The Hanson family of Dover, Strafford co., NH & Lynn, Essex co., MA is an interesting lineage and one of Note in Dover. The family story includes prominent involvement in the Quaker movement, Indian raids and a line traced back to 1251, when the family surname was the Norman "de Rastich". Thus, we have an unbroken line for nearly 600 years -- from 1251, until Abigail Hanson's death in 1809. That's a lot of history. I should like to flesh out the English end of the family further with as many details as one can find from extant records, wills & legal documents. Additions are appreciated. It is interesting to see how the high the person numbers become as they increase exponentially through the generations.

According to the Hanson Genealogy, the surname Hanson is of very ancient origin, and was handed down by the Flemish to the English speaking people. The root of the name was Hans, which is the only one of the abbreviations of the original Johannes, and from the latter we derive the familiar Hansons, Hankins, Hankinsons, Hancocks and others^[1].

Name variations on the later surname are Hansen & Hanson. Variations on the ancient surname are de Rastrich, de Rastrick, and de Rastich. Hanson and Hanscom are <u>different</u> families^[2]. Be careful in your research not to mix up the two.



1. Roger¹ DE RASTRICH was alive in 1251, during the reign of Henry III^[1]. He married, but we currently know nothing of his wife.

Roger lived in Wapentake of Morley, Yorkshire, England. He held lands in Rastrich (hence the family surname), Skircoat, Clayton and Bradford among others^[1]. These areas still exist in Yorkshire. Bradford is a good sized city unto itself, in between Leeds & Halifax, Yorkshire, England. Skircoat is now a part of Halifax and Rastrick is a part of Brighouse -- a smaller town just southeast of Halifax. Both have library branches in their names. Clayton appears to be the current town of Clayton-Le-Moors, which is west of the other towns, near Burnley & Blackburn, Yorkshire, England. Morley survives as a town of the same name just south of the city of Leeds.

They had the following children:

i. Hugh
 ii. John
 iii. Simon

Generation: G19 Grandparents

Person Numbers: 3,686,400 / 3,686,401

Hanson Register Report Second Generation

Family of Roger DE RASTICH (1) & [not known]

2. Hugh² DE RASTRICH. (Roger¹) His life spanned the reigns of Henry III and Edward I. In 1257, Hugh was known to be of Linlands^[2]. Linlands appears to have vanished from the English landscape -- although it appears to be a part of the the Swedish one. Hugh married **Agnes [surname not known]**.

They had the following children:

5 i. John 6 ii. William

Generation: G18 Grandparents

Person Numbers: 1,843,200 / 1,843,201

- **3. John DE RASTRICH** (*Roger*¹) was a Chaplain. His father gave him lands in Rastrich.
- **4. Simon DE RASTRICH.** (Roger¹) We currently know nothing more of Simon.

Third Generation

Family of Hugh DE RASTICH (2) & Agnes [surname not known]

5. John³ DE RASTRICH. (Hugh², Roger¹) We know nothing more of John or his wife.

They had the following children:

7 i. John 8 ii. Helen

Generation: G17 Grandparents Person Numbers: 921,600 / 921,601

6. William DE RASTRICH. (Hugh², Roger¹) We know nothing of William.

Fourth Generation

Family of John DE RASTICH (5) & [not known]

7. John⁴ DE RASTRICH. (John³, Hugh², Roger¹) We know nothing more of John or his wife.

They had one child:

9 i. Henry

Generation: G16 Grandparents Person Numbers: 460,800 / 460,801

8. Helen DE RASTRICH. (John³, Hugh², Roger¹) We know nothing of Helen.

Hanson Register Report Fifth Generation

Family of John DE RASTICH (7) & [not known]

9. Henry⁵ DE RASTRICH. (John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) We know nothing of Henry or his wife.

They had one child:

10 i. John

Generation: G15 Grandparents Person Numbers: 230,400 / 230,401

Sixth Generation

Family of Henry DE RASTICH (9) & [not known]

10. John⁶ [DE RASTRICH] HANSON (Henry⁵, John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) was the first to be granted the name "Hanson", via an Act of Parliament in 1330. The name came from "Henry's son" to distinguish him from "John's son" and "Helen's son" (which became Ellison) and then to "Hanson"[1]. John was party to a deed in 1337[2]. John married Alice DE WOODHOUSE, daughter of Henry DE WOODHOUSE & Beatrice DE FOTHILL. Alice was her father's heir and her grandfather's heir -- not usual for the time^[2]!

