

The COX Line

The purpose of this note is to outline my present knowledge and conclusions on a Cox family line in the ancestry of my wife, Betty (Poteat) Olds, who probably descends in at least three ways from this one family. Collateral descents are not emphasized here, although in the first portion I have deviated from this pattern to consider possible relatives of Thomas Cox. The line begins in a Quaker family living in Chester County, PA, with possible connections to New Castle County, Delaware. The Quaker and civil records of those counties may yet provide additional material on these families. Beyond that, the line probably extends to England.

The colonial sites connected with the early records of this family are in the present states of Pennsylvania and Delaware. The history of certain of the civil and Quaker divisions of the region is of interest in what follows. Delaware has three counties: Kent, New Castle and Sussex, sometimes called the Lower Three Counties from the Pennsylvania point of view. New Castle, the original county, was formed in 1673 and has a common border with Chester Co., Pa. The other two Delaware counties were formed in 1682. In Pennsylvania, the original counties were Bucks, Philadelphia and Chester, established in 1682. Lancaster County was formed from Chester in 1729 and York County was formed from Lancaster in 1749. Adams County was formed from York in 1800.¹ This region was attractive to Quakers from England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales even somewhat before the 1682 invitation of William Penn to come to his new colony free of religious persecution.

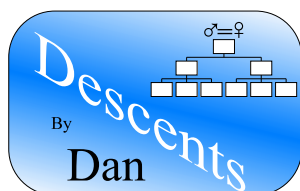
This area was organized under the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting.² The Chester Quarterly Meeting “included nearly all the meetings of what is now New Castle County in Delaware, and the counties of Delaware³ and Chester in Pennsylvania”.⁴ About 1682, Friends began settling on the east side of the Brandywine Creek in New Castle County. This was the beginning of the Newark Monthly Meeting (established 1686) which, since 1760, was known as the Kennett Monthly Meeting from the township in Chester County to which it had moved. The New Castle Meeting was started in 1684 near New Castle, DE. The Hockessin Meeting at Hockessin in Mill Creek Hundred, New Castle Co., was held at the home of William Cox as early as 1730. “Early in the eighteenth century the tide of migration began to move into the backwoods and we find

¹ Everton, George B., Sr., Handy Book for Genealogists, Sixth Ed., (Everton Publishers, Logan Utah, 1971)

² Myers, Albert Cook, *Immigration of the Irish Quakers into Pennsylvania, 1682-1750* (Baltimore, Genealogical Publishing Company, 1985 reprint of 1902 edition). For this information on the Township and Meeting formations, see especially Part III, Chapter 1, “Places of Settlement”, p. 105ff.

³ Delaware County was formed from Chester County in 1789.

⁴ Myers, op. cit., p. 118



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Friends from the old settlements in New Castle County and what is now Delaware County pushing their way through the forests and developing new locations in the wild but fat and fertile uplands of Chester County.”⁵ New Garden MM, in 1718, was the first to be established as the result of this migration. Kennett Township, Chester Co., PA, bordering New Castle County, in DE, was formed from land granted by William Penn to his daughter Letitia in 1699. Likewise, New Garden Twp., just west of Kennett, was formed from land granted by William Penn to his son, William, in 1699. Just west of New Garden Twp. is London Grove Twp. which was organized in 1723. This land had been given by Wm. Penn to Tobias Collett and others, Quakers from London, who did business as the London Company. “Much of the land was originally leased for a term of years, with stipulation that a certain number of acres should be cleared and plowed yearly, orchards planted, etc. ... Like those of New Garden the subdivisions in London Grove were mostly rectangular, and a large number of them seem to have been laid out in 1718 and 1719. Many of the settlers obtained deeds for their lands, dated March 14, 1722-23, from Collet, Quare, and Goldney.”⁶ “London Grove Meeting was established by authority of Chester Quarterly Meeting in 1714, and was held at the house of John Smith, son-in-law of Caleb Pusey, in what is now East Marlborough, until 1724, when a meeting-house was erected in the north-east corner of London Grove.”⁷ ⁸ Friends were moving into what is now Lancaster County by 1713 within what is now Sadsbury Monthly Meeting (formed 1737). Warrington Meeting, Warrington Township, York County, midway between the villages of Wellsville and Rossville, was established in 1735 and Warrington Monthly Meeting was established in 1747 from Sadsbury MM.⁹ Mayhill contains useful county and township maps for Chester, Lancaster, and York Counties.¹⁰

1. _____ **COX** (father of Thomas). I have found alternative and competing proposals for this position on the pedigree. I am outlining them here as an aid in searching for convincing evidence to make the choice among these or other possibilities because I have found no proof for any of them. Keep on digging!

⁵ Myers, p. 124.

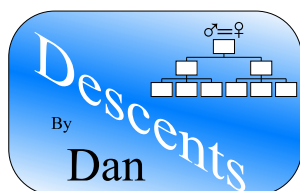
⁶ Myers, pp. 140 - 141.

⁷ Myers, p. 143

⁸ However, Albert Cook Myers, writing in *The Literary Era*, Vol. VI, No. 2, Feb. 1899, p. 61, says: “London Grove Monthly Meeting of Friends, Chester Co., Pa., was established in 1792 from New Garden Monthly Meeting. Prior to 1792 everything concerning London Grove Meeting is recorded at New Garden. New Garden was established in 1718 from Newark or Kennett Monthly Meeting. The records of New Garden, dating from 1718, are kept in a safe at the Orthodox Friends' Meeting House, West Grove, Chester Co., Pa., and at present are in charge of Truman C. Moore, of West Grove. London Grove records, dating from 1792, and Newark or Kennett records, dating from 1686, are kept in a safe at the residence of the custodian, Ellwood Michener, Toughkenamon, Chester Co., Pa.; the Women's Minutes of Newark, dating from about 1698, are in charge of Mrs. Susanna F. Savery, of near West Chester, Pa.”

⁹ Myers. This date is given as 1745 on page 168 and 1747 on page 162.

¹⁰ Mayhill, Thomas R., *Lancaster County Pennsylvania Deed Abstracts & Revolutionary War Oaths of Allegiance*, Revised and Enlarged Edition, Deed Books ‘A’ through ‘M’ (The Bookmark, Knightstown, IN, 2nd printing 1970).



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A. William and Amy¹¹ Cox.

One proposed ancestry for Thomas Cox is given in Cox of Cole Creek.¹² A William Cox is described as living in New Castle, Delaware, by 1719 and perhaps much earlier. The authors find, in Sedbury (England) Meeting records, a William Cox born in Gloucester, England in 1757-8 [sic 1657-8], son of Samuel¹³. The same records name a John Cox, married in 1680, and a Thomas Cox, married in 1689. A John Cox came to America in 1710 and a Thomas Cox came to America with a certificate from the Sedbury Meeting dated 7-10-1713. Although this early William is apparently not further identified in English or American Quaker records, the authors conclude that William, John, and Thomas were brothers.

Of these children, John Cox married Alice Beal in 1680¹⁴, and on 12-22- 1690, he married Elizabeth Taylor before coming to America. Thomas Cox married Sarah Wolley¹⁵, presumably in England, on 5-3-1689. She was apparently dead before he came to America in 1713 and he went to the Abingdon, Pa., Monthly Meeting and married Sarah Buzby,^{16 17} daughter of Thomas¹⁸ Buzby.

The deeds abstracted in Cox of Cole Creek include one from William Cox, yeoman, of Newcastle County, to Jacob Stilley, for some land formerly belonging to Justiss Cock^{19 20}, two from William Aubrey to William Cocks, and others in 1721, with more in 1725, 1729, and 1734. In the deeds of 4 Jan. 1734/5 and 19 Feb. 1734/5, William Cox of the town of New Castle was selling land and both he and his wife Amy signed by mark. William Cox "must have died in

¹¹ For some people in this family, the names "Amy" and "Naomi" are both used. This is probably not the case for this "Amy", "Emme", "Emma", "Emy", Emmetje Cox.

¹² R. E. Cox, W. S. Cox, et. al, Descendants of Solomon Cox of Cole Creek, VA. and other Early Cox Ancestry of the Cole Creek Coxs, (1955)

¹³ Notes interlined in the copy of Cox of Cole Creek in the Friends History Library, Swarthmore College, indicate that William Cox was born 17 Feb. 1657-8, son of William and Elizabeth.

¹⁴ Notes interlined in the copy of this book in the Friends History Library, Swarthmore College, change this date to 24 Jan. 1668. If so, he was not the son of William Cox, b. 1657-8.

¹⁵ Notes interlined in the copy of this book in the Friends History Library, Swarthmore College, change this surname to Wooley.

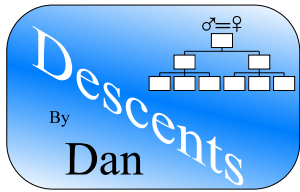
¹⁶ Thomas Cox of Concord and Sarah Buzby were married 29th 9mo 1716. [Abington MM minutes, 1682-1746, microfilm, Swarthmore College]. Thomas Cox and wife Sarah received on certificate from Abington MM dated 28 2m 1728. [card index, New Garden MM, Swarthmore College]

¹⁷ "Thomas Cox produced a certificate to this meeting from Abington monthly meeting bearing date of 28 of ye second month last which signifies yt he and his wife was in unity & their conversations orderly which was read here and accepted." [New Garden MM minutes, 1718 - 1746, p. 144, 28 4m 1729, microfilm, Swarthmore College] I do not see that this record named his wife and I now suppose the date was 1729, contrary to my note from the card index.

¹⁸ Notes interlined in the copy of this book in the Friends History Library, Swarthmore College, change this name to Richard Buzby.

¹⁹ from New Castle Co., DE, Deeds, S.I. 32, dated 25 May 1719

²⁰ I am curious about this name. There are other references to Augustin Cox and Futhey & Cope name a "Yesta Cox" from the 1722 tax list of New Garden Township, Chester County, where we also find Thomas, Richard and John Cox among other names familiar from this study.

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1742-3 for in that year in the Orphans Court-C, 1,18, a petition by John Cox his administrator was filed." Some of the land belonging to William Penn and Letitia (Penn) Audrey was in New Castle County, Delaware, where William Cox lived and some was in Chester County, Pennsylvania.²¹ The last deed quoted shows that on 19 Feb 1734-5, William Cox of Newcastle county, yeoman, and Amey his wife, convey to William Cox, farmer at Hockessin in Mill Creek Hundred, land in Newcastle county on Christiana Creek.²² In New Castle County, Delaware, deed abstracts for William Cox it is shown that a William Cox was acquiring hundreds of acres there in 1721 (DB G1, p. 115 and DB G2, p. 226) and later bought smaller amounts including lots in New Castle. On 25 Sep 1741, Benjamin Fredd and wife Deborha, of New Garden Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania sold 10 acres on the south side of Brandywine Creek to William Cox of New Castle County, yeoman (DB N1, p. 264). On 16 Nov 1741, William Cox of New Castle County, with wife Catherine, sold 10 acres to John Dixson of the same (DB N1, p. 281). In 1743, John Cox of Clay Creek Hundred, admr. *of his father* William Cox sold 100 acres on the west side of Christiana Creek to William Patterson (CB W1, p. 544).²³

A note prepared by Nancy P. Speers of Swarthmore College²⁴ describes Thomas Cox who was born ca. 1694 and married Elizabeth Fincher, as "prob. son of William b. 1658". This William, b. 1658 in Frampton Cotterill, England, is also given as the father of William Cox, b. ca. 1692, who married Catherine Kinkey, daughter of Harmon and Margery Kinkey, about 1716.

As listed in Cox of Cole Creek, the children of William and Amy Cox are:²⁵

- i. John Cox, his father's executor.
- ii. Richard Cox, b. ca. 1688, m. by 26-3-1712, Margaret Potts who died in 1725
- iii. William Cox, b. 1692, m. Catherine _____
- iv. Thomas Cox, b. 1694, m. Elizabeth Fincher
- v. Amy Cox, b. 1698, m. John Allen.

Eldon Cox wrote: "There is a possibility that we are looking for a second Cox family in New Castle Co., Del. For several years it was thought, by some, that the parents of the family were William and Amy Cox, who were not Quakers. As more was learned, it became apparent that William and Amy were about the same age as our Cox family and also the names of their children were located. It is thought that Amy was Emmetje van der Coolen, daughter of Reyneer van der Coolen. It was reported that William and Amy Cox had made a deed to William Cox of

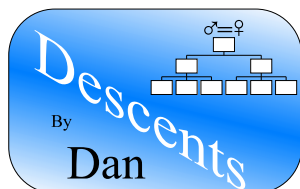
²¹ Cox of Cole Creek, p. 6-7, from New Castle Co., DE, G.I., 115, 10 May 1721 and G.I. 226, 10 July 1721.

²² Cox of Cole Creek, p. 7, from New Castle Co., DE, K.I. 295

²³Johnson, William Perry, to Eldon E. Cox, with a letter dated 10 Aug 1968 and supplied by E. E. Cox, Jr. on a CD selection of his father's papers, July 2004. The notes were prepared for Mr. Johnson by Frederick Dorman, editor of the Virginia Genealogist.

²⁴ sent by Hank Deemer, 29 July 1991

²⁵ Cox of Cole Creek, p. 6-11.



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Hockesin (who married Catherine Kinkey). This so-called deed, when read, was a mortgage. Apparently those who found it did not read all of it. It could be merely coincidence, but we certainly wonder if this William could be a cousin. When this William Cox died, his son John sold the land to pay off the mortgage. I have no other recorded mortgages and believe that William (wife Catharine Kinkey) used any money he had to buy land rather than loan on mortgage.”²⁶

On 15 Feb 1742/43, in New Castle Co., Delaware, “There was filed in Orphans’ Court by John Cox administrator of William Cox late of Newcastle Co., deceased, a paper showing that the personal estate of the deceased was insufficient to pay all his debts, and praying that his real estate might be sold to satisfy his creditors. The Court ordered so much of his estate be sold as would be sufficient for the purpose.”²⁷

The children of William and Amy have been identified in the records at the Holy Trinity Church (Old Swede’s), in New Castle County, DE, which show Johanna Cock, daughter of Bille and Emma, baptized 21 Oct. 1716, aged 10 months; Hanna Cock, daughter of Bille and Emma, baptized April, 1720, age 1 year; Margarita Cock, daughter of William and Emy, born 20 Jan. 1722, baptised 14 March 1723; Regner Von der Culen Cock, son of William and Emy, born 15 Jan. 1725, baptized 4 May 1726; Regner Cock, son of William and Emy, born 20 Feb. 1728, baptized 27 Feb. 1728.^{28 29} So, unless another William and Amy Cox can be identified, William and Amy were not the parents of the children given to them in Cox of Cole Creek. However, I don’t see records that make it certain that the “Swedish” William Cocks was the one whose estate was administered by John Cox in 1742-43. Whether or not the five children listed in Cox of Cole Creek belonged to a William Cox, they nevertheless existed and may be related to our line. Furthermore, even after the “Swedish” William and Amy Cox have been eliminated, the William Cox, b. in England in 1658, with wife unknown, remains as being possibly linked to our family.

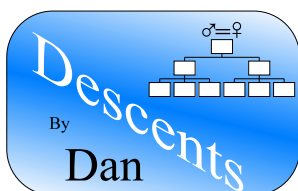
B. John and Rachel Cox.

²⁶ Buffa, Elizaeth Berry, Cox Family Outline (1977), p. i, citing her 1977 letters from Eldon Cox, 4233 S.W. 62nd Court, Miami, FL, whom I was not able to contact. He is now deceased.

²⁷ Cox, Eldon E., a handwritten page of Cox notes in a CD selection of his father’s papers, supplied by E. E. Cox, Jr., July 2004. This page was sent to E. E. Cox by William P. Johnson with his letter dated 10 Aug. 1968.

²⁸ list taken from LDS film 0441416 and posted on GENie Electronic Bulletin Board by LindaBelle Roholt, 24 May 1993.

²⁹ Historical Society of Delaware, Papers of, Vol. IX, The Records of Old Trinity (Old Swedes) Church, Wilmington, Del., from 1697 to 1773. Translated from the Original Swedish by Horace Burr, with an Abstract of the English Records from 1773 to 1810 (published by the Historical Society of Delaware, 1890). Available online at <http://books.google.com> 6 Nov 2009. In these records a John Cock of St. Georges is specifically called a Swede in 1707.



THOMAS COX is described (p. 248) in The Cox Family in America³⁰ as a yeoman of London Grove, Chester Co., Pa., and as “perhaps a son of **John and Rachel Cox**, of New Castle Co., Del.”. John and Rachel Cox are not specifically treated in this book, although Richard Cox is introduced (p. 243) as “probably as son of John and Rachel, of New Castle Co., Delaware”, John Cox is introduced (p. 240) as “possibly a brother of Thomas Cox”, and another Thomas Cox is introduced (p. 262) as “b. about 1690, probably in England; perhaps a brother of John Cox, who with his wife Rachel, arrived in New Castle Co., Del., 1708, and a son of Thomas Cox, citizen and vintner, of London”. Although the connection with Thomas of London has now been dropped, there is more detail on the others below.

Thus, Cox of Cole Creek and CFA appear to be describing the same Thomas Cox, although giving him different parents. Neither line is well documented and the identification of the parents of this Thomas Cox is very uncertain

Subsequent research once appeared to support the connection between Thomas Cox and John and Rachel Cox as suggested in CFA and to extend the line to an earlier Thomas Cox.³¹

Thomas Cox, b. ca. 1641, of London, England, d. 15 Jan. 1711. He married Christian Matthews, b. 1649, d. 30 April 1679. Thomas married (2nd) Ann Hind. Thomas Cox had the following children:

- Christian Cox, b. 27 Feb. 1673, m. 10 Nov. 1691 to Lassels Metcalf
- Thomas Cox b. ca. 1674, m. Grace Staploe
- John Cox b. 24 Sept. 1675, m. Rachel
- Mary Cox
- Richard Cox.

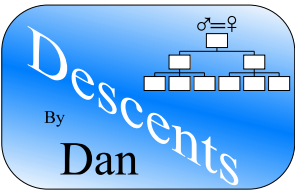
Fortunately for future researchers, Judith Cox Whipple appears to have demolished any early American Cox connection to this line. She says:

“Thomas Cox, 1642 -1 712, Citizen and Vintner of London, England; mar. 1) Ann -?- Ballard; mar. 2) Christian Matthews; mar. 3) Ann Lane Hind. Here is proof he is NOT the ancestor of the Thomas Cox who married Sarah Busby, his sons, grandsons, and great-grandsons DID NOT live in America, and he had NO surviving male great-grandsons named Cox.”³² Also: “[In his 1712 will Thomas Cox, Vintner, names his sons, Thomas Cox and John Cox, giving them land in Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, and Gloucester County, New Jersey, he acquired as a

³⁰ Cox, Henry Miller, The Cox Family in America, A History and Genealogy of the Older Branches of the Family from the Appearance of its first Representative in America in 1610, (NY, 1912). Hereafter, CFA.

³¹ This paragraph on Thomas Cox of London was sent to me by Betty Baker, 30 Nov 1990, as obtained from Susan E. Mortensen.

³² Our Cox and Whipple Families: the Earliest Ancestors, by Judith Cox Whipple, <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~coxwhipple/cox1home.htm> (viewed 21 Oct 2009)

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Proprietor of East Jersey and from shares he had in the early Pennsylvania Land Companies. He was among the wealthy London Quakers who helped William Penn establish the colony of Pennsylvania by loaning Penn money. His sons received the income from these and other financial ventures.]”³³ The John Cox who was born in 1675 left a will (probated in London in 1763 with no evidence of ever having had a wife or children. Whipple’s web posting supports this in detail.

Others have focused on another John Cox, suggesting the line may begin with:³⁴

John Cox "of Drayton, Berkshire County, England" settled in the "forks of the Brandywine" River, Chester Co., PA about 1708. He was born about 1665. In 1714, John bought land further south and "appears to have moved onto a farm in present day Kennet twp., Chester Co., Pa." John was disowned by the Quakers in 1712 but was reinstated in 1719. "John and his wife, Rachel, disappear from Quaker records about 1736, therefore their dates of death must be placed after that time." Her name has been given as Rachel Embree CARR.³⁵

Christine Kraft reports the following from the Kennett Women’s Monthly Minutes:³⁶

“1721/2, 6 Jan (11th mo.): Rachell COX, "being reduced to a low Condition therefore" the Kennett Women's Monthly Meeting, Chester Co., PA, produced a blanket and a wast-cote to supply her want to the value of 1 pound 5 shillings and 6 pence.”

“1728, 5 Oct (8th mo.): Rachel COX, being reduced to poverty, therefore Kennett Women's Monthly Meeting appoint Mary LEWIS, Susanna PRYOR, and Hannah ROBERTS to visit her and see what she stands most in need of.”

“1728, 2 Nov (9th mo.): The friends appointed are to continue their care concerning "old Rachel COKS" and are to get her such things as she desires, Kennett Women's Monthly Meeting.

(1a) 1728, Dec (10th mo.): The Kennett Women's Monthly Meeting took "out of stock" 1 pound 3 shillings 10 pence and more collected to it to make up to 2 pounds, 14 shillings paid by the meeting for the use of Rachel COKS.

“1732, 7 Oct (8th mo.): Kennett Women's Monthly Meeting paid of stock to John HEALD for the use of Rachel COX 8 shillings 2 pence.”

She also says that Rachel Cox is last mentioned in the Kennett Monthly Meeting records on 4 Oct (8th mo) 1735. Her abstract of this entry does not name Rachel, only “John Cox and wife”.³⁷

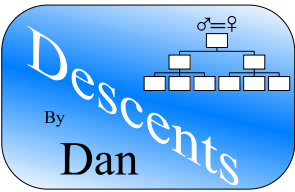
³³ The Family of Thomas Cox, Vintner, London, England, by Judith Cox Whipple, <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~coxwhipple/cox3thosvintner.htm> (viewed 21 Oct 2009)

³⁴ The paragraph on John and Rachel Cox comes from the research of Eileen Cox Goldborer, "George Cox, Sr., Family Genealogy", a typescript sent by Betty Baker, 30 Nov. 1990.

³⁵ quoted by Glenna L. Sysmsma on GENie Electronic Bulletin Board, 10 May 1993, from a GEDCOM by Claude R. Burton.

³⁶ Kraft, Christine and Gedge, Alice Ament Davidson, "Our Research", see Rachel as wife of John Cox, <http://worldconnect.rootsweb.ancestry.com>, used 30 Oct 2009.

³⁷ Kraft, Christine and Gedge, Alice Ament Davidson, "Our Research", see John Cox for several more entries in both England and Pennsylvania, <http://worldconnect.rootsweb.ancestry.com>, used 30 Oct 2009.

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William Perry Johnson supplies additional specific information on two John Coxes from Drayton:³⁸

“The late Albert Cook Myers, of Chester Co., Pa., had obtained some Cox data from England, as follows:

“1681 - John Cox, blacksmith, of Drayton, near Abingdon, house burned down; a poor friend; needs relief. (Drayton and Abingdon are in Berkshire, Eng., WPJ) From Men’s Mtg. at West Chalow, Berkshire, Eng.: 28 of 6 Mo 1707 - (a Mo. Mtg.) - John Cox of Draiton, belonging to Abingdon Meeting, an inclination to transport himself, wife and children, to Pa. To be granted at next mtg. if no obstruction appears. (Certificate granted). Mo. Mtg. (Men’s) at Chalow, Berkshire, Eng.: 30 of 7 Mo. 1709 - John Cox, Jr., son of John Cox, late of Draiton but removed to Pa., desires certificate; unmarried. (Certificate signed at Abingdon, 17 of 8 Mo. 1709).

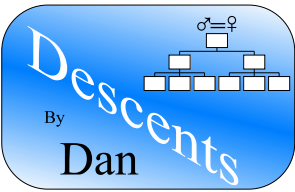
“Newark Mo. Mtg., Pa.: At Center - 4 of 7 Mo. 1708 - A Certificate being produced to this Mtg. by John Cox a friend lately come from Ould England, which sd. certificate being read is Excepted by this Mtg.” Center – 5 of 12 Mo. 1708 - This Mtg. appoints Abraham Marshall and John Cox to attend the Quarterly Mtg. Center – 2 of 10 Mo. 1710 - “At this Mtg. was read a certificate on ye behalfe of John Cox Junr. wch is Excepted on, it being from Old England.”

“... From: Pa. Archives, 2nd Series, XIX, 495 – Mtg. of Comrs. of Prop. 5 Mo. 26, 1708: ‘Abiah Taylor, in behalf of Jno. Cox desires to Purchase 150 A’s of Land adjoining [sic] to his own in the Forks of Brandywine for wch he is to pay 24 Pounds next Fair, and he has lease to Settle it immediately; ye land bounds on Abiah’s 2 tracts of Land on both sides and Isaac Taylor’s new Surv’d. Land.”

John Cox and Robert Pyle witnessed a Chester County deed together on 6 March 1688.³⁹ This early date is definitely an anomaly, given the foregoing history. Perhaps this was witnessed in England as many of those witnessed by a Thomas Cox must have been. Two Chester County, Pa., deeds name John and Rachel Cox. One was made 29 Dec 1719 “between John Cox of the Township of Kennet in the County of Chester and province of Pensilvania yoeman [sic] and Rachall his wife of the one part and Robert Carter of the Township of Marlborough” recorded the sale, for five shillings, of 200 acres in Kennet Township. Both John and Rachel signed by mark. They had proved the deed on 4 Oct 1727. The other deed was made 30 Dec 1719 and was proved 30 May 1727 by the appearance of John Cox and Rachel his wife. It was between “John Cox of the Township of Kennet in the County of Chester and Rachel his wife of the one part and Robert Carter of the Township of Marlborough in the County and province aforesaid yoman [sic]” and sold 200 acres in Kennet Township that Cox had purchased by deed dated 1 April

³⁸ Johnson, William Perry, to Eldon E. Cox, in a letter dated 10 June 1968 and supplied by E. E. Cox, Jr. on a CD selection of his father’s papers, July 2004.

