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THE HAND FAMILY

"WE CAN live without dishonor, and to live without dishonor is to live with a high heart, and in such fashion that we shall not wince when we look back upon our past."

That is from "The Spirit of Liberty", a collection of papers and addresses of Learned Hand, published 1952. Learned Hand and his cousin, Augustus Noble Hand, served for over forty years as Judges in the Federal Court of Appeals. Both are descendants of John Hand who came from Kent in England to become a founder of East Hampton and of an illustrious American family. When Learned Hand retired as Chief Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit, he and his cousin, a member of that court, were honored at a dinner for one thousand members of the bar and judiciary, given at the Waldorf-Astoria, New York on Dec. 13, 1951 by the N.Y. County Lawyers' Association. Both are 9th generation descendants of the East Hampton Hands. One of the great judges has called himself "an Amagansett boy". Their great-grandfather, Capt. Samuel Hand, left Amagansett for Shoreham, Vermont in 1792.

Looking back over the Hand family history, the reader will find more reason for pride than for wincing.

Going over the records available here, it seems that a great number of Hands have taken to the law with notable success. They seem to have been good talkers in a less serious vein, as well. In his "Whale Fishery on Long Island", (1931) Harry D. Sleight tells of Nathan Pierson Hand of Sag Harbor who "won the annual medal of the Ananias Society, until barred on grounds of professionalism". Cap'n Hand sailed as cabin boy on the whaler William Tell, which was lost in the Arctic Ocean in 1859. What else he sailed on is not clear, but he collected whalers' logs and had the true old sailors' knack of yarn-spinning.

More adventure yarns, largely true, have come down about three Captains—all David Hand—than about any other three men of any one family in the Hamptons. They were father, son, and grandson, David 5th generation of Poxabogue, near Sagaponack whose tombstone is inscribed simply: "A Soldier of the Revolution"; David 6th of Sag Harbor who outlived five wives, served as both soldier and privateersman in the Revolution, and was the original of James Fenimore Cooper's character "Leatherstocking"; and David 7th, a whaler, who once fought a duel in South America with whaling irons. These three vivid personalities have become almost hopelessly confused by writers, down the years. Thanks to unremitting and painstaking research done by Louis Tooker Vail, a descendant of the picturesque Captain David 6th generation, the tales are

now attached to the right men in this Hand genealogy, (see The Poxabogue, Bridgehampton and Sag Harbor Hands.)

Mr. Vail has generously lent, for use in preparing this genealogy, two large manuscript volumes he has compiled over a long period of years; they include Connecticut and New Jersey and upstate Hands as well as those remaining in the Hamptons. The writer had already finished the Hand genealogy before seeing this work, or thought it finished; but invaluable additions and corrections have been made after consulting it.

The Hands, like so many of the pioneer families here, have thinned out in the past generation or so. Amagansett has a Hand Lane, but no residents bearing that name. There is a Hand's Creek at Northwest, and a Stephen Hand's Path leading from Wainscott. More Hands still live in Wainscott and Bridgehampton than in East Hampton village today.

Hand, as a family name, is Anglo-Saxon. As used in early England it meant handy, handsome, from a root signifying "to be strong, right, straight", to give a sense of fitness and beauty. It was once called "de Hande" but the "de" was dropped after 1300 by most of the family.

John Hand 1, one of the original grantees of East Hampton, was first of that family to come to America. He was born in Stanstede, County Kent, and owned land in the parishes of Tunbridge and Ashford, near Maidstone. The Hand coat of arms bears three hands; the motto is: "A hand to spare." John Hand came to America between 1630 and 1640 and in March, 1644, was in Southampton. In the spring of 1649 he was in East Hampton. He became one of the leading men of the new settlement. In 1657 he and Thomas Baker were sent to Hartford, Conn. as delegates, to bring East Hampton under that government; and also to take Goodwife Garlick to be tried on charges of witchcraft. She was acquitted.

JOHN HAND 1 was b. 1611 at Stanstede, Kent; d. in E.H. 1660. He m. Alice, dau. of Henry and Alice Gransden of Tunbridge, Kent; and in Tunbridge their first son John 2 was born Jan. 29, 1633/4. In 1635 they came, with the father of John 1, to America; going first to Lynn, Mass. then to Southampton. The father returned to England to obtain his property and was murdered on the high seas on his way back to America. The earliest recorded writing of John Hand from E.H. is a letter dated Oct. 31, 1649 regarding some lands in Stanstede, Kent. Children b. in America were: Stephen 2 b. 1635, Mary 2 b. 1636 (who m. abt. 1657 Charles Barnes, s. of William Barnes of East Windsor, Norfolk, England; Charles was the first school teacher in E.H.), Joseph 2 b. 1638 (who settled in Guilford, Conn. 1662), Shamgar 2 b. abt. 1642, Benjamin 2 b. abt. 1644, Thomas 2 b. 1646 to 1650, James 2 b. abt. 1651, Alice 2. Alice, widow of John 1, m. 2nd., 1662 or 1663, Capt. Edward Codnor of Saybrook, Conn. She may have m. 3d. William Shipman of Saybrook, Conn. There has been some confusion about the surname of the wife of John Hand 1, because the latter referred, in his Will, to Josiah Stanborough as "brother". Actually it meant brother-in-law, for Alice's sister Frances was first wife of Josiah Stanborough who settled in Sagaponack. The inventory of property of John Hand 1 mentions the home lot, mill lot, Nor'west Meadow, 1 Great Bible, 2 small Bibles, 1 "psalme booke" and one other "litell book."

JOHN 2* b. in England Jan. 29, 1633/4, rem. from E.H. after 1663, perhaps to Richmond, Mass., and d. before 1687. There is no documentary proof that he ever married.

*On Dec. 7, 1663 he quit-claims to his mother all rights to land in Tunbridge and Ashford, England.

Benjamin 2, Shamgar 2, and Thomas 2 helped settle Cape May, N.J. Joseph 2 became ancestor to the New England branch. Stephen 2 and James 2 were the only sons to remain in East Hampton and continue the family name here.

STEPHEN 2* of E.H. b. 1635 d. April 15, 1693, was named in the Indian deed for E.H., 1660. He m. 1st abt. 1660 Sarah, dau. of John and Sarah Bancroft Stratton; she d. by 1684; he m. 2nd. (probably) his 1st wife's sister, Rebecca Stratton Bushnell; she m. 3d., 1694, John Meigs of Guilford, Conn. Stephen Hand 2 had ch.: Stephen 3 b. 1661, Joseph 3 b. 1664, (who rem. to N.J. and d. 1713), Samuel 3 b. abt. 1665, and five daus., probably Abigail 3 who m. Nov. 30, 1696 Jacob Griswold of Guilford, Conn.; Elizabeth 3 b. abt. 1668-72, d. 1711, (who m. Daniel Osborn 3, s. of Thomas and Mary Bond Osborn; Daniel m. 2nd. Nov. 3, 1712, Elizabeth, probably dau. of Stephen Hedges); Sarah 3 (who m. Thomas Howell of Bridgehampton), Esther 3 (who m. Samuel Mulford), and another.

*It must have been Stephen Hand 2 for whom Stephen Hand's Path was named. On Nov. 3, 1668, he granted the Town of E.H. leave to put a highway through his woodland, 12 feet wide, "only to drive carts and oxen in yoake & to ride & lead a horse through; not to drive cattle through out of yoake". Stephen 2 was Constable 1674 and 1680 and in 1683 was chosen one of a committee to join Southampton in selecting a representative for the First Colonial Assembly under Governor Dongan.

JOSEPH 2* of Guilford, Conn. b. 1638, d. Jan. 1724, m. Jane, dau. Benjamin and Jane Meigs Wright, she b. 1644, d. Dec. 1724; ch. Sarah 3, b. 1665 (who m. Samuel Munger Oct. 1, 1688).

*Joseph Hand 2 is ancestor of Mrs. James M. Perkins of Amagansett, b. Catherine Howard Wilcox; she has lent the writer "Fifty Puritan Ancestors" by Elizabeth Todd Nash, 1902, which includes this branch. The old Hand homestead in East Guilford, Conn., now called Madison, is still in the family. Information on this branch is also in Louis T. Vail's mss. books. (For further data on this line see, later: "The Guilford, Conn. Hands.") One descendant, George E. Hand of Detroit, was Judge of the Supreme Court of Michigan.

SHAMGAR 2* b. 1640-42 probably at Lynn, Mass. rem. from E.H. before 1699 to Cape May, N.J. where he had bought 1,000 acres of land; he d. 1728. He m. Sarah Pierson of Southampton. He settled his son Josiah 3, b. abt. 1678, in 1699 at Poxabogue, near Bridgehampton; giving him land and tanyards. Shamgar 3 b. March 27, 1671 belongs to N.J. history.

*Col. Le Roy Barton of Port Washington, N.Y. has given information on the Poxabogue descendants of Shamgar 2 and has placed original documents in the Pennypacker L.I. Collection. See "Poxabogue, Bridgehampton, and Sag Harbor Hands" at the end of this genealogy.

BENJAMIN 2 b. abt. 1644, d. in Cape May, N.J.; m. Feb. 7, 1669 Elizabeth Whitehair (or Whittier) of Southampton; 9 ch.

