England and France from Canada before he was able to return home again. "Such were the possibilities of life in those days." (ibid., p. 245)

More about Moses Rice

I read about Moses Rice in Ward (Ward, Andrew. *A Genealogical History of the Rice Family*, Boston, 1858, p.161) and also read the excellent information about his life and death on our Association web site. I also searched the Register (*The New England Historical and Genealogical Register*, 1847-1994, CD version).

The most interesting mention of Moses that I found in the Register was in an article by Stanley Perin (Perin, Stanley, "The tradition in search of its origin", *Register*, 121(1996):29-36, CD) about his search for proof of the family tradition that his great grandmother, Rachel Rice, who married John Perin in 1803, had Indian ancestry.

family tradition that his great grandmother, Rachel Rice, who married John Perin in 1803, had Indian ancestry. Mr. Perin described how one research step after another led him to Moses, then the captured-and-redeemed Asa Rice, son of Samuel, grandson of Moses, and finally to Asa's will.

The author first discovered Moses Rice and his captured grandson, Asa, by examining Massachusetts county and town histories. Then, he checked the relevant vital records but found no Rachel Rice. Mr. Perin consulted Ward in which "...the story of his [Asa's] capture was told, his marriages and his children were listed...but alas, no Rachel." (ibid., p. 33) He decided to keep searching because "Ward became very unreliable once he could no longer depend upon the excellent records of the older towns; other writers had taken notice of some of his errors of fact and omission." (ibid., p. 33)

Eventually, after several years of dead ends, he located Asa's will that had been registered in Warren County, New York. In it, Asa listed his wife Jemima and his children, including a daughter, "Rachal Parin". Eureka! The writer concluded that Rachal Parin was almost certainly the Rachel Rice who married his ancestor, John Perin, in 1803. There was no trace of Indian ancestry anywhere. Over the generations, Mr. Perin was fascinated to realize, family lore had modified the story of Asa Rice's capture by Indians into the story that Rachel had Indian blood.

Why?

Why haven't the wars between the English and French with their Indian allies caught the attention of more contemporary moviemakers and novelists, I wonder? They offer everything that makes for high drama – deep cultural and religious divides, settlers and tribes pawns in geopolitical power struggles, frontier families' remarkable tenacity and courage during many years of uncertainty under threat of sudden death or capture, Indian tribes' struggle for survival.

Why did some captives refuse be ransomed? Eunice Williams, Timothy and Silas Rice, among others, remained in Canada. Little Samuel Allen only remained a captive for 18 months but had to be forcibly removed from his Indian family when relatives arrived to redeem him. (Smith, op. cit., p. 227) Mrs. Smith writes, "What was the subtle charm of Indian life, overriding all its hardships? Was it that instinctive love of nature, of simplicity, of the wild wood, which lends fascination to modern camp life? Was it the freedom from the stern restraint of the Puritan domestic and religious customs of the time? We cannot tell, but certain it is that other redeemed captives are known to have shared Samuel Allen's preference for the Indian life." (ibid., p. 228)

Lineage:

1. Edmund Rice = Thomasine Frost
2. Edward Rice = Agnes Bent
3. John Rice = Tabitha Stone
4. Moses Rice = Sarah King
5. Samuel Rice = Dorothy Martin
6. Asa Rice = (1st) Lucy Smith, (2nd) Jemima Green

-Keith Capen Allen

French and Indian War

This war was fought from 1754 to 1763 in Eastern North America. In Europe it was known as the Seven Years

War. It was the last of a long series of wars fought by England and France. The chief issue between the two nations became the Colonies in American and India. The peace of 1763 eliminated France from North America; the land between the Appalachians and the Mississippi and Canada was ceded to England; Louisiana was ceded to Spain.