They had one child:

11 i. John

Generation: G14 Grandparents Person Numbers: 115,200 / 115,201

Seventh Generation

Family of John DE RASTICH / HANSON (10) & Alice DE WOODHOUSE

11. John⁷ **HANSON** (*John*⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) was of Woodhouse, Yorkshire, England and married

They had one child:

Cicley DE WINDEBANKE.

12 i. John

Generation: G13 Grandparents Person Numbers: 57,600 / 57,601

[An online source [http://www.gendex.com/users/mickey/rivard/dat43.html#2] inserts another generation here in which another John HANSON marries Cicely RAVENSHAW, daughter of John RAVENSHAW. However, no supporting sources are given, so the generation is considered dubious until proof is found.]

Hanson Register Report Eighth Generation

Family of John HANSON (11) & Cicley DE WINDEBANKE

12. John⁸ **HANSON** (*John*⁷⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) was of Woodhouse, Yorkshire, England and married **Catharine BROOKS**, daughter of **John BROOKS**.

They had one child:

13 i. John

Generation: G12 Grandparents Person Numbers: 28,800 / 28,801

Ninth Generation

Family of John HANSON (12) & Catharine BROOKS

13. John⁹ **HANSON** (*John*⁸⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) was born circa 1493 in Woodhouse, Yorkshire, England and lived there his entire life. John married **Agnes SAVILLE**, the eldest daughter of **John SAVILLE Esq. & Margery GLEDHILL**. Agnes was born circa 1496 in Newhall, Yorkshire, England.

They had the following children:

14 John (1517-) i. 15 ii. Edward 16 iii. Robert 17 iv. Elizabeth Arthur 18 ٧. **Thomas** 19 vi.

Generation: G11 Grandparents Person Numbers: 14,400 / 14,401

Tenth Generation

Family of John HANSON (13) & Agnes SAVILLE

- **14. John HANSON** (John⁹⁻⁶, Henry⁵, John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) was born in 1517 in England. We estimate this date from the fact that he was buried in 1599 in England at age 82. Like his forefathers, John was of Woodhouse, Yorkshire, England. John first married **Margaret WADE**, daughter of **Robert WADE** and second married **Margaret WOODHOUSE**.
- **15. Edward HANSON** (*John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) was of Nether Woodhouse, Yorkshire, England and married **Jane KAY**, daughter of **Edward KAY**.
- **16. Robert HANSON.** (John⁹⁻⁶, Henry⁵, John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) We know nothing more of Robert.
- **17. Elizabeth HANSON.** (John⁹⁻⁶, Henry⁵, John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) We know nothing more of Elizabeth.
- **18. Arthur HANSON.** (John⁹⁻⁶, Henry⁵, John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) We know nothing more of Arthur.

19. Thomas¹⁰ **HANSON** (*John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) married **Jennet/Janet GLEDHILL**, daughter of **John GLEDHILL**.

