Cornelius and Eunice (Forbes or Forbush) Cook

Cornelius Cook mar. Eunice Forbes, Aug. 22, 1727 Eunice, dau. of Thomas and Dorcas Forbush, b. Feb. 13, 1705

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Children
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Jonathan, Oct. 13, 1727
       bapt, Dec. 31, 1727
       mar. Mary Biglow, Apr. 26, 1758 (WVR 140)
Robert, July 4, 1729
       bapt. July 13, 1729
       mar. Sarah Crosby, Feb. 6, 1749
Daniel, Oct.19, 1730
       bapt. Dec. 6, 1731
       int. Lucy Josling of Marlborough, Jan. 4, 1758 (WVR 140)
       hanged (EP diary, Dec. 4, 1765)
Cornelius, Mar. 30, 1732
       bapt. Apr. 16, 1732
Stephen, Oct. 1, 1733
       bapt. Nov. 11, 1733
Eunice, Apr. 23, 1735
       bapt. May 4, 1735
Mary, Jan. 20, 1737 (neo-natal death?)
Thomas, Oct. 6, 1738
       bapt. May 8, 1737 [sic]
Sarah, Oct. 5, 1740
       bapt. June 21, 1741
       died Aug. 26, 1746
Lydia, June 25, 1743
       bapt. Sept. 25, 1743
       died Aug. 24, 1746
Solomon, bapt. Sept. 22, 1745
       Died Aug. 217, 1746
Abigail, bapt. July 17, 1748
       Int. Job Hill, Jr., Aug. 4, 1766 (Douglas VR 96)
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Cornelius d. 1765 (EP diary, Dec. 4, 1765)

Cornelius Cook lived in a house that was deeded to him by his father-in-law, Thomas Forbush, in 1732, with four acres of land, for L 4.5s. Forbes, *Diary of Ebenezer Parkman* (1899), 16. There's a line-drawing of the house on p. 16.

1727 August 21 (Monday). I went down to Mr. Thomas Forbes and was intending to marry his Daughter to Mr. <u>Cornelius Cook</u>, but they could produce me No legal certificate But I discoursed to them of their unhappy Circumstances and their Sin and urg'd to serious unfeigned

Repentance. Mr. Cook I advis'd to go and get another Certificate, while I tarried there. He went away but a storm coming up and night hastening on, and my people at home extreamly prone to be very much Scar'd, I left them and walked home, leaving word that Mr. Cook should bring home my Horse, which He did.

1727 August 22 (Tuesday). I again rode to Mr. Forbes' and married <u>Cornelius Cook</u> and Eunice Forbush (so they will Spell their Name).

<u>Church Records, Dec. 31, 1727</u>: Also *Cornelius Cook and Eunice* his wife made the like confession of the Same Sin [fornication]. They were restored. He own'd the Covenant. She was admitted into our Communion and Jonathan their Son was baptized. [9-10]

1736 September 9 (Thursday). Neighbour <u>Cornelius Cook's</u> youngest Child dangerously bad with the Distemper.

1736 December 27 (Monday). Benjamin How having been to Mr. <u>Cook's</u> and got the Pump Boxes refitted a Number of Hands came together to help me raise the Pump again and let it down anew into the Well.

1737 March 1 (Tuesday). It had been very Icy and now by a snow upon the Ice and it was very Slippery and Troublesome riding. I rode to Mr. <u>Cook's</u> to fix my Horse.

1738 January 10 (Tuesday). Visited old Mr. Forbush. Returned by Mr. Cooks and Mr. Wards.

1738 November 28 (Tuesday). At Mr. Cornelius Cooks.

1740 February 26 (Tuesday). I went to Mr<u>. Cooks</u>. Got an Iron Hoop fitted for dirty Shoes at my west Door.

1740 July 21 (Monday). N.B. Neighbor <u>Cook</u> and John Rogers in Contest before Colonel Nahum Ward.

1740 October 1 (Wednesday). P.M. I visited Thomas Bruces Wife, Ensign Forbushs Child, and Neighbor <u>Cooks</u> Children who were sick, and had my Mare shod.

1740 November 12 (Wednesday). Neibbour [sic] <u>Cook</u> here at Evening desiring a church meeting, which I promis'd him with all Convenient Speed.

