

Family Group Sheet

23 February 2013

Father Thomas SYKES¹		
Birth	10 Mar 1804	Eastoft, Yorkshire, England ²
Chr	6 May 1804	Adlingfleet, York, England
Death	31 Oct 1884	Auburn, Androscoggin Co, ME ²
Burial		
Marriage	24 Oct 1825	Old Crowle Church, Crowle, Lincolnshire, England ²
Father	Richard SYKES (1775-)	
Mother	HANNAH/ANN - ?? - (-)	
Mother Catherine MAW¹		
Birth	23 Apr 1807	Crowle, Lincolnshire, England ²
Baptism	25 May 1807	St Oswald's Church, Crowle, Lincolnshire, England
Death	7 Nov 1898	Lewiston, Androscoggin Co, Maine ²
Burial		
Father	Richard MAW (1779-)	
Mother	Elizabeth BARRETT (1779-1851)	
Children		
M	George F. SYKES¹	
Birth	24 Sep 1826	Crowle, Lincolnshire, England
Baptism	28 Sep 1826	The Parish Church of St Oswald, Crowle, England
Death	13 Sep 1905	Boston, Massachusetts
Baptism		
Burial		
Spouse	Lois REED (1828-1878)	
Marriage	7 Nov 1850	Auburn, Maine
M	Richard M SYKES¹	
Birth	6 Nov 1828	Gorham, Maine ²
Baptism	24 Nov 1837	The Parish Church of St Oswald, Crowle, England
Death	16 Nov 1872	Manchester, New Hampshire ²
Burial		
Spouse	Susan INGALLS (1836-)	
Marriage	5 Dec 1852	Lowell, Middlesex, Massachusetts ²
M	Charles Henry SYKES¹	
Birth	9 Oct 1830	Crowle, Lincolnshire, England
Baptism	12 Nov 1830	The Parish Church of St Oswald, Crowle, England
Death	6 Feb 1892	San Francisco, CA
Burial		
Spouse	Mary O. KIMBALL (1834-)	
Marriage	Apr 1861	Lowell, Massachusetts
F	Elizabeth A. SYKES¹	
Birth	22 Aug 1832	Gorham, Maine
Death		
Burial		
Spouse	William J (or I) WILEY (WEILEY) (-)	
Marriage	2 Sep 1856	Gorham, Maine
M	Robert Maw SYKES¹	
Birth	16 Jan 1835	Gorham, Cumberland Co, Maine ²
Death	19 Dec 1907	Yonkers, Westchester, New York, USA ²⁻³
Burial		Auburn, Androscoggin Co, Maine, Oak Hill Cemetery
Spouse	Theda CARY (1841-1911)	
Marriage	27 Sep 1866	Portland, Cumberland Co, Maine ^{2,4}

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Father Thomas SYKES		
Mother Catherine MAW		
Children		
F	Catherine (Kate) M. SYKES¹	
	Birth	4 Mar 1837 Gorham, Maine
	Death	10 Feb 1898 Portland, Cumberland Co, Maine
	Burial	
	Spouse	William E. WOOD (-)
	Marriage	22 Jul 1861 Portland, Cumberland Co, Maine
M	Thomas E. SYKES¹	
	Birth	6 Jul 1839 Gorham, Maine
	Death	15 Jan 1878 Auburn, Androscoggin Co, ME
	Burial	
	Marriage	
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FAMILY NOTES

Marriage (24 October 1825): The parish records from St Oswald Church in Crowle show they married 26 Oct 1825. The family Bible, which Thomas received in 1846, shows their marriage as 24 Oct 1825!

FATHER NOTES: Thomas SYKES

Chr (6 May 1804): In the christening record, the mother's name is noted as Hannah. In the Sykes family bible her first name is noted as Ann.

Adingfleet is about 8 miles from Crowle and about 5 1/2 miles from Eastoft.

General: Thomas Sykes is listed as a merchant tailor in the 1870 census, and in the baptism records from the Parish Church of St Oswald in Crowle, England, for three of his children: George, Henry and Richard.

Thomas and Catherine's wedding date is listed in the Parish Church of St Oswald in Crowle as 26 Oct 1825, though Thomas' family Bible, which was given to him 30 Dec 1846, shows their marriage as 24 Oct 1825.

Thomas had light blue eyes. kkl

From HISTORY OF GORHAM, ME. by Hugh D. McClellan, pub. 1903, pgs. 786-787:

"Thomas Sykes, son of Richard and Ann Sykes, was born in Crowle, Lincolnshire, England, 10 March 1804. He was married in the old Crowle church, 25 October 1825, to Catherine, daughter of Richard and Elizabeth Maw of Crowle. Mr. Sykes came to Gorham about 1827, where for many years he carried on the business of a tailor. His shop and house were next to the old Congregational vestry, on the east side. The house has been raised and a story built under it. The shop has been moved on to Main St., just west of Mrs. Sawyer's. In 1829, Mr. and Mrs. Sykes went to England and spent a year or two, and there their son Charles was born. In 1861 they embarked from Quebec on the "Canadian," which was wrecked and sunk in an ice field in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and they with difficulty escaped with their lives. Returning from England in the famous "Great Eastern," they were again in peril. The steamer lost its rudder and floated helpless on the sea for several days until a temporary rudder was contrived by an American engineer, with which they made the harbor of Cork. There they again embarked, and finished their voyage in safety on the "Norwegian." In 1860 Mr. and Mrs. Sykes removed to Auburn. Their children were:

GEORGE - b. 4 September 1826, m. Lois Reed of Auburn.