They had the following children:

26	vii.	John2
25	vi.	Robert
24	٧.	Judith
23	iv.	Elizabeth
22	iii.	John1
21	ii.	Thomas
20	i.	Roger

Generation: G10 Grandparents Person Numbers: 7200/7201

Eleventh Generation

Family of Thomas HANSON (19) & Jennet/Janet GLEDHILL

- **20.** Roger HANSON. (Thomas¹⁰, John⁹⁻⁶, Henry⁵, John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) We know nothing more of Roger.
- **21. Thomas HANSON** (*Thomas* ¹⁰, *John* ⁹⁻⁶, *Henry* ⁵, *John* ⁴⁻³, *Hugh* ², *Roger* ¹) married **Martha NAYLOR**, daughter of **Edward NAYLOR**.
- **22. John1 HANSON.** (*Thomas*¹⁰, *John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) We know nothing more of John1, save that he died young, before the birth of the next son named "John".
- **23. Elizabeth HANSON.** (*Thomas*¹⁰, *John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) We know nothing more of Elizabeth.
- **24.** Judith HANSON. (Thomas¹⁰, John⁹⁻⁶, Henry⁵, John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) We know nothing more of Judith.
- **25.** Robert HANSON (*Thomas*¹⁰, *John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) married **Sarah THORPE**, daughter of **William THORPE**.
- **26. John2**¹¹ **HANSON** (*Thomas*¹⁰, *John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) moved from Halilfax, Yorkshire in the north of England (where his family had been prominent for years) to London. This is possibly the "John Hanson" who was named as a merchant in London toward the end of the 16th century. He married **Mary Frances PRICHARD**, daughter of **John PRICHARD**.

They had the following children:

27	i.	Thomas
28	ii.	Edward
29	iii.	Elizabeth

Generation: G9 Grandparents Person Numbers: 3600/3601

Hanson Register Report Twelfth Generation

Family of John2 HANSON (20) & Mary Frances PRICHARD

27. Thomas¹² **HANSON** (*John*¹¹, *Thomas*¹⁰, *John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) was born circa 1586. Probably in probably London, Middlesex, England. Previous sources have claimed that Thomas was born in Ipswich, England; however, it is more likely that Thomas only SAILED from Ipswich to New England^[2]. His birth year is estimated from a deposition of 7 March 1636/7, aged 50, concerning his brother-in-law Daniel Paul of Ipswich, England and later Kittery, York co., ME. Thomas died in Dover, Strafford co., NH circa 1666; he was 80^[1,3,]. It is assumed (only assumed!) that Thomas and his wife are buried in unmarked graves in the "Waldron Cemetery" on Route 4, in the second block east of Main Street, Dover, Strafford co., NH^[2].

There is the "Hanson Memorial Tablet" in Dover - on the west side of Knox Marsh Road, just before the Madbury/Dover line in honor of Thomas Hanson. This monument provdies the connection to John2 Hanson and Mary Frances Pritchard as his parents and refers to Halifax, Yorkshire and Hans de Rastrick, father of John de Rastrick^[2]. The Hanson Plot is at the north end of Wentworth Street^[4].

Thomas emigrated first to Salem, Essex co., MA. He then removed to Kittery, York co., ME and finally to Dover, Strafford co., NH in 1639^[1]. Thomas had a Land Grant of 100 acres of land near Salmon Falls, NH bounded by Joseph Austin, Nathaniel Twomly, Job Clements and Jeremy Tebbets^[5,8]. This parcel was granted him on 2s:11m:1658^[1] and remained in the Hanson family until 1913. He was taxed at Cochechae 12d:8m:1658^[2]. He bought marsh and upland there from Richard Cutt, John Tuttle and Ralph Twombly on 9d:2m:1660^[9]. Cochechae or Cocheco was the settlement that grew up around the Cocheco River - it is now the City of Dover. At this time, "Dover" was considered all of the area around present-day Dover - Somersworth, Rollinsford, Madbury, Durham (Oyster River), Dover Point and Lee^[2]. He lived in Nock Marsh, Cocheco (now Knox Marsh, Dover), Strafford co., NH in 1664 and 1665, where he was on the tax rolls as "Thomas Sr." We know he died ca. 1666 because he disappears from the tax rolls after that, but his widow's name appears in its stead in 1666 and 1672^[1,5].

