

DEGRAVE  
I698 CO I94/I Jn and Wm Holman in London. re provs taken for garrison  
by "Jn/Wm" Benj Holman I697.

DEGRAVE  
I704 CO I94/22 Jn nfld mchts - defence.

DEGRAVE  
I705 CO I94/3 Jn London mchts - french attack

DEGRAVE  
I705 CO I94/23 jn nfld mchts pro lloyd

DEGRAVE  
I712 CO I94/24 jn mchts - collins for govt

DEGRAVE  
I723 col recs (I763) Jn left 1/3rd of Jn Collins plants in nfld. I749 he got all  
of it. but I750 to pay Evans £20 quit for his share. Plant then  
granted to him in perpetuity

DEGRACE  
1723 26 nov CO 194/8 JN litereate st jns lockian society

DEGRAVE  
I724 CO I94/8 JN witness to NE bond schr "4 sisters" of Boston.

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degrave  
1724 sep CO 194/8 jn signed bond for schr four sisters going st jns-  
boston.

DEGRAVE  
I726 CO I94/8 JN witness to ne bond at st jns.

degrave  
1726 jul co 194/8 jn st jns signed bond for sarah schr of boston

DEGRAVE  
1729 CO 194/8 Mr JN. empowered to collect prison tax.

DEGRAVE  
1730 CO 194/9 JN informal murder jury st jns.

degraves  
1732 co 194.24.130 robt constable in cb at carbonear

DEGRAVE  
1740 CO 194/52 JN with HY LIMBREY lease wharf and stores fm widow of Ben Weston

DEGRAVES  
1749 co 194/21 v evans in property dispute in nfld

DEGRAVES  
1749 co 194/12.120 JN st jns jp

DEGRAVES  
1750 co 194/12 JN st jns JP

DEGRAVE  
1752 col recs Jn Co of Oyer/Terminer at st Jns. and 1753.

degraves  
1755 10 jul st jns ang JNE ESQ buried

DEGRAVE  
1759 col recs TOMSON(widow?) pays £1 for new st jns church.

DEGRAVE  
1759 col recs MRS - agreement between Benj Bidgood DECd and Has Jn 1749. latter leased plant fm them. 1758 lease expired plant in bad repair.

DEGRAVE

I770 apr t64/82 WALT own "Polly" Elish Turner 34/4 of ST JNS. fm Boston at st jns.

Degrave

I781 archiv Walt property lower div st jns

degrace

1789 st jns ang mr walt buried

DEGRAVE INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF MARITIME MUSEUMS OF THE ATLANTIC BASIN  
I791 feb-mar 92 muster rolls JN age 28 NY/DTMTH MATE EAGLE  
wm long EX SAME

DEGRAVE

I792 apr-dec muster rolls JN age 29 7/dtmth BOSUN on eagle thomas

degrave

1793 jan st savkour Jona soj married widow mary hayne

DEGRAVE

1793 st petrox jona/mary had son jona martin

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1793 st petrox jona martin son of jona/mary

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1793 oct st petrox jona martin son of jona/mary

DEGRAVE

I794 may-jan 95 muster rolls JNo age 26 NEW YORK/DTMTH MATE  
EAGLE robt lemon(ex same furneaux)  
dis corunna

degrave

1795 st savkour jona soojurner married widow mary hayne

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1802 townstal jona buried

degrave

180-2 26 mar townstall jona buried



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Dear Mr. Harris,

Thank you for your letter of June 4th, 1983 regarding your Newfoundland ancestors.

There were a few De Graves in Newfoundland in the early 18th century. They came from Townstall and the St. Petros areas of Devon. John De Grave was in St. John's as early as 1730. He was a fishery supplier and Justice of the Peace. By 1740 he with Henry Limbrey leased a wharf and stores from the Weston family. John De Grave died in 1755 and was buried in St. John's on 10th July.

Sarah De Grave was most certainly the daughter of John (though there was no hard evidence for this). In Oct. 1756 she married John Burton, surgeon (medical practitioner), in St. John's. They had at least four children baptised in the following years; a daughter, Frances (1757); John Thomas (1764); William (1766) and George (1767). John Burton, surgeon, died in Jan 1769 at St. John's. He was formerly from Poole, Dorset, though his family may have originally moved to Poole from Christchurch, Hampshire.

