

# Cory Family Society Newsletter

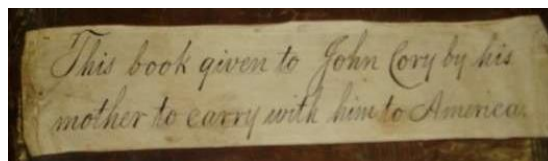
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## THE GRATE BOOK REVISITED

by Joe Cory (John I of Southold)



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A PRIZED CORY ARTIFACT IS THE "GRATE BOOK" (SPELLINGS VARY DEPENDING ON THE SOURCE), A VOLUME OF TREATISES ON THE BIBLE, BROUGHT TO AMERICA BY JOHN I WHEN HE EMIGRATED IN ABOUT 1640.

THE BOOK CAME DOWN THROUGH THE GENERATIONS TO JOHN I'S GREAT-GRANDSON ELNATHAN (1702-1766). ELNATHAN'S DESCENDANTS FORMED THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA AREA CORY REUNION ASSOCIATION (WPACRA) IN 1909.

JOE CORY VOLUNTEERED TO TAKE UP THE CHALLENGE OF SEEING THE GRATE BOOK IN REAL LIFE. ACTING ON INFORMATION FROM JOHN COREY AND HELEN PRATT, HE FORGED AHEAD. HERE IS JOE'S ACCOUNT OF HIS VISIT TO THE GRATE BOOK.

John Corey had found that Charles E. Cory is taking care of the book for his older brother, James Dave Cory, who received the book from their father, William James Cory (1921-2002).

It turned out that by some luck I was able to connect with Charles. At the same time my son Nicolaus and daughter Ellie wanted to go from our home in Des Moines, IA, to the Iowa State versus West Virginia football game to be held on November 4, 2017, in Morgantown, WV. We decided to make it our Grate Road Trip, stopping at Chuck's home in Sharpsville, PA.

After our 850+ mile drive, the kids and I met with Chuck and his wife Pat the morning before the game and were able to take a few photos and share a few stories.



The book is showing its age a bit and needs some repair, if it is even possible. It is still kept in the box made in 1907 by James Enos Cory in which he used cherry (C), oak (O), rosewood (R) and yew (Y) in its construction. The book itself is too old to just flip through the pages to read.

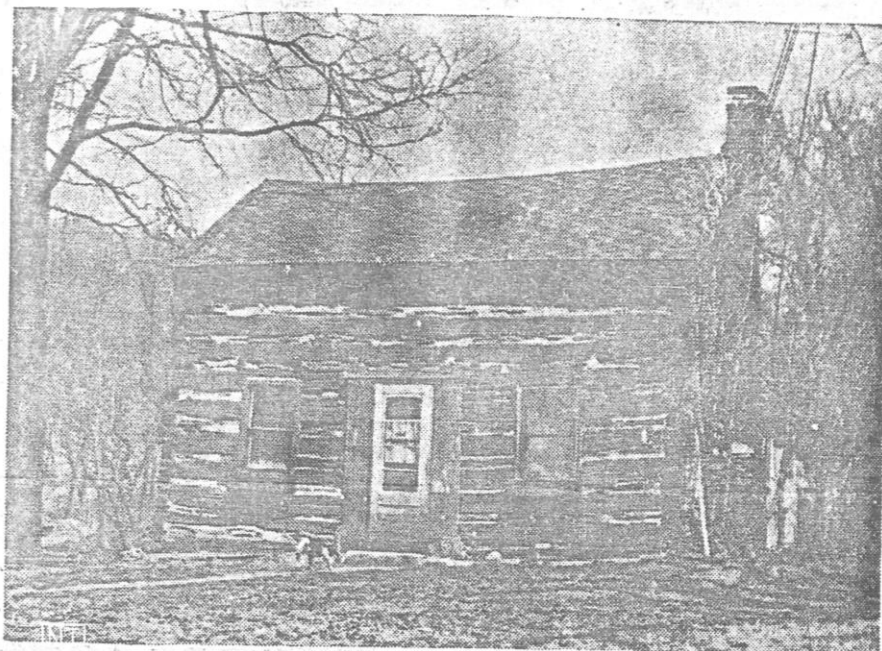
There were at least five editions of the book between 1603 and 1630. One of those versions has been scanned and can be downloaded at <https://archive.org/details/seven00roge>. Chuck said that the University of Pennsylvania has a copy of the book.

Chuck would love to turn the WPACRA's edition over to a university to be restored and housed. Since restoration would be very costly, I told him I would bring it up with the Cory Family Society members and Board.

We learned that the WPACRA is still active but is down in membership. About seven met last time. They are now on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/Western-Pennsylvania-Cory-Family-Association-162065420536978/>. He said that another Cory artifact, The Cory Bell, is still with the WPACRA and is used to call meetings to order. Chuck also gave me the name of a cousin in Ohio who is a great resource for Cory genealogy.

Following is a copy Chuck gave us of an article originally printed in the Beaver Falls News-Tribune in about 1967. (Birth and death dates are not all accurate.) "Syd" Cory was Chuck's grandfather.





A FAMILY NAMED CORY, descendants of early settlers, still own and reside in the old log cabin above, located about two miles west of Darlington on old Route 51. It was built in 1832 by Elnathan Cory. A grandson, William Sydney "Syd" Cory, still lives there part of the time with his son William and family.

### Genealogy Traced

## Cory Family Cherishes Log Home, Old Book

(Editor's Note: This story was derived from a short history of the Cory family and their log house that was written by Mrs. Florence Duff, Darlington.)

William Sydney "Syd" Cory, who still resides part of the time in a log house near Darlington that his grandfather built 135 years ago, is the proud possessor of a book on the Bible that has been handed down in his family since a member emigrated to this country from England prior to 1640.

It is a book called "The Grate Book" or The Seven Treaties, which was written by Richard Rodgers, a minister who was born in 1550 and died April 21, 1618, at Weathersfield, Sussex County, England.