Thomas made Freeman on 4 May 1661^[1,5] and took the oath of Fidelity on 5 April 1661^[2]. He did considerable town service: as Constable from 1663-1664; Grand juror in 1662; and petit juror, highway supervisor and others town officers^[2]. He was the founder of a family of Quakers in the U.S. Ironically, Thomas himself was not known as an active Quaker. The influence seems to have come from his wife, Mary. His progeny became prominent Quakers in the Seacoast area. Thomas spent his life as a Farmer and lumberman^[2]. Thomas could apparently write^[2].

Thomas' will was written in $1666^{[1,2]}$ and proved on 27 June 1666, naming his wife Mary as executrix^[6]. The full text of Thomas' will reads:

"These presents wittnesse that I Thomas Hanson Being in perffect mind & memory though weak in Body doe make this my Last Will & testament, ffirst I Bequeath my soul to God that gave itt & my body to ye Earth to bee decently Buried. My Will is thatt affter my debts are paid with my funerall Charge I doe give To my Loving Wife (duering her Naturall liffe or soe long as shee keeps herselfe a Widdow) all My housing with the Improved Ground thereunto Belonging at Cutchecho with all my Cattell and moveables withall my stuffe, she paying to my two daughters when they Come to the age off eighteen years old twenty pound a peece. But in case shee shall marry again then my will is that she shall have Butt one third off houses & improved Lands with all moveables and the other two thirds I give to my son' Tobias with all ye Rest off that threscore acres off Land Iving in Com'on & nott improved given mee in two grants ffrom ye Town one off fforty acres another off twenty acres all which affter my decease I Give to my son' Tobias, except whatt is Beffore given to my wife Likewise I Give to my son' Thomas thatt thirty acres off Land I Bought off William Hackett & thatt fifty . . . off Land thatt I Bought off Capt Bearffoott with ffive pounds in Cattell. also I Give to my two youngest son's Isaac & Timothy ten' pounds a peece When the Come off age withe thatt six score acres of land Granted my By ye town & laid outt to mee Between ffresh Creek and Nechowoneck River Be equaly devided Between them and doe apoint my Loving Wiffe Mary Hanson my soule Exequetrix to see all this my last will to Be perfformed and to pay outt all these Legacies when my children Come off age : outt off ye Chattells and if there is more in any Goods or Chattels or any bils Bonds or amounts due

to mee ffrom any man affter my debts are paid an all ye aboves^d Legacies. I Give & Bequeatth to my Wife with third off houses & lands to Bestow upon any off her Children that shall Be most Obedient as shee shall see Cause. in Witnesse heroff I have putt to my hand & seale.

signed seleid and deliverd

I Thomas hanson (seal)

in the presence of us
Richard Walderne
Samuell hale
[Proved June 27, 1666]"[7]

Before 1636 when Thomas was 50, he first married a woman about whom we know nothing. Circa 1641 when Thomas was 55, he second married **Mary PAUL**, in Dover, Strafford co., NH^[3,10,11,12,13] by John Ham. Mary died on 28 June 1689 in Dover, Strafford co., NH at the assault of the Waldron Garrison House^[1,2,3,5]. Her death record refers to her as "Old Widow Hanson". Mary had a brother named Daniel who was a mariner from Ipswich, England. He married a woman named Elizabeth and had many children^[14].

Mary was the prime religious influence in the house and was an ardent Quaker. She was fined in 1659 for being "delinquent" (absent) from meeting for 13 days and for attending Quaker meetings instead. In 1663 she was absolved from meeting^[2].

They had the following children:

30	i.	Tobias
31	ii.	Thomas
32	iii.	Isaac
33	iv.	Timothy
34	٧.	Elizabeth
35	vi.	Mary

Generation: G8 Grandparents Person Numbers: 1800/1801

- **28. Edward HANSON.** (John¹¹, Thomas¹⁰, John⁹⁻⁶, Henry⁵, John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) We know nothing more of Edward.
- **29.** Elizabeth HANSON. (John¹¹, Thomas¹⁰, John⁹⁻⁶, Henry⁵, John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) We know nothing more of Elizabeth.