Wars Between European Colonizers and Indian Allies

1688 – 1697 King William's War (called the War of the League of Augsburg in Europe)
1702 – 1714 Queen Anne's War (called the War of the Spanish Succession in Europe)
mid – 1720's Father Rase's War
1744 – 1748 King George's War
1754 – 1763 French and Indian War

Therese Jemison

Date: Tue, 31 Oct 2000
Subject: Therese Jemison
To: kcallen@webzone.net

Hi Keith!

I am preparing the Ahnentafel of Therese Jemison, a Mohawk descendant of Edmund Rice through Edmund's grandson, Silas, who was kidnapped, and raised by the Mohawk. I will send it to you as soon as Therese has checked the spelling of all the Mohawk names.... She is a remarkable woman, grandmother and great grandmother, fluent in English, French, Seneca, and Mohawk, and a long time leader in her community. I will see her again in mid November after 'Cile and I return from Seattle where we will be visiting our middle son and his family.

Keep up the good work!

Jim [Rice]
(Jim died a few weeks later on November 17th.)

To: editor@edmund-rice.org
Date: Mon, 20 Nov 2000
Subject: Therese Jemison

Dear Keith,

About a year and a half ago I had the pleasure of meeting Therese. She has been a friend of my aunt, Ruth Rasey Simpson, for about 15 years and Aunt Ruth has wanted me to meet her for some time. I have heard Therese relate how she traced her relationship to Edmund Rice and I am sure the membership will likewise find the story very interesting. Aunt Ruth will be 99 in January and lives in North Tonawanda, NY. Basom, where Therese lives, is about half way between North Tonawanda and Rochester.

Best regards,
Jim Tyler

From: "Gerald I. Rice" <oiricevt@adelphia.net>

From: Gerald J. Rice <gjricevt@adelphia.net>

To: <editor@edmund-rice.org>

Subject: Theresea Jemison

Date: Fri, 17 Nov 2000

Dear Keith,

Great issue, enjoyed every page. As you know, I am most interested in "The Captured Rice Boys" and was excited to see that a descendant of Silas was at the Reunion. Would it be possible to send me Therese's address (e-mail would be best)? Prof Roger Lawrence is writing a book on descendants of many of the captured colonials who remained in Canada and had families and I'm sure he would love to make contact with her, as would I. Much of his information was in this John Buczek story:

<http://freepages.history.rootsweb.com/~historyofmarlborough/thericeboys>

Regards,

Gerry Rice

From: "Gerald J. Rice" <gjricevt@adelphia.net>

To: <kcallen@webzone.net>

Subject: Re: Therese Jemison

Date: Tue, 5 Dec 2000

Hi Keith,

I've written to Therese but have not had a reply. I bought "Boys of the Border" from the Internet - about the Moses Rice family of Charlemont - she has all the right people at the right places at the right times!! My grandchildren are getting into re-enacting at Fort # 4 and will appreciate the book.

Regards,

Gerry Rice

From: "Kathy Hoepfner" <kathyhoepfner@huntel.net>

To: <editor@edmund-rice.org>

Date: Wed, 17 Jan 2001

Hi Keith,

I just wanted to thank you for telling of the books of Mary P. Wells Smith. I sent for Boy Captive of Old Deerfield and Boy Captive in Canada. I am reading the first one and can't put it down. Along with tears and sympathy for these poor people I pray for their souls. It makes all our little problems seem so trivial.

Was Stephen Williams related to the Rices? Could you tell me how Mary P. Wells Smith was related to them?

Also, I am not done with the books yet, but how did Mary find the facts in this book? This is so interesting to me. Is there a book on Ashur Rice and his brother, Adonijah, who were captured by the Indians at Marlboro, (now Westboro) with their cousins, Silas and Timothy, Aug. 8, 1704, and taken to Canada?

I am so fascinated by family history. I have all the books from the Rice Association.