The book, printed on heavy

English parchment, was given to John Cory by his mother when he left England to emigrate to America. Since that time it has been handed down from father to son in the family.

The first American member of the family settled in Southold, Long Island, where he helped found the first Presbyterian Church. He died in 1685 and the book passed to his son John, who had moved to Huntington, Long Island, and became a Quaker.

He gave the book to his son, also named John, who was born in 1674 and later moved to Elizabeth, New Jersey, where he died in 1729.

The next in line in possession of the book and their life spans, were: Elnathan, 1710-1766;

Ebenezer, 1730-1785; Elnathan, 1759-1809; Elnathan, 1778-1845; Elnathan, 1800-1874.

It was the last of the Cory's named "Nathan," who was called "Nathan," that built the log house in 1832 on what is now old Route 51, about two miles west of Darlington. He had married the former Hannah Bartram, who lived near Enon Valley, in 1824.

The couple had six children and "The Grate Book" was passed on to William Smith Cory, who was born in the log house in 1837 and lived until 1931.

He in turn had two children, "Syd," who now has the book, and a daughter, now Mrs. Elma Dryden, of Orlando, Fla.

"Syd" makes his home part of the time with his son, William,

who resides with his family in the old log house, and part of the time he stays with a daughter, Mrs. Mae Vickroy, of Salem, O. "The Grate Book" is a prized possession of the Cory family and is kept in a box of inlaid wood made by James Cory, a member of the family in Ohio.

Some of the wood for the inlaid box was obtained on the farm where the log house stands and the name of Cory is spelled in the kind of wood used in the container—cherry, oak, rosewood and yew.

The original spelling of the family name was Cori or Corie. It is a Gaelic name, meaning narrow glen, a bowl-shaped hollow on a hillside and a Roman fort or river. A family with the surname of Cory held lands in the southern part of England as early as the middle of the 12 Century.

## Great

By OVID A. MARTIN  
WASHINGTON (AP) —  
officials are keeping a wary eye on drought-plagued areas of the Great Plains, fearful the region may undergo the disaster of the dust storms of the 1930s.

Twice as much land as a year ago has been damaged by winter and spring winds. Heavy rains have whipped up the loose soil to bring heavy losses to crops and damage to adjacent areas.

THE NEWS-TRIBUNE, BEAVER CREEK

I invited Chuck and Pat to our Iowa reunion in 2019 and he said he would put it on his calendar.

Many thanks to Chuck and Pat for keeping The Grate Book safe and allowing us to get a few photos. John I of Southold would be very proud of you! ★★

### KEEPERS OF THE GREATER BOOK

John Cory I (1611-1685)

John Cory II (1639-1685)

John Cory III (1674-1721)

Elnathan Cory (1702-1766)

Ebenezer Cory (1729/30-1785)

Elnathan Cory (1759-1838)

Elnathan Cory (1788-1848)

Elnathan Cory (1800-1874)

William Smith Cory (1837-1931)

Sidney Cory (1883-1968)

William James Cory (1921-2002)

James D. Cory/Charles E. Cory

<https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/115231196/family>

**Ed. Notes:** Our society had its beginnings in the WPACRA. See Luke Davidson's article in the August 2016 newsletter.

Let John Corey [president@coryfamsoc.com](mailto:president@coryfamsoc.com) know your thoughts on proceeding with Chuck Cory's idea about restoring and placing the Grate Book.

On our website [coryfamsoc.com](http://coryfamsoc.com) there is information about the Cory Bell in David Cory's article *IN A LAND NOT SOWN: THE LIFE AND TIMES OF JEREMIAH WILLIAM CORY, SR, 1793-1860* and in another article *THE CORY BELL*.

The website also has an article about the Cory Pitcher. Perhaps you would welcome the challenge of finding the pitcher and taking some new photos.

Back issues of the Cory Family Society newsletter, found on our website, may have featured the Darlington Cory house. Please let us know if you find it.

In an email to Joe, Helen Pratt told of a Cory being one of the men who carried Lincoln from Ford's Theatre to the nearby rooming house where he died. A write-up will be in a future newsletter.

## REUNION 2019



Joe Cory, host and coordinator for the summer 2019 Reunion Meeting in Des Moines, IA, has begun planning our get-together.

Incorporated in 1851, Des Moines is Iowa's capital and its most populous city. Things to do in this "big city with a small town heart" include several museums, an art center, parks, a zoo, and more than 800 miles of trails.

Joe's hometown is nearby Cory Grove, in an area of Iowa where his Cory branch settled in 1843. His father and uncle attend the Cory Grove Community church so we hope they can arrange a visit to the church and its cemetery.

Contact Joe at [josephccory@hotmail.com](mailto:josephccory@hotmail.com) with any reunion suggestions you may have.



## BOARD OFFICER REPORTS

### **From the President** *by John Corey*

Hello to members new and old! After Fred Corey – our illustrious and industrious Cory Family Society leader for longer than I have been a part of this group – elected to retire, a quorum of questionable wisdom at the Michigan meeting elected me to the presidency. I accepted the challenge!

We have been pleased to see an uptick in interest in the Society, which for a time we thought was in danger of failing. We hope that continuing to grow and change will carry the organization forward.

With successful 2015 and 2017 meetings behind us, we look forward to the 2019 one Joe Cory is planning. He and I got together in Southold this Summer and identified the site of John I's home. Thanks go to Joe for going to see the Grate Book and letting us know that the current keeper would like to discuss preserving it. Be sure to let me know how you think we should proceed.

### **From the Secretary** *by Carolyn Corey*

Approximately 50 new members have been added to our previous list of 146 past paid members; our total now is close to 200 members. All past paid members remain on the list.

A reminder – membership is now FREE so be sure to invite your relatives and friends to send in the membership form available on the Cory Family Society website, [coryfamsoc.com](http://coryfamsoc.com).

