

CHAPTER XVII.

A NOTICE OF THE EARLY SETTLERS, OR THE GENEALOGICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL HISTORY OF CHESTER.

AIKEN.

JOHN AIKEN was born in Ireland about 1689, and came to this country, it is said, with John Tolford, who was in Bradford in 1724. He appears first on Chester records in 1730, when a grant of land is made to him to encourage him to build a grist-mill, and a road was laid out across his home lot No. 145, where he then lived, and on the northeast end of which he built the first grist-mill in Chester. He afterwards purchased two other lots, Nos. 58 and 146, where he afterwards built. The subsequent occupants of the first lot have been his son John, Jr., Moses Hills, and John Haselton; of the last, Josiah Dearborn, Benjamin Hills, Read and Peabody. He appears to have been an energetic business man, and his wife, whose maiden name was Karr, is reported to have been a very shrewd manager after his decease, and that they gave their children a good education for the times. They had two sons, John and James. John, Jr., was a millwright, and married. They had five daughters:—Margaret, m. William Graham, Sen., and came to the Long Meadows; Martha, m. John Waddel, of Londonderry, and d. March 23, 1817, a. eighty-eight; Jane, m. James Crosett, at the Long Meadows, and went to the Mohawk country; Elizabeth, m. a Taylor, of Derry, and has descendants there; Mary, born 1739, m. John Karr, of the east part of Derry. She had two sons and four daughters, the youngest of whom, Elizabeth, m. Edmund Adams, of Derry, at the mills, whose children yet reside there. John Aiken's will is dated Nov. 22, 1750. He d. Dec. 1, 1750; will proved Dec. 26, 1750; personal estate, £1982; real, £4000.

SAMUEL AIKEN was a younger brother of John; and there was another brother, William, an educated clergyman, who d. in Ireland before Samuel came over. Samuel m. a Young in Ireland, and came over about 1736, and had a very long passage. They

came into Portsmouth, and lived a while in Greenland, and then came to Chester. June 22, 1738, he purchased one half of No. 82, 2d P., 2d D., and settled where Charles C. Grant now lives in Auburn. They afterwards purchased the other half of the lot, and settled, James on the northeast end, where Deacon Brigham lately lived, and Peter on the southwest end. There were, at the time of his settlement, two families of friendly Indians living near. They probably had two sons b. in Ireland.

I. *William*, settled at the "Neck," between Severance and Spofford, and went to Passamoquoddy, and was with his wife drowned, leaving a dau. Sarah, and sons, William, James and Robert, who lived with their grandfather. James and Robert went to Bunker Hill and never returned. (*Mrs. Whittier.*)

II. *James*, m. Mary, dau. of Andrew McFarland. Children:— Andrew, b. 1755; William, d. young; Margaret; Samuel, b. 1761, m. Martha, dau. of William Graham; James, b. 1762; John, b. 1764, m. Betsy, dau. of Archi. McDuffee, d. July 1801; Mary, b. 1774, m. Stephen Heath. *James, Sen., Andrew, James, Jr., and John, are said to have been in the Revolutionary army. James and James, Jr., d. there, and Andrew was wounded. The widow d. April 2, 1818, a. 87. b. Oct. 19, 1731. at Canton, Mass.*

III. *Peter*, b. on the passage from Ireland, used to say that he was not born on the face of the earth. He m. Rebecca, dau. of Thomas Fowler; lived on his father's lot, and on the southwest end of No. 83, where Benjamin Crosett had lived. Children:—

Rebecca, m. John, son of Jona. Emery; Peter; Thomas; and Samuel, m. Sally Coffin, about whom there was a lawsuit between Chester and Derry. They all went to Canada. Peter Aiken d. Oct. 21, 1806; Rebecca d. 1796.

IV. *Sarah*, m. Robert Witherspoon.

V. *Samuel*, m. Isabella McDole, of Goffstown, and lived on the homestead. He d. Jan. 4, 1825, a. 76; she d. March 18, 1837, a. 78. Children:—

1. Rosanna, b. March 2, 1784, m. Alex. McGregore and Dearborn Whittier; d. Nov. 23, 1867. She had a very retentive memory, and gave much tradition about the Aiken families, and Long Meadow people generally. Her grandmother lived till she was twelve years old, and she used to read for her the old letters received from John Aiken and John Tolford to them in Ireland.

2. Samuel, b. Jan. 10, 1786, m. Nancy Marston, of Hampton, Oct. 15, 1811. He was famous as a teacher, was a military officer, and a magistrate; was representative several times, and held various other offices, and was a trader. He d. March 30, 1840; she d. Aug. 6, 1867, a. 85. They had several children who d. young. Those who survived were

Nancy, b. April 3, 1816, m. John W. Noyes; Jane, July 16, 1818, m. Prof. Daniel J. Noyes; Isabel, b. Dec. 16, 1820.

Samuel and Isabella also had

3. Lucy, b. June 7, 1788, m. Alvin Jones, of Boston, m. (2) James Ray, d. Sep. 20, 1854; 4. Jane, b. Aug. 6, 1790, u.m.; 5. John, b. Jan 2, 1793, went to Belfast; 6. William, b. April 25, 1795, m. Betsy, dau. of Archi. McDuffee; 7. Katharine, b. April 14, 1798, d. suddenly of some malignant disease, Sept. 9, 1819; 8. Mary, b. June 20, 1800, m. Levi Whitney, of Boston; is now alive; 9. Robert, b. Feb. 5, 1804.

AMBROSE.

NATHL. AMBROSE was the son of Henry and Hannah, and was b. at Salisbury, Mass., Dec. 14, 1677; m. Sarah Eastman, Dec., 1697. Children:—

I. *Elizabeth*, b. Oct. 2, 1698, m. Sampson Underhill and Benj. Batchelder.

II. *Henry*, b. Aug., 1701, came to Chester, d. 1746.

III. *John*, b. Sept. 28, 1707.

IV. *Sarah*, b. June, 1716, m. a Veasey.

V. *Abigail*, m. Joshua Prescott.

Nathl. Ambrose and his sons Henry and John, and daughter Abigail, probably came to Chester in the fall of 1731. Mr. Ambrose bought the H. L. No. 110, of Alexander Craig, and lived a little west of the old Presbyterian meeting-house. His will was dated June 3, 1745, proved, June 26, 1745. His son Henry seems to have had no permanent place of residence in Chester, is not named in the will, and is taxed for nothing but a poll in 1741.

John's wife was Elizabeth. He settled on Add. No. 97, a little west of Francis Hill's. He had six children, Robert, the oldest of whom, b. March 6, 1732, m. Mary Ethredge, a granddaughter of John Calfe, and sister to Joshua Hall's wife. John gave to Robert one half of his farm, but he sold out and moved to the East Village at Concord, where the family have been conspicuous.

ANDREWSON OR ANDERSON.

THOMAS ANDREWSON, as he is called in the early records, or Anderson, the present name, came from Ireland at the same time with David Dinsmore at the age of 13 years. He m. Jean Craige and settled on No. 132, 2d P. 2d D., where Luther Flint now lives in Candia. In 1762 there was an article in the warning of the town-meeting to see what the town would do about a road, he

having lived in town more than five years and had no road. It is said that he was a very strong, courageous man and once killed two bears with a pitch-wood knot. He d. Oct. 10, 1804; she d. June, 1780. Children:—

1. *William*, b. Aug. 6, 1756; m. —; lived on No. 133, 2d P., 2d D.; d. Sept. 19, 1808.

2. *Joseph*, b. June 17, 1758.

3. *John*, b. Dec. 19, 1759; went to Ohio.

4. *Thomas*, b. June 19, 1762; m. Elizabeth, dau. of James Graham, and lived at the Long Meadows, on the Archi. Miller place, No. 81, 2d P. 2d D. He d. Jan. 5, 1841; she d. Aug. 1854, a. 79.

5. *Agnes*, b. May 14, 1764; m. Thomas Wilson of Candia; d. April 5, 1803.

6. *Joseph*, b. Oct. 28, 1766; went to Maine.

7. *Allen*, b. Feb. 25, 1769; moved to Holden, Mass.; d. June, 1839.

8. *Samuel*, b. Aug. 23, 1771; m. (1) Anna, dau. of Moses Sargent; m. (2) Mary, sister of his first wife. He lived first on the homestead and after Chester turnpike was built he built there, and was widely known as a landlord. See "Fires." He d. 1850; his first wife d. 1817.

9. *Margaret*, b. Dec. 9, 1773; m. (1) John Crawford; m. (2) Jonathan Sanborn; d. July 21, 1847.

10. *David*, b. Jan. 1, 1779; m. Lydia Ayer; lived at Lebanon, N. H.

ROBERT ANDREWSON was an early settler on No. 15, 4th D., in Derryfield (the Daniel Hall place). On the Derryfield records is "Robert Anderson, son of John and Gien his wife, married Sarah McQuestion, daughter of Hugh, Decr 2, 1742." There are the births of "Mary and Gien."

ARWIN.

HENRY ARWIN was in Chester in 1757, lived and kept tavern after the Hatter Underhill style, on the old road, on No. 110, 4th D., and sold to Ezra Badger.

BADGER.

EZRA BADGER bought Arwin's tavern stand; kept a tavern in the same style, the guests sleeping on the floor. Mrs. Badger was a long time a pauper, and d. very aged, July 27, 1815.

BASFORD.

JACOB BASFORD was a grantee, and his wife was Elizabeth, and they lived at Hampton. In 1729, he deeded his estate in Hampton to his eldest son JAMES, then of Dover, who was baptized May 9, 1697. James, about 1730, came to Chester, and settled on

H. L. 146, since owned by Moses Hills, Jacob Hills, now Calvin Hills. He owned three lots, and at one time a large share of the old saw-mill and the saw-mill grant, and seems to have been a trading man, though not very thrifty, as there are a large number of cases of debt on the court records against him, which were defaulted, and his mother became a town charge. In Oct., 1735, he deeded his farm to his son Jacob, and Jan., 1737, he deeded to Moses Hills. His name is not on the inventory of 1741, but there is a John, probably his son, rated for a poll.

JOSEPH BASFORD, probably another son of Jacob, m. Elizabeth, dau. of Jona. Goodhue, Jan. 8, 1746, and settled at the Long Meadows, on No. 73, 2d P., 2d D., where Wells C. Underhill now lives. The old house was taken down in 1851. They had Jonathan, Joseph, Jacob, Benjamin, Elizabeth, James and Aaron, but nothing is known of them. In March, 1760, he joined with Nathaniel Wood and Elizabeth (the Wid. Goodhue), in selling to Jabez Hoit H. L. No. 3, the Goodhue or Clay place. The same year he sold to Wood, and in 1769 to Moody Chase, and in 1771 to Wells Chase, his lands at the Long Meadows. An anecdote is related of him, that while residing at the Long Meadows, some one told him that his mother had fallen into the well. He replied that he would "*light his pipe and hasten!*"

JACOB BASFORD, probably another son of the grantee, purchased the east half of No. 18, 2d P., 2d D., March, 1737, and settled near where Charles Stevens now lives; he married Abigail Silver, at Haverhill, April, 1734. He went into the French war and died, 1760. The inventory of his estate was returned, Feb., 1761. Children:—

I. *John*, b. 1741, lived on the homestead, and went to Maine.

II. *Ebenezer*, born Nov. 9, 1744; m. (1) Mary Richardson, Feb. 14, 1765; lived near the homestead. Children:—

1. Sarah, born 1765. 2. Moses. 3. Abigail. 4. Ebenezer. 5. and 6. David and John, 1772. 7. Reuben. He m. (2) Wid. Mehitabel Young. Children: 8. Betsy, b. 1781, m. William Hoit, Jr., d. 1807. 9. Nathaniel. 10. Walter, b. July 22, 1785, m. Sarah, dau. of John Knowles, Jr. He d. Aug. 30, 1865; she d. Oct., 8, 1859. 11. Lucretia, born 1787, d. 1865. 12. Mary, 1790. 13. Amy, b. Nov. 10, 1794.

Ebenezer d. Sept. 21, 1816. Mehitabel d. April 10, 1836, a. 84.

III. *Abigail*, b. Jan. 2, 1748.

IV. *Jacob*, born April 22, 1750; m. Abigail, dau. of Jonathan Moulton, and lived on a gore between Add. Nos. 111 and 17, 2d P., 2d D., N. E. side of Great Hill. Children:—

1. Jonathan, m. Elizabeth, dau. of Geo. Marden. 2. Abigail, m. John, son of Dominicus Prescott, d. 1816. 3. Rebecca, m.

Robert Knowles, d. Feb. 2, 1850. 4, Josiah, b. April, 1785, m. Betsy Osgood and lived on the homestead; d. Nov. 13, 1835.
5. Richard, born 1789, m. Betsy, dau. of Master Morrice Gibbons; lived near the homestead for a time, but went to parts unknown.

Jacob d. 1813; his widow m. Jonathan Brown; d. 1841.

V. *James*, born Aug. 8, 1754.

VI. *Mary*, b. 1758.

BARTLETT.

When John Calfe sold his homestead in 1745, it was bounded by SAMUEL BARTLETT, who lived on H. L. No. 37. He had a dau. Elizabeth; m. Jethro Colby, and lived there. They had a dau. Lydia, m. Edmund Sleeper and lived there. Mr. Bartlett had a dau. Abigail, m. Lieut. Ezekiel Worthen. He d. March 25, 1762, a. 57; she d. April 1, 1801, a. 85.

BACHELDER.

PAGE BACHELDER was a son of Benjamin B. and Susanna Page, and was baptized July 20, 1707. In 1731, when the road by Asa Wilson's was laid out, he owned H. L. No. 104, and probably lived near school-house No. 4, in Chester, and about that time had a mortgage of James Basford's place. He afterwards settled on Add. No. 55, afterwards owned by Capt. Edward Preston, W. H. and W. P. Underhill. He m. Elizabeth Hill March 24, 1744 (perhaps a second wife). He d. 1756.

BENJAMIN BACHELDER was a brother of Page; baptized June, 1708, and lived on H. L. No. 138, on Chester Street, about where the house owned by Mr. Sargent stands. He m. for a second wife Elizabeth Ambrose, the widow of Sampson Underhill. He also owned the land opposite where Mr. White lived, which was sold by his administrator to Dr. Thomas Sargent in 1782. Hannah, the wife of Dr. Sargent, bought the homestead in 1785. There have since lived there, Dea. John Webster, John Kimball, the teacher of singing, and James French.

JETHRO BACHELDER. There was a man of that name b. at Hampton in 1698; m. Dorothy Sanborn in 1721, who, I think, must have been too old to be the settler in Chester.

On Chester records is Jethro Bachelder and Abigail, his wife. Chil., Mary, Daniel and Nathaniel. He lived in Raymond on 122 O. H., on the Todd road, and was a petitioner for the incorporation of Raymond.

BEAN.

DAVID BEAN, b. 1725, m. Mary Judkins of Kingstown in 1748, d. 1793. He settled in Epping and built a set of buildings which

were soon destroyed by fire. He then settled and built a house in Raymond, and thence removed to Candia, at, or near the Island, and bought Eastman's mills, which were destroyed by fire from the woods. He raised a family of ten children, six sons and four daughters, all but one of whom married and had families. Dea. ABRAHAM m. Mary, dau. of Nicholas Gordon of Poplin, and lived on the homestead, and had four sons, *Joseph, David, Abraham* and *Gordon* who all settled on the old homestead. He also had six daughters. David is named in a deed as of Chester in 1755, and was probably then in Raymond. He was surveyor of lumber in Candia in 1768. Abraham d. Oct. 29, 1833.

Reuben Bean, son of *David*, had a son Moses, who learned the art of tanning and shoemaking, and set up at what is now Candia Village, and may be considered, in a sense, the father of the place, as it was the commencement of the shoe business there, and Dea. Samuel Dudley learned his trade of him. He also built the first meeting-house and was pastor of the church several years. He went to St. Joseph, Mich., and d. 1838.

BELL.

