A GENEALOGICAL SKETCH

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DR. ARTEMAS BULLARD

OF SUTTON,

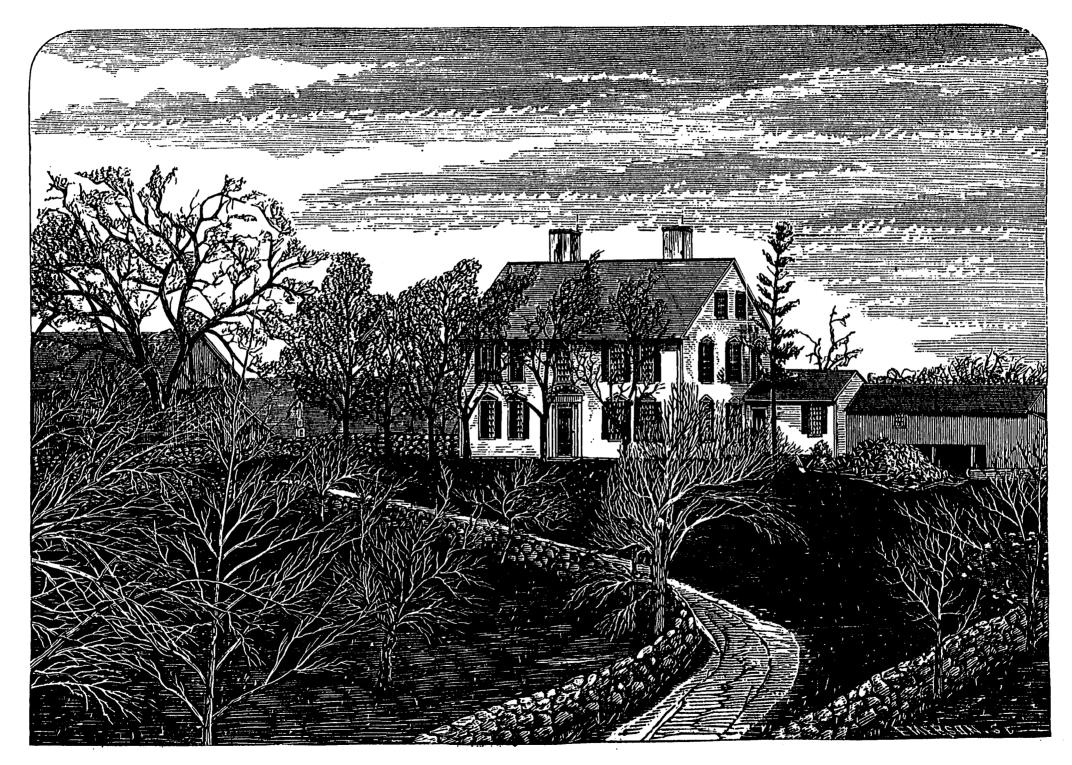
AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

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RESIDENCE OF DR. ARTEMAS BULLARD.

THE BULLARD FAMILY.

In the genealogical history of the "Descendants of several ancient Puritans," published by Rev. Abner Morse in 1857, and afterward reprinted with important additions and corrections, may be found an interesting account of the Bullard families in New England. From this work and from sundry manuscripts and family records deemed reliable, the writer has prepared for publication, with the annals of the town of Sutton, a few of the materials for a concise history of the ancestry and descendants of Dr. Bullard, from early colonial times down to the close of the year 1877.

Among the first planters of New England, according to the latest researches in genealogy, appear four men of the name Bullard, viz: Robert, George, John and William. They all, doubtless, emigrated from England about the year 1630, and were certainly among the first settlers in Watertown and its vicinity. The first two above named, or their children, had lands assigned them in Watertown in 1637 and 1644, and the last two in Dedham, about the year 1636.

In the first edition of Mr. Morse's work, it is stated that of the several planters of the name of Bullard, "Benjamin is the only one whose entire race admits of being traced with certainty and separated from all others bearing the name." By substituting the name of Robert for Benjamin, in accordance with the later information obtained by Mr. Morse, this statement will doubtless be found strictly true. It was, at first, erroneously supposed that there was a Benjamin among the early settlers of Watertown, but it seems that a son of Robert, viz: Benjamin (2), hereafter referred to, was the "Benjamin Bullard" whose name is preserved in the early records of that town.

Robert Bullard (1) was unquestionably the ancestor of the Sutton family of that name. He was probably born about the year 1599, as it is a matter of record that he died in Watertown, April 24, 1639, aged forty.

He left a widow, Ann or Anna, and probably three children only—a son Benjamin (2), and two daughters, Anna and Maudlin.

A curious piece of evidence in regard to the parentage of Benjamin (2), may be found in Dr. Bond's "Watertown Family Memorial," more particularly in his account of the discovery of a bond given by one Henry Thorpe, who married the widow of Robert Bullard about November 25, 1639.

Benjamin (2), the only son of Robert and Anna Bullard, was probably born about the year 1630. From all the accounts handed down by his contemporaries, he seems to have been regarded a man of rare energy and force of character.

During a portion of his minority he resided in Dedham, being under the care of an uncle, probably John Bullard, a holder of land in that town. He was admitted a townsman at Dedham, January 11, 1655-'56, "which then implied a previous probation, a good moral character, and the age of twenty-one." His name appears in 1657-'58 in the list of those to whom land was to be assigned in Dedham, but having removed from Dedham about that time, he received none.

He was twice married; first at Dedham, in 1659, to Martha Pidge, and secondly to Elizabeth —, in 1677. About the time of his first marriage, he, with others, located a home on the north side of Bogistow Pond, in what is now the town of Sherborn. Here they continued to reside, during the rest of their lives, in a state of warfare with the savages, who then infested nearly all the early settlements in Massachusetts.

In the interesting account given by Mr. Morse, it is related that "they built for a garrison-house a spacious and regular fortress. It was superior to any similar structure on the then frontier." He further adds that "to this place of security our ancestors, for more than two generations, were accustomed to flee in times of alarm, and here no small number of their children were born."

