

THE WEBB BULLETIN

BIOGRAPHY, NEWS, UPDATES & RECORDS

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Col. James Baldwin-Webb

The Tragedy of the SS City of Benares

The SS City of Benares, under Captain Landles Nicoll, left Liverpool, England on Friday, September 13, 1940, and was bound for Quebec and Montreal, Canada. On board were 407 people, including the crew, paying passengers, and 90 children and their escorts. The "Children's Overseas Reception Board" had arranged for the evacuation of the children during the Nazi aerial Blitz in London. This wasn't the first of this kind of voyage. By the end of the war, over 10,000

children would be evacuated to the US, Canada, Australia and New Zealand.



The SS City of Benares was just one of 19 ships in a convoy headed across the Atlantic, escorted by the destroyer, HMS Winchelsea and two sloops. They were several days out and were only to be accompanied until they reached 300 miles off the coast of Ireland. Admiral Edmund J. G. Mackinnon had orders to

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From the Administrator

Dear Project Members,

For those of you who have considered doing the Family Finder test, but decided to wait until the price dropped, you are in luck. FTDNA's summer sale has come and gone, but the price of the Family Finder test is still only \$99. Over 60 members of the project have now done the test, and I hope to have some success stories to share in a future newsletter.

We have added a new Webb DNA group to the project: The John Webb d. 1522 Frocester, England DNA Group. This group has three members to date, and is one of the oldest Webb lines documented so far in the Webb Surname DNA Project. For those of you who are Virginia Webb researchers, this Webb line includes Giles Webb d. 1713 Henrico Co. VA, m. Sarah Swann Randolph.

Just before 10:00 pm, when they were several hundred miles off the remote island of Rockall, the German submarine, U-48, sent a torpedo into the port side of the SS City of Benares. The ship violently listed to one side, and it would take just 30 minutes from the time they were hit to the sinking of the ship.”

James Baldwin-Webb [cont.]

disperse the convoy once the escorts had left, and each ship would travel on alone. However, on the evening of September 17th, and with the escorts gone, Admiral Mackinnon, for reasons unknown, delayed the order to disperse the convoy, and all 19 ships continued on together. Just before 10:00 pm, when they were several hundred miles off the remote island of Rockall, the German submarine, U-48, sent a torpedo into the port side of the SS City of Benares. The ship violently listed to one side, and it would take just 30 minutes from the time they were hit to the sinking of the ship. Many of the lifeboats were on the high side of the ship and could not be lowered. Other lifeboats were overturned due to rough seas and wind. Many people were trapped below in their cabins. In the end, 248 died and only 13 out of the 90 children survived. The list of the dead included Captain Landles Nicoll, Admiral Mackinnon, 3 officers, 121 sailors, 134 passengers and 77 children.

Colonel James Baldwin Webb was among those who perished.

Colonel James Baldwin-Webb

James Baldwin-Webb was born in 1894, and was the only son of James Bertram Webb and Elizabeth Anne Baldwin of Wylde Green, Sutton Coldfield, Warwickshire, England. He was educated at private schools and after he had secured his education, he worked for his maternal grandmother's hardware merchant company. Eventually he was employed by Lloyd's Bank in Birmingham, West Midlands, but left in 1914 to enlist in the army when World War I broke out. He was a member of the 46th North Midland Divisional Train of the Royal Army Service Corps, and in a short period of time, became a commissioned officer. He served on the Western Front and took part in the Battle of Somme. He later served on the third and fourth armies of the British Expeditionary Force.

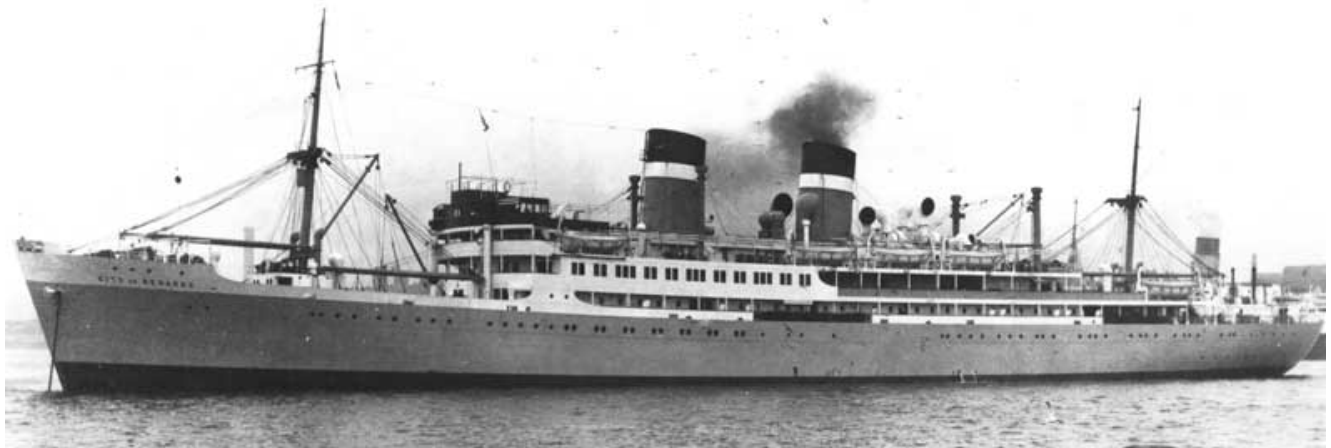
After the war ended, he continued to serve the military part-time and was made Lieutenant Colonel. He served in that capacity from 1925 to 1931. He was promoted to full Colonel in 1932, and in 1939 he was appointed Honorary Colonel of the 4th Anti-Aircraft Division R. A. S. C. His political career began during this same period of time, when in 1931 he was elected MP for The Wrekin Division, Shropshire. He remained in the House of Common until his death in 1940.

James Baldwin-Webb did not actively serve in World War II, but he did become honorary secretary of the British Volunteer Ambulance Corps. It was this position that created the circumstances for him to be on that fateful voyage as an escort for the child evacuees.

Tom Nagorski, in his book, "Miracles on the Water," wrote that witnesses described how Webb, the British MP, stayed on deck to help women and children board the lifeboats until he missed his chance to be on one of those boats himself. Several accounts say that he was standing with the Captain as the ship went down and all accounts were that he saved the lives of others, and was singled out as being a hero in the tragedy. 82 men, 18 women and 13 children were rescued in all. A heraldic shield hangs in the House of Commons chamber commemorating Col. James Baldwin-Webb, and a road, Baldwin-Webb Avenue, is named for him in Telford, Shropshire.

There were others of note on the voyage with Col. James Baldwin-Webb. Ruby Grierson, a documentary filmmaker who was making a film about the evacuation; Mary Cornish, a teacher and classical pianist; Father Rory O'Sullivan, a Roman Catholic Priest; and Rudolf Olden, a German author and outspoken Nazi opponent and his wife, were all on board. Father Rory O'Sullivan and Mary Cornish were the only two among these to survive. Father O'Sullivan and Mary Cornish were on lifeboat 12 and this was their home and the home to 44 others for 8 days until the British destroyer, Anthony, rescued them. Also on lifeboat 12 were 6 boys, 30 Indian crewmen, a Polish merchant millionaire and several sailors, one of which died from drinking seawater.

SS City of Benares



The Allen Collection. <http://www.benjidog.co.uk/allen/>

The Germans were highly criticized for targeting a ship carrying civilians, particularly children. The Germans claimed that Col. James Baldwin-Webb and the German exile, Rudolf Olden, were on their way to America to try and convince the US to enter the war, though this has been dismissed as propaganda. It is known that Olden was on his way to lecture at the New School of Social Research in New York and that Webb was acting as an escort and was also on a fund-raising mission for the British Volunteer Ambulance Corp.

The photograph of Col. James Baldwin-Webb used for this article was found among the possessions of Lt. R. J. Green, one of Webb's comrades and friends who served with him as an officer in the R. A. S. C. It is presumed the bull terrier was a military dog.

Col. James Baldwin-Webb was 47 years old at the time of his death and never married.

Note: It was difficult to find accurate and consistent numbers in regards to the amount of passengers and crew on board, those who died and how many survived. The one number that was consistent in a majority of sources was the number of children on board [90] and the number of those children who survived [13].

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Miracles on the Water: The Heroic Survivors of a World War II U-Boat Attack, Tom Nagorski, 2007.

Photograph Credits:

Col. James Baldwin-Webb - [cropped] – I would like to thank Mr. J. Woodhead for allowing me to use his digital photo of the original that was among the possessions of Lt. Green. I am very grateful.

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WEBB Records Repository:

Alabama

Perry Co.

Wills

Thomas Webb, Will Book A, pgs 225-7 – Nov 2, 1847

Wife: Martha

Son-in-laws: L. Q. C. DeYampert; Dunstan Banks; Evan G. Richards

Sons: **Wm T. Webb**; **John H. Y. Webb**; **Jesse L. Webb**; **Sidney Webb** [latter two are youngest sons]

Daughter: **Mary D. C. Richards**, wife of Evan Richards

Executors: **Wm Webb**, **John H. Y. Webb**

Witnesses: John L. Kennedy, **H. Webb**, Warren E. Kennedy

Marriages

Dunstan Banks m. **Lucretia Webb**, Dec 10, 1833

L. Q. C. DeYampert m. **Parthena Webb**, Jan 10, 1833

Evan G. Richards m. **Sarah D. Webb**, lic. dtd. May 19, 1835

John H. Webb m. Julia A. DeYampert, Dec 11, 1842

W. S. Webb m. Margaret J. Sherman, April 26, 1865

Deeds

Deed Book A, pg 194. May 29, 1828. Deed of trust from Thos. S. Ashe and Samuel Strudwick to **Thos. Webb** and **Samuel Webb**. [**Thomas** and **Samuel Webb** were securities for Thomas S. Ashe on a note and Ashe deeded to Strudwick in trust to secure payment on the note.] land on the waters of Brush Creek where Ashe now lives.

Deed Book E, pgs 152-3. Jan 27, 1839. **Thos Webb**, John Boyd, and Wm Shaffer were appointed by the Court to sell land at public auction from the estate of Wm Wilson, deceased. Land sold to John Thomas, witnesses: Henry Sims, Benjamin Rhodes.

Deed Book E, pg 506. Dec 3, 1840. **Thos Webb** and Martha, his wife, of Perry Co., sold to Robt. J. Kennan, Jr., of Tuscaloosa Co., Alabama, 300 a, mentions Clement's Corner and W. H. Kennan's line, witnesses: Wm Kennan, Woodson H. Kennan.

Deed Book H, pgs 547-8. Jan 17, 1846. John W. and James A. Clement, for \$1.00 in hand paid by **Thomas Webb**, sold him 4 ½ a, Greensborough Rd, Kennedy's Corner, running east to the half-mile stake, **Webb's** line, then south to the Greensborough Rd. Witnesses: John H. Bishop, **H. Webb**.

Court

Minutes of Probate Court, Book E. p. 424, Nov 11, 1848, **Wm T. Webb** and **John H. Y. Webb**, executors of the will of **Thos. Webb**, dec'd, present will for probate. **James D. Webb** is appointed guardian of minors.

Minutes of Probate Court, Book E. p. 428-9, Nov 20, 1848. Probate of will of Thos. Webb. Martha Webb, widow, Evan G. Richardson, in right of his wife, Mary P. Webb; James Webb; Jesse S. Webb; L. Q. C. DeYampert, in right of his wife, and Sidney V. Webb, heirs have waived the written notice req. by law and consent that the executors may have the will admitted to probate. James D. Webb guardian of Samuel & Sidney Webb, minors and children of testator, and Dunstan Banks and his wife, Lucretia M., formerly Webb, acknowledge due service of notice. Also, John S. Kennedy, Warren E. Kennedy and Henry Webb testified that they signed the will as witnesses.

Clarke Co.

From old estate file, Box C. – Estate of Archibald Chapman:

Contains eight numbered receipts and bills referring to Wm Coast as guardian of Caroline and Malinda Webb, heirs of Henley Webb.

[Source: Alabama Notes, F. D. England, 1970]

James Daniel Webb of Hale Co.