Thanks,

Kathy (Rice) Hoepfner

Date: Thu, 18 Jan 2001

From: "Keith C. Allen" <kcallen@webzone.net>

To: Kathy Hoepfner <kathyhoepfner@huntel.net>

Kathy,

I'm so glad you're enjoying the books! Mary P. Wells Smith did a remarkable amount of research for her books.... I don't know if she was related to the Rices, but I wouldn't be surprised. If your New England family history is anything like many Rice members, you have a number of distant and not so distant cousins marrying. The one connection I do know between Stephen Williams and the Rices is that Stephen's sister, Eunice... her grandson married the granddaughter of Silas Rice who also remained with the Indians....Gerald Rice has done research both on Silas and Timothy Rice and on the Rice Indian ancestry and is very generous about sharing it. (gtricevt@adelphia.net)

I'm also fascinated by family history. What a great way to learn American history!

Keith

Jim Rice - ERA Looses a Beloved Member

We were very saddened at the news of the sudden death of our good friend, Jim Rice, on November 17, 2000. He was an active member of our board of directors and had just taken over the responsibilities of Recording Secretary. Jim is very sorely missed.

In Memoriam

James Albert Rice died peacefully and unexpectedly, November 17, 2000 at home. He is survived by his wife of 43 years Lucile E. Rice; three sons, Donald C. (Melissa) Rice of New York City, Stephen J. (Kathy) Rice of Seattle and Douglas J. Rice of Rochester; three grandchildren, Alan Jeffrey, Rebecca Lee, and Eric Alexander; one brother Alan D. (Shirlee) Rice; two nieces and a nephew. For the past 27 years he served the Presbytery of Genesee Valley, most recently as Associate Executive Minister for Mission.

The Rev. James A. 'Jim' Rice was born in Colorado and raised in rural South Dakota. He attended McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago where he later became pastor of a North Chicago church.

In 1965, Jim and his family moved to Rochester where he became a community minister for the Presbytery of Genesee Valley. In Rochester, he played a key role in the fostering of dozens of community organizations. He was a founding member of Greater Rochester AIDS Interfaith Network (GRAIN) and the Interfaith Forum. He worked for international peace and justice, and served with President Carter as a monitor in the elections in Nicaragua.

He had a strong interest in people from other cultures and parts of the world and befriended many international students.

The Rev. Rice had a lifelong passion for genealogical research. He was an officer of the Edmund Rice Association and had completed a comprehensive update of Rice descendants. He and his wife loved to travel.

Jim will be remembered as a loving husband and father and as a person who touched everyone around him with his generous outgoing personality, his love for the unusual and his dedication to justice.

A memorial service for Rev. James A. Rice was held at Third Presbyterian Church at 2:00 pm on Saturday, December 9th. Interment will be at Rose Hill Burial Park, Akron, Ohio.

From obituary sent by Douglas Rice

-FROM: EDWARDY SENT BY DOUGLAS RICE

More Beloved Cousins - In Memoriam

From: "Sanford, Tim (MBS)" <tim.sanford@archives.gov.on.ca>

Date: Fri, 17 Nov 2000

To: editor@edmund-rice.org

Good morning, Keith, I was just reading the most recent issue of the Rice newsletter and found it very interesting.

This is not the good news email that I wish I could send. I am also finding it hard to write this message. On October 21st, I lost my mother, Loretta Darlene (Rice) Sanford, and oldest niece, Amie Sabrina Stoddart, daughter of my sister Tammy Sanford (my sister is divorced), in a tragic head-on car accident in Nova Scotia. The family is doing quite well, but we all have our moments.

We did have another Freeman and Eva Rice family reunion on July 21st weekend [See, "Freeman and Eva Rice Reunion", Winter 1998], but it was marred due to an accidental farming death of one of the cousins, R. Chesley Robbins earlier in the week. Another cousin, Arnold (called Jim) Rice died in February, but his ashes were never buried. The committal service was planned during the reunion weekend. So, on July 23rd, Jim's ashes were buried, followed by the funeral service for Chesley Robbins. On October 29th, a week after the tragic accident, Eva (called Dolly) Mason, sister of my grandfather, Norman Rice died. She was 87 and her mind was gone.