<u>Church Records, June 28, 1741</u>: There having been Complaint against *Cornelius Cook* for undue Conduct and Language; and no sufficient Methods improved as yet to transact this affair in the Church his wife *Eunice* desird baptism for her Child and it was accordingly granted with express Mention that it was *upon the Right of the Mother*. The Name, *Sarah*.

<u>Church Records, Sept. 3, 1741.</u> The Church was Stopd after Lecture and passd the following Votes. Scil:

7. That the Affair of *Cornelius Cook* be brought before the Church at a Meeting for that purpose to be warnd on the Next Lords Day.

<u>Church Records, Sept. 6, 1741</u>. At Eve The Church was warned to come together on the next Friday at two of the clock p.m. on the Affair of *Cornelius Cook*.

Church Records, Sept. 11, 1741. The Church met upon the Affair of Cornelius Cook. After prayer, Enquiry was made concerning Said Cause: and the person being there present, it was testified by Two of the Members of the Church, viz Abijah Bruce and Joshua Townsend that they were at the Justice's Court, and Said that at the Mouth of Four witnesses Judgment of Nahum Ward went against Cornelius Cook in a Matter of Scandal. The Church hereupon desired him to make his defence if any he had to make. In Reply to which he pleaded that he had not had Sufficient, timely apprehension of this Meet- [59-60] ing of the Church if it was expected for him to provide the papers and Evidence needed and prayed that the Church would adjourn and give him thereby Opportunity to prepare himself better than he now was or could be.

The Church accepted him in this and adjourned to next Monday come fortnight. The Meeting therefore concluded with prayer and the Blessing.

<u>Church Records, Sept. 13, 1741</u>. The Church meeting further adjourned to Sept. 29.

Church Records, Sept. 29, 1741. Church met according to adjournment and After Prayer to God Received and Read the papers from Justice Nahum Ward on the Case of *Cornelius Cook*, heard the witnesses which were present viz. Deac. Tomlin and Noah How, on the same and heard the long declaration and Defence of said Cook. After debating a while, the Church adjourned to next Friday come fortnight; and so concluded with prayer.

<u>Church Records, Oct. 9, 1741</u>. The Church according to Adjournment Met and William, John and Jonathan Rogers being now present, Cornelius Cook was call'd upon to proceed with that part of his Declaration and Defence which respected them (the said Rogers's) which he did; and the Church received also their Answers severally thereto and then desired Them to withdraw.

The Church having debated what they found needfull passed the following Votes.

- l. That the Church is not satisfyed with the Declaration made by Cornelius Cook, respecting his Guiltiness of the matter of Complaint made against him. Nem. Contrad.
- 2. That *Cornelius Cook* is, in the Judgment of the Church guilty *of profane swearing*; and expects his Humiliation before he enjoy Special privileges in the Church.

These Votes being passed They were called in again who had withdrawn; the votes were read and a brief Exhortation given to said Cook; and a word also was given to said Rogers and [60-61] to the church: which being done the Meeting Concluded with Prayer and the Blessing.

1742 August 6 (Friday). I walked down to Mr. <u>Cooks</u> at Evening to meet Neighbour Stephen Fay and I employed him to make diligent search after my Mare, and to send Mr. John Tainter of Watertown to Lexington after her.

1742 August 9 (Monday). At Evening I was at Capt. Warrins to borrow an Horse to ride to Boston, and succeeded. Was also at Mr. **Cooks**.

1742 November 2 (Tuesday). Was at Mr. <u>Cooks</u> great part of the afternoon. N.B. one Levett and his wife from Albany were at Mr. <u>Cooks</u>.

<u>Church Records, January 26, 1743</u>. The Church met and after Prayer Read a paper from *Cornelius Cook* in which he hopd he was truly humble and sensible of his Sin in profane Swearing and prayd God and his people to forgive him etc.

After Reading the Said paper he was askd whether he had any thing to say upon it - and he told the Church (in Substance) that he doubted whether he was in a State of Grace at the time of his taking Said Oath, and was in Doubt whether he ought to take it: but insisted that he was not guilty of taking it in the manner that the Church had understood it; was in no position etc., but as well as he could in the fear of God - [as an?] act of worship: But as all his Family prayers, public attendance etc. were then profane, so was this also, and he could not judge it any otherwise etc. Upon which the Church debated and then were the following Votes:

1. If the Confession offerd by Cornelius Cook was satisfactory they were desird to manifest it by lifting up their hands.