James Daniel Webb, whose fame properly belongs to this county. He was born in Lincoln county, N. C., Feb. 26, 1818, and came to this State with his father's family soon after. He took a collegiate course, and read law under Pleasant N. Wilson, esq., in Livingston, Sumter county, and in Hillsboro, N. C. In 1838 he opened a law office in Greensboro, and at the time of his death stood in the front rank of his profession. He represented Greene in the house in 1843, and again in '51. In 1860 he was on the Bell electoral ticket and canvassed actively. When Lincoln was elected he considered it a formal announcement on the part of the free States that the federal compact was broken, and he was elected a member of the secession convention over his brother. He soon after entered the 5th Alabama as a private, but was promoted to quarter-master, and served as such for a year. In 1862 he assisted to raise the 51st Alabama [cavalry], and was appointed its lieutenant colonel. Col. Morgan being on detached service much of the time, Colonel Webb commanded the 51st, and received Mr. Vollandigham when he was sent into the Confederate lines in 1863. The regiment was guarding the rear of Gen. Bragg's retreat on Chattanooga, July 2, 1863, and skirmishing on Elk river, when Col. Webb rode forward to his skirmish line. Gen. Martin, his brigade commander, remonstrated with him for exposing himself. He replied that his regiment was behaving gloriously, but that he would go back directly. A few minutes later he was shot by a squadron of the enemy who approached under cover of a cabin. The ball entered his chest, passed through his lungs, and out near the spine. He was placed in a neighboring farm house, and fell into the hands of the federal general Rousseau, who treated him with marked kindness, and offered to be his banker. He appeared to improve, but pneumonia set in, and he died July 19. His remains are interred in Winchester, Tennessee. Col. Webb was small of stature, with dark complexion and black eyes. He was ready and active in his mental processes, and his talents were bright and cultivated. His moral character was unblemished, his professions sincere, and his tenacity of purpose remarkable. His wife was Miss Walton of Greene, and he left several children. His brother. Hon. Wm. P. Webb, is a prominent lawyer of Greene.

[Source: Alabama, her history, resources, war record, and public men: from 1540 to 1872, Willis Brewer, 1872]

Idaho

1870 Nez Perce Co. Census

Charles Webb, age 24, b. England – farm laborer
In the household of Wesley Mulkey, age 53, b. NC, farmer

1870 Owyhee Co. Census

A. H. Webb, age 42, b. TN – County Treasurer

1880 Ada Co. Census

Amy Webb, age 29, b. WI, dressmaker
Boarder in the household of Lafayett Carter, age 56, b. NY – Civil Engineer

1880 Boise Co. Census

Oliver Webb, age 35, b. IN – laborer
Boarder in the household of Phillip Raufs [?]

James O. Webb, age 30, b. IN – Engineer [likely brother of Oliver Webb, above]
Boarder in the household of Geo. H. Esmond – lumber manufacturer

1880 Nez Perce Co. Census

Charles Webb, age 24, b. England – farmer [was he actually 14 in 1870?]

1880 Washington Co. Census

Davis Webb, age 39, b. IL – farmer
m. Rosa, age 34 b. MO

[Source: US Census]

Idaho Webb Deaths

Name	Spouse	City/County	Birth	Death	Parents
Ida Webb	George Webb	Blackfoot, Bingham	Dec 21, 1883 MO	Sept 10, 1925	Jesse Elgin
Chas T. Webb	widowed	Ola, Gem	Oct 10, 1854 PA	Jan 18, 1929	Geo Webb & Lydia Mills
Hobart C. Webb	not married	Blackfoot, Bingham	1874 MA	July 6, 1911	[none listed – insane]
James Henry Webb	Nettie	Castleford, Twin Falls	Nov 15, 1885, AR	Sept 29, 1928	B F Webb & Margaret Felton
Edna Webb	V. R. Pugmire	Blackfoot, Bingham	Sept 13, 1880, UT	July 17, 1931	Gilbert Webb & Laura Shurtliff
Leslie Ernest Webb	not married	Idaho Falls, Bonneville	March 2, 1900 ID	Sept 29, 1920	Francis Webb & Martha Darling
Lewis W. Webb	not married	Nampa, Canyon	Nov 27, 1875 MI	Jan 2, 1932	David Webb b. Eng., Eliz James
Charles M. Webb	Mary	Weiser, Washington	March 4, 1850 OH	July 16, 1933	Henry H. Webb & Mary Smith
Geo. Brinton Webb	widowed	Emmett, Gem	Sept 1, 1865 IA	Aug 18, 1935	[none listed – b. Newton Co. IA]
Raymond Webb	married	Paris, Bear Lake	Sept 23, 1894 ID	May 30, 1921	Geo Webb b. Eng., Lucy Hodes
Daniel Webb	Lucinda	Kootenai	March 7, 1863 MO	March 7, 1927	John W. b. AL & Sarah Webb

Willis Webb	Clara	Emmett, Gem	July 26, 1873 UT	Nov 4, 1935	Willis Webb b. NY
Myrtle Marie Webb	Harry Webb	Weiser, Washington	Jan 11, 1905 KS	July 21, 1935	Rudolph Uden & Clara Hailey
Marg. Jane Webb	B. F. Webb	Castleford, Twin Falls	Aug 31, 1854 TX	Oct 23, 1936	William Felton
Coral Dean Webb	William Webb	Salmon, Lemhi	1900, Milburn UT	July 6, 1936	Amos Kelsey & Serena Jensen
Geo T. Webb	not married	Holbrook, Oneida	July 20, 1914 UT	Aug 31, 1915	Geo E. Webb & Jennett Park
Alma Webb	unknown Webb	Coeur D'Alene, Kootenai	Aug 2, 1850 MI	March 27, 1922	Warren Thomas b. NY
Arthur P. Webb	Elizabeth	Boise, Ada	April 14, 1898 SD	April 9, 1928	P. W. Webb b. England
Jack Ray Webb	not married	Twin Falls, Twin Falls	1920 MT	Mar 10, 1928	J. W. Webb b. IA & B. R. Cooper
B. F. Webb	Maggie	Castleford, Twin Falls	Feb 7, 1855 AR	March 22, 1928	Finlay Webb b. TN
Vernia Webb	not married	Nampa, Canyon	April 11, 1904 ID	May 17, 1936	Geo E. Webb & Ella Slayton
Fred C. Webb	not married	Boise, Ada	Jan 24, 1915 UT	April 25, 1936	George Webb
Katherine Webb	unknown Prescott	Mullan, Shoshone	Oct 3, 1882 IL	March 9, 1936	Stephen Webb & M. McFarland
Jason Geo. Webb	not married	Clayton, Custer	May 26, 1881 UT	Oct 5, 1935	Jason B. Webb b. Canada
Nona May Webb	Willis Andrew Webb	Emmett, Gem	May 24, 1909 ID	Dec 8, 1937	Willard Boden & Nora Atkinson
Gertrude A. Webb	unknown Webb	Meridian, Ada	May 4, 1847 IL	July 19, 1931	Horra Hathaway & M. Pomeroy
E we nun my	Edward Webb	Nez Perce Reservation	1864 ID	Sept 28, 1922	Halfmoon
Magdelina Webb	not married	Webb, Nez Perce	Feb 6, 1911 ID	July 28, 1927	Edward Webb & Ewenonemy
Rose Webb	not married	Nez Perce Reservation	1895 ID	Nov 6, 1922	Edward Webb & E We Nun My
Albert G. Webb	Nevada	Twin Falls, Twin Falls	1868 MO	Aug 29, 1927	Albert J. Webb & Nevada Fike
Margie Jane Webb	William Webb	Twin Falls, Twin Falls	Dec 12, 1900 ID	Jan 1, 1929	T. A. Weatherby & Dora E. King
Edwin Keroy Webb	Elizabeth	Am Falls, Power	Aug 11, 1854 UT	July 5, 1937	Edwin D. Webb & E. Whitworth
Ettie N. Webb	James R. Webb	Edgemere, Bonner	Feb 9, 1866 Dnmk	May 12, 1935	Anderson
Ernest Webb	married	Orofino, Clearwater	Sept 25, 1892 MO	April 18, 1936	John W. Webb & M. Whitworth

Maine

History of Waterford, Oxford Co., Maine

Henry P. Warren, 1879

Cross

Capt. Ebenezer Cross married in 1793 **Abigail Webb**. Capt. Cross, born in Newburyport, Mass., moved to Portland, Me., and followed the seas. He afterward settled in Waterford, and lived where Samuel Plummer resided. He died in Portland.

Ancient North Yarmouth and Yarmouth, Maine, 1636-1936

W. H. Rowe, 1937

"George Pearson of Boston whose wife, Elizabeth, was the daughter of the celebrated Reverend John Wheelwright, founder of Exeter and Wells, bought, in 1670, the lands first owned by Cousins on the river of that name. He probably never lived here but was associated with Anthony Brackett and George Ingersol in 1681 on a committee for the resettlement of the town. Very early an Arnold Allen owned land on what is now Bowman's, or more correctly, Boardman's Point on the west side of the Harraseeket River. A Robert Moulton, of whom we know nothing, joined with William Royall in his offer of his grant to Massachusetts for settlement in 1639. **Henry Webb**, Alexander Thwait, John Burill, Benjamin Stevens, and others appear by name in the old deeds..."

"...It is also noticeable that none of these names appear on either of the two petitions which were presented by the older inhabitants of the town in 1671 and 1673 to be taken under the protection and government of Massachusetts. The second of these bearing the date of April 26, 1673, reads as follows:

To ye Honord Generall Court of his Maiesties Collonie of ye Massatusetts att Boston:

May itt please the honord Court, Wee whose names are under written are for you taking us under yr government, Doe by these in ye behaff of our selves & ye rest of our Neighbors, humbly renew our request unto you, & for yr end & purpose hve desired & impowered our Loveing friend ffrancis Neale in our names to solicit you and to prosecute ye business for us and what he shall doe in our behalfe in ye respect wee shall owne as if it were done by each of us in particular. This with our prayers to ye great guide & Governor of all things to guid & direct you wee Subscrib, April ye 26 [] Yrs to be Commanded.

Richard Bray	John Cussens
Henry Webb	William Royall
James Lane	Henry Mains
John Burrell	John Holman

his Benjamin [X] Stievens, his mark

History of Bath and Environs, Sagadahoc Co. Maine, 1607-1894

P. M. Reed, 1894

“**The Collection District of Bath** was established by United States Statute July 31, 1789, with William Webb, collector. The first registry of vessel was made Oct 21, 1789. At a subsequent date there were added to the Bath district all the towns incorporated on the Upper Kennebec, together with Tophsam, Brunswick, and a portion of Harpswell. Some years later, Brunswick and Harpswell were detached from the Bath district and incorporated into the Portland district...”

“**Custom-Houses** – When William Webb was collector, the custom-house was immediately east of his dwelling-house, which stood where is now the Public Library building. The site of the custom-house is now occupied by a livery stable; one story fronted west, and on the east fronting the river there were two stories, into which was the main entrance, and a portion was used for a store...”

The Collectors. – William Webb, 1779-1804

Their History. – William Webb was a prominent man in his day, lived in a historic house that was removed in 1889 to give place to the Public Library building. He had a family of children of whom one of his daughters married the distinguished citizen, David C. Magoun....”

Crooker

“...His Bible bears the date of 1756 and records that Isaiah Crooker, Jr., was born in 1764. They were both heavy men, the father weighing four hundred, and the son two hundred and fifty pounds. The senior was so portly that he had to have a chair made to order, which is still a choice relic with his descendants. Isaiah Crooker, Jr., was also a blacksmith and a vessel builder, following the occupations of the father. Of the daughters by the second wife of Isaiah Crooker, Sr., one of them married John Whitmore; another William Webb, and the youngest, Hannah, married Gen. Denny McCobb...”

David C. Magoun

“...Mr. Magoun married a daughter of William Webb, Bath’s first Collection, who lived in the Webb-Torrey house, the site of which is now occupied by the Public Library Building. She was granddaughter of Isaiah Crooker, senior...”

The Church of the First Parish

“...The church was organized December 24, 1805. The members were William Jenks, William King, William Webb, Zacheus Crooker, Nathaniel Coffin. Enoch Jones, Betsey Jenks, Ann King, Harriet Webb, Mary Coffin, Pauline Jones...”

