

Of these children, Moses, the fourth son, is the one we are the more immediately interested in, as the first link in the chain of our descent. He resided in Fairfield, Conn., up to 1665, when he removed to East Chester, Westchester County, N. Y., and is the sixth person whose name appears on the original articles of agreement between the inhabitants of East Chester in that year, and his name also appears in the list of Patentees of the town in 1666. In these documents his name is spelled, Hoitte, Hoitt and Hoit. He appears to have been a very prosperous man. We learn that the rate of Moses Hoit was forty-five in 1682, the largest on the list of freeholders of East Chester; and in 1685, Moses Hoit contributed £1 towards the support of the minister in East Chester, only one person on the list contributing more. He was also chosen to treat with the Indians about their lands in 1681. There were three children, Moses, b. 1662, Mary and Abigail.

Moses second was born 1662, the first child and only son Moses. There were two sisters, Mary and Abigail. He lived at East Chester and in good circumstances. These particulars are given about him taken from the Town records: Moses Hoite, Jr., was granted a home lot, March, 1682-83, and other land in 1687. Land bought by him was entered in 1693. Moses Hoit, Jr., was a fence viewer in 1698; was on the list of rates in 1699-1700; his ear mark is recorded in 1702, and he was frequently mentioned in 1700-1705. In 1696 he had a pew in the meeting-house directly behind his father's and directly behind his was one belonging to a John Haute. Several deeds of Moses Hoyt, Jr., and his wife Elizabeth, of East Chester, in 1701-2 and 1703 are on record at White Plains. In 1702 Moses,