To which No Hand was seen.

2. If it was the Churchs mind to defer further proceeding with him by way of Censure for the present out of Tenderness and Compassion to him.

Voted freely.

<u>Church Records, September 25, 1743</u>. Lydia, of Cornelius and Eunice Cook, bapt. But N.B. it was expressly declared to be on the Right of *the Mother*.

Church Records, Feb. 24, 1744. The Church met by Adjournment.

This Affair thus far accomplishd The pastor took this Opportunity to Confer with the Church respecting what might be best to be done with *Cornelius Cook*. The Church debated and then came to a Resolve to Send a Committee of Three Brethern to labour with him Still to See if he may be brought to any better Frame and

- Voted, 1. That Deac: Forbush be one,
- Voted 2. That Brother James Bradish be another and
- Voted 3. That Brother James Bradish junior be the Third, to serve on that occasion.

After Prayer and the Blessing the Church returnd to their respective Homes.

1744 February 21 (Tuesday). After this Affair I pray'd the Church to take into (which took off Brother Zebulon Rice) consideration the Case of Neighbour **Cornelius Cook**; and the Church saw cause to send a Committee to him, viz. Deacon Forbush, Brother James Bradish and Brother James Bradish junior. With Prayer and Blessing the Meeting Concluded.

1744 April 12 (Thursday). The Committee also touching Mr. <u>Cornelius Cooks</u> affair were with me at my Desire, because Mr. <u>Cook</u> Seem'd not to conform (a[s] I judg'd) to what the Committee had brought me from him, as his Confession. Alas! how dull and dry, how weak and worthless in the service of God and how unable to lead the people of God or profit them on such Days as this!

1744 April 13 (Friday). Also <u>Cornelius Cook</u> and James Bradish were here upon Mr<u>. Cooks</u> Confession.

1744 August 16 (Thursday). At Eve Mr. <u>Cornelius Cook</u> here, and was partly Examin'd in order to his joining with the Church.

1744 August 20 (Monday). N.B. Samuel Baker here to be examin'd in order to his joining with the Church. P.M. Mr. <u>Cook</u> with me on the Same Errand.

1744 September 11 (Tuesday). Mr. <u>Cook</u> was here after him [Eli Forbes] and gave account of his Experiences and what he thought to be his Conversion; but when we were upon the most serious Concerns, and without any Sign of Provocation that I know if, except that I made no Difference between persons of our Country or another, he bitterly told me that he had been more abus'd by me, and by my wife and Children than ever he had been abus'd in All his Life, which with other Things I remember he Said to me nigh about those Times which he says he Experienc'd made me fear whether he who brought forth so Contrary Fruits to the Spirit had that glorious Spirit. After I had administered some Reproof and Reason'd with him and told him I Should made a minute of this he left me, and O that God would please to shew him his Errors and forgive them!

1744 October 23 (Tuesday). N.B. Mr. Cornelius Cook here and as violent as ever.

1744 December 24 (Monday). At Mr. <u>Cornelius Cooks</u> and at Lieutenant Thomas Forbush's a.m.

1745 February 6 (Wednesday). N.B. Cornelius Cook talk'd with but in Vain.

1745 February 25 (Monday). Further talk with Mr. <u>Cornelius Cook</u> who remains very disorderly and under bitter prejudices.

1745 June 6 (Thursday). Preach'd at Mr. Bradish's on Isa. 66.2. Mr. <u>Cook</u> there. N.B. another fruitless Attempt of Reconcilement with him.

<u>Church Records</u>, <u>July 1, 1745</u>. *Cornelius Cook* also offerd a Confession of his Sin of profane Swearing (See pag. 60) and was restord.

<u>Church Records, Sept. 22, 1745</u>. Mrs. *Eunice Cook* presented another Child to Baptism, (her Husband being out of Frame and having gone for Some Time to other Meetings). The Child was baptized *Solomon*.

1745 November 23 (Saturday). Thomme to Mr. <u>Cooks</u> to get the Mare Shod -- and we prepar'd for my Journey to Boston.

