

Expert Strategies for Breaking Down Brick Walls

*Class 1: Who's Who?: Same
Name, Same Place, Same Time*

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OVERVIEW

- **Presentation (60 mins.)**
 - Source Analysis
 - Record Analysis
 - Evidence Analysis
 - Applying What We've Learned
- **Q&A (30 mins.)**

Who's Who?

Same Name:

- Too many Johns, Williams, and Marys

Same Place:

- Families often stayed together

Same Time:

- Siblings marry and have families around the same time as each other

Fundamentals

Fundamental Rules - # 1

All statements must be based only on accurately reported, carefully documented, and exhaustively analyzed records.

– Taken from Robert Charles Anderson's *Elements of Genealogical Analysis*

Rule #1

- Requires you to:
 - Question the validity of the record
 - Question the accuracy of the record
- Need to understand:
 - Who created the record
 - Why was it created
- EVIDENCE

Fundamental Rules - # 2

**You must have a sound,
explicit, reason for saying
that any two individual records
refer to the same person.**

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Rule #2

- Requires you to:
 - Draw conclusions
- Deals with the process of combining records
- PROOF

Analytic Tools

- Consists of three tools:
 - Source analysis
 - Record analysis
 - Linkage analysis
- First two deal with examining and evaluating evidence
- Third involves genealogical conclusions

Source Analysis

Source vs. Record

- **Source** – a collection of records
 - Created by a single author (a book of abstracts)
 - Created by a single entity (county probate records)
- **Record** – that item within a source that pertains to a single event

Source vs Record

Source	Record
Census	Household in a census
Will book	Will of Sarah Reed
Christ Church, Boston, Baptisms	Baptism of Thomas Robinson
World War I Draft Cards	Card of Thoulough Everett Ayer, Lowell, Massachusetts
Massachusetts: Grand Lodge of Masons Membership Cards, 1733-1990	Card of Thoulough Everett Ayer, Somerville, Massachusetts

Source Analysis

- Are you looking at an original or derivative?



Original Sources

- Digital copies, microfilm, microfiche
considered original for analysis purposes
- Original – From the time period being researched.
Includes:
 - Duplicate original
 - Record (Clerk's) copy
 - Image copy
- BCG Article - QuickLesson 10

Derivative Sources

- Derivative – Written by someone who did not experience the events or time period. Includes:
 - Transcripts
 - Extracts
 - Abstracts
- https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Primary_sources

21. I do hereby constitute and appoint my son Christian Thomas to be sole
Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and do revoke and annul
all former Wills by me heretofore made In Testimony whereof I have
herewith set my hand and affixed my Seal this Fourteenth day of May 1777

Signed Sealed published and declared by Christian Thomas the above named
Testator as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as
Witnesses thereto, the words "thing" and "estate"
being first interlined. —
Richard Potts, Nicholas Tice, Joseph Doll

Christian Thomas Seal

Annexed to the foregoing Will is the following Probate Vizt
Frederick County to wit the 24th
December 1777. Then came Richard
Potts, Nicholas Tice and Joseph Doll
the three subscribing Witnesses to the last
Will and Testament of Christian Thomas late of Fred^{erick}
County deceased, and severally made Oath in the Holy Evangel of Almighty God
that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal the said Will, and that
they heard him publish, pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and
Testament, that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions
of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding and that they respectively
subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the
request of the Testator, and in the presence of each other

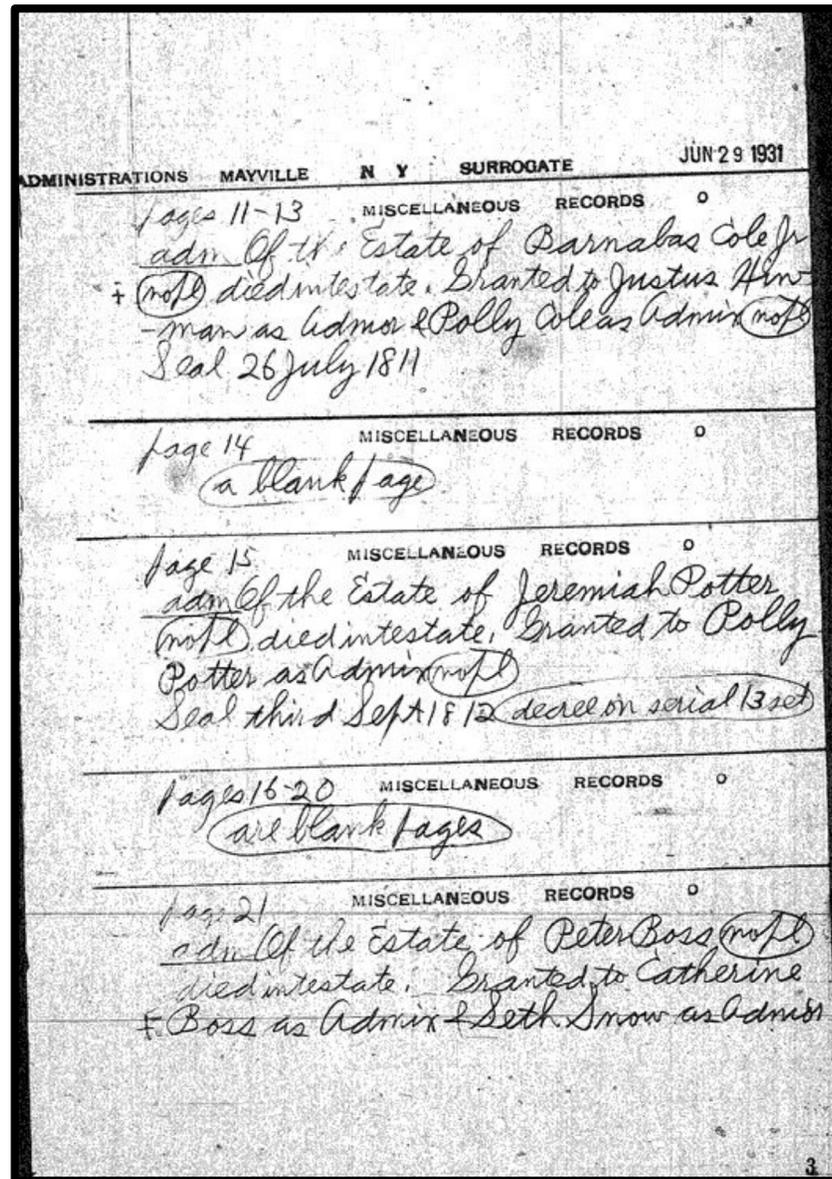
(Sides) Testified by Geo: Muddock Reg^{is}

Recorded 24th December 1777.

In the name of God amen I Jacob Kumer of
Frederick County in the province of Maryland, being thro' the abundant mercy
and goodness of God, tho' weak in body, yet of a sound and perfect Understanding
and memory do constitute this my Last Will and Testament, that is to say
First and principally of all I recommend my Soul into the hands of God
(that

Original Probate

Frederick County Maryland Probate
Records



Derivative Probate

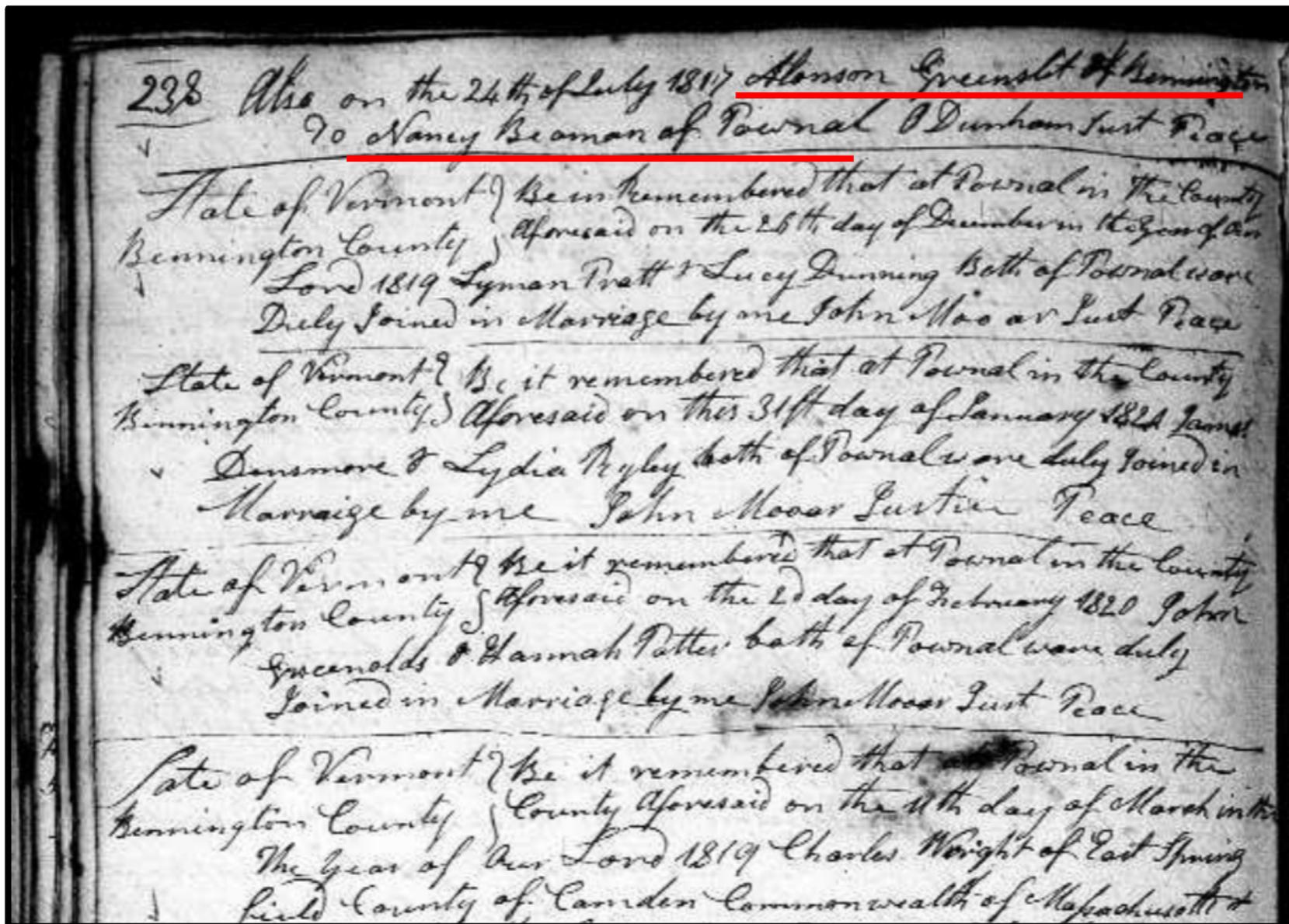
American Ancestors Database

22 THE PROBATE RECORDS OF ESSEX COUNTY.

Inventory taken 1:1:1642, by John Woodbridg, Henry Short and Richard Knight: howse & land, 30li.; Six kowes, 30li.; foure oxen, 24li.; one bull & one steere, 3 yeare old, 7li. 10s.; three beasts, two yeares old, 8li.; two beasts, one yeare old, 2li. 10s.; three Calves, 1li. 4s.; three hoggs, 1li. 4s.; Bees, 7li. 10s.; haye, 4li.; Soyle, 1li.; Cart, Slead & 3 Yoaks, 1li. 6s.; within the howse: one fetherbed & flockbed, 3li. 10s.; Six fether pillowes, 18s.; 4 Coverleds, 2li.; 5 blanketts, 1li. 10s.; 3 paier of Sheets, 1li. 8s.; 2li. and a halfe of bee wax, 2s. 6d.; bowlster Case & pillow & napkins, 10s.; porke, 2li. 7s.; butter & Cheese, 12s.; barrells & butte[r] Cherne & other lumb., 18s.; Pewter, 1li. 7s. 6d.; Brasse, 3li. 13s.; a Brasse pott, 1li.; iron potts, 1li. 6s.; A chafing dish & a posnet, 5s.; 12 bushells of indian corne, 2li. 2s.; 9 bushells of wheate, 2li. 6d.; 2 bushells of pease, 9s.; hogshheads & howes & other lumber, 16s.; in apparrell, stock-ins & shoes, 3li.; muskett & fowling peeeces & 2 Swords & bandileers, 1li. 19s.; working Tooles & lanthorne, 15s.; bookes, 1li.; spinning wheeles, 10s.; a chest & chaiers & other lumb., 16s.; harrow tines, 10s.; total, 153li. 8s. 6d. *Ipswich Deeds, vol. 1, leaf 3.*

ESTATE OF GEORGE BROWNE OF NEWBURY.

