

# *Descendants of William Houchin*

## *Generation No. 1*

1. WILLIAM<sup>1</sup> HOUCHIN was born Abt. 1593, and died Unknown.

Child of WILLIAM HOUCHIN is:

2. i. JEREMIAH<sup>2</sup> HOUCHIN, b. Abt. 1623, Dorchester, England; d. Aft. Apr 07, 1670.

## *Generation No. 2*

2. JEREMIAH<sup>2</sup> HOUCHIN (*WILLIAM*<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1623 in Dorchester, England, and died Aft. Apr 07, 1670. He married ESTHER PIGEON. She was born Abt. 1623, and died Jul 02, 1693<sup>1</sup>.

Notes for JEREMIAH HOUCHIN:

Per SAVAGE'S Dictionary of First Settlers of New England, v. 2

HOUCHIN, HOUTCHIN, HOWCHEN, or HOWCHENES, JEREMY, Dorchester, a tanner, removed early to Boston, freeman 13 May 1640, artillery company 1641, by wife Esther had Mary, born 18 March 1640; Jeremy, baptized in Boston 12 March 1643, died perhaps, on the day given by town record as that of birth 20 April 1643; Mehitabel, 30 June 1644; Jeremy, again, 5, baptized 9 November 1651, died next month; Jeremy, again, 26, baptized 28 November 1652; Sarah, 10 March 1654; and John, 27 October 1655, and the three last probably died young. But he had, also, probably at Dorchester (though Harris omits the name of so prominent a man), Elizabeth who married 9 November 1653, John Endicot, son of the Governor and next, Rev. James Allen; and Nathaniel, 27 July 1658; and Rachel, married 1673, Bozoan Allen, who succeeded to her father's business. He was representative for Hingham 1651-9, except 1656, and for Salisbury 1663; and died between 7 April 1670, the date of his will, and 31 May foll. when it was proved. This document is of interest, because it refers to estate given to him in will of his father William (who probably was in England) at Harliston, in County Norfolk and names (beside the young children of his wife Esther) Nathaniel; and Rachel; daughter Esther; wife of Samuel Wheelwright, probably the eldest; Elizabeth wife of Rev. James Allen; and Mary, wife of Nathaniel Greene.

Per FARMER'S Genealogical Register of the First Settlers of New England

HOUCHIN, Jeremy, a tanner of Boston, was admitted freeman 1640, member of artillery company 1641, was representative for Hingham from 1651 to 1659, excepting 1656; for Salisbury in 1663. He was admitted a member of Dorchester church in 1639. His sons, Jeremy and John, were born in Boston in 1652 and 1655. His name was spelled Howchenes in the colony records.

Per POPE'S The Pioneers of Massachusetts:

HOUCHIN, HOWCHIN, HUTCHINS, Jeremiah, tanner, Dorchester, proprietor before 1639. Admitted to the church with wife 4 (12) 1639; freeman May 13, 1640. He removed to Boston. Town officer. Deputy. He deposed January 29, 1664-5, aged about 49 years. [Arch. 15 B.] Wife Esther (Hester;) children Mary, born 18 (1) 1640, baptized at Dorchester 14 (1) 1641(married 22 (4) 1657, Nathaniel Greene), Jeremy born and died 1643, Mehetabel bapt 30 (4) 1644, aged about 7 days, William baptized 1 (5) 1649, aged about 3 days, Hannah baptized 19 (3) 1650, Jeremiah born and died 1651, Jeremiah born 26 November 1652, Sarah born 10 March, 1653, Elizabeth, (married 9 (9) 1953, John Endecott, Jr.), Sarah baptized 12 (1) 1654, John born 27 October 1655, died 2 (5) 1657, Nathaniel born July 24, 1658, Richard born December 16, 1660. Will Dated 7 April 1670, probated 3 March 1670/71; bequests to wife Esther life use of houses, lands, tanyards, etc., entrusting to her care his two youngest children Nathaniel and Rachel; to children Elizabeth, wife to Mr. James Allen, Esther, wife to Samuel Wheelwright, Mary, wife of Nathaniel Greene, Nathaniel and Rachel H.; to Mr. John Westgate of Harliston, county Norfolk, England, who had charge of his business in England. The widow Esther deeded land 24 June, 1670. She died July 2, 1693

