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### **FRANCIS WEEKES**

the following is from **Bunker's Long Island Genealogies: from "The Carpenter Family in America", by David Hoogland Carpenter, Jamaica, L.I., 1900: and from "The Genealogy of Francis Weekes, of Providence, R.I., Gravesend, Hempstead and Oyster Bay", by Dr, Frank Edger Weeks, Kipton, Ohio, 1936.**

Francis Weekes was **born in 1616 and died in 1687.** No definite

history exists of his birthplace in England, nor of the names of his parents. He must have been illiterate, as he signed every document during his life with the mark "W". Some genealogists say that four brothers, George, Thomas, Francis and Joseph, came from England to Boston in 1635, but that Joseph was drowned on landing. This theory is doubted by many as George was old enough to be the father of Francis, with many years to spare. Also George was literate and highly cultured.

Thomas Weekes does not seem to be related to either: he also was literate but wrote his name Wilkes or Wickes. Francis and George belonged to a branch of the family that had been seated in North Wyke in Taunton Hundred, about 20 miles from Exeter, long before the latter part of the 14th century. Dr. Frank Edgar Week's genealogy gives a long account of this English family, with the different spellings of the name.

It has been said that Francis Weekes came in 1635 to Salem, Mass., and removed to Dorchester, Mass., where George had settled: that is uncertain, though probable, as Roger Williams lived at that place. The first authentic statement about Francis Weekes, comes from Roger Williams, who was a native of Wales, a regularly ordained minister of the Church of England, but when he accepted the views of the Puritans, he became obnoxious to the Church authorities, so he emigrated to America and preached at Salem. The church authorities in Salem objected to his teachings, and banished him in 1635 to Pawtucket, R.I. where he settled in 1636. As this was within the bounds of the Massachusetts Bay Colony, Governor Winthrop suggested he move across the river to Providence: Roger Williams therefore bought a tract of land there from the Indians with whom he was always friendly. He took with him from Salem, William Harris, then poor and destitute: also John Smith, a

millor at Dorchester, and, at Smith's request, also a poor young fellow named Francis Weekes: also a lad of Richard Weterman`s: also Joshua Verin and Thomas Angell. These were the first settlers of Providence, R.I.: other settlers soon came. In 1637, an agreement to establish a town at Providence, was signed by 39 residents, amongst whom was Francis Weekes. He and nine of the others signed their names by a mark, showing the lack of education among these early settlers of New England. Francis received a home lot of 5 1/2 acres in Providence, in addition to a six acre lot at a distance: also, later on, some 85 acres. He was then just 21 years old. If Francis had remained in

Providence, he might have become a prosperous citizen, but probably on

account of the arbitrary and intolerant attitude of the Boston Hierarchy, who claimed religious supremacy and persecuted all heresy, he is said to have moved to Gravesend, L.I., where in 1645 he was designated as owner of lot 12. On March 25/1650, Francis was appointed the arbitrator of a dispute between Thomas Cornell and Ye Lady Moody. During the next five years, no record is found of Francis, but it is known that the Gravesend settlers had hard times with attacks from the Indians, and quarrels between the Dutch and English governments. This may account for Francis' wife Elizabeth selling her husband's property in Gravesend in 1655, Francis moved to Hempstead, L.I., and in April 1658, his wife Elizabeth was fined 20 guilders (\$8.00) for absenting herself from public worship and profaning the Lord's day by going to a meeting in the

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woods where she attended a Quaker meeting. Whether it was owing to this trouble or not, Francis sold his land in Hempstead and moved to Oyster Bay between 1658 and 1661, where he bought a home lot and 10 acres of land on South St. On June 13/1662 he bought seven meadow lots from Henry Townsend and on January 24/1668 20 acres of plains from Robert Williams. On January 29, 1673 he made over to his sons Samuel, John and Joseph, 11 acres: to son James, part of his home lot: to son Daniel his home lot and dwelling and 12 acres adjoining. A street was opened through it named Weeks St, and close by is the old Weekes graveyard.

Francis lived here the last thirty years of his long wandering life and many of his descendants have been content to remain there.