A History of the Town of Gorham, Maine

Josiah Pierce, 1862

Webb

Samuel Webb, an Englishman, the ancestor of all the **Webbs** of this vicinity, emigrated to Rhode Island in 1713. In 1744 he moved to Boston, and soon after to Falmouth, now Portland; thence to Saccarappa, and the next year to Windham. He was the first schoolmaster in Windham; his wife's father, John Farrar, being one of the original grantees of Windham. **Eli Webb**, the seventh son of **Samuel**, was born in Tiverton, Rhode Island – was the first **Webb** that settled in Gorham, on what is now called the old **Webb** farm, near the powder mills. **Eli's** children were **Edward, Anna, Lorana, Mary, James, Ezekiel, Abraham**, and **Seth**. **Eli Webb** died in Gorham, October, 1827. His wife died the year previous. **Edward Webb**, and his brothers were grandsons, on their mother's side, of Edward Cloutman, who was captured by the Indians in 1746. **Seth Webb, Esq.**, long one of the townsmen and selectmen, recently died at Knox, Waldo County, aged 86 years. **Edward Webb**, son of **Eli**, married Sarah Bolton, of Windham. Her father, William Bolton, of Windham. Her father, William Bolton, was taken captive by the Indians in 1747. She died in Gorham in 1850, aged 89 years. **Edward Webb** was a revolutionary pensioner.

I have now before me the original paper, of which the following is a copy: --

“Falmouth, March 21, 1758”

Sir: -- We do hereby signify that we are bound out in quest of the Indian Enemy, on ye Province Encouragement, for Captives and Scalps. Your humbl Servts,

Seth Webb
Elishr Webb

The Windham, Maine, branch of the Nathan Lord family of Kittery, Maine

Harold M. Lord, 1928

Samuel Webb

Born: Dec 25, 1696, Redriff, near London; Windham, Maine, 1744

Married: April 10, 1723, Mrs. Bethia [Farrow] Spear, dau. John and Persis [---] Farrow

Died: Feb. 15, 1785

John Webb, son **Samuel** and **Bethia [Farrow] Webb**

Born: --, 1731

Married: --, 1753, Elizabeth, dau. Benjamin and Amy [Pride] Larrabee

Died: --

John, Jr., Webb, son **John and Elizabeth [Larrabee] Webb**

Born: May 19, 1754

Married: --, 1777, Sarah, dau. George and Dorothy [Hall] Leighton

Died: July 8, 1846

Abigail Webb, dau. **John Jr. and Sarah [Leighton] Webb**

Born: Mar. 29, 1785

Married: Dec. 16, 1802, John Lord

Died: Mar. 16, 1874

John, Jr., Webb, enlisted April, 1775, in Capt. John Brackett's Company, Colonel Edmond Phinney's Regiment, and served eight months in the Revolution; again Fall 1776, three months service in Capt. Joshua Merrill's Company, Colonel Phinney's Regiment.

An Historical Sketch of the town of Deer Isle, Maine

G. L. Hosmer, 1905

Samuel Webb

Samuel Webb came here with his son, **Mr. Seth Webb**, from Windham, Maine, not far from 1765. He was born near the city of London in 1695, and **his father was a captain in the service of Queen Anne**. Being left an orphan when he was quite young, it became necessary for him to seek some permanent employment. When a boy he was apprenticed to a ship-master, as was then the custom there, and while on a voyage to this country, when he was but seventeen years of age, his master died at some place in what is now the State of Rhode Island. He then apprenticed himself to a blacksmith and learned the trade. He was twice married, and was the father of ten sons. Many of that name in that State, and in the vicinity of Salem, Massachusetts, and in the town of Windham, in this state, and other places, are his descendants. He is said to have taught the first school within the limits of the town of Windham. Upon the removal here of **Mr. Seth Webb**, he and his last wife came with him. For many years previous to his death he was subject to what is known as the "shaking palsy," and died in 1788 at the age of ninety-three years. His remains, with those of his wife, were buried in the graveyard on the land formerly owned by the late Samuel Whitmore, Esq., who some years ago, pointed out to me the place of their burial.

Seth Webb, the son of the subject of the preceding notice, settled upon what is now known as "Babbidge Neck," on the lot of land afterward the property of Mr. Joseph Whitmore who, when a boy, came here and resided with him. His wife was Miss Hannah Winship, of Windham, a daughter of the man of that name mentioned in Williamson's History of Maine, who was, when away from his house, scalped by the Indians, and recovered. He was at the time in company with a man of the name of Brown, who was killed by them, but Mr. Winship escaped death in consequence of the savages becoming alarmed and fleeing, not stopping to strike him upon the head with a tomahawk, as was their practice, fracturing the skull. After the scalping he was for some time insensible, and upon becoming conscious found himself unable to return home. As it happened, he was lying down by the edge of a bog, upon which cranberries grew plentifully, and it was at the time of the year when they are ripe. Fortunately there was no rain while he remained there, so he could creep about upon his hands and knees and procure them to appease his hunger and thirst. As the weather proved moderate he was enabled to recover, and at the end of two weeks, returned to his home, much to the surprise of his family who had given him up for dead. A physician in the neighborhood informed him that cranberries were beneficial to the blood and caused his wound to heal. He lived for many years, and afterward married the widow of the Mr. Brown who was with him.

After **Mr. Webb** settled upon the first land taken up by him, he gave up his claim to Mr. Whitmore and took up a lot near what is now known as **Webb's Cove**; he also, a part of the time, resided upon Kimball's Island, now in the town of Isle au Haut, and was there during the war of the Revolution. When he left Windham he owned considerable property, but having a fondness for hunting, he came East, and was during much of his time engaged in the pursuit with the Indians, with whom he was on good terms, and frequently those with whom he associated, made his house their home when about here. Among others who did so was a noted man among them, a chief named Orono, reputed to be a natural son of one of the sons of the Baron de Castine. Orono lived to a very great age, and was said to be one hundred and ten years old at the time of his death. I have often heard **Mr. Webb's** last surviving daughter speak of his being at her father's house frequently. **Mr. Webb** hunted much upon Union River and its tributaries, and in all probability, the pond near it, now known as **Webb's Pond**, and the brook leading out of it were named for him. The year before his death he discovered a lead mine on the banks of the river [at a time when the water was so low that he could trace it across], and, as I have understood, not far from its mouth. He brought home a piece weighing several pounds, and at the time of taking it, marked the place with his hatchet so as to enable him to find it on his next visit. He sent a part of it to Boston, where it was pronounced a good specimen of lead ore, in which was some silver. It was probably a continuation of one of the veins of that metal lately discovered in the towns east of the city of Ellsworth. His daughter, before referred to, informed me that the family had the piece for several years, and that it was as large as a man's two fists. His death, caused by accidental shooting, took place in 1785. At the time he was on Kimball's Island and his family on this island, and either in launching his canoe, or in drawing it ashore if it was afloat, his loaded gun was discharged as it lay in the bow of the canoe, killing him instantly, his body being found upon the

shore. At the time of his death he was fifty-three years of age. His wife survived him till 1815; she lies buried in what is known as the "old burying-ground," not far from the Town House, and hers is the only gravestone in the yard as now enclosed. Their children were: **Mr. Samuel Webb**, who died in 1837, much respected, at the age of sixty-five years; and **William**, who died more than fifty years ago. One of the daughters was the wife of Mr. James Saunders; another, the wife of Mr. Francis Kimball, who removed to Waterville, where his descendants still reside; another was the wife of Mr. Joshua Emerson; another, the last survivor, who died in 1860, was the wife of Mr. John Eaton; another removed to Portland, remaining unmarried, and another was the wife of Mr. Daniel Moore, of Castine. The wife of **Mr. Samuel Webb** was Miss Hannah Eaton, and they were the parents of the late **Jonathan E. Webb, Esq.**, the present **Mr. William Webb**, and **Mr. James L. Webb**. **Mr. Samuel Webb** represented this town in the Legislature in 1831, and resided upon the land taken up by his father near **Webb's Cove**. After the death of **Mr. Seth Webb**, his widow attempted to procure a title to Kimball's Island, but the agent to whom she instructed her business did not procure it for her, but did so for himself, as has been stated by the family.

Michigan

Calhoun Co., Michigan

"...The historical sketch of the family, which follows, was prepared and read by **Mrs. Mary Ette Webb**, wife of **Thomas Webb**, at the first reunion of the **Webb** family, which was held in 1903 at the home of **Joshua Webb**, in Pennfield township, Calhoun county, Michigan.

Joshua Webb, Sr., was born in Sidford, Oxfordshire, England. When about twenty-five years of age he was married to Miss Betty Hitchman, whose birthplace was Hooknorton, Oxfordshire. In early life his occupation was that of a farm laborer, but he later learned the trade of coppering, which he thenceforth followed while he lived in England. He also did the work of neighborhood butcher, and for twelve years was janitor, or clerk, as it is there called, of the Episcopal church. In that country this work includes cemetery work; cleaning, sweeping, dusting and opening the church; winding the clock, acting as reponsor at weddings, baptisms, etc. There were born to **Mr. and Mrs. Webb** six children who grew to manhood or womanhood, and they adopted one daughter.

In the year 1853, in the month of April, a little company of eleven, consisting of **Joshua Webb, Sr.**, his wife and children and the eldest son's wife and her brother, George Green, set sail for the new world. After six weeks on the water they arrived in the city of New York. They traveled by rail to Battle Creek, arrived at midnight and stayed in the depot until morning, when they found themselves in a small town. They did not experience much difficulty in securing a house. They also soon found work, being only a few hours without employment. Soon after their arrival the eldest daughter, **Mary**, married George Green. During the summer **Mr. Webb** purchased the farm of Ed. Packer of Pennfield township, and moved upon it with his family. There he and his good wife lived the remainder of their days. The farm is now in the possession of the youngest son, **Thomas**. **Mr. Webb** died October 20, 1870, aged seventy years. His wife survived him eight years and one day, dying at the age of seventy-six years. The only members of the family now remaining are **Jonathan, Joshua, Jr., Maria** and **Thomas. Caleb** and his wife Sarah; **Mary** and her husband George, and **Rebecca** have crossed the dark river to meet father and mother in the great beyond, from whence no traveler ever returns.

This little band of pioneers who began life in the then wild township of Pennfield now numbers as their descendants nearly one hundred children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. During the time the family has lived in the county it has seen the forests of Pennfield township pass away, and in their places are rich

farms, fine fruit orchards, fields of waving grain, broad meadows and lovely flowers. Ox-teams and carts have given place to horses and carriages, bicycles, automobiles and steam cars to carry them over the fine roads that have taken the places of rough ruts and corduroys. They have seen the introduction of electric cars, wire and wireless telegraphy, telephones, graphophones and talking machines of many kinds. In their time the art of photography has risen from the daguerreotype, ambrotype, leathertype and tintype to the incomparable modern photograph. Upon the farm have come the sulky plough, spring harrow and other improved machinery to take the place of the old-time tools. The moving machine has displaced the scythe, and we have the reaper and binder instead of the sickle. The steam threshing machine has crowded out the flail. The public school system has been marvelously improved and extended. The small town of Battle Creek, the **Webbs** have seen grow to a large and busy city, noted for its many factories; and many of the family are employed there in the various establishments, while others are in business for themselves. And over all reigns as mayor the **Hon. Fred H. Webb** – “the first **Webb** born in America.”

Joshua Webb

Joshua Webb is the owner of a fine farm of one hundred and eighty-five acres in Pennfield township, where he is actively engaged in general agricultural pursuits. He was born in Oxfordshire, England, July 3, 1834, and his parents, **Joshua** and Betty [Hitchman] were also natives of that locality. The grandfather, **Richard Webb**, was a miller and lived and died in Oxfordshire. After his marriage, the father of our subject learned the cooper's trade, which he followed for some time and was also a butcher. For twelve years he served as clerk of the Episcopal church, his duties including the reading of the responses, the winding of the clock, the sweeping, the tolling of the bell and the digging of the graves. In 1853 he sailed from Liverpool and after forty days on the Atlantic, landed in New York City. The following evening he proceeded up the Hudson river to Albany, thence by the Erie Canal to Buffalo and by the lake to Detroit, completing the journey over the Michigan Central Railroad to Battle Creek, where he arrived on the 8th of June. On the 18th of July he purchased eighty acres of wild land and built a log cabin, without a floor. In this the family lived, in true pioneer style, until a more comfortable home could be built. The father continued to operate the farm until his death, which occurred October 20, 1870, when he was about seventy years of age, his bright having occurred December 13, 1800. His wife, who was born in 1802, survived him eight years and one day. In religious faith they were Episcopalians and the father was a staunch Abolitionist and later a Republican. They were the parents of six children: **Mary**, the wife of George Green, who came with the **Webb** family from England; **Caleb**, deceased; **Jonathan**, of Union City, Michigan; **Joshua**; **Anna Maria**, wife of I. C. Williams, and **Thomas**.

