

# East Hampton History

*Including*

GENEALOGIES OF EARLY FAMILIES

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## PAYNE OR PAINE

THE LONG Island Paynes (and many others) are thought to be descended from Thomas Payne and Katherine Harssant of Cransford and Wrentham, England, who were married at Cooklie, July 20, 1578. Their son, Thomas, b. Dec. 11, 1586, married Elizabeth—Nov. 22, 1610; Thomas and Elizabeth sailed from Yarmouth, England, about May 10, 1637 in his own vessel, the *Mary Anne*, with their children, Mary, Thomas, and John, and arrived in Salem, Mass., in August, 1637. Thomas Payne was a Puritan, and brought with him some friends, relatives, and other Puritans. Miss Addie Sayre, a descendant of Thomas Pain, Paine, or Payne, had a leaf from a Family Bible with this information and visited these places in England (see Mather's "Refugees of 1776 from L.I. to Conn.," p. 492).

This is not one of the earliest families in East Hampton, nor a very numerous one at the present day; but Paynes have figured in the history of our town almost from the beginning. There were Paynes in Southold, Sag Harbor, and in Northwest, East Hampton, at an early date. Earliest mention of a Payne here is when Mary, widow of Peter Payne who died 1658, married Jeremiah Vail (Jeremy Veale) of E.H. as her second husband. Jonathan Payne (spelled Pain in the old records) married Elizabeth Russell of Hog Neck, near Sag Harbor, on March 22, 1728. Thomas Russell and Rachel Pain were married on the same day. John A. Miller and Patience Pain were married Jan. 29, 1729.

The first Payne family in East Hampton whose line we can trace definitely seems to be that of Cornelius, who married Joanna Sherrill Nov. 1, 1736. He was son of:

WILLIAM PAINE OR PAYNE 1\* of North Haven, Sag Harbor, who m. Sarah Knowling of Shelter Island, dau. of John and Hannah Parr Knowling who were b. in England. William 1 d. 1742; his children who lived at some time in E.H. were Sarah 2 b. 1685 (who m. Thomas Sanford of Bridgehampton), Elizabeth 2 (who m. William Osborn Jr. of E.H. Dec. 3, 1713), Cornelius 2, William 2, Isaac 2.

\*Jonathan Payne, probably a brother, was executor of William Payne's Will.

CORNELIUS 2\* who d. March 14, 1783, m. Joanna, dau. Recompence and Margaret Cady Sherrill Nov. 1, 1736; ch. Sarah 3 bapt. Dec. 16, 1739, Isaac 3 bapt. Dec. 16, 1739, Abraham 3 bapt. June 26, 1743, Jemima 3 bapt. June 1, 1746, Ezekiel 3 b. Nov. 5, 1749; all baptized in Southold.

\*Cornelius Payne must have worked on Gardiner's Island, as he is listed as of "Ye Ile of Wight"; but his house and garden are mentioned, 1769, in E.H. Town Records; and he was a signer of the Association in E.H. 1775.

ISAAC 3\* (s. of Cornelius 2) bapt. Dec. 16, 1739, m. Martha ——— who d. Jan. 28, 1785; ch. Mary 4 b. 1778, Isaac 4 bapt. Aug. 28, 1783, Sarah 4 bapt. Aug. 5, 1791, probably others; a ch. of Isaac 3 d. March, 1792.

\*Isaac may have married a second time. He was a signer of the Association, 1775, and one of the 1st Regt. Suffolk Co. Minute Men in the Revolution; a member of Capt. Ezekiel Mulford's Company.

ABRAHAM 3 (s. of Cornelius 2) bapt. June 26, 1743, was probably not an infant at baptism; he may have been that Abraham who d. Oct. 21, 1758, a soldier; no further record.

EZEKIEL 3\* (s. of Cornelius 2) b. Nov. 2, 1749, d. Aug. 6, 1842, m. Anna, dau. Thomas and Anna Barnes Edwards of Amagansett Dec. 25, 1774; she b. Oct. 7, 1755, d. Jan. 21, 1847 ae 93. Ch. Abraham 4 b. Oct. 1, 1775, dau. 4 bapt. Dec. 25, 1776, Mary 4 bapt. Aug. 22, 1778, Ezekiel 4 b. July 24, 1788, who rem. to Rhode Island; his descendants had the old family Bible; Betsy 4 b. May 8, 1800.

\*In E.H. Trustees' Records, 1772–1807, p. 166, Ezekiel Payne was allowed to cut timber at Montauk to build a sloop, on March 8, 1802; to pay for these at the going price. June 22, 1789, the Trustees hired a right in the fattening field at Montauk to "Ezekal" Payne for £4/16 s. In his "Addendum" to that volume of Trustees' Records, p. 516, Harry D. Sleight says: "Ezekiel Payne, an aged inhabitant of East Hampton told Luther D. Cook, the Sag Harbor historian about 1850" (it must have been earlier for Payne died 1842) "that prior to the Revolution he made two whaling voyages in a brig from Nantucket to the Island of Disco, in latitude 70 degrees North, in Davis' Straits, en route to Greenland, for a cargo of whale oil."

