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SOME EARLY ENGLISH RECORDS PERTAINING TO THE EASTMAN FAMILY*

"Until comparatively recently nothing has been known of the origin of the Eastman family in this country beyond the fact that the first colonist of the name in New England, Roger Eastman, sailed for Boston in the ship Confidence in 1638, and was one of the original settlers at Salisbury in Massachusetts Bay. The new settlement by the Merrimac was founded largely by Wiltshire emigrants, and a number of these, including heads of families by the names of Rolfe, Sanders, Whittier and Eastman, came from the parish of Downton, a few miles south of the shire town of Wiltshire. What Rowley and Newbury in England are to their daughter towns on this side the Atlantic, the Salisbury, England, is to our Salisbury in Massachusetts.

The Downton parish register was first searched for Eastman records by the present writer in the summer of 1910, and some notes on the origin of the family were published in the Granite Monthly, a New Hampshire magazine, for December of that year and the following October. Thanks to the generosity of Mr. George Eastman of Rochester, New York, it was possible to engage the services of an expert antiquary, Mr. Charles H. Hoppin, for the purpose of making a complete transcript of early Eastman family records preserved in Wiltshire archives. From the large quantity of material collected by this historian a selection has been made relating to the direct ancestral line to which the pioneer colonist Roger belongs, and this is included in the present article. Much more space than is here available would be required to contain all the extant information."

*From the New York Genealogical and Biographical Record. See also an article on the English Origin of the Eastman Family, by Charles R. Eastman, in the Granite Monthly, December, 1910.

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Ancestral Line of the Pioneer Colonist.

First Generation.

The ultimate progenitor of this line of whom authentic records have been preserved is John Eastman of Charleton. Following is a literal transcript of his original will, dated April 26, 1564, and proved May 9, 1565.

"Archdeaconry Court of Sarum, Register 4, folio 193. Testa". Johannis Estman de Downton.

In the name of god amen the xxvi day of aprill in the yere of o' lord god m'ccccclxiviii, I, John Estman of Charleton within the pyshe of Downton, within the Countie of wyltess, husbandman, beynge sycke in body but pfitt in memory, do make my last will and testament after this maner & forme following. ffyrst & principally I give and bequeath my sowle to almighty god my maker, redeamer and savior, trustying by the meyrtytts of his blessed passion to be child of salvation, my body to be buryed within the churche of Saynt lawrence in Downton where my father doth lye.

Itm, I geve to our Lady church of Sar [ == Cathedral at Salisbury] vi d. Itm, I geve to m' vicar of Downton for my tythes forgotten xii d. Itm, I geve & bequeath to the Reparations of my pyshe churche of Downton iiiii iiiii. Itm, I geve & bequeath to the reparations of Catheryn brydge of Downton xii. Itm, I geve & bequeath to Will Estman my sonne x lttle shepe, v of them shalbe ewes & v of them shalbe lambs, & in money good and lawfull v' & ii acres of weathe, the one lying in hoker lincbe & one half acre btwn the lyncherd & hym, & the other half acre by the grene thorne.

Itm, I geve & bequeath to John, Will, Walter & Florence, sones & daughters to the said Will Estman iii shepe apecce, & to ev' one of them in money good & lawfull x' a pece, and to each of them one pewter platter apecce, & betwene the said iii children I geve one sparked cowe, w'
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Cow goth now in the forrest, & shalbe distributed by the direction of ther father, yf any of thes said iii children do decease or dye before they come to pffit age to make ther wills that then the legatye of them that fayle or dye shall remayne to them that lyveth, equally to be devyded betwene them & go from the one to the other. Itm, I geve & bequeath unto John Eastman & to Willm his brother, sones to Roger Estman, iii shepe a pece & to each of them in money good and lawful x s apece & a pewter platter apece, & betwene them a blacke heyffer. Yf the said John or Willm decease or dye before they come to the age to make ther wills that then the legatye of the one shall remayne to the other.

