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Chapter 28, Section B.

*alias James Beersall
Son of Robert Beersall
Chapter 28, Section 3, tom
Circa 1647,*

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James Parshall, died September 15, 1701; resided on Isle of Wight, later called Gardiners Island, and Southold, Long Island, New York; married ^{first} Elizabeth Gardiner, according to the Gardiner genealogy ^{published} she was born in 1657. She died circa 1693. She was the youngest of the four surviving children of David Gardiner who married June 4, 1657, at St. Margaret's Church, Westminster, London, England, ^(young daughter of Christopher Young) Mary Lerringham. He married ^{his} 3rd. Margaret ... Children of

1st. marriage:-

- 1 A son (James) born circa 1677, who died before 1692.
- 2 Mary Parshall, born circa 1679.

3. Israel Parshall, born March, 1680. Chapter 28, Section 7.

Children of 2nd. marriage:-

4. David Parshall, born 1683. Chapter 28, Section 8.

5. Daughter, born after 1686; who died before 1698.

Children of 3rd. marriage:-

- 6 Benjamin Parshall, *died an infant.*
- 7 Margaret Parshall, married Caleb Howell.

We have followed the Gardiner Genealogy. Should it prove to be faulty, ^{as let} if Elizabeth was the oldest child ^{of David Gardiner,} she would have been old enough to have been ^{also the} mother of James, Mary and Israel, ^{and hence the first wife of James Parshall}

James Clark Parshall, the distinguished author of the Parshall American Genealogy says:-It was prior, in all probability, to the date of ^{a certain (1679)} this deed that he had married his wife. It is of record that his eldest son, Israel, was born in March, 1680, and there is every probability that his daughter Mary was older

than her brothers. Her name is mentioned first in contemporary records which

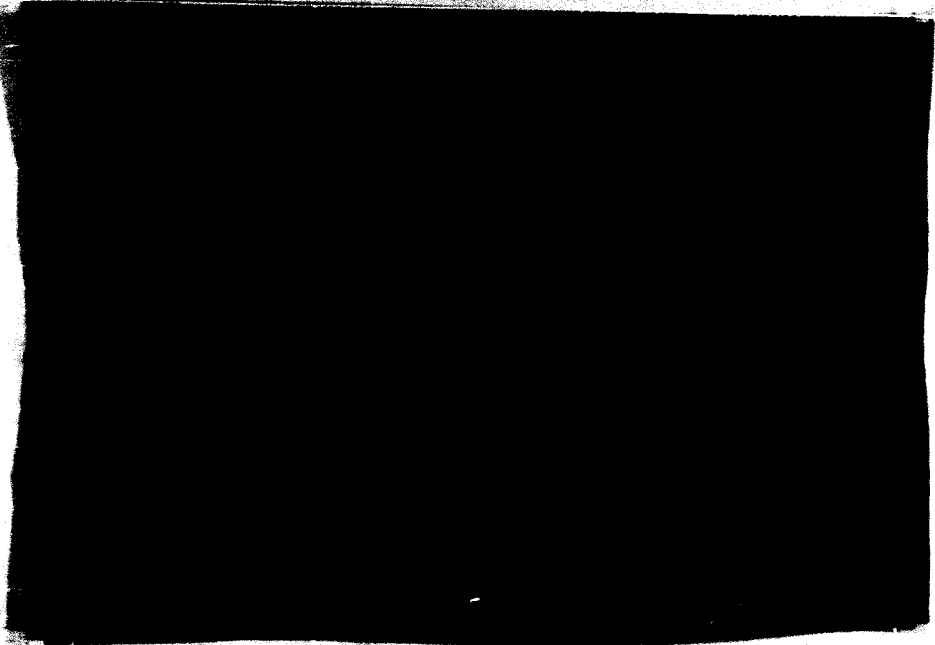
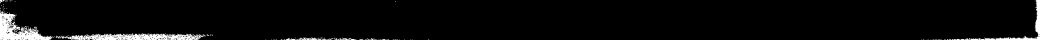
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would be absolutely inexplicable on any other hypothesis. This would indicate a date hardly later than 1678 for his marriage. The parents of Elizabeth Gardiner were married June 4, 1657, hence she could not have been more than 20 years of age