I wish I had some good news to report, but I don't. Take care and if I find any good news, I will pass it on.
- Tim Stanford

Date: Sun, 19 Nov 2000

Dear Tim,

Your email took my breath away - so many precious family members dead over the past few months. I'm so very, very sorry. It is especially heart-rending to learn of the tragic loss of your mother and niece. I looked up the picture of your family in the Winter 98 issue; your mother and niece were both so young.

I will share these events with all our cousins in the next newsletter. In the meantime, I pray God will hold you and your family tenderly in His hands.

- Keith

From: "Sanford, Tim (MBS)" <tim.sanford@archives.gov.on.ca>

To: "kcallen@webzone.net"

Subject: RE: your news

Date: Mon, 20 Nov 2000

Thank you Keith, for your message and the kind words. They are all treasured and the prayers are what keep us going.

There is a memorial service tomorrow evening at the high school my niece graduated from... It is an opportunity for her friends and co-workers to share and have some closure. There were at least 5 of her friends and a parent who flew to Nova Scotia to attend the services for Mom and Amie..... I have attached Mom's and

Amie's obituaries

Take care and talk to you later.

SANFORD, Loretta Darlene - 57, Clementsport, Annapolis Co., died October 21, 2000, along with her granddaughter, Amie Stoddart, as the result of a motor vehicle accident in Hantsport. Born in Landsdowne, Digby Co., she was a daughter of the late Norman Clark and Edna Grace (Thibault) Rice. She was known for her cheerful friendly smile and her homemade treats for clients and friends. She was a Mary Kay consultant, a volunteer at the Annapolis Community Health Centre and was a valued home support worker for the V.O.N. She had been a member of the Annapolis Housing Authority and on the board of the Annapolis Valley Library. Surviving are sons, Timothy, Toronto; Terrance, New Germany; daughters, Tammy Sanford, Mississauga, Ont.; Teresa Orde, Milford, Annapolis Co.; seven grandchildren; half-brothers, Norman Rice Jr., Little River, Digby Co.; Frank Price, Niagara Falls, Ont.; half-sisters, Phyllis Elliot, Brighton, Ont.; Jocelyn Holden, Swift Current, Sask.; Noreen Elliott, Middleton; many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by granddaughter, baby Tammy Stoddart in infancy; half-brothers, Bentley Rice, Wendell Benson, Freeman Rice in infancy; half-sister, Mary Lee Rice.... Funeral 2 p.m. Thursday in Clementsvale United Baptist Church.... Burial in Clementsvale Cemetery.

- from The Chronicle Herald, 25 October 2000

STODDART, Amie Sabrina - 20, Mississauga, Ont., died October 21, 2000, along with her grandmother, Loretta Sanford.... She was a daughter of Tammy Sanford, Mississauga, Ont. and Vaughan Stoddart, Etobicoke, Ont.... an honor graduate of Loren Park Secondary School, Mississauga..... involved with Girl Guides of Canada for 10 years and an adult leader for the past seven years. She was a museum interpreter for the City of Mississauga. Surviving are her sister, Jessie Stoddart; brother, David Stoddart, at home; maternal grandfather, Laurie Sanford, Bear River; paternal grandparents, Gerald and Ina Stoddart, Dartmouth; paternal great-grandmother, Lizzie Chute, Litchfield.... Funeral services 2 p.m. Thursday in Clementsvale United Baptist Church, Clementsvale.... Burial in Clementsvale Cemetery.

- from The Chronicle Herald, 25 October 2000

Carillon

“A set of chromatically tuned bells sounded by hammers controlled from a keyboard”*

Date: 15 Jan 2001

To: editor@edmund-rice.org

From: Doyle Rice <rhysx2any@altavista.com>

Subject: Carillons

Hi Keith,

Our cousin Steve Rice (my 2d cousin once removed) is a pianist/organist who was given an opportunity to play the carillon in the Beaumont Tower on the MSU [Michigan State University] campus in E. Lansing, Michigan. He did some research into the subject, and discovered that William Gorham Rice (ERA #4046.1) is known as the founder of the [carillon] movement in this country.

