

The will of Ruth Allison, of Bordentown, presumably his widow, dated June 26, 1795, she being weak at the time, was proved March 6, 1802. She mentions only one child, Ann Allison, to whom she gives all her household goods, etc. Executor—friend Wm. Snowden. Witnesses—Wm. D. Nixon, Deborah Snowden, James Butler.³⁵⁷

57. **ISAAC⁵ HALL** (*Asa⁴, Isaac^{3,2}, Francis¹*), b. Fairfield, 1732, d. abt. 7 July 1785, m. 1762, **RACHEL LYON**, dau. Daniel and Sarah (Jennings) Lyon, b. 1737. Children:³⁵⁸

- 123 i. Timothy Lyon, b. 1764, m. Elizabeth Morgan.
- ii. Seth, b. 1767.
- iii. Mary, b. 1769.
- iv. Archibald, b. Kinderhook, NY, 1769.
- v. Philo, b. Kinderhook, 1770.
- vi. Joseph, b. Kinderhook, 1772.
- vii. Jacob, b. Lanesboro, MA, 21 Sep 1773, bp. 7 Nov 1773, Great Barrington.³⁵⁹
- viii. Isaac, b. Lanesboro, MA, bp. Great Barrington, 10 Mar 1776.

A Samuel Hall and Isaac Hall were two of the 64 original grantees of Wells, VT although they apparently never lived there. In addition to the two brothers several other Halls were among the founders. These include Capt. Eliakim Hall and his son, Samuel, Jr. and Isaac Jr., Dr. Celeb Hall, Hezekiah Hall, and Stephen Hall. It is not known which Samuel and Isaac were the grantees nor have any of the other Halls been identified at this time. Matthew Hall and two unidentified Halls, James and Zalmon, were among the early settlers of Wells.³⁶⁰

58. **MIRIAM⁵ HALL** (*Asa⁴, Isaac^{3,2}, Francis¹*), m. 1 Jul 1752, **TIMOTHY LYON**, b. Redding, CT, 5 Nov 1734, son of Daniel Lyon. Children, first seven b. Fairfield, last three bp. in St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Lanesboro, MA:³⁶¹

- i. Sarah Lyon, b. 7 Jun 1753, d. Shelburne, VT, 12 Oct 1811, m. 16 Feb 1772, Lewis Hubbell, d. Shelburne, VT, 12 Mar 1813.
- ii. Asa Lyon, b. 12 Dec 1754, d. Shelburne, VT.
- iii. Abel Lyon, b. 12 Dec 1757, res. Lanesboro, MA, but at Peru, NY, in 1810.
- iv. Dan Lyon, b. ca 1761, d. Cambridge, NY, 1802, m. Mabel Grey.
- v. child (Rachel) Lyon, b. 1763.
- vi. John Lyon, b. 1766.
- vii. Richard Lyon, b. 1769, res. Peru, NY, in 1810.
- viii. Timothy Lyon, bp. Lanesboro, MA, 17 Nov 1771, settled at Lanesboro, MA and d. Shelburne, VT.
- ix. Hannah Lyon, bp. Lanesboro, MA, 4 Apr 1773, m. Easton, CT, 9 Nov 1791, Joseph Atwell.
- x. Jonathan Lyon, bp. Lanesboro, MA, 15 May 1774, res. Peru, NY, in 1810.
- xi. Huldah Lyon, m. Alanson Clapp, d. Peru, NY, 1827.

³⁵⁷ West Jersey Wills, Lib. No. 39, f. 510

³⁵⁸ From web site of Danny Hall at Ancestry World Tree on Ancestry.com. Baptisms of sons Jacob and Isaac in records of St. James Episcopal Church, Great Barrington, MA.

³⁵⁹ Several websites report that Jacob married Molly Pritchard and resided in or near Waterbury, CT, with a daughter, Mary Ann, b. 5 Jun 1800, but no evidence found that this Jacob was the son of Isaac.

³⁶⁰ Hiland Paul, *History of Wells, Vermont*, Tuttle & Co., 1869.

