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# FAMILY MEMORIAL

CONTAINING  
THE HISTORY AND GENEALOGICAL RECORDS OF  
BRANCHES OF THE STEARNS, CHAPIN,  
RAYNOLDS, PARSONS AND  
PEASE FAMILIES,  
ORIGINATING IN NEW ENGLAND.

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## INTRODUCTORY.

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These researches in family history were begun some twenty years ago, with no thought of publishing. The material, however, has so accumulated that it is thought best to print it for better preservation.

"Bond's History of Watertown and Genealogy of its First Settlers" was published in 1855. A larger portion than to any other name was given to a genealogy of the Stearns family in America. With the kind permission of the New England Historical and Genealogical Society of Boston we quote and copy so much of that work as is necessary to bring us down to Benjamin, son of John 6, II, and great-grandson of the first Isaac. Since then, to establish our identity with Benjamin as the individual we may claim as our ancestor, or the missing link, as it were, to connect our line with Isaac I, we have had the assistance of the Rev. Abner Morse (now deceased, formerly of Boston, who was a member of the New England Historical and Genealogical Society, himself probably a descendant of Isaac Stearns, through Abigail, his youngest daughter, who married Deacon John Morse).

Search was made in Worcester, Bedford and other town records in Massachusetts, with very satisfactory results, and the author's search in the records of Paxton, Lancaster and Bolton made all clear to Benjamin and his family, after which many thanks are due to relatives who have kindly furnished access to family records to bring the work down to the present time.

For the very interesting portion of Hastings family history, acknowledgments and apologies are due (for quoting and copying so much of it) to the "Hastings Memorial," Boston, 1866, by Lydia Nelson Hastings Buckminster. From that work the history of the family has been brought down to Amherst Hastings of the Fifth generation. What follows has been gathered from family records by the author.

To Orange Chapin Towne, Esq., of Willimansett, Mass., for as much of the Rev. Orange Chapin's genealogy of the Chapin family as it has been convenient and necessary to use, many thanks are due for permission.

The material we have for the memoranda of the Reynolds family has been gathered mostly from family records.

The author in these researches has found few, if any, in his direct line, or in that of near collaterals, who became famous, as the world goes, for great wealth or great deeds. They were all, however, of that sterling stock of which good citizens are made. They were, above all things else, zealous to love and "serve God, and honor the King," and "to do their duty in that state of life in which it had pleased God to call them."

The author has designed to trace only his individual line from the progenitor of each family name down to the latest present generation, showing where the families

here discussed are united by marriage. For further and broader research into the genealogical history of these families, reference is made to the works above mentioned.

The aim has been to be as accurate as possible as to dates and arrangement of each family and its members. The claim is not made, however, to be absolutely so. Errors will undoubtedly be found. Should any such be detected, it will be deemed a favor if they are kindly pointed out.

As this memorial is not intended for the public, as such it is not entitled to its criticism. It is issued only for family use and distribution, and as an expression of tender affection and regard for many whose names are writ herein, to whom the works here quoted are not easily accessible.

To explain the arrangement of the families by their generations and the abbreviations :

The column of Roman numerals on the extreme left of the page indicates the generation of the individual opposite to whom they are placed.

The next column to the right is the ordinal number, beginning with I, and continuing to the end of that family name.

The third column to the right denotes the number of children of that individual family, and, where they are synoptically arranged, the fourth column the grandchildren, the fifth the great-grandchildren, and so on.

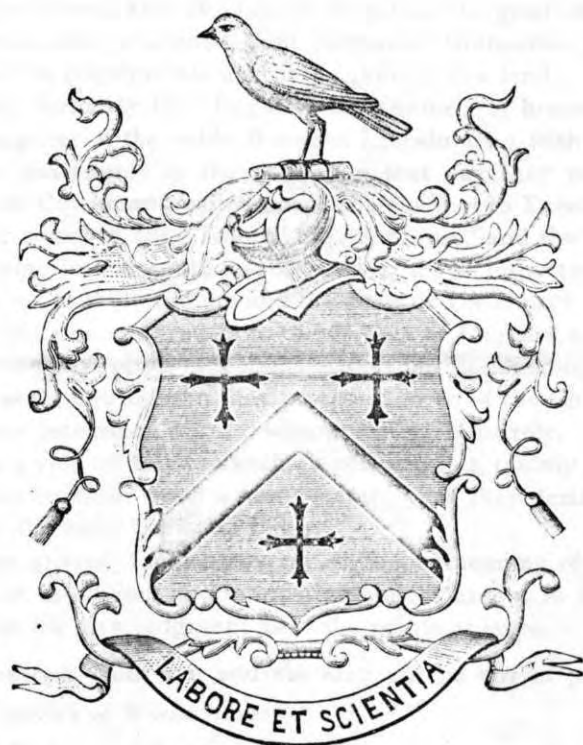
The abbreviations are b. born, d. died, m. married, unm. unmarried, chil. child or children, s. p. (*sine prole*) without issue, dau. daughter, etc.

Those names printed in capitals for prominence, or emphasis, as it were, are the individuals in the direct line, from the first of the name down to and including the Sixth generation.

With these explanations, with all its imperfections, the author ventures to present this memorial to his relatives with the hope that they may enjoy the perusal of it, as he has its compilation.

Sincerely yours  
Geo. Chapin Stearns.

BUFFALO, N. Y., September, 1891.



## THE STEARNS FAMILY.

ANNO DOMINI, 1630, EASTER MONDAY, MARCH 29.

"Riding at Cowes, near the Isle of Wight, in the good ship 'Arabella,' 350 tons burthen, 28 guns, and 52 seamen, Capt. Nathaniel Melbourne, master and part owner, was a company of pilgrims, about leaving their native land.

"The ship, formerly the 'Eagle,' was re-named in honor of the Lady Arabella Johnson, a daughter of the noble House of Lincoln, who, with her husband, Sir Isaac Johnson, were passengers in the ship. On that day they weighed anchor, spread their sails from Cowes, and sailed down the channel to Yarmouth, where they were joined by their consorts, the 'Talbot,' the 'Ambrose,' and the 'Jewell.'

"While lying in Yarmouth harbor, April 7th, an important letter was addressed by these pilgrims to their fathers and brethren of the church remaining in England, breathing an affectionate farewell to the Church of England and their native land, a letter which has given some reflections upon their conduct by those who desired to find occasion, as though therein they professed to be of the Church of England, while in fact their real intentions were to separate from it entirely.

"There is a vein of holy melancholy pervading it, plainly showing that they felt they were about to enter upon a new theater; that they desired to be remembered as members of the same Christian family."

There is no ground for controversy as to the meaning of the letter among historians. It is an intelligent and interesting epistle, extant in several works, and the reader can form his own judgment as to the points at issue.

A short extract from the address may not be out of place here, taken from "Young's Chronicles of Massachusetts":

"*Reverend Fathers and Brethren*—The general rumour of this solemn enterprise, wherein ourselves with others, through the providence of the Almighty, are engaged, as it may spare us the labor of imparting our occasion unto you, so it gives the more encouragement to strengthen ourselves by the procurement of the prayers and blessings of the Lord's faithful servants, for which end wee are bold to have recourse unto you, as those whom God has placed nearest His Throne of Mercy, which, as it affords us the more opportunity, so it imposeth the greater bond upon you to intercede for His people in all their straits. Wee beseech you therefore by the mercies of the Lord Jesus, to consider us as your brethren, standing in very great need of your help, and earnestly imploring it, and howsoever your charity may have met with some occasion of discouragement through the misreport of our intentions, or through the dis-



affection or indiscretion of some of or rather amongst us (for we are not of those that dream of perfection in this world), yet wee desire you would be pleased to take notice of the principals and body of our company as those who esteem it an honour to call the Church of England from whence wee rise our deare Mother, and cannot part from our native cuntry, where she specially resideth, without much sadness of heart, and many tears in our eyes, ever acknowledging that such hope and part as wee have obtained in the common salvation, wee have received it in her bosome, and suckt it from her breasts. Wee leave it not therefore as loathing that milk wherewith wee were nourished there, but blessing God for the parentage and education as members of the same body, shall always rejoyce in her good, and unfainedly grieve for any sorrow that shall ever betide her, and while wee have breath, sincerely desire and endeavour the continuance and abundance of her welfare, with the enlargement of her bounds in the Kingdom of Christ Jesus."

At the conclusion of the address it was signed by Gov. Winthrop, Sir Richard Saltonstall, and others.

This language, so full of sincere and tender affection, falsifies the statement of a writer of the time, when he wrote of the "savage fury" with which they deserted their native land.

For further evidence of the spirit of Christian charity which characterized this noble band of Pilgrims, I copy a letter, written a few years afterwards to the ministers of Boston by Sir Richard Saltonstall, in rebuke for religious fanaticism, which shows that advanced thought and liberal ideas held even in those days of religious intolerance and persecution. I quote it entire from Bond's History, p. 916:

*"Reverand and deare friends, whom I unfeignedly love and respect :*

"It doth not a little grieve my spirit to heare what sadd things are reported dayly of your tyranny and persecutions in New England, as that you fine, whip and imprison men for their consciences. First, you compell such to come into your assemblyes as you know will not join with you in your worship, and when they show their dislike thereof or witness against it, then you styrr up your magistrates to punish them for such (as you conceyve) their publicke affronts. Truely, friends, this your practice of compelling any in matters of worship, to doe that whereof they are not fully persuaded, is to make them sin, for soe the Apostle (Rom., 14 and 23) tells us, and many are made hypocrites thereby, conforming in their outward man for feare of punishment. We pray for you, and wish you prosperitie every way ; hoped the Lord would have given you so much light and love there, that you might have been eyes to God's people here, and not to practice those courses in a wilderness which you went so farre to prevent. These rigid wayes have layed you very lowe in the hearts of the saynts. I do assure you I have heard them pray in the publique assemblyes that the Lord would give you meek and humble spirits, not to strive so much for uniformity as to keepe the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace.

"When I was in Holland, about the beginning of our warrs, I remember some Christians there, that then had serious thoughts of planting in New England, desired me to write to the govenor thereof to know if those that differ from you in opinion, yet houlding the same foundation in religion, as Anabaptists, Seekers, Antinomians, and the like, might be permitted to live among you, to which I received this short answer from your then governour, Mr. Dudley: 'God forbid,' said he, 'our love for the truth should be growne soe cold that we should tolerate errours.' And when (for the satisfaction of myself and others) I desired to know your grounds, he referred me to the books written here between the Presbyterians and Independents, which, if that had been sufficient, I needed not have sent so farre to understand the reason of your practice. I hope you doe not assume to yourselves infallibilitie of judgment, when the most learned of the apostles confesseth he knew but in part, and saw but darkley, as through a glass, for God is light, and no further than he doth illumine us can we see, be our partes and learning never so great. Oh, that all those who are brethren, though yet they cannot thinke and speake the same things, might be of one accord in the Lord. Now, the God of patience and consolation grant you to be thus mynded towards one another after the example of Jesus Christ, our blessed Savyor, in whose everlasting arms of protection hee leaves you who will never cease to be

"Your truly and much affectioned friend, in the nearest union,

"RIC. SALTONSTALL.

"For my reverend and worthily much-esteemed friends, Mr. Cotton and Mr. Wilson, preachers to the church which is at Boston, in New England, give this."

"Thursday, April 8th, the ship sailed from Yarmouth, where the feet of those pilgrims pressed the soil of their dear old England for the last time. Sadly and tearfully they embarked, for they loved the land of their fathers; they could not forget the tender associations of their youth, nor the holier associations of their manhood, when thus leaving it forever."

But "as the hart panteth after the water brooks," so their souls longed for liberty and God, and they went out full of hope, spiritual and temporal. Alas! for human hopes temporal, sadly belied. Many sickened and died before the next spring came. Those daintily reared in dear old England, far away, were illy fitted to endure the lonely life in the wilderness of the then new world, the terrors from savage foes, the rigors of climate in an unsettled country, the deprivations of comforts and society they were so accustomed to in the old home. It is not surprising that the sturdy ones only survived. The Lady Arabella Johnson died the August following her arrival. Sir Isaac Johnson, her husband, mourned for his loved companion one month, and died September 30, 1630.

Of the heroic sacrifices of the grand men and women of those early colonies, they tell of character rarely attained in this world, of their hopes and fears, their



trials and sufferings, and death. Are they not written in the chronicles of New England?

"They experienced a varied and stormy passage, with much cold. On the 8th of June there came a wild pigeon into the ship, harbinger of land, and on the 12th of June they drew near their port, Salem.

"Following these four ships from England, in May, were the 'May Flower,' 'Whale,' 'Hopewell,' 'William and Frances,' 'Trial,' 'Charles,' and the 'Success.'

"In the 'Arabella' came over the Gov., John Winthrop, Sir Richard Saltonstall, Sir Isaac Johnson, and his wife the Lady Arabella, Rev. Geo. Phillips, and about twenty other families.

"Gov. Winthrop, Sir Isaac Johnson, and others, settled in Boston. Sir Richard Saltonstall, the Rev. Geo. Phillips, and about twelve other families, not liking Salem, were the first settlers and proprietors of Watertown.

"Isaac Stearns came to America in 1630, in the same ship, as there is reason to believe, with this company, in the 'Arabella,' with Gov. Winthrop and Sir Richard Saltonstall, and settled in Watertown, near Mount Auburn. His first homestead was adjoining Sir Richard Saltonstall's. His second homestead was bounded (in 1642) on the north by John Warren, west by the highway, south by John Biscoe, east by Pequonset Meadow, a part of which meadow he owned.

"Isaac Stearns originated from an ennobled stock. He evidently claimed the right to bear arms, for from his house his grandchildren of other names took them, which have been preserved among their descendants to this day." In Heraldry the shield, or coat of arms, is described thus: "Or (gold) a chevron between three crosses, flory sable (black) crest, a cock starling proper."

"A coat of arms similar to this formerly belonged to the occupants of the old Stearns homestead in Watertown, and there is now a similar one belonging to a branch of the Manning family, in Cambridge, descendants of Isaac Stearns."

From this the illustration accompanying this work is taken. A belt, or ribbon, passing over a device at the base of the shield, would seem to be intended for a motto. If "ye antient familis" had one in use, it does not appear in the illustration given by Dr. Bond in his History. Frederick Stearns, of Detroit, noticing the probable "long felt want" of it, adopted "Labore et Scientia" as his watchword, which, in these "piping times of peace," is, perhaps, as commendable and proper as a more warlike one would have been in "ye olden time." It is the same as that borne by the families of the name of Sterne, in the counties of Bucks, Cambridge, Hertford, and Norfolk, England. The same, also, as that borne by Lord Richard Sterne, Archbishop of York, who was descended from the Sternes of Nottinghamshire, a circumstance evincive of a common origin, and antiquity as remote certainly as the time of Henry VIII.

"It is probable that all the families of the name of Stearns, in the United States,

are descended from these early immigrants, as in every instance, where the lineage of a family has been traced back, it has been to one of the following, viz., Isaac or Charles, who settled in Watertown, or Nathaniel, who settled in Dedham. Isaac, in his will, calls Charles 'my kinsman,' probably his nephew. What affinity there was between Nathaniel and the other two, has not been ascertained, but there is reason to suppose he was related to them."

"On May 17, 1662, Thomas Clark sold a lot of land in Boston, bounded south-east by land of Daniel Sternes (Suffolk Deeds, IV, page 268). This is the only notice or record of this Daniel Sternes, that has been met with. There are families of the name of Starn, or Stern, in the Middle and Southern States, who are of German origin."

"The orthography of the name (Stearns) now, with very few exeptions, adopted by the descendants of Isaac, Charles, and Nathaniel, is undoubtedly a variation or corruption of the name Sterne, which has been affected in this country. It probably commenced in the pronunciation, and afterward extended to the writing of the name."

Sterne is a well-known name in counties of Nottingham, Berks, Norfolk, Hertford, Suffolk, and Cambridge, England. But the name Stearns has not occurred in any English work. In Winthrop's Journal, and in early town and county records the name is written Sterne.

In the will of the first Isaac Stearns, dated 1671, the name has the correct orthography, with the exception or addition of a superfluous terminal *s*, sometimes used in England. A very few now write their names Sterns or Starns.

"Isaac Stearns was admitted freeman, May 18, 1631, which is the earliest date of any such admission, and he was selectman several years. In 1647, he and Mr. Biscoe were appointed by the selectmen 'to consider how the bridge over the river shall be built, and to agree with the workmen for doing it according to their best discretion.' 'This,' says Doctor Francis in his history, 'is the first mention of a bridge over Charles River, at Watertown.'

"He died June 19, 1671, leaving a widow, Mary, who died April 2, 1677. The births of only three of his children are recorded in the town records, and it is probable that two, perhaps three, of them were born in England. His pedigree has not been ascertained, nor is it certainly known what town he came from; but is very probable that he came from the Parish of Nayland, in Suffolk. Mr. Somerby obtained the following extract from the Parish register of Nayland:

"Baptised, Jan'y 6, 1626, Mary, dau. of Isaac Sternes.

"Baptised, Oct. 5, 1628, Anna, dau. of Isaac Sterns.

"The names and ages of these two daughters seem to correspond exactly with the supposed ages of the two eldest children of the first Isaac Stearns of Watertown, for in the early records, Anna and Hannah were often used the one for the other.

"It appears from the appraisal of his estate that he was in comparative affluence for those early times, considering that he had previously given respectable portions

to each of his children, for it embraces 14 lots or parcels of land, amounting to 467 acres, with a due quantity of stock and farming utensils, provisions and household goods." See his Inventory on pages 14 and 15.

"In the distribution of the farms, or farm lands, situated in Weston, according to an order of the town passed May 10, 1642, 259 acres were allotted to Isaac Sterne, which was a greater lot than was assigned to any others, except John Barnard, who had 287 acres, and John Knight, who had 270 acres. The next greatest was 250 to John Biscoe; next, 209 to Henry Goldstone; next, 158 to Simeon Stone. The farms then granted were not surveyed and plotted out for the grantees, until after the lapse of many years. Soon after the grant of the farms above mentioned, a list of possessions in Watertown was made out, wherein it appears that Isaac Sterne, in 1643, held 13 lots, amounting to 471 acres. One lot of 10 acres, and another of 60 acres, he had recently purchased of Thomas Ruck, and two of his lots were homestalls. By a deed dated January 23, 1645-6, he purchased of Thomas Philbrick six lots of land amounting to 113 acres, which, added to his other possessions, would increase his number of lots to 19, and his number of acres to 584, which would be more lots and more acres than appears to have been held by any other proprietor. It is supposed that he first settled near Mount Auburn, but that in a few years he moved to a lot on the east side of 'the way to Concord,' now called Lexington street, on the west border of Pequanset meadow.

"The homestall, which he bought of Thomas Philbrick, situated on the N. W. corner of Belmont and Lexington streets, he gave to his son, Samuel, who settled there, and it continued to be occupied by his direct descendants of the name of Stearns until after the decease of his great-great-grandson, Capt. Phineas Stearns, in 1798. Since then, it has been held by his descendants of the name of White."

This Capt. Phineas Stearns was a soldier in the Revolution. He is credited with having been present and assisting at a famous "Tea Party" in Boston Harbor, in 1774. His daughter, Hannah, married Henry Bond. She was the mother of Henry Bond, M. D., the author of Bond's History and Genealogy. (See Bond, page 67, and page 515.)

"In the distribution of the estate of his son, Samuel, 1724, to *his* eldest son, Nathaniel, was assigned the homestall, where his grandfather had lived. From Nathaniel it probably passed to *his* son, Daniel."

The will of Isaac Stearns, dated five days before his decease, with his autograph signature, is extant on the files of the probate office of Middlesex county, and is as follows:

"I, Isaac Sternes, of Watertown, in the county of Middlesex, being sick in body, but, through the goodness of God, in sound memory, do declare this to be my last will and testament, in the manner and form as followeth:

"Imp.—first. I return my spirit into the hands of God that gave it, and my body to the earth, from whence it was taken.

"2dly. My will is that Mary, my beloved wife, should enjoy my whole estate for her maintainance so long as she shall live a widow ; but if my said wife shall marry again, then my will is that she should enjoy only what the law intended and provided for in the law titled dowers.