Itm, I geve & bequeath to elizabeth barye my sunt [= servant] ii yeve shepe. Itm, I geve & bequeath to Willm newman my sunt one yeve. Itm, I geve and bequeath to evy one of my god children iii d apece yf they will come & ask hitt of my executo'. Itm, I geve and bequeath to Richard Carter pyshe clerk of Downton half a bs of wheat & as mutche of mault.

The Rest of all my goods movable and unmovable herein not bequeathed, my detts and legatyes payd, I geve & bequeath them all unto Roger my sonne makynge hym my whole and sole executor, desyring Rob' Carpenter & Nycholas newman to be my ov'sears, & they shall have for their paynes iii iii a pece. Wyntesses to this my last will & testament, Richard Cockes, willm Modye & Richard Cates.

Pbat fuit testa' sup' script Johannis Estman nup de Down- ton nre Jure' Arctimus save defunct cara magno Jobe James in legibz bace Offic dni arctii sax ix' Die mes' maij A' Dni m' cccco' lxv'. ac p itm appbat ac Comissqz fuit ec."

The Latin note appended to the will may be modernized as follows:

“The above-written will of John Estman, late of Downton in our Jurisdiction of the Archdeaconry of Salisbury, deceased, was proved before Master John James, bachelor of law, official of the Lord Archdeacon of Salisbury, on the ninth day of the month of May in the year of our Lord 1565, and by him approved, etc., and [administration] was granted, etc.”

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Second Generation.

The foregoing will of John Eastman is authority for giving to his son Roger of Charleton only two children who had been born prior to the year 1564 and were still minors when that instrument was made. Other offspring, however, must have been born subsequent to the year 1564, for we find at the time of Roger's death, in February, 1604, he, being then a widower, had eight children living whose names are known to us, and at least eight grandchildren. Besides these heirs, a married daughter of Roger, who had been the wife of one William Skeate, executor under the will of Roger, had previously deceased. Downton parish records show that Roger Eastman was buried February 17, 1604. His will, dated January 11, of the same year, was proved six days following his death. The original will, unfortunately somewhat mutilated, together with the complete detailed inventory of the estate and administrator's bond is on file with the Consistory Court of Sarum, and is an important genealogical document.

The injury to the will itself is of such nature that a portion of the left hand margin has been torn away, or "perhaps eaten by rats," as suggested by Mr. Hoppin, who prepared an exact transcript. The names of one or two of the beneficiaries are unfortunately lost, having been contained in the missing fragment, but from other sources we are clearly warranted in supplying one of them as William, who was either the eldest or second son. There are named as executor the testator's son-in-law, William Skeate, and as overseers "my well-beloved sons Walter Eastman y' old' & John Eastman." The remaining heirs, named in the order of their mention, were Nicholas and Roger Eastman, four Skeate grandchildren, and Mary, Edith and Thomas Eastman. Witnesses to the will were John Bebbaton, Thomas Fursley, Walter Eastman and John Eastman. A seal is attached, bearing the device of a talbot passant.
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Third Generation.

Nicholas Eastman (Roger, John), born probably between 1564 and 1570; died sometime after 1625. He married Barbara — (family name probably Rooke), who was buried at Downton, July 9, 1625. Resided at Charleton. Children:

i. Thomas, bp. Jan. 9, 1602/3; m. Oct. 21, 1634, Alice Sanders, sister of John Sanders of Wecke. He was living in 1656.

ii. John, bp. Dec. 24, 1605; m. July 28, 1628, Margaret Newman. His will dated Jan. 5, 1656/7, and proved April 4, 1657. Her will dated Nov. 8, 1673, and probated Dec. 4, 1673; both buried in the parish church at Downton. They had children:

i. Christiana, who m. John Noyes.
ii. Barbara.
iii. Alice, who m. James Barrowe.
iv. Margaret, who m. Thomas Wheeler.