**The Cook genealogy states that Francis married in 1640, Elizabeth Luther, born 1620, daughter of Samuel Luther of Swansea, R.I., but the eminent genealogist Torrey states that his wife's name may have been Elizabeth but that her surname is unknown.**

His will, dated June 25/1687, left to his sons Samuel, Joseph, John, Thomas and James, and to daughters Elizabeth and Ann, all moveable estate to be equally divided among them by two such men as they shall agree upon to do the same. To son Daniel, all that his mother gave him before she died, that is to say, her bed, coverings, curtains and valens: also my meadow at Matinecock and four acres of land at Hempstead and meadows in Oyster Bay which I bought from Henry Townsend: also my dwelling house and land. He appointed sons Thomas and James as executors.

Issue:-

1/1. Samuel Weekes. Baptized March 31/1647, born probably in 1643, died at Musketo Cove in 1699. He was a weaver and a farmer and had a home lot on the east side of South St., Oyster Bay. He removed to Killingworth on the Matinecock, after the settlement of his father in law's estate. In 1687 he exchanged with Robert and Mercy Odes, a purchaser's whole right on Hog Island, for lot 8, division of Musketa Cove Patent, 80 rods to the east and to the spring on the west: he then removed to Musketa Cove. He married before 1669, Elizabeth Reddocke, daughter of Henry and Mabel (Burroughs) Reddocke, see subject 622, page 1.

Issue:-

2/1. Samuel Weekes, born at Oyster Bay about 1669, will dated December 13, 1729. He married Anne Carpenter, born 1676, daughter of Joseph and Ann (Weekes) Carpenter, see page 6. See the New York Genealogical biographical Record, Vol 36, p 135 for their children which differ from the Carpenter Genealogy.

Issue:-

3/1. Amos Weekes. He married his cousin Abigail Weekes, daughter of Joseph Weekes,

see page 5.

3/2. Samuel Weekes. He married Elizabeth Carpenter.

3/3. John Weekes. He married Anne Coles, daughter of Joseph and Temperance (Albertson) Coles, see subject 618, page 1.

3/4. Sarah Weekes. She married on June 6/1737, Jacob Birdsall, born June 5/1722, son of Benjamin and Mercy (Forman) Birdsall, sub 600 page 3.

3/5. Phebe Weekes. She married Henry Dickensen.

3/6. Amy Weekes. She married Isaac Dean.

3/7. Deborah Weekes. She married Nicholas Sneathen.

3/8. Charity Weekes., born December 17/1713. She married in 1736, John Carpenter, born July 1/1714, son of John and Martha (Feake) Carpenter, see page 6. They had nine children.

3/9. Freelove Weekes. She married, as his second wife, Joseph Coles, son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Wright) Coles, see sub 618, page 2.

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who had married, 1st, Charity Valentine, born April 30/1717, daughter of David and Charity (Coles) Valentine, see subject 290, p 3. See the N.Y. Gen & Biog Record, Vol 36, p 61 for iss.

2/2. Humphrey Weekes, born at Matinecock about 1676, died 1726.

2/3. George Weekes, born at Matinecock about 1678, died about 1721.

In 1707 his elder brother Samuel gave him all land at Matinecock of their father's, and in the same year George sold it to Sampson Hawkhurst, see subject 310. He married Mary ---, who after his death married, 2nd, on May 3/1726, Richard Harrison of Little Egg Harbor, New Jersey, a Quaker.

Issue :-

3/1. Samuel Weekes. He married in 1736, Deborah Valentine, daughter of Richard Valentine, see subject 290, p 5. Deborah was the sister of Samuel Valentine, whose will dated March 31/1743, proved May 14/1744, left £25 each to Deborah's children, namely:

Issue: (from Samuel Valentine's will)

4/1. George Weekes.

4/2. Richard Weekes.

4/3. Mary Weekes.

2/4. Francis Weekes, born at Matinecock, came with his father to Cedar Swamp in 1687. He married at Hempstead, on December 25/1744, Agnes Postley. This would make him about 65 years old when married.

2/5. Philip Weekes, born 1678, died at Matinecock 1728. In 1707 he was allotted one quarter of the family acres. He married in 1700, Martha ---.

2/6. James Weekes, born at Matinecock and came with his brother to Cedar Swamp in 1687. He was a brick layer and a mason and is supposed to have married in 1692, Elizabeth Carpenter and had three children.

1/2. Joseph Weekes Batized March 31/1647, the same day as his elder brother Samuel, died about 1700, He and his father had a house and home lot on the east side of South St., Oyster Bay, and likewise removed to Killingworth after the settlement of the Reddocke estate.