### **From the Treasurer** *by James Corey*

Cash balance 10/1/2017	\$10,147
Donation	+ 12
Cash balance 1/17/2018	\$10,159

The non-profit tax return (Form 990N) for 2017 was filed on January 11, 2018.

I have transferred the society's funds to the checking account opened by the new treasurer, Christina Cory, and have shipped the treasurer's files and records to her.

### **From the Webmaster** *by Earl Cory*

At the 2017 Reunion Meeting I was tasked with putting the society on Facebook. Our page is <https://www.facebook.com/CoryFamSoc/>. John Corey, Carolyn Corey, and Luke Davidson are editors and I am the administrator. Joe Cory, our next Reunion Meeting coordinator, will handle reunion updates. The page is set up so that anyone can publish to it without approval.

The primary databases are now public on [Ancestry.com](http://Ancestry.com). The links below will soon be on the society website. Email any new information or updates to me.

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<b>Thomas of Chelmsford</b> (Harpole Corys in America)	<a href="https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/113100301/family">https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/113100301/family</a>
<b>John of Roxbury</b> is included in Thomas because of a cross line marriage. Search for John Corey b. 1680.	
<b>John I of Southold</b>	<a href="https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/115231196/family">https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/115231196/family</a>
<b>William of Portsmouth</b> (Bristol Corys in America)	<a href="https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/116931896/family">https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/116931896/family</a>
<b>Bramerton Hall Corys</b> (Norfolk Corys)	<a href="https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/119193462/family">https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/119193462/family</a>
<b>Other Corys</b>	<a href="https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/116931896/family">https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/116931896/family</a>

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## A Cory of Note

# THE TWO JIM COREYS

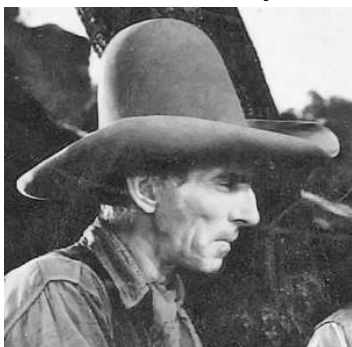
by Earl Cory, Webmaster

THOSE OF US WHO GREW UP IN THE FIFTIES MIGHT REMEMBER WATCHING 30S AND 40S WESTERNS ON TV. MANY OF THESE "B" MOVIES, PRODUCED FOR KIDS' MATINEES AND THE BOTTOM HALVES OF DOUBLE FEATURES, HAD A SECOND LIFE FOR OUR GENERATION. WE HAD NO IDEA THAT A COUPLE OF THE (OFTEN UNCREDITED) BIT PLAYERS IN THE BACKGROUND WERE OUR COUSINS! EARL WRITES:

In early westerns there were several people that were unkempt, rough and tough looking members of the gang, or lynch mob, or vigilantes, or posse riders, or cow herders. They had minimal or no dialog, not much screen time, and were generally not listed in the film credits. Some would show up as a face in the crowd, portraying townspeople, barflies, deputies, wagon drivers, ranch hands, etc. We tend to recognize some of their faces, but have no clue as to their real names. This group became known as henchmen or "henchies."

Among this group of actors was Jim Corey, or should I say Jim Coreys, for there were two Jim Coreys that appeared about the same time in various westerns. This has led to a lot of online confusion, and several sites have the two of them mixed up. Here is what I have unraveled so far.

### Arthur Harrison Cory, 1889-1950



<http://www.b-westerns.com/hencie11.htm>

This Jim Corey was born Arthur Harrison Corey, March 22, 1889, in Buffalo, Erie County, NY, to Nathaniel H. Corey and Margaret "Maggie" Ford.

I have traced his line back to Thomas of Chelmsford, and indeed he is my fourth cousin once removed. Our common ancestor is Jacob Cory Jr, whose wife was Deborah Hazeltine.

Jim was a frequent henchman and also did stunt work. His film career began in the silents and continued through the late 1940s. He is relatively easy to spot: he's thin and has a well lined face – he wore a big, tall hat – and packs his six-shooter on the left side.

Jim appeared in at least 216 westerns and 22 serials, his credits including THE MASTER KEY (1914), THE BRONCO KID (1920), THE SADDLE KING (1921), THE OREGON TRAIL (1923) and THE BAR C MYSTERY (1926).

In 1926 he was also in THE BLIND TRAIL, a silent film. He played one of the bad guys in a forgery scheme to defraud the recently orphaned heroine. The cast included Bullet The Wonder Dog and Monte Cristo The Marvel Horse.

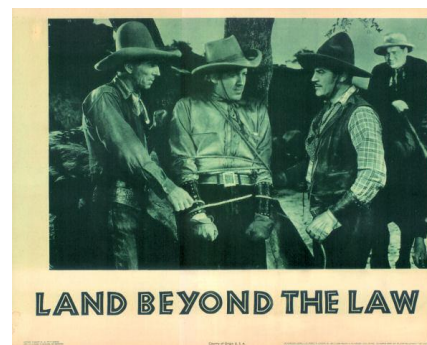


[www.imdb.com](http://www.imdb.com)

By 1937, sound had come to the movies. Jim appeared, along with singing cowboy Dick Foran and Smoke The Wonder Horse in *LAND BEYOND THE LAW*, as an uncredited henchman.

The story involves a New Mexico range war between the good guys and the bad guys.

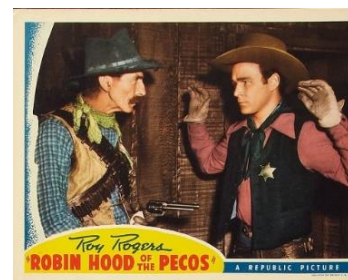
Jim is seen in here on the left as one of the captors of the sheriff who was trying to restore order.



Turnabout being fair play, Jim is seen here with Johnny Mack Brown in a still from 1937's *TRAIL OF VENGEANCE*, about another range war.



In 1941 he was an uncredited bad guy in the *SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS*, John Wayne's first Technicolor film and with Roy Rogers in *ROBIN HOOD OF THE PECOS*, set in post-Civil War Texas. Rogers is the sheriff who tangles with a corrupt local official.