THOMAS 2 b. Southampton 1646, d. Cape May Co., N.J., drowned Oct. 2, 1714; he m. 1st before 1687, Mary, dau. Capt. Thomas Talmage of E.H.; he m. 2nd. ———. Lived at Wainscott until abt. 1693; then rem. to Cape May where in 1695 he acquired 400 acres, and 1699, 340 acres. He was a whaler, one of a company that left Southampton and E.H. for the Cape May region around 1692

- and participated in the settlement of that region. Ch. Deborah 3, Alice 3, Prudence 3, John 3, Recompence 3, Isaac 3, Daniel 3, Jeremiah 3, Joseph 3, Thomas 3.
- JAMES 2 of E.H. b. 1651, d. Nov. 13, 1733, m. 1st Esther dau. Nathaniel Bishop, she b. 1660, d. May 2, 1704; he m. 2nd. Dec. 12, 1704, Elizabeth Dibble. He was grantee in deed from Thomas Hand in 1679, and 1697, and in 1712 granted to his s. Nathaniel land at Wainscott. Ch. James 3, b. 1680, d. 1761; Nathaniel 3 b. 1692, Mary 3 bapt. 1700, Elias 3 bapt. 1701, Esther 3 bapt. 1700, (probably) Jonathan 3.
- STEPHEN 3 (s. of Stephen 2) b. 1661 d. Nov. 13, 1740, in Wainscott by 1684, m. abt. 1686 Esther, dau. John Osborn of Wainscott; she b. March 1, 1666, d. Feb. 26, 1738; ch. Stephen 4, b. 1687, Daniel 4 b. 1689 d. Nov. 17, 1709, John 4 b. 1694, d. Feb. 18, 1755, Rebecca 4 (who m. 1716 John Osborn of Elizabethtown, N.J.), Abigail 4 bapt. 1701, (who m. Daniel Blakely of East Guilford, Conn.), Phebe 4 bapt. 1701 (who m. John Graves of Conn.), Lydia 4 bapt. 1701, d.y.; Pamela 4 bapt. 1706, (who drowned in Georgica Pond when a canoe overturned, Sept. 6, 1719); Mary 4 bapt. 1709 (who became 2nd wife of James Hand Jr.).
- SAMUEL 3 (s. of Stephen 2) b. abt. 1666-7, m. Elizabeth ——— ch. Stephen 4 b. 1690-92, d. May 10, 1743; Jonathan 4 b. 1705 d. 1755.
- JAMES 3 (s. of James 2) b. 1680 d. Oct. 20, 1761; m. twice; 1st w. d. June 17, 1727; m. 2nd 1728 Rebecca, dau. Lieut. John Wheeler, Jan. 11, 1728. (Deeded Wainscott land to son James 4, 1743, 1754; bought land of Samuel Russell 1732). Ch. by 1st w. James 4, b. 1705, Samuel 4 bapt. 1709, Ezekiel 4 b. 1711, Desire 4 b. 1713 d.y.; Mary 4 b. 1716 (who m. a Thorpe), a twin s. 4 d. 1716; Sarah 4, (who m. John Talmage, on Oct. 13, 1737 and d. April, 1784.) Ch. by 2nd w.: Jeremiah 4 b. 1729, Rebecca 4 bapt. 1735 (who m. a Hand) and Desire 4, d.y. Jeremiah 4 by his father's will dated Oct. 19, 1754, took the homestead. Samuel 4 by that time had grandchildren.
- NATHANIEL 3 (s. of James 2) b. 1692, m. 1706/7, Johanna Leek; ch. Elizabeth 4 bapt. 1708, Nathaniel 4 bapt. 1711, Elisheba 4 b. 1713.
- ELIAS 3 (s. of James 2, John 1) b. abt. 1700, m. 1st, Oct. 18, 1722, Esther, dau. Joseph and Mary Hedges Osborn who d. April 25, 1727; he m. 2nd Nov. 6, 1729, Experience, dau. Daniel Miller, she b. 1702; ch. Phebe 4, b. 1723, Lemuel 4, b. 1725, Elias 4, b. 1727 d. 1784, Jacob 4 b. 1733 d. Sept. 21, 1813, others d.y.
- JONATHAN 3 (s. of James 2 (probably)) b. 1694-96, m. ——— ch. Jonathan 4 d. inf., a son 4 d. 1759.
- STEPHEN 4 (s. of Stephen 3) b. 1687 d. 1762 m. abt. 1712 Martha Miller, she b. 1690 d. May 10, 1745; ch. Damaris 5 bapt. Dec. 27, 1713, d. Aug. 24, 1759 (who m. Jeremiah Talmage Nov. 10, 1737); Rebecca 5 bapt. Dec. 16, 1716 (who m. Gideon Riggs Dec. 21, 1842), Abigail 5 bapt. 1719, d.y., Martha 5 bapt. April 14, 1723, d. inf.; Stephen 5 bapt. Nov. 14, 1725.
- JOHN 4 (s. of Stephen 3) bapt. 1694, d. Feb. 18, 1755 m. 1st Dec. 17, 1717 Esther, dau. Lieut. Enoch and Miriam Burnett Fithian, she b. 1699 d. Oct. 24, 1720; m. 2nd abt. 1721, Hannah Leek; ch. Daniel 5 bapt. Oct. 30, 1720; John 5 bapt. 1723 d.y.; Esther 5 bapt. June 16, 1723, d.y.; Mary 5 bapt. 1725 d.y.; Phebe 5 bapt. Nov. 9, 1729 (who m. Hezekiah Hand Nov., 1754), Mary 5 again, bapt. 1729 d. 1788 (who m. Enos Talmage), John 5 again, bapt. about 1730, Esther 5 again, bapt. Jan. 4, 1733 d. Oct. 10, 1753; Henry 5 bapt. Jan. 12, 1735; Mercy 5 bapt. April 15, 1739.
- JAMES 4 of Wainscott (s. of James 3) b. 1705, bapt. 1709, d. Oct. 20, 1757, m. Nov. 13, 1735 Mary, dau. Stephen and Rebecca Hand. He bought land 1753 from Jacob Miller; 1728 from Hezekiah Miller; 1744 from John Merry; 1742 from Eliakim Conkling, and his father deeded him land in Wainscott, 1743 and 1754. Ch. Elizabeth 5, d. April 30, 1755, ae 19, Jemima 5 b. 1738, James 5 b. June 16, 1742, (he was left all of his father's lands.)

- CAPT. SAMUEL 4 (s. of James 3) b. abt. 1700-02, bapt. Oct. 1709, d. 1746, m. about 1738 Elizabeth, dau. of Ammi Ruhama Ruscoe (Roscoe) and Elizabeth Halsey, she b. Aug. 12, 1718 d. Jan. 30, 1789. Ch. Nathaniel 5 b. April 7, 1739; Abraham 5 b. about 1741, Esther 5 b. May 7, 1743 (who m. Timothy Edwards;); Silas 5 and Nathan 5 b. May 14, 1747 (posthumous son). Capt. Samuel Hand was drowned in a tanner's vat at Soak Hides, Three Mile Harbor. The widow Elizabeth taught school in E.H. after his death; she m. 2nd. David Conklin by whom she had s. David who rem. to Dutchess Co., N.Y.; she m. 3rd Christopher Dibble. She survived him and died at the home of her son Nathaniel who lived in Amagansett, where she was long remembered as Granny Dibble.
- EZEKIEL 4 of E.H. (s. of James 3, 2) b. 1711 d. Feb. 13, 1781, m. Dec. 14, 1737 Joanna, dau. Hezekiah Miller; ch. Ezekiel 5, (who rem. to Brookhaven, L.I.), Hezekiah 5, Samuel 5 b. 1761 (who rem. to Brookhaven, L.I.), Experience 5, Phebe 5, Elizabeth 5 (who m. Jacob Hicks and rem. to Sag Harbor).
- JEREMIAH 4 of Wainscott (s. of James 3, 2) bapt. Feb. 23, 1728/9 d. Nov. 19, 1790, m. Mary Squires Sept. 20, 1750; inherited the homestead in his father's Will.
- CAPT. ELIAS 4 (s. of Elias 3) b. 1727, d. 1784, was Captain of a company in the French and Indian Wars and took part in the capture of Fort Ticonderoga under General Abercrombie, and of Crown Point under Gen. Amherst, in 1757. He raised his company in and around E.H. m. (probably) Elizabeth, dau. John and Rachel Dayton Dimon; ch. Elias 5 bapt. 1761, Martha 5 bapt. 1763, Aaron 5 bapt. 1768 and others.
- JACOB 4 (s. of Elias 3) b. 1733, d. at Montauk (buried 1st house Cemetery) Sept. 21, 1813, m. 1753 Abigail, dau. William and Ruth Hedges Conklin; she b. Jan. 22, 1734, d. Oct. 13, 1805; Ch. Esther 5 b. 1755 (who m. Gillum Case), Jerusha 5 bapt. Nov. 8, 1761, Jared 5 b. 1762, Betsy 5 b. 1772 (who m. Henry, s. of Nathaniel and Esther Osborn Baker), Beulah 5 b. 1770 d. March 23, 1829 unmd.
- DANIEL 5 (s. of John 4, Stephen 3, 2, John 1) bapt. 1720 d. Dec. 23, 1775 m. abt. 1742 Sarah Pierson b. 1722 d. Aug. 26, 1759; ch. Daniel 6 of Bridgehampton bapt. Aug. 12, 1744, d. 1841; a dau. 6 bapt. 1750; Sylvanus 6 bapt. Jan. 25, 1753, and others.
- JOHN 5 (s. of John 4, Stephen 3) bapt. 1723, m. 1st Dec. 3, 1750 Rebecca, dau. James Hand, she b. 1733 d. Oct. 21, 1775; he m. 2nd Abigail ——— who d. Dec. 2, 1781 ae 20; Ch. Jehiel 6 bapt. Jan. 25, 1753, John 6 bapt. Sept. 30, 1754, d. in Cuba May 29, 1809; Joseph 6 b. Dec. 20, 1755; Rebecca 6 b. 1757; Esther 6 bapt. June 29, 1760; Jemima 6 b. 1762; Mary 6 bapt. Jan. 1764, d. inf.; Jeremiah 6 b. 1765, Phebe 6 b. 1767 d.y.; Reuben 6 b. 1770; Aaron 6 b. 1773, Israel 6 b. 1776 d.y.; dau. 6 bapt. Dec. 24, 1781.
- HENRY 5 (s. of John 4) bapt. Jan. 12, 1735 had s. bapt. Aug. 23, 1762.
- JAMES 5* of Wainscott, (s. of James 4, James 3, James 2, John 1) b. June 16, 1742, m. Mar. 17, 1764 Rebecca Chase of Nantucket who d. Nov. 18, 1805. Ch. James 6 b. Feb. 28, 1765 d. Nov. 25, 1828; Ruel 6 b. June 15, 1767 d. Oct. 17, 1794; Mary 6 b. Feb. 17, 1770 (who m. Oct. 4, 1794 Thomas Filer and d. May 18, 1824;); Zimri 6 b. Nov. 17, 1772 d. at Sag Harbor March 18, 1814; Ahira 6 d. at Sag Harbor May 20, 1854 ae 74.
- *J. Howard Hand of Wainscott, who lives on property that has never been out of the Hand name since the original grant, has among other old deeds one for the sale of land to James Hand, weaver.
- NATHANIEL 5* (s. of James 4, 3, 2) of Amagansett, b. April 7, 1739, d. Sept. 24, 1824; m. 1763 Esther, dau. Samuel and Zerviah Conklin Mulford b. April 27, 1743, d. Feb. 25, 1823. Ch. Esther 6 bapt. March 5, 1764, (who m. Benjamin Conkling; mother of Judge Alfred and grandmother of U.S. Senator Roscoe Conkling.) Elizabeth 6 b. July 20, 1766 (who m. Nathaniel Bunce of Smith-