The De Grave-Burton connection appeared again two generations later when John De Grave Ryland married Elizabeth Frances Burton, granddaughter of John and Sarah, and 2nd daughter of George Burton. The wedding took place in St. John's in Jan. 1828. Ryland was the 3rd son of Rev'd Richard Ryland, D.D. He was born in Waterford, Ire., came to St. John's with his parents at an early age and "lived here uninterruptedly for over 70 years" (Gazette: 28th Mar. 1871) He died 26th Mar. 1871 in St. John's, age 81.

Your letter suggests Jane Ryland Burton married Waterman and subsequently married Sutton. Unless you have firm evidence of this sequence, our records suggest the reverse to be the case. In Feb. 1836, William Waterman married Mrs. Jane Sutton in St. John's (Times: Feb. 10, 1836).

There is no mention of her family connections. An advertisement in the Times, Sept. 3, 1838, mentions "Jane Ryland Waterman offers her services as house tender or house keeper" William Waterman may well have left for the United States in order to es-

establish himself at this time. We have no evidence for this but it was common practice among the commercial class who immigrated in this period. Jane was most probably a granddaughter of John and Sarah, and the daughter of George, auctioneer (1814), and Charlotte (Born) Burton.

George Burton (b. 1767) had commercial training, at various times had been commission merchant, auctioneer and accountant. He (and others) were 'anti-rum duty' (1812), he sat on the Grand Jury, St. John's (1814) and in 1816, declared himself insolvent. He subsequently obtained for himself a position in the military establishment, receiving lieutenant's pay while serving as paymaster to the Royal Newfoundland Regt. He died, age 81 yrs., (Patriot: Sept. 6, 1848).

Other Burton relatives:

(1832) 24th May: Charlotte Suzanne Burton, 6th d. of Geo. Burton, died St. John's.

(1843) 29th Aug. Gazette: died, Sarah Mary (Burton), wife of John Hierlihy, at Antigonish, Nova Scotia, eldest d. of George Burton

(1844) George B. Burton married Jane, only d. of late John Keith. Gazette: Dec. 31, 1844.

(1845) William D. Burton, St. John's, married Charlotte, d. of late Oliver St. John, Harbor Grace. Times: Sept. 16, 1845. Charlotte's maternal grandfather, George Garland, was a prominent magistrate in Hr. Grace in the late 18th century.

(1852) Gazette: 9th Nov. George Bollard Burton died, age 49, 2nd son of late George Burton. This is the only reference we have to 'Bollard'.

(1839) Gazette: April 16, John T. Burton (probable son of John Thomas), proprietor of "Star" newspaper, Hr. Grace, married Adelaide, d. of H.G. Clow, barrister of Hr. Grace. He had learned the print trade while working for the "Patriot," St. John's, before moving to Hr. Grace. In early 1860's he returned to St. John's and became editor and proprietor of the "Telegraph." He was elected to the House of Assembly as a member for the Bonavista District (1865-69). He was an advocate of Union with Canada and as a result lost in the election of 1869. His wife died 3rd April 1865 and with the marriage of his younger daughter, Isabella Adelaide, to John St. George Austin in Canada (Newfoundlander: Aug. 20, 1872), J.T. Burton subsequently left Newfoundland (1873) and retired to Montreal. He died there, Feb. 3, 1880, age 72.

There were Watermans in Newfoundland who came from West-country, Eng. They came from Poole, Dorset, and possibly had a Hampshire (Ringwood) background.

(1738) Capt. George Waterman was in the Italian-Nfld.-Devon trade.

(1785) John Waterman (Ringwood) Married Sarah Harding

(1816) John (same), now of Poole, partner with Samuel Rumson and William Moors Taylor, of Carbonear, Nfld.

(1760's) Also John, Richard, and Thomas Waterman were Trinity planters.

(1760) Richard married Sarah Archer, Trinity, daughter of a planter

(1828) There was also a William Waterman Sr. living in Carbonear. He was probably not the father of your William Waterman, but most likely a relative.

We have learned there is a considerable amount of material relating to R. William Waterman at the Public Library, Athol, Massachusetts. He was eventually proof-reader at the publishing house and proof read several American best sellers such as "Uncle Tom's Cabin." He owned several newspapers in his life including one in Athol. If you explain your connection and purpose of your research I am sure they can provide you with photocopies of their records. You might also enquire if local City Directories of the 1860's and 70's, give any indication of the names and occupations of the Suttons --- those likely to be related to R.W. Waterman.

I have enclosed an invoice for \$60.00 to cover the cost of researching this material. Please do not hesitate to contact us again if we can be of further assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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