1746 January 15 (Wednesday). Rode to Neighbour *Cooks* on purpose to talk with him, but I found Neighbours Josselin and Belknap there, for which Reason I proceeded further to visit the South East Corner. N.B. Mr. Belknap walk'd with me and we had Some Conversation about Mr. Cook. He told me Mr. Cook had desir'd him some Time ago to go up with him to my House. I pray'd him to meet me towards Eve at Mr. Cooks -- he consented. He told me likewise that he himself had been admitted into the Southborough Church. I went to Mr. Bradish's and pray'd him to meet me at Mr. Cooks by and by (he being also a Man that I knew Mr. Cook would ken to). Visited Mr. Jonathan Bellows Family; he was not at Home. I din'd at Mr. Chamberlains. At Parting he told me that Mr. Cook had heretofore desir'd him to go up with him to discourse with me, and upon that I told him I Should be glad to see him at Neighbour Cooks this Very Evening. Visited Neighbours Ithamar Bellows and Family and Josselin's. Afterward I return'd to Mr. Cooks, found the Three Men aforesaid there. I acquaint'd them with my Conduct towards Neighbour Cook in my proceedings with him; and intimated what his had been towards Me. He also made his Replys; in his own boisterous and coarse manner, and the Brethren mediated and endeavour'd to bring him to a right Understanding and Submission; but (whilst I was there) in Vain. I lamented my unsuccessfullness in my Attempts: and at Parting offer'd him my Hand in Token of my readiness to be reconcil'd if he would Comply; but ineffectually. When I was mounted on my Horse to return home, he came out and seem'd to express his desire of Forgiveness; and thereupon -- giving him my Hand told him I was willing if he acknowledg'd, and was Sorry for his undutifull Conduct towards me in Time past, and would Carry it (by the Help of Grace) in a Suitable Manner becoming his Relation to me, for the future. This he seem'd once to Consent to, but afterwards drew back from it; and Seem'd to expect an acknowledgment from Me also with regard to my Carriage towards him -- which I could see no ground for; and ask'd whether it could be expected when I admonish'd those under my Pastoral Care whom I found defective, if it came Close to them and they should frett at it if it was no more than was necessary for them, and my own indispensible Duty? I left him with the Brethren, hoping that if he was truely Sensible, and reform'd I Should know it; but any thing that was only Sudden and Strain, would (I conceiv'd) not last long. N.B. his unaccountable ways of Softening his Several harsh allegations against me, and heavy Complaints of me from Time to Time. Exceeding great his Explanation of his Saying "I had abus'd him more than any Man in the world -- why," he said, "one word from me, from Mr. Parkman was worse than any body else could Speak." Again, when he told me that a main Thing he had against me was "That I was an Enemy of the Work of God." This he said he meant thus, that we all had naturally an Enmity against God and his work; and the minister being at Variance one with another was a great Hindrance and discouragement, and that I had taken Such ways and methods as he could not judge were so prudent and fit to promote the Work of the late Times: and he likewise endeavor'd to enervate

and interpret away his Strange Message by Noah How to me, "that he felt So towards me and Sometimes that he could Bite Me." Nothing being effected, nor much prospect of it, and my wife being ill at Home, I came home.

1746 August 11 (Monday). Rode to Mr. Cooks, Captain Warrins, and then visited Mr. Amsdens Family....

1746 August 22 (Friday). Visited Mr. Cooks and Barns's Familys, and William Rogers who are ill of Fever and Flux.

1746 August 24 (Sunday). At the Evening I was at the Funeral of a Child of Mr. Cook (his Lydia) which dy'd of the Fever and Flux. This Distemper begins to Spread among us; one of Mr. Barns's Children also is Dead. The Lord prepare His People for His holy Will!

1746 August 25 (Monday). Mr. <u>Cook</u> and Several of his Children are sick. Some other Familys are visited. May God be mercifull to us in a Day of Such Distress!

1746 August 26 (Tuesday). Another of Mr. <u>Cooks</u> Children dyes -- his little Sarah of about [*blank*] years.

1746 August 27 (Wednesday). Went to the Funeral of Mr. <u>Cooks</u> little Daughter; and such was the will of God his little son Solomon is dead also! Deacon Newton and some others seem desirous to have 'em both bury'd to Day, though the latter dy'd but this morning. It was, however, deferr'd till tomorrow when they Saw that I was not free to Countenance it. It might soon have caus'd evil Report of Mr. <u>Cook</u> that he Should so soon hurry his Children into the Grave, as if having many of them and being an odd man he was afraid they should come to life again.