³⁹ Bryant, Carol, Abstracts of Chester County, Pennsylvania, Land Records, Volume I, 1681 -1730 (Willow Bend Books, Westminster, Maryland, 2000), p. 19, from Book A, Vol. 1, page 114

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1713 from Nicholas Pyle. The two deeds were recorded on 9 Nov 1733.⁴⁰ John Cox is also called yeoman of Kennet in the 1713 deed.⁴¹

Eldon Cox expressed doubt about proving descent from John and Rachel Cox:⁴²

“While I cannot prove that John and Rachel Cox were not the parents of our Cox family, I have serious doubts. One reason is that the name Rachel is not used in our Cox family except where it has entered through marriage. Another is that it seems to me that our Cox family had its earliest background in New Castle Co., Del. and that the John and Rachel theory does not fit.”

Eldon had earlier written, discussing errors in Rev. Henry Miller Cox’s The Cox Family in America:

“Knowledge of these errors is nothing new. I have a letter which was written to my father in the early 1930’s in which the writer is complaining of some of these errors.

“One of these is the John and Rachel Cox theory. There was a John and Rachel Cox but no where in Quaker records is there any proof that they were the parents of our Cox family. It is much more probable that they were parents of – (all of Kennet Township) --

John Cox, Jr. who m. Hannah Jenkins

Richard Cox who m. 1st Margaret Potts

2nd Mary and later died in

Vincent Township leaving a will.

Sarah Cox who m. Thomas Leach.

Possibly Joseph?

Even this is not proven. Quaker records do not show that the name of the father of Sarah Cox was John.”⁴³

A somewhat longer proposed list of children, born in England, for John and Rachel Cox is:⁴⁴ Richard⁴⁵ b. ca. 1690, m. Margaret Potts in 1712⁴⁶, Elizabeth Scarlett in 1726⁴⁷, and Mary ? ca. 1729.

⁴⁰ Chester County, Pa., Book DR E-5, page 202-203. I am using typed copies included in the Eldon E. Cox Collection, a CD sent by Ed Cox, July 2004. _____.

⁴¹ Bryant, Carol, Abstracts of Chester County, Pennsylvania, Land Records, Volume I, 1681 -1730 (Willow Bend Books, Westminster, Maryland, 2000), p. 5, from Book A, Vol. 1. part 2, page 21.

⁴² Buffa, Elizaeth Berry, Cox Family Outline (1977), p. iii, citing her 1977 letters from Eldon Cox, 4233 S.W. 62nd Court, Miami, FL.

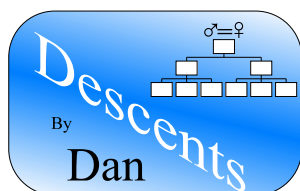
⁴³ Eldon E. Cox to Mabel F. Schluessler, 3 April 1982, a letter supplied by E. E. Cox, Jr. on a CD selection of his father’s papers, July 2004.

⁴⁴ Goldborer, Eileen Cox, "George Cox, Sr., Family Genealogy", a typescript sent by Betty Baker, 30 Nov. 1990.

⁴⁵ LindaBelle Roholt, posting on GENie Electronic Bulletin Board, 9 May 1993, studying tax records of Chester Co., PA, makes a case for two Richard Coxes, one who married Margaret Potts and left Chester Co. in 1728 and another who married Elizabeth Scarlett in 1726 when he was called of London Grove.

⁴⁶ Richard Cox of Hammet MM in County of Mervetta [?should say Montgomery?] & Margaret Potts, reported married 26th 3 m. 1712. [Abingdon MM Minutes, 1682-1746, microfilm, Swarthmore College].

⁴⁷ Richard Cox gct Chichester MM to m. Elizabeth Scarlett, 5 9m 1726. [Card index to New Garden MM, Swarthmore College].



Sarah, b. ca. 1692, m. Richard [having marked out Thos.] Leech in 1712⁴⁸
 Anne, b. ca. 1694, m. Gasparus Garretson in 1713 and Nathan Hussey in 1728.
 Joseph, b. ca. 1695, m. Mary ____ (probably Maria Vanderveer) in 1716
 Amy, b. ca. 1697, m. John Allen (b. 3 Oct 1694 in Ireland) in 1719.⁴⁹
 John, b. ca. 1699, m. Hannah Jenkins in 1720⁵⁰ and Mary Harlan in 1735⁵¹
 Thomas, b. ca. 1701, m. (1) Elizabeth Fincher in 1722 and (2) Mary Cook(e) in 1730.
 (The list posted by Glenna L. Sysmsma also includes a William Cox.)⁵²

C. William and Rebecca Cox?

After indicating that Thomas Cox was born in England about 1702, a son of John and Rachel Cox, and possibly a brother of William, Richard, John, Ann and Amy Cox, James R. Moore continues:

“Naming patterns of these families suggest that the parents may have been William COX/Rebecca: Ann COX/Casparaus GARRETSON named children John and Ann (for his parents) and William and Rebecca. William COX/Catherine KINKEY named children Harmon and Margaret (for her parents) and William and Rebecca. Amy COX/John ALLEN named children John, Amy, William and Rebecca. John COX/Mary (GARRETSON?) named a child William. Thomas COX/Elizabeth FINCHER named a child Rebecca. Richard COX/Elizabeth SCARLETT named children William and Rebecca. A William COX, b. 17 Feb 1658, s/o William COX/Elizabeth of Frampton Cotterill, Gloucestershire, England, appeared in the records of English Quarterly Meeting and may be a candidate.”⁵³ This was the first I had seen on the suggestion of and support for the pair William and Rebecca, but they are still unknown. Perhaps a similar name-based argument could be made for a John/Rebecca although, in this case, the name John could sometimes be explained from other sources than in the Cox family.

Peter S. Craig wrote of one Rebecca Cox of New Castle County as follows (there may be more in his 1988 report “The Family of Nils Larson Frande (Friend)”):

“Johan Cock (p. 22) generally went by the name of John Cox. He was still single on 4 June 1729 when he mortgaged his 234 acres to Francis Land for 59 pounds. (New Castle County

⁴⁸ secondary sources seem to disagree on this marriage and I have no primary record information available. Myers, p. 363, refers to a Sarah Boyd, m. 1739 in Sadsbury MM to Thomas *Leech*, son of Richard and Sarah (Cox) *Leach*.

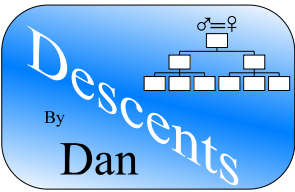
⁴⁹ John Alline of New Garden, with intention to marry Amy Cocks of Center MM, requested a certificate, 14 1m 1718/19. [New Garden MM minutes, 1718-1746, microfilm, Swarthmore College, p. 4].

⁵⁰ Goldborer refers to a Quaker record for the marriage of John Cox, Jr. to Hannah Jenkins on 5 Nov 1720

⁵¹ John Cox, son of John, at Londongrove Meeting House, Chester Co., PA, married Mary Harlan, dau. of Moses, 9th 8m. 1735. [Card index to New Garden MM, Swarthmore College].

⁵² quoted by Glenna L. Sysmsma on GENie Electronic Bulletin Board, 10 May 1993, from a GEDCOM by Claude R. Burton.

⁵³ Moore, James M.. “Shadetree Genealogy, updated 2006-11-22,
<http://wc.rootsweb.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi?op=GET&db=shadetree58&id=1455>

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deeds, J-1:128) He was married, however, by 15 January 1731 when John Cox wrote his will, naming "my beloved wife Rebecca and Gabriel Cox of Red Lion Hundred" to administer his will which ordered that they sell "my plantation lying between Georges Creek and Dragon Swamp." (Recital, New Castle County deeds, H-1:288-289) The resulting deed was made by Edward Shaw and Rebecca his wife, relict of John Cox, and Gabriel Cox, who sold the land on 3 November 1735 to William Goforth.⁵⁴

Craig provided further information in a letter to Virginia Wilson Thomas, 16 Jan 2001:⁵⁵

"Gabriel Cock/Cox (gen. 2) was forced to sell the last of his father's Kipha plantation to Samuel Carpenter in 1714. Soon thereafter the name of Gabriel Cock/Cox reappears at St. Georges in Red Lyon Hundred, New Castle County, where Gabriel's brother John Cock had died in December 1713, leaving a widow Brigitta (sister of Gabriel Cock's wife Maria Frände) and their children. It is uncertain whether this was Gabriel Cock, Sr., or his son Gabriel Cock, Jr. (born 1690). It is also possible that both of them moved to St. Georges. Later references are: "> 16 Aug. 1720: Gabriel Cox sues Charles Cox (son of John) and wins judgment of 3 and 12 shillings. (New Castle Court records)

"> 16 Aug. 1720: In the case of the Crown vs. Mary Cox (wife of Gabriel Cox, Sr.), Ann Cox posts bond for 100 pounds and Gabriel Cox posts bond for 50. (New Castle County court records)

"> 20 Aug. 1720: Charles, John and Augustine Cox agree to a division of their father's land in Red Lion Hundred. (Recital, New Castle County deeds, N-1:55-59)

"> 27 May 1722: Gabriel Cox marries widow Magdalene Gill at Christ Church, Philadelphia. (Christ Church records, Pennsylvania Marriages, 1:58) [She is there named Mary Gill. However, New Castle Records show that she was born Magdalena Morgan and married John Gill who died at St. Georges before 21 October 1719, when his widow Magdalene was named administratrix of John Gill's estate. (New Castle County wills, C:146-148)]

"> 22 Oct. 1726: Gabriel Cox, by his mark (GK), witnesses promissory note by which Augustine Cox and John Stout (married to Augustine's sister Anna) agree to pay 24.4.17 [pounds] to Henry Evertson of St. Georges. (1727 records of estate of Augustine Cox, Hall of Records, Dover, DE)

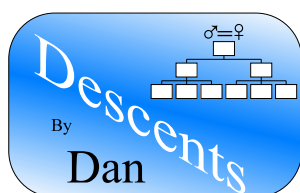
"> 14 Aug. 1727: Augustine Cox of St. Georges Creek, yeoman, conveys to Francis Land his 234 acres adjoining John Cox and Charles Cox for 66 pounds. (New Castle County deeds, H-1:218-219)

"> 18 Nov. 1727: Augustine Cox being dead, Gabriel Cox and Magdalene Cox (his wife) settle the estate of Augustine Cox. (1727 records of estate of Augustine Cox, Hall of Records, Dover, DE)

"> 15 Jan. 1731/2: Will of John Cox of Red Lion Hundred names his wife Rebecca and Gabriel

⁵⁴ Craig, Peter S., "Addenda & Corrections to Dr. Craig's 1988 Report, 'The Family of Nils Larsson'", <http://boards.ancestry.co.uk/surnames.friend/1005/mb.ashx?pnt=1>, seen 29 Oct 2009

⁵⁵ "Gabriel Petersson Cock", b. 1663, Peter Cook's Island, New Sweden Colony, http://azstrong.tripod.com/harry_alice/legacy/2139.htm#3, used 30 Oct 2009



Cox executors of his will. (Recital, New Castle County deeds, N-1:55-59)

“> 15 May 1735: Gabriel Cox marries Eleanor Peterson at Christ Church Philadelphia.(Christ Church records, Pennsylvania Marriage, 1:58).

“> 3 Nov. 1735: Edward Shaw (who married John Cox's widow Rebecca) and Gabriel Cox, executors of will of John Cox, sell the deceased's 234 acres in Red Lion Hundred to William Goforth. (NCCo deeds, N-1:55-59)”

D. Consideration of Possible Siblings for Thomas Cox

Buffa, in a 1997 summary of this problem, listed the following as probable or possible members of a single family but was unable to identify their parents.⁵⁶ In name, at least, this list covers all those proposed as children of John and Rachel or of William and Amy. Even when the name is the same however, the lists do not always refer to the same individual. In most or all of these cases, there is more than one contemporary individual with the name.

- (1) John Cox (b. 1688-90, Eng.) m. ca. 1713 Mary _____
- (2) Richard Cox m. Elizabeth Scarlett⁵⁷ and Mary _____
- (3) Sarah Cox m. Thomas⁵⁸ Leach in 1712 may have been of this family
- (4) Joseph Cox may have been of this family
- (5) William Cox m. Catherine Kinkey, daughter of Harmon Kinkey and Margery _____
- (6) Ann Cox (?) m. Casparus Garretson, 1713
- (7) Thomas Cox m. (1) Elizabeth Fincher 2 Sept. 1722 and (2) Mary Cooke (perhaps daughter of Peter Cooke)
- (8) Amy Cox m. John Allen, 1719, noting that “They did not move to N.C.”

In the absence of a definite assignment of parents to “our” Thomas Cox, it may be worth while to consider this group of possible family members for further evidence. It is not to be expected that all these belong to one nuclear family.

John, Richard, and Thomas all owned adjacent land in London Grove Township, Chester Co., Pa., ca. 1720. In the late 1730s, the families of John Cox, Thomas Cox, and Anne Hussey moved into what is now York County. Thomas went into Warrington Township.

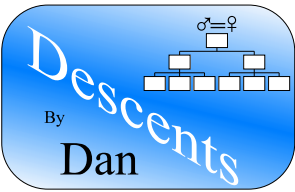
Buffa has several quotations from letters of Eldon Cox⁵⁹ written in 1977 which discuss each of

⁵⁶ Buffa, Elizabeth Berry, Cox Family Outline, 1977, a typescript in the Friends History Library, Swarthmore College.

⁵⁷ 5th 9mo 1726, Richard Cox gct from Chichester MM to marry Elizabeth Scarlett. [card index, New Garden MM, Swarthmore College].

⁵⁸ secondary sources seem to disagree on his name and I have no primary references available. His name may be Richard.

⁵⁹ Buffa, Elizabeth Berry, Cox Family Outline (1977), p. i-iii, citing her 1977 letters from Eldon Cox, 4233 S.W. 62nd Court, Miami, FL, whom I was not able to contact. He is now deceased.

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the eight Cox names on her list.

“I cannot even make a guess at the name of parents of our Cox family. There are so many possibilities. It appears that many can be eliminated, but even then there are several on which data is lacking.”

“Gilbert Cope, genealogist and historian of Chester Co., Pa, has never been surpassed as an authority on that area. As far as I know, he never made any guess as to parents of our Cox family. He did make the statement that John and Rachel Cox were thought to be the parents of Richard Cox who married Margaret Potts. It appears that John and Rachel Cox, John Cox, Jr., Richard Cox and Joseph Cox lived in Kennet Township, Chester Co., Pa. at one time.

“John, Thomas and Richard Cox and John and Amy (Cox) Allen must have been transferred to New Garden MM after Kennet was divided. That is assuming that all were Quakers at the time and there is no reason to believe otherwise. Since Richard Cox (wife Margaret) and John Cox, Jr., still appear in the Kennet records after the change of New Garden to a Monthly Meeting, we have additional evidence that they were of another family.”

“Three brothers, John, William, and Thomas Cox came to North Carolina in the 1750's with part of their families. Thomas stayed in N.C. only a short time before moving to S. C. Our knowledge of their sons who lived in N.C. includes one who lived in present Chatham Co. and nine in Randolph Co. We know almost all the names of their grandchildren, but there are a couple of families that are not complete (that is the grandchildren of these 10).” “Little seems to be known of the children of Isaac Cox”

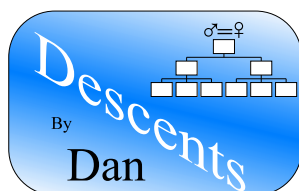
“It is a reasonable assumption that John, William, Richard, Thomas and Amy Cox were from the same family. John, Thomas, and Richard Cox’s land in London Grove Township, Chester Co., Pa. formed three quarters of a circle around Moses Harland’s land.⁶⁰ All three went to York Co. later. William Cox was next door neighbor in North Carolina of Phebe (Scarlett) Allen, later 2nd wife of Isaac Cox (s. of Thomas). William Cox in his Orange Co., N.C. will of 1767 mentioned land where his brother formerly lived. This must have been either John or Thomas.”

Notes Regarding John Cox(es)

On 4th 7mo 1708, John Cox (wife Rachel⁶¹) is mentioned in the minutes of Kennet Monthly Meeting (originally called Newark MM) as having produced a certificate from “Ould England” to Kennet MM. “They are said to have settled in New Castle County, DE, which is adjacent to

⁶⁰ In 1914 Gilbert Cope prepared a map “Lands Around London Grove Meeting, 1700-1730” which shows that Moses Harland had 200 acres on the west border of London Grove Township and was bordered by Thomas Cocks (150 acres), Samuel Underwood (250 acres), Richard Cocks (212 acres), and John Cocks (250 acres). This map was reprinted by Lester M. Allen in “The Allen Family, Descendants of John and Amy Cox Allen with Allied Lines”, Greensboro, NC.

⁶¹ Buffa, Elizabeth, letter to Dan W. Olds, 12 April 1999, included a page from Eldon Cox with a typed page titled “RECAP OF MINUTES KENNET MONTHLY MEETING” which says “1721 - 1735 Series of entries on John and Rachel Cox (Some mention Kennet) (No Genealogical Data)” and 1729 - 1733 Series of entries on John Cox, Jr. (Some mention Kennet.) (No genealogical data)”. Since the records are not quoted, I do not know if Rachel is mentioned by name in them.



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Kennet Twp., Chester County, PA. Some records are in Chester Co., PA.”⁶²

On 9th of 8mo 1716, Nicholas Pyle of Concord, Chester Co., PA, recorded a deed of 200 acres made to John Cox of Kennet Township, Chester County.⁶³

“John Cox of Chester Co. purchased 250 acres in Londongrove in 1722, joining the lands of Richard Cox and Moses Harlan, and on Nov. – 1737, John Cox, late of Chester Co., yeoman,, and wife Mary, convey the 250 acres to Thomas Bryan for £255.

“Now John Cocks, son of John of Londongrove, and Mary Harlan, dau. of Moses Harlan of same, were married 8-9-1735.⁶⁴ Whether it was father or son who purchased and sold the 250 acres, is not clear.”⁶⁵

Quoting again from Eldon Cox:

“...our John Cox could not have entries in minutes of New Garden MM and Kennet MM at the same time.

“Quaker records very clearly show that John Cox who married Mary Harlan was son of John Cox of London Grove. Just as clearly do the records show that John and Rachel were living in Kennet but writers still repeat that the John Cox who married Mary Harlan was son of John and Rachel. Impossible. Shortly after the marriage, John Cox, the father, went to Huntingdon, York Co., Pa. where he was John of Huntingdon. John and Mary (Harlan) Cox soon moved with the Moses Harlan family to Menallen, York Co., Pa. (now Adams). Writers have tried to combine the children of these two families and list a single family. ...

“The Quaker records show that the children of Casparus and Ann (Cox?) Garretson and those of John and Mary (?) Cox were first cousins. Thus either

John Cox married Mary Garretson

or

Casparus Garretson married Ann Cox

or both of these could be true. Adequate proof of which of these is correct has not been found.”⁶⁶

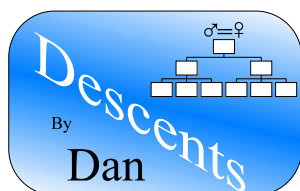
⁶² The information in this paragraph is from Whipple, Judith, “Thomas Cox of Londongrove, Chester County, Pennsylvania” included with her letter to Dan W. Olds, dated 28 March 1981.

⁶³ Deed Book A-1, Chester County, Pa., page 21. A typed copy included in the Eldon E. Cox Collection, a CD sent by Ed Cox, July 2004.

⁶⁴ Bjorkman, Gwen Boyer, Quaker Marriage Certificates, New Garden MM, Chester Co., Pennsylvania, 1704-1799, (Heritage Books, Bowie, MD, 1990), p. 71, reports this marriage certificate, making it clear that the date is 9th 8mo 1735. The first signatures were John and Mary Cocks (groom and bride), Mosses and Margret Harlan (presumed parents of the bride), and John and Mary Cocks (presumed parents of the groom). Other Cox signatures were: Mary Cox, Wm. Cox, Wm. Cox (again), Saml. Cox, Richd. Cox, Mary Cox, Rebeckah Cox, and Ann Cox. So, at least in 1735, there must have been two generations with a couple named John and Mary Cox.

⁶⁵ Cope, Gilbert, letter to Joseph Brown Turner of Philadelphia, 30 April 1914, as supplied by E. E. Cox, Jr. on a CD selection of his father’s papers, July 2004.

⁶⁶ Eldon E. Cox to Mabel F. Schluessler, 3 April 1982, a letter supplied by E. E. Cox, Jr. on a CD selection of his father’s papers, July 2004. Eldon Cox’s list of ancestors included John and Amy (Allen) Cox, Casparus and Ann (Cox?) Garretson., John and Mary (?) Cox, and William and Catherine (Kinkey) Cox.



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One reason to study later records of the John Cox families is that they provide proof of first cousin marriages which might prove useful in untangling connections of earlier generations. William Perry Johnson wrote:

“I haven’t yet located my original notes, but as I recall, our ancestor JOHN COX & THREE CHILDREN were granted a certificate by Warrington Mo. Mtg., Pa., to N. C. I believe he is the John Cox Senior received at Cane Creek 6 of 9 mo 1755. These THREE CHILDREN, from my comprehensive study of the matter, appear to be RUTH, THOMAS, & SOLOMON. Assuming that these are the 3 youngest children of our John, and he had a total of 15, then these would be numbers 13, 14, & 15! Solomon is said to have been the 15th! [Here he details his argument that Ruth Cox and William Cox, who married ca. 1757, were first cousins with Ruth being the daughter of Solomon and Ruth (Cox) Cox and William being the son of Benjamin and Martha (Garretson) Cox. Solomon was a son of William and Catherine (Kinkey) Cox and Benjamin was the son of John – so Solomon and Benjamin were not brothers. He found no Garretson connection for Ruth (wife of Solomon) so concluded she was a Cox, sister of Benjamin.]

“I do not agree 100% with the Cox family group, below, as compiled by the late Albert Cook Myers:

“John Cox m. (1st) Hannah Jenkins

(2nd) 9 of 8 Mo. 1735, at New Garden Mtg., Mary Harlan

Children (of Hannah):

Ann m. 4 of 9 Mo. 1743, at the house of John Cox, to Wm. Ruddock of Menalin Twp.
(Ruddock or Rudduck)

Sarah m. 24 of 8 mo. 1745, at Huntingdon Mtg., to Nicholas Wierman

Samuel m. 1747 Hannah Wierman

Wm. m. 1748 1st cousin Naomi Garretson

Benjamin m. 1751 1st cousin Martha Garretson

John m. 1751 (disowned) Sarah Oldham

Hannah m. Daniel Winter (disowned 30 of 9 Mo. 1752)

Children (of Mary):

Jacob disowned 21 of 10 Mo. 1758

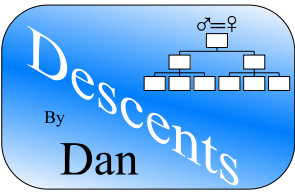
Dinah m. 1759 Finley McGrew (1787 removed to Redstone – born 13 of 1 Mo. 1735/6,
died 9 of 4 Mo. 1812).

Rebecca disowned 11 of 10 Mo. 1760

Mary m. 1761 _____ Mickle”⁶⁷

Based on the marriage record of Amy Cox and William Wierman (below), Johnson adds Amy Cox as the 8th child of John and Hannah, then adds number 9, 10, 11 (without names, to make the final total of 15) and replaces the remainder of the list with

⁶⁷ Johnson, William Perry, to Eldon E. Cox, in a letter dated 10 June 1968 and supplied by E. E. Cox, Jr. on a CD selection of his father’s papers, July 2004.

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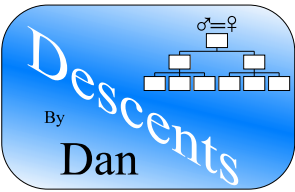
- “12. Elizabeth m. 1754 David Jenkins. (To S. C.)
 - “13. Ruth m. c1756/7 Solomon Cox
 - “14. Thomas m. c1757 Martha Jenkins
 - “15. Solomon m. 176- Naomi Hussey
- (9., 10, & 11 may be names like Mary, Zachariah, Martha or –)”⁶⁸

Goldborer says that John² Cox and Hannah Jenkins had eight children before Hannah’s death about 1734. She adds: John² remarried (with children under 14) to Mary Harlan, daughter of neighbors Moses and Margaret (Ray) Harlan, who were Irish Quakers. John² and Mary’s first child was born six months after their marriage and they apologized for “having a child sooner after marriage than is right” and thereby retained their Quaker membership. The families of John² Cox, his brother Thomas Cox, his sister Ann Cox Garretson Hussey and others where among those moving into York County, Pa. in the late 1730s. The Hussey’s settled in present Newberry Township, Thomas moved further west into Warrington township and John’s family went still further west into present Latimore township in Adams County. Goldborer has also given some more family relationships when describing the subsequent migrations to North Carolina. “In 1752, William Cox, who was probably John²'s second cousin, moved into what is now Randolph Co, North Carolina. William had been living in Mill Creek Hundred, New Castle Co., Delaware, just south of Kennett twp., Chester Co., Pa. The next year he was joined by four more of his children and the family of Isaac Cox, son of Thomas (brother of John²). In 1754, Hermon (Harmon), William’s oldest son, moved his family from Fairfax Co., Virginia, to North Carolina. In 1755, John² Cox, with his three youngest children, his son Benjamin’s family, and possibly his son Joseph and daughter Ann Rudduck’s families, joined the families of William’s children, John Cox and Martha Ferrell in the move to North Carolina. The families of Thomas (brother of John²) and Samuel (our line [i.e. of Eileen Cox Goldborer]) son of John², migrated to North Carolina in 1757. Members of related families including the Leeches, Allens, Husseys, Jenkins, and Finchers also migrated to N.C. during this period. John² Cox must have died along Deep River in either Guilford or Randolph Co., N.C. if he did not return to York Co., Pa., where some of his children still lived, before his death. Quaker records indicate a good deal of visiting between relatives in North Carolina and Pennsylvania.”⁶⁹

“Nicholas Wierman, son of William and Gertrude of Huntingdon Twp, Lancaster, now York, co. was married 8-24-1745 to Sarah Cox, dau. of John Cox of same township. The signers, after his parents were John Cox, Thomas Cox, William Cox, Samuel Cox, Ann Cox, Mary Cox, Joseph Garretson, Henry Wierman, and Benjamin Cox. In another column are Martha Garretson, Naomi

⁶⁸ Johnson, William Perry, to Eldon E. Cox, in a letter dated 10 June 1968 and supplied by E. E. Cox, Jr. on a CD selection of his father’s papers, July 2004.

