

1130. JOHN MOGRIDGE

Born 1630 Bradninch, Devonshire, England
Died Nov 1700 Bradninch, Devonshire, England
Married 1131. Mary Milton

Born

Died Aug 1697 Bradninch, Devonshire, England

Children:

Johan (Joan) Mogridge

b. 21 Oct 1653 Bradninch, Devonshire, England

d.

m.

John Mogridge

b. 05 Sep 1658 Bradninch, Devonshire, England

d.

m.

Jane Mogridge

b. 1659/60 Bradninch, Devonshire, England

d.

m.

Nicholas Mogridge

b. 1664 Bradninch, Devonshire, England

d.

m.

William Mogridge

b. 1666 Bradninch, Devonshire, England

d. Oct 1678 Bradninch, Devonshire, England

m.

565. Mary Mogridge

b. 1668 Bradninch, Devonshire, England

d. Berks County, Pennsylvania

m. 564. George Boone III 16 Aug 1689 Bradninch, Devonshire, England

John Mogridge was a son of Robert Mogridge and Dorothy Lovering of Bradninch, Devonshire, England.ⁱ The parents of Mary Milton have not been determined. She was identified as the wife of John Mogridge and the mother of Mary Mogridge (Maugridge) Boone in the genealogy of the Boone family prepared by her grandson James Boone in 1788.ⁱⁱ

The marriage of John Mogridge and Mary Milton does not appear in the Bradninch Parish Register, although there are some references to the Milton family there, as well as in the Bishop's Transcripts of the Bradninch Parish Register, the registers for nearby

Stoke Canon and Clayhanger parishes and in Phillimore's Marriage Index for Taunton.ⁱⁱⁱ

John Mogridge and Mary Milton undoubtedly were married prior to 1653 when Johan was born.^{iv}

1653	Johan the daughter of John Mogridge was borne the twentie first of October and baptized the thirtieth of the same moneth
1658	John the son of John Mogridge was borne the fifth daie of September and baptized the sixth daie of October
1659/60	Jane the daughter of John Mogridge was baptized the 23th daie of Februarie
1664	Nicholas the sonne of John Mogridge was baptized the 28 day of Aprill
1666	William the sonn of John Moggridge was baptized the 26 day of December
1668	Mary the daughter of John Moggridge baptized the 23 day of December

William Mogridge died before 16 October 1678 when he was buried at Bradninch Church.^v

1678	William the Son of John Moggridge buried the 16 day of October
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John and Mary Mogridge are also buried at Bradninch.^{vi}

1697	Mary ye wife of John Mogridge senr. bur Aug ye 21st
1700	John Mogridge senr. bur Nov ye 21st

Another John Mogridge, who lived in Broadclyst, married Ursula Jerman in Bradninch on 15 February 1654/5.^{vii}

1654/5 Feb 15	John Mogridge & Ursula Jerman both of Broadclyst by Mr Peter English, Maier (Mayor) of the Borough and libertie of Bradninch
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The relationship of the two Johns is unknown. Perhaps John who married Ursula was a son of Jervase Mogridge and Margaret Haymon who were married at Bradninch on 15 November 1620. The parish register contains no other references to Jervase Mogridge excepting his baptism on 31 March 1588. He was the son of Roger Mogridge and Christiana Lynnington. Since the names, Roger, Christiana and Jervase do not appear in the later Mogridge families of Bradninch, it is unlikely that they descended from Roger and Jervase.

The fact that George Boone and Mary Mogridge named a son Squire suggests a connection with the Squire family of Bradninch. There are many entries for the Squire (Squier) family in the Bradninch register but none of them indicate a relationship with the Boone family. Robert Mogridge and Jane Squer (sic), both of St. Davids, were

married on 25 June 1655.^{viii}

The following baptisms undoubtedly pertain to grandchildren of John Moggridge and Mary Milton:^{ix}

- 1678 Joseph the son of John Moggridge baptized the 21 day of September
- 1681 Marie the daughter of John Moggridge Baptized 4 day of Aprill
- 1685 Jone the daughter of John Moggridge baptized the 5th day of Aprill
- 1687 Phebe (daughter) of John Moggridge bap the third day of August
- 1691/2 John the son of John Moggridge bap the 21 day of Februarie
- 1697 William ye son of John Moggridge bap Aprill ye 18th
- 1702 Mary ye daughter of John Moggridge bap Sep ye 16th
- 1690 Christopher the son of Nicholas Moggridge bap the 24 day of August
- 1692 Marie ye daughter of Nicholas Moggridge bap the 9 day of Oct.

