

## Editor's Introduction



The first article by Keith Edward Wilson, **Three Husbands for Mary Turner and One More for Susannah Turner of New London and Lyme, Connecticut**, analyzes several deeds and probate distributions to show the later lives of two fifth-generation Brewster descendants, with a genealogical summary of Mary (Turner) (Daniels) Banning, her eight children, and twenty-four grandchildren. The family of Susannah (Turner) (Pickett) Fosdick by her second husband had already been published in *Mayflower Families Through Five Generations*, as her second husband Samuel Fosdick was her second cousin.

Erica Hahn's article, **Keziah, Wife of Edmund Freeman**, reexamines the theory proposed by Robert S. Wakefield that Keziah, mentioned as a granddaughter in the will of Stephen Skeffe/Skiffe of Sandwich, Massachusetts (whose wife Lydia Snow was a granddaughter of Richard Warren), was the same Keziah, later married to Edmund Freeman, who moved to Mansfield, Connecticut. The article argues against other scenarios leaving Wakefield's original theory as the only option. A genealogical summary follows with Keziah, Edmund, and their fourteen children.

**Joseph Brownell (1699–ca. 1773) of Dartmouth, Massachusetts, and Little Compton, Rhode Island: Corrections to the Identities of His Wives and Children**, examines conflicting claims in past genealogical literature and goes through numerous contemporary sources, including vital, land, probate, and of particular usefulness, Quaker records of Dartmouth (available online through the Dartmouth Historical and Arts Society), to show that one Joseph Brownell, a fifth-generation descendant of Francis Cooke, was married five times and had eight children by his first three wives.

My article with co-writer Michael J. Leclerc, **The Family of Louis and Lydia (Fosdick) Lambert Ma(s)cillier of Boston, Virginia, and Guadeloupe**, follows the first known Catholic *Mayflower* descendants in Massachusetts and their descendants who lived throughout the eastern United States, Louisiana, and several islands in the Caribbean, using records in English, French, Swedish, Dutch, and Spanish. Louis Lambert Ma(s)cillier was a business partner with his father-in-law Alvan Fosdick in Boston. Their schooner was seized in 1798 during the Quasi War between the United States and

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France, and their descendants filed a French Spoliation Claim with the United States government nearly a century later. Thanks to Keith Wilson's article mentioned above, this family has two Brewster descents since they also descend from Samuel and Susannah (Turner) (Pickett) Fosdick.

Continuing from a previous article, P. Ross Gorman, in **Peripatetic Pursuits: Tracking a Lost Branch of Mayflower Descendants**, follows the Isaac Tilden family from Massachusetts to Maine, to the Midwest, to Ohio and Indiana. His article includes an interesting account of a child born to a single woman and a married man, resulting in a "bastardy" lawsuit and divorce, as well as a contested probate settlement between Isaac's surviving widow and other heirs. The article concludes with a genealogical summary of Isaac Tilden (a seventh-generation descendant of Richard Warren), Isaac's three wives, nine known children (and possibly three more), and some grandchildren.

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