Thirteenth Generation

Family of Thomas HANSON (27) & Mary PAUL

- **30. Tobias HANSON** (*Thomas*¹², *John*¹¹, *Thomas*¹⁰, *John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) was born circa 1640, as he was of age in his father's 1666 will. He was taxed as "Tobey" in Cocheco from 1662-1672^[26]. He married **Elizabeth [surname not known]**. His wife was captured by Indians on 28 June 1689 and he himself was killed by Indians on 10 May 1693^[26].
- **31. Thomas**¹³ **HANSON** (*Thomas*¹², *John*¹¹, *Thomas*¹⁰, *John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) was born circa 1643 in probably Kittery, ME^[5] and died in Dover, NH on 24 February 1710; he was 67. Thomas was a planter and took the Oath of Fidelity on 21 June 1669^[2]. Thomas was taxed at Cocheco from 1664 to 1667^[1].

Thomas' will was dated 24 February 1710 with a codicil written on 6 March 1710 and inventoried 8 November 1711^[15]. Names his wife as "Mercy" and mentions all children save John^[1,5]. The full text of Thomas' will reads:

"In y^e Name of god amen ye 24 day of y^e 2 month 17010 [sic] I Thomas Hanson of Cochecha in y^e Towne of Dover in y^e province of Newhampshere planter being sick and weak of bodey

* * *

Item I give and bequeath to Marey my well beloved wife halfe y^e purduce of my homesteed to be raised and levyed out of y^e Estate

Item I give and bequeath unto my well bloved sun Nathanuall y^t trackt or parcall of land lying and being betwene Rainers brooke and y^e Indion widgwom broock

Item I give and bequeth unto my well be loved daughter maray a suffishent Maintaince oute of my Etate or homested to gether with her mothers fether bead Duiering her Life time if shee sees scose but if other wise I give unto her twentey powne lawful money to be raised and levyed oute of my homesteede and y^e fether bed to be parte of y^e twentey pownd

Item I give and bequeth unto my well beloved Elezabeth y^e sum of tem powne to be raised and levyed oute of my home steed in lawfull money and to paid by my beloved sun James home I opint my Excutor

Item I give and bequeth unto my well beloved sun James Hanson home I lickewise Constitute make and ordaine my onley an sole Executor of this my laste will an testament all and singuler all y^e lands of my home steed onley I macke my wife duering her life time Joyntly Executerecks with him and to have half y^e purduse of y^e place duiering her life time and After her deces to be y^e onley and sole Executor of all my lands of my homested of this my laste will and testament by him freely to be possessed an Injoyd and I doe heare by uterly disallow revok and disannul al an Every other formor testements wills an legacies be fore this time named willed and bequethed ratifuing and Confirming this and no other to be my laste will and testament in witnise whereof I heare unto sete my hand and seale y^e daye and eare above writen and furder it is my will y^e my sun James shall have a yoake of oxen and all tacklan and geare belongen theare unto an also y^e after I and my wifes decese all y^e moveabels goods shall be Equaley devided amongst all my Children

signed sealed published pronounced and Declared by y^e sd Thomas **X** Hanson [seal] his mark

Thomas Hanson as his last will and testament in y^e presentce of us y^e subscribrs Jonathan watson Richard Scamon John Bampton

The full text of Thomas' codicil reads:

