

to Boston in 1635 and later to Hingham, Mass., appears from these facts.⁴

About 1655, Adam Mott, of Essex, became the first Adam Mott⁵ of Hempstead, Long Island. In Book A,⁶ the oldest annals of its founders, he appears as one of the five townsmen, chosen March 17, 1657. One of his descendants now occupies the homestead built by a son in 1715 at Mott's Point, Hempstead Harbor.⁷ On February 24, 1663, as a deputy from Hempstead on behalf of the English, he signed the agreement between Captain John Scott and Governor Petrus Stuyvesant, looking to friendly intercourse between Dutch and English.⁸ In 1684, he was one of the delegation which procured a new patent from Governor Dongan. For a second wife he married, in 1667, Elizabeth Richbell,⁹ daughter of John Richbell, original patentee of Mamaroneck. He died in 1689, aged about sixty eight years.¹⁰

By his first wife, Adam Mott had eight children:¹¹ Adam, Jacobus, Grace, Elizabeth, Henry, John, Joseph and Gershom. One of the sons of Joseph Mott was Jacob Mott, 1715-1805. He married Abigail Jackson, and was the father of fourteen children.¹² His fourth child, Isaac Mott, born in 1743, married Anne Coles, of Glen Cove, Long Island. She was the Anne Mott who ministered to the American prisoners confined in the military prisons in New York.¹³ The family is still in possession of the table cloth given to her in gratitude by those she cared for. She died July 16, 1840, at the age of ninety-two, and was buried from the Mott homestead in Bloomingdale.¹⁴

There were four children born to Isaac and Anne (Coles) Mott: Samuel, Jordan, Jacob and Jerusha.¹⁵ Jordan Mott, born at Hempstead Harbor in 1768, died in 1840. He married Lavinia Striker (known thereafter as Winifred Mott), daughter of James and Mary Hopper Striker, of Striker's Bay, September 24, 1801. The youngest son of this union was M. Hopper Mott, 1815-1864, who married Ruth A. Schuyler (seventh in descent from David Pieterse Schuyler, of Holland and Albany, Justice of the Peace, 1683; Alderman, 1686; Member of Convention, 1689; Magistrate, 1693, etc.), and was the father of Mr. Hopper Striker Mott. Other marriages have been made with old Knickerbocker stock by members