"The last will & Testament of George Browne May 26th 1642 In the name of God amen I George Browne being sick & weake in body but pfect in minde &c doe make my last will & Testament in mann & forme as followeth Impr I bequeath my soule into the hands of god and my body to the earth to be buried It I give to my beloved wife my howse & land with all my howsehold goods except my muskett & sword my wearing clothes & Tooles. Item I give unto her my kow It I give to my brother Richard Browne my wearing clothes & Tooles It I give vnto Richard Littleale Twenty shillings to be paid out of the rent of the Mill Item: I give vnto my father & to my brother Michael Twenty shillings a peece to be paid out of the Mill, but if god by his prvidence bring them into this land then my will is to give them six pounds a peece or if but one of them ||come over|| then he shall receive twelve pounds & if afterward the other come then he shall repay to him six pounds Item I give to all my brethren & sisters besides Twelve pence a peece my will is that all this shalbe paid out of my Mill after all my debts are discharged It I give unto Joseph Browne sonne of my brother Richard Browne



Original Vital Record

Vol 1 Pownal, VT Records, p 238,
viewed at Family Search

MARRIAGE-BRIDE

Name of Bride *Fancy Beaman*

Name of Groom *Clayton Greenshik*

Residence of Bride *Pownal*

Date of Marriage *July 24 - 1817*

Color _____ Age in Years _____

Occupation _____

Place of Birth _____

Father's Name _____

Birthplace _____

Mother's Name _____

Birthplace _____

Name Party Officiating *J. Tenham - Justice of Peace*

Town *Pownal*

Widowed _____

Town of
Pownal

I hereby certify that the facts set forth on the reverse side of this card are matters of record in *Book of Surveys & Eas marks*
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Attest: *May F. Sampman*
Town Clerk.

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Town Clerk.

Derivative Vital Record

Vermont Vital Records 1760-1954, Family Search

Derivative Vital Record

SCITUATE BIRTHS

To THE YEAR 1850

- ADAMS** (see Addams), Margaret, d. James, bp. Mar. 18, 1654. C.R.2.
 Mary, d. John of Marishfield, great grandchild Widdow James, bp. Dec. 14, 1656. C.R.2.
- ADDAMS** (see Adams), Anne, d. James, Apr. 18, 1649. [Anna Adams, C.R.2.]
 Mary, d. James, Jan. 27, 1653. [Adams, C.R.2.]
 Richard, s. James, Apr. 19, 1651. [Adams, C.R.2.]
 William, s. James, May 16, 1647. [Adams, C.R.2.]
- ADVERD**, Elizabeth, d. Henry, bp. June 29, 1651. C.R.2.
 Experience, d. Henry, bp. Apr. 18, 1652. C.R.2.
 Mary, d. Henry, bp. June 29, 1651. C.R.2.
 Sarah, d. Henry, bp. June 29, 1651. C.R.2.
- ALBEE**, Dianthe, d. Amos and Judith, Sept. 14, 1803.
 Judith C. [—], w. Amos, — [1784]. G.R.2.
- ALDEN** (see Aldin), Isaiah, s. Isaiah and Mercy W., Sept. 1, 1819.
 John, s. John and Hannah of Duxborough, bp. Dec. 10, 1710. C.R.2.
 Lydia, d. Isaiah and Mercy W., Feb. 5, 1830. [w. Allen Merritt, G.R.2.]
 Mercy, d. Isaiah and Mercy W., Apr. 20, 1821.
 Mercy, ch. Isaiah and Mercy, bp. Oct. 7, 1832. C.R.1.
 Mercy W. [—], w. Isaiah [Jan. —, 1799]. G.R.6.
 Thomas, s. Isaiah and Mercy W., Aug. 17, 1827.
 Thomas, ch. Isaiah and Mercy, bp. Oct. 7, 1832. C.R.1.
- ALDIN** (see Alden), Samuel, s. John and Hannah of Duxborough, bp. May 17, 1713. C.R.2.
- ALLEN** (see Alin), Cornelia Maria, d. George M. and Hannah E., July 10, 1832.

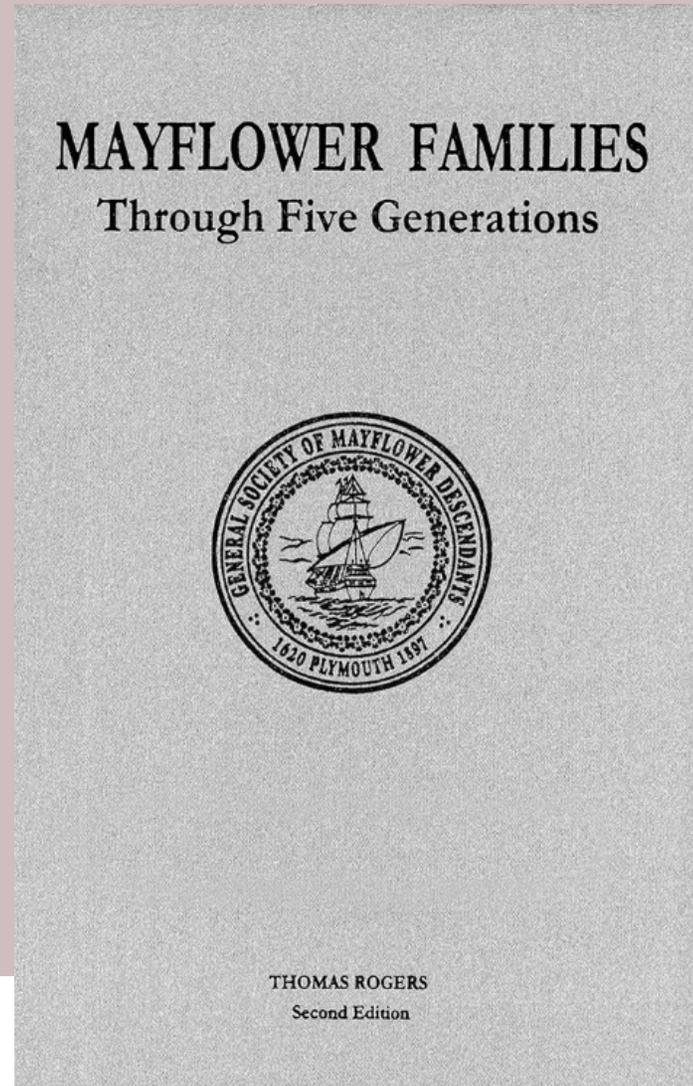
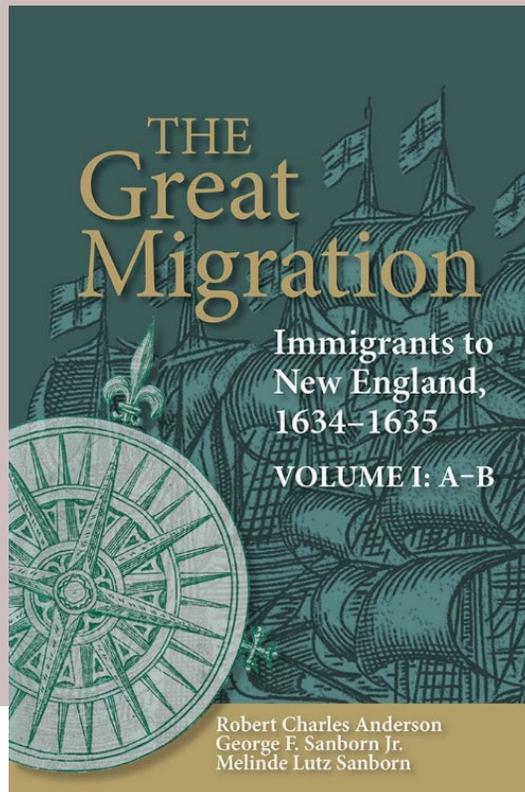
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ABBREVIATIONS

- a.* — age
abt. — about
b. — born
ch. — child
chn. — children
Co. — county
 C.R.1. — church record, First Parish, and records from Rev. John Lothrop's original manuscript
 C.R.2. — church record, Second Church of Scituate, now the First Unitarian Church of Norwell
 C.R.3. — church record, Trinitarian Congregational Church
 C.R.4. — records of the Society of Friends of Pembroke, now in the possession of the Society at New Bedford
d. — daughter; died; day
Dea. — deacon
dup. — duplicate entry
 G.R.1. — gravestone record, First Parish Cemetery, Meeting House Lane, now Prospect Street, Scituate Harbor
 G.R.2. — gravestone record, Groveland Cemetery, North Scituate
 G.R.3. — gravestone record, Judge Cushing's Cemetery, Greenbush
 G.R.4. — gravestone record, Hatch Burying Ground, Greenbush
 G.R.5. — gravestone record, James Burying Ground, Greenbush
 G.R.6. — gravestone record, Union Street Cemetery, Scituate Harbor
 G.R.7. — gravestone record, Fairview Cemetery, Scituate Centre
 G.R.8. — gravestone record, Mt. Hope Cemetery, North Scituate
 G.R.9. — gravestone record, Town Burying Ground, Scituate Centre

Special Class of Sources

- Authored works
 - Compiled genealogies



236		<u>Christ Church, Boston, Records</u>			Source	Record
May	7	Cunningham, James-Barton-Sylvester	Son of	James	& Rachel	Private
	9	Cary, William	Son of	William	& Mary	
	9	Polley, Jacob	Son of	Jacob	& Mary	
	14	Burrows, Katherine	Daug of	James	& Bethiah	Private
	21	Cornish, Sarah	Daug of	Abraham	& Margaret	Private
	23	Pulling, Sarah	Daug of	John	& Sarah	
	25	Monro, Sarah	Daug of	John	& Sarah	Private
June	6	Loring, John	Son of	John	& Barbara	

				by M ^r Cosset		
Oct.	1	Robinson, Thomas	Son of	Thomas	& Sarah	64 th Reg.
	1	Latham, Elisabeth	Daug of	George	& Margaret	64 th Reg.
	1	Lanham, Ann	Daug of	Bartholomew	& Mary	64 th Reg.
	1	Smith, Ann	Daug of	John	& Margaret	64 th Reg.
	24	Pulling, Sarah	Daug of	John	& Sarah	
Nov.	7	Cordwell, Hannah	Daug of	William	& Esther	
	12	Till, Joseph	Son of	Edward	& Eleanor	64 th Reg.
	12	Byrn, Mary	Daug of	Edward	& Eleanor	64 th Reg.

Source vs. Record

CHRIST CHURCH, BOSTON, RECORDS

Contributed by MARY KENT (DAVEY) BABCOCK

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BAPTISMS

1771

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Feb.	3 Adams,	Philip	Son of David	& Margaret	
	10 Blasland,	William-Swanton	Son of William	& Prudence	
	10 Wier,	David	Son of David	& Susanna	
	17 Woodrow,	Elisabeth	Daug of James	& Jane	
			by Mr Walter		
	24 Fisher,	Robert	Son of John	& Bethiah	
March	1 Hunt,	Sally	Daug of William	& Mary	
	8 Hayman,	Edward-Payne	Son of William	& Mary	
	10 Milledge,	Elisabeth	Daug of John	& Susanna	
			by Mr Nichols		
	17 Brown,	Hannah	Daug of William	& Susanna	
	24 Smithwick,	Peter	Son of James	& Mary	
	28 Watts,	Joseph	Son of Joseph	& Mary	Private
	29 Ambrose,	Elisabeth-Mitchel	Daug of Robert	& Rachel	
April	1 Star,	Betsey	Daug of Joseph	& Elisabeth	
	8 Ballard,	Joseph	Son of Bartholomew	& Mary	Private
	21 Butler,	Sarah-Malcom	Daug of Francis	& Mary	
			by M ^r Moseley		
	28 Colman,	Daniel	Son of	Elisabeth	
			by M ^r Moseley		
	28 Murphy,	Ruth	Daug of Nicholas	& Ruth	
			by M ^r Moseley		
May	5 Thompson,	Rebecca	Daug of John	& Rebecca	
			by M ^r Moseley		
	12 Hinks,	Rebecca	Daug of John	& Mary	
	26 Davis,	Sally-Richards	Daug of Elijah	& Elizabeth	

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Questions:

1. Is this an original or a copy? **Copy**
2. When was the source created? **A) Register issue was published in 1946; B) Mary Kent (Davey) Babcock abstracted the records BY July 1946 (the date of this issue of the Register)**
3. Who created the source? **We need to find the beginning of these abstracts to learn the answer to this question.**
4. What formulas were used in creating the source? **The entries all follow a date; surname of baptized individual; given name of baptized individual; relationship to...; given name of father (assumed, based on wording of relationship); given name of mother (assumed, based on wording of relationship); occasional record identifier**

Source Analysis

Questions from Robert Charles Anderson's *Elements of Genealogical Analysis*

3. Who created the source?

1945]

Christ Church, Boston, Records

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The REGISTER begins with this issue the publication of the baptisms, marriages and burials as recorded in Christ Church, Salem Street, Boston. As a part of her work as historian of Christ Church the compilation of the vital statistics from 1724 to 1775, the period during which Christ Church was a mission of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, was begun under the supervision of Mary Kent (Davey) Babcock, wife of the late Rt. Rev. William G. Babcock.

