

-- TOWNSEND --

The family groups represented in this collection may not be complete, because information was entered bit by bit as I found it or happened upon it; I have not done any systematic research on these families. Because they do not compose whole family genealogies, these listings are arranged differently from most genealogical records or histories. Each listing is a family group, and is arranged and filed alphabetically under the name of the head of the family.

Names are generally in alphabetical order (disregarding spelling variations and middle names), then in approx. chronological order. The first sorting is by surname (mixing together any and all spelling variations), then by given name, then by approximate birthdate (when known) in approximate chronological order. For easier reference, surnames in headings are grouped together under the most common spelling usage that evolved in this geographical location, regardless of individualistic spellings in the records themselves. Cross references are used in most cases where surname spellings substantially vary.

Within the quoted records, the individual spellings have been (mostly) retained because they sometimes provide clues (although in general—but with exceptions—they seem to largely reflect the record keeper's particular orthography and not always, at this early period, any special family preference). Those interested can see the variety and evolution of a particular name's spelling and the interesting and sometimes amusing attempts at phonetic reproduction. Keep in mind that before names and spellings were standardized, records reflected the individualistic whim of the particular recorder (often two different spellings of the same name within the same document). In addition, all records were handwritten, and sometimes deciphering a handwritten name in early records can be quite challenging! So expect to search under all possibilities of spelling (for both surnames and given names).

Given names are grouped together without regard for middle initials or middle names. Because middle names and/or initials are sometimes used, sometimes not used in various records, it seemed simplest to arrange entries as if the middle names or initials did not exist. Usually all variations of a given name are grouped together as though spelled one way: Jan, Johannes, John, etc. are all grouped as one (but also look under the other forms).

Sources and references are included with each "family" grouping, but may or may not include sources that are cited (or are obvious, such as baptismal records, etc.) within the narrative or listing itself.

As with any compiled genealogical record, researchers should regard this information as leads and clues, and should verify all data with independent research.

I welcome, and would be grateful for, any additions or corrections, especially with source citations.

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Townsend, Absolom

Absolom Townshend m.
d. 1 Jan 1795 in 87th yr.
buried near Mill Hill, Oyster Bay, NY

Deborah Weeks
d.
buried

---children of Absolom Townsend & Deborah Weeks:

- **Mary Townsend**, b. 10 June 1732; m. before Oct 1772, **James Wooden**. He was b. 5 May 1726; d. 16 March 1805; buried near Mill Hill, Oyster Bay, NY.
- **Philena Townsend**, b. 14 Dec 1734; d. 7 Nov 1819, aged 84; buried BG near Mill Hill, Oyster Bay, L.I., NY; m. (1) **Richard Butler**; m. (2) **Thomas Alsop**, son of Richard Alsop of Westbury, NY.
- **Anne Townsend**, b. 24 Nov 1736; m. **Daniel Parish**

---Sources: Roney, Lila James, "Sarah, Wife of Garret Vancott of Oyster Bay, Long Island, New York, Identified" in *The New York Genealogical & Biographical Record* (April 1937) reprinted in *Genealogies of Long Island Families*, 1987, Vol. II, p. 501

Townsend, Absolom

Absolom Townsend m. 1768
son of Henry Townsend & near Warwick, NY
Elizabeth Titus
b. 21 Nov 1744
d. 4 June 1817
buried Albany, NY

Helena De Kay
dau. of (Col.) Thomas DeKay &
Christina Duncan
b. 23 Aug 1746
d. 19 Oct 1814
buried on Family Farm, near Warwick,

Orange Co., NY

Townsend, Benjamin

Benjamin Townsend m.

Elizabeth

---children of Benjamin Townsend & Elizabeth

• **Benjamin Townsend**, m. **Anne Ward**, dau. of Isaac Ward & Martha Townsend. She was b. 26 Feb 1783; d. 28 Jan 1851 age 67.11.-; buried St. James Ch Cem, Eastchester, Westchester Co., NY.

---Sources: Spies, Francis Ferdinand, *St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, NY* Gravestone Inscriptions with Genealogical Notes, Mount Vernon, NY 1931 (online at Ancestry.com), p. 136

Townsend, Benjamin

Benjamin Townsend m.

Anne Ward

son of Benjamin Townsend & Elizabeth

dau. of Isaac Ward & Martha Townsend

b.

b. 26 Feb 1783

d.

d. 28 Jan 1851 age 67.11.-

buried

buried St. Paul's Ch Cem, Eastchester, NY

---Sources: Spies, Francis Ferdinand, *St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, NY* Gravestone Inscriptions with Genealogical Notes, Mount Vernon, NY 1931 (online at Ancestry.com), p. 136

Townsend, Benjamin

Benjamin Townsend m.

Anna

b. about 1759

b. about 1764

d. 2 May 1838 age 79

d. 1 April 1825 age 61

buried Crane BG, near Secords Corners, Putnam Co., NY

buried Crane BG, near Secords Corners, NY

---Sources: Putnam County Cemetery Inscriptions (Crane BG Located near Secords Corners), copied by William P. Horton, 1928, online Oct 2004 at <<http://www.rays-place.com/cemeteries/putnam-1.htm>>

Townsend, Daniel

Daniel Townsend m.

Freelove Dickinson

son of John Townsend & Anne Gedney

dau. of Samuel Dickinson &

---children of Daniel Townsend & Freelove Dickinson:

• **John Townsend**, b. 1716 Oyster Bay, L.I., NY; d. 1787 Eastchester, NY; m. 1739 Eastchester NY, **Anne Gedney**, dau. of John Gedney & Mary Ogden.

• **Freelove Townsend**, b. about 1739; d. 31 Jan 1822 ae 82; buried St. Paul's Ch Cem, Eastchester, NY;

m. **William Pinkney**, son of Thomas Pinkney & Hannah -?-

---Sources: Janet W. Morse, P.O. Box 7405, Tahoe City, CA 95730, writing Jan 1991 to Alice M. Haagensen; Spies, Francis Ferdinand, *St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, NY* Grave-stone Inscriptions with Genealogical Notes, Mount Vernon, NY 1931 (online at Ancestry.com), p. 103

Townsend, Daniel

Daniel Townsend m.

Rebecca Ward

son of John Townsend & Anne Gedney

dau. of John Ward &

b. about 1756

b.

d.

d.

---children of Daniel Townsend & Rebecca Ward:

• **John Townsend**, b. about 1779; d. 18 Dec 1849 in 71st yr; buried St. Paul's Ch Cem, Eastchester, Westchester Co., NY;

m. **Martha Fowler**, dau. of Thomas Fowler. She d. 16 June 1856 in 78th yr; buried St. Paul's Ch Cem, Eastchester,

Westchester Co., NY.

• **Elijah Townsend**, d. 25 Aug 1807 age 21.3.6; buried St. Paul's Ch Cem, Eastchester, Westchester Co., NY

---Sources: Spies, Francis Ferdinand, *St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, NY* Gravestone Inscriptions with Genealogical Notes, Mount Vernon, NY 1931 (online at Ancestry.com), p. 136

Townsend, Daniel Youngs

Daniel Townsend m. 29 Nov 1820

Sarah Titus

b. 29 June 1798 Oyster Bay, NY¹

New York

b. 12 Jan 1791 Ridgefield, CT¹

d. 15 Dec 1860 age 62.5.17 (Bible)

d. 24 Feb 1867, age 76.1.12 (Bible)

buried Oyster Bay, NY (Bible)

buried Oyster Bay, NY (Bible)

---children of Daniel Youngs Townsend & Sarah Titus:

• **Hannah Maria Townsend**, b. 6 Sep 1821 North Salem, NY¹; d. 12 Dec 1853, age 32.3.6; buried Oyster Bay, NY (Bible)

• **John Titus Townsend**, b. 9 June 1823 NY (Bible)¹; d. 19 June 1824, age 1.-.10; buried Oyster Bay, NY (Bible)

• **John Joseph Townsend**, b. 8 May 1825 NY (Bible)¹

• **Edward Mitchell Townsend**, b. 7 Oct 1829 NY (Bible)¹; m. 31 May 1853 New York, **Belinda Rockwell**

---Sources:

[1] Genealogical Records; Manuscript Entries of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Taken from Family Bibles 1581 - 1917, at Ancestry.com -- Holy Bible in English; London, Samuel Bagster, 1841. Contains the records of Daniel Y. Townsend and Sarah Titus, his wife, with their descendants to the present day. It is now the property of Edward M. Townsend, Jr., of Oyster Bay New York, a grandson of the original owner;

Townsend, Deborah

Deboran Townsend

In her will, dated 8 Nov 1747 Oyster Bay, Queens Co., NY, gentlewoman; will of. Cousins, Berzalee Lovell, Noah Townsend, Deborah Barker, Rachel Lovell and Ann Farnsworth. Remainder, real and personal, to Berzalee Lovell, Deborah Parker and Rachel Lovell. Executors--Berzalee and Rachel Lovell. Witnesses--James --- (?), Nathan'ell Farnsworth, John Flintham. Proved Dec. 12, 1747, Dec. 10. Rachel Lovell declines executorship. (Burlington Wills), Lib. 5, p. 382.

