

Lobdell Register Report

Research on the Lobdell family is greatly hampered by the fact that the town of Hingham, Plymouth co., MA has never released its vital records for publication. As far as I can tell, it is the only town in the Commonwealth to refuse to do so. There is a manuscript copy on file at the New England Historic Genealogical Society, but if you can't there, you must rely on other sources. For example, I believe there are other children of Nicholas and his wife, but I cannot give proof without the records.

Surname variations include: Lobdel, Lobdell, Lobden, Lobdale, Lopdell, Lobdel, Lobdele, Lobdell, Lobden, Lobdil, Lobdill, Lobdin and Lopdell.

First Generation

1. Nicholas¹ LOBDELL died after 28 November 1648^[1,2], when he gave a power of attorney to Richard Shelton in order to recover a debt from Nathaniel Peck of Barbados or St. Christopher's, late of Hingham, Plymouth co., MA. Based on Isaac's birth date – and assuming he is the first child of a first marriage – it is possible that Nicholas was born sometime circa 1615, probably in England.

We currently know nothing of his migration, but he was in Hingham, Plymouth co., MA by 1636^[4], when he received a land grant there as "Nicholas Lobdin"^[5,6]. Also, "Nicholas Lopdell" witnessed the will of Thomas Mussell, seaman, on 27 July 1640 [4d:5m(July):1646 in margin]^[3].

Nicholas' wife is currently unknown and died in March 1641 in Hull, Plymouth co., MA^[7].

They had the following children:

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| 2 | i. | Isaac |
| | ii. | John |

Generation: G9 Grandparents
Peron Numbers: 3740/3741

Second Generation

Family of Nicholas LOBDELL (1) & [not known]

2. Isaac² LOBDELL (*Nicholas¹*) was born circa 1634, probably in England^[4] and died in Hull, Plymouth co., MA on 26 April 1718; he was 84^[8]. He was made Freeman on 7 May 1673^[4].

Like his father, his migration information is lost to the ages. However, he settled in Hull, Plymouth co., MA^[13], where he lived on Town Hill on the original Samuel Ward lot, between Richard Stubbs and John Benson^[4]. On 12 May 1670 he and his wife sold to John Lobdell a single lot located at their home lot for £39^[4,14]. On 15 March 1702 Isaac Lobdell of Hull, yeoman, and wife Martha for love and affection deeded to their son Joseph of Boston, mariner, a messuage in Hull with the balance of a lease for 18 years on Bumpus Island, a Negro slave, Sambo, and other items, in consideration of support for life and sundry payments of yearly rent^[4,15].

The rent from the island referred to the following item from Samuel Ward's (Mary Ward Lobdell's father) will:

"I give the Island laying betwixt Hingham and Hull, called Bomkin [Bumpkin] Island, unto the College [Harvard] and my mind is that it be called Ward's Island".

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He later endorsed the back of the will with a codicil stating that

“the island that I have given the College, my mind is that it shall remain forever to Harvard College in New England, the rent of it to be for the easement of the charges of the Diatte [diet] of the students that are in the Commons.”

Use of the island fell to Isaac Lobdell who later re-leased it in March 1699 for 20 years at £4 yearly, payable annually on March first. His son Isaac later took over the lease from March 1707/8 for a period of twenty years^[4,11].

Isaac, Sr. bought a lot of marsh in Charlestown, Suffolk co., MA from Solomon Phipps in 1684. He sold this lot, together with a house to Samuel Adams in 1694^[13].

On 27 March 1710 “well stricken in years”, Isaac Lobdell wrote his will and it was proved on 5 May 1718^[4,9,10]. In it, his dwelling house went to son Joseph. daughter Perry and her husband, daughter Marah and her husband, daughter Abigail Steel and her husband, daughter Rebecca Stubs, granddaughters Anne Lobdell and Lydia Lobdell and “my four grandchildren descending from my son Isaac” His son Joseph and son-in-law Perry were named executors of the estate. Witnesses to the will were Abraham Jones, Benjamin Jones and Marcy Whitman.

On 5 May 1718 the will was presented by Joseph Lobdell and Benjamin Jones and it was noted that Abraham Jones was now deceased and Marcy Whitman was now at Bristol and indisposed. Inventory on the estate totaled £147 13s., including £110 12s. in money, plus his gun and sword^[12].

Circa 1656 when Isaac was 22, he married **Martha WARD**, daughter of **Samuel WARD & Mary HILLIARD**, probably in Hull, Plymouth co., MA^[4,6,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24]

They had the following children:

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| 4 | i. | Isaac |
| 5 | ii. | Elizabeth |
| 6 | iii. | Samuel |
| 7 | iv. | Nicholas |
| 8 | v. | Joseph |
| 9 | vi. | Mary |
| 10 | vii. | Abigail |
| 11 | viii. | Rebecca |

Generation: G8 Grandparents

Person Numbers: 1870/1871

Third Generation

Family of Isaac LOBDELL (2) & Martha WARD

4. Isaac LOBDELL (*Isaac*², *Nicholas*¹) was born in 1657 in Hingham, Plymouth co., MA and was baptized there on 14 June 1657^[26]. Isaac died before his father's death on 26 April 1718, as he was not mentioned in the will; he was 61^[12]. He fought in King Philip's War^[2].