Joshua Webb received limited educational privileges in his native land. When about six years old he attended a “Dame school” for a short time and later was a student in another school in which he studied reading, writing, arithmetic and spelling. After working for a few years he once more attended school. He learned to write on the back of an almanac. He worked for nine years by the day in England; again by the day and month in America, at first receiving but an English shilling per day. Here he was employed by Mr. Packer, and in this way paid for the lumber used in building the house upon the old homestead farm. The first winter he also cut cord wood from what is now the Post addition to Battle Creek. He and his brother, Jonathan, would work together to support the family and when they had no other employment would clear the home farm. In the spring of 1854 they purchased their first cow. In 1855 they received a gold dollar which they gave to their mother, who kept it until her death and it is now a cherished possession of **Mrs. Joshua Webb**. Three of the family, **Jonathan**, **Joshua** and **Thomas**, worked together until they had a good farm of two hundred and twenty-seven acres.

On the 8th of April, 1863, **Joshua Webb** married Sarah E. Brown, a native of Sullivan county, New York, a daughter of Jesse and Deborah [Montanye] Brown. The father died when she was about six years old and in 1857 the mother came to Battle Creek with her family. Unto **Mr. and Mrs. Webb** have been born four children, **Isaac L.**, proprietor of a grocery store in Battle Creek, married Allie Smith and has a daughter, **Helen**; **Cora** is the wife of Charles E. Abell, of South Haven, Michigan, and has two children, Vera and Frank Carlos; **Frank L.** is a painter of South Haven and married Stella Hall; **Jessie M.** is at home.

After his marriage **Mr. Webb** lived for two and a half years near the Hicks cemetery and acted as sexton. He then removed to his present farm in April, 1865, and that year planted his apple orchard. The following year he built his present home and has since continued the work of development and improvement until he now has a model farm. He planted the seed of some black walnut trees and today has a splendid walnut grove as a result. His farm is well improved and valuable and he is a successful farmer and self-made man who started out in life in very limited financial circumstances and has steadily worked his way upward to the plane of affluence."

[Source: Biographical Review of Calhoun County, Michigan, Hobart & Mather, 1904]

New York

Buffalo

"The first brewer known to Buffalo was **Joseph Webb**. In 1811 he advertised his brewery in the columns of the Gazette."

[Source: Modern Antiquities, comprising sketches of early Buffalo and the Great Lakes, Barton Atkins, 1898.]

Some Webbs in the Lake Shore News of Wolcott, NY

Marriage: In Wolcott, NY, June 21st, 1888, **Chas. L. Webb** of Huron and Miss Minnie V. Burch of Wolcott by Rev. L. M. Clarke [June 28, 1888]

Henry Webb, one of the oldest settlers of Mexico, died of pneumonia at the age of 76 years Friday morning. [Jan. 12, 1882]

In Huron Feb. 20th, 1888, **Loomis Webb** died, aged 82 years 10 months and 19 days. [Feb. 23, 1888]

[Source: The items of genealogical interest contained herein were abstracted from the Lake Shore news of Wolcott, New York from October 1874 through June 1880, M. B. Dhondt, 1966]

Oklahoma

James E. Webb, M. D. of Tulsa

Dr. James E. Webb, engaged in the practice of medicine in Tulsa, is a native of Higginsville, Missouri, and a son of William C. and Helen M. [Jones] Webb, the former born in Orange county, Virginia, while the mother's birth occurred in Rappahannock county, of the same state. In early manhood William C. Webb prepared for the practice of medicine and became a field surgeon in the Confederate army during the Civil war and was also private physician to General Joe Shelby. He served with the rank of captain for a time and later was promoted to major. He was afterward with Dr. Poe and one other physician, the three composing the medical board west of the Mississippi river. It was in 1837 that he became a resident of Missouri, casting in his lot with the pioneer settlers of that section of the country. His father was John V. Webb, who served as a captain in the Mexican war and who was a representative of a prominent family of Virginia. With the removal of Dr. W. C. Webb to Missouri he established his home at Higginsville and became a large land owner there. His professional training was received in the University of Kentucky, from which he was graduated and in the University of Pennsylvania where he also pursued a course in the medical department, thus winning his professional degree. He was one of the those splendid country doctors of the old school, never hesitating to perform a professional service no matter how much personal discomfort and sacrifice might be involved therein. A courtly old gentleman, he commanded the highest respect and confidence of all who knew him to the time of his death, which occurred in Higginsville, February 4, 1896. His widow survived him for about four years, passing away in 1900.

Their son, James E. Webb, attended the public schools of his native town and afterward became a student in the collegiate department of the University of Missouri. He then began preparation for his professional career as a student in the Ohio Medical College, where he completed his course in 1881, after which he practiced at Corder, Missouri, until 1884. He then removed to Hartville, Missouri, where he remained for eleven years or until 1895 and through the succeeding period of five years he practiced successfully in Norwood, Missouri, but the opportunities afforded by the rapid and substantial growth of Tulsa called him to this field at the beginning of the century and here he has lived while Tulsa has grown by leaps and bounds from a town of eleven hundred into a great metropolitan city of more than seventy-two thousand. Dr. Webb was serving as a member of the city council when Oakland cemetery was purchased at twenty dollars per acre, then considered a fabulous price. Such has been the growth of Tulsa that the cemetery is today situated in the center of the city. Throughout the intervening years Dr. Webb has continued in practice, becoming the loved family physician in many a household and he has also filled the position of superintendent of public health. A lover of children, he has been particularly successful treating children's diseases, for he easily wins the confidence of the young who not only like him, but look forward to his visits as a pleasurable occasion in their lives. Dr. Webb also became one of the original stockholders and first directors of the old First National Bank of Tulsa.

In this city Dr. Webb was married to Miss Lyda Brummett, a daughter of Thomas E. Brummett, one of the pioneer grocers of this city. By a former marriage he had one son, William R. Dr. Webb turns to hunting and fishing for recreation. His political endorsement has always been given to the democratic party and he has ever kept well informed on the vital questions and issues of the day. Along strictly professional lines he is connected with the Tulsa, the Oklahoma State and the American Medical Associations and through the proceedings of these bodies keeps in touch with the trend of modern professional thought and progress. He has by reading and study developed his ability and his practice has increased with the rapid growth of Tulsa, so that heavy demands are now made upon his time and energy.

[Source: The History of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Volume 3, C. B. Douglas, 1921]

Pennsylvania

Berks Co.

Nov. 14, 1763 – Nathan Lewis and **Mary Webb**, spinster, daughter of **George Webb**. Sureties: Nathan Lewis, William Lewis and **David Webb**, all of Berks County, PA, yeoman.

[Source: The Pennsylvania Genealogical Magazine, Vol. 34]

History of Chester County, Pennsylvania, Genealogical and Biographical Sketches

John Smith Futhey, Gilbert Cope, 1881

Webb, Richard, a settler in Birmingham, 1704, came from the city of Gloucester to Philadelphia in 1700. His wife, Elizabeth, a noted minister, had visited the country in 1697-98, and in 1710 paid a religious visit to her native land [See also Birmingham Meeting, p. 234.]

Richard Webb died in 1719. He had been a justice of the peace and an active citizen. His children were **William**, m. 1, 22, 1709-10, to Rebecca Harlan, and died about 1753; **Mary**, m. 1713, to George Brown, afterwards to John Willis, Jr., and Thomas Smith, died 1743; **Esther**, m. 1718 to Jacob Bennett; **Sarah**, m. to William Dilworth; **Daniel**, m. 9, 8, 1727, to Mary Harlan; **Benjamin**, m. 1725, to Rachel Nicklin; **Elizabeth**, d. young; **James**, b. 11, 19, 1708-09, d. 10, 26, 1785, married three times, and removed to Lancaster County.

William Webb settled in Kennet, and was an active man in public affairs, a justice of the peace, and for many years a member of Assembly. His son **William**, born 11, 13, 1710, married 9, 23, 1732, Elizabeth, daughter of Daniel Hoopes, of Westtown, and had children, --**William**, b. 9, 26, 1736, d. 6, 7, 1773, m. Sarah Smith; **Stephen**, b. 12, 23, 1738, d. 9, 8, 1787, m. Hannah Harlan, 9, 17, 1766; **Rebecca**, b. 5, 25, 1741, d. 7, 22, 1776, m. Benjamin Taylor; **Ezekiel**, b. 6th mo., 1747, d. 5, 26, 1828, m. Cordelia Jones and Elizabeth Hollingsworth; **Jane**, m. to William White, Jr.

With **Richard Webb** came his sisters **Mary** and **Rachel**, unmarried, who lived among their relatives here. **John Webb** produced a certificate to Philadelphia Monthly Meeting, 12, 28, 1700, from Gloucester Quarterly Meeting, held 6, 27, 1700, as did also **Richard Webb**, but we know nothing further of him. John Lea, wool-comber [baptized July 12, 1674], late of the parish of Christian Malford, in the county of Wilts, son of John and Joane Lea, of the same place, was married, 12, 1, 1697, at Gloucester Meeting, to **Hannah Webb**, of the latter place, widow of **Joseph Webb**. These also came over at the same time as **Richard** and **John Webb**. The children of **Joseph and Hannah Webb** were **Hannah**, b. 3, 31, 1687, m. Nathaniel Allen; **Mary**, b. 9, 26, 1688, m. Edward Pilkington; **Ann**, b. 8, 12, 1691; **Sarah**, b. 3, 21, 1693, buried in Philadelphia, 5, 2, 1714; **Joseph**, who died before 1735, leaving children, --**Hannah**, **Joseph**, and **Sarah**.

Texas

Dallas Co.

"In the fall of 1841 the families of Hamp Rattan and Capt. Mabel Gilbert, with a few men, reached Bird's Fort, and a little later the family of John Beeman. Late in November, 1841, a wagon was sent back to Red river for provisions. It stayed so long that three men were sent to find and assist it, if necessary. These men were sent to find and assist it, if necessary. These men were **Alex W. Webb** [yet living near Mesquite, in Dallas county], Solomon Silkwood and Hamp Rattan. On the east side of Elm fork, about a mile and a half southwest of where Carrollton is, while cutting down a large ash tree to get the honey found to be in it, and on Christmas day, 1841, Rattan was killed by a small party of concealed Indians. **Webb** and Silkwood killed one Indian and escaped to reach the Fort. The snow was six inches deep. It was intensely cold, and so remained for several days. Silkwood, from the exposure endured, sickened and died.

"In 1842, besides James J. Beeman and family, the families of Thomas Keenan, Preston Witt, **Alexander W. Webb**, John H. Cox and others arrives, as will appear in the alphabetical list of pioneers, elsewhere given..."

"In 1844 other members of the Cox family, the Cameron family, **Isaac B. Webb** family, the Jenkins family, the Harwood family, the Rawlins family and many others came..."

"Among those arriving in 1846 were the families of Samuel Beeman, Mrs. Mary Ann Freeman, Obediah W. Knight, William Traughber, **I. N. Webb**, John R. Fondren, Thomas Collins, James Collins [brothers], Albert G. Collins ["Uncle Albert" arrived January 16th, 1846], Rev. James A. Smith, R. E. Rawlins and other members of the Rawlins family, Wormley Carter, Asher W. Carter, John Anderson, Marquis De Lafayette Gracey [single] and many others..."

"**Alex. W. Webb**, from Illinois to Bowie county in 1840 – to Bird's Fort in 1841 – escaped when the Indians killed Rattan; settled with his family in Dallas county in 1842."

"**Isaac B. Webb**, and family, from Tennessee in 1844; of his children, **Wm D.** married Olivia Merrill; **J. Whit**, **Sarah**; **J. N.** was born in Dallas county July 1, 1846."

[Source: History of Dallas County, Texas: From 1837 to 1887, John Henry Brown, 1887]

Virginia

Culpeper County VA

Register of Marriages – [African American] – Under Act of Assembly of Virginia, 1866:

Nimrod Webb, age 32, farmhand, & Caroline Briggs – s/o **George & Rosanna Webb**
Robert Webb, age 16, saddlemaker, & Garrett – s/o **George [white] & Courtney Webb**

Floyd Co. VA

Floyd Co. Register of Children of Colored Persons, Feb 7, 1866:

Nick Webb, age 4, b. Franklin Co., s/o **Jacob Webb** – mother, Judy, deceased

Floyd Co. Register of Colored Persons Cohabiting, Feb 27, 1866:

Jacob Webb, age 22, farmer, b. Franklin Co. & Sarah Helm – child, **Tom**, age 1.

Taswell Webb*, age 30, farmer, b. Henry Co. & Zina Reynolds, b. Patrick Co.

