DAVID ELLIOT

David Elliot was the youngest son of Daniel Elliot, Jr. He was born March 3, 1716 at Sutton, Mass. and married 12-29-1739 at Uxbridge, Mass. to Mehitable Aldrich.

David had left his home and gone to Dutchess County, N.Y. but he returned to Sutton to marry his sweetheart—Mehitable Aldrich. They lived in Uxbridge until 1760 when they went to Dover, in Dutchess County, N.Y. arriving in time for the birth of their eighth and last child, Daniel. Up until this time David had been afraid to move his family because of the danger of Indians, but in this year of the great peace, 1760, it was considered safe to travel, and they were off to the promised land.

Here instead of joining the Quakers, old church records (Dover First Baptist Church, Wingdale, Dutchess co., N.Y.) prove that they joined the Baptist Church. Few people realize the religious peregrinations undertaken to get out from under the persecution of the Puritans in New England. Baptists and Quakers were especially obnoxious to the Puritans. We know that both the Aldrich and Elliott's were threatened with fines and imprisonment if they returned home to New England and did not pay certain taxes which were levied by the Church there.

David and Mehitable paused awhile in Windsor, Conn. this was the home of the Bradshaws. Here they made friends of people who were going up the Hudson to the great wheat country which was just opened up. They heard of the beautiful lakes, roads, which were open to the north, abundance of game and good neighbors. When they arrived in Dutchess County where they intended to stay they met more people on their way north of
Albany. Thus we next find them a few years later with six of their children comfortably settled in a home on top of a hill in the little town of Kingsbury Street, Washington co., New York. The present house at this sight was made from one of the barns of this original homestead.

"Kingsbury Street", a little village about five miles north of Sandy Hill, or one and a half miles north of the geographic center of the Town of Kingsbury; so it is designated on the old maps.

We hear people say even now "Kingsbury was a hotbed of Tories". It is true there was a strong loyalist sentiment in various localities in the town of Kingsbury, but Kingsbury Street, too surrounded by some of the worst elements of toryism, was a well established, patriotic community at the outset of the Revolution. As the old saying goes, "they had got well to living" when Burgoyne marched on the village in 1777 and they were forced to flee their homes. Many a boy rushed out of the house, without a "goodbye" and up the road to hold off the intruders, while the members of the families fled down the road toward Fort Edward and on to Dutchess County; fleeing not only from Burgoyne and his troops but from the Indians and so called "Tories" who were plundering and killing as they went.

It is safe to say every ablebodied man or boy living in Kingsbury Street when Burgoyne came through took an active part in the struggle for Independence.

The Elliot families came to Kingsbury Street around 1768. Therefore, they were not among the original patentees. We did find a lease from David Elliot to Daniel Elliot the 3rd. dated 10-28-1795. Lease for nine hundred and seven-seven years; Kingsbury, County of Washington, State of New York.
being part of lot #59 bounded by John Calkins, Jonathan Aldrich. For the consideration of one shilling one halpence of New York currency for one acre to be paid the first day of July every year for 977 years and performance of other duty in proportion to the quality of the land hereby granted that is specified in the original lease (David(his mark)Elliot).

David Elliot and his sons were all in the Revolution. Micajah was a Captain; David, Jr. was an ensign and the rest were privates.

DAVID ELLIOT

M/ Mehitable Aldrich

b. 3-3-1716, Sutton, Mass. b. 10-9-1716, Mendon, Mass.
d. 5-11-1798 (82 yrs) d. 10-13-1794 (78 yrs)

Burial: both are buried in the little cemetery at Kingsbury, N.Y.
Their stones were good, and readable in 1967.

THEIR CHILDREN:

2. Daniel b. 1-19-1742/3 - died young
3. David (Ensign) b. 3-3-1744/5 - d. 8-4-1793 ae. 49
   M/#1 - Hannah Adams in 1778 (1761-1789)
   M/#2 - Mrs. Lucy (Emery) Campbell.
4. Prudence b. 1- -1746/7
5. Sarah b. 1-17-1750
6. Hitty b. 3-17-1752
7. Micajah, (Capt) b. 10-19-1755 - d. 3-2-1840 ae. 87
   M/ Abigail d. 1-2-1832 ae. 81
   m/ Rachel - he died 7-3-1827 ae. 68.
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