

Vital Statistics

MARTIN: Arnold, s. Arnold and Mary, bp. Sept. 1, 1793, a. 3 d. C.R.2.	MARTIN: Arnold, 3d, and Mary Sparhawk, Feb. 6, 1820.	Marriage Marblehead, MA	MARTIN: Mary, wid. [Capt. G. R. 4.] Arnold, Mar. 24, 1838, a. 73 y. 4 m. 16 d. [Mar. 21. G. R. 4.]	Death Marblehead, MA
MARTIN: Oliver, s. Arnold and Mary, bp. July 19, 1795. C.R.2.	MARTIN: Mary, and Benjamin T. [J. C. R. 2.] Valentine, May 14, 1820.	Marriage Marblehead, MA		
MARTIN: Thomas, s. Arnold and Mary, bp. Nov. 26, 1797. C.R.2.	VALENTINE: Mary O., Mrs., and George LeMaster, Aug. 24, 1824.	Marriage Marblehead, MA		
MARTIN: Mary, d. Arnold and Mary, bp. Dec. 15, 1799. C.R.2.	MARTIN: Martha, and Knott Martin July 1, 1832	Marriage Marblehead, MA	MARTIN: Oliver, s. Capt. Arnold, jr. and Mary, typhus fever, Sept. 24, 1816. [a. 21 y. 2 m. 14 d. G. R. 4.]	Death Marblehead, MA
MARTIN: Martha, d. Arnold and Mary, bp. Nov. 6, 1803. C.R.2.			MARTIN: Thomas, s. Arnold and Mary, at Port au Prince with Capt. Francis G. Selman, rec. Jan. 2, 1819. [a. 20 y. P. R. 1.]	Death Marblehead, MA.

The Death Record for Martha Martin

DATE OF DEATH.	NAME OF DECEASED	SEX	COLOR of hair than white	Co. Division	AGE			DISEASE OR CAUSE OF DEATH	RESIDENCE	OCCUPATION.
May 3 1896.	Martha Martin Wid. of Knott "	F.		4.	92	7	8	Apoplexy and Paralysis.	"	Housewife

PLACE OF DEATH.	PLACE OF BIRTH.	NAME AND BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER	NAME AND BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER.	PLACE OF BURIAL.
Middleton.	Marblehead	Arnold	Mary (Oliver)	Marblehead

An Article about the Grandson of Arnold and Mary Oliver Martin, Son of Their Son, Arnold