---Sources: *Calendar of New Jersey Wills*, Vol. II, 1730-1750. Part II (online at Ancestry.com), p. 486 (will of Deborah Townsend)

Townsend, Ebenezer (Eben?)

Ebenezer Townsend

m. 25 June 1800

son of Ebenezer Townsend &

New Haven

Eunice Atwater

b. 24 Nov 1773 New Haven, New Haven Co., CT

bp.

d. 29 Nov 1853

---children of Ebenezer Townsend & Clarissa Mix:

• **Emily Townsend**, b. 1805 New Haven, CT; d. 1863

• **Maria Townsend**, b. 1807 New Haven, CT

• **Edward Townsend**, b. 1809 New Haven, CT

---Sources:

[1] Information posted online at <<http://www.stevemix.esmartweb.com/d91.htm>>

Gene Pool Individual records online at Ancestry.com

Clarissa Mix

dau. of Jonathan Mix &

Nancy Sears

b. 8 Sep 1782 F¹

bp. 15 Sep 1782 NHC²¹

d. 1812¹

Townsend, Edward Mitchell

Edward Mitchell Townsend

m.

son of Daniel Youngs Townsend &

Sarah Titus

b. 7 Oct 1829 NY (Bible)

d. 2 Feb 1904, in 75th yr. (Bible)

buried Oyster Bay, NY (Bible)

m. (2) 4 Dec 1886

Trinity Ch., NYC

Belinda Rockwell

dau. of

b. 26 Feb 1832 Ridgefield, CT

d. 13 April 1882, NY, age 50.1.18 (Bible)

buried Oyster Bay, NY (Bible)

(prob) **Sarah Eliza Day**

(widow of **William Johnson**)

b. 18 July 1843 New Orleans, LA (Bible)

d. 28 Feb 1916, ae 73 Pittsfield, MA

buried Johnson Vault, Greenwood Cem.

---children of Edward Mitchell Townsend & (1) Belinda Rockwell:

• **Sanford Coley Townsend**, b. 27 Jan 1855 NY (Bible); d. 7 Sep 1867, age 12.7.11; buried Oyster Bay, NY (Bible)

• **Hannah Maria Townsend**, b. 19 Dec 1856 NY (Bible); m. 5 Nov 1883, **Augusti Phillippe Montant**

• **Edward M. Townsend, Jr.**, b. 29 Sep 1861 NY (Bible); m. 20 April 1892 Grace Ch, **Alice Greenough**, dau. of

William Greenough & A. M. -?--. She was b. 24 March 1872 Quincy, MA.

• **AdSle Townsend**, b. 23 Aug 1863 NY (Bible); m. 11 Nov 1886 Trinity Ch, NYC, **Frederick John Kingsbury, Jr.**

• **Walter Townsend**, b. 14 July 1865 Scarborough on Hudson, NY (Bible); d. 24 Dec 1869, ae 4.5.10; buried Oyster Bay, NY (Bible)

• **Robert Cooper Townsend**, b. 9 April 1869 NY; d. 1 April 1897, ae 28, NY; buried Oyster Bay, NY (Bible); m. 22 May

1894 St. Bartholomew's Ch, **Louisa Anna Johnson**, dau. of William Martin Johnson & Sarah E. Day. She was b. 3 June

1870 New York

• **Howard Rockwell Townsend**, b. 10 Aug 1871 Oyster Bay, NY; m. 28 Jan 1905 South Orange, NJ. **Therese Firth**, dau. of

John Firth & Emilie Leshner.

---Sources:

[1] Genealogical Records; Manuscript Entries of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Taken from Family Bibles 1581 - 1917, at Ancestry.com -- Holy Bible in English; London, Samuel

Bagster, 1841. Contains the records of Daniel Y. Townsend and Sarah Titus, his wife, with their descendants to the present day. It is now the property of Edward M. Townsend, Jr., of Oyster Bay New York, a grandson of the original owner;

Townsend, George

George Townsend

m.

-?-

children of George Townsend

• **Samuel Townsend**. He was a cordwainer. He owned a lot at Oyster Bay, L.I., NY, just north of Caleb Coles. He should not be confused with another Samuel Townsend (a cousin) who, of Jericho, bought a house on West Main Street in Oyster Bay.

---Sources: Clark, Julia, "The Family of Barak Coles" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Jan 1989, p. 24

Townsend, George

George Townsend
son of George Townsend &

m. 18 March 1710/11
(Bible)

Rosanna Coles

dau. of Nathaniel Coles &
Rose Wright

b. 18 Oct 1687 Oyster Bay, NY(Bible)
d. 11 May 1762 in 76th yr (Bible)

b. 2 Oct 1691 Oyster Bay, NY (Bible)
d.

In his will, he wrote: ...July 4, 1757. I, George Townsend, Sr., of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, being well in health. I leave to my son William "one Right and a Half of land in the Old Purchase of Oyster Bay, so called, and called Town Rights, and equal with other Proprietor Rights," except what has been taken up in the Divisions. I leave to my sons William and George all my right of land lying within the limits and bounds of the deed which I had from Samuel Mesevene, Sr. (?), being in full of their portions with what they have already had by deeds and other ways. I leave to my grandson, James Townsend, my surveyors' compass and chain, and other surveying instruments. I leave to my granddaughter, Dorothy Cock, £20 18s. more than she hath received, to make her equal with what I have already given her sister Violetta. I leave to my granddaughter, Sarah Cock, £31, to make her equal with her two sisters. These are to be paid when they are married, or of age. I leave to my said three granddaughters all the remaining part of my movable estate. I make my sons William and George and my son-in-law, Hezekiah Cock, executors. Witnesses, Noah Townsend, Coles Carpenter, Benjamin Carpenter. Proved, June 14, 1762. Confirmed by Governor Monckton, June 24, 1762.

---children of George Townsend & Rosanna Coles:

- **Rosanna Townsend**, b. 14 March 1711/12 Oyster Bay, NY (Bible); m. **Hezekiah Cock**
 - **William Townsend**, b. 13 Feb 1715/16 Oyster Bay, NY (Bible); d. 5 May 1777 in 62nd yr (Bible); m. **Elizabeth -?-**
 - **George Townsend**, b. 13 Nov 1720 Oyster Bay, NY (Bible); d. 20 Jan 1761 in 42nd yr (Bible); m. **Mary -?-**
- Sources: Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York*, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol VI, 1760-1766, p. 159 (will of George Townsend, Sr.); Genealogical Records; Manuscript Entries of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Taken from Family Bibles 1581 - 1917, at Ancestry.com

Townsend, George

George Townsend
son of George Townsend &
Rosanna Coles

m.

Mary
dau. of

b. 13 Nov 1720 Oyster Bay, NY (Bible)
d. 20 Jan 1761 in 42nd yr. (Bible)

b.
d.

In his will, he wrote: ...December 29, 1760. I, George Townsend, of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, being sick. I leave to my wife Mary 2 cows and a horse; and all my household goods I leave to my wife and daughter Hannah. The rest of movables to be sold by my executors, to pay debts, and if not sufficient they are to sell a certain lot of 20 acres of land, being part of the land I formerly bought of the executors of Samuel Cook, bounded east and north by land of Penn Frost, south and partly on the west by highways. I leave to my son Pryor Townsend, all my houses, lands, and meadows, as by my several deeds, and he is to pay to his sister Hannah £300, in six annual payments after he comes of age, and "she is to have the use of a room in the house that I bought of Thorn," until she marries. My wife is to have the use of one of my houses during widowhood, and the income of my farm to bring up the children, and if my wife should marry, my executors are to sell the farm, "and pay her what they may agree upon." If my children should die, then all my estate to go to my wife Mary and my brother William Townsend, and to the children of Hezekiah Cock, my brother-in-law. I make my brother William and my brother-in-law Mathew Pryor, and Thomas Smith, Esq., all of Oyster Bay, executors. Witnesses, Penn Frost, Thomas Doughty, Daniel Frost. Proved, February 5, 1761.

---children of George Townsend & Mary

- **Pryor Townsend** (Prior Townsend), b. 11 Dec 1749 (Bible); d. (prob) 8 Dec 1803 (Bible)
- **Hannah Townsend**, b. 21 May 1755 (Bible)

---Sources: Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York*, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol VI, 1760-1766, p. 38 (will of George Townsend); Genealogical Records; Manuscript Entries of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Taken from Family Bibles 1581 - 1917, at Ancestry.com

Townsend, George

George Townsend

m.

-?-

John Townsend, in his will dated April 1767, mentioned his brother George Townsend, and sons of his brother George: Samuel (whom he made executor), Richard, and John.

---children of George Townsend &

- **Samuel Townsend**
- **Richard Townsend**
- **John Townsend**

---Sources: Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York*, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol VII 1766-1771, p. 388 (will of John Townsend)

Townsend, Henry

Henry Townsend
son of

m.

Anne Cole
dau. of Robert Coles &
Mary

d. prob. March 1695

He lived at Oyster Bay, where he was Town Clerk and surveyor. In 1673 he built a saw mill.

He was a Quaker.

---children of Henry Townsend & Anne Cole:

- **Henry Townsend**, b. 1649; d. 1703; m. 1677, **Deborah Underhill**, dau. of Capt. John Underhill & (2) Elizabeth Feake.
- **Rose Townsend**, m. **Joseph Dickinson**
- **Susannah Townsend**, m. **Aaron Furman, Jr.**
- **Mary Townsend**, m. **John Wright**
- **Elizabeth Townsend**, d. 13 Sep 1680 unmarried

---Sources: Frost, Josephine S. *Underhill Genealogy*, Vol. 2, 1932, p. 63; Pelletreau, William S., *Historic Homes and Institutions and Genealogical and Family History of New York*, 1907, Vol. III, (online at <genealogy.com>), p. 172

Townsend, Henry

Henry Townsend
son of Henry Townsend &
Anne Cole

b. 1649

d. 1703

---children of Henry Townsend & Deborah Underhill:

- **Henry Townsend**, d. 4 Sep 1709; m. **Eliphal Wright**, dau. of John Wright & Mary Townsend. Eliphal m. (2) 5 May 1711, Daniel Wright; m. (3) John Morris.
- **Robert Townsend**, m. **Hannah -?-**
- **Elizabeth Townsend**, d. 22 Aug 1723; m. **Joseph Ludlum**, son of William Ludlum & Clemence -?-. He came to Oyster Bay, L.I., from Southampton, L.I., in 1672 and d. there 16 March 1698.

---Sources: Munsell's *American Ancestry*, Vol XI, 1898; "Ludlum Corrections" in *The New York Genealogical & Biographical Record* (July 1916) reprinted in *Genealogies of Long Island Families*, 1987, Vol. I, p. 564; Frost, Josephine S. *Underhill Genealogy*, Vol. 2, 1932, p. 63, 86; Pelletreau, William S., *Historic Homes and Institutions and Genealogical and Family History of New York*, 1907, Vol. III, (online at <genealogy.com>), p. 172

Townsend, Henry

Henry Townsend
Henry Townsend &
Deborah Underhill

d. about 1710

In his will dated 30 March 1709, probated 18 May 1710, Henry Townsend, Jr. of Oyster Bay in Queens County [NY] mentioned eldest son Henry; son Absolom Townsend; his father [living at the time his will was made]; wife Eliphal. Appointed wife Eliphal sole executor, and friends Samuel Underhill and George Townsend, overseers. Wit: Samuel Macom, John Townsend, Henry Townsend.¹

---children of Henry Townsend & Eliphal Wright:

- **Isaac Townsend**
- **Henry Townsend**, buried Chester, Prange Co., NY; m. **Elizabeth Titus**, dau. of Peter Titus & Martha Jackson. Elizabeth Titus was a noted beauty.
- **Absolom Townsend**
- **Elizabeth Townsend**, b. about 1688; d. 27 Feb 1738-9; m. **Joseph Ludlum**, son of Joseph Ludlum & Elizabeth Townsend.

---Sources:

[1] Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York*, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society (Vol. II, 1708-1728, pub. 1893), p. 43;

Clark, Julia, "The Family of Barak Coles" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Jan 1989, p. 24; "Ludlum Corrections" in *The New York Genealogical & Biographical Record* (July 1916) reprinted in *Genealogies of Long Island Families*, 1987, Vol. I, p. 564; Pelletreau, William S., *Historic Homes and Institutions and Genealogical and Family History of New York*, 1907, Vol. III, (online at <genealogy.com>), p. 173

Townsend, Henry

Henry Townsend
son of Henry Townsend &
Eliphal Wright

buried Chester, Orange Co., NY

Elizabeth Titus was a noted beauty.

In his will, he wrote: "...I, Henry Townsend, of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, joyner, being this 27 day of May, 1757, very weak." I order all debts in right or Conscience to be paid. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, a negro woman, and my riding chair and horse, and 2 of my best cows, 1/3 of my household goods, and all that my home farm and homestead where I now live, bounded east by the mill pond and stream, south by the highway, that leads across the washway, west by the highway that leads from the top of the mill hill to Matthew Pryors, and north by the road that leads up the mill hill. She is to have the use of these during widowhood. I leave to my son Peter a gray horse, and to my son Nicholas a bay horse. To my 3 sons, Peter, Nicholas, and Absalom, all my joyner's tools. To my 4 sons, Peter, Nicholas, Henry, and Absalom, all my joyner's stuff such as boards, etc. I leave to my daughters, Martha MacCoun, Phebe Townsend, and Elizabeth Townsend, each a negro girl, and to my daughters Phebe and Elizabeth 2/3 of my household furniture. I order that my three eldest sons shall make for my daughter, Martha MacCoun, one cupboard, and a round table; and for each of my other daughters a case of drawers, a cupboard and two tables. All the rest of my estate to be sold and the money divided among my four sons, and to my four sons all

d.

m.

Deborah Underhill

dau. of (Capt.) John Underhill &
(2) Elizabeth Feake

b. 29, 9, 1659

d. 30, 1, 1698

m.

Eliphal Wright

dau. of John Wright &
Mary Townsend

d. after 18 May 1710

Elizabeth Titus

dau. of Peter Titus &
Martha Jackson

buried

my Houses and Homestead, after the death or marriage of my wife. I make my wife and three eldest sons executors. Witnesses, William Moyles, John Townsend, miller, Jacob Townsend. Proved, January 7, 1761, before Thomas Braine, Surrogate.

---children of Henry Townsend & Elizabeth Titus:

- **Henry Townsend**, b. 1725; d. 28 March 1803; m. **Anne Wright**
- **Peter Townsend**, b. 1 Jan 1736 Oyster Bay, NY; d. 9 May 1787; m. (bond 14 Feb 1761), **Hannah Hawxhurst**, dau. of William Hawxhurst & Anne Pratt. He was one of the proprietors of the Sterling Iron Works.
- **Nicholas Townsend**
- **Phebe Townsend**, b. 14 Sep 1740; d. 17 Sep 1816; m. 1764, **Joseph Lawrence**, son of Richard Lawrence & Hannah Bowne.
- **Absolom Townsend**, b. 21 Nov 1744; d. 4 June 1817; buried Albany, NY; m. 1768 near Warwick, NY, **Helena DeKay**, dau. of Col. Thomas DeKay & Christiana Duncan. She was b. 23 Aug 1744; d. 19 Oct 1814; buried on Family Farm, near Warwick, Orange Co., NY.
- **Martha Townsend**, m. **Daniel McCoun**
- **Elizabeth Townsend**, m. **John McCoun**. They moved to Troy.

---Sources: Frost, Josephine S., *Underhill Genealogy*, Vol. 2, 1932, p. 107; Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York*, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol VI, 1760-1766, p. 34 (will of Henry Townsend); Frost, Josephine S., *Underhill Genealogy*, Vol. 2, 1932, p. 161; Pelletreau, William S., *Historic Homes and Institutions and Genealogical and Family History of New York*, 1907, Vol. III, (online at <genealogy.com>), p. 173

Townsend, Henry

Henry Townsend m.
son of Henry Townsend &
Elizabeth Titus
b. 1725
d. 28 March 1803

Anne Wright

dau. of
b.
d. 17 Sep 1825 age 90

---children of Henry Townsend & Anne Wright:

- **Betsey Townsend**, m. **Lewis Carpenter**
- **Henry Townsend**, m. **Mary Bennet**
- **Zebulon Townsend**
- **Noah Townsend**
- **Phebe Townsend**, m. **-?- Wright**
- **Charles Townsend**, d. 1799

---Sources: Pelletreau, William S., *Historic Homes and Institutions and Genealogical and Family History of New York*, 1907, Vol. III, (online at <genealogy.com>), p. 173

Townsend, Jacob

Jacob Townsend m.
son of James Townsend &
Audrey Almy
b. 1692 Lusum (now Jericho), NY
d. 30 Dec 1742 Lusum (now Jericho), NY

Phebe Seaman

dau. of Benjamin Seaman &
Martha Titus
b.
d. 14 April 1774, age 75 (Bible)

In his will, he wrote: ...I, Jacob Townsend, of the town of Oyster Bay, being sick, this June 13, 1739. I leave to my wife Phebe, a negro woman and boy. I leave to my eldest son Samuel, "all the creatures already marked as his property." I leave to my son Benjamin, 1 yearling heifer, 3 sheep and a horse. I leave to my four sons, Samuel, Jacob, Benjamin, and James, "all my surveying instruments, and all my books of Art." I leave to my daughter Almy, a negro girl, and to each of my sons a saddle, and to my wife a saddle and bridle and half my movable estate. My executors are to sell the house and lands in Hempstead which I had of Abel Smith, and the money is to be used to pay debts. I leave to my wife my house, barn, and orchards adjacent to my dwelling house, and the two fields on which they stand, being partly on the east side of the highway, opposite to my house, and partly on the west side, and 1/2 my meadow at South, and the privilege of my woodland for fencing and firewood, while she remains my widow. I leave to my 4 sons all my lands and meadows, except what I have ordered to be sold. My son Samuel is to have the house, barn, orchard, and improvements, that my father, James Townsend, died seized of. I leave to my youngest son James, my house and lands and orchard, where my house standeth, bounded south and west by highways, and east by William Seaman, north by Richard Willetts; Also the piece of land west of my house, bounded east and north by highways, south and west by James Doty, and a lot called the Buckwheat fields. I make my wife and my sons Samuel and Jacob, executors. Witnesses, Nathaniel Townsend, Jacob Seaman, Zebulon Seaman, Samuel Willis. Proved, September 9, 1751.

---children of Jacob Townsend & Phebe Seaman:

- **Samuel Townsend**
- **Jacob Townsend**
- **Benjamin Townsend**, d. 18 Sep 1789, age 66 (Bible)
- **James Townsend**, m. (prob) **Mary Hicks**

---Sources: Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York*, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol IV 1744-1753, pages 353 & 354 (will of Jacob Townsend); Genealogical Records; Manuscript Entries of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Taken from Family Bibles 1581 - 1917, at Ancestry.com

Townsend, Jacob

Jacob Townsend m. **Elizabeth**
 d. 13 Jan 1841, age 69.10.8 (Bible) d. 23 June 1811, age 34.5.11 (Bible)
 ---Sources: Genealogical Records; Manuscript Entries of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Taken from Family Bibles 1581 - 1917, at Ancestry.com

Townsend, James

James Townsend m. **Audrey Almy**
 son of John Townsend & dau. of Job Almy &
 (2) Susannah Harcourt Mary Unthank
 d. 1729-33 d.
 Audrey Almy was the dau. of Job Almy & Mary Unthank of RI. James Townsend lived at Lusam (now Jericho), NY and was a farmer, town surveyor, deputy, and surveyor-general of the province of New York.

---*children of James Townsend & Audrey Almy:*

- **Jacob Townsend**, b. 1692 Lusum (now Jericho), NY; d. 30 Dec 1742 Lusum (now Jericho), NY; m. **Phebe Seaman**, dau of Benjamin Seaman & Martha Titus.
- **Nathaniel Townsend**, b. 25 Feb 1698-99; d. 22 May 1754; m. 1722/24 **Mary Jackson** widow of Jacob Willet, and dau. of James Jackson; m. (2) 1739 **Martha Doughty**, dau. of Charles Doughty & Elizabeth Jackson, and widow of Samuel Hicks.
- (prob) **Deborah Townsend**, m. **Abraham Seaman**, b. 10 Nov 1706, son of Nathaniel Seaman & Rachel Willis.

---Sources: Munsell's *American Ancestry*, Vol. IX, 1894, p. 79; Wardwell, Arthur S., "The Willets Family of Hempstead and Jericho, Long Island" in *The New York Genealogical & Biographical Record* (April 1949) reprinted in *Genealogies of Long Island Families*, 1987, Vol. II, p. 699; Hicks, Benjamin D., "Willis Family of Long Island" in *The New York Genealogical & Biographical Record* (Oct 1884) reprinted in *Genealogies of Long Island Families*, 1987, Vol. II, p. 748

Townsend, James (Dr.)

James Townsend m. 1 April 1757 **Mary Hicks**
 son of Jacob Townsend & (Bible) dau. of
 Phebe Seaman
 b. 17 Dec 1729 b. 16 July 1730
 d. 24 May 1790 (Bible) d. 2 July 1796 (Bible)

---*children of James Townsend & Mary Hicks:*

- **Mary Townsend**, b. 16 Nov 1759 (Bible); d. (poss) 7 May 1790
- **Martha Townsend**, b. 26 Dec 1761 (Bible); d. 23 Jan 1810; m. **Edmund Willis**
- **James Townsend**, b. 16 Oct 1763 (Bible); d. at sea, 13 Feb 1790, age 39 (Bible)
- **Phebe Townsend**, b. 26 Sep 1765 (Bible); d. 14 May 1790 (Bible); d. 15 May 1790, age 24 (Bible); m. 20 Jan 1789 (Bible), **John Townsend**
- **Almy Townsend**, b. 18 April 1768 (Bible); d. 12 May 1790 (Bible); m. **Townsend Underhill**
- **Samuel Townsend**, b. 20 March 1770 (Bible); d. (prob) 12 May 1790 (Bible)
- **Margaret Townsend**, b. 6 Feb 1772 (Bible); d. 11 Oct 1818 (Bible); m. **William Townsend**

---Sources: Genealogical Records; Manuscript Entries of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Taken from Family Bibles 1581 - 1917, at Ancestry.com

Townsend, James (James Townsend Esq.)

James Townsend m. 4 Feb 1762 **Freelove Townsend Wilmot**
 son of William Townsend & (Bible) dau. of Walter Wilmot &
 Elizabeth Freelove Townsend
 b. 26 April 1742 Oyster Bay, NY (Bible) b. 25 Feb 1744 (Bible)
 d. 12 Dec 1798, in 57th yr. (Bible) d. 21 July 1809 in 66th yr. (Bible)

---*children of James Townsend & Freelove Townsend Wilmot:*

- **Walter Wilmot Townsend**, b. 18 Dec 1762 (Bible); m. 19 May 1785 (Bible), **Charlotte Coles**
- **John Townsend**, b. 17 March 1765 (Bible); m. 20 Jan 1789 (Bible), **Phebe Townsend**, dau. of (Dr.) James Townsend
- **Elizabeth Townsend**, b. 4 May 1767 (Bible); m. 17 July -?-, **Nathaniel Coles**
- **William Townsend**, b. 12 Sep 1769 (Bible); d. 23 Aug 1834 (Bible); m. **Margaret Townsend**, dau. of (Dr.) James Townsend.
- **Judith Townsend**, b. 13 June 1772 (Bible); d. 5 July 1774 (Bible)
- **Roseannah Townsend**, b. 1 April 1775 (Bible); d. 13 May 1824, age 49 (Bible)
- **Sarah Townsend** (twin), b. 12 March 1778 (Bible); d. March 1853 (Bible); m. March 1796 (Bible), **William Frost**, son of Stephen Frost & Sarah
- **Esther Townsend** (twin), b. 12 March 1778 (Bible); d. 2 April 1854 (Bible); m. 4 Feb 1812, **Thomas Coles**, son of Jarvis Coles & Abigail

---Sources: Genealogical Records; Manuscript Entries of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Taken from Family Bibles 1581 - 1917, at Ancestry.com

Townsend, James

James Townsend m. 6 Sep 1772 **Rachel Gardenier**
 son of Kinderhook Ref Ch dau. of Hendrick Gardenier &
 b. Long Island, NY b.
 bp. bp. 19 July 1741 Albany Ref Ch

---*children of James Townsend & Rachel Gardenier:*

- **Jesyne Townsen**, bp. 1 April 1774 Kinderhook Ref Ch (wit: George Hurdletown, Jesyna Wieler, his wife)
- **James Tounsel**, bp. 19 May 1776 Albany Ref Ch (wit: Hans E. and Sara Zeger)

---Sources: Getty, Innes, Jacob Janse Flodder alias Jacob Janse Gardenier and some of his Descendants, 1947, p. 117, online at Heritage Quest

Townsend, James

James Townsend m.

Mary Bleeker

---*children of James Townsend & Mary Bleeker*:

- **Elisabeth Townsend**, b. 8 April 1807; bp. 19 July 1807 Kakiat Ref Ch

- **Anne Jane Townsend**, b. 6 Aug 1812; bp. 2 May 1813 Kakiat Ref Ch

---Sources: Baptisms at the Reformed Dutch Church of West New Hempstead, Rockland County, NY, aka Brick Church, aka Kakiat Ref Ch, 1774-1898 in undated George H. Budke Collection, transcribed May 2003 by Bruce E. Hopper

Townsend, John

John Townsend m.

Elizabeth Montgomerie

d. 1668 Oyster Bay, NY

d. about 1671

John Townsend emigrated with his two brothers, Henry and Richard, from England, Norwich County Norfolk. He died in Oyster Bay in 1668 and was buried on his place on Fort Hill. Elizabeth his wife, the date of whose death not known, was living in 1671.

John Townsend came probably from the vicinity of Norwich, England, to Oyster Bay, L.I., NY about 1660. His wife, Elizabeth Montgomerie was believed to have been a relative of Gov. Thomas Dongan, who visited her at Oyster Bay.¹

---*children of John Townsend & Elizabeth Montgomerie*:

- **James Townsend**

- **Elizabeth Townsend**, m. **Gideon Wright**

- **Rose Townsend**

- **Ann Townsend**

- **Sarah Townsend**

- **George Townsend**

- **Daniel Townsend**

- **John Townsend**, d. after 1715; m. (1) **Phebe -?-**; m. (2) **Susannah Harcourt**, dau. of Richard Harcourt & Elizabeth Potter of RI and Oyster Bay, NY.

---Sources:

[1] Munsell's American Ancestry, Vol. IX, 1894, p. 78-79;

Genealogical Records; Manuscript Entries of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Taken from Family Bibles 1581 - 1917, at Ancestry.com; Pelletreau, William S., Historic Homes and Institutions and Genealogical and Family History of New York, 1907, Vol. III, (online at <genealogy.com>), p. 170

Townsend, John

John Townsend m.

Esther

In his will, he wrote: ...9 day of May, 1705. I, John Townsend, of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, being very sick and weak. I leave to my daughter Hannah, one Townsman's right of land lying upon Oak neck and Fire Island, with what she hath already had, which is in full for her portion out of my estate. I leave to my brother Henry's four daughters a 3 year old heifer, each. I authorise and empower my well beloved wife Esther, and my cousin, John Townsend, Nathaniel Coles, Jr., Samuel Dickens and Isaac Smith to manage and improve, lease, sell, or dispose of any part of my estate for the best advantage, and the bringing up of my children, and to divide the rest of my estate among my children. Witnesses, Henry Townsend, Samuel Hayden, Aaron Furman. Proved before Lord Cornbury, November 25, 1706.

---*children of John Townsend*

- **Hannah Townsend**

---Sources: Pelletreau, William S., Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol. I, 1665-1707, p. 432 (will of John Townsend)

Townsend, John

John Townsend m. (1)

Phebe -?-

son of John Townsend &

dau. of

Elizabeth Montgomerie

d. after 1715

m. (2)

d.

Susannah Harcourt

dau. of Richard Harcourt &

Elizabeth Potter

John Townsend, son of John, moved to Jericho, his second wife, the mother of his children, was Susannah Harcourt, of Oyster Bay; the date of his death not known, but he was living in 1715 when he was not less than eighty years old. It is not known where he and his wife were buried but it is supposed at Jericho.

John Townsend lived at Oyster Bay, Lusum (now Jericho), West Neck, etc.

There was no issue of his first marriage.

---*children of John Townsend & (2) Susannah Harcourt*:

- **James Townsend**, d. 1729-33; m. **Audrey Almy**, dau. of Job Almy & Mary Unthank of RI. James Townsend lived at Lusam (now Jericho), NY and was a farmer, town surveyor, deputy, and surveyor-general of the province of New York.

---Sources: Munsell's American Ancestry, Vol. IX, 1894, p. 79; Genealogical Records; Manuscript Entries of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Taken from Family Bibles 1581 - 1917, at Ancestry.com

Townsend, John

John Townsend
son of Daniel Townsend &
Freelove Dickenson
b. 1716 Oyster Bay, LI, NY
d. 1787 Eastchester, NY (d, 7 Jan 1771 age 54¹)
buried St. Paul's Ch Cem, Eastchester, NY
(or buried Gedney BG, Mamaroneck, NY¹)

m. (1) 1739
Eastchester, NY

m. (2)

(license 20 Oct 1766)

Anne Gedney (Ann)
dau. of John Gedney &
Mary Ogden
b. 1722
d. before 1765
buried

Susanna Guion
(widow of **Charles Morgan**)
dau. of Lewis Guion &
Dinah Devoe
b. about 1721
d. 5 Feb 1808 age 86
buried St. Paul's Ch Cem, Eastchester, NY

John Townsend was over six feet tall. He moved from Oyster Bay to Eastchester in Westchester Co., NY in 1738. He was a Quaker before his marriage to Anne Gedney, who was an Episcopalian. He contributed to the fund for building the Episcopal Church in East Chester. He was treasurer of New Rochelle in 1765, 1767 and 1771.²

John Townsend of Eastchester dated his will 24 May 1788; probated 21 June 1788 Westchester Co., NY. In it he mentioned wife Susanna; oldest son John; son Elijah; dau. Freelove Pinkney; dau. Sebe Pinkney; dau. Margaret Sneden; dau. Martha Ward; son Daniel Townsend. Executors were son Daniel Townsend, son Isaac Ward, and friend Benjamin Morgan. Wit. were Benjamin Drake, Ward Hunt, Robert Morrell. Letters granted Daniel Townsend and Benjamin Morgan.

---children of John Townsend & (1) Anne Gedney:

- **John Townsend**
- **Elijah Townsend**
- **Freelove Townsend, m. William Pinkney**
- **Sebe Townsend** (dau.), m. -?- **Pinkney**
- **Margaret Townsend**, b. 16 July 1745; d. 20 Nov 1821 (or 1819?); buried Annapolis Royal, N.S.; m. 1763, **Stephen Sneden**, son of Samuel Sneden & Sarah Ward
- **Martha Townsend**, d. 1825³; m. 1773³, **Isaac Ward**
- **Daniel Townsend**
- **Mary Townsend, m. Gilbert Pinkney**

---Sources:

- [1] Coles, Mrs. Selleck E., "Mamaroneck, N.Y., Graveyard Inscriptions" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Jan 1925 (Vol. 56, No. 1), (Gedney Family Burying Ground Inscriptions), p. 34;
- [2] The Mayflower Descendant, Volume 46, p. 128;
- [3] Townsend, James Cock, A memorial of John, Henry, and Richard Townsend, and their descendants, Kerrville, Tex.: Braswell Print. Co., 1969, p. 142 (online at HeritageQuest); "Bristol, Theresa Hall, "Abstracts of Wills Recorded at White Plains, Westchester County, New York, Subsequent to May 1, 1787 (Liber A), in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, April 1924, p. 146 (Will of John Townsend); Janet W. Morse, P.O. Box 7405, Tahoe City, CA 95730, writing Jan 1991 to Alice M. Haagensen; Spies, Francis Ferdinand, St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, NY Gravestone Inscriptions with Genealogical Notes, Mount Vernon, NY 1931 (online at Ancestry.com), p. 136

Townsend, John

John Townsend
b. 1743
d. 17 Sep 1821 Townsendville, Seneca Co., NY

m.

Jemima Travis
b. 1746 Peekskill or Poughkeepsie, NY
d. 30 April 1832 Townsendville, Seneca Co., NY

They lived in Southeast, Dutchess Co., NY, perhaps in CT or in Peekskill, NY, and after 1800 (or 1815) in Seneca Co., NY, where his sons had previously founded the settlement known as Townsendville.

---children of John Townsend & Jemima Travis:

- **Gilbert Townsend**, b. 5 April 1764 Putnam (then Ditchess) Co., NY; d. 10 Feb 1843; buried Townsendville, Seneca Co., NY; m. about 1780 **Abigail Mead**
- **Elijah Townsend**, b. 1767; d. 1862
- **Elizabeth Townsend**, b. 1769; d. 1837
- **John Townsend**, b. 1772; d. 1865
- **Rebeckah Townsend**, m. **Daniel Wilson**
- **Sarah Townsend**
- **Jemima Townsend**, d. 1846 Lodi, NY; m. (1) **George Cowen**; m. (2) **George Van Vleet**.

---Sources: Abbe, Cleveland, Townsend Genealogy. New York:Frank Allaben Genealogical Company, 1909, p. 13

Townsend, John

John Townsend
m.

Elizabeth

In his will, he wrote: I, John Townsend, of Westchester County, being this -- day of April, 1767, in good health." I leave to my wife Elizabeth and my daughter, Elizabeth Pinckney, all my household furniture. I leave to my brother, George Townsend, two suits of my best wearing apparell. I leave to my wife and daughter all my Books of Devotion. All the rest of my estate,

lands and movables, are to be sold by my executors, and the money put at interest, and 1/2 paid to my wife so long as she remains my widow, and 1/2 to my daughter so long as her husband, Philip Pinckney, shall live, and after his death and the death of my wife, she shall have all the remainder. But if my daughter dies first, then to her children, and if she leave none, then to my brother, George Townsend. I make my well-beloved friend and kinsman, Isaac Gedney, blacksmith, and Samuel Townsend, son of my brother George, executors. Also Richard and John Townsend, sons of my brother George. "I wrote this with my own hand, and do allow this to be my last will." Witnesses, Edward Merritt, Benjamin Griffin, Elizabeth Dirgen. Proved, January 25, 1771, before Timothy Wetmore, Esq.

---children of John Townsend & Elizabeth

• **Elizabeth Townsend**, m. **Philip Pinckney**

---Sources: Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York*, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol VII 1766-1771, p. 388 (will of John Townsend)

Townsend, John

John Townsend
son of James Townsend &
Freelove Townsend Wilmot
b. 17 March 1765 (Bible)
d.

m. (1) 20 Jan 1789
(Bible)

m. (2) 7 Jan 1793
(Bible)

Phebe Townsend

dau. of (Dr.) James Townsend &

b.
d. 15 May 1790, age 24 (Bible)

Rebecca Franklin

dau. of John Franklin (of NY) &
Deborah

---children of John Townsend & (2) Rebecca Franklin:

• **Walter W. Townsend**, b. 31 Jan 1794 (Bible); d. 11 Feb 1794, ae 11 days (Bible)

• **Walter Franklin Townsend**, b. 31 May 1795 (Bible)

---Sources: Genealogical Records; Manuscript Entries of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Taken from Family Bibles 1581 - 1917, at Ancestry.com

Townsend, Jotham

Jotham Townsend
son of

d. before 4 Aug 1752

m. (1)(prob)

m. (2)

Martha Coles

dau. of Nathaniel Coles &
Rose Wright

d.

Ann Mott

(widow of **Daniel Kissam**)
dau. of Richbell Mott &
Elizabeth Thorne

Jotham Townsend was a miller at Oyster Bay, L.I., NY.

In his will, he wrote: ...October 14, 1752, I, Jotham Townsend, of the town of Oyster Bay, being weak in body. "I leave to my brother, Micajah Townsend, 1/4 of one Right and a half in the Commons in the old Purchase of Oyster Bay, as may appear by the Records of Oyster Bay." I leave to Ann Townsend, daughter of Absalom Townsend, £10. I leave to my wife, Ann Townsend, £300, but if my son John dies without issue, she is to have £600. All the rest of my estate I leave to my son John, but if he dies without issue it shall go to my grand daughter, Freelove Townsend Willmot; and if she die or leave no lawful issue, then my will is that my brother, Micajah Townsend, shall have it all. I make Daniel Underhill and my brother, Micajah Townsend, executors. Witnesses, Henry Wheeler, Joseph Underhill. Proved, August 4, 1752. [NOTE.--Jotham Townsend had also a daughter, who married Rev. Walter Willmot, of Jamaica. She died February 25, 1744. Her child, Freelove Townsend Wilmot, was an infant at the time of her mother's death, and was evidently living at the time the above will was made. See will of Rev. Walter Willmot.--W. S. P.]

---children of Jotham Townsend &

• **John Townsend**

• **Daughter Townsend**, d. 25 Feb 1744; m. Rev. **Walter Willmot** of Jamaica.

---Sources: Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York*, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol IV 1744-1753, pages 399 & 400 (will of Jotham Townsend); Clark, Julia, "The Family of Barak Coles" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Jan 1989, p. 21

Townsend, Nathaniel

Nathaniel Townsend
son of James Townsend &
Audrey Almy
b. 25 Feb 1698-99 Queens Co., NY
d. 22 May 1754

m. (1) 1722/24

m. (2) 1739

Mary Jackson

(widow of **Jacob Willet**)
dau. of James Jackson & (poss) Rebecca Hallett
b.

d.

Martha Doughty

(widow of **Samuel Hicks**)
dau. of Charles Doughty &
Elizabeth Jackson
b. 1705 Queens Co., NY
d. 19 July 1759

James Jackson, in his 1735 will, mentioned John and Stephen Townsend.

Martha Doughty had children by her first husband, Samuel Hicks: Samuel Hicks, d. 1759 not married; and Mary Hicks; m. Dr. James Townsend.

In his will, he wrote: I, Nathaniel Townsend, of Jericho, in the town of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, being this 18 day of 5th month, called May, in the year 1754, very sick and of exquisite pain of body, but my understanding pretty well, and am willing to settle the affairs of my outward estate in Peace before my final change." I leave to my well-beloved wife, Martha Townsend, one of my choicest beds, and full furniture thereto belonging, and my cupboard, which I had by her, and a brass kettle which her mother gave her, also £130, And if she wishes to take her portion in movables, she can take them as appraised, and she is also to have all my store of bread corn, meat, and other necessaries for the family. My executors may sell movable estate if they think proper. I leave to my son Stephen £12. At the end of one year my executors are to sell my house and lands, and after payment of debts they are to pay to my son Stephen £15, and to my son John £15. My two daughters, Martha and Almy, are each to have £70 when of age. All the rest I leave to my three sons, Stephen, John, and Nathaniel. I make my two brothers in law, Samuel Doughty and Benjamin Doughty, and my son in law, Richard Willitts, executors, and they are to put out my son Nathaniel to some trade or calling. Witnesses, William Seaman, Zebulon Seaman, Samuel Willis. Proved, August 30, 1754.

---children of Nathaniel Townsend & (1) Mary Jackson:

- **Stephen Townsend**
- **John Townsend**

---children of Nathaniel Townsend & (2) Martha Doughty:

- **Martha Townsend**
- **Nathaniel Townsend**
- **Elizabeth Townsend**
- **Almy Townsend**

---Sources: Wardwell, Arthur S., "The Willets Family of Hempstead and Jericho, Long Island" in *The New York Genealogical & Biographical Record* (April 1949) reprinted in *Genealogies of Long Island Families*, 1987, Vol. II, p. 699; Hicks, Benjamin D., "Willis Family of Long Island" in *The New York Genealogical & Biographical Record* (Oct 1884) reprinted in *Genealogies of Long Island Families*, 1987, Vol. II, p. 748; Doty, Ethan Allen, "The Doughty Family of Long Island" in *The New York Genealogical & Biographical Record* (July 1912) reprinted in *Genealogies of Long Island Families*, 1987, Vol. I, p. 351; Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York*, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol V 1754-1760, pages 29 & 30 (will of Nathaniel Townsend)

Townsend, Nathaniel

Nathaniel Townsend
son of

m. 9 July 1769
St. George Episc. Ch,
Hempstead, NY
(both of Jamaica)

Martha Cornell
dau. of

b.

b.

---Sources: New York #2, 1740s-1880s Marriage Index online at genealogy.com

Townsend, Nathaniel (Townsel)

Nathaniel Townsend
son of

m.

Sara Halstead (Sarah)
dau. of (prob) Caleb Halstead &
Abigail Coe
b. 11 Oct 1755 Haverstraw, Orange Co., NY

b.

---children of Nathaniel Townsend & Sara Halstead:

- **Abigail Townsend**, bp. 15 Jan 1775 Kakiat Ref Ch; d. 30 June 1856 Sergeantsville, Hunterdon Co., NJ; buried Metgodist Chyd, Sergeantsville, Hunterdon Co., NJ; m. **Peter Green**, son of (prob) Peter LeVert Green & Susannah King. Peter Green was b. 25 July 1772 Orange, Essex Co., NJ; d. 29 Oct 1852 Hunterdon Co., NJ
- **Zebulon Townsel** (Zebulon Townsend), b. 31 Oct 1776, bp. 29 June 1777 Kakiat Ref Ch (no wit); m. 11 March 1804 Christ Church, Shelburne, Nova Scotia, **Harriett Gordon**, dau. of Michael Gordon Sr. & Harriett Bochanan/Buchanan (who had been married 11 Feb 1782 NYC Ref Ch).
- (poss) **Halstead Townsend**, bp. 11 June 1781
- **Phebe Townsen**, b. 1 June 1781 [?]; bp. 12 Jan 1773 [?] Clarkstown Ref Ch (no wit)

---Sources: *Baptisms at the Reformed Dutch Church of West New Hempstead, Rockland County, NY*, aka Brick Church, aka Kakiat Ref Ch, 1774-1898 in undated George H. Budke Collection, transcribed May 2003 by Bruce E. Hopper; Information posted online Dec 2009 NYROCKLA (Rockland Co., NY Mailing List); Cole, David, *History of Rockland County, New York*, 1884 (reprinted 1986), appendix includes early Baptisms of the Tappan Ref Ch, the Clarkstown Ref Ch, and the Tappan Irregular congregation

Townsend, Noah

Noah Townsend
son of (poss) Joshua Townsend &
Meribah Cock

m.

Margaret Wright
dau. of Zebulon Wright &
Clemence Feakes

In his will, he wrote: ...February 12, 1760. I, Noah Townsend, of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, "being in health and of sound mind." I leave to my wife Margaret all the movable estate she brought to me, and 1/3 of the profits of my house and lands and meadows in Oyster Bay so long as she remains my widow in lieu of dower. If she marries she is to have £100 and what she brought to me. My executors are to sell the rest of movable estate, and lease the lands for the benefit of my son Joshua till he is 21. I order my executors to bring up my son to a good education. I leave to my dear mother so long as she remains my father's widow the use of 2/3 of my house, and land for a garden and as much fruit as she shall want for her use out of my orchard and liberty to cut fire wood out of my wood land. I leave to my son, Joshua Townsend, all my lands that I now possess in Oyster Bay or elsewhere except the uses above reserved, and all the rest of my personal estate. If he dies my executors are to sell all, and pay to my wife £200 and 1/2 the rest to my mother and the other half to my uncle, Benjamin

Townsend's daughters, Mary and Sarah. I leave to my aunt, Patience Lovit's children, to my uncle, Daniel Cock, to my uncle, Hezekiah Cock, and to the children of my uncle, James Cock, and to the children of my aunt, Hannah Pryor. I make my friends, Benjamin Woolsey, Job Valentine, William Townsend, and Micajah Townsend, executors. Witnesses, Nehemiah Rogers, James Townsend, John Cock, Jr. Proved, April 10, 1764.

Margaret Wright m. (2) **Daniel Thorn**.

---children of Noah Townsend & Margaret Wright:

• **Joshua Townsend**

---Sources: Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York*, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol VI, 1760-1766, p. 314 (will of Noah Townsend)

Townsend, Peter

Peter Townsend m.
son of Henry Townsend &
Elizabeth Titus (bond 14 Feb 1761)
b. 1 Jan 1736 Oyster Bay, NY
d. 9 May 1787

Hannah Hawxhurst

dau. of William Hawxhurst &
Anne Pratt
b.
d.

Peter Townsend was engaged in the manufacture of iron and was the first in this country to make steel by the German method in 1776, and in 1773 he made the first anchor in New York State, and also, as one of the proprietors of the Sterling Iron and Anchor Works, made the chain which was stretched across the Hudson River during the Revolutionary War. He, with Abel Noble and William Hawxhurst, constituted the proprietors of the above-named works and, as such, protested, Aug. 8, 1776, to the Provincial Congress that they could not fill their contract for the American Army, because their men-of-war came up the river and took their men and food and they requested the return of both. (Calendar of Historical Manuscript, Revolutionary Papers, Vol. 1, p. 426.)

The Townsend Memorial shows that in 1778 Peter was residing in Chester, Orange County, N. Y.

"New York in the Revolution," 1898, p. 256, states that Peter Townsend served in the 3rd Regiment of Orange County Militia, under Capt. Daniel Denton.

---children of Peter Townsend & Hannah Hawxhurst:

• **Anne Townsend, m. Solomon Townsend**

• **William Townsend, m. Elizabeth Franklin**

• **Peter Townsend**, b. 24 April 1769; d. 4 April 1849; m. 10 Jan 1798 **Alice Cornell**, dau. of Comfort Cornell & Elizabeth Embree. She was b. 13 Aug 1779; d. 14 Feb 1851 NYC.

• **Isaac Townsend, m. Elizabeth Jackson**

• **Sarah Townsend, m. (Dr.) Anthony Davis**

---Sources: Frost, Josephine S., *Underhill Genealogy*, Vol. 2, 1932, p. 161, 311

Townsend, Richard

Richard Townsend m. (1) about 1645
son of
b. about 1625
d. before 1671 Lusum (now Jericho), NY
m. (2)

Deliverance Coles

dau. of Robert Coles &
Mary Hawxhurst
b. about 1625
d.

Elizabeth Wickes

dau. of John Wickes &
Mary -?-

Richard Townsend was of RI before 1656; Jamaica, NY 1656; Oyster Bay, NY 1668.

He was a brother of John and Henry Townsend, and was prominent in the settlement of Oyster Bay, L.I.

---children of Richard Townsend & (1) Deliverance Coles:

• **Dinah Townsend**, b. about 1652; d. 18 Dec 1732 Suffolk Co., NY; m. about 1670 Long Island, NY, **Thomas Willetts**, son of Richard Willetts.

• **Leah Townsend, m. John Williams.**

---children of Richard Townsend & (2) Elizabeth Wickes:

• **John Townsend**, m. (1) **Phebe Williams**; m. (2) **Mercy -?-**. He went to Cape May, NJ in 1680 and was a whale fisher and high sheriff of the county in 1695-97.

• **Richard Townsend**, m. **Ruth Marvin**, dau. of John and Hannah Marvin of Hempstead, NY.

• **Hannah Townsend**

• **Mary Townsend**

• **Deliverance Townsend**, m. (1) **-?- Carman**; m. (2) 1694 **Jonathan Lewis**

---Sources: Munsell's *American Ancestry*, Vol XI, 1898, p. 86; Munsell's *American Ancestry*, Vol. IX, 1894, p. 112

Townsend, Roger

Roger Townsend m.
son of
d. before 15 April 1675

Mary

(widow of **Mordecau Bedient**)
d. 1677 Fairfield, Fairfield Co., CT

Governor Richard Nicoll granted a patent to Roger Townsend, January 7, 1767, for "A certain parcel of land in the coun-ty

of Westchester, lying on the back side of Throckmorton's Neck, at the southeast end thereof, commonly called the New Found Passage, containing 18 acres. Also a small neck near thereto adjoining, commonly called Horse Neck, being about the same quantity of land."¹

In his will, dated 15 April 1674; proved 15 April 1675 (Liber I, p. 167), Roger Townsend, of Westchester, left all goods and chattels to wife Mary. Mentioned 3 sons: Mordecai, Thomas, and John, £10 each. Requested Capt. Wm. Lawrence and Mr. Richard Cornwell to be overseers, and gives them "tract of land I now live on which belongs to my Patent, if they please to accept of it, and they to pay my 3 sons £20 each, within a month and a day of my decease; if they refuse, then to go to 3 sons/ Witnesses: Henry Taylor, Robert Darkins, Robert Rider.¹

12 June 1677 (Westchester Co. Deeds, Liber 4, recorded Albany, NY, p. 140) -- Westchester 12 June 1677 Be it known unto all whom it may concern that Mary the wife of Roger Townsend, dec'd., & "here [her] now prsnt. surviving husband Richard Osborn on the one party & Robt. hustis the other pty., Inhabitants in and belonging, Westchester" doe by viture of these prsnts, rattify and confirm a former bargaine & deed of sale made by Roger Townsend now deceased; to Robert Huestis and Eliz. his wife.²

Mary, widow of Rogert Townsend, m. **Richard Osborn.**

---children of Roger Townsend & Mary

- **Mordecai Townsend**
- **Thomas Townsend**
- **John Townsend**

---Sources:

- [1] Pelletreau, William S., *Early Wills of Westchester County, New York from 1664 to 1784...with Genealogical and Historical Notes*, 1898, p. 2 (will of Rogert Townsend);
 [2] Bristol, Theresa Hall, "Westchester County, N.Y. Miscellanea" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Oct 1927 (Vol. 58, No. 4), p. 350;

Townsend, Solomon

Solomon Townsend
 son of Samuel Townsend &
 b. 1746
 d. 27 March 1811

m.

Anne Townsend

dau. of Peter Townsend &
 b.
 d.

He established extensive iron works near Chester, Orange Co., NY.

He later moved to NY and established a manufactory of bar iron on the Peconic River on Long Island.

---children of Solomon Townsend & Anne Townsend:

- **Hannah Townsend**, m. **Isaiah Townsend**. He was b. 1777; d. 1837. They moved to Albany where he, with his brother John, established an iron furnace.

---Sources: Pelletreau, William S., *Historic Homes and Institutions and Genealogical and Family History of New York*, 1907, Vol. III, (online at <genealogy.com>), p. 173

Townsend, Tertullius

Tertullius Townsend
 son of

m. 3 Nov 1813
 Church of Christ,
 Salem, NY (both of
 South Salem)

Sally Hoyt

dau. of
 b.

b.

---Sources: New York #2, 1740s-1880s Marriage Index online at genealogy.com

Townsend, Thomas (Capt.)

Thomas Townsend
 son of

m.

-?-

dau. of

---children of Thomas Townsend &

- **Freelove Townsend**, b. 29 Dec 1674; d. July 1726; m. 1695-96 **Thomas Jones** (Major), of Fort Neck, South Oyster Bay, L.I., NY. He was b. about 1665 Strabane Tyson, Ulster, Ireland; d. 13 Dec 1713 South Oyster Bay, NY. He was engaged in the Battle of Boyne in Ireland in 1690; settled at Port Royal in the Island of Jamaica in 1692; was captain of the Queens Co., NY militia in 1702 and was high sheriff there in 1704. He was a supervisor of Queens Co. and was a justice of the peace there in 1716. They had children:

- **William Jones**, b. 25 Aug 1708 So. Oyster Bay, NY; m. 1751 Phoebe Jackson.

---Sources: Munsell's *American Ancestry*, Vol XI, 1898, p. 89; 139

Townsend, Uriah

Uriah Townsend

m.

-?- **Stone**

---children of Uriah Townsend & -?- Stone:

- **Eliza Ypwsend**, b. or bp. about 1814 Pompton Plains Ref Ch (no wit)

---Sources: Reformed Dutch Church records of Pompton Plains, pages 1-210 : records of Montville, pages 211-258 : typescript, 1923, (online at HeritageQuest)

Townsend, Walter Wilmot

Walter Wilmot Townsend
 son of James Townsend &
 Freelove Townsend Wilmot

m. 19 May 1785
 (Bible)

Charlotte Coles

dau. of Nathaniel Coles &
 Hannah

b. 18 Dec 1762 (Bible) b.19 May 1765 (Bible)
 d. 7 Dec 1793, in 31st yr. (Bible) d.

---children of Walter Wilmot Townsend & Charlotte

- **Charlotte Townsend**, b. 31 March 1786 Duck Pond (Oyster Bay?), NY (Bible)
- **James Townsend**, b. 17 Feb 1788 Duck Pond (Oyster Bay?), NY (Bible)
- **John Townsend**, b. 18 Nov 1790 New York (Bible)
- **Walter W. Townsend**, b. 29 Jan 1794 (Bible)

---Sources: Genealogical Records; Manuscript Entries of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Taken from Family Bibles 1581 - 1917, at Ancestry.com

Townsend, Thomas

Thomas Townsend m. **Mary Almy**

---children of Thomas Townsend & Mary Almy:

- **Sarah Townsend**, b. 10 June 1679; d. after 1731; m. 1702, **Abraham Underhill**.

---Sources: Frost, Josephine S., *Underhill Genealogy*, Vol. 2, 1932, p. 82;

Townsend, William (William Townsend, Esq.)

William Townsend m. **Elizabeth**

son of George Townsend & dau. of
 Roseanna Coles

b. 13 Feb 1715/16 Oyster Bay, NY (Bible) b.
 d. 5 May 1777 in 62nd yr. (Bible) d. 30 Nov 1794 (Bible)
 They were of Duck Pond.

---children of William Townsend & Elizabeth

- **James Townsend**, b. 26 April 1742 Oyster Bay, NY (Bible); m. 4 Feb 1762 (Bible), **Freelove Townsend Wilmot**
- **Roseannah Townsend**, b. 4 Sep 1751 Oyster Bay, NY (Bible); m. **Daniel Cock**

---Sources: Genealogical Records; Manuscript Entries of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Taken from Family Bibles 1581 - 1917, at Ancestry.com

Townsend, William

William Townsend m. 8 Feb 1792 **Margaret Townsend**
 son of (Bible) dau. of (Dr.)James Townsend &
Mary Hicks

b. 12 Sep 1769 (Bible) b. 6 Feb 1772 (Bible)
 d. 23 Aug 1834 (Bible) d. 11 Oct 1818 (Bible)

---children of William Townsend & Margaret

- **James Townsend**, b. 15 June 1793 (Bible); d. 30 Oct 1796 (Bible)
- **William W. Townsend**, b. 21 Oct 1795 (Bible); d. 10 Sep 1828 (Bible); m. 12 Feb 1817, **Fanny Seaman**. She d. 27 May 1854. They had issue: Billopp, Margaret, William, Matilda, Henry, William.
- **Mary H. Townsend**, b. 20 June 1797 (Bible); d. 8 June 1881 (Bible)
- **Phebe Townsend** (twin), b. 17 Nov 1799 (Bible); m. 29 Nov 1817, **Beekman V. Hoffman**. He d. 10 Dec 1834. Children: Margaret, Gertrude, Mary (d.y.).
- **Almy Townsend** (twin), b. 17 Nov 1799 (Bible); d. 5 Dec 1799 (Bible)
- **Almy U. Townsend**, b. 1 Jan 1802 (Bible); d. 13 Feb 1856 (evening) Frederick City, MD; m. 29 Nov 1817 (Bible)
- William Winder Polk**. He was b. 9 Aug 1787 Somerset Co., MD; d. 13 Feb 1856 morning) Frederick City, MD.
- **James C. Townsend**, b. 15 June 1804 (Bible); m. (poss) 14 Nov 1846, **Aurelia C. Winder**.
- **George W. Townsend**, b. 27 Sep 1806 (Bible); d. 5 Sep 1880; m. 10 Jan 1832 (Bible), **Elizabeth Covert**. She d. 28 Sep 1846. They had children: Mary E., George C. (d. 10 Oct 1863), Beekman H.
- **Margaret E. Townsend**, b. 21 March 1809 (Bible); d. 14 Feb 1879 (Bible); m. 5 Dec 1838, (Dr.) **James C. Townsend**. They had children: Julia M., James H.
- **Frances Townsend**, b. 7 May 1811 (Bible); m. 10 Jan 1832 (Bible), **Jacob F. Covert**. He was b. 13 Sep 1807; d. 27 Feb 1861. They had children: Francis, William, Margaret, James, Aurelia, Frances, James.
- **Samuel H. Townsend**, b. 22 July 1814 (Bible); d. 12 Oct 1886; m. **Louisa Parish**. They had children: Fanny, William, Anna, Henrietta, Louisa, Samuel, Charlotte, Mabel.
- **Gertrude Townsend**, b. 21 Jan 1818 (Bible); d. 5 Oct 1818 (Bible)

---Sources: Genealogical Records; Manuscript Entries of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Taken from Family Bibles 1581 - 1917, at Ancestry.com

Townsend, Zebulon

Zebulon Townsend m. 11 March 1804 **Harriett Gordon**
 son of Nathaniel Townsend & Christ Church, Shelburne, dau. of Michael Gordon Sr. &
 Sara Halstead Nova Scotia Harriett Bochanan/Buchanan

b. 31 Oct 1776 b.
 bp. 29 June 1777 Kakiat Ref Ch bp.
 Harriett's parents, Michael Gordon & Harriett Bochanan/Buchanan had been married 11 Feb 1782 NYC Ref Ch.

---children of Zebulon Townsend & Harriett Gordon:

- **Nathaniel Michael Townsend**, bp. April 1805 Shelburne, Nova Scotia; d. 30 April 1843 St. John, New Brunswick
- **Gordon Townsend**, b. 22 Nov 1806; d. 1835 St. John, New Brunswick
- **Sarah Halstead/Holsted Townsend**, b. 1 Jan 1808; d. 25 April 1885 Portland, ME
- **William Sutherland Townsend**, b. 27 July 1809
- **Nancy Gordon Townsend** (Ann), b. 4 April 1812; m. **William Cunningham**. They ran the Alms House in St. John, New Brunswick.
- **Zebulon Townsend**, b. 1 March 1814
- **Henry Townsend**, b. 2 May 1816. He prob. became a doctor.
- **Halstead Buchanon Townsend** (Holsted), b. 10 Dec 1818

---Sources: Baptisms at the Reformed Dutch Church of West New Hempstead, Rockland County, NY, aka Brick Church, aka Kakiat Ref Ch, 1774-1898 in undated George H. Budke Collection, transcribed May 2003 by Bruce E. Hopper; Information posted online Dec 2009 NYROCKLA (Rockland Co., NY Mailing List)