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Husband Henry Rolfe		
Born		Place Whiteparish, Wilshire, England
Christened-1	5 Sep 1585	Place Whiteparish, Wilshire, England
Died-2,3	1 Mar 1643	Place Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts, USA
Buried		Place
Married-4	28 May 1621	Place Whiteparish, Wilshire, England
Husband's father John Rolfe		
Husband's mother Mrs. Honour Rolfe		
Wife Honour Rolfe		
Born-5	Abt 1593/1598	Place Of Hamptworth, Wiltshire, England
Christened		Place
Died-6,7	19 Dec 1650	Place Charlestown, Suffolk, Massachusetts, USA
Buried		Place
Wife's father Richard Rolfe		
Wife's mother Agnes Rolfe		
Children List each child in order of birth.		
1	F Ann or Anna Rolfe	
Born-8	Abt 1624/1626	Place of Whiteparish, Wilshire, England
Christened		Place
Died	16 Nov 1678	Place Cambridge, Middlessex, Massachusetts, USA
Buried		Place
Spouse Thomas Blanchard Jr.		
Married-9,10	Abt 1645/1647	Place Charlestown, Suffolk, Massachusetts, USA
Spouse Richard Charley Gardner		
Married-11	18 Oct 1651	Place of Woburn, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA
2	F Hannah Rolfe	
Born-12,13	Abt 1630	Place of Whiteparish, Wilshire, England
Christened		Place
Died-14	16 Nov 1678	Place Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts, USA
Buried		Place
Spouse Richard Dole		
Married-15,16,17,18	3 Jun 1647	Place Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts, USA
3	M John Henry Rolfe	
Born-19,20,21	10 May 1634	Place of Whiteparish, Wilshire, England
Christened	16 May 1634	Place Whiteparish, Wilshire, England
Died-22,23	1 Oct 1681	Place Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts, USA
Buried		Place
Spouse Mary Scullard		
Married-24,25,26,27,28	4 Dec 1656	Place Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts, USA

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Husband	Henry Rolfe	
Wife	Honour Rolfe	
Children	List each child in order of birth.	
4	M	Benjamin Rolfe
	Born-29,30	1638 Place Cambridge, Middlessex, Massachusetts, USA
	Christened	Place
	Died-31,32	10 Aug 1710 Place Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts, USA
	Buried	Place
	Spouse	Apphia Hale
	Married-33,34,35	3 Nov 1659 Place Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts, USA

Notes

MARRIAGE

MARRIAGE: In the record, "Marriages at Whiteparish 1560-1837, 942.31 K29w (v.11) on page 8 is written John Rolfe & Honor Rolfe, 28 May 1621.

HUSBAND - Henry Rolfe

BIRTH: 5 Sep 1585 The Salt Lake Temple TIB suggests the birth date 1590.

ORDINANCES: Ordinance Index for B, E, & SP and SS

RESEARCH: Institute of family Research. The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England by Frederick G. Rolfe. Call Number 929.273 R644r, JSMB FAMHIST Book states: "To the best that this author has been able to determine, Henry, Honour and their three eldest children, Ann, Hannah and John were the first family bearing the surname Rolfe to immigrate to New England. In 1635 they settled in Newburyport, Mass. in that part of the town that in 1764 separated as the town of Newbury. In 1646 Henry was registered as a "Proprietor of Lands". He was not recorded as a Freeman, probably because of his early death (1643). they are the progenitors of the largest Rolfe family in the United States, estimated by the author to number 60 to 70 percent of those currently bearing the Rolfe surname and the allied lines of their female descendants.

NOTE: It is not known on which vessel they sailed on to New England. They have often been erroneously noted as having sailed as passengers on the "Confidence" as did his brother, John Rolfe and family and his nephes, Thomas Whittier, ancestor of the famous poet of Haverhill, Mass, John Greenleaf Whittier.

NOTE: Henry and Honour rolfe were first cousins, once removed. Henry's father was the brother of Honour's maternal grandfather. Henry Rolfe was baptized 5 September 1585 according to the Parish Registers of Whiteparish, Wilshire, England.

WILL: Whiteparish, Wiltshire England, John Rolfe's Will, 1625.

The Will of (John Rolfe of Whiteparish) in the county of Wilts, yeoman, ()ary, 1624/5. To the church of (Whiteparish) 6d., to be used toward the reparation of the church by the church wardens of Whiteparish.