Although seen in this poster as the inevitable henchman, Jim was not listed in the credits.

Neither was Trigger.

photos from [www.imdb.com](http://www.imdb.com)

Wikipedia has Jim Corey last appearing in 1942's *IN OLD CALIFORNIA* and in 1944's *MARSHALL OF RENO*. He was uncredited in both.

Jim's father Nathaniel was born in 1853 in New York. He married Maggie Ford on July 4, 1881, in Indianapolis, IN. They lived in Buffalo, NY, where they had three sons, Arthur Harrison, Earl Reade, and Clarence H.

The three sons all moved to Los Angeles: Arthur around 1915, Earl around 1920, and Clarence at some point between 1910 and 1942. Their mother Maggie died in 1914 in Indiana. Their father Nathaniel appears in the 1910 census in Buffalo and the 1930 census in Los Angeles living with Earl.

On October 22, 1906, Arthur Harrison "Jim" Corey enlisted in the 74th Infantry National Guard in Buffalo – age 18, 5' 9 1/4", 142 lbs., brown hair, grey eyes. His occupation was shipping clerk. His enlistment was for five years, but he was "Dropped a/c removal" on Dec 17, 1906. I am not sure what this means.

Jim's World War I draft registration, dated June 5, 1917, in Los Angeles notes that 28-year-old Arthur Harrison Corey was born March 22, 1889, in Buffalo. He and his wife live in Los Angeles, and he is an actor working for Universal Film Co., Los Angeles. He lists six months of military service in

the Navy. Under "Do you claim an exemption," he lists "Wife, dishonorable discharge 20 years ago." He was tall, slender, blue eyed with dark brown hair.

On his 1942 World War II draft registration Jim gives his occupation as "guard work-various places". This may have been due to injuries, illness or lack of movie work,

Arthur Harrison Corey and Sylvia Frey were married on June 28, 1917, in Los Angeles. They had three children, Clarence Howard, Jean M., and Alyce Jane; they were divorced before 1950.

Jim died the day after surgery for an abdominal aneurysm on March 26, 1950, at the age of 61 at Los Angeles County General Hospital in Los Angeles. He was buried at Pierce Brothers Valhalla Memorial Park in North Hollywood, CA.

### **James Warren Corey, 1883 – 1956**



courtesy of Jane Helms

<https://getsatisfaction.com/imdb/topic/jim-corey-and-jim-corey>

Our other Jim Corey was born James Warren Corey in Blakeley, Scott County, MN, on October 19, 1883. He was the son of Warren Harris Corey and Ellen Strathern McConnell.

I have traced him back to John of Roxbury. (Through DNA we have established that John of Roxbury is related to John I of Southold, but the exact connection has not been established.)

Warren and Ellen had 10 children. The first three were born in various places in Minnesota. Sometime between 1883 and 1886 the family moved to Long Pine, Brown County, NE, where the last seven were born. Around 1920, most of the children moved to the Portland, Oregon area.

James Warren Corey's birthplace is often said to be Nebraska, but his family moved to Nebraska just after he was born. His

birthplace is listed in several censuses and his draft registration as Minnesota.

Beginning in the mid-1910s, Jim appeared in two-reel movies and features, especially with Hoot Gibson in the silent era. He was more remembered for his face than his name. He appeared in over 315 films from 1914 to 1948. Towards the end of his acting career he played bit parts and was not listed in the credits. The last film in which he appeared seems to be 1943's Range Busters movie HAUNTED RANCH with John King, David Sharpe and Max Terhune.

An internet search has yielded only the one photo above, shared by his granddaughter, Jane Helms.

James Warren "Jim" Corey and Melva Patrice "Pat" Bundy were married on August 25, 1916, at the Bundy Farm home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Bundy, in Grays Harbor, WA. Their marriage record has Jim's residence as San Diego, CA, and his occupation as miner. It has Pat's residence as Seattle, WA, and her occupation as stenographer. Jim and Pat had two children: Marian Joyce "Mary Joy" and James Warren Jr.



Jim registered for the World War I draft on September 12, 1918, in Grays Harbor, WA, giving his birthdate as October 19, 1884 (sic). He gave his residence as Route A, Aberdeen, WA, and his occupation as carpenter, employed at Grays Harbor Motorship Corporation.

Jim and Pat moved to San Jose, CA, before 1920, and then to Glendale, CA, where they resided in 1930 and 1940, where his occupation is listed as builder.

Jim registered for the World War II draft in 1942 in Los Angeles, giving his birth as October 19, 1883, in Le Suer, MN. His residence is 2052 1/2 N. Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, CA, and he is listed as unemployed.

James Warren Corey, Sr, passed away January 10, 1956, at the age of 61 in Burbank, CA. He, too, is buried at Pierce Brothers Valhalla Memorial Park, in North Hollywood. He left his widow Patrice, daughter Mary J. Snider and son James Jr.

Jim's granddaughter Jane Helms has said, "Grandfather had a horse named Bill, and Bill pulled a wagon all the way from Aberdeen, Washington, down to southern California. Possibly Burbank, but I don't know for certain. I like to think that Bill might have been in a movie or two, but, who knows?" ★★★



## RESOLVING CONFLICTING INFORMATION IN THE JOHN I LINE

*by Earl Cory*

In doing some research for Nancy Cory Springer to help her become a member of the DAR, I found conflicting birth and death information on her ancestor Joseph Cory.

Joseph was the son of Elnathan Cory (1702-1766) and Sarah Janete Simpson (1704-1785). He was born August 9, 1737, in Elizabethtown, Essex, New Jersey, British America. He married Phoebe Simpson (1746-1784) on September 10, 1766. His birthdate has been erroneously reported as September 10, 1737, which is his baptism date.

Joseph Cory's death is sometimes reported as taking place June 23, 1780, in Frankfort, Ross, Ohio. However, neither Ross County nor Ohio existed in 1780.

