Glenn,

Is it ok if I contact Bob directly? Or do you want to check with him first to see if he’s ok with that?

Thanks

Jim

**From:** Glenn Holliman [mailto:glennhistory@gmail.com]   
**Sent:** Sunday, July 03, 2011 4:40 PM  
**To:** James Edward Maule  
**Subject:** Re: [HOLLYMAN] More On English Research

Jim, this from Bob Hollyman-Mawson this afternoon. Interesting contact in the Old World, first Hollyman I have been able to reach. Glenn

Bob Hollyman-Mawson commented on his Wall post.

Bob wrote: "During the English Civil War it appears that the Hollymans were predominantly Parliamentarian. A few other non-military facts: John Holyman was Catholic Bishop of Bristol: 1554-1558 under Queen Mary I (Mary Tudor; Bloody Mary). Mrs Hollyman was left something in the will of Nell Gwynne, the orange-selling mistress of Charles II. I, too, am a postgraduate: University of Wales, Bangor, BA (Hons) Linguistics with the English Language: 16 July 2002. Even though I was older than the others I still managed to complete the full-time three years successfully. It's 2030 GMT now; so I'll sign off for this evening. Just ask me questionsand i'll do my best to answer them. bobhmawson@yahoo.co.uk 01286-677709 I live in Caernarfon, Gwynedd (North Wales). Bob."

**From:** [James Edward Maule](mailto:MAULE@law.villanova.edu)

**Sent:** Sunday, July 03, 2011 4:08 PM

**To:** [HOLLYMAN@yahoogroups.com](mailto:HOLLYMAN@yahoogroups.com)

**Subject:** RE: [HOLLYMAN] More On English Research

Thank you, Glenn. Sounds promising!   
  
Jim   
  
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To: Peddie Tina   
Subject: Re: [HOLLYMAN] More On English Research   
  
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I am just back from England, and did go to the Worcester Archives. There is a Huffrey Hollyman there and will post my notes later. Also today, I have been in touch with Bob Hollyman-Mawson of Wales, whose family is from Somersetshire, England. I hope he will okay the use of his research. We have started a conversation thanks to research by Bo Holloman.   
  
Numerous Hollimans lived in Worcester in the 16th and 17th Centuries, and yes, easy to drift down the Severn River to Bristol, England.   
  
Glenn   
  
From: James Edward Maule   
Sent: Saturday, June 04, 2011 5:59 PM   
To: <mailto:HOLLYMAN%40yahoogroups.com>   
Subject: RE: [HOLLYMAN] More On English Research   
  
  
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Subject: [HOLLYMAN] More On English Research   
  
From: Glenn Holliman <mailto:glennfromyahoo%40gmail.com>   
  
Subject: Re: [HOLLYMAN] FYI   
Joe,   
  
Lot to chew on here. I am at a hotel in Leeds heading up to Scotland to   
visit the ruins of a castle on my Mother's side of the family. Spent 3   
hours in Bedford Archives yesterday with some wonderful archivists and a   
family historian, Peter Smith whose emails you may have seen earlier. Pete   
and I are off to the Buckingham Archives before we leave England on June 24.   
No, nothing, and I asked and looked, on emmigrants from Bedford to the new   
world and information about Hollimans (and various names) during the English   
Civil War.   
  
I am bringing back 150 names of Hollimans, Holmans, Hollomans, etc who have   
lived in Bedfordshire since parish records were begun in 1538 (thank you   
Thomas Cromwell, Henry VIII's chancellor for requiring such). My   
early detective work suggests that the Hollimans were a new family to   
Bedford (nothing in parish records prior to Thomas Holliman's marriage in   
1609).   
  
So did the Hollimans leave the Cuddington, Tring and Cholesbury and migrate   
north to Woburn, Bedfordshire (about 10 to 15 miles) and then to Bedford,   
another dozen miles? And then in 1650, Christopher and Judith, brother and   
sister, left Bedford and sailed to the new world. Now we know from   
immigrant records that other Hollimans crossed the Atlantic also, one being   
Ezekiel Holliman from Cholesbury who helped found the Baptist Church in   
Rhode Island. Other Hollimans appeared in Virginia in the 1650s after   
Judith and Christopher.   
  
I think one of my trips has to be to the British National Archives in Kew,   
outside of London. Jeanette Holiman Stewart has surfaced a Holliman in the   
early 1600s in Worchester, so we need a 'sweep' of every darn parish record   
in England to make sure we have not missed some one. Unfortunately, the two   
wills left by Hollimans in the Bedfordshire Archives were 1711 (John   
Holyman, Luton, a weaver) and 1610 (a William Holman from Houghton   
Conquest).   
  