James Webb*, age 41, farmer, b. Henry Co. & America Howard, b. Floyd Co. – children: **Laura**, 7, **Mary**, 4, **James** 9 and **Sperral**, 8.

*Freed slave of **William Webb** of Floyd Co. VA.

Richmond Co.

Richmond Co. Register of Children of Colored Persons, Feb 7, 1866:

Austin Webb, age 26, b. Richmond Co., s/o **Ned & Fannie Webb**

Alexander Webb, age 20, b. Richmond Co., s/o **Ned & Fannie Webb**

Mirola Ellen Fields, age 14, b. Richmond Co., d/o Hezakah Fields & **Judy A. Webb** of St. Mary's Co., MD

[Source: Library of Virginia]

Great Britain

Early Webb Marriages in England**Bedford**

1539	Jhoane Webb & Elizabeth Dudlaye	Houghton Regis	Bedford
1545	John Webb & Elizabeth Dudlaye	Houghton Regis	Bedford
1546	John Webb & Custance Nelle	Houghton Regis	Bedford
1553	Thomas Webb & Jone Pers	Houghton Regis	Bedford
1553	Willm. Webb & Agnes Oxe	Houghton Regis	Bedford
1553	Joan Webb & John Lankaster	Swineshead	Bedford
1555	Amy Webb & Rich Byworth	Southill	Bedford
1559	Eliz. Webb & Thos Allin	Southill	Bedford
1559	Alys Webb & Wm. Hitman	Houghton Regis	Bedford
1559	Jone Webb & John Barber	Houghton Regis	Bedford
1559	John Webb & Mary Maple	Toddington	Bedford

Berkshire

1539	Jhoane Webb & John Frenche	Little Wittenham	Berkshire
1540	William Webb & Eliz. Gouldinge	St. Mary, Reading	Berkshire
1560	Elizabeth Webb & Steeven Cotrell	Bisham	Berkshire

Buckingham

1559	Henry Webb & Isabell Davy	Leckampstead	Buckingham
1560	Susan Webb & Robert Watts	Leckampstead	Buckingham
1560	Thomas Webb & Elizabeth Hodges	Leckampstead	Buckingham

Gloucester

1560	Richarde Webb & Joan Harris	Westbury-On-Trym	Gloucester
1560	Isbell Webb & Robert Lewes	Westbury-On-Trym	Gloucester

Hereford

1538	Elizabetham Webb m. Walterum Knocker	Bromyard	Hereford
1541	Walterus Webb & Anna Howlder	Kings Pyon	Hereford
1558	Margareta Webb & Johannes Porter	Cottered	Hertford
1560	Jhon Webb & Elizabeth Campien	Baldock	Hertford

Kent

1546	Thomas Webb & Agnes Cutlar	St. Peter, Sandwich	Kent
1559	Margerye Webb & William Knowler	Hoath	Kent
1559	Elenoram Webb & Johannem Pulter	Boxley	Kent

London

1551	Dorothe Webb & John Tull	St. Mary, Woolnoth	London
1557	Robert Webb & Joyse Marven	St. Mary, Bermondsey	London
1559	John Webb & Dorithe Richmond	St. Mary, Le Bow	London
1559	Alice Webb & John Drewe	St. Mary, Bermondsey	London
1559	Thomas Webb & Alice Bell	St. Mary, Bermondsey	London

Shropshire

1559	John Webb & Anne Grove	Aston Botterell	Shropshire
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Somerset

1549	Johannes Webb & Johanna Bonfilde	Buckland St. Mary	Somerset
1558	Margaret Webb & Richard Stephen	Pilton	Somerset

Suffolk

1552	Johes. Webb & Phillpm. Frost	Glemsford	Suffolk
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Surrey

1549	Julian Webb & Richard Bennet	St. Mary, Guildford	Surrey
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Sussex

1560	Johanna Webb & John Symon	Piddinghoe	Sussex
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Warwick

1552	Isbell Webb & William Shotswill	Cherington	Warwick
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Wiltshire

1540	John Webb & Jone Herret	St. James, Trowbridge	Wiltshire
1541	Thomas Webb & Editha Grene	Calne	Wiltshire
1542	Johem Webb & Elizabeth Hacker	Highworth	Wiltshire
1555	Jhon Webb & Elizabeth Hill	Highworth	Wiltshire
1560	John Webb & Maryan Odie	Purton	Wiltshire

Worcester

1547	Agneta Webb & Henricus Woodward	Leigh with Bransford	Worcester
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Webbs – St. Nicholas Churchyard, Rattlesden, Suffolk England

Mrs. Webb d. Sept 28, 1617, widowe, an ancient woman

Mrs. Webb d. Oct 19, 1595

Adam Webb Sr. d. Aug 15, 1589

Christopher Webb Sr. d. Apr 26, 1613

Frances Webb d. Mar 15, 1615, single woman

[Sources: "findagrave.com;" "Notes on the Church & Parish Records of Rattlesden" J. R. Olorenshaw; The Parrish registers from 1558 to 1758; Allan Joyce.]

Abstracts of Wills Proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury

Wm Brigg, 1894

87. **Roger Webb** of Great Woodford, co. Wilts—[Dat. 8 Aug. 1657] – Isaacke Goodes 4 children which he had by my dau. Mary –Son **Wm. Webb** –**Roger** son of **Wm. Webb** – **Wm.** son of **Wm. Webb** – Dau. **Martha** Bowles & her 3 children – Dau. **Eliz. Webb** – Wife Martha extrix – Wm. Ames & Isaacke Goods overseers – **Roger Webb** – Witnesses: Christen Bennet x, Wm. Ames [Pr. 20 Feb. 1657-8. P. A. p. 75]

477. **Nicholas Webb** thelder of Vly, co. Glouc. Smith –[Dat. 20 May 1650] – Sons **Robt**, **Simon** & **Phillipp** – Daus. **Eliz**, **Mary** & **Susan Webb** – Son **Simon** children –Grandchildren **Nich. Webb** & **Phillipp Webb** –Wife extrix –**Nicholas Webb** – Witness: Toby Payne x, John Tovey. [Pr. 5 Mch. 1657-8 by Mary relict. P. A. p. 104]

235 – Edmont Payton of parish of Wracksell co. Som. Yeoman –[Undated] –Kinsman **Wm Webb** –Thos. Passans of Backwell –kinsman **Walter Webb** the younger – Wm Stevens of co. Glouc. –kinswoman **Susanna Webb** the younger – Thos Tocker of Nailsi & John Greane of Barton hundred – Thos Tocker wife & John Greane wife –Legacy to poor of Wracksell 'that lives in the Church house' –kinswoman **Susanna Webb** the elder extrix – [Mark] –Witness: --Anne Marten [Mark], **John Webb** – [Pr. 26 Jan. 1657-8]

The Registers of Bushley, in the Deanery of Upton, 1538-1812

J. Rusling, 1913

1566, Nov. 20. Maude, d. of Thos. Hoop of the Oxhey. G. : John Downton, Maude Ricards & **Anne Webbe**, of Tewksbury . . bap.

1595, Jan 17. **John Webb** from Frebarnesend out of Elizabeth Seaverne's howse, his mother dwellinge neere the Well. . bur.

1597, Sept 1. **Stephen**, s. of **Stephen & Anne Webbe**. The pledges were Davyd Morris, Edward Greene, & Ales Childe, at Churchende bap.

1601, May 10. **Willm**, ye s. of **Stephen & Anne Webbe**. Ye suerties : Willm Wyet, Willm Kemble, & Elizabeth Wyett . . bap.

1601, Sept 21. George, s. of Willm & Anne Ryder. Suerties : **Stephen Webbe**, George Dowdeswell, & Elyzabeth Wyet . . bap.

1602, June 24. **Elyzabeth**, d. of **Margaret Webbe** . . bur.

1602, Oct 4. **Margaret Holande als. Webbe**, out of Rogr. Bydel's house . . . bur.

1611, Dec. 11. **Johane**, d. of **Anne Webbe**, who defamed herself that shee was begotten with childe by another man and not by her husbände, but at her delivrance shee acknowledged none to be father to her child but her husband, **Steeven Webbe**. The women who were at her delivrance were Margaret Stratford, Syble Biddle, and the wydowe Rastell bap.

1781, Mar 15. **John Webb**, spurious s. of Susanna Rudge.

Sir Henry Webb, Baronet, of Oldstock,

In the county of Wiltshire, b. in 1806, inherited the title, as seventh baronet, at the demise of his father, 26th of March, 1823.

Lineage

The founder of this family was **William Webb**, of Salisbury, merchant, who lived in the time of Henry VIII. He m. Catherine, daughter and heir of John Barrow, esq. and was s. by his elder son, **John Webb, esq.** of Oldstock, in the county of Wiltshire, who was s. by his elder son, **Sir John Webb**, knight of Canford, in the county of Dorset, who was s. by his son [by Catharine, daughter of Sir Thomas Tresham, knight of Rushden, Northamptonshire].

1. **John Webb, esq.** of Oldstock, who was created a baronet 2nd April, 1644, in consideration, as stated in the patent, of the sacrifices made by his family in the royal cause. **Sir John** m. Mary, daughter of Sir John Carryl, knight of Harting, Sussex, and was s. at his decease, in 1650, by his eldest son.
2. **Sir John**, who m. Mary, only daughter of John Blomer, esq. of Hathrop, in Gloucestershire, by the Hon. Frances Browne, daughter of Anthony, Viscount Montagu, and sole heiress of her brothers John and William Blomer, and was s. at his decease in 1700, by his only son.
3. **Sir John**. This gentleman m. Barbara, daughter and co-heiress of John, Lord Belasyse, [second son of Viscount Fauconberg, and grandson, maternally, of John Powlett, Marquess of Winchester] by who he had, with five daughters, two sons, viz.

John, who m. First, Mabella, youngest daughter of sir Henry-Joseph Tichborne, bart. by whom he had two daughters,

1. **Mary.**
2. **Barbara**

He espoused, secondly, Anne, daughter of Henry, Lord Teynham, but had no other issue. He d. in the lifetime of his father.

Thomas, successor to the baronetcy.

Sir John d. in 1745, and was s. by his only surviving son,

4. **Sir Thomas**, who m. Anne, daughter and co-heiress of Thomas Gybson, esq. of Wellford, in Hampshire, by whom he had two sons,

John, his successor

Joseph, m. Mary, daughter of John White, esq. by whom he had one surviving son, Thomas, who inherited the baronetcy; and a daughter, Anne, who m. in 1780, Anthony-James Radcliffe, fourth Earle of Newburgh.

Sir Thomas d. in 1763, and was succeeded by his elder son,

5. Sir John. This gentleman m. Mary, eldest daughter of Thomas Salvin, esq. of Easingwold, in the county York, by whom he had several children, but none to survive, except

Barbara, who m. Anthony, sixth Earl of Shaftesbury, and left an only daughter and heiress,

Lady Barbara Ashley-Cooper, who m. the Hon. William Francis Ponsonby. Lady Barbara is one of the co-heirs to the Barony of Mauley, through the Salvins.

Sir John d. in 1796, when the title reverted to [the son of his deceased brother Joseph] his nephew,

6. Sir Thomas. This gentleman m. first in 1799, Charlotte-Frances, daughter of Charles, twelfth Viscount Dillon, by whom he had an only son, Henry, the present baronet; and secondly, Martha-Matilda, daughter of sir Quaile Somerville, bart. and relict of Gustavus, fifth Viscount Boyne, by whom he had no child. Sir Thomas d. 26th March 1823.

Creation – 2nd April 1644

Arms – Gu., a cross, between four falcons, or.

Crest – A demi-eagle, displayed, issuing out of a ducal coronet, or.

Seats – Oldstock, co. Wilts: Hathrop, Gloucestershire.

[Source: A General and Heraldic Dictionary of the Peerage and Baronetage of the British Empire, Volume 2, H. Colburn and R. Bentley, 1833.]

Charters and Records of Neales of Berkeley, Yate and Corsham

John Alexander Neale, 1906

“Robert Neale was also returned with Martin Madan to serve as member for Wootton Bassett in the 10th Parliament [1744]: and there served with him in that Parliament Robert Webb for Taunton...”

“...What a constant round of visits he makes to his neighbours and friends, to Beanacre almost daily to see Brother Selfe and Sister Selfe, or to welcome home Mr. Lucas Selfe and his travelling companion Mr. Wallis on their return after 14 months in Ital, Southern Germany and Holland; to Jacob Selfe and Captain Selfe of Melksham, and the Rev. Thos Selfe of Bromham; to Mr. Webb of Monckton Farley, and to Mr. Seymour and Mr. Somner of Seend, and his other friends Mr. Awdry, Mr. Bisse and Mrs. Coulston there...”