More About JEREMIAH HOUCHIN:

Freeman: May 13, 1640<sup>2,3</sup>

Member: 1641, Artillery Company<sup>4</sup>

Occupation: Tanner

Representative: Bet. 1651 - 1655, And 1657-1659 for Hingham, 1663 for Salisbury

Will Dated: Apr 07, 1670<sup>5</sup>

Will Proved: May 31, 1670<sup>5</sup>

Children of JEREMIAH HOUCHIN and ESTHER PIGEON are:

3. i. ELIZABETH<sup>3</sup> HOUCHIN, b. Abt. 1637, Boston, Suffolk Co., MA; d. Apr 05, 1673.
- ii. MARY HOUCHIN, b. Mar 18, 1639/40<sup>5</sup>; d. Unknown; m. NATHANIEL GREENE, Jun 22, 1657<sup>5</sup>; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Notes for NATHANIEL GREENE:

Per SAVAGE'S Dictionary of First Settlers of New England, v. 2

GREEN, NATHANIEL, Boston, married 22 June 1657, Mary, daughter of Jeremy Houchin, freeman 1665.

More About NATHANIEL GREENE:

Freeman: 1665<sup>5</sup>

- iii. JEREMY HOUCHIN, b. Abt. Mar 12, 1642/43, Boston, Suffolk Co., MA; d. Abt. Apr 20, 1643, Boston, Suffolk Co., MA.

More About JEREMY HOUCHIN:

Baptism: Mar 12, 1642/43, Boston, Suffolk Co., MA<sup>5</sup>

- iv. MEHITABLE HOUCHIN, b. Jun 30, 1644<sup>5</sup>; d. Unknown.
- v. JEREMY HOUCHIN, b. Nov 05, 1651<sup>5</sup>; d. Dec 1651.

More About JEREMY HOUCHIN:

Baptism: Nov 09, 1651

- vi. JEREMY HOUCHIN, b. Nov 26, 1652<sup>5</sup>; d. Unknown.

More About JEREMY HOUCHIN:

Baptism: Nov 28, 1652<sup>5</sup>

- vii. SARAH HOUCHIN, b. Mar 10, 1653/54<sup>5</sup>; d. Unknown.
- viii. JOHN HOUCHIN, b. Oct 27, 1655<sup>5</sup>; d. Unknown.
- ix. NATHANIEL HOUCHIN, b. Jul 27, 1658<sup>5</sup>; d. Unknown.
- x. ESTHER HOUCHIN, b. Unknown; d. Unknown; m. SAMUEL WHEELWRIGHT; b. Unknown; d. 1700<sup>6</sup>.

Notes for SAMUEL WHEELWRIGHT:

Per SAVAGE'S Dictionary of First Settlers of New England, v. 4

WHEELWRIGHT, SAMUEL, Wells, son of the first John, married Esther, daughter of Jeremy Houchins of Boston, was town clerk 30 years, in 1665 appointed by the government of Massachusetts a commissioner for the town, or justice of the peace, representative for York and Wells 1671, for Wells in 1677, in 1681, named of the Council for the Province under President Danford, and died 1700.

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Per FARMER'S Genealogical Register of the First Settlers of New England

WHEELWRIGHT, SAMUEL, Wells, son of the preceding, was representative in 1671.

- xi. RACHEL HOUCHIN, b. Unknown; d. Bef. 1679; m. BOZOAN ALLEN, 1673<sup>7</sup>; b. Feb 13, 1652/53<sup>7</sup>; d. Aft. 1700.

Notes for BOZOAN ALLEN:

Per SAVAGE'S Dictionary of First Settlers of New England, v. 1

ALLEN, BOZOAN, Boston, son of the preceeding born after his death, married 1673, Rachel, daughter of Jeremiah Houchin, whom he succeeded in his gr. business, as a tanner, had another wife Lydia in 1679, was constable 1680, freeman 1682, one of the selectmen 1692, and representative 1700.

