

RECORDS

SOME OF THE DESCENDANTS

GEORGE AND MATUREN RICKER,

DOVER, N. H.

KILLED BY THE INDIANS, JUNE 4, 1706.

WILLIAM RICKER, M. D.

1850-1860

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## RICKER FAMILY.

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Two brothers, George and Maturin Ricker came from England to Dover, N. H. George appeared there in 1670 and was first taxed in 1672 at Coheco. Tradition in the family says that he came over with old Parson Reyner, and at his expense; and that, after repaying the Parson, his next earnings went to get his younger brother, Maturin, over. Maturin was not taxed in 1672, and the next lists are lost. But as to the Reyner matter, the difficulty is that the Parson came over in 1635, and died early in 1669. However, he owned landed property in England, and perhaps this tradition may give a clue to the Rickers as to the place George came from. George settled in what is now Rollingsford, near the Wentworth property. In fact, he and John Wentworth (the Elder's son) traded in land somewhat. Maturin must have lived near. Both of them, George and Maturin, were killed by the Indians June 4, 1706. The original Journal of Rev. John Pike, who was the minister at Dover, which is in the Library of the Massachusetts Historical Society, says, under date of June 4, 1706: "George Riccar and Maturin Riccar, of Coheco, were slain by the Indians; George was killed while running up the lane near the garrison; Maturin was killed in his field, and his little son [Noah] carried away." The "garrison" was Heard's, which stood in the garden of the late Friend Bangs. The "lane" was the now cross road just at the southern base of Garrison Hill.

George Ricker married Eleanor Evans. Her father had been killed by the Indians; doubtless the "Mr. Evans" whom Pike mentions as killed in the massacre, in a time of profound peace. Rebecca Ricker is now living in Lebanon, Me., whose grandfather was ten years old when *his* father, the emigrant, was killed, and much older when his mother, that Eleanor Evans, died. Rebecca

NOTE.—A large proportion of these records were obtained by those employed by Hon. John Wentworth in gathering materials for the *Wentworth Genealogy*, and were published in the *Dover Enquirer* by Dr. A. H. Quint of Dover. We have been able to make important additions to the Maine families and to correct some typographical and other errors. It is quite probable that errors still exist, though we trust they are few.—Ed.

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says that the Indians chained Mr. Evans to Mr. Waldron's barn as they set it on fire, and he was burned to death. She also says that Eleanor's brother was killed at that time, and records sustain her assertion; but this may not be quite correct, inasmuch as a young John Evans appears by other documents, to have been taken prisoner then, who died a captive not long after. He was doubtless supposed to be among the killed.

GEORGE RICKER<sup>1</sup> by his wife Eleanor had nine children, as follows :

- 3 i Judith, b. Feb. 1, 1681. She was once a captive. Pike says, 26 July, 1696: "Being sacrament day. An Ambush of Indians laid between Capt. Gerrieh's field and Tobias Hanson's orchard, shot upon the poor people returning from Meeting, killed Nicholas Otis, Mary Downe, and Mary Jones. Wounded Richard Otis, Anthony Lowden, and Experience Heard, took John Tucker, Nicholas Otis's wife and Judith Riccar." Belnap adds that the captives were taken to Penobscot, but they soon found their way home. This ambush was almost precisely where the Congregational church stands. Judith was home again 14 April, 1699, for on that day Parson Pike married her to Thomas Horne. She had four children, Sarah, Ichabod, Thomas, and William, and was ancestress of various Horne families still flourishing. But she died, and he married Esther somebody, and had five more children.
- † 4 ii John, b. April 1, 1682.
- 5 iii Mary, b. March 22, 1685; m. William Twombly, son of John, and grandson of the emigrant Ralph. She was with her father when he was killed, but, although fired upon, she escaped by rapid running.
- † 6 iv Maturin, b. Feb. 1, 1686.
- 7 v Elizabeth, b. Aug. 8, 1690; probably the one who married, 1st, Bartholomew Stevenson, Jun., son of Bartholomew and Mary (Clark) Stevenson. He, too, was killed by the Indians, 30 June, 1709. She married, 2d, an Abbott, and had several children. By her first marriage she had only Deborah, who married Benjamin Wentworth.
- 7 vi Hannah, b. May 12, 1693; m. 23 July, 1720, William Jones, and had at least three children, viz: Eleanor (who married her cousin, Benjamin Stanton), William, and Hannah.
- † 8 vii Ephraim, b. Feb. 15, 1696.
- 9 viii Eleanor, b. Feb. 15, 1699; m. Benjamin Stanton, who came from England; and had several children. Her son Benjamin married his cousin Eleanor Jones, as above, and was ancestor of Prof. Jonathan Y. Stanton, of Bates College.
- † 10 ix George, b. Feb. 13, 1702; m. Jemima Eashy.

