Mayflower Connections through Minerva Dewolf wife of Azor Hoyt (5730) in HHH Book of 1871

Azor Hoyt (1804-1890) married Minerva Dewolf (1813-1896), Source: HHH Book of 1871, m. 1829, pg. 547

Minerva Dewolf was the daughter of Elisha Dewolf husband of Eunice Allis (1778-1864)

Eunice Allis was the daughter of Abel Allis (1745-1810) and Lydia Porter (1742-1806)

Abel Allis was the son of Samuel Allis (1705-1796) who married Hannah Sheldon 1707-1779)*

Samuel Allis was the son of Ichabod Allis (1675-1747) who married Mary Belden (1679-1724)

Mary Belden was the daughter of Samuel Belding or Belden (1657-1678) and Sarah Fellows (1640-1713)

Mary Belden, daughter of Samuel connects upward to Samuel Belden (1632-1713) then connects to Richard Belding (1591-1655). The line shifts to Margaret Goodrick (1564-1598) who descends from Clare Norton who connects to Susan Neville daughter of Richard Neville (1468-1530). Richard descends from Joan Bourchier. She is the 6th great grandmother of Mary Belden and 3rd great grandmother of Edward Winslow. The line descends from her to Thomas Neville to Ellen Neville tho Catherine Winston to Edward Winslow (1560-1631) father of Edward Winslow (1595-1655). Edward was the 3rd Governor of Plymouth.

Edward Winslow was related to the Tilley brothers John and Edward.

Research of my mother's Waite line that married into the Matteson lines a number of times revealed a complex connection of the Waites to the Howland lines of Plymouth. John Howland married Elizabeth Tilley, daughter of John Tilley and Joan Hurst. John and Joan died the first winter leaving young daughter Elizabeth as heiress of their Plymouth agreement. John and Elizabeth (Tilley) Howland produced the most descendants from the Plymouth Colony.

The Matteson/Waite lines of Captain Henry III Matteson connected Comfort Pearce daughter of Captain George Pearce and Mercy Howland. Mercy was the great grand daughter of John Howland and Elizabeth Tilley.

The above information is from Ancestry.com files, Rootsweb, Family Search, etc

Bert December 22, 2007

To: John E. Hoyt

Hi John-

Sorry to be so slow getting back to you on the Hopkins connections.

Research of Stephen Hopkins of the VA Colony and the Plymouth Colony.

Stephen returned from the VA Colony when he learned of the death of his wife Mary. On his return to London, he took responsibility for his children and later married Elizabeth Fisher. He made plans to join the Mayflower group. Stephen., Elizabeth and Stephen's children by Mary (Giles and Constance)* boarded the Mayflower with two servants. During the voyage, Elizabeth gave birth to son Oceanus who died in 1623.

*The Lemon Tree from Ancestry.com notes the children of Stephen by Constance Dudley (1589-1610). This genealogy doesn't mention first wife Mary. Daughter Constance noted above might be named for Constance Dudley? Giles is also noted as her son. This document needs more research.

Stephen's Will of 1644 taken from Mayflower Book by Caleb H. Johnson:

Son Caleb is heir apparent and executor of the will along with Miles Standish. Son Giles and son Stephen (of Elizabeth Fisher)?, daughter Constance, Deborah, Demaris, Ruth and Elizabeth. Witnesses were Myles Standish and William Bradford. The estate inventory was taken July 1644 by Captain Standish, Thomas Willet and John Done. Division of the Estate was defined by Myles Standish.

Researching linkage of Stephen Hopkins down the lines to Church, Graves, Allis to De-Wolf is difficult. Ancestry's computer makes matches without filling in the missing marriages and their brothers and sisters, etc.

After much digging of roots, I have found the following connections:

Beginning at the top with the possible parents of Stephen; Nicholas Hopkins and Mary Poole (page 1),we move downward from Stephen and Elizabeth Fisher to Mary Hopkins who married Edward Church. On page 2, we pick up the Church line downward to John Church (1527-1547) and move downward to John to Richard to Richard and Anne Marsh. The line continues down to Mary Church who married Isaac Graves thus connecting the Graves lines to the Hopkins.

The Graves lines continue on page 3 with Thomas Graves who married Eben Putnam (my Waite line connects with Putnams). Move downward to Isaac Graves and Mary Church. Her brother John Graves married Mary Smith. They had son Nathaniel Graves who married Rebecca Allis, sister of Ichabod Allis (page 4). Ichabod married Mary Belden.

Their son Samuel Allis married Hannah Sheldon (may connect to the Deerfield line) (Mercy Sheldon of 1724 married David Hoyt of 1722).

The Allis line continues to Abel who married Lydia Porter, then to Eunice Allis who married Elisha DeWolf parents of Minerva DeWolf and Azor Hoyt, etc.

King Phillips War-

I have notes about this story but not sure where they are. This is a quick recap of the story.

Benjamin Church born in 1740 in MA tracked down King Phillip the Indian Chief. He started the process along with John Howland. John remained guarded a station while Benjamin proceeded. He and his group found the chief and his group camping on a large rock at nightfall. The colonists crawled up the rock and surprised the Indians that were relaxed during their meal. The chief was taken back to to Plymouth where he was beheaded. The King Phillips war was named after him. Need to track Benjamin to see how he fits into the old Church line back to England.

I hope the above information is in the ball park. Let me know if you spot a problem in the connections.

Best Wishes to You and Your Family!!

Bert