

27. JAMES³ ROGERS (*James,² James¹*), born Feb. 2, 1675, in New London; died July 9, 1735, in Norwalk, Ct.; married (1) Elizabeth, — who died Feb. 28, 1713, aged 32, according to the gravestone; the record gives date as Jan. 2, 1713. She died at the house of her son James; married (2), pub., June 29, 1713, Freeloove, daughter of Stephen Hurlburt, born 1694 in Norwalk, and died there Jan. 26, 1738. She was nineteen years younger than her husband. According to the Rev. C. M. Selleck and Judge H. A. Baker, the first wife's name was Elizabeth Harris, but no record has been found showing such to be the fact. James Rogers owned the half-way covenant in 1701, and his children were baptized in the church. "March 15, 1713. James Rogers, Jr., taken into the church." (H. D.)

In 1708 he was admitted to the bar, with a number of others, among whom was Roger Wolcott of Windsor, Ct. In 1714 he was confirmed as captain of the 4th train-band. "1715. James Rogers, son of James of New London, attorney for New London." (R. of Court of Assistants.) He was deputy to the General Court sixteen times, and at one time was speaker. He owned and lived upon a farm at Great Neck, which, after removing about 1726 to Norwalk, he sold to Philip Tabor.

1727. James Rogers sold to Philip Tabor for £2970, farm and housing southwest part of Great Neck by salt water and Robin Hood's Bay, also a small island out of said bay. (N. L. R.) This is the "I land" mentioned by James¹ in the codicil of his will. [See p. 33.]

In the will of James² Rogers we find: "To James 11 or 12 acres in Goshen, bounded south by the sea, east by William's land, north with Mary Prentis' land,—west with y^e pond and beach with a quarter of y^e marsh adjoining, & y^e land of Nahantick, called Little or Rane's Island."

Children by Elizabeth :

Mary,⁴ b. Jan. 12, 1699; m., pub., Jan. 2, 1724, Jonathan, son of Capt. Samuel and Hannah Chester of Groton, Ct.

Edward, b. May 14, 1702; m. Mar. 25, 1725, Sarah, dau. of Benjamin Gorton (1st Ch. R., N. L.); prob. m. (2) July 22, 1728, Mary Bailey of Westerly, R. I.

80 James, b. Aug. 20, 1704; m. Mary Harris.

Elizabeth, b. June 14, 1706; m. Sept. 29, 1723, Ransford, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Ransford) Avery. He d. and she m. (2) — Annis. (Avery Gen.)

Esther, b. —; bap, Mar. 27, 1709; m. (1), pub., Aug. 18, 1730, Benjamin Shapley; m. (2) John Seabury, by whom she had (Seabury) *John*,⁵ b. Jan. 12, 1736; m. (3) May 30, 1747, Jonathan Copp. (May 17, 1747. "Mr. Jonathan Copp our Gramor Schoolmaster, published Mrs. Esther Seabury, widow of Jno. Seabury. Her first husband was Benjamin Shapley." H. D.)

81 Uriah, b. Oct. 10, 1710; m. Hannah Lockwood. Jedediah, b. Sept. 10, 1712.

Children by Freelove :

An infant,⁴ b. —; d. July 5, 1716.

An infant, b. —; d. April 7, 1719.

82 Nehemiah, b. May 7, 1719; m. Elizabeth Fitch.

Hannah, b. —; bap. 1720; d. Sept. 22, 1721.

Stephen, b. Feb. 28, 1721-2.

Moses, b. April 12, 1724.

Aaron, b. April 9, 1726.

The Rev. Charles M. Selleck has identified the above fourteen children of James from tombstone inscriptions and church records of his parish, and the town records of Norwalk, Ct., to which place James removed late in life.

28. SARAH⁵ ROGERS (*James*,⁵ *James*¹), born Nov. 23, 1682, in New London; died 1766; married (1) Jonathan Haynes; married (2) about 1726, Elder Stephen Gorton, b. Mar. 21, 1703-4. They lived on Great Neck.

By inheritance from her father and will of Jonathan Haynes, her husband, she was in possession of a very valuable estate in land.

Oct. 27, 1713. James Rogers gives Sarah and Jonathan Haynes land by two separate deeds.

Children (Haynes) :

Jonathan,⁴ b. Aug. 30, 1699.

Mary, b. Aug. 28, 1701.

Elizabeth, b. April 1, 1703; m., pub., Jan. 3, 1722, William Haines.

Charles, b. April 10, 1705; m. April 25, 1728, Lydia Tabor.

James, b. Nov. 5, 1707; m. Nov. 30, 1767, Phebe Chappell.

Sarah, b. Aug. 8, 1708; m. Dec., 1726, Christopher Darrow.*

* Christopher, son of Christopher and Elizabeth (Pecker) Darrow, was a major in the Revolution.