Circa 1679 when Isaac was 22, he first married **Sarah BRYANT**, daughter of **Stephen BRYANT & Abigail SHAW**^[2].

They had the following children:

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| i. | [unnamed daughter] |
| ii. | Sarah |
| iii. | Martha |
| iv. | Samuell |

Isaac second married **Hannah BISHOP**.

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5. Elizabeth LOBDELL (*Isaac², Nicholas¹*) was born circa 1659 in Hull, Plymouth co., MA^[12]. On 31 May 1681 when Elizabeth was 22, she married **William PERRY**, in Scituate, Plymouth co., MA^[12].

6. Samuel LOBDELL (*Isaac², Nicholas¹*) was born in 1661 in Hingham, Plymouth co., MA and was baptized there on 28 April 1661^[27].

7. Nicholas LOBDELL (*Isaac², Nicholas¹*) was born in 1663 in Hingham, Plymouth co., MA and was baptized there on 4 October 1663^[28]. Nicholas died in Charlestown, Suffolk co., MA before 28 July 1698 -- when his will was proved; he was 35^[12]. He was a Tailor^[13]. On 18 August 1687 when Nicholas was 24, he married **Elizabeth PERKINS**, daughter of **Luke PERKINS & Hannah COOKERY**, in Charlestown, Suffolk co., MA^[13].

They had the following children:

- i. Nicholas
- ii. Elizabeth

8. Captain Joseph LOBDELL (*Isaac², Nicholas¹*) was born circa 1663 in Hull, Plymouth co., MA^[12] and died in Hull, Plymouth co., MA on 2 April 1725; he was 62^[29]. On 1 September 1692 when Joseph was 29, he married **Elizabeth PRICE**, daughter of **Richard PRICE & Elizabeth CROMWELL**, in Boston, Suffolk co., MA^[12].

9. Mary³ LOBDELL (*Isaac², Nicholas¹*) was born circa 1666 in Hull, Plymouth co., MA^[6,12] and died in Boston, Suffolk co., MA on 18 December 1744; she was 78^[6,12]. She is buried in Copp's Hill Cemetery in Boston, Suffolk co., MA. Her gravestone reads: "Here lyes ye Body of Mrs. Mary Pierce wife of Mr. Jonathan Pierce of Charlestown, aged 81 years, died dec. ye 18th 1744."

Mary was a formidable woman. She "own. cov't 12 (6) 1688" in Charlestown, Suffolk co., MA according to Wyman^[30], was granted administration of her husband's estate in 1722 and was admitted to the church at Charlestown on 30 October 1726, "ancilla nostra"^[31].

On 4d:10m(December):1683 when Mary was 17, she married **Jonathon PIERCE**, son of **Samuel PIERCE & Mary [surname not known]**, in Charlestown, Suffolk co., MA^[6,12,19,22,32,33,34,35,36,37] by Wor. Tho. Danforth, Esq. Deputy Governor.

They had the following children:

- i. **Mary (1686-1740)**
- ii. Samuel (1687-)
- iii. Jonathon1 (1689-1689)
- iv. Jonathon2 (1690-)
- v. Thomas (1693-)
- vi. Joseph (1694-)
- vii. Martha (1696-)
- viii. Benjamin (1698-)
- ix. Sarah (1699-)
- x. Elizabeth (1700-)
- xi. Isaac (1702-)
- xii. John (1703-)
- xiii. Jacob (1705-1705)
- xiv. Stephen (1706-)

Generation: G7 Grandparents
Person Numbers: 934/935

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10. Abigail LOBDELL (*Isaac², Nicholas¹*) was born circa 1668 in Hull, Plymouth co., MA^[12]. On 25 May 1696 when Abigail was 28, she and **John STEEL** filed an intention of marriage, in Boston, Suffolk co., MA^[12].

11. Rebecca LOBDELL (*Isaac², Nicholas¹*) was born circa 1670 in Hull, Plymouth co., MA^[39] and died in Hull, Plymouth co., MA on 6 August 1743; she was 73^[10].

Circa 1690 when Rebecca was 20, she first married **Richard STUBBS**, in Hull, Plymouth co., MA^[10]. Richard was born in December 1661 in Hull, Plymouth co., MA^[10] and died in Hull, Plymouth co., MA on 5 March 1711; he was 49^[10]. Rebecca second married **John COX**.

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