

# Hannah TOTHILL c1790 – ?

Hannah TOTHILL's web page: <https://jansquire.com/tng/getperson.php?personID=157&tree=squire>

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## Origin of the Surname TOTHILL

**English:** (i) locative name from various places named with Old English \* *tōt-hyll* 'lookout hill', primarily Toothill in Rastrick (WR Yorks) and perhaps Tootle in Longridge (Lancs), but also Tuttle Hill in Nuneaton (Warwicks), and Tothill (Lincs). There are several further minor place-names of this type that may have contributed to the surname. (ii) locative name, occasionally from Tottenhill (Norfolk), recorded as *Totehill* in 1251.

## Thomas TOTHILL b?

We do not know much about Thomas, except what is recorded on his son's baptism record. We know the family were Quakers (Society of Friends) when he married Sarah WHITE in 1754 in London. Their son William was born in Devonshire House, the London (Piccadilly) home of the Dukes of Devonshire, although the building was demolished in the early 1900's.

## William TOTHILL b1760

William TOTHILL was born in 1760, in Devonshire House, just outside of the northern corner of Green Park, north of Buckingham Palace. He married Sarah WARING in 1782, in the Quaker faith in Guildford, Surrey, to the south west of London. They had eight children, the sixth being Hannah TOTHILL, born in 1790, and the subject of this narrative.

## Hannah TOTHILL b1790

Hannah TOTHILL was born in 1790, in the Society of Friends' (Quaker) meeting house in London. She married John STODART in 1814, in the Church of England parish of St James, Westminster. John was born in Scotland, near Edinburgh, so he must have come to London to learn the piano business, and met Hannah. We do not know the consequences for Hannah of marrying an Anglican, but it is possible she left for America with John to avoid any repercussions. They would have emigrated in the 1820's but I cannot find any evidence to confirm this. John and his brother Adam, with families, went to America, and were successful in setting up their piano business in New York. I believe the business closed in the early 1900's, so it operated for several generations. John STODART died in 1834, so Hannah probably outlived him.

Only some of their children went to America with John and Hannah, and notably, John's second son and fourth child, also John, married and came to Melbourne, Victoria with his family.

Hannah TOTHILL is Anne SQUIRE's great x 3 grandmother. Her son John STODART, was Anne's great x 2 grandfather, and he came to Victoria Australia, with his wife and family.

The STODART surname also has a narrative, and you can read it here:

<https://jansquire.com/tng/showmedia.php?mediaID=96&medialinkID=97>

# Facebook Summary

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# Hannah TOTHILL

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## Generation: 1

[More detail](#)

1. Hannah TOTHILL was born on 22 Sep 1790 in London, Middlesex, England (daughter of William TOTHILL and Sarah WARING).

Hannah married John STODART on 6 Apr 1814 in St James, Westminster, Middlesex, England. John (son of James STODART and Agnes THOMSON) was born in 1782 in Covington and Thankerton, Lanarkshire, Scotland; was christened on 3 Apr 1782 in Covington and Thankerton, Lanarkshire, Scotland; died on 15 Dec 1834 in Utica, New York, USA.

Children:

- i. Mary Hannar STODART
- ii. Agnes Marie STODART
- iii. William James STODART was born in 1815 in Longford, Middlesex, England; was christened on 22 Apr 1815 in Longford, Middlesex, England.
- iv. John STODART was born in 1816 in London, Middlesex, England; was christened on 23 Sep 1816 in Longford, Middlesex, England; died on 19 Aug 1883 in Castlemaine, Victoria, Australia.
- v. James STODART was born in 1818 in Longford, Middlesex, England; was christened on 1 Apr 1818 in Longford, Middlesex, England; died in 1894.
- vi. Sarah Jane STODART was born in 1819 in Longford, Middlesex, England; was christened on 19 Jun 1819 in Longford, Middlesex, England; died on 20 Jun 1906.

## Generation: 2

2. William TOTHILL was born on 27 Apr 1760 in Devonshire House, Middlesex, England (son of Thomas TOTHILL and Sarah WHITE).

William married Sarah WARING on 9 Jul 1782 in Guildford Quarters, Surrey, England.

3. Sarah WARING

Children:

- i. William TOTHILL was born on 10 Dec 1783 in London, Middlesex, England.
- ii. Sarah TOTHILL was born on 19 Apr 1785 in London, Middlesex, England.
- iii. Maria TOTHILL was born on 21 Jul 1786 in London, Middlesex, England.
- iv. Charles TOTHILL was born on 2 Dec 1787 in London, Middlesex, England.
- v. Martha TOTHILL was born on 5 May 1789 in London, Middlesex, England.
- vi. 1. Hannah TOTHILL was born on 22 Sep 1790 in London, Middlesex, England.
- vii. Edward TOTHILL was born on 3 Jan 1793 in London, Middlesex, England.
- viii. Jane TOTHILL was born on 10 Oct 1796 in London, Middlesex, England.

## Generation: 3

4. Thomas TOTHILL

Thomas married Sarah WHITE on 7 Nov 1754 in Gracechurch St, London, England.

5. Sarah WHITE

Children:

- i. 2. William TOTHILL was born on 27 Apr 1760 in Devonshire House, Middlesex, England.