"3dly. I give and bequeath to my grandchildren, the children of my son, John Sternes, fower score pounds, which, being added to what my son had formerly, will be a double portion with the rest of my children.

"4thly. I give unto my son, Isaac Sternes, seventy pounds, which, being added to what he has had already, will be his proportion, according to the rest of my children.

"5thly. I give to my son, Samuel Sternes, seventy pounds, which, being added to what I formerly gave him, will be his proportion with the rest of my children.

"6thly. I give to my grandchildren, the children of my daughter, Mary, deceased, five and thirty pounds, my grandchild, Isaac Lernot, to have ten pounds of the said 35 pounds, the remainder, which will be twenty-five pounds, to be equally divided to the rest, which said thirty-five pounds being added to what I formerly gave my daughter, Mary Lernot, will be an equal proportion with the rest of my children.

"7thly. I give to my daughter, Sarah Stone, forty pounds, which, being added to what she formerly had, will be her proportion.

"8thly. I give to my daughter, Elizabeth Manning, twenty pounds, which, being added to what I formerly gave her, will be her proportion ; further, my will is that the said twenty pounds given to my daughter, Elizabeth, aforesaid, be secured for the good and benefit of the children.

"9thly. I give and bequeath to my daughter, Abigail Morse, five acres of meadow, lying and being at Samuel's farm, to enjoy and possess for her and her heirs forever. And my will is that my daughter, Abigail Morse, may take the said five acres of meadow, either next to Samuel's meadow, or next to Capt. Mason's ; and, besides the meadow, I give to my said daughter, Abigail, forty pounds, all which being added to what she have had formerly, will be her proportion.

"10thly. My will is, that my kinsman, Charles Stearns, shall have ten pounds of my estate. Further, my will is that my whole estate remain whole and unbroken for the comfort and maintainance of my beloved wife, as aforesaid, so long as she doth remain a widow, save only the five acres of meadow given to my daughter Abigail, which she is to enjoy presently. Further, I nominate and appoint my beloved sons, Isaac Sternes and Samuel Sternes, executors to this my last will and testament, and have hereunto set my hand this fourteenth day of June, one thousand six hundred and seventy-one, in presence of ———. Before subscribing, my will is that when these several legacies are paid out according to my will within mentioned, then my will is that the remainder of my estate shall be equally divided between my children then living, and so subscribe the day aforesaid, by putting to my hand.

"ISAAC STERNES."

"In presence of

"WM. BOND, SENR.

"JOHN BISCOE, SENR."

} A fac-simile of his signature is seen in Bond's History, p. 452.



"A true Inventory of the lands, goods, chattels, of Isaac Sternes, Senr., taken the 28th of 4th, 1671, who deceased the 16th the 4th, 1671, prized and taken by us whose names are here underwritten :

	£	s.	d.
House and homestall of twelve acres of land.....	100	..	..
Foure acres of upland and two acres of meadow .....	18	..	..
Eight acres of upland.....	26	..	..
Six acres of meadow land .....	30	..	..
Three acres of marsh .....	15	..	..
Foure score acres of upland.....	60	..	..
Twelve acres of upland .....	12	..	..
Nine acres of upland.....	5	..	..
Sixty acres of upland .....	15	..	..
Fifteen acres of upland.....	8	..	..
Foure acres of meadow land.....	8	..	..
Twenty-five acres of meadow land.....	60	..	..
One hundred and ninety acres of meadow.....	40	..	..
One hundred and five acres of upland.....	10	..	..
Two horses.....	10	..	..
Foure oxen .....	16	..	..
Six cows.....	18	..	..
Two heifers .....	4	..	..
Three yearlings .....	3	..	..
Seven sheep and five lambs .....	4	..	..
Wearings clothes, linnings and woolling.....	4	..	..
Bedding and table linning.....	4	10	..
New cloath.....	4	10	..
Swine to the value of.....	4	..	..
Beding and bedstead in parlor.....	4	10	..
Cupboard, stooles and table.....	3	..	..
Beding and bedstead in the hall.....	3	..	..
One moose skin.....	..	10	..
One old bed and other lumber in the old chamber.....	1	..	..
Sheeps wool.....	..	8	..
Two old chests, two spinning wheels, a chese pres and other lumber in ye low chamber.....	1	..	..
Beame and scales, waites and measures.....	1	..	..
One payer of quarne and other lumber in the quarne house.....	..	10	..
Brass putter, and iron and other lumber in chimnie.....	6	10	..
Bees barrels, powdering tubbs and other utensils.....	1	..	..
Corne and mealle.....	1	..	..
Mault and pease.....	2	10	..
Lumber in parlor chamber.....	..	10	..
Two bags hopes.....	3	..	..

	£	s.	d.
Cart, plow, chains and other husbandry instruments.....	3	..	..
Salt, meall, chees, and other provisions.....	3	..	..
Corn growing in the ground.....	6	..	..
Tobacco in rowle and leafe.....	..	6	08
Two muskets, one fowling piece, one sword.....	2	..	..
One cart and rope.....	..	5	..
Sacks and hay in barns.....	..	15	..

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Correct footing is..... 523 14 08

(Signed) WILLIAM BOND, SENR.,  
JOHN BISCOE, SENR.,  
HENRY FREEMAN.

"That this is a true coppie of ye orriginall, attested in Oct., 1671, and yn put upon Record, and burned in ye firing of ye court house, is sworn by Isaac Sternes and Samuel Sternes, 1, 8, 72, in open court at Camb."

From Vol. 4, pp. 129-30.

## FIRST GENERATION.

I ISAAC STEARNS and MARY, his wife, 8 children.

- I 2 1 Mary, b. in England, m. in Woburn, July 9, 1646, Isaac Learned. The marriage is recorded in Woburn as follows: Isaac Learned and Mary Starnes. Married 9, 5 mo., 1646. In the county record the names are Learned and Sternes. He settled first in Woburn, April 2, 1652. He sold his house and lands in Woburn to Bartholomew Pierson, of Watertown, and moved to Chelmsford, where he was a selectman, and where he died, Nov. 27, 1657. Inventory dated Dec. 7, 1657, £187 18s. 6d. His widow Mary m. June 9, 1662, John Berg, late of Weymouth. Mary died soon after, as the inventory of the estate of Mary Lernot (Learned), widow, now in the hands of John Berg, of Chelmsford, her surviving husband, was dated Dec. 21, 1663, £222, April 17, 1664. The court allowed a division of the estate between John Berge and the children of Isaac Learned, according to the terms of the will of Isaac Stearns. His daughter Mary had no children by her second husband. Isaac and Mary Stearns Learned had 6 children: Mary, Hannah, William, Sarah, Isaac and Benoni.

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- I 3 2 Hannah, b. in England, m. in Watertown, Dec. 25, 1650, Henry Freeman, was buried June, 1656, s. p.

- I 4 3 John was one of the first settlers of Billerica. He m. 1st, Sarah, only dau. of Isaac and Sarah Mixer, of Watertown. She d. June 14, 1656, and he m. 2d in Barnstable, Decem., 1656 (by Thos. Hinckly, Esq.), Mary



Lothrop, b. Oct. 4, 1640, dau. of Thomas Lothrop, by wife Mary. Thomas Lothrop died in 1701, aged 80, was the eldest son of the Rev. John Lothrop, of Scituate and Barnstable, by his first wife Mary. John Stearns d. March 5, 1668, and his widow Mary m. May 9, 1669, Capt. Wm. French, of Billerica, by whom she had 4 children: 1 Mary, 2 Sarah, 3 Abigail, and 4 Hannah French. Capt. French d. Nov. 20, 1681, aged 78 years, and she m. 3d, 1684, Isaac Mixer, Jr., of Watertown, his third wife. She was living in 1735, very aged. Inventory of John Stearns, March 22, 1668, £390 18s. 4d. John Stearns, by wife Sarah, had 1 son.

- II 1 John, b. May, 1654, d. Oct. 26, 1728, and by wife Mary 5 children.
- II 2 Isaac, b. April 17, 1658, d. Oct. 9, 1659.
- II 3 Samuel, b. Sept. 3, 1659, d. unm. 1735.
- II 4 Isaac, b. Dec. 23, 1661, d. 1739.
- II 5 Nathaniel, b. Nov. 30, 1663, d. young.
- II 6 Thomas, b. Dec. 6, 1665, d. Feb. 9, 1696.
- I 5 4 ISAAC, b. Jan. 6, 1632-3, admitted freeman 1665, d. Aug. 2, 1676 (1, II).
- I 6 5 Sarah, b. Sept. 22, 1635, d. Oct. 6, 1700, m. June 7, 1655, Dea. Samuel Stone, of Cambridge, 6 children:
  - II 1 Samuel, b. Oct. 1, 1656, d. June 9, 1743.
  - II 2 Isaac, b. 1659, d. Dec. 10, 1690.
  - II 3 Sarah, b. Feby 5, 1662, d.
  - II 4 John, b. May 12, 1663, d. Feby 3, 1713.
  - II 5 Lydia, b. Nov. 25, 1665, d. Dec. 10, 1719.
  - II 6 Mary, b. Feby 22, 1667-8, d. May 11, 1669.
- I 7 6 Samuel, b. April 24, 1638, d. Aug. 3, 1683, m. Feby 1, 1662, Hannah Manning, b. June 21, 1642, eldest dau. of Wm. and Dorothy Manning, of Cambridge [a sister of Samuel Manning, who m. Elizabeth Stearns (7, 1, Bond.)] Hannah d. Feby 26, 1723-4. Samuel settled on a farm at the n. w. corner of the cross-roads, made by the direct road from Cambridge to Waltham and by that going north to Lexington. This farm or homestall fell into the possession of his son John, then to his grandson Josiah, then to his great-grandson Capt. Phineas, and now does or did lately belong to the heirs of Mr. Abijah White, his gr. gr. grandson. Inventory, Oct. 9, 1683, £481 4s.; 10 children.
  - II 1 Samuel, b. May 4, 1664, d. June 7, 1671.
  - II 2 Hannah, b. Dec. 8, 1666, m. Dec. 26, 1684, Thomas Biscoe, by whom she had two children, John and Thomas.
  - III 3 Nathaniel, b. Dec. 13, 1668, d. Aug. 24, 1716. In the division of his father's estate he received the farm which had been the residence of his grandfather, Isaac Stearns. He had two wives, 1st, Elizabeth Dix, 2d, Sarah Nevinson; by his first wife, Elizabeth, he had 12 children.
  - II 4 Sarah, b. April 23, 1671, m. Oct. 27, 1714, Jos. Winship, of Cambridge.

- II 5 Samuel, b. March 29, 1673, m. March 2, 1697, Mary Hawkins; had 9 children. He was town clerk and represented Watertown, from 1714 to 1731. Many years selectman and assessor.
- II 6 Isaac, b. Dec. 31, 1674, d. 1737, m. Oct. 26, 1708, Mary Bemis. Inventory of his estate, April 4, 1737, £1,127 19s. 8d.; 6 children: 1 Isaac, 2 Mary, 3 Susanna, 4 Nathaniel, 5 Peleg, 6 James.
- III 7 John, b. June 24, 1677, d. 1729. He settled on his father's homestead, m. Feby 24, 1701-2, Abigail Fiske, and had 15 children. Inventory of his estate in 1735, £952 3s. 10d.
- II 8 Mary, b. April 5, 1679, m. Nov. 2, 1699, Samuel Jennison; 11 children.
- II 9 Abigail, b. April 16, 1680, d. July 11, 1710, m. Jany 10, 1706-7, Benoni Garfield, b. Dec. 4, 1675; 1 child, Abigail.
- III 10 Joseph, b. Dec. 11, 1682, d. Feby 4, 1683-4.
- I 8 7 Elizabeth, m. April 13, 1664, Samuel Manning, of Cambridge, afterwards of Billerica. She died early, leaving two sons, Samuel and John.
- I 9 8 Abigail, m. April 27, 1660, Dea. John Morse, of Watertown, d. Oct. 16, 1690; 8 children.

## SECOND GENERATION.

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- I ISAAC STEARNS (4) son of Isaac and Mary Stearns, b. Jany 6, 1632-3, m. June 24, 1660, Sarah Beers, and settled in Cambridge Farms (Lexn). He d. Aug. 2, 1676, and his widow m. July 23, 1677, Thomas Wheeler, of Concord. A writing in the files of the court, dated June 19, 1677, says he left 3 sons and 3 daughters. Inventory, £300; 6 children.
- II 10 1 Sarah, b. Jany 14, 1661-2, m. Dec. 27, 1678, John Wheeler, of Concord.
- II 11 2 Mary, b. Oct. 8, 1663, m. Jany 1, 1693-4, John Cutler; 5 children: Samuel, John, Ebenezer, Mary and Sarah.
- III 12 3 Isaac, b. Aug. 26, 1665, m. Elizabeth —; 9 children: Isaac, Simeon, Jabesh, Jonathan, Hannah, Mary, Martha, Ebenezer, Abigail.
- II 13 4 Samuel, b. Jany 11, 1667-8, m. Phebe —. He was killed by a casualty, Nov. 19, 1721, and his widow administered, 1722, John Stearns, of Concord (his brother, 6, II), being her surety; she moved to Littleton in 1730, with some of her children; 11 children: Sarah, Mary, Abigail, Samuel, Ruth, Phebe, Rebecca, Thomas, John, Joseph and Benjamin.
- III 14 5 Abigail, m. in Concord, Nov. 29, 1692, Samuel Hartwell, b. in Concord, Oct. 2, 1666, son of Samuel and Ruth (Wheeler) Hartwell, and grandson of William and Ruth. Abigail d. in childbed May 11, 1709; 7 children: Samuel, Joseph, Mary, Abigail, Isaac, Ephraim and Lydia, b. May 2, 1709. Ephraim had, by wife Elizabeth Haywood, of Concord, 10 children.
- II 15 6 JOHN, b. 1675 (1, III), of Concord, afterwards of Bedford.

## THIRD GENERATION.

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- II JOHN STEARNS, son of Isaac and Sarah Beers Stearns, b. 1675, of Concord, afterwards of Bedford, where he d. June 14, 1734, aged 59. His will, dated May 29, 1733, mentions no wife, but the following children:
- III 16 1 Mercy Kendall.
- III 17 2 Zachariah, had by wife Sarah:
- IV 18 1 Zachariah, b. Feb. 11, 1729-30.
- IV 19 2 Daniel, b. May 16, 1732.
- IV 20 3 Sarah, b. Aug. 9, 1734.
- IV 21 4 John, b. Feb. 17, 1738.
- III 22 3 Eleazer.
- III 23 4 Abigail.
- III 24 5 BENJAMIN, heir of Josiah Wheeler, of Bolton, 1738.

John Stearns (6, II), grandson of the first Isaac, was comfortably affluent, and, as the records make it appear, a slaveholder. His will, on record in Middlesex Probate, reads thus:

"WILL OF JOHN STEARNS, OF BEDFORD.

"In the name of God, amen. The 29th day of May, 1733.

"I, John Stearns, of Bedford, in the county of Middlesex, in the Province of Mass. Bay, in New England, yeoman, being at present of a sound and disposing mind and memory, but being sensible of my own mortality, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament; That is to say, principally and first, I commend my soul into the hands of God who gave it. My body I commit to the earth, to be buried in a decent, Christian manner, not doubting but, at the general resurrection, I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God.

"As touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I give, devise and dispose of, in the following manner:

"Imps. first. I give and bequeath to my daughter, Mercy Kendall, £5, and all the right I have in a mulatto girl named Mary, now dwelling with me.

"2dly. I give and bequeath to my son, Zachariah Stearns, ten shillings, which, with what I have given him heretofore, is his full portion.

"3dly. I give and bequeath to my son, Eleazer, five shillings, which, with what I have already given him, is his full portion.

"4thly. I give and bequeath to my daughter, Abigail Stearns, £60, to be paid her within three years after my decease.

"5thly. I give and bequeath to my son, Benjamin Stearns, my dwelling house and all my lands, to him, his heirs and assigns forever. He paying to his sister, Abigail Stearns, £60, within three years after my decease, and the charges of my funeral, together with my just debts.

"My mind and my will is that my household stuff and furniture should be equally

divided between my daughters, Mercy Kendall and Abigail Stearns, and I do constitute and appoint my sons, Zachariah, Eleazer and Benjamin, to be the executors of this my last will and testament, and I do hereby utterly disannul all other wills, or bequests, whatsoever, ratifying and confirming this, and no other, to be my last will and testament.

*"In witness whereof,* I have hereunto put my hand and seal, the day and year above written.

"Witnessed by

(Signed) JOHN STEARNS [L. S.]

"NICHOLAS BOWDS,

"STEPHEN HARTWELL."

Will proved March 23d, 1738, almost four years after his death.

We have now arrived at a point in our story where we must follow Benjamin (5, III), No. 24.

September 11, 1738, Benjamin married Dinah Wheeler, of Bolton, not a long walk from his place in Bedford. As she was the youngest daughter of Josiah Wheeler, and had no brother, her parents aged and his parents dead, it is probable he then removed to Bolton.

The settlements of the estates of all his brothers and sisters, Middlesex deeds, town and church records in Lexington, Bolton and Bedford, seem to identify him conclusively as *the* Benjamin, son of John (6, II), of Bond, and our ancestor.

Josiah Wheeler, of Bolton, the father of Dinah Wheeler Stearns, died in 1739. April 12th of that year, James Keyes, Esq., Jonas Houghton, Wm. Sawyer, of Bolton, Wm. Richardson and Capt. Hooker Osgood were appointed to divide his housing and lands according to his last will.

1st. To the widow, Martha, they assigned several parcels of land in different localities, including one-half of the home place, amounting to 120 acres, valued in new tenor at £947 11s.

2d. To Martha, eldest daughter, wife of James Wilder (ancestor of the Hon. Marshall P. Wilder), lands in several lots (besides what she had before received), appraised at £163 2s.

3d. To Experience, second daughter, wife of Wm. Poland, lands in different localities, amounting to 230 acres, and valued at £471 12s. 9d.

4th. To Thankful, third daughter, wife of Jonas Fairbanks, several lots of land, amounting to 255 acres, and appraised at £471 12s. 9d.

5th. To Dinah, fourth daughter, wife of Benjamin Stearns, 27 acres in the "home place," including one-half of the house and barn, and in other localities 129 acres; appraised at £515 6s.

6th. To three granddaughters, Sarah, Patience and Copia Braughton, lands appraised at £94 15s. each, in all £284 5s.

Martha Wheeler, James Wilder, Wm. Poland, Jonas Fairbanks and Benjamin Stearns subscribed with the commissioners their assent to the above division, and it was approved by judge of probate August 21, 1739.

From references to the "Meeting House" in the description of the lands, it appears that the "Home Farm" of Josiah Wheeler was hard by it, and much of the

village of Bolton is presumed to stand on the land assigned to Dinah Wheeler Stearns, wife of Benjamin Stearns.

In 1748, widow Martha Wheeler died, and August 22, 1748, commissioners were appointed to divide the real estate she left, according to the will of Josiah Wheeler, her husband.

Accordingly, to Dinah was set off 4 acres 33 rods of the "home place," together with the other part of the house and barn; also 4 acres 106 rods of wood land adjoining the homestead; also about  $6\frac{1}{2}$  acres on Wadaquadock brook; also about  $3\frac{1}{2}$  acres stated common, in Lancaster, all valued at £108 5s. 9d., which made the total amount inherited from her father £623 11s. 9d., it being in new tenor, a large legacy for her times. A thorough search has failed to discover his will referred to. No mention is made of his wife's will, nor of any executor or administrator to either, nor of any appraisal of the estate, except the real estate, as above reported. Add to the above his personal property, and especially his stock, a principal item in a farmer's estate, and we make Josiah Wheeler a very wealthy man for his times. He had five daughters, to whom he seems to have given equal portions, and if of land then his real estate alone amounted to £3,115. Thus we find Dinah and her husband had a fine fortune to start in life.