He was known as Captain Joseph. He married, 1st, Hannah Reddocke, sister of his elder brother Samuel's wife: she died before 1698. In the same year Joseph gave to his youngest son Samuel, one quarter of his rights in Oyster Bay, in consideration of 6

shillings to be paid annually to Joseph's daughter Martha who was blind. He married 2nd, in 1698, Hannah Crooker, daughter of William and Ann (Gregory) Crooker, and the deserted wife of Moses Forman, but had no children by her, Moses Forman after deserting Hannah, married, 2nd, Anna ---, widow of Samuel Bennett of Rhode Island, but had no children by her, Issue:- (by his first wife Hannah Reddocke)

2/1. Henry Weekes, He married Susannah Alling (or Allen), daughter of Abraham Alling. Issue:-

3/1. Freelove Allen. She married Richard Powell, born 1704, died 1774.

3/2. Robert Allen. He married Jerusha Lewis.

2/2. Joseph Weekes, birth estimated as about 1682, will dated August 8, 1754, proved September 10/1755, He had two wives, names unknown, the first probably Elizabeth ---.

Issue:- (from his will)

3/1. Micah Weekes. Birth estimated about 1712.

3/2. Charles Weekes, do - 1714.

3/3. Amy Weekes, do 1716. Her father's will called her Amy Hopkins. She married Daniel Hopkins of Musketa Subject 304 P4 (285)

Cove, whose will dated April 14/1763, proved February 15/1766 son of Ichabod and Sarah (Coles) Hopkins, subject 618, page 2, Amey died February 20, 1775. The names of their children below may not be in proper order: they were taken from his will and from the New York Genealogical & Biographical Record, Vol 56.

Issue:-

4/1. William Hopkins. He had son Daniel and some daughters.

4/2. Thomas Hopkins, He had a son William,

4/3. Dinah Hopkins, died before 1763. She married about 1752, William Cock, born December 11/1732, died after 1812, son of John and Sarah (Carpenter) Cock. After Dinah's death he married, 2nd, Anne Feake, born at Matinecock, L.I., January 17, 1741, died at Buckram, L.I, April 20, 1796, daughter of Charles and Catherine (Tilley) Feake, and had nine children.

The name Tilley is spelled also Tillear, or Tillier. William married, 3rd, Clemence Feake, who died April 25/1815, sister of his second wife Anna,

Issue:- (from the Cox, Cocks genealogy)

5/1. Stephen Cock, born August 9/1753. Married Deborah Feake,

5/2. Esther Cock, born February 22/1756. Married Charles Frost

5/3. Abraham Cock, born April 29/1758. Married Margaret -.

5/4. Isaac Cock, born February 5/1760. He married, 1st, Elizabeth Seaman: and, 2nd, Margaret Stymets.

4/4. Ann Hopkins, born January 12/1730. She married John Cromwell born December 5/1727, died 1805, son of John and Esther (Godfrey) Cromwell of Harrison Westchester County, N.Y.

4/5. Mary Hopkins. She married a Tellear.

4/6. Martha Hopkins, born April 22/1740, died August 13/1817. She married, as his second wife, in 1770, Benjamin Downing, born July 22/1722, died October 17/1805, son of George and Phebe (Valentine) Downing, who had married, 1st, Phebe Willis see subject 290, page 2 for their issue.

4/7. Amy Hopkins, born 1742. She married George Downing, born 1720, son of George and Phebe (Valentine) Downing, see subject 290, page 2.

4/8. Hannah Hopkins. She married a Mr. Tripp.

4/9. Abigail Hopkins. She married Joseph Coles, son of William and Elizabeth (Albertson) Coles, see subject 618, page 1.  
 Their son Benjamin married Mary Albertson, daughter of Derrick and Rebecca (De Grove) Albertson, see the New York Genealogical & Biographical Record, Vol 37, page 226.

4/10. Sarah Hopkins, born February 2/1719, died 1815, aged 96 yrs. She married in 1736, Micah Mudge, born 1713, died 1795–1805, son of William and Ann (Coles) Mudge, see subject 618, p 5, and had four children.

4/11. Temperance Hopkins. She married in 1741, Derrick Thornicraft son of Thomas and Wilmot Thornicraft: two children.

4/12. Elizabeth Hopkins, She married a Coles.