Benjamin Bullard was one of the signers of the first petition for the incorporation of the town of Sherborn. In 1673 he sold his patrimonial estate in Watertown, and in 1674 he signed a second petition for the incorporation of Sherborn, soon after which the prayer of the petitioners was duly He eventually became the proprietor of large granted. tracts of land in Medway, Sherborn and Holliston, some of which have been retained in the family name down to the He died in Sherborn, Sept. 27, 1689. He present day. had by his first wife three sons and three daughters, and the same number of each by his second wife. In closing a most excellent tribute to his memory, Mr. Morse eulogizes the "great Puritan ancestor" of the Bullards, and records the fact that "he sleeps hard by the scenes of his toils and his perils. On the apex of one of nature's pyramids, whose base is laved by the Charles River, repose his ashes, in company with those of the founders of Sherborn."

Benjamin (3), second son of Benjamin (2), and Martha Bullard, was born March 1, 1670–71. He married Tabitha ——, about the year 1700, and had four sons, all born in Sherborn. He inherited lands or drew them in right of his father, in Holliston, in the northwest corner of Mendon, now a part of Milford, and in the territory west of Mendon, afterward known as Douglas. About the year 1739 he removed to the house of his son Benjamin, in Holliston, where he died about the year 1760, aged ninety. He seems to have been principally engaged in farming, although he was twice chosen tything-man, and repeatedly surveyor of highways, in the alteration and improvement of which he took great interest.

Benjamin (4), the eldest of four children of Benjamin (3), and Tabitha Bullard, was born in Sherborn, March 4, 1702-3. He settled in Holliston prior to 1727, and built his house a few rods east of the northeast corner of Milford.

He married, first, Judith, daughter of Ebenezer Hill of Sherborn, November 9, 1727. They had eleven children six sons and five daughters. He married for his second wife Ruth Hill, August 12, 1762, and died intestate in 1766.

Asa (5), eldest son of Benjamin (4) and Judith Bullard, was born in Holliston, July 10, 1730. He was administrator of his father's estate, and inherited his homestead in the westerly part of Holliston. In the letters of administration granted September 23, 1766, he is styled "cordwainer." He was twice married; first to Hannah Jones, daughter of Eli Jones of Holliston (born August 6, 1734; died April 1762), by whom he had four children; and secondly, November 1, 1762, to Hannah Cook, daughter of Walter Cook of Mendon, by whom he had twelve children, eight sons and four daughters. He made his will December 17, 1802, and died prior to June 12, 1804, in Holliston, aged about seventy-four.

Artemas (6), M. D., the third son of Asa (5), and Hannah (Cook) Bullard, was born at Holliston, December 8, 1768. An interesting sketch of Dr. Bullard, prepared in 1854 by his son-in-law, Judge Barton of Worcester, was first published in 1855 in connection with Mr. Morse's genealogical work, heretofore referred to. To this sketch the writer is greatly indebted for many of the facts which he has freely incorporated into the following brief notice of his honored grandfather.

Dr. Bullard seems to have been the only one of his father's children who received a professional education.

About the time he became of age he commenced the study of medicine with Dr. John B. Kittredge of Framingham, and afterwards spent about two years in the office of Daniel Fiske of Oxford. Only a few years ago he was remembered by the old people of Oxford as a "smart young physician whom they were desirous of having settled with them." On the twenty-eighth of August 1794, "with a small stock of medicines costing twelve pounds, and under a debt of like amount," he commenced the practice of his profession in Northbridge. While he was a student of medicine at Oxford, he became acquainted with his first wife, Maria Waters, daughter of Ebenezer Waters, Esq., of Sutton, and a relative of Dr. Fiske of Oxford. They were married in Sutton, February 17, 1796. It is related of her that she was a "very worthy lady, but died without issue in about two years after her marriage, and now sleeps in the tomb of her father, in a private cemetery near West Sutton village. Upon this tomb is a monumental tablet, with many inscriptions commemorative of the family of her father." Mrs. Bullard was born August 6, 1769, and died June 6, 1798.

On the sixth of December 1798, Dr. Bullard married for his second wife Lucy, eldest daughter of Deacon Jesse and Anna Mason White of Northbridge, by whom he had ten children, three daughters and seven sons. After a residence of several years in Northbridge, during which he established an extensive practice, he was induced by his father-inlaw, Esquire Waters, then advanced in years, to purchase his large and beautiful farm in West Sutton. He accordingly removed to Sutton in 1805, and thenceforward "his attention was divided between his profession and his farm."

About this period, according to the statements of his sonin-law, and "when military honors were not so cheap as at present," he was appointed, by Governor Strong, surgeon of the then local infantry regiment; and in the year 1814 he was elected a fellow of the council of the Massachusetts Nothing was wanted to give him an Medical Society. eminent position in his profession but exclusive devotion to Dr. Bullard has been described as in person "someit. what above the ordinary stature, of light, florid complexion, light blue eyes, nose strictly aquiline; and, in short, as his surviving contemporaries say, a fine looking man. He possessed ardent feelings and great energy of character, united with a sound judgment. His integrity was proverbial, always doing exact justice to others, and expecting the same from them."

The residence of Dr. Bullard was upon a beautiful rise of land about half a mile south of the village of West Sutton. The mansion house, which is a very substantial and well preserved structure, was erected nearly a century ago. A magnificent elm, whose branches cover an area of more than three hundred feet in circumference, is still standing a few rods west of the house, and is one of the most conspicuous landmarks in the town of Sutton.

Many of the associations connected with the old farm on "Bullard Hill," are perhaps of too personal a nature to warrant more than a passing allusion in this place. To the writer, who, as the doctor's eldest grandchild, was a frequent visitor at the old homestead, the venerable family residence and its many still beautiful surroundings will always possess a peculiar interest—an interest second only to that felt by the surviving members of that large household of fifty years ago. It is gratifying to the writer to be able to add that a very considerable portion of the old farm is still retained in the family name, and that its ancient reputation for hospitality and good cheer are still preserved under the successful management of the present proprietor, a worthy grandson of Dr. Bullard.