It so happens that William Gorham Rice's lineage & ours converge at Charles Rice, Sr. & wife Rachel Wheeler. Their children, our Zebulon (Family 238), and his Anna Rice (#638.6), who married Ebenezer Rice, Jr. (#379.6), were brother and sister.

There are many carillon towers in the country. There's a tall one in Albany, New York where William Gorham Rice resided, another one on the University of Michigan campus in Ann Arbor and even one in Cypress Gardens in Florida....Steve showed me a book full of pictures of them.

Carillons were prevalent in the Netherlands where William Gorham Rice discovered them and brought back the idea. A picture of his grave monument incorporates a set of 3 carillon bells.

One sleep deprived dad, Doyle

*(Webster's Ninth Collegiate)

From the Water's Edge: A Family's Journey From Massachusetts Bay Colony To Canada's Mississippi River Valley

By Col. Gary H. Rice (Ret.)

"The author's family patriarch, Deacon Edmund Rice, was a Puritan dissenter who arrived in Massachusetts Bay Colony in 1638. Ancestors fought in the French-Indian wars, America's Revolutionary War and the Civil War. His great-great grandfather founded the Canadian branch of the family. In 1851, his great grandfather was a shoemaker in the Village of Wakefield, Quebec. By the turn of the century, his grandfather had become a respected Ottawa Valley lumberman. His father and two uncles pioneered in Saskatchewan. Three family members were killed in action during the...two World Wars. One brother served in Korea. A dual citizen, Colonel Rice has carefully researched his family's roots on both sides of the Canada - United States border."

Contact Gary Rice at;

GEHR Publishing

RR1 Stn Main Carleton Place, Ontario, Canada K7C 3P1

Phone (613-257-1309; Fax (613-257-3033; E-mail (gehr@comnet.ca)

How Computers Help

Computers and the Internet have revolutionized how we do our business, not why we do our business.

- George King

One of the satisfying rewards of family research is sharing what we have learned about ourselves with others. Computer technology helps us in this goal. It is a tool that helps expand our knowledge about our family, a tool that helps us discover links to more Rice cousins through the Internet and through genetic research.

Our Rice family tree, as recorded in our present five books, has over 50,000 individuals. The Genealogical Register, published in 1970, is over 1200 pages long and the 1983 supplement adds an additional 184 pages. The new information we have received since 1983 would generate a new book approximately 1500 pages long, without an index and would cost in excess of \$100 per copy if published.

Computer technology, on the other hand, allows us to have a living document, a document to which new material can be added, deleted, edited constantly. By entering all the information of an individual in a single location, we can easily provide updates, expand our data, verify and edit documentation. We can add stories of how our earlier families lived at particular eras, where they lived, traveled, were educated, worked, and what hobbies they enjoyed. We cannot do this with a conventional book. It is impractical to tip in additional pages and

prohibitively expensive to keep up to date by frequently printing new editions.

It is really mind boggling how much information, good, bad and indifferent, has become available to us in the past 10 years on the Internet. We can find material on the Internet or we can put a query on it and with some luck, get an answer.

There is an Internet server dedicated to the Rice name (not exclusively to our Edmund line) and one of our cousins has set up a special server for our Edmund line. What we gain from sharing information about our Edmund Rice line might lead to more family chapters and local reunions. Think of all of the possible cousins we have not reached yet. Why are we not a family organization of over 2000 members? We can be if we continue the enormous task of creating a product that documents our family from Edmund to the present and that identifies more Edmund descendants.