“...Elizabeth Smith, wife of the Diarist and mother of Elizabeth the wife of Robert Neale of Corsham, was, it will be seen [p. 89], daughter of Daniel Webb of Melksham and first cousin to Daniel Webb of Monckton Farley, the father of Mary, Duchess of Somerset

The Webbs were an old and numerous family both in Wilts and Gloucestershire; and in both counties were largely engaged in the cloth trade. There are several ancient mural tablets to members of this family to be seen in the parish Church of Rowde, Wilts: and in the vestry of the neighboring Church of Bromham [a little village like a martin's nest clinging to the eaves of Wiltshire's westering downs] Hugo Webbe [father of George Webb, author, Bishop of Limerick, and Chaplain to Charles, Prince of Wales], “quondam Rector” of the parish, who died 12 Novr., 1597, will be found done in stone some 3 yards only from Tom Moore's resting place. There also under the same roof in that marvelously beautiful chapel of the Bayntuns [a name so frequently recurring in the records which follow], which no tombe of Doge amid the water-logged lagoons of Venice or chapel of the Visconti in the silent solitude of Pavia can perhaps approach, and certainly cannot surpass. Under the same room too is a monument to

Wm. Norris, 'Armiger' of Lincoln's Inn [and Nonsuch], who died 7 Sepr. 1730, erected by John Norris, 'Armiger,' hi heir and executor.

Another distinguished member of the Wilshire family of Webb was General John Richmond Webb, insatiable fighter of indomitable pluck, of Rodbourne Cheney [1667-1724], who fought at Blenheim, Ramillies, Oudenarde, Malplaquet and on so many other fields, and who lies in Lugershall Church. [cf: Charters 278-280, and 489-492.] With his family the grandfather of the immortal Thackeray became allied by his marriage in 1776 with Amelia Webb, the godmother of 'Emmy' in 'Vanity Fair.'"

"...In the miscellaneous records [Neale and Smith] mention will be found of the following names of persons [among others]:-- Sir George Horner of Wells [1669]; Robert Nicholas [1636]; Richard, Lord Protector [1658]; William Webb and Nicholas Webb [1648]; Daniel Webb of Monckton Farley [1731]; Gab. Goldney [1779]; and James Farrer of Chancery Lane [1784]."

Smiths of Froome Zellwood, Som.; and Shaw, Wilts

Thomas Smith – Of Shaw House. The Diarist. b. 1673. M. 4 June, 1694, Elizabeth Webb, d. and heir of Daniel Webb of Melksham and Margaret [Selfe], d. of Jacob Selfe and Ruth Rumen. D. 21 July, 1723, ages 50. Bur. at Melksham [Monument]. Purchased the Shaw Property 18 Decr., 1701, and erected a new mansion there as a seat for his family.

Elizabeth [Webb] w. of said Thomas, d. 12 Feby., 1719. Buried at Melksham [Monument].

Children of Thomas Smith and Elizabeth Webb:

John Smith - c. of said Thomas [Smith] and Elizabeth [Webb]
Of Oriel Coll., Oxford, and Shaw House, b. 11 march 1702. M. 1726 Mary Harvey, d. of John Harvey of Cole Park, Malmesbury, Wilts, and Sarah his wife. Will 21 march, 1736. High Sheriff co. Somerset 1739. D. 21 Augt., 1757, S.P. buried at Melksham [Monument].

Walter Smith – c. of the said Thomas [Smith] and Elizabeth [Webb]
Of six Clerks' Office, Chancery Lane. B. 19 Feb. 1707. m. Mary – d. 16 may, 1732, S. P. buried at Melksham.

Margaret Smith – c. of said Thomas [Smith] and Elizabeth [Webb]
b. 9 March, 1696. M. Wm Hunt of West Lavington, Wilts. D. 17 Sept, 1731, S. P. Portrait formerly at Shaw House.

Elizabeth Smith – c. of said Thomas [Smith] and Elizabeth [Webb]
Heir to brother John. B. 24 Sepr., 1701. M. at Cullern, Wilts, 3 Novr., 1735, Robert Neale of Corsham, Wilts. D. 31, Octr., 1771. Buried at Corsham, afterwards removed to vault in Great Chalfield Church. Portrait at Shaw House.

Anne Smith – c. of the said Thomas [Smith] and Elizabeth [Webb]
b. 17 Novr., 1705. D. 27 Decr., 1714. Buried at Melksham.

Margaret Selfe d/o Jacob Selfe and Ruth Romen, m. 1673 Daniel Webb of Melksham, Clothier, d. about 1733.

Webbs of Melksham and Monckton Farley

Robert Webb – of Melksham

Daniel Webb – of Melksham, Clothier. m. Margaret d. of Jacob Selfe and Ruth Rumen 1673. Died about 1675.

Margaret Webb – wife of **Daniel**, d. 4 June 1733. Buried at Melksham.

Daniel Webb – child of said **Robert** – Of Monckton Farley, Wilts. m. ____Somner daughter of ____Somner of Seend, Wilts, heir to her brother Edward Somner.

Elizabeth Webb – daughter of **Daniel** of Melksham and Margaret [Selfe] – m. Thomas Smith of Shaw House 4 June, 1694. Portrait at Shaw House [1720].

Margaret Webb – daughter of said **Daniel** of Melksham and Margaret [Selfe] of Melksham. Portrait formerly at Shaw House.

Mary Webb – daughter of said **Daniel Webb** of Monckton Farley – only daughter and heir, m. 5 march, 1716, Edward Seymour afterwards Duke of Somerset &c. d. Feb., 1763, at Seend, Wilts.

Seymours

Edward Seymour – grandson of Sir Edward Seymour, Speaker of the Long Parliament. Of Seend, 8th Duke of Somerset, m. **Mary Webb** daughter of **Daniel Webb** of Monckton Farley 5 march, 1716. A frequent visitor to Shaw House. M. P. for Salisbury 1741. Succeeded to Dukedom 1750. D. 12 Decr., 1757. Bur. at Maiden Bradley.

Edward Seymour – son of the said Edward Seymour and **Mary Webb** – 9th Duke of Somerset, Baron Seymour, &c. d. 2 Jan., 1792, S. P. Buried at Maiden Bradley.

Webb Seymour – son of said Edward Seymour and **Mary Webb** – 10th Duke of Somerset, &c. of Monckton Farley. B. 3 Decr., 1718. M. 11 Decr., 1769. Anna Maria d. of John Bonnell of Stanton Harcourt, co. Oxford. Trustee of Wills of Robert Neale of Shaw House [1770] and of Robert Neale of Corsham [1774]. D. 15 Decr., 1793. Bur. at Maiden Bradley.

William Seymour – son of said Edward Seymour and **Mary Webb** – Barrister-at-law. M. Hester Maltravers of Melksham 5 June, 1767.

Francis Seymour – son of said Edward Seymour and **Mary Webb** – Canon of Windsor and Chaplain to King George III. Dean of Wells 1766.

Yate, Co. Gloucester

Will of John Neale [grandson of Thomas the Tanner] of Yate, co. Gloucester, yeoman. – Trustees, his loveing kinsman Alexander Neale of Yate and **Daniell Webb** of Chipping Sodbury. – Witnesses, Alexander B. Belsier, Alexander Neale and Tho. Smith -- 18 March 1687. [Provd by Mary Neale, his wife, 27 April, 1688.]

Fine in consideration of 200 marks of silver paid by Thomas Neale to Thomas Ivey, esquire, **Nicholas Webbe**, gentleman, and Martha his wife, and **Robert Webb**, gentleman, and Elizabeth his wife, for 3 messuages, 2 tofts, and 320 acres of land, meadow, pasture and wood, &c, in Wikeware, Oldbury and Crome Hale – 29 and 80 Eliz. [1587].

Conveyance between [1] Mary Neale, widow, relict of John Neale, deceased, John Neale and son, Slexr. Neale, **Daniel Webb** and Thos. Smith, and [2] Robt. Neale – 9 and 10 April 1690.

Mortgage—Robert Neale the younger of Corsham, clothier, to **Nathaniel Webb** of Naylesworth, co. Gloucester, clothier. – Witnesses, **Nathaniel Webb, junr.** And Francis Savage –24 July 1716 [2 George].

Manor of Wixoldbury, Co. Gloucester

Fine in consideration of 200 marks of silver paid by Thos. Neale [The Divine] for 2 messuages, 2 tofts and 320 acres of land, meadow, pasture, wood, rent of 8s. &c in Wickwar, Oldbury and Crome Hale. – Thos. Neale, Plt.; Thos. Ivey, esquire, **Nicholas Webbe, gent.**, Martha his wife, **Robt. Webb, gent.** and Elizabeth his wife, Deforciantes –Mich. 1587 [29 and 30 Eliz.]. [Feet of Fines, Gloucester.]

8 Deeds relating to two closes, part of Great Inlands, containing 7 acres, between the ears 1665 and 1742 inclusive. The parties mentioned are: Charles Meredith of Wickwar and Mary his wife; Henry Russell of Wickwar; Charles Brookes of Wickwar, Elizabeth his wife, heir of John Russell; **Joseph Webb** of Burkov, Thornbury, clothier; Elizabeth Mitchell of Charfield; Esther Mitchell; Daniel Adey of Wotton-under-Edge, clothier; and Robert Neale of Corsham – Witnesses [inter alia], Joseph Pagler, Eliz. Stokes and Samuel Stokes. The conveyance by Daniel Adey to Robert Neale is dated 25 and 26 March 1742 [15 Geo. II.].

Arnolds of Corsham

Will of Wm. Arnold of Corsham, esquire. – Mentions sons William, Charles, George and John Julius; brother Charles; James Montague, esquire, of Laycock; Bevd. Jeremiah Awdry of Tilshead, Essex, and others. – Executors, **Benjamin Webb** of Melksham, clothier, and John Baskerville of Woolley, Bradford, Wilts., clothier. – Devised Prior's Cliffe and Hardham Pickwick Mead and Pickwick Leaze to son George – Devised Arnold's Mill at Laycock to Charles – 2 Jan 1802.

Grant of Tithes to Robert Hulbert upon trust. – Between **Benjamin Webb** of Melksham and John Baskerville; Wm. Arnold of Corsham, eldest son of Wm. Arnold, decd.; Charles Arnold of Axminster, Devon, surgeon; and John Julius Arnold of Axminster, gentleman, other sons; and said Robert Hulbert – 16 Feb. 1818.

Hillmarton, Wilts. – Littlecott Farm

Release with covenant to levy a fine to Thomas Cromwell and others to the use of Sir Thomas Button – Between Sir John Button of Ogborne St. George, Wilts, Bart; Thomas Cromwell and Arthur Morgan, both of the Inner Temple, gentlemen; and **Thomas Richmond als. Webb** of Rodborne Cheney, Wilts, Esquire and serjeant-at-law – The farm in Littlecott in occupation of Thos. Bathe; 205 acres in Littlecott in the occupation of Thos. Button; and other 25 acres, &c – 7 May 1707.

Release to lead the uses of a fine to use of Thos. Richmond, between Thomas Benet of Salthorpe, Wilts, esquire, and **Thomas Richmond als. Webb** of Rodborne Cheney, esquire – 4 May 1714.

Conveyance – **Thos. Richmond als. Webb** to Thomas Benet – 17 June 1714.

Melksham, Co. Wilts – The Hamms, Beanacre

Will of Francis Stantiall of Melksham, clothier, -- Devise to **Betty Webb** [nee Smith], Mary Smith and Ann Gibbs [nee Smith]

Conveyance to make a tenant to the precipe and lead the uses of recovery – [1] **Betty Webb**, widow of Melksham, Mary Smith, spinster, Melksham, Isaac Gibbs, clothworker, Melksham; Ann his wife; [2] Richd. Edmunds of Lincoln's Inn, gent.; [3] Daniell Burges of Bristol, gent. [Note—Betty, Mary and Ann were only surviving children of Thos. Smith late of Melksham.] 17 and 18 June 1774.

Conveyance – [1] **Betty Webb** and Mary Smith, spinster [2 of 5 daughters of Thomas Smith late of Melksham, clothier, son-in-law of James Stantiall, theretofore of Melksham, clothier, decd., and son of Elizabeth Stantieall by her former husband the said Thomas Smith, decd.]; [2] Robert Neale of Corsham, Wilts, esquire – 12 and 18 August 1774.

