

GENEALOGY
of
FIRST FOUR GENERATIONS
and
NAMES OF FIFTH GENERATION
of
MALE DESCENDANTS
of
JOHN NUTTING
Of Groton, Mass., 1620 - 1650 - 1676

*Compiled and published as a supplement to the Nutting Genealogy
of the Descendants of John Nutting of Groton, Mass.,
as published by Rev. John Keep Nutting
in his 278-page book in 1908.*

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PREFACE

SOMETIME in the year 1923 I became imbued with the idea of compiling a genealogy of my branch of the Nutting Family from John Nutting of South Amherst, Mass. (Revolutionary War Soldier), down to the present time.

Up to that time I had never known of any work being done on the earlier generations of Nuttings in this country other than a 278 page book by Rev. John Keep Nutting published in 1908. However, in my correspondence for data, I ran across one Homer W. Brainard of Hartford, Conn., who married into the family. I found him to be an educational professor and genealogist of considerable experience; also that he had compiled complete data on the very earliest generations of the Nutting family in this country, but which had heretofore never been published.

As a result of our further correspondence, some of which is herein printed, together with some independent work on my part, this booklet has been produced as a joint undertaking between Mr. Brainard and myself, and we hope it will serve the purpose, perhaps, of sort of an appendix or supplement to the work of the Rev. J. K. Nutting referred to above.

To Mr. Brainard is due the hearty appreciation and gratitude of all of us who bear the name of Nutting or others through whose veins course any Nutting blood, for his painstaking and exhaustive efforts in gathering together the vital statistics and genealogical information herein contained.

The fact that he is no blood relation and has been actuated simply by interest in the family through marriage, makes the results of his findings and conclusions as free from bias as could be humanly expected, and worthy of a large measure of credence and acceptability as the truth insofar as it is possible to glean the facts from known records now in existence and free of access.

Any contradictions or differences in findings between Mr. Brainard, Rev. John K. Nutting, myself or others are left to the judgment and choice of the reader.

WALTER M. NUTTING, Faribault, Minn.

A Genealogy of the Descendants of JOHN NUTTING of South Amherst, Mass., is being compiled by Walter M. Nutting of Faribault, Minn., and it is expected will be printed in 1928.

COPIES OF LETTERS RELATING TO MANUSCRIPT

Homer W. Brainard
150 Warrenton Avenue,
Hartford, Connecticut

Mr. Walter M. Nutting, Faribault, Minnesota. July 4, 1925.

Dear Sir—;

I have seen the blanks for information regarding the descendants of John and George Nutting which you sent to Mrs. George L. Henry of Amherst, Mass., as she sent them to me for aid in filling out, and I have added what information I had at hand. As you may know my wife is a descendant of George Nutting, her grandmother having been Juliana Nutting, daughter of Captain George Nutting of South Amherst, Mass., born Sept. 25, 1818; married Moseley J. Kendall.

A college classmate of mine, Wallace Nutting of Framingham, Mass., has been my close friend for years.

In view of these facts, I have been much interested in the Nutting Family Genealogy, and have spent much time and effort in tracing it out. Have had careful study of records made in the towns and counties of eastern Massachusetts where they originated. I have a Manuscript Genealogy of about 125 handwritten pages including the first five generations and some later. There may be a Nutting Genealogy more carefully written than this of mine, with everything verified from original records, but if so, I do not know it. This shall be at your disposal, if you desire it. At present it is out of my hands, being copied by my cousin, but I expect it back by fall.

I have the book by Rev. John K. Nutting. The Rev. J. K. N. was doubtless a good Christian and an able minister but as a genealogist he certainly did not attain the ideal. The book is about as exasperating in its arrangement and incompleteness as a book could possibly be. Farther, my investigations have shown some very serious errors in it. There is another Mr. Nutting interested in genealogy and, I think, compiling a book. His name and address escape me for the moment, but I will try to get it for you.*

Meanwhile permit me to commend your purpose and to express the hope that you will be able to bring it to realization. Many years experience in genealogical work (I have published two large volumes and numerous smaller ones) have shown me that it is no small job to complete even a partial genealogy, and that it is writing real history and should be considered as such.

With best wishes,

Very truly yours, HOMER W. BRAINARD.

**Down to date of publishing this booklet (1928) no other Nutting Genealogists of the earlier generations have been found. Charles H. Nutting of Boston is interested in Nutting Genealogy, especially the John Nutting of South Amherst line.*

Homer W. Brainard
150 Warrenton Avenue,
Hartford, Connecticut

November 3, 1925.

Mr. Walter M. Nutting,
Faribault, Minnesota.

Dear Sir—;

I have seen your letter addressed to Mrs. Hibbard in which you wrote some messages for me. I am quite willing to loan you my MS. Notes on the Nutting family, about 125 pages. For some months past they have been with my cousin to be typewritten. She has been too much occupied to do the typing and so I have asked her to send the papers back. This she has done, and I now have the papers.

Although it would make necessary an enlargement of your plan, I earnestly hope that you may see the way to print with yours the substance of the records I have gathered. A supplement to the Rev. J. K. Nutting's Book is much needed, as his book is incomplete and in many cases erroneous, since he did not use original and authentic records as I have done. I have positive evidence for every line I have carried down and I know it to be correct as far as it goes.

I wish to rewrite and condense my papers in some places and as soon as I can do this, I will send the papers to you by registered mail.

Wishing you success in your undertaking, I am,

Very truly yours,
HOMER W. BRAINARD.

Hartford, Conn., Jan. 17, 1926.

Mr. Walter M. Nutting,
Faribault, Minnesota.

Dear Sir—;

In about a week or so I shall send you an account of the first four generations of the Nutting Family in New England. I have decided to do this instead of sending you my original notes, which I am afraid you might find difficult to use. It has been prepared with special regard to finding the parentage of John Nutting of Amherst, Mass., and arrives at a definite conclusion. It has been put in form for printing and those who have read it say it is interesting.

I should be much gratified if you should see the way to print it as an appendix to your account of the descendants of John Nutting of Amherst of whom my wife is one through her mother Julia S. Kendall (Hibbard). It makes 23 pages of typewritten 8½x11 inches, written close lined, without much spacing between lines or items.

I am,

Very truly yours,
HOMER W. BRAINARD.

Walter M. Nutting
Faribault, Minnesota

Homer W. Brainard,
Hartford, Connecticut.

February 3, 1926

Dear Sir—;

I received the 2 packages of Genealogy Papers consisting of 23 pages of typewritten matter, for which I thank you most heartily.

Thus far I have not had time to study the subject matter very much, but what I can see of it in a casual going over appears to be very complete and authentic. I certainly wish to compliment you on the Document which should be preserved some way in permanent form to be a matter of personal interest and pride of all our kinspeople living and to be born. I marvel at the immense amount of time and patience it must have taken you to gather all this information which I assure you I could never devote to an undertaking like that myself.

With regard to publishing all you have on the first 4 generations of Nuttings in this country, we will give this a little more thought and I shall be glad to cooperate in any way I can consistently toward having the records preserved for everybody concerned.

Yours very truly, WALTER M. NUTTING.

Walter M. Nutting
Faribault, Minnesota

Homer W. Brainard,
Hartford, Connecticut.

February 6, 1927.

Dear Sir—;

Perhaps you have been wondering what I was doing with the Nutting Genealogy. To tell the truth I haven't been doing much of anything with it until this winter; I have been spending some of the long winter evenings and spare time Sundays and holidays in correspondence and trying to get photos and subject matter into shape for the printer.

I have quite decided that I would like to cooperate with you in the idea of printing your records as sort of an Appendix to the Rev. John K. Nutting's book back in 1908. I have gone so far as to have some cuts made of scenes and land marks observed by myself when I was in Massachusetts in 1923, bearing on the life of the original John Nutting of Groton. I also copied detailed descriptions of "The Burning of Groton," and the death of our forefather—taken from "History of Groton" by Caleb Butler, 1848, and "Historical Sketches of Groton" by Samuel A. Green and in the library of the town. I had a personal interview with Mr. A. H. Torry, former Town Clerk and whose wife was a Nutting.

I have started the printer with setting type for the 23 pages of typewritten records you have so kindly furnished me and I have been thinking of the idea of binding up separately a certain number of copies of your records together with whatever I may choose to add of my own knowledge as sort of a "Sponsor" to your efforts.

Yours very truly, WALTER M. NUTTING.

HISTORY OF THE TOWN OF GROTON

By Caleb Butler

Boston: Press of T. R. Marvin

1848

Pages 77-80 "The surprisal of Groton was after this manner."

March 2, 1676

“ON the 2nd the Indians came in the night and rifled eight or nine houses carrying away cattle and alarming the town.”

March 9

“Indians ambushed two carts from garrisons to fetch hay attended by four men.

“Two escaped.

“Two were set upon by Indians. One was slain, stripped naked, his body mangled and dragged into the highway and laid on his back in a most shameful manner. The other taken captive, and who afterward escaped.”

March 13

“Was the day the enemy came in full body 400.

“These two Indians were espied and the alarm given where-upon the most of the men in the next garrison¹ and some also in the second, (which was about eight or nine poles distant) drew out and went to surprise those two Indians, till our men reached the brow of the hill, then arose the ambush and discharged a volley upon them, which caused a disorderly retreat or rather rout in which *one was slain*² and three others wounded.

“Meantime another ambuscade had arisen and came upon the back side of the garrison,³ now deserted of men, and pulled down the palisades. The soldiery in this rout retreated not to their own but passed by to the next garrison, the women and children meanwhile exposed to hazard, but by the goodness of God made a safe escape to the other fortified house⁴ without any harm, leaving their substance to the enemy, etc.”

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NUTTING

This from the first settlement to the present time has been a common name in Groton.

“John Nutting was an original proprietor and owned a seventeen acre right. His house lot was on the northerly side of James brook between the highway passing easterly of the Union meeting house on the east and Broadmeadow on the west. His house, which was one of the most ancient garrisons, probably stood near the brook, on the site perhaps of Liberty Hall or the Rev. D. Phelps' house and it is the same that the Indian commander, on the night after the town was burnt March 13, 1676 conversed from, (being the garrison he had taken possession of) with Capt. Parker in his garrison, which is known to have stood on or near the site of Dr. A. B. Bancroft's house. The late William Nutting, Esq., was his lineal descendant.”

¹Probably John Nutting's garrison.

³Probably John Nutting's garrison.

²Probably it was John Nutting who was slain. ⁴Probably James Parker's garrison.

Copied by W. M. Nutting from the records in Public Library at Groton, Mass., July, 1923.

Vicinity of
Old John Nutting Garrison

GROTON, MASS., 1676

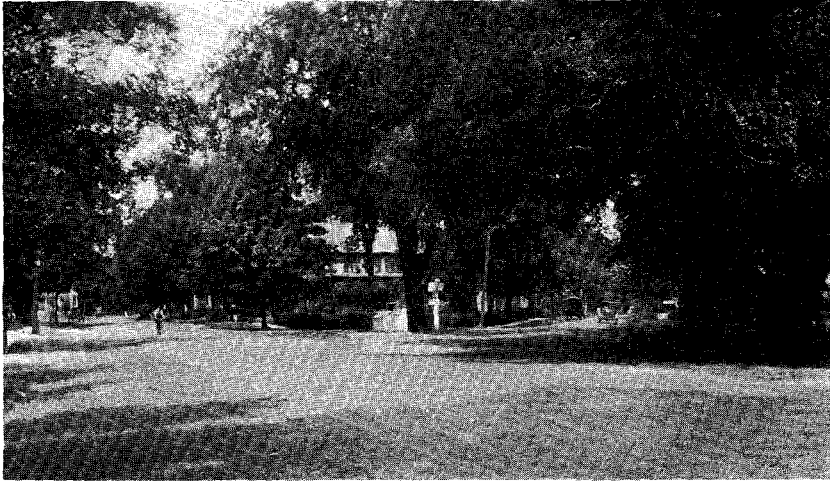


Photo by W. M. Nutting, 1923

This is a picture taken in the town of Groton, Mass., at the junction of Main and Hollis streets, looking northward. Historic records locate the John Nutting Garrison and the center of the main attack by the Indians resulting in the death of John Nutting and the burning of Groton, March 13, 1676 at or near the center part of the picture.

We are indebted to the Caleb Butler "History of the Town of Groton," for the most detailed description as to the location of the John Nutting Garrison and other historic points. Referring to the text bottom of page 8 opposite, and the photograph above:—

"JAMES BROOK" in the foreground, runs east to west (right to left) under the street and empties into the Nashua River a short distance away. It was named after James Parker.

"THE UNION MEETING HOUSE" (not visible) is north of the brook and street intersection about a block.

"THE HIGHWAY PASSING EASTERLY," doubtless refers to Hollis street shown at the right.

"BROAD MEADOW ON THE WEST" is off the picture at the left.

"THE SITE OF THE OLD LIBERTY HALL" (now gone) is on the west side of Main street at the extreme left.

"REV. D. PHELP'S HOUSE" plainly shows in the center within the fork of Main and Hollis streets.

"DR. A. B. BANCROFT'S HOUSE" as the probable site of the JAMES PARKER GARRISON is just off the picture at the extreme right and bottom on the south side of James Brook and east side of Main street.

Note 1—"The TOWN HALL" spoken of in Samuel A. Green's account page 9 is on the west side of Main street, off the picture at the extreme left and bottom, thus shifting the location of the James Parker Garrison from the east to the west side of the street.

In both accounts, however, the John Nutting Garrison was on the north side of James Brook and the James Parker Garrison on the south side, both within speaking distance of each other.

Note 2—Hollis street leads off in an easterly direction past the Old Groton Cemetery and the site of the Old Meeting House burned by the Indians.

Old Groton Cemetery

GROTON, MASS.



Photo by W. M. Nutting, 1927

Here lie buried the remains of many of the earlier generations of Nuttings in America, consisting for the most part of descendants of John (2) eldest son of John (1) the founder. The second son James (2) might have been buried here as well as some of his descendants of which there were comparatively few.

Some of the oldest graves which are marked are dated approximately 100 years after the death of John Nutting, Sr., and the destruction of the settlement at Groton. Among the oldest headstones is that of Lieutenant William Nutting (4) who died June 2, 1776, age 64. He was the great grandfather of Rev. John Keep Nutting, who wrote the Nutting Genealogy back in 1908.

Rev. John says:—"The Lieut. William's grave is probably near the unidentified graves of the earlier generations. In a new country it always happens that many early graves are marked only by perishable memorials which soon decay." He further says—; "As you enter the cemetery from the east the graves of our ancestors are at the right, part way up the pathway."

The path which passes centrally through the plot of ground, which is about the size of an ordinary city block, plainly shows in the picture.

On the capstone of the wall on the north side of the cemetery is engraved in large letters the name "NUTTING" to mark the family lot of one of the kins-folks.

A noticeable thing about the old graveyard, as it used to be called, is the profuse growth of giant evergreen trees and their dense shade, so that tall weeds and undergrowth are in abundance among the numerous graves. Evidently no new burials have been made there for some years.

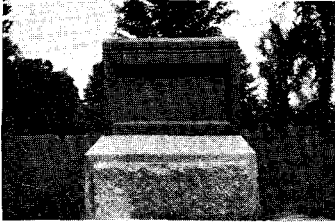


Photo by W. M. Nutting, 1923

Monument to *Old Meeting House*

GROTON, MASS.
1676

This Monument erected by the town is located out Hollis street past the Cemetery on a triangular space set aside as "Common Ground" and reads:—

"NEAR THIS SPOT
STOOD THE FIRST MEETING HOUSE OF GROTON
BUILT IN 1666
AND BURNED BY THE INDIANS
13 MARCH 1676"

It is said that John Nutting's land adjoined the Meeting House plot, and that he and his family were devoted attendants at its religious services. See page 12.

Sign Boards

GROTON, MASS.

These sign boards at the time this picture was taken stood on the east side of Main street, Groton, Mass., toward the south end of town, marking the intersection of what are called the Boston-Keene and Worcester-Portland turnpikes. Groton is 37 miles north and west of Boston up the Historic Road of "Paul Revere's Ride," Cambridge, Lexington, Concord.

Approximately 100 years before, Groton was considered on the frontier and it was down this road to Concord that the surviving settlers escaped after the looting and burning of the little settlement by the Indians.

N. CHELMSFORD, LOWELL, SALEM are easterly of Groton toward the Atlantic coast.

PORTLAND, Me. is 110 miles north-easterly—on the coast.

The sign boards in the center of the town at the intersection of Main and Hollis streets shown in the first picture, read: ASHLY—TOWNSEND—KEENE, N. H., and are out Main street to the north and west across the Nashua River.

HOLLIS — NASHUA — DUNSTABLE are out Hollis street to the east and north past the Old Cemetery and the Meeting House burned by "Ye Savages."



Photo by W. M. Nutting, 1923

Old Groton Inn

GROTON, MASS., 1770

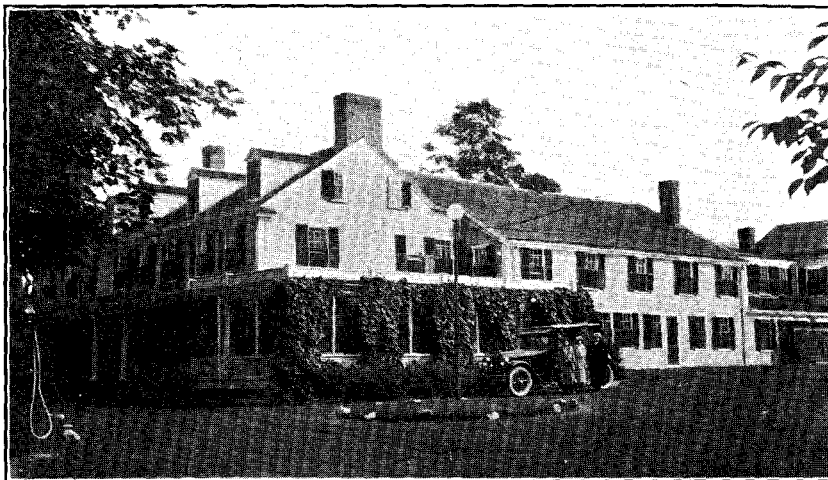


Photo by W. M. Nutting, 1923

The Groton Inn is located in the town of Groton, Mass., on the east side of Main street, at the crossing of what is called the Boston-Keene and Worcester-Portland turnpikes. It is one of the early historic taverns of New England which has survived in usefulness and popularity down to the present day.

It was originally a dwelling house and occupied before the Revolutionary War by Rev. Samuel Dana. The opening date is given as 1770. It was kept during the latter part of the War by Capt. Jonathan Keep who was the father of Lucinda Keep. She married Joseph Danforth Nutting (6) and they were the mother and father of Rev. John Keep Nutting (7) the Genealogist of 1908.

During over 150 years of continuous public service of the hostelry it has been under the management of some dozen different proprietors and today is owned and operated by L. A. Dodge.

In times past its humble appointments furnished shelter and sustenance for the weary traveler by stage, foot or horseback along the dusty public roads. Today it caters to the transient autoist over the modern, hard surfaced highways or the any and all season boarder, having all modern conveniences and service within as well as garage accomodations without. Besides it has a 9-hole golf course with a comfortable club house situated within ten minutes walk of the Inn.

The two young ladies standing by the automobile in the picture are Nutting girls of the 9th generation from the original John Nutting. They are Ada and Ruth, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Walter M. Nutting. The family were one day visitors at the Groton Inn in the summer of 1923 and again in 1927.

GROTON DURING THE INDIAN WARS

By
Samuel A. Green, M.D., Groton, Mass.
1883

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IN Groton there were five such garrison houses, and under their protection many a sleepless, anxious night was passed by the inmates.

"Four of these houses were very near each other and the fifth was nearly a mile away. The sites of some of them are well known.

"Mr. Willard's house near the high school.

"Capt. Parker's house just north of the Town Hall.

"John Nutting's house on the other side of James Brook.

"The fourth was probably north of John Nuttings, but perhaps south of Mr. Willard's.

"Timothy Cooper of Groton, slain by the Indians second day of March 1675-6, lived somewhere between the Baptist meeting house and the beginning of Farmers Row. Inhabitants sought refuge in the Garrison houses.

"March 9. Indians attacked second time. Ambushed four men, of whom one was killed and one captured, and two escaped.

"Final and main attack March 13. Not less than 400.

"In this assault John Nutting's garrison was taken by stratagem. The men defending it had been drawn out by two Indians, apparently alone, when the savages in ambush arose and killed one of the men (probably John Nutting himself), and wounded the others. At the same time the garrison house, now defenseless, was attacked in the rear and the palisades pulled down, allowing the enemy to take possession. The women and children comprising those of five families, escaped to Captain Parker's house situated between James Brook and the site of the Town House.

"There is a family tradition worthy of credence that John Nutting was killed while defending his log house fort during Philip's War. His wife's name appears a few months later in the Woburn town records as 'Widow Nutting,' which is confirmatory of the tradition.

"Fortunately the loss of life or limb on the part of the inhabitants of the town was small and it is not known that more than three persons were killed, of whom one was Timothy Cooper and another, without doubt, John Nutting, and three wounded, two were made prisoners of whom one escaped from the savages and reached Lancaster and the other, John Morse, was ransomed."

Copied by W. M. Nutting from the records in Public Library at Groton, Mass., July, 1923.

Note by Genealogist

. Rev. J. K. Nutting does not seem to have been aware of the condition of the descendants of the two younger sons of John Nutting the founder of the family. The descendants of John Nutting, the oldest son of the founder, were either of Groton or from there. All were farmers to a man, with possibly one exception. The descendants of the two younger sons of the founder were very poorly known to J. K. Nutting. He simply had little or no information concerning them. They were mostly town dwellers, artisans or seamen. J. K. Nutting, being descended from John Nutting, eldest son of the founder, and relying upon the MS. genealogy, said to have proceeded from John Nutting the centenarian, knew most of the descendants of the eldest or northern branch and little of the others. I regard it as one of the merits of my investigation that I have brought to light the descendants of the two younger sons, Ebenezer and Jonathan, and that the list is complete to the end of the fourth generation. I would add that I have record authority for every statement that I have made in this account, and have used conjecture only in those cases in which I have so stated, or where I have used interrogation mark (?) in connection.

Signed

HOMER W. BRAINARD,

150 Warrenton Ave., Hartford, Conn.

SECTION I

JOHN NUTTING, The Founder

Here begins the Genealogical Research by Homer W. Brainard

JOHAN NUTTING, born about 1620-25 in England; died at Groton, Mass., March 18, 1676; married at Woburn, Mass., Aug. 28, 1650 Sarah Eggleston, daughter of Stephen and Jane Eggleston. The dates of her birth and death are not known.

There is said to be among the Winthrop papers a copyhold deed to "John Nutton (Nutting) a lifelong tenant of one moiety of the lands of Groton Manor," given at the time when John Winthrop,—later the governor of Massachusetts,—succeeded his father, Adam Winthrop, Esq. as lord of the manor of Groton, in Suffolk, England. The date of the deed is 1618. The grantee is called John Nutton, Senior. This implies a John Nutting, Jr., living in 1618, and of age. If not, the distinction Senior would not have been used. If living in 1618, the John Nutting of New England would have been a very young child. Hence his connection with the Nuttings of old Groton cannot be proved. It is said that the name of Nutting does not appear in the Parish Register of Groton.

In a letter dated June 20, 1623, John Winthrop, the later governor, writing to his son John who was a student at Trinity College, Dublin, says: "Commend me to my little cousins, and to my god-daughter Susannah Nutton." It does not appear whether Susannah was a wife or a daughter of a Nutting.

The earliest date that can be certainly assigned to John Nutting of New England is therefore the date of his marriage in 1650. He appears to have lived a few years at Woburn, but before June 29, 1656, he had removed to Chelmsford, settling perhaps in the western portion, now Westford, where some of his descendants have lived. On July 13, 1656, John Nutting and his wife were received into full communion with the Chelmsford Church, Rev. John Fiske, pastor. Three weeks later three of their children were baptized and in 1659 another child.

On Nov. 9, 1661, James Parker, John Nutting and James Fiske asked the Chelmsford church for leave to remove and for their prayers for a blessing on their undertaking. Thereupon the brethren objected, demanding their reasons for removal. Brother Parker answered that each of them had per-

sonal reasons, but in the main all agreed that it was because of several things pressing upon their spirits in reference to church administration, and added that if he could enjoy all ordinances and their administration according to rule, he for his part would not remove. Brother Nutting also offered his remote location as a reason for removal; having several small children, he and his wife were deprived of the ordinances of religion and he wished to dwell near the meetinghouse. The church could not agree upon any action. There had evidently been disagreement or controversy of which we are not informed. It was finally voted that, "if the brethern concerned shall in the meantime settle themselves in the proposed way, we shall leave the matter with God."

It is probable that these three men had already made preparations for their homes at Groton. They would not, having wives and small children, remove as winter was coming on, unless they had provided shelter for them. Then too, they must be on the ground in season for the next year's crop. The exact date of their removal is not known, but by Sept. 21, 1663, John Nutting was established in a home near the meeting-house in Groton, for on that date the town voted that "the said John shall keep clean or cause it to be kept clean, and for his labors he is to have fourteen shilling." In June, 1663, John Nutting had expressed his disapproval of the town's vote to call Mr. Willard to be their minister. During this summer he and James Fiske were laboring to lay out the highway to Chelmsford, for which they were to have twenty shillings. In November, 1663, he was with four others chosen selectman, and was re-elected in 1667 and 1669. In 1668 he was chosen constable, which made him rate-maker and tax collector.

Dec. 15, 1669, he was one of a committee to see that Mr. Willard, the town minister, had his maintenance well and truly paid to him.

On Nov. 13, 1672, he received a bounty of ten shillings for a wolf's head. On March 7, 1672-3 the town sequestered for use as a common about the meeting-house some land that was bounded by John Nutting. This shows that he was still living on the lot "nigh unto the meeting-house," as he had desired when about to remove from Chelmsford in 1661. On Dec. 11, 1675, he was elected with others a surveyor (inspector) of highways, and on Dec. 10, 1673, a fence viewer. These facts give us some insight into John Nutting's life and character as a man and pioneer. His standing in the town was, if not the highest, at least worthy and respectable.

The town of Groton at that time comprised some 41,000 acres of land. James Parker, the wealthiest, had a fifty-acre right; John Nutting a seventeen-acre right. This does not mean that James Parker owned but fifty acres

and John Nutting but seventeen. As there were about four hundred acre-rights in all, each acre-right was entitled to about fifty-four acres, *pro rata*, in the subsequent "divisions" or stock dividends in land. This would entitle John Nutting to about four hundred acres of land, or possibly more, as regard was had to the quality of the land as well as to actual acreage. Tradition affirms that he had a tract extending from Naumux spring to the Nashua River, large tracts to the west of the river in what is now Pepperell, and land in the north end of Baddycook.

It is said that his house was a fortified garrison, to which the people might go in times of danger from the Indians. Groton was on the frontier at that time, and such danger was real. The house was perhaps built like a block-house, with projecting upper story, loop-holes in the walls for musketry, and a stockade about it. John Nutting would be obliged to defend the house in case of attack. It was this obligation that led to his death. The Indian war known as King Philip's war, began in the early spring of 1676, after long preliminary warnings. Trouble began at Groton, March 2, 1676. On March 13 a force of four hundred Indians attacked Groton by stealth, as was their habit. Nutting's house and others were captured and John Nutting was shot to death in its defense. It is said that his head was severed and put upon a pole. The women and children escaped safely to Parker's house, not far away. Nutting's wife and children escaped with the others later to the safer settlements. The eldest son was married at this time and cared for his own. He and his brother James returned to Groton at the resettlement. The younger children never returned to Groton. Mrs. Nutting probably went to Woburn, where her mother was living. Her mother, Mrs. Jane Cole, widow of ~~Stephen~~ Eggleston, of James Briton and of Isaac Cole, died at Woburn, March 10, 1687. Her sister Ruth, wife of Samuel Blodgett, may have lived at the same place.

John Nutting left no will. At a court held at Cambridge, April 1, 1684, administration was granted to John and James Nutting on the estate of John Nutting, late of Groton, deceased. On Dec. 4, 1716, James Nutting of Groton, yeoman, Ebenezer Nutting of Medford, "practioner of physic," Jonathan Nutting of Cambridge, locksmith, John Stone of Groton and Sarah Stone, alias Nutting, his wife, and Jacob Taylor of Concord, husbandman, and Deborah Taylor, alias Nutting, his wife, children of John Nutting of Groton aforesaid, deceased and intestate, for £60 paid by our brother John Nutting of Groton, husbandman, conveyed to him all their interests in the estate of John Nutting lying in Groton. (Middlesex County Deeds, Vol. 18, p.290.)

This deed is evidence for his legal heirs that were living Dec. 4, 1716.

CHILDREN OF JOHN NUTTING (THE FOUNDER), SECOND GENERATION

- A-2 i John, b. Aug. 25, 1651.
- B-2 ii James, b. June 30, 1653.
- iii Mary, b. Jan. 10 (or 16), 1655. Probably married about 1678 Samuel Howe of Concord, Mass. and Plainfield, Conn., born at Concord Oct. 14, 1654; died at Plainfield, Conn. Dec. 29, 1724. Mrs. Mary (Nutting) Howe died at Plainfield, Conn. Sept. 1, 1727. Her children were Samuel, Sarah, Hannah, Deborah, John, Josiah, Abigail and Elizabeth.
- iv Josiah, b. June 10, 1658; died Dec. 10, 1658.
- v Sarah, b. Jan. 7, 1659; died young.
- vi Sarah, b. March 29, 1663, at Groton; married first Matthias Farnsworth who died 1693 at Groton; second Dec. 16, 1698, John Stone, son of Simon and Mary (Whipple) Stone of Watertown, Mass. She had at least six children.
- C-2 vii Ebenezer, b. Oct. 23, 1666.
- D-2 viii Jonathan, b. Oct. 17, 1668.
- ix Deborah (not recorded); married Jacob Taylor of Concord, Mass. before Feb. 1728-9.

SECTION II—2nd Generation

A-2 JOHN BRANCH

A-2 JOHN NUTTING (John), born Aug. 25, 1651, at Woburn (?), Mass.; died at Groton shortly after Dec. 2, 1731; married Dec. 11, 1674, Mary Lakin, daughter of William Lakin of Groton.

John Nutting Jr. was a husbandman or farmer. He occupied his father's lands in Groton, not later than 1693, and probably before. These lands were confirmed to him and his brother James by action of the Probate Court for Middlesex County. That his wife was Mary Lakin is proved by the settlement of William Lakin's estate, wherein John Nutting in 1707 is given as one of the children and heirs. Her surname is omitted from her marriage record. There is no record of the births of the children of John Jr. and Mary (Lakin) Nutting and their names are gathered from Middlesex Deeds and other records or considerations.

CHILDREN, THIRD GENERATION

- A3-1 i John, b. about 1678.
- ii Abigail, b. about 1680; married Aug. 16, 1699, Thomas Chamberlain of Concord.
- iii Lydia, b. about 1682; married Feb. 26, 1713-14, Gershom Hobart of Groton.
- A3-2 iv Richard, b. about 1684; married Miriam Gray and lived at Andover, Mass. Some think he was not the son of John. There is no evidence either way.
- A3-3 v Ebenezer, b. Nov. 20, 1686.
- A3-4 vi Jonathan, b. July 7, 1689.
- A3-5 vii Daniel, b. about 1691.
- viii Deliverance, b. about 1693; married May 15, 1716, Jonathan Whitcomb of Groton.
- A3-6 ix Eleazer, b. about 1698.

B-2 JAMES BRANCH, 2nd Generation

B-2 JAMES NUTTING (John), born June 30, 1653, probably at Woburn, perhaps at Chelmsford; died at Groton in 1732; married May 15, 1672, Lydia Longley, daughter of William and Joanna (Goffe) Longley.

James Nutting was a husbandman or farmer and returned to Groton at the resettlement, probably having one half of his father's land. Record evidence in land and probate records proves that his wife was daughter of William

Longley and that his daughters married as here given. There is not the slightest evidence that he had a son James born in 1701 as J. K. Nutting says. He has mistaken another James for a son of this James. James Nutting left no will, and there is no probate action upon his estate. He gave away his real estate by deeds of gift before his death.

CHILDREN, THIRD GENERATION

- i Sarah, b. March 11, 1681; married Henry Willard.
- ii Lydia, b. June 3, 1686; married first Nathaniel Parker; secondly Jan. 14, 1717-8 Josiah Sawtelle of Groton.
- B3-1 iii William, b. about 1689; died April 12, or June 12, 1712, unmar.
- iv Joanna, b. Feb. 21, 1690-91; married July 13, 1712 John Blood.
- v Ruth, b. April 7 or 17, 1693; married Oct. 29, 1712 John Bush at Marlborough, Mass.
- vi Elizabeth, b. November 5, 1698; married March 9, 1725-6 John Burt.

C-2 EBENEZER BRANCH

C-2 EBENEZER NUTTING (John) born Oct. 23, 1666 at Groton; died at Medford, Mass. before Feb. 6, 1722-3; married Lydia——, who probably survived him.

Ebenezer Nutting settled first in the part of Cambridge now known as Lexington, then called Cambridge Farms. He and his wife owned the covenant there in 1699 and had four children baptized before 1703. On May 26, 1703 he exchanged land with George Blanchard, conveying to him 43 acres of land in Cambridge and receiving a tract of land in Medford, 4 and 3-4 acres, with a dwellinghouse thereon, and 11 and 1-2 acres lying within the limits of Charlestown. (Middlesex Deeds, vol. 15, p.101.) In this deed Ebenezer is called blacksmith, as in several other deeds, but in deed of Dec. 5, 1716 he is called "practioner of physic." Probably he had both occupations, but there is no evidence that he was a deputy to the General Court of the Colony. His estate was inventoried Feb. 6, 1722-3. He left no will but there are probate records regarding its settlement in the record office at East Cambridge. Deeds of 1716 and 1718, call him doctor, but previous and later deeds call him blacksmith. Probably his career as doctor was not successful.

CHILDREN, RECORDED AT MEDFORD, MASS.

- i Lydia, b. Nov. 5, 1692; married Feb. 25, 1719-20 Jonathan Polley.
- C3-1 ii Jonathan, b. Jan. 1694-5; married Isabel Blood.

- iii Sarah, b. Aug. 11, 1698; died Dec. 18, 1759 at Medford; probably unmarried.
- C3-2 iv Ebenezer, b. Aug. 9, 1700; m. Mary ———.
- C3-3 v James, b. Jan. 31, 1703-4.
- C3-4 vi Josiah, b. Feb. 28, 1705-6.
- C3-5 vii John, b. April 23, 1709; married twice.
- C3-6 viii Benjamin, b. Sept. 7, 1711; married Ruth Wood.
- ix Mary, b. March, 1714; perhaps the Mary Nutting who married Sept. 2, 1729 Stephen Murrell (Boston records).

D-2 JONATHAN BRANCH, 2nd Generation

D-2 JONATHAN NUTTING (John) born Oct. 17, 1668, at Groton; died at Cambridge shortly before June 9, 1735; married Elizabeth ———, who survived him, living in 1741.

He learned his trade of gunsmith or locksmith of person or persons unknown. In 1691 he was married and lived at Rumney Marsh, now Chelsea, as shown by Suffolk County Court Records, when in August, 1691 he complained of two Frenchmen, Fontaign and John, for entering his house on Sunday, Aug. 9, 1691, and offering abuses to himself and family. In 1695 he bought house and land in Old Cambridge, situated at the northeast corner of Bow and Holyoke Sts., near Harvard College. Later he owned most of the square bounded by Dunster, Winthrop, Holyoke and South Sts., except the southeast corner. On July 18, 1697, he and his wife owned the covenant in the First Church, Cambridge, and had their children baptized there, but there is no evidence that they were ever members in full communion. His heirs sold his homestead in Cambridge, Feb. 10, 1746. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 46, p. 630 and 632). The dwelling house was then occupied by Mercy, widow of James Nutting, son of Jonathan.

CHILDREN, THIRD GENERATION

- D3-1 John, bapt. July 18, 1697, aged 4 years; m. Ruth Gardner.
- ii Hannah, bapt. July 18, 1697; m. March 30, 1709-10, or April 17, 1710, (by Boston records) John Groce or Gross; second ——— Shepard of Boston; living 1746.
- D3-2 iii Jonathan, bapt. July 18, 1697; m. Hannah Billings.
- iv Sarah, bapt. July 18, 1697; m. Dec. 7, 1732, John Gay (recorded at Wrentham, Mass.) She died 1772.
- v Elizabeth, bapt. Oct. 9, 1698; she kept for many years a store or shop in Cambridge, where she died, 1785, unmarried.
- D3-3 vi Samuel, bapt. Aug. 1, 1701; m. Jane Hunnewell.
- D3-4 vii James, bapt. April 25, 1703; m. Mercy Barnard.
- D3-5 viii Ebenezer, bapt. March 25, 1705; probably died unmarried.
- ix Mary, b. ———; m. Paul Nowell of Old York, now in Maine.

SECTION III—3rd Generation

A-3 JOHN BRANCH

A3-1 JOHN NUTTING (John, John), born about 1678; died in Groton in 1778 to 1780; said to have been a centenarian; married Jan. 3, 1706-7, Mrs. Mary (Wood) Parker, born Aug. 2, 1670, daughter of Samuel Wood and widow of Eleazer Parker. The date of her death is not found.

This John Nutting was a husbandman or farmer; lived in Groton. He retained his faculties until the last year of his life, when with the assistance of his grand-nephew, William Nutting of Groton, he wrote the manuscript genealogy of the Nutting family as he knew it, often referred to and used by Rev. J. K. Nutting, not always with accuracy. He left no will; names of his sons are from deeds of gift. He may have had a wife before Mary.

CHILDREN, FOURTH GENERATION

- A4-1 i John, b. 1702 (?); m. Mary Spaulding.
- A4-2 ii Ephraim, b. 1704 (?); m. Lydia Spaulding.
- A4-3 iii Nathaniel, b. about Nov. 1706; m. Elizabeth Paige.
- A4-4 iv Josiah, b. about 1712; m. Mary Blood.
- A4-5 v Isaac, b. about 1714; m. Lydia Nutting.

Perhaps others. The earliest church records now extant for Groton begin in 1706.

A3-2 RICHARD NUTTING (John, John), born 1680 or later; died before Dec. 27, 1737; married June 17, 1718, Mrs. Miriam (Lovejoy) Gray, born in Andover, Mass., Aug. 11, 1686; died at Andover, April, 1770; daughter of Christopher and Sarah (Russ) Lovejoy of Andover and widow of Robert Gray.

There is no positive evidence that Richard Nutting of Andover was of the third generation of Nuttings. If he was descendant of the first John Nutting of Groton, it seems necessary to place him here, but his parentage must remain a matter of doubt. His widow, Mrs. Miriam Nutting, in will proved May 8, 1770, mentions her children by both husbands and many grandchildren.

ONLY NUTTING CHILD, FOURTH GENERATION

- A4-6 i Joseph, b. April 1, 1719; m. Mary Abraham.

A3-3 EBENEZER NUTTING (John, John), born Nov. 20, 1686; living Jan. 22, 1762; married Dec. (? March) 13, 1710-11, Ruth Shattuck, born Oct. 1694; living June 13, 1747; daughter of William Shattuck.

Ebenezer was a farmer and lived at Groton, Mass. The last mention of him that has been found is a deed from him to Robert Parker of Groton, dated Jan. 22, 1762. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 59, p. 341.)

CHILDREN, FOURTH GENERATION

- A4-7 i James, b. April 10, 1713.
 ii Ruth, b. May 12, 1715.
 iii Abigail, b. Feb. 8, 1717-8; m. Sept. 16, 1741, Isaac Phillips (?).
 A4-8 iv Ebenezer, b. Nov. 24, 1719.
 v Lydia, b. April 28, 1721; probably m. Isaac Nutting.
 A4-9 vi David, b. Aug. 20, 1724; m. Rachel Lakin.
 A4-10 vii Jacob, b. Feb. 9, 1727-8; died unmarried or childless.
 A4-11 viii Benjamin, b. Dec. 30, 1730.
 A4-12 ix Aaron, bapt. Sept. 1, 1734.
 x Phebe, b. May 28, 1737; had a daughter Lydia, b. Feb. 21, 1769; she accused John Larkin.

A3-4 JONATHAN NUTTING (John, John), born July 7, 1689, at Groton; died there before May 19, 1740; married June 1, 1710, at Charlestown, Mass., by justice Emerson, Mary Green, b. Nov. 30, 1690; died at Groton, Sept. 24, 1778 daughter of John and Mary Green. She married second Josiah Farnsworth of Groton, b. Feb. 24, 1687.

This Jonathan Nutting was a "cordwainer," that is, shoe maker, tanner and leather worker. His wife was admitted to full communion in the church at Groton, April 28, 1728, and he was admitted, June 23, 1728. His land on both sides of the road from Groton to Dunstable was inventoried at £450. His account book was in the possession of Rev. J. K. Nutting, who gives a fac simile in his book. One entry is worth noting:

Jan. the 1, 1725
 Tyng and Whit (comb)
 Came from burying
 Capt. John Lovell and
 his men at pigwoket
 Daniel Woods
 Thomas Woods
 John Teft.

Capt. John Lovell was ambushed and slain by Indians near Fryeburg, Me. Widow Mary Nutting was appointed administratrix on estate of her husband, Jonathan Nutting, May 19, 1740. He left no will.

CHILDREN RECORDED AT GROTON, MASS., FOURTH GENERATION

- A4-13 i William, b. Nov. 20, 1712; married Joan or Jane Boynton.
 ii Sarah, b. Feb. 22, 1714-5; married John Swallow of Dunstable.
 iii Mary, b. Nov. 19, 1718; married Nathaniel Blodgett of Groton.

- iv Jemima, b. Sept. 19, 1720; m. April 13, 1737 Josiah Blodgett of Dunstable.
- v Lydia, b. Nov. 20, 1723; m. Timothy Moore of Groton; second Oct. 9, 1800 Isaac Farnsworth of Groton, b. Nov. 30, 1723.
- vi Deborah, b. Sept. 30, 1728; m. James Stone, Jr., of Groton.
- vii Anna or Annis, b. May 22, 1730; m. Nov. 10, 1749 William Holden of Groton, later of Claremont, N. H.; had five children in Groton.

A3-5 DANIEL NUTTING (John, John), born about 1691 in Groton; died there after Aug. 7, 1756; married Hannah ———.

He was a farmer, living in Groton, Mass. He and his wife owned the covenant at Groton Church 1713-14. He was admitted to full communion June 23, 1728. There was no will or probate proceedings on his estate.

CHILDREN, FOURTH GENERATION

- i Hannah, b. May 28, 1714; m. July 5, 1733 Amos Woods.
- A4-14 ii Daniel, b. July 10, 1716; m. Elizabeth ———.
- iii Elizabeth "Betty," b. March 20, 1718; m. Benjamin Hazen (?).
- iv Eunice, b. Feb. 23, 1719-20; m. Zachariah Nutting (?).
- A4-15 v Ezekiel, b. Feb. 13, 1720-1; m. Abigail ———.
- A4-16 vi Samuel, b. Feb. 27, 1722-3; no record of family.

A3-6 ELEAZER NUTTING (John, John), born about 1698; died in 1740 (?); married June 23, 1719, at Groton, Abigail, daughter of John Davis, b. July 24, 1699, at Groton; died there 1792 (?).

Eleazer Nutting was a farmer and lived at Groton. His widow Abigail was appointed administratrix on his estate Aug. 1, 1740, but it was not settled until 1760. The widow's dower was distributed March 30, 1793, showing that the widow survived until nearly that date.

CHILDREN, FOURTH GENERATION

- i Abigail, b. May 6, 1720; married Dec. 6, 1737 Joseph Whitney; had 8 children.
- ii Patience, b. Aug. 2, 1722; m. Nov. 11, 1740 William Kemp, b. April 20, 1718, son of Samuel Kemp.
- A4-17 iii Eleazer, b. Jan. 21, 1725-6; m. Sarah Farnsworth.
- A4-18 iv Jonathan, b. ———; under age in 1740.
 - v Sarah, b. Oct. 4, 1734; living unmarried March 30, 1793, unless indeed she married a man named Nutting before this date, for she is called Sarah Nutting in the distribution of her mother's dower.
- A4-19 vi Simeon, (sometimes called Simon), b. 1737; m.

B-3 JAMES BRANCH, 3rd Generation (Run Out)**C-3 EBENEZER BRANCH, 3rd Generation**

C3-1 JONATHAN NUTTING (Ebenezer, John), b. Jan. 31, 1694-5 at Cambridge or Medford; died Oct. 1756 at Brimfield, Mass.; married Isabel Blood. In deeds he is called husbandman, brickmaker, and once gunsmith. He left Medford about the time of his father's death; went to Framingham, Mass. About this time he was for a short time in Plainfield, Conn. The deeds on record at Springfield, Mass. show that he bought five parcels of land in North Brookfield, about 1729. On Aug. 4, 1731, he bought of John Miller of Brimfield, fifty acres in that town, at the Elbow, so-called, bounded westerly upon Chicopee River. He bought additional lands here in 1745 from John Mighill and continued to live in Brimfield until his death. No probate proceedings.

CHILDREN, FOURTH GENERATION

- C4-1 i Jonathan, b. Aug. 10, 1735; m. Abigail Bannister.
 C4-2 ii Ebenezer, b. ———; killed in the Crown Point expedition, Sept. 175 (?)
 C4-3 iii James, b. ———; m. Mary Carpenter.
 iv Sarah, b. ———; m. Samuel Owen, probably of Brookfield.
 v Lydia, b. ———.
 C4-4 vi David, b. ———; m. Dinah Carpenter.
 vii Catherine, b. ———; d. Sept. 1756 at Brimfield.
 viii Anne, b. ———.

C3-2 EBENEZER NUTTING (Ebenezer, John), b. Aug 9, 1700; died ———; married date unknown, Mary ———; who died at Marblehead, Mass. Dec. 13, 17 (-). Last two figures gone from the church record of the First Church, Marblehead.

"Ebenezer Nutting late of Medford, now resident of Falmouth, in the King's service in the province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, son of Ebenezer Nutting, late of Medford, smith, deceased, intestate, for £30 paid by my eldest brother Jonathan Nutting of Medford, husbandman, convey to said Jonathan all my rights in our father's estate." Ebenezer Nutting and wife Mary sign this deed. Dated July 10, 1724 and acknowledged the same day. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 24, p.236.)

Falmouth, the place mentioned in this deed, also called Casco, is included in the city of Portland, Me. This Ebenezer is mentioned several times in the letters of Col. Thomas Westbrook, in 1724-5, as an armourer and sentinel. See a letter dated Richmond, April 27, 1724, printed in New England Historical and Genealogical Register, vol. 45. p.132. Ebenezer is also mentioned in vols. 44, 46, 47, 48 of the same journal. Col. Westbrook was on a military expedition, with headquarters at Casco-Falmouth, and Ebenezer Nutting was with him. He returned safely to Marblehead, Mass., and in 1748 was taxed there with his son Ebenezer, Jr. The manuscript Nutting

genealogy, by John Nutting (John, John), already referred to, says that "Ebenezer's descendants were at Marblehead, Gloucester and Salem," which is partly verified by records.

CHILDREN, BAPTIZED AT MARBLEHEAD FIRST CHURCH, FOURTH GENERATION

- C4-5 i Ebenezer, bapt. Sept. 1726; m. Hannah Diamond Marsh.
 ii Mary, bapt. Nov. 23, 1729.
 iii Rebecca, bapt. ———; m. June 25, 1754 Samuel Derby.
 iv Lydia, bapt. Aug. 18, 1734; m. Oct. 4, 1756 John Pepperell.
 v Sarah, bapt. Sept. 18, 1737; d. young.
 C4-6 vi Benjamin, bapt. March 11, 1738-9; m. Elizabeth Trefry.
 vii Sarah, bapt. May 30, 1742; m. Dec. 25, 1766 John Stacy.
 C4-7 viii Jonathan, bapt. April 21, 1745.
 ix Elizabeth, bapt. June 11, 1749; m. April 6, 1776 Peter Quiner.

C3-3 JAMES NUTTING (Ebenezer, John), born Jan. 31, 1703-4 in Medford; living Aug. 30, 1770; married about 1728 Mary, who was living May 25, 1741.

He was a blacksmith by trade and moved about a great deal. From 1729 to 1732 he was at Concord, Mass., from 1734-5 he was at Hassanamesett later called Grafton; in 1736-1741 he was at Westford; he seems to have returned to Grafton in 1742, but was back in Westford in 1755 where he remained, unless he be the James Nutting of Pepperell whose estate was settled in 1796. This is the James Nutting whom John K. Nutting made a son of James (2) and Lydia (Longley) Nutting, born about 1701. This is not strange, considering that he appears in several places. It may have been the fact that he was only visiting Westford or present there temporarily when he executed some of his deeds, and that he resided in Concord 1729 to 1732 or 1733; Grafton 1735 to 1751; Westford after that. However I shall give his deeds in chronological order.

Jonathan Polley of Medford and Lydia his wife for myself and in behalf of James Nutting late of Medford, now resident in Groton, for £52 quit claims to Jonathan Nutting of Medford his rights in the estate of Ebenezer Nutting. Jan. 21, 1724-5. (Middlesex Deeds, vol. 23, p.506.)

James Nutting of Hassanamesett, Worcester County, husbandman, to John Fox, Jr., of Concord, land in the easterly part of Concord. Jan. 17, 1734-5. (Middlesex County Deeds.)

James Nutting of Grafton, Worcester County, blacksmith, and Mary his wife conveyed land to Ebenezer Stone of Westford. April 10, 1731, perhaps 1751. Lydia Nutting, probably mother of James, a witness. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 73, p.236.)

Thomas Read of Westford, gent., for £240 paid by James Nutting of Concord, blacksmith, conveyed to him 30 acres of land in Westford. June 5, 1736. (Middlesex Deeds, vol. 39, p.560.) This had dwelling house and barn.

James Nutting of Westford, blacksmith, and Mary his wife for £135 paid by Elizabeth wife of Nathaniel Nutting of Groton, husbandman, con-

veyed to Nathaniel Nutting in trust for the said Elizabeth, and her heirs, 51 acres of land in Groton; also ten acres of meadow out of the northerly end, or part of the meadow lot formerly John Nutting's, deceased at Bad-decock. Dec. 3, 1736. Witnesses William Green, Isaac Nutting. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 41, p.174.)

Query. Was Mary wife of James Nutting, Mary Paige, sister to Elizabeth Paige, wife of Nathaniel Nutting?

James Nutting of Westford, blacksmith, and Mary his wife to John Nutting of Chelsea, Suffolk County, husbandman, land in Westford. May 25, 1741. Witnesses William Farnsworth and Josiah Nutting. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 77, p.193.)

James Nutting of Westford, husbandman, conveys to John Nutting of Westford, tanner, one-half of the land and meadows, bounded on one side by the land of Josiah Nutting and now owned by John Nutting. Witnesses James Nutting, Jr., and Benjamin Nutting. Oct. 29, 1753. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 76, p.192, or perhaps vol. 77, p.192.) The last of the two preceding deeds was acknowledged by James Nutting Aug. 30, 1770, and both were recorded Aug. 18, 1776. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 77, p.193.)

John Nutting of Westford, gent., conveys to Jonathan Anthony of Medford a house and land in Medford, being the same which Nathaniel Pierce sold to one Sarah Nutting Nov. 21, 1754, with all the rights which James Nutting of Pepperell ever had in the property, John Nutting having purchased it from James Nutting on Dec. 10, 1762. Hannah Nutting a witness. Deed dated Nov. 1, 1774. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 77, p.94.)

Here we have a glimpse of Sarah Nutting, the unmarried daughter of Ebenezer and Lydia Nutting. She had a house of her own in Medford. On her death it went to her brothers, of whom John, the grantor, was one, and James of Pepperell was another. The witness, Hannah Nutting, is the wife of John Nutting, the grantor.

It would appear that this James Nutting resided in that part of Groton called Pepperell at a later time. If so, he lived to great age, ninety or more years.

Nov. 8, 1796, John Nutting and Ebenezer Nutting, surviving sons of James Nutting late of Pepperell, declined administration on his estate, and Nov. 12, 1796, Samuel Parker was appointed administrator. Bond \$30,000.

CHILDREN, FOURTH GENERATION

- i Mary, b. July 5, 1729, in Concord.
- C4-8 ii James, b. July 23, 1732, in Concord.
- C4-9 iii John, b. about 1736; m. Martha Blood.
- iv Sarah, b. about 1738; m. Josiah Borden, Jr.
- C4-10 v Benjamin, b. about 1738; m. Sarah Varnum.
- C4-11 vi Ebenezer, b. July 17, 1742, at Grafton; m. Sybil Stickney.
- vii Deborah, b. ———; living 1774.
- C4-12 vii Samuel, perhaps.

C3-4 JOSIAH NUTTING (Ebenezer, John), born Feb. 28, 1705-6; died ———; married first Nov. 19, 1726 ,Hannah Cole (Boston records); married second Mary ———.

It is not certain that the Josiah Nutting who married Hannah Cole in Boston is the same man who later lived in Westford under that name, but it is highly probable, as no other Josiah can be found. Josiah of Westford witnessed a deed of his brother James on May 25, 1741. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 77, p.193.) He bought of Abiel Richardson of Westford for £365 two tracts of land in Westford, Jan. 6, 1749. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 52, p. 181.) The birth date of his daughter Molly is the earliest Nutting record at Westford. Nothing more has been learned concerning him.

CHILDREN, FOURTH GENERATION

- C4-13 i Josiah, b. about 1728-30; probably son of Hannah Cole; m. Keziah Butterfield.
 ii Molly, b. March 13, 1736, (Westford record); m. June 17, 1762, John Proctor, Jr.

C3-5 JOHN NUTTING (Ebenezer, John), born April 23, 1709, at Medford; died at Westford Aug. 26, 1776, aged 70 years, 3 months, 22 days; married first Dec. 1, 1747, Mary Adams, daughter of Timothy Adams of Chelmsford, who was buried at Westford May 16, 1751; married second (intention dated March 23, 1754) Hannah Reed, who survived him; was living April 16, 1782.

Printed volume of records of Medford gives Josiah Nutting's birth date as Feb. 28, 1705-6, and that of his brother John as April 23, 1709. It would seem that some error has occurred, for the age of John Nutting at death gives a birth date almost precisely that given to Josiah.

John Nutting learned the trade of tanner and in 1737, as shown by deeds, he was living in Marblehead, and in 1741 in Chelsea, Mass. Jacob Taylor and Sarah his wife sold to John Nutting of Marblehead, tanner, for £350 land in Westford. Dated Nov. 7, 1737. A house was probably on the land, as Sarah Taylor wife of Jacob, the grantor, signed the deed with him. John Nutting seems to have settled at Westford at this time as shown by the following deed:

John Nutting of Westford, tanner, to Isaac Williams of Groton land formerly belonging to my grandfather, John Nutting, deceased, and mentions land as belonging to his father Ebenezer Nutting, deceased. May 26, 1738. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 54, p.75.)

According to a deed of his brother James, dated 1741, John is called of Chelsea. It may be that he went there for a time, but in 1748-9 he was in Westford, as shown by deeds. If he is not identical with John Nutting of Chelsea, it is difficult to locate the Chelsea John. The most promising candidate would be John Nutting (John, John, John,) born 1702, but that John is supposed to have lived and died at Groton.

* John Nutting of Westford, tanner, became prosperous. He is called in deeds, tanner, yeoman, and gentleman. He became ensign, an officer in the militia. There are many deeds of conveyance to and from him. I mention but one. John Nutting of Westford, gent., for love and affection to my daughter Hannah Nutting my eight day clock, to remain in my possession until my death. Jan. 1, 1774. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 79, p.505). This was doubtless a tall or grandfather clock.

John Nutting left no will, but the settlement of his estate appears on the probate records. Wife Hannah administratrix.

CHILDREN, FOURTH GENERATION

- i Hannah, b. Aug. 23, 1755; d. about 1811.
- C4-14 ii John, b. Oct. 22, 1756; died at Albany Dec. 25, 1777, "in service of his country," unmarried.
- C4-15 iii Thomas, b. Dec. 10, 1758; m. Sybil Prescott.
- iv Molly, b. July 2, 1761; living 1792, unmarried.
- C4-16 v Benjamin, b. Dec. 6, 1764; died Oct. 11, 1778.
- vi Sarah, b. Dec. 23, 1767; m. Isaac Glenney.

C3-6 BENJAMIN NUTTING (Ebenezer, John), born at Medford Sept. 7, 1711; died there May 23, 1749; married first March 3, 1742, Ruth Wood of Woburn, born ———, died March 14, 1744-5; daughter of Josiah and Ruth Wood; married second April 5, 1748, Abigail Frost (Boston records.)

Benjamin Nutting of Medford and Anna Brooks were published March 5, 1747-8 (Westford records). If this is not an error of record, then the marriage with Anna Brooks did not take place, and he found another bride very soon. I think there is some error of record.

Benjamin Nutting and ——— married Nov. 1, 1712. This imperfect record is found among the records of Newton, Mass. I am wholly unable to identify the Benjamin of the record.

Children of Benjamin Nutting of Medford, 4th Generation

- C4-17 i Benjamin, b. Nov. 1, 1742.
- C4-18 ii Josiah, b. Sept. 8, 1744; d. Feb. 26, 1744-5.

D-3 JONATHAN BRANCH, 3rd Generation

D3-1 JOHN NUTTING (Jonathan, John), born Jan. 7, 1694, at Cambridge, Mass.; died at Salem, Mass. May 20, 1790; married first Feb. 12, 1719-20 Ruth Gardner, born March 16, 1699, at Salem; died there Nov. 22, 1736; daughter of Habbakkuk and Mary (Gedney) Gardner of Salem; married second Sept. 11, 1740, Elizabeth Pickman, born Jan. 22, 1714; died

June 11, 1785, daughter of Benjamin and Abigail (Lindall) Pickman of Salem.

John Nutting graduated at Harvard in 1712, the only college graduate among the Nuttings of early generations; for a long time he was the oldest living graduate of Harvard. He was schoolmaster at Salem 1719-1749; ruling elder of the New Church, Salem, 1746; collector of customs at Salem and Marblehead, 1764,—his deputy sworn Dec. 18, 1764; register of deeds for some years.

His will, proved Oct. 5, 1790, says: "I give to my daughter Eunice Vans and to my grandson Jno Nutting to them and their heirs forever the whole of my estate, both real and personal. Also if my grandson is not at home at my decease, what I give him shall remain in the hands of my executors until his return. Whereas my said grandson is gone for a long voyage to sea, and in a poor state of health when he went away, if he should decease before he returns home, then I give what I have given him to my two granddaughters, Elizabeth Lodge and Sarah Saunders."

CHILDREN (SALEM RECORDS), FOURTH GENERATION

D4-1 i John, b. Feb. 19, 1728-9; d. June 28, 1729.

ii Eunice, b. June 7, 1730; m. William Vans, Esq., deputy for Salem to the General Court many times. She d. Aug. 25, 1790, leaving the two daughters mentioned in her father's will.

D4-2 iii John, b. Aug. 26, 1733; m. Elizabeth Pickman, Jr.

D3-2 JONATHAN NUTTING (Jonathan, John), bapt. July 18, 1697, at Cambridge, Mass.; died at Wrentham, Mass., before May 8, 1734; married June 15, 1725, Hannah Billings of Cambridge (Medford records), perhaps daughter or sister of Elkanah Billings of Stoughton, Mass.

Jonathan Nutting, Jr., was a locksmith and gunsmith. His father gave him power of attorney to sell land in Groton. Oct. 9, 1722. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 22, p. 418). Thomas Waite of Malden and Jonathan Tufts of Charlestown, administrators on the estate of Peter Waite, late of Medford, sold to Jonathan Nutting of Charlestown, locksmith, the highest bidder, land in Medford, May 30, 1724. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 25, p. 68). His father in will dated May 8, 1734, states that his son Jonathan was late of Wrentham. In 1737 Elkanah Billings of Stoughton, guardian for Hannah Nutting, says that her father was of Attleborough. Rev. J. K. Nutting in the Nutting Book says the same, and that his prosperity, through son Jonathan may be found at Thomaston, Me. I have not followed them up there.

CHILDREN, FOURTH GENERATION

i Elizabeth, b. July 12, 1726, at Wrentham; when she was twelve years old her uncle John Gay of Cambridge was appointed her guardian and she went there to live; married April 26, 1748, John Hicks of Cambridge; buried Dec. 22, 1825, aged 99 years.

ii Hannah, b. Sept. 14, 1728, at Wrentham; living in 1737.

D4-3 iii Jonathan, b. about 1730, at Wrentham.

D3-3 SAMUEL NUTTING (Jonathan, John), bapt. Aug. 1, 1701, at Cambridge; died before 1761; married Nov. 23, 1727, (Charlestown records) Jane Hunnewell, born Jan. 10, 1708-9, at Charlestown; living Oct. 7, 1794; daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Davis) Hunnewell of Charlestown.

Samuel Nutting was a brickmaker; lived in Medford, Cambridge, Sherburn and Watertown. He is also called boatman and blacksmith. Samuel Nutting of Sherburn, yeoman and wife Jane sold to Joseph Roby land in Newton and Watertown, July 29, 1754. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 52, p.490). In 1740 he went from Cambridge to Watertown, and was warned out of town by the selectmen Sept. 12, 1740. However, he gained a residence there and had a seat in the meeting-house 1741-48. After 1752 he went to Sherburn and may have died there. I find no record of his death or estate. His widow Jane Nutting was at Needham in 1762, and Nov. 1762 was warned out of Watertown, and in 1765 was warned out of Charlestown, where she had been off and on for two years. These warnings were legal devices to prevent her from becoming a town charge, and do not imply that she was otherwise undesirable. She spent her latter days in Newton, Mass., and probably died there.

CHILDREN, FOURTH GENERATION

- D4-4 i Samuel, bapt. Oct. 27, 1728, in Medford or Charlestown; m. Lydia Stratton.
 ii Elizabeth, b. June 7, 1731; m. April 24, 1753, Abel Benjamin.
- D4-5 iii Jonathan, bapt. June 15, 1735, at Cambridge.
- D4-6 iv Joseph, bapt. Aug. 14, 1737; d. young.
- D4-7 v Joseph, bapt. May 6, 1739; m. Olive Huntting.
- D4-8 vi John, bapt. Dec. 27, 1741, at Watertown; m. Sarah ———; second Mary Russell.
 vii Sarah, bapt. Sept. 16, 1744, at Watertown.
 viii Mary, bapt. March 13, 1747-8, at Watertown; probably m. John Penny, Jr.
 ix Abigail, b. ———; m. 1767 Joseph Smith (?).
- D4-9 x Charles, bapt. Dec. 17, 1752, at Watertown; m. Hannah Parmenter.

D3-4 JAMES NUTTING (Jonathan, John), bapt. April 25, 1703, at Cambridge; died about 1745; married Feb. 17, 1726-7, at Watertown Mercy Barnard, bapt. Aug. 20, 1704, at Watertown; died at Cambridge of cancer May 2, 1799, aged 98 years; daughter of Samuel and Mercy (Sherman) Barnard of Watertown.

James Nutting resided in Watertown 1728-30, Wrentham 1732-35, Cambridge 1736-45. He was a locksmith, and in Cambridge lived on the west side of Dunster St., halfway between Harvard Square and Mt. Auburn St. His widow was appointed administratrix upon his estate Jan. 27, 1745, and

lived on the old homestead until her death. (See Paige, History of Cambridge), but from deeds it appears that widow Mercy Nutting sold to Joseph Parsons her interest in the estate of her husband's father, Jonathan Nutting, in 1748.

CHILDREN, FOURTH GENERATION

- D4-10 i Ebenezer, b. May 15, 1728, at Watertown; d. young.
 ii Mary, bapt. March 15, 1729-30, at Watertown.
- D4-11 iii James, b. Feb. 2, 1734, at Wrentham; m. Mary Townsend.
- D4-12 iv Ebenezer, bapt. Jan. 30, 1736-7; m. ———.
- D4-13 v John, bapt. Jan. 21, 1738-9; m. Mary Walton.
- D4-14 vi Jonathan, bapt. June 14, 1741; m. Susannah Batcheller in 1763.
- D4-15 vii Samuel, bapt. April 15, 1744; m. Elizabeth ———.

SECTION IV—4th Generation

A-4 JOHN BRANCH

A4-1 JOHN NUTTING (John, John, John), born 1702 (?) died Feb. 1785; married int. March 31, 1727 Mary Spaulding, born ———, died Sept. 24, 1778. She was a Spaulding of Chelmsford, perhaps the Mary, born Jan 19, 1708 to John and Mary Spaulding.

This John Nutting lived at Groton and was a farmer. He left a will dated April 6, 1758. Thirty years later his heirs asked the Court to disallow the will as the estate was insolvent. This was done.

CHILDREN BORN AT GROTON, FIFTH GENERATION

A5-1 i Ephraim, b. Sept. 1, 1728; m. Feb. 29, 1759, Phoebe Nutting.

A5-2 ii Joseph, b. Feb. 15, 1730.

iii Mary, b. Jan. 10, 1732; unmarried in 1788.

iv Susannah, b. Nov. 12, 1734; m. John Ames.

A5-3 v John, b. Aug. 7, 1737; m. Elizabeth Nutting.

A5-4 vi Zachariah, b. about 1739; m. Eunice Nutting.

vii Mercy, b. about 1741; m. Oct. 3, 1774, Amos Kidder.

A4-2 EPHRAIM NUTTING (John, John, John), born about 1704; died Jan. 10, 1797, aged 91 (gravestone in Groton old cemetery); married May 31, 1731, Lydia Spaulding, "both of Groton."

The date of his birth may be incorrect. He was perhaps younger than Nathaniel. He lived all his life in Groton and was a farmer.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

A5-5 i Ephraim, b. about 1732; m. Jerusha Parker.

A4-3 NATHANIEL NUTTING (John, John, John), born about Nov. 1706; died before 1790; married March 26, 1731, Elizabeth Page, daughter of John and Sarah Page.

Nathaniel Nutting lived at Groton and was a farmer.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

i Elizabeth, b. Dec. 6, 1732; died ———.

A5-6 ii Nehemiah, b. Nov. 26, 1734.

iii Sarah, b. May 14, 1736.

iv Hannah, b. Sept. 4, 1738.

A5-7 v Nathaniel, b. May 12, 1740; m. Mary Wheeler.

vi Prudence, b. June 12, 1742.

A5-8 vii Jonas, b. ——— 25, 1744.

viii Miriam, b. March 7, 1745.

- A5-9 ix Amos, b. Sept. 5, 1746; m. Sarah Heald.
 x Susannah, b. July 17, 1748.
 xi Elizabeth, b. _____.
- A5-10 xii David, b. March 10, 1751; called Capt. David; said to have gone to northern Vermont and then to Canada and to have been a loyalist. In 1790 there was a David Nutting in Cornwall, Vt. and another David in Reading, Vt.

A4-4 JOSIAH NUTTING (John, John, John), born about 1712; date of death not found; he was living Dec. 29, 1767; married Dec. 13, 1743, Mary Blood of Groton.

Josiah Nutting was a farmer and lived in Groton or Pepperell.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

- i Mary b. April 8, 1745.
 ii Lucy, b. Nov. 5, 1746.
- A5-11 iii Josiah, b. Feb. 16, 1748; m. Zerviah Lawrence.
 iv Hannah, b. Nov. 17, 1750.

A4-5 ISAAC NUTTING (John, John, John), born about 1714; died _____; living in 1790; married Jan. 13, 1736-7, Lydia Nutting, daughter of Ebenezer and Ruth.

Isaac Nutting lived in Groton and was a farmer. Selectman in 1748.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

- A5-12 i Hepzibah, b. March 21, 1737-8; living at Pepperell in 1790; unmarried.
- A5-13 ii Isaac, b. March 29, 1739, Revolutionary soldier; living at Groton in 1790.
 iii Ruth, b. April 7, 1741.
- A5-14 iv Eleazer, b. Jan. 6, 1743.
 v Sibyl, b. Feb. 28, 1745. Perhaps the Sibyl Nutting, a maid, who was warned out of Woburn Nov. 1784.
- A5-15 vi Jacob, b. Jan. 23, 1747; living at Groton in 1790. Rev. Sold.
 A5-16 vii Thomas, b. July 29, 1750. Revolutionary soldier.

A4-6 JOSEPH NUTTING (Richard, John, John), born April 1, 1719, at Andover, Mass.; died before May 8, 1770; married Nov. 2, or 21, 1738, Mary Abraham, probably daughter of William and Martha Abraham of Andover.

Joseph Nutting lived at Andover and Middleton, Mass.

CHILDREN, RECORDED AT MIDDLETON, MASS., FIFTH GENERATION

- i Miriam, b. Feb. 8, 1739.
 A5-17 ii Richard, bapt. 1741; d. young.

- A5-18 iii Richard, b. Sept. 3, 1743; m. Mehitabel Webb in 1765. His children, nine in all, were born 1766 to 1781 in Salem, Mass., where he lived many years.
- A5-19 iv David Gray, b. March 18, 1750.
v Rachel, b. Aug. 24, 1752; m. Dec. 7, 1769, John Elliott.

A4-9 DAVID NUTTING (Ebenezer, John, John), born in Groton Aug. 20, 1724, died in 1759; married Sept. 1, 1747, Rachel, daughter of Benjamin Lakin. She married second April 24, 1760, Jonathan Pratt.

David Nutting lived at Groton. He died shortly before March 14, 1759, when Nathaniel Parker was appointed administrator upon his estate. He is called laborer and husbandman in deeds.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

- i Rachel, b. ———.
- A5-20 ii Ebenezer, b. ———.
- A5-21 iii David, b. about 1754; on Feb. 15, 1771 he is called "seventeen years of age."

A4-10 JACOB NUTTING (Ebenezer, John, John), born Feb. 9, 1727-8; died before Feb. 26, 1762.

There is no record of his marriage or family. If married, he was childless.

His father Ebenezer Nutting sold him several parcels of land "for love and affection" on Oct. 24, 1747, and called Jacob "laborer." Jacob Nutting conveyed to William Nutting of Groton, gentleman, his interest in half the homestead where he and his father Ebenezer Nutting now dwell. May 15, 1758. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 57, p.382.) William Nutting conveyed this to Robert Parker of Groton on Feb. 26, 1762, and describes it as having been "bought of one Jacob Nutting, now deceased." (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 65, p.306.)

A4-11 BENJAMIN NUTTING (Ebenezer, John, John), born Dec. 30, 1730. He may be the Benjamin Nutting who settled at Jaffrey, N. H. before 1781, but I know nothing more of him.

A4-13 WILLIAM NUTTING (Jonathan, John, John), born Nov. 20, 1712, at Groton; died there June 2, 1776, of "numb palsy"; married Jan. 18, 1737-8, Joan or Jane Boynton, daughter of Benoni Boynton. She married second Dec. 30, 1779, Timothy Reed of Dunstable. She died Feb. 7, 1803, in 86th year, and her remains were brought to Groton and buried in the old cemetery.

William Nutting served in the French and Indian wars and was a lieutenant.

CHILDREN BORN AT GROTON, FIFTH GENERATION

- i Jane, b. April 1, 1741; m. first Aug. 7, 1759, Oliver Parker; second ——— Hunter. Groton records show twelve children.
- A5-22 ii Jonathan, b. Aug. 25, 1743; m. ———. Revolutionary Soldier.
- iii Ann, b. Sept. 27, 1745.
- iv Sarah, b. Feb. 9, 1747; m. Gershom Hobart, son of the Groton minister of the same name.
- v Eunice, b. April 14, 1750; m. Timothy Dustin. removed to Claremont, N. H.
- A5-23 vi William, b. July 10, 1752; m. first Mrs. Susannah Danforth; second Mrs. Mary Hubbard. He was a Revolutionary soldier; compiled the MS. Nutting genealogy from the recollection of his great uncle, John Nutting (John, John).
- vii Mary, b. Feb. 27, 1755.
- A5-24 viii Abel, b. April 29, 1757; d. June 6, 1759.
- A5-25 ix Abel, b. Oct. 23, 1761; m. Mary Boynton; settled at Weathersfield, Vt.; had five children in 1790.
- x Molly, b. July 21, 1764; d. Feb. 10, 1766.

A4-14 DANIEL NUTTING (Daniel, John, John), born July 10, 1716; living Feb. 25, 1765; married Elizabeth, perhaps Elizabeth Corey.

He was a farmer and lived at Groton

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

- A5-26 i Simeon, b. July 6, 1747; m. Jan. 22, 1767, Dorothy Kemp
- ii Mary, b. April 10, 1749.
- iii Elizabeth, b. March 3, 1752.
- iv Eunice, b. May 7, 1754.
- A5-27 v Daniel, b. May 23, 1756; m. Molly Lawrence; d. at Westford April 11, 1836, aged 80.
- A5-28 vi Abel, b. Sept. 13, 1758; m. Rhoda Coombs; went to Maine; was ancestor of Rev. Wallace Nutting, D.D., of Framingham, Mass.

A4-15 EZEKIEL NUTTING (Daniel, John, John), born Feb. 13, 1720-1; living 1790; married Abigail ———.

Both he and his son Ezekiel, Jr., were living at Groton in 1790; both were Revolutionary soldiers from Groton, Ezekiel Sr. a minute-man in 1775, and Ezekiel Jr. later.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

- A5-29 i Ezekiel, b. April 21, 1751; m. Sally Nutting of Plymouth, N. H.
- ii Abigail, b. Oct. 10, 1753; d. July 10, 1847.
- iii Esther, b. Nov. 13, 1759.
- iv Hannah, b. June 16, 1761.

A4-17 ELEAZER NUTTING (Eleazer, John, John), born Jan. 21, 1725-6, at Groton, Mass.; died Nov. 10, 1791, at Francestown, N. H.; married March 22 or 27, 1749-50, Sarah Farnsworth, born Nov. 27, 1727; died ———; daughter of Isaac and Sarah (Page) Farnsworth of Groton.

Eleazer Nutting was living at Pepperell Nov. 24, 1760, and 1767. In 1774 his children Abigail and Jonathan came from Hollis, N. H., to Pepperell, and were warned out of town by the selectmen.

Eleazer Nutting of Hollis, N. H., laborer, to Jonas Fitch land in Pepperell, one full third part of his father's estate, reserving the improvement of the same to his honored mother, it being a dower set off to her. Feb. 20, 1772. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 76, p.49.) As Eleazer's children were trying to get back to their relatives at Pepperell in 1774, it looks as if Eleazer had died between 1772 and 1774, and the date of Nov. 10, 1791, may be incorrect.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

A5-30 i Eleazer, b. Sept. 13, 1760; m. Sarah Kemp of Groton; lived at Pepperell and Francestown; Revolutionary soldier; 19 years old July, 1780.

A5-31 ii Jonathan, b. ———.

iii Mary, b. ———.

iv Abigail, b. ———.

v Alice, b. ———.

vi Lydia, b. ———.

A4-19 SIMEON NUTTING (Eleazer, John, John), born 1737; died ———; married Jan. 22, 1767, Dorothy Kemp (Pepperell record).

Simeon Nutting seems to have lived in Pepperell from 1764 to 1785, as shown by Middlesex County Deeds. It is said that he settled at Ashburnham, Mass.

Another Simeon Nutting was an early settler at Jaffrey, N. H., in 1779.

The other Simeon is Simeon, Daniel, John, John. Which Simeon married Dorothy Kemp and which went to Ashburnham, I have not been able to find out. Children of either unknown to me.

C-4 EBENEZER BRANCH, 4th Generation

C4-1 JONATHAN NUTTING (Jonathan, Ebenezer, John), b. Aug. 10, 1735; died Mch. 6, 1811; m. June 27, 1771 (Framingham records) Abigail Banister, b. 1744, d. Feb. 23, 1835, aged 89 years.

Jonathan Nutting settled at Brimfield, Mass., at the Elbow in the Chicopee River, History of Palmer, p.524, and History of Brimfield, p.441, give more about his descendants than is here given.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

i Abigail, b. May 30, 1772; m. Daniel Wallace.

ii Susan, b. Feb. 19, 1774; m. Joseph Chadwick.

- C5-1 iii Jonathan, b. Oct. 3, 1775; m. Anna Spear; their family given in the History of Palmer.
 C5-2 iv Ebenezer, b. June 17, 1777; m. Polly Merrick; had a daughter Mary who m. Mr. Kingsbury and lived in Geneva, O.
 C5-3 v Abner, b. May 9, 1783; m. Matilda Bishop.
 C5-4 vi Asa, b. Sept. 16, 1784; m. Olive Wood.

C4-3 JAMES NUTTING (Jonathan, Ebenezer, John), b. ———; d. April 19, 1822 (?); m. Jan. 29, 1774 (Brimfield records) Mary daughter of Gideon and Jemina Carpenter of Hardwick, Mass., a descendant of Richard Carpenter. James Nutting built his house about 40 rods above his father's old house in Brimfield. History of Brimfield p.442. His widow d. May 20, 1833 aged 79. Lived at Brimfield.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

- i Betsey, b. March 25, 1775; m. Laban Ballou.
 C5-4 ii James (found later) b. Jan. 2, 1777; m. (1) Lucinda ———; m. (2) Rachel Ward.
 iii Polly, b. ———.
 C5-5 iv Gideon, b. ———; m. Rizpah Ballou.
 C5-6 v Benjamin, b. ———; settled at Darien, N. Y.

C4-4 DAVID NUTTING (Jonathan, Ebenezer, John), b. about 1745; died Aug. 11, 1818; married Dinah daughter of Nathan and Sarah Carpenter of Hardwick, Mass.

Was of South Brimfield in 1790; later settled in Leverett, Mass., where he has descendants.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

- i Sally Carpenter, b. 1774; d. 1837.
 C5-7 ii Ebenezer, b. 1776; d. Sept. 11, 1847, at Leverett, Mass., farmer.
 C5-8 iii Nathan Carpenter, b. 1779.
 C5-9 iv Alfred, b. 1781.
 C5-10 v Porter, b. 1783; m. Anna Fitts; he died at Leverett, Mass., Aug. 19, 1859 aged 76, widower.
 vi Charlotte, b. 1785.
 vii Alice, b. 1788.
 viii Nancy, b. 1793.
 C5-11 ix David, b. 1795; m. Cynthia Albee.
 C5-12 x Cheney, b. 1797; d. 1866; lived at Leverett, Mass.

C4-5 EBENEZER NUTTING (Ebenezer, Ebenezer, John), bapt. Sept. 18, 1726; d. ———; married Mrs. Hannah Diamond Marsh, widow of Andrew Marsh. Andrew Marsh and Hannah Diamond married Nov. 16, 1743 (Marblehead records). She was either the Hannah Diamond bapt. Nov. 2, 1718, at Marblehead, daughter of William and Johannah Diamond, or the Hannah bapt. Oct. 20, 1723, daughter of William and Deliverance Diamond. Widow Nutting, mother of Mr. John Nutting, d. Jan. 24, 1811

aged 84 at Marblehead. (Marblehead records). This would put her birth in 1727, not a good agreement with the above. "Sarah Marsh daughter of Andrew deceased and Hannah, now Nutting, bpt. June 19, 1748" (Marblehead church record).

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

- C5-13 i John, bpt. Jan. 8, 1748-9; m. Jane Crowninshield.
 ii Alice, bpt. Sept. 2, 1753; m. Jan. 1772 Paul Sears.
 iii Hannah, b. Nov. 8, 1754; m. Dec. 30, 1786 Nathan Frye of Andover; their son Daniel Frye, b. May 2, 1793 at Salem, was a seaman and was shot in an engagement in 1814. (Essex Institute Collections, vol. 6, p.210.)
 C5-14 iv William, bpt. March 28, 1756; a Revolutionary soldier from Marblehead; marriage not found.
 v Elizabeth, m. April 1776 Peter Quiner (?).

C4-6 BENJAMIN NUTTING (Ebenezer, Ebenezer, John), bapt. March 11, 1738-9 at Marblehead; d. _____; m. March 21, 1763 Elizabeth Trefry (Marblehead records). Lived at Marblehead.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

- C5-15 i Benjamin, bpt. April 1763 (sickly); d. young.
 C5-16 ii Benjamin, bpt. Sept. 29, 1765.
 iii Elizabeth, bpt. March 20, 1768; d. at Marblehead Nov. 8, 1848 aged 80 years, 8 mos. unmarried.

C4-7 JONATHAN NUTTING (Ebenezer, Ebenezer, John), bapt. April 21, 1745. Of him I have been able to learn nothing.

C4-8 JAMES NUTTING (James, Ebenezer, John), b. July 23, 1732 in Concord, Mass.; died _____; married _____.

I have been unable to learn anything of wife and family if they existed. He was living Oct. 29, 1753 at Westford. when he witnessed a deed. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 77, p.192.)

C4-9 JOHN NUTTING (James, Ebenezer, John), born about 1736; died May 25, 1816 aged 80 (gravestone at Pepperell); married Martha daughter of William Blood. Mrs. Martha Nutting, wife of Capt. John Nutting and only child of Mr. William and Mrs. Martha Blood, died July 26, 1780 in her 44th year (gravestone at Pepperell); married second Mrs. Elizabeth (Shedd) Gilson.

Rev. J. K. Nutting in his book, page 87, says that Capt. John Nutting was son of Josiah and was born at Malden, Mass. and that his father was of Norridgewock, Me. and that Josiah Senior and Josiah Junior returned from Me. and settled in Pepperell. If this is not purely guess work, it is entirely mistaken. No fact or truth behind.

His second wife Elizabeth, b. Sept. 1, 1733 was a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Shattuck) Shedd of Groton and widow of Samuel Gilson (Shedd Genealogy, p.74.)

This John Nutting was Capt. of the militia of Pepperell and led them to Lexington and Bunker Hill in 1775. His will dated Jan. 9, 1814, proved Sept. 7, 1816, mentions his wife Elizabeth and all the children below. They also inherited all the real estate of their grandfather, William Blood.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

- i Mary, b. Jan. 15, 1758; d. Jan. 18, 1758.
- C5-17 ii John, b. Feb. 11, 1759; m. Martha Blood; lived at Pepperell, farmer; was living in 1801, but dead when his father made his will, probably not long before.
- iii Martha, b. March 8, 1761; m. Joseph Farrar.
- iv Eunice, b. July 13, 1763; living at Pepperell 1801, unmarried.
- v Sarah, b. Sept. 20, 1765; married Noah Wright.
- vi Mary, b. March 27, 1768; married Samuel Farrar.
- C5-18 vii Levi, b. June 26, 1770; living at Pepperell 1796-1801, unmar.
- viii Lydia, b. July 22, 1772; single in 1796; in 1801 was Lydia Barnes of Temple, N. H .
- C5-19 xi William, b. Dec. 24, 1774; not mentioned in his father's will; not living in 1796. J. K. Nutting says he settled at Salem, Mass. which is wholly wrong. William Nutting of Salem was another man. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 149, p.213) is important for his family. It gives all that were living March 25, 1796, when they conveyed to Levi Nutting all their rights in the estate of their grandfather William Blood. Levi was the only son who survived his father.

C4-10 BENJAMIN NUTTING (James, Ebenezer, John), born ———, perhaps 1730, and so older than brothers John and Ebenezer, but more probably born about 1740; died about May 1821; married Nov. 4, 1766, Sarah, daughter of Jonas and Lydia Varnum.

Benjamin Nutting lived in Pepperell; was yeoman, husbandman and farmer. His will, dated March 12, 1813, proved Oct. 16, 1821, mentions no children, but mentions Abigail Dickson, unmarried, Benjamin Nutting Fiske and Walter Fiske, now living in my family. These may be grand-children. Samuel Nutting and others are cited to appear at the probate of the will. Who Samuel was, I am not sure. May have been brother of Benjamin Nutting.

C4-11 EBENEZER NUTTING (James, Ebenezer, John), b. July 17, 1742 at Grafton, Mass.; died ———; married Jan. 31, 1765 Sybil Stickney (marriage recorded at Harvard, Mass.)

March 1766, Groton caution against Sybil Nutting the wife of Ebenezer Nutting who came last from Harvard allowed.

March 1774, Dunstable caution allowed against Ebenezer Nutting and his wife and four children named Abijah, Phineas, Sarah, and his sister Deborah, who came from Groton.

This Ebenezer lived then in Harvard, Groton and Dunstable.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

- C5-20 i Abijah, b. 1766; m. Eunice Page. He lived and died at Groton, age 93.
 C5-21 ii Phineas, b. 1769; m. Sophia ———. He lived and died at Groton, age 73.
 iii Sarah, b. ———.
 C5-22 iv Oliver, b. 1771; m. Naomi Blood.

C4-13 JOSIAH NUTTING (Josiah, Ebenezer, John), born about 1728-30; died before May 5, 1764; married (intention dated June 28, 1755) Keziah Butterfield, daughter of Benjamin and Keziah Butterfield of Westford. She married second about May or June, 1764, Capt. Joseph Fletcher. See New England Hist. Gen. Register, vol. 44, p.43.

I found no record or mention of his children, if any.

C4-15 THOMAS NUTTING (John, Ebenezer, John), born Dec. 10, 1758, at Westford; died ———; married (intention dated Aug. 31, 1781) Sibel Prescott, born Jan. 6, 1756, daughter of Jonas and Rebecca (Bulkley) Prescott.

Thomas Nutting was a Revolutionary soldier. Residence seems to have been at Westford as late as 1807. He is said to have been a pioneer preacher and missionary at Piermont and Plymouth, N. H. His family probably remained at Westford.

CHILDREN RECORDED AT WESTFORD, FIFTH GENERATION

- C5-23 i John, b. Jan. 20, 1782; m. 1802 Eunice Pierce.
 C5-24 ii Jonas, b. Oct. 15, 1783; m. 1805 Mary Spaulding of Ashburnham.
 iii Hannah, b. Aug. 22, 1785.
 C5-25 iv Thomas, b. Sept. 10, 1787.
 v Rebecca, b. Oct. 5, 1789; m. Jonathan Emerson.
 C5-26 vi Benjamin, b. Nov. 7, 1791.
 vii Sibbel, b. Jan. 4, 1794.
 C5-27 viii Buckley Prescott, b. Aug. 16, 1796; m. Lucy Pierce.
 C5-28 ix Abel, b. Nov. 16, 1799.

D-4 JONATHAN BRANCH, 4th Generation

D4-2 JOHN NUTTING (John, Jonathan, John), born Aug. 26, 1733, at Salem, Mass.; living in 1782; married (intention dated Oct. 8, 1761) Elizabeth Pickman, born July 22, 1735, daughter of John and Margaret (Morgan, alias Norton) Pickman.

In 1758 he lost on the road between Boston and Newbury about 120 milled dollars, for which he advertised in the Boston Gazette of May 8,

1758. March 1, 1760, at a meeting called to found a library of books in Salem, John Nutting Jr. subscribed 5 guineas.

Capt. John Nutting of Salem attends a military funeral with his company, Salem, Dec. 15, 1762. (Essex Institute Collections, vol. 48, p.361). He may have served in the French and Indian wars.

In 1764 he intended to get a commission in the Royal Navy, but another man was preferred. He *may* be the John Nutting who was collector of customs and weigher, but I think this was his father.

Nov. 4, 1782, he advertised: "John Nutting Junr intends to begin a mathematical school." (Felt's Annals of Salem, vol. i, p.453). This is the last I have found of him. He died between the last mentioned date and Oct. 5, 1790, the date of his father's will, for he is not mentioned in the will. I have not found the date or place of his death.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

D5-1 i John, b. Nov. 22, 1762. He was living Oct. 5, 1790, when his grandfather made his will. He was then gone on a long voyage to sea, and in a poor state of health. He probably died abroad, as I found no mention of his death in Salem.

D4-4 SAMUEL NUTTING (Samuel, Jonathan, John), born Oct. 16, 1728, in Medford, Mass.; died at Newton, Mass., July 11, 1808, aged 80; married first in Weston Oct. 22, 1751, Lydia Stratton, born March 1, 1737; died Dec. 14, 1764; daughter of David and Hannah (Smith) Stratton; married second Oct. 9, 1765, Olive Ames of Groton, Mass.; married third Dec. 17, 1772, Sarah Learned of Watertown.

Samuel Nutting lived in Watertown until about 1787; after that in Newton, Mass. In 1759 he went from Waltham to Lincoln, Mass., but was warned out of Lincoln. In 1770 Westford warned out his daughter Azubah, and in 1771 Samuel Nutting who came last from Waltham and Lydia Nutting who came last from Marlborough were warned out from Weston, the western section of Watertown. These last two must have been the children, Samuel Jr. and Lydia, as his wife Lydia had been dead some years.

This Samuel Nutting is called captain, probably of militia. Jackson, History of Newton, p.247, says that Capt. Nutting lived many years in the old Gregory Cook house in Newton. Records show that he could not have lived there more than twenty years, for up to 1787 he is called resident of Watertown.

Capt. Samuel Nutting died intestate. His widow Sarah Nutting declined administration, and asked that Samuel Jr. be appointed administrator, which was done by the Court Nov. 8, 1808. Jan. 16, 1810, on petition of the heirs, he was removed and Nathan Hastings appointed administrator. Estate about \$3500.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

- D5-2 i Samuel, b. Aug. 12, 1752; m. Mary Pierce.
 D5-3 ii David, b. Oct. 26, 1754; m. ———; living at Newton, Mass. in 1809.
 iii Lydia, b. May 30, 1757; m. in Weston Feb. 12, 1778, Nathaniel Parmenter.
 D5-4 iv Azubah, b. Feb. 26, 1761; living 1770.
 D5-5 v William, bapt. Sept. 21, 1766; d. Sept. 26, 1766.
 vi Olive, b. May 21, 1770.
 vii Sarah, b. ———; unm. in 1808; bought the homestead of David, 1809.
 viii Nancy, b. ———; unm. in 1810.
 D5-6 ix Thomas, b. ———; living at Newton, Mass. 1810; m. ———.
 D5-7 x George, b. ———; living at Columbia, S. C., on Oct. 11, 1809, when he gave power of attorney to his brother David to collect his share of the estate, as one of the children of Samuel Nutting, deceased, late of Newton, Mass. George is called a baker.

Only six of Samuel's children appear to have been living in 1808-10.

D4-7 JOSEPH NUTTING (Samuel, Jonathan, John), bapt. May 6, 1739, at Cambridge; died at Needham, Mass., Feb. 28, 1763; married Dec. 31, 1761, Olive Huntting, born Oct. 30, 1741, at Needham, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Huntting.

Joseph Nutting lived at Needham during his short married life. His widow Olive was published with James Bartlett March 23, 1766, but the wedding did not take place. She married second March 29, 1768, Mr. Joseph Wetherby of Dedham. (Dedham Records, p.107.)

ONLY CHILD, FIFTH GENERATION

- i Olive, b. May 19, 1763.

D4-8 JOHN NUTTING (Samuel, Jonathan, John), bapt. Dec. 27, 1741; died at Charlestown, Mass., Feb. 7, 1826; married first probably about 1761 (date not found) Sarah ———; married second (date of publication, Oct. 28, 1787) Mary Russell, who probably died Sept. 17, 1795, aged 47; married third, Sept. 28, 1797, Mary (Polly) Bird, daughter of Edward and Sarah Bird. (*Genealogies and Estates of Charlestown by Wyman, and other records*).

In 1767 two of John Nutting's sisters appear to have been living in Charlestown, for we have the records of their marriages.

"Joseph Smith and Abigail Nutting of this town were joined in marriage by the Rev. Mr. Thomas Prentice April 2, 1767."

"John Penny, Jr. and Mary Nutting were joined in marriage by the Revd. Mr. Hall Abbott May 16, 1768."

In 1775 he was living at Bow St., near Arrow St., occupying Lot 47 in the plan in James F. Hunnewell's *Century of a Township*, p.129.

His losses from the burning of Charlestown by the British on June 17, 1775, are described as "half a dwelling, kitchen at back, valued at £100 and £8 in personal estate." He is called baker and laborer, and a seafaring man.

In 1790 the census shows the family of John Nutting to be composed of himself and wife and another female, perhaps his wife's sister, Laura Russell, as census of 1789 says.

There exists the following deed: "John Nutting of Charlestown, laborer, in consideration of my friendship and affection for Mary Bird of Charlestown, single woman, deeds to her the income of his estate, real and personal, during her lifetime; if income is insufficient, she has liberty to sell the property by the advice of the selectmen." Sept. 28, 1797. (Middlesex County Deeds, vol. 126, p. 283.)

John Nutting and Polly Bird, both of Charlestown, were joined in marriage Sept. 28, 1797, by Rev. Jedediah Morse, pastor of the First Congregational Church.

He lived in Charlestown the remainder of his life and died there Feb. 7, 1826. Age 84. No relatives appear.

Note—One record calls John Nutting's (of Charlestown) third wife Polly Bird, another Mary Bird. I follow the record always. Of course, Polly is only a nickname for Mary.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

D5-8 i John, b. about 1762 or 1763; probably the John Nutting of Amherst. Revolutionary War soldier and progenitor of numerous posterity.

D5-9 ii Ebenezer, b. ———; died aged 2 years.

By Third Wife

iii Caroline, bapt. July 20, 1800, at Charlestown.

NOTE by W. M. N.—*JOHN NUTTING* of AMHERST, according to the above dates of the three wives of D4-8 John Nutting of Charlestown would have to be the son of Sarah his first wife.

In the absence of any definite proof that John of Amherst was son of John and Sarah Nutting of Charlestown, Mr. Brainard cannot claim more than a guess or conjecture as to the ancestry of this John of Amherst. Separated from his parental home at about the age of 4 years and brought to Northampton to live with friends, his early life and ancestry have always been shrouded in mystery and uncertainty.

Further research work now in progress under the direction of Chas. H. Nutting of Boston and grandson of "John of Amherst," it is believed will reveal a more conclusive line of ancestry for him back to the original "John Nutting of Groton" than hitherto brought out by such authorities as Rev. John K. Nutting (1908) and Homer W. Brainard in this present work.

See forthcoming "Descendants of JOHN NUTTING of AMHERST" by W. M. Nutting, 1928-(9).

D4-9 CHARLES NUTTING (Samuel, Jonathan, John), bapt. Dec. 17, 1752, at Watertown, Mass.; died ———; married Feb. 4, 1779, Hannah Parmenter of Watertown.

"Charles Nutting of Charlestown, formerly of Cambridge."

March 25, 1768. Richard Hunnewell of Charlestown, blacksmith, appointed guardian to Charles Nutting a minor, upwards of 14 years of age, son of Samuel Nutting, late of Cambridge. (Middlesex County Probate, case 16159.) In 1790 Chas. Nutting was of Watertown and had a family of three sons.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

- i Hannah, b. Aug. 24, 1779; m. Sept. 6, 1795, Joshua Underwood.
- D5-10 ii Charles, b. March 20, 1781.
- D5-11 iii John, b. Feb. 14, 1783.
- D5-12 iv Richard Hunnewell, b. Oct. 1784; d. Dec. 1784.
- D5-13 v Phineas, b. Nov. 8, 1785.
- vi Abigail, b. March 11, 1788; d. March 1, 1789.
- D5-14 vii Nathaniel, b. Jan. 20, 1790; d. Sept. 1791.
- D5-15 viii Nathaniel, b. Dec. 7, 1792.
- ix Sarah, b. Nov. 24, 1795; m. Dec. 1815, Josiah Gleason of Waltham.
- x Hannah, b. July 20, 1799.

D4-11 JAMES NUTTING (James, Jonathan, John), born Feb. 2, 1731-32, at Wrentham; died in 1758; married June 28, 1754, Mary Townsend of Boston. (Boston records). His mother was appointed administratrix on his estate Jan. 1, 1758. He was a mariner. There is no mention of children, and perhaps he is not the James Nutting who married Mary Townsend.

D4-12 EBENEZER NUTTING (James, Jonathan, John), bapt. Jan. 30, 1736-7, at Cambridge; died at Salem or at sea about 1804; married (?).

He was a mariner, living at Salem 1799.

Ebenezer Nutting of Salem was a private in Capt. Joshua Hiller's company during the Revolution. He died intestate and insolvent. Administration granted to Ebenezer Nutting May 8, 1804, and to Addison Richardson Aug. 27, 1804. Jonathan Nutting and Nicholas Lane sureties.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

- D5-16 i Ebenezer, b. ———; m. Sally (Sarah) Stevenson.
Perhaps others. Lost with his father or soon after?

D4-13 JOHN NUTTING (James, Jonathan, John), bapt. Jan. 21, 1738-9, at Cambridge; died ———; married April 23, 1761 Mary Walton of Reading. (Reading records.)

John Nutting was a carpenter or housewright. In 1761 he bought a house and 1-4 acre of land on the easterly side of North Ave., now called Massachusetts Ave., near the Common. He owned a pew in the First Congregational Church. Owned the covenant at Cambridge May 9, 1762. He

was much involved in debt and his property taken. He does not appear in Cambridge after 1772. J. K. Nutting says that he adhered to the King at the Revolution, and was proscribed by the act of 1778. Also that he went to Halifax and had a grant of 2000 acres in the Minas Basin. Said to have had ten children, of whom only four grew up.

CHILDREN, FIFTH GENERATION

- i Mary, b. April 26, 1762; d. April 12, 1766.
- D5-17 ii John, b. March 3, 1764; a captain in the Royal Artillery; unm.
- iii Mercy, bapt. March 3, 1766.
- iv Mary, bapt. March 6, 1768; m. Capt. McNeal of Royal N. C. regiment.
- v Elizabeth, bapt. May 6, 1770.

D4-14 JONATHAN NUTTING (James, Jonathan, John), bapt. June 14, 1741, at Cambridge; died ———; married June 8, 1763, (Reading records) Susannah Bachellor, born 1744; died at Reading April 7, 1811, aged 67.

This Jonathan Nutting was a merchant or trader, living at Boston, Reading and Charlestown. In 1784 he bought a house in Boston, on Purchase St., fronting the sea. Two years later he lost this, becoming involved. Retired to Reading, recovered, and in 1790 was at Charlestown, with property in his wife's name. May 31, 1804, Jonathan and his wife Susannah convey this property to John B. Nutting of Danvers, Mass., tanner, as security for a mortgage note. This John B. Nutting B5-18 may have been Jonathan's son. I find no mention of other children. Some of his children were born in Boston and Salem, but his marriage and some family records are at Reading, on Reading records.

CHILD, FIFTH GENERATION

- D5-18 i John B. Nutting b. ———. Tanner.

D4-15 SAMUEL NUTTING (James, Jonathan, John), bapt. April 15, 1744, at Cambridge; died at Cambridge Jan. 8, 1797, aged 52; married Elizabeth ———.

He graduated from Harvard in 1768; became a physician and surgeon; served in the Revolution.

April 5, 1797, Elizabeth Nutting was appointed administratrix on the estate of Samuel Nutting of Cambridge. No heirs named. Personal estate small. (Middlesex Probate, case 16160.) Census of 1790 gives him a family of 4-7-8, or nineteen in all. Could not have been his own children. Perhaps he had students residing with him. I find the name of but one son, Benjamin F. Nutting.

CHILD, FIFTH GENERATION

- D5-19 i Benjamin Franklin, b. ———; an artist living in the early 70's; unmarried.

APPENDIX

Under date of Nov. 30, 1927 and just before going to press a letter is received from Homer W. Brainard, the Genealogist of this book, in which he says in part:—

“Your letter of the 24th and the proofs of the NUTTING GENEALOGY have been received. I have made a very few corrections. It seems to be very correct. I am sending you a second package containing the fifth and some later generations of the Nuttings, also some notes on Amherst Nuttings and other Nutting matters. They may be useful to you.”

For this additional information we NUTTINGS are truly grateful to Mr. Brainard.

Following is a last minute printing of writeups made from Mr. Brainard's material on some of the principal families of the 5th and 6th generations having male issue who may or may not have contributed to the perpetuation of the NUTTING name to subsequent generations or possibly down to the present day and generation.

If you are a NUTTING and can trace your ancestry back to one of these of the 5th, 6th or even 7th generation mentioned herein, you can easily trace your line back to the original founder of the tribe in this country, JOHN NUTTING of Groton.

The reader will note that the book has a coverage of the male descendants of John of Groton over a period of approximately 200 years. It is to be hoped that the various branches will eventually be brought down to date by some one or more persons either as a whole or in part through the publications of individual branches by members thereof especially interested.

W. M. NUTTING.

A-5 JOHN BRANCH 5th Generation

A5-3 JOHN (John, John, John, John), born Aug. 7, 1737. Died ———; m. Elizabeth Nutting, daughter of ———. Lived at Greenfield and Groton.

CHILDREN, SIXTH GENERATION

1 Joseph, b. March 12, 1762; m. Huldah Converse.

2 Elijah, b. Feb. 16, 1764; m. Susannah Foster.

A5-5 EPHRIAM (Ephriam, John, John, John), born about 1732; died ———; married May 29, 1754 Jerusha Parker, born ~~1735~~; died May 22, 1812, age 87, at Groton.

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CHILDREN, SIXTH GENERATION

- 1 Jonathan, b. May 19, 1755; m. Lucy Parker. Settled at Otisville, Me.
- 2 Relief, b. Sept. 28, 1758.
- 3 Nathan, b. March 16, 1761; m. Rhoda Lewis. Settled at Otisville, Me.
- 4 Ephraim, b. Aug. 18, 1765; m. Mary Waits.

A5-11 JOSIAH (Josiah, John, John, John) b. Feb. 16, 1748 living in Pepperell 1783; died ———; married Sept. 24, 1767 Zerviah Lawrence. He is probably the Josiah Nutting who settled in Norridgewock, Me. Was there in 1790.

CHILDREN, SIXTH GENERATION (PEPPERELL RECORDS)

- 1 Betty, b. June 25, 1768.
- 2 Josiah, b. May 2, 1770.
- 3 Jacob, b. Feb. 24, 1772.
- 4 Abijah, b. Jan. 28, 1774
- 5 Joel, b. March 8, 1776.
- 6 Abel, b. Dec. 27, 1779.
- 7 Benjamin, b. Jan. 3, 1781.
- 8 Anna, b. Jan. 27, 1783.

A5-13 ISAAC (Isaac, John, John, John) born March 29, 1739; died ———; Married Oct. 26, 1769 Mary (Molly) Nutting of Pepperell. He was a Revolutionary War Soldier from Groton.

CHILDREN, SIXTH GENERATION

Molly, David, Thomas, Seth.

A5-23 WILLIAM (William, Jonathan, John, John) born July 10, 1752; Died April 18, 1832 at Groton; Married Dec. 31, 1778 Mrs. Susannah Danforth, daughter of Col. Jos. French of Dunstable. Married 2nd Mrs. Mary Hubbard, daughter of Dea. Thos. Barrett of Concord.

William Nutting was a Revolutionary War Soldier. Compiled Manuscript Genealogy from memory of his Great Uncle John 3. Was also a farmer and school teacher. See J. K. N. Genealogy p. 96-7.

CHILDREN, SIXTH GENERATION

- 1 William, b. 1779.
- 2 Susannah, b. 1781; m. Zara Patch.
- 3 Sarah, b. 1783; m. Shadrack Bardeen.
- 4 Jane Boynton; m. Jacob Symonds.
- 5 Joseph Danforth, b. 1787; m. Lucinda Keep, daughter of Capt. Jonathan Keep who kept the Old Groton Inn.

Joseph and Lucinda were parents of Rev. John Keep Nutting who wrote the Nutting Genealogy, 1908, and was one time pastor of "The Little Brown Church in the Vale."

- 6 Ralph, d. in infancy.
- 7 Rufus, b. 1793; m. Marcia Manning.
- 8 Anna, b. 1796; m. Jacob Chamberlain.
- 9 Thomas, d. in infancy.

A5-25 ABEL (William, Jonathan, John, John) born Oct. 23, 1761 in Groton; died ———; Married Polly Boynton. Settled in Weathersfield, Vt., and was there in 1790 with family of 5 children (census), J. K. N. Genealogy, p. 103.

CHILDREN, SIXTH GENERATION

Timothy, Cynthia, William (teacher at Pomfret, Vt.), Abel, George, Cyrus, Mighill, Guy (Farmer at Stowe, Vt.), Stoddard (Merchant at Claremont, N. H.), Euphemia, Jane, Polly.

A5-26 SIMEON (Daniel, Daniel, John, John) born July 6, 1747 in Groton; Died ———; Married, Jan. 22, 1767 Dorothy Kemp.

Is he the one who settled in Jaffrey, N. H.?

A5-27 DANIEL (Daniel, Daniel, John, John) born May 23, 1756 at Groton. Died April 11, 1836; married Molly Lawrence of Townsend; lived at Westford. Was a Revolutionary War Soldier.

CHILDREN, SIXTH GENERATION (WESTFORD RECORDS)

- 1 Ede, b. July 21, 1780 at Groton.
- 2 Rebecca, b. August 24, 1782; m. Emerson 1; Trowbridge 2.
- 3 Samuel, b. April 1, 1784.
- 4 Mary, b. Sept. 8, 1785; m. ——— Stone.
- 5 Ralph, b. August 26, 1787; m. Hannah Wright.
- 6 Stephen, b. June 27, 1789.
- 7 Daniel, b. May 9, 1791.
- 8 Sibbel, b. Feb. 22, 1793; m. 1 Carpenter, 2 Lampman, 3 Flint.
- 9 Luther, b. March 22, 1795; m. Katherine Wait.
- 10 Asia, b. August 8, 1796; m. Clarissa Wilkins.
- 11 Nancy, b. May 8, 1798; m. John Young.
- 12 William, b. Dec. 16, 1801; m. Charlotte Flint.
- 13 Louisa, b. June 7, 1804; m. Nathan Pennington.
- 14 Roxey, b. April 6, 1805; m. John Flint.

A5-28 ABEL (Daniel, Daniel, John, John) born Sept. 13, 1758; died Sept. 4, 1827; married Rhoda Coombs of Bath, Me., who died in her 100th year. They settled at Lisbon, Me. He was a Revolutionary War Soldier and called "The Musketeer."

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CHILDREN, SIXTH GENERATION

Aaron, Eunice, Rebecca, Joshua, Peggy, Abel, Abner, Betsey, Deliverance (Delia), Rhoda, Seth (Grandfather of Wallace Nutting), Irene, James. All lived to adult age.

A5-30 ELEAZER (Eleazer, Eleazer, John, John), born Sept. 13, 1760 at Groton. Died ———; married Sarah Kemp. Lived at Pepperell and Francestown. Was a Revolutionary War Soldier.

CHILDREN, SIXTH GENERATION

Jonathan, b. ———; m. Laura Root. Settled in Danville, Vt.

A-6 JOHN BRANCH 6th Generation

JOSEPH (John A5-3, John, John, John, John), born March 12, 1762; died May 22, 1817 at Greenfield. Married January 27, 1787 Huldah Converse who was born June 6, 1814 at Greenfield. He was a Revolutionary War Soldier. See J. K. N. Genealogy, page 243 and Thompson History of Greenfield, p. 303.

CHILDREN, SEVENTH GENERATION

- 1 Ozias, b. ———; m. Mehitabel Pink? They had son George, b. July 16, 1826—See Thompson History of Greenfield. He was Col. in Civil War.
- 2 Child, b. 1800; d. age 2 years.
- 3 Mercy, b. ———; m. Geo. Wilson.

JONATHAN (Ephraim A5-5, Ephraim, John, John, John), born May 19, 1755; died ———; married Lucy Parker. Removed to Otisville, Maine.

NATHAN (Ephraim A5-5, Ephraim, John, John, John), born March 16, 1761; died ———; married Rhoda Lewis of Pepperell. Settled in Otisville, Me.

CHILDREN, SEVENTH GENERATION

Silas, Peter (A carpenter at Groton; called "Capt. Peter"; m. ——— Lawrence), Rhoda, Lyman, Thomas, Luther, Nathan.

EPHRAIM (Ephraim A5-5, Ephraim, John, John, John), born Aug. 18, 1765; died March 18, 1822 at Groton; married Mary ~~Waits~~.

CHILDREN, SEVENTH GENERATION

W O O D S

- 1 Solomon.
- 2 Sylvia, m. Peter Bowen or Buyn.

- 3 Charlotte, Single in 1832.
- 4 Mary, Single in 1832.
- 5 Prudence; m. Geo. Hayden.
- 6 Asa, Single in 1830.
- 7 Henry of Charlestown, 1832.
- 8 Luther of Boston, 1832.
- 9 Philip of Cambridge, 1832
- 10 Calvin.
- 11 Caroline.
- 12 Lucy.

ASIA (Daniel A5-27, Daniel, Daniel, John, John), born August 8, 1796 in Wesford; died ———; married Clarissa Wilkins. His house in Westford stood as the original accommodations of John Nutting, "The Founder," from which he removed to Groton. See J. K. Nutting Genealogy, p. 96.

CHILDREN, SEVENTH GENERATION

- 1 Clarissa, b. May 6, 1823; m. Joseph Gould.
- 2 Alden, b. Jan. 11, 1825; d. Yolo, Cal., 1903.
- 3 Stephen, b. August 10, 1826; m. Adeline Drake.
- 4 Sybil, b. March 5, 1828; m. Levi Greene.
- 5 Luther, b. March 22, 1830; d. August 4, 1833.
- 6 Mary, b. March 17, 1832; m. 1 Dr. Jenner, 2 ——— Bradford.
- 7 Sally, b. Nov. 18, 1833; m. Thomas Blodgett.
- 8 Samuel, b. Oct. 19, 1835; m. Ellen Chickering.
- 9 Daniel, b. Oct. 5, 1837; m. Molly Forsythe.
- 10 Martha, b. June 20, 1839.
- 11 Benjamin, b. Nov. 9, 1841; m. Josephine Nichols. Inherited the old John Nutting homestead.

CHILDREN, SEVENTH GENERATION

Peter, b. ———. A carpenter.

C-5 EBENEZER BRANCH 5th Generation

C5-2 EBENEZER (Jonathan, Jonathan, Ebenezer, John), born June 17, 1777; died Sept. 18, 1823; married (Polly) Mary Merrick. Was a farmer. Lived on the old place in Brimfield. Was a noted player on the violin and fife.

CHILDREN SIXTH GENERATION (BRIMFIELD RECORDS)

- 1 Merrick, b. Oct. 23, 1803.
- 2 Mary, b. August 20, 1805.
- 3 Harvey, b. Feb. 4, 1808.

- 4 Minerva, b. Jan. 18, 1810.
- 5 Abner, b. July 10, 1812.
- 6 Ebenezer, b. May 1, 1817.
- 7 Jonathan, b. August 7, 1819.

C5-3 ABNER (Jonathan, Jonathan, Ebenezer, John), born May 9, 1783 in Brimfield; died Dec. 29, 1810; married Matilda Bishop.

CHILDREN, SIXTH GENERATION

Abner, b. ———; m. Lucy Frost (?)

C5-4 ASA (Jonathan, Jonathan, Ebenezer, John), born Sept. 16, 1785 in Brimfield; died ———; married April 25, 1811, Olive Wood.

CHILDREN, SIXTH GENERATION, (BORN IN BRIMFIELD)

- 1 Sarah, b. July 26, 1812.
- 2 Lucy, b. August 28, 1814.
- 3 Randolph, b. Jan. 2, 1817.

C5-13 JOHN (Ebenezer, Ebenezer, Ebenezer, John), bapt. Jan. 8, 1748-9 at Marblehead; died there Dec. 4, 1811; married Dec. 21, 1776, Jane Crowninshield. Lived in Marblehead. A John Nutting of Marblehead served in the Revolution 1776. Inventory of his estate Sept. 3, 1812 included a fishing schooner, so he might have been a fisherman out of Marblehead.

CHILDREN, SIXTH GENERATION

- 1 Jane, bpt. March 4, 1787; m. Richard Caswell.
- 2 John, bpt. Dec. 21, 1788; m. Margaret Trefry.
- 3 Hannah, bpt. Sept. 18, 1791; d. young.
- 4 Alice, bpt. June 23, 1793; m. David Bruce, Jr.
- 5 William, bpt. Dec. 18, 1796; m. Mary Knight.

C5-22 OLIVER (Ebenezer, James, Ebenezer, John, born about 1771; died ———; married Naomi Blood of Groton. He was a bricklayer and went to Mason, N. H. See J. K. N. Genealogy, p. 95 and 105.

CHILDREN, SIXTH GENERATION

Luther (m. Ruth Adams), Eben, Eli, Abiel, Phineas, Addison (m. Mary Loveland), William?

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B2	James, Second Son of Founder, 1653	14-15
C2	Ebenezer, Third Son of Founder, 1666	14-16
D2	Jonathan, Fourth Son of Founder, 1668	14-17

3rd Generation Covered in Sections II and III

JOHN BRANCH		EBENEZER BRANCH	
1st Son of Founder		3rd son of Founder	
Sym.	Pgs.	Sym.	Pgs.
A2	Line14, 15	C2	Line 14, 16
A3-1	John, 167815, 18	C3-1	Jonathan, 169416, 21
A3-2	Richard, 168415, 18	C3-2	Ebenezer, 170017, 21
A3-3	Ebenezer, 168615, 18	C3-3	James, 170317, 22
A3-4	Jonathan, 168915, 19	C3-4	Josiah, 170517, 24
A3-5	Daniel, 169115, 20	C3-5	John, 170917, 24
A3-6	Eleazer, 169815, 20	C3-6	Benjamin, 171117, 25
JAMES BRANCH		JONATHAN BRANCH	
2nd Son of Founder		4th Son of Founder	
Sym.	Pgs.	Sym.	Pgs.
B2	Line14, 15	D2	Line14, 17
B3-1	William, 168916	D3-1	John, 169417, 25
	unmarried.	D3-2	Jonathan, 1697.....17, 26
	Hence this line stops here.	D3-3	Samuel, 170117, 27
		D3-4	James, 170317, 27
		D3-5	Ebenezer, 170517

4th Generation Covered in Sections III, IV

JOHN BRANCH			
1st Son of Founder			
Sym.		Pgs.	
	A3-1 Line	15, 18	
A4-1	John, 1702	18, 29	
A4-2	Ephraim, 1704	18, 29	
A4-3	Nathaniel, 1706	18, 29	
A4-4	Josiah, 1712	18, 30	
A4-5	Isaac, 1714	18, 30	
	A3-2 Line	15, 18	
A4-6	Joseph, 1719	18, 30	
	A3-3 Line	15, 18	
A4-7	James, 1713	19	
A4-8	Ebenezer, 1719	19	
A4-9	David, 1724	19, 31	
A4-10	Jacob, 1727	19, 31	
A4-11	Benjamin, 1730	19, 31	
A4-12	Aaron, 1734	19	
	A3-4 Line	15, 19	
A4-13	William, 1712	19, 31	
A4-14	Daniel, 1716	20, 32	
A4-15	Ezekiel, 1720	20, 32	
A4-16	Samuel, 1722	20	
	A3-6 Line	15, 20	
A4-17	Eleazer, 1725	20, 33	
A4-18	Jonathan	20	
A4-19	Simeon, 1737	20, 33	
JAMES BRANCH			
2nd Son of Founder			
This line ran out in the 3rd Generation.			
EBENEZER BRANCH			
3rd Son of Founder			
Sym.		Pgs.	
	C3-1 Line	16, 21	
C4-1	Jonathan, 1735	21, 33	
C4-2	Ebenezer	21	
C4-3	James	21, 34	
C4-4	David	21, 34	
	C3-2 Line	17, 21	
	C4-5 Ebenezer, 1726	22, 34	
	C4-6 Benjamin, 1738	22, 35	
	C4-7 Jonathan, 1745	22, 35	
	C3-3 Line	17, 22	
	C4-8 James, 1732	23, 35	
	C4-9 John, 1736	23, 35	
	C4-10 Benjamin, 1738	23, 36	
	C4-11 Ebenezer, 1742	23, 36	
	C4-12 Samuel	23	
	C3-4 Line	17, 24	
	C4-13 Josiah, 1728	24, 37	
	C3-5 Line	17, 24	
	C4-14 John, 1756	25	
	C4-15 Thomas, 1758	25, 37	
	C4-16 Benjamin, 1764	25	
	C3-6 Line	17, 25	
	C4-17 Benjamin, 1742	25	
	C4-18 Josiah, 1744	25	
JONATHAN BRANCH			
4th Son of Founder			
Sym.		Pgs.	
	D3-1 Line	17, 25	
D4-1	John (died young)	26	
D4-2	John, 1733	26, 37	
	D3-2 Line	17, 26	
D4-3	Jonathan, 1730	26	
	D3-3 Line	17, 27	
D4-4	Samuel, 1728	27, 38	
D4-5	Jonathan, 1735	27	
D4-6	Joseph, (d. young)	27	
D4-7	Joseph, 1739	27, 39	
D4-8	John, 1741	27, 39	
D4-9	Charles, 1752	27, 40	
	D3-4 Line	17, 27	
D4-10	Ebenezer, 1728 (d. young)	28	
D4-11	James, 1731	28, 41	
D4-12	Ebenezer, 1736	28, 41	
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Covered in Section IV

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1st Son of Founder		2nd Son of Founder	
Sym.	Pgs.	There were no male descendants as late as the 5th generation.	
A4-1 Line	18, 29	EBENEZER BRANCH	
A5-1 Ephraim, 1728, Groton	29	3rd Son of Founder	
A5-2 Joseph, 1730, Groton	29	Sym.	Pgs.
A5-3 John, 1737, Groton	29, 43	C4-1 Line	21, 33
A5-4 Zachariah, 1739, Groton	29	C5-1 Jonathan, 1775, Brimfield	34
A4-2 Line	18, 29	C5-2 Ebenezer, 1777, Brimfield	34, 47
A5-5 Ephraim, 1732, Groton	29, 43	C5-3 Abner, 1783, Brimfield	34, 48
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A5-6 Nehemiah, 1734, Groton	29	C4-3 Line	21, 34
A5-7 Nathaniel, 1740, Groton	29	C5-4a James, 1777	34
A5-8 Jonas, 1744, Groton	29	C5-5 Gideon, —, Brimfield	34
A5-9 Amos, 1746, Groton	30	C5-6 Benjamin, —, Darien, N. Y.	34
A5-10 David, 1751, Vermont	30	C4-4 Line	21, 34
A4-4 Line	18, 30	C5-7 Ebenezer, 1776, Leverett	34
A5-11 Josiah, 1748, Groton	30, 44	C5-8 Nathan, 1779, So. Brimfield	34
A4-5 Line	18, 30	C5-9 Alfred, 1781, Brimfield	34
A5-12 Hepzibah, 1737, Pepperell	30	C5-10 Porter, 1783, Brimfield, unmar.	34
A5-13 Isaac, 1739, Groton	30, 44	C5-11 David, 1794, Leverett	34
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A5-14 Eleazer, 1743, Groton	30	C4-5 Line	22, 34
A5-15 Jacob, 1747, Groton	30	C5-13 John, 1748, Marblehead	35, 48
A5-16 Thomas, 1750, Groton	30	C5-14 William, 1756, Marblehead	35
A4-6 Line	18, 30	Rev. Soldier.	
A5-17 Richard (died young)	30	C4-6 Line	22, 35
A5-18 Richard, 1743, Salem	31	C5-15 Benjamin, 1763 (d. yg.)	35
A5-19 David, 1750, Middleton	31	C5-16 Benjamin, 1765, Marblehead	35
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A5-20 Ebenezer, Groton	31	C5-17 John, 1759, Pepperell	36
A5-21 David, 1754, Groton	31	C5-18 Levi, 1770, Pepperell, unmar.	36
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A5-22 Jonathan, 1743, Groton	32	C4-11 Line	23, 36
A5-23 William, 1752, Groton	32, 44	C5-20 Abijah, —, Harvard	37
Rev. Soldier.		C5-21 Phineas, —, Harvard	37
A5-24 Abel, (died young)	32	C5-22 Oliver, —, Harvard	37, 48
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A4-14 Line	20, 32	C5-23 John, 1782, Westford	37
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A5-27 Daniel, 1756, Westford	32, 45	C5-25 Thomas, 1787, Westford	37
A5-28 Abel, 1758, Maine	32, 45	C5-26 Benjamin, 1791, Westford	37
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JONATHAN BRANCH

4th Son of Founder

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D4-4 Line	27, 38
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D5-3 David, 1754, Newton	39
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D5-11 John, 1783, Charlestown ..	41
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