town, L.I.,) Mary 6 b. June 6, 1769, d. Jan. 28, 1859, (who m. John Saxton of Smithtown); Mulford 6 b. Jan. 24, 1772, d. 1855; Rebecca 6 b. Aug. 12, 1774, d. July 12, 1864 (who m. David Conkling of Amagansett); Nathaniel 6 b. Jan. 26, 1776 (bapt. 1781), d. 1862.

*Nathaniel 5 was 2nd Lieut., Capt. Ezekiel Mulford's Company in the Revolution. Nathaniel 5 kept slaves; a servant woman and child were baptized—both Sarah—July, 1784; another ch. Clara May 20, 1788. (Dr. Finch's papers) E.H. Town Records; 1806, Nathaniel Hand's slave had a child. Marcus Hand (1825–1913) said that even in his father's time (Nathaniel, 1781–1861) the family kept slaves—six men and three women, and had bondservants besides.

ABRAHAM 5* of E.H. (s. of Capt. Samuel 4, James 3) b. 1741 m. 1st Elizabeth Hedges; m. 2nd Esther Hedges; both daus. of Abraham and Esther Miller Hedges. Ch. Abraham 6, b. 1766, Eleazer 6 b. 1768, d. March 9, 1844; and possibly Ruth 6 b. Sept. 9, 1793, d. Sept. 24, 1854.

*He signed the Association in 1775, in Sept. 1776 took his family to Saybrook, Conn. and served in the Revolution there.

NATHAN 5* (s. of Capt. Samuel 4) of Amagansett b. May 14, 1747, d. at Shoreham, Vt., May 26, 1811, m. Anna, dau. Capt. Isaac and Hannah Conkling Barnes; ch. Samuel 6 bapt. Amagansett, 1769, Isaac Barnes 6, Nancy 6 bapt. 1774, Frances 6 bapt. 1777, Hannah 6 bapt. 1780, Augustus 6, Julia 6, bapt. 1780, Nathan 6 bapt. 1791, and Henry 6.

*He served in Capt. Ezekiel Mulford's company in the Revolution. After the war he kept the sheep at Montauk.

Judge Henry P. Hedges' history (1897) gives details of the background of two famous present-day members of the bar—Learned Hand, retired Chief Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 2nd Circuit, and Judge Augustus Noble Hand, his cousin, a member of that court. He says, of Nathan Hand 5: His narrow means induced him to emigrate, in 1792, to Shoreham, Vt. on the eastern shore of Lake Champlain, opposite Ft. Ticonderoga. The new wheat-bearing region had been made familiar to Capt. Barnes (his father-in-law) by his service in the French war. He bought the 200-acre "Herrick Farm". Later, because of infirm health he, Nathan 5, transferred his affairs to his eldest son, but was zealous in building up the church of which he was deacon. Of his ch. Isaac Barnes 6 m. Lucinda, dau. of Capt. Danes of Sag Harbor and rem. to Albany, and d. there 1810; Nancy 6 m. Capt. Wm. Clark and resided with him in Brooklyn where she d. June 23, 1850; Hannah 6 m. Abraham Bishop of Conn. and d. March 9, 1813; Augustus 6 m. Sarah Herbert Post and d. at Ferrisburg, Vt., April, 1851. He had a varied career as shipmaster and merchant and finally as farmer. One of his sons, Augustus 7, was a physician at Morris, Illinois. Julia 6 m. Erastus Barnum and d. at Shoreham Feb. 14, 1855; Nathan 6 d. July 4, 1812; Henry 6 d. in childhood.

CAPT. SAMUEL 6 b. 1769 (eldest son of Deacon Nathan 5) became at an early age mate of the ship of which his brother-in-law, Capt. Clark, was master and part owner. He was largely instrumental in the change of residence of his father from E.H. Township to Shoreham. In association with Capt. Sherman (who afterward established the 1st line of steamboats on Lake Champlain) he planned and prepared for an extensive business upon and along the Hudson River, but abandoned these plans at the summons of his father, and thereafter devoted himself to the care of the latter and of the Shoreham farm. When the British military and naval forces threatened the valley of Lake Champlain during the War of 1812, he marched to Plattsburg in command of about 192 men, and his company is said to have included every able-bodied man in the town. He married March 4, 1801, Elizabeth, b. 1782, d. 1859, dau. of Rev. Richard Sill of Granville, Washington Co., and d. at Shoreham Sept. 13, 1845. Their ch. were Rich-

ard C. 7, Augustus C. 7, Nancy Augusta 7, Susan Amelia 7, Eliza Ann 7, and Harriet 7.

REV. RICHARD C. 7 b. Jan. 21, 1802 m. twice but survived wife and ch. and d.s.p. at his home in Brooklyn, July, 1870.

AUGUSTUS C. 7 b. Sept. 9, 1803 m. 1829, Marcia Salome, dau. Samuel Northrup and d. March 8, 1878, in Elizabethtown, N.Y. Educated under the private tutelage of professors of Middlebury College and at the law school of Prof. Gould of Litchfield, Conn. he was admitted to the bar 1830. He established his office at Crown Point, Essex Co. on Lake Champlain but rem. to Elizabethtown the county seat on his appointment as Surrogate April 15, 1831. He was elected to Congress 1838, but shared the general defeat of his party 1840. In 1844 he was elected to the old Senate of the State when that body (with certain judges) constituted the Court of Final Appeal. As Senator, he was chairman of the judiciary committee which, in 1847, framed the legislation requisite to adapt the administration of justice to the new constitution of 1846. Among the labors of his committee was the division of the State into 8 judicial districts, a division which has never since been disturbed. He was one of the Judges first elected to the Supreme Court, as reorganized by this constitution, and served for 8 years, from 1847 to 1855, the last year of such service being as a member of the Court of Appeals. The purity, integrity, and devotion to duty, which characterized his judicial career, were recognized and respected throughout the State but the sudden uprising of what was known as the "Know-Nothing" party, and the violence of political feeling led to his retirement from the bench. Thereafter until his death he continued the practice of his profession at Elizabethtown. Ch. of Judge Augustus C. 7 were Clifford 8, Samuel 8, Ellen 8, Marcia 8 and Richard 8. The three sons were all grad. from Union College, Schenectady, and all followed the profession of their father. Clifford became a member of the bar of N.Y. City; Richard Lockhart succeeded to his father's office and practice at Elizabethtown. (Judge Hedges continued to say) and is, 1897, one of the most eminent advocates of Northern New York.

SAMUEL 8 b. Elizabethtown May 1, 1833, d. May 21, 1886, rem. to Albany where he became junior partner in a law firm. In Jan. 1865, upon the elevation of his partner Judge Porter to the bench, he began his career as advocate before the Court of Appeals. He attained front rank in his profession; he repeatedly declined important offices, tendered him by Govs. Tilden, Robinson and Cleveland, respectively, but in 1878 he became Judge of the Court of Appeals by the unsolicited appointment of Gov. Robinson. This appointment was welcomed as an ideal one by the press of both parties, in all parts of the state. The hostility of Tammany Hall to the Governor and his friends was, however, so bitter that the name of Judge Hand was withdrawn from the nominating convention of his party, and at the end of the year 1878 he left the bench and resumed his position at the bar. He was an accomplished scholar, not only in his profession but in the general field of science and literature. He d. at his residence in Albany and was survived by his w. Lydia Coit Learned whom he had m. 1863, she b. Lockport, N.Y. July 22, 1839; also by ch. Lydia 9, (w. of Dr. Henry Hun,) and (Billings) Learned 9, b. Albany, Jan. 27, 1872.

JUDGE (BILLINGS) LEARNED 9 b. Jan. 27, 1872, ed. Harvard, Phi Beta Kappa, degrees Yale, U. of P., Amherst, Princeton, Dartmouth; N.Y. bar since 1897; Judge U.S. Circuit Court, 2nd. Circuit since Dec. 1924, m. Dec. 6, 1902 Frances Amelia Fincke. Ch. Mary Deshon 10 b. March 28, 1905, (who m. Norris Darrell;) Frances Lydia 10 b. April 9, 1907, (who m. Robert Munro Ferguson;) and Constance 10, b. July 21, 1909, (who m. Newbold Morris.)

JUDGE AUGUSTUS NOBLE 9 (s. of Richard Lockhart 8) b. Elizabethtown, N.Y., July 26, 1869, ed. Harvard, degrees Middlebury, Williams, U. of Pa., Yale; practiced law N.Y. since 1895, Judge U.S. Circuit Court since 1927. m. Susan Train Aug. 5, 1899, ch. Serena 10, (who m. William Lyttleton Savage.)

JARED 5 (s. of Jacob 4) b. 1762, m. 1st Lucretia Hedges b. 1763, d. Oct. 20, 1786, buried 1st house Cemetery, Montauk; m. 2nd Beulah Hedges who d. March 23, 1828, ae 58; 2 ch. by 2nd w.—Beulah 6 (who m. 1st Nathaniel Hunting;) Lucretia 6 (who m. George Harris of Greenport, L.I.).

DANIEL 6* Revolutionary War hero, (s. of Daniel 5, John 4) bapt. 1744 d. 1841 m. 1st Elizabeth, dau. Timothy Miller of E.H., m. 2nd Ann Scott of Bridgehampton, who d. 1830 ae 84; and rem. to Richmond, Berkshire Co., Mass., in 1762.

*Daniel Hand 6 was honored in 1929 by Berkshire Co. Chapter, Sons of American Revolution, at unveiling of a tablet over his grave in the Richmond Cemetery. It was donated by his great-grandson William Scott Lyon of Washington, D.C. Mrs. Jessie Nichols Mace of Richmond, Mass., another descendant, lived 1929 on the place bought by Daniel Hand in 1762. The tablet is dedicated to: "Daniel Hand, 1744–1841, served as minute man in the Revolutionary War at Boston, Albany, Saratoga, Bennington, Ticonderoga, Stillwater." Mr. Hand went to sea for seven years at the age of fifteen; during two of these years he was impressed in the British Navy.

JOHN 6 (s. of John 5, 4, Stephen 3) b. in E.H. Sept. 1754, d. May 30, 1809, m. 1778 Mary Jones of E.H.; he left L.I. for Conn. in Sept. 1776 and after the Revolution rem. to Athens, Greene Co., N.Y. and carried on a trade between there and Cuba. During one of these trips he died in Cuba. Being a Protestant, burial was not allowed on the Island, (so the story has come down in the family) but on account of his popularity, burial was allowed on the shore between low and high water mark. Ch.: Alfred 7 b. Jan. 1, 1784 d. May 22, 1845; Elisha J. 7 b. July 8, 1790, d. April 7, 1863; Cynthia 7 b. April 18, 1793 (who m. John Thomas Dayton of E.H., see Dayton genealogy), Betsey G. 7 b. Jan. 18, 1796, Ezra 7 b. Aug. 9, 1799, d. at Honesdale, Pa. (who had a s. Judge Alfred Hand of Scranton, Pa.).

JOSEPH 6 (s. of John 5, 4) b. 1755, served in Revolution from Bridgehampton. JEREMIAH 6 (s. of John 5, 4, Stephen 3) b. 1765 m. a Talmage, rem. to Bath-on-Hudson abt. 1800.

AARON 6 (s. of John 5, 4) b. 1773 at E.H., m. at Kingsbury, N.Y. 1795 dau. of Epenelus Platt; six ch.

ISRAEL PUTNAM 6 (s. of John 5, 4) b. E.H. 1776 d. Albany, N.Y.; 3 ch.

JAMES 6 (s. of James 5) b. Feb. 28, 1765, d. Nov. 25, 1828, m. June, 1790 Chloe, dau. Capt. Jonathan and Mary Miller Osborn of Wainscott, she b. Feb. 26, 1767 d. Nov. 3, 1843. Their 11 ch.: Sylvester 7 b. Jan. 8, 1791 (rem. to Kalamazoo, Mich., d. Sept. 22, 1856;) Mary Chase 7, (called Polly),* b. June 19, 1792 d. unmd. Feb. 13, 1876; James G. 7 b. Feb. 17, 1794 rem. to Green Bay, Wisconsin; Ruel 7 b. June 16, 1797 d. Oct. 14, 1834; John 7 b. Dec. 2, 1795 who d. July 25, 1826, unmd. on an outward bound whaleship 100 miles off Montauk Point; Matilda 7 b. June 2, 1800 d. March 9, 1847, unmd.; Fanny 7 b. March 20, 1803, d. Nov. 19, 1861, (who m. Oct. 1849, Sylvanus Strong); Albert 7 b. Feb. 19, 1805 d. Jan. 14, 1867; Miranda 7 b. April 23, 1807 (who m. Chauncey Osborn;) Julia 7 b. Aug. 28, 1809 d. unmd. Sept. 17, 1833; Elizabeth Dodge 7 b. Jan. 27, 1812 (who m. 1st James Hervey Scott, m. 2nd Baldwin Sherman and m. 3d. Joseph S. Lewis; she d. Sept. 26, 1856.)

*J. Howard Hand showed the writer, 1952, his Great-Aunt Polly's snuffbox; she lived with them when he was a boy; "Father bought her a bladder of snuff (1 lb.) a month", he said. Mr. Hand has in his possession a homesick letter written from Michigan on Jan. 30, 1848 by James G. Hand to his brother Albert 7; he wishes he could go whaling, and wants to know how many fish they are catching off the beach here. Albert 7 was a deepsea whaleman.

- RUEL 6 (s. of James 5, 4, of Wainscott) b. June 15, 1767 d. Oct. 17, 1794, m. Jan. 12, 1794 Phebe, dau. Jonathan and Mary Miller Osborn; ch. Maria 7 (who m. a Sayre and rem. to N.J.) Phebe Osborn Hand m. 2nd John Strong.
- ZIMRI 6 (s. of James 5, 4, 3) b. Nov. 17, 1772 d. at Sag Harbor March 20, 1814; ch. Mary 7 (who m. Thomas Conklin of E.H.), Eliza 7 (who m. Jesse Osborn Strong), Rebecca 7 (who m. Henry Mott and d. at Sag Harbor.)
- AHIRA 6 (s. of James 5, 4, 3,) of Sag Harbor b. Nov. 17, 1774, m. Jan. 8, 1797 1st Betsey ———; he m. 2nd. Sarah Russell; ch. Betsey 7, Charles 7, Alicia 7, Ruel 7, Fanny 7, James 7, Emeline 7, Clarissa 7.
- MULFORD 6 (of Amagansett; s. of Nathaniel 5, James 4, 3,) b. Jan. 24, 1772 d. Jan. 20, 1855 m. Mary, dau. Thomas Baker, June 13, 1795, she b. Sept. 8, 1776, d. June 25, 1857; they had 8 ch.: Charles Roscoe 7 b. Jan. 13, 1796, d. Dec. 12, 1886, Caroline E. 7 b. June 23, 1798 d. April 29, 1884, (who m. Henry Schellinger); Harriet B. 7, b. Feb. 11, 1801 d. June 18, 1874, (who m. as 2nd w. Talmage Barnes;) William C. 7 b. Sept. 30, 1803 d. 1885 at Bridgehampton (who m. Ann Blair); Augustus 7 b. March 18, 1806, (who rem. to Brooklyn and m. Susan Van Pelt); Alfred C. 7 b. April 24, 1808 d. Aug. 30, 1883, who rem. to Boston, Mass.; Mary B. 7 b. Feb. 25, 1811 d. Oct. 11, 1841 (who m. George N. Stratton and had s. Jonathan Mulford Stratton); Jane C. 7 b. May 25, 1816 d. Nov. 12, 1894 (who m. Jonathan C. Stratton).
- NATHANIEL 6* of Amagansett, (s. of Nathaniel 5) b. Jan. 26, 1776, bapt. 1781, d. March 16, 1861, m. 1st 1802 Elizabeth (Betsey) dau. Thomas Baker of E.H. b. April 14, 1782, d. Jan. 7, 1828; he m. 2nd Oct. 1828, Fanny Mulford of Oyster Ponds (Orient), L.I., who d. June 18, 1865 ae 74. Ch. Thomas Baker 7 b. March 11, 1803, Orlando 7 b. July 9, 1808, d. Sept. 28, 1810; Juliette** 7 b. April 20, 1812 d. 1871, (who m. Charles H. Miller of E.H.;;) Marcus McDonough 7 b. Feb. 8, 1820, d. inf.; dau. b. Nov. 28, 1821 d. inf.; Marcus Bolivar 7 b. Aug. 19, 1825. Ch. by 1st w. only.

*Nathaniel Hand kept a store and did an extensive business outfitting whaleships with supplies and manufacturing shoes. His Day Book from 1843 into the 1850's furnished material for E.H. Star columns condensed by Margaret L. Snyder, 1948, into a chapter for "Amagansett, Lore and Legend". An earlier ledger, 1825-1834, has been discovered recently. Nathaniel lived in an old house now sadly neglected and used for potato storage. Its last occupants were a group of young actors grandly named "The University of the American Theatre" who lived there in the summer of 1932. They heard a tale of one of the Hands having lost \$40,000 overnight; and took the chimney apart—according to the neighbors. The money is thought to have been actually lost through a bad investment.

Nathaniel's son Marcus Bolivar was born Aug. 19, 1825, the day the family moved into the "new" house, now Frank Eck's Elm Tree Inn.

**Ernest Miller, grandson of Juliette Hand, has furniture that she brought from Amagansett when she set up housekeeping in E.H.; and a pair of miniatures of Nathaniel and Betsy, his done 1804 when he was 23, hers at 22. Nathaniel was very handsome, with an arrogant chin and aristocratic air. Mr. Miller's father, the late Samuel H. Miller, often visited his grandfather Hand.

ABRAHAM 6 (s. of Abraham 5, Capt. Samuel 4, James 3) of E.H., b. 1766, m. 1st Abigail, dau. Thomas and Jemima Miller Talmage; he m. 2nd Abigail, probably Hedges, ch. Abigail 7 b. Jan. 25, 1798 (who m. Josiah C. Dayton Jan. 1, 1828;) Abraham rem. to Ovid, N.Y. but ret. E.H. 1810.

ELEAZER 6* of E.H. b. 1768 d. in N.Y. March 9, 1844, m. Catherine McGowan b. 1769 d. Jan. 16, 1821; ch. George 7 b. Oct. 5, 1813; Catherine 7 b. Oct. 5, 1815 who d. unmd. Nov. 28, 1892.

*He bought the present home of Mrs. George H. Hand from Rev. Lyman Beecher in 1810.

GEORGE 7 of E.H. (s. of Eleazer 6, Abraham 5) b. April 5, 1813, d. Sept. 15, 1866, m. June 6, 1855 Eliza Abigail, dau. Henry White of Sagaponack, she b. May 6, 1825 d. Dec. 17, 1907; ch. George Henry 8 b. June 25, 1857, d. Nov. 8, 1922, John White 8 b. Jan. 27, 1865 d. Jan. 21, 1949.

SYLVESTER 7* (s. of James 6, 5) b. Wainscott Jan. 8, 1791, rem. to Kalamazoo, Mich. and d. Sept. 22, 1856; he m. Feb. 12, 1820, Frances Boardman Spooner of Sag Harbor; ch. James 8, Maria 8, Frances 8, Emma 8, Alden Spooner 8.

*This may have been the Sylvester Hand who was engaged by the E.H. Town Trustees to lead the singing in church; as compensation, the Trustees agreed to provide him with his Sunday dinner.

JAMES G. 7 (s. of James 6, 5) b. Wainscott Feb. 17, 1794, rem. to Green Bay, Wisconsin.

RUEL 7 b. June 16, 1797, d. Oct. 14, 1835, m. 1st May 29, 1822 Phebe Babcock; he m. 2nd. Aug. 1827, Prudence Platt of Babylon, L.I.; ch. Harriet 8 b. Canaan, Conn., (who m. Hickford Connor; they had ch. Edward Everett Connor of Sag Harbor, 1863-1950; Nelson, Gertrude, Alice, and Nettie; Edward Everett, a bachelor who lived at Barcelona, Sag Harbor, was a menhaden fisherman and late in life was known as the "Lord Mayor of Northwest").

ALBERT 7* (s. of James 6 of Wainscott) b. Feb. 19, 1805 d. Jan. 14, 1867 m. Charity, dau. Jared and Ruth Norris Hedges, Jan. 11, 1842; she b. May 28, 1818 d. Feb. 14, 1872; ch. John H. 8 b. Feb. 21, 1843 d. Sept. 3, 1923; George A. 8 b. April 7, 1846 d.s.p. Oct. 21, 1871; Henry Clay 8 b. Dec. 30, 1848, rem. to New London, Conn.; Charles H. b. March 6, 1852, d.s.p. Sept. 25, 1881, James Clarence 8 b. Jan. 20, 1855, who rem. to E.H.; Jared Everett 8 b. June 28, 1861, d. Aug. 26, 1936; and Julia A. 8 b. Sept. 15, 1864 (who m. Frederick J. Miner of New London, Conn. and d. Feb. 9, 1927).

*Albert Hand 7 was one of Wainscott's deepsea whalers. His grandson J. Howard 9 cherishes many relics of his whaling days. Logs kept by Albert Hand on board the barque Oscar of Sag Harbor 1825 and the ship Thorn are in the E.H. Free Library.

CHARLES ROSCOE 7* of Amagansett (s. of Mulford 6) b. Jan. 13, 1796 d. Dec. 12, 1886, m. 1818, Betsy D., dau. Daniel and Betsey Dayton Sherrill, she b. Jan. 8, 1797, d. Feb. 22, 1864. Ch.: Capt. George L. 8 of Bridgehampton b. Aug. 9, 1819, d. 1887; Eliza C. 8 b. 1820, d. Nov. 26, 1894, (who m. 1st. a Cartwright, 2nd. Edmund Mulford); Nathaniel 8, b. 1824; Caroline 8 b. 1826 d. at Bridgehampton 1899, (who m. George Lewis, s. of Uriah and Betsey Baker Miller and d. 1851); Mary D. 8, (who m. Wm. Conklin and d. Nov. 2, 1881 ae 52); Charles P. 8 who d. May 28, 1913 ae 79; Joanna 8** b. Nov. 5, 1822, d. Nov. 15, 1898, (who m. 1839 Jeremiah Hunting); Fanny 8 b. 1840, d. 1909 (who m. Benjamin H. Barnes).

*Charles R. Hand 7 at 16 emulated Paul Revere, in the War of 1812. See War chapter, this History.

**In 1949, when Miss Clementine Paddleford published in "This Week" magazine a recipe from E.H.: "Great-Grandmother Joann Hunting's Molasses Cookies", Mrs. Albert G. Spinks, wife of a Mississippi planter, wrote asking for information on her ancestor.—"John Hand, one of the company forming a Plantation at East Hampton in 1648." Joann Hunting was born a Hand, daughter of Charles R. and Betsey Sherrill Hand, and was great-grandmother of the writer.

WILLIAM C. 7 (s. of Mulford 6) b. 1805, d. 1886, m. Nancy Blair; dau. Mary 8 b. Nov. 9, 1833, (who m. James Havens of Bridgehampton and had ch.).

CAPT. THOMAS B. 7 (s. of Nathaniel 6, 5) b. March 11, 1803, rem. to Bridge-

hampton, d. July 26, 1873, m. Harriet R., dau. Nathaniel and Lucinda Hedges; ch. Orlando H. 8 b. Nov. 11, 1826; Elizabeth 8 b. Nov. 29, 1828, (who m. Rev. Dr. William H. Lester and had ch. Rev. Wm. H. Lester, Jr., Nathaniel and Essie).

MARCUS BOLIVAR 7, of Amagansett (s. of Nathaniel 6, 5) b. Aug. 19, 1825, d. June 28, 1913, m. Feb. 1846 Phebe S. C., dau. John M. and Phebe S. Conklin Hand of E.H., she b. Aug. 25, 1828, d. Dec. 7, 1894; Ch.: Juliet Lucilla 8*, b. 1849, d. unmd., Aug. 26, 1869, Phebe Gertrude, d. inf. Jan. 22, 1853, Henry G. 8, b. Oct. 21, 1854, d. unmd., Aug. 13, 1925; Maurice 8 who d.s.p., Dec. 7, 1898. ae 35; Mary Emma 8 b. Aug. 22, 1869, d. inf. Maurice 8 m. Jennie Halsey of Bridgehampton, who survived him and later became w. of Bert Petty.

*Diaries kept by Juliet appeared in the E.H. Star for Dec. 20 and 27, 1951. They are very sweet and cultured and touching. Juliet spoke with great affection of her father and maternal grandparents, but never of her mother. The mother was gently deranged, always making clothes for imaginary babies, as well as those she actually had, taking the cloth from her father-in-law Nathaniel's store.

The writer went through the old Hand house once, in 1928; Marcus and Henry, father and son, had never touched a thing that belonged to their dead womenfolk. The closets were full of fine silk dresses and bonnets. There was a pathetic wicker doll's cradle, with the doll still sleeping there; and up in the attic was the old Hand family cradle brought from East Hampton by the first Hand to settle in Amagansett.

JOHN H. 8 (s. of Albert 7, James 6, of Wainscott) b. Feb. 21, 1843 m. Helen A., dau. James L. Sandford, of Bridgehampton; ch. James Howard 9 b. Feb. 25, 1871; John Clinton 9 b. June 9, 1878 d. March 8, 1952; Helen May 9 b. May 1, 1885 (who m. Levi Crapser; she has ch. William b. Dec. 17, 1914 who m. Sylvia Peterson; ch. Patricia b. April 14, 1949; and Helen Elizabeth b. June 6, 1910, who m. Nathan N. Tiffany Sept. 22, 1932, and has ch. Nathan Newton, b. Feb. 21, 1934, Nancy b. Sept. 21, 1937).

HENRY CLAY 8 (s. of Albert 7) of Wainscott b. Dec. 30, 1848 d. Nov. 23, 1905, m. 1st Susan Huntley, 2nd Mary Keeney, she b. Dec. 22, 1862, d. 1924; Ch. Mildred 9, (who m. Eugene Clark of Middletown, Conn.,) Dorothy 9, (who m. Albert Cross of Hartford, Conn.) and Flora 9.

JAMES CLARENCE 8 b. Wainscott Jan. 20, 1855 d. E.H. March 28, 1918, m. March 17, 1879, Elizabeth, dau. (adopted) of William and Fanny Barnes Hunting, she b. Elizabeth, N.J. March 17, 1861, d. June 27, 1924. Ch. Lillian May 9 b. Jan. 16, 1880 (who m. George E. Strong; see Strong genealogy); Fannie Hunting 9 b. Sept. 29, 1881 (who m. Garfield Vail; has ch. Reynold b. Jan. 17, 1902; Leslie b. June 29, 1903 d. Jan. 13, 1907; Frances b. Aug. 14, 1908, who m. John Grant, ch. Gary b. May 27, 1938; Barbara b. Aug. 18, 1941; Katharine b. Dec. 1, 1911, who m. Frank Jewels; dau. Patricia b. May 7, 1939. Reynold Vail Jr.'s ch. are: Allan b. July 22, 1924; Reynold b. March 2, 1926; William b. May 16, 1930; Robert b. July 26, 1931; Ruth b. Oct. 7, 1935, and Nancy b. Feb. 13, 1939.) Ch. of J. Clarence Hand 8 continued: Julia Ada 9 b. March 18, 1884 d. Oct. 28, 1910, (who m. Fred Edwards of Scuttle Hole, Bridgehampton; had ch. Percy W. b. July 31, 1903, d. Feb. 10, 1904; Richard L. b. Sept. 4, 1907, d. Sept. 22, 1908; Fred M. b. Nov. 4, 1904, who m. Helen Edwards, no ch.); also William Henry 9 b. Oct. 11, 1886 d. Sept. 23, 1934; James Clarence 9 b. March 18, 1890 d. April 9, 1905; and George Albert 9 b. Oct. 1, 1893.

JARED EVERETT 8 (s. of Albert 7 of Wainscott) b. June 28, 1861 d. Aug. 26, 1936, m. Lydia Chatfield, she d. June 6, 1936, ch. Albert 9 b. March 26, 1897.

CAPT. GEORGE L. 8* (s. of Charles R. 7) b. Aug. 9, 1819, at Bridgehampton, d. Sept. 19, 1887, m. Harriet, dau. Thomas Jefferson and Harriet Barnes Mulford, June 16, 1857; she b. Jan. 3, 1837, d. at Amagansett Jan. 6, 1897. Ch.:

Clara M. 9 b. 1858, m. and had ch.: Thomas J. 9, b. Oct. 17, 1860, d. Dec. 22, 1911; Hannah M. 9 b. 1863, all at Bridgehampton.

*He was a whaling Captain; see Gann genealogy for a story about him.

NATHANIEL S. 8 (s. of Charles Roscoe 7) b. 1824 d. Jan. 2, 1888, m. Phebe, dau. Jeremiah and Lydia Edwards Conklin; she d. Dec. 1, 1904 ae 69; they had five ch. who lived to grow up: Theodore H. 9 b. March 20, 1854, d. April 1, 1904; George C. 9 b. 1858 d. Oct. 29, 1895; Charles S. 9 b. 1860; Betsey Sherrill 9 b. July 3, 1867 d. March 21, 1904, (who m. Dec. 18, 1888 William Melvin Terry; and had ch. Marion Hand b. Oct. 9, 1892, who m. Oct. 6, 1928 Clifford Tuthill Case, ch. Clifford Tuthill b. Sept. 17, 1929; Katherine Ruth b. Oct. 10, 1931, David Terry b. March 17, 1934, and Mary Belle b. Dec. 23, 1936 d. Aug. 1937. Also Katharine Edwards Terry b. March 28, 1894, who m. Oct. 10, 1922 Rev. Clarence Beecher Scoville, home Milford, Pa.; and had ch. Beecher Terry b. Sept. 23, 1923, d. March 6, 1933; Marion Elizabeth b. July 6, 1926 m. Robert Bruce Miller June 22, 1948 and has s. Robert Bruce Jr. b. April 30, 1951.) Merri-
rick 9 b. 1875 d. 1906.

CHARLES P. 8 (s. of Charles Roscoe 7 of Amagansett) d. May 28, 1913, ae 79; m. Maria Edwards who d. Feb. 14, 1886 ae 48, dau. Julia Edwards b. Oct. 24, 1871 (who m. Frank Barnes Nov. 25, 1889; ch. Elizabeth Frances b. Nov. 5, 1891; Charles Blanchard b. April 16, 1899, d. 1918).

GEORGE HENRY 8 (s. of George 7) b. June 25, 1857 at E.H. d. Nov. 8, 1922 m. Nov. 11, 1902 Julia Beaman of Gouverneur, N.Y.; ch. George Beaman 9 b. Nov. 24, 1905.

JOHN WHITE 8 (s. of George 7) b. Jan. 27, 1865 d. Jan. 21, 1949, m. March 2, 1909 Mary Hannah Coolidge b. Dec. 12, 1874 at Philadelphia, N.Y.; ch. John Coolidge 9 b. Dec. 22, 1909, Charles White 9 b. June 23, 1913, unmd.

MAJOR ORLANDO H. 8*, (s. Capt. Thomas B.) b. Nov. 11, 1826, of Bridgehampton m. Dec. 3, 1850 Elizabeth dau. Benjamin F. Howell; ch. Harriet E. 9, b. 1852, Fannie J. 9 b. 1855, d. Nov. 7, 1859; Lucretia 9 b. 1857, Nathan H. 9 b. Dec. 3, 1860, Florence 9 (who m. Dr. Levi Halsey), Minnie 9 b. Mar. 25, 1868.

*Orlando Hand 8 answered the first call of President Lincoln in the Civil War by raising 100 men, who were mustered in March 30, 1862, as a company of the 11th N.Y. Cavalry. He was Capt. of Company E; on March 5, 1867, was breveted Major of N.Y. Volunteers for meritorious conduct.

JAMES HOWARD 9* (s. of John H. 8) b. Wainscott Feb. 25, 1871, m. 1st Sadie Winters Oct. 9, 1883, she d. Nov. 23, 1924; m. 2nd Lottie Fournier who d. Oct. 18, 1950. Ch. (by 1st m.) J. Harold 10 b. Jan. 22, 1902.

*J. Howard Hand says that his house, on a hill just off the west end of Wainscott Main Street, was built 1816, of timber that blew down in the hurricane of 1815. His great-grandfather, James 6 took his boys into the woods and cut the timber. Hanging on the wall of his sitting room is a flintlock with bayonet used in the Revolution when earthworks were built at Orient Point in the hope of keeping the British from going through Plum Gut.

JOHN CLINTON 9 of Kinderhook, N.Y. (s. of John H. 8) b. June 9, 1878, d. March 8, 1952; m. June 6, 1905 Alice Edwards, dau. John Osborn of Wainscott, she b. March 15, 1879; ch. John Osborn 10 b. March 15, 1908 in Wainscott, Alice May 10 b. Oct. 3, 1910 in Kinderhook, N.Y., and Adela Louise 10 b. March 6, 1918. (Alice M. 10 m. June 15, 1942 William Joseph Kelly, b. Sept. 10, 1911 in Cambridge, N.Y., s. of William Patrick and Catherine Ryan Kelly; ch. John William b. Jan. 27, 1944; home Valatie, N.Y. Adela Louise 10 m. Nov. 10, 1940 Frank Eric Walter Weiss, s. Alois and Hedwig Trebuss Weiss, b. Feb.

- 15, 1901 in Leipzig, Germany; ch. Rosalie Louise b. Sept. 11, 1941, Martha Adela b. July 4, 1943, Adela Hedwig b. Oct. 7, 1948; home Valatie, N.Y.).
- WILLIAM HENRY 9 b. Oct. 11, 1886 d. Sept. 23, 1934, m. Sarah Jay Beattie, ch. Georgianna 10 b. Dec. 4, 1912 (who m. Robert Dryburgh and has ch. Robert William, b. June 23, 1941, Nancy Anne b. Feb. 23, 1944; home Williamstown, Mass.); Ruth 10 b. Jan. 19, 1914.
- GEORGE ALBERT 9 b. Oct. 1, 1893, m. Helen Reutershan, ch. Eleanor 10 b. July 9, 1918 (who m. Oscar Proulx, home Colesville, Md.); Marion 10 b. Nov. 16, 1919 (who m. Lee L. Cole, ch. Lee Jr. b. July 17, 1944, Ronald James b. May 5, 1948); James Everett 10 b. Feb. 24, 1922, who m. June 24, 1943 Elizabeth Jane Shaw of Indianola, Iowa; div.
- ALBERT C. 9 (s. of J. Everett 8) b. March 26, 1897, m. March 12, 1931 Rose Sverida; ch. Albert C. 10 b. March 20, 1932, Joan Elaine 10 b. Dec. 23, 1934.
- THOMAS J. 9 (s. of Capt. George L. 8, Charles R. 7) b. 1863 at Bridgehampton, d. Dec. 22, 1911.
- THEODORE H. 9* (s. of Nathaniel S. 8, Charles R. 7) of Amagansett; b. March 20, 1854, d.s.p. April 1, 1904, m. 1st Julia, dau. Alben and Eliza Payne Schellinger who d. July 29, 1892 ae 39; he m. 2nd. Carrie, dau. John D. Edwards; she later m. Emil Gardell.
- *Theodore Hand owned the very old house now home of E. V. Parsons; from Main Street to the beach on the east side of Main St. was Hand property, hence the name Hand Lane. In back of the house mentioned above there was 80 or 90 years ago, (1952) a barn where bark was ground up to be used in tanning leather.
- GEORGE C. 9 (s. of Nathaniel 8) b. 1858 d. Oct. 29, 1895, m. Feb. 18, 1887, Myrtilla E., dau. Charles and Mary Hedges Rackett (she m. 2nd. Dr. F. A. Finch, Aug. 25, 1898), she b. 1864, d. 1904; ch. Raymond 10, b. April 19, 1888 d.s.p. April 14, 1905; May Hedges 10 b. Dec. 2, 1892, (who m. 1916 Harry Mulford Leek, see Leek genealogy.)
- CHARLES S. 9 (s. of Nathaniel 8) b. 1860, m. Nellie Gould, she b. June 13, 1865.
- MERRICK 9 (s. of Nathaniel 8) b. 1875 d. 1906 m. Julia Kelsey; ch.; William 10 b. 1899, d. 1919 and Virginia 10 b. 1900, d. 1908. His widow married Peter Sturcke of Amagansett.
- GEORGE BEAMAN 9 (s. of George Henry 8, George 7) b. Nov. 24, 1905, m. June 1, 1936, Marion Payne; div.; m. 2nd Jan. 12, 1952, Mrs. A. Mildred Reininger.
- (JOHN) COOLIDGE 9 (s. of John White 8, George 7) b. Dec. 22, 1909 m. June 26, 1937 Emily Porter Shaw; ch. Emily Gail 10 (adopted) b. Feb. 19, 1940, Margot Mary 10 b. April 17, 1943.
- NATHAN H. 9 (s. of Major Orlando 8) of Amagansett, b. 1860 m. Grace, dau. Thomas Vail; d.s.p.
- JOHN OSBORN 10 b. March 15, 1908, m. Nov. 1, 1936 La Belle Bridges, b. Nov. 17, 1907, in Piedmont, S.C. dau. Oliver P. and Dora Maud Smith Bridges. Ch. John Oliver 11 b. Aug. 17, 1941 in New York City; Katherine Patricia b. March 27, 1944, d. Feb. 11, 1949.
- J. HAROLD 10 (s. of J. Howard 9) b. Jan. 22, 1902, m. Maria Mitchell; ch. (adopted) James 11, Elizabeth 11.

SOME GUILFORD, CONN. HANDS

- JOSEPH 3, (s. of Joseph 2, John 1) b. April 2, 1671, d. abt. 1699, m. 1st Esther Wilcox, she b. Dec. 9, 1673, d. March 15, 1698; 2nd 1699, Hannah Seward. Ch. Janna 4, b. Feb. 17, 1693, d. Dec. 9, 1767; Esther 4, b. Jan. 10, 1695, (who m. William King of Northampton;) Huldah 4, b. Oct. 18, 1697, (who m. Zachary Smith of Huntington, L.I.). (Joseph Hand 3 was a seafaring man; on Oct. 19,

1697 while on the sloop "Adventure" was seized and carried to France as a prisoner by a French privateer. After his return from captivity he married 2nd but died or disappeared, probably at sea, shortly afterward.)

JANNA 4, b. Feb. 17, 1693, d. Dec. 9, 1767, m. Feb. 14, 1723, Dorothy, dau. John Griswold, b. Sept. 23, 1692, d. Feb. 12, 1775; ch. Joseph 5, b. Jan. 24, 1724, Esther 5 b. 1725, (who m. John Huggins;) Janna 5, b. Feb. 4, 1728, went to sea and was lost; Daniel 5, b. 1732, Dorothy 5.

CAPT. DANIEL 5 b. 1732, d. Oct. 16, 1816, m. Oct. 28, 1759, Siba, dau. Elnathan and Mehitable Buell Smith, she d. Sept. 20, 1772; ch. Esther 6, b. 1760, m. Wyllis Munger; Siba 6 b. 1768, (who m. Gen. Joseph Buell;) Mehitable 6 b. Aug. 30, 1772, (who m. Dr. Levi Ward.) (Capt. Daniel m. 2nd Lizzie Lynde, 3rd Chloe Boardman; only ch. by 1st marriage survived. He was commissioned 1773 in State Militia and commanded a company with Gen. Washington in the first Long Island campaign.)

DANIEL 6, b. April 21, 1762, d. Jan. 15, 1821, m. 1787 Artemisia Meigs, dau. Daniel Meigs; she b. Feb. 25, 1770; ch. Chloe 7 b. Nov. 30, 1791, d. Sept. 21, 1875, (who m. 1815 Jonathan Samuel Wilcox, b. Nov. 1, 1791, d. Feb. 10, 1875.) (This is Mrs. Perkins' line.) Other ch. of Daniel 6 were Dr. William Meigs Hand 7, b. 1789, Augustus Frederick 7, b. 1790, Jonathan Meigs 7, b. 1793, Siba 7, b. 1796; Eliza 7, b. 1799; Daniel 7 b. 1801; Artemisia 7 b. 1803, d. infancy; Jehiel Meigs 7 b. 1805; Artemisia Meigs 7, b. 1807; Judge George Edward 7 of Detroit, Mich. b. 1809, John Augustine 7 b. 1812.

(The above are furnished by Mrs. James Perkins of Amagansett.)

THE POXABOGUE, BRIDGEHAMPTON AND SAG HARBOR HANDS

This genealogy makes no attempt to cover all of the Hands in nearby villages; however, there were some Hands in Poxabogue, between East Hampton and Bridgehampton; and some in Sag Harbor, whose lives make interesting reading. Thanks to Louis Tooker Vail of White Plains, N.Y., who has made eastern L.I. genealogy a lifelong avocation, and to Col. Le Roy Barton of Port Washington, N.Y. who spent boyhood summers at the Andrew Jackson ("Jack") Hand farm close by that gentle rise in the Montauk Highway known to old-timers as Jack Hand's Hill, some of the following is more authentic than anything hitherto printed about these members of the Hand family.

SHAMGAR HAND 2 (s. of John 1) b. probably at Lynn, Mass. abt. 1640 moved from E.H. before 1699 to Cape May, N.J. where he had bought 1,000 acres of land, and d. 1728. He m. Sarah Pierson of Southampton. He settled his s. Josiah 3, b. abt. 1678 on Poxabogue 1699, with land and tanyards.

JOSIAH 3 b. in E.H. abt. 1673 d. at Sagaponack 1739, m. Mary, dau. Josiah and Sarah Topping Halsey; ch. David 4 b. abt. 1700, Matthew 4, Thomas 4, Mary 4 (who m. a Mulford, probably John), Johanna 4 (who m. John, s. of Benoni Flint), Sarah 4 (who m. a Hand).

DAVID 4 b. at E.H. abt. 1700 d. Feb. 13, 1761, (his Will proved 1767), m. Sarah ——— ch. Elizabeth 5 b. 1725 (who m. Lemuel Pierson), Josiah 5, bapt. 1729 (who probably rem. to Hanover, N.J.), David 5 b. 1730 d. 1809; Silas 5 b. 1732, lived in E.H.; Isaac 5 b. 1735, d. Brooklyn, N.Y. 1817.

CAPT. DAVID 5* b. 1730 d. 1809** m. 1753 Zerviah, dau. of William Stuart of Shelter Island and Zerviah Morehouse of Sagg, she b. 1732 d. 1801; they built a house on the home farm at Poxabogue and David 5 is buried in Poxabogue Cemetery. Ch. Gideon 6 b. 1754, Josiah 6 b. 1756, David 6 b. 1759, Silvanus 6 b. 1762, Silas 6 b. 1764, Isaac 6 b. 1766, Shamgar 6 b. 1768.

*This is the first of the three Hands who have been confused by many local historians. David 5 and his sons Gideon, Josiah and David, all served in the Revolution; David 5 enlisted under Col. Van Schaick. James Truslow Adams in his "Memorials of Old Bridgehampton" (1916) has the three Capt. David Hands somewhat confused. One incident, on p. 142, is actually about David 5 but Louis T. Vail does not believe it, since David 5 removed to Stonington, Conn. in 1776 and was also serving in the Army. This is the story. "One night as he was foddering up, Major Cochrane" (the British commander in this vicinity) "rode into his yard and ordered him to hitch up his team and cart a load from Southampton. He told him he wouldn't as he had turned out his team and he wouldn't hitch them up again. Cochrane drew his sword and pranced round the yard ordering him to hitch up. The old man put for him with his pitchfork and said to him 'I have fastened to many a whale and I'll fasten to you if you don't get out of here.' 'Well,' said Cochrane, 'Mr. Hand, I guess you and I had better be friends.'" (As told by C. H. Hildreth in the Bridgehampton News, Sept. 3, 1909.) Another story from the same "News" article is about Zerviah, wife of David 5: "When the Hands came to live in Poxabogue (Paugasabogue, the Indian word) Indians lived around the pond. One night, Mrs. Hand heard screams coming from a wigwam and went to see what the trouble was. She found an Indian who had been indulging in fire-water, with one hand twisted in his squaw's hair and in the other a long black stone with which he was going to brain her. Mrs. Hand ran behind him, caught the stone from his hand, and ran home. This stone was used in the Hand family for three generations for a pestle to pound coffee and spices." Note: The pestle, and its mortar, have been presented to the E.H. Free Library by Col. Le Roy Barton.

