

THE HARRIS FAMILIES

There were several Harris families in Beekman in the 18th century. The earliest family to arrive descends from **William Harris** who was of Block Island, RI by 1664, then of Lyme, CT and deceased by Sept. 1693. He married **Elizabeth** ____, possibly dau. of Alexander **Innis**, 24 July 1672.¹ He was probably the William Harris to whom a land patent in Ulster County, NY was granted 26 Aug. 1686.²

Children:

- i. William, b. 10 Feb. 1675; m. Elizabeth Brockway.
1. ii. Thomas, b. 22 March 1677 (or 79); m. Miriam Willie.
- iii. ?Elizabeth, b. ca. 1679; m. James Rogers.
- iv. Mary, b. 1681; m. James Danielson.
- v. Catherine, b. ca. 1682.
- vi. Richard, b. ?, was a minor in 1702.
- vii. ?Rachel; prob. m. Moses Huntley.
- viii. Alexander, b. 22 July 1685; died on Block Island 1785.

1. **THOMAS² HARRIS**, (William¹), was born on Block Island 22 March 1677 (or 1679) and married **Miriam**, born 1 Nov. 1677, dau. of John and Miriam (Moore) **Willie**. He was of Ulster Co., NY by 1709 when he and Catherine Innis, (Honnist in the church record), were sponsors at a baptism in Kingston. He was taxed in the Highlands in 1714-15 and then in Dutchess County, South Ward, in 1717-1719 and in the Middle Ward, DC from 1720/1- 1724/5. He probably moved to the area of Freedom Plains in the Beekman Patent where his son William later settled and where Ezekiel Masten was an early settler.

The will of Thomas Harris was written in DC 27 Dec. 1725 and proved 22 Feb. 1725/6. He named dau. Mary Ann, wife of Benjamin Calt. Henry Van Derburgh was appointed executor and witnesses were Thomas Lewis, Stephan Crego³ and Ezghiel Moste (Ezekiel Masten). [DCW Misc B: 184].

Children:

2. i. William, b. ca. 1690; m. Catherine Noxon.
3. ii. Joseph; m. Catherine Hege man.
- iii. Peter.
- iv. Stephen.
- v. Hannah.
- vi. ?Thomas; lived in Cornwall, CT.

¹ Information on the early family from Record, 1953:134ff and later information from *The Noxon Family in North America*, France Forrester Walker Stenberg, 1990. See volume I SBP for many entries for this family.

² Information on the land patent from Record but not found in *Indorsed Land Papers, 1643-1803*, O'Callaghan.

³ See SBP III for Crego family.

- vii. ?Temperance; m. Daniel Greene, lived RI.
- viii. Miriam, b. 12 March 1700; m. 1st Benjamin Coult, 2nd Ebenezer Marsh.

2. WILLIAM³ HARRIS, (Thomas², William¹) was probably born ca. 1690 and married **Catherine**, bp. 25 Sept. 1677 at NYDRCh, dau. of Thomas and Geertruyt (Hogaboom) **Noxon** 13 July 1713 at Kingston. [KM 301]. William Harris was taxed in the Middle Ward, DC from 1730/1 through 1737/8 and then in Beekman through June 1762. He was assessed in Beekman Precinct in 1738/9 at £7, in Feb. 1739/40 at £8, in Feb. 1740/1 at £10, in Feb. 1741/2 at £8, in Feb. 1742/3 through Feb. 1744/5 at £10, in Feb. 1746/7 at £15, in Feb. 1753 at £8, in June 1758 at £6, in June 1760 at £3. He would be considered quite wealthy.

By 1727 he had settled on a 200 acre farm in lot 19 in the present Town of LaGrange. The farm was near present State Road #55 and Velie Road, east of the Taconic State Parkway. The farm was surveyed by Jacob Ter Bos in 1740. In 1750 he was elected Pathmaster in Beekman Precinct "for the Mill Road"⁴

There are a number of rent details available for his farm:⁵

Dr. side. WILLIAM HERRIS in Beekman Precinct 1728, 200 acres 18 bushels, 2 fowls and 1 day riding.

1727. To farm rent, in lot 19, 3 lives.

Cr. Side. May 1739 Received from Wil Heris by James (?) 10 bushels of wheat.

"7 March 1740. Have allowed if this said Herris paid in 6 months 17 bushels for the year 1740-1741 the remainder was to be forgiven to that time, but have not complied."

7 March 1740. By an agreement all heretofore is forgiven. (Bracketed paragraph). "Whereas there was 5 or 6 acres of Land falling in Myndert Velie's farm in a Bent of the Creek which had excepted from Velie and now I have Granted under hand that the same shall be for William Herry's & added to that farm if it is not in already. Signed at NY 25 Feb. 1759." On 1 May 1762 the ledger reads: "To Rent due by his new lease for 210½ acres for 1761, 24 bushels, 2 fowls and 1 day riding."

26 March 1742. Delivered in Yelverton's Mill 18 bushels for my acc't."

Jan. 1745/6 - 19 bushels by Will Harris.

Jan. & Feb. 1747/8 "count of wheat at Peter Van Kleeck's -William Harris 36 [bushels]

6 Aug. 1748 "George Ellsworth Jr. Dr to 5 or 6 bushels wheat NB from Will Harris on my acct tho price is now 6/ per bushel."

26 March 1749/50 "Beekman Precinct Cr rec'd for and by Henry Livingston's store Wil Harris 18.

⁴ SBP I:175.

⁵ From ELP box 129, pages 68, 130, plus other ledgers as noted.

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23 Nov. 1749 “Ordered James Livingston to execute writs v. John Earle, Wil Harris”.

18 April 1751 “Will Harris of Beekman Prec - Cr at H. Livingston’s store 10 bushels wheat at 4/3 on acct of debt. £2/2/6.”

1 May 1751 “List of names & accounts of rent & of arrears of rent for the tenants in Beekman Precinct to the 1st of May 1751. William Harris in lot 19 – 13 bushels.”

April 1752 “List sent me of rent from H. Livingston for me received in his store house: Joseph Harris 18 William Harris in part of Db 10”.

19 May 1757 “A List of Bonds delivered to James G. Livingston to put in suit the 19th day of May 1757 against the following persons, viz William Harris 14”

Harris paid fairly regularly at Livingston’s store, Peter Van Kleek’s store and at Everitt’s store. In 1752 18 bushels were “delivered by his son Joseph” and in 1754 the wheat was delivered by “father and son”. In 1759 Wil Harris and Jacob Gonsalus delivered wheat rents.⁶

William Harris, Yeoman of Dutchess County, signed a penal bond to Henry Beekman for £6 on 15 May 1733, promising to pay £3 1 January 1734/5. He failed to pay and the issue was brought before the May Court in 1750. He appears to have signed the bond himself. [AD 3292, ELP VF K:13]. A deed of 10 July 1749 from Col. Henry Beekman to Myndert Velie for land in lot 19 excepts from the sale “a lot of 5 or 6 acres leased to William Harris at a bend in the Spruyt Kill.” [D 2:221]. Henry Beekman noted in letter of 7 Jan. 1744/5:⁷

“Will: Herrys I believe may have paid more than I can find credited. All I can find is but 18 bushels which have already deducted and is as I find. See the acct herewith (I) send you.”

In a letter of 19 Dec. 1744 Beekman stated: “William Harris has trifled unreasonably with me but what he can prove or will declare on his oath you may discharge.” On 17 Jan. 1749/50 he noted: “You may make out the writ vs. William Harris & sign my name thereto. I will notwithstanding be favorable to him, though he broke his word in the promise made last June at Tenbrook’s. This is only to bring him to acct, which otherwise he never will do.”⁸

He was noted on a memo in the Henry Beekman papers:⁹ “Acct of Will Herris

Dr to H. Beekman at sundreys arrears in farm rent;	£15.0.0
15 May 1733 To your bond 8 pc ^t per (illeg) £3 is	6.0.0
1 May 1741 To your note of hand for 4.5 is interest	6.9.0
To a Small (illeg) of a Barr ¹ Cor(illeg)	<u>1.3</u>
	£28/12/0

⁶ Rental information from ELP Box 129, p. 57, 70, 88, 100-1, 109, 148.

⁷ SBP I:707.

⁸ SBP I:704, 730.

⁹ AD #104

“Ryn Beck In Dutches County the Seventh Day of March one Thousand Seven Hundred Fourty, The Underwritten William Herris Doe acknowledge to be indebted unto Henry Beekman Seventeen Bushels of Wheat for arrears of farm rent Due to the said Hen: Beekman To the first of May 1741 next insuing, which I promis to pay within Six months from the Day of the date within.”

Signed William harris.

(Witnesses): Jurri Haas and Sarah Webling,

The following was all on an attached paper:

“7 Mart 1740/1 William
Herris his promis
I Suppos & think that this note
he have p^d to Junr Wilson in 1741.”

The other side reads:

“William Herrys Dr. to Henry Beekman

1727 you settled on my land

1741 May 1 All former rents were Compro
mised & you gave your not[e] at
that time for 17 bushels you did
then owe me as arrears at 5/ per bushel for
Bushels as then went at NY

would come to

21.¼:--

1742 1 May

18 – 2; 1

1743 D^o

18 – 2:1

1744 D^o

18.--2: 1

1745 D^o

18 – 2.1

93 - 8.1

I find 18 bushels p^d if you have paid more shoe how. It must
be Since the year 1741. All before was discounted.

15 May 1733 to the Bond

£3:--:--

D^o D^o 1745 12 years Interest at 9 per annum

3:4

£6:4

Copy sent hereof to H. Livingston.”¹⁰

William Harris was involved in numerous legal actions besides his tenancy with Henry Beekman. See following Ancient Documents in DC. 104, 1720 (He was of Kingston), 1666, 1758, 1970-1, 2594, 2723, 3243, 3292, 3350 4064.

William Harris sued Johannis Gonsalis. [21 May 1751, [CP](#)].

William Harris was taxed through 1762 but we think it probable that he died before Aug. 1759 when Catherine Harris, widow of Dutchess Co., married

¹⁰ [AD](#) 3243 which consists of five pages including a summary sheet noting that with interest to May 1754 the total was £11/9/4.

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Daniel Roberts with bonds of 15 Aug. 1759. The bondsmen were Daniel Roberts and Jacob Van Wagenen.¹¹ [NYM 171, NYMB 187].

Children: (all baptized at Kingston except last)¹²

- i. Geertruy, bp. 2 Aug. 1713; dy. [KB 2147].
 - ii. Geertruy, bp. 26 June 1715, [KB 2316]; m. Tunis Somerindike.
 - iii. Elizabeth, bp. 6 Oct. 1718, [KB 2617]; m. Egbert Somerindike.
 - iv. Annatje, bp. 4 Dec. 1720, [KB 2831]; m. John DeWitt.¹³
 - v. Catrina, bp. 13 Jan. 1723, [KB 3074]; dy.
 - vi. Sara, bp. 26 Dec. 1724, [KB 3299]; m. 1st Tunis Somerindike, 2nd ___ Brown, 3rd Paulus Grymes.
4. vii. Joseph, bp. 15 Oct. 1727; m. 1st Annetje Velie, 2nd Tunta Noxon.
- viii. Thomas, bp. 4 Jan. 1730, [KB 3966]; m. ?Classje Wyant.
- ix. Catherine, bp. 6 Oct. 1734 at Frederick Beck's house in Poughquag with Sp. Frans DeLong and his wife Mareitje. She was then about 6 months old.¹⁴

3. JOSEPH³ HARRIS, (Thomas², William¹), was probably born ca. 1700 and reportedly lived with his sister Miriam (Harris) Coult in Lyme, CT until he came to Dutchess County. He was taxed in the Middle Ward, Crum Elbow and Poughkeepsie from 1737 through 1745 and was a Constable and Collector in Crum Elbow in 1738. [CEPR 21]. He married **Catherine**, probably dau. of Francis and Antje (Ruard) **Hegeman** by 1732 or so and had five children recorded in the PDRCh. He witnessed several deeds in Crum Elbow in 1738 but evidently abandoned his family about 1745 as noted in the store ledger of Francis Filkin of Poughkeepsie, p. 192.¹⁵ He was a Sp. at the Poughkeepsie Reformed Church 7 Oct. 1740 for a dau. of Michael Palmatier.

Children:

- i. John, b. ca. 1733; m. Jane ____. He was possibly the man taxed in Crum Elbow from June 1759 through June 1766. John Harris and Jane of Crum Elbow gave a mortgage of £100 on 3 Jan. 1761 to Helena McPhaedris of NYC on 200 acres of land in lot 7 near William Williams and William Beadle. It was canceled shortly after. [M 1:168, 200].
5. ii. Joseph, b. 1737; m. 1st __?__, 2nd Mary White.
6. iii. Pieter, bp. 27 May 1739; m. Mary DuBois.

¹¹ Jacob Van Wagenen was on the Poughkeepsie Precinct tax rolls from Feb. 1740/41 through 1748 but not found locally after that.

¹² See RECORD 1953:142-3 for more information.

¹³ See Record 1953:142-3 for children. See Samuel (Joseph) for information about Gertrude (DeWitt) Harris. Note Record article has conflicting data about this Samuel on pages 143 and 147.

¹⁴ New York Lutheran Church. RECORD 1967:109.

¹⁵ See Record 1953:144 for more on this.

7. iv. Frans, bp. 9 May 1740; m. 1st Catharina Lent, 2nd Engeltje Vandewater.
- v. Stephen, bp. 1 April 1743 with Sp. Stephen Harris and Hannah Harris. He married Magdelin _____. "Magdelin Harris, wife of Stephen Harris of Poughkeepsie, died 19 Dec. 1802 in 57th year". She was buried in the Dutch Church yard in Poughkeepsie.¹⁶ Stephen Harris died in Clinton 28 Feb. 1823 in his 80th year of his age. [MDDC 51].¹⁷ He prob. had dau. Anna who married Stephen Gazely 21 Jan. 1818, and dau. Caty as per notice: "Caty Harris, dau. of Stephen Harris of Poughkeepsie, married Charles Pells of the same place 29 May 1802."¹⁸ [MDDC 81].
8. vi. Isaac; m. 1st Marietje Pels, 2nd Jenne Freer.

4. JOSEPH⁴ HARRIS, (William³ Thomas², William¹), was bp. 15 Oct. 1727 at Kingston with Sp. Evert Bogardus and Elizabeth Naks [Noxon]. He came to Beekman with his father and was first taxed here in Feb. 1753 through 1778. He married 1st 2 Jan. 1747 **Annetje**, dau. of Myndert and Neeltje (Van Kleecq) **Velie**, and 2nd 13 March 1780 at Hopewell Reformed **Tunta**, (Content) b. ca. 1763, dau. of Bartholonew **Noxon** Jr. and his wife Ann Losee. They were of Beekman and he was noted in the marriage register as a widower. He was a large landowner in Beekman and some land transactions follow:

"20 July 1754. Agreed with Joseph Harris to resurvey by William Scot about middle Aug. his farm beginning by the Swego Bridge where the old farm did begin. New lease to Joseph Harris, Joanna[?] his wife and Myndert his son & the privilage to add another life..." etc. [ELP Box 129, page 126].

Joseph Harris took a lease 24 Nov. 1758 on four farms in Beekman. The first was 256 acres and 3 rods of land that bounded Andries Beck and Johannis Scherer. The second farm was 150 acres and the bounds note: "begins on high ridge on line of Samuel Dorland, Bounds Harris and Johannis Scherer and road by a bridge. Part of farm leased by Catharine Pawling to Samuel Dorland and by him sold to Joseph Harris." The third farm adjoined the first and was 60 acres and bounded Henry Bell and the road to Richard Berry. It had been leased by Catharine Pawling to Henry Bell. The fourth farm was 8 acres and had been leased by Catharine Pawling to Abraham Losee and he had sold the lease to Joseph Harris. This farm began at the SE corner of Losee, bounded the Oswego Road and the road to Bell.

The lease was for 999 years, ending in 2763, with annual wheat rent of 48½ bushels payable to John Rutsen and his assigns at a storehouse within twenty miles of the premises. On 18 Oct. 1764 John Rutsen sold the four parcels to

¹⁶ MDDC 51, OGDC 240.

¹⁷ His gravestone reads he died 26 July 1823 in 80th year. He was buried in the Baptist Church Ground, Poughkeepsie. OGDC 258.