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"In ye name of God Amen Southold this 14th. of Oct. 1692 I James Parshall of the town of Shold in ye County of Suffolk upon Long Island in ye Province of N. York being weak in body but of sound memory do ordain & establish these presents to be my last will & testam^t in manner & form following First I bequeath my soul to Jesus Christ my merciful Redeemer & my body to ye earth by decent burial in ye last assured hopes of its resurrection again at ye last day & as to my outward estate all my just debts being first paid & funeral charges allowed for by my executors I do will & dispose as followeth Imp^{ts} I do give and bequeath unto my two sons Israel & David all my accommodations of both upland & meadow to them & their heirs forever equally to be divided between them two only my eldest son Israel is to have the eastermost side of this my accommodation of upland in Occabanke with all the improvements thereon that is to say my dwelling house barn outhouses fences orchards & improved lands—also my will is that all my implements of husbandry & arms be equally divided between my sd two sons. 2ly I do give & bequeath to my beloved wife one bed with all the furniture thereunto belonging 4ly I do give & bequeath her choice of my Indian Girls also my will is that my wife enjoy one room of my dwelling house & half my orchard during her widowhood and no longer — 5ly I do give and bequeath to my eldest daughter

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JAMES PARSHALL [Seal] *

"Signed sealed published & declared before us

Evan Davise

Samuel Swazy

Tho. Mapes

The following minute of the proceedings on the probate of the foregoing instrument is also of record:

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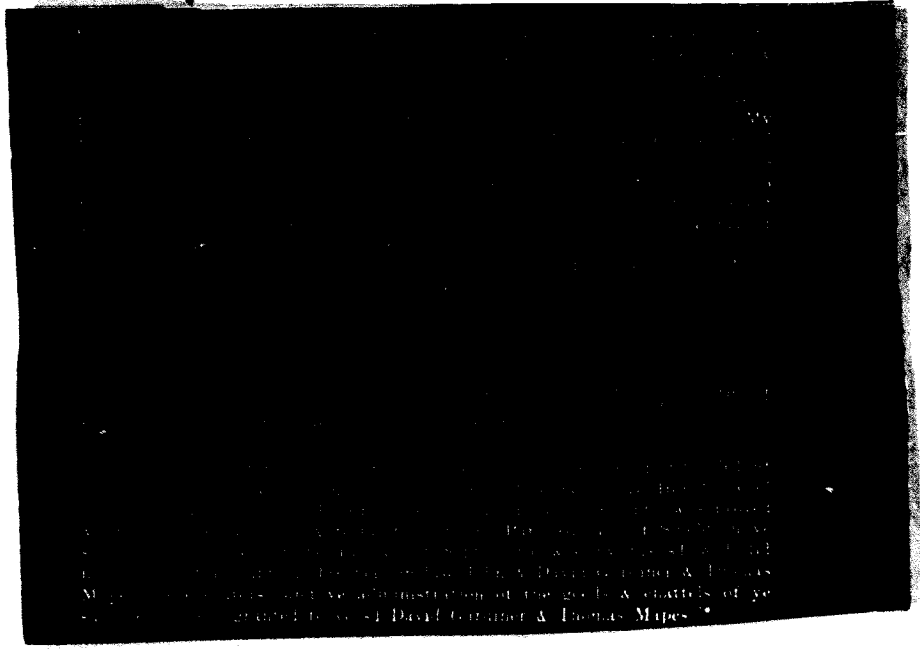
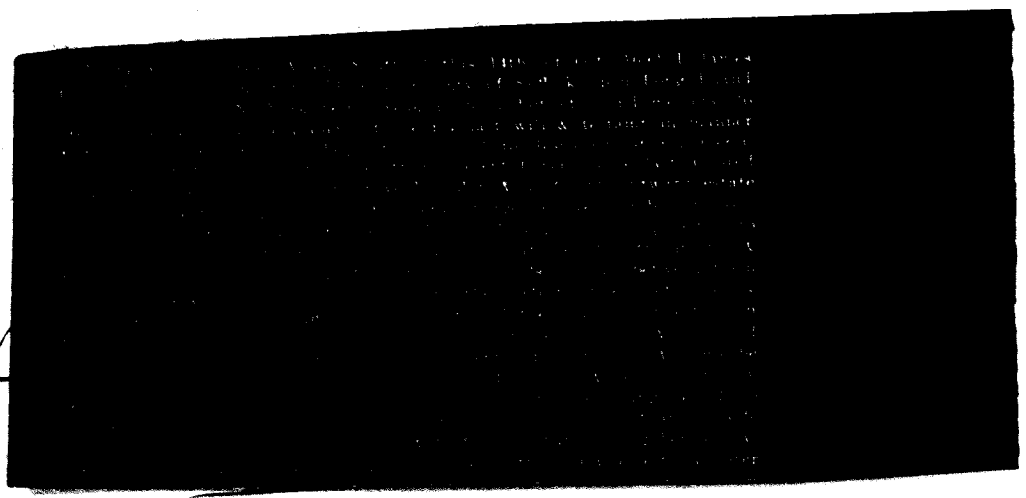
would be absolutely inexplicable on any other hypothesis. This would indicate a date hardly later than 1838 for his marriage. The parents of Elizabeth Gardner were married June 4, 1837, hence she could not have been more than 21 years of age at the time of her marriage, and may have been two or three years younger. Her parents had three sons beside the daughter Elizabeth, but as the dates of their