Be it known to all men by these presents y^t whereas I Thomas Hanson of Cochecha of y^e Towne of Dover and province of Newhapshere planter have made and declared my laste will an testamente in wrighteing bearing date y^e 24 day of y^e 2th month 1710 I y^e s^d Thomas Hanson doe by this present Codicil Confirm an ratifie my s^d laste will and testement I give and bequeath unto my well beloved suns Thomas and John y^t parsall of land y^t I purchesed of henerey Nock Comonly Coled an known by y^e name of Nocks mash and allso I have gave : y^e have allreadey had Ethe of them a yoake of oxen and tacklan and geears beloning thear unto and my will and meaning is y^t this Codicil schedule be and be a Judged to be a parte and parcel of my s^d last will and testement and y^t all things theare in Contained an mentioned be faithfully an truly performed and as fully an amply in my laste respect as if y^e same ware soe declared an set down in Every will an testement

and allso I have given unto my well beloved daughters marrey an Abagall and theay have allreadey had Eashe of them a Cowe and a feathear bead a pece this is to put an End to diference y^t may arise after my decese an to sarifi all whome it may Consarne y^t these heare mentioned have had theare parts and

his

mark

porshens y^t I have gave them with y^e reste of my Children in witnes wheare of I have heare unto sete my hand and seale this sixth day of ye 3 month 1710

signed sealed published and declaredby y^e s y^e Thomas Han-Thomas X Hanson [seal] son as parte of his laste will an testament in ye presents of us ye subscribers John Bampton Richard Scamon Jonathn watson [Proved Dec. 5, 1711.]

[Inventory, Nov. 8, 1711; amount, £250.16.6; signed by John Tuttle and Tristram Heard.] [Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 193]²[16]

On 3 June 1669 when Thomas was 26, he married Mary KITCHEN, daughter of John KITCHEN & Elizabeth **GRAFTON**, in Salem, Essex co., MA[3,17,5,11,18,19]. Mary was born in 1648 in Salem, Essex co., MA and died in 1710; she was 62. Mary was baptized as "Kitchin, Mary" in Salem, Essex co., MA in 23d:2m:1648^[20].

They had the following children:

36	i.	Thomas
37	ii.	John
38	iii.	Nathaniel
39	iv.	Marcy
40	٧.	Elizabeth
41	vi.	James
42	vii.	Abigail

Generation: G7 Grandparents Person Numbers: 900/901

- **32.** Isaac HANSON (Thomas¹², John¹¹, Thomas¹⁰, John⁹⁻⁶, Henry⁵, John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) was born after 1646, as he was still underage at the time of his father's 1666 will.
- 33. Timothy HANSON (Thomas¹², John¹¹, Thomas¹⁰, John⁹⁻⁶, Henry⁵, John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) was born after 1646, as he was still underage at the time of his father's 1666 will.
- **34. Elizabeth HANSON** (Thomas¹², John¹¹, Thomas¹⁰, John⁹⁻⁶, Henry⁵, John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) was born after 1648. She was not 18 at the time of her father's will.
- **35. Mary HANSON** (Thomas¹², John¹¹, Thomas¹⁰, John⁹⁻⁶, Henry⁵, John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) was born after 1648. She was not 18 at the time of her father's will.

Hanson Register Report Fourteenth Generation

Family of Thomas HANSON (31) & Mary KITCHEN

36. Thomas¹⁴ **HANSON** (*Thomas*¹³⁻¹², *John*¹¹, *Thomas*¹⁰, *John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) was born circa 1680 in Dover, Strafford co., NH and died in Dover, Strafford co., NH on 13d:11m:1728/9; he was 48^[21]. On their daughter Abigail's Lynn, Essex co., MA marriage intention their names read: "Thomas Hanson of Cochicka and Hannah Pearce of Lynn, 16 May 1719."^[22]

Thomas and Hannah lived in Dover, Rockingham co., NH, yet were married in Lynn, Essex co., MA -- where Hannah's family lived. Thomas served as Town Officer in 1708 and Selectman in 1728. Their marriage was recorded in the Salem Monthly Meeting, Society of Friends (C.R. 1) in Lynn, Essex co., MA. The Hansons were very active in the Dover, NH Society of Friends and are listed in their records.

Thomas' estate was probated on 18 September 1728 in Dover, Strafford co., NH. His wife Hannah was named the sole executrix^[23].

