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I am seeking all genealogical and biographical details for the family documented below including their ancestors, children, and grandchildren and the spouses thereof, including the full names of those spouses' parents. All additions and corrections within this scope, however speculative, will be greatly appreciated.

Stockdale Coddington of Hampton, New Hampshire

The Coddington family represents one of the most challenging lines of research in which the compiler has been involved. To date, it has proved impossible to link John Coddington, our earliest known ancestor, back to an immigrant. This task seems even more daunting when one learns that the eminent genealogist, John Insley Coddington, was also unable to achieve this goal. Well known for his countless contributions to *The American Genealogist*, he published an article in that journal on the compiler's family entitled, "An Unconnected Coddington Family" ([32:84] hereinafter *TAG*). Although our exact connection to an immigrant ancestor remains unknown, the available evidence suggests that we belong to a Coddington family that migrated from England to Massachusetts, to New Jersey, and on to New York. Given our probable descent from this family, the early generations of this Coddington family have been included below.

1. JAMES CODDINGTON, married JOAN ___.
2. STOCKDALE¹ CODDINGTON, married HANNAH ___.
3. JOHN² CODDINGTON, married EMMA ___.

4. JOHN³ CODDINGTON, married HANNAH GARDNER.
John and Hannah (Gardner) Coddington migrated from Massachusetts to New Jersey. We are probably somehow descended from this couple through one of the branches that migrated to Ulster County, New York.

5. ___ CODDINGTON, married ___ ___.

The compiler's earliest known Coddington ancestor was John. Nothing of his parents is known; however, it is widely accepted that he was the younger brother of Benjamin Coddington. Given the great disparity in the years of the birth and the fact that they were born in different states, I am not convinced of that they were so closely related. Benjamin and John may have been half-brothers, uncle and nephew, cousins, etc.

From records cited below, we know that John was born in New York State about 1778. Assuming that his father was still alive in 1790 and that he remained in New York State, he was

probably one of the Coddingtons enumerated in Ulster County, New York in the first federal census. In 1790, the majority of Coddingtons within New York State were residents of Ulster County.

Children (*TAG*):

- i. BENJAMIN, b. NJ about 1760; m. ___ [MURLIN]; came from Northumberland Co., PA to Hector, Schuyler Co., NY in 1803; served in the American Revolution.

Children, surname *Coddington*: 1. *John Murlin*, b. Fishing Creek, Northumberland Co., PA 26 March 1787; d. Hector, Schuyler Co., NY 2 Dec 1880; bur. Mecklenburg Cemetery, Hector, NY; m. (1) [Hector], Schuyler Co., NY 22 Feb 1810 Sarah Owen, b. Middletown, NY 17 April 1789, d. Hector, NY 18 May 1864, dau. of Jonathan and Katherine Eleanor (Kortright) Owen; ten children; m. (2) 1 Feb 1871 Elizabeth M. ___, b. 26 April 1818, d. 28 April 1885, m. (1) Calvin Jewell by whom she had three children, bur. with Calvin in Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Hector, NY (*Watkins Express*, 7 May 1885). 2. *Mary C.*, b. about 1788; d. Meigs Co., OH before 1823; m. 8 Nov 1804 William C. Humphrey, b. 17 Dec 1780, d. Meigs Co., OH 26 March 1858, son of Cornelius and Sarah (___) Humphrey. 3. *Susan*, b. about 1790. 4. *Benjamin*, b. about 1792; m. Morgan Co., OH 15 Sep 1821 Martha Cheadle; known as *Currington*. 5. *Zachariah*, b. Northumberland Co., PA 10 Nov 1794; d. Morgan Co., OH 29 Dec 1878; m. Washington Co., OH 14 Dec 1814 Theodosia Fuller, b. 19 Oct 1792, d. 8 March 1874; resided in Bloom Township, Morgan Co., OH by 1820; six children; known as *Cuddington*. 6. *Lydia*, b. about 1796; m. Washington Co., OH 1 Jan 1815 Curtis Sherman, d. Coolville, Athens Co., OH shortly before 4 Dec 1847; residing at Coolville on 6 March 1873; eight children. 7. *Jane*, b. about 1798; d. probably before 1850; m. Waterford Township, Washington Co., OH 29 Aug 1818 David Pritchard, d. probably before 1850. 8. *Anna*, b. about 1800; m. Waterford Township, Washington Co., OH 28 March 1819 Barzillai Coburn; at least three children. 9. *Betsey*, b. 29 March 1807; d. March 1891; m. Simon H. Lottridge; resided in Athens Co., OH.

6. ii. JOHN, b. NY about 1778.

