

THE ANCESTORS  
OF  
ARTHUR ORISON DILLON  
and His Poems  
by  
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Arthur Orison Dillon



Dedicated to the Memory  
of My Parents

Ontario, California.

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Yours truly,

ARTHUR ORISON DILLON.



## IMMIGRANT ANCESTORS

John Anthony	William Holt
Nicholas Brown	Joseph Jenckes
William Ballard	Nathaniel Merriman
Isaac Buswell	Thomas Mix
William Bunnell	John Niles
Isaac Beecher	Thomas Newhall
John Beach	William Pitts
Thomas Barnes	Anthony Paine
John Birdseye	Nathaniel Potter
—— Biggs	Bryan Pendleton
Thomas Cottingham	William Payne
Philip Connor	William Rockwell
Josiah Churchill	Robert Royce
John Curtis	William Roberts
Bernard Capen	James Sandys or Sands
Henry Dillon	William Sprague
Ambrose Dixon	John Sheldon
Anthony Eames	Rev. Henry Smith
James Ensign	John Tefft
William French	John Tripp
Nathaniel Foote	Morris Tucker
John Frost	Nathaniel Turner
Edmund Goodnow	John Walker
John Gill	—— Webb
Thomas Holbrook	William Wilcoxson
Thomas Hazard	Benjamin Wilmot

## ANCESTORS WHO HELD STATE OFFICES

### IN MASSACHUSETTS

Anthony Eames, Deputy in Assembly.  
Edmond Goodnow, Deputy in Assembly.  
Bryan Pendleton, Deputy in Assembly.  
Nathaniel Turner, Deputy in Assembly.  
William French, Deputy in Assembly.

### IN RHODE ISLAND

John Anthony, Deputy in Assembly.  
James Sandys or Sands, Deputy in Assembly.  
Jonathan Sprague, Deputy and Speaker of Assembly.  
John Tripp, Deputy in Assembly.  
Joseph Jencks, Deputy in Assembly.  
Nathaniel Niles, Deputy in Assembly.  
Thomas Hazard, Assistant to Governor.  
James Pendleton, Judge Court Common Pleas.

### IN CONNECTICUT

Nathaniel Merriman, Deputy in Assembly.  
Nathaniel Foote, Deputy in Assembly.  
Robert Royce, Deputy in Assembly.  
Nathaniel Turner, Deputy in Assembly.

### IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

Bryan Pendleton, Supreme Court Judge and Member of State Council.

### IN MAINE

Bryan Pendleton, Deputy Governor.

### IN ENGLAND

William Sandys, Member House of Lords.  
Edwin Sandys, Member House of Lords.  
William Cecil, Member House of Lords, also Prime Minister, Lord Burleigh.  
Thomas Goffe, Deputy Governor, Massachusetts Bay Company.



## ANCESTORS WHO WERE SOLDIERS

Major Bryan Pendleton.  
Captain Anthony Eames.  
Captain William Holbrook.  
Captain Edmund Goodnow.  
Captain James Sandys.  
Captain Nathaniel Niles.  
Captain Stephen Niles.  
Captain James Pendleton.  
Captain Nathaniel Merriman.  
Captain Nathaniel Turner.  
Lieutenant John Curtis.  
Ensign Samuel Royce.  
Lieutenant William French.  
Corporal John Anthony.  
Corporal Ichabod Sheldon.  
Private Robert Niles.  
Private William Ballard.  
Private George Sheldon.  
Private Thomas Barnes.  
Private Josiah Churchill.  
Private Amos Mix

## ANCESTORS WHO WERE CLERGYMEN

Edwin Sandys, Archbishop of York.  
Rev. Henry Sandys.  
Rev. George Sheldon.  
Rev. Ichabod Sheldon.  
Rev. Robert Niles.  
Rev. Jonathan Sprague.  
Rev. Henry Smith.

The following kinsmen and kinswomen of the compiler rendered extraordinary services to their respective states or to the United States, to-wit:

Anthony, Henry B.—Governor of Rhode Island; United States Senator.

Anthony, Susan B.—Woman Suffrage Leader.

Beecher, Lyman—Clergyman.

Beecher, Henry Ward—Clergyman and Orator.

Foote, Samuel Augustus—Governor of Connecticut; United States Senator.

Foote, Andrew Hull—Rear Admiral in Civil War.

Grant, Ulysees S.—Commander-in-Chief Union Army; President of the U. S.

Greene, Nathaniel—Major General in Revolutionary War.

Huntington, Samuel—Signer Declaration of Independence; Governor of Conn.

Jenckes, Joseph—Governor of Rhode Island.

Mitchell, Stephen Mix—Chief Justice of Supreme Court of Connecticut; United States Senator.

Mitchell, Stephen Mix, Jr.—Chief Justice of Supreme Court of Vermont.

Mitchell, Donald Grant—Author and Novelist.

Niles, Samuel—Clergyman and Historian.

Niles, Nathaniel—Congressman, Lieutenant Governor, Judge Supreme Court of Vermont.

Niles, John Milton—United States Senator from Connecticut; Postmaster General of the United States.

Niles, Jason—Congressman, Judge Supreme Court of Mississippi.

Niles, William Woodruff—Episcopalian Bishop of New Hampshire.

Niles, Addison—Judge Supreme Court of California.

Perry, Oliver Hazard—American Commodore; hero of Lake Erie.

Perry, Matthew C.—American Commodore; opened ports of Japan to American trade.

Sands, Robert—American Poet.

Searles, Niles—Chief Justice Supreme Court of California.

Sprague, William—United States Senator from Rhode Island.

Sprague, William—Civil War Governor of Rhode Island.

Stowe, Harriett Beecher—Authoress and Novelist.

Welles, Thomas—Governor of Connecticut.

Cottingham, Claybrook—President of Louisiana College.

## PATERNAL ANCESTORS THE BARNES FAMILY OF NEW HAVEN

### FIRST GENERATION

THOMAS BARNES was born in England. Came to Connecticut and lived at New Haven and Middlebury, Connecticut. He died June 10, 1691 at Middlebury. Soldier in Pequot War. First he married Mary—who died in April 1676 at New Haven; second, he married Elizabeth—who died in 1694. He had a brother Daniel. Children by first wife—

2. Mercy married 1st Bartholomew Jacobs, 2d married Joseph Thompson.
3. Martha.
4. John baptized November 1694, died 1712, married Mercy Betts, 1669.
5. Elizabeth born May 26, 1650, m. 1st Benjamin Brockett, 2d married John Austin.
6. Thomas born August 26, 1653, married 1st June 26, 1671 at New Haven, Mary Hubbard, 2d married Abigail Frost (see below).
7. Abigail born 1656 married John Frost.
8. Daniel born 1659 married Mary Tappen.
9. Maybee born 1663 married Elizabeth Stow.

### SECOND GENERATION

THOMAS BARNES, JR. was born August 26, 1653, probably in Connecticut. He died 1712. First he married Mary Hubbard, second he married Abigail daughter of John and Mercy (Payne) Frost.

Children by first wife—

10. Mary born 1679.
11. Sarah born 1681.
12. Thomas born 1684 died young.
13. Thomas born 1687.

By second wife—

14. Rebecca born 1691 married Samuel Towner.
15. Abigail born 1693 married Joshua Ray.
16. Elizabeth born November 10th, 1695, baptized December 6, 1696, died 1765, married John Beecher.
17. Deborah born 1698, married 1st Josiah Tuttle, 2d married Mathias Hitchcock.
18. Hannah born 1702, married Stephen Brooks.
19. Samuel born 1705, married 1st Hannah Parker, 2d married Elizabeth Tuttle, 3d married Dorcas Turner, 4th married Phebe ———
20. Nathaniel born 1707, married three times.
21. Abraham born 1710, married Mary Hotchkiss.

### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(3) Elizabeth Barnes, (4) Experience Beecher, (5) Lydia Beach, (6) Amos Mix (7) Hannah Louise Mix, (8) Peter Dillon, (9) Peter Orison Dillon, (10) Arthur Orison Dillon.