#### FOURTH GENERATION.

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- III BENJAMIN STEARNS, cordwainer of Bedford, afterwards of Bolton, son of John (6, II), Bond, m. in Lancaster, Sept. 11, 1738, Dinah Wheeler, b. 1715, dau. of Josiah Wheeler, of Bolton. Benjamin d. in Bolton Jan'y 5, 1755, Dinah d. in Bolton Dec. 21, 1771; 7 children, all born in Bolton, Mass.
- IV 25 1 Josiah, b. April 3, 1740. There is no further record of him; probably died young.
- IV 26 2 Samuel, b. July 13, 1741, settled in Paxton, m. in Bolton, March 31, 1773, Sarah Witt, of Paxton; had son:
- V 27 1 Samuel, b. Feb. 5, 1776, d. June 11, 1777.

Samuel (26) was a medical practitioner in Paxton, a man of fair education, but no poet, as he would fain believe himself. He had spent some time traveling in England, published a book, written by himself, called the "American Oracle," about the year 1794-5, of which the author of this work has a fragmentary copy, a sort of diary of chronological events, poetical effusions, etc. He seemed to be upon intimate terms with Sir William Herschel, the great English astronomer, as he mentions having received a letter from him Jan. 26, 1790, which says, "Mrs. Herschel, the Doctor's sister, had discovered a comet on the 7th inst." Doctor Stearns was something of an astronomer himself, as he mentions, in his diary, Dec. 20, 1782, "having made calculations, publishes the first *nautical almanac* that ever was printed in America." The Doctor was evidently quite an eccentric man. The death of his child is noted in the public



record, probably dictated by himself, as follows: "June 11, 1777, at 5 minutes past 5 o'clock in the afternoon, died of malignant quinzy, after nearly forty-three hours' illness, Samuel, the only child of Doctor Samuel and Mrs. Sarah Stearns, of Paxton. He was aged sixteen months and six days, nearly." It is supposed Doctor Samuel afterwards removed to Deniston, Vt., and probably died there.

IV 28 3 Daniel, b. Aug. 18, 1743, m. in Lancaster, Nov. 27, 1788, Deborah Carter; had 2 children, twins.

V 29 1 Martha, }  
V 30 2 Deborah, } b. June 1, 1792.

Daniel d. in 1818. Socially he was rather aristocratic, and, like his brother, somewhat literary. Published a book of some kind, which, it is safe to say, is now out of print. In politics he was a Tory. In revolutionary times his property, which was considerable, was confiscated, and he fled to England.

Mrs. Harriet E. Morse, of Hubbardston, has a tradition that he married a second wife in England, and had two or three sons, but we have no record of it.

IV 31 4 Mary or Mercy, b. Oct. 2, 1745. No further record is found of her in Bolton. She is mentioned in her mother's will in 1759.

IV 32 5 Martha, b. May 30, 1750, m. in Bolton, Dec. 6, 1770, Simeon Houghton, of Bolton.

IV 33 6 Sarah, b. Dec. 29, 1751, m. in Bolton, April 14, 1772, Elijah Whitney, of Harvard.

IV 34 7 ASA, b. March 20, 1754. (I, V.)

In "Worcester Records of Deeds" are many conveyances of real estate to and from Benjamin and Dinah. May 10, 1759, the widow Dinah Stearns, of Bolton, made her will, directing her estate sold, and her children in their nonage cared for, viz.: Samuel, Daniel, Mary or Mercy, Martha, Sarah and Asa. She directed her estate to be equally divided between her children when of age or married, and made Jonas Fairbanks and James Wilder, of Lancaster, executors. Will proved January 17, 1772.

We will now follow the fortunes and family of Asa.

Of the early history of Asa Stearns very little has been ascertained. His father died when he was about ten months old. At a suitable age he was sent to live with a cousin of his father's in the Gore, part of which was afterwards Grafton. This cousin, Samuel Stearns, died in Hollins, N. H., in 1787. (See Bond, p. 457.) (30, III.) Asa was probably possessed of an equal portion of his mother's estate, according to her will. He became a resident of Paxton, where he married, removing to Hardwick in the spring of 1785, and died there intestate in 1795. A settlement of his estate we find in Worcester Probate: "Asa Stearns, of Hardwick, had his estate inventoried and appraised, by David Allen, Job Dexter and Thomas Winchester, at £673 7s. 11d.," January 29, 1795. His real estate was valued at £300; balance was personal property.

Nathan Perry, as administrator, presented and swore to the account or inventory, April 29, 1795.

The widow (name not then given) had £67 allowed. At least two-thirds of his personal property consisted of notes against Samuel Stearns, with whom he (Asa) formerly lived. This much afterwards proved of no value.



We find in "Worcester Deeds," Vol. 224, p. 38, May 23, 1820: "Samuel and Artemas Stearns, both of Mendon, N. Y., for \$200.00, bot. of Parley Williams and wife Alice, of Hubbardston, John and Betsey Browning, Amherst and Harriet Hastings, of Ontario county, New York, and Alfred Stearns, of Westfield, Mass., a quit-claim to a tract of land in Hardwick, on the westerly side of a highway from Hardwick to Barre, also of one other tract in Hardwick, bounded north by Amos Ruggles, Esq., lately Daniel Ruggles, E. and S. by lands formerly owned by Capt. Edward Ruggles (d.), and west by said Edward Ruggles, partly, and partly by Josiah Chandler, they meaning by these presents to quit-claim all right, title and interest as heirs at law in and to the estate of Asa Stearns, late of Hardwick."

No other settlement of Asa's estate is found on record.

## FIFTH GENERATION.

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- IV      ASA, son of Benjamin and Dinah Wheeler Stearns, of Bolton, b. March 20, 1754, m. in Paxton, Nov. 8, 1781, Elizabeth Witt, of Paxton, b. July 19, 1765. They moved to Hardwick in 1785, where he d. Jan. 22, 1795. His estate inventoried £673 7s. 11d. Elizabeth Witt Stearns m. 2d, in Hardwick, Nov. 17, 1805, Nathaniel Wood, b. at Norton, Mass., Jan. 12, 1767. She d. in Mendon, N. Y., Aug. 8, 1846. Mr. Wood d. in Mendon, N. Y., Dec. 17, 1853. Asa and Elizabeth Stearns had 7 children.
- V    35    1    Alice, b. at Paxton, March 25, 1784, m. at Hardwick, May 1, 1808, Parley Williams, farmer, of Hubbardston, b. March 17, 1786. She d. at Hubbardston, Sept. 11, 1847. Mr. Williams d. July 25, 1861; 2 daughters.
- VI    36    1    Harriet E. Williams, b. at Petersham, April 29, 1809, m. March 17, 1831, Horace Morse, b. at Hubbardston, Jan. 5, 1805; 4 children.
- VII    37    1    Elizabeth Stearns Morse, b. at Hubbardston, Jan. 16, 1832, m. Feb. 8, 1852, Geo. Gay of Pittsfield; 1 child.
- VIII    38    1    Clara Elizabeth Gay, b. at Pittsfield, Sept. 18, 1860, d. Aug. 4, 1861.
- VII    39    2    Harriet Alice Morse, b. at —, Dec. 25, 1833, d. Oct. 15, 1858.
- VII    40    3    William Horace Morse, b. at —, Dec. 12, 1841.
- VII    41    4    Helen Emerson Morse, b. at Hubbardston, Dec. 1, 1844.
- VI    42    2    Martha Williams, b. at Hubbardston, April 12, 1818, m. 1841, Abel Howe, b. at Hubbardston, Sept. 11, 1815; 4 children.
- VII    43    1    Herbert Williams Howe, b. at Petersham, Dec. 17, 1842.
- VII    44    2    Walter Eugene Howe, b. at Worcester, Jan. 6, 1848.
- VII    45    3    Alice Stearns Howe, b. at Worcester, Dec. 22, 1848, d. Sept., 1862.
- VII    46    4    Mary Ann Howe, b. at Hubbardston, Dec. 8, 1859.

- V 47 2 Betsy—Elizabeth Stearns, b. at Hardwick, Dec. 24, 1785, m. at Hardwick, Nov. 8, 1810, Doctor John Browning, b. at Hubbardston, July 31, 1785. He d. at Mendon, N. Y., May 31, 1866. She d. at Mendon, N. Y., Dec. 1, 1867; 3 children.
- VI 48 1 John Stearns Browning, b. at Hardwick, Oct. 6, 1812, m. at Ashtabula, Ohio, Oct. 29, 1851, Marion J. Bardeen, b. at Fabius, N. Y., Nov. 4, 1831. Marion d. Jan. 22, 1879; 2 daughters.
- VII 49 1 Annie E. Browning, b. at Mendon, N. Y., Nov. 24, 1852, m. at W. Bloomfield, Nov. 25, 1869, Ortis B. Baker, b. at W. Bloomfield, Dec. 21, 1841; 1 dau., Marion Baker, b. Dec. 5, 1880.
- VIII 50 2 Kate M. Browning, b. at Mendon, March 12, 1865, m. at W. Bloomfield, March 7, 1883, John Q. Wells, b. at W. Bloomfield, June 26, 1861; 1 dau., b. —.
- VII 51 2 Eliza Browning, b. at Hubbardston, Oct. 6, 1816, m. at Mendon, N. Y., April 6, 1840, Isaac Smith Badger, b. Dec. 24, 1811. Eliza d. at Mendon, N. Y., June 24, 1885. She was a true wife, a fond mother, a Christian gentlewoman; 2 children.
- VIII a 2 Alfred Stearns Badger, b. at Mendon, N. Y., Nov. 30, 1842, m. at Pewamo, Mich., Dec. 2, 1869, Julia Violet Crow, b. in Jerusalem, N. Y., Sept. 1, 1839. April 13, 1873, he was ordained a minister of the Presbyterian church (at Grand Haven, Mich.) Now settled at Hampton, Iowa; no children.
- VI 52 2 Adelaide E. Badger, b. at Mendon, May 18, 1846, m. at Mendon, May 1, 1866, Edwin D. Hoyt, b. at Decatur, N. Y., June 28, 1846; 3 children:
- VII 53 1 Frank E. Hoyt, b. at Mendon, N. Y., June 8, 1868.
- VIII a 2 George S. Hoyt, b. at Mendon, June 1, 1870.
- VIII b 3 Gertrude A. Hoyt, b. at West Bloomfield, May 20, 1882.
- VIII c 3 Alfred P. Browning, b. at Mendon, N. Y., April 24, 1821, m. at Mendon, April 5, 1849, Delia Stearns (80), b. at Mendon, Jan. 8, 1828, dau. of Artemas Stearns (74); 2 children.
- VI 55 1 Clara Browning, b. at Mendon, Nov. 5, 1849, m. Sept. 14, 1872, Matteson Dawley, b. in Mendon, 1853. Dawley d. May 2, 1873. Clara m. 2d, Dec. 12, 1876, Wm. J. Woolston, b. in Victor, March 1, 1847. Wm. and Clara Woolston had 1 child.
- VII 56 1 Sarah A. Woolston, b. in Victor, March 12, 1878.
- VIII 57 2 Clarence J. Browning, b. in Mendon, March 27, 1856; graduated at Lima Seminary, 1877, taking the highest prize for scholarship; studied law in Rochester, and passed examination in 1882; now practicing law in Rochester, N. Y.; m. March 5, 1883, Harriet (70), dau. of Geo. S. Hastings (69).
- VII 58 3 Alfred Stearns, lawyer, b. at Hardwick, Mass., Jan. 16, 1787, m. at Westfield, Mass., 1816, Dolly Ann Atwater. He graduated at Williams College, Mass., about 1810, and d. at Edwardsville, Ill., in 1833. She d. —; 3 children:
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- VI 60 1 Martha, b. at Westfield, Mass., m. and living in St. Louis when last heard of; had children.
- VI 61 2 John, b. at —; last heard from in California.
- VI 62 3 Alfred Edward, b. at —, d. —. Information attainable of Uncle Alfred's family is very meagre.
- V 63 4 Harriet Stearns, b. at Hardwick, Mass., Oct. 15, 1788, m. at Hardwick, Dec. 29, 1811, Amherst Hastings, farmer, b. at Petersham, Dec. 7, 1788. Harriet d. at Mendon, Feb. 13, 1860. Amherst d. at Mendon, Feb. 3, 1872; 4 children.

The Hastings family is very ancient, and occupies a very prominent and distinguished position in English history. The race to which it applies is of Danish origin. "In the early days of the British Kingdom the Danes made frequent incursions upon that part of England bordering upon the North Sea. A Danish chief, Hasting or Hastings, a Scandinavian viking, or sea rover, born about the year 812, made himself formidable to Alfred the Great by landing a large body of men upon the coast. He took possession of a portion of Sussex, and the castle and seaport were held by his family when William the Conqueror landed in England, and they held it from the crown for many generations. He made military incursions into Spain, France and Italy, at times suffering defeat, and again victorious. He at last sought his home in Denmark, where he died at a great age.

"The family of Hastings has had nineteen peerages in England. Three now exist, with scarcely an heir to bear the title. But from the younger sons of that family, who came to the new world for conscience sake, and established themselves, through many privations little dreamed of in 'Merry England,' numerous sons and daughters have founded homes in all the land.

"The first of the family who enjoyed the peerage was Henry, Lord Hastings, son of William de Hastings, steward of Henry II. They were allied by marriage to the royal family of Scotland and England. George, the third Lord Hastings, was, in 1529, created Earl of Huntingdon. Sirs Harry and George Hastings, grandsons of the Earl of Huntingdon, had sons who became Puritans, and were obliged, by persecution, to leave their native land and find homes in the new world. In 1634, Thomas Hastings and wife arrived on this shore, and, in 1638, John and family followed. There was a tradition in the family that they were brothers, but it has not been clearly shown. It is more probable they were cousins, Thomas being descended from a younger brother of the Earl of Huntingdon. The coat of arms would also indicate as much: Ermine on a chief azure (*blue*), two mullets; or (*gold*), crest, one star; or (*gold*). Known by the name of Hastings.

"The arms of Hastings, of which an ancient painting has been preserved, are quarterly: 1st, Argent (*silver or white*), a maunch (*the sleeve of an ancient robe*), sable (*black*); 2d, The arms of France and England, quarterly; 3d, Or (*gold*), a lion rampant, gules (*red*), being the ancient arms of Scotland; 4th, Barry of ten pieces: Argent (*white*) and azure (*blue*), eight martlets (*swallows of Palestine*), gules (*red*) for de Valeure, crest a bull's head, erased (*torn off*), sable gorged (*crowned*) with a ducal coronet, gold. Motto, '*In veritate victoria*' (*in truth there is victory*).

The lady's head inscribes "MARIA-MAGDALENA". The portrait in the Hastings arms was given by her father as a wedding present to the King of England. The Arms of Fraser and the arms of Fraser have as one of the heirs of the Plantagenets by marriage with the Princess Ida. After James of Scotland was given by the King of France the title of Duke of Valentinois, his daughter married David's daughter, and was thus so called. The arms of Valentinois signify a lion of favorable disposition, which the marquis collected while war in Palestine, the Holy Land, and were taken from the banners of the Duke of Valentinois in France.

The first Thomas Hastings, 1695-1773, a Quaker and Susanna, his wife, age 35, embarked from Ipswich, England, April 12, 1733. Elizabeth W. Hastings, his daughter, married for New England and settled in Watertown, Mass. She was known as Mrs. Mabel Hastings Bay Colony, where he was admitted freeman May 8, 1745. He sold down a lot in Dedham in 1743, but never lived there; was selectman from 1756 to 1764 and again from 1766 to 1767; town clerk 1772 to 1780; representative 1772 and long held the office of deacon. His wife, Susanna, died 4 p. Feb. 2, 1750, as he married, April, 1751; Mary Pratt Cheeny, dau. of William and Martha Cheeny of Roxbury, Mass. She was the mother of all his children. Dec. 1, 1781, aged 86, inventory dated Sept. 9, 1785, and estate administered for 1787. He owned two farms and as many as fifteen other lots. He died unmarried, leaving 10, the remainder to his widow. The west side of School Street, then called Hill Street, was always his residence, which he enjoyed as the minister of the First P. Congreg. Church. This home-stead passed to his son Thomas. His will, dated December 1, 1785, proved Sept. 2, 1789, gives his son Thomas 1/3 of the estate. The remainder was expended in buying him a school and I have given him the other children he gave a school.

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15. *Chrysomelidae* (continued)

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Amherst was the son of Henry and

JOHN VAN STEARNS.

See page 20, Seventh Generation, No. 30.

"The bull's head indicates determination and perseverance. The maunch in the Hastings arms was given to show his office as hereditary steward to the king of England. The arms of France and England denote him as one of the heirs of the Plantagenet by marriage with the Princess Ida. The arms of Scotland were given him as representing King David the Lion, by the Earl of Huntingdon, who married David's daughter, and was thus co-heir. The arms of Valeure signify a series of honorable distinctions, which the martlets indicate were won in Palestine (the Holy Land), and were taken from the heiress of the Duke of Valeure, in France.

"The first Thomas Hastings, aged 29 (in America), and Susanna, his wife, aged 25, embarked from Ipswich, England, April 10, 1634, in the 'Elizabeth,' William Andrews, master, for New England, and settled in Watertown, Mass., then known as the 'Massachusetts Bay Colony,' where he was admitted freeman May 6, 1635. He 'laid down' a lot in Dedham in 1635, but never lived there; was selectman from 1638 to 1643, and again from 1650 to 1671, town clerk 1671 to 1680, representative 1673, and long held the office of deacon. His wife, Susanna, died, s. p., Feb. 2, 1650, and he married, 2d, April, 1651, Margaret Cheeny, dau. of William and Martha Cheeny, of Roxbury, Mass. She was the mother of all his children. He d. 1685, aged 80. Inventory, dated Sept. 9, 1685, real estate amounted to £471. He owned two farms, and as many as fifteen other lots. He was grantee for seven lots, the remainder he purchased. The west side of School street, then called Hill street, was always his residence, which he enlarged by the purchase of the lot of H. Bright. This homestead passed to his son Samuel. His will, dated March 12, 1682, proved Sept. 7, 1685, gives his son Thomas £5, saying: 'I have been at great expense to bring him up a scholar, and I have given him three-score pounds to begin the world with.' To his other children he gives £40 each."

Thomas and Margaret Cheeny Hastings had 8 children:

- 1 Thomas, b. July 1, 1652, d. July 23, 1712.
- 2 John, b. March 4, 1654, d. March 28, 1718.
- 3 William, b. Aug. 8, 1655, drowned Aug., 1669.
- 4 Joseph, b. Sept. 11, 1657, d. Oct. 7, 1695.
- 5 Benjamin, b. Aug. 9, 1659, d. Dec. 18, 1711.
- 6 Nathaniel, b. Sept. 25, 1661, d. Dec. 25, 1694.
- 7 Hepzibah, b. Jan. 31, 1663, m. Wm. Bond.
- 8 Samuel, b. March 12, 1665, d. 1723.

To trace Amherst Hastings back to the first Thomas, we find that:

Amherst was the son of Henry and wife, Abigail Hawes, 4 V.

Henry was the son of Daniel and wife, Priscilla Keyes, 4 IV.

Daniel was the son of Daniel and wife, Sarah Ball, 5 III.

Daniel was the son of Samuel and wife, Hannah Coolidge, 8 II.

Samuel was the son of Thomas and wife, Margaret Cheeny, 1 I.