Concerning my right and interest in certain leases of which I now stand possessed, after my decease my son () Rolphe shall have that messuage or tenement and close adjoining, and that close called long() adjoining to Bbushy lease, and that close called breach meade, and a parcel ()sometimes parcel of bushy lease and lying upon the lane called Rumsey () containing fourteen "lugge" all being in Whiteparish, and also foun (?pieces of) arable land containing ten acres called Webb (?close) with a messuage which I hold of the right () William Stockman of Bereford, county Wilts., Esq., by virtue of a (?lease) dated 20 March 9 James I, to hold the said lease and premises until the full term of ninety nine years if my sons Henry and John or either of them live so long,

I give to my son Henry for his life, and after his death my will is that Honor Rolfe, wife to the said Henry my son, if she survive her husband, shall hold the said premises during the time she reamin a widow, and when my daughter-in-law Honor be married to any other husband or die, then my son John shall enjoy the residue of the time unexpired. My son John shall have the three acres of graund sometimes waste ground parcel of the Earldome lying between Langley wood and the round coppice,* demised to me and my assigns by William Stockman Esq., during the term of (th)ree years, as appears by indenture dated 20 March 8 James I.

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HUSBAND - Henry Rolfe (Continued)

To John, my younger son, the new chest,, my best coffer, my iron bound cart, and 3 pounds.

To Joane, the eldest daughter, and Hester, the youngest daughter of my son John, a brass pan, pweter platter, and hive of bees and 20s. each. To Joane, my grandchild, daughter of Willian Holloway, a hive of bees and 20s. at () twenty one years, my will is that () son John or the longer () two kine and a mare which () item I give to my daughter () coverlid and 26s.8d. to () ease.

Itm I give to Richard Whiteer () of money which money my executor () taine to the age of twenty and six years ()ty shillings. And farther my will is that () above named shall have their twenty shillings apiece () my decease: for which my above named grand (?children shall give my) executor an acquittance and he shall accept of () sonne John a coverlid which lyeth in my press () pioece if they shall require it within one year after ()aged () men and women of Whiteparish the sum of () at the discretion of my executor and the minister. () the rest of my goods and chattels unbequeathed, my (?debts and legacies paid and funeral expenses discharged, I give and bequeath to my son Henry Rolfe and (?make him my) sole executor; and I give to Mr. Parks, minister of Whiteparish, () My neighbors John Coles of Mort farme and William Morris of Newton ()field to be my overseers, and to each of them I give 10s. () to see my will faithfully performed. (Signed) John Rolfe his marke. (Witnesses' names torn off.)

Codical dated 29 May 1625. I give to be delivered by my life time which is no part of () nor touching my last will, as witnesses John ()William Morris. Mary my daughter shall have 13s. () of the 17 pounds. I give to my son John 30 ()nn pounds. I give to Mary my daughter a little barrell, etc., () a stall of bees for Thomas her son, and unto Mary my daughter a gown. To Henry my son the slt and the powdering tub. To John my son my ()ake and the newest jerkin and hose. All the rest of my household stuff to be equally divided between Henry, my son and executor, and John, (?my you)ngest son. (Signed) the m'ke of John Rolfe the elder. Proved 8 October 1625, by the executor named. Inventory taken 6 October 1625, by John Coles, William Morris, and Thomas Rolfe, 113 pounds 1s.4d., exhibited by the executor 8 October 1625. (Archdeaconry of Sarun, 1625, Original Will and Inventory.) (Bracket indicate the places where the foregoing will is mutilated or illegible.)

NOTE: *Miss French notes in 1912 that the woodlands still bore these names

INTERNET RESPONSE: In response to a request for information on the Internet, World Family Tree Collection, Marie Thurmon-Vann replied with the following information:

"Henry and family are said to have emigrated to New England with Henry's brother John and a sister, though apparently not on the very same ship. John and family (described differently in two published transcriptions I'm looking at presently) sailed on the Confidence in 1638. There is no mention of Henry in either of the transcriptions: presumably he and his family came earlier, since son Benjamin was born on this side in that year. Henry is listed as owning land in Newburn in 1642".

WIFE - Honour Rolfe

BIRTH: Abt 1593/1598

ORDINANCES: Ordinance Index for B, E, & SP and SS

RESEARCH: Institute of family Research. From a book in the Joseph Smith Memorial Building, 4th floor: Honour Rolfe was the daughter of Richard and Agnes Rolfe of Hamptworth, Wiltshire Co., England. Honour was born about 1598. Her mother was a first cousin of Henry Rolfe. (From "The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England" by Frederick G. Rolfe. Call Number 929.273 R644r JSMB FAMHIST Book.)