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"Signed sealed published & declared before us

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and reputation, than and the high status it attained, than any other man then or now living within its boundaries.
(Southold Town Records page 32)

The warfare between the ~~warfare of traders~~ ^{one} namely the Dutch, English and the New England traders in New Netherlands reminds very much of the warfare in Staffordshire ^{between} ~~over the claims~~ of the followers of the Red and White rose. And, as there, which ever side happened to ~~be of~~ ^{have the} greatest influence with the government used its power to harass its opponents. The records of New Netherlands disclose a time when Captain John Youngs having been caught violating some ^{which must have passed unnoticed had his friend been of force,} law of the colony, was arrested and after giving bail fled the country. The circumstances, whatever it may have been, which brought this about has been lost in the lapse of time but the court records give quite a clear account as to who were associated with Captain John Youngs in this escapade, and who felt called upon to get him out of this difficulty.

At Amsterdam April 13 1654, Guaranteeing the
of the ~~Albion Star~~ ^{Albion Star}. Edward Moor, ~~of~~
for John Youngs a fugitive
Manuscripts of New York page 137)

At Amsterdam to confine John Young

to the skipper of the King
Edward Moor and
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Albion Star in behalf of his
of a certain bond
by the Council

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Circa 1657.

Captain John Youngs, married Mary Gardiner the daughter of ~~John~~ Gardiner who was also a trader along with the other associates of Isaac Allerton, ~~she~~ ^{she above} gives an opportunity to present a collateral chart of the Gardiner, Youngs and Pearsall-Parshall families of this period as follows :-

Pastor John Youngs born 1698	Lyon Gardiner	Robert Pearsall born circa 1678
Captain John Youngs born 1623 married Martha Gardner	David Gardiner married 1657 Mary Lerringham	Robert Pearsall born circa 1612

Martha ^{Young} married David Gardiner Elizabeth Gardiner = James P. Parshall
 (Youngest child)

~~Maria Young~~ = married = David Parshall born 1683.

The will of Mary Gardiner, widow of Lyon Gardiner of Maidstone, alias East Hampton, dated April 19, 1664, probated June 6, 1665, names her son David Gardiner, to whom she leaves the Island called Isle of Wight for life, then to his male heirs. If he leave no male heirs then to the male heirs of testator's daughter Mary as an inheritance. If my daughter Mary have no male heirs, then to the male heir of my grand-child Elizabeth Howell and to her entailed to the first heirs male of my husband Lyon Gardiner and me his wife Mary. ~~never to be sold.~~ She also named her son-in-law Jeremiah Conkling, and appointed her son David Gardiner and her son-in-law Arthur Howell executors. At this time it is evident that neither David Gardiner or his brother-in-law Jeremiah Conkling had a daughter, which quite confirms the published Gardiner genealogies.

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referring to the Indian deed ~~recited~~ ^{previously} recited, it would appear that the scrivener made an error in stating the date of service, and that she had only a limited engagement to serve until the ~~payment~~ ^{payment} of a certain sum of money, she was given as security. In the History of Southampton it appears that concerning the English woman sold by James Parshall to John Parker of Southampton, he sold her in 1712 and an Indian boy to John Wick of Bridgewater, who in turn shipped her to the Island of Madeira to be sold. Here she presented a petition showing that her name was Sarah Robins and that she was a free-born Indian woman, born of free parents, and hath lived the greater part of her time upon Long Island with one John Parker, and by him turned over to one John W. Wick of Bridgewater, and by him turned over to one John W. Wick of Bridgewater, and by him turned over to Captain Robert Walters of the City of New York, but on what account she knows not. That Capt. Walters caused her to be transported to the Island of Madeira and that upon her arrival she applied to the British Consul declaring that she was a free subject. It appeared that she was ^{not a slave, but} only a redemptorist, and ~~only~~ to serve during the lifetime of James Parshall, but even this is not clearly disclosed by the record which leaves much to conjecture. (History of Southampton by Adams page 120.)

... was inseparably connected with the Isle of ...
 ... household to live until after 1683,
 ... but is first noticed

James Parshall is stated to have been head of a household consisting of five negroes and two white females, which would give the names ... Parshall, Elizabeth his wife and child Mary, Israel ... and his brother Henry.

... of 1688 marks his family as follows: James Parshall, Margaret ... Parshall, Israel Parshall, David Parshall, Benjamin Parshall and

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Curtis C. Gardiner, the distinguished pastor of the Lion Gard-
ner genealogy, has noticed the same difficulty with Elizabeth Gaa
as the mother of the children of her husband
and he says that the order of the birth of the children of
Gardiner is not known, but they are always mentioned with
Elizabeth as the youngest child.

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vol. 1 page 275. His intention was that...

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... name was Punce Garretson, also Ed burger Muster. We came from Worden.
... and from there to New England, and dwelt at Saybrook fort four years--

... as he wrote it, born in 1635, ...
... was an engineer in the service of the Prince of Orange

On 11 August 1655, with his wife, and a single female servant,
and eleven other male passengers, he embarked at London in a
... the Bachelor, of only 25 tons burthen, and reached Boston, November 28,

... In possession of the Gardiner family, on Gardiner's Island,
... on a blank page of which is written, in the handwriting of Lion

... 1635, the 10th of July, came 1, Lion Gardiner and Mary
... in Holland, where his wife was born, being the daughter
... name was Thacker, and her Aunt,
... the wife of ... Leonardson, also burger Muster,
... the Unicorn's head; her
... was, as we have seen, ... in law

When Lion Gardiner acquired his Island of Wight he became interested
in the tobacco trade along with Isaac Allerton and his associates of
the Eastern end of Long Island. It does not appear that Lion Gardine
was himself any more than a factor handling the goods of others, but

trading station on his Island became the center of a very large
and from New England, New Netherlands and Virginia. This made
him a rich man, much more so than he could have possibly been

John ... the ...
... through the mere farming of his lands. His son David Gardin -
... add to this station the trade coming through the
... including Robert Pearsall and John Youngs.

James Pearsall, also Pearchall, succeeded to his father's business, and in

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... of London was the English agent.
... and hence of re-shipment to England and Holland.
... as a trader
... in ...