More About BOZOAN ALLEN:

Freeman: 1682<sup>7</sup>

Occupation: Tanner<sup>7</sup>

Public Service: Constable<sup>7</sup>

*Generation No. 3*

3. ELIZABETH<sup>3</sup> HOUCHIN (*JEREMIAH*<sup>2</sup>, *WILLIAM*<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1637 in Boston, Suffolk Co., MA, and died Apr 05, 1673<sup>7</sup>. She married (1) JOHN ENDICOTT Nov 09, 1653 in Boston, Suffolk Co., MA<sup>8</sup>, son of JOHN ENDICOTT and ELIZABETH GIBSON. He was born Abt. 1632<sup>8</sup>, and died 1668<sup>8</sup>. She married (2) JAMES ALLEN Aug 31, 1668 in Boston, Suffolk Co., MA. He was born Jun 24, 1632 in Hampshire, England<sup>9</sup>, and died Sep 22, 1710 in Boston, Suffolk Co., MA<sup>9</sup>.

Notes for JOHN ENDICOTT:

From Savage's Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers, v. 2

ENDICOTT, JOHN, Boston, son of the preceeding, married 9 November 1653, Elizabeth, daughter of Jeremiah Howchin, had no children, died 1668. His will of 27 January was produced four weeks after.

His widow married the same year Rev. James Allen.

More About JOHN ENDICOTT:

Will Dated: Jan 27, 1667/68<sup>10</sup>

Will Proved: Feb 1667/68<sup>11</sup>

Notes for JAMES ALLEN:

From Savage's Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers, v. 1.

ALLEN, JAMES, Boston, one of the ejected ministers, was son of a minister in Hampshire and born 24 June 1632, as is told, entered of Magdalen Hall, 16 March 1649, and of New College Oxford, procced. A. M. and was one of the fellows; arrived at Boston, 10 June 1662, married 18 August 1663, Hannah, daughter of Richard Dummer; who died 26 February 1668, aged 21, probably without children. Soon he married second wife Elizabeth, widow of the second John Endicott, daughter of Jeremiah Houchin, had Hannah, born 22 July 1669; James, 24 August 1670, Harvard College 1689; John, 29 February 1672; and Jeremiah, 27 March 1673, who in 1715 was Treasurer of the Province. His wife died 5 April after, and he married 11 September 1673, third wife Sarah, widow of Robert Breck, daughter of Capt. Thomas Hawkins (the names of both her father and of her former husband being strangely perverted in Drake's History of Boston, 339), had Thomas, 20 May 1675, died in a few weeks and Sarah, 11 September 1679, who died at 3 years. After some years preaching there, he was settled in the midst of great disquiet, at the first church on the same day, with Davenport (9 December 1668), in vindication of those characters he was long a strenuous opponent of the third, or O. S. church that sprang, out of the unhappy circumstances by which he was brought from New Haven. His last wife died 25 November 1705, and he died 22 September 1710. Dunton says, his son James was a minister in England, died at Northampton, but perhaps he is wrong, for he was young, and our College Catalog never gave him the Italics, though it marks him as Socius. See 2 Mass. Hist. Coll. II. 101 and 3 M. H. C. VIII. 250. Both of the Biogr. Dict., Eliot, briefly, and Allen, more at large, explain the difficulty of his course.

From Farmer, Genealogical Register of the First Settlers of New England:

ALLEN, JAMES, minister of the first church in Boston, was A. M. at New College, Oxford, and one of the ejected ministers. He came to New England in 1662, admitted freeman 1665; was installed 9 December 1668, died 22 September 1710, age 78 years. John Dunton, in his journal, says a son of Mr. Allen was a minister in England, and died in Northampton. James Allen, perhaps another son, graduated at Harvard College 1687. James Allen, grandson of Rev. James, of Boston, graduated at Harvard College 1717, was a preacher, and died 8 January 1755, in his 58th year. Allen, Biographical Dictionary 2 Coll. Mass. Hist. Soc. ii. 101. Winthrop, MS Catalogue.