4th GG John Martin & Sarah Northey

3rd GG Thomas Martin and Eleanor Knott

2nd GG Knott Martin and Sarah Arnold

Great Grandfather Thomas Martin and Martha Nicholson

Grandfather Arnold Martin and Mary Oliver

Father Arnold Martin and Mary Sparhawk

John Sparhawk Martin

Transcript

JOHN SPARHAWK MARTIN, of the firm of John S. Martin & Co., Marblehead, was born in this town, April 11, 1825, son of Captain Arnold and Mary (Sparhawk) Martin. John Martin, his greatgrandfather, was an early settler in Marblehead; and Captain Arnold Martin, first, his grandfather, was a shipmaster of this port. His father, who died at the age of about fortytwo years, was a ship-owner and master mariner, engaged in the coastwise trade. His mother was a representative of the Sparhawk family of Marblehead. John S. Martin was educated in the Marblehead public schools. When sixteen years old, he was apprenticed to John Chapman, a wellknown carpenter and builder, with whom he remained until attaining his majority. He then engaged in the building business as a member of the firm of John T. Bragdon & Co., which existed for two years; and for the succeeding thirty-eight years he conducted operations alone, erecting a large number of residences and other buildings, many of which he assisted in designing. In 1876 he was awarded the contract for the carpenter work upon the Abbot Hall Building. He was for years the leading building contractor in Marblehead, his operations furnishing employment for a large number of men. In 1886 he was succeeded by his son, B. F. Martin, who is still carrying on the business. For the past fourteen years Mr. Martin has been engaged in the coal and wood trade at Martin's Wharf, 6 Cliff Street, in which he is associated with another son, John A., under the firm name of John S. Martin & Co. He also deals in hay, straw, mason's materials, Akron drain pipe, and so forth. He is actively interested in financial affairs, being a trustee of the Marblehead Savings Bank; and, while serving as a Selectman during the eighties, he in no small measure aided in providing an able administration of public business. He was also instrumental in developing the town's industries, securing increased railway facilities and promoting other improvements. Politically, he is a Prohibitionist. For fifty-three years he has been a member and is now the official head of the Rechabite Society, a local organization favoring the suppression of the liquor traffic. He has also been identified with the local Masonic Lodge for nearly the same length of time. In religious matters he is of an investigative turn of mind, believing in the doctrine of Spiritualism. Mr. Martin and Miss Alicia Cruff Prichard, of Marblehead, a daughter of Ezra and Mary (Stevens) Prichard, were married in 1848. They have been bereft of three children— William Gerry, William Bartlett, and Mary Sparhawk — and they have five living: Elizabeth Dove, born May 3, 1850, now wife of Frank Blackler; Benjamin Franklin, born January 19, 1852; John Arnold, born February 1, 1857; Emma Sparhawk, born January 10, 1859 —all of Marblehead; and Mary Carson, born May 5, 1865, now wife of Frank A. Chandler, of Cambridgeport, Mass., and mother of one child, Frank Davenport, born November 11, 1893. Elizabeth D., Mrs. Blackler, has one living child, Alice G., born February 23; 1884, and two deceased children — Alicia P. and Nellie Stevens. Benjamin Franklin Martin married Lizzie R. Langley, and has one child, Frank Irving, born in March, 1875. John Arnold Martin married Mary Jane Fisher, Novembe 16, 1887. They have two children—Marion Arnold and William Gerry Martin.

Detail

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The article at right courtesy of our cousin

Adam L. Martin

1st Cousin, six times removed of Capt. Arnold Martin of Marblehead


Arnold Martin Sr., Captain, Shipmaster of Marblehead Harbor (1765 - 1829)

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The 1850 Census for Daughter Martha Provided Knowledge of Additional Children

1850 United States Federal Census Massachusetts > Essex > Marblehead							Calc
Name	Age	Sex	Race	Occupation	Real Estate		YOB
Benett Martin	63 M			Shoemaker	3500		1787
Martha "	47 F			"			1803
Benett O "	17 M			Shoemaker			1833
Martha R. "	11 F						1839
Mary O "	9 F						1841
James A "	7 M						1843
Henry A "	5 M						1845
William O "	3 M						1847
Elizabeth Siganda	13 F						

The Tombstones of Arnold and Mary Oliver Martin



Erected in Memory of  
Captain Arnold Martin  
who died August 22, 1829  
Aged 63 years, 9 months, 29 days

Sacred in the Memory of  
Mrs. Mary Martin  
Relict of Captain Arnold Martin  
who died March 21, 1838  
Aged 73 yrs., 4 months, 16 days

Green Street Cemetery  
Marblehead, Massachusetts


A Look Back at Captain James Mugford, First Husband of Daughter Martha's Mother n Law, Sarah Griste

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The Story of the Next White House Family—

The Rising Roosevelts


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A Hero-Worshiper

John Paul Jones, who never acknowledged defeat, is Franklin Roosevelt's personal hero. So John Paul Jones looks down from nearly every wall. Most of the portraits are color prints, but there is one masterpiece of which everyone is especially proud. It is a canvas that was bid in at an auction by Louis McHenry Howe, Roosevelt's private secretary, for \$120. When they got it home it was discovered to have been done by Jean Michael Moreau.

The whole stirring history of the U. S. Navy is told in scores of other pictures which literally cover the walls. The Roosevelt sons never have tired of listening to their father's enthusiastic tales of the battle scenes and ships and leaders who are shown there. Especially do they like the story of Capt. James Mugford, whose portrait bears out Roosevelt's contention that he was the ugliest man in all American history. Yet it was Mugford, of the schooner Franklin, who in 1776 played a valiant part in capturing the British armed transport Hope and its cargo of ammunition so direly needed by the Colonies.