The marriages of John Moggridge, Jr. and Nicholas Moggridge do not appear in the Bradninch register.

John Moggridge, Jr. or John Moggridge III died before 06 April 1703:^x

- 1703 John ye son of John Moggridge bur Aprill ye 6th

Marie Moggridge, daughter of John, Jr., apparently died before 02 September 1696:^{xi}

- 1696 Mary ye dau of John Moggridge bur Sep ye 2d

Robert Moggridge who was buried at Bradninch on 13 February 1680/1^{xii} has not been connected to the family.

The village of Bradninch is about eight miles north of the city of Exeter in Devonshire in the southwest of England. It is situated in the rolling hills above the west bank of the River Culm. Once held by the Earl of Cornwall as a Barony, Bradninch is an ancient borough and market town that has belonged to the Duchy of Cornwall since 1337. A natural son of King Henry I gave the town its first charter and thirty years or so later King John gave Bradninch "all such liberties and free customs" as Exeter itself enjoyed. A Thursday market and three-day fair followed. There is a mid-15th Century manor house still standing below Castle Hill. Bradninch was long a principal source of paper. The paper mills at Hele produced the first glazed writing paper in Britain.^{xiii}

Most of the farms in the parish, together with the Manor, belong to the Duchy of Cornwall, a connection that goes back to Richard Plantagenet, Earl of Cornwall in the 13th Century. The Duke of Cornwall is Lord of the Manor of Bradninch and the choir at St. Disen's Church wear the scarlet cassocks of a royal chapel. The church banner design consists of a representation of St. Disen, with the Celtic form of tonsure, holding a symbolic church with a thatched roof. Shields on either side of the figure of St. Disen are the arms of the See of Exeter on the left and those of the town of Bradninch on the

right. The Bradninch arms date from Richard, Earl of Cornwall and Baron of Bradninch, who was the second son of King John and brother of King Henry III. Prince Richard was the only Englishman to be elected to the crown of the Holy Roman Empire. He adopted the black eagle of the empire as his armorial device, in place of the golden leopards of England. He bequeathed this device to his Borough of Bradninch. St. Disen's Church was built in the mid-15th Century and has been restored. The great screen in the church was painted in 1528. The date is given in a Latin inscription on the east side of the screen, which was restored in 1843 and re-painted ten years later. The dedication of the Church to St. Disen is unique in the British Isles. Disen (considered by some to be an equivalent of Dionysius) was an Irish missionary who came to Bradninch about the middle of the 7th Century and founded the church. Later he went to Germany where he established a monastery near Mainz. The name "Disibodenberg" still survives there. Disen died in Germany in 674 at over eighty years of age. The British church commonly adopted as patrons the living founders of churches instead of dead saints, so it is assumed that a church of St. Disen's has existed since the 7th Century. It is also assumed that some Christians lived in Bradninch before the arrival of Disen.^{xiv}

The Mogridges and their associated families are found in the parishes of Holy Trinity and Mary Major in Exeter, as well as other communities around Bradninch, such as Broadclyst, Newton St. Cyres, Cadeleigh, Cullompton, Stoke Canon, Clayhanger, Taunton, Bramford Speke, Bampton, South Molton, Molland and as far away as Bath.^{xv}

One John Moggridge married Margaret Courtenay, daughter of Philip and Joan Courtenay, at Molland on 31 May 1705. Margaret's brother Lewis Courtenay married Jane Moggridge. Philip Courtenay, a descendant of Humphrey de Bohun, was buried at Molland on 08 October 1685. He and his wife Joan also had sons Philip Courtenay, Jr. and Thomas Courtenay.^{xvi}

George Boone III who married Mary Moggridge was the son of George Boone, Jr. and Sarah Uppey (Uphay) of Stoke Canon, Devonshire.^{xvii}

Bradninch and nearby parish records disclose nothing about Mary Milton who married John Moggridge about 1652 and very little information about the Milton family.^{xviii}

