The Richmond Family.

Benjamin Cushing, Esq., of Providence, R.I., married Mrs. Abigail Richmond of Bristol, widow of Dr. Ichabod, September 11, 1765, who, with Nathaniel, her son, went to Providence.

157. RUTH RICHMOND (Sylvestor, Edward, John) was born in Little Compton, R.I., March 7, 1705-6. She married, August 27, 1724, Ephraim Atwood, son of Joseph and Esther (Walker) Atwood. He died August 14, 1776, in his eighty-seventh year, and she, November 15, 1776, in her seventy-first year.

CHILDREN (born in Dighton):

386. SYLVESTER ATWOOD, born Sept. 4, 1725; married Feb. 16, 1748-9, Dorothy Walker, daughter of Peter and Sarah (Godfrey) Walker, his third cousin; she died March 4, 1808. He was in Sullivan’s campaign in Rhode Island. Sylvester Atwood, son of Sylvestor and Dorothy (Walker) Atwood, married Ruth, daughter of Col. Thomas and Ruth (Baily) Church. “She rode behind him on a pillion, in a scarlet cloak, thirty miles to her new home, Jan. 19, 1791.”
387. RUTH ATWOOD, born May 4, 1727; married, Feb. 14, 1744-5, Samuel Shaw.
388. EPHRAIM ATWOOD, born June 16, 1737; married Abigail Burns (banns published Aug. 9, 1763);
389. Unnamed son, born Aug. 23, ----; died Oct. 31. (Dighton Rec.)

The “History of Bristol County” says that Joanna was born to Ephraim and Ruth (Richmond) Atwood, after her father’s death -- an evident error.

159. SARAH RICHMOND (Silvester, Edward, John) was born in Little Compton, R.I., October 31, 1711. She married, November 19, 1730, Rev. Peleg Heath, son of William Heath, born July 26, 1700, in Roxbury, Mass. She died September 6, 1739. He married, secondly, August 26, 1740, Bethiah Peck. She died October 28, 1740; and he married, thirdly, December 8, 1743, Jerusha Peck, by whom he had two children. He died October 5, 1748. He was ordained in Barrington, November 13, 1728; his pastorate continued till 1740.

CHILDREN (born in Barrington, R.I.):

390. MARY HEATH, born Feb. 24, 1731-2; died Jan. 1, 1805; married Nathaniel Paine, son of Nathaniel and Abigail (Smith) Paine, born in Rehoboth, May 9, 1828.
391. PELEG HEATH, born Aug. 27, 1734; died in infancy.
392. PELEG HEATH, born March 3, 1735-6; died in infancy.
393. NATHANIEL HEATH, born Feb. 20, 1737-8; died in infancy.

The will of Sylvester Richmond mentions granddaughter Mary Paine, daughter of daughter Sarah, deceased; Nathaniel and Mary Paine. There is a receipt for legacy “in will of grandfather Sylvester Richmond,” etc., in the Probate files.

CHILDREN OF NATHANIEL AND MARY (HEATH) PAINE (born in Rehoboth):

395. NATHANIEL PAINE, born Oct. 9, 1751.
396. PELEG PAINE, born May 27, 1753.
397. COMFORT PAINE, born July 28, 1755; died Jan. 6, 1763.