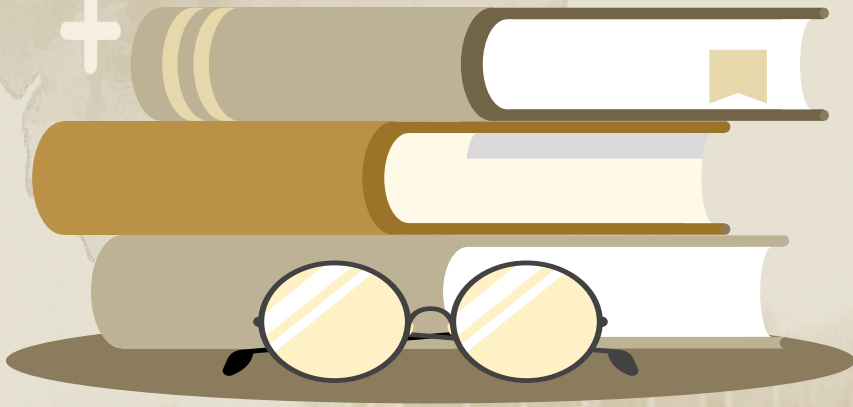





The Cuffe - Wainer (Quaben) Dynasty



Who were these men?
Why did some leave Massachusetts?

Presented by Descendant: George H. Wortham Jr.

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How I Arrived Here

[My Tree]

Ruth Noquochoke Wampanoag-Moses (1720-1787 (67)

Kofi Slocum 1718-1772 (54)

Mary Slocum Cuffe 1753-1804 (51)

Capt Michael Quaben Wainer 1748-1815 (67)

Roby Auker 1793-1838 (45)

Mary Easton 1796-1872 (76)

Michael Quaben Wainer, Jr 1793-1876 (83) Capt John Wainer 1782-1869 (87)

Lydia Ann Wainer 1828-1917 (89)

David Franklin Wainer 1825-1910 (85)

Octavia Ann Armstead 1859-1906 (47)

Charles Sumner Wainer 1859-1941 (82)

Leuendric Grayson Wainer 1889-1997 (98)

Antone Gonsalves 1879-1960 (81)

Cornelia Leuendric Gonsalves 1922-1950 (28)

Violet Louise Gonsalves 1914-1978 (64)

George Hugh Wortham 1919-1958 (39)

Jesse Williams Jr 1922-1997 (75)

George Hugh Wortham Jr 1947

229 years between me and my 5th Great Grand Parents

2 Important Days

Charles Sumner Wainer Family



David Clifton, Franklin Tobey, Walter Thompson, Edward Winston, Leuendric Grayson, Charles Sumner Wainer, Octavia Ann Armstead, Marjorie May

Outings
 20 MAR '48 - Outside 1st time all day-
 2nd MAY '48 - Church for first time
 6th JUNE '48 - Christened - Bethel AME -
 25th AUG '48 - Went to Lincoln Park -

Visits
 22 MAR '48 - To country to see "Ga-Ga"

George H Wortham, Jr
 page from baby book



Big sister and brothers
 Jessye Leuendric Williams, Steven Edmund Gonsalves
 George Hugh Wortham, Jr, Harold Bruce Fisher, Jr



Lydia Ann Gonsalves, Antone Gonsalves, Harold Bruce Fisher,
 Violet Louise Gonsalves, Octavia Angas Gonsalves, Cornelia
 Leuendric Gonsalves

... Our Family...

Families working together to create the Dynasty...

Captain Michael Quaben Wainer [1748 –1815] – (63 y/o) Mary Cuffe [1753-1804] (57 y/o) - 9 children	Captain Paul Cuffe [1759-1817] - (58 y/o) Alice Abel [1758-1819] (61 y/o) - 7 children
Captain Thomas [1773-1839] (66 y/o) - 5 children	Naomi [1783-1810] – (27 y/o) - 3 children
Farmer Gardner [1774-1839] – (65 y/o) - 19 children	Ruth [1788-1853] – (65 y/o) - 6 children
Captain Paul [1776-1833] – (57 y/o) - 6 children	Mary [1789-1876] – (87 y/o) - 1 child
Captain Jeremiah [1778-1804] [lost at Sea]– (26 y/o) -2 children	Alice [1790-1880] – (90 y/o) - 5 children
Farmer David [1780-1868] – (88 y/o) - no children	Crewman Paul, Jr – [1792-1843] – (51 y/o) - no children
Captain John [1782-1869] – (87 y/o) - 4 children	Rhoda [1795-1878] – (83 y/o) - 4 children
Mary [1785-1867] – (82 y/o) - 6 children	Captain William [1799-1837] – (38 y/o) - 7 children – lost at Sea
Crewman / Farmer Michael, Jr [1793-1876] – (83 y/o) - 10 children	
Captain Rodney [1806-1868]– (62 y/o) - no children	