CHILD 1 - Ann or Anna Rolfe

ORDINANCES: Ordinance Index for B, E, & SP and SS

RESEARCH: Ann's name is on page 1-1-1 in "The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England" by Frederick G. Rolfe. US/ CAN 929.273 R644r

CHILD 2 - Hannah Rolfe

ORDINANCES: Ordinance Index for B, E, & SP and SS.

RESEARCH: Hannah's name is on page 1-1-1 in "The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England" by Frederick G. Rolfe

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CHILD 2 - Hannah Rolfe (Continued)

US/CAN 929.273 R644r. On page I-3.2 it states, "Hannah Rolfe (2.2), dau. of Henry Rolfe (1.1), was born about 1630 England, probably at whiteparish, Wiltshire co. She m. 3 June 1647 at Newbury to Richard Dole of Newbury. Richard was bpt. 31 Decamber 1622 at Ringworthy, England (near Bristol). Hannah died 16 November 1678 after which Richard m. (1) Hannah, widow of Samuel Brocklebank, of Rowley. He laater m. (3) to Patience (Jewett) Walker of Haverhill, widow of Shubael Walker.

CHILD 3 - John Henry Rolfe

BORN: 10 May 1634, England

DEATH: 1 Oct 1681, Newberry, Essex, Mass. in the home of his brother, Benjamin. Another death date is 10 Sep 1681.

ORDINANCES: Ordinance Index for B, E, & SP

RESEARCH: Institute of family Research. History of Arington, Mass. 974.44/A3 p 13; Vol 36 N.E. H & Gen, Vol 31, N. E. H & Gen Reg.

"Thomas Hale, the glover, of Newbury, Massachusetts (1635) and his descendants" by Robert Safford Hale. FHL US/Can film #1320937 Item 4. On p. 4 is a hand written correction at the bottom of the page stating: "This is an error. The John Rolfe who was the father of Moses Rolfe of Woodbridge, N.J., was brother of the Benjamin who married Apphia Hale, and not son. see page 19." signed R.L.H.

On page 19 R.L.H. wrote referring to the second paragraph, "Error, see p. 7 - Moses Rolph the husband of Mary Hale was the son of John Rolfe, a brother of Benjamin Rolfe who married Apphia Hale (see page 7.) - their father was Henry Rolfe, who was an early settler of Newbury, Mass., & who came from England with his mother Honour Rolfe, a widow, about 1638. - John the son of Henry married Mary Scullard and had ten children, at least five of whom, John, Joseph, Henry, Benjamin and Moses settled in Woodbridge N.J." signed R.L.H.

RESEARCH: The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England" Volume I by Frederick G. Rolfe states: "John Rolfe (2.3), son of Henry Rolfe (1.1), was born about 1634 in England, probably at Whiteparish, Wiltshire Co. His birth date was recorded as 10 May 1634 at Cambridge, Mass. He married 4 Dec. 1656 at Newbury to Mary Scollard, dau. of Samuel and Rebecca (Kent) Scollard of Newbury, Mary was born 9 January 1641 England. It was after the birth of their 3rd. child and while John was away from Newbury that Mary became involved in a scandal with a Dr. Henry Greenland, a new-comer to Newbury. He was found guilty of adultery and ordered out of Newbury. He went first to Kittery, Maine from where he was forced to leave. He then relocated to Piscataway, New Jersey where he and his family settled. Shortly after John's return to Newbury, he, Mary and their dau. Mary & Rebecca relocated to Nantucket where their next five children were born. About 1672 the family relocated to a part of Cambridge that is now Arlington where he purchased and operated "Cook's Mill". Three, possibly four of their children were born there. John died 1 October 1681 at Newbury in the home of his brother, Benjamin. He had purchased land in Woodbridge, N.J. shortly prior to his death. It was shortly after his death that the family, with the exception of the dau., Rebecca, relocated to Woodbridge where they changed the spelling of their surname to Rolph."

CHILD 4 - Benjamin Rolfe

ORDINANCES: Ordinance Index for B, E, & SP and SS

RESEARCH: In the book, "The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England" by Frederick G Rolfe, the following formation is given - "His birthdate of 1638 was recorded in Cambridge. He was a weaver, made freeman on 19 May 1669 and was a lifetime resident of Newbury, Massachusetts. He was one of the twelve petitioners to the General Court who, in 1703, requested that those accused of witchcraft be cleared of guilt. He married 3 November 1659 at Newbury to Apphia Hale, daughter of Thomas Hale. She was born about 1642 (age 17 in 1659) and died 24 December 1708. Benjamin died 10 August 1710 at Newbury." p. I-3.3.