1746 August 28 (Thursday). A Rainy Day, yet in the Rain I went on Foot to Mr. <u>Cooks</u> little Solomon's Funeral....

1746 September 3 (Wednesday). Was at the Funeral of another of Mr. Barns's Children and visited Mr. <u>Cooks</u> Family. There heard of Madam Shirley's Death, a great Loss to our Province because of her influence with the Duke of New Castle.

1746 October 13 (Monday). We have observ'd that the Child bury'd to Day is the 24th that has died in Town since August 23, when Mr. **Cook's** first (which dy'd) expir'd.

1746 December 10 (Wednesday). Ebenezer got the Mare shod at Mr. **Cooks** and went over to Lieutenants....

1747 May 25 (Monday). P. M. I was at Mr. Cooks (Smiths) Shop.

1747 June 9 (Tuesday). At Eve I rode down to Mr. Cooks Shop.

1747 June 16 (Tuesday). I rode to Sudbury to Ministerial Meeting there. As I went I call'd at Mr. **Cornelius Cooks** Shop and got a Shooe put on to my Horse.

1747 June 18 (Thursday). N.B. Neighbour Jonathan Rogers kill'd a Calf for me this morning. Captain Warrin and Neighbour How a Quarter apiece, Neighbour Chamberlin and Neighbour Cook a Quarter between them.

1747 September 29 (Tuesday). I walk'd down to Mr. <u>Cooks</u> and there wrote a Letter to my Daughter Molly at Cambridge and sent it with 12£ of money by Eli Forbush.

1748 January 15 (Friday). Captain Forbush here and objects against his **Cousin Cooks** enjoying Baptism for his Child.

1748 January 16 (Saturday). N.B. Captain Forbush's wife here and objected against <u>Mrs. Cooks</u> enjoying special privileges.

1748 April 19 (Tuesday). I visited at Captain Forbushs and <u>Neighbour Cooks</u> on account of the difference subsisting between the women. Was at Lieutenant Forbush. N.B. Am told a Committee is seen in the Morning.

1748 June 8 (Wednesday). Mr. Cook here, Settled our accounts and paid him for his work.

1748 June 16 (Thursday). After Exercise much Communication with serious Mr. Bradish. Sent by him to have Mr. <u>Cook</u> come to me tomorrow.

1748 June 17 (Friday). Mr. <u>Cook</u> came -- after much Discourse I Said to him "If you do agree that Since the Conversation and Assistance of the Brethren that were together upon our Affair (Mr. Bradish, Mr. Belknap and Mr. Chamberlin, at Mr. <u>Cooks</u> House Some Time ago), we wholly lay aside the Difference which Subsisted at that Time; and if you will Endeavour by the Grace of God to watch over yourself, and to walk as becomes the Gospel of Christ, then I consent to administer the Ordinance of Baptism to their Child." To this he answer'd that he did not consent thereto -- and we parted this Time in peace.

1748 July 5 (Tuesday). Rose very early by Candle Light, and soon Set out upon my Journey to Cambridge. Stopp'd at Mr. <u>Cooks</u> and got a Shooe put on my Colt (which I now first rode to Boston)....

Church Records, July 17, 1748. Abigail, of Cornelius and Eunice Cook, bapt.

1748 July 21 (Thursday). I rode about for Rakers -- but only Benjamin Whipple (for Mr. Tomlin) went. I went from Mr. Barns (after visiting Mr. Rogers) to Mr. Cooks, Mr. Nurse's, Mr. Pratts, to Mr. James Maynards.

1748 October 11 (Tuesday). Preparing a sermon a.m. on Jer. 3.15 for Grafton Fast. P.M. I din'd with the South Company Officers -- Lieutenant Bruce had the Command by Means of Captain

Bakers being engag'd as one of the Referrees upon the Case of Messrs. Nurse and <u>Cook</u>. The other Referrees Captain Eager and Lieutenant Hezikiah Ward the other Two.