ABRAHAM 4 (s. of Ezekiel 3) b. Oct. 1, 1775, d. March 10, 1869, lived Amagansett; m. Fanny, dau. Uriah and Elizabeth Squires Miller of Sag Harbor and Bridgehampton, May 30, 1807, she b. April 17, 1787, d. April 22, 1882; ch. Phebe Conklin 5 b. April 7, 1808 d. Feb. 26, 1830 (who m. Benedict Havens as his 1st w., Jan. 4, 1828); Frances Miller 5 b. Jan. 30, 1810 d. Jan. 28, 1892 (who m. Lyman Sherman May 28, 1829), Eliza Gardiner 5 b. May 16, 1812 d. April 27, 1882 (who m. Alben Schellinger Jan. 2, 1832), Ellen Louise 5 b. Jan. 28, 1815 d. Sept. 13, 1899 (who m. Isaac Edwards as his 2nd. w., May 6, 1855), Mary Ann 5 b. Aug. 8, 1817 d. Nov. 6, 1843 (who m. Jonathan Schellinger Sept. 1, 1839), Harriet 5 b. Oct. 16, 1828 d. April 4, 1854 (who was 1st w. of Isaac Edwards May 18, 1849).

Mrs. Charles Taylor of E.H. (born Betsy Dayton Payne, dau. of Ulysses Tillinghast and Nellie Dayton Payne) has traced for this book her Payne line back to Elias, b. 1812. Further than that, the writer is fairly sure of one generation but the links beyond that are only surmise—from reading old Bible records, Town Records, Mather's "Refugees of 1776 from L.I. to Conn." etc. According to Mather, there was a Cornelius Payne who married Constant Havens; they probably lived on Shelter Island and Cornelius may have been a brother to William Payne 1 mentioned above. As:

CORNELIUS 1 m. Constant Havens; ch. Elisha 2.

ELISHA 2 of Gardiner's Island and Shelter Island m. 1748 Deliverance Tuthill and d. 1761 leaving a widow and several ch. One may have been Elisha 3.

ELISHA 3\* (perhaps s. of Elisha 2, Cornelius 1) lived at Sag Harbor, was on Gardiner's Island during the War of 1812, d. 1830; m. 1793 Nancy, dau. Capt. Joseph and Phebe Shaler Tillinghast, she d. 1827; ch. Ezra 4, Elias 4, Stafford Tillinghast 4.

\*An Elisha Payne m. in E.H. Nov. 25, 1828 Asmenia Lester.

EZRA 4 (s. of Elisha 3, 2) had s. (probably) Abraham 5.

ELIAS 4 (s. of Elisha 3) b. 1812, m. Betsy Miller, she b. 1809 d. 1894; ch. Nancy E. 5 b. 1834 (who m. Thomas Derr Rose, 1862 and had ch. Myrtle R. b. 1866 d. 1932; Courtland W. b. 1868 d. 1918; Jeremiah A. b. 1870 d. 1929; Minnie W. b. 1875 (who m. 1st Wilbur Miller; m. 2nd. Dr. F. A. Finch), Clarissa 5 b. 1836, Albert M. 5\* b. 1838 d. 1900, Charles W. 5 b. 1838, who d.s.p., Miranda 5 b. 1841 d. 1883, (who m. Charles N. Hildreth of Sag Harbor and had ch. George W. b. 1862 d. 1935, Herbert b. 1864 d. 1931, Edward, and Ruth L. b. 1879 d. 1906); also Elias Richard 5 b. 1843 d. 1907.

\*Albert M. Payne, s. of Elias, is not to be confused with the Albert M. Payne living in E.H. at much the same time, who m. Frances Hedges and had s. John who d.s.p. That E.H. Albert Payne kept a general store; he was not born in E.H.

ALBERT M. 5\* (s. of Elias 4) b. 1838 d. 1900, of Amagansett, m. Phebe E., dau. David Lester; she b. 1847 d. 1901; ch. Lula Elizabeth b. 1871 d. Oct. 1945 (who m. Frederick Ross of E.H., he b. 1868 d. July, 1939, and had ch. Edith b. 1890, Frank St. John b. 1892, Ella May b. 1894, Albert William b. 1900, Lillian Louise b. 1902, Florence Elizabeth b. 1908, and Kenneth Edward b. 1909); Grover 6 b. 1885 d. March, 1946, Maude M. 6 b. 1886 (who m. 1905 Charles W. Erickson, he b. 1879 d. 1927; had ch. Carl H. b. 1906, Katherine H. b. 1911 d. 1914); also Joseph Madison 6 b. Oct. 1887 d. Aug. 1951.