The death of Dr. Bullard, which was probably instantaneous, was occasioned by an accidental fall in his barn. It occurred on Friday, the sixth day of May 1842. His funeral was largely attended by his fellow townsmen and friends, and by many of his numerous relatives; the impressive funeral services being conducted by the Rev. Hiram A. Tracy of Sutton, and the Rev. David Holman of Douglas. His remains were buried in the cemetery at West Sutton, where a simple monument has been erected to his memory. A plain marble headstone, placed in the enclosure which marks the family burial lot, bears the following inscription: "Dr. Artemas Bullard; born at Holliston, Dec. 8, 1768: died at Sutton May 6, 1842, aged 73."

Lucy White, second wife of Dr. Bullard, and the mother of all his children, was born at Northbridge, May 5, 1778.

As heretofore stated, she was the daughter of Deacon Jesse White and Anna Mason, his wife, and was the eldest of eleven children — four daughters and seven sons. A minute account of her paternal ancestry, communicated by her son-in-law, Hon. Ira M. Barton of Worcester, in an article entitled "Sampson Mason, the Baptist and Dragoon in Oliver Cromwell's Army," appeared in the columns of the Historical and Genealogical Register for July 1864. In this carefully prepared and most interesting sketch, it appears that Mrs. Bullard was one of the direct descendants of Sampson Mason of Rehoboth, being a representative of the sixth generation from her noted ancestor, counting him Without going into details, it will be sufficient as the first. for the present purpose of the writer to give the following brief summary of the Mason pedigree. Of the thirteen children of Sampson (1), by Mary (Butterworth), the tenth child, Isaac (2), was the ancestor of Mrs. Bullard. He was a deacon of the second Baptist church in Swansey. His son, Hezekiah (3), who was the fifth of ten children, was the great-grandfather of Mrs. Bullard. The eldest son of Hezekiah (3), and Rebecca Martin, was Melatiah (4), who lived to be more than one hundred years of age. The oldest daughter of Melatiah (4), and Rebecca Miller, was Anna (5), (Mason), the mother of Mrs. Bullard. She was born at Rehoboth, November 4, 1755; married Deacon White, at Uxbridge, April 17, 1777; died August 20, 1839.

It is scarcely possible, within the limits of this brief sketch, to do full justice to the memory of Mrs. Bullard. In lieu, therefore, of a more elaborate tribute, the writer deems himself fortunate in being able to present a few extracts from the eloquent remarks made by her son-in-law, Henry Ward Beecher, at her funeral:

To this joyful coronation our beloved mother has come. All the days of her appointed years — years full of labor and duty — are accomplished; all her doubts are dispelled, all her anticipations realized; all she hoped for in her long and noble life, and far more than human hope can ever aspire to, is now her portion. We come to shed no bitter tears: we celebrate a triumph, not a defeat — a life perfected.

Her children are gathered here, with her more immediate friends and neighbors, to pay the last honors to her lifeless frame. How sturdily, how nobly she lived; feeble, tender, but how enduring. Never strong, no one would have marked her for a long life. Well do I remember when first I saw her. I was then a lad in college. Even then I was struck by the energy of her character. I remember my impression then that she was weak in body, and liable to meet an early death. Who would have thought that she would survive that stalwart man, Dr. Bullard of Sutton! so full of the capital for a long and sturdy life. In body, as in mind, she was evenly organized. Hers was the strength of tenderness and gentleness, but underlaid by a quiet persistence of wonderful force. She was firm and steadfast for the right, wherever principle was involved; mild and loving, but with fixed habits of belief and thought, which kept her firm and true, even to sternness when occasion required. God taught her! With her vigor of character, it would have been easy for her to make shipwreck of happiness, linked as she was with that strong nature, her husband. It would have been easy for her to purchase peace by self-abnegation, by sinking herself; but she did neither. She made herself a power in her house, but she ruled by submission and love. She made her house a happy one; and a greater compliment can be paid to no woman. She elevated the name of wife and mother, by showing, in herself, what it was possible for a woman to be.

Mrs. Bullard passed the last portion of her long and useful life at the house of her daughter, Mrs. Judge Barton of Worcester. She died in Worcester, December 15, 1869, aged ninety-one years, seven months and ten days. Her remains were placed by the side of her husband, in the cemetery at West Sutton, and the same simple monument marks the site of their resting place.

In giving some account of the descendants of Doctor and Mrs. Bullard, the writer has endeavored to make it as complete as possible in a genealogical point of view, and, at the same time, to embody such brief details of personal history as might be of interest to the general reader. For the sake of conciseness, however, he has sought to avoid the repetition of names, as far as practicable, and to make use of such abbreviations as are customary in works of this kind.

Of the ten children of Dr. Bullard by his second wife, all of whom were living at the time of his decease, it may be proper to state, in a general way, that they were all well educated, three of the sons being graduates of colleges and ordained ministers, and two other sons being physicians. His three daughters all married professional men.

The several children of Dr. and Mrs. Bullard, with their respective families in the order of their seniority, are as follows:

I. Maria Waters, born January 25, 1800, at Northbridge, and married November 11, 1823, at Sutton, by Rev. Edmund Mills, to Ira Barton of Oxford. Her husband, the late Hon. Ira Moore Barton of Worcester, first named Ira, was born at Oxford, October 25, 1796, and, in 1839, by act of the General Court, was authorized to take the additional name of "Moore" in memory of his revered maternal grandmother, Dorothy Moore, and of his great-great-grandfather Moore, the first magistrate of his native town. He was a grandson of Dr. Stephen Barton, who was born at Sutton, June 10, 1740. Dr. Barton's father and mother, Edmund and Anna Flynt Barton, were married in Salem, April 9, 1739, and probably removed to Sutton soon afterward. Mr. Barton graduated with high honors at Brown University, in 1819, and at the Cambridge law school in 1822. He practised law in Oxford from 1822 to 1834, and was representative from that town during the years 1830 to 1832 inclusive. In 1833-'34 he represented the county of Worcester in the State Senate. He removed to Worcester in 1834, and in 1836 was appointed by Governor Everett judge of probate for Worcester county. In 1840 he was chosen one of the electors for president in the famous Harrison, or "log-cabin" campaign. He resigned his judgeship in 1844, and in 1846 represented the then town of Worcester in the legislature. Judge Barton continued the practice of his profession until 1849, when he visited Europe in pursuit of much needed rest and recreation.