1748 November 8 (Tuesday). P.M. I rode to Mr. Bathericks and Mr. Cooks.

1748 November 21 (Monday). I rode down to Mr. <u>Cooks</u> Shop. Was inform'd there that it was proprietors meeting at Marlborough, but I could not go, it being precinct meeting here, about my Support (So they are pleas'd to call it again) and they voted 180£ old Tenor, to be added to the 220£ which they call my Sallery.

1749 January 8 (Sunday). No Nathan. Tending the Cattle at this extreme season very troublesome to me, having been so very unus'd to it -- but my little Billy has been some help. At noon came **Cornelius Cook** (by desire) to take Care of the Cattle.

1749 January 18 (Wednesday). P.M. I rode in my Slay to Mr. <u>Cooks</u> with Irons (given last year by Mr. Cowell) to shooe it.

1749 January 19 (Thursday). Cold Morning. Sent my son Thomas to Mr. Cooks to finish Shooing the Slay.

1749 April 27 (Thursday). In the forenoon I was oblig'd to go down to Mr. Cook's to fasten my Horse's Shooes.

1749 May 9 (Tuesday). P.M. I rode round by Mr. Cooks to Mr. Nurse's, to Mr. Eliezer Rice's (his wifes sister being lately dead) and to both the Whipples.

1749 May 22 (Monday). Was at <u>Mr. Cooks</u>, and likewise visited Neighbour Abner Newton under his Confinement and illness....

1749 July 25 (Tuesday). Went Early to <u>Mr. Cooks</u> to get my Horse Shod; was at Neighbour Barns's and Captain Forbush's.

1749 September 9 (Saturday). Return'd back to <u>Mr. Cooks</u> to have my Horse prepar'd for my Design'd Journey.

1750 February 1 (Thursday). When I return'd at Evening to my Brother Samuels Mr. Cook of Westborough had been there with my Horse, and a Letter from my dear Spouse at Home, which inform'd of my son Thomas ill at Concord. My Horse was kept at Mr. Thomas Stoddards Stable; but Mr. Cook brought both Hay and Provinder for him. I lodg'd at Brother Samuels.

1750 March 19 (Monday). N.B. Lieutenant Bruce here he being about buying Mr. <u>Cornelius</u> <u>Cooks</u> place, and offers it to me for the Same.

1750 March 29 (Thursday). At Eve Lieutenant Bruce here again, to let me know he had now got a Deed of Mr. <u>Cornelius Cooks</u> place, and offers it or any part of it to Me, at the Same rate that he bought it of Mr. Cook.

1750 April 9 (Monday). P.M. was at Deacon Newtons and got him to go with me to view Mr. Cooks Island -- we had Lieutenant Bruce and Mr. **Cook** there to shew the Bounds.

1750 April 11 (Wednesday). Agreed with Lieutenant Bruce for the **Cook Island**. 250£ old Tenor for what he has of Mr. **Cook**, being at least 7 Acres; and 300£ old Tenor, if I have the whole Island, and which he assures me I shall when he can be able to give a Title to it.

1750 June 5 (Tuesday). A Day to be remember'd -- as for my Accepting the Call of the Town in the Year 1724. So now for my undertaking to begin the World again on the South Road -- a Number of Neighbours came to Clear and plough down the Knoll which I purpose to build on. It was very much owing to Lieutenant Bruce, and accordingly a.m. there was a number to clear the ground, Scil. Neighbour John Rogers, Thomas Frost, and Abraham Beeman, besides my own Ebenezer and Joseph, and p.m. a considerable Number with their Cattle to plough and levill it. Lieutenant Bruce and Oxen, Mr. Timothy Warrin with Oxen both his own and his Brother Daniels, Mr. John Rogers with Oxen, which with my own oxen made up Ten. Other Hands were Ephraim Bruce, Ebenezer Forbush, Neighbour Cook, Eleazer Williams, Timothy Warrin, Samuel Harrington, Simon Tainter, Abner Newton, Junior.

1751 January 17 (Thursday). N.B. Ebenezer at Mr. <u>Cornelius Cooks</u> assisting him in making a stubb scythe, a Whipple-Tree Chain and several other Things.

1751 April 24 (Wednesday). Went to Lieutenant Bruce's about Mrs. Cooks Signing his Deed.

1751 April 26 (Friday). Mr. Ebenezer Rice here. Mr. Cook.

1751 June 4 (Tuesday). I rode over to <u>Mr. Cooks</u> and to Mr. Martyns in the Morning -- Then to the Island with Victuals and Drink, supposing I should find Some Hands at Work there -- but though it was not (I suppose) past 10 a.m.