RICHARD M. - b. 26 November 1828, m. Susan Ingalls, 30 November 1852; served in the Civil War; d. in Manchester, NH, 16 November 1872.

CHARLES HENRY - b. 9 October 1830, lived in San Francisco, d. 6 February 1892.

ELIZABETH A, b. 22 August 1832, m. Wm. Wiley of Lowell, 1 September 1856.

ROBERT M(aw), b. 16 January 1835, m. Theda Carey (sic) of Gray.

KATE M., b. 4 March 1837, m. Wm. E. Wood, d. in Portland, 10 February 1898.

THOMAS E., b. 6 July 1839, d. in Auburn, 15 January 1878,unmarried.

Thomas Sykes died in Auburn, 31 October 1884, aged 80, and his wife, in Lewiston, 7 November 1898, aged 91 years, 6 mos."

MOTHER NOTES: Catherine MAW

General: According to the St Oswald's Church records, Catherine is shown as being born 23 April 1807 to Richard and Elisebeth (note spelling) Maw, and that she was christened on 25 May 1807 and called KITTY!

In HISTORY OF GORHAM, Catherine was shown as dying in Lewiston, ME, which is where her son, Robert Maw and his wife, Theda Cary, were living, so I wonder if she went to live with them after her husband died. Theda's father, Thomas, came to live with them at the end of his life.

CHILD NOTES: George F. SYKES

Baptism (28 September 1826): This is listed in the Parish Baptism records for the Parish Church of St Oswald in Crowle.

General: In the book, HISTORY OF GORHAM, George is listed as being born 4 Sept 1826.

CHILD NOTES: Richard M SYKES

Baptism (24 November 1837): This from the Church Baptism Records.

General: There is a record of a Richard M. Sykes serving in the Civil War in 1 New Hampshire Infantry, Company A, for three months in 1861, as a private:

"1st Regiment, New Hampshire Infantry

Organized at Concord and mustered in for three months' service May 1, 1861. Moved to Washington, D. C., May 25-28. Camp at Kalorama Heights till June 10. Assigned to Stone's Brigade, Patterson's Army of the Shenandoah. Rockville Expedition June 10-July 7. Action at Conrad's Ferry June 17. At Poolesville till July 3. Moved to Williamsport, Md., July 3-7; thence to Martinsburg, Va., July 8. Advance toward Winchester July 15-17. Moved to Charlestown July 18; to Harper's Ferry July 21, and to Sandy Hook July 28. Ordered to New Hampshire August 2, and mustered out August 9, 1861, expiration of term. "

There also is a Richard M. Sykes serving in Massachusetts. It is unclear which is correct, or if both are correct. More research would be needed.

In the book HISTORY OF GORHAM, Richard is listed as Richard M. Since Richard died in NH, it is quite possible he was living in NH at the time, and that it is he who was mentioned above serving in the Civil War.

Dad had put a note on a photo he said was Richard, that Richard had died in the Civil War, but clearly if the genealogical information is correct, he did not die in the war but in New Hampshire in 1872.

CHILD NOTES: Charles Henry SYKES

Baptism (12 November 1830): This is from the Parish Baptism Records of the church.

General: From the HISTORY OF GORHAM, page 311:

March 12 1860 Charles H Sykes shop was burned, situated on the ground where the Methodist Church now stands (1902). Occupied by the Misses Lowrey - Milliners.

CHILD NOTES: Elizabeth A. SYKES

General: In the 1870 census, Elizabeth and her daughter Kate are listed as living with Elizabeth's parents (and her younger brother, Thomas) in Gorham, ME. The spelling of her married name here is Weiley. Elizabeth is listed as "working in tailor shop" -- wonder if her father owned the shop, since he is listed as a merchant tailor?

In the 1880 census for Auburn, ME, Elizabeth is still living with her parents, Thomas and Catherine Maw as was her daughter, Kate. It appears that Catherine was divorced at this time. Her last name is spelled Wiley in this census.

In the 1910 census, Elizabeth is living with her daughter and family, and is listed as "widowed." In that same census she indicates that she has had 2 children, but only one is alive. I have no record of her having more than one child, so this is an interesting bit of information.