Children of Amherst and Harriet Stearns Hastings, 4:

- VI 64 1 Henry Hastings, b. at Petersham, Mass., April 14, 1813, m. at Mendon, N. Y., June 9, 1844, Clarissa Sherwood. Henry d. at Quincy, Mich., July 24, 1857; 1 child:



- VII 65 1 George Sherwood Hastings, b. at Quincy, Mich., May 31, 1845.  
Graduated at Ann Arbor College, Mich.
- VI 66 2 Dan. Hastings, b. at Mendon, N. Y., July 7, 1821, m. at Bloomfield,  
N. Y., May 6, 1851, Mehitable C. Peck. She d. s. p. at Mendon,  
Dec. 23, 1858. Dan. m. 2d. , of Lansing, Mich.,  
now living at Rapid City, Dakota; has 1 dau.:
- VII 67 1 Emma W. Hastings, b. at . A graduate  
of Medical College at Ann Arbor, Mich.
- VI 68 3 Harriet Stearns Hastings, b. at Mendon, N. Y., March 29, 1824, d.  
at Mendon, June 15, 1847.
- VI 69 4 George Stearns Hastings, b. at Mendon, N. Y., May 10, 1830, m. at  
Mendon, Dec. 31, 1861, Jerusha A. Backus, b. at  
George d. at Mendon, March 19, 1881; 2 children:
- VII 70 1 Harriet Stearns Hastings, b. at Mendon, Oct. 20, 1862, m.  
Clarence J. Browning (58).
- VII 71 2 George Hastings, b. at Mendon.
- V 72 5 Polly Stearns, b. at Hardwick, Mass., March 3, 1790, d. 1791.
- V 73 6 SAMUEL STEARNS, b. at Hardwick, Mass., Feb. 8, 1792, d. at Buf-  
falo, N. Y., June 1, 1857.
- V 74 7 Artemas Stearns, b. at Hardwick, Mass., Oct. 12, 1793, d. at Mendon,  
N. Y., May 7, 1848.
- IV Elizabeth Witt Stearns Wood had by her second husband, Nathaniel  
Wood, 1 son:
- V 1 George Witt Wood, b. at Hardwick, April 2, 1808, m. at Mendon, N. Y.,  
Nov. 28, 1831, Roxana Nott Bardeen, b. at Fabius, N. Y., Nov. 25,  
1814. Roxana d. at Honeoye Falls, N. Y., Saturday, Feb. 5, 1887, a  
devoted Christian wife and mother, a faithful member of the Epis-  
copal Church at Honeoye Falls for over forty years. A lengthy  
communicated obituary in a Honeoye Falls paper of that date will  
convey to the reader the estimation in which the community held  
one of the most excellent of women. George and Roxana had 3  
daughters.
- VI 1 Adelpia Wood, b. Dec. 20, 1833.
- VI 2 Malinda Wood, b. March 24, 1838, m. at Mendon, N. Y., Dec. 18,  
1856, Franklin Putnam Sherman, b. at Elba, N. Y., Sept. 18,  
1828; 4 children:
- VII 1 George Wood Sherman, b. at Mendon, April 19, 1858.
- VII 2 Norman Stearns Sherman, b. at Bloomfield, N. Y., Dec. 27, 1861,  
m. Dec. 10, 1884, Dora Lange, b. at Honeoye Falls, April 11,  
1864; 1 dau., Norma, b. Dec. 24, 1887.
- VIII 3 Frank B. Sherman, b. at Bloomfield, Dec. 31, 1863, m.  
1888, at , Frances C. Commings, b. at Lima,  
N. Y., July 30, 1862.
- VII 4 Daniel Sherman, b. at Bloomfield.



- VI            3   Ida Flora Wood, b. Dec. 5, 1850, m. at Honeoye Falls, June 13, 1871, George A. Redman, of Rochester, N. Y., b. at New Orleans, 1844; 1 dau. :
- VII           1   Anna Redman, b. at Rochester, N. Y., June 25, 1874.

## MEMORANDUM OF THE WOOD FAMILY.

STEPHEN WOOD, b. Sept. 21, 1712.

Remember, his wife, b. Aug. 16, 1713.

## CHILDREN.

- I    1   1   Elkanah, b. Nov. 1, 1734.  
 I    2   2   NATHANIEL, b. July 14, 1737.  
 I    3   3   Molly, b. Dec. 29, 1739.  
 I    4   4   Rebecca, b. Nov. 12, 1743.

## SECOND GENERATION.

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- I        NATHANIEL, m. Abigail Carver, b. May 12, 1734.

## CHILDREN.

- II    5   1   Molly, b. Nov. 17, 1764.  
 II    6   2   NATHANIEL, b. Jan. 12, 1767.  
 II    7   3   Carver, b. April 14, 1768.  
 II    8   4   Elkanah, b. Nov. 17, 1769.  
 II    9   5   Peggy, b. March 30, 1771.  
 II   10   6   Rebecca, b. March 22, 1773.  
 II   11   7   Abigail, b. March 12, 1776.  
 II   12   8   Stephen, b. Aug. 6, 1778.

## THIRD GENERATION.

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- II        NATHANIEL, b. Jan. 12, 1767, m. Abigail —, b. Jan. 4, 1776, d. Sept. 18, 1804. M. 2d, Nov. 17, 1805, Elizabeth Witt Stearns, born at Templeton, Mass., July 19, 1765. Children of Nathaniel and Abigail, 3 :
- III   13   1   Carmi, b. Sept. 5, 1798.  
 III   14   2   Polly, b. Jan. 7, 1802.  
 III   15   3   Rebecca, b. June 12, 1804.  
 III   16   4   GEORGE WITT, b. April 2, 1808, son of Nathaniel and Elizabeth.

## SIXTH GENERATION.

## 73

V SAMUEL STEARNS, son of Asa and Elizabeth Witt Stearns, b. at Hardwick, Mass., Feb. 8, 1792, m. at Enfield, Conn., Sept. 18, 1818, Philena Chapin (see Chapin, 48), b. at Enfield, Conn., July 27, 1795. Philena d. at Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 2, 1844. Samuel m. 2d, at Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 18, 1845, Ellen O'Conner, b. at New York City, April 25, 1800. Samuel d. at Buffalo, June 1, 1857. Ellen d. at Buffalo, Jan. 8, 1890, aged nearly 90 years. Samuel and Philena had 4 children.

VI 75 1 George Chapin, b. at Mendon, N. Y., Sept. 3, 1819.

VI 76 2 Norman, b. at Mendon, N. Y., May 31, 1823, d. at Nanuet, N. Y., July 22, 1872.

VI 77 3 Elizabeth, b. at Buffalo, Sept. 19, 1828, d. at Buffalo, Oct. 1, 1828.

VI 78 4 Frederick, b. at Lockport, N. Y., April 8, 1831.

Samuel Stearns (73) learned his trade as builder in Hardwick or Braintree. Went to Enfield, Conn., about 1814; from thence to Mendon, N. Y., about 1817, with the family of Jabez Taylor, returning to Enfield in 1818 for his bride. Made the journey from Connecticut to the "Genesee Valley," then the "El Dorado" of the "Far West," with his wife, in a covered wagon, in western phrase a "prairie schooner" of one-horse power, making the journey in about ten days, and settled in Mendon, N. Y., then in Ontario County. In 1824 he moved to Black Rock, now Buffalo, and engaged in the manufacture of cabinet furniture with a young man of the name of Cutler. In 1829, separating from his partner in business, he removed to Lockport, N. Y. In 1842 he finally returned to Buffalo, where he remained until his death in 1857. He died in the communion of the Protestant Episcopal Church, of which he had been a consistent member for nearly thirty years. He was genial, benevolent and kind, and, by those who knew him, very much respected, for he was one of God's nobility, an "honest man."

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V Artemas Stearns, son of Asa and Elizabeth Witt Stearns, b. at Hardwick, Mass., Oct. 12, 1793, m. at Mendon, N. Y., Sept. 29, 1824, Mary Harris, b. at Fabius, N. Y., June 6, 1803. Artemas d. at Mendon, May 7, 1848; 6 children, all b. in Mendon.

VI 79 1 James Harris, b. May 11, 1825, d. Dec. 11, 1845.

VI 80 2 Delia, b. Jan. 8, 1828, m. April 5, 1849, Alfred P. Browning (55); 2 children:

VII 1 Clara (56), m. Woolston.

VII 2 Clarence (58), m. Hastings.

VI 81 3 William B., b. Oct. 11, 1830, d. July 22, 1832.

VI 82 3 Lathema, b. Dec. 25, 1811, m. Oct. 1850, John Kimball, b. m. 1810, N. Y., March, 1833; 4 son.

VII Arthur K. Kimball, b. Nov. 1837. Arthur m. and had 2 children, now lives in Isaac, Texas.

John Kimball, b. Sept. 1839. Lathema m. Oct. 1850, John C. Johnson, who d. Jan. 1871. Lathema d. Sept. 1871.

VI 83 5 Augusta, b. 1838, d. April 30, 1846.

VI 84 6 Samuel, b. Oct. 14, 1840, m. at Lima, N. Y., Jan. 1863, Mary McMahon. Samuel d. at Kankakee, Ill., March 21, 1868.

## SEVENTH GENERATION.

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VI GEORGE CHAPIN STEARNS, son of Samuel and Phebea Chapin Stearns, b. at Mendon, N. Y., Sept. 2, 1819, m. at Buffalo, Conn., May 1, 1850, by the Rev. E. H. Hooker, Mary Schachler Raynolds, b. at Longmeadow, Mass., Jan. 10, 1819, children:

VII 85 1 Frederick Howard, b. at Buffalo, Conn., 16, 1852.

VII 86 2 George Raymond, b. at Buffalo, Conn., Feb. 20, 1853.

VII 87 3 Norman Chapin, b. at Buffalo, Conn., Nov. 2, 1854, d. at Buffalo, Feb. 6, 1861.

VII 88 4 Charles Pitkin, b. at Buffalo, Conn., 1855.

VII 89 5 Samuel Chapin, b. at Buffalo, Conn., 1854.

VII 90 6 Mary Elizabeth, b. at Buffalo, Conn., 1856, d. at Buffalo, Jan. 3, 1871.

VI NORMAN STEARNS, son of Samuel and Phebea Chapin Stearns, b. at Mendon, N. Y., May 1, 1844, m. at Providence, R. I., the Rev. Francis Weyland, Jan. 22, 1866, Helen J. Dike, b. at Providence, R. I., Nov. 6, 1837, Norman d. at Nantux, N. Y., July 23, 1872, children:

VII 91 1 Henry Allyn, b. at Providence, R. I., Jan. 28, 1863.

VII 92 2 Wayland Dike, b. at Brooklyn, N. Y., Sept. 12, 1865.

VII 93 3 Edith Helen, b. at Brooklyn, N. Y., July 2, 1869.

VII 94 4 Allyn Dike, b. at Nantux, N. Y., Oct. 7, 1870.

Norman had resided in Buffalo nearly all his life, until the year 1863, when he removed to New York City, and engaged in the coal-trade with the firm of L. & C. Brown, the wife's brothers, and resided in Brooklyn, where he remained as resident to Nantux-on-the-Hudson, still continuing his business in New York. He resided in Nantux until his death.

GEORGE CHAPIN STEARNS, son of July 27, 1872, published an obituary, which is here copied to show the estimation in which he was held in the business community.

See page 20, Seventh Generation, No. 75.

The wool trade will be pained to learn of the death of Mr. Norman Stearns.

- VI 82 4 Lutheria, b. Dec. 27, 1833, m. Oct., 1852, John Kimberlain, b. in Dryden, N. Y., March, 1833; 1 son:
- VII 1 Arthur Kimberlain, b. Nov., 1857. Arthur m. and had 1 child; now lives in Isaca, Texas.
- John Kimberlain d. Sept., 1869. Lutheria m. 2d, March, 1871, J. C. Johnson, who d. Jan., 1873. Lutheria d. Sept., 1887.
- VI 83 5 Augusta, b. 1838, d. April 30, 1846.
- VI 84 6 Samuel, b. Oct. 14, 1840, m. at Lima, N. Y., Jan. 9, 1868, Isabella McMahon. Samuel d. at Kankakee, Ill., March 31, 1886.

## SEVENTH GENERATION.

## 75

- VI GEORGE CHAPIN STEARNS, son of Samuel and Philena Chapin Stearns, b. at Mendon, N. Y., Sept. 3, 1819, m. at Enfield, Conn., May 14, 1850, by the Rev. Edward Hooker, Mary Schaeffler Reynolds, b. at Longmeadow, Mass., Jan. 30, 1830; 6 children:
- VII 85 1 Frederick Howard, b. at Buffalo, Jan. 16, 1852.
- VII 86 2 George Reynolds, b. at Buffalo, March 20, 1853.
- VII 87 3 Norman Chapin, b. at Owosso, Mich., Nov. 2, 1857, d. at Buffalo, Feb. 6, 1861.
- VII 88 4 Charles Pitkin, b. at Buffalo, Nov. 3, 1860.
- VII 89 5 Samuel Chapin, b. at Buffalo, Sept. 25, 1864.
- VII 90 6 Mary Elizabeth, b. at Buffalo, Sept. 19, 1871, d. at Buffalo, Jan. 8, 1872.

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- VI NORMAN STEARNS, son of Samuel and Philena Chapin Stearns, b. at Mendon, N. Y., May 31, 1823, m. at Providence, R. I., by the Rev. Francis Wayland, D. D., Jan. 23, 1862, Helen J. Dike, b. at Providence, R. I., Nov. 6, 1834. Norman d. at Nanuet, N. Y., July 22, 1872; 4 children:
- VII 91 1 Henry Albyn, b. at Providence, R. I., Jan. 28, 1863.
- VII 92 2 Wayland Dike, b. at Brooklyn, N. Y., Sept. 13, 1865.
- VII 93 3 Edith Helen, b. at Brooklyn, N. Y., July 2, 1869.
- VII 94 4 Albyn Dike, b. at Nanuet, N. Y., Oct. 7, 1870.

Norman had resided in Buffalo nearly all his life, until the year 1863, when he removed to New York City, and engaged in the wool trade with the firm of Dike Bros., his wife's brothers, and resided in Brooklyn. In 1869 he removed his residence to Nanuet-on-the-Hudson, still continuing his business in New York. He resided in Nanuet until his death, in 1872. A New York paper of July 27, 1872, published an obituary, which is here copied to show the estimation in which he was held in the business community:

"The wool trade will be pained to learn of the death of Mr. Norman Stearns, of

the firm of Dike Bros. His disease was typhoid fever. It is a sad pleasure to report of him that his own sickness was caused chiefly by his devotion to other sick persons. His family had been much afflicted during the spring, and one member was in great danger for a long while, during which Mr. Stearns gave himself freely to the sick, and sowed the seeds of his own disease. He leaves a wife and four young children. Mr. Stearns was a man of upright character and unvarying kindness of manner, as well as of heart. It was a pleasure to meet him in the walks either of business or private life. May we all leave as pleasant a memory."

He was buried in "Greenwood."

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- VI      FREDERICK STEARNS, son of Samuel and Philena Chapin Stearns,  
           b. at Lockport, N. Y., April 8, 1831, m. at Mendon, N. Y., Aug. 15, 1853,  
           Eliza H. Kimball, b. at Sardinia, N. Y., April 18, 1833; 4 children:
- VII 95 1 Frederick Kimball, b. at Buffalo, Dec. 6, 1854.
- VII 96 2 Norman, b. at Detroit, Oct. 6, 1857, d. at Detroit, Oct. 13, 1857.
- VII 97 3 Henry, b. at Detroit, Aug. 20, 1860, d. at Detroit, Oct. 6, 1860.
- VII 98 4 William Isaac Lincoln, b. at Cleveland, O., May 5, 1865.

Frederick Stearns commenced his novitiate as a pharmacist in Buffalo about 1845, from which he arose to be a member of the most prominent drug house in Buffalo. In 1855 he removed to Detroit, Mich. Has been very successful in establishing the largest pharmaceutical manufacturing works in the State, which are now conducted by his son, Frederick K.

## EIGHTH GENERATION.

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- VII      Frederick Howard Stearns, son of Geo. C. and Mary Raynolds Stearns,  
           b. at Buffalo, Jan. 16, 1852, m. at Detroit, Mich., by the Rev.      ,  
           Sept. 3, 1878, Alice Gordon Morphy, b. at Detroit, Aug. 3, 1859; 3  
           children:
- VIII 99 1 George Howard, b. at Detroit, April 29, 1880, d. at Detroit, Oct. 22,  
           1887.
- VIII 100 2 Alice Mary, b. at Detroit, July 16, 1886.
- VIII 101 3 Howard Raynolds, b. at Detroit, Aug. 5, 1888.

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- VII      George Raynolds Stearns, son of Geo. C. and Mary Raynolds Stearns, b.  
           at Buffalo, March 20, 1853. Graduated at the University of Rochester  
           in 1875, and at the New York Homœopathic Medical College, 1878;  
           senior member of the staff at Ward's Island Hospital in 1879. M. at



Buffalo, May 25, 1880, by the Rev. A. T. Chester, Jennie S. Oliver, b. at Buffalo, Nov. 10, 1857: 3 children:

- VIII 102 1 Elizabeth Gibson, b. at Buffalo, June 7, 1884.  
 VIII 103 2 Norman Oliver, b. at Buffalo, Oct. 6, 1886, d. April 2, 1887.  
 VIII 104 3 George Reynolds, Jr., b. at Buffalo, Nov. 5, 1889.

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VII Charles Pitkin Stearns, son of Geo. C. and Mary Reynolds Stearns, b. at Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 3, 1860, m. at Buffalo, N. Y., May 14, 1885, by the Rev. Geo. S. Whitman, Carrie Anna Douw, b. at Buffalo, July 13, 1864, dau. of Garrett and Elizabeth Rhodes Douw: 3 children:

- VIII 105 1 Mary Natalie, b. at Buffalo, March 17, 1886.  
 VIII 106 2 Edith, b. at Buffalo, Aug. 25, 1887.  
 VIII 107 3 Samuel Douw, b. at Buffalo, Aug. 10, 1889.

The Douws were a prominent family in the early settlement of Albany, N. Y., about the middle of the Seventeenth Century. The first one in this country was Captain Volkert Janszen Douw, who came from Frederickstadt, in Germany, in 1638, and settled in Albany. He was the son of John Douw, who was a Hollander and a descendant of Gerhardt Douw, the famous Dutch painter. Capt. Volkert Janszen Douw m. Derote Van Breestide, April 12, 1650; they had daughters and 4 sons—

- I Andreas, Hendrick, VOLKERT and Jonas. Volkert Douw, of Manor Rensselaer-Wyck, m. Margareta, dau. of Abraham Van Leight; they had Jonas Volkert, who m. Jannetie Bogaset; they had 8 children.  
 III The youngest, Cornelis, m. June 6, 1773, Cathrina Van Schaick; they had 7 children. Their youngest, John C., b. Aug. 24, 1788, m. Elizabeth Van Allen; they had 9 children. Garrett Douw, their son, b. Aug. 12, 1815, m. Feb. 18, 1844, Elizabeth Rhodes, and had 6 children:  
 VI 1 George W., b. Dec. 16, 1844, d.  
 VI 2 Helen Mar, b. July 9, 1846, m. 1st, Oct. 27, 1870, Geo. B. Tripp, d. Helen m. 2d, Henry Phillipps, of California.  
 VI 3 William, b. Oct. 10, 1849, m. May 12, 1891, Mattie Louisa Nye.  
 VI 4 Lillie E., b. Oct. 13, 1851, m. Dec. 10, 1878, Cyrus H. Lord, who d. 1890.  
 VI 5 Carrie, b. Aug. 2, 1860, d.  
 VI 6 Annie Carrie, b. July 13, 1864, m. Chas. P. Stearns (see Stearns, 88).

The following sketch is taken from "A Glimpse of an Old Dutch Town," in *Harper's Monthly*, March, 1881: "The Douws were an old Dutch family, whose name is closely associated with the early settlement of Albany. The first of the name was Volckert Janszen Douw von Freiderickstadt, who fled with others to the Netherlands in 1638, to escape the persecution waged against the Mennonites. His birthplace was Leenwarden, in the province of Friesland, Holland. His grandson, Petrous Douw, married Anna, daughter of Hendrick Van Rensselaer, and Catrina Van Brugh, who

was granddaughter of Anneke Jans, and built in 1724 the old Douw mansion at Wolvenhoeck, about a mile and a half below Albany, on the opposite side of the river. In this homestead lived his son, Judge Volckert P. Douw, a man prominent in civil and religious affairs. He was Recorder and Mayor of Albany for many years, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Vice-President of the first Provincial Congress, as well as the first Judge of Albany County. His wife was a daughter of Johannes De Peyster."