BRADNINCH PARISH REGISTER MARRIAGES

1605 Apr 16 John Peerse of Bradninch & Elizabeth Milton of Silverton were married at Silverton
1617 May 22 William Milton & Marie Catford
1654 Mai 30 William Richards & Joane Milton of Bradninch before Mr Denner Mawr (Mayor) of the Borrough and libertie of Bradninch

BRADNINCH PARISH REGISTER BURIALS

1618 Marie Milton the weif of William Milton was buried

BRADNINCH PARISH REGISTER BAPTISMS

1689 William the son of Thomas Milton bap the 6 day of Aprill

BISHOP'S TRANSCRIPTS, BRADNINCH PARISH REGISTER BAPTISMS

1683/4 Mathew ye Son of Thomas Milton bap ye 13 day of Januarie

STOKE CANON PARISH REGISTER MARRIAGES

1622 Jun (22?) Clement Darke (Durke) & Cicely Milton

1685/6 Feb 2 John Macleen a Souldier & Lettuce Milton of Exon

STOKE CANON PARISH REGISTER BURIALS

1663 Jul 9 ---- Milton (Senr?) a prisoner

CLAYHANGER PARISH REGISTER MARRIAGES

1665 May 25 Thomas Milton of Bampton and Mary Milton

CLAYHANGER PARISH REGISTER BAPTISMS

1668 Sep 9 Ann & Amy Milton ds of Thomas & Mary

1669/70 Mch 11 Ann Milton d of Thomas & Mary

1768 Feb 4 John Milton s of Abraham & Christian

PHILLIMORES MARRIAGE INDEX FOR TAUNTON

1726 Dec 26 Thomas Milton & Elizabeth Brush both of T. M. Holway (Taunton
St. Marys?)

WILLIAM MAUGRIDGE

Bapt 18 Apr 1697 Bradninch, Devonshire, England

Died 12 Sep 1766 Berks County, Pennsylvania

Married Ann -----

Born

Died

Children (order of birth unknown):

Elizabeth Maugriddle

b. 1720

d.

m. (1) Thomas Leonard (01 Feb 1748?)

(2) ----- Christian

John Maugriddle

b.

d.

m. Elizabeth Gregory 10 Feb 1740 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Sarah Maugriddle

b. 25 Oct 1725

d. 28 Mar 1785

m. Edward Drury

William Maugriddle Jr

b. 17 Aug 1727 (bap)

d. 17 Aug 1727 (bur)

m.

Mary Maugriddle

b. 01 Oct 1729 (bap)

d. 18 Aug ----

m.

William Maugriddle Jr

b. 22 Sep 1730 (bap 25 Oct 1730)

d.

m.

George Maugriddle

b. 24 Jul 1740 (bap)

d. 13 Aug 1740 (bur)

m.

Edward Maugridge

- b.
- d.
- m.

William Mogridge (who apparently spelled his name Maugridge) was a son of John Mogridge, Jr. and a nephew of Mary Mogridge Boone. He also emigrated to Pennsylvania and died in Berks County on 12 September 1766. The maiden name of his wife Ann has not been determined nor are the dates of her birth and death known, but data about William Maugridge and his children has been compiled.^{xi}

The marriage date of 01 February 1748 shown for Elizabeth Maugridge and Thomas Leonard apparently is an error since their marriage license was not issued until later. Elizabeth Martgridge (sic) and Thomas Leonard got a marriage license on 11 March 1748.^{xx}

After William Maugridge died in 1766, his widow may have remarried. Ann Maugridge and William Snowden were licensed to marry in Pennsylvania on 31 December 1767.^{xxi}

John Mangridge (sic) got a license on 10 February 1743 but the bride's name is missing.^{xxii}

The wife of William Maugridge probably was the Ann Mogridge who witnessed the marriage of Samuel Boone and Elizabeth Cassel at the Philadelphia Meeting of the Society of Friends on 29 October 1734.^{xxiii}

William Maugridge was identified as a joiner and described as a most exquisite mechanic and a solid sensible man by Benjamin Franklin in his autobiography. He lived in Philadelphia in Elfreth's Alley, near the waterfront. The houses of Elfreth's Alley were still standing in 1975. William Maugridge helped Benjamin Franklin start the Junto, a famous club devoted to singing, wine-drinking and self-improvement.^{xxiv}

William Maugridge moved from Philadelphia to Berks County, Pennsylvania, near Reading, where he was a justice of the peace in 1752 and 1761. In 1755, during a siege of Reading by Indians, he was one of the signatories to a letter to Governor Morris.