3/4. Sarah Weekes, She married a Dodge,

3/5. Abigail Weekes,

3/6. Mary Weekes. She married a Ludlum.

2/3. John Weekes, born at Oyster Bay, May 16/1672, died December 18/1756. He married Mercy Forman, born June 29/1676, daughter of Moses and Hannah (Crooker) Forman, his father's step child. They had John, George, and two other children, Subject 304, P5 (286)

2/4. Samuel Weekes. He married Hannah Ruscoe.

Issue:–

3/1. Samuel Weekes. He married Margaret Prevost: two children.

3/2. Joseph Weekes, born 1725, died 1795. He lived in Northcastle, Westchester County, N.Y. He married, 1st, Phebe Underhill, born 1734, daughter of Thomas and Phebe (Davenport) Underhill of Westchester County, Ha married, 2nd, Sarah Pers.

Issue:– (by his first wife Phebe Underhill)

4/1. Jesse Weekes, born 1752, died before 1784. He married on December 16/1775, Sarah Carpenter, daughter of Joseph Carpenter. After Jesse's death, she married in 1784, Robert Dodge.

4/2. Thomas Weekes, born September 23/1754. He married at Westchester on February 16/1774, Penelope Cock, born May 8/1756, daughter of James and Phebe (Thorn) Cock and had eleven children.

4/3. Samuel Weekes, born 1756,

4/4. Richard Weekes, born 1758. He married Susanna Carpenter born October 15/1765, daughter of Silas and Phebe (Fowler) Carpenter.

4/5. Joseph Weekes, born 1761.

4/6. Joshua Weekes, born 1763. He married Hannah ---.

4/7. Phebe Weekes, born 1765, died April 14/1838. She married in 1784, John Merritt, born 1762, died October 26/1833, son of Nathaniel Merritt, and had seven children,

4/8. Sarah Weekes, born 1767, died September 10/1854. She married James Merritt, born 1762, died November 11/1856, son of Nathaniel Merritt, and had seven children.

4/9. Abel Weekes, born 1769,

4/10. Amy Weekes, born 1772,

4/11. Dorothy Weekes, born 1776. She married Zopha Jones.

3/3. John Weekes, of Westchester County, N.Y.,

3/4. Jesse Weekes, of Long Island. He married, as her third husband Charity Underhill, born 1718, daughter of Thomas and Phebe (Devenport) Underhill, who had married, 1st, in 1735, Joseph Thorne, by whom she had seven children: 2nd, John Church but had no children by him.

4/5. Child,

2/5. Amy Weekes, born 1676.

2/6. Abigail Weekes. She married her cousin Amos Weekes, son of Samuel and Anne (Carpenter) Weekes, see page 2.

2/7. Martha Weekes. She was blind and died unmarried.

**1/3. John Weekes, Born probably about 1643, baptized March 31/1647, died before 1699. He had a homestead on the east side of South St., Oyster Bay, L.I. He, with Robert Peaks, was commissioned to build a Baptist Church at Oyster Bay. He was one of the seven purchasers of Matinecock. He was town clerk at Warwick, R.I. He married Hannah (or Anne) Townsend, born about 1666, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Coles) Montgomery Townsend, see subject 308, page 6. After John's death, Hannah married Samuel Hayden.**

**Issue:-**

**2/1. Nathaniel Weekes, died unmarried in 1725,**

**2/2. Phebe Weekes, died 1771, She married, as his second wife, before 1723, Richard Youngs of Oyster Bayborn about 1674, drowned in 1729-30, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Harcourt) Youngs, see subject 308, page 2. They had two children.**

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**2/3. Susannah Weekes. She married Richard Townsend, born 1690, died March 30/1750, son of George and Mary (Hawkhurst) Townsend, see subject 154, page 2, for issue and further particulars,**

1/4. Thomas Weekes. Baptized July 9/1651, died 1716. The name of his first wife is not known: he married, 2nd, in 1679, Isabella, born 1662, believed to have been the daughter of Richard and Elizabeth (Potter) Harcourt, see subject 306, page 2, See subject 152 for issue and further particulars.

1/5. James Weekes. Baptized November 24/1651, probably the year of his birth, under the name of Jacobus, the Dutch spelling of James. He had a home lot in Oyster Bay, next east of his father's. He was an Ensign of a Foot Company, appointed in 1690 by Governor Leisler. In 1704 he gave to his son Ezekiel, land at Wheatly in the New Purchase, to be divided with his brother James: to son Daniel, sundry parcels of land: if he die without issue, to go to his brother Edmund, to whom on same date he granted the home lot where he lived. The name of his wife is not known.