## THE BARNES FAMILY OF WATERBURY

### FIRST GENERATION

NATHANIEL BARNES probably was descended from Thomas and Mary Barnes of New Haven. He lived at Bradford, Connecticut and later settled in the Plymouth section of Waterbury, Connecticut. He married and had children. Children—

2. Nathaniel married Lydia Elwell.
3. Benjamin married Jemima Darrow.
4. Philip married Hannah ———

### SECOND GENERATION

PHILLIP BARNES probably was born at Waterbury, Connecticut. He married Hannah ———. Lived at Cheshire, Connecticut. Children—

5. Clarinda Barnes born January 6, 1767, married Amos Mix.

### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(3) Clarinda Barnes, (4) Hannah Louise Mix, (5) Peter Dillon, (6) Peter Orison Dillon, (7) Arthur Orison Dillon.

## THE BEACH FAMILY

### FIRST GENERATION

JOHN BEACH was born in England. He lived at Stratford, Connecticut. Married Mary ———. He purchased land at Stratford, 1660. The birth of his children are entered in Fairfield Probate Records, Volume 3 Page 22. He was town clerk. Children—

2. Elizabeth born 1652, died 1688, married Eliasaph Preston.
3. John born 1654, died 1711, married 1st Hannah Staples, 2d married Phebe Birdseye.
4. Mary born 1656, married Thomas Yale.
5. Thomas born 1659, died 1741, married 1st Ruth Peck, 2d married Phebe Wilcoxson.
6. Nathaniel born 1662, died 1747, married Sarah Potter.
7. Hanna born 1665, married 1st Zacariah Fairchild, 2d married John Burritt.
8. Sarah born 1667.
9. Isaac born 1669, died 1741, married Hannah Birdseye 1693.
10. Joseph born 1671, died 1737, married Abiah Booth.
11. Benjamin born 1673, married Mary Hitchcock.

### SECOND GENERATION

✓ THOMAS BEACH probably was born at Fairfield, Connecticut, 1659, married 1st Ruth, daughter of Paul and Martha Peck; second married Phebe, daughter of Timothy and Joanna (Birdseye) Wilcoxson. He died 1741. Children by first wife—

12. Hannah born 1680, died 1683.
13. Ruth born October 24, 1683, died 1722, married January 3, 1705 to Samuel Fairchild.

14. Thomas born 1685, died 1685.
15. Benoni born 1686, died 1686.  
Children by second wife—
16. Timothy born January 11, 1689, married Hannah Cook 1713.
17. Nathan born August 18, 1692, married September 23, 1713 Jemima daughter of Thomas and Mary (Merriman) Curtis.
18. Moses born February 19, 1695, died 1781, married 1st Esther Tyler, 2d married Susanna ———.
19. Gershom born May 23, 1697, died 1729, married Deliverance How.
20. Caleb married first 1726 Eunice Tyler, married 2d Margaret Thompson.
21. Thankful born September 20, 1702, died 1754, married 1st Jacob Royce, married 2d Daniel Baldwin.
22. Joanna born October 9, 1705, married 1723 Abel Royce.
23. Phebe born May 23, 1710, died 1740, married John Tyler.

#### THIRD GENERATION

- NATHAN BEACH was born August 18, 1692 at Wallingford, Connecticut. He married September 29, 1713, at Wallingford, Jemima Curtis, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Merriman) Curtis. Children—
- ✓24. Joseph born June 10, 1714.
  25. William born 1716, died 1799, married 1st Susanna Holt, 2d married Martha Clark.
  26. Lydia born 1719, married Benjamin Blakeslie.
  27. Nathan born 1721.
  28. Sarah born 1723, married Joseph Deremer.
  29. Enos born 1726, married Ann Squire.
  30. Stephen born 1729.
  31. Jemima born 1723, married Waitstill Parker.
  32. Elihu born 1734, married Zervial Byington.
  33. Eunice born 1737, married Simeon Fuller.

#### FOURTH GENERATION

- JOSEPH BEACH was born June 10, 1714 at Wallingford, died July 25, 1795 at Waterbury, Connecticut. He is buried in East Farms Cemetery at Waterbury. He married October 31, 1734 at Wallingford to Experience Beecher, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Barnes) Beecher who was born June 12, 1719. She died September 20, 1789 age 70 years, at Waterbury and is buried at East Farms Cemetery. Children—
34. Lydia born September 13, 1735 at Wallingford, baptized Sept., 1735 in the Congregational church there, married June 25, 1756 at Waterbury, Connecticut to Eldad Mix.
  35. Mehitabel born November 2, 1738 at Waterbury, married January 5, 1763 to Benjamin Moss.
  36. Mary born December 22, 1740, married November 5, 1763 David Frost.
  37. Elizabeth born February 24, 1742, died 1753.

38. John born January 25, 1744, married Hannah Headley in 1772; 2d married Jesse Johnson.
39. Joel born September 23, 1747, died after 1806, married 1st 1771, Mary Beach, 2d married Betsey ———.
40. Sarah born September 21, 1749.
41. Joseph born November 21, 1751, died 1802, married Hannah Miles.
42. Amos born June 23, 1754, died 1756.
43. Amos born January 23, 1756.
44. Asa born August, 1759, married 1781 Elizabeth Benham.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(5) Lydia Beach, (6) Amos Mix, (7) Hannah Louise Mix, (8) Peter Dillon, (9) Peter Orison Dillon, (10) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE BEECHER FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

JOHN BEECHER ancestor of the Beecher family in New England was born in Kent County, England, and died there in middle life. His wife Hannah Beecher came with her sons to Boston, arriving there April 26, 1637. She was born in England in 1600, and died in New Haven, 1658. Her will was proven March 2, 1659. She bequeathed her property to her sons Isaac Beecher and William Potter. Wm. Potter was a son by her first husband. Mrs. Beecher was a physician and mid-wife and for services rendered to the people received a grant of land in New Haven which remained in the Beecher family until 1870. Children—

2. Isaac Beecher (see below).

#### SECOND GENERATION

ISAAC BEECHER was born in England, 1623, and died in New Haven, Connecticut, 1690. His Will was dated September 28, 1689, in which he bequeathed his property to sons John, Joseph, Isaac, Samuel and Eleazer and to wife Mary. He owned seven tracts of land aggregating 61 acres. He and his sons John and Eleazer were proprietors of land, 1685. He was a freeman of New Haven July 1, 1644. He was the ancestor of Dr. Lyman Beecher, Henry Ward Beecher, and Harriet Beecher Stowe. His children—

3. John born 1645, died 1712, married Elizabeth Roberts.
4. Joseph born 1647, married Lydia Roberts.
5. Isaac born 1650 (see below).
6. Samuel born 1652, married Sarah Hurd.
7. Eleazer born 1655, died 1725, married Phebe Prindle.

#### THIRD GENERATION

ISAAC BEECHER was born August 18, 1650 at New Haven, died 1708. He married Joanna Roberts, daughter of William and Joanna Roberts. She was born June 26, 1657 at Milford, Connecticut. She died February 24, 1732 at New Haven, Connecticut. Children—

8. Isaac was born 1680, died 1712, married Hannah Merwin.
9. Ebenezer born 1682, died young.
10. Joanna baptized November 22, 1685.
11. Samuel born 1687, died 1760, married Hannah Farrington.
12. John (see below).
13. Abigail born 1693, married David Seeley.
14. Abiah born 1693.
15. Jemima born 1698, married John Holmes.

#### FOURTH GENERATION

✓JOHN BEECHER was born in New Haven, Connecticut, 1689. He was baptized in October, 1689 in the First Congregational church. He died April 15, 1756 at Cheshire, Connecticut. He married Elizabeth Barnes, daughter of Thomas and Abigail (Frost) Barnes. She was born November 10, 1695 at New Haven Connecticut and died 1765.