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- VII Samuel Chapin Stearns, son of Geo. C. and Mary Reynolds Stearns, b. at Buffalo, Sept. 25, 1864, m. at Detroit, Mich., April 9, 1889, by the Rev. Wallace Radcliffe, Marguerite Welles Johnson, b. at Corning, N. Y., Aug. 22, 1867, dau. of Judge Thomas Atwater and Sarah Welles Johnson.

- VII Henry Albyn Stearns, son of Norman and Helen Dike Stearns, b. at Providence, R. I., Jan. 28, 1863.

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- VII Wayland Dike Stearns, son of Norman and Helen Dike Stearns, b. at  
Brooklyn, N. Y., Sept. 13, 1865.

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- VII Albyn Dike Stearns, son of Norman and Helen Dike Stearns, b. at  
Nanuet, N. Y., Oct. 7, 1870.

VII

Frederick Kimball Stearns, son of Frederick and Ellen Kimball Stearns, b. at Buffalo, Dec. 6, 1851, m. at Detroit, Mich., Helen L. [illegible]

VIII

108 1 Daisy Helen Louisa, b. at Detroit, Mich., Nov. 6, 1881

VIII

109 2 Frederick Garfield, b. at Detroit, July 12, 1884



FREDERICK STEARNS.

See page 30, Seventh Generation, No. 78.

- VII Frederick Kimball Stearns, son of Frederick and Eliza Kimball Stearns,  
b. at Buffalo, Dec. 6, 1854, m. at Detroit, Mich., Oct. 16, 1878, Helen E.  
Sweet, b. at Buffalo, July 12, 1859; 2 children:
- VIII 108 1 Daisy Helen Louisa, b. at Detroit, Mich., Nov. 6, 1879.
- VIII 109 2 Frederick Garfield, b. at Detroit, July 12, 1881.

- VII William Isaac Lincoln Stearns, son of Frederick and Eliza Kimball Stearns, b. at Cleveland, O., May 3, 1865.

## THE CHAPIN FAMILY



BRONZE STATUE OF DEACON SAMUEL CHAPIN.

STEARNS PARK, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.



## THE CHAPIN FAMILY.

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### GENEALOGY OF A BRANCH OF THE CHAPIN FAMILY IN AMERICA.

The Rev. Samuel Chapin, D. D., of Rockyhill, Conn., says as to the native place of Deacon Samuel Chapin :

"Samuel Chapin is believed to be the progenitor of all who bear the name in this country. Respecting the history of the family previous to his landing here, or the precise time of his arrival, nothing is definitely known.

"It is supposed by some to be of Welsh origin.

"His opinion is founded on some obscure traditions remembered by Calvin Chapin as current in Chicopee, and the prevalence of some Welsh phrases and terms among the people of Chicopee, the greater part of whom bear this name. Calvin Chapin recollects on one occasion a man, who was ridiculed by his mother, retorted by calling her Welsh by way of reproach.

"On a map of England in the possession of C. Chapin there is in Derbyshire the name of Chapin frith (frith meaning a rough, mountainous region of country); this on another map is written Chapelin or Chapalin, and he thinks, perhaps, as they were always a very religious, conscientious people, they may have been so termed from chapel, and this finally modified to Chapin."

Dr. Holland, "Timothy Titcomb," of famous memory (himself of the Chapin family by marriage with one of its daughters), whose songs and stories have been, and are now, the delight of his countrymen, says of the origin of the name :

"It is very ancient, in fact dating from the time of the Flood, of Noah in the Ark; for was not Japhet the Chap-in? and many another poor fellow the Chap-out?"

Upon the occasion of the unveiling of the Chapin statue in "Stearns Park," Springfield, Mass., Nov. 24, 1887, Prof. A. L. Chapin says :

"The beginning of the Chapin line is altogether creditable. We may well be satisfied that it should start with this genuine old Puritan, and what he did with his fellow pioneers to open this American continent and on it to found a city, and to establish a model Christian Republic. The rolls of heraldry, even if they could show the name linked with royal or princely blood, would add nothing to the true nobility of its origin. It belongs peculiarly to this country, and the sphere of its highest dignity and honor was no doubt ordained to be here. Our chief anxiety should be to maintain and advance its true nobility by lives and deeds worthy of such a father."

The name, it seems, is common in France. Dr. Chapin, in his researches in French genealogies in France and in this country, finds it as remote as 1564, orthography the same as now. The Professor concludes with this hypothesis:

"The Chapins in France were an upright, godly sort of folk, and they readily accepted the doctrines and precepts of the Protestant faith when it was made known to them. So they were classed with the Huguenots and suffered with them. Near the close of the Sixteenth Century the father of Samuel took his family, and, with other Huguenots, fled to Holland. There they associated with the English Puritans, who fled for safety to the same country. The children readily learned the English language. Samuel married his French wife, Cicely, and took her, in company with some English Puritans, to Dartmouth for a temporary residence. There four or five of his children were born, and in due time the family, being Puritan in spirit, embarked with a company of Puritans for New England, and here the deacon entered upon a career which gained honor for his name, and his children grew and multiplied.

"Samuel Chapin took the freeman's oath in Boston, June 2, 1641. He lived, probably, in Dorchester, and was a deacon in the Church, a man much esteemed and employed in public business."

## FIRST GENERATION.

- 1 DEACON SAMUEL CHAPIN came with his family to ~~reside~~ in Springfield, Mass., in 1642. It would appear that he resided in this country some eight or ten years before he came to Springfield, and a greater part of his children may have been born in this country, but record has been found of the birth of but one, the youngest, and we find record of but one of his sons taking the freeman's oath. David, his son, was made a freeman in Springfield, 5th day, 2d month, 1649. None of the name in this country have been able to trace their lineage to any other source.

Oct. 10, 1652, Samuel Chapin was appointed one of the magistrates of Springfield, and in 1654 his commission was extended indefinitely. He was also much employed in other public business, a useful and highly esteemed man.

In the records of the colony of Massachusetts Bay, in New England, the name of John Chapin is mentioned in connection with the building of a movable fort, March 4, 1633-4, and in July, 1634, mention is made of a meadow, a part of which "John Chapin hath mown." That is all the record that has been found of him. Whether or not he was a brother of Samuel is not known.

Deacon Samuel Chapin died Nov. 11, 1675, age not known. The family name of his wife, Cicely, is not known. Mrs. Cicely Chapin died Feb. 8, 1683, age not known; 7 children:

- I 2 1 JAPHET, b. 1642, d. Feb. 20, 1712.
- I 3 2 Henry, d. Aug. 15, 1718.
- I 4 3 Catharine, d. Feb. 4, 1712.
- I 5 4 David.
- I 6 5 Josiah, d. Sept. 10, 1726.
- I 7 6 Sarah, d. Aug. 5, 1684.
- I 8 7 Hannah, b. Springfield, Dec. 2, 1644.

It is quite possible these children are not placed in the order of their births.

The Boston city records show that Jane, dau. of Shem Chapin and Deborah, his wife, was born Sept. 16, 1665. He might have been a son of Deacon Samuel, and died leaving no male issue.

Japhet and Henry had families in the north part of Springfield, now Chicopee.

David resided a few years near the center of the town of Springfield, and afterward removed to Boston.

Josiah settled in Mendon, Worcester County. He was one of the original grantees of that town. It is said he was from Braintree, and built the first saw-mill in Mendon. Probably he did not reside any great length of time in Springfield.

I Josiah, m. Mary —; had son.

II 9 1 Samuel, b. Nov. 11, 1659.

Springfield records, Vol. 3, p. 71:

Sarah, m. April 14, 1647, Rowland Thomas, and had 14 children.

Hannah m. Sept. 27, 1666, to Dea. John Hitchcock, and had 9 children.

Deacon Samuel Chapin lived on the home lot next south of the ministry lot, in the center of the village of Springfield. His son Japhet owned one-half of the premises, but sold his right therein by deed bearing date Nov. 19, 1667, to Deacon John Hitchcock, who had married Japhet's sister Hannah.

Henry Chapin, son of Samuel, was the ancestor of Chester W. Chapin, of Springfield.

## SECOND GENERATION.

### 2.

- I JAPHET CHAPIN, of Chicopee, son of Deacon Samuel Chapin, b. 1642, m. 1st, July 22, 1664, Abilenah Cooley. Mrs. Abilenah Chapin d. Nov. 17, 1710. A small stone in the old burying ground in Springfield marks the spot where she was buried. He m. 2d, May 31, 1711, Dorothy Root, of Enfield, Conn. He died Feb. 20, 1712, and was buried by the side of his first wife, Abilenah. Their remains, and the stones which mark their resting places, have been removed to the new cemetery in Springfield.

Japhet probably resided for a time in Milford, Conn., as the Worshipful

Capt. John Pyncheon, of Springfield, conveyed to Japhet Chapin, of Milford, in Connecticut Colony, a small strip of land near Connecticut river, in Springfield, bounds east on Deacon Chapin's land. Deed dated Nov. 16, 1669.

By deed bearing date March 9, 1666, John Pyncheon conveyed to Samuel Chapin the greater part of the land lying in the valley between Chicopee river and Willimansett brook, and by deed bearing date April 16, 1673, Samuel conveys the same premises to his son, Japhet Chapin. Japhet built him a house at the upper end of Chicopee street, northwesterly of where the dwelling house of Henry Sherman stands.

Japhet was in the great fight at Turner's Falls, May 18, 1676, and on an outside leaf of an old account book, belonging to Japhet, supposed to be in his handwriting, has been found the following memorandum :

"I went out Volenteare against ingens the 17th May, 1676, and we ingaged batel the 19th of May in the morning before sunrise, and made great Spoil upon the enemy, and came off the same day with the Los of 37 men and the Captain Turner, and came home the 20th of May."

And on another leaf in the same old book is found the following by Japhet: "My father was taken out of this troublesome world the 11 day of November, about eleven of the clock in the eve, 1675."

Thomas Chapin, son of Japhet, was one of the original grantees of the large tract of land which was granted to the officers and soldiers, and their descendants, in the Falls fight.

After the death of Japhet Chapin, the Rev. Mr. Williams, of Deerfield, wrote a lengthy letter to his children, instructing them concerning the improvement they should make of his death, and speaking of him as having been a man of great piety. This letter is yet extant, and in the care of Mr. Dormer Chapin.

Children of Japhet and Abilenah Cooley Chapin, found on record :

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|----|----|----|--|
| II | 10 | 1  | Samuel, b. July 9, 1665, d. Oct. 19, 1729.                   |
| II | 11 | 2  | Sarah, b. March 16, 1668, m. March 24, 1690, Nathaniel Mumm. |
| II | 12 | 3  | THOMAS, b. May 10, 1671, d. Aug. 27, 1755.                   |
| II | 13 | 4  | John, b. May 14, 1674, d. June 1, 1759.                      |
| II | 14 | 5  | Ebenezer, b. June 26, 1677, d. Dec. 13, 1772.                |
| II | 15 | 6  | Hannah, b. June 21, 1679, d. July 7, 1679.                   |
| II | 16 | 7  | Hannah, b. July 18, 1680.                                    |
| II | 17 | 8  | David, b. Nov. 16, 1682, d. July 7, 1772.                    |
| II | 18 | 9  | Jonathan, b. Feb. 20, 1685, d. March 1, 1686.                |
| II | 19 | 10 | Jonathan, b. Sept. 23, 1688, d. Feb. 23, 1761.               |

Hannah was married Dec. 3, 1703, to John Sheldon, of Deerfield. Her friends, feeling some anxiety in regard to her settling in a frontier town, and as she was making a dress previous to her leaving the paternal home, her mother told her she must make the dress so it would do to wear into captivity.

The town of Deerfield was attacked by Indians about three months after her marriage, and she was taken captive, with many others, and marched to Canada. After about two years, many of the captives were redeemed and returned home. There is reason to believe that Hannah's husband went to Canada and obtained her release before the release of the other prisoners.

- III John, son of John and Hannah Chapin Sheldon (16), of Deerfield, b. in Springfield, April 12, 1706.

1720-1, Obadiah Miller and widow Dorothy Chapin, of Enfield, were joined in marriage. Probably she was the widow of Japhet.

### THIRD GENERATION.

#### 12

- II THOMAS, son of Japhet and Abilenah Cooley Chapin, b. May 10, 1671, m., 1692-3, Sarah Wright, b. 1672. He d. Aug 27, 1755. She d. July 26, 1770, aged 98 years; 11 children:
- III 20 1 Thomas, b. Jan. 2, 1694, d. 1781.
- III 21 2 Japhet, b. March 16, 1697, d. Feb. 8, 1786.
- III 22 3 Abel, b. Jan. 28, 1700, d. May 3, 1772.
- III 23 4 Shem, b. Feb. 3, 1702.
- III 24 5 Sarah, b. Feb. 18, 1708, m. May 17, 1753, Luke Parsons, of Somers, Conn.
- III 25 6 NATHANIEL, b. Aug. 9, 1711, d. at Cape Breton, supposed in 1745.
- III 26 7 Bathsheba, b. Dec. 19, 1713, m. 1st, April 2, 1745, Jacob Hitchcock; m. 2d, Dr. Lamberton Cooper, of Agawam.
- III 27 8 Jabez, b. April 3, 1716, d. April 20, 1716.
- III 28 9 Deborah, b. Oct. 31, 1719, m. April 30, 1746, Eleazer Frary, of Hatfield.
- III 29 10 Martha, twin, b. Dec. 5, 1704, m. Oct. 20, 1740, Samuel Wells, of Hatfield. She d. July 8, 1801, aged 97 years.
- III 30 11 Esther, twin, b. Dec. 5, 1704, m. 1st, Oct. 22, 1747, Noah Cook, of Hadley; m. 2d, Deacon Nathaniel Horton, of Somers.

### FOURTH GENERATION.

#### 25

- III NATHANIEL CHAPIN, son of Thomas and Sarah Wright Chapin, of Enfield, b. Aug. 9, 1711, m. Sarah Abbee, dau. of Thomas Abbee, of Enfield. It is supposed that Nathaniel went to Cape Breton with the expedition against Louisberg, which surrendered to the Americans and English June 16, 1745, and died there. Many of the troops in that expedition were from Connecticut, and some from other States. Mrs. Sarah



Abbee Chapin m. 2d, Capt. Hezekiah Parsons, of Enfield. Children of Nathaniel and Sarah Abbee Chapin:

IV 31 1 Nathaniel, b. Dec. 31, 1738, d. Feb. 11, 1831.

IV 32 2 ELIPHALET, b. March 2, 1741.

IV 33 3 Jabez.

## FIFTH GENERATION.

### 31

- IV Nathaniel, son of Nathaniel and Sarah Abbee Chapin, b. Dec. 31, 1738, m. 1st, Sibyl Terry; m. 2d, Zevia Parsons. He d. in Enfield, Conn., Feb. 11, 1831. Children of Nathaniel and Sibyl:
- V 34 1 Nathaniel, m. 1st, Cynthia Parsons; m. 2d, Lovica Sexton. He was a Methodist minister, and had 9 children.
- V 35 2 Jabez, , d. in Ohio.
- V 36 3 Simeon, , d. in Enfield.
- V 37 4 Sibyl, b. at Enfield, Conn., m. at Enfield, 1788, Thomas Metcalf, b. at Enfield Aug. 9, 1764; 12 children, all born in Enfield but one. Thomas and Sibyl moved to Chardon, O., in 1819. Thomas died there March 16, 1827. Sibyl died there March 6, 1859. She was blind and helpless for twenty years. Children:
- VI 1 Sibyl, b. July 19, 1789, m. Samuel Smith. Lived in Chardon; 7 children.
- VI 2 Horace, b. March 23, 1791, m. Sibyl Chapin; 3 children. He d. Sibyl m. Rev. James Ely, and lives in , Conn.
- VI 3 Samuel, b. Jan. 16, 1793, d. unm. at Attica, O.
- VI 4 Elizabeth, b. Jan. 27, 1795, d. Feb. 9, 1795.
- VI 5 Elizabeth, b. Jan. 1, 1796, m. Jonathan Chandler; 7 children. Died at Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 4, 1889, aged 93, at the house of her son Henry.
- VI 6 Thomas, Jr., b. Jan. 10, 1798, m. Paulinia Beard, now living, Oct., 1889, in Chardon; 11 children.
- VI 7 Asa B., b. March 9, 1800, on the road from Vermont to Connecticut, m. Barbara Harris. Was a physician; lived in New Orleans; went to California, and d. there; 4 children.
- VI 8 Eben, b. Dec. 27, 1801, m. 1st, May 5, 1827, Azubah Chapin (53). She d. March 3, 1832; 3 children, all d. M. 2d, June 16, 1835, Lovica Chapin (55); 7 children. Living in Chardon, O. He d. in Chardon, 1886.
- VI 9 Sidney, b. March 16, 1804, m. 1st, Aug. 14, 1824, Dr. Evert Denton; 4 children. M. 2d, Nov. 8, 1832, Jude Converse, d. in Chardon; 2 children.
- VI 10 Harriet, b. Feb. 23, 1806, m. Dr. O. W. Ludlow. Lived in Newbury and Auburn, O.; 8 children.

- VI 11 George, b. Feb. 26, 1808, m. ; 10 children.
- VI 12 Orin, b. Jan. 28, 1810, m. Zuleika Lyons. Went to Natchez, Miss.; 10 children.
- V 38 5 Esther, m. Major Moses Allen. Children of Moses and Esther Chapin Allen:
- VI 1 Moses, m. Kingsbury.
- VI 2 Harmon, m. Meecham, d. at Enfield.
- VI 3 Esther, m. Jabez Taylor, of Enfield, Conn. About 1817 moved to Mendon, N. Y. Taylor street in Mendon, N. Y., is named for him.
- VI 4 Lucinda, m. Dr. Holland, of Westfield.
- VI 5 Gilbert, of Enfield.
- VI 6 Clarendon, d. young.
- VI 7 Olcott, b. at Enfield, Oct. 14, 1806, m. 1st, May 29, 1828, Mary, dau. of Stephen and May Leffingwell Spaulding, of Enfield, b. Jan. 27, 1810; 3 children:
- VII 1 Mary Esther Allen, b. May 28, 1829. Now of Somerville, Mass., unm.
- VII 2 Edward Payson Allen, b. July 24, 1832, m. April, 1865, Mary Grant, of Manchester, Conn. He d. at Dansville, N. Y., Feb. 1, 1866; 1 child:
- VIII 1 Grace Allen, b. Jan. 28, 1866.  
Mary Grant Allen m. 2d, 1868, Charles R. Allen, son of Roderick and Sophronia Pease Allen.  
Edward Payson Allen enlisted early in the War of the Rebellion, in the 1st Conn. Volunteers, continuing in faithful and efficient service "during the war," until about three weeks before the disbanding of the Union army, when he was obliged to retire an invalid, and died at Dansville, N. Y., in 1866, a brave patriot, a Christian soldier.
- VII 3 Joseph Willard Allen, b. Jan. 30, 1834, d. July 10, 1834.  
Mary Spaulding Allen d. . Olcott Allen m. 2d, April 27, 1837, Lucy Ann, dau. of Eben and Anna Hall Parsons, of Enfield; 3 children (see Parsons, No. 30).
- VI 8 Roderick Allen, m. Sophronia Pease; 1 son:
- VII Charles R. Allen.  
Roderick died. Sophronia m. 2d, Albert Parsons, of Enfield (see Parsons, No. 46).
- V 39 6 Betsey, d. unm.

- IV ELIPHALET, son of Nathaniel and Sarah Abbee Chapin, of Enfield, b. March 2, 1741, m. 1760-1, Azubah Pease, b. Nov. 2, 1744, dau. of Ebenezer and Mary Terry Pease (see Pease, 60); 9 children:
- V 40 1 Eliphalet, b. 1763, m. Abigail Pease, of Enfield, lived at Sixteen Acres, in Springfield; had 11 children. He d. Feb. 26, 1848. Abigail d. May 11, 1830.

- V 41 2 Sarah, m. Levi Meachem, of Enfield; 2 children. She d. aged 84.  
 V 42 3 Polly, m. James W. Talcott, of Chicopee; 4 children.  
 V 43 4 Persis, m. Eli Hayes, of Chicopee; 7 children.  
 V 44 5 Azubah, m. Ebenezer Collins. First lived at Warehouse Point. For many years a distiller at South Hadley; 7 children.  
 V 45 6 Thomas, twin, m. Mary Pease, of Enfield; 10 children.  
 V 46 7 Obadiah, twin, m. Lois Rose, of Granville; 5 children.  
 V 47 8 Lovica, m. Abel Terry, lived in Auburn, N. Y., afterwards in Buffalo; 5 children: Hannah, Lucien, Orin, Louisa and Azubah.  
 V 48 9 GEORGE, b. July 20, 1771.

## SIXTH GENERATION.

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- V GEORGE, son of Eliphalet and Azubah Pease Chapin, of Enfield, b. July 20, 1771, m. Jan. 30, 1793, Lucy, dau. of Shubael and Lucy Pease Parsons, of Enfield, b. Oct. 17, 1774. He d. at Ogden, N. Y., June 6, 1856, aged 85. She d. at Enfield, Conn., Aug. 26, 1849; 8 children, all born in Enfield, Conn:  
 VI 49 1 PHILENA, b. July 27, 1795, d. Aug. 2, 1844.  
 VI 50 2 Clarissa, b. Dec. 21, 1797, d. May 1, 1872.  
 VI 51 3 George, b. March 7, 1800, d. Sept. 11, 1802.  
 VI 52 4 Lucy, b. Dec. 6, 1802, *non compos.*  
 VI 53 5 Azubah, b. Feb. 24, 1808, d. March 4, 1832.  
 VI 54 6 Mary Ann, b. Nov. 12, 1810, d. Nov. 16, 1883.  
 VI 55 7 Lovica, b. May 24, 1814.  
 VI 56 8 Catharine, b. March 21, 1817, d. Dec. 1, 1870, m. Theo. W. Pease (see Pease, 96).

## SEVENTH GENERATION.

## 49

- VI PHILENA, dau. of George and Lucy Parsons Chapin, of Enfield, b. Monday, July 27, 1795, m. Sept. 18, 1818, Samuel Stearns, b. Feb. 8, 1792; 4 children:  
 VII 57 1 George Chapin, b. at Mendon, N. Y., Sept. 3, 1819.  
 VII 58 2 Norman, b. at Mendon, N. Y., May 31, 1823, d. at Nanuet, N. Y., July 22, 1872.  
 VII 59 3 Elizabeth, b. at Black Rock, N. Y., Sept. 19, 1828, d. Oct. 1, 1828.  
 VII 60 4 Frederick, b. at Lockport, N. Y., April 8, 1831.  
 Philena d. at Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 2, 1844. Samuel d. at Buffalo, N. Y., June 1, 1857 (see Stearns, 73).

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- VI Clarissa, dau. of George and Lucy Parsons Chapin, of Enfield, Conn., b. Dec. 21, 1797, m. Nov. 24, 1831, Alpha Chapin, of Rochester, N. Y., b. at West Springfield, Mass., Oct. 3, 1796, son of Moses A. and Lucina Chapin, of West Springfield. Alpha d. at Spencerport, N. Y., June 21, 1868. Clarissa d. at Spencerport, N. Y., May 1, 1872; 3 children:
- VII 61 1 Dwight Stearns, b. Nov. 4, 1833, d. Dec. 25, 1834.
- VII 62 2 Catharine Lovica, b. at Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 12, 1836, now of Galesburg, Ills., unm.
- VII 63 3 Seth Dwight, b. at Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 21, 1838, d. April 29, 1838. Alpha was a resident of Rochester for many years, was a deacon in the First Presbyterian Church; finally he removed to Spencerport, in the town of Ogden, N. Y., where he died. For further record of his family, his brothers and sisters, etc., reference is made to No. 236, "Chapin Genealogy," by the Rev. Orange Chapin, 1862.

It will, perhaps, be interesting to trace Alpha's and Clarissa's lineage back to Dea. Samuel, thus: Alpha was the son of Moses, who was the son of Moses, who was the son of Ebenezer, who was the son of Japhet, who was the son of Samuel. Clarissa was the dau. of George, who was the son of Eliphalet, who was the son of Nathaniel, who was the son of Thomas, who was the son of Japhet, who was the son of Samuel.

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- VI Azubah, dau. of George and Lucy Parsons Chapin, of Enfield, Conn., b. Feb. 24, 1808, m. at Enfield, May 3, 1827, Eben Metcalf, of Enfield, b. 1802. Azubah d. at Enfield, March 4, 1832; 3 children, all born and died in Enfield:
- VII 64 1 Eliza Dixon Metcalf, b. Feb. 28, 1828, d. May 18, 1835.
- VII 65 2 John Metcalf, b. March 9, 1830, d. Oct. 13, 1830.
- VII 66 3 Henry E. Metcalf, b. July 14, 1831, d. May 7, 1835.

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- VI Mary Ann, dau. of George and Lucy Parsons Chapin, of Enfield, Conn., b. May 12, 1810, m. May 6, 1830, George Webster Bush, of Buffalo, b. July 9, 1800. Mary Ann d. at Rahway, N. J., Nov. 16, 1883. Mr. Bush d. at Rahway, Oct. 4, 1874; both buried at Forest Lawn, Buffalo. They were old-time residents of Buffalo, where three of their children were born and died. After the death of three of their children they removed to Rahway, N. J.; 4 children:
- VII 67 1 George Adams Bush, b. at Big Flats, N. Y., Feb. 25, 1831, m. June 30, 1861, Mary A. Hunting, of Sag Harbor, L. I., b. at Sag Harbor, March 15, 1836. Mary d. at Newburgh, N. Y., March 12, 1868, leaving one dau.:

- VIII 68 1 Mary Hunting Bush (Daisy), b. at Sag Harbor, Aug. 22, 1864, m. at Rahway, Oct. 11, 1888, Dr. Mefford Runyon, b. at  
 VII George Adams Bush m. 2d. at Rahway, Dec. 15, 1880, Laura A. Miller, b. at Rahway, Nov. 25, 1845. Children of George A. and Laura Bush:  
 VIII 69 1 Helen Miller Bush, b. Aug. 3, 1882.  
 VIII 70 2 Charles Seymour Bush, b. March 19, 1885.  
 VIII 71 3 George Stearns Bush, b. June 29, 1886, d. Aug. 9, 1886.  
 VIII 71½ 4 Horace Chapin Bush, b. Dec. 27, 1888.  
 VII 72 2 Charles Seymour Bush, b. at Buffalo, Jan. 19, 1833, d. Aug. 29, 1854.  
 VII 73 3 Mary Elizabeth Bush, b. at Buffalo, Jan. 11, 1837, d. June 13, 1850.  
 VII 74 4 Charlotte Helen Bush, b. at Buffalo, Oct. 5, 1839, d. Nov. 24, 1854.

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- VI Lovica, dau. of George and Lucy Parsons Chapin, of Enfield, Conn., b. Tuesday, May 24, 1814, m. at Enfield, June 18, 1835, Eben Metcalf being his 2d wife.  
 Eben and Lovica resided in Chardon, Ohio, for many years, where their children were born. He d. in Chardon, July 7, 1886, aged 85; 7 children:  
 VII 75 1 Eliza Dixon Metcalf, b. Feb. 19, 1838, m. at Chardon, March 31, 1871, Samuel Wagner, of Toledo, Ohio. Eliza d. at Toledo, Feb. 28, 1872, leaving one son, Fred. Compton Wagner, b. Feb. 18, 1872.  
 VIII Eliza had been married less than a year. Twice in that time had the old home circle been stricken in the death of two of its bright daughters. Of Eliza, we may say she possessed that excellent Christian grace, "charity, which suffereth long and is kind," a genial and sunny soul, ever striving to be of service to others. Peaceful be thy rest, gentle cousin.  
 VII 76 2 Charles Henry Metcalf, b. March 18, 1840.  
 VII 77 3 Isabella L. Metcalf, b. Sept. 15, 1842, m. at Chardon, Aug. 3, 1865, Stephen A. Pomeroy, b. July 15, 1834. Isabella d. April 22, 1871; 3 children:  
 VIII 78 1 Norman C. Pomeroy, b. June 4, 1866.  
 VIII 79 2 Willie M. Pomeroy, b. Sept. 13, 1868.  
 VIII 80 3 Fred. Pomeroy, b. Jan., 1870, d. April 13, 1871.  
 VII 81 4 Catharine Lovica Metcalf, b. July 31, 1845, m. July 30, 1872, Stephen A. Pomeroy, being his 2d wife. He died April 22, 1873; 1 son:  
 VIII 82 1 Louis S. Pomeroy, b. June 27, 1873.  
 VII 83 5 Theodore F. Metcalf, b. May 17, 1850, d. May 9, 1851.  
 VII 84 6 Willie Seymour Metcalf, b. Oct. 26, 1853, m. Feb. 7, 1884, Hattie Norton; 1 child:  
 VIII 85 1 Garda Metcalf, b. July 21, 1885.  
 VII 86 7 Louis E. Metcalf, b. Dec. 13, 1858, d. March 13, 1862.

## THE PARSONS FAMILY.

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HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL MEMORANDA OF A PART OF THE ENFIELD,  
CONN., PARSONS AND PEASE FAMILIES.

Various surmises and conjectures have been indulged in by some genealogists as to the origin of the name of this family, some of them quite unique. One or two examples may be noticed here. First, it is well known that the family originated in England, and there, as well as elsewhere, then, as well as now, they had their poor to care for and support. Each borough or parish had its quota of poor dependents, some so poor as not even to have a name, and were called sons of the parish, or parish sons, modified finally to Parsons. This is going a long way for a name, far-fetched, so to speak. The labor expended upon the conception of this idea must have been very fatiguing. Another is: There was born in Shropshire, England, in 1483, Thomas Parr; died in London in 1635, clothed with the pomp of seven score and twelve years. He had children, sons, who were distinguished as old Parr's sons, thence Parsons. This is more amusing than tenable. One more is: A Christian minister, also called priest, pastor or parson, adopted the latter official designation, thus originating the family title. Many eminent and distinguished divines in this and in the mother country have borne, and do now bear, the honored name.

The Hon. Levi Parsons Morton, Vice-President of the United States, is undoubtedly a descendant of this family, though, from material and records at hand, it does not appear to credit him to the Enfield branch.

Having arrived at this comforting conclusion as to the origin of the name, we will endeavor to trace the history and genealogy of a branch of the family identified with the goodly town of Enfield, Conn., the most of the material for which has been kindly furnished by Mrs. Lucy Ann Parsons Allen, of Philadelphia.

Upon Enfield records the following children of Thomas and Sarah Parsons are found:

John, b. April 25, 1699.

Mary, b. Aug. 7, 1700.

Hannah, b. March 28, 1703.

This Thomas may possibly have been a brother of Philip Parsons, who settled in Enfield in 1697.



## FIRST GENERATION.

A Philip Parsons sailed from England June 23, 1635, in the ship "America," for Virginia. Said to have had wife Anna, and had a son:

- I PHILIP PARSONS, who settled in Enfield, Conn., in 1697, and died there;  
 10 children, born in Enfield:
- I 2 1 Ebenezer, b. 17—, d. Nov. 2, 1706.
  - I 3 2 Philip, b. Aug. 2, 1708.
  - I 4 3 Nathaniel, b. March 11, 1710, d.
  - I 5 4 NATHANIEL, b. March 15, 1711.
  - I 6 5 Love, b. June 9, 1712.
  - I 7 6 Shubael, b. June 11, 1715, d. unm.
  - I 8 7 A dau., b. Nov. 18, 1717, d. Dec. 2, 1717.
  - I 9 8 Thomas, b. Nov. 29, 1718, d. Nov. 21, 1811.
  - II 10 Had son Elijah, b. 1745, d. 1797.
  - I 11 9 Sarah, b. May 15, 1722.
  - I 12 10 Ebenezer, b. 1724, d. at Cape Breton.

## SECOND GENERATION.

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- I NATHANIEL, 4th son of 1st Philip Parsons, b. March 15, 1711, m. 1736.  
 Alice, dau. of Rev. Nathaniel Collins, first settled minister of Congregational Church in Enfield, who was ordained in 1699, and son of Rev. Nathaniel Collins, of Middletown; 10 children:
- II 13 1 Nathaniel, b. April 30, 1736.
  - II 14 2 Alice, b. June 16, 1738.
  - II 15 3 Zemiah, b. Oct. 8, 1740.
  - II 16 4 Asa, b. Feb. 14, 1742.
  - II 17 5 Edward, b. April 25, 1745, d. in Springfield.
  - II 18 6 Ebenezer, b. April 19, 1748.
  - II 19 7 William, b. March 13, 1750, d. in East Windsor. Had son William (III).
  - II 20 8 SHUBAEL, b. 1752, d. in Enfield, Oct. 13, 1819, of dropsy.
  - II 21 9 Lucia, b. June 14, 1755.
  - II 22 10 Asa, b. Nov. 9, 1757. Removed from Enfield.

## THIRD GENERATION.

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- II SHUBAEL PARSONS, son of Nathaniel and Alice Collins Parsons, b. 1752, m. Jan. 13, 1774, Lucy Pease, b. Jan. 26, 1751, dau. of Samuel and Zermia Chapin Pease. Shubael d. Oct. 13, 1819. Lucy d. Aug. 18, 1827; 7 children:
- III 23 1 LUCIA, b. Oct. 17, 1774, m. George Chapin (see Chapin, 48).
- III 24 2 Zemiah, b. Aug. 13, 1776, m. David Wilson. Lived in Springfield in 1858. Their descendants are at Bridgeport and Windsor, Conn.
- III 25 3 Rufus, b. Oct. 28, 1778, m. Rebecca Nims, of Conway. One son living at Enfield and one at Monroe.
- III 26 4 Phillip, b. Sept. 13, 1781, d. July 1, 1839, m. 1st, Caroline Green, of Enfield, m. 2d, Sheldon, of Somers; 7 children, one living in Enfield and one in Bridgeport.
- III 27 5 Ruby, b. Oct. 6, 1783, d. in Enfield.
- III 28 6 Eben, b. Jan. 3, 1788, m. 1st, Anna Hall, m. 2d, Maria Reynolds Parsons. He died Nov. 5, 1844.
- III 29 7 Stoddard, b. Aug., 1791, d. young.

## FOURTH GENERATION.

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- III Eben Parsons, son of Shubael and Lucy Pease Parsons, b. at Enfield, Jan. 3, 1788, m. Nov. 27, 1811, Anna Hall, b. 1786 (dau. of John and Anna Bancroft Hall), d. Feb. 14, 1823. Eben m. 2d, Jan. 22, 1826, Maria Reynolds Parsons, b. March 31, 1793, widow of Capt. Luther Parsons, who was son of Major Joseph Parsons, whose second wife was Mabel Olmsted Reynolds, mother of Maria Reynolds Parsons, who was a great-granddau. of Rev. Peter Reynolds, second minister of Enfield (see Reynolds, 36).
- Eben d. in Enfield Nov. 5, 1844. Maria d. in Enfield Aug. 6, 1883. Mr. Parsons had, by his personal virtues and beneficent and Christian course of life, endeared himself to all; he died most deeply lamented by the community in which he lived. A lengthy obituary, from the N. E. Puritan, of Nov., 1844, is an affectionate tribute to his worth as a citizen and as a Christian gentleman. Children of Eben and Anna Hall Parsons, b. at Enfield:
- IV 30 1 Lucy Ann, b. Oct. 25, 1812, m. April 27, 1837, Olcott Allen, of Hartford (his 2d wife). Olcott was son of Major Moses and Esther Chapin Allen (see Chapin, 38). Lucy Ann Parsons Allen and her granddaughter

Bessie Cynthia Allen, were killed by the accident on the "Old Colony Rail Road," Mass., August 19, 1890.

Thus passed from earth, as it were in a chariot of fire, to the Heavenly world, two noble, beautiful lives. The one, full of years, a life well rounded, whose beneficence and kindly words will linger long in the memory of all who knew and loved her.

The other, just on this life's threshold, with all of life's possibilities before her, her mind and person richly endowed with Christian graces and womanly accomplishments, with ample worldly means, with capacity and opportunities for a long life of usefulness.

Children of Olcott and Lucy Ann Allen, b. at Hartford :

- V 31 1 Francis Olcott Allen, now of Philadelphia, b. March 14, 1840, m. 1st Oct. 7, 1862, Isabella Cynthia, b. Sept. 8, 1841, dau. of Daniel A. Jones, of Chicago.

Children of Francis and Cynthia Allen :

- VI 32 1 Harris Hall Allen, b. at Hartford, March 8, 1864, d. July 14, 1864.

- VI 33 2 Clarence Jones Allen, b. at Titusville, Pa., Jan. 7, 1865, m. in Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 18, 1888, Elizabeth Steele, of Milwaukee. Clarence was educated at Princeton College, with subsequent training in Altoona School of the Pennsylvania R. R. Co.

- VI 34 3 Bessie Cynthia Allen, b. Nov. 29, 1868, graduate of St. John's School, New York City, d. Aug. 19, 1890 (see note under No. 30). Isabella Cynthia Jones Allen, d. Dec. 21, 1868. Francis Olcott Allen m. 2d, Nov. 10, 1870, Elizabeth Horner Dulles, dau. of Joseph H. and Margaret Welch Dulles, of Philadelphia.

Children of Francis and Elizabeth Dulles Allen, born at Philadelphia:

- VI 35 4 Margaret Dulles Allen, b. May 14, 1872.

- VI 36 5 Francis Olcott Allen, b. Oct. 15, 1874.

- VI 37 6 Joseph Heatly Dulles Allen, b. Feb. 11, 1879.

- V 38 2 William Eben Allen, b. July 20, 1843, resides New York City, unm.

- V 39 3 Anna Parsons Allen, b. December 8, 1848, m. April 17, 1873, at Hartford, Conn., Rev. Jacob LeRoy, b. at Hartford, April 6, 1850, son of Augustus Newbould and Sarah Jane Gray LeRoy; 4 children :

- VI 40 1 Charlotte Otis LeRoy, b. at Ashland, N. H., June 10, 1874.

- VI 41 2 Annita LeRoy, b. at Nashua, N. H., January 7, 1877.

- VI 42 3 Philip Newbould LeRoy, b. at Nashua, N. H., Sept. 25, 1880.

- VI 43 4 Margaret Allen LeRoy, b. at Nashua, June 2, 1884. Rev. and Mrs. LeRoy are now residing at Philadelphia.

- IV 44 2 Anna Lovina, b. Sept. 1, 1814, d. at Enfield, Sept. 10, 1864, unm.

- IV 45 3 Philena, b. Oct. 28, 1816, d. Dec. 14, 1816.

- IV 46 4 Albert, b. Dec. 21, 1817, m. 1st, Oct. 14, 1845, at Braintree, Mass., by Rev. R. S. Storrs, Helen Maria Reynolds, b. April 26, 1826, dau. of George and Eunice Patton Reynolds, of Long Meadow. Helen died

at Enfield, Oct. 3, 1864. Albert m. 2d, March 9, 1865, Mrs. Sophronia Pease Allen, b. at Enfield, Sept. 14, 1816, widow of Roderick Allen. Albert d. Jan. 5, 1883.

