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You probably have all this but if not, it may put things into some chronological order...

Family History: New England Families #2

CORY Captain William Cory, the immigrant ancestor, came to America in 1635, and settled on the coast of Massachusetts, later in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, where he followed the trade of carpenter and miller. On December 10, 1657, he received a grant of eight acres of land, and on May 18, 1658, he was made a freeman. On October 28, 1662, he let his house to Peter Folger, of Newport, for five years. He had a deed of a third of a share in Dartmouth, Massachusetts, from William Earle, December 4, 1669. He was juryman June 7, 1671, and on April 4, 1676, he was on a committee of four appointed to have the care and disposing of one barrel of powder for the town, and to fit for service two large guns, one near the

house of John Borden and the other on Ferry Neck. On August 24, 1676, he was a member of the court-martial at Newport, held for trial of certain Indians, and in 1678, 1679 and 1680 he was deputy to the general court. He held the office of lieutenant and captain. His will, dated January 4, 1681, was proved February 24, 1682, his wife Mary being appointed administratrix, and William Wodell, John Sanford and George Brownell, overseers. He left to his wife, absolutely at her disposal, all lands. etc., with the wind mill at Portsmouth and all personal estate, except legacies; the use of the dwelling house, except two rooms, half the orchard, half the barn and use of half the upland and meadows adjoining lands of one Hall. To son John he left land in Portsmouth with housing; to William two rooms in house, half the orchard, profits of half upland and meadow adjoining and at decease of his mother the rent of the lands and house; to Thomas, when he came of age, half share of Pocasset lands; to Caleb, a third of a share in Dartsmouth; to Roger, at age, half of Pocasset share; to Mercy, ten pounds, and same amount to other daughters. His widow received receipt on January 15, 1682, for legacy of Mercy, and

had one from Ann the following year. On June 23, 1691, she received from her future second husband a writing that she would have liberty to care for her first husband's estate, and she gave full power to Edward Cory and George Brownell to care for the estate and bring up her children, reserving for herself a mare, four cattle, four hogs and four sheep. Her will was dated August 12, 1717, and proved April 14, 1718, her son Thomas being executor.

William Cory married Mary Earle, who died March 22, 1718, daughter of Ralph and Joan Earle. She married (second) about 1683, Joseph Timberlake. William Cory died in 1682. Children: John, of Portsmouth and Kings Town, Rhode Island; William, of Portsmouth; Mercy, married (first) Cornelius Jones and (second) Charles Gonsales; Ann, married Robert Bennett; Thomas, mentioned below; Margaret, died young; Mary, married Thomas Cook; Cabel, of Dartmouth; Roger, of Tiverton and Richmond, Rhode Island; Joan, married (???) Taylor.

(II) Thomas Cory, son of Captain William

Cory, lived in Portsmouth for a time, but settled in Tiverton, Rhode Island, where he was an inhabitant at the organization of the town, March 2, 1692. His will, dated September 23, 1734, was proved March 21, 1738, his sons, William and Philip, being executors. To William he left half of one hundred and twenty acres in Pocasset, half of swamp lot and half of sixty-acre lot, this land received from his father's will; to grandson, Thomas Cory, son of Thomas, two hundred acres and housing, being the farm in Dartmouth, also forty acres to come to him at age; to son Philip, homestead farm in Tiverton, one hundred and twenty acres and housing, two cows, etc., and the profit of grandson John's legacy until he came of age, he to bring him up and put him to a trade; to daughter Patience, two hundred and fifty pounds in household goods, Indian boy Sam and Indian girl Dinah until their time expired; to daughter, Mary Durfee, six hundred pounds, and same amount to daughters, Sarah Brown and Patience; to wife, one hundred pounds; personal property, etc., to be distributed evenly. Thomas Cory married (first) (???). He married (second) February 24, 1732, Susanna Taber, who died after

1734. He died in 1738. Children by first wife: William, Thomas, Philip, mentioned below; Patience, Mary, Sarah.

(III) Philip Cory, son of Thomas Cory, was born about 1700-05. He settled in Tiverton, Rhode Island. He was a prominent citizen and held various town offices. He married Hannah (???). Children, born at Tiverton: Mary, October 5, 1728; Elizabeth, October 6,

1729; Thomas, July 10, 1731; Sarah, June 16, 1734; Philip, November 23, 1741; Isaac, mentioned below.

(IV) Isaac Cory, son of Philip Cory, was born at Tiverton, Rhode Island, November 13, 1746, died about 1832. He was a captain in the revolutionary war. He followed the sea and was captain of a whaling vessel. He was also a ship builder and conducted a general store for many years. He moved from Tiverton, Rhode Island, to Dartmouth, Massachusetts, now Westport Point, Massachusetts. He married, March 18, 1764, Mary Cadman, of Portsmouth. Rhode Island (marriage by Rev. Restcombe Sanford). Children, born at Portsmouth: Isaac, mentioned below; Christopher, February 9, 1770; Sarah, July 28, 1771. Others at Tiverton and Dartmouth.

(V) Isaac (2) Cory, son of Isaac (1) Cory, was born at Tiverton, Rhode Island, about 1765. He was educated in the public schools and afterwards became associated in business with his father under the firm name of Isaac Cory & Son, ship builders and general merchants, at Westport, Massachusetts. He married Mary Brownell, of an old Rhode Island family, daughter of Deacon Sylvester Brownell and sister of Bishop Thomas Brownell, of Hartford: Dr. Richmond Brownell, of Hartford: Sylvester Brownell, of Providence, and Lydia Wendell, wife of Judge Wendell, of Hartford. Her father was a lieutenant in the militia. Children: Alexander H., mentioned below; Albert: Mary and Elizabeth, who died in infancy.

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That was so much fun and delicious food.. I loved the stories. We have to do more of that.

If I have time today I'm going to copy the Cory stuff and stick in the mail. It would be so great if you can find time to do it. I have spent time on the web but can't find anything about a Charles M. Gifford. As for Thomas Cory I believe his brother was Issac Cory, famous in this town for the whaleship "Kate Cory" and others. Also a good friend of Paul Cuffe, 1759-1817a black man who lived in Westport and became an amazing entrepreneur. (lots on the web) I want to get the house on the N. Register so need some good stuff about the Cory family, etc. Love you, Mum

Would you please send me Namets address and email??

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