

THE BAX FAMILY

An Account of the Early Quaker Baxes of Capel and Ockley in the
County of Surrey, with particulars of some of their descendants
and notes relating to a number of allied families

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CHAPTER XV

ANN WESTBROOK

(1724-1796)

AND HER HUSBAND BENJAMIN KIDD THE 1ST, MEALMAN, OF READING IN
BERKSHIRE, AND OF GODALMING IN THE COUNTY OF SURREY

*Direct Ancestor to all numbered persons in Pedigrees 6 and 7 : daughter to Rebecca
Bax the 4th of the preceding chapter, and sister to Mary Westbrook of the next chapter*

Her Times

Ann Westbrook was born in the reign of George I ; and lived through the reign of George II and more than half way through the long reign of George III. She was twenty-one years of age at the Rebellion of the Young Pretender, fifty-one at the beginning of the American War of Independence, and sixty-five at the outbreak of the French Revolution.

Her Birth and Parentage

According to the Quaker Register, Ann Westbrook was born within Guildford Monthly Meeting 16 February, 1724. In 1721 her father lived in the parish of Shalford, which is about three miles from Godalming : in 1728 he lived within the parish of Godalming : but there is no evidence as to where he was living in 1724. She was a daughter of James Westbrook by his wife Rebecca Bax the 4th : they have already been described in *Chapter XIV*.

Her Sisters

She had one sister, and one half-sister. Her sister Mary Westbrook who married Edward Prichard is described in *Chapter XVI*, and her descendants are traced in *Pedigrees 8 to 10*. Her half-sister Hannah Hunt, who married Thomas Payne, is described in *Chapter XVII*, and her descendants are traced in *Pedigree 11*.

Her Places of Residence

She may have been born at Taylor's Farm, Godalming : in any case her parents were living there when she was four and five years of age. She may also have lived there between the ages of five and nine, when her mother was a widow. From the age of nine until her marriage it may be concluded that she lived at Godalming with her mother and her step-father, James Hunt, the latter of whom was a mealman there.

In 1747 she married Benjamin Kidd of Reading, and her first child was born there in the following year. She had children born at Godalming in 1750, 1753, 1759 and 1761; and she appears to have spent the rest of her life in that town. She died there in 1796.

Her Death

According to the Quaker Register, Ann Kidd of Godalming, the wife of Benjamin Kidd, died 1 March, 1796, aged seventy-two, and was buried at Godalming.

Her Husband

Ann Westbrook of Godalming, spinster, was married at a Friends Meeting at Godalming 17 September, 1747, to Benjamin Kidd the 1st of Reading, mealman, son of Richard and Mary Kidd of Reading. Between 1748 and 1750 Benjamin Kidd removed from Reading to Godalming. Benjamin Kidd, mealman, of Godalming, died there 15 March, 1800, aged seventy-five, and was buried there on the 23rd. He was a son of Richard Kidd the 2nd who was born at Settle in Yorkshire (but became a weaver at Reading) by his wife Mary Adams, daughter of Gabriel Adams, a weaver of Reading.

Benjamin Kidd the 1st was for forty-three years a Minister in the Society of Friends: a memoir appeared in *Piety Promoted*, 1810. He was guardian to the orphan children of his wife's sister Mary (Westbrook) Prichard. His uncle, Benjamin Kidd the 5th, was a much more celebrated Quaker Minister, who travelled in the ministry in America, and died at Banbury in 1751. A *Note* giving further particulars of the Kidd family is added to this chapter. It will be seen that Benjamin Kidd the 1st's great-grandfather, John Kidd the 1st, was one of the first Quakers at Settle in or about 1652.

Her Children

Benjamin and Ann (Westbrook) Kidd had five children—three sons and two daughters—namely:—

- 1 **James Kidd** the 1st, born at Reading 24 September, 1748.
- 2 **RICHARD KIDD** the 3rd, born at Godalming 12 December, 1750, and married Deborah Waring. *He and his descendants are described in Pedigree 6.*
- 3 **Mary Kidd** the 3rd, born at Godalming 9 June, 1753; died there 19 August, 1753, and buried there.
- 4 **Benjamin Kidd** the 4th, born at Godalming 24 September, 1759. Benjamin Kidd, of Godalming, formerly mealman, died 4 December, 1827, aged sixty-eight, and was buried at Godalming. He was probably unmarried.
- 5 **ELIZABETH KIDD** the 3rd, born at Godalming 30 November, 1761, and married Robert Moline. *She and her descendants are described in Pedigree 7.*

THE KIDD FAMILY

I. NOTE ON THE KIDD FAMILY

The greater part of the information which follows is copied from memoranda in the handwriting of Josiah Newman, the genealogist, now to be found in the Library of the Society of Genealogists at Chaucer House, Malet Place, London, W.C.1.