Children of Albert and Helen Parsons, all born at Enfield:

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| V  | 47 | 1 | Eliza Helen, b. Jan. 6, 1847, m. January 9, 1868, Samuel Wilson, of Windsor; 1 child:   |
| VI | 48 | 1 | Helen Raynolds Wilson, born at Windsor, March, 1874.  |
| V  | 49 | 2 | Emily Raynolds, b. Nov. 26, 1848, m. at Enfield, Nov. 17, 1874, by the Rev. John W. Harding, John Newton Colton, of Long Meadow, b. Dec. 4, 1837; 4 children, all born at Long Meadow:  |
| VI | 50 | 1 | Eudora Raynolds Colton, b. Feb. 15, 1876.   |
| VI | 51 | 2 | Francis Parnelee Colton, b. Jan. 28, 1878.  |
| VI | 52 | 3 | Albert Newton Colton, b. Feb. 13, 1880.   |
| VI | 53 | 4 | Margaret Emily Colton, b. Oct. 14, 1881.  |
| V  | 54 | 3 | Howard Albert, b. Dec. 20, 1860, m. at North Amherst, Mass., by the Rev. G. H. Johnson, April 5, 1882, Hattie Maria Harrington, b. at Greenfield, Mass., Aug. 24, 1860; 3 children, b. at North Amherst:  |
| VI | 55 | 1 | Albert, b. June 1, 1883.  |
| VI | 56 | 2 | Emma Harrington, b. Aug. 15, 1885.  |
| VI | 57 | 3 | Samuel Raynolds, b. June 23, 1888.  |
| V  | 58 | 4 | Henrietta Amelia, b. July 28, 1862, m. at Windsor, Conn., May 3, 1888, by the Rev. George W. Winch, of Enfield, Edgar L. Peck, North Granby, Conn., b. May 3, 1863; 1 child:  |
| VI | 59 | 1 | Arthur Raynolds Peck, b. at Windsor, Feb. 10, 1889.   |
| IV | 60 | 5 | Eben, b. March 10, 1821, d. Jan. 18, 1822.  |
|    |    |   | Children of Eben and Maria Raynolds Parsons:  |
| IV | 61 | 6 | Eudora Raynolds, b. Aug. 11, 1828, m. at Enfield, Conn., Rev. Wm. Bush Bond, son of Thomas Bond, of Springfield. Settled in West Johnsbury, Vt. (see Bond's Hist., p. 58, 230). She d. at Hartford, April 27, 1861, s. p. Eudora was gifted with rare personal beauty, and eminently endowed with womanly and Christian graces. |
| IV | 62 | 7 | Edward Field, b. Nov. 21, 1833, m. 1st, Mary Bowman, of Brooklyn. To them were born 5 children:   |
| V  | 63 | 1 | Eudora, d. at the age of twelve years, an unusually promising child.  |
| V  | 64 | 2 | Edward, b. 1866, d. 1885. Three children d. young. Dr. Edward is a practicing physician in Thompsonville, Conn., and living with his third wife; no children.   |

Children of Maria Raynolds Parsons and her first husband, Capt. Luther Parsons, b. July 22, 1787, in Enfield. During the last war with England, in August, 1813, he raised a company of 74 men and left Enfield to assist in the defense of New London. Returning, he engaged in business in Enfield until his death, June 23, 1823; 4 children:

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| IV | 65 | 1 | Anna Maria, b. Aug. 15, 1814, d. April 21, 1816. |
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- IV 66 2 Anna Maria, b. July 29, 1816, d. Sept. 7, 1835, unm.  
 IV 67 3 Leonidas Roswell, b. Dec. 23, 1818, d. April 2, 1876, unm.  
 IV 68 4 Evelina, b. March 4, 1822, m. 1st, W. H. Campbell, of Jacksonville, Ill.  
 V 69 1 Dau. m., living in Chicago. Mr. Campbell died. Evelina m. 2d,  
 M. C. Goltra, of Jacksonville; 1 son.  
 V 70 2 Edward Field Goltra, graduate of Princeton College. Married and  
 now practicing law in Chicago.

The house in Enfield, owned and occupied by Eben Parsons until his death in 1844, was probably built in that decade between 1770 and 1780, a century and more ago, by Capt. Ephraim Pease, for his daughter Sibyl, who married Rev. Elam Potter, third minister of Enfield. Capt. Ephraim also built the second house north of his daughter Sibyl's, on the same street, for his daughter Agnes, who married the Rev. Nehemiah Pruden, fourth pastor of Enfield.

Sibyl Potter having died, and the Rev. Mr. Pruden also dead, his widow Agnes and the Rev. Elam Potter married, 2d, each other, and became residents of the mansion which subsequently came into the possession of Eben Parsons, and finally into the possession of his son, Albert Parsons, who resided there until his death in 1883. The house is now occupied by the widow of Albert, Sophronia Pease Allen Parsons. The old home carries its precious memories of prayer and praise.

We may safely assume that every day in all the years that have rolled on since the old mansion was finished for its occupants, some voice from beneath its roof has been raised heavenward in petition for Divine favor.

Tender and sweet memories cling around the old mansion like the honeysuckle over its venerable porch. May it live another and another hundred years to shelter and send forth other generations of as good Christian men and women as those who have gone before.

It may be interesting to my children and grandchildren to know that in that dear old house I first met *mutterchen*. There we were wed; there, many a time and oft, we have been happily and hospitably entertained as guests—and we were not angels, either—by that gentle, loving, Christian gentlewoman, Helen Maria Reynolds Parsons, and her good husband Albert.

## THE PEASE FAMILY.

MEMORANDA OF A BRANCH OF THE PEASE FAMILY, OF ENFIELD, CONN.,  
TAKEN FROM "A GENEALOGICAL RECORD OF THE DESCENDANTS  
OF JOHN PEASE, SEN., OF ENFIELD, CONN.," BY REV.  
DAVID PEASE, 1869.

### FIRST GENERATION.

- I ROBERT PEASE, the progenitor of the Salem and Enfield Peases, and father of John Pease, Sen., the ancestor of the Enfield, Conn., Peases, is supposed to have been the son of Robert and Margaret Pease, of Great Baddow, Essex County, England. He came to this country in the ship "Francis," from the port of Ipswich, England, in April, 1634, and landed in Boston. He was accompanied by his brother John, and eldest son Robert. His wife, Marie, and other members of the family, probably came in a later ship. He settled in Salem, where he died in 1644, aged about 37. Had 5 or 6 children:
- I 2 1 Robert, b. probably in England, 1628-9.  
I 3 2 JOHN, b. probably in England, 1630.  
I 4 3 Nathaniel, b.  
I 5 4 Sarah, b.—, m. Oct. 22, 1667, John Sampson, of Beverly, and d. about 1677.  
I 6 5 Mary, b.—, m. Hugh Pasco.

### SECOND GENERATION.

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- I JOHN, 2d son of Robert and Marie Pease, b. in England, 1630. Came to this country with his father in 1634, who settled in Salem. He was a favorite of his grandmother, Margaret Pease, who died soon after her son, his father, and she willed him most of her property, and put the lad in the care of Thomas Wadsson (Watson), of Salem, "to dispose of him as his own child." He was made freeman April 29, 1668. M. 1st, Mary Goodell, dau. of Robert Goodell, of Salem. She d. Jan. 5, 1669. He m. 2d, Dec. 8, 1669, Ann, dau. of Isaac Cummings, of Topsfield, Mass. She d. at Enfield, June 29, 1689. While making preparations for building, he d. suddenly, July 8, 1689, in Enfield. To him belongs the distinction of being the ancestor of the Enfield branch of the Salem Peases. His posterity is very



numerous in this country; six generations of the male descent number over three thousand persons. He removed from Salem to Enfield (Fresh-water Brook), now Thompsonville, where he and his sons had land granted them. He was active and prominent in all religious and secular duties.

Children of John and Mary Goodell Pease, all b. at Salem:

- II 7 1 John, b. May 30, 1654.
  - II 8 2 ROBERT, b. May 14, 1656.
  - II 9 3 Mary, b. Oct. 8, 1658.
  - II 10 4 Abraham, b. June 5, 1662.
  - II 11 5 Jonathan, b. Jan. 2, 1669.
- Children of John and Ann Cummings Pease, all b. at Salem:
- II 12 6 James, b. Dec. 23, 1670.
  - II 13 7 ISAAC, b. July 15, 1672.
  - II 14 8 Abigail, b. Dec. 15, 1675, d. at Enfield, July 9, 1689.

### THIRD GENERATION.

#### 8

- II ROBERT, son of John and Mary Goodell Pease, b. at Salem, May 14, 1656, m. Dec. 16, 1678, Abigail Randall. First settled in Salem, removed to Enfield, Conn., in 1681. Chosen first constable of the town, d. at Enfield, 1744, aged 88; 6 sons and 4 daughters:
- III 15 1 William, b. at Salem, Sept. 26, 1679, d. at Enfield, 1688.
- III 16 2 Mary, b. at Salem, March 11, 1681, m. 1703, Israel Phelps.
- III 17 3 Abigail, b. at Enfield, 1682, m. Nathan Haywood.
- III 18 4 Robert, b. at Enfield, Feb. 2, 1684-5.
- III 19 5 SAMUEL, b. at Enfield, Dec. 30, 1686.
- III 20 6 Ephraim, b. at Enfield, April 9, 1689, d. young.
- III 21 7 Daniel, b. at Enfield, May 23, 1692.
- III 22 8 Hannah, born at Enfield, June, 1694, m. 1st, Daniel Miller, 2d, Gersham Sexton.
- III 23 9 Margaret, b. at Enfield, Dec., 1695.
- III 24 10 EBENEZER, b. at Enfield, 1699.

### FOURTH GENERATION.

#### 19

- III SAMUEL, son of Robert and Abigail Randall Pease, b. at Enfield, Conn., Dec. 30, 1686, m. Elizabeth Warner. Resided in Enfield until his death, in 1770; 9 children, all b. in Enfield:
- IV 25 1 Mehitabel, b. 1712.
- IV 26 2 Samuel, b. 1715, d. young.

- IV 27 3 Elizabeth, b. 1716, m. John Allen.
- IV 28 4 SAMUEL, b. 1718.
- IV 29 5 EPHRAIM, b. 1719.
- IV 30 6 Jonna, b. 1722, m. Benjamin Root.
- IV 31 7 Mary, b. 1723.
- IV 32 8 Aaron, b. May 4, 1726.
- IV 33 9 Nathaniel, b. Sept. 29, 1728.

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- III EBENEZER, youngest son of Robert and Abigail Randall Pease, brother of the above, b. at Enfield, Conn., 1699, m. Nov. 20, 1717, Mindwell Sexton. He d. at Enfield, 1743; 6 children, all b. at Enfield:
- IV 34 1 Hannah, b. 1718, m. Geer.
- IV 35 2 EBENEZER, b. 1719.
- IV 36 3 Mindwell, b. 1722, m. Bull.
- IV 37 4 James, b. 1724, d. in 1746, in the French war at Cape Breton.
- IV 38 5 Abigail, b. 1727, m. Benjamin Hall.
- IV 39 6 Catharine, b. 1729.

## FIFTH GENERATION.

## 28

- IV SAMUEL, son of Samuel and Elizabeth Warner Pease, b. at Enfield, 1718, m. May, 1742, Zerniah Chapin, b. April 17, 1722, lived and died in Enfield; 10 children, all b. in Enfield:
- V 40 1 Zerniah, b. May 4, 1745.
- V 41 2 Lucy, b. March 22, 1747, d. young.
- V 42 3 Eli, b. Nov. 2, 1749.
- V 43 4 LUCY, b. January 26, 1751, m. Shubael Parsons (see Parsons, No. 20).
- V 44 5 Elias, b. Sept. 28, 1754.
- V 45 6 Edward, b.
- V 46 7 Tryphena, b. Sept. 28, 1758, m. Feb. 5, 1777, Ephraim Lord, of East Windsor.
- V 47 8 Mehitabel, b. Oct. 31, 1760.
- V 48 9 Edward, b. Feb. 22, 1763.
- V 49 10 Peter, b. January 12, 1767. Probably never married. Was one of those who established a community of Shakers at Union Village, O.

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- IV Ephraim, son of Samuel and Elizabeth Warner Pease, brother of the preceding, b. at Enfield, 1719, m. May 29, 1740, Tabitha Abbee, d. in Enfield in 1801. He was a merchant and contractor in the time of the French war. Acquired a large estate, and was magistrate of the town. Eight children, all b. at Enfield.
- V 50 1 Ephraim, born Dec. 23, 1741, was a merchant, d. in the prime of life, unm.
- V 51 2 Peter, b. Feb. 12, 1743, d. while a student at Yale.
- V 52 3 Obadiah, b. June 16, 1746, d. soon after graduating at Yale.
- V 53 4 Tabitha, b. Dec. 18, 1749, d. young.
- V 54 5 Sibyl, b. May 20, 1754, m. Rev. Elam Potter, 3d minister at Enfield.
- V 55 6 Nancy, b. Sept. 2, 1756, m. Augustus Diggings, d. young.
- V 56 7 Agnes, b. Feb. 6, 1760, m. Rev. Nehemiah Pruden, 4th minister at Enfield.
- V 57 8 Anna, b. Feb. 6, 1760.

## 35

- IV EBENEZER, son of Ebenezer and Mindwell Sexton Pease, b. at Enfield, 1719, m. Nov. 29, 1739, Mary Terry, and settled in Enfield; 7 children, b. at Enfield:
- V 58 1 Azubah, b. July 7, 1740, d. young.
- V 59 2 Ebenezer, b. Oct. 17, 1742, d. young.
- V 60 3 AZUBAH, b. Nov. 2, 1744, m. 1760-1, Eliphalet Chapin. (See Chapin, No. 32.)
- V 61 4 Ebenezer, b. May 8, 1747.
- V 62 5 Mary, b. Sept. 14, 1749.
- V 63 6 James, b. Dec. 14, 1754.
- V 64 7 Peter, b. Oct. 14, 1763.

## THIRD GENERATION.

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## DESCENT OF ISAAC.

- II DEACON ISAAC PEASE, youngest son of John and Ann Cummings Pease, b. at Salem, July 15, 1672, m. Oct., 1691, Mindwell Osburn, and settled in the northwestern part of Enfield, not far from what is now the Shaker village. Was an extensive landholder, and one of the first holding the office of Deacon in the Congregational Church. He d. in Enfield in 1731; 10 children, all b. at Enfield:
- III 65 1 Isaac, b. May 2, 1693.
- III 66 2 Abraham, b. 1695.
- III 67 3 Mindwell, b. 1697.
- III 68 4 Abigail, b. 1699, d. Aug. 28, 1723.
- III 69 5 Israel, b. 1702.
- III 70 6 Ann, b. 1705, m. Nathaniel Prior.

- III 71 7 Benjamin, b. 1707.  
 III 72 8 Ezekiel, b. June 20, 1710.  
 III 73 9 Timothy, b. 1713.  
 III 74 10 CUMMINGS, b. Nov. 15, 1715.

## FOURTH GENERATION.

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- III CUMMINGS, youngest son of Isaac and Mindwell Osburn Pease, b. at Enfield, Nov. 15, 1715, m. 1st, Elizabeth, dau. of John Pease, of Enfield, about 1737; m. 2d, Sept. 25, 1755, Sarah Hale, of Springfield, Mass., and settled in Enfield, on Fresh Water Brook, near Thompsonville. Was a Deacon in the Baptist Church, and d. at Long Meadow in 1808, aged 94; children by wife Elizabeth, all b. at Enfield, Conn.:
- IV 75 1 Cummings, b. 1739, d. young.  
 IV 76 2 Elizabeth, b. June 29, 1740, d. young.  
 IV 77 3 Love, b. Oct. 21, 1742, m. Jacob Hill.  
 IV 78 4 CUMMINGS, b. Nov. 27, 1744.  
 IV 79 5 Elizabeth, b. Jan. 7, 1746, d. young.  
 IV 80 6 Ebenezer, b. Dec. 23, 1748.  
 IV 81 7 Asa, b. Jan. 18, 1750.  
 IV 82 8 Ruth, b. Jan. 7, 1753, m. David Hale.  
     Children by wife Sarah:
- IV 83 9 Heman, b. 1757.  
 IV 84 10 David, b. April 16, 1760.

## FIFTH GENERATION.

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- IV CUMMINGS, son of Cummings and Elizabeth Pease Pease, b. at Enfield, Nov. 27, 1744, m. June 12, 1780, Thankful Clelland. First settled in Enfield, Conn., afterwards removed to Wilbraham, Mass., thence to Long Meadow, and d. at Chicopee, June, 1822; 10 children:
- V 85 1 Roswell, b. at Enfield, 1781.  
 V 86 2 Elizabeth, b. at Enfield, 1782, m. Samuel Mills, of Chicopee.  
 V 87 3 Helen, b. at Enfield, June 10, 1783, m. Moses Parsons, of Enfield.  
     Removed to Ohio.  
 V 88 4 WILDER C., b. at Enfield, Oct. 4, 1784.  
 V 89 5 Elseba, b. at Enfield, April 9, 1786, m. Hosea Bronson. Removed to Pennsylvania.  
 V 90 6 Nancy, b. at Enfield, Oct. 9, 1787, m. Luther Pease. Removed to Ohio.  
 V 91 7 Abion, b. at Enfield, Aug. 5, 1789.  
 V 92 8 James C., b. at Enfield, April 4, 1791.  
 V 93 9 Shubael, b. at Wilbraham, 1796.  
 V 94 10 Edna, b. at Wilbraham, m. Jeremiah Bumpsted, of Monson.

## SIXTH GENERATION.

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- V WILDER C., son of Cummings and Thankful Clelland Pease, b. at Enfield, Oct. 4, 1784, m. Ruth Cadey, of Stafford, Conn. First settled at South Wilbraham, subsequently removed to Enfield; was a deacon in the Congregational Church; by occupation, a farmer; also had been a teacher in the common schools; was living in Thompsonville in 1868; 5 children, all b. in Wilbraham, Mass.:
- VI 95 1 Eliza C., b. 1813, m. Dennis Pease, of Enfield.
- VI 96 2 THEODORE WILDER, b. Oct. 15, 1816.
- VI 97 3 Joseph R., b. 1818.
- VI 98 4 Henry A., b. 1821.
- VI 99 5 Levi S., b. 1824.

## SEVENTH GENERATION.

96

- VI THEODORE WILDER, son of Wilder C. and Ruth Cadey Pease, b. at South Wilbraham, Oct. 15, 1816, m. April 26, 1847, Catharine, dau. of George and Lucy Parsons Chapin, of Enfield, Conn. (see Chapin, No. 56), b. March 21, 1817. Was a long time resident of Thompsonville, Conn., and superintendent of a stockinet manufactory there. Was a Deacon in the Church, was Representative in the Legislature of Connecticut for one or more terms, afterwards removing to Cohoes, N. Y., as superintendent of a stockinet manufactory. Theodore died at Albany, N. Y., Sept. 4, 1889. Catharine d. at Cohoes, N. Y., Dec. 1, 1870; 3 children, all b. at Thompsonville, Conn.:
- VII 100 1 Norman Theodore, b. Aug. 15, 1850, one of the firm of Thomas Scott & Co., New York, wool dealers, unm.
- VII 101 2 Mary Katharine, b. Jan. 19, 1853, residing at Albany, N. Y., unm.
- VII 102 3 Charles Seymour, b. Dec. 10, 1855, m. Jan. 10, 1883, at Staten Island, N. Y., Isabella Lewis Turner, b. at Geneseo, N. Y., June 5, 1855, residing at Albany, N. Y.

The "Pease Record" shows the Enfield Peases' descent from the Salem family, who were emigrants from England, where the name had been common as far back as the fourteenth century. They, the English family, are said to be of German origin, though some of the family claim Italian origin. The English family must have emigrated from Germany about five hundred years ago. It seems the family was ennobled by Otho II., who was Emperor of Germany 972-981, which gave them the right to bear their emblazoned shield and banner in the wars. In heraldry the shield, or coat of arms, is described thus: "Per fesse argent (white) and gules (red), an eagle displayed counterchanged." "Crest, an eagle's head erased, the beak holding a stalk of pea-haulm, all proper." "Said to signify that the person to whom it was granted had been a commander, but not in-chief." Many of this name in England are found in all classes of society, from the yeoman to the member of Parliament.

## THE RAYNOLDS FAMILY.

### GENEALOGICAL MEMORANDA OF A BRANCH OF THE RAYNOLDS FAMILY IN AMERICA.

Concerning the orthography of the name, it may be presumed that the Rhode Island family adopted that of "Raynolds" and the Boston branch "Reynolds." Whether the *a*'s and the *e*'s were used as distinctive of families *not* descended from the same common stock is a matter of conjecture only, and is of no consequence. It is quite probable, however, that the same parentage in England may be claimed by the *a*'s, the *e*'s and the *ei*'s.

