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RICHARD HAYES, SR. (16xx-1697) **RICHARD HAYES, JR. (16xx-1738)**

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RICHARD HAYES, SR., with his wife Issatt and two sons, Richard and John, emigrated from Ilmiston, Pembrokeshire, Wales, to Pennsylvania in 1687, and settled in Haverford. He was a Friend, was advanced in years at the time of his settlement, and died in 1697.

RICHARD HAYES, JR., son of the above Richard, continued to reside during his life on the same premises that he and his father had settled upon at the time of their arrival. In 1697, he married Elizabeth, the daughter of Henry Lewis, of Haverford, then deceased. Having received a better education than was usual among the early immigrants, and being withal a man of excellent business qualifications, he was almost constantly kept in some public employment. Still he found time to give very constant attention to his religious duties, and also to manage his pecuniary affairs to great profit and advantage. In company with David Morris and Samuel Lewis, he, about the year 1707, erected a mill on Darby Creek, for a long time known as "Haverford New Mill," (now Leedom's mill) which he managed himself till the period of his death in 1738. He was a Justice of the Courts of Chester County; served as a member of the Assembly seven years, and was for a long time one of the Commissioners of the Loan Office. His children were:

1. Joseph Hayes, who married Hannah David, daughter of Lewis David of Haverford;
2. Mary Hayes, who married John Jacobs, son of John Jacobs of Perkiomen;
3. Hannah Hayes, who married James Jones of Blockley [today a section of Philadelphia];
4. Richard Hayes, who married Sarah David, daughter of Lewis David of Haverford;
5. Benjamin Hayes, who married Mary Jones, daughter of Jonathan Jones of Merion.

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