\*He served in the Civil War, in Co. H, 48th N.Y. Regt.

ELIAS RICHARD 5\* (s. of Elias 4) b. 1843 d. 1907, m. Dec. 1865 Althea, dau. Jeremiah and Sarah King Bennett; she b. 1846 d. Dec. 1891; only ch. Ulysses Tillinghast 6 b. 1867 d. March, 1939.

\*He served in Civil War, Co. K, 127th New York Regt. He spent his later life at Montauk with his son Ulysses.

GROVER DIMON 6\* (s. of Albert M. 5) b. 1885 d. 1946; m. Elizabeth Adams of Providence, R.I. who was b. 1892, ch. Grover Adams 7 b. 1912, Helen Elizabeth 7 b. 1914, Lula Ross 7 b. 1916, Evelyn Maude 7 b. 1918, Clara Emily 7 b. 1922, Sidney Dimon 7 b. 1924, Edmund Madison 7 b. 1927.

\*He was in the U.S. Coast Guard for many years.

JOSEPH MADISON 6 (s. of Albert M.) b. 1887 d. 1951, m. Laura A., dau. Nathan H. and Nellie Hallock Dayton, Dec. 1903; she b. May, 1883; ch. Phebe A. 7 b. 1906, Joseph Leslie 7 b. 1908, in E.H., Charles Lawrence 7 b. 1910, Nellie May 7 b. 1912, John Dayton 7 b. 1915, Albert Madison 7 b. 1919, Ellsworth Howard 7 b. 1924; the last 5 b. in Gales Ferry, Conn.

ULYSSES TILLINGHAST 6\* (s. of Elias Richard 5, Elias 4) b. 1867 d. March, 1939, m. Nellie Cynthia, dau. Edward and Betsy Hedges Dayton, she b. 1865 d. June, 1936; ch. Betsy Dayton 7 b. June 11, 1883 (who m. Charles Cooper Taylor 1901, he b. 1862 d. 1940, and had ch. Nellie Ursula b. March, 1902, d. June, 1950; she m. Clifford Edgar Windsor of Md. 1920 and had ch. Alice Harding b. 1921 d. 1925; Clifford Edgar b. 1922, Eunice Taylor b. 1926; also Harold Payne Taylor b. 1908, who m. Elsie Barbara Corrigan 1933, she b. 1910, has ch. Robert C. b. 1935, Thomas Edmund b. 1939, David Sherrill b. 1941; also Betsey Dayton Taylor b. 1916 who m. 1935 Cyrus Baker of Md. and has ch. James B. b. 1937, Susan Taylor b. 1944); Ulysses and Nellie Payne also had ch. Edward Madison 7 b. 1885 d. Jan. 1948, Elias Nathan 7 b. 1886 at Montauk, Mildred Althea 7 b. 1898 at Montauk (she m. 1st Jan. 1919 Samuel B. Loper Jr., div.; and had dau. Rosalie Bell Loper who m. Stanley C. Jacobs; Mildred A. m. 2nd. William Lloyd Fournier of Sag Harbor, he b. 1894

d. 1945; she had ch. Janet Marie b. 1928, William Lloyd b. 1934 d. 1948; Mildred A. m. 3d May 11, 1952 Benjamin Wells of Southold, L.I.).

\*He took his family from Amagansett to First House, Montauk to live in March, 1886. Later they lived at Second House; Ulysses and Nellie Dayton lived on at Montauk the rest of their lives. (See E.H. Star for Dec. 18, 1952 for Mrs. Betsey Payne Taylor's memories of childhood at Montauk.)

EDWARD MADISON 7\* b. 1885 d. Jan. 1948 m. Elizabeth A. Bennett, she b. 1887; ch. Winthrop Tillinghast 8 b. 1910, Louise Bennett 8 b. 1913 (who m. Oct. 1945 Garrett V. Robinson of Morrison, Colo.), Thyrsa Elizabeth 8 b. 1915 (who m. Oct. 1949 Howard Enders of Pennsylvania).

\*He was in the U.S. Coast Guard all his adult life, for many years Captain.

ELIAS NATHAN 7 (s. of Ulysses T. 6) b. at Montauk 1886, m. Nov. 1907 Christina Muller, she b. Sept. 1888; ch. Richard Elias 8 b. June 16, 1911.

RICHARD ELIAS 8 (s. of Elias Nathan 7) b. June, 1911 m. Dec. 1944 Mary Thomas of Virginia.