The years 1724 to 1749 were copied from the manuscript records at the church by Mrs. Asa F. Clark and those from 1750 to 1775 were copied from the photostat records at the New England Historic Genealogical Society by Mrs. Babcock's secretary, Mrs. Morton S. Crehore. The manuscript record at the church, made many years ago, showed variations and omissions, therefore the whole period was checked and rechecked with the photostat copies at the Genealogical Society by Mrs. Crehore, who has also completed an index.

BAPTISMS

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Whole compilation inserted for the *Register* by editors of *Register*

Typeset by printer for actual printing of the copies of the *Register*

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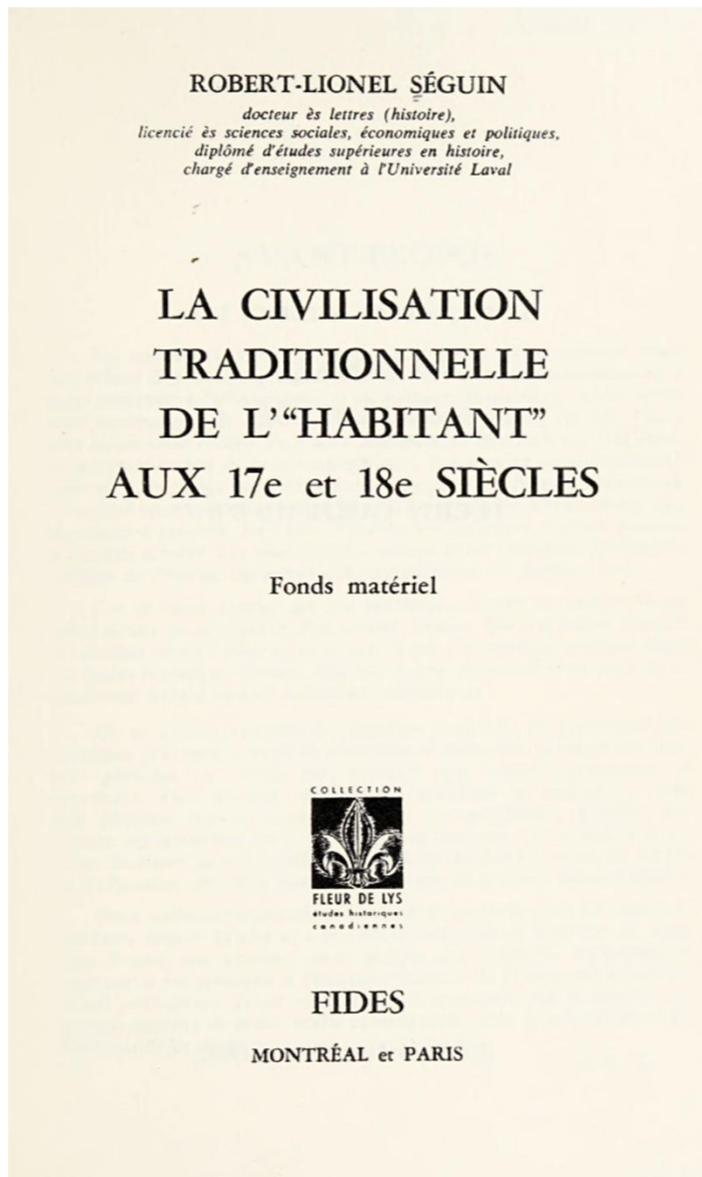
QUESTIONS?

Record Analysis

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- Record pertains to a single event within the source
- Need to evaluate the record asking questions just as with the source:
 - Original
 - Derivative
 - Authored Work
- Need to use a compilation of records

Case Study: Derivative vs. Original



Derivative Source

pareillement nombreux en Nouvelle-France. Si bien qu'à leur séance du 28 avril 1667, les membres du Conseil souverain, « pour esuiter les degats que les Cochons ont accoustumé de faire chaque année dans les grains », ²⁰³, décrètent que ceux qui en possèdent à Québec « et lieux circonuoysins les tiendront enfermez si non permettre de les tuer s'ils sont trouuez en dommage » ²⁰⁴. De plus, on enjoint « à ceux qui ont des cochons en cette ville banlieue d'icelle Coste S^{te} Geneuiefue Cap Rouge et autres lieux du ressort de cette ville ou les reigles qui y sont establies n'y auroient autrement pourueu de les tenir enfermez faute de quoy il est permis de les tuer a ceux qui en troueront en dommage sur leurs terres... » ²⁰⁵

A Montréal, les porcs ne respectent pas plus les récoltes. Dès l'automne de 1667, Urbain Baudereau en abat deux ou trois dans ses emblavures. Le propriétaire de ces bêtes, Pierre Geoffrion, s'adresse vainement au bailliage du lieu pour en obtenir remboursement le 2 octobre suivant ²⁰⁶. Il faudra pourtant légiférer en ce sens sans quoi chacun se fera justice. Le 1er mai 1670, il est officiellement décrété que tous ceux qui « ont des Cochons qui ne Sont point Enfermez, eussent à Les faire Renfermer Pour Eviter Aux degats des grains quilz pourroient faire en Iceux » ²⁰⁷.

Soulignons que le porc est parmi les premiers animaux de ferme que possèdent les colons de Montréal. L'un d'eux, Augustin Hébert, en a déjà quatre en juin 1654 ²⁰⁸. A l'automne de 1661, il y a « trois Cochons Scavoir deux grands & Un petit » ²⁰⁹ chez Médéric Bourduceau. Durant l'hiver de 1662, « Une truy de Neuf mois environ » ²¹⁰, trouvée chez Lambert Closse, vaudrait quelque vingt livres. Jusqu'à la fin du XVIIe siècle, truie et verrat vaudront de vingt à trente livres pièce. Au siècle suivant, il sera maintes fois question de « cochons nourritureaux » dans le contexte des actes notariés. Il s'agit de bêtes castrées et à l'engrais.

Talon est toujours aussi désireux d'assurer l'expansion économique de la colonie. Le 10 novembre 1670, il voudrait que Colbert fasse adopter des mesures pour « exciter les habitants à nourrir des porcs afin de pouvoir fournir des viandes pour la navigation. J'ay fait charger des larts, de poursuivre l'intendant, que j'avais aportés trop abondamment en quatre

203. *Jugements du Conseil souverain, op. cit.*, 1: 395.

204. *Loc. cit.*

205. *Loc. cit.*

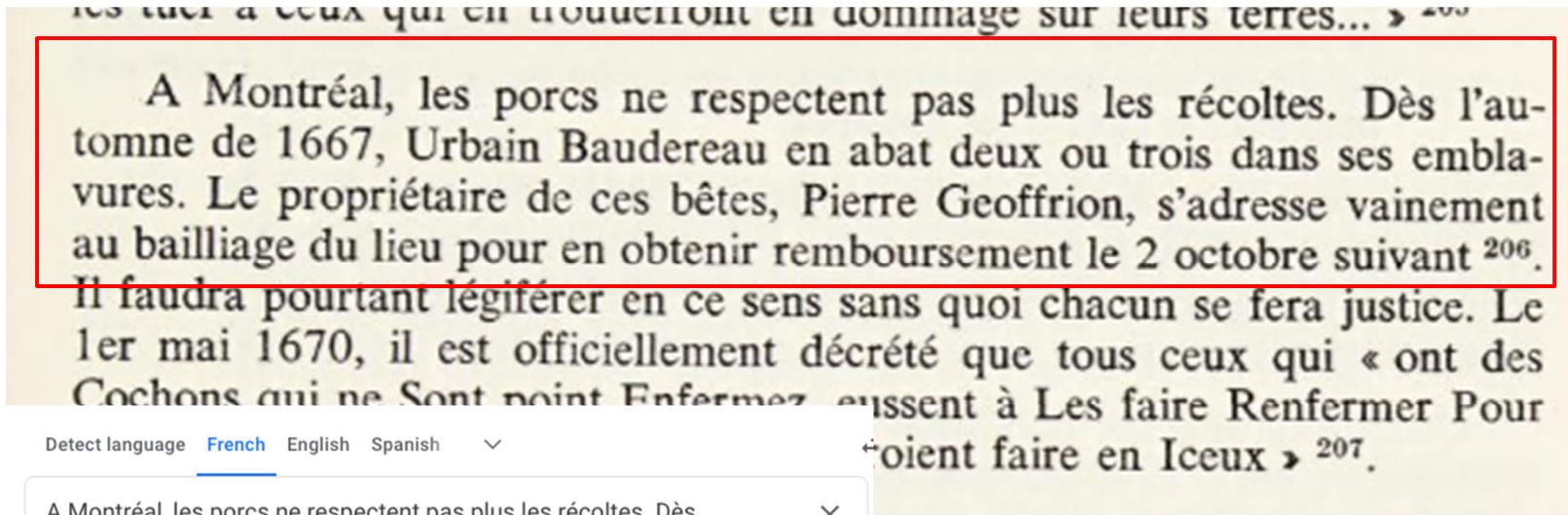
206. Registre du bailliage de Montréal, 2 octobre 1667. AJM.

207. Ordonnance des intendants, etc., 1er mai 1670. AJM.

208. Invent^o de deffunct Jolicœur et augustin hébert. 2^e juin 1654. Lambert Closse. AJM.

209. Estat des effets du S^r Médéric Bourduceau a f^e Valloir Damoiselle de Saily — 19 septembre 1661. Bénigne Basset, 216. AJM.

210. Inventaire des biens meubles de deff^t Le s^r Lambert Closse — 8 Février 1662. Bénigne Basset. AJM.



Detect language **French** English Spanish ▾

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→ **English** Italian French ▾

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Derivative Record

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Published abstract from Robert-Lionel Séguin, *La Civilisation traditionnelle de l'habitant aux 17e et 18e siècles, Fonds Matériel* (Montreal: Fides, 1973), p. 561; translation from Google Translate

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Translation of transcription from original court document.

Comparison

Evidence Analysis

EVIDENCE EXPLAINED

Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace

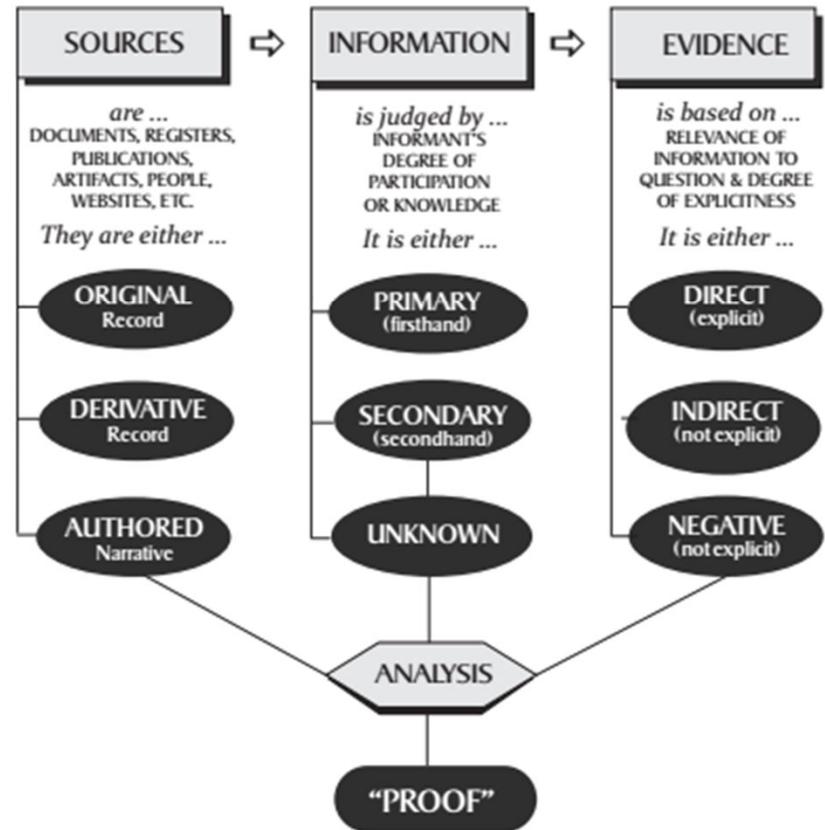
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Elizabeth Shown Mills

The Evidence Analysis Process Map

Basic Principle:
SOURCES provide INFORMATION
from which we identify EVIDENCE for ANALYSIS.