¹⁸ MDDC 81. This daughter not in Record article.

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Harris and on 8 April 1783 Joseph Harris of Beekman gave a mortgage of £1,000 to Cornelius Wyckoff of Flatbush, Queens Co., NY on the property. Joseph Harris, Baltus Harris and Pasco Noxon were to pay the £1,000 noted in the mortgage. [M 4:85]. The 999 year lease called for the wheat rents noted plus a cash payment of £25. [D 4:350]. The farm Harris leased bordered neighbors Johannes Scherer, Samuel Dorland and the west side of a run of water. His farm was later leased by Barnet Velie in 1790 except some parts which were leased by Jesse Clapp.

In Feb. 1754 he delivered 18 bushels of wheat to Henry Livingston's store. On 6 March 1755 he delivered the same to Livingston and on 12 July 1756 he delivered the same to Lawrence Van Kleeck's. [ELP Box 129]. He was involved in several legal actions: Joseph Nicholas Stickle sued Joseph Harris & Benjamin Benedict. Joseph Harris, administrator of Morris Lewis, sued Joseph Taylor. [CP 4 Oct. 1768, 23 May 1776].

Joseph Harris was assessed in Beekman Precinct in Feb. 1753 at £8, in June 1758 at £10, in June 1760 and 1763 at £16, in 1767 at £17, in June 1770 and 1775 at £17 and at £16 in 1778. He was very wealthy compared to his neighbors. On 30 Jan. 1777 he sold a Slave named Isaac to John Losee¹⁹ for £100. George Mory and Philip Dorland witnessed the Bill of Sale. The estate papers of Gores Storm of Dutchess County (inventory taken 4 Sept. 1788), show that a Negro woman and child had been sold to Joseph Harris for £30.²⁰

Joseph Harris and his wife were Sp. at Hopewell Reformed 20 April 1766 for a child of Peter and Neeltje (VanKleeck) Velie. Joseph Harris was mentioned in a road dedication in Beekman 15 Oct. 1759 [AD 1315].

He was a Captain in the Colonial Militia and refused to sign the AofA in Beekman and was labeled, along with several other Colonial officers, as "Tories All." On 12 Sept. 1775 Charles Platt reported to Governor George Clinton that Captains Johannes DeLong, George Emigh, Joseph Harris and Michael Vincent (all of Beekman) had refused to call their Companies. On 8 April 1777 Lieut. Jasper Fulmore appeared at a meeting of the ConC and "inform'd that he had bro't Prisoners, Capt. Joseph Harris & John Losee by order of the Com: of Beekman's Precinct. Ordered, that the said Harris & Losee be permitted to their Parol, not to depart further than One Mile from the Stone Church." The meeting held 10 April ordered that Harris and Losee appear before the Board tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock. At the meeting held 11 April 1777 "Cap^t. Joseph Reynolds appeared before the Board and being duly Sworn, Saith, that he hath lately had conversation with Abraham Brower & Walter Hire, both of them related to John Losee. That the Dep^t hath understood from the said Brewer & Hyer, that they conceived Harris & Losee by their discourse to be greatly disaffected to the American Cause, and particularly that Hyer told him he had heard Harris say it was a pity the Congress were not hanged for bringing these

¹⁹ He was probably his son-in-law John Losee who married his dau. Rebecca Harris.

²⁰ *Genealogical Data from Inventories of NY Estates, 1666-1825*, Scott and Owre, 146.

troubles upon the Country (etc.)” No action was taken by the Board and the meeting held 14 April “resolved that he be dismissed from his Parol & that he be permitted to return home.” [ConC 233, 235, 237-8, 246].

Joseph Harris delivered 27 bushels of wheat at Jacob Brinckerhoff’s mill in Rombout Precinct 11 May 1779 and was paid £172/16/0. This was probably for the War effort. [GCP #2345]. Joseph Harris was paid \$8.27 on 27 April 1781 for four days hire of a two horse team at \$2.25 dollars per day, (less five shillings and 9 pence for repairs). He was also paid \$87.05 on 27 April 1781 for pasturing a number of public horses and for half a bushel of buckwheat.²¹

Joseph Harris and Content, his wife, mortgaged two parcels of land in Rombout to Dirck Brinkerhoff of same 10 May 1785 for £1,300. The land was 53¾ acres and 145 acres. [M 4:244, 360]. On 6 Sept. 1785 Joseph Harris of Rombout mortgaged a parcel of 228 acres in lot #13, lot #1. The mortgage was to Hendrick Wyckoff of NYC and was for £400 and was “for the life of a certain Abraham Kanniffe and that of his first lawful wife; a couple of fowls to be paid every year to said Hendrick Wyckoff.” A Joseph Harris of Fishkill was assessed in Beekman in Oct. 1799 on land valued at \$200 and owed a tax of 20 cents. There is no record of his death but it probably occurred between 1785 and 1790.

Children:

- i. William, b. ca. 1748; m. Catherina, bp. 25 June 1758, dau. of Cornelis and Elizabeth (Ter Bos) Swartwout. They married at the Hopewell Church 19 April 1773 and he was noted as of Oswego and she of Fishkill. William Harris and Neeltje Harris were Sp. 15 March 1772 at Hopewell Reformed for a dau. of Abraham and Neeltje (Velie) Losee. William Harris signed the AofA in Beekman and was taxed there in 1770-5 and assessed at £4 in 1770 and £2 in 1775. He was probably the man referred to in the next: “Capt. Nathaniel Smith appeared before the ConC Board at their meeting held 20 March 1777 and informed that he had yesterday apprehended William Harris for saying that he was a Tory & meant to be a Tory that he was a King’s subject & determined to continue so. That in les than Two Months time the Regulars would be here in spite of all the Forces the Congress could Raise to oppose them. That he had taken a horse of the said Harris as security for his resigning himself the next morning in order to his appearance before this Board on this Day. That the said Harris had not appeared, and as this Inform^t has understood from Harris’s father does not mean to appear.

That the said Horse taken as a security aforesaid was now in the possession of this Inform^t & he prays the direction of this Board in the premises. Resolved, that the said Cap^t Nathaniel Smith

²¹ Specie certificates for Revolutionary War service 1780-1782. Madame Brett Museum, page 8, #2402, page 9, #2405.

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detain the said Horse in his custody until the further Order of the Board, and in the mean time, he use his best endeavors to Cause the said William Harris to be apprehended & bro^t before this Board & that this Board will defray the Expençe thereof.” On 29 March 1777 Capt. Smith brought the horse to the Board and they ordered it be sold at public vendue (auction). Smith was paid £2/0/14 for his service. The Board meeting held 28 June 1777 noted that Robert Hoffman remitted £16 to the Board, the money coming from the sale of Harris’s horse. The Board resolved: “that the said William Harris by his non appearance before this Board has forfeited the said Horse, and that the said monies arising from the sale thereof be detained accordingly.” [ConC 208-9, 224, 325].

He was living in NYC in 1784 per will of Henry Swartwout.²² Catherina was living with her son-in-law Henry Andrews in NYC in 1842.²³ They had dau. Elizabeth b. 22 Dec. 1774, bp. 21 May 1775 in Hopewell with Sp. Elizabeth Swartwout and Barent Harris. [HRCh]. She evidently married Henry Andrews.

- ii. Catherine, b. ca. 1749; m. 1st 31 Oct. 1765 Joseph, son of Abraham and Anna (Dorland) Losee. [RPCh]. They had dau. Johanna bp. 14 Dec. 1766 and son Joseph bp. 14 April 1771 with Sp. Joseph and Annatje (Velie) Harris at both ceremonies in Hopewell. They also had dau. Catherine bp. 6 Sept. 1773 in Hopewell, no Sp. She is alleged to have married²⁴ second to Daniel Outwater, widower of her sister Neeltje but, as we note below, her sister was still alive in 1849 in Canada. Catherine and (a) Daniel Outwater had son Barent Van Kleek Outwater bp. 17 Feb. 1788 at NHRCh.
- 9. iii. Meindert, b. ca. 1750; m. Pally Yeomans.
- iv. Neeltje, b. ca. 1752; m. Daniel Oudenwater (Outwater) 8 Dec. 1774 at Hopewell Reformed Church after bans were registered 29 Oct. at NHRCh. She testified 15 Sept. 1849 before Belyat Outwater, JP of Midland District, Canada West, on behalf of Anna Losee, widow of Gamaliel Taylor, a Revolutionary War pensioner. She stated: “She was aged ninety-four years, a resident of Fredericksburgh Township and was born at ‘Swago’ in Beekman, Dutchess County. Her name was Nelly Harris before she and Daniel Outwater were married by Rev. Rysdyk in December 1774.” Nelly Outwater was present at the marriage of Anna Losee and Gamaliel Taylor performed by Rev. Reysdyk in

²² Rec. 1930:7. Harris was bequeathed half of Swartwout’s real estate.

²³ Rev. Pens. W 16885, John Carman.

²⁴ Record 1953:147.

- 1782 and the two families had been neighbors since, both in Dutchess County and in Upper Canada, until the death of Gamaliel in July 1840.²⁵
- v. Rebecca; m. John Losee. They had Losee children bp. NHRCh.²⁶
 - vi. Peter, b. 1750; m. Sarah Reynolds.
 - 10. vii. Samuel, b. ca. 1752; m. Gertrude DeWitt.
 - 12. viii. Barent, b. ca. 1755; m. Jane Ferguson.
 - 13. ix. Baltus, b. ca. 1757; m. Anna Noxon.
 - x. Anna; m. Pasco Noxon 6 June 1779 in Hopewell. He was her cousin and she died before Oct. 1783 when Pasco married Eleanor Bogardus.²⁷
 - xi. Elizabeth, b. 2 Aug., bp. 10 Sept. 1763 with Sp. Elizabeth Somerendyk and Elizabeth Harris in Hopewell; m. Elias, bp. 16 Feb. 1752, son of Abraham and Neeltje (Velie) Losee. They married 6 June 1779 at Hopewell, the same day as her sister Anna m. Pasco Noxon. Both she and her sister were noted as of Oswego in the church record. Letters on the estate of Elias Losee were granted 23 Nov. 1799 to Abraham Losee.
 - xii. Geertie, bp. 10 Aug. 1765 in Hopewell; m. [poss.] Henry G. Livingston as his first wife.²⁸
 - xiii. Saartje, bp. 15 July 1767 at Hopewell with Sp. Pieter Harris and wife. She probably dy.
 - xiv. Joseph, b. 25 Feb., bp. 16 April 1769 at Hopewell with Sp. Jan Quackenbush and Catherine DeWitt, his wife. He m. Olive Bennett of Lincoln Co., GA and had two sons and two daus.²⁹
 - xv. Johannes, b. 24 Dec. 1771, bp. 19 Jan. 1772 at Hopewell. He may have married Cornelia Cooper. John Harris and Cornelia Cooper had son Cornelius Cooper b. 12 July, bp. 28 Sept. 1794 at Fishkill with no Sp. [FRCh].
- Child: (by second wife)
- xvi. Noxon, b. 1 Jan. 1784, bp. 23 Jan. 1785 at Fishkill with no Sp. Noxon Harris m. Elizabeth, b. at Adolphustown 16 Dec. 1787, bp. there 24 Feb. 1788, dau. of Abraham and widow Ann (Dempsey, Ackerman) Mabie. She died 18 March 1841. They prob. lived Adolphustown, Canada. [Rec. 1970:242].

²⁵ Rev. Pens. of Outwater, W-15933. See Record 1953:147 for children.

²⁶ See Losee family in future volume. They had two children, Joseph b. 1775, Johannis b. 25 Dec. 1776, bp. 28 Sept. 1777. The church register would indicate that a son Johannis was born 25 Dec. 1776 and 25 Dec. 1777, but bp. 28 Sept. 1777, which is in error.

²⁷ The Harris family article in the Record, 1953:147 states that Anna may have married 2nd James Edmundson. *The Noxon Family in America*, p. 250, provides the information that Pasco Noxon married twice. See *Noxon* for children.

²⁸ See discussion in Record, 1953, p. 148.

²⁹ See *Noxon*, 48-9 for more on Joseph and his family.

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5. **JOSEPH⁴ HARRIS**, (Joseph³, Thomas², William¹), was born 1737 and married **Mary**, born 9 Jan. 1747/8 in Little Compton, RI, dau. of Abner **White**, possibly as his second. (She has *Mayflower* Line). Joseph Harris died 17 Sept. 1792, age 55-7-1 and his widow Mary died 31 Jan. 1807 age 59-1-22 and they were buried in the Pleasant Valley Cemetery.³⁰

Children:

- i. William. He married Elizabeth Carl 10 Feb. 1795 at Pleasant Valley. William Harris of Pleasant Valley, Dutchess Co., NY wrote his will 16 February 1828; proved 19 March 1828. He died 18 Feb. 1828, age 51-10-10 and was buried in the Methodist Ground in Pleasant Valley with his wife Elizabeth who died 12 Sept. 1829 age 54-11-7. [OGDC 224]. In his will he named wife Betsey; sons: Jacob C., (Jacob C. Harris married Miss Jane Philips, both of Poughkeepsie 5 May 1825. Jacob O. (*sic*) Harris died 30 June 1872 age 68 years and 5 months and his wife Jane A. Philips died 10 Feb. 1863 age 57 years and 8 months in LaGrange.³¹ They were buried in the Presbyterian Ground, Town of LaGrange, DC).³² Joseph W., William, James, George C. and Edward C.; daus.: Rebecca, wife of Daniel Pine, Ann Maria wife of Edmund T. Carpenter³³ and Caroline. He also named his bro.-in-law Jacob Carl, dau.-in-law Catharine, son Jacob's wife, and grandson Merwin Pine. He noted son Jacob C. lived in Williamson, TN. He appointed his sons Joseph and William and Samuel Thurston executors. Witnesses were: John Barnes, Calvert Canfield and Samuel M. Thurston. [DCW H:48]. Elizabeth (Betsey) Harris, widow of William, wrote her will 4 August 1829; proved 1 May 1830. She named sons: Joseph W., William, James, George C., Edward and Jacob C.; daus.: Caroline, Rebecca wife of Daniel Pine and Ann Maria wife of Edmund T. Carpenter. She appointed son William and Samuel M. Thurston as executors. Witnesses: Stephen E. Flagler, Elizabeth Harris and Samuel M. Thurston. [DCW H:309]. George C. Harris died 5 May 1837 age 26 years and 24 days and was buried with his father in Pleasant Valley.³⁴ Elizabeth Harris, wife of William Harris, was bp. 17 May 1812 at Pleasant Valley, DC. [PVPCh].

³⁰ OGDC 217. See Record 1953:217-8 for more detail on Joseph and his children.

³¹ *Poughkeepsie Daily Eagle* 18 Feb. 1863.

³² MDDC 51; OGDC 151.

³³ Edmond Carpenter was married to Maria, daughter of William Harris, all of the Town of Pleasant Valley, 13 Feb. 1823, per records of Pleasant Valley Presbyterian Church. "On Thursday last by the Rev. John Clark, Mr. Edmund T. Carpenter (married) to Miss Ann Maria Harris, dau. of Mr. William Harris, all of Pleasant Valley." [MDDC 26].

³⁴ See Record 1953:230 for his family.

- ii. Oliver; died 5 Jan. 1815.
- iii. Elisha. He died Tuesday (ca. 8 May 1837), age 58 at the home of his brother Capt. Joseph Harris.³⁵
- iv. Isaac. An Isaac Harris married Hannah Sutton 2 Feb. 1816 in Fishkill. [FRCh].
- v. Joseph, b. 11 Dec. 1769; m. Elizabeth, dau. of John Terpenning. Capt. Joseph Harris died 30 Sept. 1841, age 71 years, in Poughkeepsie and his wife Elizabeth died 11 Oct. 1839 age 59 years (or 64 years) at same.³⁶ He was evidently in business with Ezekiel Palen near his father-in-law: “BRICK AND TILE of an excellent quality, for sale wholesale and retail by the subscribers, on the Oswego road, 2 miles east of Judge Platt’s, adjoining the farm of John Tarpenning. Also a quantity of hair for sale at the same time. Ezekiel Palen, Joseph Harris.” [PJ 21 Sept. 1796].³⁷
- vi. Theodorus. Anna B. Harris, widow of Theodore Harris, died 14 May 1846, age 59 years.³⁸ Theodore Harris married Ann Bedford Swart 3 Sept. 1807 at Upper Red Hook.
- vii. Thomas.
- viii. Sally; m. John Marshall.
- ix. Ruth; m. Elnathan Marshall 27 March 1794 at Pleasant Valley. Fee one crown and one dollar.³⁹
- x. George.

6. PETER⁴ HARRIS, (Joseph³, Thomas², William¹), was bp. 26 May 1739 in PRCh with Sp. Pieter Harris and Maria Hegeman. Peter Harris married **Sarah**, dau. of Gideon and Sarah (Van Kleeck) **DuBois**⁴⁰ 27 May 1763 at Rombout. [RPCh]. Peter Harris was taxed in Rombout from 1759-61.

Capt. Peter Harris of Dutchess County was paid 16 May 1760 for service in the French and Indian War:

a Bounty for 104 men @£15	£1,560.00
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His Lieuts., Joseph Powell and Isaac Conkling were paid £2.16.0.⁴¹

Musters of Captain Peter Harris’s Companies may be found in the 2nd *Annual Report of the [NY] State Historian*: page 555, (1760), page 639, (1761), and page 687, (1762).

³⁵ *Poughkeepsie Journal* 10 May 1837. Note Record article, 1953:219 claims he went to Portage Co., OH where he died 1845.

³⁶ *Poughkeepsie Journal*, 16 Oct. 1829, 6 Oct. 1841.

³⁷ See Record 1953:217-19 for children.

³⁸ *Poughkeepsie Journal & Eagle* 30 May 1846.

³⁹ PVPCh.

⁴⁰ See SBP IV:492-510 for DuBois family.

⁴¹ 3rd *Annual Report of the [NY] State Historian*, 1897, p. 535.

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Peter Harris was appointed Assistant Justice for the Court of Common Pleas in DC 4 May 1769.⁴² He was sued by the Trustees of the Kingston Reformed Church. [3 Oct. 1769, CP].

Peter Harris was the subject of a hearing held 9-11 Oct. 1771 on a complaint filed 18 Sept. 1771 by Lewis DuBois against Sheriff Henry Rosecrans Jr. of Dutchess County. The Colonial Council were of the opinion: “(That) Sheriff Rosecrans to be prosecuted for packing the jury in the trial of Peter Harris and Thos. Wooley, [&] Lewis du Bois on an indictment found in the last general sessions; Peter Harris to be superseded as justice of the peace.”⁴³

He was a Loyalist and the following quote provides some information on his life:

“Peter Harris [was] a captain of the Prince of Wales American Regiment. He joined the British Army during the French and Indian war, becoming an officer. (He gave a receipt at Poughkeepsie ca. 1759-61 for money received for service in that War). He married Mrs. Sarah Dubois at the end of that conflict, and with her fortune became a merchant and afterwards a magistrate. Harris supported the British side in the Revolution, and with his wife and family was banished in 1777. He died in NYC in 1779. He had persuaded his wife to sell her estate some time before 1775, and the money was left with trustees. She returned from Nova Scotia to Poughkeepsie to obtain it after the peace, but lost £717 NY due to the depreciation of the American currency, a sum she claimed against the British Gov.” [LAR].

Claim of Peter Harris, Dutchess County, NY, deceased, by widow Sarah Harris. “At start of French War he was conspicuous for military talents and quickly rose to become Capt., returning home in 1763 (after conquest of Havana) with moderate fortune, which he increased by marrying an only heiress, Sarah Du Bois, became a J.P. Meeting with severe losses in trade, prevailed upon wife to dispose of her property to raise money; at beginning of last war £800 was lodged with Myndert Van Kleek, merchant, and Isaac Haegaman, farmer, as trustees. Peter Harris reached H.M.S. *Asia* when war started and then served as Capt. in Prince of Wales’ Regt., but in 1779 was taken ill and died in NYC. Wife and family of four were driven from home into British lines at NY; she returned to Poughkeepsie Feb. 1786 to recover her money from the trustees, but found it had depreciated heavily. Memorial 16 May 1786, Shelbourne. Claim: Property (unspecified). Evidences: Deposition, undated, Shelbourne by Sarah Herbert that claimant has not received compensation. Deposition 25 Mar 1786 NY by Peter Tappen, Melancthon Lloyd Woolsey, and William Emmott, arbitrators between claimant and Isaac Hegaman, that claimant has lost money.” [A013/13/170-176].⁴⁴

⁴² *New York Colonial Commissions*, 73.

⁴³ *Calendar of Council Minutes, 1668-1783*, Fernow, 1902, p. 487.

⁴⁴ ALC 218-9.

Peter Harris sued Jacobus Gonsalis and Joseph Gonsalis, separately. [2 Jan. 1770 CP]. He sued Amos Clark. Nathaniel Smith, farmer, of Beekman was appointed guardian for the defendant. [CP 11 Oct. 1775]. Peter Harris of DC, an insolvent debtor, seeks relief. 21 April 1774. [*Rivington's New York (Loyalist) newspaper*]. He died in NYC 19 June 1779.⁴⁵

7. FRANS⁴ HARRIS, (Joseph³, Thomas², William¹), was bp. 9 May 1740 with Sp. Francis and Antje (Ruad) Hegeman and married 1st **Catherine**, probably daughter of Peter **Lent** 10 Jan. 1763 at Rombout Presbyterian Church in DC. Francis Harris, widower of Catherine Lent, married 2nd **Engeltje Vandewater** 17 July 1774 in Hopewell. [HRCh]. She was born ca. 1730-34, dau. of Jacobus and Helena (Losee) Vandewater and had married 1st 29 June 1750 at FRCh to Jonas Schoonhoven of Esopus.

Francis Harris was taxed in Rombout from 1763 through 1773 but was probably the Francis Harris taxed in Poughkeepsie in 1771. In June 1771 Harris gave a mortgage of £300 to Charles LeRoux of Rombout on 200 acres on the north side of the Fishkill. Harris and Isaac Lent had given a bond to LeRoux 16 March 1768 but Lent had since died and LeRoux allowed Harris and Lent's heirs to assume the bond. [M 3:114]. He was a customer at the Sleight store in Beekman. [DCSB B:77].

Francis Harris was one of eleven prisoners brought before the ConC 6 Jan. 1777. The men had been trying to enlist in the Enemy's service. On 17 Feb. 1777 he and a number of other men were sent to New Windsor "and put under the Direction of Capt. Michin and employed in the Works carrying for the obstruction of the Navigation in Hudson's River, and that Capt. Mitchin be requested to keep a Watchful Eye over them and use his utmost Endeavors that none of them Escape." [ConC 82, 133]. His estate was confiscated and he was probably the man who was granted one hundred acres in Digby, Nova Scotia in 1801.

Children: (By first wife); all bp. HRCh.

- i. Petrus, bp. 27 Oct. 1765 with Sp. Isaac Lent and wife Sara Luister.
- ii. Catharina, b. 3 Oct., bp. 13 Nov. 1767, no Sp.

Child: (By second wife)

- iii. Steven, b. 13 Sept. 1774, bp. 26 March 1775 with no Sp.
- iv. Hannah, b. 27 Aug. 1777.

8. ISAAC⁴ HARRIS, (Joseph³, Thomas², William¹), was bp. Feb. 1745 with Sp. Isaac and Neeltje Hegeman. He married 1st **Marretje Pels** and 2nd **Jannetje Frear**. He was taxed in Poughkeepsie from 1768 – 1772 although he probably remained there until about 1779 when he removed to New Paltz. Isaac Hennis (*sic*) contributed 2s to the church at New Paltz in 1783. His children were

⁴⁵ See Record 1953, pages 219-20 for more on him and his family.

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recorded in Poughkeepsie Reformed and at New Paltz Reformed.⁴⁶ Mr. Isaac Harris of Poughkeepsie died 1 Aug. 1825 in Utica, NY. [MDDC 51].

Children:

- i. Maretje, b. 11 May, bp. June 1771 at PRCh with Sp. Hendrick Pels and Dientie Pels. She probably married Johannes Waldron Jr. and they had dau. Maria b. 4 Jan., bp. 9 Feb. 1794 at New Paltz.
- ii. Annatje, bp. 3 Nov. 1773 at PRCh with Sp. Ned Simons and Hannah Simons.
- iii. Peter, b. 6 June, bp. 6 Aug. 1775 at PRCh, no Sp.
- iv. Catherine, b. 3 Feb., bp. 28 March 1777 at PRCh, no Sp.
- v. Abraham, b. 5 Dec. 1778, bp. 16 May 1779; dy.
- vi. Stephen, b. 21 Nov. 1780, bp. 1 Jan. 1781. [NPRCh].
- vii. Abraham, b. 13 Feb., bp. 6 April 1783; m. Maria Waldron 2 Aug. 1801 at New Paltz, qv for children.
- viii. Neeltje, b. 29 Jan., bp. 11 Feb. 1785. [NPRCh].
- ix. Francis, b. 24 Jan., bp. 25 Feb. 1787. [id].
- x. Elizabeth, b. 3 March, bp. 24 May 1789. [id].
- xi. ?Margaret; m. Jacob Wilkeloo and they had son John Waldron b. 1799 and bp. at New Paltz.⁴⁷

9. MYNDERT HARRIS, (Joseph⁴, William³ Thomas², William¹), was born ca. 1750 and married **Elizabeth Yeomans** 24 Feb. 1770 at Hopewell. He was noted as of Beekmans and his wife of Rombout. She was probably dau. of Thomas Yeomans who was taxed in Rombout 1772-1777.⁴⁸ Myndert Harris was on the Beekman tax rolls from 1771 through 1775 and was assessed at £1 in 1775. His mark for his animals, granted 14 March 1773, was a crop on the left ear and a ½ penny in the upper side of the same and a slit in the end of the left. He and Jannetje Velie were Sp. 16 Oct. 1768 in Hopewell for a dau. of Abraham Jr. and Nelly (Velie) Losee.

He was involved in several legal actions: James Wiltsie and William McNeal sued Myndert Harris. Peter Meyer sued Sylvester Bloom, William Clark & Myndert Harris. [CP 4 Jan. 1776, 23 May 1776]. Myndert Harris was indicted 4 Jan. 1776 for assaulting Powell Hoff, Abraham Losee and Peter Meyer. Three separate indictments, same date.

On 19 May 12th year of the reign of George the Third, the Grand Jury “... Upon their oaths do present that Myndert Harris of Beekmans Precinct in Dutchess County farmer at Beekman Precinct in the county aforesaid the

⁴⁶ The Record article, 1953, p. 145 has the place of baptisms reversed and the location of the death of Isaac Harris incorrect.

⁴⁷ Margaret is questionable in the Record article but because of the naming of her son, after her brother-in-law, we feel quite certain in placing her here.

⁴⁸ Myndert was sole Sp. 22 March 1772 for Myndert, the son of Thomas Yeomans and wife Sally Griggs at New Hackensack.

sixteenth day of this present month of May with force and arms, viz, upon the body of Daniel Beadle in the peace of God and of our said Sovereign Lord the King being a violent assault did make on him the said Daniel Beadle did Beat Wound and evilly intreat so that his life it was greatly dispaired and other harms ... (etc.)” On 6 July 1772 Mindert Harris of Beekman Precinct, farmer, went before Justice William Humphrey and posted an appearance bond of £100 and Joseph Harris posted a surety bond of £50 to guarantee his appearance at the next court of General Sessions. [AD #8082].

He signed the Association in Beekman in 1775 and served in a Minute Company in 1776; Myndert Harris enlisted 30 July 1776 in the Minute Man Company of Capt. Stephen Duryea. He was age 27, born in Fishkill and had no trade. He was from Hagerman’s Co., 5’ 8” tall with a fresh complexion, black hair and eyes. He is also on the roll of men who served in the 2nd Regiment, DC Militia under Col. Abraham Brinkerhoff. [NYR 136].

A Court of General Jail Delivery was held in Dutchess County 15-18 April 1778 and the Court advised General Clinton of its proceedings, including: “Myndert Harris of the same Precinct (Beekman) was also convicted of Burglary on one Indictment.” He was accused of a burglary at the house of Daniel Way in Beekman 5 Dec. 1777 and was convicted 18 April 1778. On 12 and 19 April 1778 petitions were sent by many local residents to General Clinton begging him to spare the life of Myndert Harris.⁴⁹

After he was convicted of the burglary John Jay informed Clinton, “[He] sees no reason to spare him.” [GCP III:81-2]. He was scheduled to be executed 24 April 1778 in Poughkeepsie, per newspaper:

“FISH-KILL, April 23

On Saturday last, the Supreme Court of Dutchess County, State of New York, adjourned till the fourth Tuesday in May: after passing sentence of death on the following persons, viz: William Smith, Daniel Akely, Samuel Jenkins, Myndert Harris [and several others] who are to be executed tomorrow, at Poughkeepsie.”

His parents and neighbors submitted lengthy petitions to spare him, and they were successful, but he became a Loyalist, as the following recounts:

“He served in the Loyalist Army in the Revolution, after which he went with a party of U.E.L. refugees to Digby, Nova Scotia, where he remained for ten years, and then removed to Upper Canada, which, with his wife and children, he reached by way of New York, thence by the Hudson, Mohawk and Oswego Rivers to Lake Ontario, a tedious and formidable journey, but easy as compared with the experience of many previous loyalists, who had to find their way through the woods on foot. He arrived 17th June 1793 at the place which is now Port Hope (where he went on Governor Simcoe’s recommendation), being the first white settler there, excepting Mr. Herkimer, who had made his residence there in the midst of a numerous band of Indians. He married Elizabeth Yeomans...”

⁴⁹ GCP III:240-3, SBP I:577-8.

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Children:⁵⁰

- i. Annatje, b. 29 Nov. 1770, bp. 6 Jan. 1770 with Sp. Annatje Conklin and Bayt Battison at New Hackensack Reformed. She m. 1st Seth Soper, 2nd John Burnham.
- ii. Joseph b. 7 July 1772, bp. 15 Nov. 1772 with Sp. Joseph Harris and wife, the gr.-parents. [HRCh]. He married 1st Rachel Sherwood,⁵¹ and 2nd ___ Healy.
- iii. Elizabeth, b. 27 March 1774; m. Elias Peter Smith Jr.
- iv. Thomas, b. ca. 1776; m. Philena Hawkins.
- v. Peter, b. ca. 1778; d. unm.
- vi. Margaret, b. ca. 1780; m. Maj. Elias Jones.
- vii. Catherine, b. ca. 1782; m. Asa Callender.
- viii. Sally, b. ca. 1784; m. Elisha Jones, brother to Elias Jones, of Hamilton.
- ix. Myndert; m. Phoebe, dau. of James Hawkins, lived Hope.
- x. Rebecca, b. ca. 1790; m. Gilbert Livingston of Hope. (Or Hiram Betts).
- xi. Charles, b. ca. 1792; d. 1835 by drowning.

10. PETER⁵ HARRIS, (Joseph⁴, William³ Thomas², William¹), was born ca. 1750 and married 1 April 1775 in the Hopewell Reformed Church, **Sarah**, dau. of Capt. Joseph **Reynolds** of Beekman. Peter Harris signed the AofA in Beekman in 1775 and was taxed there in 1777. He was not a good soldier, as the following illustrates:

Colonel Swartwout sent the following to the New-York Convention.

Fort Constitution, December 17, 1776

“Gentlemen: Enclosed you have the proceedings of a Court-Martial in consequence of *Peter Harris’s* deserting twice, and his unbecoming behavior since his return. *Peter Harris*, a soldier of Captain *Veal’s* (*sic* for *Vail’s*) company, was brought here some time last week, by his father-in-law, Captain *Reynolds*, in order to get him clear from punishment. After his father’s interceding a great while, I consented he should be brought in; would give him a smart reprimand, and all his former crimes should stand good against him, and should be put on duty every day, and for the same should receive no pay; but in case he should commit any crime, should be tried for old and new. Now, gentlemen, I send to you, by Lieutenant *Platt*, said *Harris*, for you to determine the matter with him, as you think most best.

I am, with the greatest respect, your very humble servant, Jacobus Swartwout.

⁵⁰ *Sons and Daughters of American Loyalists*, William D. Reid, p. 140. See *Noxon* 20-32 for more on Myndert and his family.

⁵¹ *The Ontario Register*, p. 192; *Ontarian Families*, Vol. I, Harris of Port Hope, U.E.L.

To the honourable Convention of the State of New-York, at Fishkills”⁵².

Court-Martial on Peter Harris

Fort Constitution, December 16th, 1776

At a Regimental Court-Martial, held this day, Captain *Bernardus Swartwout* president. Lieut. *Charles Platt*, Lieut. *Nathaniel Potter*, Lieut. *Jacobus Horton*, Lieut. *Simeon Lefever*. *Peter Harris*, soldier, of Captain *Israel Veal's* company, Colonel *Jacobus Swartwout's* regiment, being brought before this Court, and charged with desertion and threatening violence to his Captain and others --

The prisoner confesses the charge, and owns himself guilty, and prays the mercy of this Court.

This Court are of the opinion that *Peter Harris* is guilty of desertion and abuse in the grossest manner, and think the most proper step they can take with him is to recommend him to the convention for their determination, and likewise to send a true state of his crime, which is as follows: He being a volunteer, and having deserted twice, and taken the full bounty, and never done one month's service, and behaved himself otherwise very bad, and now threatening violence to them who offered to apprehend him, as swearing he would be revenged as soon as he was discharged.

Bernardus Swartwout, Captain.”

[AA 5th Series 1263].

On 22 Dec. 1776 Captain Platt informed the ConC that Peter Harris who lately escaped from the Guard House, and James Gouslin who had returned from Transportation were lurking in Beekman's Precinct. At a meeting of the Board held 26 Dec. 1776 Capt. Bellknap informed them that in the night of the 19th Peter Harris and 16 men had escaped from the Guard House. [ConC 43, 51].

Peter Harris advertised he had found a horse at Oswego. 26 Nov. 1777. He is alleged to have died in Franklin Co., OH in 1835 and his wife was buried in the Anderson Cemetery at Port Chester, NY.⁵³

Children:

14. i. Joseph R., b. ca. 1776; m. Hannah Overocker.
- ii. Reynolds, b. ca. 1788; m. 1st Anna, dau. of Joseph Lockwood of Beekman, and 2nd Fanny Moyer of PA.⁵⁴ Reynolds Harris was in Beekman in 1820 at 1-0-0-1-1-0 and 1-0-1-0-? between Joseph Lockwood and Phebe Slocum.

11. SAMUEL⁵ HARRIS, (Joseph⁴, William³ Thomas², William¹), was born ca. 1752 and m. 26 Sept. 1775 at the New York Lutheran Church, **Gertrude**, b. ca. 1755-60, dau. of John and Annatje (Harris) **DeWitt**.⁵⁵ He was taxed in

⁵² *Correspondence of the Provincial Congress, &c.*, p. 247.

⁵³ Burial information from *Noxon* 33.

⁵⁴ See *Noxon*, 34 for his family.

⁵⁵ Record 1943:78.

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Beekman in 1777 to 'farm' in 1778 with an assessment of £3 in 1778. Samuel Harris of Oswego was a neighbor of John Buyce who testified before the ConC 13 Jan. 1777. Elijah Youngs was another neighbor living at Oswego. [ConC 97]. Samuel Harris of Poughkeepsie Precinct, DC, yeoman, had his estate confiscated 5 Jan. 5th year of Independence. The Court of General Sessions of 6 Jan. 1781 accused him of adhering to the enemy. A Samuel Hall was in a muster of Loyalists at St. Augustine, FL from 25 April to 24 June 1783 under Capt. Robert Lawe, King's Rangers.⁵⁶ Samuel Harris gave a bond to Baltus Velie for £155/8 on 27 June 1785. Witnesses were Abraham Losee and Isaac Weeks.⁵⁷

Henry G. Livingston advertised: "Whereas I am informed that a certain SAMUEL HARRIS, put off to several people for horses, &c. Obligations appearing to be executed by Henry G. Livingston, to the said Samuel Harris. This gives Notice, that I never executed any Obligation whatever, to the said Harris, and if any such Obligations are offered or passed, they are forged - I am informed he is lurking about Oswego, and from thence sets off and returns with the produce of his villany. It is hoped he may speedily be taken and suffer the reward due to his most infamous crimes. HENRY G. LIVINGSTON, Dover, 27th April 1787. [*CJ & PA* 2 May 1787].

Samuel Harris died⁵⁸ and his widow Gertruyd, dau. of John DeWitt, late of NYC, now married to ___ Forrister, petitioned 14 April 1789 that she be appointed guardian of her daughter by Samuel Harris, Nancy, age 11. Verdine Elsworth of NYC, gentleman, was one of the sureties. Nancy Harris, infant, by her guardian Isaac Varian, sued Ann Dewitt 16 May 1791. On 22 Sept. 1791 John Quackenbos, Peter Ogilvie and Ann DeWitt, executors of the state of John DeWitt, sued Nancy Harris. A petition of 21 March 1792 states that John DeWitt was of Poughkeepsie when he died soon after signing his will in July 1781 and he left legacies to the two children of his dau. Gertruyd; Nancy and a son Samuel who died an infant. Gertruyd was then married to Samuel Harris who died 1 April 1783. The petition called for the guardian to provide maintenance of the dau. Nancy. A later petition of 10 Feb. 1795 identifies John DeWitt's wife as Ann (Harris) and notes sons-in-law John Quackenbush and Peter Ogilvie. It states that Gertruyd (DeWitt, Harris) Forrester had two children by John Forrester Sr. before she died on or about 10 Nov. 1794. They had married 29 Sept. 1784 in the Reformed Church. The dau. Nancy Harris had married William J. Nott, son of William Nott. On July 1798 the court ordered that Isaac Varian pay over to Nancy Nott and her husband the money due them from her grandfather's estate. In a petition Sept. 1799 the dau. Nancy (Harris)

⁵⁶ *Loyalists in the Southern Campaign*, Murtie Jane Clark, vol. III, p. 425.

⁵⁷ *NÝ Provincials Or Volunteers* NYS Revolutionary MSS Box 44, DC, #160. Baltus Velie was Samuel's uncle, a brother to his mother Annatje Velie. This date tends to reinforce the theory that he died after 1783.

⁵⁸ He died either 1783 or more likely 1793, if dates in petitions are correct.

Nott claimed that her mother had lived with Forrester before her father died and married him 29 Sept. 1784 while her father Samuel Harris was still alive and therefore the children by Forrester were illegitimate and not entitled to her mother's estate. (Note that an earlier report said Samuel Harris died April 1783). The last petition, dated 15 June 1801 was by John Forrester complaining that Isaac Varian had refused to provide money for the maintenance of Nancy Nott and John Forrester the Younger and Gertrude Forrester, infants and children of Gertruyd (DeWitt, Harris) Forrester.⁵⁹

Children:

- i. Nancy, b. 1778; m. William J. Nott.
- ii. Samuel; dy.

12. BARENT⁵ HARRIS, (Joseph⁴, William³ Thomas², William¹), was born ca. 1755 at Beekman and married **Jane**, b. ca. 1760, dau. of Farrington and Rachel (Green) **Ferguson**.⁶⁰ He was not taxed in Beekman. Barent Harris delivered 14 bushels of wheat and one corn, 1,000 pounds, to the mill of Timothy Ketcham on 27 March 1781, probably for the war effort. He was possibly running the mill in 1781 when he was credited for delivering grain "at his house".⁶¹ [SBP I:516]. He and Elizabeth Swartwout were Sp. 21 May 1775 for a dau. of William Harris and Catherine Swartwout at Hopewell Reformed. Barent Harris and Jannetje Ferguson, both of Oswego, married at New Hackensack 7 Dec. 1776 and had son Gilbert Harris bp. 3 Sept. 1777 at same with Sp. Joseph Harris and his wife. His farm was noted as a boundary in Jan. 1791 and several times thereafter but there are no deeds or mortgages for him in the first 25 books of records. [D 15:456].

In 1781 he took over the lease on a 91 acre and 2 roods farm first settled by Ellis Bullock in the Clove, present Town of Union Vale. Samuel and Rufus Hall were later on it, then Leonard Vincent and finally Harris. Harris also assumed the lease on the farm of Levi Vincent at this time. Levi Vincent's farm was 128 acres and he bought it from Samuel Hall for £16/13/4 ca. 1775. In the division of the Beekman estate in 1786 his farm was noted in the 9th Allotment, that of Col. H. B. Livingston. The account notes that Ellis Bullock had leased the farm of 91½ acres in 1749 and that Barent Harris was on it at the accounting date. The farm was 'middling quality' with rents of 9 bushels, 2 fowls and 1 day riding, was valued at £200 and was in the Clove in Beekman Precinct. He was on 296 acres when the leases were turned over to Col. Livingston. Barent Harris was indicted for an assault on John Hicks, Joseph P. Ostrom and Powell Hoff. [GS 4 Jan. 1776].

⁵⁹ *Records of the Chancery Court Province and State of New York, Guardianships 1691-1815*, Scott, p. 48, 59-61, 81-2, 103, 120, 123, 136.

⁶⁰ See Ferguson Family in SBP V, pages 21-114.

⁶¹ The receipt shows he traveled 8 miles to deliver the grain which doesn't seem to make sense.

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He was in Beekman in 1790 at 1-3-5 between Zophar Rogers and Joseph Losee. He is not found in NYS in 1800 but was probably in Saratoga Co., NY. On 17 Jan. 1801 John Malony (formerly of Beekman) sued Barnet Hennis in Saratoga Co. and Richard Clark was a bondsman.

Jane Hennis, (widow), was granted administration of the estate of Barent Hennis of Orange, Saratoga Co., NY 2 Oct 1819. [OC LofA 1:69]. See *Noxon* 39-45 for his family.

13. BALTUS⁵ HARRIS, (Joseph⁴, William³ Thomas², William¹), was born ca. 1757 in Beekman and married **Anna**, dau. of Bartholomew and Ann (Losee) **Noxon** 6 Feb. 1779 at Hopewell. She was his 2nd cousin and he was noted as of Oswego in the church record. He received Land Bounty Rights for service in the 5th Beekman Regiment. [NYR 246]. When his father took a mortgage on the family farm in 1783 Baltus was one of three men on the mortgage bond. His farm was mentioned as a boundary May 1800. [M 4:85, 8:264]. Baltus Harris was a witness for the defense in a trial between Henry Clapp Jr. and Nathaniel Somes, 23 Jan. 1792, CP. He was tried on an assault charge 18 May 1780.

He was in Beekman in 1790 at 1-0-6 between Charles Ferguson and Isaac Hoff. He was one of the first settlers in Hamilton Township, Upper Canada, before 1800 and he received land patents as late as 1816. All of his children, as U.E. Loyalists, received grants of 200 acres each.

Children: See *Noxon* 45-48.

14. JOSEPH R.⁶ HARRIS, (Peter⁵, Joseph⁴, William³ Thomas², William¹), was probably born in Beekman ca. 1776 and married **Hannah**, dau. of Martin and Hannah Margaret (Cramer) **Overocker** 9 Sept. 1798. [MDDC 51]. (Miss Hannah Overocker m. Mr. Joseph Harris, both of Beekman on Sunday the 9th inst. [*PJ* 18 Sept. 1798]). He was in Beekman in 1800 at 0-1-1-0-0 and 0-1-1-0-0 between Samuel Whelpley and James Reynolds. In 1810 he was at 1-1-0-1-0 and 1-0-0-1-0 with 2 horses, 3 cattle and 1 sheep between Baltus Overocker and Elijah Reynolds. He had one grist mill and one carding machine. He was in Billings, present Town of LaGrange and his mill is on the 1798 map of Beekman. This was probably the mill that his father-in-law Capt. Joseph Reynolds had operated. Joseph R. Harris was assessed in Beekman in Oct. 1799 on personal property only worth \$114 and owed a tax of 11 cents. On 3 May 1805 Joseph T. (*sic*) Harris and Anna of Beekman gave a mortgage of £900 to Content Wilkinson and other heirs of John Wilkinson dec'd of Beekman. The land had been 210 acres but 50 acres had been sold to Samuel Mills and 1 acre sold to Peter Deyo. [M 10:355].⁶²

⁶² See *Noxon* 33-34 for Joseph R. Harris family.

SECOND HARRIS FAMILY

JAMES HARRIS, probably a descendant of Robert and Maria (Van Huysen) Harris, came to Beekman by June 1746. Robert Harris was an emigrant from Edinburgh, Scotland and he married Maria Van Huysen 20 Dec. 1695 in the NYDRCh.⁶³ James Harris took a lease on a 240 acre farm in lot 16 in Beekman on 1 May 1749. The lives on the lease were himself and his sons Alexander and Ebenezer. The farm originally called for rent of 25 bushels of wheat, 2 fowls and 1 day riding. It was later described in the division of the estate of Robert R. Livingston in 1786 and considered “good quality”, with rentals of 18 bushels, 2 fowls and 1 day riding per year. The farm was then valued at £540. An accounting done 1 May 1796 showed that the James Harris Farm owed 70 bushels, 12 fowls and 6 days riding. On 1 May 1798 Israel Fowler of Beekman gave a mortgage to Henry B. Livingston of Rhinebeck on land in Beekman on the Nine Partners line, “except 100 acres leased by Col. Henry Beekman to James Harris.” [M 7:357]. An account of leases given to Henry B. Livingston ca. 1786 shows that 296 acres of land previously tenanted by James Harris is now in possession of Israel Fowler. [ELP VF I:3]. The first tenant on the farm was John Gamble in 1738.

The rent book includes the following notes: “May 1746. Complied with an agreement made by Jacob Haight for part of John Gamble’s farm, viz for 20 acres thereof is allowed and warranted for road, all in behalf and for one (JAMES HARRYS) provided he payeth 1 April on bond the said Gamble owed to Mr. Henry Beekman of £12. He is to pay the first rent for the year past of 1747.” The farm was originally 200 acres but in 1748 the ledger noted: “Now James Harris for 200 acres east to Richard Ward and have allowed 2 years” (rent free). The rentals dropped from 36 bushels to 18 bushels, 2 fowls and 1 day riding. The ledger has entries showing that in May 1750 the lease was executed and in 1751 the land was surveyed. The ledger also notes that on two occasions he had overpaid his rent. His account was transferred to Ledger ‘B’ in 1765.⁶⁴

“JAMES HARRIS, lot 16. (Transferred from ‘B’ 103) His lease bears date the 1st of May 1749. The lives are the said Harris, Alexander and Ebenezer Harris. Yearly rent in the lease specified is eighteen bushels of wheat, 2 fowls, 1 day riding.” [Half way down page is the name Robert Harris, under which it reads, “The rent charged to James ~~him~~ [him crossed out and James inserted] on the farm sold to Isaac Viele [Vail]. This farm was in the 9^h Allotment of the division of the estate of Henry Beekman and in 1786 the farm was occupied by Robert Harris. It was considered in Good condition, as noted above, and valued at 45 shillings per acre. There were no comments about the farm. [ELP VF

⁶³ Record, 1953:146.

⁶⁴ Ledger ‘B’ is missing but the account carries on in ledger ‘C’.

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H:16]. James Harris was on a bond list of Margaret Livingston's ca. 1781. He gave a bond of £15/15 on 19 Oct. 1772.

William Doty took a lease on a farm in lot 16 and by 1770 Richard Crego was on it and by 1774 Abraham Losee took the lease. The Credit side of the ledger shows: "NB Losee has sold this place to ___ Striker for £420 and Striker sold it to the present possessor James Harris for £440. No settlement, no sale money paid on the above alterations. James Harris lives on this farm -- Sold to _____ Davis who died soon after & his widow sold to Wm Moore. 1781, May 1. By rent to be paid by Robert Harris & carried to his account. Db. side Samuel Harris."⁶⁵

He paid his wheat rents at Peter Van Kleeck's in Feb. 1747/8; at Henry Livingston's store 26 March 1749 (33 bushels). On 16 June 1750 James Harris paid £15/12/6 on his rent to C. Everitt for Henry Beekman. On 23 Nov. 1749 the rent book notes: "Ordered James Livingston to execute writs v. John Earle, Wil Harris & James Harris." [ELP box 129, p. 88]. On 19 Oct. 1772 James Harris posted a bond for back rents up till 1 May 1771. He was granted an abatement on past due fowls (10) and days work, (5). His bond was for 90 bushels, 10 fowls and 5 day's work. Rent was calculated and paid up through Jan. 1782 when a bond was posted for back rents of 67 bushels, 44 fowls and 18 day's work. [ELP Box 124, ledger 'C' p. 5]. James Harris was on a 1759 rent list for rents due on farms in lot 16. "19 Oct. 1772; James Harris 19 Oct. next with interest to HB (Henry Beekman) £15/15. He paid £12/10 on 21 April 1781." On 8 Feb. 1772 he delivered 20 bushels of wheat to Richard Davis's store and he reported to Beekman 30th April 1772.

James Harris was taxed in Beekman from June 1746 through 1774 and then 'estate' through 1778. He was assessed in Beekman Precinct in Feb. 1746/7 at £2, in June 1748 at £1, in Feb. 1753 at £5, in June 1758 and 1760 at £3, in June 1763, 1767 and 1770 at £4. His estate was assessed at £5 in 1775 and £6 in 1778.

He and his sons Alexander, Ebenezer and John were customers at the Schenck store. The farm of James Harris was mentioned in a road dedication 8 Nov. 1768. His farm and a controversy with John Stogkam was the subject of a lengthy letter from Henry Beekman to Henry Livingston dated 16 Jan. 1748/9.⁶⁶

James Harris had an ear mark recorded in Crum Elbow 6 April 1741: a swallow fork in Each Ear. It was transferred to Joseph Simson 18 June 1767.

The will of James Harris of Beekman was written 31 Aug. 1773. He mentioned that his wife Ann was to be maintained and named five sons, Alexander, James, Robert, John and Ebenezer, and five daus., Martha, Rachel, Ann, Mary and Margaret. Executors were John Platt and Reuben Hopkins and

⁶⁵ ELP Box 124, Rent Book 'C' 16. This Samuel Harris is unplaced but was probably a brother to James Harris.

⁶⁶ SBP I: 82, 87, 359, 728-30.

witnesses were Henry Crandall, Henry Gardiner and Jacob Fowler. Rec. 1930:385].

Children: (In order given in will).

- i. Martha; m. Thomas Dorman.⁶⁷ Thomas Latham (*sic*) and Martha Harris had son Thomas b. 28 Aug. 1794, bp. 3 May 1795 at Fishkill with no Sp.
- ii. Ann; m. Jacob Bush.⁶⁸
- iii. Mary; m. Henry Gardner. He was taxed in Beekman from 1772-74.
- iv. Rachel; m. Benjamin Toms.
- v. Margaret.
- vi. James. James Harris of Capt. Reynold's Company, Col. Vanderburgh's Regiment, was labeled a Tory in a list compiled ca. Dec. 1777. [GCP #990]. James Harris of Beekman, yeoman, had posted a bond of £20 which he forfeited. William Moore, merchant of Beekman, had posted a surety bond of £10 and when Harris failed to show his bond was forfeited as well. [23 Jan. 1790 CP]. He bought ¼ yard of taffity at the Mabbett store ca. 1763 and paid with apples. No further record.
- vii. Ebenezer. An Ebenezer Harris was in Canaan Town, Columbia Co., NY in 1790 at 2-3-2 between Jacob Stevens and Asa Guile. He was not taxed in Beekman. He was a Mabbett store customer 1761-63 and bought sundries and paid with cash.
- viii. Alexander. He was taxed from Feb. 1760-1773 with an assessment of £1. He was a customer at the Mabbett store in Nine Partners 1761-63 and bought shot and paid with cash.⁶⁹ He is not found in NYS in 1790.
- ix. John; m. (prob.) Mary Toms 15 Aug. 1790 at BBCh.
1. x. Robert.

1. ROBERT² HARRIS, (James¹), was born ca. 1759 and lived in Beekman for many years. We have no record of marriage. The Livingston Rent book "E", page 64, shows: "1773, Aug. 16 Lease from Henry Beekman to Dennis Welch for 27 acres. Lives are said Welch, Jacob Fowler and Robert Harris." In 1786 Welch owed 13 years rent or 65 bushels, and William Fowler bought the leasehold for £48. The lease to Welch was given up and the farm was included in a new lease to Jacob Fowler in 1794.

Probably as a result of this lease James Harris, John Harris and Robert Harris sued Dennis Welch of Beekman and a trial was held about Welch's title. Welch,

⁶⁷ See SBP IV for Dorman family.

⁶⁸ See Bush family in SBP II, pages 15-33.

⁶⁹ NGSQ 1986:136.

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in turn, sued Robert Harris in 1782. William Doty was surety for Harris. [CP 18 May 1775, 8 Oct. 1782].

Robert Harris paid rents to Mrs. Livingston in 1786; “2 oxen, the one with a wenn to be fatted”, worth £14. [ELP Misc. D:1]. He took up a stray in Beekman in 1782. He was involved in at least two legal actions, in 1781 and 1782. [AD 10656, 11148]. Robert Harris owed back rents to Margaret Livingston 1 Jan. 1786 of 48½ bushels wheat for the Isaac Vail farm and he owed 38½ bushels, 16 fowls and 8 days riding for the Crego farm. [ELP VF Z:2]. Robert Harris received Land Bounty Rights for service in the 5th Beekman Regiment of Militia. [NYR 246]. A Robert Harris was an American prisoner of War during the Revolution.

Robert and James Harris were the subjects of a Writ from Court of Common Pleas, Herman Hoffman, Sheriff:

“SHERIFF'S SALE. By virtue of a writ of Fieir Facias, issued out of the Inferior court of Common Pleas, against Robert Harris and James Harris, I shall expose to Public Vendue, on the premises, on Monday the 26th instant, the real and personal estate of the said Robert Harris, situate in Beekman's Precinct in said county. Dated Poughkeepsie 19th Feb. 1797. [CJ & PA 21 Feb. 1797].

Children:

- i. ?James. James R. Harris died 6 Feb. 1839 age 43. His wife's name was Maria. He was buried in the Bethel Cemetery at Pine Plains, DC. [NEBG 240].

Robert Harris was in Stephentown, Albany Co., NY in 1790 with several other Harrisses. We have no proof he was this man.

Robert Harris died 27 Nov. 1856, in his 97th year and was buried in Marlborough, Ulster Co., NY. [OGUC I:115].

OTHER AND UNPLACED HARRIS

___ Harris married Hannah, dau. of Jacob and Maria (Bush) Sharpenstein. She was born ca. 1750-60 and was dec'd by 1799.⁷⁰ She had a son John Harris.⁷¹

___ Harris married Elizabeth, dau. of John Tice Smith of Northeast, Dutchess Co., NY who wrote his will 22 July 1822; proved 23 September 1823. [DCW F:485].

___ Harris married Elizabeth, dau. of David Clark, who was mentioned in the will of George Clark of Beekman, Dutchess Co., NY written 6 March 1823, proved 14 March 1828. She was niece of the testator. [DCW F:423].

___ Harris married Martha, dau. of John Carmichael of Greenbush, Rensselaer Co., NY who wrote his will, (not dated), proved 9 December 1806. [RCW Surrog II:462].

⁷⁰ See SBP II:22-23 for Bush family.

⁷¹ DCW B:346 of Sharpenstein.

___ Harris married Mary, dau. of Peter Kane of Portland, Chautauqua Co., NY who made his will 28 October 1817, proved 25 February 1818. [ChautCW Misc Rec O:61].

___ Harris married Mary, sister to William Bradley of Nelson, Madison Co., NY who wrote his will 25 December 1812, proved 9 June 1813. [MadCW B:35].

___ Harris was married to Thankful, dau. of Israel Thompson of Pittstown, Rensselaer Co., NY who wrote his will 12 November 1805; proved 13 December 1805. [RCW Surrog II:278].

___ Harris married Mendy, dau. of Thomas Ireland of Schaghticoke, Rensselaer Co., NY, who wrote his will 23 November 1811, proved 11 September 1812. [RCW Surrog. IV:170].

___ Harris married Silvy, dau. of Jacob Odell who wrote his will at Queensbury, Warren Co., NY 14 Aug. 1829. [WarCW A:154].

Abraham Harris married Jane Stevens 12 Sept. 1824 at Fairfield, Herkimer Co., NY. [TT 33:2:98].

Peggy Harris, (widow), was granted administration of the estate of Abraham Harris of Winfield, Herkimer Co., NY 17 Nov 1821. [HerkCW D:13].

ALPHA HARRIS, widow, married Jehebod Birch 5 Dec. 1799 in Fishkill. [FRCh].

ANOCHA (*SIC*) HARRIS was assessed in Pawling in Oct. 1799 on a house and farm valued at \$550 and personal property worth \$100. She paid a tax of 65 cents. Anache Harris was in Dover in 1810 at 0-0-1-0-0 and 0-0-1-0-1 between David Delavan and Abigail Dutcher. She was not listed in DC in 1800 and there were none of the name in Pawling in 1790.

Ann Harris married 20 Jan. 1818 to Stephen Gazely, both of Clinton. [MDDC 46].

Arial Harris of Oneida Co., NY died intestate and Letters were granted to Lydia Harris and Sally Sheeley proved the death, 11 July 1815. [OnC LofA 3:133].

Asa Harris was sole executor (*sic*, with Richard Hudson Jr.) of the estate of Thomas Brown of Scipio, Cayuga Co., NY who wrote his will 9 Aug. 1803. [CayCW A1:95].

Lydia Harris and Asa P. Harris were granted administration of the estate of Asa Harris, Clarence, Niagara Co., NY 4 January 1813. [NiagCW old Rec:4]. Guardians were appointed for children of Asa Harris of Clarence, Niagara Co., NY: Daniel Rawson 6 October 1814 for Pamela age 1 and Fanny age 3; Joseph Hershey of Buffalo for Sally age 10 and Alma age 5; Henry Daniels of Clarence for Betsey, age 20 and Lina age 15, dated 22 January 1816;⁷² Joseph Black of Clarence for Polly age 18. [NiagCW Old Rec:263].

⁷² Calvin Fillmore had been appointed for Lina 23 Aug. 1814, she then age 12 years 7 months, and for Lewis, age 8 years 11 months.

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Benjamin Harris was married to Betsey Otis, mentioned as a dau. in the will of Nathaniel Otis of Perry, Genesee Co., NY written 25 Nov 1828; proved 17 January 1829. [GenCW II:32].

Benoni Harris of Conquest, with Mary Wilcox and Ephraim Wetherell, Cayuga Co., NY, gave bond on the estate of Jedediah Wilcox, 9 September 1823. [CayCW LTA D1:95].

Miss Betsey Harris of Duaneburgh, Schenectady Co., NY married John Victory Jr. 18 December 1814. [SchCW Justice of Peace].

Charles Harris' name was on a petition of the Wyoming Settler's (Wilkes-Barre, PA) to the NYS Assembly 12 Feb. 1783. (See Peter Harris and Elijah Harris for same.)

Charles Harris, Edward Harris, George, Hugh, James, John, Joseph, Nathaniel, Robert, William Harris were American prisoners of War during the Revolution.

Charles Harris of New Berlin, Chenango Co., NY wrote his will 23 April 1828; proved 17 March 1829. He named his wife Betsey and his dau. Phila Cheney with grandson Charles Cheney. His wife and Samuel Medbury were named executors. Witnesses: Abram Delong, David Steers and Barnabas Brown. [ChenCW B:173].

The administration of the estate of Charles (or Chester) Harris of Homer, Cortland Co., NY was granted to Sally Harris and Gideon Curtiss, 3 January 1823. [CorCW I:324].

Isaac M. Morgan was granted administration of the estate of Daniel Harris, Onondaga Co., NY, 18 January 1814. [OnonCW 7:121].

DANIEL⁴ HARRIS, ⁷³ (Daniel³⁻², Thomas¹), was born 2 Oct. 1688 at Middletown, Middlesex Co., CT and married ca. 1712 **Abigail**, b. 1 Feb. 1685, dau. of John and Hannah (Lines) **Merriman**. She died 22 May 1723 and he died 18 Oct. 1755 at Cornwall, CT.

Children:

- i. Merriman, b. July 1813.
- ii. Daniel, b. 10 April 1715; died 30 Nov. 1761. He was in Crum Elbow by 1745 and bought three parcels of land there 1 June 1749 from Stephen Hopkins of Crum Elbow. The parcels were 204 acres, 33 acres and 42 acres and he paid £150. He sold 23 acres to Nathan Smith 16 Dec. 1758 and 22 acres to Jonathan Reynolds on the same date for £135. He sold 204 acres of the land to Caleb Haight 28 Dec. 1759. The deed mentions a mill brook. He was taxed in Crum Elbow and Amenia from June 1748 through June 1763. Daniel Harris was a Highway Overseer in Crum Elbow in 1759. Daniel Harris Jr. was taxed in Amenia in 1763. [D 4:313,

⁷³ Information from Family Group Record, *Family Search Ancestral File*, v4.19.

5:86, 3:450-2].⁷⁴ He was a customer at the local Schenck store and the ledgers note he was a carpenter.

1. iii. Moses, b. 30 May 1717; m. Dorothy West.
2. iv. John, b. 26 Feb. 1719/20; m. Rebecca Moss.
- v. Thomas, b. 9 May 1722; died 1747 CT.
- vi. Abigail, b. 1724.
3. vii. Joseph, b. 1726/27; m. Mary Clough, (or Elizabeth ____.)
- viii. Joshua, b. 3 Sept. 1729; m. Ruth Symmon. He d. 1785 Kingsbury, NY.
- ix. Elizabeth, b. 8 Dec. 1731.
- x. Gilbert, b. 7 July 1735; m. Thankful Townsend.
- xi. Rachel, b. 28 Aug. 1737; m. Elijah Dickinson. She d. 21 Feb. 1768 CT.

1. MOSES⁵ HARRIS, (Daniel⁴⁻³⁻², Thomas¹), was born 20 May 1717 at Middletown, Middlesex Co., CT and married **Dorothy**, b. 9 Aug. 1722, dau. of Samuel and Dorothy (Eggleston) **West** 20 March 1746. He was taxed in Crum Elbow and Amenia from June 1748 through 1774 and was granted an ear mark 30 Jan. 1750/1: a slipe the upper side each ear. It was transferred to James Miller Jr. 11 April 1769. [CEPR 3].

Lieut. Moses Harris of Dutchess Co. was paid for being: “sent in April last with his Ensign Enos Mead and Twenty one private Men five days on the like service, [Sent in September one Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Five to Support the Forces on the Northern Frontiers of this Colony], at the rate of three shillings per Diem for himself and Ensign Each and two shillings per Diem for each Private man, the Sum of Twelve Pounds.” Two years later is found: “Unto Lieutenant Moses Harris of Captain Nathan Smith’s Company of Militia for himself and party under his Command for marching to the northern Frontiers on

⁷⁴ He may be the man of the following query in the *Harris Genforum*, posted by Jill Hartwig 1 Dec. 1999. “Searching for information on the parents of Daniel HARRIS b. abt 1737 and lived in Nine Partners, Dutchess Co. NY, died at age 83 in IN, probably Switzerland Co. 7 June 1821 and m. Elizabeth Demarest in abt 1757. He was in the Rev War serving out of Berkeley Co. VA and was a member of the Conewago settlement in Adams, PA, moved to the Dutch Colony near Harodsburg. About 1810 he moved with a son Peter to Switzerland Co. IN. Daniel possibly had two brothers living in Dutchess Co. NY, Joseph and Moses. Ch: John m. Phebe VanCleave; Peter m. Rachel VanArsdale; Eleanor m. John Kephart; Samuel m. Elizabeth VanCleave; Lena; George; Daniel Jr.; Polly m. John Teague; Annie m. Samuel Duree (possibly others). Daniel, b. 1737 also had son Samuel born on “River Pasture in Beekman”, per DC rootsweb by Elizabeth Smith. Samuel applied for his pension 1833. Rev. Pens. S10813. Robert and Daniel Harris were next to each other in the 1790 census of Harpersfield, Montgomery Co., NY.

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the alarm in March One thousand Seven Hundred and fifty seven, as per account the sum of Thirteen Pounds Nineteen Shillings.”⁷⁵

The Commissioners at Albany sent the following to George Clinton regarding a report by “Old Capt. Harris”, no doubt Capt. Moses Harris of Dutchess Co.

“Albany, September 11, 1781

Sir: The Bearer of this is old Capt. Harris, whose son’s character you have some knowledge of. As he has some matters of importance to communicate, we have insisted upon his seeing your Excellency with as much dispatch as possible.

He is one of the Prisoners lately sent down from Canada, who with David Abeel and Peter Short we have got exchanged for William Hogan, Zachariah Overmouf, and William Summer as pr. a Receipt inclosed, signed William Marsh, dated at Skenesborough, 7th Sepr. 1781, a Copy whereof we have filed with us for fear of Accidents. This Exchange has been hastened on account of the Information we understood they could give. With all due respect we are Your Excellency’s hum. Servants.

Saml. Stringer, John M. Beekman, Commissioners for Conspiracies.

Rec’d Skenesborough Sepr. 7th 1781, Zachariah Overmouf, William Hogan, William Somer, Citizens of the State of New York, in Exchange for Moses Harris, David Abeel & Peter Short, prisoners of War permitted to return from Canada on Parole. William Marsh

Capt. Moses Davis (*sic* for Harris), of Kingsbury, was taken last October on his Way from his home to Fort Anne by a Party detached from Maj. Carlton’s Command. He surrendered to Moffat late of White Creek. The same day Carlton took Fort Anne.

He was carried to Montreal where he continued a Prisoner until the 14th Augt. last when he was permitted to come home on a Parole & is since exchanged. Three days before he came away one Hugh Mosier (*sic* for Mosher- FJD) (Formerly of Hick’s Hollow, Dutchess County & who left that last spring went to Coxsackie & then fell in with a Lieut. of Butler’s Corps who had inlisted 10 or 11 men & went with them across the Country to Niagara & owing to a dispute with the Lieut. was sent Prisoner from there to Montreal) was sent to lodge in the same house with him by whom he was informed that all the People in Hick’s Hollow except 4 Families had inlisted with Jno. Walter Myer⁷⁶ & sworn in the British Service, that of these he remembers the Names of the following – one Stone as a Sergt. one of Silas Devil’s (*sic* for Deuel’s - FJD) son as a Sergt. Thomas Gay (now lives at Coxsackie.) He left a suit of Cloaths a New saddle & Bridle that cost him twenty three Pounds Specie 40 hard dollars 9 guineas 5 ½ jos with Gay who was to return them to his wife. Harris knew Mosier in

⁷⁵ *Laws of the Colony of New York* Chapter 1033, 1 Dec. 1756, p. 138; Chapter 1063, 3 Jan. 1758, p. 274.

⁷⁶ See SBP I:575-6 for his activities in Beekman.

Dutchess County & renewed his acquaintance with him without letting him know he was a Prisoner or any thing of his political character.

That on his way Home from Montreal they were detained three days about ½ mile North of St. Johns where they encamped till the Boats could be prepared to take them across the lake. That while there they had Liberty to go to the Homes in the Neighborhood to purchase Provisions &c. That one Bremon who formerly lived in Kingsbury with whom the Examinant was well acquainted, now resides in that Neighborhood & falling in with him invited the Examinant to lodge at his House & he accepted the invitation. That on Sunday night he thinks the 19th Augt. he was in Bed at Bremon's that Bremon's son who is a Non-Commissioned Officer or Private in the Enemy's Service came to his Father's late in the night with a Dozen or more Indians with him. That he knew nothing of Harris's being in the house & was conversing freely with the Indians about the Designs of the Enemy. He said they intended to make a Bold Push. They intended to take Castle Town that was garrisoned by 400 men that they intended to take howitzers & other light artillery ag't it & a strong force; that they intended also to burn Albany & Schenectady; that they had Friends plenty in the Country that would subsist and assist them to effect their Designs. The Indians said they would go with him; that they were now going fishing & that by & by all the Indians, a great many, would come on & go along. There was no troops at St. Johns he thinks at that a time but the ordinary Garrison, as there were no Incampment, & he thinks when he left Montreal there was not more than 140 Troops at that Place, to wit about 100 Hessians & 40 British. He did not understand that there was any Body of troops collected at a Point in any one Place; they were divided among the different posts which they garrisoned. Sir Jno. (John Johnson) was about 30 miles up the river from Montreal with his Corps; Jessup at Sorrel with his, & Rodgers at St. Johns. The produce of the Country is almost totally destroyed by worms, except wheat which is also much injured. Their public stores he understands is almost exhausted & little or no supplies to be got in the country: Wheat 3 Dolls. Pr Bushel; Beef 20; Butter 40 and Cheese 40 coppers per pound; Salt, a guina pr. Bushel. He did not hear of any troops coming from Elsewhere to St. Johns when he left that. A Sailor who came with the prisoners to take the Boats back and had some notion of Deserters told him he expected there would be an expedition on foot very quick. That he could take all the enemy's vessels on the Lake with boats well manned with good hands."⁷⁷

His wife died 28 May 1789 at Kingsbury, NY and he died at Roaring Lilly, Adair Co., KY. Moses had four known offspring. Daniel and Moses Harris owed bonds to the estate of Stephen Hopkins who died in Amenia Precinct 8 Feb. 1767.⁷⁸ Moses Harris sued Thomas Wheeler & Abraham Hurd. [CP May 1756].

⁷⁷ GCP #3987.

⁷⁸ *Genealogical Data from Inventories of NY Estates, 1666-1825*, Scott and Owre, 74.

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Children:

4. i. Moses born 8 Nov. 1746; m. 1st, Grace Stevens, 2nd Isabella Chevalier.
- ii. William, b. 1752; m. Cynthia, dau. of Samuel Stewart 27 Oct. 1785 at Hartford. William died 31 Aug. 1827 at Queensbury, Warren Co., NY and in 1843 the widow, age 77, lived same. The widow had a brother Benjamin Stewart and Benjamin Harris was mentioned in his pension application. [Rev. Pens. W19696]. William Harris of Queensbury, Warren Co., NY wrote his will 7 June 1827; proved 24 Aug. 1829. He named wife Cynthia; sons: William W., Samuel, John and Benjamin; daus.: Lavina wife of Amos Irish, Rebecca wife of Andrew Robinson, Meriam, Cynthia and Dorothy wife of Lyman Robinson. Witnesses: Hiram Barber, Daniel D. Scott and John Wood. [WarCW A:123].
- iii. Joseph, b. 6 May 1750; m. Elizabeth Sly. He wrote his will at Queensbury 3 Dec. 1831, proved 5 April 1832. He left wife Elizabeth, sons: Rufus, Joseph Jr., William D., Ira and Thomas. Daus.: Lavina May Harris, Abigail Parker, Elizabeth Harris, Lydia Wood, Ruth Harris. Gives to children of Asa Harris, dec'd. Veniah W. Harris was a witness. [WarCW A:160].
- iv. Rhoda, b. 11 Feb. 1763; m. Joseph Hennegin. [DAR #590409].
- v. ?Abigail. Moses Harris, (brother of dec'd), was granted administration of the estate of Abigail Harris of Washington Co., NY, 13 December 1787. [WashCW LA I:2].

2. **JOHN⁵ HARRIS**, (Daniel⁴⁻³⁻², Thomas¹), was born 26 Feb. 1719/20 at Wallingford, CT and married 5 Feb. 1739 at Wallingford **Rachel**, b. 13 Jan. 1719, dau. of Israel and Lydia (Bowers) **Moss**. He allegedly died 12 Feb. 1757 in the Oblong, NY.

Children:

- i. Timothy, b. 6 Oct. 1742; died Kingsbury. Timothy Harris, age 17, born in New England, a blacksmith, was on a Colonial Muster in DC 1 May 1760 under Capt. Peter Harris. [NYMR 254].
- ii. John, b. 5 March 1744; m. Mary, b. 25 Feb., bp. 1 April 1753, dau. of Hugh and Ann (___) Gamble of Beekman.⁷⁹ He d. 27 Nov. 1814 at Kingsbury.
- iii. Israel, b. 16 Feb. 1746/7; m. Sarah Morse. He died 28 Nov. 1836 at S. Hartford, NY.
- iv. Rachel, b. 22 Feb. 1749; m. Joseph Hawkins.
- v. Samuel, b. 1751 at Oblong; m. Hannah Hoffnagle. He died 1820 at Kingsbury.
- vi. Jonathan, b. 1752; m. Anais Hicks. He died Kingsbury.

⁷⁹ See Gamble family in SBP V:488

3. JOSEPH⁵ HARRIS, (Daniel⁴⁻³⁻², Thomas¹), was born ca. 1726/7 at Middletown, CT and came to DC with his brothers Daniel and Moses. He was taxed in Crum Elbow Precinct from Feb. 1756 to Amenia from 1762-78. He is alleged to have married Mary Clough, and/or Elizabeth ____.

On 6 Nov. 1760 he gave a mortgage of £600 at 7% to Hon. John Chambers of NYC on 656 acres in Crum Elbow that bounded on the north the line between Little Nine Partners and the Great Nine Partners. Daniel and Moses Harris were on the bond with him. [M 1:149]. Henry Filkin had sold him 650 acres 16 Oct. 1760 for £550 and £1,100, recorded as two deeds. [D 3:357, 361]. He witnessed deeds in 1763, and was mentioned in another, 1765.

On 17 Jan. 1782, Joseph Harris, [Jr.], blacksmith sold for £1,200 a farm of 994 acres, land of Joseph Harris, dec'd, to Brinton Paine of Albany. The land was part of the original farm and bounded Moses Harris. On 6 April 1788 Augustus Van Cortlandt of Yonkers sold to Augustus Van Horne of NYC, merchant, 863 acres of land that had been owned by Joseph Harris. The land bounded Little Nine Partners and contained House, grist mill, etc. On 23 March 1790 Van Horne sold the land to Platt Smith. [D 7:362, 11:150, 151]. Joseph Harris was a customer at the Mabbett store in Nine Partners in 1761-63. He purchased ozenbrig, a book, ink hom, shoes, silk cap, brimstone, liquor, dowlas (?) and garters. He paid with a firkin, cash, and by work at mowing.⁸⁰

Joseph Harris, blacksmith, of 9 Partners died and the following ad was placed: "Notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to, of that have any demands upon the estate of Joseph Harris, black-smith, late of the Great Nine Partners, *deceased*, to settle the same on Wednesday, the 20th of February 1779, at the house of Ezra Thompson, in Charlotte Precinct. Elizabeth Powell, Administratrix." [NYJ & GA 11 Jan. 1779].

An inventory of the estate of Joseph Harris, dec'd of NYS, was taken 19 June 1777 by Isaac Smith and Ezra Thompson, at the request of Elizabeth Powell, Administratrix, and filed 20 Feb. 1792 by Martin Powell and Elizabeth, his wife.⁸¹ John Harris sued Martin Powell and Elizabeth, his wife, administrators of the estate of Joseph Harris dec'd. [CP 9 Jan., 21 May 1783].

Elizabeth Powell was most likely his widow and John Harris his son.

4. MOSES⁶ HARRIS, (Moses⁵ Daniel⁴⁻³⁻², Thomas¹), was born 8 Nov. 1746 at Goshen, CT and married **Grace Stevens** who was born at Amenia, NY ca. 1753. He married 2nd, before August 1814, widow **Isabella Chevalier**. Isabella Harris, late widow of Will Chevalier, and Moses Harris, present husband, made a petition to be guardian of Barton William Chevalier, age 11, on 25 August 1814, Saratoga Co., NY. [SCW IV:183]. He lived at Amenia in Dutchess Co. when he enlisted in the Revolution. Moses Harris, Private of Charlotte Co.,

⁸⁰ NGSQ 1986:136.

⁸¹ *Genealogical Data from Inventories of NY Estates, 1666-1825*, Scott and Owre, 69.

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Company of Exempts of Col. Webster's Regiment of Militia was a prisoner from 10. Oct. 1780 to 11 Nov. 1782.⁸²

He was possibly the Moses Harris Jr. in Salem Town, Washington Co., NY in 1790 at 2-4-2 between Caleb Osgood and Joseph Harris. He was living in Queensbury, Warren Co., NY when he applied for his pension 16 Aug. 1832 and died there 13 Nov. 1836 leaving no widow but children:⁸³

- i. Charles.
- ii. Henry, age 76 in 1854.
- iii. Moses.
- iv. Sarah; m. ___ Lane.
- v. Mary, b. 9 April 1772; m. John Brayton.⁸⁴

Daniel Harris was in Stephentown, Rensselaer Co., NY in 1800 at 0-0-0-1-0 and 2-0-0-1-0 between Joseph Gale and Eliphaz Spencer. Robert Harris and Robert Harris Jr. were close by on the roll.

Daniel Harris was granted administration of the estate of Peter Grovyer of Onondaga Co., NY 17 October 1816. [OnonCW 10:274].

Daniel Harris, born 18 Aug. 1786, married 23 May 1809 at Middletown, CT to Mary J. Paddock who was born 13 Aug. 1791. He died 16 Jan. 1851 and his widow died 20 July 1878. See NYS DAR Bible 7:109 for their family.

A David Harris leased a 160 acre farm on lot #405 in Berne, Albany Co., NY 20 Oct. 1795. [VRML].

David Harris was in Fredericksburgh, Upper CN. He married Catharine Palmer 30 Dec. 1788. They had children: John, Bryan, David, Elizabeth (m. Gilbert P. Sharo of Sidney), Phoebe, (m. William Fairman of Thurlow).⁸⁵

Ebenezer Harris of Portland, Chautauqua Co., NY was appointed guardian for Jane Man age 14, 12 May 1823. [ChautCW Misc Rec O:148].

Ebenezer Harris, (Blacksmith), of Albany Co., NY, wrote his will 12 March 1800; proved 22 April 1800. He named his sons: Jeremiah, Jacob, James and Henry; daus.: Elizabeth, Polly and Phebe. John Victory and Henry Harris were named executors. Witnesses: Thomas Estes, Daniel Gorge and Joseph Estes. [ACW 2:390].

Ann Harris was granted administration of the estate of Edmund Harris of Charlestown, Montgomery Co., NY 16 January 1821. [MontCW LA II:257].

Richard Abbey was granted administration of the estate of Eleizer Harris of Genesee Co., NY 22 September 1807. [GenCW LA I:21].

?Elijah Harris was granted the administration of the estate of Abel Green of Cambria, Niagara Co., NY 5 April 1816. [NiagCW Old Rec:113].

⁸² This might be a different man.

⁸³ Rev. Pens. S-13295.

⁸⁴ *Brayton Genealogy*, 83.

⁸⁵ *Sons and Daughters of American Loyalists*, William D. Reid, p. 140.

Elijah Harris' name was on a petition of the Wyoming Settler's (Wilkes-Barre, PA) to the NYS Assembly 12 Feb. 1783. He probably son of Peter Harris Sr., qv.

Miss ELIZABETH HARRIS of Northeast married James G. Husted of Stanford 3 May 1821. [MDDC 58]. He was born 22 Aug. 1788 and died 4 March 1832 and his wife Elizabeth Harris, b. 25 July 1788, died 10 March 1865, and they were buried in the Pine Plains Cemetery, DC. [OGDC 192].

Elizabeth Harris married 22 Sept. 1738 to Josiah Leonard. [NYM 171].

Elizabeth Harris married Joseph Fitch 26 April 1789 in Amenia by Roswell Hopkins.

The administration of the estate of Elmyra Harris of Wayne Co., NY was granted to Aretas H. Lapham, 28 September 1829. [WayCW LA 20:148].

Benjamin Soule sued EPHRAIM HARRIS and was awarded £8. [May 1758 Writs].

Ephraim Harris was in Schodack, Rensselaer Co., NY in 1800 at 2-0-0-1-0 and 3-1-2-1-0 between Charles Earing⁸⁶ and Anthony DeFreeze.

Ephraim Harris and wife Mary Hendricks had three sons born in Saratoga Co., NY: Justice, 1823, Isaac, 1824 and Wellington, b. 1827. Wellington Harris m. Harriet Fitzsimmons.⁸⁷

Ephraim Harris 2nd, wife Polly, with Ephraim Mills and wife Keziah, all of Greenfield, Saratoga Co., NY sold land to Iram Packard, Noah Packard, Jacob Bratt, Otis Bratt and Reuben Hamlin, all of Plainfield, MA in 1817.

Ephraim Harris 2nd and wife Hannah of Halfmoon, Saratoga Co. sold to John Harris and Lewis Harris of Greenfield in 1830.

Elder Ephraim Harris was named executor in the will of Richard Valentine of Nassau, Rensselaer Co., NY written 11 April 1813; proved 3 May 1813. [RCW Surrog IV:306].

Eunice Harris married Cyrus Burnap 24 Oct. 1820, both living Northeast, DC. She died 22 Oct. 1821 age 30-5-4 and was buried in the Pine Plains Cemetery. She was noted as dau. of John Harris. [OGDC 186; MDDC 24].

Evans Harris was a Pvt. in the 4th NY. He d. 4 March 1778.

Ezekiel Harris Jr. and wife Keziah of Greenfield, Saratoga Co. sold land to Innett Austin of same 1825.

Anna Harris, (widow), was granted the administration of the estate of Ezekiel Harris of Sheldon, Genesee Co., NY 7 April 1815. [GenCW LA II:149].

Francis Harris was an American prisoner of War during the Revolution.

Garrit Harris of Ovid, Seneca Co., NY wrote his will 16 January 1817; proved 24 January 1822. He named his wife Elizabeth; sons: George and Isaac; daus.: Elizabeth, Johannah and Anna. He appointed his wife, son George and Abraham Sebrings as executors. Witnesses: Daniel Sebrings, Margaret Sebrings and Charity Sebrings. [SenCW file 355].

⁸⁶ The Earing family was from Beekman. See SBP IV.

⁸⁷ Record, 1969:180.

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George Harris & James Harris were tenants in Van Rensselaer Manor. (See David and Gideon (Jr.) Tripp.) [VRML].

George Harris was an executor to the estate of David Rose of Southampton, Suffolk County, NY who died before 13 March 1716, (date of inventory of estate).⁸⁸

GEORGE HARRIS, born at Providence, RI 22 Feb. 1766, son of David and Martha (Jenkes) Harris⁸⁹ died 28th of 10th month 1807, age 41 years and was buried in the Hicksite Friend's Ground, Town of Clinton, DC. His widow Martha died 12th of 1st month 1837 in 75th year and was buried same with the children listed below. [OGDC 30]. George Harris of Stanford, Dutchess Co., NY wrote his will 17 January 1805; proved 11 January 1808. He named his wife Martha; bro. Stephen Harris; ch.: Russell, Amey, Sarah, Mary, Phebe and Eliza. He appointed his wife, bro. Stephen Harris and Mark Coffin as executors. Witnesses: Caleb Green, David F. Harris and Nehemiah Smith. [DCW C:147].

Child: (By first wife ?Martha Pells)

- i. Russell;⁹⁰ died 8m 27 1871, age 79y. [OGDC 30].

Children: (By second wife Martha ____)

- ii. Amy; m. Daniel Smith 1813 at Creek Meeting. She died 7th of 2nd month 1827 age 32 years.
- iii. Mary; m. John Cornell 1852 at Creek. She died 30 Sept. 1866 age 67 years
- iv. Phebe; died 3 Oct. 1849, age 48 years.
- v. Eliza; m. Philip Shear. She died 15 5th month 1854, age 50 years.
- vi. Sarah; died 24 March 1864, age 67 years.

GILBERT HARRIS, born in DC ca. 1760 (age 23 in Jan. 1783), was in a muster of the King's Rangers at St. John's 21 Jan. 1783. He was 5' 8" tall and had served 2 years and 5 months. Gilbert Harris of Fredericksburgh married Samantha Tyler 20 July 1797 at same. (See Johnson Harris).

Gilbert Harris of Bottom, Washington Co., NY wrote his will 22 September 1807; proved 20 June 1808. Witnesses: Samuel Andrews and Israel Mead. [WashCW II:201].

The Administration of the estate of Gilbert Harris of Halfmoon, Saratoga Co., NY was granted to George Edson of Waterford, 24 February 1807. [SCW LA I:225].

⁸⁸ *Genealogical Data from Inventories of NY Estates, 1666-1825*, Scott and Owre, 127.

⁸⁹ Record 1953:219.

⁹⁰ Russel Harris died 27 July 1871 age 78 years, in Pawling. "His mother, nee Pells, died young when he was born." *Poughkeepsie Telegraph*, 5 Aug. 1871. His gravestone states that he was son of George and Martha. If this is the case then George Harris married 1st to Martha Pells, and 2nd to Martha ____.

Helen Harris was mentioned in the will of Daniel McCormick of New York City, NY who wrote his will 23 January 1823. She was not noted specifically as a daughter. [FrankCW 7:260].

Mrs. Helen Harris died 21 June 1851, age 89 years, in Poughkeepsie.⁹¹

Mary Harris, wife of Capt. Henry Harris, died 5 June 1848 age 53 years, at Sing Sing, Westchester Co., NY.⁹²

Henry Harris was a prisoner from New York State in CT, 27 April 1778. [GCP 1318]. Henry Harris, age 18 in 1783, was in a nominal roll of Butler's Rangers taken ca. 1783.⁹³

Henry Harris, (farmer), of Duanesburgh, Schenectady Co., NY wrote his will 16 March 1810; proved 16 April 1810. He named wife Margaret, his bro. Jeremiah and nephew Harry, son of Jeremiah. Also mentioned: James Harris, Elisabeth Wilbor, Ebenezer Wilbor, Jacob Wilbor,⁹⁴ Fetus Wilbor, Phebe Crandle, Margaret Crandle, Content Allen and John McDonald, Susannah McDonald and Edward McDonald. Executors: John Victory and Jeremiah Harris. Witnesses: Thomas Estes, John Wood and John Casbery. [SchCW A:31].

Henry Harris of Southampton, Suffolk Co., NY wrote his will 28 August 1787; proved 1 July 1789. He named his wife Abigail; sons: David, Henry and Elias; daus.: Anna, Mary Jennings, Jane and Sarah. Witnesses: David Haines Foster, Daniel Harris and David Rose. [SufCW A:121].

Augustus Harris was granted administration of the estate of Henry T. Harris of Montgomery Co., NY 18 March 1799. [MontCW LA I:79].

Hiram Harris (brother of dec'd), with Philip Short, was granted administration of the estate of Shubael Harris of Richmond, Ontario Co., NY 17 December 1829. [OntCW Adm 19:62].

Hopkins Harris was married to Desire, dau. of Robert Niles of Sempronius, Cayuga Co., NY who wrote his will 4 June 1814; proved 21 March 1816. [CayCW S1: 30].

Solomon Sherwood of Morristown, St. Lawrence Co., NY was granted administration of the estate of Hosea Harris, 4 April 1828. [StLCW Misc.192].

Ira Harris of Albany, Albany Co., NY and Nathan Garnsey of Halfmoon, Saratoga Co., NY were granted administration of the estate of Cyrus Garnsey 21 August 1827. [SCW LA 1:258]. Ira Harris with Mercy Garnsey sold land in Saratoga to Nathan Garnsey of Clifton Park in 1829.

Ira Harris of Kingsbury, Warren, NY was granted administration of the estate of Asa Harris of Queensbury, 5 January 1826. [NiagCW LofA A:55].

⁹¹ *Poughkeepsie Eagle* 28 June 1851.

⁹² *Journal and Poughkeepsie Eagle* 17 June 1848.

⁹³ *Rolls Of The Provincial Loyalist Corps*, Mary Peacock Fryer & Lt.-Col. William Smy, page 67.

⁹⁴ Sarah Harris married Jacob Willbour 29 Dec. 1785 at Bangall Baptist. [BBCh].

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Ira Harris, chosen by next of kin, and Christopher Dunn, were granted administration of the estate of James Dunn of Guilderland, Albany Co., NY 26 September 1829. [ACW LofA 5:192].

ISAAC HARRIS was b. 28 Nov. 1789, bp. 3 Jan. 1790 at FRCh, son of Isaac and Susannah (Philips) Harris.

Isaac Harris was a Duncan store customer in 1812. [DCSB K:84].

Isaac Harris of Gorham (Ontario Co., NY) recorded Onondaga Co., NY wrote his will 2 September 1807; proved 3 April 1813. He named wife Jane; son Francis and dau. Elizabeth Stilson. Witnesses: Ned Hurd, Gideon Hurd and Curtis Hurd. [OnonCW 6:224].

Israel Harris (son of John Harris of Lynn, MA)⁹⁵ of Pine Plains, Dutchess Co., NY wrote his will February 1831; proved 4 April 1831. He names wife Phebe; sons: John I., William D., Israel Jr., Silas and Miron; daus.: Eunice and Mary Ann. He mentioned land in Amenia from wife's deceased father. He appoints James I. Harris and Cyrus Burnap as executors. Witnesses: John Perry Jr. and Backus Culver. Miron Harris was born 1820 and married Mary Gleason. Eunice Harris married Henry Akin and went to Fort Collins. CO. Mary Harris married William Herrick of Salt Point, DC. [DCW H:425]. Israel Harris was married to Phebe, dau. of William Barker of Amenia, Dutchess Co., NY who wrote his will 25 September 1817; proved 16 February 1821. [DCW F:156].

James Harris of Oswegatchie, St. Lawrence Co., NY wrote his will 31 July 1805, proved 24 Aug. 1805. He left wife Rebeckah and children: Cargill, Lydia Welton, Lucy Ruth Harris, Rebeckah Harris, James Harris and J. Night Harris. Widow was sole executrix. [StLawCW 1:1:6].

James Harris of Northeast, DC, married Miss Mariah Sweet, dau. of Mr. Samuel Sweet of Stanford 30 Sept. 1821. [MDDC 51].

James Harris was taxed in Ballstown, Albany Co., NY in 1788.

James Harris was in Stephentown, Rensselaer Co., NY in 1800 at 1-1-2-0-1 and 1-1-1-0-1 between Thomas Fisk and Levi Woodworth.

Andrea Millet was appointed guardian of James Harris, Seymour Harris, Webster Harris, Electra Harris and Joseph Barber, 4 June 1814, Onondaga Co., NY. [OnonCW 8:8].

Polly Harris was granted administration of the estate of James Harris of Buffalo, Erie Co., NY 26 August 1823. [ErieCW G 1: 43].

James Harris, see Warren G. Cox. [VRML].

James Harris with Eli Benham was granted administration of the estate of Isaac Husted of Gorham (Ontario) Onondaga Co., NY 20 November 1827. [OnonCW 15: 299].

James Harris of Salina, Onondaga Co., NY was appointed guardian for Louisa age 10, Harriet age 9, Gordon (Jr.) age 7 and Isaac age 1; children of Gordon Newton and his wife Charlotte, 26 September 1825. [OnonCW Gdn A:20, also OnonCW LofA:70].

⁹⁵ DCCBR 510.

James A. Harris and John Smith were granted administration of the estate of John Smith Jr. of Mayfield, Montgomery Co., NY 15 January 1833. [MontCW LA III:304].

James G. Harris of Fort Edwards, Washington Co., NY wrote his will 11 January 1827; proved 26 January 1827. He named his bro. William G. Harris and sister Mary wife of Michael Mead. Witnesses: Nicholas McIntyre, Samuel Galiesher and John D. Robinson. [WashCW 7:39].

Jeremiah Harris leased a farm of 162 acres in lot #412 Rensselaerville 2 Feb. 1791. [VRML].

JEREMIAH HARRIS m. Priscilla, b. 3 Dec. 1780, dau. of Barnabas and Sarah (____) Cole of DC. [Rev. Pens. W 3512 of Cole; *White* 701]. Harris was of Springfield in Erie Co. PA after 1844.

Jeremiah Harris of Malta, Saratoga Co., NY, and Jane Knapp were granted administration of the estate of Benjamin Knapp, 7 January 1823. [SCW LA 1:129].

Mehitable Harris, (widow), was granted administration of the estate of Jeremiah Harris Jr. of Bern, Albany Co., NY. [ACW LofA 5:171].

Ruth Harris and John Budlong were granted administration on the estate of Job Harris of Canaan, Columbia Co., NY 30 Jan. 1817. [CC LofA C:77].

John Harris and Elizabeth Kip had children bp. 1758 and 1760 at Acquackanonk (Passaic) NJ Dutch Reformed Church. He was born in Elizabethtown, NJ and they married 12 Jan. 1755/6.

John Harris of North East Precinct, DC, died and the farm where he lived in North East was put up for sale 4 July 1757. Joel Hervy was the person to contact and he was living in North East.⁹⁶

John Harris married Mary, dau. of Peter Leavens. They went to Canada where she d. 1855. [*The Leavens Name*, p. 55].

JOHN HARRIS was tried in DC for an assault and his witness was Ebenezer Worden. He was found guilty. [GS 15 Oct. 1779].

JOHN HARRIS bought 33 acres in North East, DC 23 June 1795 from John Murray of NYC, brewer.

John Harris died 12 July 1849, age 50, "While at work in field @ 7 miles below town."⁹⁷

John Harris died 27 Nov. 1814 age 69 years and 8 months and his widow Mary (____) Harris died 20 Dec. 1834, age 82 years and 10 months. They were buried in the Pine Plains Cemetery. [QGDC 190].

John Harris was married to Hannah, dau. of William Righter of Northeast, Dutchess Co., who wrote his will 23 March 1821; proved 24 May 1821. [DCW F:180].

⁹⁶ *New York Post Boy*, 4 July 1757.

⁹⁷ *Poughkeepsie Journal and Eagle*, 21 July 1849.

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John Harris of Benton, Yates Co., NY wrote his will 16 November 1832; proved 27 November 1832. He named his wife Mary and son Human Haines, (*sic*). Witnesses: J.L. Cleveland, Adelphus Gully and Ziba Smith. [YCW A:3].

Moses Barlow of Chenango, Broome Co., NY wrote his will 17 February 1834; proved 27 February 1835. He named his wife Sarah and dau. Tamah wife of John Harris. [BroomCW D:136]. Mr. John S. Harris married Miss Fanny (*sic*) Barlow, both of Northeast 19 Jan. 1809. [MDDC 51].

John Hennis's widow Esther Kidder joined the Reformed Church at Deerpark, Orange Co. 20 June 1788.

JOHN HARRIS was taxed in Rombout from 1754-59.

John B. Harris died in the Town of Elba, Genesee Co., NY and Letters were granted to the widow Sarah Harris and Philetus Bumpas, friend, 2 Oct. 1832. [GenC LofA p. 120].

Asa Burt was appointed guardian for John N. Harris age 18 of Lansingburgh, Rensselaer Co., NY, 3 October 1814. [RCW Surrog 5:61].

Johnson Harris, born ca. 1759 in DC, (age 24 in Jan. 1783), was in a muster of the King's Rangers at St. John's 21 Jan. 1783. He was 5' 7" tall and had served for 2 years and 5 months.⁹⁸ (See Gilbert Harris and Josiah Harris).

Daniel Carpenter was granted administration of the estate of Joseph Harris of Locke, Cayuga Co., NY 19 October 1827. [CayCW LTA E1:20].

A JOSEPH HARRIS was a cooper per Schenk store records.

A JOSEPH HARRIS was a blacksmith, per Schenk store records.

JOSEPH HARRIS was indicted for assault on Joseph Mead and was fined 20s. [GS 10 Oct. 1781].

Joseph Harris, Lieut., was on a "Return of Prisoners Brought in & Delivered by Capt. Nathan[iel] Platt to the Officer of the main Guard June 9 1779." [GCP #2398].

JOSEPH HARRIS, 35 years old, 5' 10" slender made, and a down look was a deserter. [PJ 3 Dec. 1799].

JOSEPH HARRIS, b. 17 Feb. 1762, (same as last?), m. two daus. of ?Enos Northrup. He married 1st 29 Feb. 1784 at Bangall Baptist Mary, b. 24 May 1758, dau. of ___ Northrup and he m. 2nd 19 Oct. 1795 Elizabeth Northrup. He married 3rd 17 March 1799 Esther Smith. They lived in DC and Plattsburgh, Clinton Co., NY.

Children: (By first wife Mary Northrup)

- i. Joseph, b. 9 July 1784; m. Jerusha Paine.
- ii. Cornelius, b. 22 Sept. 1786.
- iii. Enos N., b. 29 Nov. 1788; m. 1st Lydia Finch at Beekman Town, Clinton Co., NY, 2nd Mrs. Amanda McIntyre.
- iv. Mary, b. 1 June ?1794.