Children—

16. Jemima born 1717, died 1727.
17. Experience born (as Obedience) June 12, 1719 at Wallingford, Connecticut, died September 20, 1789. Resided at Waterbury, Connecticut, married October 31, 1734 to Joseph Beach.
18. Isaac born 1721, died young.
19. Isaac born 1723, died 1761, married 1st Susanna Dutton, 2d married Dorcas Thomas.
20. Abigail born 1726, married Joseph Rowe.
21. Abel born 1728, died 1728.
22. Elizabeth born 1729, married 1st Jacob Parker, 2d married John Connor.
23. Solitary born 1723, died 1751.
24. Jemima born 1734, died 1813, married David Barnes, 1757.
25. John born 1739, died 1739.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(5) Experience Beecher, (6) Lydia Beach, (7) Amos Mix, (8) Hannah Louise Mix, (9) Peter Dillon, (10) Peter Orison Dillon, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE BIRDSEYE FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

JOHN BIRDSEYE was born in England, 1616. He came from Reading, Berkshire County, England to New England, 1636. He came to Wethersfield, Connecticut where he married Philipa, daughter of Rev. Henry Smith. He removed to Milford, Connecticut. Probably removed to Stratford, Connecticut, 1649. After the death of his first wife, he married Alice, widow of Henry Tomilson. She died January 25, 1698. He died April 4, 1690. Children by first wife—

2. John born 1641, married Phebe Wilcoxson.

3. Joanna born November 28, 1642, married Timothy Wilcoxson December 8, 1664.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Joanna Birdseye, (3) Phebe Wilcoxson, (4) Nathan Beach (5) Joseph Beach, (6) Lydia Beach, (7) Amos Mix, (8) Hannah Louise Mix, (9) Peter Dillon, (10) Peter Orison Dillon, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE BUNNELL FAMILY

In 1066, William La Bunnell came to England from Normandy, as Aide-de-camp on the staff of William the Conqueror. In England the name was changed to Bunnell.

#### FIRST GENERATION IN AMERICA

WILLIAM BUNNELL was born in England. He came with his brothers Solomon and Benjamin from Cheshire, England, 1638, and settled in New Haven, Connecticut. The early New Haven historians wrote of the Bunnell family as being without exception men of character and piety who used every opportunity to promote education and religion. William Bunnell married Ann Wilmot, daughter of Benjamin and Ann Wilmot, in 1640. Children—

2. Lydia died April 1, 1708 at Derby, Connecticut. She married Francis French, April 10, 1661, at Milford, Connecticut.
3. Benjamin was baptized 1690, died 1696, married Rebecca Mallory, second, married Elizabeth, widow of John Sperry.
4. Nathaniel married Susanna Whitehead, 1665.
5. Mary born 1650, died 1724, married Eleazer Peck.
6. Ebenezer born 1653, died 1654.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Lydia Bunnell, (3) Elizabeth French, (4) Joseph Holt, (5) Sybil Holt, (6) Eldad Mix, (7) Amos Mix, (8) Hannah Louisa Mix, (9) Peter Dillon, (10) Peter Orison Dillon, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE CAPEN FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

BERNARD CAPEN was born in Dorchester, England, 1562. He came to Massachusetts in 1630 in the ship "Mary and John." He was a proprietor and one of the founders of Dorchester, Massachusetts August 5, 1633. Admitted a freeman May 25, 1636. He married Joan Purchase, daughter of Oliver Purchase, 1596. Shoemaker. He died November 8, 1638. The stone that marked his grave was the first tombstone in the Massachusetts Bay Colony and is preserved by the New England Historical and Genealogical Society of Boston. His Will was dated October 9, 1638. His widow was born in England, 1578, and died at Dorchester, Massachusetts, March 26, 1653. The origin of the name is unknown.



The name first appeared in England in the sixteenth century. Children—

2. James died 1628.
3. Bernard.
4. Ruth.
5. Susanna born 1602, died 1666, married first William Rockwell, second, married Matthew Grant.
6. John born 1612.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Susanna Capen, (3) John Rockwell, (4) Ruth Rockwell, (5) Thomas Mix, (6) Josiah Mix, (7) Eldad Mix, (8) Amos Mix, (9) Hannah Louise Mix, (10) Peter Dillon, (11) Peter Orison Dillon, (12) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE CHURCHILL FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

JOSIAH CHURCHILL was born in England, died at Wethersfield, Connecticut, January 1, 1686. Married Elizabeth, daughter of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Deming) Foote, 1638. He was a farmer. Owned 210 acres of land and two lots in Wethersfield. Congregationalist. Juror in Particular Court 1643-1649-1651. Juror at the Quarterly Court 1664-1665. Juror at the County Court 1666-1670-1675. Constable 1657 and 1670. Town Surveyor 1666 and 1673. Will proved 1687. Came to Wethersfield about 1638. Soldier in Pequot War. Children—

2. Mary born March 24, 1639, married Samuel Church.
3. Elizabeth born May 15, 1642, married Henry Buck.
4. Hannah born November 1, 1644, married Samuel Royce, Jan. 9, 1667.
5. Ann born 1647, married ——— Rice.
6. Joseph born December 7, 1649, married Mary ———.
7. Benjamin born 1652, died in infancy.
8. Sarah born 1657, married Thomas Wickam.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Hannah Churchill, (3) Deborah Royce, (4) Thomas Mix, (5) Josiah Mix, (6) Eldad Mix, (7) Amos Mix, (8) Hannah Louisa Mix, (9) Peter Dillon, (10) Peter Orison Dillon, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE CURTIS FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

JOHN CURTIS was born in England. Came from London and settled in Roxbury, Massachusetts, 1638, where he owned 15 acres of land and had five persons in his family. In 1639, John Curtis was a resident of Wethersfield, Connecticut and owned land there. He left Wethersfield, 1640, for Stratford, Connecticut. His wife Elizabeth and sons appear

in Stratford records. She died, 1658, and her Will was proved November 4, 1658, at Fairfield, Connecticut. Children—

2. John died December 2, 1707, aged 94 years (see below).
3. William.

#### SECOND GENERATION

JOHN CURTIS was born 1613 in England. Made freeman 1658. Second Lieutenant (Ensign) in King Philip's War. Town treasurer of Stratford, Connecticut. He married Elizabeth Welles, sister of Governor Thomas Welles. He died 1707. Married 1641. Children—

4. John born 1642, settled in Newark, New Jersey, 1667.
5. Israel born 1644, married Abiah Hubbel.
6. Elizabeth born 1647.
7. Thomas born 1648, married Mary Merriman.
8. Joseph born 1650, married Bertha Booth.
9. Benjamin born 1652, married Esther Judson.
10. Hannah born 1654.

#### THIRD GENERATION

THOMAS CURTIS was born 1648 at Stratford, Connecticut. He came to New Haven from Stratford. He was born January 14, 1648, and died in 1736. He was Ensign of Militia. Married June 9, 1674 at Wallingford, Connecticut to Mary Merriman, daughter of Nathaniel and Joana Merriman, born July 12, 1657 at New Haven. Children—

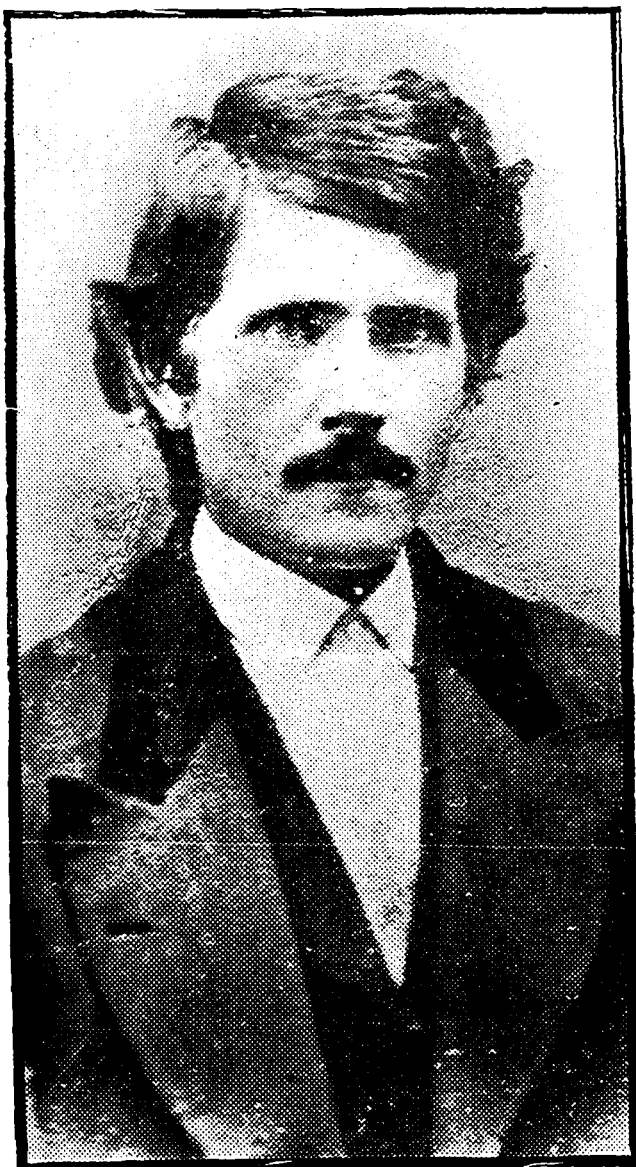
11. Mary born 1675, married John Crane.
12. Nathaniel born 1677, died 1763, married 1st Sarah Hall, 2d m. Sarah How, 3d married Phebe Bartholomew.
13. Samuel born 1678, died 1769, married Elizabeth Fredricks.
14. Elizabeth born 1680, died 1735, married Nathaniel Hall.
15. Hannah born 1682, died 1703.
16. Thomas born 1685, died 1758, married Mary ———.
17. Sarah born 1687, died 1760, married Joseph Parker.
18. Abigail was born in November, 1689, at Wallingford, Connecticut, died January 12, 1730 at Wallingford, married June 8, 1709 at Wallingford to Joseph Holt.
19. Joseph born 1691, died 1756, married Martha Collins.
20. Jemima born 1694, died 1739, married Nathan Beach.
21. Rebecca born 1697, married 1st Lamber Johnson, 2d married William Munson.
22. John born 1699, died 1775, married Jemima Abernathy.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(4) Abigail Curtis, (5) Sybil Holt, (6) Eldad Mix, (7) Amos Mix, (8) Hannah Louise Mix, (9) Peter Dillon, (10) Peter Orison Dillon, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