iii. Margaret, bp. March 26, 1608; m. July 20, 1635, Richard Howse.


vi. Maurice or "Morris," bp. April 26, 1615; will proved May 8, 1669, by his executors "William Rooke and Barbara his wife," designated in the will as "my kinsmen." Bequest of £100 to "my kinswoman Barbara Rooke, the daughter of William Rooke," and £50 to sister Mary Moody. Thomas Eastman overseer.
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vii. William, bp. Jan. 21, 1617/8; had a son William; both living in 1669.
x. Mary, bp. March 24, 1625; m. John Moody. She was living in 1669, as were also her three children: Mary, Edith and Maurice (or “Morris”).

As has already been stated, the earliest ancestor who can be directly connected by authentic records with the line to which Roger, the founder of the family in this country belonged, is John Eastman of Charleton who died in 1565. A number of Eastman items occur in the Ecclesiastical Commissioners’ Court Rolls for the Manor of Downton, ranging in date from 14 Edw. IV to 30 Henry VIII (1475-1540). In these manor court rolls, under date of 1539, is found the following entry, where mention is made of both a John and Roger Eastman of Charleton:

Membrane 1. 1539.
Downton Manor. Court held there 17 December, 30 Henry VIII.

Charleton: The tithingman there presents that Roger Estman has been sworn into the office of tithingman; and that (in reckoning the pannage of pigs) Roger Estman has two old and six young pigs; and John Estman the younger, one old pig. . . . Nounton [Nunton]. John Estman has one old and two young pigs.

In conclusion is offered a copy of Eastman items taken from the vital records of Romsey, Hampshire, not previously published:

Christenings.
8 April, 1596. Elizabeth the daughter of John Eastman.
13 April, 1598. Roger the son of John Eastman.
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3 April, 1599. John the son of John Eastman.
1 February, 1600. Margaret the daughter of John Eastman.
20 October, 1602. Anthony the son of John Eastman.

Burialls.

6 October, 1602. John Eastman.
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4. **Roger Eastman**, born at Charleton, near Downton, in Wiltshire, England; baptized April 4, 1610; died in Salisbury, Mass., December 16, 1694. He married Sarah Smith (?) born in 1621; died at Salisbury, Mass., March 11, 1697. Roger Eastman was a house-carpenter by trade. He came from Downton, county of Wilts, and sailed from Southampton in April, 1638, in the ship “Confidence,” John Jobson, master, bound for Massachusetts Bay Colony. Salisbury is one of the oldest towns in Massachusetts. It was incorporated in 1640 and Roger Eastman was one of the pioneer settlers. Children: John, Nathaniel, Philip, Thomas, Timothy, Joseph, Benjamin, Sarah, Samuel, Ruth.

**LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF ROGER EASTMAN**

In the name of God Amen; the twenty Six day of June Anno Domini: Sixteen hundred ninety one I Roger Eastman of the town of Salisbury in the County of Essex in Massachusetts Colony of New-England Carpenter: being weak in body, but of Sound & p'fect memory, praised be God: doe make & Ordain this my last will & Testament: in manner & form following. Viz. Imp I bequeath my Soul into the hands of Allmighty God my maker, hoping through y' meritorious death & passion of Jesus Christ my onely Saviour & Redeemer to Receive free Pardon & forgiveness of all my Sins. And my body to be buried in Christian burial at the discretion of my Executrix hereafter nominated: and as for that Worldly Estate as y' Lord in mercy hath lent me my will & meaning is y' it be disposed & bestowed as in this my will is hereafter Expressed. Imp: I doe give & bequeath to my Sonne John Eastman twelve pence. It: I doe give & bequeath to my Sonn Nathaniel Eastman twelve pence. It: I give & bequeath to my Sonne Phillip Eastman twelve pence: It: I doe give & bequeath a certain debt, of about three or four pounds y' my Sonne Tho: Eastman, now deceased owed unto me, Unto Deborah y' Widdow & Relict of my St Sonne Tho: Eastman. It: I give unto my Sonne Tymothia Eastman twelve Pence. It: I doe give & bequeath unto my Sonne Joseph Eastman twelve pence. It: I doe give unto my Sonne Benjamin Eastman twelve
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pence. It: I doe give & bequeath to my Son Sam: Eastman twelve pence. It: I doe give & bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Shepherd twelve pence. It: I doe give & bequeath unto my daughter Ruth Herd a Certain meadow lott being two Acres more or less lying in the Tide meadow between Mr. John Sanders & Tho. Rowells meadow, with I Esteem & Value to her at twenty pounds; & having already given to her & payd twelve pounds thirteen shillings; I doe now also give & bequeath unto her my 5d daughter Ruth Herd Seaven pounds & Seaven shillings. Also my will & meaning is y' y' afforesd Legacies be payd by my Executrix in ordinary Country pay & at ordinary prizes amongst us here; within one year after my decease. And all the rest of my Estate undisposed of by this my Will I doe give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Eastman; with power to sell & dispose of as her necessity may require or as she shall think meet: & make her Sole Executrix of this my last will & Testament; revoking all other wills & Testaments, in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this twenty Sixth day of June Anno Dom. sixteen hundred ninety one.

his

Roger Eastman mark.

Signed, Sealed & declared by
Rodger Eastman to be his last will & Testament before us
James Allin
Rachill Allin
Anna Allin

March 27, 1695.

Mr. James Allen made Oath
Anna Allen made oath y'
she Sett her hand as an Evidence to this will.

Essex County Probate Court, Docket 8, 483.

Notes from "History and Genealogy of the Eastman family in America"—compiled by Guy S. Rix, Concord, N. H., in 1901.

5. Philip Eastman, born Oct. 20, 1644, Salisbury, Mass., died before 1714. First lived in Haverhill, Mass. House burned by the Indians, 1697. Some of the family were captured. Philip was captured at the
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same time. After his escape he settled in Conn. Was a soldier in King Philip’s War. Children: Susannah, Hannah, Ebenezer, Philip, Abigail.


8. **Peter Eastman**, born Ashford, Conn., July 22, 1746. He was a Revolutionary soldier, and was known as “Captain Eastman.” (There is a tradition that he was a Captain, but there is no record to show that to be a fact). The following records are from the Conn. Revolutionary Rolls:

   “Peter Eastman marched from Ashford, Conn., for the relief of Boston in the Lexington alarm, April. Time in service, 10 days, as a drummer. He was also in Capt. Brackett’s company, Col. Douglass’ regiment, raised in June, 1776, to reinforce Washington’s army in New York; was a sergeant. He was in the battle of Long Island, Aug. 27, 1776. Engaged in the retreat to New York, Aug. 29-30, 1776; stationed at Kips Bay, 34th Street, on the East River, at the time of the enemy’s attack on New York, Sept. 15, 1776, and forced to retreat hurriedly; was in the battle of White Plains, N. Y., Oct. 28, 1776. He was also in General Gates’ command in an expedition to the northward. His brother Timothy was in the same expedition.”

   He lived in Westford and Guilford, Conn.

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By second wife—Mary and Benjamin.


Children (first wife)—Otis, George Willys, Lucius, Asa Farnum, Alanson, Hannah Spaulding, Sally Madelia, Mary Elizabeth.

Married (second wife), Mrs. Polly Dewey Taylor, in 1830 (?). She was born 1794,—died March 14, 1854.

Children (second wife)—Jane, Amanda Ellen, Justine.


Children: Alice Leone, Stella Georgiana, Charlotte Ajustine, George Eastman, Mabel Clare.

Lived in Rome, Pa., till 1892—moved to Bancroft, Nebr.


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12. ESTHER EASTMAN PARK, born Dec. 9, 1897, Bancroft, Nebr.
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