1751 June 15 (Saturday). Mr. Cook here and reckon'd with him.

1751 July 4 (Thursday). P.M. Several Neighbours join'd together to levell the Bank of Gravell at the West End of my New House. They were Neighbour Ebenezer and Nathan and Phinehas Maynard. John Rogers and John Frost and **Cornelius Cook**.

<u>Church Records, Oct. 28, 1753</u>. And this Day read the humble petition of *Cornelius Cook* for a public Contribution for him, being much reduced by the Imprisonment and Trial of his Two sons Robert and Stephen, for killing an Indian at Stockbridge.

1757 June 24 (Friday). P.M. Mr. <u>Cornelius Cooks Wife of Wrentham</u> here to see us, with her sister Hardy.

1759 June 6 (Wednesday). Cornelius Cook of Wrentham here.

<u>Church Records, October 26, 1760</u>. Likewise Eunice Cook, wife of Cornelius Cook was dismissd, and to be recommended to the Second Church of Christ in Wrentham.

1760 October 26 (Sunday). N.B. One Mr. *Everton* of *Douglass*, dined here: as did Mrs. *Eunice Cook* (Wife of Mr. *Cornelius Cook*) of *Wrentham*; who desires She may be dismissed to the Church where She lives; which was done this afternoon.

1760 October 28 (Tuesday). Mrs. <u>Eunice Cook</u> here in the Evening with her sister Hardy, received her Dismission.

1765 December 4 (Wednesday). We have not only Sorrowfull News of the Death of Mr. *Cornelius Cook*, once of this Town; but of the sad Condition of Several of his sons -- That *Daniel* is hanged, and that *Thomas* has been condemned and has broke Jayl. It occasioned sorrowfull Reflections on Such vicious Lives!

1767 May 31 (Sunday). Mr. Cushing dined here; as did Widow Cook and her Daughter Hill.

1769 November 6 (Monday). *Mrs. Eunice Hill* of Douglass with me to request Something to be done for her mother (Mrs. *Eunice Cook*). I gave her Advice and Direction. She dined here.

1770 June 11 (Monday). By him I committ Mrs. <u>Eunice Cooks</u> petition for a Contribution, to the Selectmen for their Advice, Deacon *Bond* being one of them. He returns it to me with their Advice that it be read to the Congregation and left to their Consideration for a Fortnight; that if any Objection arises against it, it may be made in that Time.

1770 June 17 (Sunday). Read Mrs. *Eunice Cooks* Petition for a Contribution and a Letter signed *Caleb Hill* to recommend her.

1770 July 1 (Sunday). Appointed a Contribution to be next Lords Day p.m. for Mrs. **Eunice Cook**.

<u>Church Records, July 8, 1770</u>. A Contribution for Mrs. *Eunice Cook*, who now dwells at *Douglass*; it was 7.13.5.2 old Tenor.

1770 July 8 (Sunday). After the Exercises was a Contribution for Mrs. <u>Eunice Cook</u> of Douglas. May the Lord accept our Offering! And Pity His Handmaid, who I believe Stands in need of Relief.

1770 July 23 (Monday). Mrs. Hill, of Douglass, Daughter of Mrs. Eunice Cook, here.

1773 July 4 (Sunday). Contribution for the Widow *Eunice Cook*, Still dwelling at *Douglass*. May the Lord accept the Offering!

1773 July 5 (Monday). This morning found the Contribution for <u>Mrs. Cook</u> to be £13.6.6 old Tenor (Thanks to God!). This I committ to Deacon *Wood* in trust for the Woman.

1776 November 14 (Thursday). N.B. I have received a Letter from Mrs. **Eunice Cook** of Douglass requesting a Contribution from this Town.

1777 November 28 (Friday). The Widow *Eunice Cook* from *Douglass* dines here.

1777 December 7 (Sunday). N.B. The Widow *Eunice Cook* dined here.

1782 July 14 (Sunday). Have been informed that the **Widow** *Cook* has been taken with Bleeding, and last night the Doctor was with her all night. It is now stanch'd.

1782 July 15 (Monday). I visited Mrs. Cook, at Mr. Thaddeus Warrins: