



CORRESPONDING SOCIETY
DESCENDANTS OF ROGER TERRILL
 of Milford, Connecticut



Roger¹ - children

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It is with a great deal of excitement and anticipation that we present this inaugural issue of the DOR Corresponding Society Newsletter. It is the first step toward our goal of gathering, coordinating and sharing information on Roger¹ and Abigail (Ufford) Terrill and their descendants. As with all such first steps, we are charting our course and welcome and encourage all comments and suggestions on ways we can improve.

Many of you have volunteered to help. Thanks. We accept! Perhaps you would consider being a branch or state correspondent. Each of Roger¹'s children who had children represent a branch of the family and we need member(s) of that branch willing to help with the research. State correspondents will do research for the membership in their state or at the research facility available to them. Although this is a Corresponding Society and we encourage and promote communication between members, please bear in mind that copies of all pertinent research data should also be sent to the writer for the central depository.

Donna Terrill Northuis and Jeanne Turrell McKinley will be the Branch Correspondents for Daniel²'s line. The writer will be the correspondent for John²'s branch. Jane Davis Coven, who is also descended from John², will be our Ohio Correspondent. With the next issue you will receive a complete membership roster by branch and it will show the various coordinating correspondents.

Even though the response to our initial membership mailing was tremendous, we do want to enlarge our membership and ask that you encourage your family and friends to join our endeavors. We enclose a blank membership form for you to give to anyone interested in joining DOR. Perhaps you could make a copy of this newsletter available to your local genealogical society. This will not only encourage membership, but will give our Queries wider exposure.

In the days, months and years ahead, we look forward to the family adventure we have embarked upon. It will be a journey sustained by ties of family and friendship as we seek to accurately document and preserve the Roger¹ Terrill family history. Let's make it a merry voyage!

Nancy Tyrrel Theodore

Old genealogists never die.....they just lose their census!!!

ROGER¹'S FAMILY

The family group below is a starting point from which to build our branches. In future issues we will investigate each branch in depth starting with the second generation and their children.

CHILDREN OF ROGER¹ AND ABIGAIL (UFFORD) TERRILL OF MILFORD, CONNECTICUT

John ²	bp. Aug 1644	m. Abigail	ISSUE
Abigail	bp. Aug 1644	m. William Tyler	ISSUE
Hannah	bp. Aug 1645	m. John Skeels	ISSUE
Samuel	bp. Aug 1647	m.	ISSUE*
Roger	bp. Jan 1649/50	m. 1) Sarah Ridsen*	ISSUE
		2) Sarah Scott*	ISSUE
Joseph	bp. Jan 1652		NO ISSUE
Mary	b. Feb 1653		NO ISSUE
Ephraim	b. Apr 1655		NO ISSUE
Thomas	b. Oct 1656	m. 1) Dayton*	ISSUE
		2) Mary Hampton*	ISSUE
Daniel	b. Mar 1659/60	m. 1) Mary Fitch	ISSUE
		2) Abigail Bristol	NO ISSUE
Eleazer	b. Sep 1662		NO ISSUE

*Facts in dispute.

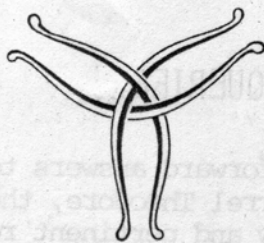


THE DOR LOGO



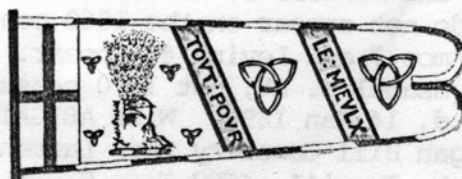
The DOR Corresponding Society's logo is the ancient "Tyrrell" badge featuring three intertwined bows. These bows symbolize the legendary regicide story which revolves around one of the earliest of the Terrills in England. This is that story as told by David Hume in his History of England:

"He [King William Rufus, son of William the Conqueror] was engaged in hunting...Walter Tyrrel, a Franch gentleman remarkable for his address in archery, attended him in this recreation of which the new forest was the scene [in the year 1100]; and as William had dismounted after a chase, Tyrrel, impatient to show his dexterity, let fly an arrow, at a stag, which suddenly started before him. The arrow, glancing from a tree, struck the king in the breast, and instantly slew him; while Tyrrel, without informing any one of the accident, put spurs to his horse, hastened to the seashore, embarked for France, and joined the crusade in an expedition to Jerusalem; a penance which he imposed on himself for this involuntary crime."