6. JOHN CODDINGTON, born in New York (1880 Federal Census, Hector, Schuyler County, New York [birthplace of Mary Ann (Coddington) Coddington's father]) about 1778; died at Hector, Schuyler County, New York on 12 August 1845, "aged 67." John was first married about 1797 to MARY ANN ROBINSON, born in Ireland (1880 Federal Census, Hector, Schuyler County, New York [birthplace of Mary Ann (Coddington) Coddington's mother]) about 1779. John married second, ELIZABETH ___, who survived him.

At one time, it appears that the eminent genealogist, John Insley Coddington, erroneously felt that John was the son of Christopher and Maria (Osterhout) Coddington:

First records of the Coddington family are not dated. All that is known is that Benjamin Coddington, Jr. married Katherine Martin in Woodbridge, New Jersey. They had a son named Christopher born in New Jersey (whether or not it was in Woodbridge is not known) who married Maria Oosterhoudt in Rochester [Accord, Ulster County], New York, October 13, 1753. Their son, John Coddington, was born in 1778. He married Mary Ann Robinson and died at Hector, New York, July 12, 1845. (*Family Records conveyed in correspondence with Douglas R. Tripp*, hereinafter *Tripp FRs*)

In 1997, the compiler was able to locate a copy of *Oosterhout* (Distributed by the Ulster County [New York] Genealogical Society). In this genealogical outline of the descendants of Jan Jansen van Oosterhoudt, is found the family group of Christopher and Maria (Oosterhoudt) Coddington. However, their son, John, was born in Deer Park, Orange County, New York on 14 April 1765. Although it is quite possible, if not probable, that John was born in Ulster County, he was not the son of Christopher and Maria (Oosterhoudt) Coddington.

By 1800, John had settled in Cayuga County (*1800 Federal Census, New York State, Cayuga County*). Mary Ann became a member of the Baptist Church at Covert on its founding, 16 February 1803; John joined shortly thereafter on 20 February 1803.

Children, first seven born at Ulysses, Tompkins County, New York, last two born at Hector, Schuyler County, New York (*TAG*):

- i. JAMES HARVEY, b. 3 May 1798; d. Hector after 1870; m. 1820 AMARILLA PHELPS, b. Ovid, NY 12 May 1799, d. Warrensville, OH 19 Feb 1842, dau. of Noah Phelps; nine children (O.S. Phelps and A.T. Servin, *The Phelps Family in America*, 1: 372; 2:1735-6).
7. ii. CALVIN, b. 1800; m. SARAH ANN PORTER.
- iii. SAMUEL, b. 1802; m. ANN __, b. NY about 1804; living in Census of 1850 at Ripley, Town of Westfield, Chatauqua Co., NY.
Children, surname *Coddington*: 1. *Mary Ann*, b. NY. 2. *Franklin*, b. NY about 1831. 3. *Lewis*, b. NY about 1840.
- iv. JULIA ANN, b. 1804; m. IRA LOTT of Ripley, Town of Westfield, Chatauqua Co., NY; resided there in 1845; moved away by 1850.
- v. AARON., b. 1806; d. 131 Queens Avenue, London, Ontario, Canada 6 March 1884; bur. Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, London; m. ELIZABETH ANN PATRICK, b. NY 1816, d. Kalamazoo State Hospital, Kalamazoo, MI 6 April 1900, dau. of Matthew and Deborah (Lucky) Patrick of Schuyler Co., NY and later of Lowell Township, Kent Co., MI; carpenter and joiner; settled at London before 1845; at least two children.
- vi. ALVAH, b. 22 April 1808; d. Tecumseh Township, Lenawee Co., MI 18 June 1882; m. about 1832 BARBARA SWICK, b. 12 Dec 1801, d. Trumansburg, NY 13 March 1876, bur. Grove Cemetery; two children.
- vii. JOHN, b. 1810; d. Seneca Township, Lenawee Co., MI 17 Oct 1851; m. ANNA DEMUN, b. 1807, d. 1903, dau. of Peter Demun; four children; all bur. Morenci Cemetery, Morenci, MI.

- viii. MARIA, b. about 1814; m. ABRAHAM SWICK.
- ix. MARY ANN, b. about 31 Oct 1818; d. Hector, NY 20 May 1882 "aged 63-6-20" (*tombstone*); m. about 1845 to her first-cousin-once removed, Aaron Owen Coddington (*John Merlin, Benjamin*), b. 20 Sep 1810, d. 20 Feb 1891 (age 80 years, 5 months) (*tombstone*), son of John Merlin and Sarah (Owen) Coddington.

7. CALVIN CODDINGTON (*John, ...*), born in Ulysses, (then Seneca County, now) Tompkins County, New York in 1800; killed in Howard, Steuben County, New York by a falling tree in December 1836; married on 24 January 1822 to SARAH ANN PORTER (*John, Joshua, ...*), born 15 April 1805, died at St. Joseph, Michigan on 17 July 1868, daughter of John and Dinah (Thomas) Porter. Sarah married second CYRUS ROBINSON, born about in Maine about 1805; he was mason by trade.