- With the American victory in the Revolutionary War, the British ceded to the new nation claims to Ohio and its territory in the West as far as the Mississippi River. Between 1784 and 1789, the states of Virginia, Massachusetts and Connecticut ceded to Congress their earlier land claims to the Ohio territories, but Virginia and Connecticut maintained reserves. These areas were known as the Virginia Military District and Connecticut Western Reserve.
- During this time, several battles with the Shawnees were taking place. These lasted until 1788. The first settlers did not come into the area until April 1785. Ross County was created August 20, 1798, and Ohio was created March 1, 1803.

Joseph Cory fought in the Battle of Springfield, New Jersey. This was fought on June 23, 1780, the same day as recorded for Joseph Cory's death in Frankfort, Ohio.

- The Continental troops lost thirteen killed, 49 wounded and nine missing on June 23; of whom six killed, 31 wounded and three missing were from Angell's Rhode Island Regiment. Thomas Fleming says that the Pennsylvania Packet of July 8, 1780 reported that the militia casualties for the whole period of June 7 to 23 were ten killed, 40 wounded and ten prisoners. Including the Continental Army losses on June 7, which were 12 killed, 50 wounded and 13 missing, the combined American casualties for June 7 through June 23 were 35 killed, 139 wounded, ten prisoners and 22 missing.

Joseph is reported as "wounded June, 1780; died" on page 555 of the "Official register of the officers and men of New Jersey in the revolutionary war" Compiled Under Orders of his Excellency Theodore F. Randolph, Governor, By William S. Stryker, Adjutant General. Printed in 1872. <https://archive.org/details/officialregister00newjuoft>

My research tells us that that Joseph Cory was a Private in the New Jersey First Regiment; was killed at the Battle of Springfield, June 23, 1780, age 42; and is buried in the Presbyterian Church Burial Grounds in Elizabeth, New Jersey. ★★

## Corys Slept Here

### TIMOTHY COREY HOUSES NO. 1 AND NO. 2, BROOKLINE, MA

*by Earl Cory; Luke Davidson, Assistant Newsletter Editor; and Chris Koehler, Newsletter Editor*

Early in February Luke and his wife Lola went to see these historic Cory homes in Brookline's residential Corey Hill neighborhood. Both homes date to the early 19<sup>th</sup> Century and are on the National Register of Historic Places. Luke and Lola were not able to talk with the owners or visit inside the houses, but did take some photos.

Deacon Timothy Corey (1782-1844), with his brother Deacon Elijah Corey (1773-1811) and several others, founded the first Baptist Church in Brookline in 1828. The Baptists had been meeting in private homes for a year or so before that, but as more converts joined them the thirty-six members needed their own building. Within the year the congregation outgrew their new building and they built again, with the original building becoming the parsonage. Both Corey brothers had begun their ministries as Unitarians but became Baptists in 1810. They were with other Massachusetts Baptist congregations before returning to Brookline.

Timothy and Elijah's father, Captain Timothy Corey (1741-1811) of the Thomas of Chelmsford Line, had moved to the area from Weston, MA, in the 1760s. He fought against the British in the Battles of Lexington and Concord in 1775. The Corey family were prominent landowners in the area. Their farm was famous for its apple orchards and other produce raised for the markets of Boston.



*photo by Luke Davidson*

**Timothy Corey House No. 1**

808 Washington Street  
Built ca. 1806

The house is set back from the road on a rise with a low stone retaining wall at the sidewalk.

The house remained in the family until 1919, when Timothy Corey's daughter Abbie willed it to a local church.

It is one of the town's few reminders of a once agrarian past.



*photo by Luke Davidson*

**Timothy Corey House No. 2**

786-788 Washington Street  
Built 1843

One of Brookline's few fieldstone houses, it is thought to have been built on the site of the house built by Timothy Corey's father.

Deacon Timothy built his new home despite a popular prophesy that the world would soon come to an end. He built with stone, saying he preferred to face the end in a stone house.

Many people in this family are buried in Captain Timothy Corey's Family Tomb in the Walnut Street "Old Burying Ground" Cemetery in Brookline. The inscription on the tomb spells his name as Corey. Birth and baptism records of his children spell the name Cory, but the spelling Corey is used by many of them.



*findagrave.com*



## FROM THOMAS OF CHELMSFORD TO DEACON TIMOTHY COREY

<b>Thomas Cory "Thomas of Chelmsford"</b> b. ca 1622 Harpole, Northampton, England d. 1706 Watertown, Massachusetts, British America	+	<b>Abigail Gould</b> b. 1648/9 Braintree, Massachusetts, British America d. 1718/9 Littleton, Massachusetts, British America
<b>Thomas Cory II</b> b. 1669 Chelmsford, Massachusetts, British America d. 1738/9 Watertown, Massachusetts, British America	+	<b>Hannah Page</b> b. 1667/8 Concord, Massachusetts, British America d. 1746 Chelmsford Massachusetts, British America
<b>Isaac Cory</b> b. 717 Weston Massachusetts, British America d. 1772 Pepperell Ma, British America	+	<b>Abigail Priest</b> b. 1719 Watertown Massachusetts, British America d. abt 1760, British America
<b>*Timothy Cory "Captain Timothy Corey"</b> b. 1741 Weston, Massachusetts, British America d. 1811 Brookline, Massachusetts, United States of America	+	<b>Elizabeth Griggs</b> b. 1745 Roxbury, Massachusetts, British America d. 1837 Brookline, Massachusetts, United States of America
<b>Timothy Corey "Deacon Timothy Corey"</b> b. 1782 Brookline, Massachusetts, United States of America d. 1844 Brookline, Massachusetts, United States of America	+	<b>Mary Gardner</b> b. 1782 Brookline, Massachusetts, United States of America d. 1862 Brookline, Massachusetts, United States of America