MATURIN RICKER<sup>1</sup>, the younger brother of George the emigrant, was married and had at least four children. The name of his wife and dates of birth of his children have not been ascertained. His children were :

**10** GEORGE RICKEN, JR., married Jemima Busby, and lived in Berwick. Children:

- † 53 i Ephraim, b. — —; m. Susannah Leighton.
- 54 ii Daniel, b. — —.
- 55 iii James, b. — —.
- 56 iv Dolly, b. — —.
- 57 v Betty, b. — —.
- 58 vi Polly, — —.

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**53** EPHRAIM, son of George Ricker, Jr., married Susannah Leighton. He resided in Somersworth, N. H., and subsequently in Berwick, Me. Children:

† 143 i Tobias, b. —; m. Abigail, dau. of Tristram and Mary (Neal) Warren of Buckfield.

† 144 ii George, b. Dec. 14, 1771; m. Dorcas, dau. of Enoch Philbrick of Buckfield.

145 iii Daniel, b. —. He was a minister and resided in Warren and Freedom, Me., where he left a family.

† 146 iv James, b. June 24, 1777; m. 1st. Nancy Wescott; 2d, Elizabeth, dau. of William Barry of Buckfield.

147 v Eleanor, b. —; m. Stephen Pearce of Berwick.

148 vi Dolly, b. —; m. Thomas Allen of Hartford.

149 vii Sally, b. —; m. Stephen Pierce of Berwick.

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Moses, Son of Moses Wingate.  
27 Paul, Son of Thomas Horn.  
Lydia, Wife of Arthur Danielson & their Child<sup>u</sup>, Sarah  
& Mary.
- Sept<sup>r</sup> 3 Humphey, Son of Joseph Hanson, in private.  
17 Deborah, D<sup>r</sup> of Cap<sup>t</sup> Tristram Coffin.
- Octob 15 William, Son of John Heard.
- Nov<sup>r</sup> 5 Joseph, Son of Joseph Hall.
- Dec<sup>r</sup> 12 Paul Roberts, upon a sick bed.  
25 John Foye, upon a sick bed.
- 1739.
- Jan 4 Daniel, Son of Zechariah Edgerly.
- Feb 14 Sarah, D<sup>r</sup> of John Roberts, in private, being sick.  
18 Lucy, D<sup>r</sup> of Dudley Watson.
- Mar 11 Abigail & Joseph, Child<sup>u</sup> of Jonathan Thomson, at Dur-  
ham.  
13 John, Son of John Sanburn, in private.  
18 Sarah, D<sup>r</sup> of Timothy Emerson.  
Joseph, Son of Solomon Emerson.  
Isaac & James, Sons of James Leighton.
- 25 Patience, D<sup>r</sup> of Benjamin Ham.  
Elizabeth, D<sup>r</sup> of John Mardin.
- \* Ap<sup>t</sup> 5 Susanna, D<sup>r</sup> of Cap<sup>t</sup> Thomas Millet, in private.  
15 Ichabod, Son of Eph<sup>m</sup> Ham.  
Sarah, D<sup>r</sup> of Sam<sup>l</sup> Whitehouse.
- May 3 Sam<sup>l</sup> Ham, on a sick bed.  
27 Patience, Wife of W<sup>m</sup> Hill, jun<sup>r</sup>.
- June 10 Sarah, D<sup>r</sup> of William Cate.  
24 Levi, Son of Arthur Danielson.
- July 1 Sarah Dittey.
- Aug 19 Ezra, Son of Ezra Kimbal.  
26 Samuel, Stephen & Lydia, Child<sup>u</sup> of Widow Lydia  
Ham.
- Sept<sup>r</sup> 20 Baptiz'd at y<sup>e</sup> Meeting H<sup>o</sup> in y<sup>e</sup> S. W. part of y<sup>e</sup> Town,  
now Madbury.  
Rebekah & Sarah, Child<sup>u</sup> of Thomas Bickford.  
Jonathan, Son of Dan<sup>l</sup> Harvie.  
Abraham, Son of John Bussell.  
Solomon, Son of Sol<sup>o</sup> Emerson.