JOHN BELL, though not of the first colony to Londonderry, in 1719, had a grant of land made to him in 1720, in Aiken's range, on which he settled and spent the remainder of his life, and where his son John lived. After commencing a clearing and building a cabin, he returned to Ireland for his wife and two surviving children, in 1722. He was b. in the county of Antrim, 1678, m. Elizabeth Todd, and had two sons and two dau. b. in Londonderry. He d. July 8, 1743; she d. 1771. The daughters, Letitia, Naomi, Elizabeth and Mary, all m. men by the name of Duncan. Samuel, b. Sept. 28, 1723, removed to Cambridge, N. Y.; m. Sarah Storrow. John, b. Aug. 15, 1730, m. Mary Ann Gilmore, dau. of James Gilmore, Dec. 21, 1758. He held various responsible offices. He d. Nov. 30, 1825; she d. April 1, 1822, a. 85. Children:—

I. II. JAMES and EBENEZER, d. in youth.

III. JONATHAN, m. Sarah W., dau. of Josiah Flagg, Esq., lived and traded at the Toppan Webster place, in Chester; d. 1808. The widow m. Daniel French, Esq.

IV. JOHN, b. July 20, 1765. He received his early education in Londonderry, and when he arrived at manhood, being of an enterprising disposition, he dealt for a time in the products of Canada. In this business he had occasion to make repeated journeys to Montreal, which were then no holiday excursions, but toilsome, and not without danger. At a later period he established himself in trade in Chester, where he resided during the remainder of his

life. He was successful in business, and some years before his death retired with a competency. In 1817 he was elected a member of the Executive Council, and was annually re-elected for five successive years. In 1823 he received the appointment of High Sheriff for the county of Rockingham, and in 1828 was elected Governor of the State. He died March 23, 1836, having sustained through life the character of an honest man. He married, Dec. 25, 1803, Persis, daughter of Dr. Isaac Thom, of Londonderry, who survived him more than a quarter of a century, dying in Nov., 1862, at the age of 84 years, beloved and deeply lamented. Gov. Bell had ten children:—

1. *Mary Anne Persis*, b. Sept. 2, 1804; m. Rev. Nathaniel Bouton, D. D., of Concord, where she died, Feb. 15, 1839, leaving five children.

2. *Eliza Thom*, b. Jan. 23, 1806, m. Hon. John Nesmith, of Lowell, Mass. She d. Sept. 22, 1836, leaving one dau.

3. *John*, b. Nov. 15, 1807, educated at the Mil. and Scientific Inst., Norwich, Vt., d. in New York City, Jan. 26, 1828.

4. *Susan Jane*, d. in infancy.

5. *Harriette Adelia*, b. April 11, 1812, d. Aug. 29, 1836.

6. *Jane Gibson*, b. April 30, 1814, d. Aug. 4, 1835.

7. *Caroline*, d. in early childhood.

8. *Christopher Sargent*, b. June 4, 1819, grad. at Dartmouth College in 1838, commenced studying for the ministry, and died in Havana, Cuba, Jan. 20, 1839, where he had gone on account of a pulmonary affection.

9. *James Isaac*, b. March 1, 1821, entered Dartmouth College in 1837, left in the autumn of 1838 and made a voyage to the East Indies for the benefit of his health, and was lost with other passengers in the ship *Harold*, which was burned at sea, Oct. 26, 1839.

10. *Charles Henry*, b. Nov. 18, 1823, grad. at Dartmouth College in 1844, studied law, and practiced at Chester, Somersworth and Exeter.

V. SAMUEL, b. Feb. 9, 1770, grad. at Dartmouth, 1793, LL. D. Bowdoin, 1821. He studied law with Hon. Samuel Dana, of Amherst; admitted to the bar 1796, practiced at Francestown till 1808, Amherst till 1810, removed to Chester 1812; lived on the Melvin place on the Street, and built a new house near where Thomas Dearborn had lived, H. L. No. 23, 1833; d. Dec. 23, 1850. He was Representative from 1804 to 1806; Speaker 1805 and '6; was Senator and President 1807 and '8; Justice of the Superior Court 1816 to 1819; Governor of New Hampshire 1819 to '23; U. S. Senator 1823 to '35; Trustee Dart. 1808 to '11. He m. (1) Mchitable B., dau. of Hon. Samuel Dana; she d. 1810; m. (2) Lucy G., dau. of Jonathan Smith, of Amherst. Children:—

1. *Samuel Dana*, b. Oct. 9, 1798, grad. Harvard 1816, LL. D. Dartmouth, 1854. He read law in the office of Hon. George Sullivan, of Exeter, admitted to the bar Feb. 1820, practiced at Meredith Bridge six months; then in Chester till 1830; then cashier of Exeter Bank till 1836, when he resumed the practice of the law in Concord, and in 1839 he removed to Manchester. He was Representative from Chester 1825 and 1826. He was appointed Solicitor of Rockingham county 1823; Justice of the Court of Common Pleas 1848; Justice of the Superior Court 1849 to 1859; then Chief Justice, which office he resigned Aug. 1, 1864. He was one of the several commissioners to revise the statutes of New Hampshire in 1830, 1842, and 1867. He was a very industrious man, and of varied acquirements, and especially eminent as an antiquarian, as the reader may see by a reference to the notice of the Chester grantees, p. 42, the materials of which he mainly furnished, probably without leaving his office. He m. Mary, dau. of Newell Healey, Aug. 8, 1826. He d. July 31, 1868; she d. 1864. Children:—

1. John James, b. Oct. 30, 1827. He studied law and practiced in Maine and Exeter; 2. Samuel N., b. March 25, 1829, grad. Dart., 1847; read law with Hon. William C. Clarke, and is in practice in Manchester; 3. Mary W., m. John P. Newell, d. 1858.

2. *John*, b. Nov. 5, 1800, grad. Union, 1819; studied medicine with Dr. Shattuck of Boston, and afterwards at Paris; M. D., Bowdoin, 1822; Prof. Anatomy, University, Vt.; Editor of the N. Y. Med. & Surgical Journal; went South for his health, d. of consumption at La Fouché, Lou., Nov. 29, 1830.

3. *Mary Ann*, b. Oct. 26, 1802, m. John Nesmith, of Lowell, d. 1830.

4. *James*, b. Nov. 13, 1804, grad. Bowdoin, 1822, read law with his brother Samuel D. Bell, practiced at Gilmanton, Exeter and Gilford; U. S. Senator, 1855, to his death, May 26, 1857; m. Judith Almira, dau. of Nathl. Upham. Charles Upham Bell, Bowdoin, 1863, now an Attorney at Exeter, is their son.

5. *Luther V.*, b. Dec. 2, 1806; grad. Bowdoin, 1823; M. D., Dart., 1826; LL. D., Amherst, 1855; practiced in Derry, 1831 to 1837; Superintendant McLean Asylum for Insane, Charlestown, Mass; Surgeon, 11th Mass. Vols; Brigade Surgeon and Medical Director, Hooker's Division; d. Feb. 12, 1862, at Budd's Ferry, Va. He m. Frances, dau. of Dea. James Pinkerton, of Derry, 1835; she d. 1855.

6. *George*, b. June 24, 1829; grad. Dart., 1851; read law with Wheeler and Faulkner, of Keene; practiced in Chicago, Manchester and Cleveland; he was Author of Bell's Digest. He was drafted and went into the army and d. soon after his return, Sept. 2, 1864. He m. Emma Preston.

7. *John*, b. July 19, 1831; grad. Dart., 1852; studied medicine at the University of Pa.; M. D., 1854; practiced at Kingston, Derry and N. Y. City; Surgeon of 5th U. S. Cavalry, 1861 to 1864; m. Mary Ann, dau. of Phineas Bedee.

8. *Charles*, b. Aug. 10, 1833; grad. Brown, 1853; studied medicine and practiced in Concord; he was author of "Facts in Relation to the Hist. of Chester," N. H. Hist. Soc. Coll. Vol. 7; m. Elizabeth, dau. of Nathl. F. Emerson; d. Feb. 29, 1856.

9. *Louis*, b. March 8, 1836; studied law and opened an office at Farmington; was appointed Col. 4th N. H. Vols., May 16, 1863; killed at Fort Fisher, Jan. 15, 1865. He m. Mary A. P., dau. of Rev. Nathl. Bouton. She d. soon after he did.

WILLIAM BELL was b. at Paisley, in Scotland. He m. Beatress Barr, of Glasgow, and they came to America previous to 1780, and first settled in Greenland, and went into trade; he soon came to Chester and purchased the Capt. Blunt place. His name is not on the tax-list of 1785, and is on that of 1790. He at first lived in what has been called the Greenough house, where Mrs. Lang now lives, and had a store, but soon built the large house where his grandson James now lives. He d. July 2, 1817; she d. March 1, 1825, a. 84. Children:—

1. William, Jr., was b. at Paisley in 1775; m. Mary McMaster, of Augusta, Me.; was a trader there; came to Chester; d. May 10, 1843; she d. March 8, 1861, a. 79. 2. George, b. in Greenland, 1780; once traded and made potash near the Pond, in Auburn; d. unm., 1803. 3. Elizabeth, m. Gilbert Morse; d. Sept., 1812.

BERRY.

ITHAMAR BERRY came from Greenland. He first settled on Chester Street, on H. L., No. 32, where Thomas Worthen and James Stevens afterwards lived, a little east of where J. M. M. Elliott now lives, but soon moved back upon, or near No. 22, 2d P., 2d D., on what has been called the "Berry place," where his son and grandson Jonathan lived. He was certainly on the Street in 1732, and back towards Raymond when the road was laid out in 1744. His wife was Ann. Children:—

I. *Zebedee*, b. June 5, 1726. He lived on No. 50, 2d P., 2d D., where Coffin M. French now lives, in Candia.

II. *Ellet*, b. 1727; lived in Chester, on 37, 2d P., 2d D. He d. 1785; his wife d. 1835, said to be 90.

III. *Ithamar*, b. 1735; m. Abigail. Lived on No. 41, 2d P., 2d D., where William Weeks now lives; d. Feb. 19, 1803. Children:—

1. Dolly. 2. Moses, b. 1762, lived where his Uncle Zebedee

lived; in Candia, d. at Stanstead, 1810. 3. Aaron. 4. Rachael. 5. Ellet and John, twins; went to Me. 6. Eliphalet.

IV. *Elizabeth*.

V. *Ann*, m. Joseph Smith.

VI. *Jonathan*, b. 1741; m. Betty Smith of Brentwood, and lived on the homestead; d. 1805. The widow m. Lt. Samuel Buswell, of Candia. Chil:—1. Pearson S., b. 1771, noted in his early life for his dissolute habits, and in later life for his religious zeal. 2. Jonathan, b. 1773; m. a dau. of Elijah Pillsbury, lived on the homestead. 3. John. 4. Sally, m. Richard Buswell and Asa Potter.

VII. *Dolly*, m. John Seavey, b. 1743.

VIII. *John*.

SIMON BERRY came from Rye about 1760, lived on H. L. No. 76, where Col. Webster first settled. He had a dau. Phebe, m. Lt. William, son of Robert Wilson, and lived on the homestead. She d. 1819. Mr. Berry went to Corinth in 1787.

BLAKE.

CAPT. EZEKIEL BLAKE came from Milton, Mass., in 1792, and carried on the tanning and currying business at the Samuel Robie yard. He m. Deborah Ward Sept. 2, 1785; he d. Dec. 1, 1830; she d. Nov., 1833. They had seven children, the five youngest born in Chester. His second son, *Lemuel Ward*, was born at Milton, Mass., Feb. 21, 1791; m. Susan S., dau. of Dea. Nathan Knowles, Jr., Oct. 6, 1814, and had chil.,—Gilman, Geo. W., Otis, Henry, Emeline, James, Charles C. and Miranda C.

Lemuel W. worked with his father at tanning and currying until 1824. This business, however, did not suit his taste or genius. He would spend a portion of his time repairing watches or on musical instruments, and in other mechanical employments. In Feb., 1824, he entered the machine shop at Nashua as an apprentice, or on trial, without any particular bargain as to compensation. Although a green hand he took hold of the work like an old workman. After trial they told him that they would give him as much as they dared to on account of offending the old hands. He after a while took a job. His oldest boys, by mounting on a box, could tend a lathe. While at Nashua he was organist at the church which he attended. In Aug., 1833, he went to Springfield, Mass., and worked under the celebrated John Chase. He was constantly, wherever he worked, making improvements in the mode of doing work, getting up new and improved tools, &c. He purchased a shop and removed to Pepperell, Mass., in May, 1836. He invented and patented in 1841, a center-discharge

water-wheel, one of the very best of its class, and very extensively used, and got up in first-rate style. He also invented and patented an extension auger, and a belt-fastener. He d. Feb. 13, 1864, and left the business to his sons. His five sons and two sons-in-law are all machinists, and it is very rare that so much mechanical genius can be found in one family.

BLANCHARD.

There was a JOSEPH BLANCHARD of Dunstable, who was a Justice of the Superior Court from 1749 to 1758, and was surveyor for the Masonian Proprietors. He had a son Joseph, named in the will in 1758. His name, with the prefix of Col., is in the list of tax-payers in Litchfield on the west side of the river (Merrimack) in 1745. He was a grantee of Thornton, removed and d. there. He had three sons, Joseph, Eleazer and Zaccheus.

JOSEPH was b. 1753. He partially learned the clothier's trade and came to Chester about 1772, and went to work with Robert Calfe at the clothier's trade. He m. Sarah, Mr. Calfe's only child, and continued there, and in 1777 purchased the mill and privilege at the present location, and removed there and conveyed one-half to Mr. Calfe. His advantages of school education were very limited, but his natural talent was far above mediocrity, and he was soon promoted in public business. From 1788 to 1793, he was Representative. He was delegate from Chester to the convention which ratified the Federal Constitution, and also to revise the State Constitution. He was two or three years in the Senate, and two years, 1800 and 1801, in the Council. He was a very genial companion, abounding in anecdotes. It is said that in early life he was a very hard working, industrious man, but in later years not so thrifty in pecuniary matters. An anecdote will illustrate two traits of his character. A man who was hardly *compos mentis*, who was then at the mill, observed that he had profitable mills. He replied, "Yes." "You have profitable offices, too." "Yes." "Well, with it all you do not get rich." The joke was so good and true and from such a source, Esq. Blanchard delighted in telling it. Several of their first children died young.

1. *Joseph*, m. Abigail Rogers, a dau. of Moody Chase's second wife, and had five children. The oldest, Joseph, is station agent at Martin's Ferry. *Joseph* absconded and was supposed to have d. 1809.

2. *Lucy*, m. Thos. Montgomery and went into Vermont.

3. *Eleazer*, was an under-graduate at Dartmouth, and d. 1809, a. 27.

4. *Nancy*, d. unm. in 1809.

5. *Sally*, m. Josiah Melvin and went to Maine.

6. *Cyrus*, d. 1809, a. 22.

7. *Hannah*, b. Jan. 7, 1790; m. Dea. Samuel Dinsmore in 1811.

8. *Polly*, m. Richard Fitts and went to Salisbury, N. H.

Mrs. Blanchard d. Dec. 2, 1793, and he m. (2) Dorothy Johnson, widow of David Folsom, April, 1794. He d. March 7, 1833, a. 80. She d. May 14, 1836, a. 88.

BLASDELL.

There were early at Amesbury two men by the name of "BLASDALE,"—Henry and Ralph, and there are a great many of the name on Amesbury records.

NATHANIEL BLASDELL was a wheelwright and lived on H. L. 34. The house and an acre of land were sold to Dr. Sargent in 1780, and he sold to Daniel French, Esq., who erected the present house. Mr. Blasdell purchased a quarter of an acre of land of William and Paul Healey in 1759, and built a store where the French office now stands, which was sold to the town in 1778, and removed into the south woods for a pest-house when Dr. Page's family had the small-pox. He did quite a business as a trader several years, selling goods and taking his pay in produce and lumber. He also made potash. He always went by the name of Merchant Blasdell, and I have one of his ledgers in my possession. He d. Dec. 22, 1786. Chil. on Chester records:—

William, born 1747, Micajah, Molly, Abijah, Nathan, and John, of whom nothing is known.

ISAAC BLASDELL. *Jonathan and Hannah Blasdell*, of Amesbury, had nine children; the first b. 1699; David, the sixth, b. Feb. 5, 1711-12; wife, Abigail. He was a clock-maker, and I have seen several of his clocks. They had seven children. The third, ISAAC, b. March 27, 1738, m. Mary, dau. of E. Currier of Amesbury. In March, 1762, he purchased of Dr. John Ordway five acres of H. L. No. 34, and five rods of the ten-rod way (where John West now lives) and came to Chester and set up his trade of clock-making. He was in the Revolutionary army several times, selectman, and continually sealer of weights and measures. He d. Oct. 9, 1791. His widow m. Jona. Swain of Raymond, and d. Dec. 6, 1795. Children:—

1. *Hannah*, b. April 6, 1758; m. Dea. Amos Morse, 1780; d. Feb. 6, 1795. 2. *Isaac*, b. 1760, went to Salisbury, N. H. 3. *Richard*, b. Nov., 1762, lived with his father; d. unm. July 26, 1790. 4. *Molly*, b. 1765, m. a Wadleigh, and went to Canada. 5. *David*, went to Peacham, Vt. 6. *Anna*, b. July 13, 1769, m. B. P. Chase, Oct. 7, 1792, d. Feb. 22, 1808. 7. *Abner*, b. April 18, 1771, m. Jemima Melcher and lived in Chester; had a son John (the father of Albert Blaisdell of Greenland, the builder). He enlisted in 1813, and went to the Canada frontier and never

returned. 8. *Lydia*, b. July 5, 1773, m. Josiah, son of Jacob Chase, d. April 1, 1857. 9. *Abigail*, b. 1775, d. May 19, 1803. 10. *Ebenezer*, b. 1778, m. Nancy Noyes; enlisted, d. at Acworth, N. H., on his way to the frontier, April 12, 1813.

B O I D .

JAMES BOID, the grantee, lived in Portsmouth. There was a JOHN BOID, who lived on James Boid's H. L. No. 59, where the first road was laid out in 1730; and he was the first pound-keeper. He was said by Col. White to have been a brother of the Rev. Mr. McGregor's wife.

John Boid, son of the above, made a will dated Jan., 1751-2, proved 1752. He had no real estate. His inventory was, "Two Jackets, one pair of cloth breeches, three old checked shirts, one old hat-cap, and handkerchief, one pair of old stockings, and an old blanket. Money and notes, old tenor, £536." He gives his cousin, Margaret McGregor, eldest dau. of the Rev. David McGregor, £310, and the residue after some small legacies.

There was a THOMAS BOID, owned H. L. No. 27, in 1730, and probably lived on it, southwest of the Dearborn farm, near where the steam-mill lately stood.

NATHANIEL BOID was one of the first settlers in Derryfield, on No. 1, where J. G. Webster now lives. He signed the petition in 1748. The road laid out Sept. 16, 1748, ran to his fence. His wife was Margaret, and had Margaret, b. 1752, m. Archibald Gambel; William, b. 1755.

There was a NATHAN BOID on No. 16, in Derryfield.

B R A D L E Y .

JOSIAH BRADLEY m. Anna, dau. of Jonathan Moulton, and lived on his place, H. L. No. 113, where Hiram Basford now lives. He d. May 2, 1778. Chil.:— 1. Josiah, b. May 17, 1770, m. Phebe, dau. of Abel Webster, 1792, lived on the homestead, and went to Maine. 2. Jonathan, b. 1776.

B R A D S H A W .

JOSHUA BRADSHAW lived on H. L. No. 63, at the Josiah Chase place, on Walnut Hill. Chil.:— Peter, John and Sarah.

B R A D S T R E E T .

The REV. NATHAN BRADSTREET is said in the History of New Hampshire Churches to have been born in Ipswich, Mass., in 1770; but I always understood that he was a native of Rowley. He grad. at Dart. in 1791, and studied theology at Newburyport. He m.

Phebe Dexter, of Charlestown, a niece of Lord Timothy Dexter, Aug. 10, 1796. Her father afterwards lived at Westford, Mass., and when Mr. Bradstreet left Chester he went there. Mr. Bradstreet built a house on H. L. No. 8, where John W. Noyes now lives. He d. Jan. 29, 1827. Children:—

Freeborn, b. Aug. 22, 1799; *Melissa*, b. 1801; *Nathan Dexter*, b. 1803; *William*, b. 1808; *Susannah*, b. 1811. Nothing is known of the children. See further, History of the Congregational Church.

BLUNT.

Capt. JONATHAN BLUNT was b. at Andover, about 1708, and was in Chester and had a saw-mill in 1730. In 1734, William Blunt, of Andover, deeded to Jonathan H. L. Nos. 1 and 12. He settled on No. 1, where Sarah Robinson now lives. His wife was Mary, and they had eight children, the oldest, *John*, b. 1735. *Joshua*, b. 1740, m. Mary Grove, and had Isaac, b. June 1780, d. March, 1865.

Mary Blunt, b. 1743, m. Maj. Richard Emery. Capt. Blunt was a prominent man in town, an innkeeper, and d. May 24, 1762.

BROWN.

SAMUEL BROWN was in Bradford in 1734. John Jaques sold to him Add. No. 17, and Thomas Smith gave to his cousin, Samuel Brown of Bradford, No. 66, O. H., June, 1734. He came to Chester and built on No. 17, a little southwest of where Amos Green now lives. When an attempt was made in 1743 to have a road laid out across the lots by Karr's mill to Londonderry, he agreed to give the present road across his land provided they would not go by his house. He signed the Presbyterian protest, Nov., 1735. He probably sold to John Mills, who afterwards lived there, and moved to where Jabez French first lived, on the east half of No. 17, 2d P., 2d D. He bore the appellation of Dr. Brown. His wife was Susannah. He d. May, 1794; she d. May 3, 1789. They had several children, the oldest of whom d. young. Of those whom we know any thing about:—

I. *Joseph*, b. Feb. 23, 1758, m. (1) Lydia, dau. of Caleb Hall, 1782. Chil.:—Sara; Abraham and Samuel, went to Maine; Betsy, m. Moses Chase, son of B. Pike Chase. She d. Dec. 15, 1790. He m. (2) Lydia Mace, and had several children who settled in Sandown and Haverhill, Mass. He lived on the homestead; d. 1802.

II. *Jonathan*, b. Nov. 22, 1760, m. Sarah, dau. of Jonathan Moulton, and settled in Poplin, now Fremont, about a mile south of the Rocke bridge. To distinguish him from another and older man, he was generally called "*Chesherman Brown*." Children:—

1. Jonathan, lived in Poplin. 2. Ebenezer, m. Mary Whitcher,

of Brentwood, and settled in Vershire, Vermont, and made iron from the bog ore there. They were the parents of Dr. William W. Brown, b. Aug. 28, 1804. See Physicians. 3. Eliphalet, settled in Vienna, Maine. 4. Josiah, went to sea and never returned. 5. Sally, m. Peter, son of Stephen Morse, of Chester, 1799. 6. Susannah, m. Moses H., son of Sherburne Sanborn, 1801, and lived in Poplin.

Sarah d. March 15, 1822, and he m. (2) her sister Abigail, wid. of Jacob Basford. She d. 1841.

III. *David*, b. Sept. 17, 1765, lived in Raymond on O. H. No. 100, near the railroad.

JEDEDIAH BROWN came from Kensington, and settled on No. 11, O. H., and is mentioned in the return of a road across his lot in 1761. He had two sons, Levi and Josiah, and three daughters, Mary, Dolly and Abigail.

I. *Levi*, m. Elizabeth, dau. of Jona. Swain, Esq. Children:—

1. Jedediah, d. Nov., 1868. 2. Jonathan S., lived on the Swain place. 3. Libby. 4. Levi. 5. John, Esqr., b. 1796, m. a Worthen, and has been noted as a land surveyor, and a very ingenious blacksmith.

II. *Josiah*, lived in Raymond.

There were three brothers by the name of BROWN who came from Scotland and settled in the upper part of Chester, towards Suncook.

I. SAMUEL, m. Jean Gibson, in Scotland, and settled on No. 28, 5th D., on what is now the Hooksett poor-farm. Children:—

1. *Joseph*. 2. *Margaret*.

3. *Ann*, m. Frederic McCutcheon, of Pembroke.

4. *John*, m. Betsy Burgin; lived in Hooksett; d. in Newburyport a. 93.

5. *Molly*, m. Robert, son of Samuel Davis, who was drowned in Laken's pond, July, 1805. She died at Newburyport, a. 96. Nathaniel Head, Esq., related to me the following, which he said that he had from Mr. Brown and his wife:

Some persons sowed a large quantity of rye on the plain on the east side of the river at Concord, and set stakes at each bushel, for the purpose of letting the reaping for the seed. Mrs. Brown prepared breakfast, nursed her child, and went to Concord, a distance of five or six miles, reaped her bushel sowing, finishing before any of the men, and returned home.

II. JOSEPH, usually called doctor, on account of preparing drops for fits, m. Ann Otterson, a sister of William Otterson, and settled on land not granted by the proprietors of Chester, near Head's saw-mill. He probably had a title from the proprietors of

Suncook, but he, with others, was sued. (See page 40.) Children:—

1. *Ann*, m. James Knox, of Pembroke.
2. *Joseph*, settled at Peacham, Vt.; m. 2d, Molly Gay.
3. *Jenny*. 4. *Rachael*.
5. *James*, also called doctor, m. Margaret Moore, 1793, and lived on the homestead, and afterwards on the west side of the river.
6. *Lydia*. 7. *Mary*. 8. *Martha*.

DR. JOSEPH d. 1796.

III. WILLIAM m. Ruth, dau. of Daniel McDuffee, of Londonderry, and lived on No. 30, 5th D. Children:—

1. *Daniel*, m. Joanna Durgin, settled at Corinth.
 2. *Molly*, m. Ezra Abbot, d. a. 83.
 3. *James*, m. Molly McCurdy, settled at Grand Isle, Vt.
 4. *Sarah*.
 5. *Capt. John*, m. Polly, dau. of Matthew Gault.
 6. *Capt. William*, m. Sally Buntin, lived where Samuel, Sen., had lived. Children:—
1. Anna, b. Feb. 26, 1799, m. Col. John Head, d. April 3, 1849.
 2. Hiram, b. Jan. 23, 1801. He was the first Mayor of Manchester.
 3. Andrew. 4. John. 5. Calvin.

LT. WILLIAM BROWN was a ship-carpenter at Newburyport, and came to Chester in 1771, in company with his father-in-law, Benjamin Pierce. They purchased of James and Benjamin Crosett 274 acres of land lying in 86, 87 and 93, 2d P., 2d D. Mr. Brown lived where Israel Senter now lives, and Pierce fifty or sixty rods to the northeast. He d. 1805. Children:—

1. William, m. Sarah Sheldon, lived on the Pierce place. They went to Mount Desert, Me., with their children, and d. there, he a. 95, she over 90.
2. Joshua, went to Vermont, had a dau. Pamela, m. James Hoit.
3. Benjamin P., m. a dau. of Asa Burbank, lived at the intersection of the Rattlesnake-hill road with Londonderry Turnpike; went to Vt.
4. Judith. 5. Eunice. 6. John, m. a Merrill, on the homestead, and went West.

BENJAMIN BROWN came from Newbury, m. Prudence Kelly. He lived on Add. No. 85, where Nathan Morse had lived, and afterwards on the Street, H. L. No. 135, where Woodbury Masters now lives. He was a long time a partner in trade with Henry Sweetser. She d. Sept. 9, 1798; he married (2) Widow Lunt. He d. 1818, at Piscataqua Bridge. Children:—

1. *Nancy*, m. Henry Sweetser, 1798, d. April 28, 1799.
2. *Mercy*, m. Daniel French, 1799, d. March 8, 1802.
3. *Hannah*.
4. *Lydia*, b. Feb. 6, 1782, m. Toppan Robie, Oct. 8, 1804, d. Feb. 23, 1811.

5. *Francis*, b. Jan 11, 1784; grad. Dart. 1805; m. Elizabeth, dau. of Rev. Tristram Gilman, of North Yarmouth, Feb. 4, 1811, d. July 27, 1820. (See Graduates.) Chil.:—Samuel Gilman, Dart., 1831; Mary; and Frances, d. y.

6. *Prudence*, b. April 3, 1786, m. Rev. David Thurston, of Winthrop, Me., Oct. 31, 1811.

NATHANIEL BROWN, b. at Hamilton Mass., Sept. 3, 1770, m. Mary Sleeper, of Newburyport, who was b. March 16, 1779; resided at Newburyport until 1814; removed to Chester, on to the Elliot place. Children:—

1. *John Sleeper*, b. Nov. 6, 1797, m. Phœbe C., widow of Rev. Amasa Hayes, Nov. 1, 1832. He was, from 1823, Deputy Sheriff fourteen years; 1855, Sheriff five years; was Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, and Coroner; was several years in the Underhill firm, in the edge-tool business, and carried it on himself several years at Auburn. In 1861 he was appointed Inspector of Customs at Boston.

2. *Nathaniel*, b. Sept. 2, 1799, m. Sarah, dau. of William Graham; was in the tool business; lives in Auburn.

3. *William C.*, b. Aug. 2, 1801. He was several years a teacher; a teacher of music in Boston; a composer of music; a compiler of three collections of music, and author of a celebrated poem on rum. He was seven years editor of "Zion's Herald," the Methodist paper in Boston, and editor and publisher of the "Mother's Assistant." He has been twelve years Register of Probate of Suffolk County.

4. *Simon*, b. Nov. 29, 1802, m. Ann C., dau. of Hon. Daniel French, May, 1827. He learned the art of printing in the "Patriot" office, at Concord. He was a partner in establishing the "Hingham Gazette;" and afterwards in publishing the "N. H. Spectator" at Newport. In 1837, went into the office of the Clerk of the U. S. House of Representatives; and was Secretary of the Commissioners of Public Buildings; was in the General Post Office; and Librarian of the House of Representatives from 1840 to 1848; since 1855, has been agricultural editor of the "N. E. Farmer," and is a practical farmer at Concord, Mass. In 1855, was elected Lieut.-Gov. of Mass.; and in 1857, Representative from Concord.

5. *Mary*, b. Dec. 18, 1806, m. F. T. Underhill.

6. *Sarah S.*, b. Oct. 4, 1810, m. Jay T. Underhill; d. Aug. 17, 1862.

7. *Elizabeth E.*, b. Oct. 4, 1810, m. a Whitney; d. Oct. 24, 1864.

8. *Charles H.*, b. Sept. 29, 1814, resides in Manchester.

BRICKET.

BARNARD BRICKET came from Newbury in 1765, and settled on No. 60, 2d P., 2d D., where his grandson David P. now lives. The great elm was then a sapling which he trimmed. He m. Mary, dau. of Nathl. Hall, March 5, 1767. Ch.:—*Josiah*, b. June 27, 1769, d. unm. *Mary*, m. Capt. Jacob Libby. *Sarah*, b. 1775, m. Josiah, son of Capt. John Sargent. *Moses*, b. June 5, 1780, m. Sally, dau. of David Pillsbury; lived on the homestead; d. Sept. 25, 1859; she d. Nov. 12, 1859, a. 79. *Anna*, b. 1783, m. Henry Clark.

Barnard m. (2) Mehitabel French, of Hawke, 1798. He d. Aug., 1805. The wid. m. John Butterfield; d. Feb. 7, 1824, a. 70.

BUTTERFIELD.

ZACHARIAH settled about 1740, on the west end of No. 21, 2d P., 2d D., near the road to the Norton place; had several children; d. in 1754. Nothing is known of the family.

AARON BUTTERFIELD settled near the east end of the lot where Stephen Pingree now lives; had one son, *John*, b. April 8, 1746, m. dau. of Israel Dolby, Sen., who d. Aug., 1805; lived on the homestead, had no children. He m. (2) Mehitabel French, wid. of Barnard Bricket; she d. Feb. 7, 1824, a. 70. He gave his property to Robert S. French. He d. Sep. 17, 1833. They came from Wilmington, and had sometimes to go to town to garrison, and both signed the petition for soldiers in 1748.

BURLEY.

JOHN BURLEY m. Huldey, only dau. of Sylvanus Smith. He was a mariner; sailed from Newburyport in July, 1781, was taken by the British and carried to Ireland and imprisoned, and died there in the summer of 1782. They had *John*, b. July 3, 1780. The widow afterwards m. Daniel Greenough.

BURPEE.

NATHANIEL BURPEE came to Chester from Rowley in 1753, and settled on No. 37, 3d D., where Winthrop Wills had lived. He m. Esther Roth. He was one of the early settlers of Candia, having William Turner on one side, and Obed Hall on the other as neighbors. He was a tailor, and a teacher of singing. He was one of the first deacons. He was in the French war, and was at the siege of Cape Breton in 1745; d. 1815, a. 94. Children:—

Jeremiah; *Nathaniel*, m. Dorothy Currier, lives on the homestead; *Nathan*, *Ezra*, *Mehitable*; *Sally*, b. 1782, m. Peter Hall, Jr., d. 1831; *Esther* and *Patty*.

BUSWELL.

There was a WILLIAM BUSWELL in Salisbury, who was one of the Commissioners to run the line between Salisbury and Hampton, in 1667, but the records of Salisbury do not afford us any connection between him and LT. SAMUEL BUSWELL, who came from that town to Chester in 1763. He was the son of JOHN and TABITHA, b. Oct. 22, 1741. He m. Betsy, dau. of Capt. John Underhill in 1764. He settled on the west half of No. 120, 2d P., 2d D. He was a carpenter. He was in the French war and at Cape Breton, and also in the Revolutionary war. Mr. Buswell's son Samuel went to Georgia about the year 1800, against his mother's desire, as she supposed that she should never see him again. She having a strong taint of hypochondria, took her bed and never left it or spoke for 6 or 7 years. She d. Sept. 30, 1806. Lt. Buswell m. (2) Betty Smith, the widow of Jonathan Berry. Children:—

I. *John*, m. Mehitable McClure, dau. of James McClure, in 1792, lived on the homestead and had:—1. Samuel, m. Susan, dau. of Maj. Jesse Eaton. 2. Jacob, m. Mary Sargent, lives on the Dea. Kelly place, in Auburn. 3. Mahala. 4. Nancy. 5. Richard. He d. 1851, a. 84.

II. *Moses*, a physician, d. in Maine.

III. *Sarah*, m. Moses Underhill (son of the latter); d. 1826.

IV. *Richard*, m. Sarah Berry, and was drowned.

V. *William*, went to Canada.

VI. *Hannah*.

VII. *David*, lived in Bradford, N. H.

CALFE, or as now written CALEF.

JOHN CALFE was a signer of a petition for a grant of Nottingham. He was a clothier, and lived at Newbury, Mass. His parentage is not known, but he was probably a descendant of the famous Robert Calfe, a merchant of Boston, who opposed the witchcraft delusion in 1692. He was one of the grantees of Chester. He however sold his right to Tristram Knight and Thomas Pike, of Newbury, Jan., 1725, and by Knight sold to Jonathan Locke, the father of Capt. William, and the Capt. settled on the 2d P., 2d D., No. 12. In 1724, he bought of Amos Cass half his right. The home lot was No. 100, on which Cass had built a house, and received settlement money. When he came to Chester is not certain, but he settled there. He bought another lot and a half adjoining in 1734. He had an amendment to these lots of 80 acres, laid out in 1735, lying from where the road crosses the

Blanchard mill-pond, up by Nathan Griffin's to Campbell's bridge, which the Proprietors refused to accept until he made proposals to build a fulling-mill, for which they gave him a grant in 1735, and he built the mill. He probably removed to the mill, but in 1745 he sold to a Towle, of Exeter, two home lots, reserving two acres on which "Robert Gordon lives," and it was his homestead "where I now dwell." It was soon sold to John Stockman, and by him to Benjamin Severance, and his widow Ruth lived there many years. Where the house stood is now owned by Charles Wilcom, southeast of the road from the hill across to the Hills road. March 9, 1734, he was chosen one of a committee to adjust the selectmen's accounts, and he held various offices. He m. Deborah King, of Boston, 1702. Children:—

I. *John*, b. 1703; m. Naomi Elliot.

II. *Deborah*, b. 1705.

III. *William*, b. 1706.

IV. *Mary*, b. Feb. 1707; m. Ethridge, and had:—Nathl., who settled in Raymond; Deborah, m. Joshua Hall; and Mary, m. Robert Ambrose, and went to Concord.

V. *James*, b. 1709; first settled on the amendment, and removed to Massachusetts. (See Hist. Pauperism.)

VI. *King*, first settled on the farm owned by the writer, and went to Massachusetts.

VII. *Joseph*, b. Oct. 31, 1718; m. Elizabeth Jewell, of Amesbury, Sept. 30, 1746. He settled on Add. No. 64, just N. W. of the road over Bunker hill to Candia, where James Emerson afterwards lived. The house is still standing and probably the oldest in Auburn. He d. Dec. 21, 1793. They have five children on Chester records, all of whom d. young, of throat distemper. On one or more occasions while they were gone to the grave with one child, another died. They had, who survived:—1. Jonathan, grad. at Dart., 1787, was pastor Cong. Ch., Bloomfield and Lyman, Me.; d. April 25, 1845, a. 83. (See Graduates.) 2. Joseph, m. Eunice, dau. of Capt. James Silver, lived near the Long Meadow meeting-house. Male ch., James and Joseph. He d. about 1804. She d. Nov. 15, 1855, aged 86. 3. David, m. Mary Haselton, 1792; lived on the homestead; exchanged farms with James Emerson and went to Londonderry. Had a son John, who was a woolen manufacturer at Moore's Village, and resides in Manchester.

VIII. There was a son *Daniel*, not on the Newbury records, but named in the will, and m. Mary Gile, 1743. Ch.:—Moses, b. 1744, but where he lived, or where went, is not known.

IX. *Robert*, not on the records, m. Hannah Flanders, 1748. Sarah, b. June 12, 1749, m. Hon. Joseph Blanchard; d. Dec. 2,

1793. Robert procured a grant and built a saw-mill, and was quite a business man. His first wife d. and he m. (2) Mary Folsom, the widow of Samuel Bradley who was killed by the Indians. She lived at Chester more than thirty years, but went back to Concord about 1796, and d. at her grandson, Richard Bradley's, Aug. 10, 1817, aged 98. She was a woman of great energy and of superior education, having been brought up in the family of Nicholas Gilman, father of Gov. J. T. Gilman. Robert Calfe d. 1788.

JOHN CALFE'S will is dated March 11, 1748, proved May 25, 1748, and Robert was executor and residuary legatee. John's wife was then alive.

CAMPBELL.

JAMES CAMPBELL'S name is found on the records as an auditor in 1736. It is also on the Presbyterian protest, June, 1736, and the tradition is that he, with John Tolford, was imprisoned for not paying the minister rate. He lived on Add. lot No. 1, at the Perley Chase place. He removed from town and his name is found in Londonderry.

KER, KERR, KARR, CARR.

Different ways of writing the same name. In 1725, JOHN KARR, of Chester, sold to Alexander Craige a home lot. There is a memorandum on the Proprietors' records, 1727, that "John Karr having bought John Shackford's additional lot, he and Caleb Towle had agreed to divide both lots crossways, and Karr to have the S. W. end and Towle the N. E. end of both lots." In April, 1730, he bought Add. No. 20. In the inventory of 1741, John Karr is rated for two mills. In 1743, a contemplated road was to pass Karr's mills, and also across Abel Morse's land. Jan. 18, 1743, John Karr and his wife Mary, of Chester, sold to Abel Morse, of Newbury, Add. lots 20 and 21. He then probably moved into Londonderry. He was a large land-holder. His estate was divided July, 1769. Heirs: John, was dead; Hugh; Ann Moore, wife of James Moore; Mary Karr and Margaret Karr. There is a tradition that two men, Thomas Smith and John Karr, were captured by the Indians in 1724. It was probably this man and not another, as has been supposed. (See notice of Thomas Smith.) The Nos. 20 and 21 is where Amos Morse lived; Shackford and Towle's, 22 and 23. Couch and Benj. Wilson now own the southwest end.

There was another JOHN KARR or KER, who was in Ireland in 1736, as appears by a certificate in the possession of his great grandson, Nathan Carr, of Candia:—"That John Ker and his

wife Elizabeth Wilson lived within the bounds of this congregation from their infancy, behaving themselves soberly, honestly, and piously, free from any Public Scandall, so that they may be received as members of any Christian Congregation or Society where God in his Providence may order their lot, is certified. Bally Wollon, June 23, 1736, by Ja. Thompson." They were probably a newly married couple, and came immediately to this country.

John Tolford sold to JOHN KARR two home lots, Nos. 21 and 9, where his great grandson, Saml. Carr, now lives, Feb. 28, 1738. Children:—

I. *John*, b. 1737, m. Mary Wilson, dau. of Robert, and settled on No. 66, 3d D, near the meeting-house, in 1764, and built the house in which Nathan Carr now lives, supposed to be the oldest house in Candia. He d. 1813, she d. 1829. Chil. of John Carr, Jr.:—Elizabeth, m. Samuel Clay, resided Concord, Vt.; Ann, m. William, son of Dr. Coffin Moore; John; Robert, m. a Marden; Mary, m. William Murray; Joseph, m. Nancy Brown, lived on the homestead, d. 1842.

II. *Mark*, b. about 1743, m. Elizabeth, dau. of William Gilchrist; d. July 26, 1782. She m. Abraham, son of Capt. James Silver, and moved to New Chester; she came back to Chester, d. Aug. 15, 1834, a. 86. Ch. Samuel, m. Mary Stinson, and lived on the homestead.

III. *Joseph*, b. about 1744, m. Sarah, dau. of William Gilchrist, d. July 30, 1783. She m. (2) Robert Graham. Karr and Graham lived on the Robert Gilchrist place, where Dr. Josiah I. Hall now lives, H. L. 10 and 43.

John, Sen., d. Oct. 22, 1792, a. 75; Elizabeth, d. Sept. 22, 1781, a. 76.

The fore-mentioned proposed road passing Karr's mills would cross the land of Abel Morse, John Karr, Jr., Robert Graham, and John Karr; and in the inventory of 1741 there are John Karr, John Karr, Jr., Mark Karr and William Karr. In the return of the road from Derry road to Gilman Morse's, in 1740, it was at the "easterly end of the additional lots that Sam. Brown, John Mills and William Karr Lives on." William Karr probably lived where Gilman Morse lives, and gave place to Stephen Morse, and moved into Londonderry, and had a son John who m. Mary, youngest dau. of John Aiken, Sen., who were the parents of the wife of Edmund Adams, at the mill. There was a Mark Karr at a later day near the foot of the hill, west of Haselton's grist-mill.

BRADBURY KARR is on the inventory of 1741, but his name is *Carr* in all other places. The other Karrs were of Scotch descent and were Presbyterians. It is said by his descendants that he was

of Welsh origin. He settled on Add. No. 71, where his great grandson, Geo. W. Clark, now lives. His wife was Anna. Chil.:

I. *Joseph*, b. Nov. 20, 1742, m. Hannah Ayer, lived on the homestead, d. Feb. 27, 1835; she d. Feb. 25, 1833. Chil.:—1. Hannah A., b. Nov. 10, 1765, m. Green, of Salem, Mass. 2. Joseph, b. Feb. 26, 1767, m. Betty, dau. of Daniel Richardson, d. Oct., 1855. 3. Anna, b. Aug. 26, 1770, m. a Silver, and John Clark, Jr., d. Jan. 18, 1859. 4. Bradbury Moody, b. Dec. 15, 1773, m. Susan, dau. of David Hall. He enlisted in 1813, d. at Concord, April 13.

II. *Molly*.

III. *Parker*, b. 1750, settled on Add. No. 72. He sold to William Weeks, and went into the country.

IV. *Judith*.

SIMEON CARR lived on the Boyes land, half a mile southeast of the Head tavern, in Hooksett, by the Amoskeag Company's quarry; kept tavern; had a dau. b. about 1778, m. Maj. Nathl. Head, who sold to Mark Whittier and went west.

DAVID CARR, a brother of Simeon, bought Hatter Underhill's place, and built the house lately owned by Gilman C. Smith. His wife was buried May 18, 1796, and was the first person buried in the Long Meadow burying-ground. He sold to Capt. John Wason, and moved to Piermont.

CHASE.

I shall digress so far from the History of Chester as to give the genealogy of several prominent Chases not connected with Chester.

There were two of the name who came from Cornwall, England, to Hampton, N. H., about 1639, THOMAS and AQUILA. AQUILA m. Anna Wheeler and went to Newbury in 1646. Children:—

1. Sarah. 2. Anna. 3. Priscilla. 4. Mary. 5. Aquila. 6. THOMAS, b. July 25, 1654, m. Rebecca Folansbee, Nov. 22, 1677. 7. John. 8. Elizabeth. 9. Ruth. 10. DANIEL, b. Dec. 9, 1661, m. Martha Kimball. 11. MOSES, b. Dec. 24, 1663, m. Anna Folansbee, Nov. 10, 1684, and settled in what is now West Newbury on the main road about one hundred rods above Bridge street, and a part of the farm is now owned by his g. g. son, Samuel Carr. He d. Sept. 6, 1743. A large majority of all the Chases in the United States are probably his descendants.

6. THOMAS and Rebecca had a son Thomas, b. 1680, who had a son Abel, b. 1702, m. Mary Bricket, 1728, and settled in Sutton, Mass. He had a son Abel, b. 1732, m. Judith Gale. He had a son Abel, b. 1754, m. Hannah Bond. He had a son Jonas, b. 1782, m. Lavina Bayden. He had a son Leonard who came to Milford, N. H., b. Aug. 12, 1812, was one of the Executive Council several years, d. 1868.

THOMAS and Rebecca had another son, Jonathan, b. 1683, m. Joanna Palmer, settled in Stratham. They had a son James, to whom he gave add. lot No. 97. James came to Chester and lived a short time, about 1740; sold his lot to Benjamin Hills (the Ambrose place) and went to Epping, North river, where his descendants still reside.

THOMAS had another son, James, b. Sept. 16, 1685, m. Martha Rolfe. When a child she was knocked in the head by the Indians and left for dead, but recovered. They had a son JOHNSON, b. Oct. 25, 1730, m. Abigail Pike, July 9, 1753. After the death of her husband she came to Chester; d. 1804, a. 80. Children:—

II. HANNAH, b. Nov. 14, 1754, m. John Haselton, son of Ephraim, March 21, 1782, d. of cancer July, 1826.

III. PERLEY, b. June 2, 1758, m. Mary, dau. of Nathaniel Ingalls. She d. Sept. 15, 1791. He lived at first on the south side of Walnut Hill, then near the top, at the James Campbell place. Children:—

1. *Nancy*, m. Ryan.

2. *Josiah*, b. Oct. 2, 1791, m. Abigail, dau. of Cort. David Shaw, 1816. Children:—

Perley S., b. Nov. 8, 1817, grad. at Brown University, 1842; Hiram, b. July 17, 1819, grad. at Union College, 1844, d. Aug. 31, 1845.

Abigail d. June 20, 1824. *Josiah* m. (2) Adaline Ayer, and had George S., b. July 28, 1836, grad. at Newton Theo. Sem., 1866.

PERLEY m. (2) Achsah Mudgett. Chil.,—*John, Mary* and *Louisa*, all d. of consumption within fifteen months.

DANIEL, the tenth child of Aquila had a son Daniel, b. Oct. 15, 1702, m. Mary Carpenter, 1723. He settled in Concord, N. H. His will was proved March 16, 1775. He had a son JONATHAN, b. March 1, 1733, m. Sarah Stickney. Jonathan and Sarah had SAMUEL, b. March 10, 1761, m. Molly Stanley. They had a son *Horace* b. Dec. 14, 1788, grad. at Dart., 1814, is Attorney at Law in Hopkinton, and has been Judge of Probate. Jonathan's 5th son, CHARLES, m. Sarah Currier and had a son *Carlton*, grad. at Dart., 1817, is now (1868) Bishop of N. H.

MOSES, the eleventh child of Aquila, had Moses and Daniel, twins, b. Sept. 20, 1685; Moses d. young.

I. Daniel, m. Sarah March, Jan. 2, 1707, lived at Newbury till about 1725, then in Littleton, then in Sutton, Mass. They had 10 children:—

1. SAMUEL, b. Sept. 28, 1707, m. Mary, dau. of Judge Dudley. He went to Cornish, N. H., and was a Judge in Cheshire County, d. Aug. 12, 1800.

The tenth child of Daniel was Moses, b. March 16, 1727, m.

Hannah Brown and had 14 children. He was two years Councillor for Cheshire County, under the Constitution of 1784.

1. SAMUEL and Mary Dudley had nine children; the second, DUDLEY, b. 1730, m. Alice Corbet, Aug., 1753, and had 15 children of whom 14 lived to maturity, and 5 grad. at Dart.

6. *Salmon*, b. July 14, 1761, grad. 1785, was a lawyer at Portland, d. 1806.

7. *Ithamar*, b. Sept. 17, 1762, m. Jennette Ralston, was a farmer, and one of the Council 5 years. They had 10 children. 7. Salmon Portland, b. Jan. 13, 1808, grad. at Dart., 1826, Gov. of Ohio, U. S. Senator, Sec. Treas., Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, U. S.

8. *Baruch*, b. March 27, 1764, grad. 1786, was a lawyer of Hopkinton, N. H.

12. *Heber*, b. Sept. 2, 1770, grad. 1791, was a physician, d. at Demarara, S. A.

13. *Dudley*, b. Dec. 30, 1771, grad. 1791, d. 1846, lived at Randolph, Vt., Rep. Gen. Assembly, C. J. Supreme Court, Rep. and Sen. in Congress.

15. *Philander*, b. Dec. 14, 1775, grad. 1796, Bishop first of Ohio, then of Illinois, d. 1852.

The third child of SAMUEL, JONATHAN, b. 1732, was a Col. in the Revolutionary army. [See N. H. Hist. Soc. Coll., Vol. VII pp. 72, 219, 223, 229, 254, 263.]

MOSES, son of Aquila, had II. Moses, b. Jan. 20, 1688, m. Elizabeth, dau. of Rev. Thomas Wells of Amesbury, Oct. 12, 1709; lived on the east half of the homestead; d. Sept. 17, 1760, had 11 children:—

1. WELLS, b. 1710, settled in Amesbury, but went to Concord, N. H., d. 1785; had *Thomas*, b. May 14, 1735, lived awhile in Chester, m. Mary, dau. of Henry Hall, had two sons, Timothy and Moses, b. in Chester, went to Salisbury, N. H., previous to 1771.

2. MOSES, b. July 1, 1713, m. Judith Bartlett, settled on the homestead, d. Oct. 9, 1789. They had 10 children:—

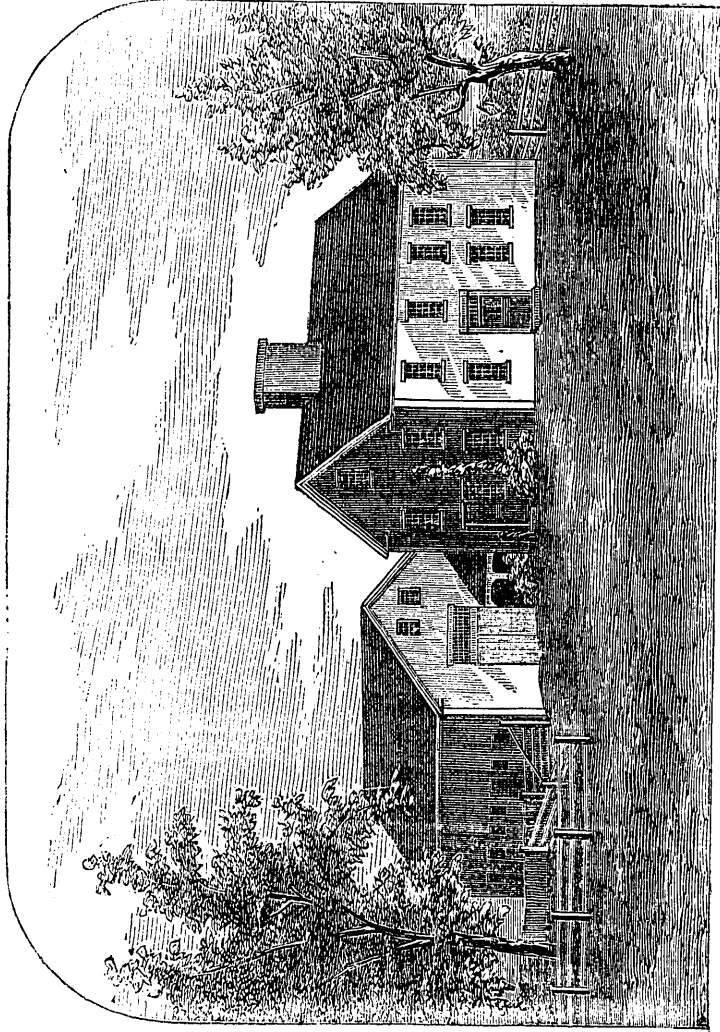
1. WELLS, b. Sept. 9, (O.S.) 1737; m. Sarah Hovey, Feb. 2, 1760; lived at Newbury till 1771; bought 50 acres of land, part of No. 73, 2d P, 2d D, of Joseph Basford, and removed to Chester. Children:—

Benjamin Pike, b. June 28, 1762; m. Molly, dau. of Caleb Hall, July 6, 1785; lived on the homestead. Children:—

I. Moses, b. Feb. 7, 1786; m. Betsy, dau. of Joseph Brown; now alive in Maryland.

II. Wells, b. Aug. 5, 1788; m. Amelia Jameson and went to Baltimore in 1810; now a merchant in Baltimore.

Molly d. Dec. 18, 1790. *B. P. Chase* m. (2) Anna Blasdell, Oct. 7, 1792. Children:—



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III. John, b. Sept. 29, 1793; m. Eliza Dawes, Nov. 7, 1820; lived in Maryland, Indiana and Ohio, and was clerk in the general post office; d. 1868.

IV. Stephen, d. young.

V. Sarah, b. March 5, 1797.

VI. Benjamin, b. July 7, 1799; m. Hannah, dau. of Moses K. Hall, March 2, 1826; lives on No. 71, 2d P., 2d D., where David White formerly lived. He worked at the trade of mill-wright. Children:—

1. Caroline, b. Sept. 14, 1828; m. Charles, son of Joseph Chase, Dec. 16, 1847; had John Carrol, b. July 26, 1849. She d. Aug. 11, 1849. 2. Louisa, b. Dec. 16, 1829; m. Frank D. Emory, Dec. 12, 1867. 3. Benjamin, b. Aug. 18, 1832.

VII. Molly, dau. of B. P., b. Aug. 11, 1801, m. John, son of Jeremiah Underhill, 1821; lives where Joseph Basford first settled, No. 73, 2d P., 2d D.

VIII. Pike, b. July 8, 1804; m. Hannah S., dau. of Nehemiah Luffin, 1833; lives on the homestead. Anna d. Feb. 22, 1808.

B. P. Chase m. (3) Mary, dau. of Moody Chase. Children:—

IX. Anna, b. Nov. 7, 1809; m. Amherst Coult; d. 1852.

X. Stephen, b. Aug. 30, 1813; m. Sarah T. Goodwin, Aug. 31, 1838. He read the New Testament through in course before he was three years and nine months old; grad. at Dart. 1832; tutor 1838; Prof. Math. 1838, and published a treatise on Algebra; d. Jan. 7, 1851.

B. P. Chase d. March 16, 1852. Mary d. Feb. 15, 1823.

Moses, Sen.'s 8th child JOSEPH, b. Sept. 9, 1703, m. Mary Morse, Sept. 7, 1724; lived on the west half of the homestead; d. Nov. 1784. She d. 1792. They had 10 children:—

I. MARY, b. May 31, 1725, m. Josiah, son of Capt. Abel Morse, d. July 18, 1814.

II. JACOB, b. Dec. 25, 1727, m. Prudence, dau. of Benjamin Hills, Sen., Nov. 7, 1751; settled on Add. Lot. No. 52, deed dated 1751. He was a prominent man in town, very frequently moderator, and active during the Revolution. One item of credit in the selectmen's account for 1780 is recorded of Jacob Chase, Esq., as a present to the town, £157: 10. Children:—

1. SARAH, b. Nov. 28, 1756, m. Moses, son of Daniel Richardson, 1778; went to Protectworth (now Springfield), d. Dec. 10, 1822.

2. STEPHEN, b. March 27, 1759, m. Rhoda Blake, of Hampton, Jan. 3, 1787; lived on the homestead; d. Feb. 18, 1819; she d. Aug. 15, 1845. Chil.:—1. Susanna, b. Nov. 22, 1787, m. John, son of Moses Sanborn. 2. Joseph, b. Aug. 2, 1789, m. Mehitabel, dau. of Maj. Benj. Hall, Nov. 4, 1817; lived on the Joseph Clark or Thomas Merrill place; d. Sept. 14, 1841. 3. Stephen, b. May

23, 1791, d. unmarried, 1829. 4. Polly, b. 1793, d. 1807. 5. Jacob, b. Feb. 26, 1797, m. Hannah James and Nancy Haselton; lived on the homestead; d. in 1861. 6. Dolly, b. Jan. 12, 1799, m. Robert, son of John Crawford, d. Aug. 31, 1864. 7. Rhoda, b. April 2, 1802, m. Ira James. 8. Sally, d. young. 9. Sally, b. Oct., 1805, m. Richard, son of Richard Dearborn, d. 1848. 10. Henry Franklin, b. Aug. 30, 1808, m. Abigail Mitchel; lived in Chester on the Capt. John Underhill place; d. at Westminster, Vt., March 20, 1867.

3. JOSIAH, b. April 6, 1767, m. Lydia, dau. of Isaac Blasdell, 1791, lived on the south end of Gov. Shute's farm, and Grantham, N. H.

JACOB, Sen., m. (2) Dolly Colby, widow of David Worthen. He d. Dec 12, 1803. Prudence d. 1775. Dolly d. 1816.

Stephen Chase, Esq., came on to the stage of active life about the time that Samuel Emerson, Esq., left it, and in some respects filled about the same sphere. He was noted as a land surveyor for more than thirty years, and made the survey and plan of Chester for Carrigain's map, which is remarkably accurate. He wrote a very large proportion of the deeds and wills, and administered on the estates of his time, and held the office of selectman many years. In Esquire Emerson's day, he was a kind of oracle, and nearly all the small disputes were referred directly to him. But things changed, and in Esquire Chase's day there was more litigation, and he was the Justice to try the causes, or one of the arbitrators. Although not a finished workman, he had quite a mechanical genius, making carts, plows, and other tools, and plastered houses. From 1784 to near his death he kept a diary, filled largely with his labors on the farm, and other business, which shows him to have been a very industrious man; and in it are also entered the births, marriages and deaths, and many of the interesting events of the times, from which I have drawn many facts otherwise lost.

JOSEPH CHASE'S tenth child:—

X. MOODY, b. Oct. 7, 1744, m. Anna, dau. of John Webster, of Hampstead, Oct. 25, 1768. She d. Dec. 4, 1791. He m. (2) Abigail Worth, wid. of William Rogers, April 19, 1772. He d. July 27, 1808. She d. Dec. 9, 1826. He bought of Joseph Basford part of his homestead No. 73, 2d P., 2d D., where Wells C. Underhill now lives. Children:—

1. John W., b. 1769, m. Prudence Stark; lived at Piermont; d. 1863. 2. Mary, b. Feb. 24, 1771, m. B. P. Chase, 1808; d. Feb. 15, 1823. 3. Joseph, b. April 4, 1774, m. Nancy, d. of Maj. Jesse Eaton; lived on a part of the homestead; went to Canaan 1816; d. Sept. 6, 1820. 4. Jacob, b. March 22, 1776; lived at Newbury

and Hopkinton. 5. Moody, b. April 17, 1767, lived at Haverhill, Mass.; d. Aug. 26, 1833. 6. Samuel, b. Aug. 11, 1780, went to Portland, 1800; d. July 26, 1867. 7. Caleb, b. Feb. 3, 1783, graduated at Dartmouth 1811; never followed any profession; d. at Portland, Sept. 20, 1850. 8. Anna, b. 1785, d. 1806. 9. Elizabeth, b. 1787, m. Moses, son of Caleb Chase. 10. Thomas, b. Nov. 8, 1789, m. Sarah, dau. of Samuel Shannon; d. 1852, at Haverhill, Mass. 11. Hannah H., b. Nov. 23, 1791, m. Reuben, son of Jere. Underhill.

[For a more detailed and extensive genealogy of Chases, see a manuscript collection by the writer.]

CLARK.

JOSEPH CLARK was in Chester previous to 1736. In 1840 he had an amendment laid out, and was tythingman in 1743. He settled on Add. lot No. 58, where G. W. Chase now lives. He had children recorded from 1736 to 1760:—

Mary, m. Thomas Merrill, who lived on the homestead.

Reuben, b. 1760, went to Cabot.

JOSEPH CLARK'S estate was divided in 1782.

JOHN CLARK was from Portsmouth. His father came from England, and d. when John was young. He came to Candia, and learned the art of tanning of Walter Robie. He purchased of Joseph Dearborn part of 59, 2d P., 2d D., in 1777, and lived there. He was b. Oct. 15, 1751; m. Sarah Wadley of Brentwood, who was born March 22, 1755. He d. 1827; she 1842. Children:—

1. *John*, b. 1776, m. Anna Carr, widow of Silver.

2. *Abigail*, b. 1778.

3. *Eleazer*, b. 1779, went to Stanstead.

4. *Benjamin*. 5. *Sarah*.

6. *Henry*, b. 1788, went to New Boston.

7. *Charlotte*, m. Jonathan Dustin.

8. *Anna* m. Cotton Norton.

9. *Abner B.* 10. *Mary*.

11. *Richard S.*, b. April 21, 1801, m. Abra, dau. of George Wood; lives in Auburn.

ANCESTORS OF JOHN CLARK, 2D.

NATHANIEL CLARK, of Newbury, d. Aug. 25, 1690, a. 46. He was a merchant in what is now Newburyport; owned a wharf, warehouse, brigantine, &c. He m., 1663, Elizabeth Somerby, dau. of Henry (who came to Newbury in 1639, and had eleven children, one of whom, Rev. John, b. 1670, grad. Harvard 1690,

ordained in Exeter, 1698). Nathaniel Clark, b. 1666, m. Elizabeth, dau. of Dr. Peter Tappan, and sister of Rev. Christopher Tappan; d. 1690, on board of the "Six Friends," in the Canada expedition, leaving one son, Nathaniel, b. 1689, m. Sarah Greenleaf, 1710. They had a son

NATHANIEL, born 1728, m. Mary Hardy in 1753; lived in Haverhill, Mass. Their eldest son, DAVID, learned the art of dressing cloth, and set up in business at Allen's mills, in Salem, and afterwards at Sandown. He m. Anna Woodman, and their eldest son, JOHN, was b. in Salem, May 25, 1784. He came to Chester about 1806, and bought the Dea. Wilson place, No. 126, 2d P. 2d D., and afterwards large tracts of other lands, and did an extensive business at lumbering and farming. He m. Elizabeth, dau. of Dea. David Currier, (who was b. July 5, 1787) Nov. 12, 1812. He d. May 15, 1863; she d. March 14, 1868. Chil. who survived:—*Geo P.*, b. Aug. 23, 1813, m. (1) Jane Graham; m. (2) Susan J. Crombie; lives on the homestead. *Mary Ann*, m. Rev. Isaac A. Savage. *Catharine P.*, m. Rev. Wm. C. Tenney. *John C.*, grad. Middleton. (See Graduates.)

Greenleaf Clarke, of Atkinson, of the Council; William C., grad. Dart. 1832, and Attorney-General; and John B., grad. Dart. 1843, publisher of the "Mirror," are sons of Greenleaf, a brother of David Clark.

CLAY.

In Chester records is the marriage of JONAS CLAY and Margaret Naton, 1735, and the birth of Pegge, Jan. 3, 1737. She was noted in her day as a witch. On the petition for soldiers in 1748, are the names of Jonas and John; on the petition for the incorporation of Raymond, are the names of *David* and *James*; and there is the name of *Jonas, Jr.*, on same record. These were probably children of Jonas, Sen. He once lived on No. 112, N. D., which he deeded to John Lane, with one whole saw-mill and half of another, in 1765. This must have been Jonas, Jr., for Jonas Clay's will was proved in 1748.

STEPHEN CLAY lived on the northwest side of the road from Shackford's to Lane's, probably on Add. lot No. 123. The division of the school districts was the pasture bars at the Clay place. He m. Mary Powell, Oct. 12, 1740. Children:—

James, b. 1741.

Stephen, b. Aug. 1, 1743, m. Sarah, dau. of Moses Richardson, April 16, 1772, lived on H. L. No. 3, the Goodhue place. Chil.:—

1. Betsy, m. Eliphalet Danforth.

2. Stephen, b. Jan. 18, 1777, m. Abigail, dau. of Daniel Dolby. She d. 1819, a. 38. He m. (2) Nancy, dau. of Walter Robie, Esq. She d. 1827. He m. (3) wid. of Jonathan Ball; lived on the homestead.

3. Moses, b. Sept. 19, 1780, m. Jane Lane, wid. of Ezekiel Blake, Jr.

4. Nehemiah, b. Aug. 31, 1783.

JOHN CLAY settled east of Candia meeting-house, on No. 63, 3d D., m. a dau. of John Robie. Their children were, *Walter*, who lived on the homestead, *Stephen*, and *John*. He m. (2) Lydia Robie, dau. of Samuel, and wid. of Richard Ordway. Their daughter, Sally, m. Richard Emerson and Phineas Colby.

CLIFFORD.

The CLIFFORDS were of Kingston, and several have been in Chester, of whom little is known. In 1734, Lemuel Clifford, of Chester, tanner, sold to Samuel Emerson the north end of two H. L.'s, 53 and 101. He might have lived on the south end, where Mr. Kendall now lives. From 1739 to 1750, Peter Clifford has children recorded. In 1745, Samuel Healey sold a quarter of his farm, No. 110, O. H., to ISAAC CLIFFORD, of Kingston. He m. Sarah, dau. of William Healey, and went to Rumney. He had 10 children:—

Sarah, m. Sherburne Rowe, of Candia.

Elizabeth, m. Nathan Webster, of Chester.

Bridget, m. Jonathan Pillsbury, of Candia.

Isaac, went to Wentworth.

Nathaniel, Rumney.

John and *Samuel*, to Stanstead.

Joanna, m. John Shaw, of Brentwood.

Huldah, m. Charles Nichols, of Rumney.

JOHN CLIFFORD and WILLIAM lived on No. 82, 3d D.

ZACHARIAH, on No. 2, 3d D.

COLBY.

ENOCH COLBY is said to be of Hampton, but his name appears on the Hampton Falls tax-list of 1727; m. Abial, dau. of Benjamin Sanborn, a grantee, who was a son of Lt. John. She was sister of the wife of William Healey, b. July 20, 1700, m. Dec. 16, 1725. Jan. 1, 1723, Benjamin Sanborn, of Hampton, in consideration of affection, conveyed to Enoch Colby, also of Hampton, one half of his right in Chester, and the house on said right. The H. L. is No. 115, where he settled, where the Misses Pressey now live. He probably did not come to Chester till about 1728; his name first appears on the record as surveyor of highways in 1730. Will proved, Aug. 30, 1780. Children:—

I. ENOCH, probably b. at Hampton, m. Abigail Blasdell, settled

in Candia, south end of No. 89, 3d D., and had nine children. *John*, *Enoch* and *Jethro*, were soldiers in the Revolution.

1. *John*, d. at Valley Forge.
2. *Jethro*, was at R. I., d. on the "dark day," 1780, after his return home.
3. *Enoch*, m. Lydia Worthen, and settled in Thornton. He was Representative, Senator, and Councillor, five years from 1813.
4. *Nehemiah*, lived on the homestead, m. Mary Rowe; d. 1840, a. 82.
5. *Abner*.
6. *Samuel*, m. Ruth French, and carried her behind him on horseback to Derby, Vt.
7. *Abigail*, m. John Colby, of Amesbury.
8. *Mary*, d. 1780.

II. SARAH, m. William Turner, the second, if not the first settler in Candia. She d. May 30, 1810.

III. DOROTHY, b. Jan. 5, 1730, m. (1) David Worthen, and m. (2) Jacob Chase, Esq.; d. Aug. 15, 1816.

IV. JETHRO, b. May 8, 1733, m. Elizabeth, dau. of Samuel Bartlett, Nov. 1, 1756. He lived on H. L. No. 37, the Bartlett place. He d. April 4, 1803; she d. July 13, 1778. He m. (2) Nanne Moulton, wid. of Josiah Bradley, Sen. She d. 1793. Child:—

Lydia, b. Feb. 17, 1760, m. Edmund Sleeper, 1779, d. Jan. 3, 803.

V. SUSANNAH, b. Aug. 22, 1735, m. Blake, of Hampton, parents of Stephen Chase's wife.

VI. ABIEL, b. July 10, 1741, m. a Hill. ENOCH m. (2) Sarah Sargent, 1748.

VII. ABIGAIL, b. Dec. 19, 1749, m. James Towle, of Hawke.

VIII. MARY, b. Nov. 9, 1756, m. Benj. Long, went to Schenectady, N. Y.

IX. ELIZABETH, b. June 27, 1758, m. John Wilson, Esq.

X. JUDITH, b. Aug. 10, 1760, m. Joseph Long.

BENAIAH COLBY came to Chester about the time that Enoch did. He was fence-viewer in 1729. He settled on H. L. No. 51, where Francis Haselton now lives. He m. Mary, dau. of Nathan Webster, Sen., the grantee. Children:—

Sarah, b. 1729.

John, b. Jan. 10, 1731.

Benaiah, b. May 29, 1734; m. Abigail Emerson 1764.

Mary, b. Oct. 3, 1736.

Anne, Oct. 27, 1738. He m. (2) Elizabeth Emerson 1745.

John, b. April 19, 1750; m. Ruth Wells.

Nathan Webster in his will gives legacies to his grandchildren, Benaiah and Mary Colby, in 1746.

Benaiah Colby, Jr., m. Abigail Emerson, 1764. He lived at different places; once on No. 112 O. H., the Jonas Clay place. Children:—

1. Moses, b. July 11, 1765; went to Rockport, Mass.
2. Sarah, b. 1766; m. a Colby of Poplin.
3. Elizabeth, b. 1768; m. Stephen, son of Joshua Prescott; went to Sandwich.
4. Abigail, b. 1770; m. Eben Tabor and a Sawyer of Sandown.
5. Jonathan, b. 1772; m. Betsy, dau. of Jonathan Berry.
6. Joseph, b. 1775; m. Rhoda Barret and went to Corinth.
7. Benaiah, d. young.
8. Mary, b. 1779; m. John, son of Jonathan Norton.
9. Anne, b. July 2, 1781; m. Ebenezer Marden.
10. Benaiah, b. Sept. 2, 1783.

BENAIHAH COLBY'S son *John*, b. 1750, m. Ruth Wells, 1270; has seven children on the record, of whom nothing is known.

There was a NATHAN COLBY who sold H. L. Nos. 30 and 135, (where Woodbury Masters lives) to Col. Webster in 1757, and a JOSEPH COLBY, who owned, and probably lived on part of Add. No. 40 (where William Whittemore now lives) in 1760. John Underhill, Jr., afterwards lived there.

The Rev. ZACCHEUS COLBY was the son of Zaccheus and Mary Eastman Colby, b. at Newton, N. H. He served an apprenticeship at tanning and currying with Col. John Calfe of Kingstown. After he became of age he fitted for college at Dummer school at Byefield, and grad. at Dart., 1777. He married Mary Calfe, dau. of his former master. He was settled as a minister in Pembroke, 1780, and his children were all born there. It is said that he was once offered a Professor's Chair at Bowdoin, but he declined it. Children:—

1. *John*, b. 1785.
2. *Samuel*, b. 1787; m. Lydia Coult; lives at Pembroke.
3. *Mary*, b. 1789; d. unm.
4. *Hannah*, b. Jan. 13, 1791, unm.
5. *Sarah*, b. March 2, 1793; m. Dr. Nathan Plummer; d. March, 1835.
6. *Zaccheus*, m. Mary Coult and lived on the homestead.
7. *Judith*, went a missionary to Harmony Station, Osage Indians.

Mr. Colby lived in Chester on Gov. Wentworth's farm of 250 acres where Alexander Craige lived. He d. Aug. 10, 1822, a. 75. She d. May 20, 1837, a. 78. See further, Hist. Presbyterian Church in this work.

CRAIGE.

ALEXANDER CRAIGE probably came from Ireland, Feb. 27, 1724 or '5. John Carr of Chester conveyed to Alexander Craige of Chebacco (Hamilton, Mass.,) the H. L. No. 13, and one-half of all other divisions. June 11, 1729, he exchanged lots with Morrice Hobbs and Richard Taylor, and took No. 110, "on which the said Craige now lives." This was a little west of the old Presbyterian meeting-house and joined the Rev. Mr. Wilson's lot. When the road was laid out from Enoch Colby's across the lots to the ten-rod way, in 1730, damage was awarded to Alexander Craige, and when it was changed in 1733, it was across the land of Nathaniel Ambrose. July, 1730, Mr. Craige bought of Gov. Wentworth 150 acres of his farm of 250 acres, and his son Andrew bought about the same time 50 acres of the same farm, and they made, probably, the second settlements at the Long Meadows; Alexander, at the Colby place, where Jacob Lufkin now lives, ANDREW, his son, at what has been the Presbyterian parsonage, where John Ray now lives. The road to get there was through the south woods, probably from where Gilman Morse now lives. The name of Alexander Craige is on the protest against hiring or settling any other minister, June, 1735, and Alexander and Andrew are both signers of the protests of Nov. 6, 1735, and June, 1736. His will is dated Sept. 5, 1750, proved Oct. 31, 1750. The legatees are Alexander Craige, Jr. (50 acres of his homestead), grandson David, daughter Agnes and granddaughter Mary; Andrew was executor and residuary legatee. David Craige sold to Andrew his right in his father's estate.

ALEXANDER, Jr., sold the place to William Graham.

ANDREW m. Agnes, dau. of Robert Graham, and was a very prominent man in town, and especially in the Presbyterian parish. He was one of the committee to take a deed of Mr. Wilson of half an acre of land that the meeting-house stood on in 1744. In 1748 it was voted "that the meeting [at the Long Meadow] be held at Andrew Craige's house." He is termed Esquire in 1761.

Andrew and Agnes his wife have a son *Andrew*, Jr., on the records, b. Dec. 15, 1740. He sold to his father in 1764 one-fourth of the Crosett saw-mill. Where he went to, and whether there were other children is not known.

ANDREW was a large land-holder. He sold his homestead to Elizabeth Stickney and Edmund Stickney, May 23, 1771, and was in New Chester in 1774, but there is no tradition of Craiges there now.

DAVID CRAIGE settled on No. 38, 2d P., 2d D., just above where Asahel Weeks now lives. He and Abigail his wife had *Alexander*,

b. Feb. 22, 1741; *David*, b. Sept. 2, 1746; *Abigail*, b. Aug. 4, 1748.

David, Jr., m. Elizabeth Richardson, dau. of Moses Richardson, Sept. 23, 1770. She was b. Aug. 11, 1750. The whole family went to Rumney.

DAVID, Sen., d. about 1795, and his wife lived to be 104 years old.

Alexander lived in Rumney, and probably lived and kept tavern in Chester, where Mr. Orcutt now lives, but died in Rumney.

David, Jr., had 7 sons. Stephen was the father of Capt. Stephen Dearborn's second wife. Tappan Webster Craige, the youngest, was b. 1790, is now (1867) alive, and has a large family. Byron M. lived on the homestead at Rumney, others in Saxonville, Lawrence, &c.

David Craige, Jr., d. at the age of 62, his wife Elizabeth at the age of 99 years and 6 months.

Abigail, dau. of David, Sen., m. Thos. Ramsey of Rumney, Aug. 27, 1772. They both died Jan. 1837.

LIEUT. THOMAS CRAIGE lived on Add. No. 114, where Benaiah Spofford now lives. He might have been a son of Alexander though I have seen nothing to indicate it. In the old Presbyterian burying-ground is a stone, "Margaret, wife of Thomas Craige, d. Sep. 17, 1754, aged 28."

WILLIAM CRAIGE and Jane, his wife, settled on No. 77, 2d P., 2d D., where Moses Hall lately lived. He had two sons—*Robert*, died early; *John*, d. March, 1805. His poll not being taxed 1790, supposed to be over 85. He was blind many years. Both were bachelors.

William Craige had a dau. *Jane* buried at Derry, d. Oct. 6, 1745, aged 18. There was also a dau. *Isabel*, m. Alexander McMurphy of Londonderry; and *Robert Archibald*, d. 1806.

Some of the tables of longevity make William and Jane, d. 1775, aged 100, but by the age of the daughter she could not have been so old.

There was a family of Craiges came over in 1736 or 1737 with John McKinley, Allen Templeton and John Orr.

ROBERT CRAIGE m. Margaret Crosett. He purchased 25 acres of Gov. Wentworth's farm of 250 acres. She d. Sept. 15, 1754; *Thomas*, their son, d. 1757, and Robert made Robert McKinley his heir. He d. Sept. 14, 1790.

ANN CRAIGE m. John McKinley, who did not come to Chester but stopped in Boston.

AGNES CRAIGE m. Allen Templeton, who settled to the N. W. of Robert Craige. She d. 1797.

JANE CRAIGE m. John Gunyon, and lived on what was the Derby place in Derry.

THOMAS CRAIGE settled in Londonderry. His will was proved, May 27, 1778. The legatees were his wife Martha, sister Ann McKinley, and brother-in-law John Gunyon.

CRAWFORD.

WILLIAM CRAWFORD came from Ireland, it is said, when his son Robert was two years old. Ebenezer Ayers, of Haverhill, sold to William Crawford, of Chester, H. L. No. 47, Sept. 8, 1730, reserving the right for his father to cut firewood. It is probable that Ayers had a house then. It was N. E. of the main road, near where Daniel Wilson lately lived, and was taken down by Joseph Carr, Jr., 1828, said then to be the oldest house in town. He built the first-grist mill, where Haselton's now is. In the Proprietors' Records is entered, "William Crafford, having built a Grist mill upon the Great brooke, in Chester, at the Lower falls, so called, the fifth day of May, 1746, doth Record his son, Robert Crafford, miller of said Grist-mill." In 1748 he deeded Add. lot No. 129 and the mill to Robert. William's wife was then Jean.

WILLIAM m. Mary, dau. of Robert Graham; d. 1786. Children:—

I. ROBERT.

II. WILLIAM, mentioned in Graham's will in 1747. WILLIAM, Jr., had a road laid out from his lot No. 129, 2d P., 2d D., near Clark's mill, in Auburn, to the main road, in 1749. He probably died, as we hear nothing more about him.

ROBERT, it is said, exchanged the mill with Henry Lunt, for land in Sandown, and removed there. He m. Joanna, dau. of Jonathan and Theodate Sanborn, April 10, 1755. She was b. July 3, 1736. Children:—

1. *John*, b. Sep. 25, 1757; m. Margaret, dau. of Thomas Anderson; lived on lot No. 130, 2d P., 2d D., and had his house burnt, July 10, 1789. He d. Nov. 8, 1831. She d. July 21, 1837. Children:—

Robert, b. Aug. 29, 1792; m. Dolly, dau. of Stephen Chase, Esq., Nov. 6, 1821. He d. Dec. 26, 1825. She d. Dec. 31, 1814. Children:—1. William, b. Jan. 9, 1823; m. Eliza R., dau. of Rev. Luther Crawford, Sept. 25, 1866. 2. Lucinda A., Oct. 2, 1824, d. Jan. 24, 1841.

2. *William*, b. March 1, 1759; m. Susan Melvin, 1786, lived in Plymouth till 1798, then in Alexandria. He d. Oct. 15, 1837. She d. Dec. 20, 1822. Children:—

Joanna; William; Susan; Ida; Mary; Sarah; James; Luther,

b. Nov. 31, 1806, grad. at Brown, 1834, m. Almira Everet, Feb. 4, 1834, d. Feb., 1838; Louisa, b. Sep. 30, 1810.

3. *Robert*, b. May 10, 1761, d. April 27, 1838.

4. *Mary*, b. July 16, 1765, d. July 8, 1841.

ROBERT m. (2) Jane, dau. of Allen Templeton and Agnes Craige.

5. *Thomas*, b. 1773, d. Sep. 11, 1842.

6. *George*, b. 1780, d. Nov. 13, 1846.

7. *Jane*, b. 1780, d. Jan. 25, 1839.

8. *Joanna*.

These last six lived unmarried on the homestead in Sandown and the estate descended to William, son of Robert. He removed to Chester. ROBERT d. Sep. 5, 1791; Jane d. July 10, 1832, a. 91.

WILLIAM CRAWFORD'S second wife was Jane. Children:—

III. JOHN, m. a Carr, lived on No. 129, 2d P., 2d D., near Clark's mill; afterwards moved to the main road where Hugh Crombie lately lived. Children:—

Mary Anne and *Elizabeth*. One of these daughters m. a French, of Enfield, and d. 1866, over 90.

JOHN m. (2) Margaret, dau. of Dea. Adam Wilson. Children:—

John, was in the army, 1812, lived at Nottingham, d. July, 1865, a. 80.

Hannah, b. July, 1788, m. a Young, d. 1867.

John, Sen., d. Oct. 27, 1790. The widow m. Samuel Crombie, d. Sep. 9, 1842.

IV. JAMES lived unm. on the homestead.

V. A dau. m. a Wilson of New Boston. James gave Mr. Wilson the place and d. at New Boston. It was sold about 1827.

CRITCHET.

The Critchets are said to be of Welsh origin. At the March term of the court, 1750, was a case, Thomas Critchet of Exeter, Joiner, against Ebenezer Critchet of Portsmouth.

THOMAS CRITCHET came early to Candia, and settled on No. 1, 3d D., about 40 rods back from the present road; was surveyor in 1765. He had four sons.

Edward Critchet was a hayward in 1768.

Edward and *Thomas* settled in Epsom.

Benjamin had a roving turn and never settled.

James m. Susannah Smith of Raymond, and lived on the homestead. He had a remarkable mechanical talent. He was self taught; was noted as a mill-wright; made wooden clocks; and did quite a business at repairing clocks and watches. He d. of cancer, May, 1849, aged 88, comparatively otherwise a robust man. Children:—

Thomas; James; Caleb, d. y.; Moses; Isaac, now on the homestead; John and Joseph.

CROMBIE.

JOHN CROMBIE came from the north of Ireland, and settled near the lower end of the English range in Londonderry. He had a son *Hugh*, who m. Rebecca Jordan, and settled in Chester, on No. 80, 2d P., 2d D., where Thomas Coffin lives, in Auburn. He d. of apoplexy, Nov. 23, 1796.

He had a son *Samuel*, who m. the widow of James Graham, and had a son Samuel, who went to Vermont. *Samuel* m. (2) Widow Margaret Crawford, and had Hugh, b. 1796; d. 1866.

Hugh, Sen., had also a daughter Molly, m. Capt. William Leatch.

BENJAMIN CROMBIE was half-brother of JOHN, b. near Ballymore, in Ireland. His father d. in Ireland, and his mother came over with him. He m. Rebecca Davis, of Ipswich, Mass., and settled at New Rowley. In 1773 he came to Derryfield, and in 1782 to Chester, where his grandson, Franklin Crombie, now lives, No. 74, 4th D. He was a teacher. He had eleven children:

6. *Moses*, b. Sept. 7, 1751, m. Abigail, dau. of Moses (Hatter) Underhill. She d. April 29, 1849. Children:—

Moses, Jr., d. March 4, 1868, a. 87. Elizabeth, b. March 22, 1790, m. Matthew Reid.

11. *Amos*, b. Aug. 29, 1764, m. Anna, dau. of John Patten, Dec. 29, 1802. They had Franklin, Esq., b. Oct. 25, 1803, and Luther, 1808.

BENJAMIN d. May 2, 1806, a. 90. His wife d. Dec. 13, 1809, a. 80. *Amos* d. Sept. 10, 1854. His wife d. Dec. 29, 1842. These two sons are all who came to Chester.

CROSETT.

JAMES CROSETT m. a Young, a sister of Samuel Aiken's wife, in Ireland. His name appears in the Presbyterian protest, June, 1836. His name is not on the inventory of 1741. He had two sons:—

James, m. Jane, dau. of Robert Graham.

Benjamin, m. a daughter of William Graham.

In 1745 they purchased No. 83, 2d P., 2d D. *James* settled opposite to Robert Craige, at the corner of the road over Rattlesnake hill, where the old McKinley house stood, which they sold to Robert Craige in 1760. *James*, in 1763, purchased the northwest fifty acres of Gov. Wentworth's two hundred and fifty acres, and settled on it, and in 1771 sold to William Graham, who settled his son David there. Subsequent occupants: Wm. Crombie, Samuel Remie, Jesse Patten, now Albert Pratt.

Benjamin settled on the southwest half of 83, which has since been occupied by Peter Aiken, Reuben Dimon, and Stark Ray. About 1769 they sold to Andrew Craige, and purchased the Nutt place, which included Nos. 86 and 87, and part of 93, 2d P., 2d D., which in 1771 they sold to Benjamin and Samuel Pierce and William Brown. They went to some place on the Mohawk river.

CURRIER.

Thomas Currier and Mary, his wife, were of Amesbury. He d. Sept. 27, 1712. She d. March 2, 1705. Their seventh child was BENJAMIN, b. March 27, 1668. His wife was Abigail. Their first son was GIDEON, b. Feb. 21, 1712, m. Mary. She d. Oct. 13, 1784. He settled in Chester on Add. lot No. 15. Children:—

I. *Benjamin*, b. Sept. 18, 1740, m. Abigail, dau. of Joshua Prescott, Dec. 6, 1764. He d. 1816. She d. Jan. 2, 1824, aged 80. They lived on Add. lot No. 114, where Benaiah Spofford now lives, and was a Captain in the militia during the Revolution. Children:—

1. Lucretia, b. Oct. 28, 1765, m. Moses K. Hall, Dec. 29, 1785, d. Aug. 1861.

2. Lydia, b. March 21, 1767, m. Dr. Samuel Quimby; went to Maine.

3. Hannah, d. young.

4. John, b. March 4, 1770, m. Hannah Currier; lived at Sandwich.

5. Anna, b. July 24, 1773, m. Samuel Lane, of Chester; d. May 23, 1833.

6. Dolly, b. June 23, 1775, m. Samuel Joy, Winthrop, Me., 1793.

7. Sarah, b. Feb. 17, 1777, m. Nathl. Merrill, 1797.

8. Abigail, b. 1779, m. Rev. Joseph Merrill, Skowhegan, Me., 1803.

9. Benjamin, m. Dolly Taylor 1804; went to Maine.

10. Hannah, b. July 13, 1785, m. Samuel Shackford, Chester, April 24, 1806; d. Aug. 7, 1865.

11. David, b. Feb. 9, 1787, m. Betsy Worthen; lived on homestead.

12. Betsy, b. Aug., 1787, m. John Lane, of Maine.

II. *Simeon*, b. July 13, 1745, m. Elizabeth, dau. of Jonathan Moulton. He lived on Add. No. 17, on the Derry road, where Capt. Stevens now lives. He d. Aug. 29, 1824. She d. April 21, 1834, a. 86. They had:—

1. Joseph, m. Anna Hall.

2. Gideon, m. Hannah Jack; d. March 10, 1851, a. 76.

3. Abel, m. Sally Quimby, went to Norwich, Vt.

4. Sarah, m. Jos. Taylor, Wilmot.

These were born in Amesbury.

III. *Gideon*, b. Aug. 13, 1754, in Chester, m. Anna, dau. of Daniel Richardson, and had a son Asa, now living in Raymond; lived at the Branch, No. 44, O. H. He died Oct. 1, 1835. She d. March 19, 1827.

IV. *Jonathan*, b. Sept. 29, 1756, went to Plymouth.

V. *Sarah*, b. Jan. 18, 1759, m. Reuben, son of Samuel Hills, and went to Maine.

VI. *Anna*, m. Joseph, son of Benjamin Severance, and went to Salisbury, N. H.

THOMAS CURRIER lived near the Worthen saw-mill; m. Sarah Coburn, and had:—

1. *Thomas*, settled in Maine.

2. *Ebenezer*, m. a Dresser, and Nancy, the wid. of Eben Blasdell. He was a soldier in the Revolution.

3. *Jonathan* m. Mary Prescott, 1794; d. in the army at Sackett's Harbor, Aug. 22, 1813.

4. *Mary*, m. Stinson.

THOMAS, Sen., d. previous to 1780, and his widow m. Mansfield McDuffee, and d. 1835, aged 105.

DEA. DAVID CURRIER was born in 1756, in Leslie, a parish of Scotland, near Perth Head, about thirteen miles north of Edinburgh, and the seat of John Leslie, Earl of Rathers. He came to this country in the ship "Minerva," and landed in Boston, May 11, 1774. He was a tailor, and worked a short time in Boston, but soon came to Chester, and boarded with James Wilson, where Jacob Green now lives. When the war broke out, in 1775, he volunteered, and went to the headquarters of the army, and was in Bunker Hill battle, stationed behind the rail fence. He served seven months. In 1777 he was in Capt. Stephen Dearborn's company, at the battle of Bennington. He m. Mary, only daughter of David Dinsmore, and bought that part of No. 123, 2d P., 2d D., lying the west side of the brook, and lived near the Blanchard saw-mill. He d. April 1, 1840, a. 85. She d. Aug. 20, 1846, a. 82. Children:—

James, m. Catherine Patten, went to Genesee County, N. Y.

Elizabeth, b. July 5, 1787, m. John Clark; d. March 14, 1868.

John, d. unmarried, 1823.

Mary, m. Samuel Fletcher.

Margaret, m. William Graham, Esq.

David, b. Sept., 1800, m. Lydia R., dau. of John Melvin. He held various offices in Chester and Auburn; now cashier of Derry Bank.

DAVIS.

There was a JOSEPH DAVIS in Chester, who had six children recorded from 1739 to 1751, but nothing is known of them.

SAMUEL DAVIS was an early settler on No. 124, 4th D., at what is called White Hall, in Hooksett. Children:—

1. *Robert*, m. Molly, dau. of Samuel Brown of Hooksett. He was drowned in Lakin's Pond, 1805.

2. *Jonathan*, m. Susey, dau. of John Patten, and lived on No. 78, 4th D., where Hidden had lived.

3. *Joseph*.

4. *Daniel*, lived on the homestead.

5. *Samuel*, m. Betsey, dau. of Jere. Underhill; d. at Concord, in the U. S. service, April 7, 1813. Samuel Davis, Sen., d. Oct. 20, 1806.

DALTON.

JOHN, SAMUEL AND CALEB lived on No. 110, 4th D., between the old main road and river in Hooksett. Some of the name were in the Indian war. They sometimes had their minister rates abated on account of living so far from the meeting-house.

DICKEY.

JOHN DICKEY lived on Add. No. 27, where Jacob Couch lately lived. His wife was Margaret, and their children, *Daniel*, b. 1737, *Isabel*, 1739, and *Robert*, 1742.

ADAM DICKEY'S will was proved 1753. His children, *Elizabeth Jane*, *Joseph*, *William*, *Janet* and *Adam*, all minors.

DAVID DICKEY probably came from Ireland. His wife was Isabella. Whether he came to Derryfield or not is uncertain. His son *John* m. Janet McCleto, and lived about the centre of lot No. 12, 4th D. He had two sons, *John*, b. 1786, lived on the homestead where his son David now lives; *David*, lived south of Jonas Harvey's.

DEARBORN.

GODFREY DEARBORN was the patriarch of the Dearborn family in the United States. He is said to have been a native of Exeter, county of Devon, in the S. W. part of England. The time of his birth is not known. He was twice married, but the name of his first wife and time of marriage is unknown. She was living in 1650, and d. previous to Nov. 25, 1662, when he m. Dorothy the wid. of Philemon Dalton, by which marriage there was no issue.

In 1639 Rev. John Wheelright removed with a company of his friends from Mass. to Exeter, and founded a settlement. They

framed and signed among themselves a kind of social compact. It was signed by thirty-five persons. Godfrey Dearborn signed by making his mark, as he did his will more than forty years afterwards. His farm in Exeter is said to have been in what is now Stratham. He remained in Exeter about ten years, and then removed to Hampton, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was selectman of Exeter, 1648; and March 4, 1650, seats were assigned to "goodman and goody Dearborn," in Hampton meeting-house. In Hampton he settled at the West End, and the farm in 1848 was occupied by some of his descendants. For a very full genealogy, see Hist. and Gen. Reg., Vol. 2. Godfrey Dearborn had six children, three sons and three daughters:—

1. Henry, b. 1633. 2. Thomas, b. 1634.
3, 4, 5, three daughters, of whom little is known except that in his will is a legacy "to my three daughters," though Sarah m. Thomas Nudd.

6. John was b. in Exeter, about 1742, m. Mary Ward.

1. Henry, b. in England about 1633, came over with his father when about six years old; m. Elizabeth Marrian, Jan. 10, 1666. He was one of the selectmen of Hampton, 1676 and 1692; d. Jan. 18, 1725. Henry had seven children, three sons and four daughters. One of the daughters, Sarah, m. Philemon Blake, who was a grantee of Chester, son of Jasper and Deborah Blake. The oldest son, JOHN, b. Oct. 10, 1666, m. Abigail Bachelder, 1689, d. Nov. 14, 1736. He lived in what is now North Hampton, and was a deacon in Hampton, and afterwards in North Hampton. When he removed to North Hampton it was a wilderness. His house was standing in 1848, and had remained in the family up to about 1820.

DEA. JOHN DEARBORN had ten children, four sons and six daughters. His second child was JONATHAN, b. May 8, 1691, m. Hannah Tucke, Dec. 29, 1715. He removed to Stratham. He d. Jan. 29, 1779.

JONATHAN had a son *John*, who resided on the homestead in Stratham, b. April 2, 1718, d. March 22, 1807.

He had a son Jonathan, who settled in Chester, now Raymond, on No. 17, O. H. In 1759 there was a road laid out at the request of Jonathan Dearborn and others. His wife was Abigail. Children:—

1. John, m. Mehitabel Cram. 2. Abigail, m. Simon Page. 3. Jonathan, m. Sarah Page. 4. Nathaniel, m. Mary Cram. 5. Sarah, m. (1) Nehemiah Cram, m. (2) Josiah Brown, m. (3) John Moody. All lived in Raymond.

DEA. JOHN'S ninth child was SIMON, lived on the paternal estate; was executor to his father's will, and residuary legatee, and had twelve children, the youngest of whom was

Henry, b. Feb. 23, 1751. He was a physician in Nottingham, N. H., 1772; Capt. in the N. H. regiment at the battle of Bunker Hill, 1775; Capt. in Arnold's expedition against Quebec, 1775-6; Major with the command of a distinct corps at the battles of Stillwater and Saratoga, 1777; Lt.-Colonel at the battle of Monmouth, 1778; Deputy Quartermaster-General at Yorktown and the surrender of Cornwallis, 1781; Col. of the first N. H. reg. from 1781 to the end of the war; removed to Maine, 1784; Brigadier-Gen. and Marshal of Maine; member of Congress, 1795; Sec. of War, 1801; Collector of Boston, 1809; Maj. Gen. U. S. Army, 1812; Minister to Portugal, 1822; d. at Roxbury, Mass., June 6, 1829.

Godfrey had

2. *Thomas*, b. in England about 1634, m. Hannah Colwell, Dec. 28, 1665. His residence was in that part of Hampton called Drake Side. He was a deacon; d. April 14, 1710. His second child was EBENEZER, b. Oct. 3, 1689, m. Abigail, dau. of Joseph and granddaughter of Lt. John Sanborn, Oct. 7, 1703. She was b. Oct. 1, 1686. He was one of the grantees of Chester, and removed there, and also five sons. In a deed of H. L. No. 121, in Chester, Oct. 3, 1729, he is said to be of Hampton. His name is on the inventory of Hampton Falls, 1727. His own home lot was No. 17, lying by the side of the one he purchased, and he probably settled there nearly opposite the old White place, where Joseph Webster now lives.

His name first appears on Chester records as moderator of the annual town meeting, March 26, 1729-30, and he was chosen one of the selectmen at the meeting. In 1731, Samuel Ingalls is styled Capt., Ebenezer Dearborn Lt., and Jacob Sargent "Insign," being probably the first military officers in Chester. In 1734 he is called Deacon. He was elected to very many offices in town. His will was dated March, 1767, and proved March 27, 1772. He d. March 15, 1772. His wife d. Feb. 26, 1768. They had eight children: I. Ebenezer; II. Mehitable; III. Peter; IV. Benjamin; V. Thomas; VI. Michael; VII. Abigail; VIII. Mary.

I. EBENEZER, Jr., usually called Lieut. Ebenezer, b. Jan. 27, 1705, m. Huldah Nason, Jan. 13, 1731; m. (2) Elizabeth Swain, the widow of Samuel Hills. He settled on H. L. No. 131, where James R. Gordon now lives. He d. Jan. 10, 1790. His will is dated July, 1780, proved Jan. 20, 1790. Elizabeth d. July 31, 1793. Children:—

1. *Hannah*, b. Oct. 13, 1731, m. Elijah Heath of Chester.
2. *Sarah*, b. Jan. 9, 1734, m. John Shackford, Jr., of Chester; d. Aug. 18 or 19, 1814.
3. *Huldah*, b. Aug. 18, 1735.
4. *Stephen*, b. May 15, 1738.
5. *Phebe*, b. Feb. 20, 1741, m. Wilkes West, d. 1783.

6. *Ebenezer*, b. Sept. 6, 1744.

7. *Jonathan*, b. Dec. 26, 1746.

8. *Richard*, b. May 2, 1747 (?), who d. young.

4. *Stephen*, b. 1738, m. *Ruth*, dau. of John Robie, Sept. 18, 1761. She was b. 1739, d. Feb., 1808. He m. (2) *Lydia*, dau. of Samuel Robie, who had been m. to Richard Ordway, brother of Dr. John, and to John Clay. She d. Sept. 29, 1817, aged 74. He d. Oct. 10, 1827. *Stephen* and *Ruth* had *Richard*, b. Sept. 21, 1764, m. *Molly Ordway*, dau. of Richard, June 5, 1788. He d. May 21, 1823; she d. Dec. 11, 1842, a. 78. Children:— 1. *Ruth*, b. Feb. 12, 1789, d. unmarried, Dec. 7, 1842. 2. *Lydia*, b. July 27, 1790, d. unmarried, June 21, 1817. 3. *Mahala*, b. June 27, 1792, d. Aug. 30, 1806. 4. *Sally*, b. May 17, 1784, d. unmarried, Jan. 19, 1867. 5. *Stephen*, b. Aug. 10, 1796, m. (1) *Lydia*, dau. of Rev. Samuel Harris, m. (2) *Mary Ann Craige*, d. March 16, 1859. 6. *Richard*, b. Oct. 9, 1798, m. *Sally*, dau. of Stephen Chase, Esq., d. Feb. 1, 1853. 7. *Hendrick*, b. June 22, 1803, m. *Sylvania Fletcher*, d. March 25, 1861, — had three daughters and one son on the homestead.

Col. Stephen Dearborn was appointed Captain under George III, by John Wentworth, May 3, 1767; Capt. under Congress, Sept. 25, 1775; Maj. Sept. 25, 1785; Lieut.-Col. April 5, 1793; resigned Sept. 18, 1800. His son *Richard* was adjutant. He commanded a company at Bennington, in 1777. Colonel *Dearborn* was several times selectman. He first settled near the New or *Dearborn* saw-mill, but soon removed his house up the hill where his great grandchildren yet reside, on No. 68, 2d P. 2d D.

6. *Ebenezer*, b. 1744; m. *Edith*, or *Adah*, dau. of *Nathan Philbrick* of Hampton, 1769. Lived on H. L. No. 34. He d. Aug. 18, 1825. She d. May 5, 1819, a. 72. Children:—

1. *John*, m. *Susan Lufkin* and moved to Corinth. 2. *Jonathan*, m. his cousin *Anna*, dau. of *Jonas Dearborn*. She d. 1808; m. (2) *Jane Stinson*. No male issue. He was born the day the meeting-house was raised; lived on the homestead Nov. 2, 1831. She d. 1833. 3. *William*, m. a *Lowell*, of Amesbury, and resided there.

7. *Jonathan*, b. 1746; m. *Delia*, dau. of John Robie, and lived on the homestead. He d. Nov. 22, 1826; a. 80. She d. April 7, 1814, a. 63. Children:—

1. *Richard*, b. Aug. 8, 1774; m. *Dolly*, dau. of Samuel Underhill, and went to New Chester and had a large family; among whom was *Jonathan*, a physician at Seabrook. He m. (2) *Susannah Sargent*, widow of John Melvin. 2. *Edward*, b. July 16, 1776; m. *Knight* of Atkinson; no issue. He studied medicine with Dr. Cogswell of Atkinson; settled in Seabrook, where he

had a large and successful practice for more than fifty years, and received the honorary degree of M. D. He, by will, gave \$10,000 to endow an academy at Seabrook, and \$5,000 to the Congregational society there. 3. Jonathan, b. Jan. 25, 1781; m. Sarah, dau. of Dea. Amos Morse, 1805, and lived on the homestead and at the Glidden place in Chester. Had Charles E. and Alfred S. 4. Cyrus, b. Aug. 2, 1785; studied medicine with his brother Edward; settled in practice at East Salisbury, Mass., and had a successful practice there between fifty and sixty years. He has been representative of the town and held various offices. 5. Ebenezer, b. July 30, 1793, m. Hannah D. Dyson of Beverly, 1826; studied medicine two years with his brother Edward, and a year and a half with Dr. Thomas Kittridge of North Andover, Mass.; attended a course of lectures in Boston; also a course at Dart.; M. D. Dart., 1821; was Councillor and President of the N. H. Med. Society; settled in practice in Nashua in 1816, and had a successful practice there for forty-five years and then retired from practice, but still resides there. Charles Ebenezer Dearborn, Dart., 1842, is his son. There were also three daughters: Anna, m. her cousin Jonathan, son of Ebenezer; d. July, 1808. Huldah, unm., and Delia, m. a Hoit of New Chester. Jonathan m. (2) Elizabeth Pike, who d. May 1, 1855, a. 88.

II. MEHITABLE, b. Nov. 12, 1703; m. Dea. Nathaniel Fitts of Salisbury, Mass., May, 1744; d. June 11, 1765.

III. PETER, b. Nov. 14, 1710; m. Margaret Fifield of Kingston, Dec. 2, 1736. He lived on H. L. No. 25, up the cross road from the Derry road. He d. Oct. 28, 1781. Children:—

1. *Anna*, b. Oct. 17, 1737; m. John Haselton, son of Ephraim, 1764; d. Nov., 1780.

2. *Peter*, b. Jan. 26, 1740; m. Tabitha Morrill, Dec. 26, 1765; d. Oct. 24, 1770.

3. *Dea. Joseph*, b. Aug. 17, 1742; m. Betty, dau. of Dea. Jonas Hall, in 1761; settled on No. 59, 2d P., 2d D.; sold to John Clarke, 1777. He was a Lt. and Capt. in the army. Chil.:—Lydia, Anna, Sarah, Mehitable, Betsy, John, and Eleanor b. 1785. He removed to Rumney. She d. Jan. 1816.

4. *Mary*, b. 1746.

5. *Josiah*, b. Oct. 24, 1751; m. Susannah, dau. of Samuel Emerson, Esq., Aug., 1779, lived on the old John Aiken place, and removed to Weare. Chil.:—Nehemiah, Susannah, Henry, Josiah, Edward, Samuel, David and Jonathan, twins, Peter and John. Henry, Josiah, Samuel and David are said to have settled in Corinth, *Vt.*

6. *Sarah*, b. Sep. 16, 1764.

7. *Asa*, b. July 25, 1756; m. Anna, dau. of Sam. Emerson, Esq.,

Dec., 1781; lived on the homestead, and went to Chelsea, Vt.; was Capt. of Cavalry. Chil.:—Peter, Lucretia, Isaac, Catharine, Nancy, Samuel, Wilder, Hubbert, Sally, Perley, and Adaline.

8. *Sherburne*, b. Sept. 5, 1758; m. Elizabeth, dau. of Isaac Towle, May, 1779. She d. 1798. Chil.:—Elizabeth, Benjamin, Edmond, Nancy, Cyrene and Billy. He m. the widow of Benj. French, and Susan, dau. of Moses Emerson; d. Oct. 9, 1852.

IV. BENJAMIN, b. Aug. 13, 1713; m. a Colcord of Kingston. Oct. 31, 1735, his father gave him H. L. 132, and a part of the old saw-mill. He settled on the lot and built the house where Capt. B. Fitts lately lived. It is on the inventory, 1741, and is probably the oldest in town. He sold to Nathan Fitts, Nov., 1767, and removed to Plymouth, N. H.

V. THOMAS, b. Dec. 3, 1713; m. Dorothy Sanborn, Sept. 10, 1741. In 1742 his father gave him H. L. 23 and 122, on which he settled. He built a quarter of the New or Dearborn saw-mill, in 1751. His will was dated Jan. 7, 1754, proved Jan. 30, 1754. He gave his son, *John Sanborn*, the homestead, saw-mill, &c. His widow m. Samuel Emerson, Esq. Children:—

1. *Mary*, b. May 23, 1752; m. Samuel Towle, son of Anthony, settled in Candia.

2. *John Sanborn*, b. Dec. 12, 1743; m. Mary Emerson of Haverhill, Sept. 25, 1764, lived on the homestead, and in 1778 purchased of Samuel Robie the Robie place (John Robinson's) and tan-yard (the Blake yard). She d. April 25, 1806. He m. Mehitable Bradley, the widow of Benj. Melvin, Oct. 26, 1807. He d. Dec. 2, 1813. She d. Feb. 14, 1824. He was a deacon. Chil.:—1. *Mary*, b. Aug. 12, 1765; m. Ozias Silsby. 2. *Lydia*, b. Jan. 24, 1767; m. Benj. Hills, 3d, 1736. 3. *Olive*, b. Nov. 24, 1768; m. Joseph Robinson. 4. *Abigail*, b. July 9, 1770; m. Rev. John Kelly. 5. *Elizabeth*, b. Feb. 1, 1772; m. Nathaniel Abbot of Concord, 1792. 6. *Sarah*, b. Sept. 13, 1773; m. Moses Carlton; d. March 18, 1869, at West Concord. 7. *Susanna*, b. June 23, 1775; m. Capt. Benj. Fitts. 8. *Hannah*, b. Feb. 14, 1777; m. Benj. Pain and Sargent. 9. *John*, b. Sept. 9, 1778; d. Dec. 3, 1809. 10. *Rebecca*, b. April 26, 1780; m. Nathan Knowles, 3d. 11. *Nathaniel*, b. June 15, 1781, m. Newman; was an attorney; d. at Northwood.

3. *Thomas*, b. March 11, 1745; m. Mary Morrison, 1768; settled in Candia, near the meeting-house, on No. 67, 3d D., was killed by a cannon ball, at R. I., 1778. The widow m. Joseph Palmer, and had another family; d. Dec., 1820. Chil.:—1. *David*, settled at Cazenoville, N. Y.; was a lawyer. 2. *John*, settled in Sanbornton. 3. *Samuel*, settled in Candia; his sons Thos. and Benj. live in Candia, and Leonard in Lowell. 4. *Thomas*, settled in Raymond.

4. *Dolly*, b. Jan. 12, 1748; m. Nathl. Emerson, and went to Stoddard, N. H.

5. *Samuel*, b. Nov. 7, 1751; m. Sarah, dau. of Winthrop Sargent; settled in Candia, on No. 34, 3d D.; d. 1818.

6. *Elizabeth*, d. young.

VI. MICHAEL, b. April 24, 1719; m. Dorothy Colby, April 11, 1751. They had Nabbe, b. Jan. 9, 1751. Michael's will, dated Oct. 20, 1753, proved, Jan. 30, 1754; d. Jan. 5, 1754.

VII. Deacon Ebenezer's seventh child ABIGAIL, b. Jan. 27, 1721; m. James Varnum, Oct. 26, 1742, and lived in Chester, where Bachelder's inn now is, and after Mr. Varnum's death in 1756, m. John Robie.

VIII. MARY, b. June 11, 1743. In Dea. Ebenezer's will, dated March, 1767, g. d. Nabbe, Mehitable Fitts, Anna Morrill and Abigail Robie are legatees.

DEXTER.

LORD TIMOTHY DEXTER was of Newburyport. He was a leather-dresser; was remarkable for his eccentricity, ignorance, and luck in pecuniary affairs. He once wished to send a venture to the West Indies, and inquired of some one what it was best to send. He was answered, "Warming-pans." Not knowing but warming-pans were needed there to warm beds, he invested largely, and it proved a rich speculation, the warming-pans selling for ladles, and the covers for strainers.

He had quite a number of statues of the prominent men of the time, full sized, carved in wood and mounted on pedestals, in front of his residence at Newburyport. He had a tomb built and a coffin made, and was put into it, and mock funeral services performed. He wrote a book entitled, "A Pickle for the Knowing Ones," with all the marks of punctuation together at the close, that each reader might season for himself.

He was brother to the father of the wife of Rev. Nathan Bradstreet. He bought the Toppan Webster place, and moved into Chester Feb., 1796, and lived there a year or two. He offered to pave the street from there to the meeting-house if they would name it "Dexter street," but they were indifferent about the name or having it paved, and it was not done. He moved back to Newburyport, but owned the place several years.

DINSMORE.

The early tradition of the Dinsmore family is derived from a discourse by Rev. John Dinsmore, at a golden wedding of Arthur, Jr., at Anson, Me., Sept. 10, 1865:—

"The original progenitor of all the Dinsmores that live in this country and the old, so far as we are able to trace the genealogy, lived in a place in Scotland called Achenwead, about the time the Pilgrim Fathers landed on Plymouth Rock. He was a wealthy farmer, being called the Laird of Achenwead, having tenants under him. He had two sons, the younger, called John, left his home at seventeen years of age, and went to Ireland, and settled near Bellywaitche, in the county of Antrim." He had four sons. John, the oldest, emigrated to America,—the first one of the name who ever came,—date unknown. He landed at Gorges, in Maine, was captured by the Indians, and carried to Canada; went back to Gorges, thence to Buxton, thence to Londonderry. The proprietors gave him a farm. He was a mason, and built him a stone house; sent for his family, who arrived in 1730. He lived to the age of ninety-nine.

DAVID DINSMORE, a grandson of John, was a tailor in Ireland, and, I think, worked with another tailor by the name of Kennedy. Kennedy died, leaving two children. DAVID married the widow, and about 1745 they set sail from Londonderry in Ireland. They had a long, tedious voyage, it being three months before they landed in Boston, and were put on short allowance. They brought flax and a linen wheel with them, and she immediately commenced making linen thread for sale. They soon removed to Londonderry, and he worked at his trade. In May 8, 1747, James Adams deeded to "David Dinsmore of Londonderry, tailor," No. 22, 4th D., in Chester, which was in Derryfield. In 1758 he purchased the west half of lot No. 84, 2d P., 2d D., on which he settled. She d. 1807, a. 97.

DAVID DINSMORE was b. in 1714; Elizabeth, 1610. Children:—

1. *Samuel*, b. 1741, m. Mary, dau. of John Waddel; lived on No. 66, 2d P., 2d D. They had Elizabeth, who m. James Wason, who lived there, and (2) m. Bebee. She bequeathed her property to the Presbyterian parish. *Samuel* d. in the army about 1776. Mary d. Sept 14, 1784, a. 38.

2. *James*, b. 1743, lived in the English range, Londonderry.

3. *David*, b. 1746, settled at Minot, Maine.

4. *Thomas*, b. 1748, settled at Anson, Maine.

5. *Arthur*, b. March 24, 1752, m. Margaret, dau. of James Fulton; lived on the south end of the homestead. Children:—

David, Elizabeth, James, Samuel, William W., Thomas, Margaret, Jane W., and Arthur, b. 1794. About 1794, he removed to Anson, Maine; d. 1829.

6. *Robert*, b. March 24, 1752, m. Abigail Sanborn, and lived on the homestead. He d. Jan. 10, 1824. She d. Nov. 27, 1800. Children:—