This badge, as shown above, later evolved into what is now known as the Tyrell knot, or badge, and a tudor manuscript in the College of Arms is the source of an illustration and description of a Tyrell standard thus: "The Cross of St. George; Crest: on a wreath argent and azure a boar's head erect argent and issuing from the mouth a peacock's tail. Sprinkled with the Tyrell knot, or badge." The motto used with this Tyrell standard is "Tout pour de mieulx," or, "All for the best," which also seems an appropriate sentiment for our DOR Society.

English standards of the Tudor period always had the Cross of St. George at their head: then came the device, badge or crest of its owner, with his motto. They did not bear the coat of arms. The cross of St. George is red on a white ground and the Tyrell knot and motto would be tinctured blue. This standard is depicted in O.F. Brown's The Tyrells of England, thus:



The Tyrell knot, or badge, also appears as ornamentation on religious edifices such as on the buttress of a chancel, on pew ends and on a priest's door frame in Gipping c. 1500; and in Hexham Abbey, Northumberland. These triquetral symbols when used in religious setting appear to represent the Trinity, perhaps in an attempt to make amends for that unfortunate accident in the new forest centuries past.

So the logo which appears on our DOR letterhead, membership cards, newsletters and other printed DOR material, expresses the rich history of the Terrill family in England, our Terrill ancestral country. It is our plan to eventually have this "Tyrell knot" made into a pin for the membership. A fitting symbol for our pride of family and our sense of history.

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From a panel on the William Rufus stone in the New Forest:

"Here stood the oak tree on which an arrow shot by
Sir Walter Tyrrell at a stag
glanced and struck King William the second
surnamed Rufus on the breast of which
he died on the second day of August Anno 1100."

QUERIES

NOTE: Although you will forward answers to queries to the person placing the query, Nancy Tyrrel Theodore, the DOR Research Coordinator, asks that you share new and pertinent research information with her as the central control depository. Thank you.

- 1) Need information on RICHMOND TERRELL, b. MA c. 1787. Poss m. Eunice b. 1813, NY. Daughter HELLEN M. TERRELL, b. Aug 1844 MI, d. 1929, m. JAMES A PRATT, 24 Aug 1864 MI. Robert V. Hall, 901 S. 11th Street, Salina, KS 67401.
- 2) Want b. pl. and d. date and pl. of ABIGAIL² TERRILL, who m. Milford, CT, WILLIAM TYLER. Also his b. date and pl., m. date and immigration date. Also b. and d. date and pl. (c. 1660) of their dau. Mary, who m. (when? where?) WILLIAM PALMER, JR. Dr. Dorothy Branson, 10505 E. 42nd Street #D, Kansas City, MO 64133.
- 3) Need info on ENOCH TYRRELL, b. CT c. 1769. Was he the father of ASAHIEL who appears on 1850 Indiana Census, Dearborn Co., as Asahel 37, Abigail 38, Roland 13, Reuben 11, E. Major 9, John 7, George 5 and Francis 3? Enoch is shown with this family but he and John do not appear on the 1860 census though two other children, Amos 7 and Levina 4, appear. The 1850 and 1860 census show Asahel b. NY, but 1870 census and obit say CT, 26 May 1813. He d. 14 Jan 1896. Wife ABIGAIL ELLIS, b. 1812 and both bur. Hogan Hill Cemetery near Lawrenceburg, Dearborn Co., IN. Claude L. Terrill, 4709 Tara Court, Grand Island, NE 68801.
- 4) Want to know who JAMES LELAND TERRELL was descended from. He was b. 8 Mar 1822 OH, d. 27 Jul 1901 in Smith Co., KS. He m. in Wapello Co., IA, MELISSA (Muliper) MILLER on 14 Mar 1855. Also where in OH born? Mark J. Cappello, 417 Sandalwood Drive, Waldorf, MD 20601.
- 5) Looking for help on children of and line of descent for CHARLOTTE TERRILL who m. HENRY COURTER and d. 26 Jan 1861 in Delaware Co., OH. Have info she was the daughter of JEHIEL⁵ b. 1774, AMOS⁴ b. 1745, JOHN³ b. 1730, THOMAS² b. 1656, ROGER¹ TERRILL. Lawrence F. Kienle, MD, 25 E. Centennial Drive, Medford, NJ 08055.
- 6) Need help with BARNARD TERRELL who m. HENRIETTA _____ and had children: Palina 1800; Alonso c. 1840; Susan 1844 Mayfield, Fulton Co., NY, m. WILLIAM FOSTER; Mary M.; George and Luther. Think the progenitor is HEZEKIAH TYRREL b. 1759 CT (poss Milford?) Married BETSEY TAYLOR 1790. Lucy Foster Becker, RR #3, Box 245, Gloversville, NJ 12078.
- 7) DOR needs research sources on wives of THOMAS² TERRILL. Some show wives as 1) Margaret? DAYTON, poss. dau. of ROBERT DAYTON, and, 2) MARY HAMPTON b. 1709 in Essex, NJ. Nancy Tyrrel Theodore, DOR Research Coordinator, 1510 Cimarron Drive, Bismarck, ND 58501.