In 1771 William Maugridge, who probably was William, Jr., was one of a group of men authorized to take some land in Reading for use as the site of a courthouse and jail.

Squire and Sarah Morgan Boone sold part of their land in Exeter Township to William Maugridge on 11 April 1750, which William's daughter Sarah Drury sold on 30 November 1768, after his death.^{xxv}

This Indenture made the twenty first day of November in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Sixty eight Between Sarah Drury of the Town of Reading in the County of Berks in the province of Pennsylvania Widow Heir at

Law and Executrix of the Testament and Last Will of William Maugriddle late of the Township of Exeter in the Said County Esquire deceased of the one part and Henry Feree of the Township of Exeter aforesaid Yeoman of the other part Whereas the Honorable William Penn Esquire late proprietor of the province of Pennsylvania ... by his Indentures of Lease and Release bearing dates respectively the fourteenth and fifteenth Days of August ... one thousand Six hundred and eighty two did ... grant... five hundred Acres of Land to be located in the province of Pennsylvania unto John Millington of Shrewsbury in the County of Salop Baker and Mary his Wife ... the Right to which five hundred Acres of Land ... became Vested in Ralph Asheton of the City of Philadelphia Gentleman ... And Whereas ... Ralph Asheton by Indentures ... the nineteenth and twentieth Days of November ... one thousand Seven hundred and thirty ... did grant ... one full and Equal Moiety or Half part of the sd five hundred Acres ... unto Squire Boone of the County of Philadelphia Yeoman ... And ... there was Surveyed and by Patent ... bearing the tenth Day of April ... one thousand Seven hundred and fifty Confirmed the Quantity of two hundred and fifty Acres ... Patent Entered in the office for Recording of Deeds for the City and County of Philadelphia in Patent Book A Vol 15 page 380 ... And Whereas ... Squire Boone and Sarah his Wife by Deed ... bearing date the Eleventh Day of April ... one thousand Seven hundred and fifty ... did ... grant ... unto the said William Maugriddle ... A Certain ... Tract of Land ... in the said Township of Exeter (then in the County of Philadelphia but now) in the County of Berks ... part of the said two hundred and fifty Acres ... Corner of George Boones Land ... in the Line of the Swede's Tract ... by Benjamin Boones Land ... by Land of Joseph Boone ... Containing one hundred and fifty eight Acres and three Quarters of an Acre ... said ... Deed ... Recorded in the Office for Recording of Deeds at Reading ... And Whereas ... William Maugriddle dyed seized of the said ... Tract ... having first made his ... Will in Writing ... bearing date the fifth Day of August... one thousand Seven hundred and Sixty Six ... and Appointed his ... Daughter Sarah Drury to be Executrix ... Will ...duly proved ... Register Generals Office at Reading ... Now this Indenture Witnesseth that ... Sarah Drury for ... nine hundred pounds ... paid by ... Henry Feree ... hath ... sold ... land above described ...

The will of William Maugriddle of the Township of Exeter in the County of Berks in the province of Pennsylvania, Esquire, was dated 05 August 1766 and proved by the witnesses, Henry Tomson and John Price, at Reading on 03 October 1766. He bequeathed to his wife Ann his Negro girl Cloe and such parts of his personal estate as she thought proper to keep. After her death, Cloe was to descend to daughter Sarah Drury. He left his Negro boy Dick to his granddaughter Ann Little. The balance of his personal estate and plantation were to be sold by his executors, daughter Sarah Drury and friend Thomas Rutter of Berks County, Esquire. The proceeds of the sale were to be invested and the interest paid to his widow in lieu of dower. At her death, the principal and interest were to go to daughter Sarah Drury for disposition among her children as she deemed proper.^{xxvi}

The deed indicates that Thomas Rutter declined to act as executor.

Hannah Mogdridge (sic) was one of the passengers with William Penn on the ship Welcome, commanded by Robert Greenway, which arrived at Upland, now Chester, Pennsylvania, in October 1682. The ship sailed from Deal, England, on 30 August 1682.^{xxvii}

NOTES

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