Sources

1. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New Englana*, Gateway Press, Inc. 1001 N. Calvert Street, Balrimore, MD 21202, p. I -- 1.3, Family History Library, 35 N. West Temple Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84150, #929.273 R644r in JSMB FAMHIST Book.

The microfilm can be located in the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah - 2055148 Item 11.

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2. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England*, Page I-1.3 and I-2.1.
 ""Henry died 1 March 1642-3 at Newbury, his will being dated 15 February 1642-3 and proved ?8 March of that year.""
3. David W. Hoyt, *The Old Families of SALISBURY and AMESBURY, MASSACHUSETTS*, Baltimore Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., US/Can 974.45 D2h.
 "The Original Three Volumes and Supplement Complete in One volume."
4. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England*, Page I-1.2.
 ""Henry Rolfe (1.1) and Honour Rolfe (1.2) were married 28 May 1621 at Whiteparish, Wiltshire Co., England.""
5. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England*, Page I-1.3.
 ""Honour Rolfe was the daughter of Richard and Agnes (Rolfe) Rolfe of Hamptworth, Wiltshire Co. ,England. Honour was born about 1598. Her mother was a first cousin of Henry Rolfe."
 That must be a typing error. It is more logical that she was born in 1593."
6. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England*, Page I-2.1.
 ""At Newbury, his will being dated 15 February 1642-3 and proved 28 March of that year. Honour died 19 December 1650 at the home of her daughter, Ann Blanchard, in Charlestown, Mass." (also FHL US/CAN 20551 item 11)."
7. David W. Hoyt, *The Old Families of SALISBURY and AMESBURY, MASSACHUSETTS*, p. 301.
8. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England*, Page I-2.1, I-3.1.
 ""Ann Rolfe (2 1), later called Anna, b. about 1626 England.
 Page I-3.1 states: "Anna rolfe (2.1), dau. of Henry rolfe (1.1) was born about 1626 in England, probably at Whireparish, Wiltshire Co.""
9. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England*, Page I-3.1.
 ""She m. (1) about 1645 to Thomas Blanchard, son of Thomas and Agnes Bent (Barnes) Blanchard.""
10. David W. Hoyt, *The Old Families of SALISBURY and AMESBURY, MASSACHUSETTS*, p. 301.
 It states: Anna, b 1622-30; m. 1st, Thomas Blanchard; 2d, Richard Gardner of Woburn.
11. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England*, Page I-3.1.
 ""Anna m. (2) 18 October 1651 to Richard Gardner of Woburn, Mass.""
12. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England*, Page I-2.1 and Page I-3.2.
 " "Hannah Rolfe (2.2) b. about 1630 England."
 "Hannah Rolfe (2.2), dau. of Henry Rolfe (1.1), was born about 1630 England, probably at Whiteparish, Wiltshire Co. She m. 3 June 1647 at Newbury to Richard Dole of Newbury. Richard was bpt. 31 December 1622 at Ringworthy, England (near Bristol). Hannah died 16 November 1678 after which Richard m. (2) Hannah, widow of Samuel Brocklebank, of Rowley. He later m. (3) to Patience (Jewett) Walker of Haverhill, widow of Shubael Walker.""
13. Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, *Ancestral File*, Family History Library, 35 N. West Temple Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84150.
14. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England*, Page I-3.2.
 ""Hannah Rolfe (2.2), dau. of Henry Rolfe (1.1), was born about 1630 England, probably at Whiteparish, Wiltshire Co. She m. 3 June 1647 at Newbury to Richard Dole of Newbury. Richard was bpt. 31 December 1622 at Ringworthy, England (near Bristol). Hannah died 16 November 1678 after which Richard m. (2) Hannah, widow of Samuel Brocklebank, of Rowley. He later m. (3) to Patience (Jewett) Walker of Haverhill, widow of Shubael Walker.""
15. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England*, Page I-3.2.
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 See actual text.
16. Charles Henry Pope, *Pioneers of Massachusetts*.
 This record gives 3 May 1647 as the marriage date of Richard Dole and Hanna Rolfe.
17. David W. Hoyt, *The Old Families of SALISBURY and AMESBURY, MASSACHUSETTS*, p. 301.
 "II Hannah, b. 1622-30; m. May 3 1647 [Nb], Richard Dole of Nb."
18. Newbury (Massachusetts) Town Clerk., *Newbury (Massachusetts) Records of births, marriages, intentions, and deaths, 1635-1844*, SLC: Filmed by the Genealogical Society of Utah, 1971., Vol. 4, Film number #0886202.
 P. 16 Rebecca daughter of John rolfe was born Feb 9th, 1662.
 Vol. 2 Essex County Town Hall, Newberry, Mass. Date: 1635-1734.
 Marriage date on this record is: May 3, 1647.
19. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England*.
 "The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England p. I-2.1and p I-3.2: "John Rolfe (2.3) b. about 1634 England.""