\*Here the Thomas of Chelmsford line intersects with the John I of Southold line. In 1788 Deacon Timothy's sister, Elizabeth "Betsey" Cory (1767-1845), married John Corey (1759-1803) -- a descendant of John Cory of Roxbury, genetically unrelated to Betsey. ★★★

### It's In Our DNA

THIS SECTION OF THE NEWSLETTER FOCUSES ON DNA. FOR THOSE OF US WHO DON'T QUITE GRASP THE CONCEPT AND/OR VOCABULARY, EARL CORY HAS POSTED IN THE ARTICLES SECTION OF THE WEBSITE HIS ARTICLE THAT EXPLAINS IT ALL. <http://coryfamsoc.com/articles/DNA-Basics.pdf>

## NEW DNA INFORMATION ON JOHN I

*by Richard Mark Cory (John I of Southold)*

Since at least 2007 it has been widely accepted that John Cory I of Southold, Long Island, NY, belonged to the R1a Y DNA haplogroup. While it is known that John I left England with the Grate Book and arrived in America around 1638, no definite link to any particular Cory family or region in England has been established. Early reports from the Cory Family Society DNA Project speculated that John I's R1a DNA originated in Eastern Europe because a high percentage of Western R1a men are found in that region.

Since that time many "subclades" of R1a have been found and linked to specific mutations occurring in populations living in particular parts of the world. Along with these refinements in testing, the cost of deep testing down to the subclade level has become affordable (and available) to almost anyone.

As a result of such testing the original R1a haplogroup assignment has been confirmed, and it has been established that at least one American Cory family group tracing ancestry to John I of Southold descended from a Scandinavian branch of haplogroup R1a known as R-Z284, and more particularly, to the R-Y20128 subclade of Z284. Men from the R-Y20128 haplogroup appear to be found today primarily in the region of Scandinavia comprising the southern portions of Norway and Sweden.

With respect to the John I of Southold line, the direct, traditional, genealogical male ancestry traces from John I to me as follows: John I > John II > John III > Elnathan > Ebenezer > Elnathan > Jeremiah > Isaac > Isaiah Martin Thorp > William Dayton > Harry Earl > Royal > Richard > Author. Barring some non-paternal anomaly unique to this line, testing shows the John I Y DNA haplogroup assignment would be as follows: (each step from R1A represents a smaller subgroup, or subclade, of the R1a haplogroup): R1a > R-M59 > R-M198 > R-M417 > R-Z645 > R-Z283 > RZ282 > R-Y2395 > R-Z284 > R-S4458 > R-S530 > R-S6842 > R-YP670 > R-S7759 > R-YP1166 > R-Y20128.

The R-Y20128 haplogroup is estimated to have formed around 1600 years ago, long before John I emigrated from England to America. Hopefully, other Cory men tracing ancestry to the John I line will confirm these findings, and through genetic matching we may establish genetic ties to men in England and Scandinavia.

Because there were many migrations from Scandinavia in the last 1600 years we may also find genetic ties to men in Scotland, Ireland, Normandy and the Baltic region. Hopefully one or more of these men will carry the Cory name, or some alternate form.

Interestingly there are at least two villages in England that are said to have been established by Scandinavians led by men with the then common Scandinavian first name "Kori". They are known as Corby and Corby Glen (literally "Kori's byr", "byr" meaning "farm" or "settlement"). When English surnames were mandated for the collection of taxes, one common approach was to take the patronymic name of a relative, or to use a reference to where one lived.

Of course, all of this is mere speculation until more information is available. All that can be said for now is that one American Cory branch, descended by traditional genealogical research from John I of Southold, carries the R-Y20128 haplogroup assignment. Hopefully these DNA findings will provide a useful resource to others in establishing international ties to the American John I line and in increasing our collective knowledge of John I's origins. ★★



Corby is a town in the northeast of the county of Northamptonshire, and is about 100 miles north/northwest of London.

The first permanent settlement seems to have been by the Danes when they invaded the British Isles in the 8<sup>th</sup> Century. The settlement was recorded in the Domesday Book of 1086 as "Corbei."

Corby Glen is a small town about 30 miles northeast of Corby in the nearby county of Lincolnshire.

Also a Danish settlement recorded in the Domesday Book of 1086, according to the Corby Glen website the town is still known simply as "Corby" to many of its inhabitants, although it was renamed Corby Glen in the 1950s to avoid confusion with Corby in Northamptonshire.

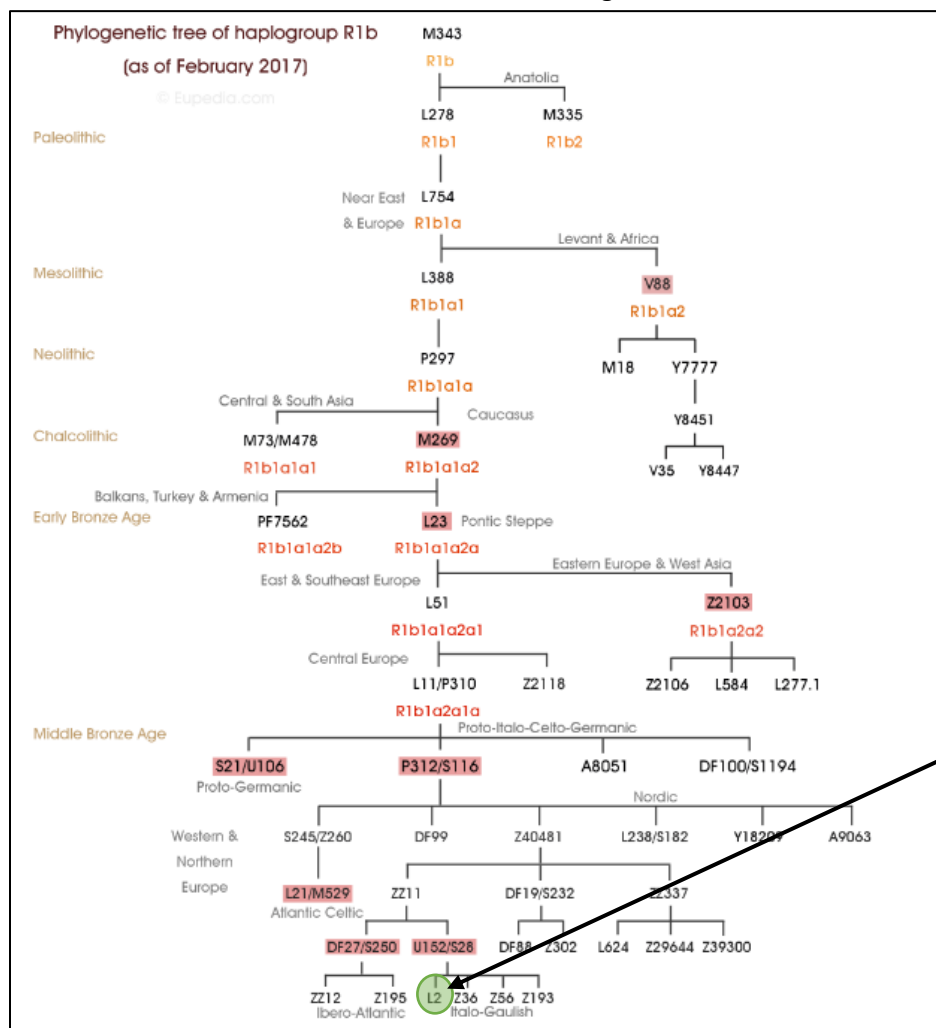
## SO WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?