#### THE DILLON OR DILLIN FAMILY

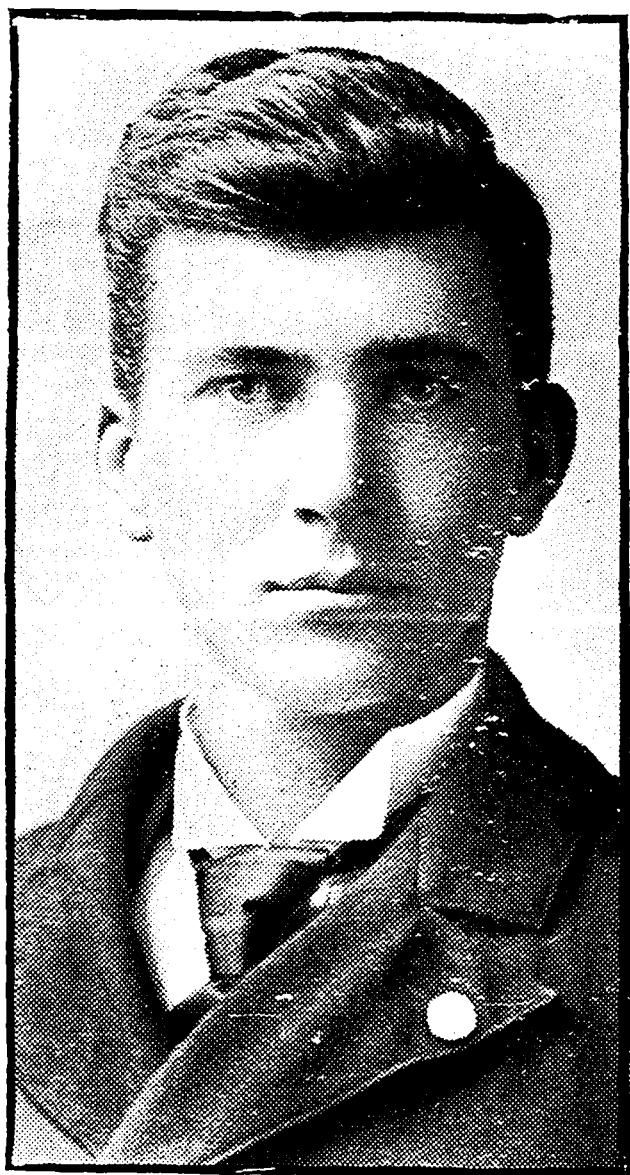
The following Dillons were in Virginia at an early date, to-wit:  
In Amelia County: 1783, John Dillen, had ten in family.



Peter Orison Dillon  
Father



Belle Anne Dillon  
Mother



Arthur Orison Dillon  
(young man)



Arthur Orison Dillon  
(baby)



In Augusta County: 1767, James Dillon.

In Cumberland and Goochland Counties: 1735, William Dillen. His Will dated in 1739, was probated May 15, 1744, and is of record in Goochland County. Had wife Mary and sons William and Henry and grandson James and two daughters. He was a large planter. His son William was in Cumberland County, 1782 and had four in his family. Thomas Dillon, son of the second William, and a merchant was married in Cumberland County to Miss Betsy Keeling of said County on March 15, 1787.

Thomas Dillen, probably a brother of the first William, died in Goochland County in 1744. His estate was probated in that County in 1744. Had a wife Mary. No children are mentioned in the probate proceedings of his estate..

In Chesterfield County: 1783, Joseph Dillon, had six in his family. 1783, John Dillon had four in his family.

In Fredrick County: 1743, William Dillon, a planter, had a family. He died about 1765. 1782, James Dillen had five in his family. 1782, John Dillen had eight in his family.

In Halifax County: 1785, Henry Dillon had eight in his family. 1782, Thomas Dillen had one in his family.

In Henry County: 1777, Benjamin and John Dillon.

In King William County: 1744, Mary Dillon.

In Orange County: 1785, Andrew Dillon had two in family.

In Rapphanock County: 1756, Michell Dillon.

In Shendoah County: John Dillon.

In Stafford County: 1742, James Dillon. He was married about 1747.

In 1752, Charles Dillon died in the service against the Spaniards.

The following Dillons were in Pennsylvania about the Revolutionary War period, to-wit:

In Cumberland County: 1780, John Dillin, revolutionary war soldier. 1780, Thomas Dillin.

In Huntingdon County: 1790, James Dillon had family.

In Northumberland County: 1786, John Dillon.

In Washington County: 1790, Peter Dillin had three sons and two daughters. 1790, Matthias Dillin had sons and daughter. 1780, Jacob Dillin, revolutionary war soldier.

We hope a descendant of one of the early Dillon families of Virginia may be able some time to compile a complete genealogy of all the Dillon families of Virginia prior to 1800.

The ancestors of my great grandfather Thomas Dillin have not been definitely proven. I am recording herein the best available data that I could get. This family was Protestant and was either of English or Welsh extraction. In the seventeenth century two brothers came to America; one of the brothers, probably John Dillon, was an explorer and colonizer and received large grants of land for colonization purposes in New York and Nova Scotia. He lived in New York and died a bachelor

and intestate, and his lands upon his death reverted to the English Crown. The other brother was a planter and settled in Virginia.

It is thought that Henry Dillon, probably the first of the name to settle in Virginia, was our immigrant ancestor. Tradition says that our immigrant ancestor settled in Virginia sometime in the seventeenth century. Henry Dillon was in Virginia at an early date. According to the Register of St. Peter's Episcopal Parish and Vestry Book, Henry Dillon or Dillin was a resident of New Kent County, Virginia in 1689. His wife's name was Eleanor. Two of his children were baptized in the parish, to-wit: Nitt on August 1, 1689, and Margaret on March 15, 1690. He was a planter and owned large tracts of land in New Kent and Caroline and King William Counties, Virginia. Years ago the court house in New Kent County was destroyed by fire and all the records of his estate in that county were destroyed. His children—

2. Nitt Dillon or Dillin.
3. Margaret Dillon or Dillin.
4. William Dillon or Dillin, probably.
5. Thomas Dillon or Dillin, probably.
6. Henry Dillon or Dillin, probably.

#### FOURTH GENERATION

Probably Matthias Dillin, Peter Dillin and Jacob Dillin who were in Washington County, Pennsylvania, during the Revolutionary War, were brothers and the great grandsons of Henry and Eleanor Dillon or Dillin.

