

THE IRISH FAMILY

1. JOHN<sup>1</sup> IRISH, d 5 Mar 1677 in Duxbury. He m ELIZABETH (--), d 28 Aug 1687 in Duxbury. Res: Duxbury (1637).

According to the book called the Kissler-Wood Genealogy by Josephine D. Frost, "John Irish as per an indenture dated 20 Apr 1629, recorded in Taunton 12 July 1697, was of the Parish of Cilsdon (probably of Clivedon), County Somerset, England, when he agreed with Timothy Hatherly of the Parish of St. Gloves in Southwark, Cojnty Surrey, England, felt maker, to abide with him five years in Plymouth, New England, having meat, drink and lodging and five pounds per year and at the end of that time 12 bushels of that country wheat, corn and twenty five acres of land." The memour of Isaac Allerton states that on his fifth voyage to England in 1630, he returned on the ship White Angel bringing Hatherly's two men with him and on a tax list in Plymouth dated 2 Jan 1632/3, Mr Hatherly's two men were down for eighteen shillings. John Irish must have married shortly after his arrival here in 1630 because Myles Standish in his will of 7 Mar 1655 names John Irish Jr., as being employed under him and bequeathed him a small sum. They both lived in Duxbury. In 1640 he owned land between that of John Carver and Edward Bumbas in LC, Mass., now R.I.

On 16 April 1697 a commission made an equal division of the land in LC between John Irish Jr. of that place and Rebecca, wife of Jonathan Grinnell and dau of Elias Irish.

From the Compendium of American Genealogy, Vol 6, page 785: "John Irish, son of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Kirby) Irish, d in 1677, m Elizabeth (probably Risley) d in 1687

Children, probably born in Duxbury:

- i Elias, m 26 Aug 1674 Dorothy Witherell in Taunton
- 2. ii John, b in 1641
- iii Elizabeth, m about 1670 Philip Washburn of Bridgewater

Children:

- 1. John, m Lydia Billington
- 2. Margery, m Josiah Leonard
- 3. Elizabeth, m Joseph Amory before 1702
- 4. Mary, m Daniel Pratt in 1706
- iv Lydia, m (--) Gray; went to France

2. JOHN<sup>2</sup> IRISH (John<sup>1</sup>) b in 1641 in Duxbury, d 21 Feb 1717 in LC. Res: LC. He m (1) about 1672 ELIZABETH THURSTON (?), b about 1654, d 8 Mar 1707 in LC. Both are buried in the old Irish place opposite the Firend's Meeting House. He was m (2) in May 1708 in LC by Col. Benjamin Church to PRISCILLA TALBOT, widow of Samuel Talbot and dau of Edward and Margaret (Pabodie) Southworth, b in 1645. They lived in the Edward Newton place across the road and opposite the Quaker Meeting House. On this plac are the gravestones of John Irish Jr. and his wife Elizabeth; there were other stones here at one time, but they can not be found and may be buried

On 22 Sept 1722 administration of the estate of the widow, Priscilla Irish was granted to her son Stephen Talbot.

His will, recorded in Taunton Probate, book 3, page 387, made 9 Nov 1715 and proved 20 Mar 1717: "Son David and my wife to be executors: to wife this part of the great lot I dwell upon and one half the housing that is to say from the great highway to the sea for her life. To sons David, Jonathan and John Irish all my right to the 16th and 17th great lots To son Jedediah, all my land in Middleborough and meadow at Sampson's Brook in Plymouth. To wife land in Duxbury that was formerly my father's which I have been wronged and abused about. Pray take my meaning. To four daus 20 pds each, Elizabeth, Sarah, Content and Mary. To dau Joanna 6 shillings. The 17th great lot my son Jonathan to have 30 acres and my son John to have the rest. To dau Hannah Talbee 10 sheep. To son Jonathan the west end at water side and east to brook where spring is. To John Irish the rest of the lot to the highway and rest of his lot to the east of the highway till it meets David's 10 acres. If it please