by Andy Shetland and Thomas Corey, DNA Project Coordinator (both William of Portsmouth)

We know that our earliest known ancestor, John Corie (gr. grandfather of William of Portsmouth), lived in the area of Gloucestershire, England from 1585-1621. But, where did his ancestors come from?

With the rapid development of affordable DNA testing, especially Y-DNA testing, we have learned a great deal over the past decade. We now know that the William of Portsmouth line is R1b-U152 (L2 subclade) haplogroup (see Figure 1). This is an extremely rare haplogroup in England and accounts for less than 5% of the population.

Figure 1



L2 – Haplogroup of William of Portsmouth descendants, thought to be of Italo-Gaulish origin.

[http://www.eupedia.com/europ/Haplogroup\\_R1b\\_Y-DNA.shtml](http://www.eupedia.com/europ/Haplogroup_R1b_Y-DNA.shtml)

There are two theories about this haplogroup's arrival to England: 1. La Tene Celts and 2. Romans.

Britain was originally settled during the Early Neolithic period at the end of the last ice age, about 10,000 years ago. After the initial settlement of the British Isles by Paleolithic and Neolithic peoples, Britain saw conquest by the Celts, Romans, Anglo-Saxons, Vikings, and Normans (Genetic history of



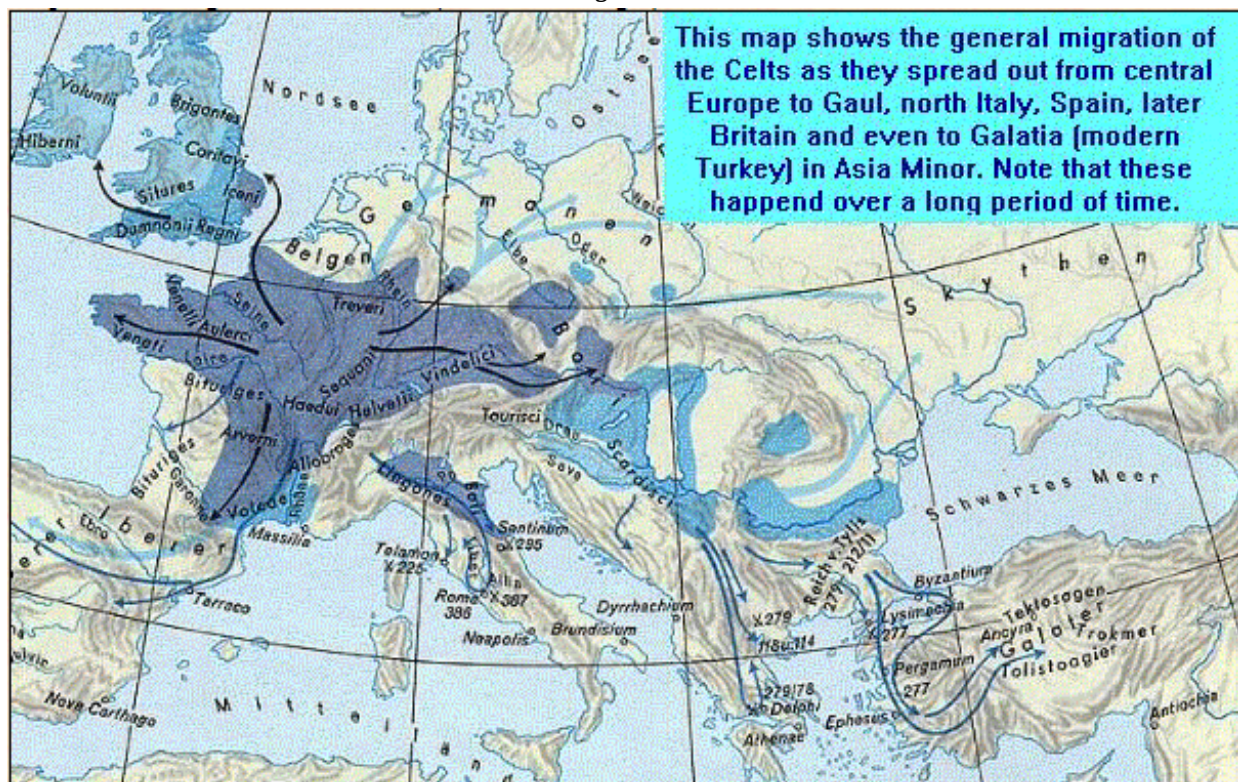
the British and the Irish people, Maciamo Hay, 10 Jan 2015). It is thought that Alpine Celts of the La Tene culture would have carried a large percentage of the R1b-U152 (L2 subclade) haplogroup because there is a large concentration of this haplogroup in the Swiss Alps area in the present day.

