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JOHN JACKSON

Innholder, Cambridge, Massachusetts, c. 1672

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JOHN JACKSON, usually referred to as “Lieutenant,” was born near the year 1645. The location of his birth has not been learned. His first wife was Sarah ____, who died without issue November 15, 1700.* His second wife was Deborah Fifield, daughter of Giles and Judith (Carter) (Converse) Fifield, born July 4, 1673 at Charlestown, Massachusetts.† John died at Cambridge, Massachusetts on September 26, 1709, aged 64.‡ His wife survived him and died at Woburn, Massachusetts on February 5, 1724.§ Although Jackson’s parentage is not known, he is believed to be a near relative of Richard Jackson of Cambridge, for John inherited Richard’s property in Cambridge.** The property, located on the northwesterly angle of Brattle Street and Brattle Square, became the location of John’s inn. He began operation in about the year 1672, and was succeeded in business in 1695 by Capt. Josiah Parker.††

The children of John Jackson and Deborah Fifield were:‡‡

Samuel bapt. 4 Jan 1701 at Cambridge, MA.

Fifield b. 8 Apr 1702 at Cambridge, MA.

John b. 12 Jan 1703/4 at Cambridge, MA.

James b. 25 May 1706 at Cambridge, MA; bapt. 26 May 1706 at Lexington, MA; d. aft. 1755, prob. at Petersham, MA; m. 4 Dec 1730 at Sudbury, MA to Martha ____, wid. of Thomas Hunt (d. 1742 at Leicester, MA); 5 known ch.

Xene b. 2 Apr 1708; bapt. 4 Apr 1708 at Lexington, MA; d. 5 Feb 1786; m. 24 Oct 1737, as his 2nd wife, to Thomas Robbins (son of Nathaniel; b. 11 Aug 1703 at Charlestown, MA; d. 30 Jun 1791); 10 ch. (he had 6 others with his 1st wife).

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* Henry Whittemore, *Genealogical Guide to the Early Settlers of America...* (1898; repr. Baltimore: Genealogical Pub. Co., 1967), vols. 5-12, p. 282; William R. Cutter, *New England Families, Genealogical and Memorial* (New York: Lewis Hist. Pub. Co., 1914), vol. 2, p. 787.

† Thomas Bellows Wyman, *Genealogies and Estates of Charlestown...* (Boston: David Clapp & Son, 1879), vol. 1, p. 345; *NEHR* 59:85. She married 2nd (as his 2nd wife) to Josiah Johnson of Woburn, MA, son of William and Esther (Wiswall) Johnson, and with him had one son, Giles Johnson. *Id.*

‡ Thomas W. Baldwin, *Vital Records of Cambridge, Massachusetts to the Year 1850* (Boston: NEHGS, 1915), vol. 2, p. 618.

§ *NEHR* 59:85; Edward F. Johnson, *Woburn Records of Births, Deaths and Marriages from 1640 to 1873* (Woburn, MA: Andrews, Cutler & Co., 1890), vol. 2, p. 99.

** Cutter, *supra*.

†† Cutter, *supra*; Lucius R. Paige, *History of Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1630-1877* (Boston: H. O. Houghton & Co., 1877), vol. 2, pp. 225, 593.

‡‡ Cutter, *supra*; Paige, *supra*; Charles Hudson, *History of the Town of Lexington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts...* (Boston: Houghton Mifflin Co., 1913), vol. 2, pp. 577-8.