³⁶¹ Records of the Lyon family from Sidney Elizabeth Lyon, *Lyon Memorial*, Detroit, MI, 1907, pp. 269-270, citing Fairfield town records. Also Danny Hall web information which lists last two children.

xii. Isaac, b. 1779, d. Peru, NY, 30 Apr 1859.

Timothy Lyon was a private in Capt. James Smedley's militia company. He is credited with seventeen days service, from Fairfield, in 1757. During the Revolution, Timothy's brother, Joseph, became a Loyalist, joining the British troops at Redding Ridge when they were on their way to raid Danbury. Daniel, their father, was first punished when the town voted on 5 Feb 1781 not to rebate taxes since he has a Loyalist son. Later, the town was not as forgiving. The last entry in Redding town records regarding the war was on August 11, 1783, nine months after the Provisional Articles of Peace had been signed in Paris. "Voted that select men of this town be desired to move out of town: all those persons that have been over and joined the enemy and have returned to town." One of the 28 names listed as Tories was Daniel Lyon. Grumman notes that 28 Redding residents joined the enemy for sanctuary during the war, and eight joining British regiments. The estates of at least nine were confiscated as Tory property; five returned to prevent confiscation.³⁶²

59. **ASA⁵ HALL** (*Asa⁴, Isaac^{3,2}, Francis¹*), b. Danbury, 24 Nov 1739, d. Danbury or Kent, CT, 9 Nov 1803, m(1) Danbury, 26 Apr 1763, **MARY LANE**, b. Danbury, ca 1746, d. Kent, CT, 4 Jul 1774, m(2) Kent, 24 Nov 1774,³⁶³ **ELIZABETH SWIFT**, b. Kent, 13 Mar 1749/50, dau. of Reuben and Hannah (Dexter) Swift,³⁶⁴ d. 17 Jan 1817. Children by (1):³⁶⁵

- i. Rachel, b. Danbury, 15 May 1764.
- 124 ii. Mary, b. Danbury, 21 Jul 1766, m. Darius Bradley Sperry.
- 125 iii. Zalmon, b. Danbury or Kent, 30 Dec 1768.
- 126 iv. Jane, b. Kent, 26 Apr 1772, m. William Pinkney Stewart.
- 127 v. Asa, b. Kent, 24 Jun 1774, m. Sarah Nichols.

Children by (2):

- vi. Hannah, b. Kent, 30 Oct 1775.
- vii. Chloe, b. Kent, 29 Mar 1777.
- 128 viii. Daniel, b. 17 Mar 1779, m. Ruhama Holly.
- ix. Lydia, b. 11 Oct 1780.
- 129 x. Reuben, b. CT, 25 Jul 1782, m. Betsey Coe.
- xi. Philo, b. 17 Oct 1785, m. Trumbull Co., OH, 15 Jun 1807, Esther Munson.
- xii. Elizabeth, b. 6 Mar 1789.

Account books surviving from 18th Century Kent (Conn.) are rare, and that left by Asa Hall 1739-1803 is so complete as to show fairly well the life of the time.

"His own personality is shadowy and we can only infer the sort of man that he was: industrious and by necessity, frugal; trusted, surely, to be allowed to buy the communion wine, to do important errands for his neighbors, and to settle estates, that of his father in Danbury in 1783 (along with his brother-in-law, Timothy Lyon) and that of his wife's brother, Moses Swift. He is literate but his spelling is erratic, "apale" for "apple" being one of his worst attempts. He tends strictly to business and only once is he frivolous enough to note the weather --- "Ap. 3, 1803, was a bad snow storm."

³⁶² Redding web site, *History of Redding*.

³⁶³ Death of Mary and marriage to Elizabeth in Kent Vital Records, 2:113.

³⁶⁴ Kent Land Records, 1:8.

³⁶⁵ Marriages, births of children, and deaths of Asa and Elizabeth from Asa Hall account book, Bible and Family Record Collection, Connecticut State Library, Vol. 7, pp. 245-7. Births of only Asa (Jr.), Hannah, and Chloe in Kent Vital Records, 2:113.