Thomas first married **Margaret MAUL**. Margaret was also known as Margaretta^[1] and died before June 1719, when Thomas remarried.

They had the following children:

43	i.	Thomas
44	ii.	Robert
45	iii.	Timothy
46	iv.	Maul
47	٧.	Jonathon
48	vi.	Sarah
49	vii.	Samuel

On 12 June 1719 when Thomas was 39, he second married **Hannah PIERCE**, in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[24,25]. An Intention was also filed on 16 May 1719 in Lynn, Essex co., MA and reads as "Thomas Hanson of Cochecka & Hannah Pearce of Lynn." In the Lynn, Essex co., MA records, they are listed as "Hanson, Thomas of Dover, and Hannah Peirce".

They had the following children:

50	i.	Solomon
51	ii.	Abigail
52	iii.	Ebeneezer

Generation: G6 Grandparents Person Numbers: 450/451

37. John HANSON (*Thomas* ¹³⁻¹², *John* ¹¹, *Thomas* ¹⁰, *John* ⁹⁻⁶, *Henry* ⁵, *John* ⁴⁻³, *Hugh* ², *Roger* ¹) married **Elizabeth [surname not known]**. John and his family "lived on the outside of town" [at Knox's Marsh] and suffered the killing of two children in 1724". His wife, a fourteen day old child, two daughters and a son were carried off. He redeemed all but Sarah the next year and died at Crown Point in 1727 whilst on a journey to redeem her ^[26]. Sarah is referred to as an example of a "white Indian" by Laurel Thatcher Ulrich, citing James Axtell. Since she went unredeemed (due to the unfortunate death of her father on a trip to do so), she was adopted by Canadian Indians and eventually married a Frenchman and remained in Canada ^[35].

His wife Elizabeth is one of the more famous Indian captives of the 17th century. An account of her captivity was published in a 1728 pamphlet entitled <u>God's Mercy surmounting Man's Cruelty Exemplifyed in the Captivity and Redemption of Elizabeth Hanson...In which re inserted, Sundry remarkable Preservations, Deliverances, and Marks</u>

of the Care and Kindness of Providence^[36]. She was taken by a band of Indians and taken to Canada, where she was sold to the French^[39]. She was "blessed" with an imperious, yet kind captor who did not kill her newborn baby, but instead helped her to carry the child -- and assist her -- as they climbed the mountains on the way to Canada^[37]. Elizabeth survived in large part because she bonded with the Native women in her band, who then taught her the necessary survival skills for both her and her infant during the trip from the seacoast of New Hampshire to the wilds of Canada^[39,40]. In addition, the tenets of her Quaker faith "...patience, long-suffering, and kindness were more powerful than cruelty...[she] simply refused to meet violence with violence...^[40]" However, this Quaker faith could also be a partial explanation for the many Hanson family members captured by Indians during the French & Indian Wars: "According to one New Hampshire minister, the Hansons may have been captured only because Elizabeth's husband, a 'stiff Quaker, full of enthusiasm, and ridiculing the military power, would on no account be influenced to come into garrison.'..."^[40]

Unlike roughly a third of the white women Indian captives of the time, Elizabeth refused to convert to Catholicism once she reached Canada. Instead, she stuck to her Quaker faith and refused to capitulate to the French^[38].

- **38. Nathaniel HANSON** (*Thomas*¹³⁻¹², *John*¹¹, *Thomas*¹⁰, *John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) married **Martha** [surname not known].
- **39.** Marcy HANSON. (*Thomas*¹³⁻¹², *John*¹¹, *Thomas*¹⁰, *John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) We know nothing more of Marcy.
- **40. Elizabeth HANSON.** (Thomas ¹³⁻¹², John ¹¹, Thomas ¹⁰, John ⁹⁻⁶, Henry ⁵, John ⁴⁻³, Hugh ², Roger ¹) We know nothing more of Elizabeth.
- **41. James HANSON.** (*Thomas*¹³⁻¹², *John*¹¹, *Thomas*¹⁰, *John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) We know nothing more of James.
- **42. Abigail HANSON.** (*Thomas*¹³⁻¹², *John*¹¹, *Thomas*¹⁰, *John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) We know nothing more of Abigail.