The International Genealogy Index has information on a John Holliman born in   
Woburn, 1560, and lists him as the father of Thomas Holliman of Bedford.   
There is NO citation of where this information was derived, and this John   
Holliman is NOT listed in a parish record. So I am dubious. As I said, a   
lot to ponder.   
  
More as I gather it....your words and others always encourage!   
  
Glenn   
  
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Sent: Friday, July 29, 2011 3:43 PM   
To: [HOLLYMAN@yahoogroups.com](mailto:HOLLYMAN%40yahoogroups.com)   
Subject: Re: [HOLLYMAN] Question   
  
Jim, I am drawing a blank. Could you refresh our memories on Thomas Hollyman (1618 – 1694). Thanks, and I will also review your notes which I saved. Glenn   
  
From: James Edward Maule   
Sent: Friday, July 29, 2011 2:51 PM   
To: [HOLLYMAN@yahoogroups.com](mailto:HOLLYMAN%40yahoogroups.com)   
Subject: RE: [HOLLYMAN] Question   
  
  
Most interesting. I wonder if "my" Thomas Hollyman (31 Aug 1618 - 10 Nov 1694) is the son of this Christopher's second son Thomas, or the son of Thomas Hollyman, brother of this Christopher Hollyman.   
  
Jim Maule   
  
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Sent: Friday, July 29, 2011 10:08 AM   
To: mailto:HOLLYMAN%40yahoogroups.com   
Subject: Re: [HOLLYMAN] Question   
  
Joe,   
  
I have not read of this before. Then again, I can’t remember reading the will of Ezekiel Holliman of Roger Williams and Baptist Church fame.   
  
For the Alabama meeting, I plan to bring the articles on my English research in publication form for distribution and discussion, so I am anxious to receive wisdom and research from Joe and others. An evaluation and critique of where we are in the research of our English roots would be valuable. For those who can’t make it to Fayette, Alabama October 14 and 15, we will be sharing via the blog site and this chat room, I am sure.   
  
Joe, the 1589 will of Christopher Hollyman of Sherington, Buckinghamshire who left resources to his second son, Thomas, was witnessed by his brother, named, you guessed it, Thomas Hollyman. I have no information on this Thomas Hollyman and do not find him in Bedfordshire records.   
  
Glenn   
  
From: Joseph or Gladys Parker   
Sent: Friday, July 29, 2011 9:50 AM   
To: holleman   
Subject: [HOLLYMAN] Question   
  
  
Have I remembered correctly that there was a Christopher Holliman that was mentioned in the Will of Ezekiel Holliman - who settled in Connecticut - before, or about the time that our Hollymans settled in Virginia..??? There was a mention that this Christopher [back in England] was awarded a 20# piece of gold to be the administrator for the estate of an elderly widow in the area over there..?? I have that piece of writing, if I can only find it. By any plausible chance, could this have been the Christopher Holliman, who died in 1589, and whose son, Thomas, is stated to be the father of OUR Christopher..?? Since it has been stated in our writings here that the name Christopher is rare, then there may be that plausible chance that this be he.   
If so, this could give the township, or villiage, from which our Christopher could have been from, before he went to Bedfordshire...... Folks, I got lotta problems, so, could use some help on locating this bit of literature on the web notes.   
  
Have been off the PC for a couple days, due to problems at home, so I am gettin' mor' behinder as time goes on. I am only one third the way through the archives of past messages, and still compiling notes for bringing with me when I come to AL. Hopefully, all this will get settled before movin' out time in October.   
  
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No need for apologies, Glenn. Almost everyone, perhaps everyone but me, descends from Christopher.   
  
Anyhow, Thomas Hollyman was b 31 Aug 1618 in England, and died 10 Nov 1694 in Philadelphia. We know he had two daughters. If there were other children, they're not mentioned anywhere. Mary, the older daughter, was born 1656 in Bristol. Sarah, the younger daughter, from whom I descend, was born 1660 in England. My best guess would be Bristol. So the family came to the colonies somewhere between 1660 and 1688 when Sarah married John Densey in Philadelphia.   
  
If a branch of the family settled in Bristol by the mid 1600s this almost certainly would be the same family. And that would make it possible to connect back and find our common ancestor among the folks you've been discussing on your excellent blog.

[America and West Indies - November 1696, 21-30 | Calendar of State ...](http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=70875) 

(continued)

BHM:

This is a separate issue but I’m sure you, Glenn, asked me on behalf of a “HOLLYMAN” descendant member of our Group called MAULE not long after we were first in contact if I had any information on his ancestors from the Bristol area but I was unable to help him.

From memory I recall seeing a photograph of him in a dinner-suit (black tie evening wear) and he looked a bit like the American actor George Hamilton IV.

I just can’t spare the time to backtrack on this request.

