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AMOS RICHARDSON

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BOSTON AND STONINGTON

A COMPANY OF MARKET

WITH A CONTRIBUTION TO THE HISTORY OF HIS DESCENDANTS AND THE ALLIED FAMILIES OF GILBERT, EDWARDS, YARRINGTON, AND RUST.

Every man is a bundle of his ancestors - Emerson.

Ву

Rosell L. Richardson.

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PREFACE

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I am fond of historical research and have found in it a restful means of recreation since I first came to New York City, as a student, in 1871. In tracing out my ancestry and that of many of my friends I have had no intention until recently of publishing any of it. My reasons for doing so are twofold: first, I have collected so much data during the thirty-four years since I commenced that it will gratify me to have it placed within the reach of others; second, there is no satisfactory account of Amos Richardson and his descendants. "The Richardson Memorial," written by the Rev. John Adams Vinton, is an excellent genealogy and was a great aid to me, but the dozen pages in it giving the "Posterity of Amos Richardson" were hastily prepared after the Memorial was partly printed and contain many errors and important omissions. I have gleaned information from so many sources that I cannot mention all who have kindly assisted me. I am indebted to Mrs. Henry F. (Susan Whitney) Dimock of New York and South Coventry for invaluable aid, without which this work would never have been written. Her privately printed records of Coventry placed a flood of information in my hands, and in addition I have had the benefit of her private memoranda taken from town records and tomb-stone inscriptions. A complete list of others who have assisted me would certainly include ex-Speaker Winthrop* and his son, Robert C. Winthrop, Jr.* of Boston; Judge Richard A. Wheeler* and his daughter, Miss Grace D. Wheeler of Stonington; Roswell Richardson* of Waitsfield, Vt.; Newton Reed* author of the "History of Amenia."

and his daughter, Miss Mary H. Reed; Hon. Roderick Richardson* of Boston; Miss Helen Wilkinson Reynolds of Poughkeepsie; Frank Lorenzo Hamilton of Meriden, Conn.; Mrs. Irving Robinson of Elizabethtown, N.C.; Judge Gilbert Collins of Jersey City; John L. Richardson of Bloomsburgh, Pa.; Dr. George Denison Stanton of Stonington; Reuben H. Smith, editor of the Thomaston (Conn.) Express; Major Azel Ames of Wakefield, Mass.; Miss Charlotte S. Mann of New York; and Mr. Frank L. Howe of Northfield, Vt.

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To these and many others I tender most hearty thanks. My effort I trust may lead some one more competent than I to write a full genealogy of the family. Undoubtedly some will be disappointed because I have not given more data outside of my own direct line. This I could not do, as it involved more work and expense than I was able to undertake.

This account is marked second edition because a year ago the first three generations were put in type and a hundred copies printed and circulated to assist in getting further information. Important additions and corrections have since been made.

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THE NAME

RICHARDSON

According to Camden's "Remains," Richard the Little, son of Lord Belward, soon after the Norman conquest had a son called John Richard-son, taking his father's name with the addition of son for his surname. "Hence came the name and family of Richardson." This is quoted in the "Richardson Memorial," and gives color to the erroneous supposition that the different families by the name of Richardson have descended from a common ancestor by that name.

Nor does it add much to our knowledge to know that Richard was a Norman name. At the time that surnames came into use in England about the thirteenth or fourteenth century, Richard was a common Christian name among all classes. As Richard Grant White states, "the conquerors' language yielded to the strength and the foothold of the English speech, but their names were diffused all over England, and within less than a century and a half had almost wholly driven the English names out of the country." Charles W. Bardsley, an English authority on names, says, "The Norman list was really a small one but it took possession of the whole of England. * * * * Various methods to secure a personality arose. The surname was adopted and there were John Atte-wood, John the Wheelwright John the Bigg, and John Richard's son in every community. Among the middle and lower classes these did not become hereditary till so late as 1450 or 1500." Next to John and William, Richard was one of the names most frequently used during the four hundred years preceding the Reformation, and presumably hundreds of Richardson families derived their name from ancestors who had been christened Richard, but had no connection with each other.

In Burke's "General Armory" for 1844 is given a description of the arms of twenty-one different Richardson families, but it is not known that any of the early settlers by that name, in America, had the right to use arms.

AMOS RICHARDSON

There is nothing known about Amos Richardson prior to May 22, 1639. On that date he was a witness at Boston with Stephen Winthrop of a deed from Governor Winthrop to Thomas Purchase. He was born probably about 1623, as the Boston Court Archives have his affidavit when he was "aged forty years or there abouts." This is without date, but there was one by Mary Harmon, June 11, 1663, for the same case. The Genealogical Dictionary, by the late James Savage, says, "Amos Richardson of Boston, merchant tailor, perhaps one of that great London guild." "A man of great enterprise and good estate." "A good letter from him to

Fitz John Winthrop at Cardross in Scotland, written September 13, 1659, signed Amos Richardson, was given to me."

Mr. Savage must have learned some things about him which are now unknown; at least the letter referred to cannot be found.

In some of the Winthrop family letters he is described by his Christian name only.1

He was closely connected with the Winthrop family for many years, acting under a power of attorney for Stephen while the latter was in England, being associated with Dean as one of the proprietors of Groton, and looking after many business matters for Mrs. Downing. He was the agent for Governor John Winthrop, the younger, and with him gave credit to Samuel Winthrop, of St. Christopher's, in the West Indies.2 He also acted for Capt. Wait Winthrop as umpire in a mill dispute.

In addition to carrying on the business of merchant tailor, he soon became a general trader throughout the colonies, and, with his own vessels, to the West Indies. He acquired large tracts of land, probably as many as five thousand acres, at Stonington, New London, and in the Narragansett country."

During the early history of Massachusetts there were no practicing lawyers and a number of business men acted as attorneys. It is stated that Amos Richardson was one of the three, most active attorneys in the law courts during the life of the Massachusetts colony.

On July 6, 1642, he bought a house and lot, being an acre, more or less, of George Bromer date purchased of James Stokes), for seventeen pounds. Stephen Winthrop and John Tinker were witnesses of the deed. The land was situated on what is now the north side of Summer Street, where Hawley Street has been cut through. It was then a rear lot with no street connection; Summer Street not being laid out until 1645.

A Commission was appointed September 15, 1645, "to lay out a new way through the gardens towards the wind-mill." "To begin between Nicholas Parker's house and Robert Reynold's garden (on Washington Street) and go forth between Amos Richardson's and John Palmer's house."

In 1683 Hawley Street was called Richardson's lane.1

This was his home for more than twenty years; and probably until he moved to Stonington (about 1663); here all of his children were born. During the next fifty years Summer Street became one of the finest residential streets in Boston; adjoining the site of Amos; Richardson's home the first Trinity Church was erected.

On March 22, 1647, he purchased two acres from Francis Smith, fronting on the Common at what is now the southeast corner of Tremont and Winter Streets. He owned other property in Boston, some of it near the Winthrop dock. Capt. James Johnson and Peter Oliver were partners with him in some of this wharf property. On June 20, 1661, Col. Stephen Winthrop deeded to him the northeast corner of Governor Winthrop's home lot; it does not appear in the deed what the consideration was. Emanuel Downing was one of the witnesses. This lot was about 24 feet, on Washington Street, by 54, on Spring Lane, and adjoined the Colonel's house and land. The remainder of the Winthrop estate subsequently became the property of Old South Church, on the southwest corner of which the present historic "Old South" was erected in 1729.

In 1679 he gave this lot to his daughter Sarah, and her husband, Timothy Clarke. It was then described as "All my Messauge or Tenement late in the tenure & occupation of Sarah Pickering widdow deed."

He also obtained a number of grants of land, very early in settlement at Pequot. The New London town records show the following: "Memorandum for town meeting Sept. 20, 1651, Amos Richardson is to have a lot."

Caulkin's History states that he was from Boston and had commercial dealings with the planters and that instead of taking up a new lot he purchased that of

Richard Post on Post Hill. "Aug. 9, 1653. House lot to Amos Richardson brother, the millwright (afterwards called brother-in-law)."

"He had subsequently a grant of a large farm east of the river under the same vague denomination: he has not been identified."

"Two necks of land extending into the Sound, one called 'a pyne neck,' with a broad cove between them, was granted to Isaac Willey and by him sold to Amos Richardson."

"Still another containing several hundred acres of land and separated from Hugh Caulkin's land by a brook called Mistuxet, was laid out to Amos Richardson and his brother in 1653."1* Part of this division was known by the Indian name of "Quonaduck."

In October, 1661, Antipas Newman, of Wenham, sold him a large tract of land, called Caulkin's Neck, bounded by the above Quonaduck farm on the East, Caulkin's brook West, Capt. George Denison's North, and South by the Sea. Pequot, now New London, embraced the present town of Stonington, where the last three of the above described grants were located.

The deed of the Indian sachem Nealewort for a part of this land was dated August 26, 1658, and is recorded at Stonington. It is described as "a tract of land called Quinabogue lying and being near to the country of the Late Pequed Indians for and in consideration of the great Love and affection I beare unto Amos Richardson of Boston in the Mass. Colony, Englishman. * * * contain by measure one English mile and half square on each side of that River called Quinabogue River next Adjoining to ye land or farme granted to John Winthrop Esq. Governor of the English Colony on Connecticut River northward of the said farme and is called by the name of Nayumscut and Quaduecatuck."

Wheeler's "History of Stonington" locates this property as "the land lying between Stonington Harbor, Lambert's Cove and Stony Brook on the east, Fisher's Island Sound on the south, and Quiambaug Cove on the west up to a point, from which a direct line easterly passing about thirty rods south of the residence of Mr. Henry M. Palmer to Stony Brook, constituted the north boundary line of said tract of land."

The family name of Mary, wife of Amos Richardson, is unknown; he did not, however, have a second wife, as stated in the "Richardson Memorial." It is probable that they were married in 1642, the year that be purchased his house and garden.

It is conjectured that the brother-in-law referred to above was Richard Smith, of Lancaster, a "mill-wright," whose first wife Mary died with her infant March 27, 1654, and who married, on the 10th of the following August, Joanna Quarles at Boston.

It is quite certain that John and Mary Smith, who are claimed to have been the parents of Richard were not the parents of Amos Richardson's wife.

They had a daughter Alice, however, who probably became second wife of John Tinker, a man very closely associated Amos Richardson.

He named one of his sons Amos and the inventory of John estate1 shows that a farm of 240 acres and other property had been deeded to Mr. Richardson for the use of John, Mary and Amos, children of John Tinker.

In 1656 the eight proprietors of Groton included this Richard Smith, with Dean Winthrop, John Tinker and Amos Richardson. Soon after this he moved to Lyme, Conn., where he was a deputy in 1678-9.

His children were Richard (probably by his first wife), John, born 1655, Francis, 1657, James, Elizabeth, who married John Lee. He had a grandson named Quarles Smith, and the Lyme records mention two Roland grandsons.

Mary Smith died in 1659 and her husband in July 1669. In May prior to his death John Smith gave all of his estate to son-in-law, John Moore, in consideration for his support; his will mentions only four children - John, Richard, Ann and Alice. There were -so many John and Richard Smiths that it if; very difficult to

untangle their history. The Diary of Thomas Minor, of Stonington, refers to Amos Richardson and his family more than eighty times. On October 29, 1660, he says, "carried the firkin of butter to Mr. Smith's for Amos." November 2, 1660, "I weighed Amos his firkin of butter at Mr. Smith's." The following receipt for a horse delivered in the presence of Thomas Minor, Jr., and Ephriam Minor is also found in the Diary: "Delivered unto poor man mine (torn) A horse that he bout of a mister Richinsoone and by his appointment and order a horse a chestnut Culer with a blase in his face." * * * "I Say by mee delivered this 14 day of aguste 1661 with my hand Richard Smith." Mr. Richardson at this time lived in Boston. There was also a James Smith at Rehoboth, and on September 7, 1653, Amos Richardson was appointed administrator of his estate. This was a month after the lot referred to was granted at New London. Nothing further is known about him; but he may have been a brother of Richard.

Another Richard Smith was associated with Richardson and Tinker in the Atherton Company. He was born in Gloucestershire, in 1596 and died at Wickford, R.I., in 1666; he established a trading house there in 1637 and was a man of note. He had two sons - Richard, who died without issue in 1692, and James, who died unmarried in 1664.

The Salem Court records show that on October 14, 1656, Major John Hauthorne and Amos Richardson were plaintiffs in a law suit against John Divan, which was adjourned to the next General Court. That is all that is known about it; but they must have had a joint interest in some property.

On March 8, 1662, Edward Hutchinson, William Hudson and Amos Richardson were sent to Rhode Island with a letter from Massachusetts to settle troubles in the Pequot country. They could not have been well received, for two years later the Rhode Island General Assembly denounced them as intruders.

Amos Richardson probably moved to Stonington, Conn., about 1663, but also retained a residence in Boston for a number of years.

His name appears in the list of inhabitants of Narragansett in July, 1663, and of Wickford in May, 1668; but while he had landed interests there it is evident that lie never had an actual residence in Rhode Island.

The Diary of Thomas Minor notes, under June 19, 1661 that Mr. Richardson's house was raised and on June 22, 1663, that his son was to finish it that day. Amos Richardson was one of the most active members of the called Atherton Company later called the Narragansett Company, and he must have taken a leading part in the organization of it. This is evident from the following letter: Boston, July 9, 1659.

To the much-honored John Winthrop, Esq.,

Governor of Connecticut Colony, at Hartford, this present:

HONORED SIR, - After my service presented unto yourself and Mrs. Winthrop, and all yours for whose absence I was troubled that I did so unhappily to delay one day too long in my coming to New London, so that I could not speak with you there, I had thoughts to come up to Hartford; but the weather being so hot, I darest neither venture myself nor my horse. Sir, you may remember, when I spoke with you last at Now London, I gave you a hint of my intents concerning the Narragancet country, which business, as I conceive, is fully effected with the chief sachem.

The quantity, as I judge, is twelve mile alongst in Narragancet Bay. The trading house being in the middle, it judged to be the only place in the country for a plantation. There are at present seven purchasers besides yourself. The purchase hath cost six score pound. Many there is that would willingly join in it; but we shall do nothing before we speak with you, yourself being mentioned first in the purchase.

Those that are concerned in it is Major Adderton, Mr. Smith and his son, Lieut., Hudson, Captain Hutchinson, Mr. Tinker and myself. But if this come once to be settled, it will make Quinnebawge of greater value.

As concerning our friends at Wennam, Mr. Newman was here the last week; but Mr. Mygate hath been there since, who can inform you concerning their health. As for news I have got not any at present, only things are pretty sad in regard of old Mr. Duncome in respect of his last losses disenables him of satisfying his creditors. They now coming upon him forceth him to leave off his dealings, and I doubt his son in the same condition; so by this we may see the uncertainty of these outward things. Thus I rest yours to command, Amos Richardson.

Sir, I would entreat you to remember my service to Mr. Stone.

The grant to the Atherton Company was in the present town of North Kingston, R.I., in the Narragansett territory which was claimed by Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island, and the disputed claims to ownership were not settled for more than fifty years.

Between the colonies of Connecticut and Rhode Island a bitter controversy was carried on which at times nearly resulted in open warfare. Mr. Richardson had other large landed interest in the disputed territory, and was very active, in pressing the claims of Connecticut, probably more so than any other man in the colony.

Major John Mason, the noted Indian fighter, seems to have opposed the action of his colony, probably on account of his friendship for Roger Williams. This so exasperated Amos Richardson that he publicly denounced him as a traitor to the colony.

In 1670 Mason sued him for defamation of character and appealed to the General Court for the appointment of a committee to investigate the charge. He secured a judgment for 100 pounds damages; in the County Court, but the case was appealed and before further action Mason died, which ended the matter.

In 1677, Amos Richardson sold 180 acres of land situated on the east side of the Pawtucket River, to Thomas Wells, who agreed in payment, to build a vessel of fifty tons. This land was located in the disputed territory, and in 1679 Wells refused to fulfill his contracts Until Mr. Richardson could make good the title to the land.

In March 1680, suit was brought against Wells for 300 pounds damages and he was arrested at Westerly by Stephen Richardson, the plaintiff's son, a constable from Stonington.

Early in July following Stephen Richardson was seized at his home by warrant of Governor Sanford of Rhode Island for making this arrest, and carried to Newport. A sharp letter from the Connecticut Council followed, demanding his release and for peace sake agreeing not to meddle on the east side of Pawtucket River till the matter was decided in England.

The Governor replied, giving the reason for the arrest and retaining the prisoner for trial. The Council issued a formal protest against the conduct of Rhode Island and in retaliation caused the arrest of Joseph Clarke, of Westerly, on July 21.

Stephen Richardson was held by the Rhode Island authorities for about three months and in October released. A full account of this affair is given in Connecticut Colonial Records, for 1687, pages 286-291.

Amos Richardson was not a member of the church, either in Boston or Stonington, and that is probably the reason for his not being made freeman until May, 1665. His wife united with the First Church in Boston, December 26, 1647, when her second child, John, was 28 days of age. The celebrated John Cotton was the minister at this time, and all of her children were baptized by him, in her right. At Stonington she was an original member of the church and attended the first communion service September 10, 1674.

Amos Richardson appears to have been a religious man; be educated his eldest son for the ministry at Harvard College. When this son was married he was so pleased that he gave him farm of a thousand acres at Stonington.

The following instrument was signed and recorded at Boston by Amos Richardson, October 12, 1673.

This may certify to whom it may concern that Whereas (by the providence of God) my oldest son, John Richardson, hath made his choice of a wife with my approbation and suddenly intends marriage, I therefore thought good to signify unto him and to all whom it may concern that for his future comfortable subsistance. I do hereby under my hand declare that after my decease and my wife, yt all that farm called Ouanaduck farm which now I live upon with all the appurtenances of houses and land and commonage, shall belong to my son, John Richardson, aforesaid to be to him and his heirs forever, provided I do possess of it. I do further engage in the meantime that I will not any way dispose of said farm except it be for the settling of an estate upon my son ye said John Richardson to his acceptance in some other place, as witness my hand. In both of the published letters from him to Governor Winthrop at Hartford he sends his regards to the Rev. Samuel Stone. For a number of years they had no way of heating the church at Stonington, and during the winter months the Sunday services and other church meetings were often held at the residence of Amos Richardson, situated a little east of the meeting house and probably a large house.1

John Gore of Roxbury, by his will in 1657, appoints John Pierpont, Phillip Eliot, and Amos Richardson executors, and calls them "my beloved brotheren." Amos Richardson was a man of great force of character and of untiring energy. He had a number of controversies, but there is nothing to show that be was unreasonable in enforcing his rights.

He was a deputy from Stonington to the Connecticut General Court from 1676 to 1681 and was honored with other public offices. It is clear that he was held in great esteem by the Winthrop family. The following letter was from Governor John Winthrop, the younger:

(Hartford), Sept. 25, 1673.

Loving Friend: Mr. Amos Richardson. - Mr. Jonathan Gilbert spake to me of your desires of accommodating you some land, neer the river of Pacatuck adloying to your land there, for the convenience of your son, who maried his daughter, for setting his house there. I though fitt therefore to certify you heerby that I shall willingly, and freely accommodate you therein, according to such right or interest as I have therein in resignation thereof to yourselfe: and therefore you may goe on in yt building, for your son there as is intended, not doubting of any kindnesse yt I can doe for your convenience therein. The oportunity is hasted, and therefore shall only add my loving remebrance to yourselfe & your wife, with your son & daughters, & am

Your assured friend,

J. WINTHROP.

Fitz-John Winthrop at New London, (month torn), 7th, 1673, (perhaps Oct. 7). to Governor Winthrop at Hartford.

"The enclosed is a coppy of the record of the grant by the townsmen for the piece of land and priuiliges of Pacatack rtuer, w'ch Mr. R. told me you ordered me to send vp. I suppose the designe is to lay it to some land w'ch he intends to giue his son neare the same place. I suppose it is the piece [of] land w'ch the most desire, being a very fine plane and I believe may deserve a little consideration (if you please to think fit) before you dispose of it." Lucy Downing, at East Hatlie (England), Feb'y. 15th, 1663, to John Winthrop, Jr., at his lodgings in Coleman Street. London.

"If y'r occasions shall draw you to Boston, I pray you commend my love and service to my sister Norton, to Mr. Endicot & his lady, to honest Mr. Richardson & his wife, and to all such who shall enquire of mee."

Christopher Gardyner at Boston, July 2, 1656, to John Winthrop, Jr., at Pequitt: Sir: - "I cannott but returne you most humble thanks for yr favours and civilities both in yr usage of us your selfe, and in yr recomendation of us to

honest Mr. Richardson, who has indeed expressed much kindness to us and as becomes one who does much honour you."

Lucy Downing, Edenb., (Scotland), Feb'y 23, 1658-9, to Fitz-John Winthrop, at Cardrosse, (Scotland).

Dear Nephew: - I have recd a let'r from Mr. Richason, dated the 27 Decemb'r last, and one inclosed to yo'r selfe alsoe, mentioneing that yo'r father and all our friends there were then in good health; alsoe that they had foure moneths of much raigne, which had occasioned great prejudice to their corne, and scarsity of hay, and that there was gene'lly much sicknes and mortallity, but the begining of winter was very. cold & frosty; and what further was of particular concerne to my owne business and that yo'r eld'st sister is married to one Mr. Newman, a minister whom they judge to be a very good match for her, but I suppose you will have in yo'r owne more perticularly.

Lucy Downing, Edinburgh, (Scotland), March 27, 1658 to John Winthrop, Jr. Sir: - I thank you much for your great care of my troublesome small business, and I question not but Mr. Richardsonn hath done his best, but knowing the difficulty of New England, I marvell not at the delay, but it seemes things were not fully perfected betuxt the merchant and him, but I shall waite his further intelligence.

Lucy Downing, East Hatlie, April 20th, 1662, to John Winthrop, Jr., at his lodgings in Colman Street, London.

I pray present my servis to my neece your wife, and to all yours, with you, and ellswhear, and my servis to my nepbewe, Dean Winthrop and his wife when you write, and to Mr. Amos Richardson. The letter you sent, was a kinde letter from him, but he mentions nothing of hopes to mende my bargin.

William Cheseborough, who died in June, 1667, by his will speaks of Rev. James Noyes and Amos Richardson as "my truly and well-beloved friends."

A large part of the collection of manuscripts known as the "Winthrop Papers" has never been printed. They belong to the estate of the late Robert C. Winthrop, Jr., of Boston, who died on June 5, 1905, leaving them by his will to the Massachusetts Historical Society. In 1895 Mr. Winthrop gave the author the following information concerning the letters of Amos Richardson in this collection:

"In looking through the unpublishied MSS in my possession I find (if I have counted correctly) fifty-one letters of Amos Richardson. A number of them are without date and some are badly torn. Of those bearing dates, the earliest is November 10, 1648, the latest October 14, 1674.

"They chiefly relate to matters of business, either business in which the writer was acting for members of the Winthrop family or business in which he was interested with them. He appears to have been a person in whom Governor John Winthrop, the younger, bad great confidence. So far as I have found time to partially decipher them I should say that reference to public affairs are few in comparison and I have not happened to notice a single allusion to the writer's family.

"The letter of September 13, 1659, mentioned by Mr. Savage, is not among them. There is a memorandum 'one taken out' in my father's hand, but it evidently refers to the one he gave you.

"To thoroughly decipher the whole fifty-one letters would be the work of an expert with a magnifying glass for many days, and I could not undertake it nor could I at present suffer anyone else to do so.

"In addition there is one letter from Mary Richardson, dated February 18, 1672, and four from Rev. John Richardson, of Newbury, 1677-1693."

In 1878, the Hon. Robert C. Winthrop presented the author of this sketch with an original letter from this collection. It was written to Governor John Winthrop, the younger, at Hartford, and endorsed on the back with the name of the writer, by Governor Winthrop. The writing is still plain and legible.

BOSTON - February, day the 2, 1659.

Hounoured Sir, after my service presented to you and Ms Winthrop, by this you may be pleased to understand I have received yours by Edward Messenger, by which we understand of your good health, for which we rejoice.

Sir, here is a ship lately come from England, heavy laden with sad newse, the particulars I doubt not but you will have by better inteligence.1* I have only sent you a coppy of a letter by Edward Messenger, which came out of England, and you may inform yourself of some newse.

Sir, my ernest desire is that you would persuade Mr. Frits to return home.2 Concerning the farme, the court referred it to a Comitty, but as yet hath done nothing. for our friends at Wennam, I know nothing but they are all in good health. this with my service presented to yourself, Mr Winthrop, Ms Lucy and Ms Marget and to all the rest of the Gentlewomen. my service also to Mr Stone. Yours to serve,

AMOS RICHARDSON.

Amos Richardson died August 5, 1683, at his residence, "Quiambog Farm," Stonington.

Thomas Minor notes in his Diary: "mr. Richardson sent ffor mee sabath day the ffift about one a clok in that mr. Richardson departed this life." Also on the 17th following: "mistris Richardson made her will."

His wife was appointed by his will as sole executrix but she died early in the following month, and their sons, Stephen and Samuel, were appointed executors.1 Both wills were probated by the General Court in 1683.

Amos Richardson's residence was located two miles northwest of the railroad station at Stonington, on what is now called Palmer's Hill. The exact location of his house cannot be determined, but it was probably five or six hundred feet south of the residence of Henry M. Palmer and it was the opinion of Judge Wheeler that part of the framework was used in building the Palmer house. This is the highest elevation for some miles around and from it a beautiful landscape is presented to every point of view. Lantern Hill is fifteen miles north, and Pequot Hill, where the state erected a monument to commemorate the overthrow in 1637 of the Pequot Indians, is about three miles west. To the south is Fisher's Island, and beyond it, twenty miles away, stands the far-famed lighthouse at Montauk Point. To the southeast, overlooking Stonington and Stonington Harbor, may be seen Watch Hill and Point Judith, and still further away, almost lost to view, lies the storm-beaten coast of Block Island. The Quiambog farm of Amos Richardson is now the site of many beautiful homes, notably those of Mr. Charles Phelps Williams and Judge Collins, which are adorned with marked evidence of wealth and culture. After this farm became the property of his son-in-law, Capt. John Hallam, a new house which is still standing was erected on it about a mile nearer the harbor. This old Hallam house has been remodeled by Judge Gilbert Collins, of Jersey City, and is now his summer home.

Amos and Mary Richardson had eight children:

1. MARY, born at Boston, probably in 1644 or 45, and baptized there November 26, 1647. In June, 1663, she married Jonathan Gatliffe, of Braintree and Boston, Mariner.

Children: Jonathan, born about 1664; Mary, Dec. 14, 1665; Thomas, Feb'y 10, 1670; Joseph, Feb'y 15, 1673, John, baptized Dec. 15, 1673.

Her father gave them a house and lot in Boston and 200 acres of land in Stonington, November 13, 1673. This property was not to be sold except to redeem him from slavery if he should be taken captive or to relieve his family in extreme distress.

Jonathan Gatliffe died about February 1, 1675, as his will was dated January 28th and the inventory February 15th of that year. He left two sons, Jonathan and Thomas of whom Arthur Mason and John Fairweather were the overseers. His widow probably married a Mr. Starr, who, in August 1678, is called Mr.

Richardson's son-in-law.2 He apparently was the captain of a boat running between Boston and New London. Perhaps he was Jehosaphat Starr.

She died probably in the month of August, 1681, as the inventory taken after her decease of the household goods belonging to her sons by Gatliffe was dated September 2nd, 1681. This property was purchased by Timothy Clarke, her brotherin-law.

REV. JOHN RICHARDSON

2. JOHN, son of Amos and Mary Richardson, born October 28, 1647, and baptized December 26, 1647.

He graduated at Harvard College in 1666 as M.A., became a Tutor or Resident Fellow of the College, and was mentioned for Fellow in the intended charter of 1672. At the beginning of the difficulties with President Hoar he was absent and at the meeting held August 26, 1673, the Corporation voted to take no action until Mr. Richardson was present; he was then on a visit to Connecticut. After his return he with others resigned, thus leaving the President without support and the Corporation without a quorum.

He may not have agreed in all respects with the opponents of Mr. Hoar; for Judge Sewell, in relation to these difficulties, writes, October 16, 1674: "By Mr. Richardson's means I was called upon to speak. The sum of my speech was that the causes of the lownes of the College were external as well as internal."1 Prior to this, April 16, 1673, he was called as Minister of the First Church of Newbury, Mass., and settled there December 6, 1674, where he was Minister for twenty-one years. The family name, of his wife Mary has not been discovered. They were married about October, 1673. He preached the Artillery Election Sermon at Boston on June 10, 1675, and again in June, 1681. The latter was printed if not the former. His children-were Sarah, born September 9, 1674, John ______, Mary, July 22, 1677; Elizabeth, April 29, 1689; and Catharine, September 15, 1681.