Left: A Portrait of Captain James Mugford



To Robert Smith

DEAR SIR

Monticello Aug. 17. 1802.

I inclose you a letter from a mr Isaac Mansfield as attorney for the representative of James Mugford, who was killed in an action on board a vessel which he commanded whereby, under the then existing regulations, his widow became entitled to a bounty. I inclose it to you because, if entitled by the existing laws, the [inquiries] first come to your office for it's sanction before it could be presented at the treasury. if there be no laws auth[oriz]ing the claim I presume the application should be through the member of his district to Congress. I will ask the favor of you to give to mr Mansfield the answer which on examination of the case you shall deem proper. Accept assurances of my affectionate esteem & respect.

TH: JEFFERSON

PrC (DLC); faint; at foot of text: "The Secretary of the Navy." Recorded in SJL with notation "Mansfield & Mugford's case." Enclosure: Isaac Mansfield to TJ, 2 Aug. 1802 (recorded in SJL as received from Marblehead on 16 Aug. with notation "N" but not found).

ISAAC MANSFIELD, a Harvard graduate and former minister, was a lawyer from Marblehead (Washington, *Papers, Pres. Ser.*, 11:130-1).

On 17 May 1776, JAMES MUGFORD of Marblehead, commander of the armed schooner *Franklin*, captured a British transport near Boston that contained a valuable cargo of military stores. Two

days later, he was killed repelling a British attack on his vessel. In January 1797, Mugford's widow, Sarah, and her current husband, Arnold Martin, unsuccessfully petitioned Congress for the prize money and BOUNTY due Mugford for his naval service, basing their claim on a resolution of the Continental Congress of 28 Nov. 1775 that granted the widow or children of navy commanders killed in action a bounty of \$400 (Washington, *Papers, Rev. War Ser.*, 4:329-30, 347-8; JHR, 2:645, 659; Worthington C. Ford and others, eds., *Journals of the Continental Congress, 1774-1789*, 34 vols. [Washington, D.C., 1904-37], 3:386).

Daughter Martha's Husband Knott and His Father?

Mr. Saltonstall presented a petition of Knott Martin, 3d, and Arnold Martin, owners of the schooner Only Son, enrolled and licensed at the port of Marblehead, in the State of Massachusetts, and employed in the cod-fishery on the Grand Banks; that she sailed from the port of Marblehead on a fishing voyage to the Grand Banks, on the 6th day of March, 1839, and has not been heard of since; they, therefore, pray for an allowance of bounty on said fishing vessel lost.

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Transcription of Arnold Martin's Will

In the name of God, amen. I, Arnold Martin of Marblehead in the county of Essex and commonwealth of Massachusetts, coaster, being weak of body, but of sound mind and memory, do, this twenty second day of July in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and twenty nine, make, publish and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following viz.

It is my will and direction, that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid as soon as it can conveniently be done after my decease; and for this purpose I hereby authorize and direct my executrix hereinafter named to make sale of such part or parts of my personal or real estate, as may be necessary to effect this object.

I do hereby give, devise and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Martin all my real and personal estate, of every name and description, which may remain after my debts are paid; the whole of which not being more than sufficient to yield to her a comfortable subsistence a to afford my daughter Martha Martin, who resides with her, a home and sufficient house room, while she remains unmarried. It is to be distinctly understood, that in bequeathing both my real and personal property to my wife, Mary Martin, it is my will and intention, that the fee simple thereof should be wholly vested in her, so that she shall have the right to dispose it in such manner as she shall find it most expedient.

I do hereby give and bequeath unto my son Arnold Martin ten dollars, and to my daughter, Mary LeMaster ten dollars and to my daughter Martha Martin ten dollars to be paid to them by my executrix out of the personal property of which I may devised; these sums being the utmost, which can be spared from the property, which I have herein bequeathed to their mother for her support.

