

the wife of John Lyford, clerk, deceased and mother of Obadiah Lyford, clerk, deceased and of Mordecai Lyford sworn saith upon her oath that the said Mordecai who hath this day chosen the said Edmund Hubbard to be his guardian is brother and next heir of the said Obadiah" [WP 4:137].

Lechford tells us more:

Edmund Hubbard of Hingham in New England planter and Sarah his wife sometime wife of John Lyford clerk deceased, Obadiah Lyford, clerk, deceased and Mordecai Lyford his brother and heir free land in the County of Tyrone. And the lease of Leballeglishe.... And also I have seen a sufficient register of the marriage of the said Edmund and Sarah, testifying that they were lawfully married at Charlestown in New England upon the tenth day of October in the tenth year of his said Majesty's reign... [Lechford 140, 142]

On 6 August 1639 Edmund Hubbard of Hingham, planter, guardian of Mordecai Lyford brother and heir of Obediah Lyford, clerk, deceased, and Sarah wife of the said Edmund, gave their power of attorney to "our well beloved & trusty friends William Bladen alderman of the city of Dublin and John Fisher citizen of the same city" to demand any inheritance due to Mordecai, particularly rents from lands in County Tyrone and the lease at "Leballeglish in the county of Ardmagh" so that the Hubbards need not "be compelled to travel forth of the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Bay in New England" [Lechford 142-44].

No doubt in relation to this case in some way, Lechford also recorded

That Sarah Hubbard wife of Edmund Hubbard of Hingham in New England sometimes wife of John Lyford Clerk, sometime minister at Levelgkish near Laughaid in the county of Ardmagh Deceased is alive &c. [Lechford 263].

The correct, modern name for the Irish locality in which Lyford resided was Levalleglish in the parish of Loughgall, county Armagh, a parish which is on the border of co. Tyrone.

RICHARD LYMAN

ORIGIN: High Ongar, Essex

MIGRATION: 1631

FIRST RESIDENCE: Roxbury

REMOVES: Hartford 1636

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP: Admitted to Roxbury church as member #11: "Richard Lyman. He came to N.E. in the 9th month 1631. He brought children: Phillis, Richard, a Sarah. _____ John. He was an ancient christian, but weak, yet after some time of trial & quickening he

joined to the church; when the great removal was made to Conecticot he also went, & underwent much affliction, for going toward winter, his cattle were lost in driving, & some never found again; & the winter being cold & ill provided, he was sick and melancholy, yet after he had some revivings through God's mercy, and died in the year 1640" [RChR 74].

FREEMAN: 11 June 1633 [MBCR 1:368].

ESTATE: In the Hartford land inventory in February 1639[/40] Richard Lyman held six parcels: three acres and one rood with dwelling house, outhouses, yards and gardens; eight acres of upland; twenty acres of upland; seven acres in the South Meadow; two acres in the South Meadow; and six acres of swamp on the east side of the Great River [HaBOP 271-72]. At an unknown date James Ensign purchased the six acre parcel of swamp on the east side of the Great River from Richard Lyman [HaBOP 224].

In his will, dated 22 April 1640 and proved 27 January 1642[/3], Richard Lyman bequeathed to "my wife all my housing and lands during her life and one third part of my lands to dispose of at her death amongst my children as she pleaseth and I give her all my moveable goods"; "the other two parts of my land & house I give to my elder son Richard ... if he die without an heir, then I give it to my son Robert"; to "my daughter Sarah, besides the cattle I formerly have given her, my will is that my wife shall pay her £20 two years after my death"; to "my son John Lyman I give him £30 to be paid by my wife at twenty-two years of age"; to "my son Robert I give £24 at twenty-two years of age"; to "my daughter Fillis, the wife of William Hills I give 10s."; "my wife sole executrix" [Manwaring 1:22-23].

The inventory of Richard Lyman was taken 6 September 1641 and totalled £83 16s. 3d. [Manwaring 1:22].

In her will, dated 24 July [1642?], the "widow Lyman" made the following disposition of her goods: "The widow Lyman's mind is that her son Richard Lyman should perform her husband's will and that her son Robert should live with him till he be twenty-two years of age, and she gives Robert Lyman the third part of the housing & grounds, & for the performance of her husband's will she gives Richard all her moveable goods, both without the house and within, only her wearing clothes and some of her linen she will dispose of" [Manwaring 1:23].

BIRTH: Baptized High Ongar, Essex, 30 October 1580, son of Henry and Elizabeth (Rande) Lyman [TAG 30:187-90].

DEATH: Hartford between 22 April 1640 (date of will) and 3 March 1640/1 ("when his thirty acres were called the property of Richard Lyman, deceased" [Moore Anc 349]).

MARRIAGE: By 1611 Sarah ____; "Sarah Lyman, the wife of Richard Lyman," admitted to Roxbury church as member #20 [RChR 74]. She

died by 27 January 1642[3] when her will was brought to court with that of her husband [CCCR 1:81]. (Some older sources claim that Sarah was daughter of Richard Osborne of Halstead, Kent, but there is no support for this identification.)

CHILDREN (baptisms in TAG 30:188):

- i PHILLIS, bp. High Ongar, Essex, 12 September 1611; m. by about 1638 WILLIAM HILLS.
- ii RICHARD, bp. High Ongar 18 July 1613; d. soon.
- iii WILLIAM, bur. High Ongar 28 August 1615.
- iv WILLIAM, bp. High Ongar 8 September 1616; bur. there November 1616.
- v RICHARD, bp. High Ongar 24 February 1617/8; m. by about 1644 Hepzibah Ford, daughter of THOMAS FORD (eldest child b. about 1644 [Moore Anc 260-61, 354]).
- vi SARAH, bp. High Ongar 8 February 1619/20; came to New England in 1631 with family [RChR 74]; named in father's will, 22 April 1640; no further record.
- vii ANNE, bp. Navestock, Essex, 20 April 1621; no further record.
- viii JOHN, b. September 1623 ("if he live will be twenty-two year old in September 1645" [CCCR 1:81]); m. Branford 12 January 1654[5] Dorcas Plumb [BranVR Barbour 113], daughter of John Plumb.
- ix ROBERT, b. September 1629 ("twenty-two in September 1651" [CCCR 1:81]); m. Northampton 5 November 1662 Hepzibah Bascomb [Pynchon VR 141].

COMMENTS: Lilian J. Redstone checked the High Ongar manorial court records for 25 April 1639 and discovered that Richard Lyman had surrendered his tenements of Petfield, Serleshope and Cachmans and a cottage in Pashfield to Richard Dike by 19 September 1631 [TAG 30:190].

In 1632 William Pynchon, as Massachusetts Bay treasurer, paid £3 10s. to "Goodman Lyman for a fat hog for [to victual the pinnacle for the taking of Dixie Bull]" [MHSC 2:8:232].

On 5 September 1639 Richard Lyman complained against Sequassen for "burning up his hedge which before Mr. Governor formerly he promised to satisfy for, but yet hath not done it" [CCCR 4].

BIBLIOGRAPHIC NOTE: In 1938 Louis Effingham DeForest compiled a substantial account of the Lyman family [Moore Anc 348-56]. Ten years later Mary Lovering Holman published a briefer account, but this time incorporating parish register entries which identify the English origin of the Lyman family [Stevens-Miller 383-84]. In 1954 Donald