His will, dated March 29, 1692, left his property to his wife, except a small legacy to each of the above-named children. It refers to his farm and lands "that lye in Stonington or in ye Confines of any Town in Connecticut Colony or else where." The witnesses were Daniel Peirce and Thomas Noyes.

Nothing more is known of his wife or children. He died at Newbury, July 23, 1696; his gravestone at Newbury has this inscription:

A resurrection to immortality is here expected for what was mortal of the Reverend Mr. John Richardson, once fellow of Harvard College, afterwards teacher to the Church of Newbury.

Put off April 7, 1696."

- 3. AMOS, son of Amos and Mary Richardson, baptized January 20, 1650, probably died young, as there is no other account of him.
- 4. STEPHEN, son of Amos and Mary Richardson, was born June 14, 1652. He married Lydia, daughter of Jonathan and Mary (Wells) Gilbert and resided at Stonington, where he was a man of note. See second generation following for full account.
- 5. CATHARINE, daughter of Amos and Mary Richardson born January 6, 1655. She married first Captain David Anderson, of Charlestown, Mass., September 12, 1671. On November 12, 1671, Amos Richardson and Mary, his wife, of Stonington, made a deed of gift to their daughter Catharine Anderson, of land and a dwelling house in Boston, and a tract of land in the Narragansett country

Children: John, born July 14, 1675, died young, David, born May 16, 1677, and married by the Rev. Samuel Willard to Hannah Philips on January 5, before 1700. The year is unknown.

Captain Anderson was master of the ship "Blessing," and died on his way home from London in May, 1677. She married for the second time Captain Richard Sprague, May 7, 1679. He was an officer of distinction in the Dutch War of 1674. They probably had no children. She died July 23, 1701.

- 6. SARAH, daughter of Amos and Mary Richardson, born July 19, 1657. She married Timothy Clarke, of Boston, Mariner. Captain Clarke was a man of some note and was selectman for a number of years after 1700. Children: Katherine and Sarah, born April 6, 1687; Sarah, October 18, 1691; Margaret, April 4, 1697, Prudence, December 31, 1698. On September 11, 1679, her father gave them the Winthrop lot previously mentioned.
- 7. SAMUEL, son of Amos and Mary Richardson, born February 18, 1659. He married Anna Cheseborough, daughter of Nathaniel and Hannah, of Stonington, 1693. He was elected a Selectman in 1706. The History of Stonington gives his name in a list of men who served in Indian wars. He died in 1712-3, his will being dated January 27th and probated March 10 of that year.1 Children: Samuel, born February 9, 1686, died 1688; Anna, born November 12, 1688, married William Avery, and had five children; Prudence, born September 10, 1690, married George Plumb, and had two children; Samuel, born April 7, 1693, died 1695; Hannah, born August 30, 1695, married Jonathan Brown and had six children; Catharine, born January 16, 1697, married William Thompson, and had eight children; Sarah, born September 26, 1699, married Saxton Palmer, and had two children; Mary, baptized June .10, 1700, married Joshua Holmes, and had ten children.
- 8. PRUDENCE, daughter of Amos and Mary Richardson, born January 31, 1661/2. She first married March 15, 1683, John Hallam, a sea captain and merchant, who resided in Stonington, where he died November 20, 1700. In 1692 the Rev. John Richardson, of Newbury, his brother-in-law, leased to him in perpetuity a thousand acres of land for the consideration of five shillings and an annual rent of one peppercorn. This was the former home of her father. "Captain Hallam's possessions were large and his inventory gives evidence of a style of dress and housekeeping more expensive and showy than was common in those days.

"It contains silver-plate, mantle and coat of broadcloth, lined with silk, seventeen horse kind, four Negro servants, &c.2"

Shortly before the arrest of Capt. Kidd in the autumn of 1699, two of his men are said to have visited Capt. Hallam, this threw suspicion on him so that he was required to give a bond the exact nature of which is unknown. Hallam died a few months later and this bond was subsequently in the possession of his family for a number of generations.

Many years ago Dr. George D. Stanton, of Stonington, obtained the bond, and later gave it or loaned it to the late Judge Wheeler. It is now unknown what has become of it.

Children: John, born 1684, died young; Prudence, baptized April 18, 1686, died 1701; Amos, November 20, 1687, died young; John, April 13, 1690; Amos, July 6, 1696.

Amos Hallam married Phebe Greenman and had Prudence, September 22, 1717; John November 7, 1719, and Phebe, August 13, 1722.

The last named John married Abigail Noyes, daughter of Capt. Thomas, and had Amos, August 26, 1738, who graduated at Yale in 1756, married Desire Stanton, daughter of Thomas, and was a wealthy merchant at Stonington. Children: John, Abigail, Amos, Thomas, Nicholas, Desire, Edward, Alexander and Giles Russell. Prudence [Richardson], widow of John Hallam, married second Elnathan Minor, a man of note at Stonington. They had one son: REV. Richardson Minor.

Richardson Minor was baptized at Stonington, February 25, 1705, graduated at Yale College in 1726, married Elizabeth Munson and had ten children. He was the Congregational minister at Unity (now Trumbull), and also a popular physician in a number of towns, including Stratford. During the Great Awakening of 1740 he became the leader in Fairfield County of a strong party in his denomination who opposed this; movement, or at least much of the Calvin theology.

Efforts were made to have Mr. Gold, the minister at Stratford, dismissed and Mr. Minor called in his place. However, in 1744, before this question was settled, his name was dropped at his own request and he joined the Episcopal church with a large number of his followers. He then went to England at the expense of his friends to take orders as minister of the Episcopal church at Stamford. During the voyage he was captured by the French and taken to France. After his release, on his way to London, he was stricken with a fever and died at Salisbury, probably in the latter part of 1744. His widow died, at New Haven in 1751. Their daughter, Henrietta, born 1728, married John Miles, of New Haven. Prudence, the second daughter, born 1729, married Phillip Benjamin. The other children were younger and their names are unknown.1

In 1833 Richardson Minor (aged 80) was a Massachusetts Revolutionary pensioner, residing in Franklin Co. Perhaps he was a grandson of Rev. Richardson Minor. SECOND GENERATION

STEPHEN RICHARDSON

Stephen Richardson, son of Amos and Mary, was born in Boston, June 14, and baptized June 20, 1652, at the First Church (now Congregational Unitarian). On December 29, 1670, his name appears in the list of inhabitants at Stonington who had house lots, he then being only a little over eighteen years of age. He married Lydia, daughter of Jonathan and Mary (Wells) Gilbert1 before September 25, 1673, probably during that year. This is shown by the letter of that date from Governor Winthrop, before given on page 9. He was well acquainted with the Indian language and was often employed as an

interpreter.

He served in King Philip's War in 1675-6 at the time of the Great Swamp Fight, and was one of the soldiers who shared in the Voluntown grant made by the State in 1696. He was probably the Quartermaster for the Connecticut troops. On May 18, 1676, the Colonial Council authorized him to sell arms in his possession in part payment for his services. Minor's Diary, December 15, 1675 says: "Concticut Armie Set forth from mr. Richardsons, and June, 1676, "Thursday, the 15. wee were to meet all the soldiers at steeven Richardsons house." He was made a freeman in 1679. After his imprisonment by Rhode Island in the summer of 1680, previously referred to, he presented a claim to the General Court for damages. In 1687 he was a representative from Stonington to the General Court. Niles's History is authority for the statement that in July 1689, "Stephen Richardson shot dead on the spot one William Trimming, a notorious English decoy in the service of the French privateers." Trimming had secreted himself in a house on Fisher's Island, and Richardson, with sixteen other men, went there to capture him. He was censured by some for his action, as they wanted to take him alive.

Stephen Richardson resided on the Connecticut side of the Pawcatuck River at Westerly. The railroad must cross very near to where his house was located. It is about five miles east of his father's home. This land Amos Richardson purchased in 1663; it is the property referred to by Governor Winthrop and Fitz John Winthrop in 1673; it extended along the river for nearly a mile. He must have died about 1694, as his widow signed a deed on July 1, 1695, in which she is described as "Lydia Relict of Mr. Steven Richardson being Executor of my honored husbands will and in full power by Act of New London Court and having Libertie by my husbands will."

The following deed to her son Jonathan was dated August 10, 1696. "Let all men know that I Lydia Richardson Relict of ye late Steven Richardson of Stonington Do for ye incouregment of my son Jonathan for his present settling with me upon, that Land which was given him by his Honorred father after my decease I say I do by these and att this Present Give him ye one half of all the houseing & ye Lands belonging to ye home place and that adjoining on ye South side of it which was given to Nathaniel Deceased, that is to say, his part to Joyn to Mr. Noyes is land on ye South & to ye River on ye East and so Westerly to ye Barns the

Barne being his part of out houseing, and ye welling house, he is to have ye Great Room & half of ye seller & ye Poarch Chamber and that ye Promise may be sure to him my son Jonathan his heirs and assigns to all purposes & intents for Ever I sett to my hand & Seal this Tenth Day of August one Thousand six hundred ninety six; also it is provided before signing I give to Jonathan ye Salt meadow that was Nathaniels."

The will of Mary Gilbert (widow of Jonathan), dated May 23, 1700, shows that her daughter, Mrs. Lydia Richardson, had a second husband named Chapman, perhaps Richard Chapman, although Savage suggests William.

At the Probate Court, New London, June 3, 1703, Mrs. Lydia Chapman exhibited a deed of gift of lands left her by the will of her deceased husband, Mr. Stephen Richardson, late of Stonington, to her three daughters, Mary Carder, Rachel Richardson and Jemima Richardson.

Stephen and Lydia Gilbert Richardson bad at least nine children, and it is supposed that he was the only one of his family to leave descendants in the male line. The following is an account of their children:

- 1. JONATHAN, son of Stephen and Lydia Richardson, born probably in 1674. He married Ann Edwards. See third generation for further account.
- 2. STEPHEN, son of Stephen and Lydia Richardson, was bapt. at Stonington June 19, 1681, with Mary and Amos. It may be conjectured that he was born about 1676, as the record of baptism probably names the three children in the order of their ages. He married first Joanna Minor, daughter of Joseph, of Stonington. She joined the church there in 1702. They had a son Stephen, bapt. July 10, 1715, of whom nothing more is known. Second, he married Abigail Pelham at Newport R.I., March 25, 1728. She joined the church at Stonington in 1733. They had a son David bapt. April 6, 1729.

In 1726, Stephen Richardson was chosen to assist in a council at Valuntown in a difference between Pastor and church. He was a Selectman for the town for a number of years and in 1719 was elected a Representative to the General Court. He owned a number of slaves. In 1742 his negro servant, Peter, was baptized. "Crump, negro servant of Stephen Richardson, married Deborah, Indian servant of Jonathan Richardson," 1739.

In January, 1745, he moved to Lebanon, Connecticut, and, with his slave Peter, 1 United with the church there by letter from Stonington. He died at Lebanon, August 11, 1749. His son David married Rachel Richardson, a daughter of his cousin Amos of Coventry, October 28, 1747. Their children born at Lebanon were: Rachel, July 23, 1748; Abigail, Feb. 1, 1751; Stephen, May 1, 1752; Betty, March 21, 1754, married at Somers, Daniel Benton, of Tolland, Feb. 18, 1779; Annis, bapt. Dec. 14, 1755; David, bapt. Jan. 23, 1757, married Eunice Wood, at Somers, Nov. 30, 1780. She died at Enfield, Conn., Oct. 22, 1784, in her 28th year, according to her tombstone. He married second Sarah Hudson, at Somers, June 15, 1785. He served in the Revolutionary War from that town. It is not known when the family moved to Somers and Enfield, which are adjoining towns. There was a son, Daniel, who erected a monument over the graves of his parents at Enfield, "In memory of Mr. David Richardson who died Aug. 5th, 1811, in his 83d year. Also Mrs. Rachel his consort who died Jan. 13th, 1807, in her 79th year. This monument was procured by their son Daniel Richardson May 20th, 1817." There was a Daniel Richardson, who served in the Revolution from Windham County.

- 3. MARY, daughter of Stephen and Lydia Richardson, bapt. June 19, 1681. She married Richard Carder in January, 1700. He was lost at sea in 1707. Children: Mary, born Sept. 29, 1700; Lydia, born Aug. 2, 1702; Rachel, born Sept. 4, 1704.
- 4. AMOS, son of Stephen and Lydia Richardson, bapt. June 19, 1681. In 1683 his grandfather Richardson left him a farm on the east side of the Pawcatuck River, then occupied by Mr. Wells. He probably died young.
- 5. SAMUEL, son of Stephen and Lydia Richardson, was bapt. March 18, 1683, married Sarah Stanton. Children: Sarah, bapt. Nov. 3, 1734; Mary, bapt. May 16, 1736; Mehitable, bapt. Feb. 26, 1738. Samuel died in 1755 and his widow with

- Capt. Gideon Brainard was authorized by the Assembly to sell his lands. The daughter Sarah married Gideon Brainard, Jr., June 7, 1753.
- 6. RACHEL, daughter of Stephen and Lydia Richardson bapt. May 30, 1686. She was unmarried in 1703.
- 7. LEMUEL, son of Stephen and Lydia Richardson, bapt. Aug. 12, 1688. He married Mehitable, daughter of Capt. John Chapman, of Haddam, Conn., Dec. 15, 1709. They United with the church at Stonington in 1710, and he died at East Haddam, May 24, 1713, probably having resided there but a short time, as in 1712 when his father-in-law's estate was settled, he is called "of Stonington."1 He left property at Stonington and East Haddam.2 Their four children were:
- i. MEHITABLE, bapt. at Stonington, March 26, 1710.
- ii. SAMUEL, bapt. at Stonington, May 27, 1711, was probably the eldest son, as his father left him twenty pounds; more than he gave his brother. He married, according to family tradition, Pauline or Polly Whitney. He had two children and there may have been others.
- (1) Stanton, born at Haddam, Jan. 10, 1755, was presumably the Stanton Richardson who served in the Revolution from Wallingford.
- (2) Lemuel, born in 1761, served in the Revolution in the First N.H. Reg., Capt. Farwell's Company. At the time of his enlistment at Charlestown, N.H., in 1779, his age was given as 18, birthplace Haddam, Conn., height 5 feet 6 1/2 inches, and residence Westminster, Vt. He married Jerusha Hedges and had a son, Samuel, born in Northfield, Vt., Sept. 26, 1801, who married Catherine J. Valleau and left two children: Samuel William-and Katherine Phoebe. The former was born at Rochester, N. Y., April 19, 1850, and is an officer in the U. S. Marine Hospital Service, stationed it Wilmington, N.C. He married Emma Cornelia Butler and has a son, William Butler Richardson, born Jan. 21, 1880.

 iii. LEMUEL, date of birth or bapt. unknown. He is named in his father's will and died March 9, 1722.
- iv. STEPHEN, born in 1713, not mentioned in his father's will, probably born after his death.
- 8. JEMIMA, daughter of Stephen and Lydia Richardson, bapt. June 19, 1692; married first Green Hungerford, of East Haddam; second Matthew Fuller. Her children by the former were: Lydia, born Dec. 1712; Sarah, Dec. 29, 1714; Prudence, Jan. 18, 1716; Green, Jan. 4, 1718; Mary, Dec. 26, 1720.; Rachel, Oct. 12, 1722; Lydia, Dec. 30, 1724; Stephen, May 1, 1726; Hester, May 22, 1728; Elizabeth, Jan. 25, 1730; Lemuel and Nathaniel, May 23, 1733.
- 9. NATHANIEL, no record of baptism. All that is known about him is the mention made in the deed from his mother to Jonathan in 1696. He probably died after his father.

THIRD GENERATION

JONATHAN RICHARDSON

JONATHAN RICHARDSON, son of Stephen and Lydia (Gilbert) Richardson, was born before September 10, 1674, the date of Jonathan Gilbert's will, probably at Stonington in that year. His parents most likely had been married only a short time when the Winthrop letter was written, September 25, 1673. He was named for his grandfather, Jonathan Gilbert,1 who mentions him in his will: "I give to my daughter Lydia Richelson 20 shillings." "I give my grand child Jonathan Richelson 5 pounds." There is no record of his baptism as there are no church records kept at Stonington prior to June 3, 1674.

The Rev. James Noyes had been holding regular services there for ten years, being paid by the town; but no church organization was formed that year.2 He married in 1696 Ann Edwards,3 daughter of Richard and Elizabeth (Tuttle) Edwards, of Hartford, and they resided at the homestead on the Pawcatuck River. He died May 7, 1700, and the inventory of his estate shows that be owned the homestead, except that his mother had a life estate in one-half of it. Also that he had a right in lands at "Quanabooge" (Quiambog). The inventory taken May 23, 1700, states that he left a "widow and two children Jonathan and Amos the eldest

two years and an half ould the youngest half a year." "Mrs. An Richardson made oath that she had made a true exhibition of his estate."

The inventory shows that be was not a slaveholder, as his uncle, Captain Hallam, was, and as some of the Richardson family were later.

On May 23, sixteen days after his death, his grandmother Gilbert made her will at Hartford, which contained these provisions: "And further the 1/7th part of the 1/5th part legacy here given unto Lydia Chapman shall be paid to the sons of my late grandson Jonathan Richelson decd when they attain the age of 21. * * * And my mind and will is that the rest of the fifth part Lagacy given to my daughter Lydia, not otherwise disposed of to the heirs of the late Jonathan Richelson decd shall be equally divided amongst the children of my said daughter Lydia, which she had by her husband Richardson decd, minors." It should be noted that the Christian name of Lydia Chapman's first husband, Richardson, is not mentioned. The author of the Gilbert Family1 was apparently misled by this will into supposing that Lydia Gilbert married Jonathan Richardson, and others, including the Richardson Memorial, and even Savage's Dictionary, made the same error.

The children of Jonathan and Ann (Edwards) Richardson were both baptized in the First Church at Hartford. The records; of baptism are: "Jonathan son to Jonathan Richardson Nov. 21, 1697," and "Amos June 23, 1700 son to Widowe Richardson." In 1702 Mrs. Ann Richardson became the wife of William Davenport of Hartford. 2 By a former wife he had one child only, William. They moved to Stonington before 1708, and from there to Coventry after 1718. Mr. Davenport died in Coventry, 1742, in the seventy-seventh year of his age. His widow Ann was born in Hartford in 1678, died in Coventry in May, 1764. Their children were:

Humphrey, born 1703, married Hannah Fitch, and resided in Coventry;

Ann bapt. 1705, married Habakuk Turner of Coventry;

Elizabeth bapt. in 1708 at Stonington, married Nathaniel Gove of Coventry; Rachel bapt. at Stonington 1715;

Richard born 1716, settled in Coventry, where he had six children by wife Alice; Rachel bapt. in Stonington in 1718.

The two children of Jonathan and Ann (Edwards) Richardson were:

- 1. JONATHAN, bapt. Nov. 21, 1697, was born a few days before, as he was two and a half years of age in May, 1700. He married Anna, daughter of Rev. Salmon and Dorothy (Noyes) Treat of Preston, Conn., Oct. 25, 1721, and resided at the old homestead of his father and grandfather on the Pawtucket River, in Stonington. Joshua Hempstead notes in his diary under date of Nov. 18, 1721, "I went about Stonington as far as Jonathan Richardson's att Pocatuck." On Oct. 13, 1728, Anna, wife of Jonathan Richardson, was recommended to the church at North Stonington, and on Nov. 1, 1730, he was allowed to commune with the church at Stonington. On Dec. 6, 1739, his Indian servant, Deborah, was married to Stephen Richardson's negro slave, Crump. In 1734 John Denison, of Stonington, was plaintiff in a suit against Jonathan Richardson, which was decided by the Assembly in favor of the defendant.
- In 1753, when the highway from Pawtucket Bridge to Voluntown was laid out, his dwelling house was mentioned as being in the second course after leaving the bridge, and he probably built the dam across the Pawtucket below the bridge in company with someone on the east side of the river.1 He had a saw and grist mill which in 1756 he gave to his son, Salmon Treat. In 1795 the latter conveyed it (or at least a part interest) to his son George.

Salmon Treat Richardson signed a deed in February, 1810, for what was probably his remaining interest in the mill property or other lands adjoining. Jonathan Richardson died Nov. 22, 1773, aged 76,2 and his wife March 17, 1777. She was born Aug. 26, 1699. They had at least nine children, order of birth unknown:

- ANNA, bapt. at Stonington, Nov. 24, 1728.
- ii. DOROTHY, bapt. Nov. 24, 1728, married John Stanton, and had ten children:
- (1) Adam, married Elizabeth Treat.

- (2) Daniel, married Vashti Dickinson.
- (3) Amos, married Sarah Draper.
- (4) George, married Prudence Woodburn.
- (5) Prudence, married Ashbel Parker.
- (6) Anna, married a Trumbull.
- (7) Dorothy, died unmarried.
- (8) Mary, married James Treat.
- (9) Rachel, married Samuel Hayne.
- (10) Rebecca, married Amos Treat.
- iii. JOHN, bapt. May 28, 1731, married Thankful Worden, Nov. 2, 1778.
- iv. AMOS, bapt. May 28, 1731, married Sarah Kennedy Jan. 15, 1778, and had a daughter Sarah, born Sept. 3, 1779. His wife probably died, for he married Mary Meach Nov. 25, 1782.
- v. SALMON TREAT, bapt. with John and Amos, married Hannah Wilkerson Aug. 8, 1765, and their son George Richardson, date of birth unknown, married Sarah Holmes, March 30, 1795, and had seven children:
- (1) Sally, born March 17, 1796;
- (2) Hannah, March 10,. 1798;
- (3) George,, Oct., 17, 1800;
- (4) Anna, April 15, 1803;
- (5) Stephen, Dec. 7, 1806;
- (6) Jonathan, Oct. 25, 1808,
- (7) Thankful, May 29, 1812. -
- COL. JAMES RICHARDSON.
- vi. JAMES, born about 1734, as according to the inscription on his gravestone in North Carolina, "Col. James Richardson died Sept. 29, 1810, aged 76 years." Nothing has been learned about him from Connecticut records except that in 1770 Jonathan and James Richardson, of Stonington, petitioned the Assembly in a suit against Eleazer Fitch, Jr., of Windham, by which it appears that Fitch had obtained a judgment against them for about 300 pounds, and that the farm and dwelling house of Jonathan Richardson had been taken by execution, "When there was sufficiency of land without said house, and complaining of unfairness in the appraisement, also that said Fitch has received considerable sums of money of James Richardson aforesaid by the hand of Col. John Whitney, which ought to be deducted out of said execution."
- It appears, by the records of the Assembly from 1764 to 1766, that James Richardson, of Stonington, had a controversy with Benjamin Bancroft, of Suffield, relating to their accounts, the charter of the sloop "Gull" and merchandise taken by Richardson to sell at Havana in 1762. Bancroft obtained a judgment for 493 pounds, which Richardson refused to pay and was imprisoned. Later he petitioned the Assembly for a rehearing, which was granted, the first judgment set aside, and a new one entered against him for 132 pounds, which was settled in 1766.

The first information received by the author about Col. Richardson was from a letter by the late Col. John A. Richardson, of Elizabethtown, N.C., to Judge Wheeler in 1872. It is now supplemented by further data from his cousin, Mrs. Irving Robinson, of Elizabethtown, and Dr. William M. Richardson, of Boardman, Fla.1

This shows that James Richardson, of Stonington, was shipwrecked off Cape Hatteras, shortly before the Revolution, while on a voyage to the West Indies with a cargo of flour. Subsequently he settled on the Cape Fear River, in Bladen Co., N.C. He had previously been a soldier in the French and Indian war, and was with General Wolfe of the storming of Quebec. He had a sister Prudence at Stonington, who married a Watson or Woodburne; also a brother Salmon, who was a merchant in Boston, where he died.

James Richardson served in the Revolutionary war and became a colonel in the American army. He had two cousins in North Carolina, Samuel and Nathaniel

Richardson.2 The latter served in the Revolution, was a member of the Provincial Congress, and was shot by the Tories in Robeson County while on his way to pay off the Whig troops. He left no family.

- Col. Richardson's father visited him before his death and gave him a Bible which he had brought from England.3 It cannot be learned what became of this Bible, although Mrs. Robinson remembers having seen it many times when a girl at the home of her uncle Edmund Richardson, and later at her uncle Purdie Richardson's. Col. Richardson married a widow Purdie, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Neal. Another account is that she was a widow Roots and that they were married in Jamaica where she owned a large property with 900 slaves. She died May 19, 1808, aged 81 years. They had two sons:
- (1) Samuel Neal Richardson, born June 11, 1770, married Mary Ann Smith, and died March 1, 1831. He was a Methodist minister, also a member of the North Carolina House of Commons for 1801 and the Senate for 1802 and 1803. Children: Sophia, James Stephen, Elizabeth, Purdie, Helen, John, Amos, Edmund and Mary Ann.

The son James S., was a physician located at Moulton, Ala. in 1829, and the father of the above mentioned Col. John A. Richardson, who died in 1872. Dr. William M. of Boardman, Fla., and Dr. Clement L., of Lake Charles, La., are sons of Purdie Richardson.

The youngest daughter, Mary Ann, married Rev. Alexander B. Smith who were the parents of Mrs. Irving Robinson and Mrs. Charles P. Parker.

- (2) Amos Richardson, born in 1772, married Mary Haynes, and died March 22, 1812. He was a member of the House of Commons from 1802 to 1806. Children: Haynes and Samuel.
- vii. STEPHEN RICHARDSON, bapt. June 11, 1738, married Sarah Treat at Wethersfield, Aug. 20, 1765, settled in Barkhamsted, Conn., where his wife died May 17, 1831, aged 84, and he July 31, 1831, aged 93. He was a hatter by trade and acquired considerable property. He is said to have been somewhat pompous in his ways, powdered his hair and wore knee breeches and a conspicuous hat. He had three negro slaves, one, a woman, lived to be a hundred years of age. They had six children:
- (1) Silas, (2) Ralph, and both, according to tradition, settled in North Carolina.
- (3) Samuel resided in Barkhamsted, where he died leaving four children: Ralzamon, Rollin, Marilla and Ann. Rollin had Wellington B. (residence unknown), Marrilla (died unmarried) and Mary, who married D. D. French. There are no descendants of Samuel Richardson living, unless it is through his grandson Wellington.
- (4) Daniel settled in Twinsburg, Ohio, about 1834. He had five children: William Richardson, married and died without issue; Edwin Richardson, had a son Julian, of Ravenna, Ohio, and a daughter, name, unknown; Daniel Richardson, Jr., had a son and a daughter. The names of the two daughters of Daniel Richardson, Sr., are unknown.
- (5) Lemuel, married Sarah Taylor and died July 29, 1856. Children: Lemuel, Jerusha Wolcott, Emily, Sarah and Clara.

Jerusha W. Richardson is the only daughter living; she married John Dempsey, resided at New Hartford, Conn., and had five children, one of which is Judge Eugene Dempsey, of Danbury.

The only son of Lemuel and Sarah (Taylor) was: REV. LEMUEL RICHARDSON.

He was born in Barkhamsted May 26, 1829, and inherited his father's farm, where he resided until about 1864. He was converted when he was twenty-nine years of age and almost at once commenced fitting himself to preach the Gospel by private study. He began preaching as a Methodist minister in 1859 and is still in active service. After entering the ministry he resided for the first five years on his farm and preached at nearby churches. Since then he has been pastor of the

churches at Rockland, East Granby, North Canton and Darien, in his native State, and at Huntington and Port Jefferson, N. Y.

About twenty-two years ago he came to Brooklyn as pastor of the Cook Street Church; next in New York City for three years with the Eleventh Street Church. He then returned to Brooklyn and has since been in charge of the York Street Church, Warren Street Church, Ridley Memorial and North Fifth Street Church, of which he has been pastor for the last six years.

The Rev. Fred Saunders, an associate with him in the ministry, writes of him as follows: "The Rev. Lemuel Richardson is one of the most faithful and loyal preachers of the Gospel in the New York East Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as fearless and uncompromising as Elijah but as gentle as the beloved disciple John; his gentleness and purity of character have made him as lovable as he has been efficient."

He married Martha M. Tiffany, Oct. 22, 1849, and has had three daughters: Mary, married M. W. Griffin and resides in New Haven; Nellie G., married James J. Butler and died without issue Dec. 2, 1896; Clara L., died unmarried Nov. 25, 1900.