(quite a contrast to me wearing a big Confederate-style hat covered in badges, a red Italian military t-shirt acquired in Toulon, France, black shorts, size 11 or 12 trainers and sporting the unenviable sight of predominant varicose veins displayed on my legs on 12 August: not a pretty sight)

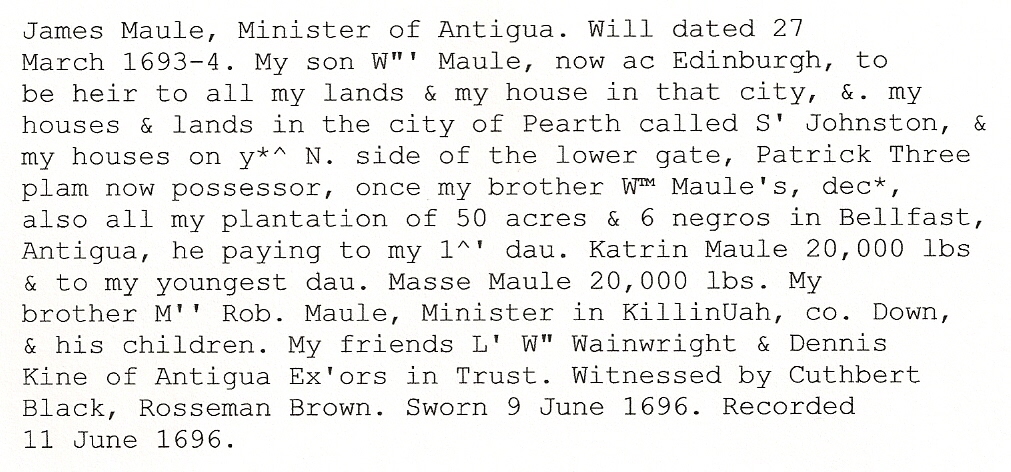
If either you or Jeanette know him, I feel sure he would be delighted if one or other of you forwarded the following two attachments in his direction.

Attachment 1: 1679: Thomas MAUL in ketch JOHN bound for New England. Commander John SAUNDERS (from Barbados to New England?)

Attachment 2: 1693/94: James MAULE, Minister of Antigua. Possible connections with Scotland and Ireland.

Please let me know if my memory regarding Mr MAULE has proved correct.

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Glenn,

Yes, you did put me in touch with Bob Hollyman-Mawson. We’ve exchanged some emails, but the “magic link” has yet to turn up. Somewhere there’s a parish register with the information we’d like, or perhaps there was such a register but it disappeared. Perhaps the information was recorded in a manuscript that sits in one of those private libraries that aren’t accessible. I was told a few years ago when I was in England that the amount of genealogical information in privately held manuscripts and documents exceeds what’s available publicly.

It’s possible that some Hollyman cousins went to Bristol “in the train of” the Rt. Rev. John Holyman. That is a not unusual situation. Or perhaps my Thomas passed through Bristol on his way to the colonies. I suspect the former. The dates of birth of the daughters suggests the family was in Bristol from no later than 1656 through no earlier than 1660.

This may be of interest. I think I shared it some time ago, but I don’t think Bob saw this.

In digging around, I found the Martin Eck Family tree on ancestry. It also gives the 31 Aug 1618 date of birth for Thomas Hollyman, with a reference to a typeset manuscript in the Penna. Historical Society, but it is not clear that the manuscript is the source of the date. I have seen that manuscript (as I have done research at the Penna. Historical Society), so the birth date might have been handed down through the Mitchell branch of this Hollyman group. In my database I failed to note the source from which I obtained the birth date (long before I found the Martin Eck Family Tree), but it could have been at the Penna. Historical Society. So we know there are other descendants of Thomas Hollyman looking for his ancestry.

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Then it’s off to Sussex: An extracted probate record, again not much more than an index to the actual records. "Hollyman, Thomas, Brede, yeoman, 19 Jun 1605, 06 Jul 1605, 79-49, Book: Register 3, Collection: Sussex - Wills and Administrations Preserved in the District Probate Court of Lewes." Sussex, as I recall, is a bit ways off from Bristol and Worcestershire.

I also found a Kristi Howell tree on ancestry. It claims that the parents of Thomas Hollyman 1618 are Thomas Hollyman b 1598 and Elizabeth b 1590 and that Thomas Hollyman 1618 was born in  Kent, and married Sarah England. The Keyser-Strong tree on ancestry shows him with Sarah England as wife 1, m 4 May 1648 Denmark Park, Surrey, and with three children by Sarah England: Ann, 1640, Sarah 1648, Mary 1652-1692, and Sarah b 1660 by unknown spouse. But it is clear from other trees that Thomas Halleman of Surrey died in 1672 in Rotherhithe, Surrey. I don’t know who the Ann is, and there is a record that Mary was born in Bristol. So I think the information on the Keyser-Strong tree is speculation, at best.

But it’s interesting that there were Hollymans in the Sussex – Surrey area at about that time.