

Mary³ O'Killey, (Benjamin,² David,¹) b. Apr. 8, 1720, d. June 4, 1804. m. June 22, 1738 James Delap b. abt. 1715, d. in 1789 aged 74 in Granville, Nova Scotia.

They were a worthy pair and as I gleaned from history incidents about them, I decided they might be interesting to you, my readers.

When Mary was about nine years of age a ship called the *George and Ann* chartered by Charles Clinton and commanded by Capt. Ryman sailed May 20, 1729 from Dublin, Ireland to Philadelphia.

Among the passengers was one who was destined to be her future husband by name James Delap. The family of which he was the only son with four sisters was on board.

The ship was provisioned for two months, but the greedy and covetous captain prolonged the voyage two months. Starvation and disease reduced the number of passengers by more than half, their money and effects were looted by the captain.

The remainder of the passengers were righteously indignant, held a meeting, confronted the captain, and forced him to land them immediately, which he did at Monomoy and sailed away.

When the ship reached Philadelphia, the men entered a complaint of cruelty and extortion. The captain was arrested, tried, convicted and sent back to England to be hanged, drawn and quartered in Dublin for his infamous deeds.

While crossing the ocean, Thomas Delap the father of this family died, and also his four daughters, and were consigned to the briny deep. The mother collapsed on landing and died. James the sole survivor of the family was so weak and emaciated that he was forced to crawl ashore.

But he was a courageous lad. found friends chose

At about the age of twenty he won the heart and hand of Mary O'Killiey and they were married by the Rev. Mr. Green of Yarmouth, June 22, 1738.

They lived in the town of Barnstable for over 30 years, and in the spring of 1775 they removed to Granville, N. S. They reared a family of ten in Barnstable all grew to maturity, and with the exception of Rose and Catherine removed to N. S. with their parents.

Mary, the mother of these children lived an exemplary life and was a consistent Christian, a church member, an excellent wife and mother. Kind and hospitable like her husband, she housed her widowed mother for many years.

She was a highly experienced mid wife and continued her practice after she had passed 80 years, though transit was on horse back.

She survived her husband and married John Hall, Esq., whom she also survived.

Children:

Rose b. Feb. 25, 1739	d. Apr. 17, 1812
Abigail b. Nov. 6, 1741	d. 1825
Catherine b. Sept. 3, 1743	d. Feb. 28, 1819
Thomas b. Apr. 4, 1745	d. Dec. 8, 1771
Mary b. Nov. 3, 1747	d. 1810
Sarah b. Apr. 11, 1750	d. 1785
Jean or Jane b. Aug. 13, 1752	d. July 16, 1826
Hannah b. July 14, 1755	
Temperance b. — 1757	d. Nov. 9, 1832
James b. Nov. 18, 1759	d. Apr. 19, 1841

Benjamin³ O'Killiey, (Benjamin,² David,¹) b. Oct. 8, 1733, d. Sept. 29, 1824; m. Dec. 25, 1755/56 Susanna Davis b. July 29, 1737, d. Dec. 16, 1816. She was a dau. of Jacob and Mary (Rogers). They resided in Barnstable, and are buried in the old cemetery off Phinney's Lane