PETER DILLIN lived in Washington County, Pennsylvania, 1790. He was married and the parent of three sons and two daughters. He was a planter and was probably the father of

10. William Dillin who married and had a large family. He removed to Missouri about 1830.
11. Thomas Dillin (see below).

#### FIFTH GENERATION

THOMAS DILLIN, my great grand father, was born in Pennsylvania, prior to 1790. His deeds and private papers prove that he spelled his name "Dillin." He had a brother who removed to Missouri about 1830. Thomas came to Ohio when a young man and settled in Muskingum County, where he married Hannah Louise Mix, daughter of Amos and Clarinda (Barnes) Mix, either in Zanesville or in Muskingum Township about 1809. Before the Civil War, he removed to Maple Grove, Michigan, and bought a farm. He died sometime after the Civil War and was buried beside his wife on the farm at Maple Grove. He was a Baptist, Deacon and a Democrat. Children—

12. Peter Dillon (see below).
13. Amos Dillin, twin brother of Peter, born about 1810 in Ohio. Died at Charlotte, Michigan. Baptist clergyman. Had one son Willian and ten daughters.
14. Thomas Dillin born about 1812 in Ohio, died at Charlotte, Michigan

and is buried there. Farmer. Married and had one son Lorenzo and two daughters.

15. William Dillin was born about 1814. No record of him.
16. Alexander Dillin was born about 1816 in Ohio, died in Michigan. Married and had two daughters. Farmer.
17. Clarinda Dillin born about 1818.
18. Hannah Dillin born about 1820.
19. Lydia Dillin born about 1822.
20. John Corbly Dillin was born about 1824 in Ohio, died at Maple Grove, Michigan and is buried there. Married a Miss Babbs. He was a well-to-do farmer. Had two sons, to-wit: Llewellyn of New London, Ohio, and Rev. John C. F. Dillin who died at Bancroft, 1922. He was a Presbyterian clergyman. Had two daughters.

#### SIXTH GENERATION

PETER DILLON, my grandfather, was born in Muskingum County, Ohio about 1810. He spelled his name "Dillon." In early life he was a farmer, in later years he was a merchant. He lived at different times in Ohio, Michigan and Minnesota. Baptist. Democrat. He died in 1881 and is buried at Cordova, Minnesota. His wife is also buried there. About 1829, he married Rebecca Biggs, probably at Mount Vernon, Ohio. She was born in Pennsylvania about 1811. Her family has not been traced. Peter Dillon and wife removed to Cordova, LeSueur County, Minnesota, shortly after the Civil War. Children—

21. John Dillon was born at Mt. Vernon, Ohio about 1830, married Kate Buck about 1865. He lived at different times at Cordova, Minnesota, Placerville, California and Tacoma, Washington. He was a farmer. Died at Tacoma, 1920. Had three children, Viola, Orville and Irene.
22. Mary Dillon was born in Ohio about 1833, married a Mr. Metcalf. Had two sons. She died in Michigan.
23. Martha Dillon was born in Ohio, married William Button. Had one daughter, Amy.
24. William Dillon was born in Ohio, died unmarried.
25. Peter Orison Dillon (see below).
26. Amos Dillon born about 1848, died unmarried.
27. Malinda Dillon born about 1855, married David Robbins and had three sons.

#### SEVENTH GENERATION

PETER ORISON DILLON was born near Maple Grove, Michigan, September 5, 1846. He attended the public schools and graduated from a Chicago business college. Bookkeeper in Chicago. Afterwards removed to Lexington, LeSueur County, Minnesota and purchased unimproved land and cleared up a farm. On October 3, 1872, he married Belle Anne Cottingham, daughter of Blythe and Tacy (Sheldon) Cottingham, at Cordova, Minnesota. Rev. Wallace Hopkins, Christian minister, performed the ceremony. Mr. Dillon was 6 feet 4 inches in height, weighed

about 200 pounds, had brown hair, blue eyes, fair complexion, square jaw, broad brow, was deliberate, thoughtful, slow to anger, kind hearted and of judicial temperament. In politics he was a Democrat. He was and excellent letter writer. In 1877 he removed to Manitou Springs, Colorado and died there on December 2, 1879. He is buried at that place. Children—

28. Arthur Orison Dillon.

#### EIGHTH GENERATION

ARTHUR ORISON DILLON, son of Peter Orison Dillon and Belle Anne (Cottingham) Dillon was born at eight o'clock A. M. Monday, July 7, 1873, in Lexington, LeSueur County, Minnesota. Attended the public schools. Student at State Normal Schools at St. Cloud and Mankato, Minnesota. Deputy United States Marshal in Washington, 1894. Taught school for several years. Graduated with the degree of L.L. B. at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana, 1906. Began the practice of law at Seattle, Washington, 1906. Removed to Upland, California, 1911. President of the Roosevelt-Johnson club of Upland, and Vice-President of the San Bernardino County Roosevelt-Johnson club in spring of 1912. Returned to Seattle in May, 1912, and was a delegate from the Third Ward to the Progressive State convention held in Seattle in August, 1912. Returned to California in the autumn of 1913; began the practice of law at Chino. He was a delegate from San Bernardino County to the Republican Congressional Conference held at San Diego in June, 1916, to nominate a Republican candidate for congress in the 11th congressional district.

He held the office of City Judge of Chino from 1916 to 1920. Was acting editor of The Chino Champion in January and February, 1919. He was Secretary-Director of the Chino Chamber of Commerce for seven years.

Contributed verse to following newspapers: School Education, The Tribune, Minneapolis, Minnesota; The Times, Los Angeles, California; The Tribune, Los Angeles, California; The Bulletin, Pomona, California; The Champion, Chino, California; the Report, Ontario, California, and to other newspapers. Contributed articles to various weekly and monthly periodicals. He was a prize winner in The Los Angeles Times Friendship Letter contest, 1925.

He was president of the Hughes-Fairbanks Republican club of Chino, 1916.

Chairman of the Four Liberty Loan Campaigns and the one Victory Loan Campaign for Chino and Chino Township, during the World War. Chairman of the Four Minute Speakers Committee. Director of Chino Red Cross Chapter. Chairman of the San Bernardino County Advisory Board for Chino during the war.

He removed to Ontario, California in July, 1922.

He was Vice-President of the Ontario Boosters' Club 1924-1925. He was elected councilman of Ontario, on April 12, 1926 for a term of four years by the largest vote ever given to a councilman in Ontario up to that date.



He was a candidate for the nomination of Assemblyman of the 57th Assembly District, State of California, on the Republican and Prohibition tickets at the Primary Election held on August 31, 1926. He received the nomination from the Prohibition party.

Mr. Dillon is 6 feet 2 inches in height, weighs 170 pounds, has blue eyes, brown hair and regular features. Member of the Presbyterian Church of Upland, California. Formerly member of the First Presbyterian Church of Puyallup, Washington, and formerly member of the First Presbyterian Church of Seattle, Washington. He is a member of the following lodges and societies: Ontario Lodge No. 345, I. O. O. F.; May Queen Rebecca Lodge No. 177, I. O. O. F. of Ontario; Society Sons of the Revolution, Los Angeles, California; New York Society of the War of 1812; St. John's Lodge No. 9, F. and A. M., Seattle, Washington; Society of Applied Psychology, New York.

## THE ENSIGN FAMILY

### FIRST GENERATION

JAMES ENSIGN was born in England. The Ensign family was in Kent County, England as early as 1395, and in Norfolk and Essex Counties very early. James Ensign was a land proprietor at Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1634. Freeman 1634. He moved to Hartford, Connecticut, 1639, and was one of the founders of that city. He was one of the original members of the First Congregational Church of Hartford. Became a member of the Second Congregational Church, 1670. He was constable 1649 and 1662. Chimney Viewer 1655. Member of the City Council 1656. Died 1670. His Will was dated November 23, 1670. His wife Sarah died at Hartford in May, 1676. Children—

2. Sarah probably was born in England, married John Rockwell, May 6, 1651 at Hartford. Died June 23, 1659.
3. Hannah married Joseph Eaton.
4. Mary married Samuel Smith.
5. David married 1st Mehitabel Gunn, 2d married Sarah Wilcox.
6. Lydia baptized August 19, 1649.

### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Sarah Ensign, (3) Ruth Rockwell, (4) Thomas Mix, (5) Josiah Mix, (6) Eldad Mix, (7) Amos Mix, (8) Hannah Louise Mix, (9) Peter Dillon, (10) Peter Orison Dillon, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

## THE FOOTE FAMILY

### FIRST GENERATION

NATHANIEL FOOTE was born in England, 1593. He came from Stratford in Colchester, and settled at Watertown, Massachusetts, thence he removed to Wethersfield, Connecticut. He owned 400 acres of land and two lots in Wethersfield. He married Elizabeth Deming in England

in 1615. He represented Wethersfield in the Connecticut Assembly 1641-1642-1643. Congregationalist. Died in 1644. His widow married Governor Thomas Welles. She had no children by Welles. Foote and his wife were the ancestors of Henry Ward Beecher, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Governor and United States Senator Samuel Augustus Foote and Rear Admiral Andrew Hull Foote. Children—

2. Elizabeth born 1616, died Sept. 8, 1700, married Josiah Churchill.
3. Nathaniel born 1620, married Elizabeth Smith.
4. Mary born 1622, married 1st John Stoddard, 2d John Goodrich.
5. Robert born 1627, married Sarah Potter.
6. Frances born 1629, married 1st John Dickinson, 2d married Francis Bernard.
7. Sarah born 1632, married Jeremiah Judson.
8. Rebecca born 1634, 1st married Philip Smith, 2d married Major Aaron Cook.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Elizabeth Foote, (3) Hannah Churchill, (4) Deborah Royce, (5) Josiah Mix, (6) Eldad Mix, (7) Amos Mix, (8) Hannah Louise Mix, (9) Peter Dillon, (10) Peter Orison Dillon, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE FRENCH FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

WILLIAM FRENCH was born 1604 in England. He was in Cambridge, Massachusetts in 1635 and was a land propietor. Lieutenant of Militia May 26, 1647. He was the first Deputy from Billerica to the Assembly or General Court of Massachusetts. He with his wife Elizabeth, aged 30, with Francis aged 10, Elizabeth aged 6, Marie aged 2½, John aged 5 months, came on the ship Defense, July 1635 to Massachusetts from England. They came from Essex, England, according to the records in the Custom House. He was one of the original settlers of Billerica, Massachusetts, where he died, aged 78 years. He died November 20, 1681. He was the author of the famous tract, entitled "Strength Out of Weakness," published in London and reprinted by the Boston Historical Society. His first wife died March 31, 1668, and he married Mary Lothrop, widow of John Stearne, May 6, 1669. Children by his first wife—

2. Francis born 1625, married Lydia Bunnell (see below).
3. Elizabeth born 1629.
4. Marie born 1632.
5. John born 1635.
6. Sarah born 1638.
7. Jacob born 1639.
8. Hannah born 1641.
9. Samuel born 1645.

Children by second wife—

10. Mary born 1670.

11. Sarah born 1671.
12. Abigail born 1673.
13. Hannah born 1676.

#### SECOND GENERATION

FRANCIS FRENCH was born in England, 1625. Died February 14, 1691 at Derby, Connecticut. Came with his father to Billerica, Massachusetts, 1635. Removed to Milford, Connecticut about 1650. In 1654 he helped to found Derby, Connecticut. He married Lydia, daughter of William and Ann (Wilmot) Bunnell, April 10, 1661. She died April 1, 1708. He was a successful farmer. Children—

14. Lydia born 1662, died 1669.
15. Elizabeth born June 20, 1664 at Derby, Connecticut, died November 18, 1739, married November 20, 1684 at Wallingford, Connecticut to Joseph Holt.
16. Anna born 1666, died 169--, married Thomas Wheeler.
17. Mary born 1668, died 1688.
18. Lydia born 1670, married Samuel Bowers, 1691.
19. Susanna born 1675.
20. Samuel born 1672, died 1777.
21. Francis born 1677.
22. Jane born 1679, died 1750, married John Towner.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(3) Elizabeth French, (4) Joseph Holt, Jr., (5) Sybil Holt, (6) Eldad Mix, (7) Amos Mix, (8) Hannah Louise Mix, (9) Peter Dillon, (10) Peter Orison Dillon, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE FROST FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

JOHN FROST was born in England, 1642, and died in New Haven, Connecticut, 1700. He married Mercy, daughter of William Payne, June 9, 1664 at New Haven. She was baptized April 8, 1688. Children—

2. A daughter born 1665.
3. John born 1668, married Abigail Barnes.
4. Abigail born 1670, married 1st Thomas Barnes, 2d married Samuel Tuttle.
5. Elizabeth born 1673, married William Reynolds, 2d married William Headley.
6. Sarah born 1675.
7. Ebenezer born 1677, married 1st Mary Tuttle, 2d married Elizabeth Andrus.
8. Mary born 1679, married 1st John ~~Wheaton~~ <sup>Wheaton</sup>, 2d married Henry Cook.
9. Samuel born 1681, married Sarah Towner.
10. Hannah born 1685.

11. Rebecca baptized 1690.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Abigail Frost, (3) Elizabeth Barnes, (4) Experience Beecher, (5) Lydia Beach, (6) Amos Mix, (7) Hannah Louise Mix, (8) Peter Dillon, (9) Peter Orison Dillon, (10) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE HOLT FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

WILLIAM HOLT was born in England, 1610, died at New Haven, Connecticut, 1683. Married Sarah ——— who died 1717. Children—

2. John born 1645, died June 16, 1733, married Elizabeth Thomas.
3. Nathaniel born 1647, died May 28, 1723, married Rebecca Beebe.
4. Mercy born 1649, died 1688, married Abraham Doolittle.
5. Eleazor born April 5, 1651, died June 24, 1736, married first Tabitha Thomas, 2d married Mary Stanford.
6. Thomas born July 31, 1653, died June 3, 1676.
7. Joseph (see below).
8. Benjamin born March 5, 1656, died August 2, 1690.

#### SECOND GENERATION

JOSEPH HOLT born April 2, 1655 at New Haven, Connecticut, died December 19, 1697 at Wallingford, Connecticut; married November 20, 1684 at Wallingford to Elizabeth, daughter of Francis and Lydia (Bunnell) French, born June 20, 1664 at Derby, died November 18, 1739 at Wallingford. Children—

9. Joseph, Jr. (see below)
10. Daniel born October 6, 1687, died 1749, married Rebecca Hall.
11. Benjamin born Sept. 3, 1690, died Oct. 28, 1742, married Abigail Johnson.
12. Mary born January 29, 1693, died 1729, married Thomas Royce.
13. Elizabeth born March 23, 1696, died June 3, 1768, married Joseph Doolittle.

#### THIRD GENERATION

JOSEPH HOLT, JR. born June 10, 1685 at Wallingford, Connecticut, died June 2, 1767 at Wallingford, married June 8, 1709, Abigail Curtis who was born November, 1689 at Wallingford, died there January 12, 1730. Second he married, July 13, 1730, Mary Benedict, widow of Isaac Royce; third he married on July 25, 1749, Mary Roberts; fourth he married February 9, 1762, Elizabeth, widow of Barnabas Lewis and Daniel Merwin. Children by first wife—

14. Sybil born March 16, 1710 at Wallingford, died August 5, 1738, married August 5, 1730 to Josiah Mix.
15. Tamar born October 31, 1711, married William Johnson.
16. Mary born February 9, 1714, married Abel Matthews.
17. Susanna born Feb. 12, 1716, died Sept. 24, 1742, married William Beach.

18. Samuel born May 14, 1718, died 1775, m. Abigail Hough.
19. Justus born Oct. 19, 1720, died 1790, m. Thankful Blakeslee.
20. Lucy Holt born December 12, 1722, married Caleb Lewis.
21. Lydia born April 24, 1725, married Ephrain Beach.
22. Abigail born July 20, 1727, d. 1808, m. 1st Amos Johnson, 2d m. Jonah Todd.
23. Mehitabel born December 26, 1792, died December 28, 1729.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(4) Sybil Holt, (5) Eldad Mix, (6) Amos Mix, (7) Hannah Louise Mix, (8) Peter Dillon, (9) Peter Orison Dillon, (10) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE MERRIMAN FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

NATHANIEL MERRIMAN was born in England in 1613. He came to Boston in 1632, served in the Pequot War, lived in New Haven from 1640 to 1670, then became one of the principal founders of Wallingford, Connecticut, where he died, February 13, 1693. He was Ensign of the military company in New Haven, and lieutenant of the company in Wallingford. He was appointed captain to raise troops in King Philip's War, 1675. He was town clerk of Wallingford for eight years, selectman for five years and was nine times a Deputy from Wallingford to the Assembly or General Court of Connecticut. He married Joan Liner who was born about 1628, and died in Wallingford, December 8, 1709. Captain Nathaniel Merriman, in his Will, June 6, 1692, mentions his wife Joan, sons, John, Samuel and Caleb, daughter Mary Curtis and surviving daughters. Their children were—

