

Please pass this news to others who might be interested

Park/e/s Family News

"That we may more clearly appreciate and cherish our rich heritage"

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Correction: There seemed to be some misunderstanding in the last Newsletter pertaining to the Available books. We had written that the Parke Scrapbooks #1 and #2 are available from Mrs. Raymond Ruppert. These books along with the Parke Scrapbook #3 were all compiled by Mrs. Ruby Parke Anderson. I'm sorry for any mix-up.

Questions:

One of our cousins is seeking information on a Joel Parks. He lived in Hartford, Conn. in the 1780's. He married Cholae (?) Foster. They had a daughter, Lenora. Were there any other children? He and a brother or a son were supposed to have been in the Boston Tea Party. Anyone with any information, please write to:

Mrs. Wallace Carrow
Clare, R.2, Michigan
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Another cousin is seeking information on the parentage of William Parke and Synah Perry. They were married in Granville Co., N.C., Feb. 15, 1787. Please send information to:

Jessie Park
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Cousin Marian Park Howell writes:

My great grandfather, Robert Park, came to Chening Co., near Elmira, N.Y. about 1816. We have never been able to determine his father's name for sure. We believe he and his brother, Alexander, came from New Jersey. Vague records say Bloomsburge, N.J. The family first came to Hunterdon Co. probably Hopewell, but due to land troubles moved farther north. A short account of this family is found

in Pioneers of Hopewell. In the Parks Records, Vol. 3, is the following: "Roger Park (N.J. 1678) of Hexham County of Northumberland, England, came to America in "The Shield". He had a large family and his descendants have probably settled farther west." Please send any information to:

Mrs. Marian Howell
Watkins Glen, N.Y.

If you have any questions about any of your ancestors or any interesting stories, please send them to me so that we can share them with others.

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Bits and Pieces:

In reading a book on the descendants of Thomas Beeman of Kent, Conn. I was interested to see the name of our President, Mr. Brainerd Peck. I read on and found that his gr-gr-parents were Cyrene Beeman and Miles Camp. Cyrene Beeman's great grandfather was Thomas Beeman. Thomas Beeman, birthplace unknown, resided at Preston, Voluntown, Stonington, and Kent, Conn. He married Phebe Parke at Preston, Conn. in 1712. Phebe Parke was the great-granddaughter of Robert Parke.

Thomas bought quite a bit of land and sold some, between 1739-1750. He bought six lots and sold fourteen, five of which were to his sons, the deeds stating, "for diverse good cause and good considerations hereunto me moving but more for parental love and affection that I have for my sons."

In 1876 Rev. Charles Clinton Park compiled a pamphlet, "Park Families of Conn." Quote: The first mention that we have of Peter Park, is found in the Town Records, Stonington, Conn., which show his marriage and the births of his children. It is possible that he came from Scotland, and supposed by some that he was descended from Robert Parke¹ of New London.

Peter Parks married 14 June 1748, Stonington, Conn., Lucy McDowell, and had children (goes on to name children and dates of birth) End of quote.

Ruby Parke Anderson's research has found that Peter's son, Melvin, fought in the Revolutionary War and his name is recorded in Wash., D.C. He married Margaret Palmer of Pendleton Hill, No. Stonington. Also that Peter's wife, Lucy, was the granddaughter of Fergus and Ann (Gilbert) McDowell of Hartford, Conn. and Stonington.

Ruby plans a "Reprint" of "The Rev. C. C. Parke's Booklet" with what additions she has to date and requests anyone having any data of any facts of Peter Park and descendants to send them to her for inclusion in the reprint.

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