The parents and ancestors of Edmund Rice remain a mystery. As you know from articles in past newsletter issues, the English genealogist we hired was not able to find any clues after a thorough search of primary source documents. However, in the near future we may be able to find Edmund's parents and to tie into other Rice family lines by applying advances in genetic research. There has been speculation that Richard Rice who originally settled in the Pennsylvania area, as I understand it, was a brother of Edmund. Some day we may be able to test that family line and ours and learn that we have a common parent. Or that other Rice lines in England are connected to ours.

- Dennis Rice

Barking Up The Wrong Tree

By Myra Vanderpool Gormley, CGSM

Tracing your family tree involves much more than typing in your surname in a search engine on the Internet.

Take a closer look at your family tree to see if some phony ancestors have been grafted onto it, and if so, by whom. Before you brag to your grandchildren about those noble or royal lines or a famous connection, be sure you are not barking up the wrong tree.

Many family historians have been hoodwinked by fabricated genealogies, and some of your relatives might have been victims of estate frauds. Earlier in the 20th century, about 200 fabricated genealogies were produced by Gustav Anjou (1863-1942), of Staten Island, N.Y. Anjou developed a profitable business in mail-order ancestors for wealthy clients willing to pay thousands for a family history.

More than 100 genealogies compiled by Anjou have been located. They are widely accessible in many large libraries and have been reprinted numerous times, and are being used by genealogists today, especially on the Internet. Anjou, and others like him, simply grafted noble and royal ancestors onto their clients' trees sometimes by using invented European parishes, forged wills and vital records.

Not only did Anjou falsify many genealogies, evidently he fabricated his own pedigree and credentials, according to Gordon L. Remington, fellow of the Utah Genealogical Association, in an article that appeared in the Genealogical Journal of the Utah Genealogical Association (Volume 19). In the same issue appears an excellent article by Helen Hinchliff on estate frauds, and one by Robert Charles Anderson on the Anjou pedigrees. According to Anderson, fellow of the American Society of Genealogists, a typical Anjou pedigree displays four

recognizable features:

- . A dazzling range of connections between dozens of immigrants (mostly to New England)
- . Many wild geographical leaps, outside the normal range of migration patterns
- . An overwhelming number of citations to documents that actually exist, and actually include what Anjou says they include.
- . Here and there an "invented" document, without citation, which appears to support the many connections.

For an extensive listing, along with the call numbers of the Anjou genealogies available at the Family History Center, see

Fraudulent Lineages: <http://www.linkline.com/personal/xymox/fraud/fraud223.htm> and <http://www.linkline.com/personal/xymox/fraud/fraud224.htm>.

Estate frauds touched hundreds of thousands of American families, and if you uncover references to a fortune or estate that some of your relatives tried to obtain years ago, be wary. Most estate frauds have been associated with common surnames.

These scams — many of which occurred about 75 to 100 years ago — worked like this: Confidence men sought "missing heirs" by placing advertisements in the personal ads or legal notices of newspapers. Then they planted stories in newspapers about huge estates that were soon to be awarded to rightful heirs. Naturally many people responded. Then these "heirs" — at the urging of the swindlers — would form associations as estate claimants, incorporate under the laws of their state and write letters to their cousins encouraging them to join the association, and pay the membership dues and special assessments for legal fees to fight for their "estates."

Newspaper wire services picked up stories about the various "heirs groups" meetings in small towns. Eventually these stories began to appear in major newspapers. Naturally, appearance in prestigious newspapers gave credence to the stories of the estates. Among the well-known estate frauds are those for these surnames: Baker, Buchanan, Drake, Edwards, Fisher, Harper, Hyde, Jans, Kohler, Mercer, Springer and Van Horn.

You may encounter cousins who will not admit that they or their parents were defrauded and who still believe there is a lost family fortune out there. Others may refuse to believe that a fraudulent lineage has been grafted onto the family tree, but a good genealogist documents everything, and trims off branches, no matter how attractive, that don't belong.

©2000, Los Angeles Times Syndicate

RootsWeb Home Page <http://www.rootsweb.com>

Shaking Your Family Tree