This same theory extends to the later Roman Auxiliaries who would have lived in this area of the Swiss Alps and may have then been a part of expeditions to Britain. However, to date, neither group has had a confirmed DNA sample from a specimen of that era to prove this theory. The other British invaders carried other haplogroups and are unlikely to be of the William of Portsmouth line.

### The La Tene Celts

The La Tene Celts had migrated from the European land mass to parts of the south coast of Britain around 300 BCE. They were a distinct Iron Age culture that originated about the 5<sup>th</sup> century BCE and spread from the Alps across Europe over the next 400 years. The culture is named for the village of La Tene, on Switzerland's Lake Neuchatel, where many artifacts were discovered when the water level dropped in the late 1800s.

Figure 2



<http://skyclander.orgfree.com/celts2.html>

### The Romans

When the Romans launched a major invasion of Britain in 43 AD it was primarily the Celts that they faced. The Romans eventually conquered all of Southern Britain. In order to discourage Celtic invaders from the north, the Romans built Hadrian's Wall in 122 AD. Expanding northward, they built the Antonine Wall in 142 AD. At the height of Roman occupation in Britain there were as many as 50,000 Roman Soldiers garrisoned there. When Rome began to fall around 410 AD, their control

of this distant land also slipped away, but the legacy of Roman occupation persists, possibly in the blood lines of our ancestors.

Figure 3



[www.ancient.eu/uploads/images/575.png?v=1485682509](http://www.ancient.eu/uploads/images/575.png?v=1485682509)

It is fascinating to contemplate the origins of one's ancestors. There is a sense of wonder in all of us about where we come from and whether that still plays a part in who we are today. Whether our ancestors worshiped around Stonehenge or were Roman invaders who built Hadrian's Wall is still up for debate. Hopefully, as more of our relatives test their DNA and continued research is done on archeological evidence, we may someday discover the truth. Either way, it seems likely that the William of Portsmouth line has been in Britain since the earliest days.

**Note:** As of December 2017 Andrew F. Shetland (Corey)'s Big-Y test results now indicate a terminal haplogroup of BY-5699. ★★

## IS THERE AN ANDREW COREY ca. 1800 IN YOUR WILLIAM LINE?

*by Earl Cory*

Recently I identified a family in the Other Cory database, via DNA, that belongs in the William of Portsmouth database.

Andrew Corey moved to Pennsylvania from Connecticut in the early 1800s. I am currently unable to connect him to William except via his haplogroup. ★★★

## TRANSFERRING DNA DATA FROM ONE COMPANY TO ANOTHER

*by Earl Cory*

If you have taken an autosomal DNA test at one company, sometimes you can transfer the data to another company and get a discount on the new reports. The following table shows you a comparison about how DNA tests can be shared among various companies.

From Below to >>	Family Tree DNA Accepts	Ancestry Accepts	23andMe Accepts	MyHeritage Accepts	LivingDNA Accepts	WeGene Accepts	Genographic Accepts	GedMatch Accepts
Family Tree DNA		No	No	Yes	Future	?	No	Yes
Ancestry	V1, V2		No	V1, V2	Future	?	No	V1, V2
23andme	V3, V4	No		V2, V3, V4	Future	Yes?	No	V2, V3, V4, V5 in Genesis
MyHeritage	Yes	No	No		Future	?	No	Yes
LivingDNA	No	No	No	No		?	No	In Genesis only
WeGene	No	No	No	No	No		No	Yes
Genographic	Before Nov 2016	No	No	No	No	?		No

As you can see, it doesn't matter which one you use, it can be uploaded to FamilyTreeDNA, MyHeritage and GedMatch for comparison. Ancestry and 23andMe, the most advertised, do not do comparisons. Note that GedMatch is just a comparison site and does not sell kits. ★★★



### UK Cory Family Friends

## EVENT PLANNED FOR HARROGATE, YORKSHIRE, UK June 4 – 8, 2018



The Harrogate District is one of the most spectacular areas of England with attractive towns and villages, imposing historic houses, castles, abbeys, beautiful countryside and a host of other natural and man-made attractions. Although there is some Cory history here, the event is planned as a social gathering. Cory

Family Friends is a non-research group of former members of the UK's Cory Society, which dissolved in 2016. See the Cory Archives at <http://www.corysociety.org.uk/>. Our contact is Marilyn Cory at [corylodge@aol.com](mailto:corylodge@aol.com). ★★★



## FROM THE EDITORS

### IT'S YOUR NEWSLETTER

Corys have a lot to share. We have already heard from many of you, whether you have written for publication, are still researching, or have given us a suggestion or idea. Our "future issues" file has several items ready for development – but we would love to have more, so keep those emails coming!

### WE NEED A LITTLE HELP

Our website has an archive of all (but one) of the past newsletters, starting with the first issue from 1985. It is fun to check out the Cory stories and information posted there.

However, to find something specific, you have to search through over 30 years of issues! The archive is a list of the issues, but not of each issue's contents. A great deal of Cory information is available, but it is hard to find.

To help members (as well as ourselves as editors), we would like to see a simple list of each issue's articles prepared for the website. Many hands make light work, so if you can do a year or two, let Chris know.

We have already done the 2015, 2016, and 2017 issues, so there's that much less to divvy up!

***JUNE NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS MAY 4, 2018***

## The Cory Family Society Newsletter



### ABOUT THE SOCIETY

Formed over 30 years ago, the Cory Family Society welcomes anyone interested in Cory, Corey, Corry, Corrie, etc. genealogy. Our goal is to celebrate our family ties, honor our ancestors, and leave knowledge for those who come after us. For more information, see our website: [www.coryfamsoc.com](http://www.coryfamsoc.com)

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