Ricardus Kidd (the 1st) de Settle, co. York, was buried at Giggleswick Churchyard 7 November, 1589, having had issue—

Thomas Kidd, filius Ricardi Kidd de Settle, who was baptised at Giggleswick church 27 April, 1572. He married at Giggleswick 3 December, 1592, Janeta ffoster, and had issue—

William Kidd the 1st who was baptised 1 August, 1596, at Giggleswick de Settle. He married at Giggleswick 1 September, 1618, Katherina Preston, and had issue—

John Kidd the 1st who was baptised at Giggleswick church 25 December, 1623, and appears to have died 5 February, 1710, being buried three days later at Settle. He married Agnes . . . who died at Settle 17 January, 1687. John Kidd was a clothier of Settle, and became a Quaker in the early days of George Fox's ministry. He was a prisoner for his faith in 1660.

The report of the Monthly Meeting held in Settle in October, 1704, includes an interesting account of the first arrival of Quakers in the town and their reception by John Kidd: "In or about the year 1652 or 1653 . . . it was so ordered that another servant and minister of the Lord called John Camm came into the said town on a market day, and in the market place began to preach the doctrine of repentance, and the way of life and salvation unto the people. But they soon fell upon him with violence, and did beat and buffet him very much, so that he received many strokes; yet there were some who endeavoured to bear off some blows, and to rid him out of their hands; and after some time he was conducted to the house of John Kidd, in Upper Settle, where there was a meeting in the evening, and then things relating to the kingdom of God were plainly laid down by him. Also about the year 1652-3 came several of the servants and ministers of Jesus Christ, viz: William Dewsbury, Richard Farnworth, Thomas Stubbs, Miles Halhead, and James Nayler, and preached the everlasting gospel, by which many were turned from darkness to light." The above is quoted from page 98 of *The Ancient Parish of Giggleswick* by Brayshaw and Robinson (Halton & Co., London, 1932.) The following appears on page 100 of the same book: "1670—John Kidd of Settle for being at two meetings was fined 15/-, for which the officers took two coats and covercloth, part of an hide of leather, and one pair of shoes worth £1. (From *Record of Sufferings of Friends within Settle Monthly Meeting.*)"

John and Agnes Kidd had issue—

- 1 **William Kidd** the 2nd, of whom presently.
- 2 **Richard Kidd** the 6th, born at Settle 15 February, 1663; died there 19 October, 1683.

- 3 **Joseph Kidd**, born at Settle 7 March, 1666; married and had issue.
- 4 **John Kidd** the 4th, died at Settle 22 August, 1680.

William Kidd the 2nd, son of the above John and Agnes Kidd, was a clothier at Settle. He died there 19 June, 1703, and was buried there. He married Dorothy Parratt of Sedbergh, who died at Settle 4 July, 1717; they were married shortly after 6 February, 1684. William and Dorothy (Parratt) Kidd had issue—

- 1 **John Kidd** the 2nd, born 11 June, 1685.
- 2 **Agnes Kidd**, born 8 April, 1687; married . . . Hall. She was a Quaker Minister, and died 1 October, 1762; she was buried at Settle on the 4th.
- 3 **Richard Kidd** the 2nd, of whom presently.
- 4 **Dorothy Kidd**, born 31 October, 1691.
- 5 **Benjamin Kidd** the 5th, born 6 December, 1693; died at Banbury 21 May, 1751, aged about fifty-nine; buried in Friends Burial Ground there on the 24th. He married Mary . . . He was a Minister in the Society of Friends for thirty-eight years, and very widely known in his day. He travelled extensively in America in the exercise of the ministry when about thirty years of age. (See *Piety Promoted*, 6th Part, Vol. II, 1812, p. 258.) His sermons were published. His widow refers to him as "an indulgent father" in her testimony after his death. (See the *Testimony of the Quarterly Meeting at Witney*, published in *Collection of Testimonies*, London, 1760.) He was, of course, uncle to the Benjamin Kidd who married Ann Westbrook.
- 6 **Elizabeth Kidd** the 4th, born 7 July, 1696.
- 7 **Deborah Kidd** the 3rd, born 25 January, 1699.