**Issue:-**

2/1. Ezekiel Weekes. He married on June 27/1756, Susanna W. Dyer,

2/2. James Weekes. He married Abigail ----.

2/3. Daniel Weekes. He married Mary ---, perhaps the widow Weekes,

2/4. Edmund Weekes,

2/5. Zachariah Weekes. A possible son, who married in 1696, Katherine Myer.

1/6. Elizabeth Weekes. Baptized March 31/1647. She married about 1666, Nicholas Simkins, supposed to be the son of Nicholas Simkins, a tailor of Boston in 1643, who was first made Captain of the Fort on Castle Island, Boston, and whose widow Isabel released in 1649, her third interest in the estate.

Issue:-

2/1. Phebe Simkins. She married Benjamin Coles, son of Daniel and Maha Shalel Hasbaz (Gorton) Coles, see subject 618, page 1 for issue and further particulars.

2/2. Mary Simkins. She married on September 26/1678, (this date must be wrong, taken from the Josephine C. Frost Genealogy, as her parents were not married until about 1666), Samuel Tillear, son of Jan Le and Christina (Kresson) Tillier, who came from St. Louis, Normandy, France.

Issue

3/1. Nicholas Tillear.

3/2. David Tillear.

2/3. Sarah Simkins. She married William Wilson, a cooper and a woodworker.

2/4. Daniel Simkins. He married --- Vincent, and removed to Rye and Bedford, N.Y.

2/5. Ezekiel Simkins. He married Sarah --- and lived in Oyster Bay.

1/7. Ann Weekes. Baptized July 9/1651, died after December 10/1692. She married before September 2/1674, Joseph Carpenter, as his second wife, who had married, 1st, on April 21/1659, Hannah Carpenter, born February 3/1640, died 1673, by whom he had six children,

Issue:- (according to Dr. Frank Edgar Weeks' genealogy)

2/1. Ann Carpenter, born about 1676. She married perhaps her first cousin Samuel Weekes, born 1669, will dated December 13/1729, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Reddocke) Weekes. See page 2 for their issue and further particulars.

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2/2. Benjamin Carpenter, born 1680. He married in 1704, Mercy Coles, born 1684, daughter of Robert and Mercy (Wright) Coles, see subject 618, page 4 and 5.

Issue:- (may not be complete)

3/1. Joseph Carpenter, born 1705, died 1766, He married Sarah Latting, who died in 1790.

2/3. John Carpenter, born after 1683, a saddler. He married on June 12/1713, Martha Feake, born August 27/1688, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Prior) Feake, Quakers, and had five children, amongst whom was John, who married Charity Weekes, see page 2, on October 20/1715, he bought for £129, from his nephew Joseph Carpenter, the old homestead of his father at Musketa Cove, (This is from the Carpenter Genealogy: Dr. Frank Edgar Weeks genealogy does not mention this son John Carpenter,)

2/4. Thomas Carpenter, born 1687, died 1766, He married Hannah Alsop born 1691.

1/8. Daniel Weekes. Born probably at Hempstead, L.I., died in 1698, He succeeded his father in the home place. His wife's name is mentioned as Mary Alling (or Allen), so he was both brother in law and uncle of his older brother Joseph's son Henry, see above.

Issue:-

2/1. Abraham Weekes, born 1691, will dated July 9/1749, proved October 22/1782 (?), a weaver. He married Rachel Weekes, who predeceased him, parents' names unknown.

Issue:- (from his will)

3/1. Deborah Weekes,

3/2. Freelove Weekes,

3/3. Daniel Weekes,

3/4. Richard Weekes.

3/5. Isaac Weekes,

3/6. Solomon Weekes,

3/7. Peter Weekes.

2/2. Rose Weekes, born 1695, She married, 1st, Benoni Merritt, 2nd, Samuel Hare,

2/3. Solomon Weekes, born 1697. He married Nancy Waters,

2/4. Francis Weekes. One genealogist says he was a son, probably born shortly after his father's death, but it seems more probable that he belonged to some other family, or died young, as he was not mentioned in his father's will: these remarks are from Dr., Frank Edgar Weeks' genealogy.