**Louis T. Vail says that the date 1802 on the Poxabogue gravestone is wrong.

The following gives the line of Andrew Jackson Hand, now died out here:

GIDEON 6 (s. of Capt. David 5) b. 1754 d. 1842 m. 1st (probably) Abigail Topping; he m. 2nd Sarah Howell April 8, 1800; ch. Gideon 7 who drowned 1797; Solon 7 who d. at sea, 1801; Sophia 7 b. 1800, Theron 7 b. July 24, 1801 d. 1877; Mary Price 7 (who m. James Halsey Hildreth); Lucia 7.

THERON 7 b. July 24, 1801 d. 1877 m. Sarah Topping (1796-1876) of Sagg, Dec. 26, 1821; Theron 7 built the original "Jack Hand's Hill" house between the Montauk Highway and Narrow Lane. Ch. Solon Conklin 8 b. 1823 d. 1832, Eliza Halsey 8 b. 1825 d. 1867 (who m. Lawrence E. Pierson of Sagg Oct. 11, 1859; no ch.) William Lawrence 8 b. 1827 d. 1828; Andrew Jackson 8 b. 1829 d. 1913, Edwin Coleman 8 b. 1833 d. 1865, Adaline Almira 8 b. 1839 d. 1841.

ANDREW JACKSON 8 b. in his great-grandfather's house on the "home" farm at Poxabogue Oct. 13, 1829, d. Oct. 18, 1913; m. Dec. 29, 1873 Emma Thompson Barton, widow of Thomas Barton of N.Y. City; she d. April 28, 1916, ae 81. Emma Barton had two sons, Thomas Rowland Barton (1856-1918) who lived on the Hand farm 1874-1877, and Joseph Barton. Thomas R. Barton m. Elizabeth Snow of N.Y. City 1887 and was father of Le Roy Barton.

EDWIN COLEMAN 8 (s. of Theron 7) b. 1833, d. 1865, m. Eliza Jane Butler, no ch. Grad. Amherst 1856, practiced law in Bridgehampton; commissioned 1862 Capt. Troop B., 11th N.Y. Cavalry, "Scott's 900" in Civil War, served until 1865.

JOSIAH 6* (s. of Cap. David 5) b. 1756 d. 1835 m. 1st Hannah Mulford who d. 1799; he m. 2nd Susannah Gardiner Dec. 15, 1800.

*He lived at the Brick Kilns between Sag Harbor and Bridgehampton. He served in the Continental Army with Washington at the Battle of L.I., Trenton, etc. C. H. Hildreth of Bridgehampton said, 1909, "Uncle Josiah used to tell of wading in the Delaware waist deep with cakes of ice floating around him." Six ch.

Three adventurous Captains, David Hand 5, 6, and 7 are very carefully documented in Louis T. Vail's two large books of manuscript on the Hands.

Mr. Vail's Hand ancestry goes back to David 6 who m. 2nd. Mary Stuart; their dau. Susan Hand 7 m. Abraham Vail. Their son Thomas H. Vail m. Elizabeth Comstock. Their daughter Kate Comstock Vail married Augustus F. Tooker of Sag Harbor. Their son, Louis G. Tooker, had his name legally changed to Louis Tooker Vail. He m. Ethel Irene Hoffman Bloomingburgh.

CAPT. DAVID 6 is the Revolutionary war hero who outlived five wives; not to be confused with his son, a deep-sea whaler. Like other eastern Long Islanders of his time, he did shore whaling, however. He was b. 1759 d. at Sag Harbor Feb. 29, 1840; he m. 1st Susannah, dau. Silas and Abigail Sayre Stuart, who d. 1791 ae 27; he m. 2nd. her sister Mary who d. 1794 ae 32; he m. 3d. Hannah Miller who d. 1798 ae 30; he m. 4th Charlotte Havens who d. 1800 ae 30; he m. 5th Hannah Sayre who d. 1835 ae 69. Ch.: Clarissa 7 b. 1788 d. 1861 (who m. Oliver Slate*), Sarah 7 (who m. James Pierson), Susan 7 b. 1792 d. 1871 (who m. Abraham Vail), Capt. Robert Forest 7 b. Nov. 8, 1797 d. 1860 (whaling captain; one of his daughters Mary Ann b. 1837 m. Stephen B. French), Capt. David 7 b. Sept. 27, 1805 d. Dec. 2, 1849; Hannah 7 b. 1809 d. 1834 (who m. Capt. Jeremiah Sayre).

*Oliver and Clarissa Slate were parents of Shamgar Hand Slate b. 1810 d. at Macao, China ae 47; he was master of the clipper ship Wizard engaged in the China trade. Nancy Boyd Willey in her charmingly written booklet: "Built By the Whalers" (1945) said: "Capt. David Hand lived—in a tiny one-story cottage that stood before 1840 at the corner of Main and Madison Streets." (Sag Harbor) "As a youth, Hand was neck deep in the Revolution. Before the age of 20, he had been a prisoner of war five times; had escaped and trudged it home across New England in the dead of winter; had gone to sea on a privateer, been captured, confined to prison ships, and even pressed into the British Navy from which he again made his escape. He lived to be 81," "a man of note in Sag Harbor. His salty personality greatly impressed James Fenimore Cooper, who created a counterpart of David Hand in the unforgettable Natty Bumppo, nicknamed Leatherstocking," (of The Pioneers, Last of the Mohicans, The Prairie, The Pathfinder, and Deerslayer.) "This vivid person is always identified in the novels by his amazing laughter, a kind of noiseless hissing which exposed a single tusk of yellow bone."

Capt. Hand commented upon his ill fortune on the gravestone of his third wife, in Oakland Cemetery, Sag Harbor:

Behold, ye mortals, passing by,
How thick the partners of one husband lie,
Vast and unsearchable the ways of God,
Just and severe His chastising rod.

Another story is told of Capt. David 6 that he made a cruise on a small American brig, which was captured by a British Man of War off the port of Charleston. The English ordered Hand to repair damage done by their shot, and promised to pay him. All Hand received was to be robbed by the British sailors, even most of his clothes being taken. On being taken to the English ship he at once demanded from the Captain the return of his property and clothing and was told: "Go and get it." Hand answered "All I now ask is to be allowed to start at your taffrail and fight you and your crew forward, and die like a man." Needless to say, the

British wanted none of that Yankee's fighting. He was sent to New York, and spent many months in a prison ship.

Another son of Capt. David 5 was:

SILVANUS 6 b. 1762 d. 1858, m. Elizabeth, dau. James and Prudence Cooper Sayre; she d. 1872 ae 76.

and another:

CAPT. SILAS 6 b. 1764 d. 1818 who m. Mary Pierson who d. 1857 ae 85. He was an officer on board the Privateer Schuyler, 1787; had ch. Sylvanus 7, b. 1791, Watson P. 7, Timothy Pierson 7 (see Andrew Jackson Hand line).

Also:

CAPT. ISAAC 6 b. 1766 d. 1812, m. Sally—in the Sagaponack cemetery is a stone for "Sally—Amiable Consort of Isaac Hand." They left a dau. who m. a Napier; their s. was Alexander D. Napier of Brooklyn; the old Napier house in Sag Harbor is or was owned recently by Dr. Charles D. Napier, great-grandson of Isaac Hand. The E.H. Trustees' Journals give Isaac as master of the sloop "Sally" from Kingston and Jamaica, 1794. He commanded a privateer, the brig "Arrow" during the War of 1812; it sailed out of Sandy Hook from the foot of Joralemon St. in Brooklyn, 1812, and was never heard from again.

CAPT. DAVID 7 (s. of Capt. David 6) was a notable whaleman, sailing from Sag Harbor on the "Thames" in July, 1827, as second mate; in 1831 he became her captain; was master of the "Hamilton" for two voyages, one when she sailed 1840, first from Sag Harbor to try the North Pacific whaling grounds. His last command was the "Salem" 1844-1848. He died on board the "Sabina" 1849, bound for California with the other eastern L.I. whaling captains in the Gold Rush. His log, 1844-46, is in the Pennypacker L.I. Historical Collection, E.H. Free Library.

This deep-sea whaler Hand was hero of the following story: (Quoted from James Truslow Adams' "Bridgehampton," p. 142) "One time he was in some South American port with his ship and a Spanish ship of war was also there. The crews of the two vessels met on shore and quarrelled over some game or other, Capt. Hand taking the part of his men and the Spanish officer of his, with the result that the officer challenged the Captain to a duel. He accepted and appeared, with his mate as his second, at the spot selected, early the following morning. As the challenged party, he had the choice of weapons and had chosen whaling irons (harpoons with their lines attached) well sharpened. One was handed to the astonished officer, Capt. Hand took the other, walked back a short distance, balanced his weapon carefully and prepared to 'strike.' The officer knew not what to do with his, and when he saw the Captain feelingly balancing the long harpoon, and heard him call out to the mate, 'When I fasten, haul in slack,' he turned and fled."

*The late Maury H. B. Paul, society editor of the New York Journal-American and as "Cholly Knickerbocker" originator of the intimate style of reporting social events and personalities, was proud of his Hand ancestry and once wrote a newspaper article on the Hands. "The most distinguished ancestress," he said, of the Vanderbilt family was Phebe Hand, 6th gen. from John Hand 1; she was of the New Jersey branch, married Cornelius Vanderbilt then a poor man on Staten

Island and became the mother of Cornelius Jr. who founded the great fortune. Mrs. Helen Fox Spinks of Rosedale, Mississippi, writes that Phebe Hand Vanderbilt had a sister who married a Conkling; and a brother, Obadiah, born at Cape May, N.J. 1760 who married 1790 Sarah Britton Butler of Prince George Parish, S.C. and settled in Mississippi 1800 and became her maternal ancestor.