- (6) Sally, daughter of Stephen and Sarah (Treat) Richardson, married Benjamin Roberts, of Great Barrington, Mass. She probably has no descendants living.
- viii. RACHEL RICHARDSON, bapt. March 24, 1745, married John Watson, of South Kingston, R. I., Nov. 24, 1773.
- ix. PRUDENCE RICHARDSON, date of birth unknown, was married to Samuel Woodburn, "both of Stonington," by Elder Stephen Babcock, at Westerly, March 4, 1757. Presumably the Prudence Woodburn who married her sister's son John Stanton was their daughter.
- 2. AMOS, son of Jonathan and Ann (Edwards) Richardson. ,-See fourth generation following for full account.

FOURTH GENERATION

AMOS RICHARDSON

AMOS RICHARDSON, son of Jonathan and Ann (Edwards), was born probably at Stonington, and in December, 1699, as he was six months; of age when his father died. He was baptized, as before stated, at Hartford, June 23, 1700. His early years were spent there, and until his stepfather, Mr. Davenport, moved to Stonington, which was before August 8, 1708, when Elizabeth Davenport was baptized.

It is uncertain when he settled in Coventry. "The Centennial Address," delivered before the church at North Coventry by the pastor, Rev. George A. Calhoun, Oct. 9, 1845, says, concerning the founders of the church:

"Amos Richardson married Rachel Yarrington,1 of Long Island, and emigrated from Stonington to Coventry in 1717. At that period there was no house in the east school district and but one in the present limits of the district. He settled on the farm now owned by one of his descendants, Levi Sweetland, Esq."

This date seems improbable when we consider his age and the fact that Mr. Davenport was still living in Stonington. (Rachel was baptized there May 5, 1718.)

The earliest record showing a residence in Coventry is a deed of land dated Oct. 4, 1723, from Thomas Lasett, of Windham, to Amos Richardson, of Coventry. However, on the 2nd of the following May, he signed a deed for land in Stonington to his brother Jonathan, in which they are described as "both of Stonington," and he as a carpenter. The witnesses to the Lasett deed were William and Humphrey Davenport, his stepfather and half brother. The tradition that he was married to Rachel Yarrington on Long Island is undoubtedly an error, as there is no reason to suppose that any of the

Yarrington family resided there at the time of their marriage, which must have taken place as early as 1724, her first child being born March 20, 1725. They were married, probably, at Stonington or Preston. It is unknown whether her father moved to Stonington from Preston before she was married; at least one of his sons continued to reside at Preston; her first child was baptized there, and at the same time, Sept. 26, 1725, she united with the church. This must have been only a few days after her father died at Stonington.

The church in the North Parish of Coventry was not organized until twenty years after this, and Amos Richardson was the leading man in securing its establishment. He was active in town and church affairs, but there is no record of any military services. On Dec. 13, 1725, he was elected Lister and Inspector, and during the next fifteen years held many town offices.

He gave a farm to each of his sons. His home was located about a half mile southeast of the Coventry church, on the south side of the highway leading past the birthplace of Nathan Hale, two and a half miles farther southeast. After 1850 this farm was occupied for many years by Andrew K. Brown and later by Capt. George Keeney.

He died in 1779, the inventory of his estate was taken Nov. 25, 1779, and his will dated Sept. 18, 1775; his wife must have died before that time as her name is not mentioned in it. He had fourteen children and at least ninety grandchildren. He did not achieve fame as his cousins Jonathan Edwards and Gov. Belcher, but be certainly perpetuated a sturdy race.

The fourteen children of Amos and Rachel (Yarrington) Richardson were:

1. NATHAN, born at Coventry March 20, 1725, baptized at Preston Sept. 26, 1725, and married to Phebe Crocker at Coventry, Nov. 8, 1748. He served in the Revolution and was at the battle of Bunker Hill, where he lost a gun. He resided for a few years in Lebanon, and his daughter Lois was born there in October, 1772.

His father's home farm at Coventry was deeded to him before the date of his will (of which he was executor), Sept. 18, 1775, and it is probable that his father was living there with him at the time of his death in 1779. He removed to Manchester, Vt., in -March, 1780, where he was called Capt. Richardson and was a prominent man in the town. His twelve children were:

- i. ROSAMOND, born at Coventry, July 9, 1749, married Daniel Brewster at Lebanon, June 2, 1774.
- ii. ANDREW, born at Coventry, Dec. 13, 1750, married Mercy Clauson at Lebanon, Oct. 17, 1773. He served in the Revolutionary War from Lebanon, and in 1780 moved on an open sled to Manchester, Vt., where he was in the service in 1781 and 1782, and in 1806 was a representative from that town. They had six children:
- (1) Eleazer, born at Lebanon, March 21, 1774.
- (2) John Clauson, born at Coventry, Sept. 1, 1776, married Lucretia Root, Sept. 6, 1804, and died at Manchester in 1860. Children:
- a) Jerusha, born July 5, 1805, died young;
- b) Aaron C., Jan. 25, 1809, married Aurilla Howard and had Ellen Lucretia, April 21, 1839 (married Asahel Parker), and Julia Mabel, March 6, 1842, (reside at Manchester Depot);
- c) Artemesia, born May 11, 1811, died young;
- d) Andrew E., born Aug. 8, 1813, married Margaret Helen, daughter of his second cousin Humphrey Richardson;
- e) Moses, born May 24, 1817, had two sons and resided at Castile, N. Y. John Clauson Richardson also had two other daughters, Caroline and Sophia, of whom there is no record; both died unmarried.
- (3) Rosamond, born Sept. 17, 1778.
- (4) Andrew, born Jan. 13, 1783, married Rachel Boarn, June 24, 1804, and had: Barnett, April 17, 1805, Hattie Strong, May 6, 1806

Ophelia, Jan. 29, 1811,

Lois Ann and Amos (twins), Aug. 25, 1815,

Cyrus, Nov. 27, 1820.

- (5) Zereniah (daughter), born Jan. 13, 1785.
- (6) Mercy, born May 21, 1787.
- iii. LUCY, born at Coventry, Sept. 3, 1752.
- iv. AMOS, born at Coventry, Nov. 26, 1754. He served in the Revolution, from Manchester, in 1780, 1781 and 1782.
- v. JOHN, born Nov. 16, 1756, who served in the Revolution from Coventry and probably also in Vermont. His daughter Phebe was bapt. at Coventry, Dec., 1780. vi. ESTHER, born at Coventry, Oct. 26, 1758.
- vii. NATHAN, born at Coventry, Oct. 27, 1760, served in the Revolution from Manchester. A few years later he removed to Burlington, Vt., where he died. His children born in Manchester were William Palmer, July 22, 1784, and Rhoda, Dec. 31, 1785; the former was:

HON. WILLIAM P. RICHARDSON

William Palmer Richardson, son of Nathan, was well educated and excelled as a public reader. He married Laura, daughter of Capt. John Lyman, Sept. 23, 1807, served in the War of 1812 and was at the battle of Plattsburgh. After the war he settled near Jerico Center, Vt., where he was a prominent man and representative from Chittenden County in the Legislature for a number of years.

He wrote the early history of Jerico which was published in Thompson's Gazeteer, was especially interested in the causes of education and temperance. When more than eighty years of age be removed with his wife to Butternuts, Otsego Co., N.Y., resided with his son-in-law, Edward Converse, and died Feb. 28, 1871. A further account of him is given in Kulp's Wyoming Valley Families, Vol. 1. He had a notable family of, fourteen children:

- * Betsy, the oldest child, born July 8, 1808, at Westford, Vt., married Dec. 17,1829, Russell French, of Jeríco, was a teacher, and died April 9, 1830.
- * Nathan R., born Jan. 20, 1810, married May 21, 1837, Emily House, and was a teacher.
- * Emily, born Jan. 9, 1812, married in 1834, Rev. James Hillhouse, a Presbyterian clergyman, and died in Newbern, Ala., April 4, 1835. She was a teacher for some years in an academy at Columbus, Ohio.
- * Hannah W. (fourth child of William P. and Laura L.), born May 31, 1814, married Nov. 4, 1840, Prof. John G. K. Truair and died Aug. 31, 1849, at Norwich, N. Y. She was for some years in charge of the female department of the Gilbertsville Collegiate Institute, of which her husband was the principal.
- * John Lyman (fifth child), born Sept. 15, 1816, at Jerico, married June 30, 1846, Catherine Heermans, at Scranton, Pa. He was a successful teacher for many years, and in 1855, while principal of the Madison Academy at Waverly, Pa., was commissioned Superintendent of Schools for Luzerne County. He resided at Bloomsburg, where he died March 16, 1885. Their nine children were:
- i. Mary Lyman Richardson, born Nov. 17, 1847, married Isaac Platt Hand, May 3, 1871. He is a prominent lawyer at Wilkes Barre, Pa., where they have had eleven children, namely: Elizabeth, George (both died young), Kathleen, Isaac P. (died April 8, 1905). Bayard, Laura (married Hamilton Farnham, Sept. 27. 1904, has daughter Catharine, born Aug. 22, 1905, resides in New York), Aaron Hicks (died young), Richardson, Joseph Henry, Emily, and Philip Lyman.
- ii. Laura Ann Richardson, born July 25, 1849, married first Edward Welles, in 1875, second Angus Morrison, in 1879, third Asher Miller, in 1888, resides at Santa Cruz, Cal. Children: Emily Morrison, Catharine J. Morrison, and Mary Morrison who married George Cuthburt.
- iii. Galitain Truair Richardson, born Jan. 19, 1861, resides in Los Alamitos, Cal.
- iv. Florence Delphine Richardson, born March 14. 1853, married Willis Emmons and has a daughter Louise, who resides near Sacramento.

- v. Emily Eliza Richardson, born Nov. 14, 1855, married Capt. Walter T. Hall of San Francisco. He was a soldier in the Civil War and made a record which placed him in the front rank with the "bravest of the brave." They reside in San Francisco and have a son Walter T., Jr., who married Freda Robb, May 21, 1902. vi. William Philip Richardson, born Oct. 6, 1857, resides in Silver City, Idaho. vii. John Lyman Richardson, born March 2, 1863, married Minnie Bittenbender of Constantine, Mich., resides at Bloomsburg, and has Catharine R., born June 5, 1896, John L. Jr., born July 4, 1897, and Emily E., born Feb. 21, 1899. viii. Catharine Heermans Richardson, born Jan. 28, 1866, died in infancy. ix. Harriet Heermans Richardson, born Oct. 28, 1868, married John Gordon. resides at Norwalk, Cal., and has Heermans and Laura.
- * William Palmer (sixth child and twin with John Lyman), died in infancy.
- * Martin P., born June 2, 1818, married, May 12, 1842, Ann Beecher, of Cambridge, Vt., and was a teacher.
- * William Palmer (eighth child), born March 8, 1820, married, in 1842, Elmira Wilder, of Cambridge, Vt., where he died in 1843.
- * Caroline (ninth child of William P. and Laura L.), born Jan. 21, 1822, married Edward Converse, May 23, 1848, resided at Butternuts, N. Y., and for many years was a teacher.
- * Minerva, born April 4, 1824, died March 31, 1839.
- * Laura E., born Nov. 10, 1826, died March 24, 1839.
- * Joseph L., born April 17, 1828, died March 28, 1839. These three last named children of William P. and Laura I., die during the same week at Cambridge, Vt., of scarlet fever.
- * Burton, born Dec., 1830, died Nov., 1844.
- * Simeon R. (fourteenth and last child), born March, 1832, married Charlotte Dickinson, April 16, 1850, resides in Lexington, Minn., where he was formerly a teacher.

The other five children of Nathan and Phebe (Crocker) Richardson were:

- viii. HETTIE, born at Coventry, Nov. 6, 1762.
- ix. SARAH, born at Coventry, March 10, 1765.
- x. ELIZABETH born at Coventry, Feb. 26, 1768.
- xi. WELLES, born in Coventry, Feb. 14, 1770. In 1793 he resided at Manchester, Vt., where he was a voter.
- xii. LOIS, born at Lebanon, Oct. 13, 1772.
- 2. LEMUEL, son of Amos and Rachel (Yarrington) Richardson, born Sept. 19, 1726, married Anna Rust. See fifth generation for full account.
- 3. AMOS, son of Amos and Rachel (Yarrington) Richardson, born at Coventry, March 5, 1728, married first Ruth Stiles, June 5, 1751, mother of all his children; and second Phebe. The epitaphs on their tombstones in the cemetery at Coventry, sometimes called the Strong Cemetery, read as follows: "In memory of Mrs. Ruth, consort of Capt. Amos Richardson, who departed this life Feb. 4th, 1777, in the 44th year of her age." "In memory of Mrs. Phebe Richardson, who died July 12, 1802, aged 68 years. Wife of Capt. Amos Richardson." "In memory of Capt. Amos Richardson, who died Sept. 30th, 1802, in the 75th year of his age." He served in the French and Indian War in 1757, received a commission from the Assembly as Lieutenant in 1765 and Captain in 1767; in 1763 he was the Collector of Rates. He kept a hotel for many years, which was destroyed by fire April 24, 1766, on which account he petitioned the Assembly to relieve him from taxes. He was one of the committee to secure relief for Boston and served as a Captain during the Revolutionary War. He had five children:
- i. ANNA RICHARDSON, born March 26, 1752, married Capt. Noah Grant, grandfather of President Grant. Her tombstone bears this inscription: "In memory of Mrs. Anna, wife of Mr. Noah Grant daughter of Capt. Amos & Mrs. Ruth Richardson, who died 1786 in ye 38th year of her age." There is a discrepancy of

three years between the dates of her birth as given in the town records and on her tombstone, but mistakes of this kind are often found.

Since Marshall's "Ancestry of General Grant" was published in 1869 it has been supposed that the first wife of his grandfather, Capt. Noah Grant a Revolutionary soldier, was a widow Richardson whose maiden name was Anna Buell. This mistake was undoubtedly made by General Grant's father, Jesse Root Grant, and may be accounted for by his near relationship to the Buell family. Martha Huntington, widow of Noah Grant, married Peter Buell, a prominent man who died in 1769, leaving a number of children by her. Capt. Noah and Anna (Richardson) Grant had two sons:

- (1) Solomon Grant, born at Coventry, about 1779, brought up there and well educated (by his grandfather Buell, according to Mr. Marshall). Whether he lived with his grandfather Richardson or with his father's relatives it is now impossible to say. About 1798 he is said to have gone to the West Indies as the overseer of a sugar plantation, and it is now claimed that he left descendants there. The accounts about him differ somewhat.1
- (2) Peter Grant, born at Coventry, Nov. 4, 1781, after his mother's death went with his father to Pennsylvania, where the latter married Mrs. Rachel Miller Kelly, and had seven other children:
- 1. Susan A., born Dec. 7, 1792;
- 2. Jesse Root (father of General U. S. Grant), Jan. 23, 1794;
- 3. Margaret 31., Oct. 23, 1795;
- 4. Noah B., Nov., 1797;
- 5. John K., June 2, 1799;
- 6. Roswell M., Jan. 10, 1802,
- 7. Rachel M. Sept. 6, 1804.

Peter Grant settled in Maysville, Ky., and there married Portnelia Bean (or Bane), Nov. 12, 1807. He acquired a fortune as a tanner, salt manufacturer and mine owner; but his family, who favored the Confederate cause, lost a large share of their property during the war. Children, all born at Maysville:

- Clarice Grant, born Aug. 16, 1808, married James Howitt.
- 2. Lawson B. Grant, born July 1, 1810. married Martha G. M. F. Hudson.
- 3. Solomon K. Grant, born July 14, 1812, married Elizabeth F. Thornton.
- Orville Root Grant. born April 28, 1815, married Marian M. McFarland.
- 5. Peter Buell Grant, born May 13, 1817, married Elizabeth B. Hendley.
- 6. Anna Richardson Grant, born March 10, 1819, married Mortimer Oliver Hubbard Norton.
- 7. Permelia Grant, born Jan. 19, 1822, married Dr. Volney Spalding of N. Y. City.
- 8. Noah Grant, born April 1, 1824, married Eliza Colston Marshall.
- 9. Susan A. Grant. born March 26, 1826, died 1827.
- 10. Rachel M. Grant, born March 18, 1829, married Alfred Gray Morgan.
- ii. HEZEKIAH RICHARDSON, born Jan. 25, 1754, married Olive Thompson, Jan. 27, 1774, and died June 23, 1814. His will mentions children-Amos, Nancy Coleman, Ruth, Phebe Ripley, Susan Lyman, and a granddaughter, Olive Richardson. They
- appear to have had seven children, order of birth unknown.
 (1) Nancy Richardson, born Aug. 6, 1774, married Solomon Coleman and had Nancy
- and Solomon Lathrop, bapt. July 1, 1828, and James Manning, Sept. 30, 1831.

 (2) Ruth Richardson, born Jun. 9, 1779, was unmarried when her father's will
- was dated in 1813.
 (3) Hannah Richardson, born Oct. 13, 1780, married Capt. Joseph Dow and had Eunice, bapt. at Coventry, March 21, 1802, Rebecca, Jan. 16, 1803, Hannah, May 22, 1804, Joseph, Oct. 6, 1805, Joseph and Newton, Oct. 8, 1809, Hezekiah, Lucia and Augustus, Oct. 1, 1815, Edward, June 1, 1817 (resided Rt. Bunker Hill, Ill.1), Elizabeth, March 1, 1819, James Richardson, Jan. 21, 1821, and Mary, May 24, 1829.

- (4) Olive Richardson, born in 1782, married Col. James White and died Nov. 14, 1808, leaving a daughter, Olive Richardson, who was baptized the next day.
- (5) Phebe Richardson, date of birth unknown, married Elijah Ripley at Coventry, Nov. 14, 1804. On Aug. 18, 1816, they had the following children baptized: Joseph, Amos, Polly, Fredrick, Olive, Sally and Erastus. On Jan. 4, 1820, Emily and Norman, children of widow Elijah Ripley, were baptized. On Sept. 3, 1820, Elijah, son of widow Elijah Ripley, was baptized. Her husband died Jan. 1, 1820, age 37 years.
- (6) Susan Richardson, date of birth unknown, married William Lyman, Sept. 19, 1797, and had Jane Richardson; baptized July 29, 1798, Miranda, Sept. 15, 1799, Alicia, Oct. 3, 1802, Idocia, Aug. 5, 1804, Mary, Nov. 3, 1805, Lucy, Oct. 19, 1807, Nathan Morrison and Chauncey, March 15, 1811, and Julia Ann, Oct. 1, 1815.
- (7) Amos Richardson, born July 4, 1786, married Sarah Strong, Nov. 29, 1810. He resided in Coventry, about a half-mile south of Mansfield Depot, where he died, March 13, 1860. He was a deacon in the First Church at South Coventry. He had ten children:
- 1. Hezekiah, born Feb. 7, 1812, died 1833.
- 2. Theodore Dwight, born Aug. 14, 1813, died 1817.
- 3. Joseph Warren, born Aug. 14, 1815, resided in 1871 in Coventry, unmarried.
- 4. Charles. born July 23, 1817, resided in 1871 in Coventry, unmarried.
- 5. Lucy Strong, born Dec. 23, 1820, married in 1847, Andrew Jackson Main, resided in Coventry, and had five children.
- 6. Edward. born April 2, 1823, died unmarried in 1863.
- 7. Ruth Stiles, born April 2, 1825, in 1871 resided in Coventry, unmarried.
- 8. Olive White, born June 18, 1827, married William Oliver Gardner, and had four children.
- 9. James White, born July 2, 1830, married, 1858, Nancy Eliza Logan. He was a carpenter, resided in Hartford, and had five children.
- 10. Amos, born June 20, 1832, married Sarah Brindall and had two children.
- iii. ZEBULON RICHARDSON, born Feb. 10, 1757, died at Coventry, Feb. 15, 1809, aged 52 years, probably never married.
- iv. REUBEN STILES RICHARDSON, born at Coventry, Feb., 1762.
- v. RUTH RICHARDSON, born about 1765, married Levi Swetland, Dec. 28, 1780, and died at Coventry, Jan. 11, 1842, aged 77. Children:
- (1) Mille Swetland, -born Nov. 28, 1782, married Capt. Joseph Rose, Nov. 28, 1799, and had Fanny, Sept. 3, 1800 (died 1814), Elizabeth Hale, June 28, 1804, and Fanny Mary, Sept. 24, 1815. Capt. Rose died Aug. 1, 1838.
- (2) Anne Swetland, born April 26, 1785, died 1808.
- (3) Polly Swetland, born Jan. 17, 1787, died 1813.
- (4) Levi Swetland, born June 2, 1789, married Electa Kingsbury, March 8, 1810, and had Mary Anne and Olive White, baptized 1819, and Levi P., Henry K. and Harriet E., baptized in 1821.
- (5) Ruth Swetland, born March 30, 1791;
- (6) Rosca Swetland (daughter), born March 21, 1797.
- 4. RACHEL, daughter of Amos and Rachel (Yarrington) Richardson, was born at Coventry, May 16, 1729, and married David Richardson, of Lebanon. See page 15.
- 5. JONATHAN, son of Amos and Rachel (Yarrington) Richardson, was born at Coventry, July 24, 1721, and died there April 3, 1799. He was one of the soldiers who went to Boston at the Lexington Alarm in 1775. His will, dated Nov. 13, 1795, mentions wife Jerusha, children William, Ezekiel, Ephriam, Mason, Martin, Mary Fox, and grand-daughter Eunice Fox. As far as can be learned he had nine children, order of birth unknown:
- i. WILLIAM, born perhaps about 1756, presumably the William Richardson who married Abigail Thayer, at Bolton, Sept. 24, 1778, was a Revolutionary soldier from Coventry.
- ii. EZEKIEL, born in 1760 or 1761, served in the Revolutionary War from Coventry. He married Jerusha Porter, who died in 1824. The inscriptions on their

tombstones in the cemetery at the foot of Silver Street, Coventry, read as follows: "In memory of Mr. Ezekiel Richardson, who died Nov. 8, 1816, in the 56th year of his age." "In memory of Mrs. Jerusha Richardson, relict of Mr. Ezekiel Richardson, who died Aug. 14, 1824, aged 62 years." Her will, dated June 24, 1824, names children Chester, Lathrop, Uriel, Jerusha, Chloe, and grand-daughter Harriet Maria Spofford. Children:

- (1) Chester Richardson, born about 1782, married Huldah Lyman and died at Coventry in 1856, aged 74. She died in 1855, aged 70; they had one son, name unknown.
- (2) Lathrop Richardson, born in 1789, baptized at Vernon on Oct. 18 of that year, married Mary Hatch, Jan. 4, 1819, and had Charles who resides in South Dakota, Jane, Mary Ann (married Henry Tracy, a Boston editor), Lillcone (married Alpheus-Fuller, of Scotland, Conn.), and Emily L., who was baptized at Coventry in 1829 and resides at Lenox, Mass.
- (3) Jerusha Richardson, bapt. at Vernon, Aug. 6, 1792, died Sept. 19, 1849, aged 45. She married Daniel Loomis, Jan., 1815, and had Edwin, Daniel, Juliatta, bapt. 1819, and Mary Kingsbury, bapt. 1821.
- (4) Chloe Richardson, bapt. July 10, 1796, married, Sept. 4, 1816, Jesse Spofford of Mansfield, and had Maryette, 1817, Marilla, 1819, -Manly W., 1821, Harriet Marie, 1824, who married Dr. H. M. Prestou, Uriel, 1826, Monroe D., 1831, Eliot G., 1837.
- (5) Uriel Richardson died Sept. 16, 1824, age 24 years. This date is taken from the inscription on his tombstone in the cemetery at the foot of Silver Street, which reads as follows: "Uriel, son of Mr. Ezekiel & Mrs. Jerusha Richardson, died Sept. 16, 1824, in Bethsaida, Georgia, age 24 years." There was no village nor post office in Georgia named Bethsaida, but the Bethsaida College and Orphan Home, founded by the celebrated George Whitefield about 1740, was located near Savannah and destroyed by fire soon after his death in 1770. In 1808 this property was sold to the Morrell family, and at the time of Uriel Richardson's death was part of their plantation.

In the centennial address of Rev. George A. Calhoun in 1845, Dr. Uriel Richardson is mentioned as a physician who was born in Coventry. Mrs. Harriet M. Preston, a niece of Uriel Richardson, furnished some years ago information about the family, in which she spoke of him as it skillful physician who died (when about 45 years of age) at Milledgeville, Ga.

The above accounts of Uriel Richardson do not agree if the date taken from his tombstone is reported correctly, and the most that can be said is that he probably was a promising young physician, who went South perhaps for his health and died there.

- iii. EPHRAIM RICHARDSON, date of birth unknown, enlisted in the Revolutionary service in 1778 for three years in a Company of Harness Makers, and was stationed at Springfield, Mass. He was named in his father's will, dated in 1795.
- iv. WEALTHY RICHARDSON, date of birth unknown, died Dec. 8, 1767, in the fourth year of her age.
- v. MINOR RICHARDSON, date of birth unknown, died Aug. 14, 1779, in his 15th year.
- vi. WEALTHY RICHARDSON, date of birth unknown. died Nov. 27, 1784, in her 17th year. Her record and the two preceding ones were taken from their tombstones.
- vii. MASON RICHARDSON, date of birth unknown, resided in Coventry and signed a deed there in 1801 with Martin, his brother, during the same year received a letter of transfer from the church at Coventry.
- viii. MARY RICHARDSON, married a Mr. Fox and had a daughter Eunice. Presumably she was the widow Fox who died in Coventry in 1826, age 56 years, according to the record of the Second Church.
- ix. MARTIN RICHARDSON, born in 1773, was the youngest son, married Lavinia Taylor, resided in Windham and ran a line of stages between there and Hartford.

His eight children were:

- (1) Lavinia Richardson, born Dec. 8, 1797, married Joseph Delliber, of Hartford, and had two children: Joseph, born in 1821, married Caroline Rust; Lavinia, second child, born Jan. 15, 1825, married Lorenzo Hamilton. Children:
- 1. Lillie Lavinia, born March 4, 1853, married James W. Eldridge of Hartford.
- 2. Frank Lorenzo, born Jan. 7, 1855, married Sarah Lavinia Lines, resides at Meridan and has Maud Lines Hamilton, born Nov. 3, 1886, and Lorenzo Hamilton, born June 24, 1895.
- Joseph D., date of birth unknown.
- 4. Ida Louise, born Jan. 28, 1859, married Dr. Franklin P. Roberts of New Haven and had Hazel Lavinia, born Sept. 5, 1883, and Frank Hamilton, born Oct. 12, 1885.
- (2) Leydon Richardson, born in 1800, married first Eliza Emeline, and second Mary Charlotte Lyman, leaving a son Henry by his first wife.
- (3) Jonathan Dwight Richardson, born 1807, married Martha Way and had a daughter Elizabeth, who married Arad Tuttle.
- (4) Cynthia Ann Richardson, born 1810, died 1828.
- (5) Julia Ann Richardson, born in 1812, died in 1829.
- (6) Wealthy Richardson, born 1814, married William Palmer.
- (7) William Hart Richardson, born in 1816, married Lucy Stillman.
- (8) Laura Richardson, born in 1819, died in 1834.
- 6. STEPHEN, son of Amos and Rachel (Yarrington) Richardson, born July 14, 1732, married Mabel Marsh at Coventry, Feb. 22, 1763, and was one of the soldiers who went to Boston at the Lexington Alarm in 1775. After the war he resided in Windsor, where be died Oct. 7, 1809, his wife Aug. 4, 1798. They had nine children:
- i. JANE RICHARDSON, born at Coventry, Dec. 24, 1763, married Elijah Wright, Jr., Nov. 1, 1781. They were buried in the cemetery near the foot of Silver Street which is situated a little west of the site of his old mill, now in ruins. The locality is known to this day as "Wright's Mill." He was a descendant of Deacon Samuel Wright, of Springfield, and a cousin of Jesse, grandfather of the Rev. Merle St. C. Wright, of New York. The epitaphs on their tombstones are: "Elijah Wright, died Feb. 28, 1839, aged 80 years. Jane, relict of Elijah Wright, died Sept. 27, 1850, aged 86 years." Children:
- (1) John Wright, born Feb. 2, 1787, resided at or near Detroit, Mich., served in the War of 1812, and died Aug. 15, 1812. One account is that he was killed in the service.
- (2) James Wright, born June 10th, died July 17, 1789.
- (3) James Wright, born July 12, 1793, settled at Rootstown, Ohio, had three daughters and two sons, and died at Franklin Mills, Ohio, July 13, 1863.
- (4) Emily Wright, born July 25, 1795, married Uriah Brigham, April, 1825, and died in March, 1826.
- (5) Harvey Wright, born July 17, 1797, married Sarah Bissell, of Manchester, in 1820, names of their children unknown.
- ii. JENNET JEWETT RICHARDSON, born Nov. 1, 1765, died Sept. 28, 1793 (perhaps a widow).
- iii. LUCRETIA RICHARDSON, born Feb. 11, 1768.
- iv. ABIGAIL RICHARDSON, born March 9, 1770, married William Kingsbury at Coventry, 1788, moved to Homer, N. Y., where he was a tanner and shoemaker.1 Their five children were:
- (1) Eleazer, born Nov. 25, 1788, married Susan Kinnee and had four children: Andrew E., born June 28, 1820, married, 1847, Cynthia Edgerton, of Coventry; Antoinette, born Aug. 24, 1823, married, 1850, Denman Spencer, resided at Binghamton, N. Y., and had one daughter, Harriet, born -May 3, 1828; Sarah, born Sept. 4, 1830.
- (2) William Kingsbury, born Aug. 27, 1790, married Hilpah Winchell in 1817, died Sept. 1, 1867, at Homer, where his three children were born: Harriet, died

- young; Augustus W., born Nov. 30, 1824, married Mary Fish, had two children, and died in Minnesota in 1866; Henry Clay, born Nov. 6, 1830, married -Mercy Ann LaDue, resided in Westfield, N. Y., where he was a prominent lawyer and died in 1902. (Children: Carlton A., Edward P., Clara LaDue, Julia H. and Henry Clay.)
- (3) Erastus, born Dec. 23, 1792, died Sept. 22, 1810.
- (4) Augustus, born Oct. 12, 1796, married Dec., 1816, Polly Loomis, and died Oct. 26, 1872. Children: Affiry, born Feb. 2, 1817; Harriet, born June 19, 1819, married Wells Woodbridge, of Manchester, Conn.; Erastus, born May 8, 1821, married Elizabeth Goodwin.
- (5) Charles, born March 20, 1802, married Nov. 26, 1829, Pamelia Porter; resided in Cortland Village, N. Y. Children: Emily M., born Feb. 14, 1832, died Oct. 7, 1852; Charles P., born July 8, 1833, married Cleoria Bennett; Andrew Dwight, born Nov. 18, 1834, married Emily Hawkes; Albert G., born Feb. 14, 1841, married Fanny Cleine, resided in Des Moines, Iowa; Edwin S., born Sept. 26, 1842, died March 13, 1874; Frederick W., born July 22, 1850, married Sept. 27, 1876, Mary Sehemerhorn.
- v. ALEXANDER RICHARDSON, born June 17,1772.
- vi. PHILLIP RICHARDSON, born Sept. 7, 1774, drowned May 13, 1793. -
- vii. MABEL RICHARDSON, born March 8, 1778.
- viii. DANIEL RICHARDSON, born Jan. 8,1781.
- ix. POLLY RICHARDSON, born Oct. 12, 1785.
- 7. ANN, daughter of Amos and Rachel (Yarrington) Richardson, born Jun. 4, 1734, married Uriah Brigham, May 28, 1754, and died Aug. 5, 1813. Her husband died in Jan., 1777, aged 55. Their eight children were:
- i. ROGER, born Oct. 28, 1755, died in Nov., 1760.
- ii. BETHIAH, born July 14, 1757.
- iii. ANNE, born Oct. 14, 1759, married Samuel Rudd, of Norwich, Feb. 19, 1783.
- iv. NORMAN, born Dec. 2, 1761, died Aug., 1782.
- v. DON CARLOS, born Feb. 21, 1763, married Polly Greenleaf, June 7, 1789, and died March 27, 1843. A son aged two years died Jan. 20, 1804, and another, Gurdon, aged 12, died June 11, 1804. Don Carlos Brigham was a Revolutionary pensioner in 1832, and resided in Hartford Co.
- vi. CEPHAS, born Dec. 7, 1765, married Amelia Robertson, May 14, 1786, died May 17, 1841. Children:
- (1) Anne, born probably about 1787, bapt. May 17, 1793, married Roderick Dimock, of Mansfield, Oct. 9, 1806.
- (2) Lucia, date of birth unknown, bapt. May 17, 1793, married Horace Russ, Nov. 29, 1810, who died before Aug. 29, 1826, on which date the following children of his widow were baptized at Mansfield: Horace Dwight, Lucia Emily, Isabel, Amelia, Lewis and Louisa.
- (3) Sally, bapt. with her sisters May, 1793.
- vii. MARCIA or MARTHA, born Jan. 28, 1770, bapt. July, 1778.
- viii. LUCIA, born Nov. 6, 1771, bapt. July, 1778, married Dr. Rice, of Glastonbury, Aug. 31, 1800.
- 8. ZEBULON, son of Amos and Rachel (Yarrington) Richardson, was born March 7, 1735. Nothing more is known of him. Two of his brothers' sons were named for him, and, as there is no record of his death at Coventry, it is not improbable that he lost his life in the Revolution.
- 9. HUMPHREY, son of Amos and Rachel (Yarrington) Richardson, born March 9, 1737, was named for his father's half-brother, Humphrey Davenport. His father's will contains this provision: "I give and bequeath unto Humphrey my grandson, & son of my son Humphrey deceased what will remain out of Six & twenty pounds after deduction therefrom, to pay a Legacy of £50 old tenor willed to my sd. son Humphrey by his Uncle Humphrey Davenport of Coventry deceased." He married Mary Brown, probably daughter of Ebenezer and Martha Brown, of Coventry, who was born April 26, 1741. He served as a soldier and was killed in a battle with the Indians at Hoosick Falls, N. Y., in the latter part of 1756.

One of his descendants, Mrs. A. F. Hill, of West Brattleboro, has a letter, written by him while in camp to his father, mother and wife, dated May 17, 1756. His only child, born after his death, was:

i. HUMPHREY RICHARDSON, born Feb. 6, 1757. He served in the Continental Army, was taken prisoner, and, when paroled, his residence was again in Coventry. In April, 1777, be enlisted again for three years in Capt. Jonathan Allen's Co., Col. Putnam's Reg., from Northampton, Mass. He married Margaret Webb, July 17, 1781, and on March 27, 1782, his infant child died at Bolton, Conn. On Nov. 30, 1783, Humphrey Richardson and wife were admitted to the church at Bolton. He moved to Williamstown, Mass., from there to Dorset Vt., and died at North Bennington, Vt., in 1849.

In 1837 he petitioned Congress for an appropriation of \$35.25 and interest to pay for property lost by him during the Revolutionary War. This request was not granted, although Hiland Hall, Representative from his district, certified that he was a man of "undoubted veracity." His petition in part was as follows: "Your petitioner Humphrey Richardson, of Dorset in the county of Bennington and State of Vermont, a pensioner under the act of 1818, respectfully represent that in the month of March, 1776, he was a soldier in Col. Porter's regiment in the Massachusetts line, that he had furnished himself at his own expense with arms, clothing, and equipments, that on his way to Canada in crossing Lake Champlain, he, without any fault on his part slipped on the ice and broke the stock of his gun, which rendered it entirely useless, and there being no means of repairing it, it was left at St. Johns and lost to your petitioner, that the said gun cost him ten dollars in specie, that in August of the same year your petitioner was taken prisoner near the Isle La Motte in Lake Champlain, carried to Quebec and from thence to New York where he was paroled and returned home in the fall of the same year.

"Your petitioner further states that on being taken prisoner be was stripped of all his clothing except that which be wore, and also of his arms and equipments, and that his losses in arms, equipments, and clothing are truly and justly stated in the following bill."

The five children of Humphrey and Margaret (Webb) Richardson were:

- (1) Humphrey Richardson, born at Bolton, Conn., Feb. 8, 1774 married Hannah Durgee, Aug., 1805, had sixteen children, only five accounted for, the others probably having died young:
- 1. Humphrey Davenport, married Mary Webb of Sunderland, Vt., and had Webb, Humphrey Davenport, and Adeline.
- 2. Margaret Helen, born in Dorset, Jan. 1, 1824, married Andrew Edward Richardson, in 1840, at Salem, N.Y., and died Nov. 8, 1862. He was born Aug. 8, 1813, and was the son of John Clauson and Lucretia (Root), as before mentioned. They had two children: Josephine Amelia, born Aug. 30, 1842, married Alexander F. Hill, July 15, 1862. resides at West Brattleboro, Vt., and has two daughters, Margaret Helen and Ruth Adeline, wife of Charles D. Pettee; Humphrey Edward Eugene, born Dec. 4, 1843, moved to Colorado about 1893.
- 3. Marion, born Feb. 19, 1826, married Samuel E. Moore, Nov. 15, 1855, and had Frank Ernest, Oct. 23, 1856, Lillian Emogene, June 23, 1858, Ralph Edward, July 7, 1865, and Hubert Samuel, Feb. 19, 1867. The second child. Lillian E., is the only one living; she married Major Frank L. Howe, at Dorset, Sept. 22, 1881, resides at Northfield, Vt., and has Harold Moore, born July 14, 1882, and Muriel Lillian, Oct. 16, 1884. The latter married Earl L. Bean, June 29, 1904.
- 4. Mary, married George Pettibone and has George R., who resides at Yonkers. N.Y.
- 5. Anne, married Benjamin Albe.
- (2) Hiram Richardson, born Jan. 25, 1786, had two sons, Eli and Edwin, who resided at North Bennington.
- (3) George Washington Richardson, born Dec. 27, 1789, according to family tradition, died unmarried at Memphis, Tenn., in 1846. He was born with only one

hand, was educated at Williams College, but did not graduate. He was for many years a teacher, but became a physician. Mrs. A. F. Hill has a good letter written by him Dec. 15, 1828, at which time be was teaching at Riverhead, Conn., and was in poor health. Mr. A. M. Jones also has eleven family letters from him, the first dated at New York, Sept. 10, 1810, the last at Birch Pond, Tenn., 1843. He had an exemplary Christian character.

- (4) Margaret Richardson, born in Williamstown, Mass., July 22, 1796, married Norris Dodge and had seven children:
- 1. William, drowned when about two years of age.
- 2. Mary H., born Oct. 25, 1820, married William G. Baker, died in Scottsville, N. Y., June 18, 1901, leaving a daughter Margaret E., who married LeGrand Brown.
- Marcia Richardson, married Elijah Sherwin and died in Iowa without issue.
- 4. Jane N., married Edwin Haswell, moved to California, where she died in 1862. Her sons, Alfred Z. and George E., reside in Madison, Wis.
- Margaret Helen and
- 6. Marrett J. died in infancy.
- 7. Eva P., born April 9, 1835, married Fred H. Cooledge, March 23, 1869, resides at Dorset and had two children: Mary J., born Dec. 25, 1867, died Sept. 29, 1881; William Dodge, second child, born Aug. 23, 1861, married Frances Harrington and died Sept. 18, 1891, leaving a daughter Mary Ella (wife of Ralph Walker) and a son, George Baker.
- (5) Marcia Richardson, born July 31, 1803, married Amos Allen Jones in 1828, resided many years at North Bennington, and died in Schaghticoke, N. Y., June 28, 1883. Children:
- 1. Myron Allen Jones, born Feb. 6, 1835, married Mary C. Barton in 1868, had Helen M., Myra, Helen B., and died at Schaghticoke April 30, 1883.
- Myra Jones died in infancy.
- 3. Albert Melvin Jones, born Sept. 10, 1840, married Freelove E. Allen Feb. 13, 1866, resides at Hoosick Falls, N. Y., and has six children: Amos Melvin, born July 2, 1869, married Cora A. Reynolds Oct. 17, 1894, and has William Reynolds, born Oct. 26, 1901; Oliver Arnold, second child, born April 9, 1872, married Emma Oldenberg Aug. 30, 1899, resided at Westfield, N. Y., and has Olive R., born June 16, 1900, and Albert F., May 12, 1902; Ralph Allen, third child, born March 21, 1875, married Maud L. Easton Sept. 20, 1899, and resides at North Bennington, Vt. The other children of Albert M. and Freelove E. (Allen) Jones are Marcia E., born April 18, 1879, Myra H., July 18, 1885, and Myron H., Aug. 3, 1888.
- 10. ABIGAIL, daughter of Amos and Rachel (Yarrington) Richardson, born July 23, 1739. There is no further account of her.
- 11. LOIS, daughter of Amos and Rachel (Yarrington) Richardson born July 18, 1741, married Jonathan Porter, Jr.,1 Nov. 15, 1759. He went to Boston at the Lexington alarm. Her gravestone in the cemetery near the foot of Silver Street is marked "Lois Porter, wife of Jonathan Porter, Jr., died April 14, 1766, in the 25th year of her age." Their seven children were:
- i. LOIS, born April 14, 1759, married Lieut. Joseph Kingsbury, Feb. 21 1780 and by him had eleven children:
- (1) Lois Kingsbury, born Jan. 14, 1781, married Nov. 3 1805, Ira Lillie and died without issue.
- (2) Oliver Kingsbury, born Jun. 24, 1782, married April 28, 1803, Cynthia Wing and had Maria May 12, 1806 (married Dr. Alonzo Streeter) and Oliver R., March 15, 1809 (married Susan Paterson).
- (3) Eunice Backus Kingsbury, born Nov. 17, 1784, married, Nov. 1802, Ebenezer Porter and had four children: Sophronia, born Sept. 26, 1803, married Daniel Wight; their son Edwin Mather, born Oct. 31, 1836, graduated at Williams College and is a lawyer in New York; Rosanna, born April 12, 1806; Monroe H., born Aug., 1812, died Sept. 5, 1818- Alva, born April, 1814, married -John C. Mather.

- (4) Ward Kingsbury, born Jan. 10, 1787, married, Feb. 2, 1808, Irene Avery and had three children; Louisa, born July 24, 1811, married Ebenezer Parsons; Dinah, born Jan. 22, 1813, married Matthew Allyn of Wellingston, Ohio; Ebenezer, born July 10, 1821, married Clemena Hitchcock.
- (5) Persis Kingsbury, born Dec. 10, 1789, married, May 2, 1813, Ira Lillie (her sister was his first wife). Children: Marcus, born March 3, 1814; Elizabeth, Nov. 26, 1817, and Tannette, May 31, 1821.
- (6) Electa Kingsbury, born June 9, 1791, married March 8, 1810, Levi Swetland. 2Children: Mary Ann, born July 18, 1811, married George N. Loomis; Oliver W., born June 12, 1817, died unmarried; Henry Kirke Wight born May 28, 1821, married Lizzie Mann, was a fine musician and composer and died June 19, 1852; Harriet Elizabeth, born Feb. 24, 1824, married George Pomeroy; Levi Parsons, born April 25, 1827, died July 13, 1854.
- (7) Mary Kingsbury, born Oct. 3, 1793, married, May, 1813, Harlan Page. He was a man of strong religious convictions and had a great influence on the religious life of Coventry. He was the manager of the American Tract Society of New York until his death (Sept. 23, 1834, aged 43). His "Memoirs" were printed by the Society in 1835. They had four children: Erwin Page, born Aug. 11, 1815, in Coventry, graduated at Marietta College, 1841, at Lane Theological Seminary 1844, and died unmarried Aug. 8, 1865.
- Electa Maria Page, second child of Harlan and Mary (Kingsbury), born Oct. 22, 1817, married, July 18, 1843, Rev. John Lewis of Platteville, Wis.
 Cyrus Page, third child of Harlan and Mary (Kingsbury), born- May 15, 1822, married, March, 1843, Sophronia Davenport and died the following month.
 Harlan Marius Page, fourth child, born Jan. 1, 1833, in New York, graduated at Beloit College about 1856, married Sarah E. Turner, was an editorial writer on the Wisconsin State Journal, and died June 15, 1886, leaving a widow and two children: Josie Electa and Harlan Kingsbury. Mrs. Page and her daughter were talented musicians. She was the prima donna of the Ole Bull Concert Troupe. Of the daughter the Iowa State Register says: "The wonderful child artiste, Mdlle. Josie Page, is a little jewel, has a remarkable voice, which she uses with great ease, singing the most difficult music with a thoroughly clear enunciation."
- (8) Roxana Kingsbury, born Aug. 5, 1796, married, Sept. 20, 1815, Daniel Wight and had five children. Their third child, William Ward Wight, born Feb. 4, 1821, married, July 10, 1844, Lydia Ann Potwin Van Akin, died April 20, 1868, and left four children: Daniel Porter, born Aug. 16, 1846; William Ward, born in Troy, N.Y., Jan. 14, 1849, married, June 29, 1876, Sarah Emily West, resident at Milwaukee, is President of the Wisconsin Historical Society, and has written a genealogy of the Wight family; Clara Elizabeth, born Oct. 9, 1852, is a teacher and resident in Troy; Arthur Merriam, born April 20, 1860.
- Joseph Kingsbury Wight, fourth child of Daniel and Roxana, born Feb. 9, 1824, married, Aug. 16, 1848, Elizabeth N. Van Dyke, graduated at Williams College and at Princeton Theological Seminary and was a missionary to China. They had seventeen children.
- (9) Ruth Kingsbury, born April 24, 1798, married Simon Tracy, a merchant, and had Addison Leander, born Oct. 25, 1819, in Lebanon; Lois Abby, born July 21, 1821, and Simon Kingsbury, born Oct. 23, 1831, in Norwich.
 REV. ADDISON KINGSBURY, D. D.
- (10) Addison Kingsbury, son of Joseph and Lois, born July 5, 1800, in Coventry, married first, April 27, 1830, Emma Little and second Mary Farrar Price, Aug. 20, 1832. He was formerly a shoemaker, but after his religious conversion he determined to become a preacher of the Gospel. He was fitted for college under the private instruction of Rev. George A. Calhoun of Coventry, entered Amherst College, 1823, but was compelled by serious sickness to leave after the first year, and taught at Norwich Falls, Conn.; he studied at Andover Theological Seminary, 1825-1828, was licensed by the Andover Association April 22, 1828,

ordained as an evangelist by the Presbytery of Newburyport September 25, 1828, and went to Ohio.

His route was from New York City by boat to Albany, by canal from Schenectady to Utica, stage to Buffalo, steamer to Dunkirk, stage via Conneaut, Ohio, to Wheeling, W. Va., thence to Marietta, Ohio, where he landed October 28, 1828. He labored for one year as home missionary in Washington County, Ohio, under commission from the American Home Missionary Society.

In autumn of 1829 he was installed pastor of the united churches of Belpre and Warren, Ohio. After ten years labor he was called to the Presbyterian Church of Putnam, Ohio, now a ward of Zanesville, serving till April, 1878, when he resigned, having completed a half century of ministerial service. The presbytery, at the request of the Church, honored him as "pastor emeritus;" he resided at Marietta until his death, Jan. 25, 1892 (aged 92).

He was a member of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, a trustee for thirty-eight years of the Putnam Female Seminary, for thirty-one years of Lane Theological Seminary, and for fifty-three years of Marietta College. The last-named institution conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity in 1854. - He was from the church at Coventry in which Harlan Page was reared, and drank largely of the spirit of that devoted man.

Dr. H. M. Field says of him in the New York Evangelist: "He was probably the oldest, and, up to recent years, almost the best known of our ministers west of the Ohio. He was among the most zealous and efficient of those pioneers of the Church who began their ministry at the front, when Ohio was yet largely a wilderness."

He had three sons, the youngest of whom died young. The oldest, Harlan Page, born Aug. 12, 1836, married Mary Ellen Haver.

Joseph Addison, the second son, born Sept. 28, 1840, graduated at Marietta College 1861, married Sarah Elizabeth Shipman and resides in Pittsburgh, Pa., where he is a railroad official. He is the author of the Kingsbury Genealogy (from material gathered by his father). Most of the record here given of the Kingsbury line is gleaned from this excellent family history. He had three daughters and one son, Samuel Shipman Kingsbury, born Sept. 12, 1871, -who is professor of Greek and German in Fairmont College, Wichita, Kansas.

- (11) Emeline Kingsbury, daughter of Joseph and Lois, born March 2, 1803, married, Sept. 18, 1826, Alvin Kingsbury. He was a merchant and manufacturer and bad five children:
- 1. Martha Roxana, born Aug. 20, 1828, married Charles A. Kingsbury.
- 2. Joseph, born Oct. 31, 1830, died Aug. 31, 1863.
- 3. Ruth M., born Nov. 8, 1832, married Hon. Marcus Lillie.
- 4. Addison, born Nov. 15. 1835, married first Charlotte Elizabeth Lillie, second Sarah M. Scott, third Mrs. Ida May (Warner) Robertson.
- Andrew Backus, born Nov. 15, 1837, died Aug. 20, 1841.
- The other children of Jonathan and Lois (Richardson) Porter were:
- ii. MERCY, born May 22, 1760, married Capt. Samuel Robinson, and had Neal, June 16, 1784, and Sarah Anne, Oct. 17, 1786.
- iii. RACHEL, born May 28, 1761, married Samuel White.
- iv. PERCIS, born July 10, 1762, married Dr. Daniel Avery and died April 1, 1831. He died Sept. 27, 1841, aged 80.
- v. AMAZIAH, born Dec. 29, 1763, married _____ Kittridge.
- vi. IRENE, born March 6, 1765, married Jabez Rockwell and had thirteen children.
- vii. JONATHAN, born April 5, 1766, married Tirzah Carpenter.
- 12. JUSTUS, son of Amos and Rachel (Yarrington) Richardson born Sept. 30, 1743, married Submit Troop, Nov. 16, 1769, and died Aug. 28, 1813 (according to his gravestone at Coventry). Children:
- i. JAMES, born Nov. 17, 1770, died July 6, 1790.
- ii. SUBMIT, born about January, 1772, died Aug. 28, 1782, aged 11 years.

- iii. IRENE, born Dec. 8, 1772.
- iv. RUSSELL, born Nov. 16, 1774.
- 13. EUNICE, daughter of Amos and Rachel (Yarrington) Richardson, born Aug. 7,
- 1746, married Elam Jewett at Coventry May 19, 1768. Children:
- i. JEMIMA, born July 6, 1769.
- ii. ELAM, born Nov. 19, 1770.
- iii. JARED, born Jan. 26, 1771 (?).
- iv. JEREMIAH, born Dec. 7, 1773.
- v. OTHNIAL, born April 1, 1775.
- 14. ABIAL, daughter of Amos and Rachel (Yarrington) Richardson, born March 18,
- 1749, married Dr. Henry Ladd, Jr., June 26, 1766; he died Aug., 1778. Children:
- i. JERUSHA, born Feb. 15, died Aug. 11, 1767.
- ii. HENRY, born Aug. 9, 1768, bapt. July, 1778.
- iii. HERMAN, born Feb. 6, 1770, bapt. July, 1778.
- iv. JERUSHA, born April 11, 1772, died Feb. 21, 1776.
- v. PEREGRINE, born Jan. 1, 1774, bapt. July, 1778.
- vi. LORIN, born June 8, 1775, died Dec. 10, 1777.
- vii. HIRAM, born Oct. 16, 1776, bapt. July, 1778.
- viii. BENONI, born July 24, 1778, bapt. July, 1778.

FIFTH GENERATION

LEMUEL RICHARDSON

LEMUEL RICHARDSON, son of Amos and Rachel (Yarrington), born in Coventry Sept. 19, 1726 married Anna, daughter of Capt. Samuel and Sarah (Hawkins) Rustl of Conventry, Aug. 30, 1747, and had fifteen children, all recorded at Coventry. Roswell Richardson, his grandson, was told by his father that there were fifteen children, although he never heard of but seven men and two women, which makes it probable that the others died young.

He resided in the northwest corner of the town, on the road leading from Coventry to Rockville about a quarter-mile south of the Tolland town line. His father gave him this farm in 1754. The deed reads in part as follows: "To all people to whom these presents shall come greeting. Know Ye that I, Amos Richardson of Coventry in the County of Windham and Colony of Connecticut in New England for and in consideration of ye love and affection that I bear unto my son, Lemuel Richardson of ye Town of County and Colony above, have given, granted, and do for and by these presents given and grant unto my 2d son, Lemuel and to his heirs and assigns forever two certain pieces of land lying in the Township of Coventry."

His farm contained about fifty-six acres and was first occupied by Noah Skinner; subsequently, in 1838, it was purchased by Daniel Usher.

Lemuel Richardson died in 1774, and was buried in the cemetery at the foot of Silver Street, about a half mile west of Wright's mill. A tombstone marks his last resting place on which is this inscription: "In memory of Mr. Lemuel Richardson who died April ye 22, 1777, in ye 51 year of his age." The inventory of his estate shows that his wife survived him; it is not known when she died. There is no account of his serving in the Revolution, although he may have done so, and his last illness may have been caused from exposure in the service. The doctor's bills, as shown by the inventory, would indicate that he was ill for some time. It is well known that the Revolutionary records contain the names of only part of the men who were in the service. This is proved by the petitions for pensions of many of the Revolutionary soldiers. His family, however, were well represented in the service, for it is known that at least four of his brothers, four of his sons, two sons-in-law, and four of his brother's sons were in the war. Their fifteen children were:

1. MERCY, or MARY, daughter of Lemuel and Anna (Rust) Richardson, was born at Coventry Jan. 7, 1748. There is no further account of her, and she probably died young.

- 2. SAMUEL, son of Lemuel and Anna (Rust) Richardson, was born March 25, 1749. In 1814 he was residing near Lake George, and during that year visited his sister, Mrs. Collins at Manchester, Vt., where Roswell and his father met him. It is known that he had been a Revolutionary soldier and he may have been the Samuel Richardson who was at Ticonderoga in 1772. There was a Sergeant Samuel Richardson in the Continental Army from Stafford, Conn., where some of his family resided. It is not known that he was ever married.
- 3. NATHANIEL, son of Lemuel and Anna (Rust) Richardson, born April 5, 1750, served in the Revolution from Coventry and was one of the soldiers who went to Boston at the Lexington alarm. The name of his wife is unknown. He had a daughter Pauline, born in Coventry Oct. 24, 1783. According to the recollection of Roswell Richardson he moved after that to West Stafford, where he resided until his death about 1828. He was a shoemaker by trade and had four children, two sons and two daughters. The eldest daughter, probably Pauline, died at her uncle Lemuel's some years before Roswell left home. The sons were shoemakers and resided in Berlin, Conn.; their names are unknown.
- 4. ZEBULON, son of Lemuel and Anna (Rust) Richardson, born July 31, 1751, served as a Major in the Revolution. After the war he resided in Berlin, Conn., where he was a blacksmith; he made the first scythe that Roswell Richardson ever used. The family name of his wife Lois is unknown. The following are the epitaphs on their tombstones at Berlin: "Major Zebulon Richardson died June 25, 1809, aged 58." "Lois relict of Major Zebulon Richardson, died March 10, 1812, aged 57." He had two daughters:
- i. HULDA, born about 1779, married first Seth Beckley, second, Dec. 2, 1806, Ammi R. Demming of Southington, Conn., and died May 25, 1847, aged 68. She had one daughter, who was living in 1827.
- ii. HARRIET, born about 1781, united with the Second Congregational Church at Berlin in 1813, and died there Sept. 4, 1822, aged 41, presumably unmarried.
- 5. LEMUEL, son of Lemuel and Anna (Rust) Richardson, born at Coventry Dec.
- 13, 1752, married Rachel Lothrop of Tolland, June 2, 1774. He was a saddler by trade. After the birth of one child at Coventry, he removed to Tolland, where probably all of his other children were born. He died at Waitsfield, Vt., Sept.
- 26, 1826, and his wife in Tolland, April 27, 1811. His eleven children were:
- i. LOTHROP, born Dec. 10, 1774, died March 16, 1789.
- ii. ACHSAH, born Aug. 27, 1775, married Erutus A. Abbot of Rutland, Vt., and died March 5, 1820.
- iii. RODERICK, born Feb. 15, 1779, married Anna Davis of Stafford, daughter of Noah Davis, the grandfather of Judge Noah Davis of New York. He settled in Waitsfield, Vt., where he died in 1844. He was a prominent businessman and Judge of the County Court. His four children were:
- (1) Sophia Richardson, born about 1802, died unmarried at Waitsfield, Vt.
- (2) Dan Richardson, born Nov., 1804, married first, Betsey Jones, second, Lucy Carpenter, and died in 1865.
- HON. RODERICK RICHARDSON
- (3) Roderick, born Aug. 7, 1807, married, Feb. 28, 1839, Harriet Emeline Taylor and died in Boston Dec. 13, 1882. A full account of him and his family, with his portrait, is given in the "Richardson Memorial." It is regretted that more space cannot be given here for an account of his life. he was in the banking business at Montpelier, Vt., and for nine years at Freeport, Ill., served as a Judge in Washington Co., Vt., and for nine years in the Legislature as Representative and as Senator.

After moving to Boston, in 1869, he was president for a few years of the Montpelier and Wells River Railroad. He was a prominent member of the Episcopal Church. He took a great interest in his family history, and the data, given in the "Richardson Memorial," of Amos Richardson's descendants in Connecticut was obtained by him at Coventry and at Stonington. His four children were Roderick Julius, Louis Ferdinand, Dan Erskine, Roderick Davis.

- (4) Lovina Richardson, married Nathaniel G. Joslyn, who resided upon the old Richardson farm at Waitsfield, where he died in 1874, leaving one son, Louis. iv. FREDERICK, born March 9, 1781, married first Lovina Steele, who died in 1813, second Eliza Waldron, who died in 1826, and third Mrs. Betsy (Billings) Jordon. He was a physician and resided at Waitsfield and Waterbury, Vt. He died at Waitsfield Dec. 30, 1860. He had three children by his first wife and five by his second:
- (1) Ahira Steele Richardson, married Mary Ann Babcroft and had one daughter, Francis A.
- (2) Elisha Benton Richardson, married Betsy Cutler and had eight children: Lovina married Holland Jones; Albert married _____ Tinkham; Edwin, killed in the Civil War; Carlos E. married Lovina B. Richardson; Laura married Charles Prentice; Loren, married Miss Reed; John, name of wife unknown; Ahira S. married Emma Soules of St. Albans, Vt.
- (3) Lovina Steele Richardson died young.
- (4) Frederick A. Richardson married Lucia Wood and had Eliza, Homer and Frank.
- (5) Samuel Richardson died unmarried.
- (6) John W. Richardson married first, Eugenia Joslin; second, Areenath and had three children all by his first wife, Cyrus, Flora and Charles.
- (7) Oramel Richardson, name of wife unknown, resided at Roxbury, Vt., and later at Billingham, Mass., where he died. It is regretted that more information cannot be given about him, as one of his cousins wrote many years ago that he was a man with an unusually fine character. His three children were Seldon, Persis and Rolla.
- (8) Amanda Richardson, married Erastus N. Spalding.
- v. PERSIS, born March 16, 1783, married Samuel Robinson, and died in 1859 without issue.
- vi. VINA, born Oct. 31, 1785, married Eli Baker and died in Somers, Conn., in 1865, without issue.
- vii. IRA, born Jan. 23, 1788, married Rachel Durkee; resided at Fayston, Vt., where he died Dec. 15, 1844. He served in the War of 1812 and was a member of the Legislature from Fayston. Their seven children were:
- (1) Ira Richardson, born in 1816, married Harriet F. Chapman; resided at Waitsfield, where he probably died. He was a successful business man, a prominent member of the Methodist Church, a Judge of Washington Co., and a member of -both branches of the Legislature. He had five children: Calvin C., born in 1845, married Terrence Kelsey; Ira E., born in 1848, married Eleanor Allen; Clarence M., born in 1849, married Isabella A. Kneeland; Orville H., born in 1852, unmarried; Meriden L., born in 1854, married Flora E. Allen.
- (2) Eli Baker Richardson, married Lydia Sweat and resided in Burns, Wis. Their nine children were: Ira, Egbert, Herbert, Alonzo, Eugene, Florence, Lovila, Rosette and Emma.
- (3) De Witt C. Richardson, married Ann Eliza Giddings and resided at Eau Claire, Wis. He was High Sheriff of that county. His seven children were: James I., Duane, Mary, Flora, Emma, Addie and Jessie.
- (4) Duane M. Richardson, married Pamelia Scott and resided at Leon, Wis. Children: Lorne, Lucius and De Witt.
- (5) Rachel C. Richardson married Lucius S. Greggs and resided at Tomah, Wis., where they had Orman J., Clarence, Florence and Harriet.
- (6) Lucinda C. Richardson married Robert Mosher and had three children, who died young.
- (7) Lovila Richardson died unmarried.
- viii. LOTHROP, born Aug. 27, 1790, married Charity Skinner, of Waitsfield, where he resided for a number of years and then moved with his family to Coventry, Conn., where he died July 15, 1850. Children: Charles, Eli, Harriet, Vina, and perhaps others.

ix. ROSWELL, born in Stafford Nov. 16, 1793, married Mary Huntington. He was a soldier in the War of 1812; after the war, in 1815, he moved to Mt. Pleasant, Pa., where he resided until 1827, when he settled in Waitsfield, Vt., where he lived until a few years; before his death, which occurred at Keene, N. H. Dec. 10, 1886.

He was of great assistance to the author by giving information concerning his family history. He had twelve children, all dying in infancy except the following five:

- (1) Laura A. Richardson married Joseph Barnes and resided at Fitchburg, Mass. (no children).
- (2) Rachel Rebecca Richardson married George S. Ellis, resided at Keene, N. H., and had four children: Lizzie Frances, Edward Stanley, Mary Wyman and Henry Judson.
- (3) Persis R. Richardson went to California in 1868, where she was a teacher until 1876, when she married Luke Lukes; she now resides in Santa Cruz, and has no children.
- (4) Elizabeth Richardson died unmarried.
- (5) Judson Wade Richardson married, in 1857,-Marilla A. Goodwin. He was a union soldier in the Civil War for three years and was in many important battles, making a record of which his family are proud. He resides at Warren, Vt., and Had three children: Fred C., born in 1860; Belle Louisa, born in 1867, and Elwyn Heath, born in 1869.
- x. RALPH, born March 10, 1796, married and had three children: Mary Jane, Ralph and Roderick. He resided in Connecticut where he died in 1858.
- xi. LAURA, born March 19, 1799, married Thomas Sargent in Tolland Jan. 29, 1824, resided at Warren and at Northfield, Vt.; after his death in 1870 at Brookfield, Vt., where she died in 1875. Children: Irving, Roderick and Edwin.
- 6. MABEL, daughter of Lemuel and Anna (Rust) Richardson, born Oct. 13, 1754, married Nathaniel Collins at Coventry. He was born there Jan. 9, 1748-9, went to Boston from that town at the Lexington alarm in 1775, removed to Manchester, Vt., before 1780, and was a Representative in 1805. He was at first a tanner and shoemaker, but in 1814, when Roswell and his father visited them, he was a wealthy farmer with three sons and three or four daughters.

They may have had a son born before he removed to Manchester. The children recorded there are Elijah, born July 8, 1780; Clara, Aug. 2, 1781; Elijah, Dec. 29, 1782; Mary, May 28, 1784; Rachel, Sept. 17, 1785; Lemuel, July 16, 1787, and Mabel, Nov. 6, 1788.

There is but little known about this family. In 1898 Mr. E. B. Smith wrote to the author that Elijah Collins was his grandfather and Nathaniel Collins his great-grandfather; that he resided in the brick house at Manchester Center which Nathaniel Collins erected. He remembered that the latter had three sons and that his wife was a Richardson.

- RICHARD, born Sept. 29, 1755.
- 8. Infant son, born Feb. 17, died Feb. 22, 1757.
- 9. Daughter, born Dec. 20, 1758.
- 10. STEPHEN, born May 25, died Nov. 4, 1760.

The above were children of Lemuel and Anna (Rust) Richardson, as shown by the Coventry town records; there is no other information about them.

11. ANNE, daughter of Lemuel and Anna (Rust) Richardson, born Oct. 19, 1761, married Nathaniel Thompson at Coventry, who was born in 1762 and was a Revolutionary soldier. He married a daughter of Lemuel Richardson, but there is no positive proof that it was Anne, and the Christian name of his wife has not been found.

In 1818 he was a Revolutionary pensioner and resided at Manchester. His application for a pension contains the affidavits of Hezekiah Richardson and Olive, his wife, of Coventry, stating that he came back to Coventry lame from

his service in the war; also that he moved from Coventry to Johnstown, N.Y., in 1805.

In 1814 be resided in Dorset, the adjoining town to Manchester, where he was visited by Roswell Richardson and his father. Mr. E. B. Smith, of Manchester, before mentioned, thinks he had a son Nathan and perhaps other children.

- 12. STEPHEN, son of Lemuel and Anna (Rust) Richardson, was born March 27, 1763. According to the recollection of his grandson Stephen F. he served as a drummer, in the Revolution. He married Huldah, daughter-of Lieut. Joseph Deming, at Berlin, Conn., she was born March 19, 1760. In June, 1789, he was living at Stephentown, N. Y., where one of his sons was born; he moved to New York probably soon after 1800 and for some time was engaged in the cartage business. In 1805 he resided at 74 Harman Street, now East Broadway; some years later moved to Brooklyn, and in 1826 was a wood inspector.
- In 1806 his family, which included four sons and three daughters, were all converted at a camp meeting held in Tuckahoe, Westchester Co., and united with the Sands Street M. E. Church, Brooklyn.
- He died Oct. 29, 1827, his wife June 2, 1837, and they were buried in the Sands Street Church yard until 1888, when their remains were removed to the family plot in Greenwood. His will, dated August, 1826, left \$100 to his brother Marvelous, and \$20 to his grandson Stephen Frazier; the remainder of his estate was left to his wife Huldah during her life, and after that to his children, namely, Gideon, Simon, Lemuel, Marvelous, Betsy Wood and Huldah Garrison. Simon and Lemuel were the executors. He had ten children:
- i. GIDEON RICHARDSON, born Oct. 21, 1782, died at Shippenville, Pa., Nov. 28, 1846. In 1812 he moved to Elk township, Clarion Co., Pa., where he was at first a land agent, but subsequently bought land and improved it. He was a member of the first board of commissioners of Clarion Co., was 6 feet 4 inches in height, and was a soldier in the War of 1812. He married Nancy Ann VanKirk, who was born in Hoboken, N.J., and who died at Shippenville Nov. 6, 1854, aged 73. They had six children:
- (1) Charlotte Richardson, born Aug. 19, 1810, died May, 1888; married Peter Heasley, and had eight children: Jeremiah, born March 26, 1831, died in 1881; Julia Ann, born April 20, 1833; Gideon Perry, born Sept. 23, 1835, died; May 19, 1836; Obediah F., born May 3, 1838, resides at Panora, Iowa; Sarah E., born May 7, 1840, died Jan. 5, 1902; Henry, bon, Oct. 16, 1843, residence unknown; Clarissa E., born June 12, 1845, died April 16, 1850; Peter, born June 271, 1847, residence unknown.
- (2) Elizabeth Richardson, born Sept. 8, 1812, married Mr. Jerrard, or Jarrett, and moved to Maryland. There is no further account of her.
- (3) Carolina Richardson, born Jan. 3, 1814, married Robert Allen, died in 1851, and had five children: Druzilla born 1835, died in 1851; John married and resides in Clay township, Butler Co., Pa.; Gideon R., married and has two children (residence Euclid, Pa.); Lizzie, born in 1843, died without issue in 1901; Henry, born in 1845, served in the 11th Pa. Cavalry in the Civil War, and killed near Suffolk, VA., in 1862 or '63.
- (4) Richard Richardson, born Jan. 22, 1816, married Elizabeth Rice, resides at Franklin, Venango Co., Pa., and has had four children: Frances Annett married Capt. Henry M. Hughes, who served three years in the Civil War in the Pa. Cavalry; Lucia Lorania married Budley S. Black; Rollin R., born in 1847, resides in Patagonia, Ariz., unmarried; Harriet E. married Orrin D. Bleakley, President of the Franklin Trust Co.

[Appears to have been added after printing: "The above Richard Richardson died March 22, 1906, aged 90. He was widely known as Colonel Richardson, acquired a fortune as a merchant and oil operator, had great force of character"]

(5) Thomas Gideon Richardson, born April 21, 1818, died Oct. 16, 1896, at Blooming Valley, Crawford Co., Pa.; married Sarah Whitehill, who died May 27, 1871, and had three children: First, James W., born Oct. 28, 1841, married Clara

- Jones. He served in the 103rd Pa. Reg. three years and nine months during the Civil War and was confined in a Confederate prison 10 months and 6 days. Second, Gideon F., born June, 1843, died Feb. 22, 1901, at Lima, O.; served in the Civil War, and married Mary Eminger. Third, Lemuel, born 1845, served in the Civil War, married Mary A. Call, resides at Shippenville.
- (6) John Henry Richardson, born July 20, 1823, died at Knox, Pa., Dec. 21, 1896; married Elizabeth J. Thompson, Jan. 1, 1846. They had seven children: Clarissa, born March 19, 1848, married Amos; R. Black, of Couer d'Alene, Idaho; Laura Jane, born March 3, 1850, died Dec. 4, 1861; Maryetta, born June 3, 1852, died Jan. 27, 1876; Ella, born Oct. 30, 1854, married Allen McLean, of Lynch, W. Va.; Robert M., born June 5, 1851, resides in Allentown, N. Y.; Lucia, born Nov. 6, 1861, married John N. Heeter, of Knox, Pa.; George B., born Feb. 23, 1864, married Ella May Yates and had Eugene Clifton Aug. 17, 1891; Leo Duane June 5, 1894; Fred Wilson, Oct. 22, 1896; Carolyn Elizabeth March 23, 1899. They reside at Knox, Pa.
- ii. SIMON RICHARDSON, born May 16, 1784, married first, Sarah Sharp, who died in 1819, aged 33, and second, Anna Sharp, her sister. He died in the town of Bushwick (now in the Borough of Brooklyn) Oct. 28, 1850. He was a prominent member of the Sands Street M. E. Church, where he was a class leader in 1807; also an early member and class leader of the Washington Street Church, and subsequently of the Cooper Street Church, where he was a class leader and trustee.
- He is described as "circumspect, industrious and generous."1 He was a grocer in Brooklyn and later a rope manufacturer at "Cross Roads" in Bushwick, by which he acquired a fortune. He was it member of the Board that organized the first public school in Brooklyn in 1816. He is said to have weighed over 300 pounds. He had eight children, three by his first wife:
- (1) Marvin D. Richardson, born in 1806, married Sarah, daughter of Joseph Johnson, and died in 1834, being described in his will as "late of the City of New York, merchant." He left two children: Emma Louise and Sarah Jane, who died in 1839, aged five years. The first daughter, Emma Louise, married John Lemuel Chambers in 1853 and had three children: Josephine Chambers, who married John B. Garrison in 1881, resides at Red Bank, N. J., and has a son, Horton B.; Emma Louise Chambers, who married Edward Jacob Shaw in 1882 and died in 1886, leaving one child, Fannie Sanford, and (third) Frank Marvin Chambers.
- (2) Sarah Ann Richardson, born in 1809, died April 16, 1847, aged 38, married Josiah Lewis, by whom she had ten children: Charles Lewis, born in 1828, died unmarried; Lucinda E. Lewis, born March 6, 1830, married James A. Clark, and resides in Brooklyn; Sarah Ann Lewis married Simeon Rowling; Marvin D. Lewis; Simon R. Lewis; Jane Isabella Lewis married Ely Dunklee; William E. Lewis, George A. Lewis; Grace I. Lewis married Elanson Dunklee; Helen F. Lewis married David Lewis.
- (3) William Sharp Richardson, born in Attorney or in Arundell Street, New York, Nov. 20, 1812, married first, Marcia C. H. Garrison April 14, 1833, who died Dec. 15, 1887; second, Mrs. Jennie L. Camp, and died July 25, 1895. He had three children: Caroline M., born Nov., 18, 1835, died March 15, 1884; George M., born Sept. 17, 1843, married Hester Ann Hubbard, resides in Brooklyn; William S., born Aug. 3, 1849, married Elucy Addie Hubbard, and died Jan. 25, 1891.
- (4) Stephen F. Richardson, born in New York in 1821, died May 14, 1896, married first, Caroline Engle; second, Sara E. Dexter, and third, Ellen Dow, each of whom left one son: Frank E. died in 1891, leaving a daughter Lillian; Edgar M., born Aug. 17, 1855, married Emma L. Bendall, resides in Brooklyn, and has Gifford D., born in 1882, and Edna L., 1885; Sumner D. married Elizabeth W. Gedney and died without issue in August, 1895.
- (5) George Richardson, born in 1823, died about 1838.

- (6) Grace Richardson, born August, 1826, married William R. Meserole, and has three children: George, Amanda and Frederick.
- (7) Amanda Richardson married Mark J. Bendall and died without issue.
- (8) Clementine Richardson died March 5, 1883, unmarried.
- iii. LEMUEL RICHARDSON, born Nov. 2, 1786, married Ann Sophia Hoffman and died in Williamsburg, now Brooklyn, Feb. 1, 1853. His wife died the 21st of the same month, aged 61 years. He was engaged for a few years in the cartage business with his father; after that he was a grocer at 48 Rivington Street. He removed to Williamsburg before 1828, where he became one of the most prominent and wealthy citizens.

Richardson Street was named for him and Cornelia Street for one of his daughters. A few years before his death he commenced the manufacture of locks and builders' hardware in Houston Street, New York. He also had a hardware store in Williamsburg. Stiles' "History of Kings Co." gives this estimate of him: "He was a careful business man of excellent judgment and sterling qualities; was about the only citizen who survived the land jobbing speculators of the village without becoming bankrupt, which gave him a high position in the community." They had ten children:

- (1) Catharine Knapp Richardson, born Jan. 28, 1811, married William Nodine, resided in Powers Street, had a daughter, Amanda, who married Mr. Hillyer, and a son, Lemuel.
- (2) Benjamin Samuel Knapp Richardson, born March 4, 1813, married Olive W. Hodges and died in New York City March 19, 1858. He was Deputy Sheriff of Kings County (Brooklyn), and for a number of years was the manager and one of the owners of a New York City stage line. Their four children were: Olive White, who married, April 20, 1859, Dr. John Alexander Brady, of Brooklyn, and had Edward, who was born and died in 1861; William, who was born and died in 1862; Olive Richardson, born in 1863; Eunice, 1865; Edith Richardson, 1867; Elizabeth, 1868; Sophia Meserole, 1869; Emma, 1871 (married Palmer A. Paddock); Anna, 1873, and Harriet, 1877.

Andrew Bowne, second child of Benjamin S. K. Richardson, born Aug. 21, 1836, married Mary A. Heermance, and died July 3, 1901. They had three sons: Andrew H., born March 22, 1867, died March 19, 1896; Benjamin K., born Oct. 10, 1870, married Elizabeth M. Fowler June 15, 1898, has a son Frederick F., born Sept. 16, 1904; resides at Fernandina, Fla., where he is the manager of a lumber company; Alfred H., born Dec. 25, 1873; residence unknown.

Ann Sophia, third child of Benjamin S. K. Richardson, married April 20, 1859, General Jeremiah Vanderbilt Meserole, of Brooklyn, where he has long been a man of note. He was formerly a surveyor by profession and built up a large business, which is still carried on by one of his sons. When the Civil War broke out he was a member of the Seventh Regiment and served with that regiment in the campaign of 1861. Later he was active in recruiting the Forty-seventh Regiment, of which he was made Colonel.

After the war he continued in command of the regiment until 1868, when he was elected Brigadier-General of the Eleventh Brigade, which he commanded for eight years. General Meserole for the past fourteen years has been President of the Williamsburg Savings Bank. They had seven children: Benjamin Richardson, born April 2, 1860, married May Wolcott and is a surveyor; Sophia Louisa, born August, 1863; Jeremiah Schenck, born May 29, 1864, died March 10, 1890; Darwin James, born May 29, 1868, married Katherine L. Maltby and is it lawyer; Eleanor, born 1872, died Sept. 3, 1874; Olive Richardson, born Sept., 1874, died Sept. 26, 1887; Clinton Vanderbilt, born Oct. 6, 1876, married Ida Lewis Brooke; is a member of the firm of Jameson & Frelinghuysen, Vice-President of the Stuyvesant Insurance Co., and Secretary of the Pacific Fire Insurance Co.

Charlotte Bowne, youngest daughter of Benjamin S. K. Richardson, born Jan. 31, 1842, married Oct. 19, 1870, Rev. Alexander Brown Riggs D.D., LL.D. Dr. Riggs is a well-known educator and Presbyterian clergyman. He was formerly a lawyer and

an instructor in mathematics in Western University in 1894 he became connected with Lane Theological Seminary at Cincinnati as an instructor in Greek and in 1897 was appointed Professor of New Testament exegesis.

Their three children arc Albert Richardson, born May 12, 1873; Elsie Agnew born Nov. 21, 1874, married to Robert Kidd Oct. 19, 1905 Ella May, born July 13, 1877, married to R. Meredith Atkins at a double wedding with her sister.

- (3) Huldah Ann Richardson born March 16, 1814, married Charles Davis and left four children: Maria married Mr. Quimby; Josephine married Mr. Hawes; Mary married Mr. Burns; John Luther.
- (4) Lemuel S. Richardson, born in New York Aug., 1815, married first, Angeline Place, who died Sept. 24, 1847; second, Elizabeth Depew. He had five children by the former and one by the latter.

He succeeded his father in the Mackrall & Richardson Manufacturing Company and continued in the active management of its affairs until 1869, when he retired from active business "Mr. Richardson was a man of stern integrity and earnest business principles, but with a man of keen sympathies and tender heart." He died at his residence, 334 Clinton Avenue, Brooklyn, September 25, 1879. Children: Angeline married John Bogart, left no descendants; Harriet Ann married Robert Bradbrook and left one daughter, Eliza Ann, who lives in Philadelphia; Emma C., married Lawrence P. Ellison and resides in Brooklyn, having Charles .T., born in 1868, and Elizabeth C., born in 1872; Cornelia married Frank Polly and has no children: Lemuel S. married Mathilda, and left no children; William H. married Emily and left two children, Warren S. and Ethel.

- (5) Mary Furman Richardson born July 1, 1819, married John F. Luther, and died Jan. 12, 1882. Her husband was one of the wealthiest men in Williamsburg and in 1845 was associated with his father-in-law in organizing the Grand Street M. E. Church of which they were two of the first trustees. He had four children: Mary K. married James Farrell and had John R.; Catherine A., unmarried; Hulda Davis married Charles F. Sanford and had John F. and David C.; Sarah A. married Josiah H. Bertine, resides in Brooklyn, has a son, Henry L., and a daughter, Mary F. L.
- (6) James Monroe Richardson born July 16, 1821, married first, Matilda Furman, second Emeline Welsh, and died about 1885. He had three sons: Frederick, Henry and Joseph Post, of whom nothing more is known.
- (7) Henry Clay Richardson, born in New York, Dec. 12, 1824, married Anna Kennedy and resided in Williamsburg. He was a manufacturer and dealer in hardware his store being in Grand Street, Williamsburg. At the time of his death Aug. 7, 1878, the Brooklyn Times published a lengthy notice of him, from which the following is taken:

"In his business relations, Mr. Richardson was the soul of honor. He was highly respected by all his associates and his credit was unlimited among hardware men. His employees in the factory were always treated with respect, and those who served him faithfully received his approbation. At the outbreak of the war, he called together his men and told them that those who desired to enlist could find employment with him when they returned.

"In politics he was a staunch Republican, and although he never took a very active part in political movements, he regarded all matters concerning affairs of state with a keen interest. Although not a member of any church, Mr. Richardson favored the Methodists, and Or late years he attended St. John's Church, being warmly attached to it. Deceased had five children, two sons and three daughters; but of these only three survive, the sons having died before their father.

"Mr. Richardson was moderately wealthy. He was a director in the Manufacturers' Bank, director in and treasurer of the Grand Street Railroad Company, one of the trustees of the Williamsburg Savings Bank, and a director in the Fireman's Insurance Fund."

His widow resides in Hempstead. Their three daughters: Lydia married Major William H. Day, resides at Dubuque, Iowa; Eleanor married James T. Fountain, resides at Hempstead; Grace married Daniel A. Henderson and resides in Dubuque.

- (8) Rachel Hoffman Richardson, born April 26, 1827, married Dr. Samuel C. Hanford, and died Sept. 1, 1869, leaving two children: Dr. Charles W. who died 1895 married, and Jennie, wife of David V. Westbrook of Kingston, N. V.
- (9) Cornelia Cox Richardson, born June 7, 1830, married Aaron Jennings Oct. 31, 1847, and died March 20, 1862, leaving three children: Charlotte C., born in 1848; William Marvin, 1851; Frank Luther, 1856.
- (10) Charlotte Elizabeth Richardson, born Sept. 28, 1833, married William F. Garrison, March 1, 1853, and died July 21, 1866. They had one child, who died in infancy.

REV. MARVIN RICHARDSON, D.D.

iv. MARVIN, born in Stephentown, Rensselaer Co., N. Y., June 10, 1789 was named Marvelous for his father's brother, but changed his name before he entered the ministry to Marvin, probably because so much jest was made of his uncle's name.

He was, however, called Marvelous in his father's will in 1826. He was converted with his father's family, as before stated, at a camp meeting in 1806, but previous to this he had been attending the Sands Street M. E. Church, of which his uncle Marvelous was a member. His conversion commenced in the fall of 1805, while he was attending that church. It is a tradition in the family that he worked for a few years in 09 uncle's shoe shop, which was situated within a few rods of the Sands Street Church.

He was made a class leader in the church in 1807 and was licensed to preach by the New York Conference in October, 1808 he continued a member of that conference until his death, a period of sixty-seven years.

He was married to Sarah Morgan, daughter of Elijah and Lavina (Hatfield) Morgan, April 7, 1813, and had four children. The degree of D.D. was conferred upon him by Wesleyan University in 1868. He died in Poughkeepsie June 14, 1876, aged 87 years, being the oldest living member of the New York Conference. The following account of him is taken from a sketch published by the Conference:

"He received regular appointments as a minister forty-two consecutive years, of which fourteen years were spent on circuits, thirteen years in stations, and fifteen years as Presiding Elder of districts. He was a member of eight successive General Conferences from 1820 to 1862. The records of this Conference will show his regular attendance at its annual gathering without interruption or failure, for over sixty years, and his first failure which was by reason of sickness, was one of the painful disappointments of his life.

"Marvin Richardson was a co-worker with those men who, in their early ministry, enjoyed the luxuries of long weary days of travel on horseback, through trackless forests, fording rivers, sleeping in log huts, with beds often covered with snow, preaching six, eight, and ten times a week, winding up the year's toll with 'empty pockets,' with 'threadbare garments,' 'but with a harvest of souls.'

"The record of his life is a record of over 'four-score' years without a blot or stain; a record of early and deep religions experience, of consistent piety, of ardent love to God and the Church of a successful ministry, and at the close a record of 'patient waiting' and 'holy triumph.' A 'man of God' in every sense of the word, 'an Israelite indeed, in whom there was no guile.' Tender in his regard for the feelings and reputation of others, genial in spirit, ardent in affection, with child-like simplicity of manner, he multiplied and perpetuated the most endearing friendships. He was a man of strong convictions, but convictions well regulated by the power of divine grace, ever tearing lest he should err in judgment, or by any means give offense."

At one of the last conferences he attended an earnest discussion took place concerning the use of tobacco, which will he of interest, although the author

does not shore his opinions on that subject. it occurred in connection with the questioning of a class of young men, who were candidates for the ministry. At the close of a very animated discussion:

"Father Marvin Richardson since dead, then the oldest and one of the most respected members of the Conference, rose from his place on the pulpit sofa and in a voice weakened by age addressed the 300 ministers present who maintained the stillness of the grave to hear him: Bishop and brethren I once was young; now I am old. I have used tobacco all my life in some one or more of its forms. It has been my comfort in trouble and often my medicine when sick. If it has ever harmed me I am not aware of it. These young men may do as their consciences dictate but as for me no pressure could be put upon me to make me testify against it and my tongue shall wither in my mouth before I say a word except in praise of that most blessed creature of God - tobacco.'"

Of course this was an ex-parte view and clearly the unpopular one in the conference The anti-tobacconists groaned, the smokers and chewers laughed until they cried, but the Conference dropped the subject for that year. His four children were:

(1) Nancy Morgan Richardson born in 1814, married Rev. Leonard M. Vincent Oct. 16, 1833, and died at Poughkeepsie Oct. 26, 1898, leaving three children, of which the eldest was:

REV. MARVIN RICHARDSON VINCENT, D.D.

Dr. Vincent was born at Poughkeepsie Sept. 11, 1834, married Hulda Fowler Seagrave, of Providence, R.I., June 30, 1858. He was educated at Columbia College, then assisted in directing the Columbia Grammar School for four years, after which he became Professor of Latin in Troy University. Having studied theology in private, he was ordained as minister of the Methodist-Episcopal Church, but his views changed and he entered the ministry of the Presbyterian Church. He was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Troy, 1863-73, of the Church of the Covenant in New York, 1873-88, then accepted the chair of sacred literature in Union Seminary.

He is one of the trustees of Columbia University and has written "Translation of Bengel's Gnomon of the New Testament," 1860-62; "Amusement a Force in Christian Training," 1867; "The Two Prodigals," 1876; "The Law of Sowing and Reaping," 1877; "Gates Into the Psalm Country," 1878; "Not Discerning the Lord's Body," 1879; "Why Should I Join the Church?" 1879; "Christ at the Door," 1879; "Stranger and Guest," 1879; "Faith and Character," 1880; "Ministers' Handbook," 1882; "In the Shadow of the Pyrenees," 1883; "God and Bread," 1884; "The Expositor in the Pulpit'" 1884; "Christ as a Teacher," 1886; "The Covenant of Peace," 1887; "Word Studies in the New Testament.," 1887-1900; "Students' New Testament Handbook," 1893; "That Monster, the Higher Critic," 1894; "Biblical Inspiration and (Christ" 1894; "The Age of Hildebrand," 1896; "Critical Commentary on Philippians and Philemon (International Commentary)," 181)7; "A History of the Textual Criticism of the New Testament," 1899.
He has had four children: Helen Seagrave, born April 13, 1859, married Oct. 11, 1880, His Excellency The Marquis de Apezteguia, of Cuba, and died Feb. 21, 1898.

- Children:
 1. Elena Josefa Marlana de Apezteguia, born Sept. 6,1882.
- 2. Emilia Guillermina Carlotta de Apezteguia, born Aug. 16, 1883.
- Julio Jose (Junior), born Sept. 17, 1886.
- 4. Hulda Catalina Inez de Apezteguia, born April 30,1891.
 Katherine Storm, second daughter of Rev. Marvin R. Vincent, born Dec. 13, 1860, married Dec. 7, 1887, Benjamin Franklin Butler, Jr., and has Edith Vincent, born Sept. 16, 1888, and Benjamin Franklin 3rd, born Aug. 17, 1893.
 Edith, third daughter of Rev. Marvin R. Vincent, born May 11, 1865, married Howard Granville Butler Dec. 8, 1897, and has Helen Granville, born in 1899.
 Mary Leonard, fourth daughter of Rev. Marvin R. Vincent, was born Sept. 14, 1871, And died July 12, 1872.

The second child of Rev. Leonard M. and Nancy M. (Richardson) Vincent, John Wilkinson, born Oct. 28, 1838, married first, Emma T. Smith, who died in 1869; second, Agnes Morton, resides at West Orange, N. 3., and is treasurer of the Life Association of America. Children: Leonard R., born Nov. 21, 1865; Mary, born April 23, 1875; Grace (died young); Marvin R., born July 28, 1885. Mary, third and youngest child of Rev. Leonard M. and Nancy Morgan (Richardson) Vincent, married first, Rev. James F. McClelland in 1875; second, Joseph Granville West in 1894. She had three children: Nancy McClelland (Vassar, '97), James McClelland and Mary McClelland.

- (2) Samuel M. Richardson, born in 1818, married Carolina T. Lockwood June 5, 1856, and died in 1869. He was educated for a physician, but never practiced, was an "iron" man and amassed a fortune in the business. They had no children.
- (3) Jane Isabella Richardson, born in 1820, married Sept. :1, 1840, James Reynolds and died in 1890, leaving five children:
- 1. Sarah E. Reynolds, born in 1841, married Lewis Crook in 1860 and died without issue in 1887.
- 2. John Richardson Reynolds, born 1847, married Jane H. Wilkinson in 1874 and died in 1889. Their only child, Helen Wilkinson, born in 1875, resides unmarried in Poughkeepsie, N. Y. She has been of much assistance to the author in collecting a record of the family.
- 3. Grace Reynolds, born in 1849, married Joseph F. Allen in 1870 and died in 1881. Their children all died young.
- 4. Ella Vincent Reynolds, born in 1855, died in infancy.
- 5. James Reynolds, fifth and last child of James and Jane Isabella (Richardson) Reynolds, born in 1858, married' Mary Jewett in 1883 and had a son, James, born in 1884, who died young. He is a merchant and resides in Poughkeepsie.
- (4) Rebecca Richardson (youngest child of Rev. Marvin) was born in 1828, married Henry S. Morgan April 2, 1850, and died Sept. 7, 1902; he died Nov. 3, 1904; they had no children.
- v. ELIZABETH RICHARDSON (daughter of Stephen and Huldah), born July 14, 1791; married first, John Wood; second, John Osborn, and died Oct. 4, 1846, leaving four children by her first husband.
- She is called Betsy Wood in her father's will dated August, 1826, but in August, 1839, she signed a deed as Elizabeth Osborn. Children:
- (1) John Wood died young.
- (2) Ann Eliza Wood, born October, 1809, She was the first wife of Samuel W. Sale, who married Mary, daughter of Marvelous and Phebe Richardson, for his second wife, by whom he had no children. Children of Samuel W. and Ann Eliza (Wood) Sale: Annie E. married Mr. Owen; Charlotte D. married Thomas Goin; John W.; Emily C.; Iona married Henry Smith.
- (3) Charlotte Wood married George Danegar and had three children: Emma, Anna E., George W.
- (4) Ebenezer Wood had a son, Henry, and other children.
- vi. BENJAMIN RICHARDSON, born Jan. 1, died Nov. 5, 1794.
- vii. ANNA RICHARDSON, born Oct. 4, 1795, married Thomas Frazier at Enfield, Conn., and resided in Brooklyn, where she died Nov. 28, 1824, leaving six children:
- (1) Harriet Kirk Frazier, born June 19,1811, married Nathan Thomas Beers, of Brooklyn, and died Jan. 7, 1889, leaving six children: Thomas Hawley, Stephen Richardson, Elizabeth Wright, unmarried; Nathan T. married Elizabeth L. Granger (Dr. Nathan T. Beers, Jr., is their son), Frank Bartlett, unmarried; Lillie married James H. Taft, Jr., and has four children.
- (2) William Frazier, married, resided in Brooklyn, and died about 1899. He has no descendants living.
- (3) Stephen Frazier, resided in Brooklyn, where he died, leaving two children.

- (4) Huldah Ann Frazier married Hon. Samuel S. Powell, a notable Mayor of Brooklyn. He died Feb. 6, 1879, and she survived him for about ten years; their only son died without issue before his father.
- (5) Sarah Frazier married Benjamin W. Payne, of Corning, N.Y.
- (6) Cornelia G. Frazier married Henry Mitchell, of Brooklyn.
- viii. CHARLOTTE RICHARDSON, born May 14, 1798, died April 25, 1808.
- ix. HULDAH D. RICHARDSON, born Oct. 26, 1800, married .Jacob Garrison, son of Judge John Garrison, March 26, 1817. He died Oct. 11, 1860, aged 70, his widow April 8, 1874, leaving five children:
- (1) John Garrison married Ann Miller and had five children: Thomas, Emma, John, George and Anna.
- (2) William F. Garrison, born Jan. 3, 1833, married Charlotte R. Richardson (daughter of Lemuel) March 1, 1853, and died July 8, 1902. They had one child, which died in infancy.
- (3) Marcia C. H. Garrison married, April 14, 1833, William S. Richardson son of Simon, and died Dec. 15, 1887.
- (4) Caroline Garrison, born July 27, 1819, married John C. Lynch Dec. 31, 1834, and died June 5, 1890, leaving four children: Leonard Jay, Maria Louise, William Richard and George Frederick.
- (5) Stephen Garrison married Caroline Fields and had two children: William S. and Huldah.
- x. STEPHEN RICHARDSON, born Sept. 8, 1802, died July 26, 1804.
- 13. MARVELOUS, son of Lemuel and Anna (Rust) Richardson, was born Oct. 18th, 1764, according to the Coventry town records, or Oct. 16 if the inscription on his tombstone is correct. The Coventry record of his birth gives his name as Marvel, and it was printed as Marvel in the first Brooklyn directory, published in 1822, and continued in that form until his death.
- The probate records, however, give it as Marvelous, and he is called Marvelous in his brother Stephen's will. It is supposed that he was given that name on account of the unusual circumstance of his being born either three or five days before his twin brother Dan.
- The family name of his wife Phebe is unknown, nor is it known when he settled in Brooklyn, probably a number of years before his brother Stephen came to New York. The most that is known about him is given in Stiles' "History of Brooklyn," from which the following is taken:
- "On the southerly side of Middagh Street after passing two small frame buildings, we come to the low one-story house of Marvelous Richardson, shoemaker.1 It was built by the Hessians, during the Revolutionary War, as a guard-house, and here, also, for a short time, during the rectorship of Rev. Mr. Wright, the Episcopalians worshipped in a hired room, rudely fitted up for the purpose, with pulpit, reading desk and seats, and here gathered the few churchmen of the village and indeed of the county.
- "Furman (manuscript notes), says that Judge John Garrison was also an original member of this church, but that, having become dissatisfied with the distribution of the pews (no unimportant matter in those days), and not getting so eligible a one as he deemed himself entitled to, he seceded, taking with him several others with whom he was instrumental in forming the Methodist Church. "Marvelous Richardson (whose name in common parlance was generally either shortened to Marvel, or lengthened to Miraculous Marvel); was perhaps one of these seceders, as he figures among the earlier Methodists of Brooklyn, and the schism may have been the cause of the very short stay which the Episcopalians made in this spot.
- "After Marvelous Richardson, this old building was occupied by Ithial Smead as a school, and in June, 1824, was leased from the heirs of John Middagh, by Thomas Kirk, who remodeled the front and converted it into three stores."

 Marvelous Richardson died Dec. 19,1831, and was buried in the Old Sands Street Churchyard, his widow Jan. 22, 1845, aged 70 years. His widow and son Hiram were

appointed administrators of his estate and after her death Hiram was appointed administrator. His last address was 94 Cranberry Street, which was the address of his widow the next year. In 1888 their remains were removed to the Sands Street Church plot in Evergreens, where a headstone with this inscription marks their last resting place:

In Memory of

Marvel Richardson

who departed this life

December 19, 1831

aged 67 years, 2 months, and 3 days.

Also of Phebe Richardson

wife of Marvel Richardson

died Jan'y 22, 1845,

aged 70 years.

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints. They had five children:

- i. BENJAMIN RICHARDSON married Mary Ann Higby. His name first appears in the Brooklyn Directory in 1830 as a shoemaker and last in 1850 with the same occupation; for many years, however, he was a letter-carrier. He is said to have been buried in Greenwood. He had six children.
- (1) Agnes resides in Illinois unmarried.
- (2) David married and died without issue.
- (3) Hiram resides in the West and has three children
- (4) Aurelia married Mr. Sellick resided in Huntington, L. I., and has a son George.
- (5) Stephen, it is not known whether he had children or not.
- (6) Phebe Ann married Mr. Gerkin and had a daughter Josiahanna.
- ii HIRAM RICHARDSON born in 1804, married Mary Van Voorhis July 26, 1826, and died in Brooklyn Oct. 24, 1868. She died July 10, 1860. He was in the grocery business with his brother Marvel. They had four children:
- (1) John William Fletcher Richardson born Nov. 3, 1825, married Susan McManus and died in Brooklyn about 1883. He had four children: Charles, Mary Ann married Michael McCrutchen; Phebe married Mr. Hurley left one son, in Philadelphia; George died young.
- (2) Simeon Hall Richardson, born March 15, 1831, married Mary McManus (sister of Susan), served in the Civil War, and resided some years in Texas. He left a son, Simeon, of whom nothing more is known.
- (3) Phebe Jane Richardson, born June 30, 1838, married Charles Smith; both died leaving no descendants.
- (4) Marvin Richardson, born Sept. 5, 1845, married Isabella Stratton, resides at 33 Middagh Street, Brooklyn, and has had two children: George Marvin, born June 18, 1879, resides with his father; Joseph Taylor, born July 6, 1882; died Dec. 4, 1904.
- iii. MARVEL (or MARVIN) RICHARDSON. He and his sister were twins. He was engaged in the grocery business with his brother Hiram under the firm name of M. & H. Richardson, and died unmarried in 1849.
- iv. MARY RICHARDSON married Samuel W. Sale and died without issue.
- v. ELIZABETH RICHARDSON married John D. Stringham, died in Orange Co. Children:
- (1) George Stringham.
- (2) Emeline Stringham.
- (3) Mary Stringham married Jonathan Wood, of Paterson, N. J.
- (4) Cordelia Stringham.
- (5) Dean Swift Stringham left a daughter Ella, who married James H. Killough.
- 14. DAN, son of Lemuel and Anna (Rust) Richardson, was born at Coventry Oct.
- 21, 1764, three days after his twin brother Marvelous. There is no further account of him.

HUMPHREY, son of Lemuel and Anna (Rust) Richardson, was born at Coventry Feb. 22, 1767. See sixth generation, next page, for full account.

SIXTH GENERATION

HUMPHREY RICHARDSON

HUMPHREY RICHARDSON, the youngest child of Lemuel and Anna (Rest) was born in Coventry Feb. 22, 1767, according to the town records. This date does not agree with the record on his tombstone at Canastota, N. Y., which must be incorrect. It rends as follows:

"Sacred to the memory of Humphrey Richardson, who departed this life the 13th September, 1820, in the 57th year of his age."

He married Aseneth Cole, daughter of Ebenezer and Abigail (Wise) Cole, 1 of Lebanon, Conn., about 1788 or 1789. He was a saddler by trade. Before 1796 he settled in "the Oblong" (then called), in the town of Amenia, Duchess Co., N. Y., as in that year he and his wife signed a deed in settlement of her father's

Roswell Richardson, his nephew, who was born in 1793, made the following statement: "Uncle Humphrey visited at my father's house in Tolland when I was quite young. He was my father's youngest brother and lived in the State of New York. He was a saddler - that was before harness maker was hitched on. In 1797 he was elected a constable at Amenia. Soon after settling there he commenced keeping a public house and for a number of years occupied the church parsonage, the same house in which Captain William Chamberlain had kept a hotel during the Revolution. He paid the church £50 rent for this house for 1799. About 1802 he moved to about a mile north of Amenia Union (formerly called Hitchcock's Corner), where he had purchased 58 acres of land, the east boundary of which was the Connecticut State line. Here he built a hotel, which in 1877 was the residence of Horace H. Reed. In 1895, it was in a fairly good condition and was the first house north of the brick house owned by Sidney Morehouse. Miss Mary H. Reed has an original subscription list made in 1803 for the South Amenia Church, which includes his autograph subscription.

In 1806, he removed to the town of Lenox, Madison Co., N. Y., near the present village of Canastota, where he also kept a hotel.

In 1802 he joined Lafayette Lodge No. 22 of Free Masons at Amenia, and on Nov. 23, 1814, united with Sullivan Lodge No. 109, of the same order, at Chittenango, N. Y.

They had three children:

- ASENETH, born May 8, 1790, married Peter Moyer in 1810 (both of the town of Lenox). She died in Kingston, Canada, February 6th, 1854, without issue.
- HUMPHREY, born Feb. 20, 1792, married Nancy Pratt and died at Belvidere,
- Ill., Sept. 12, 1869. See seventh generation for further recount.
- ORRIN, born July 6, 1800, married, in the town of Lenox, Margaret Van Alstine Dec. 12, 1824, and died June 18, 1875. She died Aug. 30, 1892. He was a cabinet maker and furniture dealer at Canastota. They had four children:
- AMANDA M. RICHARDSON born Oct. 19, 1826, married Lewis Sowter Feb. 2, 1847, died May 9, 1875, leaving three children:
- Sarah A. Sowter married Clair Spencer; their daughter Nellie married George E. Bacon, of Rome, N. Y.
- Frank L. Sowter married Mrs. Mary A. Hollister who died in New York in 1904, where he resides.
- Florence B. Sowter married George A. Harrington, of Rome, where she died in 1903 without issue
- CAROLINE ASENETH RICHARDSON, born May 7, 1829, married William H. Harmer April 25, 1849, died at Kingston, Canada, May 10, 1893, leaving five children:
- Margaret E. Harmer married John R. Massie, of Owen Sound, Ontario, Canada. They have two children: Frederick William, married Rhoda Sharman, and resides at New Rochelle; Charles R. resides with his parents.

- (2) Alfred S. Harmer married first, Janet Ross; second, May J. Morris, and resides at Kingston, Ontario. Children: Cora Bell, Alfreda and Ruby, the last two by his second wife.
- (3) James C. Harmer married Emma G. Jackson, resides at Kingston. Children: Florence, Benjamin, Frank and Carswell.
- (4) Mary Maud Harmer married Ronald A. Spence and resides in New York. They have one daughter, Marion Faith.
- (5) Edwin H. Harmer married Nellie M. Pryor, who died leaving no children.
- iii. MARY S. RICHARDSON, born April 6, 1833, married George A. Bradley Feb. 11, 1852, and died at Canastota May 5, 1875, leaving two children:
- (1) Elisha Bradley married and resides at San Martine, Cal.
- (2) Carrie A. Bradley married Raymond R. Smith, resides in Cleveland, Ohio.
- iv. EPHRAIM B. RICHARDSON, born April 6, 1833, married Nettie Harris Oct. 26, 1864, and died at Canastota April 6, 1876. He was a furniture dealer. Their only child, Laura, married R. Bertrand Roantree and died at East Syracuse, N. Y. January 4, 1906.

SEVENTH GENERATION.

HUMPHREY RICHARDSON.

HUMPHREY RICHARDSON, born Feb. 20, 1792, probably in the Oblong Valley, town of Amenia, Duchess Co., N. Y.; married Nancy, daughter of Stephen and Lucy (Curtis) Pratt, 1 Oct. 13, 1810, at Wampsville, two miles east of Canastota. He succeeded his father in the hotel, which he carried on until 1825; this hotel, or tavern, as it was then called, was situated about a mile southeast of Canastota, on the main highway between Albany and Buffalo. In 1901 this farm was owned by J. Wesley Goodell.

At the time Humphrey Richardson owned this hotel, there being no canal or railroad, all the freight was carried in heavy wagons, each drawn by thirteen horses. There were regular stations for resting and Richardson's Tavern was one of these stations. Often, as many as seventy or eighty horses were kept over night.

In the fall of 1825, after the Erie Canal was opened, he sold the farm and tavern and moved into the village of Canastota. The next spring he and his brother-in-law, Leonard Van-Alstine, went to Chautauqua Co., N. Y., where he purchased a large farm in an unbroken forest two miles north of Panama. In May, 1827, he moved his family there. This farm was subsequently owned by Mr. Dean, as shown by the map of Chautauqua County, published in 1854.

About 1829 he removed to the adjoining farm south, opposite the Luther Jennings place. Here he resided for about nine years, when he sold his farm and bought the saw and gristmills in upper Panama. He carried on these mills for about three years, when he sold them and purchased what was called the Whipple Farm, where he resided until 1845, then sold it to Darius Knapp. About ten years before this he took a trip down the Ohio River to Cairo and up the Mississippi, returning home through northern Illinois, and stopping at Chicago, then a small place.

He was so pleased with the West that he removed in 1845 to McHenry Co., Ill., and bought a farm three miles south of Marengo. Here he resided until 1865, when he purchased another farm near Belvidere and moved there with his son Orrin, where he died Sept. 12, 1869, his wife Jan. 11, 1870.

They were devout members of the Baptist Church. He was a man of about medium height and favored with a strong physique and great powers of endurance. He took comparatively little interest in public affairs, but thoroughly enjoyed manual labor.

Their ten children were:

1. HUMPHREY, son of Humphrey and Nancy (Pratt) Richardson, born Nov. 10, 1811, married Julia daughter of Palmer and Naomi Cross, Jan. 10, 1832, and died near Panama, Nov. 16, 1860. He was a well-to-do farmer and highly respected. They had two children:

- i. PALMER B., born Nov. 4, 1833, married Martha Ploss, Aug. 28, 1853, and died near Panama,, Oct.. 27, 1889. His widow is still living. Their four children were:
- (1) Frank Delos, born Oct. 25, 1855, married Amy E. Rexford, May 11, 1877. Their daughter Lina Alice, born April 27, 1885, married Arthur T. McGraw, Feb. 4, 1903.
- (2) Charles Byron, born May 7, 1858, married Emma F. Cook, Dec. 29, 1879, and had five children: Edna M., June 2, 1881; Carrie M., April 3, 1886; Lavern, Jan. 26, 1888; Fred, Oct. 16, 1889; Ervin, Jan. 1, 1896, died Oct. 28, 1898.
- (3) Burt Humphrey, born Jan. 23, 1867, married Cora M. Gere, Sept. 7, 1887, and died Sept. 13, 1891. Their children are: Alice L., born Aug. 21, 1889, and Blanche E., Dec. 13, 1891.
- (4) Lee, born Sept. 5, 1873, married Gertrude Price, Dec. 14, 1891, and had LeRoy Palmer, Aug. 20, 1894; Burt Harold, Oct. 3, 1897; Earl James, Aug. 31, 1900, and Floyd Melvin, June 29, 1902.
- ii. HUMPHREY BYRON, born Sept. 27, 1836, married first Ellen J. Lucas, May 3, 1862, who died April 24, 1876, and second Mrs. Hephzibah (Meeks) Gunton, Oct. 5, 1881. He died Aug. 26, 1895, leaving three children:
- (1) Bertha Calista, born April 6, 1863, married Levi Van Valkenburg, July 4, 1885, and has Nellie May. born Aug. 22, 1887, and Ralph Arthur, Aug. 13, 1889.
- (2) Arthur Leland, born Feb. 8, 1872, married Lottie Orrilla Graves, Dec. 22, 1897.
- (3) Jay Hugh, born Feb. 11, 1876, unmarried.
- 2. CLARK PRATT, son of Humphrey and Nancy (Pratt) Richardson, was born July 23, 1814, married four times and died at Garnett, Kansas, Aug. 17, 1889. He married first Betsy Rice in 1836 and she died Feb. 28, 1844, leaving four children. He married second Mary Ann Page, a widow with four daughters, and by her had one daughter. After her birth be removed to Illinois with the four children by his first wife, but his wife refused to go with him. He never saw her again and after a few years she removed with her children to Michigan, where she died many years later.
- He married third Mrs. Permelia Avery, at Coral, McHenry Co., Ill., Dec. 7, 1847, resided on a farm about three miles from Marengo until about 1870, when he removed to Garnett, where his wife died Oct. 7, 1879. He married fourth Mrs. Harriet M. Cook, of Sandwich, Ill., Oct. 23, 1880. His five children were:
- i. SARAH, born near Panama, N. Y., May 4, 1837, married Edy Mulcahie in McHenry Co., Ill., and died Oct. 8, 1862 leaving three children. Her husband was a Union soldier in the Civil War and died May 30, 1884. Their children were:
- (1) Mary, born Nov. 16, 1855, married Reuben Lewis, resides at Sac City, Iowa, and has Grace and Charles.
- (2) Clark Thomas, born May 16, 1858, brought up by his grandfather Richardson and his name changed to Clark T. Richardson. He married Emma Woods, has no children, resides at Garnett, and is a lawyer and editor of the Eagle-Plaindealer.
- (3) Byron George, born Aug. 30, 1860, adopted by his mother's sister Mary and her husband, and name changed to Byron A. Burbank. He is a lawyer and resides in Omaha, Neb. He married Clara E. Merrill, Nov. 26, 1881, and has Byron M., born Sept. 15, 1886, and Wayne, July 26, 1893.
- ii. STEPHEN H., born July 3, 1839, married Clarinda Benlard, May 15, 1862, resides in Garnett and has no children.
- iii. MARY, born in 1841, married George Burbank, and died without issue.
- iv. LAURA, born in 1843, died unmarried in 1864.
- v. ADELAIDE (daughter by second wife), born near Panama, July 23, 1846, married Martin Gilbert Hawley, July 27, 1862, resides at Garnett. They had six sons, one of which died young. The others are Walter, Jay, Eugene, Ely and Stephen; in 1901 they resided at Sugar Valley, Anderson County, Kansas.

- NANCY MARGARET, daughter of Humphrey and Nancy (Pratt) Richardson, born April 17, 1816, married first, Ira Williams, near Panama, Aug. 10, 1834; second, Emory O. Thompson, Dec. 2, 1882, and died at Mason City, Iowa, Feb. 23, 1901. Ira Williams, her first husband, was born in Cortland Co., N. Y., Nov. 25, 1807, and died in Lincoln township, Iowa, May 2, 1877. 1He was the father of her children. They removed from the town of Harmony, Chautauqua Co., to Belvidere, Ill., about 1846, and from there to Iowa in 1855. He served as a Union soldier during the Civil War. At the time of her death the Mason City Citizen published a lengthy sketch of her life, from which a brief quotation is made: "Ira Williams moved from McHenry County, Ill., in June, 1866, with his wife and five children. He pre-empted 80 acres of government land in section 17, Falls Township. He built a sod house covered it over with hay, and lived in it till fall when he built a log house. Flour was \$7 per hundred and other necessaries of life proportionately high, so It was only a sh0ort time before his means were exhausted and the family reduced to want. But by dint of working, selling a cow, and economy, they made out to keep soul and body together until their sod corn grew to roasting ears, when they would grate it on a tin grater and make bread of it, boil it as green corn or shell it and make hominy, there being no mill to grind it. In this way they struggled through the winter. In the spring they sold their claim and removed to Lincoln Township, six miles northwest of Mason City, on the Lime Creek where they secured 120 acres of prairie land.
- It was on Dec. 22, 1866, that her two boys, Reuben and David, had their fearful experience in the snow storm near the Pedalty settlement, when they came near to losing their lives. It was then that David, who is now a rich and retired farmer living near Manly, had both feet frozen so that he has gone through life with half feet, and Reuben lost one foot entirely, all but the heel of the other, and all of the fingers of one hand.
- It was through hardships like these that the mother raised her family of eight children, and brought them up worthy and forehanded men and women. Mrs. Thompson was a woman of noble mould. She possessed untiring energy, courage, capacity to overcome difficulties. She was first a member of the Baptist and afterward of the Christian Church, and a devoted christian woman."
- They had nine children, as follows:
- i. CYNTHIA, born in Harmony, Chatauqua Co., N. Y., May 11, 1835, married George A. Raymond, July 3, 1853, and died at Rock Falls, Iowa, Sept. 21, 1890. She was a devout member of the Baptist Church. Her two children were:
- (1) Ella Isadore, born May 7, 1854, married George H. Reed, April 20, 1873, and had Martha E., Dec. 6, 1876; Charles George Allen, Dec. 6, 1879; and Lillie Cynthia, July 18, 1882.
- (2) Ira M., born Feb. 22, 1856, married Ella M. Baker Oct. 23, 1878, and had Minnie N., Jan. 17, 1880; Daisy D., Sept. 13, 1882, and William A., March 13, 1884.
- ii. REUBEN, born Nov. 13, 1836, married Sarah E. Cramb Dec. 23, 1865, and died in October, 1898, at Trosky, Minn. They had three children:
- (1) Clara Eldora, born Nov. 2, 1867, married Charles Henry Judd, Oct. 17, 1882, and had Reuben Franklyn, Jan. 4, 1884; William Henry, Dec. 10, 1886, and Harry Lee, Feb. 14, 1889, who died March 7, 1889.
- (2) Ida Emma, born March 22, 1871, married Nelson R. Greeley Dec. 15, 1885.
- (3) Charles Judd, date of birth unknown.
- iii. DAVID, born June 22, 1839, died Jan. 15, 1843.
- iv. ELLEN D., born April 23, 1841, married Timothy M. Raymond Sept. 24, 1860, and resides at Opeto, Kansas. They had two children:
- (1) Timothy C., born July 18, 1861.
- (2) Harold A., July 31, 1870.
- v. DAVID, born March 11, 1843, married Christena, sister of Prof. Samuel W. Beyer, Oct. 29, 1873. He is a wealthy retired farmer, and resides at Manly, Iowa. They have had six children:

- (1) Edith Ann, born Aug. 1, 1874, married Vern L. Wiser May 6, 1896, and had Vern LeRoy Aug. 5, 1898, and Ray Beyer Oct. 5, 1901.
- (2) Ira Abraham, born Dec. 25, 1876, is a graduate of the Iowa State College, and is an instructor there in geology and mining engineering. In 1904 he received a degree from Columbia University, New York, where he had pursued a course of study.
- (3) Nancy May, born Aug. 2, 1878, married Charles Wesley Van Note, Oct. 29, 1900.
- (4) Milo Beyer, Sept. 15, 1882, is a civil engineer and a graduate of the Iowa State College.
- (5) Lulu Grace, born July 8, 1886, died in 1890.
- (6) Ernest Clifford, born Jan. 28, 1892.
- vi. LEMUEL, born Nov. 14, 1845, lived with his uncle Milo from his fourth to his ninth year; and served in the Civil War in Company B. 32nd Iowa Regiment. He married Charity A. Knapp Nov. 14, 1869, and resides at Canton, Wis. They have three children:
- (1) Rena, born Nov. 20, 1871, married Jerry Jarman, May 8, 1891, resides at Nowlin, S. D., and has one daughter, Erie E., born in 1898.
- (2) Minnie E., born Feb. 25, 1881, married Wilmer D. Nelson June 12, 1901; resides at Pierre, S. D., and has no children.
- (3) Milo D., born March 24, 1884, resides at Pierre, S. D., unmarried.
- vii. MARY K., born Jan. 8, 1848, married Albert L. Towne, of Silver Lake, Worth County, Iowa, Feb. 12, 1866, and died Feb. 9, 1905. They had eight children:
- (1) Frank L., born Feb. 25, 1867, married and has seven children.
- (2) Jane E., born Nor. 30, 1868, married and has three children.
- (3) John E., born July 19, 1870, married and has three children.
- (4) Nettie M., born March 6, 1873, married and has three sons.
- (5) Julia E., born June 21, 1875, married and has one son.
- (6) Mary E., born Feb. 24, 1882.
- (7) Grover, born May 16, 1887, died Dec. 8, 1903.
- (8) Alice, born July 7, 1889.
- viii. GILBERT A., born Aug. 5, 1850, married first Amanda E. McNelley, Feb. 22, 1874, who died Sept. 11, 1875. He married second Edna R. Harding, Aug. 3, 1879, and died Oct. 4, 1902. He had seven children, and his widow resides with six of the children at Vegreville, Alberta, N. W. T. Their children were:
- (1) Charles F., born May 10, 1880.
- (2) Euseba, born April 25,1884.
- (3) James Ira, born Sept. 25, 1885.
- (4) Louisa M., born May 5, 1890.
- (5) Edna Ethel, born Sept. 25, 1893.
- (6) Gilbert L, born July 15, 1895.
- (7) Caryl R., born Feb. 19, 1898, died April 29, 1902.
- ix. FRANK, born Aug. 8, 1852, died Aug. 5, 1880.
- 4. MILO, son of Humphrey and Nancy (Pratt) Richardson, born March 27, 1818, died July 18, 1820.
- 5. MILO AMOS, son of Humphrey and Nancy (Pratt) Richardson, born June 2, 1820. See 8th generation for full account.
- 6. IRA HUMPHREY, son of Humphrey and Nancy (Pratt) Richardson, was born April 10, 1822, and died at Ortonville, Minn., Sept. 5, 1901. During his boyhood he lived for a number of years with his uncle Orrin at Canastota, and attended school, which gave him better advantages for obtaining an education than any of his brothers or sisters. He learned the tailor's trade and worked at it for a few years, and after that he studied medicine, probably with some local physician. He resided. for a number of years at Jordon, N. Y.

The reminiscences of his sister Harriet show that her son Orrin died in March, 1851, while she was on a visit to her brother Dr. Richardson, who was living in Oswego Co.; also that the child was buried about three miles from Fulton. He was

married on Sept. 7, 1843, to Lydia Mary Barnes, but it is not known where they were married; probably it was at Jordon. After leaving New York state he resided a short time in Illinois and then, about 1857, settled in Minnesota. In Aug., 1860, he was received as a minister by the conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, held at Red Wing, Minn., and that year was assigned to the church at Wasioja. During the next twenty years he was an active minister in Minnesota and northern Iowa.

His first wife was born Dec. 24, 1823, and died Aug. 12, 1867. On May 14, 1868, he married Electa Whiteley, at Fayette, Iowa, who was born Feb. 22, 1844. He had twelve children, five by his first wife and seven by the second.

- i. EMMIT BARNES, born Dec. 8, 1844, died Jan. 18, 1866. He served as a soldier in the Civil War for three years with a Minnesota regiment, and his death was caused by disease contracted in the service.
- ii. ORRIN ADELBERT, born Aug. 27, 1846, died April 21, 1848.
- iii. ORRIN ADELBERT, born May 22, 1851, died Sept. 4, 1855.
- iv. EVA BELL, born Nov. 26, 1855, died Oct. 2, 1856.
- v. NETTIE BELL, born Jan. 28, 1860, married Wayne Schenck, May, 1881, residence Junction City, Oregon. She was a school teacher for a number of years.
- vi. LYDIA MARY, born March 10, 1869, died Dec. 28, 1872.
- vii. PAUL, born and died July 20, 1873.
- viii. SAMUEL EARL, born June 12, 1874, died Sept. 15, 1875.
- ix. RUTH, born May 1, 1877, married Curtis C. Sweigle, May 1, 1897, and died in 1899, leaving a daughter Irene, born in 1899.
- x. GRACE, born Nov. 10, 1878, died April 17, 1879.
- xi. SETH WHITELEY, born Feb. 8, 1880, is a lawyer and resides at Fargo, N. D., where he is Assistant State's Attorney.
- xii. NELLIE EUNICE, born March 2, 1884, is a student in the State Normal School at Cheney, Washington.
- 7. ORRIN, son of Humphrey and Nancy (Pratt) Richardson, born Feb. 24, 1824, married Roselle, daughter of Festus and Permelia (Avery) Avery, at Riley, Ill., Dec. 14, 1848. Her mother married Clark P. Richardson for her second husband. He resided with his father at Marengo and Belvidere and after his death had his property, the most of which he lost through unfortunate investments. About 1873 he removed to Garnett, Kansas, and in 1895 to Wharton, Texas, where he died April 4, 1903. His widow is still living with her daughter, Mrs. Page, at Wharton. He was held in high esteem by all who knew him, and for forty-five years was a devout member of the Baptist Church. After his death the Wharton Eagle published a lengthy tribute to his memory, from which the following is taken: "During all the years that Mr. Richardson walked up and down among the people of Wharton there were none to question the sincerity of his profession, the earnestness of his friendship, or the stainlessness of his character."
- i. CHARLES LEROY, born July 9, 1852, married Nancy Wright and died, after 1880, leaving two children:
- (1) Essie Roselle, born Oct. 1, 1877.
- (2) Louie, born Dec. 25, 1880. (Both of these reside at Rockford, Ill.)
- ii. IRA, born Oct. 31, 1853, married Betsey Ann Wilson, Feb. 12, 1874, who was born July 10, 1855. They reside at Loyalton, Cal., and have had six children:
- (1) Nora Anneta, born Jan. 31, 1875, died March 4, 1875.
- (2) George Judson, born May 14, 1876.
- (3) Amy Bell, born July 30, 1878, married Stephen A. Converse, March 1, 1903, and had Charles Leslie Converse, Dec. 20, 1903.
- (4) Fred Leslie, born April 1884, died June 3, 1885.
- (5) Ina May, born Nov. 3, 1886.
- (6) Lena Luella, born Sept. 29, 1891.
- iii. CLARA LENORA, born May 16, 1856, married William H. Wilson April 22, 1873, and resides at Taylor, Texas. Their three children are:

- (1) Hattie Roselle, born April 10, 1874.
- (2) Leota Eva, born Aug. 11, 1876.
- (3) William Herbert, born Nov. 4, 1885.
- iv. EVA BELL, born Jan. 9, 1858, married Frank E. Page May 13, 1877. They reside at Wharton, and have one daughter, Nellie Roselle, born March 19, 1878, married June 4, 1898, to Capt. A. D. Sparkman. Capt. Sparkman served in the Spanish-American War; he was formerly a lawyer, but is now a Baptist minister. They have had two children: Marriene Roselle, born Aug. 25, 1901, and John Page Oct. 17, 1903.
- v. ORRIN JUDSON, born Jan. 11, 1860, married Carrie Blankfell Sept. 15, 1881, and resides at Lewisville, Ind.
- DAVID DANIEL, son of Humphrey and Nancy (Pratt) Richardson, was born March 27, 1826. He went to Illinois with his parents in 1845 and for some time was employed as a driver of one of the big four-horse coaches that ran between Chicago and other large towns. He married first, Jane Shaw, at Marengo, Ill., July 3, 1848. Soon after this he went over the plains to California, but soon returned for his family and permanently settled there. He probably lived first in Sacramento, and is said to have been a superintendent of one of the overland stage lines. After this he became a farmer and resided near Chico, where his wife died Feb. 19, 1886. He married second, Mrs. Harriet Emeline Kersey. He died Sept. 9. 1904. The following quotation is taken from his obituary notice in the Record: "Death has claimed another pioneer of Butte County in the person of D. D. Richardson, who died yesterday at his home a few miles north of Chico. As noted in yesterday's Record, Mr. Richardson was stricken with paralysis and from the first but little hone was entertained of his recovery. * * * Deceased was one of the oldest residents of the vicinity of Chico, where he had engaged in farming for many years and where he had reared his family. * * * He was a good citizen and respected man, and his passing marked the end of a long and useful life."

They had six children:

- i. AMANDA, born in McHenry Co., Ill., Jan. 27, 1850, married Jefferson A. Walker Feb. 18, 1868. They have four children:
- Fred Everett, born in 1868, married and resides in Nimshew.
- (2) Charles Ashley, born in 1873, married and resides in White Pine Co., Nevada, where he has been District Attorney.
- (3) Barton Egbert, born in 1879.
- (4) Edna May, born in 1882.
- ii. FRANK, born May 1, 1852, married Elizabeth Moore, and has been an actor for many years. They have one son, Clarence, born in June, 1879.
- iii. ADELLA born May 20, 1857.
- iv. WESLEY LEE, born Feb. 11, 1860, died Dec. 21, 1863.
- v. NELLIE, born May 19, 1864, married Frank Copple and has two sons.
- vi. CHARLES WESLEY, born Jan. 3, 1867, married and resides at Nimshew. They have no children.
- 9. HARRIET ELIZABETH, daughter of Humphrey and Nancy (Pratt) Richardson, born near Panama, N. Y., July 8, 1830, married James N. Bates April 5, 1846, and settled on Loon Creek prairie in the town of Riley, McHenry Co., Ill. They lived first in a log cabin, fourteen feet square, a mile from the nearest house, and here her first child was born. The wolves often made the nights hideous with their howling and prairie fires threatened the destruction of what little they had. In 1850 her husband went to California with her brothers Clark and Orrin and was gone a year. After his return they settled on a farm near her father's, where she died May 21, 1890. She was a worthy Christian woman. Her mother and many of her mother's family were unusually stout, but she was more so than any of her relatives, weighing at times 300 pounds. They had five children:

- i. ADELIA, born June 22, 1847, married first, Reuben Harris Sept. 12, 1865, and second, James M. Quigley. She died in Chicago Sept. 18, 1902. Her six children were all by her first husband:
- (1) James Harvey, born Feb. 4, 1863 (date of death unknown).
- (2) Perlie Gertrude, born April 15, died Oct. 21, 1866.
- (3) Perry, born July 1, 1869, served in the Spanish-American War in a Pennsylvania regiment
- (4) Marcus, born Oct. 31, 1871 (date of death unknown).
- (5) Harriet Bates, born July 1, 1872, married Frank J. Sheller and resides in Chicago.
- (6) Ada Gertrude, born June 30, 1881, is unmarried.
- ii. ORRIN GAILARD, born April 2, 1849, died March 11, 1851.
- iii. MARCUS JAMES, born May 6, 1853, married Addie E. Bates, his cousin, Dec.
- 23, 1875, resides near Marengo, and has had one child, James J., who was born May 2 and died July 9, 1882.
- iv. GEORGE NELSON, born Feb. 21, 1863, married Nina Teneyck, Aug. 25, 1883, and resides near Marengo. Children:
- (1) George Andrew, born Feb. 14, 1885.
- (2) Jennie, born Aug. 25, 1888.
- (3) Hazel, born June 28, 1890.
- v. LIBBIE, born Jan. 8, 1869, married Thomas Beam, resides at Marengo, and has no children.
- 10. SOPHIA NANCY, daughter of Humphrey and Nancy (Pratt) Richardson, born July 24, 1833, married Joel Heath, Feb. 16, 1851, and resided at Broadhead, Wis. He served as a Union soldier in the Civil War. She died May 12, 1900, and he Nov. 25, of the same year, age 72 years. They had two sons:
- i. FREEMONT, born July 7, 1858, married Nellie A. Philbrick, March D, 1879, and resides at Broadhead. Children:
- (1) Elmer F., born July 6, 1881.
- (2) Albert Freemont, born Nov. 19, 1887, died Oct. 8, 1891
- (3) Forrest Byron, born Aug. 23, 1890.
- (4) Mabel Adaline, born April 25, 1895.
- ii. LUTHER, born Sept. 21, 1860, died unmarried April 24, 1892.

EIGHTH GENERATION

MILO A. RICHARDSON

MILO AMOS RICHARDSON, son of Humphrey and Nancy (Pratt) Richardson, was born near Canastota, N. Y., June 2, 1820. When his parents removed to Chautauqua County he was seven years of age.

His school advantages were very limited, which was a misfortune, as his natural genius for invention lacked only the force of a trained mind. He was well schooled, however, in experiences which later generations know little about the hardships of pioneer life.

He married, January 19, 1843, Laura Louisa, daughter of Isaac and Mercy E. (Reynolds) Willard,1 early settlers of Sherman; she was born at Geneseo, N. Y., May 20, 1824. In 1845 he moved to Illinois, where for a few years he followed different occupations. He drove one of the large stages between Chicago and Elgin; ho had formerly driven between Jamestown and Warren, becoming an expert driver of four-horse teams. He built a small house on his father's farm near Marengo, resided there for about four years and then settled at Lena, where he lived five years, until the fall of 1854, when he returned to Chautauqua County, N. Y.

While living at Lena he learned to take daguerrotype pictures and became a traveling artist with his brother-in-law, Philo Huntley. They had galleries for a few weeks or months at a time at Freeport, Belvidere and Lena, Ill., and at Iowa City, Cedar Rapids, Keokuk, and other towns in Iowa. At Fairfield, Iowa, he took the pictures of a group of Indian chiefs, and as they were the first they had ever seen, it filled them with great wonder and delight.

After his return from Illinois he had a picture gallery for about a year at Panama, then sold out the business and moved to Waits Corners, in the town of Sherman, and in 1860 Sherman village. He and his wife were members of the Baptist church at Panama, as their parents were, and at Waits Corners they with their son joined the Free-Will Baptist Church.

He was a hard worker and fanatically temperate, but for many years was poor, as so much of his time went for the public good or for carrying out new ideas which brought no financial return. He had a very active mind that was constantly planning some new invention or improvement, and a temperament so sanguine that he would spend his last dollar to carry out his plans.

After he moved to Sherman, in 1860, the late Wm. Henry Keeler became interested in his inventions and furnished the money to obtain his first patents, of which he secured about thirty, a few proving valuable. The most successful were the Cream Pump, 1862 (used in butter-making), Washing Machine, 1865; White Bronze Monuments, 1874, and the Sand Blast process for sharpening and finishing files, 1878. These are all, except the first, still manufactured and extensively used. He took a great interest in public improvements and especially in the building of the Cross Cut Railroad from Brocton on Lake Erie over the Chautauqua hills to Corry, Pa. The first survey for the road through the town was unsatisfactory and he voluntarily spent a number of weeks in tracing another line, where the road was built. He warmly advocated the erection of the Union School building and was a member of the Board of Education when he removed from Sherman in 1873. He resided for a few years at Paterson, N. J., and Bridgeport, Conn., and was engaged in perfecting the manufacture of the White Bronze Monuments.1 In 1881 he came to New York City and resided with his son until his death, July 16, 1900. His wife survived him and died Aug. 15, 1902.

They had four children:

- 1. MARVIN, born and died Feb. 22, 1845.
- 2. ROSELL L., born April 28, 1850. See next page for full account.
- 3. FRANCE, born Nov. 26, 1852, died Oct. 7, 1854.
- 4. FRANCE AMOS, born Dec. 16, 1854, died Oct. 21, 1866

NINTH GENERATION

ROSELL L. RICHARDSON

Rosell Lewellyn Richardson was born in the town of Lena, Stephenson Co., Ill., April 28, 1850. When twelve years of age he began working outside of school hours as a clerk in the postoffice and store of Elmore Myrick at Sherman, N. Y., and after Mr. Myrick was succeeded in business by Thorp & Coveney he remained with them until 1867, when he entered the employ of E. Sperry & Co., who had a large hardware store.

During the three years in which he was employed in this store he worked part of the time in their shop, where a great variety of tin and iron work was done. His lodgings were in the store, with William H. Sperry, one of the firm, and he boarded at his home.

William H. Sperry was an upright Christian young man and any boy who has such an associate from his seventeenth to his twentieth year is most fortunate.

In 1870 he attended Eastman's Business College at Poughkeepsie for a few months and then returned to Sherman and began the study of law in a lawyer's office. In 1871 he came to New York to continue his law studies at Columbia College, where he graduated in 1876 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. After being admitted to the bar in New York he practiced his profession for about a year and a half, but without much pecuniary success. Before leaving Chautauqua County he became intimately acquainted with Governor Fenton, who took a warm interest in him and assisted him to pursue his studies:

In 1878, through Governor Fenton's influence, he secured an appointment in the New York Custom House, intending at the time to return in a year or two to the practice of law.

He continued there, however, for twelve years, when he resigned to go into the manufacture of "The Baby Tender," of which he and his father were the joint inventors. Since then be has been engaged in this business.

He married first Clara Eugenia, daughter of Samuel P. and Maryett F. (Lyon) Hanford,1 at Irving, Chautauqua Co., N. Y., Jan. 6, 1874. She died in New York, Dec. 4, 1895, and he married second Mabel, daughter of S. Delevan and Laura D. (Strong) Adams,2 at Sherman, Chautauqua Co., N. Y., Jan. 12, 1897. He has had six children, five by his first wife and one by the second:

- 1. DE LANCEY, born at Irving, Sept. 5, 1876, died at West Stratford (now Bridgeport), Conn., Sept. 26, 1877.
- 2. NINA MAY, twin with the above born Sept. 5, 1876, died in New York, Dec. 17, 1895.
- GRACE FLORENCE, born in New York, Oct. 2, 1879, died there Nov. a, 1880.
- 4. FENTON WINTHROP, born in New York, Aug. 11, 1881, died at Mansfield, Penn. (Normal School), Dec. 1 18, 1898.
- 5. HAROLD HANFORD, born in New York, June 25, 1888.
- 6. WARD ADAMS, born in New York, Feb. 12, 1898.

APPENDIX A

THE JONATHAN GILBERT FAMILY OF HARTFORD

JONATHAN GILBERT, born in England about 1616, was a land owner at Hartford, Conn., in 1645. He died there December 10, 1682, aged 64. It is probable that he had been in the colony a number of years, as in 1646 he was engaged in difficult negotiations with Uncas and other Indian chiefs, and as an interpreter with the Indians in April, 1647. His ancestry is unknown. Savage says: "William Gilbert, of Windsor, 1640, was perhaps the father of Jonathan, Thomas, John, Josiah and Obadiah, but no proof." If this is true (?) it is remarkable that he did not have a grandchild that bore his name.

Thomas, of Windsor and Springfield; John, of Hartford, and Josiah, of Wethersfield, were known to have been his brothers, and according to family tradition Obadiah, of Fairfield, was also. He married first, Mary, daughter of Elder John White, Jan. 29, 1645-6. She died in 1650 and he married second, Mary, daughter of Hugh and Frances Wells and niece of Governor Thomas Wells. His second wife was remarkable for her prudence and energy, which contributed greatly to his success, and who was honored in the lives of her children. He died Dec. 10, 1682, aged 64, and his second wife July 3, 1700, aged 74. They lie side by side in the ancient burial place at Hartford.

Jonathan Gilbert was the chief inn-holder of Hartford. and in his house the General Court usually met when they did not sit at the meeting-house. Mrs. Gilbert conducted the inn for many years after her husband's death. He was a man of business, respectability and enterprise, engaged in the trade and coasting business of the young colonies, possessed of great wealth for the day, collector of customs at Hartford, marshal of the colony - an office corresponding to that of high sheriff - a deputy to the General Court. He acquired large tracts of land in the different settlements, which he subsequently divided among his children.

There is some reason to think that Jonathan Gilbert belonged to the family of Sir Humphrey Gilbert, of Devonshire, but there is no proof of it, and the pedigree which has been published showing such connection is not credited. Unfortunately spurious pedigrees have been printed about many prominent New England families. It is certain, however, that he was worthy to have been a relative of Sir Humphrey, and after reading the account of him given by J. Wingate Thornton it would almost seem as though he were. This was printed in the New England Genealogical Register, vol. 4, and it is regretted that space will not permit giving it in full. After quoting from Gookin showing the perilous condition of affairs when the white settlements in Connecticut were threatened with destruction by the Indians, he says:

"The increasing power of the white men, and their aggressive policy, excited their jealousy, which was manifested by murders, firings, and all cruelties, of Indian revenge. Such were the state of affairs when the colony availed itself of Gilbert's services in perilous negotiations with these enraged, crafty and faithless savages. None but a resolute man, of a cool, penetrating eye, a wary watchfulness, and a fearless temper, could gain respect or safety among them. Uncas, like King Philip, was a patriot, and a settled hatred to his new neighbors fired his heart and mind, and filled the breasts of his people."

Mr. Homer W. Brainard. of Hartford, collected much valuable information about the family for Mr. John B. Bloss, of Washington, Mrs. Bloss being a descendant of Jonathan Gilbert. This has been printed by Mr. Bloss and from it some facts have been gleaned.

Jonathan Gilbert had two children by his first wife, Mary White:

- i. JONATHAN, born May 11, 1648. He was so wayward in his early manhood that his father left him a smaller share of his estate than his brothers. After his father's death he applied to the court for relief, saying that he had become fully reconciled to his father, who had approved of his marriage. The court, with the consent of Mrs. Gilbert, his stepmother, granted him a considerable increase from his father's estate. He married Dorothy Stow, daughter of Rev. Samuel, of Middletown, and died in Middletown, Feb. 1, 1698. He had ten children, recorded at Middletown.
- ii. Mary baptized Dec. 17, 1649, married first, John Rossiter; second, Samuel Holton.

Jonathan Gilbert had seven other children by his second wife, Mary Wells. iii. SARAH, born July 25, 1651, married Capt. Andrew Belcher, of Boston. He was a member of the council from 1702 to 1717 and Eliot says "was the most opulent merchant in the town of Boston, a man of integrity and honor, a friend to religion and learning." He died Oct. 31, 1717, his wife Jan. 26, 1689. Their seven children were:

- 1. Andrew, born 1672, died unmarried.
- Sarah, married first Joseph Lynde and second John Foye.
- 3. Elizabeth, born Jan. 12, 1678, married Daniel Oliver; their son Peter Oliver, born in Boston March 26, 1713, graduated at Harvard, was appointed a justice of the Massachusetts Supreme Court in 1756 and in 1771 became chief justice. See further notice of him in Encyclopedia Britannica.
- 4. Mary, born March 7, 1680, married George Vaughan of Portsmouth.
- 5. Jonathan, born Jan. 8, 1682, graduated at Harvard College in 1699. He traveled abroad for many years; on his return became a merchant in Boston, was a member of the council for several years, and in 1728 was sent as agent to England. In Jan., 1729-30, he was commissioned Governor of Massachusetts, which office he held for eleven years. In 1747, he was made Governor of New Jersey, serving until his death in 1767. He married first, Mary, daughter of Lieutenant Governor William Partridge of New Hampshire and second, Mary Louisa Emilia Teal. He had five children, all by his first wife.

Andrew, his eldest son, graduated at Harvard in 1724, was for a few years member of the council and died at Milton in 1771. Eliot says of him: "He possessed a handsome property without much patriotic zeal or literary taste."

Jonathan, second son of the Governor, graduated at Harvard in 1728 and was one of the early settlers of Chebucto, now Halifay. He was Chief Justice and

of the early settlers of Chebucto, now Halifax. He was Chief Justice and Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia. Eliot says of him: "He was a man of excellent habits, prudent, upright, of great political integrity. His prejudices were much in favor of New England."

- 6. Ann, born March 80, 1684, married Oliver Noyes.
- 7. Martha, born March 29, 1686, married Anthony Stoddard.
- iv. LYDIA, Oct. 3, 1654, married first , Stephen Richardson, , of Stonington, and second, _____ Chapman.
- v. NATHANIEL, date of birth unknown, died unmarried.

- vi. THOMAS, born in 1655, married first, Lydia Ballett and second, Mrs. Mary Trowbridge. He had six children, and resided in Boston.
- He was Captain of the ship Swan, which was owned by his brother-in-law, Captain Belcher. During King William's war the French sent a squadron to sweep our commerce from the shores of New England. Captain Gilbert, with his associates, captured a French ship called the Saint Jacob. In 1695 he sailed for London, was taken by a French privateer and imprisoned for two months in France. The remains of Captain Gilbert and his wife Lydia rest in the "Granery burial ground" in Boston.
- vii. SAMUEL, born about 1663, married Mary Rogers, and resided in Hartford, where he was commissioned ensign of the train band in 1698. In 1707 he removed to Colchester, where he was appointed captain of the train band. He died Aug. 5, 1733, at which time he resided in what is now the town of Salem. He had six sons and one daughter.
- viii. EBENEZER, mentioned in his father's will; no further account.
- ix. RACHEL, married Sept. 22, 1686, Josiah Marshfield.
- x. HESTER, married Charles Dickenson.

APPENDIX B

THE EDWARDS FAMILY OF HARTFORD

- 1. WILLIAM EDWARDS was one of the first settlers of Hartford. His mother was Ann, wife of James Cole, whom she married in England. There is nothing known about their ancestry. The widely-published statement that he was the son of Rev. Richard Edwards has long been discredited.
- James Cole, his stepfather, died in 1652, and his widow Ann was made the sole executrix of his will. William Edwards, one of the legatees, was called "my well-beloved sonn."
- Mrs. Cole died Feb. 20, 1679. A short time before her decease she made a verbal disposition of her estate, which, as entered on the Records of the Court of Probate, is as follows:
- "Mrs. Cole declaring that it was her minde, that after her decease, her home and Lande should be to her son William Edwards, he only, to have the use & Improvement for himselfe & wife during their natural life, & then it should return to her Grandson Richard Edwards & to his heires forever, and the like dispose she made of the other part of her estate, as appeares by the Testimony of Mr. Saul Willy, Mr. Jonathan Gilbert, and Wm. Edwards, which the Court approves of & confirmes, & this Court Granted Administration upon the estate to Richard Edwards, who accepted the same in Court."
- William Edwards married, about 1645, Agnes, widow of William Spencer, one of the first settlers of Hartford. Her family name is unknown, and the statement that one of her brothers in England was Mayor of Exeter and another Mayor of Barnstable, is given without endorsement.
- William Spencer was a man of note who settled at Cambridge, Mass., in 1631, but returned to England and married his wife in 1633; their three children were Samuel, Sarah (wife of John Case), and Elizabeth who married first William Wellman and second Jacob Joy, having eight children by the former and four by the latter.
- The widow Agnes Spencer was a more than ordinary woman; she had a large and notable posterity by both of her husbands. Her granddaughter Deborah Joy married Captain Andrew Ward and had nine children. Among their many distinguished descendants was Henry Ward Beecher, so that she is the ancestress of the two most notable divines in America, Edwards and Beecher, who with William Ellery Channing are the only preachers and theologians admitted to the "Hall of Fame." William Edwards died before 1672, but the date of his wife's death is unknown. They had only one child.
- 2. RICHARD EDWARDS, born May 16, 1647, died at Hartford April 20, 1718. He was a well-to-do merchant, later became an attorney-at-law, and practicing his

profession as early as 1684; in 1702-3 he argued a fugitive slave case against Saltonstall.

He was probably the first Queen's Attorney, appointed as such in April, 1705, the office having been created in May, 1704.

His eldest son, Timothy, wrote as follows concerning him:

"He was a noble stature of a straight, wellformed body and of a comely countenance. His smile had a pleasantcy beyond which I have seen in many, yea, in most others. He was quick and nimble in his movements even to old age and was of a strong and healthy constitution. He had a strong clear mind. and had a very good utterance. He had a quick fancy; a pleasant. ready wit, with a very good judgment. He could argue in a matter and reason in a case very well. He was a man of considerable reading; both in Law History, and Divinity; was well furnished for society and very pleasant in consultation. Thus it pleased the Most High to endow and adorn my dear departed father with many virtues which rendered him very lovely and desirable in his life and much lamented in his death."

He married, Nov. 19, 1667, Elizabeth, daughter of William and Elizabeth Tuttle, of New Haven, who came from Northampton, England, in 1635. They were divorced in 1691 and he married (2) Mary Talcott. Insanity was one of the grounds for the divorce

Richard Edwards had five children by his first wife and six by the second, but the former had two other children not recognized by him.

The high character of her son and grandson, and especially the eminence of the latter, made conspicuous by contrast the sins of Elizabeth Tuttle. It has been a fruitful subject of discussion with many writers and widely different opinions have been expressed.

FROM TUTTLE GENEALOGY

"A remarkable feature in our family history, as it would be in any other, is the branch of Elizabeth. It is an interesting genealogical study. Both the parents were of the same Welsh race. There is evidence that the mother had the sensitive and excitable temperament of genius. Richard Edwards, being an only child, inherited ample means and gave his children the best education the country afforded. To educate is to bring out, and to train, it cannot create talents or character. The ministerial profession was then almost the only field for the employment of able and educated men. So all things conspired to favor the natural bent for their son Timothy. The process was continued and in the next generation reached its highest development in his son Jonathan. From the very beginning this branch has been noted for its high regard for education, its scholarly culture, and its religious disposition. It is said to include a larger number of eminent persons than have sprung from any other one of the New England founders. It is wonderful, says a late writer, how much of the grace and culture of American society has sprung from this root. The same pursuits continued generation after generation in the same families, or originally set apart by nature for a chosen work, has resulted in a heritage of confirmed aptitudes, enlarged natural capacities, delicacy and refinement of physical organization, manners, sentiments and tastes; a sort of 'Brahmin Caste in New England,' as Dr. Holmes put it, of which the Edwards family form a considerable proportion, and in which it holds a high rank."

FROM CONN. QUARTERLY

"The branch of the Tuttle family from which Elizabeth Tuttle came, was erratic to the degree of insanity, and is so to a certain extent to the present day. This family taint was restrained by the strong will and great spirituality and intellectual vigor of Rev. Timothy and Rev. Jonathan, only to crop out again in renewed activity in the son (Pierpont Edwards) and the grandson (Aaron Burr), of the 'divine Jonathan,' both of whom were profligate, vicious and licentious. Mrs. Richard Edwards' brother was found guilty of slaying his sister, by the Colonial Court, and executed; and another sister was found guilty of killing her

own son, but through the confusion existing at that time, she escaped the penalty of the law."

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"In heredity and environment, Darwin finds the evolution of man. The influence of environment works slowly and with continually diminishing force, while heredity, belay the sum of the accretions of uncounted centuries and tending constantly to greater fixity in its forms, is well nigh omnipotent in the determination of individual character."

Rev. A. J. Gorden, in a sermon at Princeton College, the alma mater of Aaron Burr, said: "When I was here before, I went into the graveyard and saw close together, the tombs of Jonathan Edwards and Aaron Burr and it set me thinking of the vast gulf between those two careers; one the seraphic life of a soul whose intellect and affections were aflame with divine love and holiness; the other estranged from God, going on from sin to sin till his hands were imbrued in the blood of murder."

The children of Richard and Elizabeth (Tuttle) Edwards were:

i. TIMOTHY, born 1669, married Esther Stoddard, daughter of Rev. Solomon, and died in 1758. He graduated at Harvard in 1691 and was the pastor of the Church in East Windsor. He had ten daughters and one son, Jonathan, the distinguished divine. The Rev. Jonathan Edwards, born 1703, married Sarah, daughter of Rev. James Pierpont, and died at Princeton, N. J., March 28, 1758, about six weeks after his installation as President of the College, where he succeeded his son-in-law.

The Encyclopedia Britannica describes him as "the most distinguished metaphysician and divine of America."

He had eleven children. One daughter, Esther, was the wife of Rev. Aaron Burr, President of Princeton College, and mother of Vice-President Burr, and his son Jonathan was President of Union College.

Pierpont,1 the youngest child of Rev. Jonathan, resided in New Haven, married Frances Ogden, and their daughter Henrietta Frances was the wife of the celebrated inventor, Eli Whitney.

- ii. ABIGAIL, born 1671, married (1) Benjamin Lathrop and (2) Capt. Thomas Stoughton. She had ten children by her second husband.
- iii. ELIZABETH, born 1675, married (1) Jacob Deming, of Hartford, and (2) Hinckley, of Kingston, R. I. She had four children by her first husband.
- iv. ANN, born 1678, married (1) Jonathan Richardson and (2) William Davenport.
- v. MABEL, baptized 1685, married Jonathan Bigelow, of Hartford, by whom she had six children.

Children by his second wife:

- vi. JONATHAN born in 1693, died the same year.
- vii. JOHN, born 1694, married Christian Williamson, and had seven children. He resided in Hartford.
- viii. HANNAH, born 1696, married Joseph Backus, Jr., of Norwich and Hartford, and had four children.
- ix. RICHARD, born 1698, died in 1713.
- x. DANIEL, born in 1701; graduated at Yale in 1720; married Sarah Hooker, and had two children. He was a Judge of the Supreme Court of the Colony.
- xi. SAMUEL, born 1702, married Jerusha Pitkin and had one child. He resided in Hartford.

APPENDIX C.

THE YARRINGTON FAMILY OF NEW ENGLAND.

PETER YARRINGTON resided at Beverly, Mass., in July, 1696, with his wife Abiah. No other Yarrington or Yerrington family has been found in New England history prior to the Revolution.

There was an Anthony Yerrengton, in New York City in 1738 and presumably he was the Anthony Yarington, of Poughkeepsie, who had sons Gale and Andrew, all mentioned in the will of Andrew Gale, of Jamaica, L. I., in 1742.

The late Rev. Benjamin M. Yarrington, of Greenwich, Conn., had some records of his family which stated that their emigrant ancestor was William Yarrington, who came from Wales and settled near Boston, where he married Alice Woodward who was born in Amsterdam, Holland, probably of English ancestors. The first part of this family history is based on tradition, but it is evident that Peter Yarrington is the one referred to, and it is also in error as to the Christian name of his wife. In the Beverly records her name is given as Abiel, but the New London probate records give it as Abiah, while the Coventry records give the name of her granddaughter as Abial. Her name may have been copied as Alice from some record by mistake.

Peter and Abiah Yarrington had nine children, the first seven of which were baptized at Beverly, Mass., and the last two at Preston, Conn. They probably moved to Preston in 1706 and from there many years later to Stonington, where he died. Presumably he died in 1726, as the inventory of his estate was dated Oct. 5 of that year. His wife Abiah and son Ezekiel were appointed by the New London Probate Court to administer to his estate.

A suit against the estate by John Starkweather was carried up to the General Court, which decided in favor of his administrators, in 1727. The Woodward family of Preston may have been related to Mrs. Yarrington. On April 18, 1711, the church at Preston received Daniel Woodward and wife by letter from Cambridge, Mass., and in 1714 Hannah, wife of Amos Woodward. Children:

- 1. WILLIAM, baptized at Beverly .July 12, 1696, died young.
- 2. ELIZABETH, baptized July 12, 1696.
- 3. PETER, baptized January 17, 1696-7 married to Abigail Lamb, Dec. 21, 1721, at Preston, by Rev. Salmon Treat (both of Stonington). Children: Rufus, 1724-5; William, 1727; Zipporah, 1730; Simon, 1732; Elijah, 1734; Abigail, 1736; Keziah, 1738; Amaziah, 1739.
- 4. HANNAH,, baptized at Beverly March 26, 1699.
- 5. MARY, baptized at Beverly November 16, 1701.
- 6. WILLIAM, baptized May 16, 1703, died in May, 1746. He settled in Smith Town, L. I., and there married Rebecca Dayton, daughter of Jonathan. He was a schoolmaster and a fine penman. His Bible is now owned by the Rev. Samuel R. J. Hoyt, D.D., of Harlan, Iowa, a nephew of Rev. Benjamin M. Yarrington. Children: William, born January 27, 1738; Desire, Jonathan and Rachel.
- 7. EZEKIEL, baptized March 25, 1704-5, married Jerusha Avery, March 18,, 17:31, and resided in Stonington. Children: Desire,, born Nov. a, 1732; Ezekiel, Oct. 20, 1733; Laura, Aug. 7, 1735; Jerusha,; Dec. 10, 1737; Amos, Oct. 27, 1740; Joseph, March 10, 1743; Deborah, May 10, 1746, and Phebe, April 8, 1748.
- 8. RACHEL baptized at Preston, Conn., Aug. 10, 1707, married Amos Richardson. Their first child, Nathan (born March 20, 1725), was baptized at Preston, Sept. 26, 1725, and at the same time she was received as a member.
- 9. EBENEZER, baptized at Preston, July 29, 1710.

APPENDIX D

THE RUST FAMILY OF NEW ENGLAND1

- 1. HENRY RUST settled at Hingham, Mass., before June, 1635. It is supposed that he came from Hingham, Norfolk Co., England. He was a land owner and one of the principal town officers at Hingham. In 1645 he was appointed for "ye recording births and buruals." He removed to Boston, where he was admitted to be an inhabitant March 31, 1651. He purchased a place in Boston from the widow Awdrey Palmer, the deed being dated March 11, 1652. This land was situated at what is now the north corner of Summer and Hawley Streets. It adjoined the land of Amos Richardson and on it the first Trinity Church was erected in 1728. He was a glover by trade. He died about 1684. The name of his wife is unknown. They had four children:
- i. SAMUEL, baptized Aug. 5, 1638, married Elizabeth Rogers and resided in Boston.

- ii. NATHANIEL, baptized Feb. 2, 1639-40, married Mary Wardell and settled in Ipswich.
- iii. HANNAH, baptized Nov. 7, 1641, married Robert Earle, of Boston.
- iv. ISRAEL, the following:
- 2. ISRAEL RUST, baptized in Hingham, Nov. 12, 1643, removed to Northampton, Mass., when a young man and there married, Dec. 9, 1669, Rebecca, daughter of Lieut. William and Sarah Clark. He died intestate Nov. 11, 1712, and his estate was settled by "Articles of agreement made by Rebecca Rust, widow & Relect of Israel Rust, deceased, & Nathaniel & Israel, Jonathan & John Rust & Samuel Allin & Robert Danks with respect to the estate of the said Israel Rust, Deceased their Honored father."

His widow, Rebecca, was born in 1648 and died Feb. 8, 1733. Their eight children were Nathaniel, born 1671; Samuel, born 1673, died 1702; Sarah, born 1675; Experience, born 1677; Israel, born 1679; Jonathan, born 1681; Rebecca and John. 3. Capt. NATHANIEL RUST, born in Northampton, Nov. 16, 1671, married first, May 17, 1692, Mary, or Mercy, daughter of John and Deliverance Atchison, of Hatfield. Her father was killed by the Indians in 1677. She was born Oct. 30, 1673, and died Jan. 21, 1754. Capt. Rust married second when he was almost eighty-three years of age, Mrs. Mary Rose, Sept. 9, 1754. He was one of the first settlers in the town of Coventry, Conn. (about 1700), and was one of the proprietors' committee in 1711. At the first town meeting in 1714 his name heads the board of Selectmen elected. He resided where William O. Gardner lived in 1891 and kept a tavern there for many years. He probably was in command of the train band, as his name appears always with the title of Captain on the town records. His will was dated in 1760, but there appears to be no record of his death. Their ten children were:

- i. EXPERIENCE, born Nov., 1693, married Samuel Gurley, of Coventry, later of Mansfield. He was distinguished for piety and was eminently useful in the cause of religion and humanity.
- ii. NATHANIEL, born Dec., 1695, married Hannah Hatch.
- iii. MARGARET, born May 11, 1698, died Sept. 18, 1712.
- iv. LYDIA, born Nov. 20, 1700, died Dec. 2, 1702.
- v. SAMUEL, born 1703; record given below.
- vi. MARY, born July 7, 1705, died Nov. 13, 1706.
- vii. NOAH, born July 24, 1708, married Keziah Strong, resided in Coventry. The first preaching in the North Parish was at his house in Dec., 1736.
- viii. DANIEL, born Feb. 18, 1711, married first, Anna White, and second, Mary Mead.
- ix. ELIZABETH, born June 11, 1713, married Daniel Hearick.
- x. LYDIA, born May 9, 1716, married Joseph Hearick.
- 4. Capt. SAMUEL RUST, born May 10, 1703, married, July 2, 1722, Sarah Hawkins, daughter of George, granddaughter of John, and great-granddaughter of Anthony Hawkins, of Farmington. Capt. Rust was a prominent man in Coventry, represented the town in the General Assembly and was chairman of the first church committee. He was commissioned an ensign in 1738, a lieutenant in 1746, and captain in 1767. He died in 1773. Their seven children were:
- i. FREELOVE, born May 25, 1724, married Eleazer Kingsbury, and had Freelove, 1743; Anna, 1745; Sarah, 1746-7; Eleazer, 1749-50; Samuel Rust, 1754.
- ii. ANNE, born May 17, 1726, married Aug. 30, 1747, Lemuel Richardson (not Samuel, as given in the Rust Genealogy).
- iii. SAMUEL, born Feb. 23, 1727, died Sept. 26, 1740.
- iv. SARAH, born June 4, 1732, married, 1749, William Wilson and had Jacob, Dorothy, William, Sarah, Abigail, John, Sarah (2nd), Abigail (2nd), Zebulon.
- v. NATHANIEL, born May 16, 1735, died Sept. 30, 1740.
- vi. ZEBULON, born July 12, 1737, died Sept. 23, 1740.
- vii. CHLOE, born May 14, 1742.

APPENDIX E

THE HANFORD FAMILY

- 1. Rev. THOMAS HANFORD, son of Jeffry and Eglin (Hatherly), was born at Fremington (near Barnstable), Devonshire, England, in 1623. She was sister to the celebrated Timothy Hatherly of Plymouth Colony. Mr. Hanford was the first minister at Norwalk, Conn., and continued in charge of the church for forty one years, until his death in 1693. He married first Hannah Newbury who died without issue, second Mary daughter of Richard Miles and widow of Jonathan Ince the New Haven scholar. They had ten children.
- 2. Capt. SAMUEL HANFORD, born April 6, 1674, married Isabell Haynes and died Feb. 2, 1761. He was a deputy to the General Court, from Norwalk, for thirteen years.
- 3. HAYNES HANFORD, born in 1716, married Elizabeth, daughter of Capt. Joseph Ketcham of Fairfield, and died April 18, 1798.
- 4. JOSEPH HANFORD, born 1742, married first Mrs. Abigail Bradley and second Sarah Williams, daughter of Jonas and Sarah (Fleet) of Huntington. L.I.,. He was a royalist at the time of the Revolution and his estate was confiscated by the General Court in 1791.
- 5. Lieut. JOHN W. HANFORD, son of the above by his second wife, was born July 4, 1784, married Polly Pearsall, and died at Irving, N. Y., Jan. 19, 1866. He was a Lieut. in the War of 1812.
- His wife, the daughter of Samuel and Rachel (Wakeman) Pearsall, was sixth in descent from Capt. John Underhill the noted Indian fighter and author of "News from America."
- Rachel Wakeman, daughter of Gideon who graduated at Yale in 1769 and married Ann Adams, was fifth in descent from Rev. Samuel Wakeman, who married Hannah, daughter of Deputy Governor Stephen Goodyear. Gideon Wakeman was fifth in descent from Joseph Hawley who graduated at Harvard in 1674 and who married Lydia daughter of the brave Capt. Samuel Marshall killed in the Great Swamp Fight, 1676.
- 6. SAMUEL P. HANFORD, born at Westport, Aug. 13, 1812, died at Irving, July 2, 1896. Maryett F. Lyon, his wife, daughter of Alfred Child and Lucippa (Wight), was born at Attica, N. Y., March 24, 1817 and died Aug. 13, 1892; she was seventh in descent from William and Sarah (Ruggles) Lyon of Roxbury, Mass. Her grandfathers Ethel Bert Child Lyon and Capt. Nathan Wight and greatgrandfather, Col. James Metcalf were Revolutionary soldiers from Mass., and her second cousin, General Nathaniel Lyon, was a distinguished hero in the Civil War.

Prof. Samuel F. B. Morse was her father's second cousin. APPENDIX F

THE ADAMS FAMILY

- 1. HENRY ADAMS came to New England in 1632 or 1633 and settled at Braintree (now Quincy). President John Adams erected a monument there to his memory, at which time he supposed that the family came from Devonshire.
- John Quincy Adams became satisfied that his father was mistaken in this. The so-called "Ap Adam Pedigree" has lone been discredited. Recent discoveries indicate that Henry Adams came probably from Kingweston, Somersetshire.
- 2. Lieut. THOMAS ADAMS, born in England, 1612, married Mary (Blackmore?). He was a member of the General Court and with his brother Samuel erected mills where the City of Lowell now stands.
- Rebecca, daughter of Samuel married John Waldo; Ralph Waldo Emerson was one of their descendants.
- 3. JONATHAN ADAMS, born at Concord. Mass., Jan. 6, 1646, married Leah, daughter of Francis and Rose Gould, and died at Chelmsford Nov. 25, 1712.
- 4. DAVID ADAMS, born March 29.1699, married, in Canterbury, Conn., Dorcas Paine, daughter of Elisha and Rebecca (Doane) and granddaughter of Thomas and Mary (Snow). Mary Snow was the daughter of Nicholas, and the granddaughter of Stephen Hopkins of the Mayflower. Robert Treat Paine, signer of the Declaration

- of independence, and John Howard Payne, author of "Home Sweet Home," belong to this family.
- 5. LEVI ADAMS, baptized Nov. 18, 1728, married Margaret Perkins and served with three of his sons in the Revolution. He died at Hardwick, N. Y., 1816.
- 6. Sergt. LEVI ADAMS was born at Oswego Village (now Quaker City). town of Unionvale, Duchess Co., N. Y., Feb. 14, 1754. He served in the Revolution from Connecticut and Vermont and was a pensioner when he died at Ripley, N. Y., Dec. 26, 1833. He married Hannah Pettingill.
- 7. HENRY ADAMS, born at Milford, N. Y., June 17, 1796, married Lousia, daughter of Eliphaz Hibbard and Ruth (Bowe) Pride and died Oct. 16, 1882. She was seventh in descent from John Pride of Salem and sixth from Alexander Bowe of Middletown.
- 8. S. DELAVAN ADAMS, born in Ripley, May 26, 1831, died in Sherman, May 20, 1900. His wife Laura Davis Strong, daughter of Capt. Walter and Nancy (Sheldon), was born at Nettle Hill, town of Westfield, N. Y., Nov. 29, 1836.

Capt. Strong was sixth in descent from Elder John Strong of Northampton and Rev. John Warham of Windsor the first pastor in New England.

Nancy Sheldon was the daughter of Seth and Philena (Edgerton) Sheldon and granddaughter of Capt. Simeon Edgerton of Pawlet, Vt., a Revolutionary soldier. Philena Edgerton had a notable ancestry through her grandmother Hannah Denison, daughter of George and Mary (Witherell). George Denison who graduated at Harvard in 1693, was the grandson of Capt. George Denison, the famous soldier, who married Ann Boradil.

Mary Witherell his wife was the granddaughter of Rev. William Witherell and Jonathan Brewster, son of Elder William of the Mayflower. A sketch of Elder Brewster is given in the "Encyclopedia Britannica."

Mr. Witherell was educated at Cambridge, where he became an A. B. in 1623 and an A. M. in 1626. After coming to New England he became pastor of the church at Scituate and was one of the best of the early colonial poets. Dean's "History of Scituate" gives a good account of him and credits the tradition that his mother was the daughter of John Rogers the martyr of Smithfield.

1 From Lucy Downing (wife of Emanuel Downing and sister of -John Winthrop, the elder) at Salem to John Winthrop, Jr., at New London, Dec. 17th, 1648.

"I then writ to Amos to get the butcher to pay my sonn Stoder 8 pounds ten in peas and would pay William but Amos could not preuayle.'

From Governor John Winthrop at Boston to John Winthrop, Jr., at Hartford. Feb'y. 3rd, 1649. "You wrote to Amos about prices of beife and pork." "I think he will write to you not to send any as it will not yeild above 3d the pound at most"

From Adam Winthrop at Boston to John Winthrop, Jr., at New London, May 3rd, 1649.

According to your desire I have lett the orchard to Amos and Goodman Gridley" "Amosse has bought a maid servant for you, if you have occasion for one. She in for 4 years, & to be paid for her time."

2 Letters from Samuel Winthrop to John Winthrop, Jr. "St. Xtophers, Sept. 8th 1657."

"I am infinitely ingaged to yor self & Mr. Richardson, & so sensible thereof that I will not call any thing of wt God hath lent mee mine until I have to ye utmost farthing discharged that ingagement."

"Antigua, Nov. 8th, 1663. As to Mr. Richardsons debts here, I have bad much trouble with it; & last year by seurall discompts & changes, I brought ye debt Into my hands." "It was ye 1 Aug. 1662. "Since wch here hath been no conveyance, nor I could not send a letter nor any relief to my children." "It troubles me much he hath it not."

"My last to him was 27th Aug. last: in wch I begged of him to order some vessell to call for it about June next, for we make sugr only in ye spring & summer; after July none."

"Sept. 1664. 1 have here reddy for Mr. Wharton 20 odde thousand pounds of sugr for Mr. Richardson & to supply my sonnes. I expect his catch from Barbadoes every day. I wish she were well gone with itt, that Mr. Richardson might rayle no more at me. I hope when I have stopt his mouth full of interest & allowance between money and country pay (though mine hath all bin mony pay to him all along) that be will hold his peace."

- Suffolk Deeds, Vol. xvi-434
- Abigail Richardson married John Marrett at Boston, on July 20, 1654, and they had a son Amos, but that was a year too late for the conjecture that he might have been the brother-in-law referred to. Amos was then quite an uncommon name In New England.
- 1 Manwaring's "Hartford Probate Records" Vol 1.-244.
- 1 Letter from Wait Winthrop to Fitz-John Winthrop. Jan'y. 30, 1687.

Boston,

"Just now he (Mr. Jonathan Smellows) tells me he is advised to see Mr. Richardson's farme." "It may be the convenience of the housing there may invite him."

- 1 The "sad newse" was concerning the overthrow of the English Commonwealth and restoration of the Stuarts.
- 2 "Mr. Frits" means young Fitz John Winthrop, son of Gov. Winthrop, at that time a Cromwell officer in Scotland, and some years after himself governor of Connecticut.
- 1 Manwaring's "Hartford Probate Records" Vol. 1.-63.
- Mass. Hist. Coll., 5th Series, Vol. vvi.
- Sibley's Harvard Graduates.
- 1 See further notice in Cheseborough Genealogy.
- 2 This quoted from the History of New London.
- See Histories of Stratford and Stamford and Dexter's Yale Graduates.
- Jonathan Gilbert was a prominent man at Hartford and Marshal of the Colony. In 1654 he visited Ninigrate, the famous Chief of the Pequots, and made demands for the Commissioners of the United Colonies, returning to Hartford on Sept. 18, with Ninigrate's answer. Tremble's; History, 1, 222. This shows that he was regarded as a very brave and discreet man.

For Gilbert Family see Appendix A.

- In December, 1754, Peter was convicted of passing counterfeit bills of credit which another slave had forged. He is described as "one Peter, a negro man, late servant to Mr. Richardson, late of Lebanon, now deceased." In January, 1755, the Assembly allowed David Richardson of Lebanon, by paying the cost of prosecution and confinement to take him from prison "and that the said Peter, serve him, said Richardson, his heirs and assigns, to the day of the death of said Peter, and by him and them to be kept within the bounds of said Lebanon."
- 1 His widow is presumably the Mehitable Richardson who married John Warner at East Haddam, March 21, 1716, and had eight children recorded there.
- Manwaring's "Hartford Probate Records" Vol. 2.-279.
- 1 Governor Jonathan Belcher of Massachusetts was another grandchild named for him.
- Wheeler's History of the first Congregational Church, Stonington.
- 3 Jonathan Edwards, the distinguished divine, was her nephew. For Edwards Family see Appendix B.
- 1 N.E. General. Register, vol. IV.
- 2 Goodwin's Genealogical Notes. page 51.
- 1 See a sketch of "Stonington and Westerly" by Richard A. Wheeler, In 1886.
- See "Treat Family Genealogy," page 497.

- 1 Their family tradition is that the father of Col. James Richardson was James or Stephen, who came from England to Stonington; In all other respects it appears to be substantially correct.
- It is probable that the cousins Samuel and Nathaniel Richardson were sons, or grandsons, of Lemuel of East Haddam, Conn.
- 3 This old Bible may have belonged to the first Amos Richardson and from him handed down from father to son. A Bible is mentioned in the inventory of the estate of Jonathan Richardson, grandson of Amos.
- For Yarrington Family see Appendix C.
- 1 See Marshall's "Ancestry of General Grant," and History of the Grant Family" by Arthur Hastings Grant.
- "Descendants of Elder John Strong" by B. W. Dwight.
- See "Kingsbury Genealogy" for full account.
- See "Porter Family" for a full account of their descendants. Col. Porter, however, fell into the error of calling the wife of Jonathan Porter, Louis Richard, and the "Kingsbury Genealogy" makes the same mistake. Both are excellent family histories, with full accounts of the descendants in the Porter and Kingsbury lines.
- 2 This account of their children from the "Kingsbury Genealogy" and that given on page 43 from Dimock's "Coventry" do not agree.
- 1 For Rust Family see Appendix D.
- 1 Warriner's "History of old Sands Street Church."
- This house was located on Fulton Street, three or four doors above Middagh, and opposite the entrance to the bridge.
- Benjamin Richardson who took the mail twice daily to New York and back was the only letter-carrier of the village, and like many other historic personages survives in the memory of many, owing to. a highly-gifted dog which always accompanied him. This benevolent quadruped entered with spirit on the business of letter-carrying and evinced a remarkable relish for the virtuous shins of our ancient citizens of thirty years ago.

From Stiles "History of Brooklyn."

- Ebenezer Cole con of Ebenezer and Ester (Owen), was born at Lebanon, Aug. 6, 1734, and died there of smallpox Ma, 22,1777. Esther Owen, his wife, was the granddaughter of John and Rebecca (Wade) of Windsor, who were also the ancestors of Elsie Owen, mother of Governor Reuben E. Fenton of New York, and Hannah Owen, grandmother of Cant. John Brown of Osawatomie and Harper's Ferry.
- Stephen Pratt, son of Daniel and Sarah (Nash), was born in Braintree, Mass., Dec. 20, 1760, and married Lucy Curtis, daughter of Joseph and Betty, granddaughter of Moses and Dorothy (Ashley), and great-granddaughter of Theophilus and Hannah (Paine). He and his father-in-law served in the Revolution from Braintree, and he was again in the service during the War of 1812.
- He was the son of Ira and Keturah (Crane) Williams, sixth in descent from Matthew of Weathersfield, Jasper Crane of New Haven and Newark, (N. J.) and Gov. Robert Treat. Hon. Sherman Williams of Chautauqua Co. and New York City is his nephew.
- 1 Isaac Willard son of Julius and Susanna (Trask) and grandson of Daniel and Anna (Marvin) was born at Zoar, Mass., Mar 6, 1798. He was sixth in descent from Major Simon and Mary (Dunster) Willard of Concord Mass.

Major Simon Willard son of Richard and Margery (Humphrie), was born in County Kent England in 1606 and was the progenitor of the well-known Willard family. His wife was the sister or the niece of President Dunster of Harvard College.

Susanna Trask was the daughter of Isaac and Ruth (Colton), granddaughter of Josiah and Anna (Putnam) and presumably a descendant of Osmond of Beverly.

Isaac Trask was a Revolutionary soldier (from Monson and his brother's grandson Eliphalet Trask was Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts during the three terms of Gov. (General) Banks.

Anna Putnam was the daughter of Isaac, a first cousin of Gen. Israel Putnam. Anna Marvin daughter of Nathan and Hannah (Betts) was fifth in descent from Matthew Marvin of Norwalk.

- See "Orcutt's History" of Stratford and Bridgeport, Vol. 2-813. Also "Centennial History" of Chautauqua County Vol. 2-1127.
- See Appendix E for information on the Hanford Family.
- 2 See Appendix F for information on the Adams Family.
- 1 "Pierpont Edwards became a brilliant, eccentric, and licentious Connecticut lawyer and jurist, a rank prototype of talented immorality which was only too closely imitated by his nephew, Aaron Burr, with whom he was at one time quite intimate." From Windsor Farmes, page 148.
- See "Record of the Rust Family " by Albert D. Rust 1891.

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