2. Nathaniel born 1647.
3. John died September 26, 1649.
4. Hannah born 1651.
5. Abigail born April 18, 1654.
6. Mary born July 12, 1657, married Thomas Curtis.
7. John born 1689.
8. Samuel born 1662.
9. Caleb born 1665.
10. Twins born 1667, died young.
11. Elizabeth born 1669.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Mary Merriman, (3) Abigail Curtis, (4) Sybil Holt, (5) Eldad Mix, (6) Amos Mix, (7) Hannah Louise Mix, (8) Peter Dillon, (9) Peter Orison Dillon, (10) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE MIX FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

THOMAS MIX was born in London, England. He came to New Haven,

Connecticut about 1643 and died there 1691. He held such offices as constable and fence viewer. He was a shrewd business man and became a substantial and wealthy citizen of New Haven. In 1649, he married Rebecca Turner, daughter of Captain Nathaniel Turner. She was born 1631 and died 1731. At his death Thomas Mix divided his large estate among his children. All of whom became heads of families, and the sons persons of repute. A number of his descendants in the early days of the colonies graduated from Harvard and Yale Colleges. Among them have been farmers, clergymen, politicians, authors and business men. Members of the Mix family intermarried into leading families of Connecticut and are related to the following nationally known families, to-wit: Yale, Edwards, Burr, Fitch, Grant, Beecher, Foote and Cleveland.

Thomas and Rebecca Mix are the ancestors of: Rev. Stephen Mix, clergyman and author; Stephen Mix Mitchell, United States Senator and Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Connecticut; Stephen Mix Mitchell, Jr., Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Vermont; Donald Grant Mitchell (Ik Marvel), author and consul to Venice, Italy.

The executors of the Will of Thomas Mix were his sons John and Stephen. Children—

2. John born 1649, died January 21, 1711, residence New Haven, married Elizabeth Wilmot.
3. Nathaniel born September 14, 1651, died October 14, 1725, residence New Haven, married Mary Pantry.
4. Daniel (see below).
5. Thomas born August 30, 1655, residence Norwich, Connecticut, married June 30, 1677, Hannah Fitch.
6. Rebecca born January 4, 1657, died October 17, 1734, residence New Haven, married John Yale.
7. Abigail born 1659, residence Hartford, Connecticut, married John Pantry.
8. Caleb born 1661, baptized December 15, 1661, died August 12, 1708, residence New Haven, married first Hannah Chidney, second married Mary Bradley.
9. Samuel born January 11, 1663, died April 10, 1730, residence New Haven, married Rebecca Pardee, July 26, 1699.
10. Hannah born June 30, 1666, residence Hartford, married June 25, 1691, Thomas Olmstead.
11. Esther born November 30, 1668, died 1670.
12. Rev. Stephen born November 1, 1672, died August 23, 1738, residence, Wethersfield, Connecticut, where he was the pastor of the First Congregational Church for 44 years. He was a graduate of Harvard College. On December 1, 1696, he married Mary Stoddard, daughter of Rev. Solomon Stoddard of Northampton, Massachusetts.

#### SECOND GENERATION

DANIEL MIX was born September 8, 1653, at New Haven, Connecticut. He died at Wallingford, Connecticut, 1720. He was one of the owners

and founders of Wallingford. He married Ruth Rockwell, daughter of John and Sarah (Ensign) Rockwell, May 2, 1678. She was born March 5, 1655, died 1739. Children —

13. Thomas (see below).
14. Lydia born in July, 1682, died 1710, residence Wallingford, married March 7, 1706, Ebenezer Hall.
15. Daniel born June 1, 1685, residence Wallingford, married May 28, 1712, Lydia Avery.
16. Ruth.
17. Hannah died November 26, 1754, residence Wallingford, married December 26, 1711, Theophilus Jones.
18. Theophilus born about 1697, died July 1, 1750, residence Meridian, Connecticut, married January 17, 1729, Damaris Olmstead.

#### THIRD GENERATION

THOMAS MIX was born at Wallingford, Connecticut, March 25, 1679. Date of death not known to compiler. Residence was at Wallingford. On March 21, 1705, he married Deborah Royce. She was born September 8, 1683 and died December 15, 1738. Children—

19. Abigail born January 29, 1706, died May 6, 1753, residence Wallingford, married May 31, 1730, Abijah Ives.
20. Josiah (see below.)
21. Thomas born November 27, 1709, died 1794, residence Wallingford, married April 15, 1736, Ruth Manross.
22. Daniel born April 27, 1712.
23. Deborah born March 17, 1714, residence Wallingford, married February 4, 1736, Jonathan Curtis.
24. Hannah born January 20, 1716.
25. Stephen born May 8, 1718, residence Wallingford, married September 19, 1744, Rebecca Ives, 2d marriage Ann Porter, September 17, 1760.
26. Enos born May 29, 1720, died December 20, 1737.
27. Sarah born April 1, 1723.
28. Martha born July 18, 1725.
29. Timothy born December 28, 1727, died January 23, 1800, residence Bristol, Connecticut, married Elizabeth ———.

#### FOURTH GENERATION

JOSIAH MIX was born November 20, 1707, died in 1752. His residence was Cheshire Parish, Wallingford, Connecticut. First he married Sybil Holt on August 5, 1730. She was born March 16, 1710 and died August 5, 1738. He married Abigail Porter, December 23, 1742. Children by first wife —

30. Jesse born October 22, 1731, married November 22, 1753, Deborah Parker.
31. Eldad (see below).
32. Titus born December 4, 1735.
33. Sybil born April 5, 1738, died August, 1738.

#### FIFTH GENERATION

ELDAD MIX was born October 20, 1733 in Cheshire Parish, Wallingford, Connecticut. He died at Waterbury, Connecticut October 30, 1806. He married Lydia Beach at Waterbury, June 25, 1756. She was born September 13, 1735 and died at Muskingum, Ohio, after 1819. This family settled at East Farms, Waterbury, close to the Cheshire boundary. Children—

34. Titus born February 14, 1757, killed in the battle of Harlem, September 18, 1776.
35. Amos (see below).
36. Samuel born January 17, 1761, residence Waterbury, married December 13, 1781, Mary Hotchkiss of Cheshire.
37. Levi born September 15, 1763, married September 7, 1789, Eunice Andrews.
38. Sybil born April 13, 1767, married December 15, 1783, Gershom Olds.
39. Uri born July 23, 1769.
40. Philo born October 28, 1773, married November 30, 1797, Anna Hall.
41. Lydia born April 13, 1777.
42. Sarah born January 2, 1782.

#### SIXTH GENERATION

AMOS MIX was born at Waterbury, Connecticut, February 2, 1759. He died at Muskingum, Muskingum County, Ohio, October 16, 1844. He married on January 4, 1784 at Cheshire, Connecticut, Clarinda Barnes. She was born January 6, 1767 at Cheshire. They were married by the Rev. John Foote, Congregational minister at Cheshire. Clarinda Barnes was baptized by Rev. Foote on November 22, 1767. She was allowed a pension as the widow of Amos Mix on an application executed September 8, 1848, while residing in Muskingum Township, Muskingum County, Ohio, at the age of 81 years. She died, 1850. She and her husband are buried in Muskingum.