Richard Kidd the 2nd, son of the above William and Dorothy (Parratt) Kidd, was born at Settle 9 September, 1689, became a weaver at Reading, and died there 6 October, 1736. He was married at Reading 28 May, 1719, to Mary Adams (who died there 15 October, 1737), daughter to Gabriel Adams, weaver of Reading, by his wife Katharine. Richard and Mary (Adams) Kidd had issue—

- 1 **Benjamin Kidd** the 1st, mealman of Godalming, and Quaker Minister, who married Ann Westbrook. *They are described in the present chapter, and their descendants in Pedigrees 6 and 7.*
- 2 **Mary Kidd** the 4th, who died in 1812, aged eighty-five. She also was a Minister in the Society of Friends. See *Annual Monitor*, 1813.

PEDIGREE SIX

DESCENDANTS OF

RICHARD KIDD the 3rd

(1750-1838)

Miller, of Godalming in the County of Surrey

BY HIS WIFE

DEBORAH WARING

(1750-1834)

KEY TO PEDIGREE SIX

Richard Bax the 1st of *Chapter I* appears to have had four children, including :—

a Thomas Bax the 1st, of whom next.

Thomas Bax the 1st of *Chapter IV* had five children, including :—

a Edward Bax the 1st, of whom presently.

b Thomas Bax the 11th, ancestor to Pedigrees 12 and 13.

Edward Bax the 1st of *Chapter V* had nine children, including :—

a Sarah Bax the 1st, ancestor to Pedigree 1.

b Thomas Bax the 3rd, ancestor to Pedigrees 2 to 4.

c Nathaniel Bax the 2nd, ancestor to Pedigree 5.

d Rebecca Bax the 4th, of whom next.

Rebecca Bax the 4th of *Chapter XIV* had three children, namely :—

a Ann Westbrook, of whom presently.

b Mary Westbrook, ancestor to Pedigrees 8 to 10.

c Hannah Hunt, ancestor to Pedigree 11.

Ann Westbrook of *Chapter XV* had five children, including :—

a Richard Kidd the 3rd, of whom presently.

b Elizabeth Kidd the 3rd, ancestor to Pedigree 7.

Richard Kidd the 3rd (1750-1838) of *Pedigree 6* married Deborah Waring (1750-1834), and had twelve children, including :—

A **Deborah Kidd** the 1st (1777-1854) of *Section A* who married Edward Hallam the 1st, and had nine children, including :—

A-1 **Samuel Hallam** the 1st (born 1805) of *Section A-1*, who married (1) . . . Robbins, (2) Ann Shepherd, and (3) Mary Robbins, and has twenty descendants described in that section.

A-2 **Sarah Waring Hallam** (1808-57) of *Section A-2* who married William Naish the 1st (1806-75) and has a son and daughter described in that section.

A-3 **Edward Hallam** the 3rd (1812-67) of *Section A-3* who married Elizabeth Strode (1799-1875) and has twelve descendants described in that section.

A-4 **James Kidd Hallam** (born 1815) of *Section A-4* who married . . . and has three descendants described in that section.

B **Edward Kidd** the 1st (1778-1858) of *Section B* who married Mary Briant (1777-1868) and had five children, including :—

B-1 **Richard Kidd** the 4th (born 1811) of *Section B-1* who married Martha Gundry Capper (1819-63) and has thirty descendants described in that section.

C **Benjamin Kidd** the 2nd (1783-1858) of *Section C* who married Caroline Driver (1792-1863) and had eight children, including :—

C-1 **Caroline Kidd** (born 1819) of *Section C-1* who married Charles John Woods and has twenty-six descendants described in that section.

C-2 **James Kidd** the 3rd (1824-74) of *Section C-2* who married Mary Davy (born 1831) and has sixteen descendants described in that section.

C-3 **Alfred Kidd** (born 1833) of *Section C-3* who married Emily Sturge (born 1845) and has nine descendants described in that section.

D **Lydia Kidd** (1785-1877) of *Section D* who married John Sparks Moline the 1st (1786-1836) and had four children, including :—

D-1 **Sparks Moline** the 2nd (1811-65) of *Section D-1* who married Isabella Prideux (1817-40) and had a daughter described in that section.

D-2 **David Moline** (1814-64) of *Section D-2* who married Gertrude Podjov (died 1851) and has eight descendants described in that section.

APPENDICES

- I. Note on the Sholl Family.
- II. Note on the Capper Family.
- III. Principal Sources of Pedigree Six and accompanying Notes.