## MORE PAYNES

### In and About East Hampton

Jonathan is a given name which occurs frequently in the Payne family; the grandfather of John Payne (1758-1815) who m. 1783 Patience, dau. Isaac Van Scoy and had ch. Charles Watson, Mercy, Clara, Lucretia, John, Silas, Betsey, Phebe, and Timothy—was named Jonathan. A Jonathan Payne lived at Hog Neck, (North Haven) Sag Harbor in 1776. It has been impossible to place definitely the Jonathan Payne who married Nancy Paddy King, widow of William King who was pulled overboard by a whale and drowned in the Okhotsk Sea, and had a son William Paddy King, who died at Morris Island, S.C. 1864 ae 18, in the Civil War. By her second marriage Nancy Paddy King Payne had Phebe (who m. Wines Hulse), Hannah (who m. Frank Givens), Hattie (who m. John G. Collins,) and Nancy (who m. William H. Collins), all of E.H.

There was an Abraham Payne, a whaler, living in Amagansett in the 1860's who had children of school age; they were Phebe, Elisha E. (who d. at The Springs Sept. 28, 1934 ae 83) and Robert. It seems probable that this Abraham was son of Ezra 4 (Elisha 3, 2, Cornelius 1), therefore of the 5th gen. in E.H.

ELISHA E. 6 of The Springs, d. Sept. 28, 1934, m. Helen L. ——— who d. Sept. 6, 1901 ae 48; ch. Ione May 7 (who m. Charles Johns of E.H.), Inez Demar 7 (who m. William G. Kohlruess of Amagansett).

ROBERT WASHINGTON 6 (s. of Abraham 5) of The Springs; ch. Phebe L. 7 (who m. Enoch Fithian), Bertha 7 (who m. James A. Scott Jr.), Clara 7 who d.s.p., Mildred 7 (who m. Walter N. Loper), Leonard J. 7 who d.s.p., Nettie 7 who is unmd.

STAFFORD 4 (s. of Elisha 3) d. at Northwest, E.H. April 12, 1865 ae 56; he m. and left ch.

The writer cannot place Edward Payne, who d. abt. 1907.

EDWARD PAYNE m. Phebe, dau. of Daniel and Abigail Topping Loper; she b. June 21, 1853, d. May, 1938, their ch. were George, Sarah (who d. inf.) John (who d. unmd.), Abigail b. May 5, 1876 (who m. John Bartell and had ch. Mary Evelyn who d. ae 7; and Louise who m. Lawrence Moore,) Mary (who m. Harry Dayton of Patchogue and had 13 ch.; their dau. Viola and her husband George Roberts founded the Roberts Press in Patchogue, L.I.); Ruth (who m. Frank Hettiger of E.H. and had 13 ch.), Nellie who d. ae 13; Nettie (who m. Russell Miller, see Miller genealogy), Margaret (who m. 1st George King and had ch.: Marian, Charlotte, Stella, Helen, Ruth, Lennis, Fay, and George, and an adopted son Gerald; she m. 2nd. George Stearns of New Hampshire.) Phebe Loper Payne m. 2nd. James Scott; their ch. are Alice (who m. John Hallock of Mattituck, L.I.), Grace (who m. Edward Collins of Eastport, L.I.), James, Annie (who m. Elisha Ammon), Thomas; Charlotte (who m. William Tucker of Amagansett), and Jesse.

GEORGE D. PAYNE (s. of Edward) d. abt. 1937, m. Agnes McMahon; ch. George, Grace, Eleanor (who m. 1st Walter E. Osborne), and Katherine who d.y.

Edward Payne, who married Phebe Loper, had brothers: Henry of E.H., Sylvanus of Bridgehampton who left no ch.; Thomas of Bridgehampton who had ch. Sylvanus, Carrie, and Mary. GEORGE (s. of George D., s. of Edward) m. Viola Teale of Kentucky; ch. George, Mary, Agnes, Jesse.

### EARLY PAYNES

A William Paine bought a lot in Sagaponack Feb. 1653/4, and died almost immediately—in April, 1654, leaving a wife Martha. A Joseph Paine was in Southampton, 1657.

Buried at Russell's Neck, Northwest (in E.H. Township, just east of Sag Harbor; part of that property is now the Sag Harbor golf course) are Paynes—Silas, (s. of Jeremiah) bapt. May, 1796 d. July 19, 1840; his w. Sally who d. 1842 ae 49; their dau., Sally M., w. of Sylvester Randall, who d. Jan. 11, 1840 ae 21. Also two other Paynes—Fanny M., who d. inf. April 19, 1837; and Harriet A. Payne who d. Sept. 28, 1818 ae 19.

Perhaps the most famous Payne who ever lived in East Hampton was John Howard Payne (1792–1852) but he was not born of a local family on the paternal side. His father, William Payne, came here from Boston, Mass. as the first teacher in Clinton Academy and married Sarah, daughter Aaron and Mary Hedges Isaacs, as his second wife. She was mother of the poet of "Home, Sweet Home."