Their marriage on 24 January 1822 by the Reverend O.C. Comstock was recorded in *The American Journal of Ithaca* on 30 January 1822: "Calvin Coddington of Hector to Miss Sarah Porter of Ulysses."

[Calvin and Sarah] moved later to the town of Howard, Steuben County, [New York] where Calvin was apparently engaged in clearing timber land. He was accidentally killed by a falling tree late in December, 1836, and his body was not found by searching parties for three weeks, or some time in January, 1837.

Children of Calvin and Sarah Ann (Porter) Coddington:

- i. JOEL PORTER, b. 26 April 1822; d. Trenton, Dodge Co., MN 5 Sep 1885; m. JULIA ANN MCINTOSH.
- ii. FRANKLIN METCALF, b. Howard, Steuben Co., NY 14 March 1825; d. Westfield, Bureau Co., IL 10 Feb 1882; m. Howard, Steuben Co., NY 13 June 1846 AMANDA HURLBURT, b. Whitehall, NY 10 April 1830, d. Princeton, IL 6 Nov 1911, dau. of Benjamin and Cynthia (Trowbridge) Hurlburt.
Children, surname *Coddington*: 1. *Emily R.*, b. 10 June 1847; d. Ladd, Bureau Co., IL 12 March 1924; m. (1) 15 Dec 186_ Bureau Co., IL Alexander Warner; m. (2) Toledo, OH 16 Aug 1874 James Theophilus Hight. 2. *Ella*, b. 28 April 1850; m. Bureau Co., IL 17 Feb 1867 Julius C. Triplett. 3. *Calvin Roy*, b. 15 Feb 1854; d. Princeton, IL 29 April 1910; m. 31 Oct 1875 Mary Adaline McGowan, dau. of Philip and Charlotte (Spangler) McGowan. 4. *Mary Etta*, b. Princeton, IL 17 July 1857; d. Perry Memorial Hospital, Princeton, IL 21 Dec 1935; m. (1) Princeton, IL 5 Nov 1874 Robert James; m. (2) Princeton, IL 20 Dec 1905 David Warren Chase. 5. *Gertrude Ellen*, b. 17 Jan 1868 (or 1860); d. 14 April 1877 (or 1878).
- iii. WILLIAM E., b. about 1827; m. MATILDA M. GREY.
Children, surname *Coddington*: 1. *Cassandra*, b. 1850; d. 1914; m. Dewitt Cole. 2. *Sarah*, b. 1852; m. Thomas Smart. 3. *Elizabeth*, b. 1856.

4. *Alvah Ward*, b. 1864; d. 1935; m. Jennie Miles, b. 1869, d. 1928; ancestors of Darold Clarence Coddington who married the compiler's maternal aunt, Teresa Jennie Brown.

- iv. ORVILLE SELAH, b. 25 Feb 1829; d. near Bristow, IA 13 May 1890; m. (1) 1849 or 1850 MARY JANE GAGE, b. 3 April 1833, d. 20 March 1885; m. (2) DELLA __.

Children, by Mary Jane Gage, surname *Coddington*: 1. *George*, b. 2 Oct 1850; d. 1852. 2. *Chester Clarence*, b. Dodge Co., MN 16 Feb 1853; d. Blackhawk Co., IA 1 Nov 1889; m. 12 Blackhawk Co., IA Jan 1876 Mary Alice Mueller, b. Dubuque Co., IA 5 Nov 1855, d. March 1944, dau. of John Jacob and Elizabeth (Fern) Mueller. 3. *Lillian*, b. March 1857; m. William Quarles. 4. *Etta*, b. 12 Jan 1859; m. G.G. Coonley. 5. *Florence Armetta*, b. 7 May 1862; m. James Monteith Wray. 6. *Sherman Morton*, b. 7 Aug 1864; m. (1) Anna Lee Darbrough; m. (2) Elizabeth Foote; m. (3) Mabel E. Noel. 7. *Frank M.*, b. 22 June 1867. 8. *Frances Delina*, m. Joseph Trosper. 9. *Burdette "Bert,"* b. 18 June 1871.

Child, by Della __, surname *Coddington*: 10. *Grace*.

- v. JOHN.

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- vi. DINAH, b. about 1835; m. PERRY NICHOLSON (*Johnathan Loveland, Francis, Ambrose, Henry, [Henry], ...*), b. 7 June 1827; d. Hornell, Steuben Co., NY 10 July 1907, son of Johnathan Loveland and Elizabeth "Betsey" (Swingle) Nicholson; direct ancestors of the compiler; see *Henry Nicholson of Hartford, Connecticut* for more information.

Child of Cyrus and Sarah Ann (Porter) (Coddington) Robinson:

- vii. MARY ELIZA, b. 9 May 1845; m. THOMAS GRAHAM JOHNSTON.

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