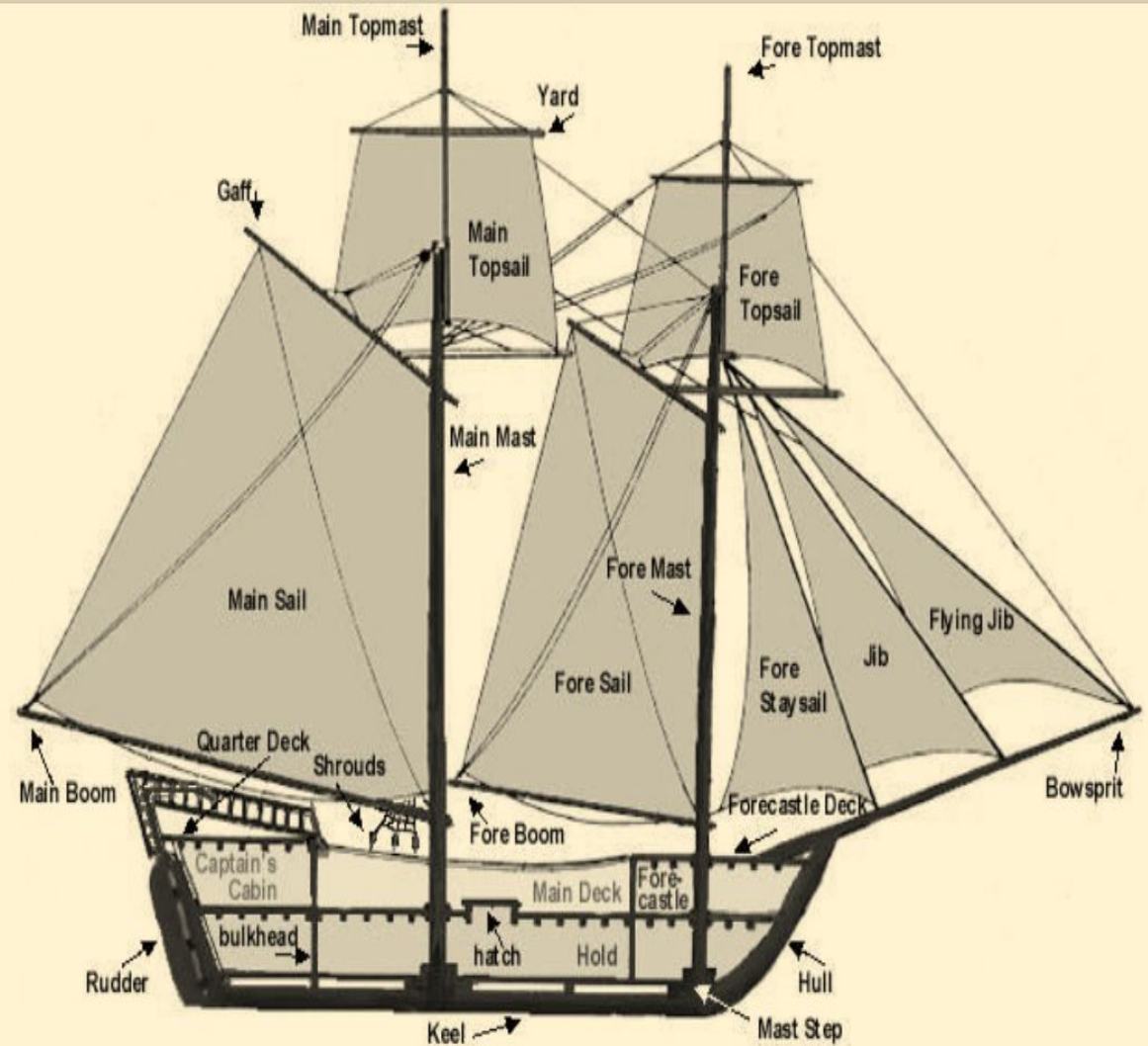
Ships

Ship's Name	Ton (Weight)	Length	Beam	Draft	Design	Built	Home	Launch Date	Owner	Master
Hope	49.33	46'	17'	6'	Square Stern, two Masters, No Galley, No Figurehead	1795	Westport	May 23, 1806	Captains: Paul Cuffe	Captain Paul Cuffe
Ranger	69.33	62' 6"	18' 3"	7'	Square Stern, two Mast, No Galley, No Figurehead	1795	Westport	Mar 15, 1800	Captains: Paul Cuffe and Michael Wainer	Captain Thomas Wainer
Hero	162	75' 4"	22' 3"	11' 2"	Square Stern, two Mast, No Galley, No Figurehead	1802	Westport	Jan 25, 1802	Captain(s): Paul Cuffe, Isaac Cory, Isaac Cory Jr and Thomas Wainer	Captain Isaac Cory
Alpha	268	90' 10"	25' 10"	12' 11"	Square Stern, two Mast, No Galley, No Figurehead	1806	Westport	Aug 18, 1806	Captain Paul Cuffe and Lemuel Milk	Captain Paul Cuffe
Traveller	109	69' 8"	20' 3"	6' 11"	Square Stern, two Mast, No Galley, No Figurehead	1807	Westport	Dec 11, 1807	Captain Paul Cuffe	Captain Asa Bly

Ship Traveller...



- *Route of the Trip...*
 - Sargasso Sea
 - 2000 mi long
 - 700 mi wide

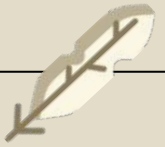


... likeness of the Ship built by Capt Paul Cuffe...

The 1st Sierra Leone Trip 1810 - 1812

Captain Paul Cuffe – Super Cargo (51 y/o)

Nephews....

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Captain Thomas Wainer– Master (37 y/o)• Captain John Wainer - 1st Mate (28 y/o)• John Masters - 2nd Mate (28 y/o)• Samuel Hicks 3rd Mate (30 y/o) |  <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Michael Wainer, Jr (18 y/o)• Zack White (19 y/o)• Joseph Hamway (21 y/o)• Charles Freborg - Apprentice (10 y/o) |
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Outbound - On December 27, 1810, the Traveler left Philadelphia on the first expedition to Sierra Leone.

- The Traveler reached Freetown, Sierra Leone on March 1, 1811, after 60 days on the Ocean.
- This 1st trip to Africa lasted 16 months