⁶⁹ Goldborer, Eileen Cox, "George Cox, Sr., Family Genealogy", a typescript sent by Betty Baker, 30 Nov. 1990.

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Garretson, Hannah Cox, Ann Hussey, Mary Garretson, Naomi Cox.”⁷⁰

When “William Wierman son of William Wierman in huntington in the County of york and province of pinnsylvania and Gartrude his wife and Eamy Cox the daughter of John Cox of the same place as aforesaid and Mary his wife diseased this twenty Eight day of the sixth month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty three ... at huntington in the county aforesaid” were married, their certificate was signed (under the bride and groom) by William Wierman, John Cox, Nicholas Wierman, John Cox, Benjamin Cox, William Cox, and Henry Wierman. Although a Gartrude Wierman signed, it was not with William. Other Cox signatures were by Richard Cox, Hannah Cox, Martha Cox, Mary Cox and Eamy Cox.⁷¹

The records at Warrington contain many other records of Cox connections (I have removed some items relating to the families of Richard, Thomas and Isaac to be quoted later): “William Cox produced acknowledgment, 11-21-1748/9, for marriage to his first cousin (recorded); Naomey Cox, his wife, ditto” ... “John Cox complained of by Minallen Mtg., 4-15-1751 for marriage contrary to friends’ rules (to Sarah Oldham)⁷² ... “John Cox of Minallen Mtg. and wife Sarah, disowned 7-21-1751 for marriage by a magistrate, though precautioned. They signifie to friends that they cannot perceive what they have done in that respect to have any transgression, or at least but very small.” ... “Benjamin Cox complained of by Warrington Meeting, 9-16-1751, for marriage by a priest to his first cousin, Martha Garretson. He and wife, Martha, disowned 10-21-1751.” ... “Hannah Cox alias Winter reported sorry and desirous of being disowned (6-20-1752) (former minutes lost). disowned 9-30-1752. Testimony to be read at Minallen.” ... “Naomy Cox and William Wierman declare intentions of marriage 5-19 and 6-16-1753.” ... “Eamey Cox, daughter of John Cox of Huntington in the county of York and Mary, his wife, deceased, married 6-28-1753 to William Wierman son of Wm. and Gartrude, at Huntington Meeting ” ... “Benjamin Cox and wife Martha sent an acknowledgment from North Carolina which is accepted 4-16-1757, and a certificate for them to New Garden signed 5-21-1757” ... “Samuel Cox requests a certificate to Cain Creek, N. C., 7-16-1757, for self, wife, Hannah, and children: signed 8-20-1757”.⁷³

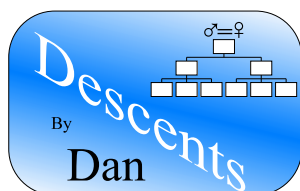
LindaBelle Roholt provides some evidence helpful in separating one John Cox from another,

⁷⁰ Cope, Gilbert, letter to Joseph Brown Turner of Philadelphia, 30 April 1914, as supplied by E. E. Cox, Jr. on a CD selection of his father’s papers, July 2004.

⁷¹ Walmer, Margaret B., 100 Years at Warrington: York County, Pennsylvania Quaker Marriages, Removals, Births & Deaths, (Bowie, MD, Heritage Books, Inc., 1989), p. 7.

⁷² William Perry Johnson has inserted a note saying “See Sarah Willis, 5-12-1786”.

⁷³ This is from copies of handwritten pages on pages with the printed title “Abstract of the Records of Warrington Monthly Meeting, York County, Pennsylvania”. Selected page copies are included on the Eldon E. Cox Collection, a CD sent by Ed Cox, July 2004.



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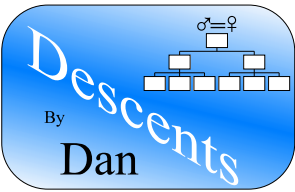
first by notes from the tax lists of Chester County, PA:^{74 75}

“John Cox	Kennett Twp	1715
John Cox	New Garden	1718
John Cox Jr.	Kennett Twp	1719
John Cox	New Garden	1719
John Cox	Kennett Twp	1721
John Cox	New Garden	1721
John Cox Jr.	Kennett Twp	1721
John Cox	New Garden	1722
John Cox Jr.	Kennett Twp	1724
John Cox	London Grove	1724 [Recently formed from New Garden Twp.]
John Cox	Kennett Twp	1725
John Cox	Kennett Twp	1726
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John Cox	Kennett Twp	1735
John Cox	London Grove	1735
John Cox	Kennett Twp	1737
John Cox	Kennett Twp	1739
John Cox	Kennett Twp	1740

“It would appear that we have 2 different families; a John Cox & John Cox, Jr. of Kennett Twp and a John Cox in New Garden/London Grove Twp. I believe the John Cox of Kennett is the one married to Rachel ___ Cox, per some of the older published material. The John Cox, Jr. of Kennett Twp. falls off the tax roll, but the Kennett MM minutes indicate he was having difficulties with the meeting and financial problems to the extent of needing assistance from them. This would explain his absence from the tax roll. He is still very much present in Kennett, per the minutes. I copied an entry from “Bi-Centennial of Old Kennett Meeting House”, which indicates this John Cox, Jr. is the one who married Hannah JENKINS in 1720 at Kennett MM.

⁷⁴ Roholt, LindaBelle, posting on Genie, 9 May 1993.

⁷⁵ In reviewing these tax lists and other records, bear in mind that New Garden Township was formed in 1713, the New Garden MM was formed from the Kennett MM in 1718, and London Grove Twp. was formed from New Garden Twp in 1723. [from Judith Cox Whipple]

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“John Cox⁷⁶ of New Garden/London Grove Twp. is the one I favor as later moving to Warrington MM/York Co. PA and eventually on to Orange Co. NC. He has a wife named Mary in 1735 and a John Cox, Jr., who m. Mary Harlan 1735 at New Garden MM. There is no mistaking the Kennett Twp John and John Cox, Jr. with the New Garden pair, as the Kennett John Jr. has a wife prior to and in the month (8mo. 1735) that John Cox, Jr. of New Garden is marrying Mary HARLAN. Most unlikely John Jr. of Kennett has taken on another wife in his financial condition and he can't be in 2 places at the same time anyway!”

Use of the Womens' minutes of Kennett MM shows that the John Cox with financial troubles was the one whose wife was Rachel (see above).

Abstracts from the Minutes of Kennett MM (formerly Newark) 1698 - 1791.⁷⁷

Pg. 35, 4, 7mo, 1708 -- A certificate being produced to this meeting by John COX a friend lately come from Ould England, which said certificate being read is excepted [sic] by this meeting.

Pg. 39, 12 mo, 1708/09 -- This meeting appoints Abraham MARSHALL and John COX to attend the Quarterly meeting.

Pg. 57, 7mo, 1712/13 -- Whereas John COX, Sr. having of late been taken over in some such gross evils innormitys & overt acts as are not warrantable or agreeable to ye principles of ye people among whom he lately congregated as a member, therefore this meeting thinks fit to disown him, ye said John COX as not be be a member of meeting of friends until such time as he shall by good life & conversation walk answerable to the profession of truth.

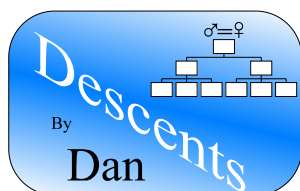
Pg. 103, 12mo, 1718 -- John COX, Sr. having requested of this meeting a reconsilliation of his former offenses which by reason of weakness of body, that he now lies under, he not appearing[,] this meeting appoints Abraham MARSHALL, Thos. WIKERSHAM, Joel BAILY & Wm. WEBB to go & confer with him & to draw up a paper as they shall see convenient & publish in their weekday meeting & make report to next meeting.

Pg 105- 2mo 1719 - John COX, SR having made satisfaction to this meeting for his former offenses, therefore this meeting appoists William WEBB to publish a paper in Kennett 1st day meeting, the said John COX to be present at the publishing thereof & make report to next meeting.

Pg. 105- 2mo, 1719- For as much as I, John COX, Sr., having some time past been found in very gross evils of fraud which is not justifiable by any of the people called Quakers & others, but thereby have brought reproach upon myself & also a scandal [sic] upon that holy profession of which I have been a partaker of & being in the Lord's goodness once more offered to me, made sensible of my duty, give this as a testimony for the clearing of truth & the reproach cast upon my

⁷⁶ 9 8m 1735, John Cox, s. of John, Chester Co., PA, m. Mary Harlan, daughter of Moses, Chester Co., PA. [Card index, New Garden, MM, Swarthmore College Library].

⁷⁷ Roholt, LindaBelle posted this and other abstracts on GENie Electronic Bulletin Board, 12 May 1993, 16 May 1993 and 18 May 1993. These are the ones related to John Cox.



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innocent friends can do no less but with humbleness of heart acknowledge my fault & do hereby give this as my testimony against myself condemning the said evil as being inconsistent with the profession of the people called Quakers, as witness my hand JOHN COX

Pg. 113, 7mo, 1720 - John Cox and Hannah JENKINS declare intentions of marriage. Isaac FEW & John HEALD to see it accomplished orderly.

Pg. 222- 6, 12mo 1729 - A report against John COX, JR., for not paying his just debts according to promise therefore we appoint John HEALD & William LEAVIS to shake & stir him to perform with expedition.

Pg. 224 - 7, 1mo., 1729/30 -- The friends appointed to stir John COX, JR. to pay his just debts report that it is accomplished.

Pg. 234 - 1, 6mo, 1730 - The Prep meeting of Kennett having entered a complaint against John COX, JR for being drunk, he also appearing here & acknowledging to the truth thereof & signified he is willing to clear the truth thereof. Therefore it is left to his consideration until next monthly meeting & he is desired to be there.

Pg. 238- 3, 8mo, 1730 - John Cox, JR acknowledges his disorderly act.

Pg. 239- 3, 9mo, 1730- John COX, JR. condemned his misconduct.

Pg. 257- 3, 7mo. 1732- Kennett Prep meeting enters complaint against John COX, JR for unpaid debt to Noble BUTLER

Pg. 262- 4, 9mo, 1732- Kennett Prep reports to meeting that John COX & his wife wants relief, therefore this meeting appoints Abe MARSHALL, Peter COLLINGS, Wm. HARVEY, Ellis LEWIS, Christopher WILLSON & Gayon MILLER to see how affairs is with them.

Pg. 265- 3, 10mo. 1732- Four of the friends appointed to inspect into the circumstances of the affairs of John COX & his wife upon the account of their necessity of relief make report tht they have taken an opportunity to inspect into it & finds that they have a necessity of a house to live in & they have ordered one to be built, which is not yet perfected. Therefore it is left to the next MM where the above said friends are desired to take care & bring up an account of the charge thereof in order it may be defrayed.

Pg. 267-12mo., 1732- Accomplishment of the charge of the building of John COXES house; 1 Lb. 18 shillings 8 pence. Meeting orders it be paid out of the MM stock.

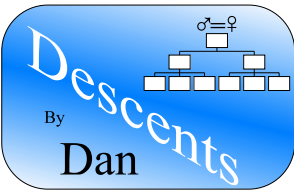
Pg. 270-5, 3mo. 1733- Kennett Prep enter complaint for unpaid debts of John COX, JR to Joseph WILLIAMS & Joseph GILPIN.

Pg. 273- 4mo. 1733- This meeting informed John COX & wife have need of relief & appoints Wm.WEBB, Wm. LEAVIS, John HEALD, Joseph MENDENHALL to make report.

Pg. 308 - 6, 7mo. 1735- The case of John COX & wife's necessity of relief being said before this meeting, therefore we appoint Thomas CHANDLER, Abe MARSHALL to go with the friends formerly appointed & see what further relief they wants & also take care to releave [sic] them & make report to the next MM how they finds cases with them.

Pg. 309- 8mo, 1735, John COX & wife are assisted.

“I think you can see from the minutes I’ve posted and together, with the Chester Co., PA tax lists, that there was a John COX, SR & a John COX, JR of Kennett Twp., at the same time there

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was a John COX living in New Garden/London Grove Twp, PA. I need to say up front that it's possible the SR & JR of Kennett aren't father & son - I have no clues that they are not, but I have no "proof" that it may be a case of one just being younger than the other, and therefore called John COX, JR. In any event, the task I think is to determine which of these men named John COX is our relative who later went to Warrington MM, York Co., PA & from there, took a cert⁷⁸ down to Orange Co. NC and likely spent his last remaining years there."

A John Cox was executor for his father William Cox in 1742-3 in New Castle County, Delaware. This son John Cox is said to have been born about 1686, is probably the one who married Jane Phillips on 25-9-1717, in Abington Monthly Meeting⁷⁹, and was prominent in Warrington MM in Pa., where it is recorded that John Cox and three children moved to Cane Creek MM in NC by certificate dated 6-21-1755. (Note that the dates in Cox of Cole Creek are not in consistent format (using both DD-MM and MM-DD form) and some may have to be interpreted by examination of the original source.) Both John Cox, Sr. (6 9mo 1755)⁸⁰ and John Cox (1 11mo 1755) were received by certificate at the Cane Creek MM in NC.⁸¹ There were many men named John Cox and the authors of Cox of Cole Creek admit that one can get confused, but state that it was John Cox, son of William of Newcastle County, who was received at Cane Creek MM on 11-1-1755, to be distinguished from John Cox, Sr., received there on 9-6-1755.

At the Kennett Monthly Meeting, on 1 3mo 1754, John Cox was granted a certificate to go to Newgarden to marry. On 5th 7mo 1755, John Cox was granted a certificate to go to Cane Creek, N. C.⁸²

Records of Cane Creek MM in NC show:

- 6 9mo. 1755, John Cox, Sr., roc
- 1 11mo. 1755, John Cox, roc
- 7 2m 1756, Mary Cox, rocf New Garden MM
- 2 11m 1776, Margaret Cox and John Cox, son of John, rocf Warrington MM⁸³

⁷⁸ The certificate for "John Cox and three children being removed and settled within the verge of Cain Creek Mo. Mtg., North Carolina" was signed at Warrington on 6-21-1755". This is from copies of handwritten pages on pages with the printed title "Abstract of the Records of Warrington Monthly Meeting, York County, Pennsylvania". Selected page copies are included on the Eldon E. Cox Collection, a CD sent by Ed Cox, July 2004. These appear to be the copies mentioned in a 20 Nov 1968 letter from William Perry Johnson to Eldon Cox as "I am enclosing copies of data on several related families from abstracts of Warrington Mo. Mtg., which were made by Gilbert Cope."

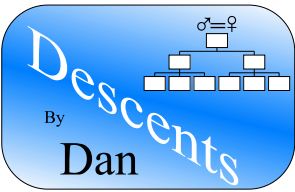
⁷⁹ John Cox and Jane Phillips, married 25th 9m 1717. [Abington MM minutes, 1682-1746, microfilm, Swarthmore College].

⁸⁰ Vol. I, p. 381, Encyclopedia of Quaker Genealogy (Family Tree Maker, CD 192), shows that on this same date, Juliatha and William Cox were reported to the Cane Creek Meeting as married.

⁸¹ Vol. I, p. 381, Encyclopedia of Quaker Genealogy (Family Tree Maker, CD 192).

⁸² Reamy, Martha, Early Church Records of Chester County Pennsylvania, Volume 3, (Willow Bend Books, Westminster, MD, 2000), p. 13, taken from Kennett Monthly Meetings.

⁸³ Encyclopedia of Quaker Genealogy, 1750-1930, Vol. I, p. 381 (Family Tree Maker, CD #192)

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Notes Regarding Richard Cox(es)

Richard Cox is introduced in *The Cox Family in America* as:

“RICHARD¹ Cox,—probably a son of John and Rachel, of New Castle Co., Delaware; emigrated, with his parents, from England, 1708; certificate[sic] granted him, 2, 5, 1712, from Newark, Del., Monthly Meeting of Friends, to Gwynedd, Pa., in order to his[sic] marriage with Margaret Potts; accepted 3, 26, 1712; his wife, a daughter of Jane Potts, a native of Wales, whose husband had died on the voyage from England, she arriving in Philadelphia by a later ship, to find herself a widow with four daughters. She settled in Germantown and is said to have supported her family by the practice of medicine, having brought a diploma from England.

“The minutes of Kennett Monthly Meeting, Apr. 6, 1713, refer to the removal of Richard Cox and family to West Jersey; certificate given them to Crosswicks, now Chesterfield, N. J. ; Richard and Margaret Cox, present at the double wedding of the two daughters of Jonas Potts, Perkiomen, Pa., 1719; Margaret, probably a cousin of the brides, referred to as an acceptable minister among the Friends. Richard Cox, again a member of Kenneth[sic] Monthly Meeting, 1728; transferred, that year, to North Wales, (Gwynedd), having removed to Pa. ; his home thereafter in Chester Co., where he died, in Vincent Tp, about 1762; after the death of his first wife, he m. (2) Mary ; two daughters of the second marriage; children: first marriage—i. Anna, b. 8, 29, 1713; ii. Sarah, b. 4, 26, 1715; iii.. Richard, b. 2, 17, 1718; iv. Jonathan, b. 6, 11, 1720; v. Joseph, vi. Benjamin, vii. John, b. 8, 9, 1725; second marriage—viii. Elizabeth, m. William Page ; ix.. Mary, m. Jonathan Potts.”⁸⁴

In *Cox of Cole Creek*⁸⁵, Richard Cox is introduced as a son of William and Amy Cox and he is described as (some information is from other sources, per footnotes):

Richard Cox, born about 1688 and married, by 26-3-1712⁸⁶, to Margaret Potts who died in 1725. He married (2nd) 15-10-1726 Elizabeth Scarlett and moved to Warrington MM. When Richard married a third time (to Mary?), contrary to the meeting, he was disowned⁸⁷. The children by his first wife were Nathaniel “and others” and by his second wife were Anna, Sarah, Richard, Jonithan[sic], Joseph, Benjamin (twins), and John. *Cox of Cole Creek* also says that Warrington meeting minutes (where there are records Richard’s children: Nathaniel, married out of unity,

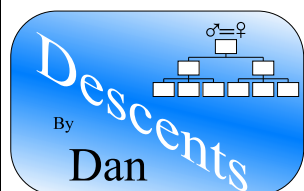
⁸⁴ Cox, Henry Miller, *The Cox Family in America, A History and Genealogy of the Older Branches of the Family from the Appearance of its first Representative in America in 1610*, (NY, 1912). Hereafter, *CFA*.

⁸⁵ R. E. Cox, W. S. Cox, et. al, *Descendants of Solomon Cox of Cole Creek, VA. and other Early Cox Ancestry of the Cole Creek Coxes*, (1955), pp. 8 - 10.

⁸⁶ Norvan, “Hardin Clay Roots”,

<http://wc.rootsweb.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi?op=GET&db=norvan&id=I83431#s3>, citing Quaker Records, compiled by Herbert Standing, CH#19 pg 3. “1712, 3, 26. Whereas Richard Cox in ye county of Newcastle and Margaret Potts, having declared their intention of marriage with each other: before two Mo:Meetings, enquiry being made by persons appointed and found clear from all other s on ye account of marriage did accomplish their marriage in ye Unity of Friends as signified by their marriage certificate. (Abbingtom MM)”

⁸⁷ Richard Cox dis mou [disowned, married out of unity] 31 1m 1733. [Card index to New Garden MM, Swarthmore College].



Elizabeth married John Comer⁸⁸, and Rebeckah married William Ozburn^{89 90}), when referring to the children of Richard's first wife, including Nathaniel, as having a Quaker birthright, really mean children of his "previous" wife (i.e. before Mary and thus children of Elizabeth Scarlet).⁹¹

Buffa⁹² says this Richard Cox was not of our family and that Gilbert Cope had speculated that he was a son of John and Rachel Cox. She lists his children as Anna, b. 8-29-1713, Sarah, b. 12-15-1715, Richard, b. 2-17-1718, Jonathan, b. 6-11-1720, Joseph, b. 2-18-1723, Benjamin, b. 2-18-1723, and John, b. 8-9-1725 and thus these belong to Margaret .⁹³

Some, however, think that more than one Richard Cox is involved in the three marriages (Margaret Potts, Elizabeth Scarlett, and Mary ____).

Quoting LindaBelle Roholt, first from the Tax lists of Chester County:

Richard Cox	Kennett Twp	1715
Richard Cox	Kennett Twp	1718
Richard Cox	Kennett Twp	1719
Richard Cox	Kennett Twp	1720
Richard Cox	New Garden	1720
Richard Cox	Kennett Twp	1721
Richard Cox	New Garden	1721
Richard Cox	Kennett Twp	1722
Richard Cox	New Garden	1722
Richard Cox	London Grove	1724
Richard Cox	Kennett Twp	1724
Richard Cox	Kennett Twp	1725
Richard Coks	London Grove	1725

⁸⁸ Walmer, Margaret B., 100 Years at Warrington: York County, Pennsylvania Quaker Marriages, Removals, Births & Deaths, (Bowie, MD, Heritage Books, Inc., 1989), pp. 23-24. This marriage was not until 29th 4mo 1762. Although Elizabeth is called daughter of Richard of Warrington and he signed the certificate, her mother is not named. A Mary Cox signed immediately after Richard followed by another Mary Cox, a Naomi Cox and Richard Cox, Jr.

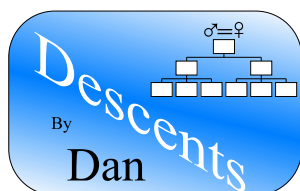
⁸⁹ Walmer, Margaret B., 100 Years at Warrington: York County, Pennsylvania Quaker Marriages, Removals, Births & Deaths, (Bowie, MD, Heritage Books, Inc., 1989), p3. The marriage was 5th 10mo 1750 and Richard Cox of Warrington is named as the bride's father but no witness names are shown.

⁹⁰ The marriage was "at a meeting at Richard Cox's." This is from copies of handwritten pages on pages with the printed title "Abstract of the Records of Warrington Monthly Meeting, York County, Pennsylvania". Selected page copies are included on the Eldon E. Cox Collection, a CD sent by Ed Cox, July 2004.

⁹¹ In the copy of Cox of Cole Creek in the Friends History Library at Swarthmore College, the names of Elizabeth and Rebecca Cox have been added to the list of the first children. The reference given for the list of the children by the second wife (at least) is "Scotts Descendants by Holman".

⁹² Buffa, Elizabeth, letter to Dan W. Olds, 12 April 1999.

⁹³ This list of seven children with dates of the form "29-8mo. 1713" is said to be from "Births and Deaths of Kennett Mo. Mtg., Pa." and is included in the correspondence of William Perry Johnson and Eldon E. Cox. It was also published as the list of children of Richard and Margaret Cox in Reamy, Martha, Early Church Records of Chester County Pennsylvania, Volume 3, (Willow Bend Books, Westminster, MD, 2000), p. 13, taken from Kennett Monthly Meetings.



Richard Cox	Kennett Twp	1726
Richard Cox	London Grove	1729
Richard Cox	London Grove	1730
Richard Cox	London Grove	1732
Richard Cox	London Grove	1734
Richard Cox	London Grove	1735
Richard Cox	London Grove	1737
Richard Cox	London Grove	1740

“These records will show that there were 2 different Richard COXES. I am of the opinion that Richard COX m. Margaret Potts at Abington MM is the one shown on the Kennett Twp tax records and appears in the Kennett MM records in 1712, as requesting a cert to be married at Abington, 1713 requests a cert to remove himself & family to W. Jersey (hence he disappears from the Chester Co. PA tax roll), re-enters Kennett MM by 1722 as he & wife, Margaret (by name) become involved in difficulties with the meeting for “covering & concealing his sister-in-law POTTS being with child & passing it off as their own”, Pg. 129- 22, 2mo, 1722. In 1728, Richard COX & wife requested cert to North Wales MM, therefore leaving Chester Co., PA again. He is said to have died in Vincent Twp. in 1760, if I’m remembering right, off the top of my head. There is absolutely no indication that Margaret POTTS COX died & this man married Elizabeth SCARLETT at Chechester in 1726.

“The tax records do show that there was a different Richard Cox, in New Garden/London Grove area in the time period the above Richard had moved to New Jersey & back to Kennett & on to North Wales MM. Since the marriage cert of Richard COX to Elizabeth SCARLET⁹⁴ states he is of London Grove, I would say we have our Richard per the tax list and he is not the same man as married Margaret POTTS. I think some additional tax records I will be looking at later, will continue to show these are 2 different people and I’m setting them apart for now.”⁹⁵

Abstracts of Minutes of Kennett MM (formerly Newark) 1698-1791.

“Pg. 51, 1712 - Richard COCKS requests certificate of this meeting in relation to marriage with a friend belonging to MM at Abington, Philadelphia Co.

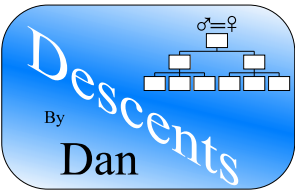
“Pg. 60, 4 mo, 1713 -- Whereas Richard COX desireth to remove himself & family into ye province of West New Jersey & desireth a certificate of his life & conversation to ye MM of Crosswick. Therefore this meeting appoints Wm. HORN & Isaac FEW to make inquiry.

“Pg. 61, Isaac FEW and Wm. HORN direct certifice [sic] to be drawn for Richard COX.

“Pg. 129- 22, 2mo. 1722 -- A complaint being brought by Kennett Prep. Meeting to this meeting against Richard COX & his wife, for covering & concealing his sister in law’s being with child as also ow[n]ing it for their own & the said Richard COX & wife appearing offering a satisfaction

⁹⁴ Richard Cox gct Chicester MM to m. Elizabeth Scarlett, 5 9mo 1726. [Card index, New Garden MM, Swarthmore College Library.]

⁹⁵ Roholt, LindaBelle, GENie Electronic Bulletin Board, 9 May 1993

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which was here read & considered & received by the said meeting, also is further ordered that the acknowledgment which hereunder followeth may be published in Kennett 1st day meeting, he & his wife being there present, also a copy of their acknowledgment sent to the MM of Abington to be disposed of for further service as the said meeting shall see necessary. Likewise it's ordered that Wm. WEBB see the publication thereof & make report to the next meeting.