Lastly, revoking all other wills by me heretofore made, I do hereby appoint my wife Mary Martin to be executrix of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year before written in this instrument.

Arnold Martin

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the aforementioned, Arnold Martin, ... his last will and testament, in presence of us, who, at the request of said Martin and in his presence have hereunto submitted our names as witnesses to the same:

Chandler Flagg  
John Bartlett  
Abigail D. Swasey

To the Honorable Daniel A. White Esquire, Judge of Probate for the County of Essex,

Pursuant to a warrant from your honor, we, the subscribers, the committee therein named, having been first sworn, have made the following

INVENTORY AND APPRAISEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF ARNOLD MARTIN

Real Estate

One undivided fourth part of one half of the Nichols house, so called	30.00
2 cow leases on the neck at \$75 each	150.00
1/2 the dwelling house and outhouse and land under and adjoining the Swett house, so called	150.00
1/2 ? No. 40 in the new meeting house	9.00
	639.00

Personal Estate

2 green chairs	0.50
6 flag bottom chairs	1.00
1 round do	.50
1 desk and drawers	4.50
1 light stand	.20
1 card table	3.00
1 small ? table	.25
Five set ?	1.00
1 pair bellows	.10
Crockery ware	1.00
9 silver spoons	6.50
Pewter and tinware	2.00
3 flat irons	1.00
Earthen and wooden ware and sundries	1.02
2 saws and 2 hammers	.90
2 pine tables	1.00
1 sieve and 1 small ladle	.25
2 buckets and tubs	.50
1 feather bed	1.50
1 four-foot table	2.50
1 card table	2.00
1 snap table	1.75
1 looking glass	4.00
1 Bible	1.50
1 pair tongs and shovel set	.50
1 hair trunk	2.00
1 pair cotton sheets	4.80
1 pair linen do	2.25
Wearing apparel	15.00
6 pair pillow cases	1.00
5 pair blankets	6.50
1 counterpane and curtains	3.00
2 woollen quilts	1.25
Lot of old nails	.50
Lot of old cable and rigging	25.00
1 copper kettle and trivet	4.00
2 old wheelbarrows	1.00
Sameul E H. Grecus note dated May 8, 1828 for \$18 18 cents and interest	19.68
Total	199.40
Brought Forward: Amount of real estate	639.00
Amount of personal estate	199.40
TOTAL	838.40

Dated at Marblehead this fourteenth day of October, A.D. 1829.

Signed: Mary Martin, Executrix

John Bartlett  
Isaac Collyer Committee  
J. Sparhawk, Jr.

Essex, ss. At a Court of Probate holden at Marblehead in and for said county, on the first Wednesday in April, A.D. 1830.

Mary O. Martin, executrix, presents the foregoing, and makes oath that it contains a true and perfect inventory of the estate of Arnold Martin, late of Marblehead, in said county, coaster, deceased, testate, so far as has come to her hands or knowledge, and that if any thing further shall hereafter appear, she will cause it to be of record herewith in the probate office: -- It is thereupon decreed, that the same be accepted, allowed and record.

Signed: D.A. White, Judge of Probate

An Excerpt of the Recording of Arnold's Will That Identifies His Surviving Children

shall find it most expedient.

I do hereby give and bequeath unto my son Arnold Martin ten dollars, and to my daughter Mary LeMaster ten dollars, and to my daughter Martha Martin ten dollars; to be paid to them by my executrix out of the personal property, of which I may die seized; these sums being the utmost, which can be spared from the property, which I have herein bequeathed to their mother for her support. Lastly. Revoing all other wills, by me heretofore made, I do hereby appoint my wife, Martin to be the executrix of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year before written in this instrument.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the aforementioned, Arnold Martin, as and for his last will and testament, in presence of us, who, at the request of said Martin, and in his presence, have hereunto subscribed our names, as witnesses to the same: Chandler Flagg John Bartlett Abigail D. Swasey

Arnold Martin Seal

Recorded from the original, and warranted by the Clerk of the Probate Court, N. S. 63. 152.