JOHN UPTON TERRELL

Does anyone know who the ancestors are of John Upton Terrell, the author? The following obituary appeared after his death on 1 December 1988:

"CLAREMONT, Calif. (AP)--John Upton Terrell, author of more than 40 books and a historian of the Old West, died of a heart attack last Thursday. He was 87.

"A Chicago native, Mr. Terrell spent time as a youth on his uncle's ranch in Montana. He ran away from home in his teens to become a cowboy and got work as a ranch hand. He later wrote for the San Francisco Chronicle and United Press and covered World War II for Newsweek.

"His books about the West included 'Life Among the Apaches,' 'The Arrow and the Cross: A History of the American Indian and the Missionaries,' 'Furs by Astor,' and 'Faint the Trumpet Sounds' with co-author George Walton."

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WHO IS ROGER¹?

One of the first issues the DOR Corresponding Society will explore is the origin and ancestry in England of Roger¹ Terrill.

There seems to be a lot of misinformation, myth, distortion and wishful thinking surrounding the mystery of where Roger¹ was born, where he lived, who were his family and when and how he came to the New World.

In future issues we will examine in depth the various theories, systematically either eliminating them from further consideration, or including them as serious avenues of research.

O. F. Brown, in his thoroughly documented The Tyrells of England, published in 1982, states: "That the many Tirells, Terrells, or other variants of spelling scattered throughout the United States are all descended from Tyrells in England is indisputable, but the common links between the two sides of the Atlantic are obscure, relying more on 'tradition' than on fact...Thus enquiry into this period of 16th and 17th-century England produces many Tyrells in many places, but fails to provide any common links, and carries no further the connection between the Old and New World families."

The DOR is pledged to solve this mystery. If you feel you have a theory, research or proof that may be helpful, please send it to the DOR. Together we hope to find the answers.

MILFORD CELEBRATES 350TH YEAR!

This year Milford, Connecticut celebrates its 350th anniversary. Our Roger¹ Terrill was a Founding Father of Milford. The first town meeting was held 20 November 1639 and 44 founders were admitted as "free planters," along with nine others, including Roger¹, who were not free planters but who were allowed the vote. DOR wrote to Milford requesting information on the 350th celebration, and received the following letter and schedule of events:

"December 21, 1988....Enclosed is the schedule of events so far for Milford's celebration in 1989. Also enclosed is a map for your information.

"I will put you on the list for future updates. Perhaps we will have more information before your newsletter goes to press. We certainly welcome any of the descendants of Roger Terrill at any of our celebration events in 1989.

"Sincerely, Robert B. Gregory, Secretary
Milford 350 In Celebration
PO Box 452, 5 North Broad Street
Milford, CT 06460, Telephone 203-878-0618"

"MILFORD 350 CELEBRATION EVENTS

"Main celebration will be June 2-11, ending with the parade on the 11th. Events will be held each day during the celebration.

"Concerts on the Green - a series of Friday night concerts.

"Tall Ships - HMS Rose is planning to come July 21-23. Rogers Rangers camping out on the green. Mock battles.

"Neighborhood Picnics - June 10. A series of 6-8 picnics in various parts of the city. Probably at school sites.

"Historical Pageant - Six nights featuring 350 local residents. Tentative schedule June 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10.

"Family Founders Day - Reunion of relatives related to founding families. July 8 and 9."

Please let DOR know if you plan to attend any of these events. It would be wonderful to receive a written account of any of the activities for our Newsletter. With the map they enclosed, it is possible to locate Roger¹'s lot as shown on a 1645 map of Milford. This area is now near the intersection of High and Jepson Streets, the southwest corner.

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