"To the MM of Newark held at Centure, the 2nd of ye 12mo, 1722/23 'For as much as there has been just occasion of report of & condemning I & my wife entertaining, covering & concealing my sister in law POTTS, being with child & not only so but owning & offering means to make everyone believe the child then born to be ours, which through a natural affection to her, led us both into that unhappy circumstance which we have fallen under for want of keeping to that of God in us, that would have taught us better things, the well whereof we have now considered & do see is to tend to the dishonor of the blessed truth, which we have in measure been professors of. Therefore we find it our duty to give this acknowledgement for our offenses desiring that you will not reject the returning of humbling offending brother & sister when it proceeds from a heart truly & sincerely sorrowful, which we hereby declare the same to be not infamed words but from relenting offenders. As witnesses or [sic] hands Richard COX, Margaret COX.'"⁹⁶

The next several paragraphs, quoted from The Potts Family in Great Britain and America, show that Richard of Kennett did apply to leave the area in 1728 but the quoted records do not make clear the name of his wife.

"On 4 mo. 1, 1728, Richard Cox made a request to Kennet Monthly Meeting for a certificate of removal, and the following minute in reference thereto was made.

"Request being made on behalfe of Richard Cox and his wife for a Certificate to the Joined to North Wales (now Gwynedd) Monthly Meeting therefore we appoints John Heald and Joseph Mendenhall to make inquiry into his Conversation and affairs if nothing appears to obstruct to Joine with women ffrinds to draw a Certificate for them and produce to the next mo. Meeting."

"Kennet minutes of 6 mo. 3, 1728, contain the following entry, showing that the certificate was duly granted.

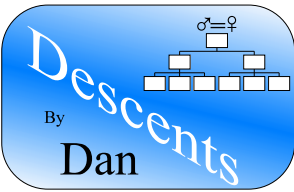
"The ffrinds appointed to draw a Certificate for Richard Cox and his wife, have produced it to this meeting which was here read and approved, and those friends have rendered their reasons for not appearing last meeting which are taken for satisfaction."

"The women Friends appointed Elizabeth Horn and Martha Heald to inquire condemning Margaret Cox.

"North Wales, (Gwynedd), Monthly Meeting then included some part of Chester County, lying west of the Schuylkill River. Whether Richard Cox removed to the bounds of this meeting at this time or not, is not clear. The certificate does not appear to have been presented to Gwynedd Monthly Meeting prior to 4 mo. 24, 1729. After this date a section of the minutes is missing.

"Richard Cox married a second wife, Mary, but no record of the marriage has been found. On 1

⁹⁶ Roholt, LindaBelle, posted on Genie Electronic BBS, 9 May 1993, selecting the material on Richard Cox.

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mo. 31, 1733, a Richard Cox was complained of at Kennet Monthly Meeting for marrying out of meeting. It is however not certain that this Richard was identical with the subject of this Chapter. (NOTE [This was a footnote in the 1901 book]: There appears to have been at least three person bearing the name of Richard Cox at the same time. First, Richard Cox who married Margaret Potts in 1712, second, Richard Cox, son of Richard and Margaret, born in 1718; third Richard Cox, of New Garden, who married Elizabeth Scarlett in 1726. In 1739, a Richard Cox signed the marriage certificate of James Musgrave and Hannah Cox, daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Buzby) Cox.

“Richard Cox was a taxable in Pikeland Township in 1749 and 1750, and in Vincent Township from 1754 to 1760, being crossed off on the latter date. Perhaps he died in the latter year. His will, dated Nov. 15, 1757, and probated March 31, 1762, is recorded at Philadelphia in Will - Book M. page 263. He is described as of "the Township of Vincent in the County of Chester & Province of Pennsylvania, Husbandman," He devises his "House & Plantation situate lying and being in the Township, county & province aforesaid, containing "Twenty-five acres of Land, etc.," to Mary Cox, his wife, during her life. He names his sons Joseph, Benjamin and John Cox, his daughters Sarah wife of George Burson, Elizabeth wife of William Page⁹⁷, and Mary wife of Jonathan Potts, ... and his grand-daughter Hannah Burson.”⁹⁸

The Eldon E. Cox collection contains a copy of an 11-page paper titled “Cox, of Chester County, PA.” This paper includes a transcript of the will of this Richard Cox as well as a list of eight of his children with further detail.⁹⁹

Next, from Eldon Cox:

“Richard Cox, married in 1726, was probably the youngest [of the potential siblings being considered]. Since he bought land in London Grove in March 1722 and it took a minimum of a few months to arrange the purchase, he must have been at least 21 years old in 1721, and thus born no later than 1700 and would have been about 13 years old when John Cox married in 1713. At that age, it would seem that he would have been living with at least one parent.”¹⁰⁰

On Dec. 7-8, 1741, Richard Cox and wife Mary of Chester County sold their London Grove land to James Skelton (Chester Deeds 6-31) and moved to York Co.¹⁰¹

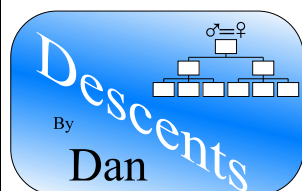
⁹⁷ That this Richard Cox of Vincent Township had a daughter Elizabeth, wife of William Page as of 1757, helps to differentiate him from the Richard of Warrington whose daughter, as Elizabeth Cox, married John Comer at Warrington in 1762.

⁹⁸ Chapter XIII, “Margaret Potts - Cox”, <http://www.heritagepursuit.com/Potts/PottsXIII.htm> used 1 Nov. 2009. This is taken from Potts, Thomas Maxwell (comp.), Historical Collections Relating to The Potts Family in Great Britain and America (the compiler, Canonsburg, Pa., 1901), pp. 257-260.

⁹⁹ Johnson, William Perry, to Eldon E. Cox, in letter dated 14 Dec 1968, includes this as an attachment. Supplied by E. E. Cox, Jr. on a CD selection of his father’s papers, July 2004

¹⁰⁰ Buffa, Elizabeth Berry, Cox Family Outline (1977), p. i-iii, citing her 1977 letters from Eldon Cox, 4233 S.W. 62nd Court, Miami, FL.

¹⁰¹ Whipple, Judith Cox, in her Thomas Cox chronology.



Notes on Sarah {Cox} Leech

“Some have suggested that Sarah Leech, disowned MOU to (?) Leech as a member of the family. Nothing has been found except the name to connect to our Cox family, and it would therefore appear doubtful.”¹⁰²

Notes on Joseph Cox

“Joseph Cox, disowned MOU, is considered as somewhat more possible, but there is almost nothing on which to have an opinion. The name Joseph was used by our Cox family. It was also used by descendants of Richard and Margaret (Potts) Cox. I do not have sufficient data to know whether there were one or two named Joseph.”¹⁰³

Abstracts of Minutes of Kennett MM (formerly Newark) 1698 - 1791¹⁰⁴

Pg. 88, 5, 11mo, 1716 -- Whereas Joseph COX having gone out from friends to take as [sic] wife & was married by a priest contrary to the order of friends, therefore this meeting disowns him to be of us or our society until he returns by infamed repentance.

Pg. 261- 9mo, 1732 - Kennett Prep enters complaint against John WEBB for not paying debts to John WILLSON & Joseph COCK.

Notes on William Cox

Abstracts from the Minutes of Kennett MM (formerly Newark) 1698 - 1791.

Pg. 231 - 4mo, 1730 - The friends appointed to give the friends of Mill Creek Hundred a visit in relation to settle a weekday meeting amongst them, gives their sense in favor of their request with which this meeting is so fully satisfied that we grant them the liberty to keep a meeting at the home of William COX upon the 6th day of the week every week until further order.¹⁰⁵

A William Cox was reported by Newark Meeting for keeping company with a woman not his wife. Also, a William Cox was granted a certificate by the Kennett Monthly Meeting to Cane Creek, NC, on 1752.6.6 and on 1757.11.3.¹⁰⁶

William Cox, b. ca. 1692, m. Catherine _____ about 1716. William moved to Orange Co.,

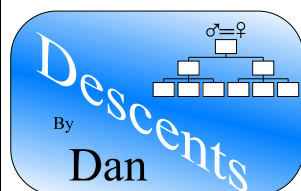
¹⁰² Buffa, Elizabeth Berry, Cox Family Outline (1977), p. i-iii, citing her 1977 letters from Eldon Cox, 4233 S.W. 62nd Court, Miami, FL.

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¹⁰⁴ Roholt, LindaBelle, posted on GEnie Electronic BBS, 12 May 1993 and May 18, 1993, the entries dealing with Joseph Cox.

¹⁰⁵ Roholt, LindaBelle posted this and other abstracts on GEnie Electronic Bulletin Board, 12 May 1993, 16 May 1993 and 18 May 1993. These are the entries dealing with William Cox.

¹⁰⁶ Reamy, Martha, Early Church Records of Chester County Pennsylvania, Volume 3, (Willow Bend Books, Westminster, MD, 2000), p. 13, taken from Kennett Monthly Meetings.



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NC, in the 1750's and died there in 1767.¹⁰⁷ William Cox sold 240 acres in Orange County to Phebe Allen in May 1764.¹⁰⁸ Several other North Carolina deeds carry the name of William Cox, representing many hundreds of acres. His will is dated 20th day first month 1767 and probated in Orange Co., NC, in Feb. 1767. John Cox, William Moffitt and John Allen were witnesses and William Cox named his son William Cox and cousin Isaac Cox as his executors. His will gives to his son Thomas, the Miller, among other properties, "one hundred eighty acres out of the tract my brothers formerly lived".¹⁰⁹ This land is described in the will¹¹⁰ but I have not traced the title or identified the brothers. Eldon Cox wrote: "I know of only three possibilities of who this brother was. One is the John Cox who came to N. C. in 1755 with three children; second, Thomas Cox could have stopped off in N. C. on his way to S. C.; and third, John Allen, Sr., his brother-in-law, but I have never found any proof that John Allen, Sr. came to N. C. John Allen, III was living nearby at that time but was not yet 21 years old. Don't know enough about early law to know if he would have been a competent witness to a will."¹¹¹

Between his residency in Pennsylvania and North Carolina, William Cox and some of his family had lived in Virginia.¹¹² On 3 Oct 1757, William Cox of Orange County, North Carolina, sold 676 acres in Loudon County¹¹³, Virginia, to Benjamin Grayson of Prince William County, Virginia. This land had been granted to William Cox by the proprietors of the Northern Neck of Virginia on 8 Nov 1741.¹¹⁴

Notes on Ann Cox Garretson Hussey

¹⁰⁷ William Perry Johnson of Raleigh, NC, advertised the planned publication of a book on this William Cox and wife Catherine Kinkey. Apparently this work was never published.

¹⁰⁸ Cox of Cole Creek, p. 16.

¹⁰⁹ Graham, Eddie, letter to Dan W. Olds, 11 Sep 1995, including a printed copy of the will of William Cox, probated 2nd Tuesday in February, 1767. This is on page 31 of some book, but not from Lester M. Allen's Allen Family as I once thought. I wonder if the original says "brother", singular.

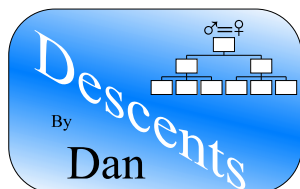
¹¹⁰ A typed copy supplied by E. E. Cox, Jr. on a CD selection of his father's papers, July 2004, says "I give to my son Thomas Cox ... and also One hundred and Eighty acres out of the tract my Brother formerly lived, Beginning at the Original Beginning W. O. tree Running thence West thirty five Chains, or one hundred and forty poles to the corner. W. O. Thence South along a line of the whole tract Sixty poles thence East One hundred and Eight four poles, Thence South fifty five and a half pole, Thence East one hundred and fifty six poles to the line of the whole tract. Thence North along the said line One hundred and fifteen poles and a half to the first Corner W. O. Thence West, two hundred poles, to the first beginning, to him and his heirs forever." According to this will, the testator had five sons (Harmon, William, John, Solomon, and Thomas) and five daughters (Rebecca Dixon in Pennsylvania, Mary Lindley (wife of James), Martha Terrell (wife of William, possibly Ferrel), Margery Nichols (wife of Isaac), and Catherine Hunt (wife of Eleazer). [Randolph Co., N. C., Book A, pp. 53-55]

¹¹¹ Cox, Eldon E., to William Perry Johnson, 15 Nov. 1968, a letter supplied by E. E. Cox, Jr. on a CD selection of his father's papers, July 2004.

¹¹² Mullins, Gary, Nokesville, VA, letter to Dan W. Olds, 22 May 1987, citing a 1746 Fairfax County, Virginia, indenture between William Cox of Mill Creek Hundred in the county of Newcastle on Delaware and Catherine his wife selling 600 acres in Fairfax County to their son Harmon.

¹¹³ Loudon County was formed from Fairfax County in 1747. Fairfax County was created from Prince William County in 1742.

¹¹⁴ Cox, Eldon E., a deed abstract supplied by E. E. Cox, Jr. on a CD selection of his father's papers, July 2004, from Loudon County Deed Book A, p. 112.



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“Ann (Cox?) Garretson is not certain [as belonging to “our” family], however, it also seems logical. William Cox and Casparus Garretson were neighbors at Hockessin, Del. The names of the children of Casparus and Ann Garretson agree closely to those in the Cox family. This, of course, is not proof, but must be considered.”¹¹⁵

Something needs to be added to show that the wife of Casparus Garretson was Ann Cox. Casparus died in 1726¹¹⁶ and it may have been his widow who married Nathan Hussey. In any case, William Cox was appointed to see that her orphans were taken care of, according to these abstracts from the Minutes of Kennett MM (formerly Newark) 1698 - 1791.¹¹⁷

“Pg. 196, 4, 3mo. 1728 -- Nathan HUSSEY & Ann GARRETSON declare intentions of marriage. John GREGG & John RICHARDSON appointed to make inquiry of his clearness & the woman being a widow, we add William COX to the 2 friends above to see unto the settlement of the affairs of the orphans & make report to next meeting.

“Pg. 197, 2nd mo [as corrected later in the same post, from 3mo.] 1728 -- Nathan HUSSEY & Ann GARRETSON appear, having consent of parents & the affairs of the estate is settled by an obligation given into the hand of William COX on behalf of the orphans.

“Pg. 343 - Application made on behalf of John DAY & wife, Nathan HUSSEY & wife, Christopher HUSSEY & wife, John GARRETSON & wife for certificates to Sadsbury MM.”

Also note: “Nathan HUSSEY of New Castle Hundred., New Castle Co. and Ann GARRITSON, widow. 16-3-1720 at meeting house in New Castle.”¹¹⁸ I hope this means someone has confused 1728 and 1720.

Notes on Amy Cox Allen

“Amy Cox probably was not yet of age ca. 1713. There is the possibility that they [Amy and Richard] came to America without their parents, but considering their ages, it would seem unlikely. However, with the limited knowledge that we have, no possibility can be completely ruled out.”¹¹⁹

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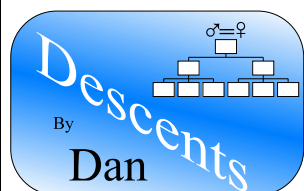
¹¹⁵ Buffa, Elizabeth Berry, Cox Family Outline (1977), p. i, citing her 1977 letters from Eldon Cox, 4233 S.W. 62nd Court, Miami, FL, whom I was not able to contact. He is now deceased.

¹¹⁶Hickman, Donald Roger, “The Garretsons”,
<http://freepages.family.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~dhickman/fam/TheGarretsons-2.html>. “Casparius Garretson born 1685 in Mill Creek, New Castle Co., DE, died 3 Dec 1726 in Mill Creek
married 1713 in New Castle to Ann Cox born abt 1690 New Castle Co., died bef 1762 Hockessin”

¹¹⁷ Roholt, LindaBelle posted this and other abstracts on GEnie Electronic Bulletin Board, 12 May 1993, 16 May 1993 and 18 May 1993..

¹¹⁸ Newark Monthly Meeting Marriages, provided by Debbie Street, posted at
<http://www.delawareroots.org/index.php/new-castle/46-new-castle-county-data-archives/51-newark-monthly-meeting-marriages>
seen on 29 Oct 2009.

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certificate.¹²⁰ “John Allen I b. 8m-3-1694 in Ireland, d. 9m-16-1771, bur. at London Grove FBG, Chester County, PA. He was the son of John Allen of Dublin, Ireland. He m. 3m-1719¹²¹, Amy Cox b. 1698, d. 9m-13-1778.”¹²² Lester Allen, in discussing the parentage of this Amy Cox, says the clerk of the New Garden MM failed to record her parents although this was the practice in later records. He reports that others have concluded that Amy was a daughter of John and Rachel or of William and Amy or a sister of John and William, but none of these claims is proven.

The children of John and Amy Allen were John, Rebecca, Amy, Elizabeth, William, Joseph, Mary, Phoebe, and Benjamin.

These comments by Eldon Cox and by other, more recent, researchers indicate that a significant case is being built to eliminate both John (and Rachel) and William (and Amy) as parents of the Thomas Cox of London Grove. In later versions of this note, I hope to replace much of the foregoing with a trail of clear evidence to a valid conclusion. In any case, the “certain” line begins with a Thomas Cox and, even there, there will be some difficulty separating contemporaries with the name.

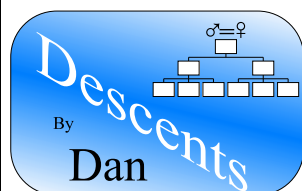
2. THOMAS COX. He is introduced in CFA as: “yeoman, of London Grove, Chester Co., perhaps a son of John and Rachel Cox, of New Castle Co., Del.; bought 150 acres of land in London Grove, of Tobias Collett and Co., or the London Company, Mar. 14, 1722; m. (i) 9 mo. 2, 1722, Elizabeth, daughter of John and Martha (Taylor) Fincher, at Friends' Meeting, London Grove, (2) 1730, "with License by ye priest," Mary, daughter of Peter and Elinor (Normand) Cooke; sold property in Chester Co., 1733, and removed with his family, "over the Susquehanna," to what is now York Co., where he was granted a tract of 200 acres on which he settled; owned other land in the same county; a witness at the first Friends' marriage in York Co., 5 mo. 29, 1740, and again, at the marriage of his daughter, Rebecca, "at ye house of William Garretson," in Warrington, 22d of 8 mo., 1740; removed, about 1759, with his wife and younger children to North Carolina; perhaps a brother of John Cox, also of York Co., whose descendants are numerous in North Carolina. (See Thomas Cox, of Wayne Co., N. C.) ; children: first marriage—*i. Rebecca, ii. Isaac, iii. Elizabeth*; second marriage—*iv. Mary, v. Peter, vi. Harmon* (?) and others.”¹²³

¹²⁰ New Garden MM - Minutes, 1718 - 1746, page 4, microfilm at Swarthmore College.

¹²¹ Mullins, Gary, Nokesville, VA, letter to Dan W. Olds, 22 May 1987, citing Valentine Hollingsworth's 1961 abstract of the Newark MM at Swarthmore College, reports the marriage of John Allen and Ann [not Amy, but others have read this as Ammy] Cox in Newark MM, Brandywine Hundred, Delaware. First request for marriage was made 4/2/1719, and report of marriage was 6/4/1719.

¹²² Allen, Lester M., *The Allen Family, Descendants of John and Amy Cox Allen With Allied Lines*, p. 8 [Greensboro, NC]

¹²³ CFA, page 248. This is from the book section on Pennsylvania in which Richard Cox of Chester County (page 243) who married Margaret Potts in 1712 is introduced as having been born in England and “probably a son of John and Rachel, of New Castle Co., Delaware” and John Cox of Warrington is introduced (p. 249) as “one of the early settlers at Warrington, now in Huntington Tp., York Co., probably a brother of Thomas Cox, who removed from Chester Co., to the same neighborhood, 1733;



Thomas Cox is introduced in Cox of Cole Creek as:¹²⁴ b. ca. 1694, m. 9-2-1722, Elizabeth Fincher. He and his wife were given a certificate by Abingdon MM (PA) to move to New Garden MM (PA)¹²⁵. The children of Thomas and Elizabeth Cox are listed in Cox of Cole Creek as Hannah, m. James Musgrove, 12-4m-1739; Rebecca m. James Frazier, 22-8m-1740; Isaac m. Olive Underwood, 27-9m-1740. The record, mentioned in Cox of Cole Creek, of Mary, daughter of Thomas Cox, who married James Hayes in 1736 (by a non-Quaker ‘priest’) is too early to apply to a daughter of this Thomas Cox.¹²⁶ Hannah Cox who married James Musgrove, 12-4m-1739¹²⁷ is also not a daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth. The marriage certificate names “James Musgrave son of John Musgrave of Sadbury in ye County of Lancaster & province of Pensilvania & Hannah Cox Daughter of Thomas Cox belonging to Londongrove Meeting in Chester County ... 13, 4 m. 1739 ... at their Publick Meeting house in Londongrove” The first witnesses, presumably her parents, were Thomas and Sarah Cox.¹²⁸ She is given elsewhere as a daughter of Thomas Cox and Sarah Buzby¹²⁹. The will of Mary Newlin mentions that Elizabeth Cox had three children (not four) and we will see (below) that three are accounted for without either Hannah or Mary.

John Cox and Richard Cox “.. were also purchasers of land in Londongrove (called New Garden until 1723) very near Thomas and joining each other. Thomas appears to have married a 2d wife, Mary Cook, in 1730, dau. of Peter and Elinor Cook, the latter having become the 2d wife of John Fincher, father of Thomas’s first wife. Thomas and Mary Cox of Londongrove conveyed the 150 acres land there to Joseph Jackson June 15, 1733, and appear later in Manchester Tp. York Co., where his daughter, Rebecca, by 1st wife, married James Frazer in 1740.

The fact that Richard, Thomas and John Cox appear to have gotten their deeds at the same time may have less to do with any relationship between them than with the facts of the development of London Grove Township. Futhey and Cope say: “Many of the settlers obtained deeds for their lands, dated March 14, 1722–3, from Collet, Quare, and Goldney. These deeds were prepared in

present 1740, at the marriage of Rebecca Cox, (daughter of Thomas), and James Frazier, at the house of William Garretson. Nearly all of the early Friends' marriages in that locality, however, were celebrated at the house of John Cox, prior to the establishment of the Huntington Meeting in 1750. Nothing is positively known as to his parentage, but he is believed to have been a son of John and Rachel Cox, of New Castle Co., Del., m. Mary ----, perhaps the Mary Cox, daughter of Moses and Margaret Harian, mentioned in the will of Moses Harian, of Menallen Tp., 10, 10, 1747 ... ”.

¹²⁴ Cox of Cole Creek, pp. 10-11.

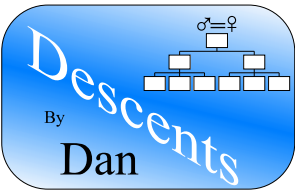
¹²⁵ A certificate was granted to Thos. Cox and his wife in order to settle on ye verge of Wollingham, New Garden MM, 28th 2m 1729. [Abington MM minutes. 1682 - 1746, microfilm, Swarthmore College]. However, this is surely a reference to Thomas Cox and wife Sarah Buzby.

¹²⁶ Mary Hayes, wife of James, formerly Cox, daughter of Thomas, rpd mcd [reported married contrary to discipline], 30 8m 1736. [Card index to New Garden MM, Swarthmore College].

¹²⁷ Hannah Cox m. James Musgrove, 13th [according to my notes] 4m 1739. [Card index to New Garden MM, Swarthmore College] This marriage is also published by Gwen Boyer Bjorkman in “Quaker Marriage Certificates, New Garden MM, ...”, p. 85, where the name is given as Musgrave and the date as 13, 4m, 1739.

¹²⁸ Bjorkman, Gwen Boyer, Quaker Marriage Certificates, New Garden MM, Chester Co., Pennsylvania, 1704-1799, (Heritage Books, Bowie, MD, 1990), p. 85.

¹²⁹ Susan Mortenson, letter to Dan Olds, 3 Jan. 1991

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England, and were doubtless brought over that spring by John Estaugh, who was returning from a religious visit to that country, he and Sarah Dimsdale, of New Jersey, being witnesses to them.”¹³⁰

The first tax list of London Grove Township, in 1724, names “Shedrick” Scarlet, 0£ 6s 8d, John “Alen”, 0£ 8s 0d, John Cox, 0£ 8s 4d, Richd Cox, 0£ 5s 0d, Tho. Cox, 0£ 5s 4d, Thomas Underwood, 0£ 2s 4d, John Fincher, 0£ 8s 6d, Steven Ayils, 0£ 7s 4d, Jonathan Fincher, 0£ 3s 0d, “Bengman Underwod”, 0£ 3s 6d, and “Peeter” Cook, 0£ 2s 8d, among others in a list of 42 names. The name Alexander “Wod” is on this list with no tax.¹³¹ When Myers extracts the names of Irish Friends from this list he does not include the Cox men, presumably recognizing they were of English origin.¹³² The 1753 tax list show no Coxes.¹³³

As usual, the records for those marrying in the Quaker faith are very informative. Thomas and Elizabeth appeared before the New Garden Monthly Meeting to announce their intention to marry and allow time for the Meeting to investigate their qualifications and formally approve. “Thomas Cox and Elizabeth Fincher both of this Meeting appeared hear & signified their Intentions of takeing Each other in Marriage it being ye first time therefore this Meeting appoints Wm. Holliday & Joseph Hutton to make Enquiry concerning ye young mans conversation & clearness & to give an account to ye next monthly meeting.”¹³⁴

The marriage certificate of Thomas Cox has now been published.¹³⁵ "Thomas Cocks of ye Township of New Garden in ye County of Chester & Province of Pensilvania, and Elizabeth Fincher Daughter of John Fincher of ye Same ... 2, 9m, Called November, 1722 ... In a Publick Meeting In Marlborough In ye County of Chester ..." Under the signatures of Thomas Cocks and Elizabeth Cocks were those of John Fincher, Elinor Fincher, Rebeckah Day, Mary Fincher, Mary Cocks, Rebeckah Fincher, Sarah Fincher, Ellinor Cook, Lydia Carter, Mary Johnson, Sarah Webster, and Jane Jackson. Jonathan Fincher, John Cocks, and Richard Cocks were among the other witnesses. This clearly confirms the Fincher connection but does little for the Cox line. It seems to suggest that the parents of Thomas Cox were either not available or not in good standing with the Quaker church. Elizabeth Cox (but not Thomas) was a witness at the marriage of her

¹³⁰ Futhey, J. Smith and Cope, Gilbert, History of Chester County, Pennsylvania, with Genealogical and Biographical Sketches (Louis H. Everts & Co., Philadelphia, 1881; 1995 reprint by Heritage Books on www.googlebooks.com), p. 183.