In "Bond's History of Watertown," p. 410, we find "John Reinolds," a proprietor, of Watertown, 1642. He probably went to Wethersfield prior to that; thence to Saybrook, and died as early as 1662. He was probably father of John Reinolds, of Wethersfield, who was made free in 1633, and died in 1682. Estate appraised at £121. He left a widow, Mary, and children, Kesia, Anna, Rebina, John and Jonathan. It may be the name was originally Reinolds or Renolds, and subsequently modified to Raynolds and Reynolds.

We find in "Savage's Genealogical Dictionary" "Francis Reinolds, Kingston, in Narraganset Co., R. I., about 1640. Was, perhaps, son of James First." The name was sometimes spelled "Renell."

The simple using the *a* or the *e* was a matter of taste or whim. The name is now almost universally written Reynolds, a few writing Raynolds, and very few, if any, Reinolds or Renolds.

There is found in Boston records, "Richard Reynolds was a passenger in the ship 'Mary and John,' from London to New England, March 24, 1633." "Mary, daughter of Nathaniel Reynolds and Sarah, his wife, born at Boston, Nov. 20, 1660."

"Robert Reynolds died in Boston, April 27, 1659" (Bond, p. 912). "Robert and John Reynolds were both very early settlers of Watertown. Robert was admitted freeman Sept. 3, 1634, and was dismissed from Watertown Church, May, 1635, in order to organize a church on Connecticut River. John was admitted freeman May 6, 1635, and about the same time was appointed on a committee in Watertown for dividing to every man his share of meadow and upland." There is no further notice of either of them in the town records. They probably both belonged to a colony that went from Watertown to Wethersfield.

John Reynolds was one of the original purchasers of Stamford, and a John Renold was a freeman and townsman of Norwich, 1669. As the name of Robert Reynolds does not occur after a very early date in the Connecticut Colonial Records, it is supposed that he returned to the Bay Colony, and that two of his daughters, Ruth (Whitney) and Mary (Sanger), settled in Watertown, where he had first settled,



and that he died in Boston in 1659. (See his will in "Genealogical Register," IX., p. 137; also Whitney, 10, and Sanger, 1.)

Captain Nathaniel Raynolds is believed to be the ancestor of the Raynolds family in America. He came from England early in the Seventeenth Century, and settled in Bristol, R. I.

### FIRST GENERATION.

- I CAPTAIN NATHANIEL RAYNOLDS, m. Mary Fosdick, of Boston.  
They had 7 children:

I	2	1	John, b.	, m.
I	3	2	PETER, b.	, m. Mary Giles.
I	4	3	Joseph, b.	, m.
I	5	4	Elizabeth, b.	, m. Woodbury.
I	6	5	Hannah, b.	, m. Page.
I	7	6	Benjamin, b.	, m. Rayson.
I	8	7	Mary, b.	, m. Carey.

### SECOND GENERATION.

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- I PETER, son of Capt. Nathaniel and Mary Fosdick Raynolds, m. Mary Giles; 5 children:
- |     |    |   |   |                    |
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| II  | 9  | 1 | PETER, b. at Bristol, R. I., Nov. 26, 1700. |                    |
| II  | 10 | 2 | Eliezer, b.                                 | , m. ; 2 children: |
| III | 11 | 1 | Thomas, b.                                  | , m. ; 3 children: |
| IV  | 12 | 1 | Charles, b.                                 |                    |
| IV  | 13 | 2 | Susan, b.                                   | , m. De Wolf.      |
| IV  | 14 | 3 | Nancy, b.                                   |                    |
| III | 15 | 2 | John, b.                                    |                    |
| II  | 16 | 3 | Nathaniel, b.                               |                    |
| II  | 17 | 4 | Elizabeth, b.                               | , m. Thorpe.       |
| II  | 18 | 5 | Mary, b.                                    | , m. Church.       |

### THIRD GENERATION.

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- II PETER, son of Peter and Mary Giles Raynolds, b. at Bristol, R. I., Nov. 26, 1700; graduated at Harvard College, 1720; ordained second pastor of Enfield, Conn., Nov. 24, 1725; m. Nov. 14, 1727, Elizabeth, dau. of Samuel Taylor, and granddaughter of the Rev. Edward Taylor, of West-

field, Mass. Elizabeth was b. Nov. 6, 1705. Peter d. May 11, 1768;  
4 children:

- III 19 1 SAMUEL, b. at Enfield, Conn., 1728, m. Jan. 4, 1759, Martha Williams,  
dau. of Rev. Dr. Stephen Williams, of Long Meadow. Samuel d. Feb.  
16, 1774. Martha m. 2d, Nov. 15, 1787, Deacon Ely, of Long Meadow.  
Children of Samuel and Martha Williams Raynolds:
- IV 20 1 SAMUEL, b. May 16, 1761, m. Nov. 17, 1788, Lucy Pitkin; 11 chil-  
V dren, Lucy, Lucretia, Samuel, Martha, Emily, GEORGE, David,  
V Mary, Amelia, Thomas and Elizabeth.
- IV 21 2 Mary, b. , m. Kingsbury.
- IV 22 3 Martha, b. , m. 1st, Bascomb; m. 2d, King. She had Ray-  
V nolds Bascomb.
- IV 23 4 Elizabeth, b. , m. Deacon Ely, and d. in 1841. She had 4  
V sons and 4 daughters. Her dau. Polly m. Mack.
- IV 24 5 Abigail, b.
- IV 25 6 Freegrace, b. 1767, m. Brown; 8 children:
- V 26 1 Nancy.
- V 27 2 Joseph.
- V 28 3 Mary.
- V 29 4 Jabez.
- V 30 5 Samuel.
- V 31 6 Levi.
- V 32 7 Martha.
- V 33 8 John.

It is possible that the children of Samuel (19) are not placed in  
the order of birth.

- III 34 2 Peter, b. May 17, 1730, m. Welles; 2 children:
- IV 35 1 Peter, b. at Enfield, m. Mabel Olmsted; 5 children:
- V 35½ 1 Maria, b. 1793, m. 1st, Luther Parsons, of Enfield; 4 children,  
Anna Maria, Anna Maria, Leonidas and Evaline. Maria m. 2d,  
1826, Eben Parsons, of Enfield; 2 children, Eudora and Edward  
Field. (See Parsons, 28.)
- V 36 2 A dau., m. Potter.
- V 36½ 3 Samuel, b. at Enfield; was a merchant in Springfield, Mass.; m.  
Oct. 1, 1833, Clarinda, dau. of Thomas Bond, of Springfield.
- V 37 4 A dau., b. , m. Cooley.
- V 38 5 Peter, b. at Enfield, 1790.
- IV 39 2 Samuel, b. at Enfield.
- III 40 3 John, b. , m. Belden; 8 children:
- IV 41 1 John, b.
- IV 42 2 Betsey, b. , m. Ludlow.
- IV 43 3 Patty, b.
- IV 44 4 Clara, b.
- IV 45 5 Hannah, b.

- IV 46 6 Lockwood, b. , m. ; 1 child:  
 V 47 1 James Lockwood Reynolds, of Chicago.  
 IV 48 7 William, b.  
 IV 49 8 Peter, b.  
 III 50 4 Margaret, b. , m. at Enfield, Dec. 29, 1763, Dr. Simeon Field.  
 Margaret d. Feb. 9, 1796. Dr. Simeon d. Jan. 7, 1801; 5 children:  
 IV 51 1 Simeon Field, b. June 3, 1765. Graduated at Yale 1785; was a practicing physician in Enfield, Conn.; was a very particular friend of Samuel Stearns, while he (Stearns) was a resident of Enfield. (Stearns, V, 73.)  
 IV 52 2 Margaret Peggy Field, b. Feb. 27, 1768.  
 IV 53 3 Mary (Polly) Field, b. Feb. 22, 1771, m. Dixon; 5 children:  
 V 54 1 Field Dixon.  
 V 55 2 James Dixon, m. Cogswell. James was U. S. Senator from Connecticut for several terms.  
 V 56 3 Mary Dixon, b. , m. Spaulding.  
 V 57 4 William Dixon, b.  
 V 58 5 Eliza Dixon, b. , m. Marsh. Lived in Enfield in 1850.  
 IV 59 4 Peter Reynolds Field, b. Feb. 28, 1774. His son Alfred m. a Lusk.  
 IV 60 5 Edward Field, b.

## FIFTH GENERATION.

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- IV SAMUEL, son of Samuel and Martha Williams Reynolds, b. in Somers, Conn., May 16, 1761, m. Nov. 17, 1788, Lucy Pitkin, dau. of Col. Thomas Pitkin, of Bolton, Conn., b. Oct. 23, 1764. Samuel d. March 10, 1845. Lucy d. Feb. 13, 1849; 11 children:  
 V 61 1 Lucy, b. Nov. 16, 1789, m. John Root, of Greenwich, Mass. Lucy d. Feb., 1871; 7 children:  
 VI 62 1 John Reynolds Root, m. Maria Tuttle. Had John (VII), who m. Sampson.  
 VI 63 2 Jabez Backus Root, m. Maria Alden; 7 children: Lucy E., Amelia M., Charles E., Juliette F., Elliott H., Mary S. and Harriet J.  
 VII 64 3 Lucy Elizabeth Root, d. unm., aged 23.  
 VI 65 4 Thomas Pitkin Root, m. Seraphina Haines; 4 children: Francis P., Edward J., Charles W. and Charles S.  
 VII 66 5 Joseph Pomeroy Root, m. Francis Alden; was Lieutenant-Governor of Kansas; 4 children: Clarence W., Ernest M., Frank D. and Joseph P.  
 VI 67 6 Jerusha Root, twin with Joseph P, d. aged 17.  
 VI 68 7 Samuel Newell Root, d. unm.

- V 69 2 Lucretia, b. Aug. 11, 1791, m. William Stebbins; 4 children:  
 VI 70 1 Samuel Williams Stebbins, m. Sarah Brown; no children.  
 VI 71 2 Sophia Stebbins, m. Elijah Ransom, of Colchester, Conn.; 7 children:  
 VII 72 1 Edward S. Ransom.  
 VII 73 2 Annie Ransom.  
 VII 74 3 John Ransom, m. Ransom.  
 VII 75 4 Carrie Ransom.  
 VII 76 5 Charles W. Ransom, m. Susan Howard Calhoun (see No. 115).  
 VII 77 6 William S. Ransom.  
 VII 78 7 Elijah Ransom.  
 VI 79 3 Edward Stebbins, d. young.  
 VI 80 4 Stephen Stebbins, m. , d.  
 V 81 3 Samuel, b. July 19, 1793, d. July 24, 1793.  
 V 82 4 Martha, b. Nov. 23, 1794, d. April 26, 1832, unm.  
 V 83 5 Emily, b. July 28, 1796, d. Feb. 20, 1803.  
 V 84 6 GEORGE, b. July 11, 1798, d. Feb. 23, 1839; m. 1st, Eunice Patten; m.  
 VI 2d, Mary Cook; 8 children: Emily Pitkin, Helen Maria, Lucinda  
 VI Eliza, Mary Schaufler, Henrietta Amelia, Eunice Patten and  
 VI George Cook.  
 V 85 7 David, b. July 23, 1800, d. May 3, 1807.  
 V 86 8 Mary, b. April 13, 1802, m. Schaufler.  
 V 87 9 Amelia, b. Jan. 10, 1804, d. Aug. 17, 1845, unm.  
 V 88 10 Thomas, b. April 23, 1806, d. Sept. 30, 1826.  
 V 89 11 Elizabeth, b. Feb. 28, 1808, d. June 24, 1808.

## SIXTH GENERATION.

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- V GEORGE, son of Samuel and Lucy Pitkin Raynolds, b. July 11, 1798, m.  
 1st, Oct. 9, 1823, Eunice Patten, of Somers, Conn., b. Nov. 23, 1801; m.  
 2d, May 16, 1838, Mary Cook, of Windsor, Conn. Eunice d. at Long  
 Meadow, Nov. 9, 1837. George d. at Long Meadow, Feb. 23, 1839.  
 George and Eunice had 6 children, all b. in Long Meadow:  
 VI 90 1 Emily Pitkin, b. Nov. 14, 1824.  
 VI 91 2 Helen Maria, b. April 23, 1826.  
 VI 92 3 Lucinda Eliza, b. Feb. 3, 1828.  
 VI 93 4 MARY SCHAUFFLER, b. Jan. 30, 1830.  
 VI 94 5 Henrietta Amelia, b. Aug. 8, 1833. Adopted dau. of Daniel Colton, of  
 Springfield, Mass. She d. Jan. 17, 1877, unm.  
 VI 95 6 Eunice Patten, b. Nov. 5, 1837. Adopted dau. of Peter A. Smith, of  
 New Haven, and renamed Eliza; m. Dec. 1, 1858, Israel K. Ward, of  
 New Haven. She is now living with her adopted parents at Mt.  
 Vernon, N. Y.

George and Mary Cook Raynolds had 1 child :

- VI 96 7 George Cook, b. Feb. 25, 1839, m. Aug. 31, 1869, Mattie Tinker, of Lyme, Conn., b. Dec. 7, 1839, missionaries of A. B. C. F. M. at Harpoot, Eastern Turkey. He graduated at Williams College in ; graduated in Medical College in . Served as surgeon in the Navy "during the war." after which practiced in Chicago, where he met his wife. Subsequently entered the service of the A. B. C. F. M. as missionary physician at Van, Turkey.

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- V Mary, dau. of Samuel and Lucy Pitkin Raynolds, b. April 13, 1802, m. Feb. 26, 1834, Rev. William Gottlieb Schauffler, of Constantinople, b. at Stuttgart, in Würtemberg, Aug. 22, 1798. Mr. and Mrs. Schauffler were missionaries at Constantinople and elsewhere in the east, at one time under the A. B. C. F. M., afterwards engaged with the American Bible Society and the British and Foreign Bible Society, continuing in their good work nearly fifty years. His autobiography, edited by his sons in 1887, is a graphic and interesting recital of the life and labors of the devoted missionary. He d. in New York, Jan. 26, 1883. Mrs. Schauffler is now living with her son Alfred in New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Schauffler had 6 sons :
- VI 97 1 William Samuel Schauffler, b. at Constantinople, May 12, 1835, d. at Freudenthal, Russia, Sept. 18, 1836.
- VI 98 2 James Merrick Schauffler, b. at Constantinople, July 20, 1836, d. at Freudenthal, Russia, Sept. 21, 1836.
- VI 99 3 Henry Albert Schauffler, b. at Constantinople, Sept. 4, 1837. Graduated at Williams College, in ; graduated at Theological Seminary, in . M. at Springfield, Mass., Nov., 1861, Clara Gray, b. at . Clara d. at Cleveland, O.; 7 children:
- VII 100 1 William G., b.
- VII 101 2 Charles E., b. , m. June 20, 1889, Florence Manvell, of York Village, Me.
- VII 102 3 May, b.
- VII 103 4 Harry, b.
- VII 104 5 Fritz, b.
- VII 105 6 Ruth, b.
- VII 106 7 Robert, b.
- VI 107 4 Edward William Schauffler, b. at Vienna, Austria, Sept. 11, 1839, m. 1st, ; m. 2d, . Practicing physician in Kansas City.
- VI 108 5 Alfred Theodore Schauffler, b. at Constantinople, April 19, 1843, m. at . Now living in New York City.
- VI 109 6 Frederick Schauffler, b. at . Now of New York City.

## SEVENTH GENERATION.

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- VI Emily Pitkin Raynolds, dau. of George and Eunice Patten Raynolds, b. Nov. 14, 1824, m. Sept. 19, 1848, Rev. Simeon Howard Calhoun, b. 1804; graduated at Williams College, 1829, ordained in Springfield, Mass., 1836. Entered on missionary ground at Smyrna, 1837; afterwards at Abeih, Mt. Lebanon, where he was engaged in mission work under the A. B. C. F. M. and the Presbyterian Board for forty years. He d. in Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 14, 1876. They had 6 children, all b. in Syria:
- VII 110 1 William Charles Calhoun, b. Feb. 2, 1850; graduated at Williams College, 1873; graduated at New York Medical College, 1879. Was missionary physician at Tripoli, Syria, succeeding Dr. Danforth. He d. at Shweifaf, near Beirût, Syria, June 22, 1883, unm.
- VII 111 2 Emily Raynolds Calhoun, b. Aug. 2, 1851, m. Dec. 25, 1871, at Abeih, Dr. Galen Bancroft Danforth, missionary physician at Tripoli, b. at Boston, Dec. 3, 1846. He d. at Tripoli, July 9, 1875. Emily d. Jan. 13, 1881, 2 daughters:
- VIII 112 1 Agnes Danforth, b. at Tripoli, March 30, 1873.
- VIII 113 2 Helen Bancroft Danforth, b. at Tripoli, Nov. 1, 1874.
- VII 114 3 Mary Howard Calhoun, b. May 5, 1855, d. Dec. 17, 1858.
- VII 115 4 Susan Howard Calhoun, b. May 4, 1859, m. Sept. 6, 1890, Charles W. Ransom, b. in Colchester, Conn. Went as missionaries to South Africa, Sept., 1890.
- VII 116 5 Helen Maria Calhoun, b. Oct. 13, 1860, m. at Shweifaf, Nov. 4, 1884, Dr. William Thompson Van Dyke, b. at Beirût, Dec. 21, 1857.
- VII 117 6 Harriet Allison Calhoun, b. July 10, 1862.

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- VI Helen Maria, dau. of George and Eunice Patten Raynolds, b. April 23, 1826, m. Oct. 14, 1845, Deacon Albert Parsons, of Enfield; 4 children:
- VII 118 1 Eliza Helen Parsons, b. Jan. 6, 1847, m. Wilson.
- VII 119 2 Emily Raynolds Parsons, b. Nov. 26, 1848, m. Colton.
- VII 120 3 Howard Albert Parsons, b. Dec. 20, 1860, m. Harrington.
- VII 121 4 Henrietta Amelia Parsons, b. July 28, 1862, m. Peck. Helen d. at Enfield, Oct. 3, 1864. (See Parsons, 46.)



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- VI Lucinda Eliza, dau. of George and Eunice Patten Raynolds, b. Feb. 3, 1828, m. Jan. 10, 1849, Edwin Kingsley Colton, of Long Meadow, b. June 15, 1827; 5 children, all b. in Long Meadow:
- VII 122 1 Olcott Bliss Colton, b. Jan. 16, 1850, m. Sept. 17, 1872, Helen Clark Coomes, of Long Meadow, b. Nov. 9, 1851; 3 children, b. at Long Meadow:
- VIII 123 1 Helen Olcott Colton, b. Aug. 18, 1874.
- VIII 124 2 Harold Bradford Colton, b. Sept. 16, 1879.
- VIII 125 3 Marguerite Colton, b. May 21, 1881.
- VII 126 2 Susan Kingsley Colton, b. May 20, 1854, d. Feb., 1870.
- VII 127 3 Ellen Eliza Colton, b. Dec. 20, 1858, d. Nov. 19, 1869.
- VII 128 4 William Fairchild Colton, b. Aug. 8, 1860.
- VII 129 5 Harriet Bliss Colton, b. April 21, 1864, d. Dec. 9, 1869.

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- VI Mary Schaffler, dau. of George and Eunice Patten Raynolds, b. Jan. 30, 1830, m. May 14, 1850, George Chapin Stearns, of Buffalo, N. Y., b. Sept. 3, 1819; 6 children. (See Stearns, 75.)
- VII 130 1 Frederick Howard Stearns, b. Jan. 16, 1852, m. Alice Morphy. (Stearns, 85.)
- VII 131 2 George Raynolds Stearns, b. March 20, 1853, m. Jennie Olver. (Stearns, 86.)
- VII 132 3 Norman Chapin Stearns, b. at Owosso, Mich., Nov. 20, 1857, d. at Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 6, 1861.
- VII 133 4 Charles Pitkin Stearns, b. at Buffalo, Nov. 3, 1860, m. Carrie Douw. (Stearns, 88.)
- VII 134 5 Samuel Chapin Stearns, b. at Buffalo, Sept. 25, 1864, m. Margaret Johnson. (See Stearns, 89.)
- VII 135 6 Mary Elizabeth Stearns, b. at Buffalo, Sept. 19, 1871, d. Jan. 8, 1872.