Whitley, Melksham

Agreement by **Daniel Webb** of Monckton Farley, Wilts., esquire with Robert Neale, senr. of Corsham, Wilts, esquire, to convey to Robert Neale 2 messuages or tenements with appurtenances at Whiteley in occupation of Thos. Watson and Wm Hooper. Witnesses – Am. Tuck, Richd. Levermore – 8 Feb. 1781.

Littlecott and Shaw, Co. Wilts.

Agreement in consideration of intended marriage between **Daniel Webb** of Melksham, Wilts, clothier, and Margaret Selfe [one of the daughters of Jacob Selfe and Ruth his wife]. Parties: [1] **Daniel Webb**; [2] Jacob Selfe of Beanacre and John Romen of Goatacre, Hilmarton, clothier. – **Daniel Webb** to settle Rotterbride, Burnwood and Waytes and 200 acres land in Melksham; his dwelling-house there; common of Yeamead there. Jacob Selfe to settle two-thirds of Littlecott. John Romen to settle leaseholds in Somerford Magna, Wilts. Witnesses – Jonathan Rogers Ethw. Slade. [Memorandum: – **Mr. Webb** died before **Mrs. Webb** attained the age of 21, leaving only one child, who married Mr. Smith of Shaw.] –7 March 1678 [26 Charles II].

Conveyance [in triplicate] for purposes of settling. –Parties: [1] Jacob Selfe of Beanacre, gent., Mary his then wife, Isaac Selfe of Beanacre, son and heir apparent of said Jacob Selfe; [2] John Tuck of Wroughton, gent., Mary, his then wife, Roger Spackman of Bushton, gent., and Ruth his then wife; [3] **Margaret Webb** of Melksham, widow; [4] Edward Hope, junr., of the Devizes, gent., and Wm Norris of the Middle Temple, gentn. – One-third of Moiety of Littlecott on John and Mary Tuck and issue; one-third on Roger Spackman, his heirs and assigns; one-third on **Margaret Webb**, her heirs and assigns. To Jacob Selfe, his heirs and assigns, Kingston's Farm in Tythings of Beanacre, Whitley and Shaw, Wilts, thertofore in the possession of Isaac Selfe, gentn., decd., late father of the said Jacob Selfe, and then of said Jacob Selfe. [Endorsement: Note Jacob Selfe had by Ruth his wife, daughter of John Roman, only 3 children all daughters, who intermarried, viz.: Margaret with **Mr. Webb**, Ruth with Mr. Spackman, and Mary with John Tuck] – 8 Augt. 1685.

Will of John Roman of Widcombe, Hilmarten, gent. – Mentions Jacob Selfe, his son-in-law, **Margaret Webb** [sole and only executrix], **Elizabeth** her daughter; Roger and 4 other sons of Roger Spackman; Mary and 2 other children of John Tuck; his sister Edith Poole, and his cousin Sarah Church –26 March 1689.

Agreement before marriage, -- Parties: [1] Thomas Smiths, son and heir of Thomas Smith, late of Froome Zellwood [clothier], decd.; [2] **Margaret Webb**, relict and administratrix of **Daniel Webb** of Melksham [clothier], decd., and **Elizabeth Webb**, sole daughter and heir of the said **Daniel Webb**; [3] Isaac Selfe of Beanacre, William Norris and John Houlton –10 April 1694.

Settlement after marriage, --Parties [1] Thomas Smith; [2] **Margaret Webb**; [3] Isaac Self, William Norris and John Houlton. – Manor of Tollar Wylme and Catscliffe, co. Dorset; Rectory or Parsonage impropriate of Kinnerley als. Kinnerleigh, with glebe and tythes; Norwood Lodge with land and tythes; Ballow als. Great Ballow, with land and common of pasture –1 and 2, Jan. 1696.

Will of Thomas Smith. – [1] to daughter Margaret L2,000; [2] to son Walter and daughter Elizabeth all lands in co. Dorset; his third of lands in Hilmarton after decease of his mother-in-law, **Margaret Webb**, and John Tuck of Hilmarton; coppice in Beanacre bought of Thomas Fettiplace –John Smith his son, sole executor. –**Margaret Webb**, Isaac Selfe of Beanacre, John Norris of Bean Easton, Somerset, and John Thresher of Bradford, Councillor-at-law, to be trustees and guardians of children – 26 April 1728 [Probate 2 Sepr. 1728.]

Littlecott, Hilmarton, Co. Wilts.

Conveyance by **Margaret Webb** of Bath, widow, to Elizabeth Smith, spinster, granddaughter of said Margaret. –One-third Littlecott. Witnesses –John Smith of Shaw; Ann tuck of Harden Huish; Ann Sainsbury, servant. [Indorsement: **Mrs. Webb** could formerly write very well, now age has impaired her sight, she being 76 and 55 a widow. Note: Mrs. Elizabeth Smith had this likewise devised to her by **Mrs. Webb** in her last Will dated 1732, and proved in Prerogative Court of Canterbury, 1733. **Mrs. Webb** was daughter of Mr. Jacob Selfe [was heir at law of ye third of Littlecott] married with **Mr. Webb** who had only one daughter, who married Mr. Smith] –29 and 30 Sepr. 1782.

Shaw, Melksham, Co. Wilts. – The Mansion House called Shaw House, with Shaw Farm and other Lands and Tythes.

Will of James Ashe late of Fifield, Melton, Wilts, esquire. –Devise of lands at Shaws and Melksham and Manor of Fifield. – to his wife Margery [afterwards **Margery Webb**], Sir John Ashe, John Ashe, senr., and John Methuen in trust for his eldest son, John Ashe, after decease of wife – 19 August 1671.

Grant by John Ashe to Sir Joseph Ashe and others for purposes of said Will. –[1] John Ashe of Heywood [son of James Ashe]; [2] Sir Joseph Ashe of Twittenham, Middlesex, Bart., John Ashe, senr., of Teffont, Wilts, esquire, **Edmund Webb** of Rodborne Cheney, Wilts, esquire, Margery his wife and John Methuen, of the Inner Temple, London, esquire –14 June 1676.

Covenant to settle and convey. – [1] John Ashe, junr.; [2] said John Ashe, John Ashe, senr., **Edmund Webb, Margery Webb** and John Methuen – 10 June 1690.

Grant in Fee to John Ashe. –[1] John Methuen and **Edmund Webb**; [2] John Ashe, son and heir of James Ashe; [3] Elizabeth Parker of Frenches, Surrey, widow, James Ashe of Heywood, Wilts, gent., and Sarah Ashe, the only surviving younger children of James Ashe. Witnesses – John Hollis, Wm. White, George Thomas, Martha Puttit, Samuel W. Sadler – 9 and 10 Feb. 1691.

Great Yeamead

Demise for 1,000 years by Wm. Hall of Melksham, cooper, to **Robt. Webb** of Melksham, clothier – 27 march 1678.

Conveyance by John Gerish of Shawe, yeoman, to **Margaret Webb**, widow. Witnesses – Chas. Hanner, Jacob Selfe, Wm. Pepper – 6 and 7 Jan. 1684.

Caton Remnell, Wilts.

Conveyance. –[1] Wm. Stump, Geo. Fry, Richd. Awbrey, Isaac Light, Thomas Stump; [2] Robert Hill of Coldaston, Gloucester, yeoman, James Hill of Coldaston his brother. Messuage with lands in Caton Remnell. Witnesses – **Wm. Webb, Nicholas Webb**, Joshua Hillingham – 11 April 1648.

Smith's Diary

“Saturday 3rd. **Mr. Webb** of Farley was with me in Business 3 or 4 Hours this afternoon, and besides I had no Company.”

“Saturday 8th. After dinner I went to **Mr. Webb's** of Farley, and was with him Mr. Seymour, and Harris ye Apothecary 2 or 3 Hours.”

“Wednesday 9th. Early this Morning I call'd on **Mr. Webb** at Farley in Business, from thence I went to my Coz. Smithe's of Littleton having Business with him likewise, and took my Dinner there, afterwards call'd on my Mother at Bath, and stay'd 2 Hours or more, so 'twas near ten when I return'd.”

“Wednesday, 16th. Hearing last night that my Mother was taken ill at Bath I went to that Place this Morning after I had called at **Mr. Webb's** and found my Mother indeed very ill but not so bad as I expected and I hope yt. by due means she will get over it for as we suppose tis the Gouty Humour in the Stomach wch. Yesterday began to remove; I tarri'd some little time at Farley at my Return in Business, and had some Disturbance afterwards in my Road Home.

“Friday, 18th. In the Afternoon I attempted to go out a Setting but was beaten off by the Rain, and in the Evening **Mr. Webb** of Farley was with me in Business.”

"Munday, 21st. About 8 this Morning **Mr. Webb** call'd on me to go with him to Reading to have the Mortgage of Muckton Farley Estate assign'd to me from one Mr. Whistler a Gent. in ye neighbourhood: we called at Marlborough where I saw Watty in good Health and proceeded on our journey to Newbury thro ye Rain and lodg'd there."

"Wednesday, Aug. 23rd. At 7 this Morning we left our Quarters and called at Woolhampton to se a Nursery Garden, where **Mr. Webb** bought many trees and Plants to a great Value, which detained us till near three, so we could come no further to lodge than Ramsbury."

"Thursay, 24th. Not very early we took Horse for Home and came to Shaw by two or there about, **Mr. Webb** tarried with me an Hour or two and took his leave."

"Saturday, 2nd. Having some business I din'd with **Mr. Webb** at Farley and in the Evening made use of my Setter in my Way Home."

"Wednesday 4th. Having some business with **Mr. Webb** I went to Farley, who not being Home I went to Ford where he was with some Workmen, and from thence to Clarken Down where was a Purse of L40 to be furn for: and having seen the Race with, was perform'd at 2 Heats, the same Horse gaining both. I return'd to Monkton Farley with **Mr. Webb**, and from thence Home about 9-10."

"Friday 6th. After Dinner I call'd on **Mr. Webb** at Farley to go with me to Ford Farm to see an Horse, and we were there entertain'd by Mr. Godding [who was very pressing with us to tarry longer] till Seven, so came Home by Night. Mr. Earnly of Whetham was here in my Absence."

"Wednseday 3rd. All the Company abovemention'd din'd with me and also Doctr. Avery, Mr. Norris the Clergyman, **Mr. Webb** of Farley, and Mr. Jacob Selfe; the dancing went on again and all stay'd till after one, **Mr. Webbe** and Mr. Thresher all Night; I hope nothing was done but what will find pardon through the Merits of our Blessed Redemer."

"Tuesday 8th. Mr. Harris ye Apothecary din'd th us and in ye Evening **Mr. Webb** of Farley was with us about an Hour."

"Thursday 17th. After Dinner being better then I had been some Days, I went to **Mr. Webb's** of Farley in Business, tarried there an Hour or two and return'd to my Family."

"Thursday 24th. After Breakfast, I, my two Kinsmen and Son rode to Farley to see the Buildings, &c., there **Mr. Webb** not being at Home after Viewing all Parts and taking a Glass of Liquor, we return'd to Dinner and had no other Company all the Day, sp spent the Evening at Cards, &c."

"Saturday 23rd. At two this Morning was call'd up, where at my coming down Staires I found **Mr. Webb**, Nephew to him of Farley of the same Name, in an extream necessitous Condition, having spent his whole Substance and is in want of all Necessarys of Life perfectly, not being now above 6 or 7 and twenty, a great Example of profligate base Temper, he now coming in a begging Manner: but could have but little time with him ye Coach being ready; baited at Windsor, din'd at Reading, and came safe to Newbury at 7."

"Wednseday 6th. I was about my own affaires in the Morning and din'd at Home; afterwards went to **Mr. Webb** of Farley to speak to him of his Kinsman Robt., who having squander'd away all his Fortune, is in London in a very necessitous Condition."

"Thursday 24th. After Dinner I had Bro. Selfe, Mr. Methuen, and two Mr. Jacob Selfe's with, me 'till after ten, in wch. time some of us were too free with the Glass. **Joseph Webb** that was late of Melkesham, and another Person with him said to [be] a Sea Captain, coming to speak with. Mr. Selfe were with. us some little time."

"Saturday 2nd. **Mr. Webb** sending me word yesterday whilst Mr. Horton was with. me yt. he and Mr. Seymour would be with. me this Afternoon, I asked that Gent. to meet them, and accordingly were all here 'till Evening."