### Records of some of the descendants of George and Maturin Ricke who were early at Dover, New Hampshire and who were killed by Indians, June 4, 1706



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# Ephraim Ricker (abt. 1727 - 1820)



## Ephraim Ricker

Born **about 1727** in **Dover, Strafford, New Hampshire** ?

✂ Son of [George Ricker](#) and [Jemima \(Busby\) Ricker](#) ANCESTORS ↻

✂ Brother of [James Ricker](#), [Dorothy \(Ricker\) Moore](#), [Polly Ricker](#), [Daniel Ricker](#) and [Elizabeth \(Ricker\) Fall](#)

Husband of [Susannah \(Leighton\) Ricker](#) — married before 2 Dec 1759 [location unknown]

Father of [Elizabeth Ricker](#), [Tobias Ricker](#), [Eleanor \(Ricker\) Pearce](#), DESCENDANTS ↻  
[Sarah \(Ricker\) Pearce](#), [George Ricker](#), [Daniel Ricker](#), [James Ricker](#) and [Dorothy \(Ricker\) Allen](#)

✂ Died **Apr 1820** in **Buckfield, Oxford, Maine, United States** ?

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## Biography

### Birth

Ephraim Ricker was born about 1727, according to his tombstone, which gives his age at his death in April 1820 as 93.<sup>[1]</sup> He was the son of George Ricker and Jemima (Busby) Ricker. he is the first-named child in George's will.<sup>[2]</sup>

### Out-of-Wedlock Child

Ephraim Ricker was the father of Elizabeth Ricker, who was born out of wedlock to Elizabeth Marden, probably about 1750. Master Joseph Tate, the Somersworth schoolmaster, reported Elizabeth Ricker's marriage to Benjamin Evans at Somesworth, New Hampshire, on 16 Dec 1771, with this description of her parentage:

"Mr. Benja. Evans's who Married with Eliz. Ricker on Monday Dec. 16th 1771. Illegal

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It may be possible to confirm family relationships with Ephraim by comparing test results with other carriers of [his Y-chromosome](#) or [his mother's mitochondrial DNA](#). However, there are no known yDNA or mtDNA test-takers in his direct paternal or maternal line. It is likely that these autosomal DNA test-takers will share [some percentage \(beta\)](#) of DNA with Ephraim:

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George. None of the daughters' births are recorded, and the order suggests that Eleanor may have been several years older than Tobias.

## Land Holdings

- Ephraim Ricker was included in the list of land owners taxed one-third share of 18s 9d for clearing roads and building bridges in Rochester, New Hampshire. The owners have the liberty of paying the tax in labor on the roads and bridges, at two shillings a day, under the direction of the selectmen. <sup>[5]</sup>
- Ephraim is listed in the 1798 Direct Tax in Alfred with 50 acres worth \$100 also in Berwick with a house and three parcels of land with a total of 47 acres, 10 perches of land which was owned by John Ricker and worth \$442. <sup>[6]</sup>

## Children

First child by Elizabeth Marden, last seven by Susannah Leighton. All children probably born in Somersworth.

- I. Elizabeth- m. 16 Dec 1771 Somersworth, Benjamin Evans
- II. Eleanor- m. 7 Feb. 1781 Lebanon, Stephen Pearce of Berwick
- III. Tobias- b. 2 Dec. 1759, m. 17 June 1784 Berwick, Abigail Warren (b. 12 May 1764 Berwick, d. 20 Sept. 1850 Buckfield, ME), d. 20 Dec. 1847 Buckfield. Tobias was in the Revolutionary War and served at Ticonderoga and Saratoga.
- IV. Dorothy/Dolly- m. 1 Jan. 1804 Hartford, Thomas Allen of Hartford
- V. Sally- m. 28 Oct. 1783 Berwick, Stephen Pearce
- VI. George- b. 14 Dec. 1771, m. Dorcas Philbrick of Buckfield, d. 1854 Auburn
- VII. Daniel- b. 23 July 1774, d. 5 Nov. 1854 Freedom, ME; m.1. 5 Mar. 1801 Hebron (now Oxford), ME, Dolly Caldwell (d. 5 Mar. 1802), 2.. 16 Dec 1804 Bristol, ME Hannah Hatch (b. 6 Sept. 1783 Bristol, ME) . Rev. Daniel was a Baptist minister and the pastor in Penobscot, Prospect, Union and Freedom.
- VIII. James- b. 24 June 1777, m.1. 26 Apr. 1801 Hartford, Nancy Wescott (d. 22 July 1804 Hartford), 2. 26 Jan. 1806 Buckfield, Elizabeth Berry (b. 1 June 1785, d. 13 Apr. 1861 Buckfield), d. 1 Oct. 1859 Hartford