Upon his return in 1850 he resumed his office practice only, finding leisure, during the intervals of business, for the indulgence of his literary, historical and antiquarian tastes. He was an active member, and for many years a Councillor of the American Antiquarian Society of Worcester. He died, very suddenly, at his home in Worcester, July 18, 1867. The writer may be pardoned if he feels constrained to add some extracts from the many tributes to the memory of his honored father.

"Judge Barton was distinguished for purity, simplicity and integrity of character; and as a public servant, in numerous offices of trust and responsibility, his conduct was marked by signal ability, fidelity and success. He was eminently the accomplished lawyer, the upright magistrate, the enlightened patriotic citizen; and the community which, through a long and busy life, he has benefitted and honored, will hold in grateful remembrance his services and his virtues." He has been described as "a man of very striking personal appearance, with tall and commanding figure, fine head and Websterian eyes. He showed something of the Roman mould in his aspect, which was well reflected in his character." The funeral of Judge Barton took place on Monday, July 22, 1867, from All Saints Church in Worcester, and his remains were interred at Rural Cemetery, where a massive marble sarcophagus, inscribed with the name, "Ira Moore Barton," has been erected to his memory. His widow, the worthy daughter of a noble mother, still resides in Worcester, surrounded by a large family circle of children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and enjoying the confidence and respect of all who know her. May she be spared many years as a model example of unselfish, self-sacrificing, maternal love.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Barton are: 1, William Sumner, A. M., b. at Oxford, September 30, 1824. He graduated at Brown University in the class of 1844; was admitted to the bar in 1846, and practised law in partnership with his father and Hon. Peter C. Bacon, until 1850. In 1853 he was elected a member of the American Antiquarian Society of Worcester. He continued the practise of his profession in Worcester until June 1854, when he accepted a position in the Bank of Commerce, Boston, having his residence still in Worcester. In January 1872 he was elected treasurer of the city of Worcester, which office he continues to hold. He was m. first, at Worcester, April 4, 1849, by Rev. Alonzo Hill, to Anne Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel and Mary G. Jennison, b. at Worcester Feb. 7, 1827, d. Feb. 28, 1869, at Worcester. They had

(1) Mary, b. at Worcester, Sept. 29, 1853; m. at Worcester, April 11, 1872, by Rev. William R. Huntington, to Alfred Wadsworth Dana. They have four sons, Alfred Henshaw, b. in Berchtesgaden, Germany, Wm. Sumner Barton and Charles Bates, both b. in San Francisco, and John Adams, b. in Santa Rosa. They now reside in Santa Rosa, Cal.

(2) Lucy, b. at Worcester, Jan. 7, 1856.

(3) Anna, b. at Worcester, April 20, 1858.

He was m. secondly, at New York city, Nov. 22, 1870, by Bishop Horatio N. Southgate, to Kate Almy, only dau. of Wm. and Jane B. Ellery. They have

(1) Wm. Ellery, b. at Worcester, Dec. 10, 1873, a namesake and great-great-grandson of one of the "signers."

(2) Edith Almy, b. at Worcester, Sept. 29, 1876.

2. Anna Maria, b. at Oxford, April 21, 1826; m. at Worcester, Nov. 7, 1849, by Rev. Alonzo Hill, to John Wm. Bigelow, son of John and Abigail Bigelow, formerly of Medford. They have had

(1) Wm. Blake, b. at Medford, Feb. 5, 1852.

(2) Annie, b. at Medford, Jan. 20, 1855; m. Oct. 1, 1874, at Newport, R. I., to Charles Follen McKim. They have a dau. Sarah, b. Aug. 13, 1875.

(3) Samuel Lee, b. at St. James, France, Aug 23, 1856; d. there Aug. 26.
(4) Marie, b. at Boston, June 20, 1861.

Mr. Bigelow has for many years been extensively engaged in business, both in Boston and New York; he now resides in the latter city, having his summer house in Newport, Rhode Island.

3. Artemas Bullard, b. at Oxford, Aug. 12, 1828; d. at O. June 21, 1831.

4. Charles Henry, b. at Oxford, April 10, 1830; m. first, by Rev. Wm. Miller, at Greensburg, Ind., June 20, 1853, to Isabella Edwards. They had, all b. at Greensburg,

(1) Maria Edwards, b. Apr. 8, 1854.

(2) Mary —, b. Nov. 23, 1856.

(3) Anna —, b. July 10, 1859; d. Oct. 19, 1860.

Married 2d, by Rev. J. B. Britton, to Sarah Ann White, at Madison, Ind., Sept. 28, 1861, and had

(1) James Yeatman, b. at St. Louis, Jan. 2, 1863.

During the war he held a Captain's commission in one of the western regiments. He now resides at Topeka, Kansas.

5. Artemas Bullard, b. at Oxford, Dec. 5, 1831; d. at Worcester, April 17, 1837.

6. Lucy, b. at Worcester, July 24, 1834; m. at W. May 1, 1857, by Rev. Alonzo Hill, to Samuel Lee Bigelow, M. D., a son of John and Abigail Bigelow, of Medford. They had

(1) Samuel Lee, b. at Paris, France, July 28, 1858.

(2) Abigail, also b. at Paris, Aug. 2, 1860; died there Aug. 7, 1860.

Dr. Bigelow practised his profession in Paris for several years with distinguished success. Upon the breaking out of the "war of the rebellion," he offered his services to the United States Government, and was appointed Brigade Surgeon in General Franklin's corps, army of the Potomac. He died at his post of duty, October 31, 1862, of disease contracted in the service, and was buried in Rural Cemetery, Worcester, by the side of his infant daughter. His widow resides with her mother in Worcester.

7. Francis Augustus, born at W. Oct. 24, 1836; m. Sept. 7, 1864, at Chico, Cal., to Emily J., dau. of George Wood. They have

(1) Annie Adelle, b. at Chico, Aug. 4, 1865.

He makes it his home in Chico, where he is well known as a popular and hard working business man.

8. Edmund Mills, b. at W. Sept. 27, 1838; m. Sept. 6, 1871, at North Yarmouth, Me., by Rev. Samuel Paine Blake, to Abby Twycross, dau. of the officiating clergyman. They have

(1) Lydia Maud, b. at North Yarmouth, Me., Aug. 2, 1872.

(2) Edmund Blake, b. at Worcester, Oct. 30, 1874.

During the war of the rebellion, Mr. Barton was one of the most active agents of the United States Sanitary Commission, being on duty for three years with the fifth corps of the army of the Potomac. He is now the efficient Assistant Librarian of the American Antiquarian Society in Worcester.

9. George Edward, b. at W. July 30, 1841. He enlisted in 1862 as a private in the 51st Mass. Infantry, and was appointed Sergeant-Major of that Regt. In Jan. 1864 he was appointed 2d Lieut. in the 57th Mass. Infantry; was soon after promoted to a 1st Lieutenancy and subsequently commissioned Capt., serving in that Regt. until the close of the war. He died at Worcester on Wednesday, May 29, 1878.

His funeral was largely attended by his comrades of the 51st and 57th Regt. Mass. Vols., and of the George H. Ward Post 10, G. A. R., and also by representatives of the Worcester Continentals. The funeral services at his grave, which took place at sunset on Saturday, the 1st of June, were peculiarly solemn and impressive, being noteworthy as a spontaneous tribute to the memory of a young and gallant soldier. II. Artemas, Rev., D. D., b. at Northbridge, June 3, 1802; m. June 2, 1829, Anne Tuttle Jones, b. Jan. 31, 1808, dau. of Samuel J. of Acton, by Anna Tuttle, a sister of Miss Sarah T., Sec'y of Female Teachers Ass'n, Mass., and a descendant of the bro. of Archbishop Leighton. They had the following children:

1. Artemas Everett, b. July 19, 1830, at Charlestown; d. Apr. 13, 1836.

2. Anna Maria, b. July 19, 1832, at Boston; d. Apr. 28, 1833.

3. Thomas Green Fessenden, b. Mar. 21, 1834, at Walnut Hills, Ohio; d. Nov. 1838.

4. Robert Leighton, b. Mar. 21, 1837, at Walnut Hills; d. Jan. 25, 1848.

5. Henry, Rev., b. Sept. 23, 1839, at St. Louis, Mo.; was first settled as a minister in Wayland, Mass., and afterward in St. Joseph, Mo., where he now resides. He m. Aug. 30, 1871, at Cincinnati, O., Helen Maria, eldest dau. of Henry A. Nelson, D. D., and Margaret Mills Nelson, and had

(1) Annie Leighton, b. Feb. 19, 1873; d. July 16, 1873.

(2) Henry Nelson, b. Nov. 19, 1874.

(3) Alice, b. Oct. 4, 1876.

6. Anna Elizabeth, b. Sept. 29, 1842; d. Jan. 13, 1848.

7. Edward Payson, b. Jan. 19, 1845; d. Jan. 12, 1848.

Three of the children of Dr. and Mrs. B. d. of scarlet fever, at St. Louis, within a space of only 13 days.

Rev. Dr. Bullard was a graduate of Amherst College, in the class of 1826. He studied divinity at Andover theological seminary, and was ordained to the ministry, April 20, During the first year or two after his ordination, he 1831. was actively employed in behalf of the Massachusetts Sabbath School Union. He subsequently, about the year 1835, accepted the position of district secretary of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, for the valley of the Mississippi, having his headquarters at Cincinnati. In June 1838 he was installed as pastor of the first Presby-Of Dr. Bullard's remarkably terian church in St. Louis. successful pastorate, in connection with this leading western church, as well as of his untiring labors in behalf of the religious and educational interests of Missouri, an interesting account may be found in the "Presbytery Reporter," for December 1864, published at Alton, Illinois. Dr. Bullard will be best remembered, in this vicinity, as one of the most impressive of the many public speakers who were called upon to advocate the claims of the west from the pulpits of our New England churches. In 1850 he visited Europe, with his accomplished wife, as a delegate to the "World's Peace Convention" in Germany. It has been said that while there "marked attention was shown him by Mr. Cobden and others, and his speech, at the convention, elicited great applause, both for its aptness and its boldness." Upon their return to St. Louis, Mrs. Bullard, who is a lady of rare culture and literary ability, published a graphic account of their journey, entitled "Sights and Scenes in Europe."

The death of Mr. Bullard occurred, under very tragical circumstances, on the first of November 1855. It was during an excursion, which took place in honor of the opening of the Pacific railroad, that he, together with twenty-nine other prominent citizens of St. Louis, was instantly killed by the breaking of a defective bridge over the Gasconade river, at a point some forty miles from Jefferson City, Missouri.

The breaking of this bridge, according to the published accounts of the disaster, caused the precipitation of six long cars, "one upon another with their living freight, to the beach, thirty feet below." The funeral of Dr. Bullard and others took place from his beautiful new church on the fifth In this church, which he had once of November 1855. almost prophetically said was " not for him," and in which he was destined never to preach, hundreds of mourning friends assembled to pay the last tribute of respect to his His decease was regarded, at the time, as a memory. public calamity; not only to the church of which he was the faithful pastor, but to the city of which he was a distin-His widow now resides at St. Joseph, guished citizen. making her home with her only surviving child, Rev. Henry Bullard, a worthy son of an honored father.

III. Asa, Rev., A. M., b. Mar. 26, 1804, at Northbridge; m. May 16, 1832, Lucretia Gunn, daughter of Samuel Fowler and Lucretia G. Dickinson of Montague. They had

1. Catharine Dickinson, b. Aug. 12, 1834; d. Aug. 17, 1834.

2. Louisa Dana, b. Nov. 7, 1835.

3. William Reed, M. D., b. Sept. 7, 1837; m. July 21, 1872, Mary N. Gilman. They have

(1) John Gilman, and

(2) Clara Gertrude, twins, b. Dec. 11, 1873.

4. Mary Elizabeth, b. Feb. 17, 1840.

5. Helen Knight, b. Sept. 27, 1845; m. May 16, 1876, Charles F. Wyman of Cambridgeport.

Rev. Asa Bullard was graduated at Amherst College in the class of 1828. He engaged for a year in teaching school at Augusta, Maine, and subsequently studied divinity at Andover theological seminary. In April 1831 he was appointed an agent of the Maine Sabbath School Union, and in 1832 was ordained at Portland as an evangelist. In March 1834 he was elected secretary of the Massachusetts Sabbath School Society, now called the Congregational Publishing Society, which office he continues to hold. Besides performing the duties of this office with eminent success, he was also, for many years, the editor of the "Sabbath School Visitor," and for more than thirty years of the well known "Well Spring." In 1876 he published a work entitled "Fifty Years with the Sabbath Schools," in which he gives a graphic and interesting account of his lifework in behalf of the young. Mr. Bullard's influence, both by voice and pen, over thousands of the youth of New England, can hardly be over estimated. It has made his name a household word far beyond the limits of his native State, and in hundreds of the homes of his large pastorate. For the last thirty years Mr. Bullard has resided in Cambridge, where he is held in high esteem as a public spirited citizen and a true hearted man.

IV. Joseph, b. in Sutton, Oct. 30, 1806; m. Apr. 3, 1834, Olivia P. Hill. They had,

1. Eliza Ann, b. May 31, 1835.

2. Ira Barton, b. May 26, 1837. He enlisted as private in company C. fiftyfirst Massachusets infantry, Sept. 1862, and served until the regiment was mustered out of service. In 1864 he again enlisted, and served as corporal in company H, fifty-seventh Massachusetts infantry. He died at Fredericksburg, Virginia, May 24, 1864, of wounds received in battle.

3. Henry Beecher, b. Apr. 9, 1839; m. Nov. 3, 1861, Huldah Ann Wilcox, and had,

(1) Louisa Irena, b. June 21, 1863.

(2) Annie Laura, b. Aug. 8, 1864; d. Sept. 6, 1864.

(3) Henry Clifford, b. July 9, 1867.

Mr. Bullard has held the office of post-master in West Sutton, and also that of selectman of the town of Sutton. He carries on the homestead farm on "Bullard Hill." For some years he was the proprietor of the West Sutton store. As a worthy representative of the Bullard family, he commands the respect of his fellow citizens.

4. Agnes Olivia, b. Aug. 20, 1841; d. Nov. 5, 1841.

5. Franklin Eugene, b. Dec. 13, 1842; m. Aug. 4, 1873, Helen B. Baldwin; they have one son, Charles Franklin,

6. Mary Augusta, b. Feb. 14, 1855; m. Jan. 2, 1878, Frank D. Tucker of Charlton.

During the last thirty years of his life, Joseph Bullard was the owner and manager of the homestead farm. Possessing great natural ability, and noted for his marked originality of character, he will long be remembered with affectionate regard by the citizens of his native town. He died after a short illness, Sept. 12, 1872. His funeral was largely attended by relatives and friends, and his remains were placed in the family lot in the West Sutton cemetery.

V. Lucy Ann, b. in Sutton, Nov. 9, 1809; m. May 19, 1831, to Rev. Lot Jones. Her husband was born at Brunswick, Maine, Feb. 21, 1797, and graduated at Bowdoin College. He first settled in Georgia, and afterward, for several years, was the rector of Christ church in Clappville. In 1833 he removed to New York City; where, as rector of the Church of the Epiphany, he labored with great success for more than thirty years. Mr. Jones was held in respect everywhere, as the faithful and beloved pastor. In the literary and social circles of the metropolis, he was no less highly esteemed as an accomplished scholar and one of the most genial of men. He died quite suddenly, Oct. 12, 1865, in consequence of an accidental fall, while attending a church convention in Philadelphia. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Jones are

1. William Henry, b. Mar. 14, 1832; d. Mar. 16, 1838.

2. Maria Louisa, b. in New York City, July 12, 1834; m. Oct. 2, 1856, to George E. Moore of New York, who was born Apr. 30, 1833, and d. July 24, 1867. They had,

- (1) Jared Lot, b. in New York, Sept. 20, 1857; d. Apr. 19, 1860.
- (2) George Henry, b. in New York, Feb. 20, 1860.
- (3) Lucy, b. Aug. 8, 1862; d. Sept. 8, 1862.
- (4) Louise, b. at Matteawan, N. Y., July 3, 1864.
- (5) Anna Mary, b. at Garrison's, N. Y., Mar. 4, 1868.
- 3. Emily, b. Nov. 27, 1835; d. Mar. 31, 1836.
- 4. Lucy Ann, b. Mar. 23, 1837; d. Mar. 24, 1837.

5. Henry Lawrence, Rev., b. New York May 30, 1839; m. Oct. 6, 1869, at Concord, N. H., to Sarah Eastman Coffin. Their children are,

(1) Hattie Louise, b. at Fitchburg, July 20, 1870.

(2) Lawrence Bullard, b. at Fitchburg, Jan. 8, 1872.

(3) Helen Crocker, b. at Fitchburg, Mar. 22, 1874; d. at Wilkesbarre, Pa., Nov. 7, 1876.

(4) Carleton Coffin, b. at Wilkesbarre, Sept. 26, 1876.

For more than eleven years Mr. Jones was rector of Christ church in Fitchburg. He is now rector of St. Stephen's church in Wilkesbarre, Pa. In both positions he has enjoyed the confidence and esteem of his parishioners, and has taken high rank in his profession.

Mrs. Lot Jones still resides in New York, enjoying the respect of all who know her, and beloved and esteemed for her many good works, both in and out of the church. VI. Ebenezer Waters, Rev., A. M., twin brother of Mrs. Jones, b. Nov. 9, 1809. He m. first, Sept. 6, 1838, at Hadley, Margaret P. Smith, dau. of Oliver Smith of H., b. June 6, 1813; d. Dec. 2, 1841, at Fitchburg. He m. second, Aug. 15, 1843, at Hadley, Harriet N., dau. of Dea. William Dickinson of Hadley, b. Mar. 5, 1818. They had

1. Harriet Marguerite, b. at Fitchburg, Nov. 28, 1844; m. Oct. 4, 1870, at Royalston, Charles Stuart Bullock, who was born at R., Jan. 20, 1841, and had

(1) Marguerite Elizabeth, b. at Hampstead, N. H., Sept. 3, 1872.

(2) William Stuart, b. at Arlington Heights, Sept. 22, 1875.

2. Caroline, b. at Fitchburg, Feb. 6, 1847; m. Dec. 25, 1867, at Royalston, Ferdinand Hoffman, who was b. at Suhl, Prussia. They have four children, all born in Stockbridge:

- (1) Walter, b. Dec. 23, 1868.
- (2) Ralph, b. Nov. 30, 1870.
- (3) Friedericke, b. Jan. 17, 1873.
- (4) Bernhold, b. Nov. 10, 1874.
- 3. Lucy Ann, b. Aug. 31, 1849; d. at Stockbridge, Oct. 9, 1877.
- 4. William Ebenezer, b. Jan. 23, 1852.
- 5. Edward Dickinson, b. Sept. 20, 1853.

Mr. Bullard first entered college at Amherst, and, after pursuing his studies there for three years, completed his collegiate course at Miami University, Ohio, in 1834. After his graduation he entered Lane theological seminary, at Walnut Hills, Ohio; but his health failing him, he was obliged to give up his studies and return to Massachusetts. Two years afterwards, on the eighth of August 1838, he was ordained pastor of the Congregational church in Fitchburg. He was dismissed from this church, July 1, 1852, and in September of the same year was installed over the Congregational church and society in Royalston. At the centennial celebration of that town, in 1865, he took an active part as a member of important committees, and by request of the town authorities, assisted in the preparation and publication of numerous historical notes, accompanying Gov. He was subsequently settled over the Bullock's address. Congregational church in Hampstead, N. H.; but in consequence of failing health, was obliged to resign his pastorate. His present home is in the town of Stockbridge. There, in the society of his accomplished wife, and of a goodly portion of his family, and enjoying much needed rest and relaxation from labor, he bids fair to survive many years, preaching by example, if not by precept, to all those who come within the sphere of his genial influence.

VII. Eunice White, b. at Sutton, Aug. 26, 1812; m. at S., Aug. 3, 1837, to Henry Ward Beecher. After their marriage they made their home in Lawrenceburg, Ind., Mr. Beecher having been called to take charge of the New School Presbyterian church in that place. In 1839 they removed to Indianapolis, Ind., where Mr. Beecher was settled over the first New School Presbyterian church in that city. They left Indianapolis in 1847, Mr. Beecher having been called, with great unanimity, to the pastorate of the Plymouth Congregational Society in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Of his wonderful success in this society it is hardly necessary for the writer even to speak. No ordinary tribute, certainly, can do full justice to this remarkable man, nor to the people who, for thirty years past, through good report and through evil report, have so nobly sustained their beloved pastor. The true character and genius of the "great preacher" can safely be left to the impartial pen of history. Mr. and Mrs. Beecher have had ten children.

1. Harriet Eliza, b. May 16, 1838, at Lawrenceburg, Ind.; m. Sept. 13, 1861, Rev. Samuel Scoville, who, for many years, has been settled over a church in Norwich, Chenango county, N. Y. They have had seven children, of whom only four are living — two sons and two daughters.

2. A son b. Mar. 1, 1840; d. the same day.

3. Henry Barton, b. July 8, 1841, at Indianapolis; m. Dec. 17, 1862, Harriet J. Benedict. They have had five children, of whom there are now living, three daughters and one son. Mr. Beecher was an officer in the regular army during the late war. He resigned his commission as Colonel at the close of the war, and engaged in business at Albany, N. Y. He is now engaged in business in Brooklyn and New York.

4. George Lyman, b. Oct. 18, 1844, at Indianapolis; d. Mar. 1, 1845.

5. Katharine Esther, b. Aug. 1, 1846, at Indianapolis; d. at Brooklyn, Nov. 16, 1847.

6. William Constantine, b. Jan. 26, 1848, at Brooklyn; graduated at Yale College, pursued his studies at the New York Law School, and is now a partner in the law firm of Lewis and Beecher, New York City.

7 and 8. Alfred and Arthur, twins, b. at Brooklyn, Dec. 20, 1852; both d. at Brooklyn, July 4, 1853.

9 and 10. Herbert Foote and sister, twins, b. June 22, 1854; the sister d. the same day; Herbert F. is now engaged in business in New York City.

It is due to Mrs. Beecher to say, that during the forty years of her married life she has proved a most admirable helpmeet for her honored husband. Possessing superior natural abilities, she has made her mark, both as authoress and as a writer for the press; often, in fact, being of great assistance to Mr. Beecher in many of his literary and editorial labors. Whether at their home on Brooklyn Heights or at their farm in Peekskill, Mrs. Beecher has shown herself the model housewife, willing at all times to share her husband's burdens, and able, if necessary, to take upon herself responsibilities that would dishearten any but a most unselfish and devoted woman. VIII. Talbut, M. D., b. Aug. 16, 1815; m. 1st, Aug. 1, 1839, at Marietta, O., Susan B., dau. of the late Dr. John Cotton of Marietta, and a descendant of the Rev. John Cotton, b. in Marietta, Apr. 15, 1816; d. in M. May 23, 1846. They had,

1. Francke Cotton, b. in New Orleans, Mar. 6, 1841; d. in Marietta, July 1, 1857.

2. Henrie Talbut, b. in N. Orleans, Dec. 27, 1843; d. in M. July 2, 1857.

3. Albert Mears, b. in Indianapolis, Feb. 1846; d. there July 3, 1846.

He m. 2d, Sept. 30, 1848, at Indianapolis, Catharine Phalan, b. in Dublin, Ireland, Dec. 12, 1826. They had

1. Sarah Alice, b. in I. Oct. 30, 1849; d. there Aug. 8, 1854.

2. William Mason, M. D., b. in I. April 23, 1853. He is engaged in the practise of medicine at Indianapolis, having inherited his father's taste for the medical profession. He holds the position of Professor of Chemistry and Toxicology in the Indiana Medical College. He m. Sept. 3, 1878, Eunice, dau. of Samuel Allen of Providence, R. I.

3. Alice Kate, b. Aug. 8, 1855, in I.; d. there Jan. 20, 1858.

4. Charles Francke, b. in I. Jan. 15, 1858; d. there June 16, 1858.

5. Talbut, b. in I. Apr. 18, 1859; d. there May 10, 1861.

6. Harry Fletcher, b. in I. Nov. 16, 1861; res. with his mother in Indianapolis. Mr. Bullard first settled in New Orleans, where, for some years, he carried on a very flourishing private school. About the year 1844, having completed the study of medicine, he commenced the practise of his profession at Indianapolis. During a long residence in I., Dr. Bullard became noted as a skillful physician, and, during the war, he did excellent service as a volunteer surgeon in the army. He d. at I., June 18, 1868, leaving a wid. and two sons. He will long be remembered by those who knew him intimately, for his many amiable and kindly traits of character, no less than for his eminent ability as a physician.

IX. Jesse Mason, M. D., b. in Sutton, Nov. 12, 1818. In the year 1840 he left home to engage in teaching school at N. Orleans. Afterward he was, for several years, a leading druggist in St. Louis, having established himself in that line of business May 1, 1841. Not having realized his anticipations, in a mercantile point of view, he came east in 1843 and devoted himself to the study of medicine. About the year 1849 he removed to San Francisco, where he commenced the practise of his profession with every prospect of success. His expectations, however, were destined never to be realized. Having embarked in the ship "Albert R. Harris" for a voyage to the Sandwich Islands, he, with all on board, were lost in the bay of San Francisco, Feb. 3, 1851. He died, unmarried, at the early age of 32. Dr. Bullard was gifted with fine natural abilities, and was much admired for his manly personal appearance and his many generous traits of character. Although among the "lost at sea," his early death is fitly commemorated by a simple marble headstone suitably inscribed, placed within the family lot at the cemetery at West Sutton.

X. Oliver Crosby, b. at Sutton, Jan. 20, 1822; m. Oct. 19, 1843, Sarah Jane, dau. of Seth Hartwell of Wilkinsonville. They have

1. William Sumner, b. at Sutton, Sept. 11, 1844; m. Apr. 25, 1867, in Baltimore, to Hannah Kettlewell, who was b. in Balto., July 12, 1847, and d. at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 8, 1874. They had

(1) Charles Kettlewell, b. in Balto., Sept. 22, 1868; d. Apr. 1, 1870.

(2) Sumner Hartwell, b. at Balto., Feb. 18, 1871; d. Dec. 5, 1874.

2. Elizabeth, b. at Sutton, Jan. 11, 1847.

3. Lucy Maria, b. Feb. 2, 1850; m. —, 1872, in Brooklyn, N. Y., to Capt. Samuel E. Foote, who was b. in Guilford, Conn., Jan. 20, 1843. Their ch. b. at Brooklyn, are,

(1) Raymond Ward, b. Aug. 19, 1873; d. in Brooklyn, 1877.

(2) Florence, b. Jan. 24, 1876.

4. Isabella Henderson, b. and d. at Lenox, May 17, 1854.

5. Francke Talbut, b. at Lenox, Mar. 22, 1858; d. Feb. 25, 1862.

6. Arthur Mason, b. at Lenox, July 30, 1860; d. at Peekskill, N. Y., Apr. 13, 1861.

Mr. Bullard commenced his studies at an early age, with a view to entering the ministry. He made his home for some time with his brother Talbut, assisting him in his school at New Orleans. He afterward resided with his sister, Mrs. Lot Jones, at New York city. His health becoming impaired, he was obliged to give up his cherished studies, much to his regret, and to discontinue his connection with Columbia College.

About the year 1843 he engaged in business at West Sutton, and after a few years spent in that village, he removed, with his family, to Indianapolis. Subsequently he took charge of Rev. Mr. Beecher's farm at Lenox, and in 1858 he established a model school for boys in that place. He afterward had the supervision of Mr. Beecher's farm at Peekskill, and remained there until after the breaking out of the war of the rebellion. Soon after the organization of the United States Sanitary Commission, he was appointed one of its special relief agents, and continued in its employ until the close of the war.

For the last ten years he has been largely engaged, in connection with Mr. Olmstead and others, in laying out the famous "Prospect Park" in Brooklyn, New York. Like all the Bullards, he is a most indefatigable worker, and, as such, commands the respect and confidence of all his business associates and friends. In concluding this imperfect sketch, the writer will simply add that he has endeavored, as far as possible, to so arrange and condense the materials at his command, as to make them reasonably interesting to the general reader. If he has erred in judgment, by entering too minutely into genealogical details, or in laying too much stress upon some of the more prominent features of the family history, he can only plead, in excuse, his personal interest in the subject, and ask the reader to bear in mind what has been well said by another, that "in treasuring up the memorials of the fathers we best manifest our regard for posterity."