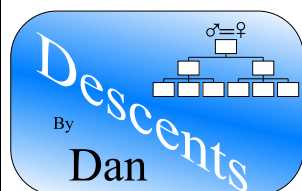
¹³¹ Futhey, J. Smith and Cope, Gilbert, History of Chester County, Pennsylvania, with Genealogical and Biographical Sketches (Louis H. Everts & Co., Philadelphia, 1881; 1995 reprint by Heritage Books on www.googlebooks.com), p. 183.

¹³² Myers, p.p. 142-143.

¹³³ Futhey and Cope

¹³⁴ New Garden MM minutes, 1718-1746, p. 37, 8th 7m 1722, microfilm, Swarthmore College. The second intention, p. 28, was 13th 8m 1722.

¹³⁵ Bjorkman, Gwen Boyer, Quaker Marriage Certificates, New Garden MM, Chester Co., Pennsylvania, 1704-1799, (Heritage Books, Bowie, MD, 1990), p. 11.



sister Sarah Fincher to Edward Swaine on 25 2m. 1728.¹³⁶

The published Pennsylvania Archives include a “List of Inhabitants over Susquehanna 1749” which says:

“The following is a list of the most remarkable Inhabitants in the Several Town’ps & Settlements over Susquehanna in the S^d Valley fit to discharge Publick Office.” The list for “Newbury Town’p on Susquehanna, between Yellow Breeches Creek & great Conewago” consists of John Day, John Hussey, Nathan Hussey, and John Garretson”. “In Warrington Town’p, to the Westward of the former” the list shows the names of Thomas Cox, Richard Cox, John Douglas, Alexander Underwood and Robert Comer. “In Huntington Town’p, Westward of former” the list consists of Mathew Dill, Alexander Grimes, James Murphy and William Wierman.”¹³⁷

Thomas Cox of Warrington Township was one of the commissioners named to lay out the new county of York, formed in 1749. He was one of the eight court justices commissioned in September, 1749. “Among the first emigrants who came to this county are recorded the names of Garrett, Day, Cox, Bennet, Lewis, Hussey, Frazer, Hodgin, Carson, Davison, Elliot, Mills, Key, Smith, and Underwood.” Thomas Cox, James Frazer and Alexander Underwood were among the subscribers to obtain land for a meeting house in 1745. Thomas Cox then paid two pounds eight shillings and six pence in order to take out a warrant for twenty-five acres of land on a branch of Conewago, near Stephen Ailes.¹³⁸

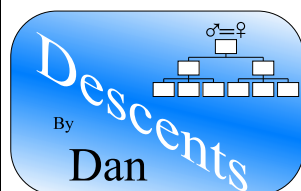
Thomas Cox was acting on the behalf of his fellow Friends. Myers¹³⁹ lists the names of Alexander Underwood, Thomas Cox, Wm. Garretson, James Frazier, Isaac Cox, Samuel Underwood, William Underwood, Thomas Cook and Peter Cook (among others) on the list of subscribers to a new monthly meeting on a branch of Conewago Creek in 1745. Money was subscribed to get a warrant for 25 acres of land adjoining Stephen Ails. Subscriptions were up to 5s, the amount pledged by Thomas Cox and some others. “A warrant, dated July 5, 1745, was issued for the land to be held trust for the Society of Friends, but owing to an irregularity, the land was later granted by patent, dated 1 Mo. 22, 1767, from John Penn, Lieutenant-Governor, to William Garretson, William Underwood, William Penrose, and Peter Cleaver, in trust for the

¹³⁶ Bjorkman, Gwen Boyer, Quaker Marriage Certificates, New Garden MM, Chester Co., Pennsylvania, 1704-1799, (Heritage Books, Bowie, MD, 1990), p. 28.

¹³⁷ Pennsylvania Archives [1st Series], Volume 2, p. 38. This list was prepared by Geo. Smith, sent to Mr. James Webb and endorsed by endorsed by “Justices for York County, 8ber. 1749”.

¹³⁸ The information in this paragraph was taken from “History of York County, Pa.” by George R. Prowell and sent to Elizabeth Buffa by Eldon Cox.

¹³⁹ Albert Cook Myers, op. cit., p. 168-169.



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Society of Friends, the consideration being £9, 12s, 9d.”¹⁴⁰ This became the Warrington Meeting, Warrington township (near Wellsville, now in York County, Pennsylvania). Moore reports: “1745, 20 Aug (6th mo.): Thomas COX applied for a warrant for 25 acres of land. He procured the warrant in his own name rather than in trust for the Society of Friends, which led to his disownment. A log meeting house was built that year on the site of the present burial ground.”¹⁴¹. When Nathan Hussey and Susana Heald, both of Newbery, Lancaster County, PA, were married on 26th 2nd mo. 1749, Rebecah Bennet, Alexander Underwood, William Cox and “Olwe” Cox were witnesses.¹⁴² On 22 Aug (6th mo.) 1749, Thomas, Samuel and Neomie Cox witnessed the marriage of John Garretson of Newbery, Lancaster Co., Pa. to Jane Carson, daughter of Patrick Carson of Newbery, at Newbery.¹⁴³ On 14th 1st mo 1749/50, Thomas, Mary and Elizabeth Cox and Alexander Underwood witnessed the marriage of Robert Vale of Warrington, York Co., Pa. and Sarah Buller of the same place, at Warrington.¹⁴⁴ Thomas COX signed the marriage certificate immediately under the bridal couple in the place normally used by the father of the bride, but her parents are not identified in the certificate. Alexander Underwood signed just below that.

In 1754, Thomas Cox is mentioned in York County Orphans Court records. Writing about William Garretson, son of Casparus and Ann (Cox) Garrison and husband of Mary Fraizer (Frazer) (sister of James who had married Rebecca Cox, daughter of Thomas), Hickman says:

“When in 1754 William's brother in law James Fraizer died, ‘William Garretson and others of the people called Quakers’ petitioned the York Co. Orphans Court requesting that the children of James Fraizer deceased ‘now with Thomas Cox may be taken from him and that John Garretson [William's brother], the executor, may have them and put them to proper place according to the laws of this Province and the rules of that society.’ It was ordered that said children be delivered to John Garretson.”¹⁴⁵ The children were grandchildren of Thomas Cox.

Thomas Cox continues to appear in the records of York County. Moore reports:

“1752, Jan: John COX of Huntington Twp., York Co. (now Adams Co.), PA deeds to Thomas COX of Warrington Twp., York Co., 520 acres of land in Huntington Twp.. Wits. Charles PIDGEON and Benjamin LOAN.

¹⁴⁰ Myers refers to “Patent (Recorded page 207, Patent Book A. H., Vol. 7, Department of Internal Affairs, Harrisburg, Pa.) and other title papers in the possession of trustees of Menallen Monthly Meeting.”

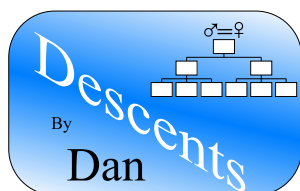
¹⁴¹ Moore, James M.. “Shadetree Genealogy, updated 2006-11-22, <http://wc.rootsweb.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi?op=GET&db=shadetree58&id=1455>

¹⁴² Walmer, Margaret B., 100 Years at Warrington: York County, Pennsylvania Quaker Marriages, Removals, Births & Deaths, (Bowie, MD, Heritage Books, Inc., 1989), pp. 1-2.

¹⁴³ Walmer, Margaret B., 100 Years at Warrington: York County, Pennsylvania Quaker Marriages, Removals, Births & Deaths, (Bowie, MD, Heritage Books, Inc., 1989), p. 2.

¹⁴⁴ Walmer, Margaret B., 100 Years at Warrington: York County, Pennsylvania Quaker Marriages, Removals, Births & Deaths, (Bowie, MD, Heritage Books, Inc., 1989), pp. 2-3.

¹⁴⁵Hickman, Donald Roger, “The Garretsons”, <http://freepages.family.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~dhickman/fam/TheGarretsons-2.html>



“1757, 9 Apr: Thomas COX, administrator of the estate of Thomas RIELY late of Newberry Twp., deeds to James HARKINS, York Co., PA.

“1757, 7 Nov: Thomas COX of Warrington, York Co., PA, deeds 173 acres to Peter GARTNER, whereas in pursuance of a warrant from the Proprietaries of PA dtd at Philadelphia 5 Apr 1743, surveyed on 19 Oct instant to Thomas COX, on the south side of Big Conegago [Conewago] Creek, Warrington Twp.. Thomas COX and Mary his wife also deed to Peter GARTNER 378 acres on the same warrant.”¹⁴⁶ Thomas and Isaac had already obtained land grants in South Carolina by this time.

Judith Whipple¹⁴⁷ has collected a very useful chronology of "Thomas Cox of Londongrove, Chester County, Pennsylvania". Thomas Cox first appears in 1719 on a tax list of New Garden Township, Chester Co., PA. In 1730, the New Garden MM heard from the Londongrove preparatory meeting that Thomas Cox and Mary Cooke had been married outside the faith^{148 149}. Whipple quotes the following: (New Garden MM, 27 1mo 1731) “Thos Cox appeared at this meeting and is willing to comply to friends but his wife being not here he desires this meeting may defer ye Case untill ye next monthly meeting as he may Endeavor to get his wife to Joyne with him in a papier for ye Clearing of Truth & friends. So this meeting refers it till ye next monthly meeting.” Then, from (New Garden MM, 24 2mo 1731) “Thos Cox produced a papier to this meeting from under ye hands of himselfe and wife Condeming their outgoings in marrying by ye priest which sd papier this meeting receives and appoints Sam’l Jackson to see that be read in a first day meeting at Londongrove and to give acct to ye next meeting.” This action should have restored Thomas and Mary Cox to good standing with their church.

By 1741, a Thomas Cox was having some difficulty with business practices that brought him in conflict with fellow Quakers. “The friends appointed to Enquire into ye affair of Thomas Cox gives an acct yt they find it pretty much as it was reported to this meeting formerly therefore this meeting appoints Joseph Pennock & Alexander Underwood to draw up a testimony against him & his actions & bring it to our next mo.ly meeting for aprobatation.”¹⁵⁰ “The friends appointed to draw up a testamony against Thos. Cox & his practice have so done, which this meeting approves

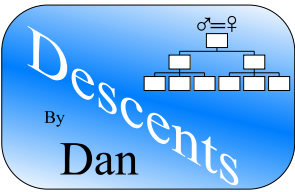
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¹⁴⁷ Whipple, Judith Cox, A Cox Family History, from Thomas Cox, 1694-1762, of Gloucester, England (Ranier, OR, 1989), in an appendix C titled "Additional Thomas Coxes in Early Pennsylvania".

¹⁴⁸ “Londongrove preparatory meeting acquainted this meeting yt Thos. Cox is married to Mary Cooke with Lisence by ye priest so this meeting appoints Thos. Speakman & William Swaine to go to them & Endeavor to bring them to a Sence of their out goings & see if they will condemn it & give an acct. to ye next monthly meetng”. [New Garden MM, minutes, 1718 - 1746, microfilm, Swarthmore College, p. 168, 31 8 m. 1730]

¹⁴⁹ Thomas Cox & wife Mary (formerly Cooke), con mcd [condemned for marrying contrary to discipline], 24th 2m 1731. [Card index to New Garden MM, Swarthmore College]

¹⁵⁰ New Garden MM minutes, 1718- 1746, microfilm, Swarthmore College, p. 298, Newgarden Mo.ly meeting held at Londongrove, 27 4m 1741.

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& appoints Saml. Jackson to see it read in a first day meeting at Londongrove. The Testamony is as followeth: Whereas Thomas Cox of Fallowfield Miller¹⁵¹ or Store keeper having made profession of ye truth amongst us ye people Called Quakers, but for want of living up faithfull to ye witness of truth in himselfe did Contract several debts (as appears by his practice) with desire to wrong his Creditors, in that he absconded & took most of ye goods with him to ye wronging of his creditors & ye reproch of our Christian Profession; Therefore we do testifie against him ye sd. Thomas Cox & such like practices & do hereby Disown him to be of our society untill it may please ye Lord to give him a sence of his Condition that he may return with unfained repentance to Truth & friends which that he may we sincerely desire Given forth at our mo.ly meeting of Newgarden held ye 25 of ye 4moth 1741 & Signed by order of sd. meeting by Saml. Jackson, Clerke.”¹⁵²

This record must refer to the Thomas Cox who married Sarah Busby and moved to Fallowfield Township. LindaBelle Roholt, in her posts on Genie, 11 May 1993, separates the two Thomas Cox families using, in part, the following Chester Co., PA, tax records:

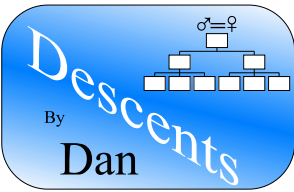
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Thomas Cox	New Garden	1721
Thomas Cox	New Garden	1722
Thomas Cox	London Grove	1724
Thomas Coks	London Grove	1725
Thomas Cox	London Grove	1729
Thomas Cox	E. Marlboro Twp.	1729
Thomas Cox	London Grove	1730
Thomas Cox	E. Marlboro Twp	1730
Thomas Cox	Fallowfield Twp	1732
Thomas Cox	London Grove	1732
Thomas Cox	Fallowfield	1734
Thomas Cox	Fallowfield	1735
Thomas Cox	Fallowfield	1737
Thomas Cox	Fallowfield	1739

Then Roholt presents the two families as follows:

“The 1st Thomas COX to appear, of Concord Twp, PA is the man who married Sarah Busby at

¹⁵¹ Note that son Thomas Cox in the 1767 Orange County, NC, will of William Cox is also called a Miller.

¹⁵² New Garden MM minutes, 1718-1746, microfilm, Swarthmore College, p. 298-299, monthly meeting held at Newgarden, 25 [5?]m 1741.

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Abington MM, PA, 1716. He came from Nailsworth MM, Tetbury, Gloucestershire, England on cert. dated 11, 12mo. 1713 and presented to Concord MM. He bought two tracts of land in late 1719 in Oxford Twp, Philadelphia Co. PA and therefore falls off Chester Co. tax roll. He later moved to Marlboro Twp and Fallowfield Twp. His children were as follows:¹⁵³

1. Mary Cox, b. 5 Oct. 1717, Concord, Chester Co. PA,
MCD, 30 8 mo, 1736, New Garden, James Hayes¹⁵⁴
2. Hannah Cox, b. 26 Sep 1721, Oxford Twp, Philadelphia co., PA,
m. James Musgrave¹⁵⁵
3. Richard Cox, b. 15 Oct 1723, Oxford Twp, Philadelphia Co., PA,
m. 1. Elizabeth _____ 2. Mary Kennedy
4. Thomas Cox, b. 3 Jan. 1729, Oxford Twp, Philadelphia co., PA
m. Phebe Fellows
5. Sarah Cox, b. 7 Sep 1732, Fallowfield Twp, Chester Co., PA
m. John Kennedy
6. Esdras Cox, b. 25 Mar. 1735, Fallowfield Twp, Chester Co., PA
7. Elizabeth Cox, b. 2 Mar 1737, Fallowfield Twp., Chester Co. PA
m. Caleb Musgrave

Thomas Cox married 2nd to Elizabeth (Peele) Cox?

8. Samuel Cox, b. 15 Sep 174_, Johnston Co., NC, d. young
9. William Cox, b. 6 Jan. 1754, Johnston Co., NC

“The Thomas Cox of New Garden & London Grove Twp, married Elizabeth Fincher & Mary Cook(e). Please note that child #2 above, Hannah Cox, has been put into this family in the older research. As you can see, she was born before this Thomas and Elizabeth Fincher were even married, and needs to be put with the right line. I need to check further on tax & land records, but Thomas & 2nd wife Mary did go to York Co. PA to Warrington MM after London Grove. It may be that they will appear in Lancaster Co. PA records.¹⁵⁶ The family data on Thomas and Sarah Busby Cox was given to me by Charlie Minor, a descendant of the line, who is on Prodigy. His information is well documented and a family bible record¹⁵⁷ was made of the children’s births, so there is no mistaking the data. LindaBelle”

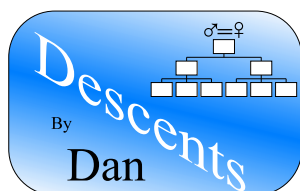
¹⁵³ I believe this information is based on the work of Judith Whipple.

¹⁵⁴ Mary Hayes, wife of James, formerly Cox, daughter of Thomas, rpd mcd [reported married contrary to discipline], 30 8m 1736. [Card index to New Garden MM, Swarthmore College].

¹⁵⁵ 14 4m 1739, Hannah Cox m. James Musgrave, New Garden MM, [card index, Swarthmore College].

¹⁵⁶ On 17 Jun 1749, Thomas and Mary Cox of Manchester Twp. affirmed that they had, on 2 Nov. 1748, enfeoffed & released to Joshua Low and Caleb Low of Lancaster Co, 186a in Manchester twp. (part of an island on the west side of the Susquehanna River adjacent to James Logan (Patented to Thomas Cox on 19 Sept. 1748). This is recorded in Lancaster County Deed Book A, p. 39. [Mayhill, R. Thomas, Lancaster Co., PA, Deed Abstracts 1729-c1770, & Oaths of Allegiance (The Bookmark, Knightstown, IN, 1979)]

¹⁵⁷ Whipple, Judy C., letter to Dan W. Olds, 28 March 1991, refers to the Thomas and Sarah Cox family Bible and the fact that it contains the name Musgrave.



On "8-9-1747", Thomas Cox along with Richard, Samuel, Isaac, John, Sr., John, Jr., Olive and Hannah Cox were witnesses at the Warrington marriage of William Smith to Jane Underwood, daughter of Alexander.¹⁵⁸ "Thomas Cox has been openly accused by Patrick Carson with telling an untruth: Committee appointed, 1-19-1747-8, to inspect: 2-16-1748, two appointed to go down to Sadsbury where the dispute arose and search the matter: 3-21, they inform that what Thomas reported was true. Thomas Cox, Solomon Shepherd and William Ferrel, recommended to the meeting of Ministers and Elders as ministers, 5-16-1748".¹⁵⁹ In 1753 and 1754, Isaac and Thomas Cox obtained land grants on Cain Creek of Broad River (recorded in Anson Co., NC¹⁶⁰).

Thomas and Mary Cox were witnesses at the 1750 wedding of Robert Vale and Sarah Buller at Warrington.¹⁶¹ "Thomas Cox and Henery Clark complained of, 2-15-1752, for allowing spiriteous liquer to be given at a vandue; the subject to be referred to the Quarterly Meeting for advice. 5-16-1752, Thomas justifies his conduct and is disowned 6-20-1752." ... "Thomas Cox declares intention to appeal (12-16-1752) and a committee is appointed to attend." ... "Mary Cox, daughter of Thomas, being about to remove to Cain Creek, N. C. a certificate to be prepared (8-20-1757), certificate signed 9-17-1757" ... "Mary Cox and children being removed and settled in Carolina without certificate (except her daughter Mary) one is to be prepared. (4-21-1759) cert. signed 5-12-1759. ... "Solomon Cox produced a certificate from Cain Creek, NC, 8-11-1759, dated 6-2-1759" ... "Solomon Cox being about to return to North Carolina this meeting gave him a few lines on the back of his certificate (9-15-1759)... "Elizabeth Cox daughter of Richard Cox of the township of Warrington married 4-29-1762 to John Comer [note added by William Perry Johnson says he was son of the late Robert], at Warrington Meeting" ... "John Cox and Margaret Cox, children of John Cox, certificates to Cane Creek, N.C., requested 9-11-1762: signed 10-9-1762"¹⁶²

The fact that Thomas Cox was not mentioned in the move may be because he was not in good standing at the time. Eldon Cox also wrote: "It is doubtful if he [Thomas] ever lived in N. C. There were no Quaker meetings in that part of S. C. at that time and New Garden was the nearest meeting so certificate was sent there as was the usual practice. The date of their moving to S. C.

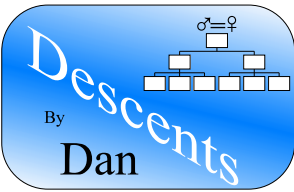
¹⁵⁸ Prowell, George R., History of York Co., Pa., p. 116, quoted by Eldon Cox in notes to Elizabeth Buffa.

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¹⁶⁰ Holcomb, Brent, North Carolina Grants in South Carolina (Columbia, 1980), pp. 7-8. From Anson County, North Carolina, 300 acres on south side of Broad River, on Cain Creek, including the lowest fork of said Creek, on 13 Dec 1753 and 383 acres on the south side of Broad River on North fork of Cain Creek that runs into Beaver Dam were surveyed for Isaac Cox on 12 Dec. 1753 and 400 acres on the south side of Carn [sic] Creek about ½ mile below Joseph Hollingsworth's survey were surveyed for Thomas Cox on 23 Feb. 1754.

¹⁶¹ Walmer, Margaret B., 100 Years at Warrington: York County, Pennsylvania Quaker Marriages, Removals, Births & Deaths, (Bowie, MD, Heritage Books, Inc., 1989), pp.2-3.

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is uncertain. Thomas Cox's land grant in S. C. is dated 24 [or 25? –dated is typed over – DWO] 1754."¹⁶³ In 1753 and 1754, Isaac and Thomas Cox obtained land grants on Cain Creek of Broad River (recorded in Anson Co., NC¹⁶⁴).

The Mary Cox who, on 6th 10 month 1753, presented a certificate from Newark MM to the Women's monthly meeting at Cane Creek, North Carolina, is not named with anyone else.¹⁶⁵ However, on the same day, Solomon and Thomas Cox were received at Cane Creek on a certificate from Newark MM, Kennett Co., Pa, dated "1753, 5, 5".¹⁶⁶ The Mary Cox who, on 7th of 2d mo 1756, presented a certificate from Newgarden MM at Cane Creek is also listed alone.¹⁶⁷ Solomon and Thomas Cox had been granted a certificate from Kennett Monthly meeting to New Castle Monthly Meeting on "1753.4.7".¹⁶⁸

The death of Mary, wife of Thomas Cox, was reported in the minutes of Bush River MM, Newberry Co., SC in 1784.¹⁶⁹

Hannah Cox Musgrove, who married James Musgrove in 1739, sometimes placed among the children of Thomas, has been eliminated from my list, although she is listed by Buffa¹⁷⁰. I have also removed Harmon Cox, who married Jane Johns in 1745, as a son of Thomas and Mary (Cooke) Cox. Gary Mullins presents a convincing case that Harmon Cox who married Jane John(s) was a son of William and Catherine Cox.¹⁷¹ He is not listed by Buffa.

Elizabeth Fincher:

Two related wills show the Fincher connections. The first is that of Mary Newlin, sister of Elizabeth Fincher Cox. She names her father John¹⁷² Fincher, brothers John and Francis Fincher, and sisters Rebecca Bennet, Sarah Swain, and her sister Elisabeth Cox's three children (not

¹⁶³ Eldon E. Cox to Mabel F. Schluessler, 3 April 1982, a letter supplied by E. E. Cox, Jr. on a CD selection of his father's papers, July 2004.

¹⁶⁴ Holcomb, Brent, North Carolina Grants in South Carolina (Columbia, 1980), pp. 7-8. From Anson County, North Carolina, 300 acres on south side of Broad River, on Cain Creek, including the lowest fork of said Creek, on 13 Dec 1753 and 383 acres on the south side of Broad River on North fork of Cain Creek that runs into Beaver Dam were surveyed for Isaac Cox on 12 Dec. 1753 and 400 acres on the south side of Carn [sic] Creek about ½ mile below Joseph Hollingsworth's survey were surveyed for Thomas Cox on 23 Feb. 1754.

¹⁶⁵ Women's Monthly Meeting minutes, Friends History Collection, Guilford College.

¹⁶⁶ Hinshaw, Encyclopedia of Quaker Genealogy (Family Tree Maker, CD 192, Cane Creek Monthly Meeting, p. 381.

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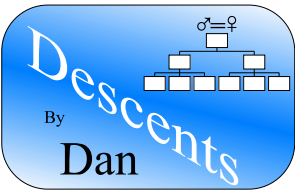
¹⁶⁸ Reamy, Martha, Early Church Records of Chester County Pennsylvania, Volume 3, (Willow Bend Books, Westminster, MD, 2000), p. 13, taken from Kennett Monthly Meetings.

¹⁶⁹ "Mary Cox, w. Thomas, d. 1-17-1784", Bush River Monthly Meeting, SC. [The Encyclopedia of Quaker Genealogy, 1750 - 1930, Family Tree Maker CD # 192]

¹⁷⁰ Buffa, Elizabeth Berry, Cox Family Outline, 1977, a typescript in the Friends History Library, Swarthmore College.

¹⁷¹ Mullins, Gary, Nokesville, VA, letter to Dan W. Olds, 22 May 1987, citing not only the will of William Cox but records of Fairfax County, Virginia, especially a 1746 indenture there between William Cox of Mill Creek Hundred in the county of Newcastle on Delaware and Catherine his wife selling 600 acres in Fairfax County to their son Harmon.

¹⁷² The wording in "Wills of Chester County, Pennsylvania, 1713 -1748", based on Abstracts of Jacob Martin, may be confusing: "Remainder to father and brothers Jonathan and John Fincher" (not naming her father) but is clarified when she did name her father John Fincher and brother Francis Fincher as executors.