Inbound - On April 19, 1812, US. Customs in Westport, Mass., seized Cuffe's ship and its cargo upon its return from Sierra Leone.

... The cost to Capt Paul Cuffe's personal estate for the three trips to Sierra Leone (in 2020 dollars) totals approx. \$150k dollars ...

Why did they leave the Maritime Trade?

1. **Haitian Revolution** series of conflicts between 1791 and 1804 between Haitian slaves, colonists, the Haitian people ultimately won independence from France and thereby became the first country to be founded by former slaves.
2. **The War of 1812** any ship on the high seas flying the US flag would capture and sailors would be impressed into the English navy, almost 700 US ships did not go out to sea.
3. **The Wirt Ruling:** In 1821, Attorney General William Wirt was asked if free black men could command American merchant vessels when federal law barred non-citizens from commanding such ships. His answer was a qualified no: if free black Virginians were not full citizens of their state, they could not be citizens of the United States.
4. **The passing of their father Captain Michael Quaben Wainer, Aug 1815** (63 y/o) and their **Uncle, Captain Paul Cuffe, Sept 1817** (58 y/o)
Uncle Paul felt a great loss of his big brother, Michael,
his nephews leaving the trade
the lack of support in the African American community.

Importation of Captives from Africa was to end in 1808

Cotton became ***King*** in 1793 creating the need for free labor

Congress passed a statute prohibiting the importation of humans as of the first constitutionally-allowable moment of January 1, 1808 which created the demand for Breeding Plantation.

The Virginia Times estimated, in 1836 that the number of humans exported for sale from the state, during the previous 12 months at 40k humans, for an estimated value \$24 million (\$667 million in 2020 dollars).

Virginia was half of the 80,000 (\$1.334 B in 2020 Dollars) humans exported in a single year from the breeding states to the Mississippi Delta.