CHILD NOTES: Robert Maw SYKES

Birth (16 January 1835): The Sykes family bible says his birth date was 16 January 1835, but the Maine Birth and Christenings records say he was born on the 11th. I wonder if the 16th was his christening date? I will put the 16th as his birth, since it is the one in the family Bible and the one on his headstone.

General: Robert fought for the Union in the Civil War. His infantry group was in service for 9 months. Robert enlisted 10 September 1862, apparently as a Private and a fife major, and was discharged 15 July 1863 with his company. He served in Company E of the 23rd Maine Infantry. His rank at enlistment and discharge was Private and Fife Major, 1862-3. He, and later his widow, Theda, received a pension for his service. On the pension record he is listed as an invalid. According to the pension papers: "While on duty at Edwards Ferry, MD, on or about 28 December 1862, he was disabled by being knocked down by an army team and wagon, and crushed between the wheel of the wagon and a stump, injuring his left hip, resulting in shortening the left leg, and causing pain ever since."

His younger brother, Thomas E. also served, in the 17th Maine Infantry, and he also was a private for his entire service. I don't know how long he served or anything more about Thomas but his death date.

From Robert's death certificate it is clear he and Theda had lived in Yonkers for only 2 months. It seems to indicate (the Dr's writing is hard to read) that Robert was sick 2 days before dying. It looks like cause of death was "Exhaustion" and contributing factor was "General Parisis"

The time of death was 8 PM. His parents are listed, but Theda is shown only as Mrs. R. Sykes. In other of the pension papers she is shown as Theda C. Sykes -- and maiden name as Theda Cary.

He is buried at Oak Hill, in Auburn, ME.

He, like his father, was a tailor -- he is listed in the 1850 census (age 15) as a tailor. By the 1870 census he is listed as a merchant tailor,

like his father.

In the 1880 census they are listed as living at 35 Spring Street in Auburn, Androscoggin, Maine.

1900 census shows they owned their own home with no mortgage. Robert listed at this point as a landlord.

I can tell from his photographs that he had blue eyes. kkl

CHILD NOTES: Catherine (Kate) M. SYKES

General: Listed as Catherine on the 1850 census.

CHILD NOTES: Thomas E. SYKES

General: Thomas fought in the Civil War in the 17th Regiment Maine Infantry. His brother, Robert, fought with the 23rd Regiment Maine Infantry, which only was in existence for 9 months. I don't know how long Thomas served, but both he and Robert went in as and were discharged as privates.

Thomas is not in the 1860 census -- I wonder why not?

In the 1870 census, "Thomas Jr." is listed as living with his parents, and married sister, Elizabeth, and her daughter, Kate. He is shown as "working in Tailor's shop."

In HISTORY OF GORHAM he is listed as unmarried at the time of his death.

1. GEDCOM file imported on 30 Aug 1998.
2. Sykes family Bible.
3. Death certificate.
4. Mrs. Florence H. L. Nelson, Copied and Indexed by Jessica J. Haskell from Manuscript book by Mrs. Florence H. L. Nelson, page 14: "1866 Marriage Entries for 1866: Sept. 27 Mr. Robert M. Sykes of Auburn and Miss Theda Carey [sic] of Gray."

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HANNAH/ANN . . .

BARRETT

Elizabeth (b. 1779) . . .

CARY

Theda (b. 1841) . . . 1

INGALLS

Susan (b. 1836) . . . 1

KIMBALL

Mary O. (b. 1834) . . . 1

MAW

Catherine (b. 1807) . . .

Richard (b. 1779) . . . 1

REED

Lois (b. 1828) . . . 1

SYKES

Catherine (Kate) M. (b. 1837) . . . 1

Charles Henry (b. 1830) . . . 1

Elizabeth A. (b. 1832) . . . 1

George F. (b. 1826) . . .

Richard (b. 1775) . . . 1

Richard M (b. 1828) . . . 1

Robert Maw (b. 1835) . . . 1

Thomas (b. 1804) . . . 1

Thomas E. (b. 1839) . . . 2

WILEY (WEILEY)

William J (or I) . . . 1

WOOD

William E. . . . 2

- CA
 - San Francisco . . . 1
- England
 - Crowle
 - The Parish Church of St Oswald . . . 1
 - Lincolnshire
 - Crowle . . . 1
 - Old Crowle Church . . . 1
 - St Oswald's Church . . . 1
 - York
 - Adlingfleet . . . 1
 - Yorkshire
 - Eastoft . . . 1
- Maine
 - Androscoggin Co
 - Lewiston . . . 1
 - Auburn . . . 1
 - Cumberland Co
 - Gorham . . . 1
 - Portland . . . 1–2
- Massachusetts
 - Gorham . . . 1–2
 - Boston . . . 1
 - Lowell . . . 1
 - Middlesex
 - Lowell . . . 1
- ME
 - Androscoggin Co
 - Auburn . . . 1–2
 - New Hampshire
 - Manchester . . . 1
 - Oak Hill Cemetery . . . 1
- USA
 - New York
 - Westchester
 - Yonkers . . . 1