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named), granddaughter in law Mary Baily, grandson in law Nathan Newlin, son of Nathaniel Newlin, & others whose relationship is not clear. This will was written 9 May 1730 and recorded 23 July 1730.¹⁷³

The will of John Fincher of London Grove, written 4/5/1746 and recorded 24 November 1747, mentions his sons Jonathan, John and Francis, daughters Rebecca Bennett and Sarah Swain, Jonathan's eldest daughter Mary and "to Thomas Cox living over the Susquehanna¹⁷⁴ 5 £. for use of his daughter Rebecca wife of James Fraiser". Elizabeth Fincher Cox is not mentioned and presumably deceased.¹⁷⁵

Martha Taylor, b. 3 Jan. 1680/1, m. ca. 1699 to John Fincher (1679 - 1747), son of Francis and Mary (Achelly) Fincher who were m. 3 Jun. 1678 at Worcester Friends Meeting, Worsch. Eng.¹⁷⁶ There is a record in the certificates of removal received at Philadelphia Monthly meeting, 1682 - 1750, of a certificate for Francis Fincher, from Worcester, England, dated 14th of 3rd month [May] 1683.¹⁷⁷

Children of Thomas and Elizabeth (Fincher) Cox¹⁷⁸

i. Rebecca Cox m. James Frazier¹⁷⁹, 8,20,1740, at Warrington. This marriage is also reported by Myers. Thomas and Mary Cocks, Isaac Cox, John Cox, John and Jane Fincher, Ann Cox and Francis Fincher were among the witnesses.¹⁸⁰ James Frazer and Thomas Cox were of Manchester

¹⁷³ from "Wills of Chester County, Pennsylvania, 1713 -1748", based on Abstracts of Jacob Martin. Seen in Friends History Library, Swarthmore College.

¹⁷⁴ "living over the Susquehanna" refers to the fact that Thomas Cox had moved to the Warrington MM in what is now York Co., PA.

¹⁷⁵ Wills of Chester County, Pennsylvania, 1713 -1748, based on the abstracts of Jacob Martin. Used in the Friends History Library, Swarthmore College.

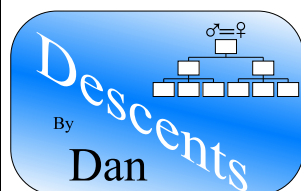
¹⁷⁶ Justice, Alfred Rudolph, The Descendants of Robert Taylor, p. 14. (Philadelphia, 1925)

¹⁷⁷ Francis Fincher, rocf Worcester MM, Eng., dated 1683,3,14, recorded at Philadelphia MM. [The Encyclopedia of Quaker Genealogy, 1750 - 1930, Vol. II, p. 523, Family Tree Maker CD #192]

¹⁷⁸ CFA lists Rebecca, Isaac, and Elizabeth. Cox of Cole Creek lists Hannah, Rebecca, Isaac and (perhaps) Harmon. Buffa, in her 1997 Cox Family Outline, lists Hannah, Rebecca, Isaac, Elizabeth, Mary, Peter, Thomas, Ann and (possibly) Richard. In the list below, I have added reference and discussion of each.

¹⁷⁹ Mullins, Gary, Nokesville, VA, letter to Dan W. Olds, 22 May 1987, citing Valentine Hollingsworth's 1961 abstraction of Quaker marriages of Newark MM, reports a marriage of James Frazier and Rebecca Cox in Newark MM, Brandywine Hundred, Delaware. First request was made 1/7/1740, clearance was granted 6/8/1740 and the marriage was reported 3/9/1740. The marriage was at the home of William Garretson (of Warrington Township, where Warrington MM was formed 5 years later). This demonstrates that there are multiple records for the events of a Quaker marriage, that they may be recorded in various places, and suggests an actual marriage date may have mistakenly been taken from the date of recording of any one of these events.

¹⁸⁰ Albert Cook Myers, Immigration of the Irish Quakers into Pennsylvania, 1682 - 1750, (reprinted, Baltimore, Genealogical Publishing Co., 1969), p. 168, quoting a marriage certificate for James Frazier and Rebecca Cox, daughter of Thomas Cox, on 22nd 8Mo 1740 at the home of William Garretson of Warrington.



Township, Lancaster County, where the wedding was in the home of William Garretson, in Manchester, Lancaster County.¹⁸¹

3. ii. Isaac Cox m. Olive Underwood in 1746. (See below.)

iii. Elizabeth Cox, daughter of Thomas Cox and David “Jinkins”, son of Thomas Jinkins, declared their intentions of marriage 3-16 and 4-20-1754 and were married 5-14-1754, both of Warrington in the County of York. On 4-17-1756, David Jinkins requested a certificate for self and wife Elizabeth to Carolina, and it was signed 5-15-1756.¹⁸² This marriage is also reported by Walmer as 14th of 5th mo 1754 but no parents or witnesses are listed.¹⁸³ The children of David and Elizabeth Jenkins are listed in the records of the Bush River MM: William, b. 8-17-1755; Isaac, b. 9-1-1757; David, b. 1-27-1760; Thomas, b. 5-23-1762; Mary, b. 8-4-1764; Jesse, b. 10-17-1766; Amos, b. 3-8-1769; Elizabeth, b. 10-5-1772; and Enoch, b. 7-8-1776.¹⁸⁴

Children of Thomas and Mary (Cooke) Cox

iv. Mary Cox. “One record states that Mary, daughter of Thomas Cox, m. James Hayes by a priest in 1736.”¹⁸⁵ However, she was the daughter of another Thomas Cox. The chronology does not allow that Mary to be placed here. Mary, the daughter of “our” Thomas Cox, was still single when she was granted a certificate at Warrington to go to Cane Creek in NC in 1757.¹⁸⁶

v. Peter Cox. He is reported by Buffa as an original member of Wrightsboro MM in GA in 1774.¹⁸⁷ On 25 10m 1760, at New Garden MM in NC, Peter Cox, his mother and younger children, were received on certificate from Warrington MM, dated 12 5m. 1759.¹⁸⁸ Note that this is the same date as the certificate mentioned earlier, given at Warrington to Mary Cox and her children.

¹⁸¹ Prowell, George R., History of York Co., Pa., page 115, abstracted by Eldon Cox and sent to Elizabeth Buffa. This also gives the date as 8-22-1740.

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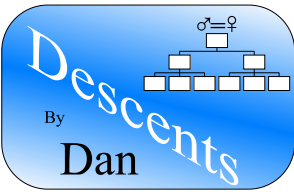
¹⁸⁴ Bush River MM. Also, Elizabeth Jenkins, w. David, d. 10-15-1795. [The Encyclopedia of Quaker Genealogy, 1750 - 1930, Vol. I, Family Tree Maker CD # 192]

¹⁸⁵ Cox of Cole Creek.

¹⁸⁶ “Mary Cox, daughter of Thomas Cox, being about to remove to Cain Creek, N. C., a certificate to be prepared (8-20-1757), certificate signed 9-17-1757”. This is from copies of handwritten pages on pages with the printed title “Abstract of the Records of Warrington Monthly Meeting, York County, Pennsylvania”. Selected page copies are included on the Eldon E. Cox Collection, a CD sent by Ed Cox, July 2004.

¹⁸⁷ Buffa, Elizabeth Berry, Cox Family Outline, 1977 typescript in Friends History Library, Swarthmore College.

¹⁸⁸ New Garden MM. [The Encyclopedia of Quaker Genealogy, 1750-1930, Vol. 1, p. 535, Family Tree Maker CD #192]

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vi. Thomas Cox, b. ca. 1740, m. Tamar Davis 9 May 1771, Cane Creek, MM. He died 14 May 1821, age 81. She was born 11 Apr. 1749 and died 25 Aug. 1829.¹⁸⁹ Thomas Cox, son of Thomas and Mary, of Craven County, SC[sic], m. Thamer Davis, daughter of Charles and Hannah Davis of Orange Co., NC, 9 5 mo. 1771. Tamer Cox was granted a certificate to go to Bush River MM in SC on 6 7mo 1771.¹⁹⁰ Perkins reprints the entire text of the marriage certificate which makes it clear that Thomas Cox was a son of Thomas and Mary Cox of Craven County, NC, and that Thamer was a daughter of Charles Davis, deceased, and Hannah Davis of Orange County, NC. In addition to Thomas and Thamer Cox, the certificate was signed by witnesses – first by Hannah Davis, then by John Cox, Daniel Brown, Thomas Cox, Miller, and elsewhere by Isaac Cox.¹⁹¹ A Craven County then existed in both North and South Carolina (where it was a geographical location, not a governmental entity). Original Quaker records should be examined on this.

vii. Ann Cox m. Isaac Hollingworth, Bush Creek [sic -- River] MM, SC.¹⁹² In Bush River MM, SC, Isaac Hollingsworth, son of Joseph and Martha of Craven County, SC, married Anne Cox, daughter of Thomas and Mary of Craven County, SC, on 11 8mo 1774. In Cane Creek MM, SC, Ann Hollingsworth, wife of Isaac, was disowned on 19 5mo. 1804.¹⁹³

viii. ?Richard Cox, m. Ann Hodgin, 1774, Wrightsboro MM, GA.¹⁹⁴ On 4 6mo 1774, Richard Cox was reported in the Wrightsborough (GA) MM as having married contrary to discipline to Ann Hodgin. From the same place, on 6 5mo 1780, Richard Cox and wife with small children Thomas and Mary, were granted a certificate to go to Bush River MM in SC. On 29 7m 1780, Richard, wife Ann, and children Thomas and Mary, were received at Bush River on certificate from Wrightsboro MM, GA. The children of Richard and Ann Cox are listed in the Bush River MM, as: Thomas, b. 13 5mo 1775; Mary, b. 14 2mo 1777; Rebeckah, b. 18 1m 1780, and Tamer, b. 15 5mo 1782. Richard Cox, wife Ann, and children Rebeckah, David, Peter, John, Isaac, Richard and William were reported in the New Garden MM (1808-1809) as members in South Carolina.¹⁹⁵

¹⁸⁹ Buffa, Elizabeth Berry, Cox Family Outline, 1977 typescript in Friends History Library, Swarthmore College.

¹⁹⁰ In Cane Creek MM, NC. [The Encyclopedia of Quaker Genealogy, 1750 - 1930, Vol. I, Family Tree Maker CD # 192], p. 381 for Cox and p. 384 for Davis. This reference does say Craven Co., S. C., but see note with Thomas Cox and Thamar Davis..

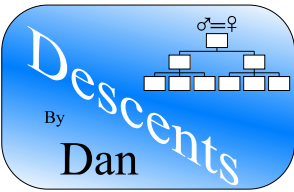
¹⁹¹ Perkins, Thomas Edison, Marriages in Cane Creek Monthly Meeting and its Subordinate Meetings, Volume 1, A - C, (Greensboro, N. C., 1991), unnumbered page.

¹⁹² Buffa, Elizabeth Berry, Cox Family Outline, 1977 typescript in Friends History Library, Swarthmore College.

¹⁹³ The Encyclopedia of Quaker Genealogy, 1750 - 1930, Vol. I, p. 1061. (Family Tree Maker CD # 192)

¹⁹⁴ Buffa, Elizabeth Berry, Cox Family Outline, 1977 typescript in Friends History Library, Swarthmore College, which includes Richard as as “Possibly” a son of Thomas and Mary (Cooke) Cox.

¹⁹⁵ The Encyclopedia of Quaker Genealogy, 1750 - 1930, Vol. I, p. 1015. (Family Tree Maker CD # 192)

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3. **ISAAC COX** was born Jan. 21, 1724, presumably at the home of his father who was taxed in Londongrove Twp., Chester Co., PA, in that year. He married Olive Underwood on 27 Nov. 1746.

Many variations of this marriage date have been published. It was 27 9mo 1746 (per CFA, which also says he moved to NC). The year is given as 1740 in Cox of Cole Creek. The marriage of Olive Underwood, daughter of Alexander Underwood, to Isaac Cox, son of Thomas Cox is given as 27 Sept. 1749¹⁹⁶ and as Sept. 27, 1746(1749?)¹⁹⁷. None of these are quite correct. The correct date for this marriage is of importance in what follows. It is unlikely that Isaac Cox, below, born in 1724, would have been married in 1740, but if the correct date is 1746, there is no such impediment to this identification. Therefore, I quote from a photocopy of the record at Swarthmore College as sent to me by Hank Deemer, Leola, PA, in July, 1991:

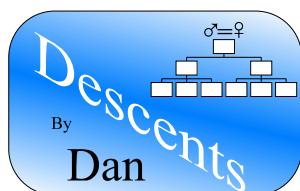
"Whereas Isaac Cox son of Thomas Cox of Warrington in the County of Lanchester and Province of Pensilvania Yeoman and Olive Underwood daughter of Alexander Underwood of the township and County aforsd having appeared before several[?] monthly meetings of ye Christian people called Quakers of Sadsbury & Leacock and declared their intentions of marriage with Each other according to ye good order used among them and having consent of parents and relations concerned their Said proposal was allowed by the sd. meetings.

"Now these are to certifie to whom it may concern that for ye full accomplishing of their sd intentions they the sd Isaac Cox and Olive Underwood appeared at a Publick meeting of the sd People for the Purpose appointed at warrington, the Twenty Seventh day of ye ninth month in ye year of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred and forty six and then and there In ye said assembly ye sd Isaac Cox taking ye sd Olive Underwood by ye hand did in a Solemn manner openly declare that he took her ye sd Olive Underwood to be his wife promising with the Lords assistance to be unto her a faithfull and Loving Husband till death should separate them and then and there in the said Assembly the said Olive Underwood did in like manner openly declare that she took the said Isaac Cox to be her Husband promising with the Lords assistance to be unto him a faithfull and loving Wife til Death should part them or words to [purpose?] and moreover they the sd Isaac Cox and Olive Underwood (she according to the custom of marriage assuming ye name of her Husband) did then and there to these presents set their hands and for a further confirmation Wee whose names are also hereunder written who were present at the Solemnization of ye sd Marriage and Subscription has as witnesses thereunto set our hands the day and year above written."

Isaac Cox and Olive Cox signed in a special block and, below them, Thomas Cox, Mary Cox, and Alexander Underwood. Other signatures were Hester[?] ____, Hannnah Cook, [Mosses?] ____, son, William Cook[sen?], Rebecca [Pruitt?], Joanna ____, Juliana ____, Rebecca __worthy,

¹⁹⁶ Underwood, Lucius Markus (comp) and Banker, Howard J. (ed), The Underwood Families of America (The New Era Printing Company, Lancaster, Pa., 1913) p. 438

¹⁹⁷ Kellogg, Dale C., Antecedents and Descendants of Levi Underwood (1831-1895) and Related Families, (Elyria, Ohio), p. 10. Kellogg follows Underwood and Banker very closely but gives no reason for doubting the 1749 date.



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William Bonitt, Joseph Bonitt, Willm Griffith, Richd Wickersham, John Earl, Jacob Boals, William Underwood, Samuel Cox, Wm Garrotson, Mary Garrotson, Mary Cox, Elizabeth Cox, Mary Garison, ____ .

This document clearly places the marriage on 27 Nov. 1746 and names the fathers of both bride and groom.

In the 24 8mo 1745 marriage of Nicholas Wierman (son of Wm. Wierman) to Sarah Cox, daughter of John Cox, the first marriage at Huntingdon and recorded in the Sadsbury MM, witnesses included Alexander Underwood, William Underwood, Benj. Underwood, Richard Underwood, Jane Underwood, Olive Underwood, and Ruth Underwood.¹⁹⁸ At the 22nd 8mo 1740 marriage of Isaac's sister Rebecca Cox to James Frazier, Thomas and Mary Cocks, Isaac, John and Ann Cox and Samuel Underwood were witnesses but not Olive.¹⁹⁹ Writing of the Wierman family, Albert Cook Myers says that this marriage was in the Huntington meeting and that Sarah Cox was a daughter of John and Mary Cox of Huntington Township but refers to the marriage book of the Sadsbury Monthly Meeting.²⁰⁰

Isaac and Olive Cox were witnesses at the 1751 marriage of her brother Benjamin Underwood and she was a witness at the 1752 wedding of Sarah Cook but by the 13th 6mo 1754 wedding of her sister Ruth Underwood, the 1756 marriage of Elihu Underwood, and the 1757 marriage of John Underwood she is no longer listed, presumably having moved to NC.²⁰¹ In fact, on 7-21-1753, Isaac Cox requested a certificate to North Carolina for self, wife Olive and family. This certificate was signed 8-18-1753.²⁰²

Hinshaw's Encyclopedia of American Quaker Records (Vol. I, NC) includes records which relate to this family. These records show that, on 28 12m 1754, Isaac Cox and wife were received on certificate, dated 8 8m 1753, from the Warrington, PA, Monthly Meeting (now in Huntington township, York Co.) to the New Garden Monthly Meeting (established 1754, later in Guilford Co., NC). However, in 1760, Isaac Cox and family were given a certificate to go to

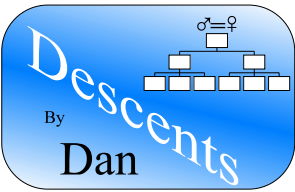
¹⁹⁸ Myers, Albert Cook, Immigration of the Irish Quakers into Pennsylvania, 1682-1750 (Baltimore, Genealogical Publishing Company, 1985 reprint of 1902 edition), p. 172. This might be Alexander and 2nd wife Jane, Alexander's sons William and Benjamin, Ruth (wife of William), and Olive, Alexander's unmarried daughter. This leaves Richard Underwood unidentified.

¹⁹⁹ Myers, Albert Cook, Immigration of the Irish Quakers into Pennsylvania, 1682-1750 (Baltimore, Genealogical Publishing Company, 1985 reprint of 1902 edition), p. 168.

²⁰⁰ Myers, Albert Cook, "Historical and Genealogical Department", *The Literary Era*, Vol. 6, No. 1, Jan. 1899, p. 27. (www.books.google.com)

²⁰¹ Walmer, p. 3 and p. 5.

²⁰² This is from copies of handwritten pages on pages with the printed title "Abstract of the Records of Warrington Monthly Meeting, York County, Pennsylvania". Selected page copies are included on the Eldon E. Cox Collection, a CD sent by Ed Cox, July 2004.

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Fredericksburg Monthly Meeting in SC.²⁰³ In 1762, Phebe Allen and children Hannah, Amy, and Ann were received from the New Garden meeting in PA to the Cane Creek meeting (est. 1751 in Orange Co. which included the present Randolph Co.). In about 1764²⁰⁴, Isaac Cox married Phebe Allen, both of Orange Co.²⁰⁵ In 1767²⁰⁶, Isaac²⁰⁷, Samuel, Solomon, William, William Jr., Phebe and Juliatha Cox were among those disowned. (William and Juliatha were reported married in 1755.) In 1771, Isaac Cox was disowned.²⁰⁸ In 1776, Samuel Allen was disowned. In 1779, Phebe Cox filed a paper condemning her misconduct (implying reinstatement). On 7th 10mo 1780, Thomas Cox, son of Isaac Cox was disowned for marrying out of unity.²⁰⁹ Enoch Cox, son of Isaac, was disowned in 1781 for marrying out unity.²¹⁰ In 1783, William, son of Herman [Harmon?] and Jane Cox of Holly Spring, married Phebe, daughter of Isaac and Phebe Cox, also of Holly Spring. On 3rd of 4th month 1784, William Cox, son of Isaac, was disowned.²¹¹ In 1789, David and William Cox were both disowned for marrying out of unity. If Isaac's sons David and William did not marry until about 1789, that would explain the lack of older children in the listing of their families presented below. However, William Perry Johnson once wrote that the William who was disowned in 1789 was a son of Benjamin Cox²¹² (and thus not “our” William). Enoch

²⁰³ Hinshaw reports that the records of Fredericksburg MM, also called Wateree, in Kershaw Co., SC, are not known to exist. (Family Tree Maker, CD #192).

²⁰⁴ Photocopy, Cane Creek Monthly Meeting minutes, Friends History Center, Guilford College, p. 30, at the meeting for 7th 1 mo. 1764, says “The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Isaac Cox and Phebe Allen report it was orderly accomplished and have returned the certificate to be recorded.”

²⁰⁵ Allen, Lester M., The Allen Family: Descendants of John and Amy Cox Allen with Allied Lines, p. 13, reports the marriage of Phebe (Scarlet) Allen to Isaac Cox, son of Thomas Cox and Elizabeth Fincher on “1764, 1, 4” and states that they lived near Mill Creek and Deep River in Randolph County, where Isaac owned 240 acres of land.

²⁰⁶ Photocopy, Cane Creek Monthly Meeting minutes, Friends History Center, Guilford College, p. 36, for the meeting of 7th 2d mo. 1767 says “William Cox, William Cox, Junior, Isaac Vernon, Isaac Cox, Samuel Cox, Solomon Cox and Jacob Greg complained of in the 9th mo last for attending the disorderly marriage of Emy Allen now Husbands and after repeated labour with each of them this meeting now disowns each of them.”

²⁰⁷ Eleanor M. Davis, Davis: A Quaker Family (1985), p. 474, states that a complaint appears in the 1766 minutes of Cane Creek (NC) MM concerning the marriage of Phebe (Scarlett) Allen Cox's daughter Amy Allen to Herman Husband (already disowned from Cane Creek meeting for being too critical of meeting affairs). This marriage was contrary to the good order of the Friends. There was a complaint against Phebe Cox that she consented to her daughter's wedding and attended the wedding. Colleen Cox Worley (letter to Dan Olds, 23 Sept. 1987) reports that Isaac Cox and Phebe Scarlett Allen Cox were disowned by the church for attending the wedding of Phebe's daughter, Amy Allen, who married out of unity on 02-17-1767. (The date they were disowned.)

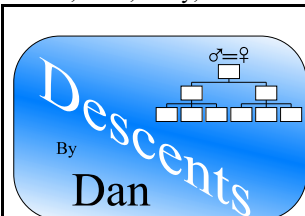
²⁰⁸ Photocopy, Cane Creek Monthly Meeting minutes, Friends History Center, Guilford College, p. 44, for the meeting of 1st 6th mo 1771, says “This Meeting orders a paper of dineal against Benjamin Underwood, James Underwood, Joshua Dixon, Isaac Cox, Samuel Cox, and two sons Herman and Samuel, James Matthews, John Hinshaw, Benjamin Hinshaw, William Graves, Nathan Farmer, Jesse Pugh, William Tazey[?], John and William Williams, – which was approved and Signed on behalf of this meeting.”

²⁰⁹ Hinshaw, Encyclopedia of Quaker Genealogy (Family Tree Maker, CD 192, Cane Creek Monthly Meeting, p. 381.

²¹⁰ Mullins, Gary, Nokesville, VA, letter to Dan W. Olds, 22 May 1987. Gertrude Cox, wife of Enoch, was disowned in 1779. Gary shows that this family moved to Miami MM in Ohio in 1807 and traces them in Fairfield MM (Ohio) by 1808.

²¹¹ Photocopy, Cane Creek Monthly Meeting minutes, Friends History Center, Guilford College, p. 124., says “This meeting disowns William Cox son of Isaac for being charged by a young woman of being the father of her child.”

²¹² Johnson, William Perry, to Eldon E. Cox, 10 June 1968. “Cane Creek records, as published by Hinshaw, show that on 5 of 12 Mo. 1789, William Cox was disowned for marriage out of unity. 5 of 7 Mo. 1789 - Ruth Cox and children: Amy, Martha, Ruth, Mary, & Catherine, received by request. Holly Spring Mo. Mtg. records, as given in Hinshaw, show Wm. Cox,



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Cox, who is entered in the index to the manuscript ledger as son of Isaac, was excluded by the Cane Creek MM “after repeated labor Extended for drinking strong drink to Excess and for telling untruths in order to cover his bad conduct therein.”²¹³

Anson County, NC, was formed in 1749. Orange County was formed in 1752. Rowan County was formed in 1753 from Anson. Chatham County was formed in 1770 from Orange. Guilford County was formed in 1770 from Rowan and Orange Counties. Randolph County was formed in 1778 from Guilford Co.

Isaac Cox, planter, had a land grant in Rowan County, NC, in 1759, witnessed by John Cox and Benjamin Cox. The survey was made for him in 1755. "This plan represents a tract of land Surveyed for Isaac Cox on hickry creek the waters of deep river Beginning at a hickry On John Ozborns line then runing [sic] North 55 Chas. to a white oak Then East crossing the creek 42 1/2 chas. to a white oak Then South 55 Chas. to a hickry Then west 5 chas. to Ozborns Corner white oak Then along his line west to the first Station containing Two hundred and thirty three acres Surveyed the 3rd day of November 1755".²¹⁴ A surveyors chain is equal to 66 feet; a rectangular plot 42.5 by 55 chains (as shown by the plat) has an area of 2337.5 square chains or 233.75 acres.

Perkins has published the marriage certificate of Isaac Cox and Phebe Allen as:

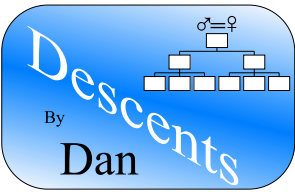
“Whereas Isaac Cox of Orange County and the Province of North Carolina and Phebe Allen of the County and Province aforesaid having appeared before several monthly meetings of the people called Quakers at Cane Creek and declared their intention of marriage with each other according to the good order used among them and having consent of relations their said proposal of marriage was allowed of by the said meeting.

“Now these are to certify all whom it may concern that for the full accomplishing of their said intentions they the said Isaac Cox and Phebe Allen appeared at a publick meeting of the said people for that purpose appointed the fourth day of the first month in the year of our Lord one

son of Benjamin & Martha, born 20 of 9 mo. 1761; wife Ruth Cox born 17 of 12 Mo. 1767. And 13 children (you no doubt have them), the eldest, Amy, born 16 of 10 Mo. 1789. Now, the ORIGINAL Cane Creek records read as follows: p. 179 - 5 of 12 Mo. 1789 - “This meeting Disowns William Cox after the usual labor Extended for accomplishing marriage out of unity to his first cousin.” (INDEXED AS WILLIAM COX SON BENJAMIN.”!) Thus, William Cox, son of Benj. and Martha (Garretson) Cox, married late 1788 or early 1789 to his FIRST COUSIN, RUTH! And I aim to prove that this Ruth, Wm’s first cousin, was a DAUGHTER OF SOLOMON & RUTH (COX) COX.” Elsewhere in the letter, Johnson provides support for the claim that Benjamin Cox who married Martha Garretson and Ruth Cox who married Solomon Cox were brother and sister, children of John Cox, Sr. whose certificate was accepted at Cane Creek Monthly Meeting, NC, on 6 9mo 1755. Johnson refers to the ORIGINAL Cane Creek Mo. Meeting records as being at Guilford College, Greensboro, NC. All this is from a letter on the CD supplied by E. E. Cox, Jr., containing a selection of his father’s papers, July 2004. One of the problems with Hinshaw is that he has not abstracted the reasons for many of the church actions. On 14 Oct 2009, I read this record of William Cox in the minutes at the Friends History Center, Guilford College. The index referred to is part of the MS ledger containing the original records.

²¹³ Photocopy, Cane Creek Monthly Meeting minutes, Friends History Center, Guilford College, page 209. The meeting date is not clear on my copy, but is consistent with the “1793, 8, 3” (3rd 8 mo 1793) reported by Hinshaw who did not report the reason.

²¹⁴ from photocopy sent by Colleen Cox Worley, P. O. Box 495, Stillwell, OK 74960, with letter of 21 July 1982

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thousand seven hundred and sixty-four, and then and there in the said assembly the said Isaac Cox taking the said Phebe Allen by the hand did in a solemn manner openly declare that he took her the said Phebe Allen to be his wife promising with the Lord's assistance to be unto her a loving and faithful husband until Death should separate them and then and there in the same assembly the said Phebe Allen did in like manner openly declare that she took the said Isaac Cox to be her husband promising with the Lords's assistance to be unto him a faithful and loving wife until Death should separate them or words to that effect, and moreover the said Isaac Cox and Phebe Allen, she according to the custom of marriage assuming the name of her husband did then and there to these presents set their hands.

Isaac Cox
Phebe Cox

“And for further confirmation we whose names are hereunder written were present at the solemnization of the said marriage superscription have as witnesses hereunto set our names the day and year above written.

“(Twelve thereof I have inserted, viz.)

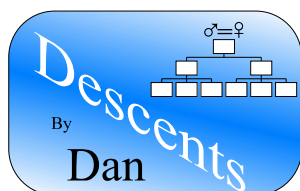
Elizabeth Dixon	William Cox
Ann Hussey	John Cox
Emey Mode	Harmon Cox
Elizabeth Jenkins	Thomas Cox
Hannah Jenkins	William Wierman
Emey Allen	Daniel Brown” ²¹⁵

Rowan County Deed book 5, p. 402 records the transfer of 253 acres on Hickry Creek of Deep River from Lord Granville to Isaac Cox on 26 Oct. 1759. On 6 April 1767, Book 6, p. 426, Isaac Cox and his wife Phebe, of Orange County, sold this land to Zachariah Stanley. Both deeds mention neighbor John Ozbun.²¹⁶

Isaac Cox appears in the 1790 census of Randolph Co., NC, with only himself and one female in his family. The same county census shows the families of Amos, Enoch, William, and Thomas Cox, among others. An Isaac Cox is listed in the 9th Company of Burke Co., the only Cox in any of the militia districts which became McDowell, Yancey, or Mitchell counties. A David Cox is listed in Wilkes Co. and another Isaac Cox is listed in Chatham Co. Although a William Cox appears 12 times in the state and Thomas appears 7 times, Isaac appears only the three times and Amos, David and Enoch appear once each.

²¹⁵ Perkins, Thomas Edison, Marriages in Cane Creek Monthly Meeting and its Subordinate Meetings, Volume 1, A - C, (Greensboro, N. C., 1991), unnumbered page.

²¹⁶ Linn, Jo White, Abstracts of the Deeds of Rowan County, North Carolina, 1753-1785, vol. 1-10, (Salisbury, NC, copyright 1983) pp. 63 and 88.



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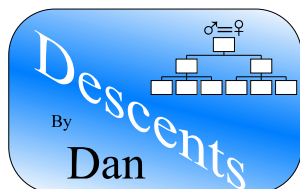
Isaac Cox made his will on 24 July [seventh month] 1793 and named his sons Isaac, Amos, David, Enoch, William, Thomas and daughter Phebe. The will was probated in August, 1797. His wife Phebe Cox got 240 acres in Randolph County and the children were given cash.

“To all people to whom these presents shall or may come, I Isaac Cox of Randolph County in the State of North Carolina yeoman being far advanced in years and having [under?] my consideration the uncertainty of human life do make this my last will and testament in Manner and Form following that is to Say. Imprimis, I order that my body be Decently buried at the discretion of my Executors herein after named and as to my Worldly Estate which the lord in mercy hath been pleased to bestow upon me, I give and [Dispose?] of the same in Manner and form following. and [first?] I Will that all my Just Debts which I owe to any person or persons be paid and Discharged upon as conveniently [as] maybe after my Decease by my Executors herein after named. Item I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Phebe Cox all my Right in land with all the appurtances Situate lying and being in the said county of Randolph containing two hundred and forty acres likewise all the household[?] furniture and stock. Item. I give & bequeath unto my son Isaac Cox the sum of one pound ten shillings lawfull money of North Carolina. Item, I give and bequeath unto my son Amos Cox the sum of one pound ten shillings of like lawfull money. Item. I give and bequeath unto my son David Cox the sum of One pound ten shillings of like lawfull money. Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Enoch Cox the Sum of one pound ten shillings of like lawfull money. Item. I give and bequeath to my son William Cox the sum on one pound ten shillings of like lawfull money. Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Cox the sum of one pound ten shillings of like lawfull money. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Phebe Cox the sum of three [?] pounds four[?] shillings of like lawfull money which with what I have already given them is to be in full of their part of my Estate and lastly it is my mind and will that if any thing Remains after all my just debts and legacies are fully paid and Discharged that such Remainder or Residue be for the use of my loving wife the aforesaid Phebe Cox and I do hereby nominate constitute and appointe my son in law William Cox and Samuel Allen Executors of this my last Will and Testamente in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seall Dated the Twenty fourth day of the Seventh month in the year of Our Lord one thousand seven Hundred and Ninty three. Signed Sealed published and Declared by the said Isaac Cox the Testator to be his last will and testament in the [presents?] of us the subscrib[ers?] who Subscribed Our names as witnesses thereto in his presence and by his request.

Harmon Cox
Nathan Cox

Isaac Cox (seal)”

August Term [1]797 the foregoing Will & Testament was duly proved[?] in Open Court by Nathan Cox & ordered to be Recorded. Wm. Cox Qualified as Executor



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Teste {T?} Harper Clk²¹⁷

The 1799 Randolph County tax list shows Pheby Cox with 240 acres and Samuel Allen with 497 acres and 1 white poll.

By 1800, Amos Cox²¹⁸ was in Buncombe Co., and David and Isaac (Jr.) were in Burke Co. By 1808, Enoch Cox was in Fairfield MM in Ohio.²¹⁹

There is additional information on Phebe in The Allen House and Some of its Allens by Beulah O. Allen (Nashville, 1980). Phebe was a daughter of Shadrack and Phebe Scarlett and married John Allen (1720-1754) on 12 Sept. 1740 at New Garden Meeting, Pa.²²⁰ Their children were Hannah, Amy, Ann, John, Samuel and Thomas. Her husband, John, planned to move to NC, but died before he could do so. Phebe and her children did move. On Jan. 4, 1764, she married widower Isaac Cox. They had one daughter, Phebe, who married William Cox, son of Herman and Jane, on 1 Sept. 1783 at Cane Creek Meeting. Phebe Cox's will, written tenth day fifth month [May] 1814, did not mention any land, named her children but not her step-children, and mentioned her daughter Phebe Cox and a granddaughter Phebe Cox. Phebe (Scarlett) Allen Cox died "in 1815".²²¹

On "10th day 9th month [Sept.] 1803", Phebe Cox, widow, of Randolph Co., sold 240 acres on both sides of Coxes Mill Creek to John Allen of Orange Co. She had apparently gotten the land from a William Cox and it was again willed to her by her late husband, Isaac Cox. (Deed Book 8, page 397, Randolph Co., NC) It may also be of interest that the 1767 Orange Co. will of Wm. Cox named his son William Cox and cousin²²² Isaac Cox as executors. [His five sons were Harmon, William, John, Solomon, and Thomas.] In 1771 in Guilford County, Wm. Cox and Isaac Cox as Executors of Wm. Cox, deceased, sold 240 acres on both sides of Coxes Mill Creek to John Cox. It was next to, if not the same as, the land Phebe had later. I need to investigate the land records for Phebe Allen prior to her marriage to Isaac Cox.²²³

²¹⁷ Randolph County, NC, Will Book 2, p. 29

²¹⁸ being traced by Gary M. Mullins, Nokesville, VA.

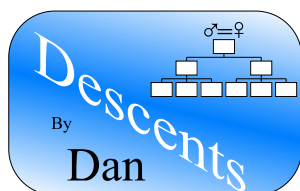
²¹⁹ Gary M. Mullins, letter, 22 May 1987

²²⁰ Meldrum, Charlotte and Reamy, Martha, Early Church Records of Chester County, Pennsylvania, Vol. 2, (Willow Bend Books, Westminster, Maryland, 1999), p. 136. "John Allen, son of John of Londongrove and Phebe Scarlet, dau. of Shadrack, 1740.9.12 at Londongrove" from marriage records of New Garden Monthly Meetings.

²²¹ Her will was probated in Feb. 1815, Randolph Co., NC, will book 4, p. 107

²²² The term cousin has been used to indicate a variety of relationships, including (I have read) nephew. Nephew is the correct relationship if Wm. (d. 1767) and Thomas (father of Isaac) were brothers. However, in his Chester County, PA, will of 12 mo. (Feb.) 25, 1726-7, Caleb Pusey mentioned his "Cosen Caleb Pusey" who was a son of his nephew Caleb Pusey. [The Literary Era, Vol. 6, No. 1, Jan. 1899, p. 28. (www.books.google.com)]

²²³ Cox of Cole Creek lists a deed in Orange County, NC, dated May, 1764, for 240 acres from William Cox to Phebe Allen, proved by Adam Moffet.



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Another indication of relationships in the Cox family is the report that Phoebe Cox (dau. of Isaac) and Wm. Cox (son of Harmon) were disowned for intermarrying.²²⁴ However, the closest possible blood relationship through the Cox family seems to be that of second cousin. Can this explain the sanction? Could it matter that Phoebe's mother's two husbands were cousins (not a blood relationship for the bride)?

Mrs. C. A. Olsen of Portsmouth, Va., has a letter dated 9 May 1817²²⁵ from Amos Cox on the Cumberland River, 23 miles from Cumberland, KY, to his brother David on Big Crabtree Creek, Burke Co., NC, which also mentions another brother, Enoch, living in "Indianny State". Mrs. Olsen also has an inherited Bible (1748, Edinborough) with an inscription that Isaac Cox bought it in 1751. The earliest date is Isaac Cox, b. 21 Jan. 1724, actually recorded in the form "Isaac Cox was born the twenty-first day of the eleventh month 17245". This is followed by a list of what may be his children. Since these names are the same as the six sons mentioned in the will, it seems very probable that this is a family group, children of Isaac. The Bible record continues with the children of (8) David Cox and at least three sets of David's grandchildren.

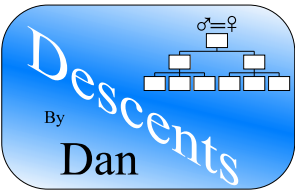
Isaac Cox Juner	b. 17 Nov. 1749
Thomas Cox	b. 20 1748?
William Cox	b. 22 Feb. 175[?0]
Amos Cox	b. 12 Mar. 1751
David Cox	b. Feb. 1755
Enoch Cox	b. 19 June 1757

It actually takes a great deal of creative effort to construct this list from the fragmentary Bible pages. To me, it appears that the 1748 entry is first and the name of David and possibly Thomas have been written across it upside down. The entry for Isaac "Juner" gives his birth as 8th month (October). [] was born 12th day 12th month 1751. The entry for []d born 2 or 12 month 1755 was last on the page. On another page an entry for Amos Cox is more clearly 12th day 12th month but with no year decipherable. David (b. 12 day of March 1799[?]), Enoch (b. 19th day of 3 month 175[?]), and William b. 22 day of __ month 17__ are on another page.

The Isaac Cox who married Olive Underwood must be the same as the Isaac Cox who owned this Bible in 1751. The use of the name Olive in the NC family, the oldest son named Thomas, the dates, and the fact that several other family members came from Warrington Monthly Meeting in PA to NC, all strengthen this conclusion.

²²⁴ Lynn Rasmussen, letter to Dan Olds, 13 Dec. 1992.

²²⁵ Worley, Colleen Cox, letter to Dan Olds, 21 July 1982, quotes Fran Olsen as giving the date of this letter as 9 Jan 1817 and the location as twenty-three miles from Cumberland **Gap** [emphasis added – DWO].

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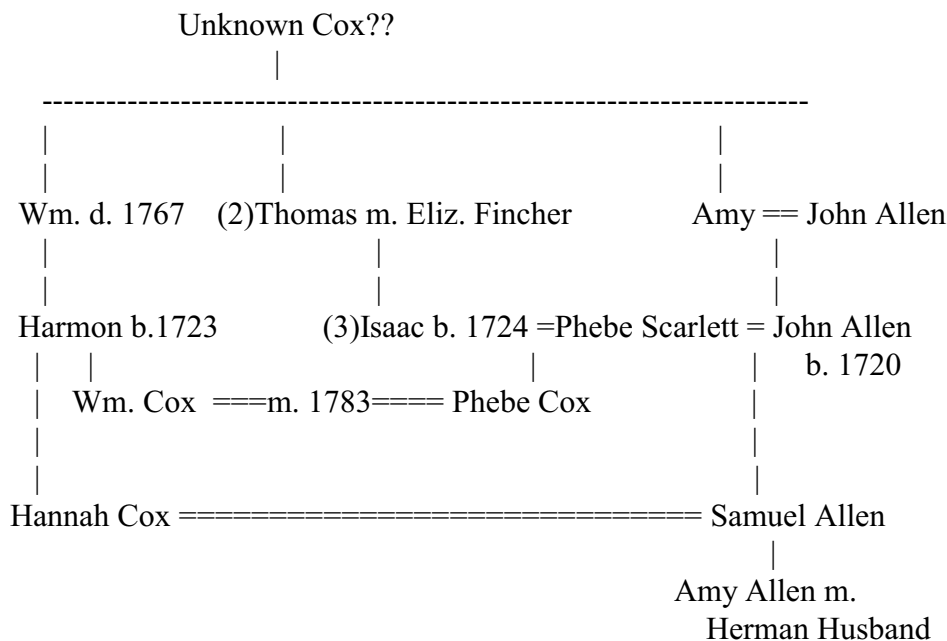
Children of Isaac and Olive (Underwood) Cox²²⁶

4. i. Thomas Cox, b. 20 ____ 1748
5. ii. Isaac Cox, b. 17 Nov. 1749
6. iii. William Cox, b. 22 Feb. 175[0?]
7. iv. Amos Cox, b. 12 March 1751
8. v. David Cox, b. __ Feb. 1755
9. vi. Enoch Cox, b. 19 June 1757

Children of Isaac and Phoebe (Scarlett) Cox

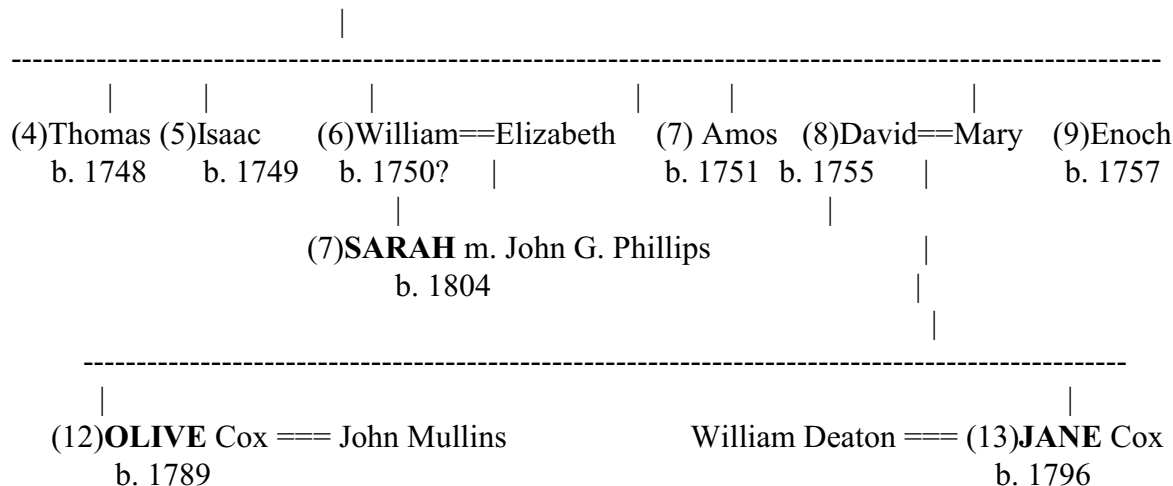
10. vii. Phebe Cox

The chart below shows some of the suggested family connections.



²²⁶ Buffa, Cox Family Outline, p. 1, lists Thomas, William, Enoch, Isaac(?), and Phebe. She has no Amos nor David and thus probably did not have access to the Bible record. [In her 12 Apr 1999 letter to me she wrote that she had used the will of Isaac Cox and had no explanation omitting Amos and David'] She shows Isaac (?) as marrying Mary Marley and living in N.C., with children John, James, Zachariah, William, Isaac and a daughter who m. a Fox. She has much more detail on the descendants of Enoch, giving his birth as Mar. 1757 and death as 18 Sept. 1832 in Indiana and his marriage to Gertrude (Cox?), probably daughter of Samuel and Hannah (Wierman) Cox.

(3) Isaac Cox (b. 1724, see above) had married (first) Olive Underwood



4. Thomas Cox. As stated earlier, Thomas Cox was disowned on 10 Oct. 1780 for marrying out of union. On 29 June 1853, Bethany Cox, age 96, of Caldwell County, North Carolina, widow of Thomas Cox, applied for a pension based upon the service of her husband.²²⁷ He, Thomas Cox, had enlisted for Revolutionary War Service, perhaps in 1777, in Randolph County, North Carolina and had served three years. She had married Thomas Cox several years before the end of the war and she had three living children by the end of the war. Thomas died in January 1841 and she remained his widow. Her application was rejected as she was unable to provide proof that her husband was the same Thomas Cox who had served and no evidence of her marriage.

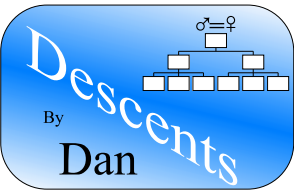
5. Isaac Cox. Isaac Cox is on a list of those who entered North Carolina land grants in Burke County in 1778.²²⁸ John Wilson sold 250 acres in North Cove, Burke County, NC, to Isaac Cox as recorded 17 Oct. 1791.²²⁹ An Isaac Cox entered (additional) land in Burke Co., NC, in Feb. 1793. An Isaac Cox was made overseer of the road from "Young's old Mill Place to top of the blew Ridge" in July, 1797.²³⁰ He was one of the residents of North Cove who petitioned county court

²²⁷ Pension record R2399, Bethany Cox. Image copy supplied by William Cox of Texas, e-mail to Dan W. Olds, 1 Apr 2012. In this e-mail, William Cox gave Bethany's maiden name as Aldridge and referred to the 1789 Randolph County will of William Aldridge named her as an heir.

²²⁸ Huggins, Edith Warren, Burke County, North Carolina, Land Records, 1778, Volume 1, (Southern Historical Press, Easley, SC, 1977), p. 155.

²²⁹ Huggins, Edith Warren, Burke County, North Carolina, Records 1755 - 1821 (Including Wills Index 1784 - 1900), Volume IV, (Southern Historical Press, Easley, SC, 1987), p. 14.

²³⁰ Huggins, Edith Warren, Burke County, North Carolina, Land Records and More Important Miscellaneous Records, 1751-1809, Volume III, (Southern Historical Press, Easley, SC, 1987), p. 34.

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for a road improvement in Jan., 1799.²³¹ An 1805 tax list of Burke County²³² shows Isaac with 495 acres and no polls. An Isaac Cox, aged over 45, is in the 1800 and 1810 census records of Burke Co. This may be the one who died in Burke Co. about 1813. The inventory of his estate was done by David Cox, who may have been his brother or son. The identification of the Isaac who died about 1813 as the son of (3) Isaac suffers from lack of direct evidence.

Burke County records, mentioned below, describe a David and William Cox, brothers, who inherited land from their father, Isaac Cox. Since the will of (3) Isaac makes no such provision, they might appear to have been sons of (5) Isaac. Although in some versions of this note I have added a David and William as sons of (5) Isaac, I have not done so here. Except for the possibility that (6) William was too young to be the son of (3) Isaac, no other evidence has been found to support the existence of such sons of (5) Isaac. The inherited Bible record does not contain the family of (5) Isaac, implying that the Yancey County family did not descend from him. Furthermore, the discovery of David's tombstone record giving a 1755 birthdate shows that he was the son of (3) Isaac Cox.

6. WILLIAM COX. William Cox is listed on a "pre-1800" tax list for Capt. White's company in Burke Co., NC, and is charged with 500 acres and 1 poll.²³³ A William Cox appears three times in the 1800 census of Randolph Co., but not in Burke Co. An 1805 tax list of Burke Co.²³⁴ shows William Cox with 200 acres and 1 poll. (Does this mean he was not yet 50?) In 1807, William Cox was taxed for 200 acres and no polls.²³⁵ There is a William Cox, age 26-45, in my notes from a nearly illegible microfilm of the 1810 census of Burke Co. The age does not match William, b. 1750. The older William was probably the one in the 1800 census of Randolph Co., age over 45. In an 1815 tax list for Captain White's Company in Burke County, William Cox was charged with one white poll and three tracts of land: (1) 155 acres, "halph Botum land lying in the north Cove on the North forck with the improvements thereon"; (2) 200 acres "Sum part bottun land laying in the turcky Cove Joyning willaume Glispee loins with smal improvement"; (3) 200 acres "rig land lying on the waters of brette (?) creek joyning Dave Cox loins with made improvements". Capt. White's Company was in the part of Burke County that was later in Avery, McDowell, and Mitchell Counties.²³⁶ The Burke County records at Raleigh include the estate of one William Cox who died 13 May 1817. His widow was Elizabeth Cox. The estate included

²³¹ Huggins, vol. III, p. 37

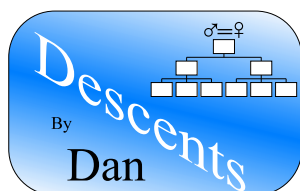
²³² North Carolina Society Journal, Nov. 1982, p. 232, abstracted by Ransom McBride, living in "Capt. Jones Old Company".

²³³ Huggins, Vol. IV, p. 126.

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²³⁵ Pittman, Betsy Dodd, "A list of taxables of Cap Thos Bakers Company for the year 1807", Journal of Burke County Genealogical Society, Vol XIV, #2, May 1996

²³⁶ Pittman, Betsy Dodd, "Burke County, North Carolina, 1815 Tax Lists, c. 1990, revised Ed. 1991, privately published, Valdese, NC.



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200 acres on Brush Creek, including the ford, 100 acres in Turkey Cove and 150 more acres in Turkey Cove. The last two were sold to Wm. by Elias Ledford on 20 April 1810 and the first was sold by Isaac [Cox?] to William on 27 Oct. 1802. One other tract was willed by Isaac Cox, deceased, father of said William Cox, to the said William Cox and David Cox to be equally divided between them. William's widow, Elizabeth, had married Thomas Brown by 1832 when the estate of David Cox was settled. The heirs at law included James McTaggart, Olive McTaggart, and Sarah Cox, whose names appear as heirs of William in the 1832 estate of David Cox. David Cox (Admr. of the estate of Wm. Cox), James Brown and Samuel Brown (also an Admr.) were subpoenaed in Oct. 1817 but not found by Sheriff Marcus Brittain. In 1820, Abraham Smith had a case against the estate because of bad bacon he had gotten from Cox in 1814 or 1815.

Yancey Co. Deed Book 1, p. 224, records an indenture made 17 July 1837 in which John G. Phillips and Sarah his wife of Yancey Co., James McTaggart and Olive his wife and Isaac N. Cox and David N. Cox all of Burke Co. sold to Isaac Cox of Yancey Co. 200 acres on Brush Creek in Yancey Co. "it being the undivided part of the estate of William Cox dec'd and owned by the legatees of the said William Cox dec'd (viz) James McTaggart one share, John G. Phillips one share, Isaac N. Cox, David N. Cox, three shares". Samuel Brown, John S. Brown, and Harmon Cox were witnesses. In the 1840 census of Burke Co., James and Olive McTaggart were 30-40, Isaac N. Cox and David N. Cox and their wives were 20-30.

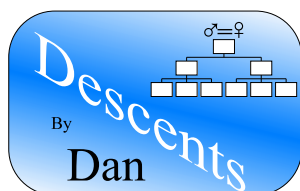
In 1829, Elisha Cox sold to Thomas Brown 100 acres and 150 acres in Turkey Cove the fifth and fourth parts of which "will fall" to James McTaggart or his heirs and Elisha Cox. On 26 Sept. 1835, Thomas Brown sold the 100 acre and the 150 acre tracts in Turkey Cove to David Cox. Both had been conveyed by Waitstill Avery to Elias Ledford in 1793. In 1847, David N. Cox sold to Isaac Cox four-fifths of the same. In McDowell County, on 4 May 1850, James McTaggart and Olive his wife sold a one-fifth share of 100 acres and 150 acres of land in Turkey Cove to David N. Cox. In 1845, David N. Cox and his wife Margaret sold 88 acres on Paddy's Creek, part of the home place of Thos. McTaggart, dec'd, and allotted to Margaret McTaggart, 14 Nov. 1831.

In the family history collection in the Salisbury, NC, library is a note indicating that Thomas Brown, Jr. (1737-1797) and Ruth Bradshaw were parents of Elizabeth Brown who married William Cox and had Rev. Wm. Cox who m. Margaret Ann Beall and had Ellen Cox.

The following appear to have been the children of William and Elizabeth Cox:

11. i. Sarah Cox, b. 1804
- ii. Olive Cox

She married James McTaggart. The 1850 census of McDowell Co., NC, lists James McTaggart, age 50, with wife Mary(?), age 47, and family.



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iii. Isaac N. Cox, b. ca. 1810

The 1850 census of McDowell Co., NC, lists Isaac N. Cox, age 39, with wife Matilda, age 37. In 1860, he was 50 and Matilda was 47. In 1870, when he was listed as 60, the family included James M. Cox, age 24, and Hazy Cox, age 30. In McDowell Co., on 5 March 1882, at age 68, Isaac N. Cox, son of William and Elizabeth Cox, married Nancy Silver, age 40. Isaac N. Cox died intestate in 1900 and his estate records name many descendants.²³⁷ Perhaps Martha M. Cox (4 Nov. 1813 - 4 Dec. 1862), "wife of Isaac Cox", buried in the Brinkley Cemetery, was his first wife.²³⁸

iv. David N. Cox, b. ca. 1814

The 1850 census of McDowell Co., NC, shows David N. Cox and wife Margaret, both as age 36. Their children were listed as Mary, William, Olivia, Thomas, and Sophronia. Olivia (Olive) was age 7. In 1860, this family was in Yancey Co. In 1880²³⁹, D. N. Cox, age 65, was a widower and only his daughter, Martha, age 24 was living with him.

7. Amos Cox. In 1817 he was living on the Cumberland River, twenty-three miles from Cumberland, KY.

8. DAVID COX. David Cox is listed on a "pre-1800" tax list for Capt. White's company in Burke Co., NC, and is charged with 240 acres and 1 poll.²⁴⁰ In the 1800 census of Burke County, he was over 45 years old. An 1805 tax list²⁴¹ shows David with 500 acres and no polls.²⁴² In 1807 a David Cox was taxed in Capt. Thos. Baker's Company (probably present day Mitchell County) for 100 acres and 1 poll and David Cox Junr was taxed for 600 acres and no polls.²⁴³ The 1810 census of Burke Co. lists a David Cox, Sr., but his age is only 16-26[?], although in 1820 he was over 45. One David Cox did the inventory of the estate of Isaac Cox, in Burke Co., NC, 27 July 1813. David Cox was taxed for one white poll and two pieces of land in Capt. White's Co. of Burke County for the year 1815. He had "140 acers Chepe botum land Lying in the north Cove on the North forck Joining Samuel Brown with imprvements there on" and "100 acers rig land lying

²³⁷ Estate Records, McDowell County, NC

²³⁸ From a typed transcription of Family Cemeteries seen at the McDowell County Public Library, 20 Aug. 1999.

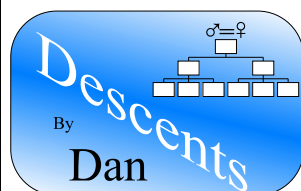
²³⁹ Page 38D, Grassy Creek, Mitchell Co., NC. 1880 United States Census, LDS CD-ROM, c. 2001.

²⁴⁰ Huggins, Vol. IV, p. 126.

²⁴¹ North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal, Nov. 1982, abstracted by Ransom McBride, p. 232, living in "Capt. Jones Old Company".

²⁴² Gary Mullins, letter to Dan W. Olds, 22 May 1987, reports a 1793 Wilkes Co. deed from Samuel Allen to Matthew Cox, to N. Thomas and to David Cox. He also reports an 1815 Ashe Co. tax list containing the names David Cox, Sr., and David Cox, Jr. This suggests caution in identifying "our" David Cox with every record of the name.

²⁴³ Pittman, Betsy Dodd, "A list of taxables of Cap Thos Bakers Company for the year 1807", Journal of Burke County Genealogical Society, Vol XIV, #2, May 1996.



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on the Bar ? Creek near Jorg Sparks loin above.”²⁴⁴ The same reference shows a David Cox taxed in Capt. Pitman’s company with a total of 950 acres on Crabtree, Toe River, and “peak Mountain”. Since no polls were associated with this land, perhaps David did not live on it or perhaps he was over the taxable age of 50 (indicating two David Coxes, one under 50). The 1830 census of Burke Co., NC, lists David Cox, age 70-80, with wife(?), age 70-80. Around 1830, one David Cox was a Justice of Burke Co. Court. An estate for David Cox was settled in Burke Co. in 1832. He was called the brother of William and left a widow, Mary. According to the WPA card index of tombstones in the State Archives at Raleigh, a David Cox, b. Feb. 5, 1755, d. June 27, 1832, is buried in the Cox Cemetery at Newdale, NC.²⁴⁵ David Cox who died in 1832 was thus clearly a son of (3) Isaac and brother of (6) William. It is therefore unclear why the estate settlements refer to land willed to them by their father. Since the will of (3) Isaac did not do this, I have tried making them sons of (4) Isaac. This can be made to fit (6) William but not (8) David. Perhaps they were in fact willed the land by a brother or the inheritance was by deed rather than by will.

A Rowan Co. marriage bond dated 5 April 1788 for David Cox and Martha Cole is about the right time for the marriage of this David.²⁴⁶ Are there Cole family records that might help? Whether or not this is a marriage of “our” David Cox, Lloyd Bailey has provided a strong circumstantial case that David Cox married Mary (Bailey), widow of Elijah Aldridge of Wilkes County, NC, by 1790 and quite possibly early enough to be the mother of all David’s known children.

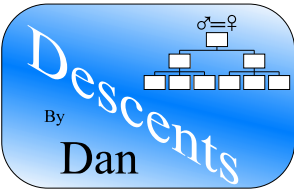
Ansel Bailey, prior to his marriage to Frances Bradley in Wilkes Co., NC, 1789, is recorded as the Executor of the will of Elijah Aldridge. The will is dated 13 April 1786 (see Wilkes Co. Will Book 1, p. 203). Elijah was deceased by Oct. 1786 and the inventory of his estate was signed with the mark of Ansel Bailey.²⁴⁷ This suggests, but does not prove, that there might be some connection between the Bailey and Cox families. One possibility would be that Mrs. Aldridge (listed as Mary in the will) might be a Bailey, and possibly Ansel’s sister (since she

²⁴⁴ Pittman, Betsy Dodd, “Burke County, North Carolina, 1815 Tax Lists, c. 1990, revised Ed. 1991, privately published, Valdese, NC.

²⁴⁵ also listed in "Cox Cemetery, Yancey Co., near Newdale", compiled by Joe W. Letterman, 10-20-39, Historical Records Survey of North Carolina (copy supplied to me by Lloyd Bailey of Durham, Aug. 1987). Two of the stones are: David Cox (son) Feb. 5, 1755, June 27, 1832 and Mary Cox, Jan. 12, 1762, Oct. 6, 1836. This probably meant David Cox (Sr.). The stone of David Cox, Jr. (12 March 1799 - 25 June 1854) is the only other 18th century birth date listed.

²⁴⁶ Gary M. Mullins, letter, 22 May 1987. I now have a copy of the original bond at the North Carolina State Archives and the names are clear on it. Wm. Hampton signed the bond.

²⁴⁷ Wills, Vol. 1, p. 234, Wilkes Co., NC. Image available online at <https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.3.1/TH-1951-20085-13042-32?cc=1867501&wc=10924032> (sent by William Cox of Texas, e-mail to Dan W. Olds, 1 Apr 2012)

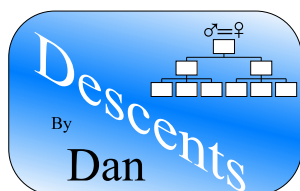
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named one of her sons Edmond and Edmond Bailey was Ansel's father). The NC State Census of 1784-87, Wilkes Co., Capt. Isabel's District (printed edition), p. 175-176 lists both Mary Aldridge and Edward (=Edmond) Bailey. The names of neighbors and the location of residence (as determined by land grants) makes it clear that this Edmond is the father of Ansel (see 1790 census). Mary is apparently already a widow; head of household, 2 white females of all ages, 2 white males under 21 or above 60. This enumeration fits well with the data in Elijah Aldridge's will, when he mentions two sons (Francis and Edmond) and a daughter named Keziah. Thus the child Edmond Aldridge would be named for his Bailey grandfather.

There is no indication of Elijah Aldridge's age at time of death, but the ages of his children (and of his wife's brother as Executor) suggest that he was perhaps in his late 20's. On 27 Jan. 1791, David Cox and Edmond Tilley posted bond as guardian for Francis, Edmond, and Keziah Aldridge, "minor orphans" (Wilkes Co. Court)²⁴⁸. It is therefore plausible to assume a family connection between all of these families (and it will turn out that David Cox has become their step-father as the new husband of Mary Bailey Aldridge). Cox had already bought a number of items at the estate sale. [...²⁴⁹] In the NC State Census of 1784-87, a David Cox does not appear. However, by the 1790 Federal Census of NC, there is an individual of this name in Wilkes County, in the same tax district as Edmond Bailey and his son Ansel. (I have been able to locate Edmond's land as lying in present Caldwell Co., on Storey Branch of Little King's Creek.) David's household consists of the following persons, whom I try to identify: 1 male aged over 16 [= father David Cox; 3 males under 16 [=son Isaac Cox (?), mother uncertain; step-sons Francis Aldridge and Edmond Aldridge]; 2 females [= Mary Bailey and daughter Olive Cox]. In the Burke Co., NC, census of 1800, 1810, and 1820, the family of David Cox seems to live next-door to Ansel Bailey (in what is now Yancey County, Lower Browns Creek near Celo). As early as 1812, David applied for a land grant for 325 acres (Burke Co. land grant 3607). His family later moved to the Newdale area, where David and Mary are buried in the Cox Cemetery (on the ridge between Hwy. 19-E and Arbuckle Road, near the house of Mr. Ingram). Older members of the Cox family remember that "Baileys are buried in that cemetery." The David Cox family Bible yet survives, with this entry: "Edmon Bealy decd. December 4th 1813". This might indicate that Mary

²⁴⁸ Wills, Bonds, Inventories, vol. 2, p. 299, Wilkes Co., NC. Guardian bond dated 27 Jan 1791. David Cox signed and Edmond Tilley made his mark. Image available online at https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.3.1/DGS-004772501_00293?cc=1867501&wc=10924056 (sent by William Cox of Texas, e-mail to Dan W. Olds, 1 Apr 2012)

²⁴⁹ I have omitted here a section on the Aldridge descendants which includes the information that the David Cox Bible has the entry: Kesia Aldride died Sept. 27, 1820. I have not seen this entry.



Cox's father, old Edmond Bailey, moved from Wilkes (modern Caldwell) to Burke (modern Yancey) along with some of his children (at least Ansel, John, and Mary), lived there with his son-in-law David Cox, and is buried there in the cemetery mentioned above. All this is speculation, however. Nonetheless, it would seem to be established that Edmond Bailey had a daughter named Mary, who married Elijah Aldridge and then David Cox. This is reinforced by information given to me just this summer at the Bailey Reunion in Burnsville, NC: Cox descendant Elaine Young Penninger (of Greensboro, NC) has old family notes that state that ancestress Mary Bailey had married an Aldridge then a David Cox. These notes (by Mabel Young Ward) also state that two of the children of David and Mary (Bailey) Cox "died as small children and are buried in the two graves that were alone on the hill back of the barn at Grandpa Cox's." ... There is such confusion and disagreement about the descendants of David and Mary (Bailey) Cox that I will refrain, on this occasion, from an attempt to disentangle them.²⁵⁰

As additional circumstantial evidence of this connection between Aldridge and Cox, consider this note, written well before Mr. Bailey worked out the details above:

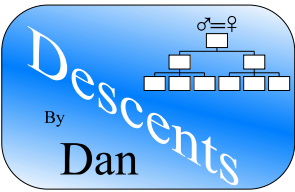
" I have a letter from an Edmund Aldridge in Waynesville, Haywood County to David Cox in Yancey County dated 1835. He must have been a very good friend or a relative of David Cox because he mentioned visiting during Christmas. That wasn't a casual thing to do in the Blue Ridge mountains in th[o]se days, I don't suppose."²⁵¹

The will of Mary Cox, made 8 Aug. 1835 and probated Oct. 1836 in Yancey Co., NC, (formed partly from Burke Co. in 1833), names children Isaac, Ollivie, Mary, Jane, David, and Harmon and "if Hannah shall apply within the space of 5 years...". These names of children match the following sequential list from Mrs. Olsen's Bible record: Olive, Hannah, Mary, Jeane(Jane?), Isaac, David, Harmon. The birth dates given below are from this Bible. The Bible record does not make it clear whose children these were nor whether more (or less) children belonged to this family. John, b. 4 Sept. 1805, Jeane, b. 29 Jan. 1811, might also belong to this family..

Most of the other children can be connected by using two Mitchell County deeds. Book 3, p. 182, records the sale of the 200 acre "Harmon Cox tract of land" on North Toe River which was entered 7 Sept. 1812 and granted to David Cox on 24 Nov. 1813. After David's death, Harmon "of the heirs being the owner" and after Harmon's death the present grantors became owner. This

²⁵⁰ The long abstract is nearly a verbatim quote from Bailey, Lloyd R. (ed.), *The Heritage of the Toe River Valley*, Vol. III, 2001 (Wadsworth Publishing Co., Inc., Marceline, Mo. 64658). Article 87 "Mary (Bailey) Aldridge Cox" which was written by Lloyd Bailey.

²⁵¹ Olsen, Frances Baucom (Mrs. Clifford A.), letter to Dan W. Olds, 4 July 1980. This old letter must have been among those she inherited along with the Cox family Bible.

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deed to James Bailey was signed by John Mullins, David Cox, Jane Deyton, Isaac Cox, and Olive Mullins on 20 Oct. 1850. Book 3, p. 190 records a similar deed made 16 Jan. 1850 to T. M. Sparks from the collateral heirs of Harmon Cox and signed by John Mullins, Jane Deyton, Mary Woody and Isaac Cox.

The children of David and Mary Cox appear to have been:

- i. Isaac Cox, b. 21 Apr. 17(?)8
His is the earliest Cox birthdate I have seen myself on the tombstones in Yancey and Mitchell Counties. He is buried between Liberty Hill and Newdale. He is probably the one who got 640 acres from the state on Big Crabtree Creek in 1830. He was Isaac Cox, b. Apr. 25, 1788, d. 31 Aug. 1858, according to my notes from his tombstone.²⁵² In 1857, he made deeds to his sons Isaac, Samuel, Harmon, and Gabriel. His estate was settled in Yancey Co. and his widow was Rachel. He was age 30-40 in the 1830 census of Burke Co., listed near David Cox. He was 50-60 in the 1840 census, 62 in the 1850 census (when Rachel was 46). His age does not match the Bible sequence (which would imply 1798), but fits a birth date of 1788 and the order of the listing in his mother's will. Rachel was an 82 year old widow in the 1880 census of Mitchell Co.²⁵³ Only her son Harmon Cox, age 49, single, was living with her. A marriage bond was issued for Isaac Cox and Rachel English in Burke County on 20 April 1823. Tilman Blalock was the bondsman.²⁵⁴
12. ii. Olive Cox, b. 11? Jan. 1789
- iii. Hannah Cox, b. 26 March 1792
Hannah appears to have left the Yancey Co. area before her mother's will was written in 1835. Mrs. Olsen says this Hannah married William Triplett. The Bible lists three Triplett children, b. 1808 - 1813.
- iv. Mary Cox, b. 1 March 1794, m. John Woody.
John Woody married Mary Cox, 11 Feb 1824 (probably the bond date), bondman Wyatt Woody.²⁵⁵ John Woody ca. 1800 - 1870 and Mary (Cox) Woody (1805 - 1875) are listed as buried in the Woody Cemetery in Yancey County.²⁵⁶
13. v. Jane Cox, b. 9 Dec. 1796
- vi. David Cox, b. 12 March 1799
David Cox and wife Nancy are listed in the 1850 census of Yancey Co. Mrs. Biss Young of that county, granddaughter of David and Nancy and daughter of their son, Isaac, has a

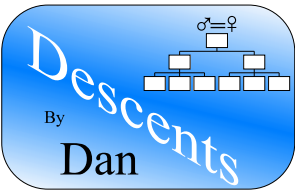
²⁵² also "Isaac Cox Deseas 31 day of Augus 1858" according to Mrs. Olsen's Bible record.

²⁵³ P. 44D, Grassy Creek, Mitchell County, NC. 1880 United States Census, LDS CD-ROM, c. 2001.

²⁵⁴ Ingmire, Frances T., Burke County North Carolina Marriage Records, 1781-1868 (Athens, GA, reprinted 1993)

²⁵⁵ <http://files.usgwarchives.org/nc/burke/vitals/burkbond.txt> , Burke County NC Marriage Bonds, submitted by W. D. Foyd (used 12 Oct 2009)

²⁵⁶ Yancey County, NC – Cemeteries – Woody Cemetery posted at <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/yancey/cemeteries/woody.txt> As is often the case with such listings, I cannot be sure whether the markers supply this information.

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family record kept by her maiden aunt Olive Cox and by her (Mrs. Young's) father Isaac Cox. The record states that David Cox died 25 June 1854²⁵⁷ and Nancy Cox died 23 July 1879. Mrs. Young stated that her father had an aunt Jennie who married a Deaton, and another who married a Woody and maybe one who married a Bailey. "Gabe and Isaac Cox were sons of my father's uncle." Yancey Co. Deed Book 3, p. 118, contains a release by Nancy Cox and her heirs. Apparently all the daughters were still single. David Cox, Jr., (12 March 1799 - 25 June 1854) and Nancy Cox (1 May 1810 - 23 July 1879) are buried in the Cox Cemetery in Yancy Co., near Newdale. [REF?]

vii. Harmon Cox, b. 2 Jan. 1801

He was dead in 1837 [REF?]. David Cox was appointed Admr. of the estate of Harmon Cox, dec'd, in 1839 and John Woody and Isaac Cox were his sureties. The Bible record apparently lists Harmon as d. 30 Jan. 1839.

9. Enoch Cox. He married Gertrude Cox, perhaps the daughter of Samuel and Hannah (Weirman) Cox, at Cane Creek in 1781. They went to Highland Co., Ohio, about 1808, then to Fairfield MM in Indiana. They lived in Jackson Co., IN.²⁵⁸

10. Phebe Cox. Perkins has published the full text of her marriage certificate which says: "William Cox son of Harmon Cox and Jane his wife of Holly Spring Meeting in North Carolina and Phebe Cox daughter of Isaac Cox and his wife of the same place ... on this ninth day of the first month A. D. one thousand seven hundred and eighty-three ... ". The first witnesses are Harmon Cox, Jane Cox, Phebe Cox, Thomas Cox, and Eamy Cox. The list also includes Daniel Brown²⁵⁹, Elizabeth Comer, Nathan Dixon, Thomas Cox, Sarah Cox and Amos Comer.²⁶⁰

11. SARAH COX. Sarah (Cox) Phillips first appears in the records I have seen when she was listed, but not named, as the wife of John G. Phillips in the 1830 census of Burke County, NC. They apparently had three children under five, so were probably married in Burke County about 1824. She married John G. **Phillips** (24 Sept. 1802 - 8 Aug. 1891) and moved to Marion Co., Ark. She is said to have died in 1864, a statement for which I have no proof. She was listed at age 57, with her husband, in the 1860 census of Marion County, Arkansas. In the 1870 census, he is listed with his much younger wife, Olive L. (Cox) whom he is said to have married in 1866.

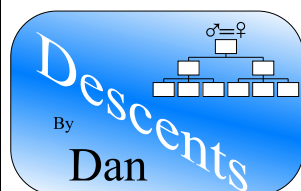
Phillips came back to NC and married Olive, daughter of David N. Cox and returned to

²⁵⁷ also "David Cox Departed this life June the 25 1854" according to Mrs. Olsen's Bible record.

²⁵⁸ Buffa, Elizabeth Berry, "Cox Family Outline", 1977, a typescript in the Friends History Library, Swarthmore College.

²⁵⁹ Curious about the name Daniel Brown appearing on these Cox family marriage certificates, I found that a Daniel Brown had married Susanna Scarlett on 22d 9mo 1721. She was an aunt of Phebe Scarlett Allen Cox.

²⁶⁰ Perkins, Thomas Edison, Marriages in Cane Creek Monthly Meeting and its Subordinate Meetings, Volume 1, A - C, (Greensboro, N. C., 1991), unnumbered page.



Arkansas by 1870. Tombstones have been located there for John G. and Olive L. Phillips (19 May 1841 - 19 Oct. 1908), but not for his first wife. John G. and Sarah Phillips are my wife's ancestors through their son William Lafayette Phillips who stayed in NC when his father moved to Arkansas.

12. OLIVE COX. She married John **Mullins**. The Mullins record published by Elihu Jasper Sutherland in 'The Cumberland Empire', Oct. 1932, says John died at Clintwood, Va., in 1859 and Olive Cox was b. 1796?, d. 1877. The Isaac Cox Bible record contains the births of Solomon and James Mullins, her children, with dates which are only approximately the same as the Mullins record. John and Olive Mullins are my wife's ancestors through their daughter Kizziah, born about 1810, who married Lewis **Cook** and remained in Yancey or Mitchell County.

13. JANE COX. She married William **Deyton (Deaton)** and survived him. She is listed as age 53 in the 1850 census of Yancey Co., NC. In 1853, David Cox, Sr., was appointed guardian to the minor heirs of Wm. Deyton, dec'd. (Sarah Caroline and Phebe Jane). Jane Deyton was security for the bond.

The known children of Wm. and Jane Deyton are:

Mary (1831-1892) who m. James M. **Poore**

James and Mary Poore are my wife's ancestors thru their daughter Anna Eliza who married James C. Phillips. In 1875, they sold one-fifth (why?) part of William Deaton's land.

Olive who m. Samuel(?) Randolph

Sarah Caroline who m. Joshua Horton

Phebe Jane who m. Bill Jones(?)

**I'M VERY INTERESTED IN MORE INFORMATION ON THESE LINES --
CONFIRMATION OR CONTRADICTION.**

To Do: Loose Ends:

Page 3: Sarah Cox, b. ca. 1692, m. Richard or Thomas Leech or Leach. Any documentation?

Page 30: Are William Perry Johnson's papers at Guilford? Are they available?

Page 38: Fix date of Thomas Cox's SC land grant from Eldon Cox's letter to Schluesler

Tidy Up This Timeline: [page numbers were valid before some expansion]

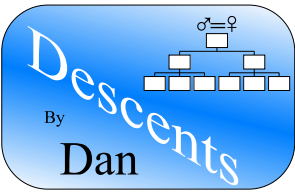
1657/8-0-0

William Cox born in Gloucester, England 3

1658

William Cox, est. birth, Frampton, Eng;land 4

1680-0-0

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John Cox m. Alice Beal in England	3
John Cox married, Gloucester, England	3
1682-0-0	
formation of Bucks Co, PA.	1
formation of Chester County, PA	1
formation of Kent County, DE	1
formation of Philadelphia Co, PA.	1
formation of Sussex County, DE	1
Friends begin settling east of Brandywine, New Castle Co, DE.	1
William Penn invites Quakers to his colony.	1
1683-0-0	
formation of New Castle County, DE.	1
1684-0-0	
New Castle MM formed in DE.	1
1686-0-0	
beginning of records from Newark or Kennett MM.	2
Newark MM formed	1
1688	
est. birth date of Richard Cox	4
1689-0-0	
Thomas Cox married, Gloucester, England	3
1690-12-22	
John Cox m. Elizabeth Taylor in England	3
1692	
William Cox, est. birth	4
1694	
Thomas Cox, est. birth	4
1698	
beginning of records, Women's MM, Newark	2
estimated birth date for Amy Cox.	4
1710-0-0	
John Cox from England to America	3
1712-03-26	
marriage of Richard Cox & Margaret Potts reported	4
1713-0-0	
Friends moving to Lancaster Co.. PA.	2
1713-10-07	
Thomas Cx gcf Sedbury, England, to America.	3
1716	
est. marr. of William Cox and Catherine Kinkey	4

1718-0-0
beginning of records from New Garden MM, PA 2
London Grove Twp. subdivisions laid out 2
New Garden MM formed, Chester Co., PA 2

1719-0-0
London Grove Twp. subdivisions laid out 2
William Cox living in New Castle, DE 3

1721
Deed, Wm. Cox to Jacob Stilley, Newcastle Co., De. 3

1722/3-01-14
Deeds made for London Grove land. 2

1723-0-0
formation of London Grove Twp, Chester Co., PA 2

1724-0-0
London Grove Meeting house built 2

1725
Deed, Wm. Cox, Newcastle Co., De. 3

1729
Deed, Wm. Cox, Newcastle Co., De. 3
formation of Lancaster Co., PA, from Chester 1

1730-0-0
Hockessin Meeting, New Castle Co, DE at home of Wm. Cox 1

1734
Deed, Wm. Cox, Newcastle Co., De. 3

1734-11-04
Deed, Wm. Cox, Newcastle Co., De. 3

1734/5-11-19
Deed, Wm. Cox, Newcastle Co., De. 3

1734/5-12-19
Deed of Wm. and Amy Cox, New Castle Co., DE 4

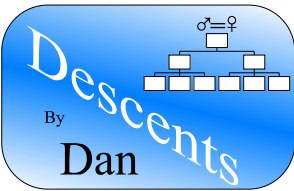
1735
Warrington Meeting established. 2

1737
Sadsbury MM, Lancaster Co., PA, established. 2

1742/3
Death of William Cox, New Castle Co., DE 4

1745-0-0
Warrington MM established. 2

1747
Warrington MM formed from Sadsbury. 2

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1747-0-0	Warrington MM established	2
1749-0-0	formation of York Co, PA, from Lancaster	1
1760-0-0	Kennett MM (formerly Newark MM).	1
1781	marriage of Enoch Cox and Gertrude Cox	52
1783-01-08	marriage of Phebe Cox and William Cox	53
1789-0-0	formation of Delaware Co., PA, from Chester	1
1792-0-0	beginning of records from London Grove MM, PA	2
	London Grove MM formed from New Garden.	2
1796	approx. birth date of Olive Cox Mullins.	53
1800-0-0	formation of Adams Co, PA, from York	1
1801-01-02	birth of Harmon Cox.	52
1802-09-24	birth of John G. Phillips	53
1808	Enoch Cox and Gertrude went to Ohio.	52
1810	approx. birth date for Kizziah Mullins Cook	53
1824	est. marr. of Sarah Cox and John G. Phillips.	53
1830	John G. Phillips in Burke Co. census	53
1831	Mary Deaton Poore born.	53
1839-01-30	death of Harmon Cox	52
1841-05-19	birth of Olive L. Cox.	53
1850	Jane Cox Deaton, age 53, in census	53
1853		

1860	David Cox, Sr. is guardian of Deyton heirs	53
1864	John G. Phillips in Ark. census.	53
1870	possible death of Sarah Cox Phillips	53
1875	John G. Phillips in Ark. census.	53
1877	James M. Poore & Mary Deaton sold Deaton land.	53
1891-08-08	death of Olive Cox Mullins	53
1892	death of John G. Phillips.	53
1908-10-19	Mary Deaton Poore died	53
	death of Olive Cox Phillips.	53