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Evidence Explained, 4th edition

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Sources

Documents, registers, publications, abstracts, etc.



Information

Judged by informant's knowledge



Evidence

Relevance of information to question & level of explicitness



Analysis

Act of objective review

What is Proof?

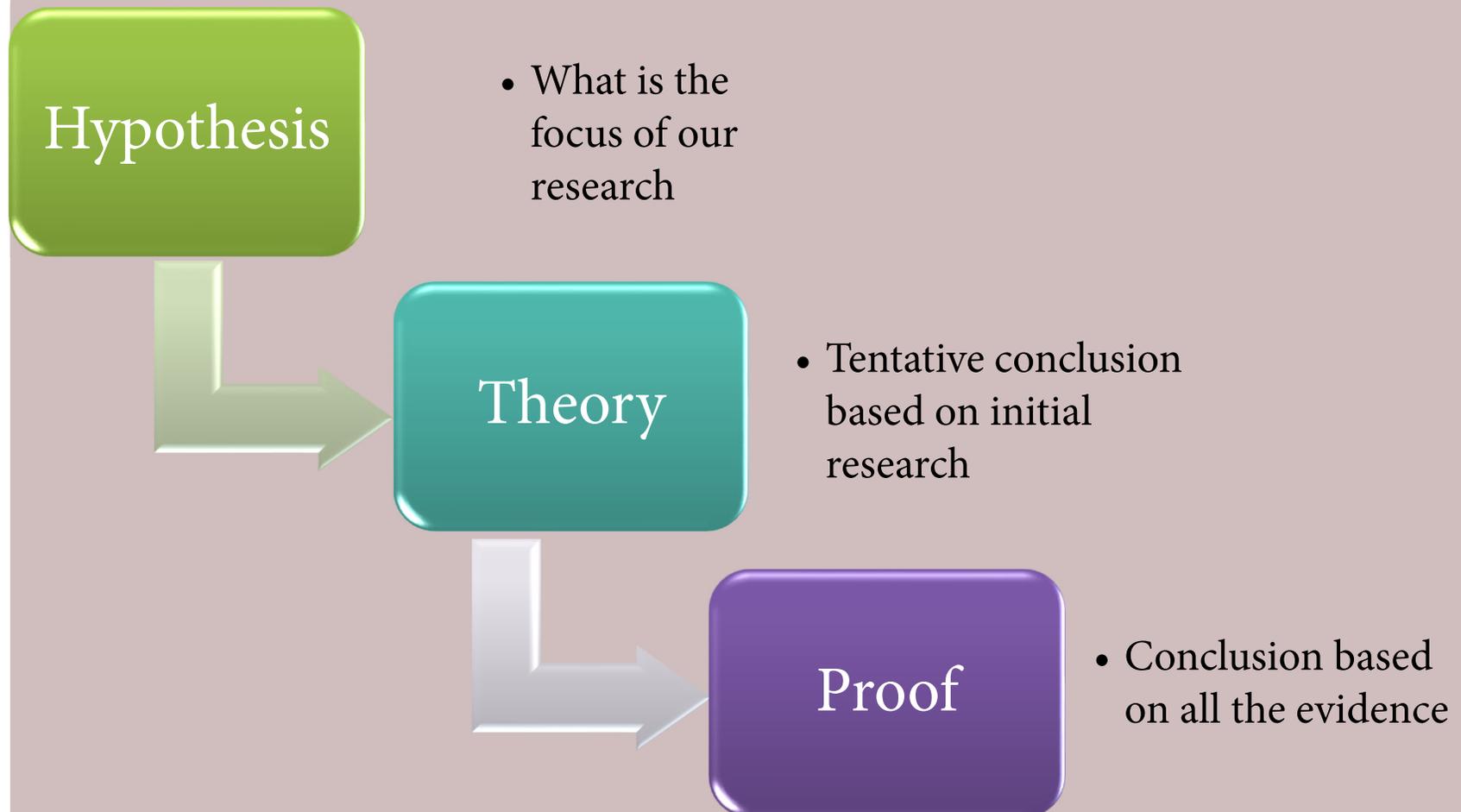
“The most reliable proof is a composite of information drawn from multiple sources—all being quality materials, *independently created*, and accurately representing the original circumstances.”

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Tip

Proof is what supports
our conclusion.

Process to Conclusion



Case Study: Northup Family

When Did Elizabeth Northup Die?

Source	Information	Evidence
Ancestry Trees	Died 1855; died 1820	Death in either 1820 or 1855
Will of Samuel Northup, 20 June 1840	“My wife Elizabeth” given bedding and other personal items	She is alive in 1840
U.S. 1840 Census	She is living in North Kingston	She is alive in 1840
U.S. 1850 Census	She is not enumerated	If she were alive, she would have been enumerated. Negative evidence for death before 1850
<i>Graveyards of North Kingstown, Rhode Island</i> (North Kingstown, RI : A.H. McAleer, 1992).	Cemeteries in North Kingston were family owned. Most plots contain unmarked fieldstones as the community was heavily Baptist and Quaker	Will not find a gravestone record for her death.

Correlate and Resolve Conflicts

- Two conflicting dates from Ancestry trees. Both trees lack any attached documented. These dates will be discarded.
- She was alive in 1840 per her husband's will and the 1840 census.
- She is missing from the 1850 census. This is negative evidence. She is not there and would have been if alive.
- **Conclusion?** Elizabeth died between 1840 and 1850.

When Was George W Northup Born?

Source	Information	Evidence
Wickford Standard (Wickford, Rhode Island), 13 January 1899, page 3, column 6.	George W. Northup died 7 January 1899 in his 90th year.	Birth year about 1809 (Indirect)
Find a Grave, Elm Grove Cemetery (North Kingston, Rhode Island), memorial for George Washington Northup, memorial number 61202610, created 6 November 2010 by Billy.	Gravestone give birth year as 1809	Direct for year
U.S. Army, Register of Enlistments, 1798-1914,	Age as 21 in 1830	Birth year about 1809 (Indirect)

Correlate and Resolve Conflicts

- One piece of evidence directly gives the birth year of 1809
- Two pieces of indirect evidence agree that birth year was 1809. This year is consistent with the direct evidence
- **Conclusion?** Birth year was 1809.

QUESTIONS?

Applying What We've Learned

Applying What We've Learned

- Source Analysis
- Record Analysis
- Derivative vs Original
- Hypothesis, Theory, Proof

Case Study: John Pulling

Meet John Pulling

- Lived in the North of Boston
- Attended the “Old North Church”
- Children baptized at the “Old North Church”
- Married, as second wife, 1770s, Sarah (Thaxter) McBean
- Died in 1787

American Ancestors
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	Father's Mother (first, middle, maiden)	Martha MOUNTJOY				
Other Marriages (first, middle, last)	m(2) Sarah (THAXTER) McBEAN					
Mother	Given Name(s)	Annis	Last Name	LEE		
	Born	10 Oct 1743	Place			
	Died	19 Aug 1771	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass.		
	Mother's Father (first, middle, last)	Col. John LEE				
	Mother's Mother (first, middle, maiden)	Joanna RAYMOND				
	Other Marriages (first, middle, last)					
Child #1	Sex	F	Given Name(s)	Annis	Last Name	PULLING
	Born	bap. 29 Jan 1769	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass. (Old North Church)		
	Died	23 Nov 1867	Place	Salem, Essex Co., Mass.		
	Spouse (first, middle, last)	John JENKS III				
Child #2	Sex	M	Given Name(s)	John	Last Name	PULLING
	Born	bap. 22 Jul 1770	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass. (Old North Church)		
	Died		Place			
	Spouse					

1st Wife –
Annis Lee

2nd Wife –
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	Born	1746	Place			
	Died	17 Dec 1843	Place	Abington, Plymouth Co., Mass.		
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	Mother's Mother (first, middle, maiden)	Abigail SMITH				
	Other Marriages (first, middle, last)	(m1) Duncan McBEAN				
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	Born	bap. 10 Nov 1771	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass. (Old North Church)		
	Died		Place			
	Spouse					

John Pulling – Supplied Information


American Ancestors

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	Died		Place	
Spouse				

John Pulling – Supplied Information

Hypothesis

**Could there be two
men named John Pulling
who marry women
with the given name
of Sarah?**

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He married (second) Sarah (Thaxter) Pulling, widow of John Pulling, of Boston, daughter of Major Samuel and Abigail (Smith) Thaxter, descended from Thomas Thaxter of Hingham.

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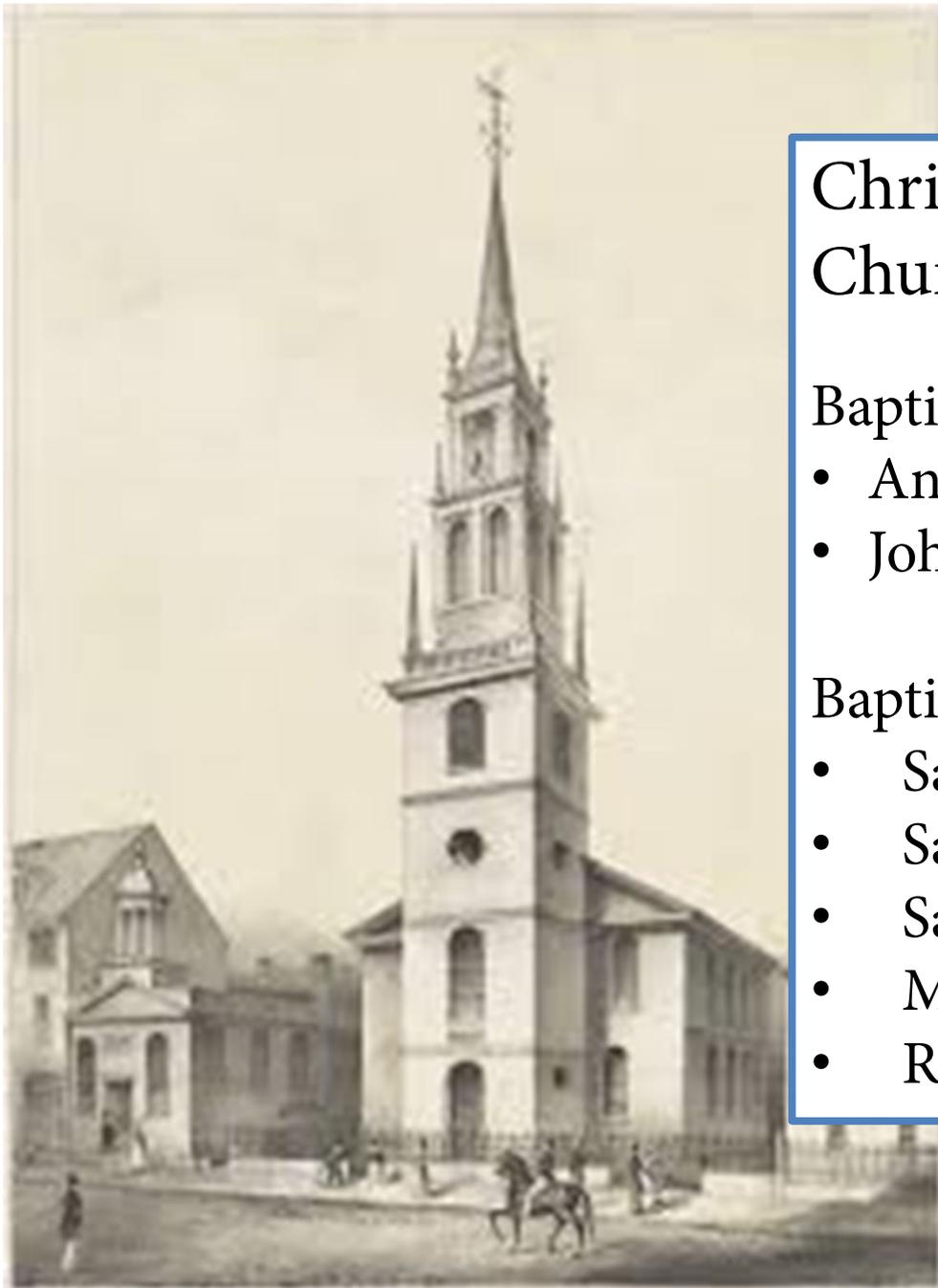
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Revised Family Group Sheet



Christ Church (Old North Church)

Baptisms for John Pulling and Annis:

- Annis, bap. 29 Jan 1769
- John, bap. 22 Jul 1770

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- Sarah, bap. 23 May 1773
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236	<i>Christ Church, Boston, Records</i>				[July	
May	7	Cunningham, James-Barton-Sylvester	Son of	James	& Rachel	Private
	9	Cary, William	Son of	William	& Mary	
	9	Polley, Jacob	Son of	Jacob	& Mary	
	14	Burrows, Katherine	Daug of	James	& Bethiah	Private
	21	Cornish, Sarah	Daug of	Abraham	& Margaret	Private
	23	Pulling, Sarah	Daug of	John	& Sarah	
	25	Monro, Sarah	Daug of	John	& Sarah	Private
June	6	Loring, John	Son of	John	& Barbara	

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Oct.	1	Robinson, Thomas	Son of	Thomas	& Sarah	64 th Reg.
	1	Latham, Elisabeth	Daug of	George	& Margaret	
	1	Lanham, Ann	Daug of	Bartholomew	& Mary	64 th Reg.
	1	Smith, Ann	Daug of	John	& Margaret	64 th Reg.
	24	Pulling, Sarah	Daug of	John	& Sarah	64 th Reg.
Nov.	7	Cordwell, Hannah	Daug of	William	& Esther	
	12	Till, Joseph	Son of	Edward	& Eleanor	
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1773 Old North Church Baptisms

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Christ Church Baptisms, transcribed, NEHG <i>Register</i> , vol. 100, p. 236	1773 – Baptisms of Sarah Pulling, d/o John and Sarah, on May 23 and Oct 25	Likely two girls with same name, 5 months apart

Analysis of Baptismal Records

- Sally Pulling, bap. 10 Nov 1771:
 - Baptized 3 mos. AFTER Annis (Lee) Pulling died
 - Baptized 14 mos. BEFORE John marries Sarah (Thaxter) McBean
- Sarah Pulling, bap. 23 May 1773
 - Baptized 5 mos. AFTER John marries Sarah (Thaxter) McBean
- Sarah Pulling, bap. 24 Oct 1773:
 - Baptized @ 9 mos after John m. Sarah (Thaxter) McBean
 - Not enough months to have last Sarah, bap. in May and have a new baby



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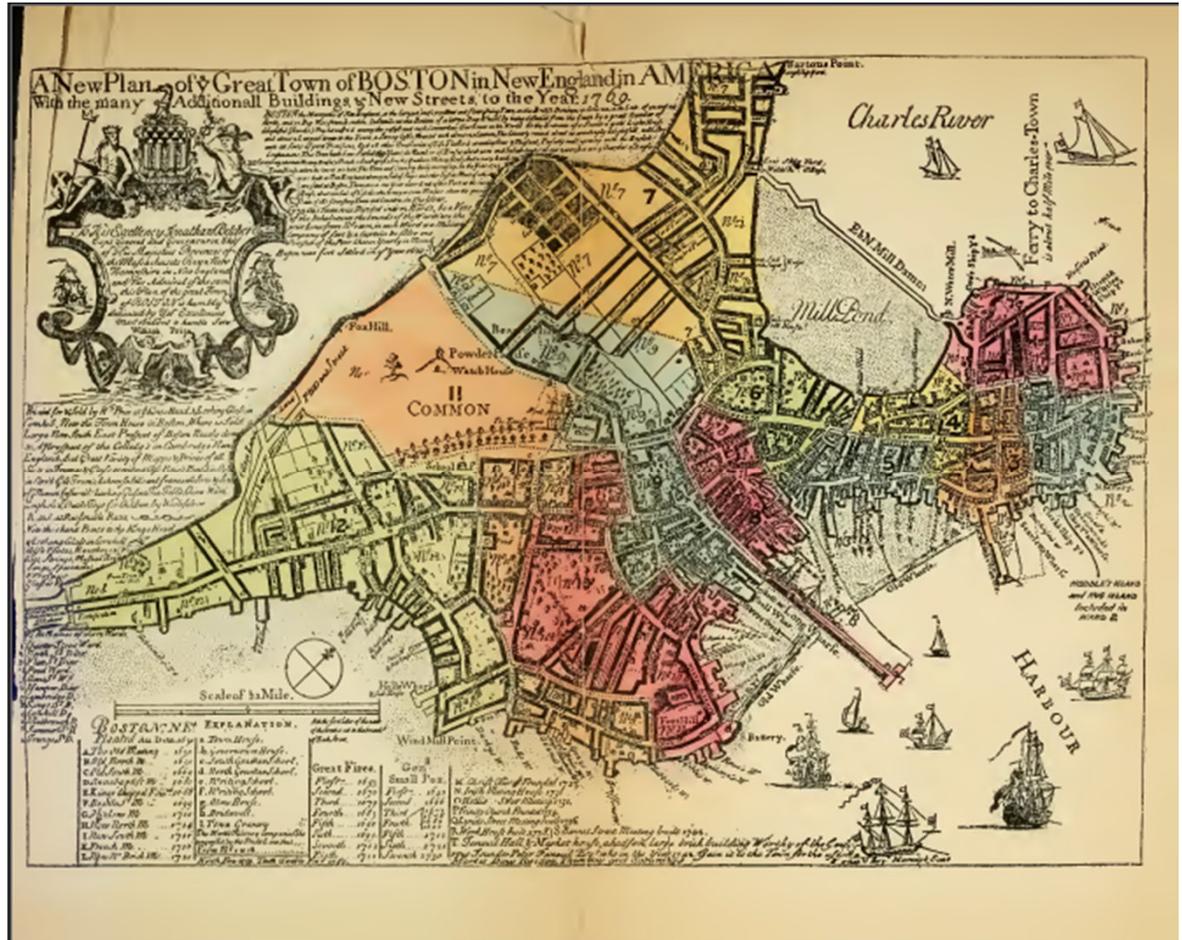
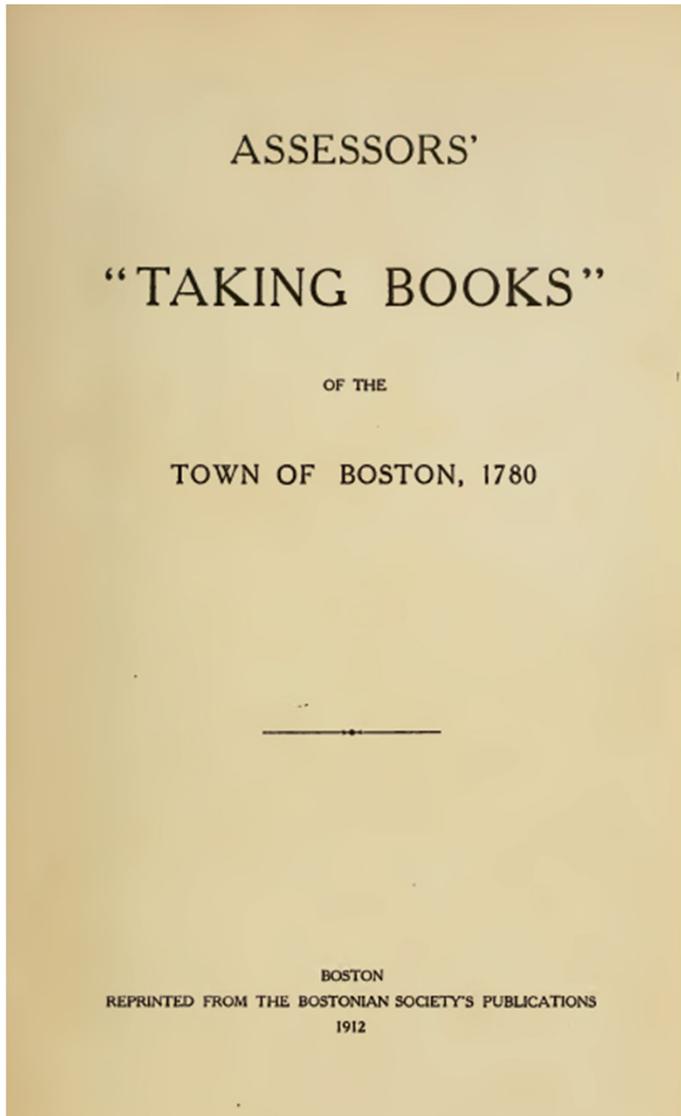
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Where to Look for Two Men?

- John Pulling died 1787 – can't use 1790 census
- Children of likely husband of Sarah Thaxter go until 1782
- Tax records?



1780 Boston Taking Book

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20 *Assessors' "Taking Books"*

WARD 5

Joseph	Ballord	1	25	
George	Lewis	0	20	
Ebenezer	Ridgway	0	20	
Thos	Cristie	1		
George	Singleton		20	
Abraham	Ingerfol	0	20	
Benja	Badger	1	12	: 10 Gone Country
John	Troth	0	40	
John	Doakes	1	20	
John	Alcock	0	20	
Orcut	Shaw	1	20	
John	Cook	1	16	: 13 : 4
William	Storey	1	40	
Thomas	Pook	1	10	
William	Parkman	1	20	No 4
James	Adams	1	10	
William	McKay	1	60	
John Allen	Hallett	1		
John	Matchett	1	60	
Nehemiah	Ingerfol	1	40	
William	Clarke	1	130	
Francis	Enoch	1	10	
James	Rouse	1	20	
Isaac	Bradley	1	15	
William	Thomas	1	15	Next to Lobdells
Clement	Collins	0	50	
Thomas	Chamberlain	1	30	
Jonathan	Carey	1	40	
John	Thompfon	1		Gone Seaman
David	Edes	1		
Francis	Rust	1	35	
Jofeph	Hovey	1	40	
Jofeph	Santey	1		
Thomas	Cunningham	0	40	
Edward	Weld	2	50	
Jonathan	Loring	1	30	
Benjamin	Lincoln	1		To Hingham
John	Pulling	1	40	
Robert	Hichborn	1	40	
Bartholomew	Nafon	1	15	
Joseph	Chandler	1		
Edward	Dawes	1	40	
Daniel	McLeod	1	30	No 8
Samuel	Hichborn	2	40	
Benjamin	Waine	1	20	
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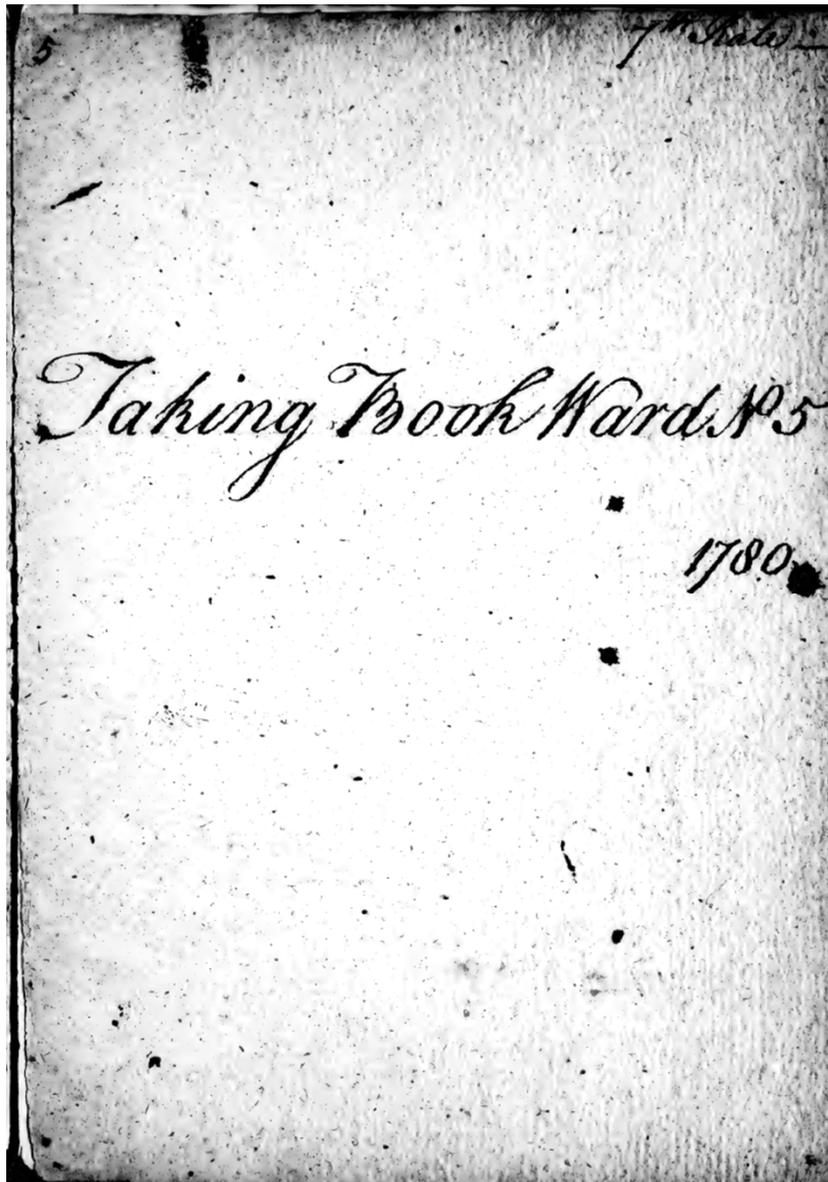
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Of the Town of Boston, 1780 41

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Wm	Hickling		50	
Lem ^l X	Cox X		X	
James	Tewksbury	1	50	
Widow	Johnson		20	
Afa	Harlow	1	40	
Jerh	Smallage	1	40	
Widow	Thayer		40	
Joseph	Sargent	1	30	
Paul	Spear	1	70	
Ebenr	Foster	2	80	
Alexr	Willson	1	70	
Widow	Hulme		60	
Sam ^l	Fenno	1	100	
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David	Cane	1		
John	Ingersol	1	50	
Joseph	Spear	1	20	
John	Pulling Junr	0	060	
John	Read	1	60	
Robt	Williams	1	90	
Benja	Homans	1	60	
Thomas	Read	1	20	
Thomas	Read Junr	1		
Brackley	Read	1		
Edwd	Read	1		
Richd	Welden	2	60	
John	Tufts	1	90	
John	Peck	1	40	
John	Magner	2	180	
Joseph	Mountany	1	25	
Israel	Loring	1	70	
Alexr	Mackay	1	150	
James	Thwing	1	160	
Nath ^l	Thwing	1		
Sam ^l	Thwing	1		
Dan ^l	Thwing	1		
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Ceasar	Torrey	1		
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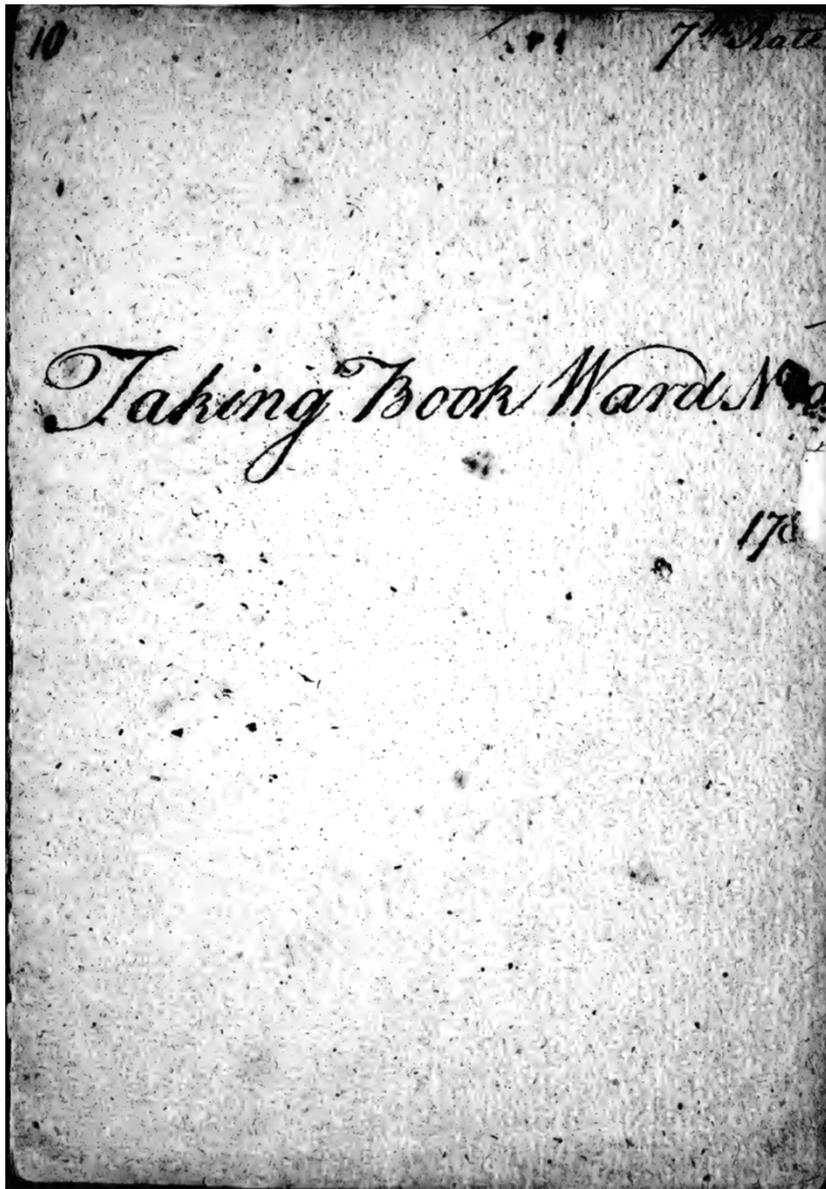
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X	Thomas... Cunningham	0 40	
X	Edward... Weld	2 50	
X	Jonathan... Loring	1 30	
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X	Robert... Nicholn	1 40	
X	Bartholomew... Nelson	1 15	
X	Joseph... Chandler	1 "	
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X	James... Carey	1 40	
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X	John... Corthell	0 20	
X	Samuel... Adams	1 "	gone
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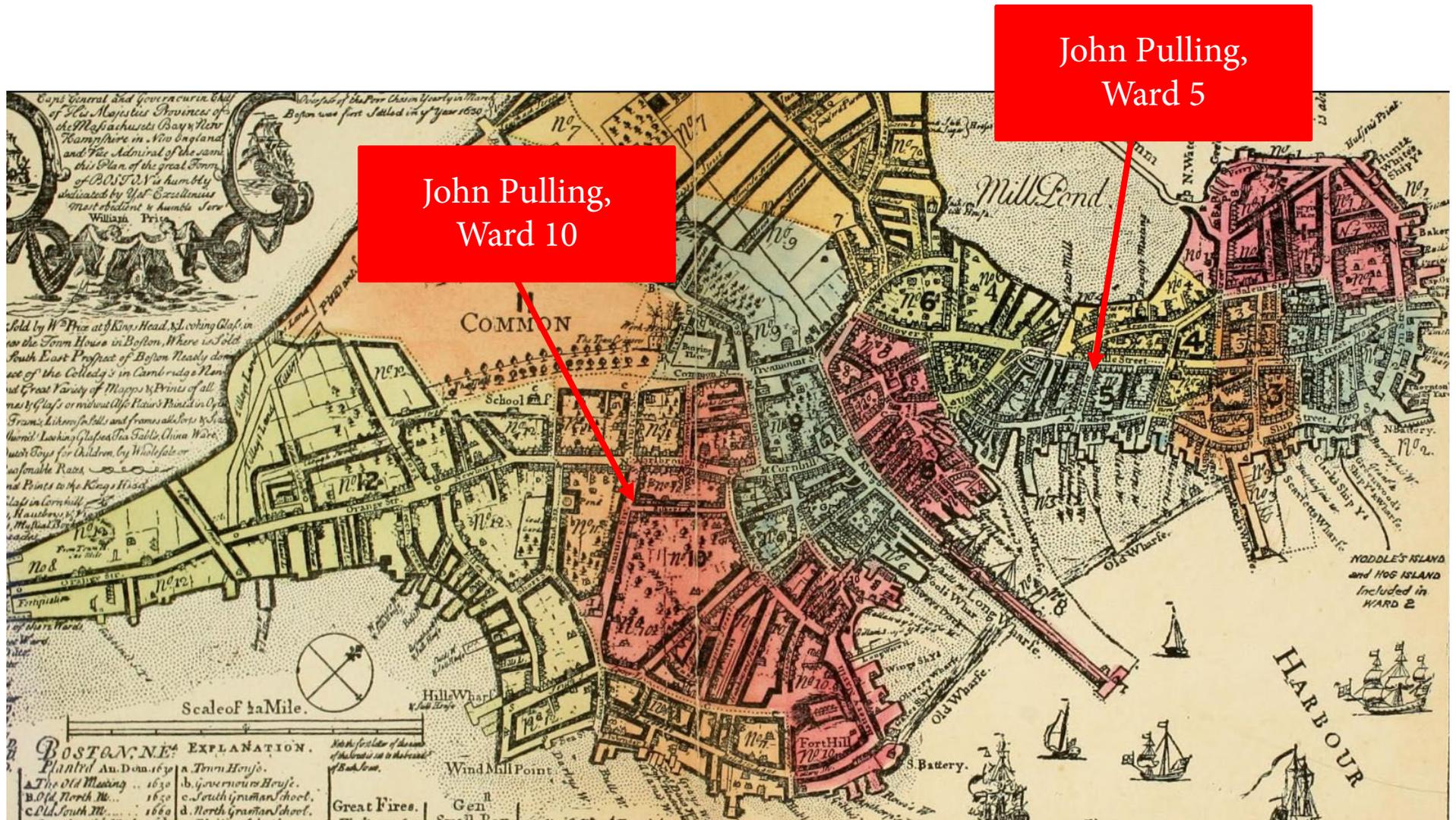
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R Thomas	Read jun ^r	1	...
R Brackley	Read	1	...
R Edw ^d	Read	1	...
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X John	Tuft	1	90
X John	Peck	1	40
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1780 Boston Taking Book

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Ms. Bos. Tax	
1780	Taking book (computer)
1782	Additional and abatement books
*1783	Valuation book <i>missing</i>
1783	Additional and abatement books
*1784	Valuation and tax books - Wards 1-5 <i>missing</i>
1784	Tax books - Wards 1-12 (2 Volumes) FRAGILE
*1784	<u>Taking books - Ward 1-12</u>
1785	Additional and abatement books
1786	Additional and abatement books
1786	Taking books - Wards 6, 11
1786	Minutes book for the 19th tax year, 1786 - Ward 8
1787	<u>Valuation and tax books - Wards 1-10</u>
1787	County taking books - Wards 1-2, 3-4, 9-10
1787	Taking books - Wards 1-2, 9-10, 11-12
1787	Additional and abatement books
1788	Taking books - Wards 1-11
1789	Tax books - Wards 1-12
1789	Taking books - Wards 1-11
1789-90	Additional and abatement books
1790	Tax books - Wards 1-12
1790	Taking books - Wards 1-12
1791	Additional and abatement books
1791	Tax books - Wards 1-4, 9-12
1791	Taking books - Wards 1-12
1792	Additional and abatement books
1792	Tax books - Wards 1-12
1792	Taking books - Wards 2-12

Taking Books



1780 Boston Assessors' "Taking Books"

John Pulling

Source	Information	Evidence
<i>New England Families...</i>	Sarah (Thaxter) Pulling ...	Widow of John
Hingham Vital Records...	Marriage in 1773	John Pulling & Sarah McBean
Christ Church Baptisms...	1773 – Baptisms of 2 girls - Sarah	5 months apart
1780 Boston Taking Book	Lists a John Pulling in Ward 5 and one in Ward 10	Two men named John Pulling

30:301).

John PULLING

Boston, MA: Old Cemeteries of Boston, 1649-1920

Vital Records (incl. Bible, Cemetery, Church and SSDI)

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CEMETERY: 1787

LOCATION: Boston, Suffolk, Massachusetts, United States

CEMETERY: Copp's Hill Cem

NAME

TEXT: John, Capt. [B204 - same entry] PS 3: "In Memory of Capt John Pulling / who departed this / life Jan. 25th / 1787 / in the 51st year / of his age."

Town Page Detail: [Boston](#)

John, Capt PULLING

Boston, MA: Deaths, 1700-1799

Vital Records (incl. Bible, Cemetery, Church and SSDI)

DEATH: 1787

LOCATION: Boston, Suffolk, Massachusetts, United States

AGE: 45y

REFERENCE: Colonial Society of Massachusetts, Records of The Trinity Church in Boston, [Boston, 1982], Edited by Andrew Oliver and James Bishop Peabody. The original books are on deposit at New England Historic Genealogical Society in the MS Collection.

DATE OF : 28 Sept 1787

DEATH

TEXT: drowned; bur.

Town Page Detail: [Boston](#)

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Pulling, Annis [B204 - same entry]
 PS 3: "Here lies buried / the Body of / M^{rs} Annis Pulling / Wife to / M^r John Pulling / Ob' 11th Augst 1771 / Aged 27 Years & 10 M^o."

Pulling, John
 [B204 - entry does not show line break before "1771"]
 PS 3: "Here lies buried / the Body of / M^r John Pulling / ob' 18th Jan^{ry} 1771 / Aged 71 Years."

Pulling, John, Capt. [B204 - same entry]
 PS 3: "In Memory of Cap^t John Pulling / who departed this / life Jan. 25th / 1787 / in the 51st year / of his age."

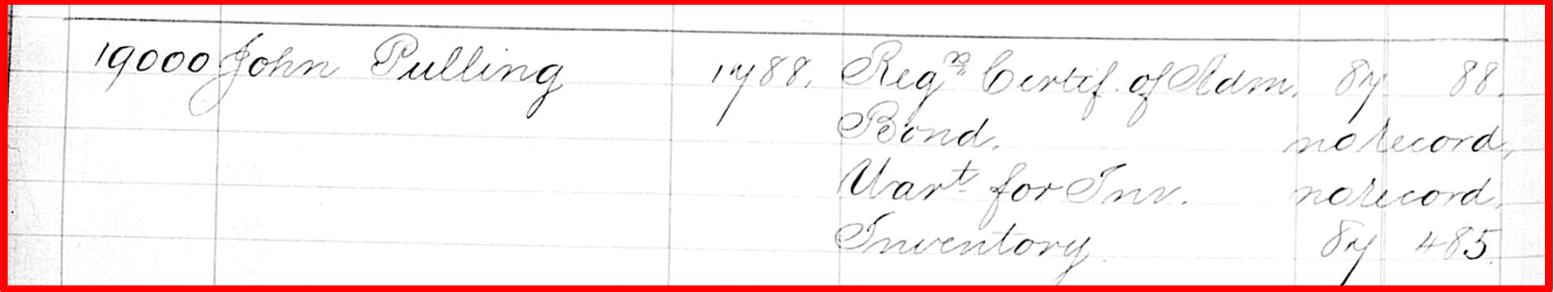
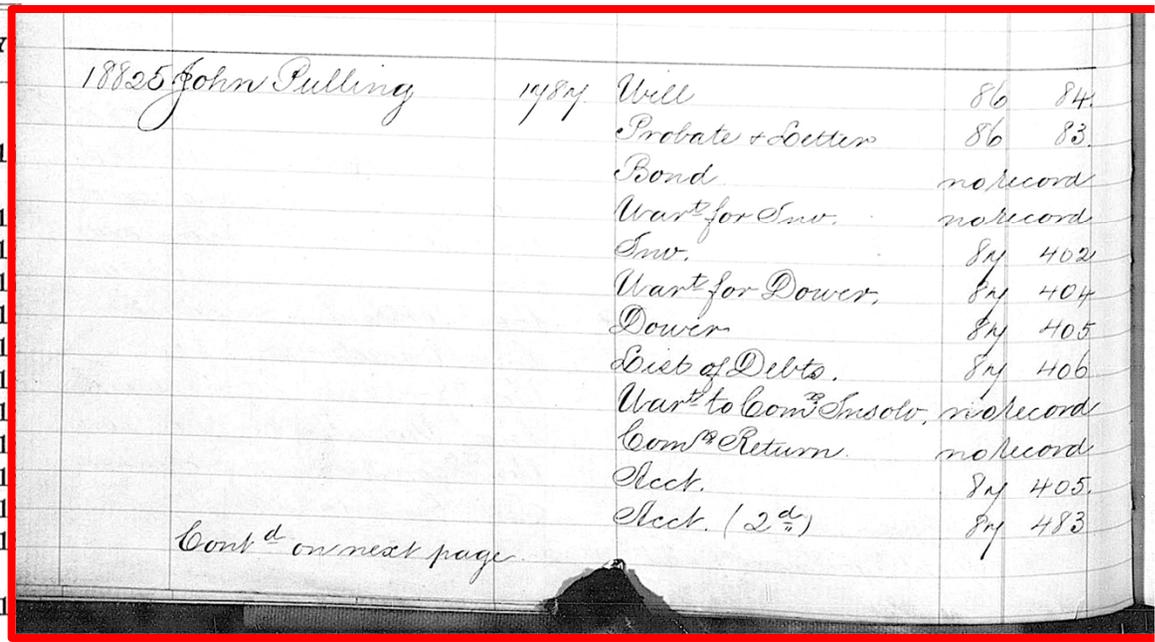
Pulling, Martha [B204 - same entry]
 PS 3: "Here Lies The Body Of / M^{rs} Martha Pulling / The Wife Of M^r / John Pulling / Died Jan^r 31st / 1753."

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			Years Old
1787 August	2	Sarah Daughter of George Lusk Deceased	Æs. 6 years
	3	Mrs. Mary Underwood	40
September	6	Mrs. Sarah Tucker at Roxbury	80
	15	Mrs. Dennis	26
	25	Mrs. Mary Clark at Milton	79
October	23	Mr. Benjamin Hodgkins	40
	24	Mrs. Brown wife of John Brown	26
	28	Capt. John Pulling drowned	45
October	19	Richard Son of Capt. John Pulling Decd.	22 M.
	24	Peggy Daughter of John Wyer	10 M.

DERIVATIVE RECORDS

YEAR.	NAME.	CASE.	NO.	Y
	Pullen			
	Pullin			
	Pulling			
	<i>cont.</i>			
1854	Augustus . . .	administration	39464	1
1870	Cyrus	administration	50900	1
1796	Hannah	guardianship	20617	1
1718	John	will	3992	1
1771	John	will	14853	1
1787	John	will	18825	1
1788	John	administration	19000	1
1796	John	guardianship	20618	1
1856	John C.	administration	40281	1
1772	Joseph	guardianship	15164	1
1863	Maria A.	administration	44536	1
1736	Mary	administration	6821	1
1772	Mary	division	15264	1
1722	Richard	will	4555	1
1772	Robert	will	15105	1
1809	Sarah	will	23446	18
1872	Susanna G. C. . .	will	52369	18
	Pulow			18

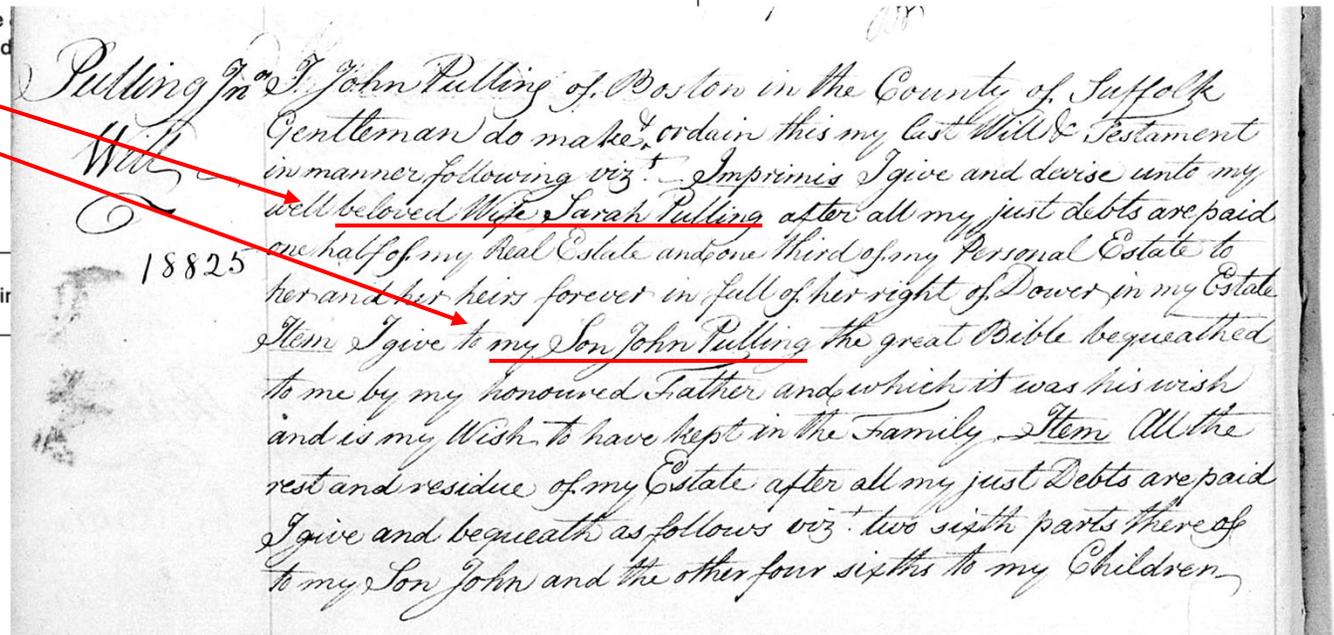


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ORIGINAL RECORDS

Probate Abstract Form

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Deceased: John Pulling		Occupation/Late of: Gentleman / Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass.	
Date of Will: 10 March 1793		Date Estate Proved: 13 Feb 1787	
Heirs (with Relationships) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wife, Sarah Pulling:</u> one-half of my real estate • <u>Son, John Pulling:</u> "the great Bible bequeathed • Children: remaining four-sixths of estate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Annis ○ Sarah ○ Martha ○ Richard 			
Witnesses: Stephen Lewis, Robert <u>Hichborn</u> , Benjamin Lir			



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I give and bequeath as follows viz: two sixth parts thereof to my Son John and the other four sixths to my Children, Annis Sarah Martha and Richard equally to be divided between them to have and to hold the said residue in their said proportions to them and their Heirs forever, And I hereby constitute and appoint my said Wife and my good friend Joshua Orne Esq^r of Marblehead executors of this my last Will & Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this tenth day of March A^d Domini 1783.

Jⁿ Pulling & Seal

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Family Group Sheet

Write dates as Day, Month, Year
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Father	Given Name(s)	John	Last Name	PULLING		
	Born	bap. 27 Feb. 1736/7	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass. (Old North Church)		
	Died	25 Jan 1787	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass.		
	Married	3 Jan 1773	Place	Hingham, Plymouth Co., Mass.		
	Father's Father <small>(first, middle, last)</small>	John PULLING (-1771)				
	Father's Mother <small>(first, middle, maiden)</small>	Martha MOUNTJOY				
Other Marriages <small>(first, middle, last)</small>	(m1) Annis LEE					
Mother	Given Name(s)	Sarah	Last Name	THAXTER		
	Born	1746	Place	likely Hingham, Plymouth Co., Mass.		
	Died	17 Dec 1843	Place	Abington, Plymouth Co., Mass.		
	Mother's Father <small>(first, middle, last)</small>	Samuel THAXTER				
	Mother's Mother <small>(first, middle, maiden)</small>	Abigail SMITH				
	Other Marriages <small>(first, middle, last)</small>	(m1) Duncan McBEAN; (m3) Thomas REED				
Child #1	Sex	F	Given Name(s)	Sarah	Last Name	PULLING
	Born	bap. 24 Oct 1773	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass. (Old North Church)		
	Died		Place			
	Spouse <small>(first, middle, last)</small>					
Married		Place				

**Christ Church (Old North Church)
Baptisms for a John Pulling and Sarah:**

- Sally, bap. 10 Nov 1771
- Sarah, bap. 23 May 1773
- Sarah, bap. 24 Oct 1773
- Martha, bap. 11 Jun 1780
- Richard, bap. 4 Aug 1782

Child #2	Sex	F	Given Name(s)	Martha	Last Name	PULLING
	Born	bap. 11 Jun 1780	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass. (Old North Church)		
	Died		Place			
	Spouse <small>(first, middle, last)</small>					
Married		Place				
Child #3	Sex	M	Given Name(s)	Richard	Last Name	PULLING
	Born	bap. 4 Aug 1782	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass. (Old North Church)		
	Died		Place			
	Spouse <small>(first, middle, last)</small>					
Married		Place				

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	Names.	Married by	Date of Marriage.
	Ephraim Voeax & Mary Sellar	Rev. Mather Byles,	May 31, 1768
*William Patten & Elizabeth Ballard	D.D. Rev. Andrew Eliot,	Aug. 20, 1771	Nov. 17, 1768 Sept. 9, 1769
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*John Pulling & Sarah Ellingwood	D.D. Rev. Mather Byles,	Aug. 20, 1772	Jan. 9, 1771 Apr. 24, 1771
Thomas Patten & Susannah Simpson Int. reads [Susanna]	D.D. Rev. Mather Byles,	Jan. 3, 1771	June 24, 1762 May 18, 1769
*Daniel Williams & Mary Harris	D.D. Rev. Andrew Elliott,	June 22, 1773	Dec. 13, 1768 Oct. 25, 1770 May 24, 1768
	*William Phillips & Mary Calf	Rev. Penuel Bowen	Sept. 25, 1770
	*David Parker & Sarah Palfrey	Rev. Penuel Bowen	June 23, 1771
	*William Powers & Ruth March	Rev. Penuel Bowen	Nov. 21, 1771
	Jacob Polly & Mary Vickey Int. reads [Polley] [Vickey]	Rev. Samuel Stillman	Nov. 24, 1771
	John Popkins & Rebecca Snelling Int. reads [Popkin]	Rev. Andrew Eliot,	Jan. 26, 1769
	Philip Peak & Lois Hart Int. reads [Phillip] [Louie]	Rev. Andrew Eliot,	Nov. 13, 1769
	Thomas Popkins & Sarah Johnson Int. reads [Popkin]	Rev. Andrew Eliot,	Jan. 18, 1770
	*John Patten & Hannah Sigorney	Rev. Andrew Eliot,	Aug. 20, 1771
	*William Patten & Elizabeth Ballard	Rev. Andrew Eliot,	Mar. 19, 1772
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	*Richard Welch & Hannah Hayes	Rev. Joseph Sewall,	July 30, 1761
	*Blackleach Wells & Sarah Hood	Rev. Andrew Elliott	May 12, 1762
	*John Wells & Elizabeth Woodward	Rev. Andrew Elliott	Dec. 9, 1762
	John Williams & Susannah Storer Int. reads [Stover]	Rev. Andrew Elliott	July 28, 1763
	*Isaac White & Lydia Young	Rev. Andrew Elliott	Aug. 30, 1763
	Ephraim Wheeler & Elizabeth Wood Int. reads [Woods]	Rev. Mather Byles	Dec. 18, 1763
	Robert Willson & Mercy Cook Int. reads [Wilson] [Mary]	Rev. Samuel Mather	Jan. 22, 1764
	*David Webb & Mary Carter	Rev. Samuel Stillman	July 14, 1765
	Benoni William Wallace & Deborah Whittemore	Rev. Samuel Stillman	Jan. 20, 1767
	*David Wheeler Jr. & Elizabeth Davis	Rev. Mather Byles	June 13, 1765

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John Pulling & Sarah Ellingwood

Christ Church (Old North Church)

Baptisms for John Pulling and Sarah:

- Sally, bap. 10 Nov 1771
- Sarah, bap. 23 May 1773

Trinity Church, Boston

Baptisms for John Pulling and Sarah Ellingwood:

- Agnes, bap. 17 Sep 1780
- Hannah, bap. 14 Apr 1782
- John Henry, bap. 10 Apr 1784
- Richard, bap. 13 Nov 1785

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RECORDS OF TRINITY CHURCH IN BOSTON

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Sponsors Mr. Wentworth Mr. _____ Mrs. Reed
 5 Abigail Daughter of Phillip Ridgeway by Abigail Vose his wife p. B.
 10 Sukey Daughter of Ebenezer Oliver by Susanna Jhonnot his wife
 Sponsors Henry Johnson Mrs. Berlune Mrs. Williams
 17 Betsy Daughter of Jona. Williams Jr. Deed. by Margaret Goldthwait his
 wife
 Sponsors Jno. Williams Esq. Mrs. Goldthwait Mrs. Inman
 Charles Giles Son of Charles Giles Atkins by Hannah Dayley his wife
 Sponsors Mr. Welch Mr. Wittington Elis. Hylor
 Agnes Daughter of John Pulling Jr. by Sarah Ellingwood his wife
 Sponsors John Taylor & Wife Hannah Watts
 21 Elisabeth Wife of William Whipple an Adult
 Witnesses Mr. Jones Mrs. Bailey
 John Son of the above. Six years old
 Sponsors Mr. Bailey Mrs. Bailey Mr. Jones
 Elisabeth Daughter of William Davis by Ann Chase his wife
 Sponsors Edwd. Davis Miss Winslow Miss Scott
 Elisabeth Daughter of John Chaloner by Ann _____ his wife
 Sponsors Mr. Jones Mrs. Chanel Mrs. Pascoa
 October 1 Thomas Jones Son of Lazarus Rigond by Elisabeth Jones his wife
 Sponsors Mr. Domeck Mr. Barnard & Wife
 8 Frederick Son of Phillip Echert by Sarah Coolidge his wife
 Sponsors Mr. Ballard & Wife Mrs. Cowley
 Elisabeth Jones Daughter of John Rupe Deed. by Elisabeth Ash his wife
 Sponsors Mr. Jones & Wife Miss Rupe
 The above Account of Baptisms is just & true
 Attest Samuel Parker Minister
 1780
 October 15 Abigail Daughter of John Bell by Mary Robins his wife
 Sponsors Abra. Holland Mrs. Robinson Mrs. O Daniels
 21 John Son of Nicholas Plume by Elisabeth Kellen p. B.
 22 Polly Daughter of John Lindapaun by Margt. Frankford his wife
 Sponsors Mr. Frankford & wife Mrs. Smith
 Rose a Negro Woman Adult
 Witnesses Thomas Moore & Wife
 27 George Son of Gideon Stearns by Sarah Williams his wife
 Sponsors Mr. Burke Mr. Dumont Mrs. Chapman
 29 John Son of Dublin & Catharine Servis. of Mr. Broom
 30 Mary Daughter of John Kennedy by Mary White his wife p. B.
 November 5 Thomas Son of Thomas Rice by Elisabeth Cooper his wife
 Sponsors Mr. Sangar Mr. Clark & wife
 6 William Son of Nathanael Wales by Susanna Griggs his wife p. B.
 7 Joseph Peter Laurens Son of Joseph Mountaine by Sarah Fothergill his
 wife
 12 William Joseph Price Son of William Selby by his wife
 Sponsors Mr. Yancy Mr. Turner Mrs. Gould
 Catharine Daughter of John Perkins by Mary Hilt his wife
 Sponsors Mr. Frankford & Wife Mrs. Hilt
 The above Account of Baptisms is just & true
 Attest Samuel Parker Minister



Family Group Sheet

Write dates as Day, Month, Year
example: 1 Jan 1906

Father	Given Name(s)	John	Last Name	PULLING
	Born	ca 1742	Place	
	Died	by 28 Sep 1787	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass.
	Married	3 Jan 1771	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass.
	Father's Father (first, middle, last)			
Father's Mother (first, middle, maiden)				
Other Marriages (first, middle, last)				
Mother	Given Name(s)	Sarah	Last Name	ELLINGWOOD
	Born	25 Aug 1747	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass.
	Died	17 Dec 1808	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass.
	Mother's Father (first, middle, last)		Israel ELLINGWOOD	
	Mother's Mother (first, middle, maiden)		Susanna RAND	
Other Marriages (first, middle, last)				
Child #1	Given Name(s)	Sally	Last Name	PULLING
	Born	bap. 10 Nov 1771	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass. (Old North Church)
	Died	17 Apr 1772	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass.
	Spouse (first, middle, last)			
	Married		Place	
Child #2	Given Name(s)	Sarah	Last Name	PULLING
	Born	bap. 23 May 1773	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass. (Old North Church)
	Died	prob. by 1782	Place	
	Spouse (first, middle, last)			
	Married		Place	
Child #3	Given Name(s)	Agnes	Last Name	PULLING
	Born	bap. 17 Sep 1780	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass. (Trinity Church)
	Died		Place	
	Spouse (first, middle, last)			
	Married		Place	

Family Group Sheet

Write dates as Day, Month, Year
example: 1 Jan 1906

Father (first, middle, last)		John PULLING		
Mother (first, middle, maiden)		Sarah ELLINGWOD		
Child #4	Given Name(s)	Sarah	Last Name	PULLING
	Born	bap. 14 Apr 1782	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass. (at Trinity Church)
	Died		Place	
	Spouse (first, middle, maiden)			
	Married		Place	
Child #5	Given Name(s)	John Henry	Last Name	PULLING
	Born	bap. 10 Apr 1784	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass. (at Trinity Church)
	Died		Place	
	Spouse (first, middle, maiden)			
	Married		Place	
Child #6	Given Name(s)	Richard	Last Name	PULLING
	Born	bap. 13 Nov 1785	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass. (at Trinity Church)
	Died	by 19 Oct 1787	Place	Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass.
	Spouse (first, middle, last)			
	Married		Place	
Child #7	Given Name(s)		Last Name	
	Born		Place	
	Died		Place	
	Spouse (first, middle, last)			
	Married		Place	
Sources of information				

John Pulling & Sarah Ellingwood

Appurtenances . £10.) 10. 2-
Real Estate.
Mansion House & Land, at the bottom of Cross street. . . . 350-
Wharf & Stores, Southeast side Fish Street. . . . 700-
The Shop & Land, Southeast side of said Street. . . . 160-

Allowed £30. to the Widow. . . . £1371. 18. 0.

Edward Wild, Samuel Ruggles, Jacob Cooper.
Suffolks. Sarah Pulling, Executrix, presented the aforesaid

Docket No.
 18825
 John Pulling,
 m. Sarah
 (Thaxter)
 McBean

Docket No.
 19000
 John Pulling,
 m. Sarah
 Ellingwood

1 pair small scales. 4-
1 Tea Kettle. 3. 6.
70 Ounces silver. 21- 22, 18. 2.

The deceased's mansion house near Oliver's dock. . . . 450-

£ 514. 8. 11.

John Cunningham, Robert Hickborn, Paul Revere.
Suffolks. Sarah Pulling, Administratrix, presented the foregoing
& made oath, that it contains a true & perfect inventory of the estate

Inventories of both men

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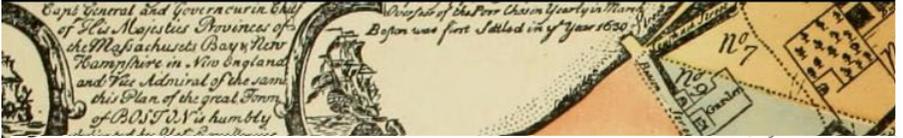
The Shop & Land, Southeast side of said Street. . . . 160

Allowed £30. to the Widow.

£1371. 18. 0

Edward Weld, Samuel Ruggles, Jacob Cooper.

Suffolks. Sarah Pulling, Executrix presented the a foregoing



1 pair small scales. . . . 4

1 Teakettle. . . . 3. 6.

70 ounces flour. . . . 21

22. 18. 2.

The deceased's mansion house near Oliver's dock. . . . 450

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Two Men Named John Pulling

John Pulling, b. 1736/7

- Known as Capt. and Jr. at some point in life
- Married a woman named Sarah (Thaxter) McBean – 3 Jan 1773
- Had a dau. Sarah in 1773

John Pulling, b. ca. 1742

- Known as Capt. and Jr. at some point in life
- Married a woman named Sarah Ellingwood – 3 Jan 1771
- Had a dau. Sarah in 1773

Two Men Named John Pulling

John Pulling, b. 1736/7

- Lived in the North End at some point
- Baptized all his children at Christ Church (Old North)
- Involved with the wharfs
- Died 25 Jan 1787

John Pulling, b. ca. 1742

- Lived in the North End at some point
- Baptized two children at Christ Church (Old North)
- Involved with the wharfs
- Died by 28 Sep 1787

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