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(The Story of Mary Boone: continued from the April Boone SCOUT)

THE ONLY other child of John and Mary Boone Webb of whose marriage and children we have record is Samuel (b. 1740), who according to the Exeter Records, was married "5 mo. 3, 1764" to Rebecca Paine, daughter of Thomas Paine. Only three of their children are named in the Exeter Records, William and Thomas, both of whom were married by a magistrate during 1792, and Hannah who married \_\_\_\_\_ Lemmons, 29 January 1794. Some time after 1784 Samuel Webb followed his cousin, Benjamin Boone, Jr. to the Fishing Creek locality, Centre twp., Northumberland (now Columbia) County, Pa., where he bought land of Benjamin and settled there with his family. (Columbia Co. Deeds, Bk. B, Vol. O, p. 410.) Here two of Samuel's sons, Joshua and John, were disowned by the Catawissa Meeting in 1799 because of military service.

FROM THIS point, the history of Samuel Webb's family is carried on by a descendant, Mrs. Ray Nixon Lytle (now deceased), whose family Bible gave the date of Samuel's death as 1821, and in addition to the five children named above, records those of George, Samuel, Jr., Isaiah, Moses (b. 1787), Rachel (m. John Jones), Rebecca Underwood and Isaac. These records which establish the above Samuel as the son of John and Mary Boone Webb, and Mrs. Lytle as the great-granddaughter of Moses Webb (s. of Samuel) are significant as this is the only line yet traced definitely from John and Mary Boone Webb to the present time. (Boone Bulletin #8, pp. 115-117.) Another descendant, also a great-granddaughter of Moses and Maria Sweeney Webb and a first cousin of Mrs. Lytle, is Miss Rachel Ann Nixon, Clovis, New Mexico.

MANY ENTRIES in the Catawissa Meeting Minutes concern the third and fourth generations but most of the individuals cannot be identified. There were frequent violations of the Quaker rules, and the Webbs appear to have been in perpetual disfavor with the strict Society of Friends.

SOME WEBB-BOONE intermarriages were: Samuel Webb to Mary Boone (d. 1823, age 43), daughter of Benjamin Boone, Jr. (nephew of Mary Boone Webb); Mary Webb (d. 1823 nr. Bloomsburg, Pa.) to Samuel Boone (b. 1773) grandson of Benjamin, brother of Mary Boone Webb. (J. H. Battle, History of Columbia and Montour Counties, Pa.); Mary Webb (d. 1849) daughter of Samuel Webb, Sr. (probably the one who appears earlier as Samuel Webb, Jr.) in 1838 to Aaron Boone (b. 1815) son of Benjamin Boone, 3rd. Another Mary Webb married in 1755 Mordecai Lincoln (b. 1730) half-brother of President Lincoln's great-grandfather. (Lea and Hutchinson, Ancestry of Abraham Lincoln.)

ANY ONE who has reason to believe he is a descendant of this early couple, John and Mary Boone Webb, is invited to communicate with the Editor of the SCOUT, as additional records are badly needed. Such is the brief history of Mary Boone who stepped ashore into the New World in 1717, later to become the bride of John Webb, and rear a family which has been the despair of her genealogically-minded descendants!