15th Generation

Family of Thomas HANSON (36) & Margaret MAUL

- **43. Thomas HANSON** (*Thomas* ¹⁴⁻¹², *John* ¹¹, *Thomas* ¹⁰, *John* ⁹⁻⁶, *Henry* ⁵, *John* ⁴⁻³, *Hugh* ², *Roger* ¹) was born in 1702 and married **Patience MASON**.
- **44. Robert HANSON** (Thomas ¹⁴⁻¹², John ¹¹, Thomas ¹⁰, John ⁹⁻⁶, Henry ⁵, John ⁴⁻³, Hugh ², Roger ¹) married **Lydia VARNEY**.
- **45. Timothy HANSON** (*Thomas*¹⁴⁻¹², *John*¹¹, *Thomas*¹⁰, *John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) married **Keziah** [surname not known].
- **46. Maul HANSON** (*Thomas* ¹⁴⁻¹², *John* ¹¹, *Thomas* ¹⁰, *John* ⁹⁻⁶, *Henry* ⁵, *John* ⁴⁻³, *Hugh* ², *Roger* ¹) first married **Sarah TWOMBLEY**, second married **Mary CANNEY** and third married **Anne AUSTIN**.
- **47. Jonathon HANSON.** (Thomas¹⁴⁻¹², John¹¹, Thomas¹⁰, John⁹⁻⁶, Henry⁵, John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) We know nothing more of Abigail.
- **48. Sarah HANSON.** (*Thomas*¹⁴⁻¹², *John*¹¹, *Thomas*¹⁰, *John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) We know nothing more of Sarah.

49. Samuel HANSON (*Thomas* ¹⁴⁻¹², *John* ¹¹, *Thomas* ¹⁰, *John* ⁹⁻⁶, *Henry* ⁵, *John* ⁴⁻³, *Hugh* ², *Roger* ¹) was born on 19 July 1717 and married **Anna VARNEY**.

Family of Thomas HANSON (36) & Hannah PIERCE

- **50. Solomon HANSON** (Thomas¹⁴⁻¹², John¹¹, Thomas¹⁰, John⁹⁻⁶, Henry⁵, John⁴⁻³, Hugh², Roger¹) was born on 29 January 1719/20. He has been clearly identified as a child of Hannah.
- **51. Abigail** ¹⁵ **HANSON** (*Thomas* ¹⁴⁻¹², *John* ¹¹, *Thomas* ¹⁰, *John* ⁹⁻⁶, *Henry* ⁵, *John* ⁴⁻³, *Hugh* ², *Roger* ¹) was born on 23 December 1721 in Dover, Strafford co., NH[27] and probably died on 11 February 1809; she was 87[28,29]. Her death is noted in the flyleaf of book 6 of the Lynn, Essex co., MA vital records as "The mother of Hanson Newhall died 11 Feb'y, 1809.".

On 20 September 1741 when Abigail was 19, she married **Joseph NEWHALL**^[30], son of **Samuel NEWHALL** & **Abigail LINDSEY**, in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[31]. Their marriage supposedly took place in Lynn, Essex co., MA, but we don't know when.

They had the following children:

i. Hanson

ii. Ebeneezer

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52. Ebeneezer HANSON (*Thomas*¹⁴⁻¹², *John*¹¹, *Thomas*¹⁰, *John*⁹⁻⁶, *Henry*⁵, *John*⁴⁻³, *Hugh*², *Roger*¹) was born on 16 April 1726. He was a member of the Society of Friends^[1]. Ebeneezer first married **Anne HODGDON** and second married **Hannah [surname not known]**.

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