

JOHN COFFIN: Father of Keziah Coffin Fanning (Born 1759 died 11/20/1820) was the son of Samuel Coffin and Miriam Gardner, was born in 1708 and married Keziah Folger in 1740. Keziah Folger was the daughter of Daniel Folger and Abigail Folger and was born in Nantucket 10/9/1723. She was the heroine of Colonel Hart's historical Novel Miriam Coffin or 'The Whale Fisherman'. She was charged and tried for smuggling at Watertown, and was suspected of having rendered aid to the British during the Revolutionary War. She was a 'famous smuggler as can be found by the Colonial Records in Boston'. She ended her career by falling down stairs, which caused her death on May 29, 1798.

SAMUEL COFFIN: Son of John Coffin and Deborah Austin, was born in Nantucket and married there to Mariam, daughter of Richard and Mary Austin Gardner, who was born in Nantucket 7/14/1685 and died there Sept. 17, 1750. Her husband died there 2/22/1764.

John Coffin: Son of Tristram Coffin, the 'American Emigrant' and Dionis Stevens was born in Edverhill, Mass. 10/30/1647 and died in Edgartown 9/5/1711. He married Deborah, daughter of Joseph and Sarah Austin who died in Nantucket 4 Feb. 1718.

TRISTRAM COFFIN: Son of Peter and Joan Thembler Coffin, was born in Brextom Devonshire, England; about 1605 and came to America with his mother in 1642, arriving in Salisbury, Mass. Bay Colony. He died in Nantucket Island, Mass. on October 2nd. 1681. He married Dionis Stevens, daughter of Robert Stevens, of Brixton, England, and raised a family of nine Children.

PETER COFFIN: Son of Nicholas Coffin was born on the Coffin estate about 1580 and died there 1627-28. He married Joan or Joanna Thembler and they had six children, all born in the Parish of Brixton, Devonshire, England. His wife, Joan, died May 30, 1661

NICHOLAS COFFIN: Son of Tristram Coffin, lived in 'The Parrish of Butler' in Devonshire, and died there in 1603. His wife's name was Joan but we do not have her maiden name. There were five Children born of this union.

Tristram Coffin: Was the Great Grandfather of 'The American Emigrant' and lived at Brixton, Devonshire, England. (During the Fifteen Hundreds) We do not have the name of his wife or the exact dates of birth and death of this ancestor. They had four children.

PHINEAS FANNING: Son of Phineas Fanning and Mehitable Wells, was born at Aquebogis, later known as Franklinville, and now called Laurel, L. I. on August 6th. 1750 and died at Nantucket, on Dec. 21st 1798. He married, April 5th 1777, Keziah Coffin, daughter of Keziah Folger Coffin and John Coffin. Keziah Folger Coffin was a Tory during the Revolutionary War and also a cousin of Benjamin Franklin. Keziah Coffin Fanning died Nov. 20 1820. She was born 1759. She and Phineas were married by Rev. Bezaleel Shaw.

		Issue		
John Coffin.	Born Nantucket		5/28/1778	
William	" "		4/25/1780	
Hetty Wells	" "		7/12/1782	married Daniel Wood and moved to Wilmington, N. C. died there 1/7/1854.
* Caroline Matilda	Born Nantucket	6/9/1784,		married Dec. 1807 Jara Bourn Wood.
Thomas B.	Born Nantucket	8/12/1786		died 7/28/1853
Edmond	" "	12/3/1790		
(?) Robert Barclay	" "	2/12/1793		
Phineas Wines	" "	5/10/1799		

PHINEAS FANNING: Son of James Fanning and Hannah Smith, was born at Smithton, N. Y. on Aug. 2 1724 and died 1796. He served in the French & Indian wars of 1746-7 in the company of Captain James Fanning, his father, attaining the rank of Lieutenant. During the Revolutionary War he was appointed Muster Master in 1775, of the troops to be raised in Suffolk County, N. Y. He married Mehitable Wells, daughter of Solomon and Esther Wells on (?) 1749. She was born at Northville L. I. on October 7th. 1729 and died at Franklinville L. I. June 4th. 1778. He then married Mrs. Mary Hubbard.

		Issue		
Phineas	Born Aquebogis L I	8/6/1750		died 1798
Esther	" "			Married Wm. Brown Dec. 1775
Nathaniel	" "	3/22/1755		
Barclay	" "	1757		
William	" "	7/29/1764		
Mehitable	" "	6/4/1770		

JAMES FANNING: Son of Thomas Fanning and Frances Ellis was born at Stonington, Connecticut and Baptized there on Aug. 12 1694. He was the Progenitor of all the Long Island Fannings. Captain Fanning died in June 1779 at Southold, Suffolk County, N. Y. He married Hannah Smith at Smithton, L. I. in 1718. She was the daughter of Richard and Hannah (Tooker) Smith and was baptized at Smithton L. I. in 1703. She died on Long Island on September 10th. 1750. They were the parents of 13 Children.

THOMAS FANNING: Son of Edmond Fanning, born at Fisher's Island N Y about 1655 and died at Stonington, Connecticut April 27th 1704 He was very active in the Narraganset War. He married Frances Ellis on Oct. 19th. 1684. She was the daughter of Richard and Susannah (Chapman) Ellis.

EDMOND FANNING: Born about 1620 and married in Ireland about 1649 to Ellen (?). He was the 'American Emigrant' of the Fanning Connection and arrived here about 1652.