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Sources (Continued)

20. David W. Hoyt, *The Old Families of SALISBURY and AMESBURY, MASSACHUSETTS*, p. 301.
21. James Savage, *Genealogical Dictionary of The First Settlers of New England*, Baltimore Genealogical Publishing Co. 1981, p. 571.
Those who came before May, 1692.
22. Victor Channing Sanborn, *The Grantees and Settlement of Hampton, H.H.*, web site : <http://www.hampton.lib.nh.us/hampton/genealog/grantees.htm>, Kenelworth, Ill. Essex Institute Historical Collections, 53.
Date: 3 Jun 2001.
""John Rolfe was taken suddenly ill at the house of his brother Benjamin in Newbury, and died there in Sept., 1681. His widow was living in Cambridge in 1683. The sons removed to Woodbridge in New Jersey.""
23. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England*, Page 13.
" "John Rolfe (2.3), son of Henry & Honour (Rolfe) Rolfe died 1 October 1681 at Newbury, Massachusetts in the home of his brother, Benjamiin Rolfe."
"John Rolfe (2.3), son of Henry & Honour (Rolfe) Rolfe died 1 October 1681 at Newbury, Massachusetts in the home of his brother, Benjamiin Rolfe.""
24. Victor Channing Sanborn, *The Grantees and Settlement of Hampton, H.H.*
"I." Mary, born 9 Jan., 1641. Married at Newbury, 2 Dec., 1656, John Rolfe. They removed to Nanticket, but returned to Cambridge. John Rolfe was taken suddenly ill at the house of his brother Benjamin in Newbury, and died there in Sept., 1681.""
This source gives the marriage date as 2 Dec 1656. The Ordinance Index gives the date 4 Dec 1656.
25. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, *Ordinance Index (TM)*, 0184632, Family History Library, 35 N. West Temple Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84150.
26. James Savage, *Genealogical Dictionary of The First Settlers of New England*, p. 571.
""But of ano. John of Newbury, prob. s. of Henry, we hear, that he m. 4 Dec. 1656, Mary Scullard, possib. d. of Samuel, had Mary, b. 2 Nov. 1658, d. next mo. ; Mary, again, 16 Jan. 1660; and Rebecca, 9 Feb 1662:.....""
27. Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, *IGI Ordinance Index*, 0184632, Family History Library, 35 N. West Temple Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84150.
28. David W. Hoyt, *The Old Families of SALISBURY and AMESBURY, MASSACHUSETTS*, p. 301.
29. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England*, Page I-2.1.
" "Benjamin Rolfe (2.4) b. about 1638. The birth/date was recorded at Cambridge, Mass. though he was probably actually born at Newbury, Mass."
(also FHL US/CAN 2055148 item 11)."
30. James Savage, *Genealogical Dictionary of The First Settlers of New England*, p. 570.
"".....s. of Henry, was b. betw. 1637 and 1640, freem. 1659, or more prob. 1670, by w. Apphia, wh. he m. 3 Nov. 1659, had John, b. 12 Oct. 1660; Benjamin, 13 Sept. 1662,.....Apphia, 8 Mar. 1667; Mary, 16 Sept. 1669, d. young; Samuel, 14 Jan. 1672; Mary, again, 11 Nov. 1674, d. young; Henry, 12 Oct. 1677; Eliz. 15 Dec. 1679; Nathaniel, 12 Nov. 1681; and Abigail, 5 May 1684. His w. d. 24 Dec. 1708, and he d. 10 Aug. 1710.""
31. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England*, FHL US/CAN 2055148 item 11, 1996.
32. Newbury (Massachusetts) Town Clerk., *Newbury (Massachusetts) Records of births, marriages, intentions, and deaths, 1635-1844*, Vol. 4.
33. Frederick G. Rolfe, *The Early Rolfe Settlers of New England*, FHL US/CAN item 11, 1996.
34. David W. Hoyt, *The Old Families of SALISBURY and AMESBURY, MASSACHUSETTS*, p. 301.
35. James Savage, *Genealogical Dictionary of The First Settlers of New England*, p. 570.