## Death and Burial

Ephraim Ricker died in April 1820 and is buried at the Berry Cemetery in Buckfield, Maine, where his gravestone says he was aged 93 at his death. <sup>[1]</sup>

## Research Note

The Ricker genealogy hopelessly garbles the facts about this man. Some of the errors are due to confusing him with a different Ephraim Ricker who was born in 1759, and some are just sloppiness:

- It gives his birth date as 1760, <sup>[2]</sup> when his out-of-wedlock daughter Elizabeth married in 1771 and his son Tobias was born in 1759..
- It says that he married Susanna Leighton in 1769. yet it also gives them a child born in 1759. <sup>[4]</sup>
- It says that Susannah died and that Ephraim then married Susan Fall, who died in 1852. <sup>[4]</sup> The age at death of birth (64) of Ephraim Ricker, who died in 1824, on the gravestone of Ephraim and Susan Ricker at Hartford, Maine, <sup>[7]</sup> show that this is another case of confusing the two Ephraims. Susannah lived on until 1819, as her gravestone shows. <sup>[8]</sup>
- It says that he died in 1824 at Hartford, Maine, when his gravestone shows that he died in 1820 at Buckport, Maine, <sup>[4]</sup> another confusion of the two Ephraim Rickers.

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**BENJAMIN EVANS**

b. Nov. 1743/c.1750 Somersworth, NH

m. 1. 16 Dec. 1771 Berwick, Elizabeth Ricker (b.c.1750-5, d. of Ephraim Ricker Jr. & Elizabeth Martin, d. 19 June 1776 Somersworth, NH)

2. 4 July 1776 Dover, Lydia Whidden (b.c.1740)

3. Betsey \_\_\_\_\_

d. 2 Apr. 1844 Kennebunk, ME

From Master Tate's Diary:

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Looks like Ephraim never married Elizabeth Mardin/Martin.

Ben's first wife, Elizabeth Ricker, died in June and he remarried Lydia Whidden on the 4th of July, 1776... an auspicious day for a wedding!

Benjamin moved from Berwick to Lyman (Coxhall), ME about 1776, although his son Benjamin's birth is recorded in the town records of Wolfboro in 1777 (perhaps he thought this was a safer place during the war). He was a private in Capt. Wood's Company, Col. Hubbard's Massachusetts Regiment and was transferred in Dec. 1775 to Capt. Gridley's Company, Col. Gridley's Regiment of Artillery. He served for eight months. He then enlisted in the spring of 1776 in Lyman and served four months as a private in Capt. Wells' Co., Col. Francis' Massachusetts Regiment. His pension was granted based on this service on 7 Aug. 1832<sup>[3]</sup> however, he also served other companies in 1776 and 1777 and was going to join another regiment at the end of the war but, his services were not needed.<sup>[4]</sup>

"... I enlisted for eight months in April 1775 into Capt. Woods company of Berwick in Col. Hubbards Regiment, marched to Cambridge and served out the full period of my enlistment and after the Battle of Bunker Hill, [ ? ] discharged at Roxbury and last of November the same year-

The year following I enlisted into Capt. Wells company of Wells for four months [ ? ] stationed at Dorchester Hill, served out the full period of my engagement and [ ? ] discharged I think in September or October when I returned home, we were engaged in [ ? ] the Castle in Boston Harbour Col. Francis commanded the regiment and went north

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## Ephraim Ricker

**BIRTH** 1727  
Dover, Strafford County, New Hampshire, USA

**DEATH** Apr 1820 (aged 92–93)  
Sumner, Oxford County, Maine, USA

**BURIAL** Berry Cemetery  
Buckfield, Oxford County, Maine, USA

**MEMORIAL ID** 36341760 ·

### Family Members

#### Spouse



Susannah *Leighton*  
Ricker  
1732–1819

#### Children



Tobias Ricker  
1757–1845



James Ricker  
1777–1859

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