Link: <https://search.yahoo.com/search?p=how+did+states+rank+in+slave+breeding&fr=yfp-t&ei=UTF-8&fp=>

Humans and human breeding not tobacco was Virginia's primary domestic crop

*Plying the Atlantic Coastal waters was very dangerous undertaking
for men of color*

The Migration to New York

- **1813 Gardner & Rhoda** traveled, with a Quaker family, from MA to Scipio, NY
(Trip-30 days)

- **Gardner Wainer** bought a 50 acres, plot of land in Scipio, NY. He later sold the farm and moved to Oswego, NY and then to Upper Canada in the **1830's**

- **Captain Thomas** moved to Paris, NY. Thomas later moved to Upper Canada

The Oneida Natives, set aside two areas (**Stockbridge & Brothertown**) for **Wampanoags** being forced out of MA.

- **Michael** bought a farm during **1820**, in Stockbridge. He stayed in NY until 1860 and eventually moved back to MA.

Paul Cuffe, Jr wrote in his book about stopping for 30 days, to visit his cousin and playmate Michael Wainer, Jr.
*“Narrative of the Life and Adventures of Paul Cuffe Jr., a Pequot Indian: During Thirty Years Spent at Sea, and in Traveling in Foreign Lands”, in **1839.**”*



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Dear Mr. Wortham,

Thank you for the material you sent on the Cuffe and Wainer families. I checked with an Oneida Indian girl, Becky, and she said she had never heard the name "Wainer" I was about to write to Wisconsin when I remembered where I had seen the name. I have a quickly scribbled record of an early Stockbridge school account. The original is in private ownership, but I was able to copy it by hand about 12 years ago.

Teachers Account Book for Dist. No. 4, Stockbridge, Madison Co., New York. This appears to have been dated 1844-1858.

Student- Wainer, Louisa 1844??
Parent- Wainer, Michel

Student- Wainer, Celia 18 yrs old
" Mary L. 1845

Student-Wainer, Moses
" Jane
" Thomas age 10 1851

Student- Wainer, Moses (Col) 9 yrs.
" Jane (Col) 7 yrs 1854
" Thomas (Col) 13 yrs. 1854

Student- Wainer, Moses 10 yrs. 1855
" Mosses 10 yrs 1856



**Teachers Account Book for
District #4 Stockbridge,
Madison
NY dated
1844 - 1858**



Captain Michael Wainer's house. The man in background is John Harold Roberts in the foreground is his son John Edwin



SEPTEMBER 1939

The Gonsalves girls standing in the entrance of Captain Michael Wainer's house



Captain John Wainer's son David's house

Last Visit to the Country ...

Steve, Lil Jess & George...

Farm ...



Native American Cemetery in Westport.

*Photo in the upper left
is of
Steven Edmund
Gonsalves and Jesse
Williams III.*



*The photo in the lower
right is the headstone
of Captain Paul
Wainer*



Why Upper Canada?

- Remembering a song: “Song of the Free” is popular with African Americans
 - *Song of the Underground Railroad written circa 1860 about a man fleeing slavery in Tennessee by escaping to Canada via the Underground Railroad.* [1] wikipedia [2021]

Lyrics

"I'm on my way to Canada, That cold and distant land, The dire effects of slavery, I can no longer stand, Farewell, old master, Don't come after me, I'm on my way to Canada, where colored men are free!"

Racial Riots in the US

Racial Riots were a way of life in the 1800s in many urban centers.

More than 1,200 riots occurred in the United States during the four decades leading up to the Civil War.

Cincinnati racial violence dates back to 1829 when whites drove about 1,000 African-Americans - or half of the city's black population - out of town.

Abolition of Slavery in Canada in 1834

In 1819, Sir John Robinson, the Attorney-General of Upper Canada, ruled: Since freedom of the person is the most important civil right protected by the law of England...the Negroes are entitled to personal freedom through residence in Upper Canada and any attempt to infringe their rights will be resisted in the courts".[54]

After Robinson's ruling in 1819, judges in Upper Canada refused American requests to extradite runaway humans who reached Upper Canada under the grounds.

"Every man is free who reaches British ground".

Enslavement of African people became illegal in Canada 2 Generation before it happened in the United States and without a Civil WAR

***Support from Wainer Descendant:
Dorn AJW Gonsalves***

Books & Source Material

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Still I Rise - Roland Owen Laird, Jr with Taneshia Nash Laird

Black Jacks - W Jeffrey Bolster

Slaves Sailors Citizens - Steven J Ramold

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