More About JAMES ALLEN:

Immigration: 1662, From England

Children of ELIZABETH HOUCHIN and JAMES ALLEN are:

- i. HANNAH<sup>4</sup> ALLEN<sup>12</sup>, b. Jul 22, 1669, Boston, Suffolk Co., MA<sup>13,14</sup>; d. Dec 03, 1761; m. SAMUEL DANFORTH, Oct 04, 1688, Boston, Suffolk Co., MA (or Taunton, Bristol Co., MA)<sup>15</sup>; b. Dec 18, 1666, Roxbury, Suffolk Co., MA<sup>16,17,18,19</sup>; d. Nov 14, 1727, Taunton, Bristol Co., MA<sup>20,21,22</sup>.

More About HANNAH ALLEN:

Will Codicil: May 17, 1750<sup>23</sup>

Will Dated: Feb 26, 1744/45<sup>23</sup>  
Will Proved: Dec 24, 1761<sup>23</sup>

Notes for SAMUEL DANFORTH:

Per SAVAGE'S Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers, v. 1

DANFORTH, SAMUEL, Taunton, son of the preceeding (Samuel) ordained 1687, married Hannah, daughter of Rev. James Allen of Boston, had Elizabeth born 29 July 1689; Mary, and Samuel, twins 1 June 1691, both died soon; James, 11, baptized 13 November 1692; Sarah, 18, baptized 25 November 1694; Samuel, 4, baptized 10 January 1697; Mary, again, 5, baptized 11 December 1698; Hannah, 2, baptized 8 December 1700; Thomas, 22, baptized 23 May 1703; John, 21, baptized 25 February 1705, died next year; Martha, 2 September 1707, died soon; Bethia, 16 August 1709; Rachel, 8 July 1711; and Nathaniel, 31 May 1714; and died 14 November 1727. Ten children outlived him, and his widow died 3 December 1761.

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From William Thaddeus Harris, Esq., "Notes on the Danforth Family," NEHGS Register, v. 7 (Oct., 1853) pp. 315-321.

"Rev. Samuel Danforth, son of the Rev. Samuel Danforth of Roxbury, was born at Roxbury, 18 Dec., 1666, graduated at Harvard in 1683, and was ordained at Taunton, Mass., as successor to the Rev. George Shove, in 1688, where he continued to perform the duties of his pastoral office, with singular fidelity and success, until 'his translation to the heavenly paradise Nov. 14, 1727, fifteen days after the first shock of the great earthquake in New England.' He was esteemed one of the most learned and eminent Ministers of his day, and his death was recorded as a 'public loss.' His wife was the daughter of the Rev. James Allen, of Boston."

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From Genealogical Register of the First Settlers of New England:

DANFORTH, SAMUEL, minister of Taunton, son of the preceding, was born at Roxbury, 18 Dec. 1666, grad. at H.C. 1683, d. 14 Nov. 1727. He was esteemed one of the most learned and eminent ministers of that period.

More About SAMUEL DANFORTH:

Education: 1683, Harvard College<sup>23,24,25</sup>

Occupation: Minister<sup>26</sup>

Ordination: 1687

Residence: Taunton, Bristol Co., MA<sup>26</sup>

Will Dated: May 05, 1725<sup>27</sup>

Will Proved: Nov 21, 1727<sup>27</sup>

- ii. JAMES ALLEN, b. Aug 24, 1670<sup>28</sup>; d. Unknown.

More About JAMES ALLEN:

Education: 1689, Harvard College<sup>28</sup>

- iii. JOHN ALLEN, b. Feb 29, 1671/72<sup>28</sup>; d. Unknown.  
iv. JEREMIAH ALLEN, b. Mar 27, 1673<sup>28</sup>; d. Unknown.

More About JEREMIAH ALLEN:

Public Service: 1715, Treasurer of the Province

### Endnotes

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9. James Savage, *Savage's Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers*, v. 1.
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