Child: (By second wife)

⁹⁸ *Rolls of the Provincial Loyalist Corps. Canadian Command American Revolutionary Period*, Fryer and Smy, p. 101.

v. John, b. 8 June 1796; dy.

Children: (By third wife)

vi. Smith, b. 23 Sept. 1800.

vii. James, b. 12 March 1802; d. 1820.

JOSEPH G. HARRIS, b. 16 Jan. 1788 died 5 July 1857 and his widow Hester, born 28 July 1793, died 23 Nov. 1862 and they were buried in the Methodist Churchyard, Matteawan, Town of Fishkill, DC. [OGDC 113].

JOSIAH HARRIS, born in DC ca. 1762, was in a muster of the King's Rangers at St. John's 21 Jan. 1783. He was 5' 9" tall and had served for 2 years and 6 months. (See Johnson Harris).

Josiah Harris was taxed in Ballston, Albany Co., NY in 1788. He was probably the Josias Harris who witnessed the will of Lambert Van Alstyne Sr. written at Charlton, Saratoga Co., NY 7 April 1797. Josiah Harris sued William Skinner 10 April 1799 in Saratoga Co., NY. He sued William and Henry Skinner 14 Jan. 1800.

Joshua Harris of Kingsbury, Washington Co., NY, and Samuel Andrews were granted administration of the estate of William Sweet of Fort Ann, 18 November 1812. [WashCW LA I:241].

Justus Harris b. 22 Jan. 1746 (OS) in Bedford, Westchester Co., NY married 29 Oct. 1767 to Jemima Miller who was born same 16 Dec. 1751. They had three children and pension application noted her brother Timothy Miller. [Rev. Pens. W-15909].

Justus Harris was named executor in the will of David Schauber of Halfmoon, Saratoga Co., NY which was written 21 April 1804.

Levi Harris, born 19 Aug. 1779, married 8 March 1801 to Silvia Chamberlain who was born 16 Aug. 1783. A record of their children may be found at NYS DAR Bible 23:61.

Lina Henry Daniels of Buffalo, Niagara Co., NY was appointed guardian of Lina Harris age 14, 10 February 1816. [NiagCW Old Rec:265].

Margaret P. Harris, wife of John A. Luqueer, b. 22 Dec. 1823, died 25 Oct. 1896 and was buried in the Pine Plains Cemetery, DC. [OGDC 194].

Maria Harris married Doctor John Barnes, both of Poughkeepsie, on Thursday 31 March 1814. [MDDC 14].

Michael Harris served in the Rev. 4th NY. He d. Feb. 1779.

Michael Harris of Caldwell, Warren Co., NY wrote his will 5 September 1820; proved 7 September 1820. He named wife Susan and appointed his wife, John Harris and John Beebe as executors. Witnesses: George Pattison, Kitchell Bishop and Asa Stower. [WarCW A:69]. He left children: Frederick A., Leonard, Samuel G., Michael Jr. and James H. Harris, all minors, and John Wilson of Rensselaer Co. was appointed guardian 9 Sept. 1827. [WarCG A].

Moses Hennis and Sara Weillems were Sp. 24 June 1769 at Tarrytown for Aert Weillems and his wife Femmetje's child Moses. [TRCh].

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Myndert Harris was in the 1820 census roll for Russia, Herkimer Co., NY. He had a male and female under 10, he was age 26-45 and his wife was age 16-26. He was listed between James Stevens and James McMaster.

Nathan Harris was taxed in Saratoga East, Albany Co., NY in 1787 and 1788.

Nehemiah Harris and wife Elizabeth Younglove had dau. Marcy b. 29 Nov. 1776 and bp. at Schaghticoke RCh. [Rec. 1930:185].

Nicholas Harris bought a farm in Little Hoosick of 112 acres 4 Feb. 1787. The sellers were Pierce and Scopes. [VRML]. Nicholas B. Harris was granted administration of the estate of Nicholas Harris, Rensselaer Co., NY 16 June 1819. [RCW VI:236]. Nicholas Harris was listed in Stephentown in 1800 at 0-1-2-0-1 and 0-2-1-2-1 between Robert Hazzard and Nicholas Northrup.

NICHOLAS HARRIS, a schoolmaster, was at the Schenk store in DC ca. 1770.

NOAH HARRIS served in the 5th (Beekman) Regiment of DC Militia.

Orry G. Harris; (See Isaac Finch). [VRML].

Paul Harris was appointed guardian of John M. White, Sally B. White, Charlotte L. White, Mary White, Orrel B. White and Freeborn G. White, of Pittsford (Ontario Co.,) at Onondaga Co., NY 28 October 1816. [OnonCW 9:66]. Sarah Harris of Farmington (Ontario Co.,) Onondaga Co., NY is widow of Paul Harris 18 May 1821. [OnonCW 11:237].

Peter Harris was an original Proprietor of land in Wilkes-Barre, PA in 1754 and signed a petition there 3 April 1773. Peter Harris (of Westmorland, PA) had 1 yoke of oxen & 1 horse taken ca. July 1778. [GCP #1563]. Peter Harris' name was on a petition of the Wyoming Settler's (Wilkes-Barre, PA) to the NYS Assembly 12 Feb. 1783. (Elijah Harris signed the same petition).

Peter Harris wrote his will 26 Dec. 1778, proved 18 June 1779, at Westmoreland, Litchfield Co., CT (now PA), and left wife Mary, sons Seers, Elijah and Peter Harris Jr., plus daus. Abigail Harris and Lydia Shay. He appointed wife and son Peter executors and James Nisbitt, Manassah Cady and Nathan Bullock witnessed the will.

Peter Harris (bro. in-law) was granted administration of the estate of Freeman Coble [Cobb] of (Ontario) Onondaga Co., NY 8 January 1822. [OnonCW 15:126]. Peter Harris gave an accounting on the estate Freeman Cobb, 18 December 1822, Onondaga Co., NY. [OnonCW Gdn 17:6].

Peter A. Harris died 20 May 1872 age 67 years and his widow Eleanor died 5 June 1892 age 69 and they were buried in the Dutch Church Cemetery in Upper Red Hook, DC. Maria, his ?first wife died 3 April 1868 age 76 and was buried with him. [OGDC 278].

Peter Harris and Darius Comstock were granted administration of the estate of Paul Harris of Palmyra (Ontario Co.,) Onondaga Co., NY 8 March 1820. [OnonCW Surrog 15:31].

Russell Noble, a friend, was granted administration of the estate of Peter W. Harris of Warsaw, Genesee Co., NY 5 May 1812. [GenCW LofA II:2].

Rachel Harris, (widow), was granted administration of the estate of Peter Harris (Ontario Co.) Onondaga, Co., NY 13 May 1813. [OnonCW 6:285].

Peter Harris witnessed the will of Levi Hoag of Palmyra (Ontario Co.) Onondaga Co., NY written 6 September 1816; proved 3 December 1818. [OnonCW 12:173].

Phebe Harris married Asa Jones 2 Feb. 1805 at Bangall Baptist.

RACHEL HARRIS married Abijah, b. 1790, son of David and Hannah (Parks) Sheldon of Pine Plains, DC. He married 2nd Fanny ____.⁹⁹

RACHEL HARRIS married Eliakim Lapham 5 Jan. 1800 in North East Town by JP Jesse Thompson. [TD 13:2;51]. He was born 1 Sept. 1778 and died 1829, son of Parzi (or Pazzi) and Bethany (Foster) Lapham. Rachel Harris died at Penn Yan, NY 27 Dec. 1863. [*Lapham Family*].

The inventory of the estate of Richard Harris of NYC, grocer, was taken 10 Jan. 1792 by Thomas Randall, administrator.¹⁰⁰

Richard Harris married Nelly, ?dau. of Bastian Ellis of Northfield, Richmond, Co., NY who wrote his will 12 May 1804; proved 26 July 1804. He named his wife Frances; nephews and Nelly, wife of Richard Harris, no relationship given. [RichCW A:287].

RICHARD HARRIS married Maria, dau. of Elizabeth Deyo of Poughkeepsie, Dutchess Co., NY who wrote her will 9 March 1813; proved 22 April 1826. [DCW G:398]. Maria Deyo (Devo in paper) married Richard Harris Thursday Sept. 12 1793 in Poughkeepsie by Rev. Mr. Gray. [MDDC 4]. Susannah Harris, dau. of Richard and Maria, died 14 Oct. 1802, age 2 years and 2 months and was buried in the Dutch Church Yard in Poughkeepsie. [OGDC 240]. Richard Harris died 12 Feb. 1835, age 65 years, in Poughkeepsie.¹⁰¹

ROBERT HERRES and Elisabet ____ had dau. Sara b. 8 April, bp. 11 May 1735 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Rhinebeck, DC.

ROBERT HERRIS (*sic*) and Elizabeth ____ had son John Smit born 7 Sept. 1786, bp. 15 Oct. 1786 with Sp. Johannes Weber and wife Elizabeth at Roundtop Lutheran Church at Pine Plains, DC.

Letters were granted 24 Feb. 1827 on the estate of Robert Harris of Half Moon, Saratoga Co., NY to George Earon of Waterford, NY.

Nancy Harris (widow), and Noah Porter, were granted administration of the estate of Rufus Harris of (Ontario Co.) at Onondaga Co., NY 13 March 1813. [OnonCW 6:199].

Consider Morgan m. Rhoda Kellog 23 Jan. 1803. (int) at Sheffield, MA. Dr. Isaac Morgan m. Sally Harris 20 March 1802, at Sheffield, MA. Consider Morgan and Isaac Morgan were sons of Dr. Consider Morgan of Pawling, DC.

Christopher VanDusen loaned money on a mortgage to SAMUEL HARRIS of DC 20 March 1790. (No amount given).

⁹⁹ *Sheldon Magazine*, 61.

¹⁰⁰ *Genealogical Data from Inventories of NY Estates, 1666-1825*, Scott and Owre, 69.

¹⁰¹ *Poughkeepsie Telegraph*, 18 Feb. 1835.

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Samuel Harris of Kingsbury, Washington Co., NY wrote his will 9 December 1820; proved 13 February 1822. He named sons: John and Charles; daus.: Christiana wife of Charles High, Rosalie wife of Samuel P. Beebe, Julia Ann wife of Stephen Van Rensselaer. Also named is Nathaniel Clark. Witnesses: Alexander McCall, Otis Southworth and Philip Nichols. [WashCW V:9].

Samuel Harris obtained a Land Grant in Digby, Nova Scotia in 1801.

Sarah Harris witnessed the wedding of Joh. Philip House and Judith Gapsy 24 Dec. 1758 at New York Lutheran Church.

Seth Harris leased in Van Rensselaer Manor. (See John H. Van Arnham there.) [VRML].

Polly Husted, (widow of Peter), of Northeast and Pine Plains, Dutchess Co., NY wrote her will 5 January 1822; proved 30 April 1825. She named her sons: Walter, Henry and Cornelius; daus.: Polly wife of Peter Couch, Susannah wife of Seth Harris, etc. [DCW G:217]. Seth Harris married Mrs. Susanna Barlow 19 Feb. 1807 by the Rev. Mr. Culver in DC. [MDDC 51]. Seth Harris died 2 Feb. 1842 in 80th year and his wife Susannah Husted,¹⁰² b. 12 June 1784, died 19 Oct. 1828 and they were buried in the Pine Plains Cemetery, Town of Pine Plains, DC. [OGDC 190].

Col. Silas Harris of Northeast, DC married Miss Maria Pugsley, dau. of Edward Pugsley of Stanford 11 April 1821. [MDDC 51]. Col. Silas Harris was born 24 Jan. 1787 and died 19 April 1862 and his widow Maria Pugsley, born 3 May 1798 died 16 June 1877. They were buried in the Pine Plains Cemetery. [OGDC 190].

Martin Harris, (bro.-in-law), with Reuben Hewit was granted administration of estate of Seth Harris of Ontario Co., NY 8 January 1821; registered Onondaga Co., NY. [OnonCW 15:125].

The administration of the estate of Solomon Harris of Wayne Co., NY was granted to Aretas Lapham 16 September 1829. [WayCW LofA:146]. Eliakim Lapham married Rachel Harris 5 Jan. 1800 in Town of North East. [TD 13:2:51].

Stephen Harris of Southampton, Suffolk Co., NY wrote his will 22 February 1811; proved 10 January 1814. He named his wife Jane; sons: Luther and Appolos; daus.: Harmony, Sarah and Eleanor. He appoints his wife and David Rose executors. Witnesses: David Rose, John Smith and Bethiah White. [SufCW C:364].

Susannah Harris, (widow), with Peter Harris and Stephen Durfy of Palmyra, Onondaga Co., NY, was granted administration of the estate of Thomas Harris 2 February 1813. [OnonCW 6:84]. Susannah Harris was appointed guardian for Charles, Cynthia, Daniel, Juliana, Chloe, Polly, Lucino and George Washington Harris 7 February 1813. [OnonCW 5:82].

¹⁰² Evidently she had first married ___ Barlow.

Thomas Harris, born 27 Sept. 1725 at Plainfield, CT moved to Hillsdale, present Columbia Co., NY ca. 1772. See TAG 1988, pages 154-160 for his ancestry and descendants.

Thomas HERRIS, born in Rhode Island and living at Rye, married 25 April 1747 to Marya Willimse, j.d. born in Philipsburgh and living at Tarrytown. [TRCh].

Thomas Harris of Grimsby, Upper Canada, had son John and dau. Sarah, (m. Joseph Halstead of Grimsby).¹⁰³

The administration of the estate of Thomas Harris, (farmer), of Hadley, Saratoga Co., NY was granted to Samuel Baker during the minority of Felitia Harris and Ira Harris, 28 December 1801. [SCW 1:148].

WILLIAM HARRIS, dec'd, and Eve VanHyden had son Abraham born 12 May 1790, bp. 31 Jan. 1802 in Fishkill Reformed Church.

William Harris was an American prisoner of War during the Revolution.

Mary Harris and Daniel Newcomb had (?natural) child named William Harris who married Eunice, dau. of William and Adeth Shaw, all living Clinton, DC. They married 2 Jan. 1814 at PVPCh.

Adelia and Samuel Bottsford (or Butterfield) were granted administration of the estate of William Harris of Buffalo, Niagara Co., NY 10 May 1817. [NiagCW old Rec:130].

William Harris of DC, late sergeant 1st Regt., transfers to Anthony Maxwell of Col. Co. 3 May 1791 in Onondaga Co., NY. [Land Bounty]. [Rec. 1901:157].

Mary Harris, (widow), was granted administration of the estate of William Harris of Northampton, Montgomery Co., NY 24 May 1815. [MontCW LA II:169].

William Harris married Nancy Secord 24 Oct. 1807 at Hopewell. [HRCh and NHRCh]. William Harris died 7 April 1853, age 69-3-5 and a son Isaac I. Harris died 10 July 1834, age 29-6-7 and they both were buried in the Dutch Churchyard in Town of East Fishkill, DC. [OGDC 56].

William Harris died 27 Nov. 1826 at Northumberland, Saratoga Co., NY at age 102. He left no widow but three children: William of Whitehall, Lucy, wife of William D. Sutfin (she age 57 in 1848), and John Harris age 49 in 1848 living in Northumberland. [Rev. Pens. R-4673].

William Harris was taxed in Half Moon, Canistiguanne District in 1786 and in Niskayuna in 1788.

William Harris was in Stephentown, Rensselaer Co., NY in 1800 at 2-2-1-1-0 and 2-0-0-1-0 between Ezra Thompson and Reuben Knapp. Daniel and Robert Harris, Sr. and Jr., were close by on the roll.

William D. Harris of Queensbury, Warren Co., NY wrote his will 10 Feb. 1833, proved 7 May 1833. He mentioned wife Sina and daus.: Catharine, Sina, Amy Ann and Amanda Villetta. He also had sons Marvin and Lemuel. Job Beadleston was executor of this estate and that of Joseph Harris of Queensbury, probably his father. [WarCW A;162].

¹⁰³ *Sons and Daughters of American Loyalists*, William D. Reid, p. 141.

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Page 216. **Harris Family. Joseph R. Harris** was not son-in-law to Joseph Reynolds. Joseph Reynolds was father-in-law to Peter Harris, father to Joseph R. Harris.