“Thursday 7th. After Dinner I went to Mr. Horton’s of Broughton where I met Mr. Seymour and Mr. Webb. We tarri’d ‘till the Evening, Mr. Seymour going off first by reason of the Water he being forc’d to go over in a Boat from Monkton. We had very little talk of any thing but comon matters.”

“Friday 22nd. After Dinner I went to Mr. Webb’s of Farley, the Report being that the House had been search’d for Armes, at my coming there I found one Mr. Gibbs that is Mayor of Westbury an a Farmer that had taken part of Mr. Webb’s Estate and Mr. Webb told me the Day before Mr. Duckett had been there with a Warrant sign’d by himself, Mr. Montague, and Mr. Long of Rowdon three Justices and Deputy Lieutenants to search. Mr. Duckett come in a very civil Manner and so behav’d himself whilst there, he is also a Collonel of the Militia. The groud of this Matter was that one Jno. Taylor, a Woolcomber of Melkesham made Oath before Mr. Montague that he heard another Person, viz: one Ealy that is a Cloath worker also in this Parish say that he saw armes enough for 500 Men in Mr. Webb’s House. We had some Talk wth. Pleasure of the Matter and I return’d in the Evening. It is to be noted that the Government has had some Notice of Plots of Conspiracies now or lately on Foot and so has ordered all the Forces to encamp in several places, as in Hide-park, by Salisbury, on Hounslow-heath, near Hungerford, and in our Neighbourhood by Chippenham in several small Encampments.”

“Munday 15th. Captn. Selfe call’d on me in the Morning by appointt. And we went to Mr. Horton’s of Broughton, who was just before gone with Mr. Lucas Selfe, Mr. Wallis, and the Professor of Anatomy to Holt Wells, where we came to them, and after tasting the Waters there, went to do the like at a Well of MR. Horton’s by Bourghton-Wood, and so to Dinner with that Gent. where my Daughter Peggy was before with Miss Bennet and Miss Horton. She stay’d all Night and I till near ten. We had also Mr. Seymour and Mr. Webb with us at Dinner; the former of the two left us before Night. What news was talk’s of was of the Parliament and the King’s Speech to them on Thursday last.”

“Wednesday 17th. After Dinner I went to Mr. Webb’s of Farley, and was with him till the Evening. Mr. White the Minister of the Parish being with us some time.”

“Friday 19th. Being invited to dine with Mr. Wallis, I went to Luckman with Capt. Jacob Selfe; the Company besides were Mr. Webb of Farley, Mr. Horton of Broughton, Mr. Goddard of Rudley who came accidentally, and Mr. Rolfe before mention’d. I tarri’d there all Night without any intemperance, more than sitting up after my customary time. We had some talk of the Ks. Speech and Address of ye Lords, at the opening of the new Parliamt. The imprison’d Lords and the Suspension of the Habeas Corpus Act, now an foot or done, &c.”

“Through the marriage of Margery Ashe with Edmund Webb of Rodborne Cheney [Charter 487, 489-492] it will be seen that the Ashes, the Methuens and the A’Courts [as well as the Thackerays] all became connected with the famous fighting General, John Richmond Webb, who lies at Luggershall, of which they may be justly proud, if most of what is said of him be true: and a good deal concerning him [1704-1708] will be found in Thackeray’s ‘Esmond.’”

“Robert Hyde was returned as member for Wilts on 10th April 1722, and Richard Goddard of Swindon was returned on 6th November following ‘vice Hyde Esquire Decd.: in march General John Richmond ‘als’ Webb was returned for Ludgershall Borough, and in the same year no less than 5 Pitts for Sarum, all of them more or less we may suppose on their merits. ‘Tis true that in those good old times Parliamentary Candidates freely bribed with monies of their own – not, as in our own incorruptible and more righteous age, broadcast with the goods of others – but then they were not as yet unfathomly base enough to say or hint the thing that is not and treasonably bespatter their motherland with dirt for party gain and self aggrandizement.”

New Zealand

Christchurch, New Zealand Webb Deaths – Born Before 1910

Alex John Webb d. June 27, 1900, age 28, b. NZ	Linwood
Alfred Webb d. May 12, 1926, age 80, b. England, Carter	Bromley
Alfred Russell Webb d. May 24, 1894, age 63, b. England, in NZ 30 yrs, accountant	Linwood
Alfred Francis Webb d. Apr 9, 1935, age 55, b. CC NZ, Bootmaker	Sydenham
Arthur Henry Webb d. Aug 10, 1928, age 71, b. England, Builder	Sydenham
Charles Webb d. Sept 4, 1892, age 48, b. England, in NZ 6 yrs	Linwood
Charles Henry Webb d. Feb 17, 1898, b. NZ, Labourer	Sydenham
Christina Eliza Webb d. Aug 12, 1920, age 44, b. NZ	Bromley
Clara Webb d. June 21, 1941, age 83, b. England, in NZ 82 yrs	Sydenham
Edith Elizabeth Webb d. May 25, 1917, age 27, b. NZ, married	Linwood
Eleanor Champion Webb d. June 6, 1939, age 59, b. NZ, widow	Bromley
Elizabeth Webb d. Nov 1, 1925, age 83, b. England, in NZ 47 yrs	Bromley
Elizabeth Ann Webb d. June 30, 1917, age 59, b. England, in NZ 56 yrs	Linwood
Ellen Webb d. Aug 31, 1942, age 85, b. Trowbridge UK, in NZ 63 yrs, widow	Sydenham
Emily Beard Webb d. Mar 23, 1958, age 91, b. Gloucestershire, Eng, in NZ 75 yrs, widow	Ruru Lawn
Emma Webb d. Nov 3, 1963, age 80, b. Canada, in NZ 55 yrs, widow	Ruru Lawn
Ernest Courtney Webb d. June 27, 1957, age 84, b. Akaroa, NZ, farmer	Ruru Lawn
Frank Edward Webb d. Oct 15, 1918, age 37, b. NZ, Dentist	Linwood
Frank William Webb d. Nov 24, 1942, age 78, b. London, Eng, in NZ 55 yrs, Storekeeper	Ruru Lawn
Frederick Henry Webb d. Aug 9, 1952, age 82, b. London, Eng, in NZ 30 yrs, Tramway	Ruru Lawn
George C. Webb d. Oct 5, 1933, age 62, b. CC NZ, Clerk	Bromley
Henry Peacock Webb d. Oct 27, 1920, age 60, b. Sydney Australia, in NZ 3 yrs, Civil Eng	Bromley
Henry Walter Webb d. Sept 14, 1932, age 74, b. Tasmania Aust, in NZ 50 yrs, Upholsterer	Bromley
Isabella Webb d. Jan 17, 1931, age 79, b. England, in NZ 18 yrs, widow	Bromley
Isabella Webb d. Dec 7, 1925, age 73, b. CC NZ, married	Bromley
James Arthur Webb d. May 20, 1955, b. Acton, England, in NZ 45 yrs, Ship Steward	Ruru Lawn
Jean Webb d. Apr 20, 1951, age 72, b. Southbridge NZ, married	Sydenham
Joseph Skottowe Webb d. Mar 17, 1931, age 70, b. Dunedin, retired	Sydenham
Julia Kate Webb d. Oct 9, 1907, age 60, b. England, housewife	Linwood
Leonard Arthur Webb d. July 20, 1943, age 56, b. Christchurch, Warehouse Manager	Ruru Lawn
Lilian Webb d. Dec 21, 1928, age 50, b. England, married	Sydenham
Lillian Ruth Webb d. Feb 18, 1966, age 73, b. Christchurch, spinster	Sydenham
Lily Marian Webb d. Apr 23, 1935, age 50, b. England, in NZ 32 yrs, married	Bromley
Louisa Rose Webb d. Feb 28, 1924, age 44, b. NZ, married	Bromley
Mabel Agnes Webb d. Dec 3, 1954, age 62, b. Christchurch, widow	Sydenham
Margaret Webb d. Oct 11, 1917, age 70, b. England, in NZ 4 yrs, widow	Linwood
Margaret Webb d. Jan 17, 1932, age 51, b. Christchurch, married	Bromley
Mary Webb d. Mar 12, 1956, age 73, b. Christchurch, widow	Ruru Lawn
Mary Webb d. Oct 27, 1926, age 45, b. Little River NZ, married	Bromley
Mary Ann Webb d. June 29, 1936, age 82	Addington
Mary Ann Webb d. Sept 3, 1887, age 67	Addington
Mary Edith Webb d. Apr 27, 1946, age 78, b. Auckland NZ, spinster	Linwood
Mary Russell Webb d. Nov 1, 1920, age 76, b. Ionian Isles, widow	Linwood
May Gertrude Webb d. Aug 9, 1958, age 63, b. London, England, married	Ruru Lawn
Michael George Webb d. Aug 14, 1964, age 68	Yaldhurst
Patrick Charles Webb d. Mar 23, 1950, age 66, b. Victoria, Australia, Retired Co. Director	Bromley

Richard Charles Webb d. Oct 23, 1944, age 67, b. Soutbridge NZ, invalid	Linwood
Richard Edgar Webb d. Sept 10, 1928, age 34, b. Christchurch, Slaughterman	Bromley
Richard Thomas Webb d. May 30, 1915, age 75, b. Ascension Island, in NZ 40 yrs, retired	Linwood
Rose Webb d. Feb 21, 1898, age 52, b. Ireland, in NZ 39 yrs	Linwood
Ruth Webb d. June 8, 1911, age 58, b. England, in NZ 30 yrs, housewife	Linwood
Samuel John Webb d. Sept 23, 1956, 86 yrs, b. Devonshire, Eng, in NZ 63 yrs, Missionary	Bromley
Sarah Webb d. Mar 13, 1897, age 73, b. England, in NZ 40 years	Linwood
Sarah Ann Webb d. June 16, 1935, age 60, b. Christchurch, spinster	Bromley
Susan Best Webb d. May 29, 1921, age 87, b. England, yrs in NZ 40, widow	Bromley
Thomas Webb d. Oct 8, 1883, age 58	Addington
Thomas Webb d. July 11, 1903, age 97	Addington
Thomas Arthur Webb d. Oct 4, 1945, age 56, Labourer	Bromley
Thomas Byam Webb d. Jan 4, 1928, age 84, b. Tasmania, Australia, Coach Painter	Bromley
Thomas Frederick Webb d. Nov 25, 1945, age 68 yrs, b. Christchurch, Retired Carrier	Ruru Lawn
Thomas Frederick Webb d. July 15, 1935, age 81 yrs	Addington
Victor Chas Webb d. Sept 15, 1958, age 61 yrs, b. Culworth Eng, in NZ 49 yrs, Fitter	Linwood
William Arthur Webb d. Aug 23, 1957, age 74 yrs, b. Christchurch, Builder	Bromley
William Ernest Webb d. June 10, 1936, age 54, b. Christchurch	Bromley
William Frederick Webb d. Feb 26, 1987, age 65, b. Christchurch, RT. Storeman	Sydenham
William Harry Walter Webb d. Apr 17, 1947, age 63, b. Melbourne Australia, Labourer	Bromley
William Henry Webb d. June 17, 1886, age 51, b. Laucenston, Tasmania, Compositor	Linwood
Wm Henry Herbert Webb d. Dec 12, 1973, age 82, b. Portsmouth, UK, Ret. Airman	Ruru Lawn

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Joseph Webb b. Birmingham, England to New Zealand

Joseph Webb, Farmer, Waihi Bush, Woodbury. Mr. Webb was born at West Bromich, near Birmingham, England. He emigrated to Victoria in 1854, and was on the Ballarat goldfields for six years. In 1860 he returned to England and was away from the colonies about twelve months. About the end of 1862 he came to New Zealand for the purpose of going to Otago goldfields, and was first at the Dunstan and subsequently at Bannockburn, Arrow, Shotover, and several other creeks and rivers leading into Lake Wakatipu. He came from Southland to Canterbury in 1867, and worked for a few years at Raukapuka Bush sawmills, Geraldine. In 1870 he entered into partnership with Mr. Penny. They took up and worked out a portion of the Waihi Bush which was then a miniature forest, but now consists only of small patches of scrub, which have been left to give shade and shelter to stock. Mr. Webb has 516 acres of well grassed land, which is devoted to the production of wool and mutton. For this purpose he uses crossbred ewes and Southdown rams. Mr. Webb has served on the local school committee, and he is a member of the cemetery and domain boards. He was married, in 1867, to Miss Ferguson, and they have **three sons** and four daughters.

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