Amos Mix served more than seven years in the Revolutionary War. He fought in the following battles: Long Island, Kips Bay, White Plains and Yorktown. He was in the First Call, Lexington Alarm, 1775, under Captain Isaac Cook, went as far as Hartford, Connecticut, served 8 days. He served in the Second Call, 2d Company, 7th Regiment, under Captain Street Hall and Colonel Chester Webb, sent to Boston, enlisted July 11, discharged October 23, 1775. He was in the Third Call, 1776, in Fifth Battalion, James Wadsworth's Brigade under Colonel William Douglas. Served in the city of New York to help reinforce General George Washington, and on the Brooklyn front. He fought at the Battle of Long Island, August 27, 1776; Battle of Kips Bay September 15, 1776; Battle of White Plains, October 28, 1776. He was seriously wounded at the Battle of White Plains. He was a soldier in the 7th Company under Captain Nathaniel Bunnell, and in the Connecticut Line; also in the 4th Regiment under Colonel Zebulon Butler. Enlisted April 9, 1777 for the



war. Served in Captain Baker's 4th Regiment Connecticut Line under Major John P. Wyllys' Detached Battalion under General Lafayette from February to November, 1781, and fought at the Battle of Yorktown, October 19, 1781. He was a private and was pensioned April 29, 1819, under an act of Congress on March 18, 1818. He was living at the time at Muskingum, Ohio. He died in 1844 and is buried in Muskingum Township. His Will was proved November 9, 1844. He was a farmer. References: Colonial Records of Connecticut, History of Cheshire, Connecticut, and Army Records, Bureau of Pensions, Washington, D. C. His children—

43. Justice L. Mix.
44. Amos C. Mix.
45. Levi Mix.
46. Clarinda Mix married a Mr. Collins.
47. Hannah Louise Mix was born about 1790 in either New York or Connecticut, married Thomas Dillin at Muskingum, Ohio, 1809. Died at Maple Grove, Michigan after the Civil War and is buried there.
48. Truman Mix.
49. Sarah Mix married a Mr. Mora.
50. Loly Mix born 1801, married a Mr. Flemming.
51. Lydia Mix born 1803, married a Mr. Bryant.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(7) Hannah Louise Mix, (8) Peter Dillon, (9) Peter Orison Dillon, (10) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE ROCKWELL FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

WILLIAM ROCKWELL was born in England. The parish register of Holy Trinity, Dorchester, England, records the marriage of William Rockwell to Susana Capen, April 14, 1624.

The Rockwell family traces its origin to Sir Ralph De Rockwell, Norman Knight, who accompanied Empress Matilda into England, 1139, where she laid claim to the English throne. He ultimately joined King Henry II, and was given large grants of land in the County of York, England.

William Rockwell came to Dorchester, Massachusetts from England, 1630. He was a freeman and Deacon of the Dorchester Congregational Church. He removed to Windsor, Connecticut, where he died May 15, 1640. His wife, Susana Capen, was the daughter of Bernard and Joan (Purchase) Capen. She was born April 5, 1602 at Dorchester, England, and died November 13, 1666 at Windsor, Connecticut. After the death of William Rockwell she married Matthew Grant, May 29, 1645. Grant was the immigrant ancestor of General Ulysses Simpson Grant. She was Grant's second wife. She had no children by Grant. However, through

one of her daughters by Rockwell she is the ancestress of General U. S. Grant.

William Rockwell and wife were the ancestors of General U. S. Grant, Samuel Huntington, Governor of Connecticut, and Signer of the Declaration of Independence, and General Jedediah Huntington. Children—

2. John (see below).
3. Ruth married Christopher Huntington.
4. Mary married Jeffry Mohon.
5. Samuel.
6. Joseph.
7. Sarah married Wait Gaylord.

#### SECOND GENERATION

JOHN ROCKWELL probably was born in England about 1626. He married Sarah Ensign, May 6, 1651. She died June 23, 1659. After her death he married Deliverance Haynes, August 18, 1662. He died September 3, 1673. Children by first wife—

8. Sarah born May 18, 1653, married David Hall.
9. Ruth born March 5, 1654, died 1741, married Daniel Mix.
10. Lydia born November 27, 1656, married Joshua Atwater.

Children by second wife—

11. John, Jr. born July 8, 1658.
12. Hannah born May 3, 1665.
13. Joseph born July 8, 1668, married Elizabeth Drake.
14. Elizabeth born February 5, 1670, married James Ward.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(3) Ruth Rockwell, (4) Thomas Mix, (5) Josiah Mix, (6) Eldad Mix, (7) Amos Mix, (8) Hannah Louise Mix, (9) Peter Dillon, (10) Peter Orison Dillon, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE ROYCE FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

ROBERT ROYCE was born in England, lived at Martock, Somerset County. On June 4, 1624, he married Mary Sims of Long Sutton, Somerset County, England. He came from Ipswich, England in the ship "Frances" to New England. He died at New London, Connecticut, 1676. He was at Stratford, Connecticut, 1650. Removed to New London, Connecticut, 1657. Constable, 1660. Deputy in the Connecticut Assembly, 1661. Member of the City Council 1663-1667-1668. Congregationalist. Land owner. Influential and respected citizen. Children—

2. Nehemiah married Hannah Morgan, November 20, 1660.
3. A daughter.
4. Jonathan married Deborah Calkins in June, 1660.
5. Sarah married John Calkins.
6. Samuel married 1st Hannah Churchill (see below).

7. Nathaniel married three times, 1st m. Sarah Lathrop, April 21, 1681.
8. Isaac married Elizabeth Lathrop, December 15, 1699.
9. Ruth born 1646, married John Lathrop, December 15, 1669.

#### SECOND GENERATION

SAMUEL ROYCE probably was born about 1642. Removed from New London to Wallingford, Connecticut. Ensign in the militia. First he married Hannah Churchill, daughter of Josiah and Elizabeth (Foote) Churchill of Wethersfield, Connecticut, on January 9, 1667. She died about 1689. Second he married Sarah Baldwin, June 5, 1690. Congregationalist. Large land owner. Children by first wife—

10. Robert born January 21, 1669, married Mary Porter, Jan. 2, 1692.
11. Josiah born Feb. 14, 1670, married Elizabeth Parker, Dec. 12, 1695.
12. Samuel, Jr. born 1672, married Hannah Benedict, March 24, 1693.
13. Abigail born Nov. 24, 1677, married Joseph Cowles, July 13, 1699.
14. Prudence born July 26, 1680, married John Austin.
15. Deborah born Sept. 9, 1683, married Thomas Mix, March 21, 1705.
16. Isaac born March 10, 1688, married Mary Benedict, Feb. 10, 1713.

Children by second wife —

16. Ebenezer born September 25, 1691.
17. John born April 25, 1693, married Elizabeth Chilson, Oct. 9, 1727.
18. Mary born Feb. 17, 1695, married Joseph Holt, July 13, 1730.
19. Joab born April 11, 1697, married Thankful Beach, Sept. 28, 1724.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(3) Deborah Royce, (4) Josiah Mix, (5) Eldad Mix, (6) Amos Mix, (7) Hannah Louise Mix, (8) Peter Dillon, (9) Peter Orison Dillon, (10) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE HENRY SMITH FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

REV. HENRY SMITH was born in Leicester County, England, 1588. He died 1648 at Milford, Connecticut. He was the son of Erastus and Margaret (Cecil) Smith. Margaret Cecil was the daughter of William Cecil, to-wit: Lord Burleigh, prime minister of England under Queen Elizabeth. Rev. Smith was educated at Cambridge College. He was an ordained clergyman. He was a puritan. He was twice married. Nothing is known of his first wife. His second wife's name was Dorothy. She died at Hadley, 1694. Rev. Smith in the records is described as "a man of good family and who as the patriarch of one of the best sustained and accomplished families of New England is entitled to our regard as a gentleman of uncommon culture, refinement and firmness." He probably came from England in 1637 and settled at Watertown, Massachusetts. He removed to Wethersfield, Connecticut, 1639, and became pastor of the church there. Samuel the son of Rev. Henry Smith in a letter to his son Ichabod, described his father as follows: "He was an ordained minister. He was educated at Cambridge College, England. He came to New

England by reason of great persecution. He brought from England both men and maid servants. He was five feet ten inches tall and spare, active and sinewy, delighted in sports of strength. Helped erect his house and first church building in Wethersfield, where he preached for several years. He was well featured, fair of skin, and had long curly hair, merry eyes and sweet smiling mouth, though he could frown when need be." His Will was probated 1648. He left an estate valued at 370 pounds. Children by his first wife—

2. Peregrine died unmarried before his father.
3. Philipa born in England, married John Birdseye, 1640.
4. A daughter who married and had children before her father died.

Children by second wife—

5. Dorothy born 1636, married 1st John Blakeman, 2d married Francis Hall, 3d married Mark Sension, 4th married Isaac Moore. She died 1706.
6. Samuel born 1638.
7. Joanna born 1641, married Philip Russell. She died, 1664.
8. Noah born 1643, died before his father.
9. Elizabeth born 1648.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Philipa Smith, (3) Joanna Birdseye, (4) Phebe Wilcoxson, (5) Nathan Beach, (6) Joseph Beach, (7) Lydia Beach, (8) Amos Mix, (9) Hannah Louise Mix, (10) Peter Dillon, (11) Peter Orison Dillon, (12) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE TURNER FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

CAPTAIN NATHANIEL TURNER was born in England and was married there. He had been a soldier in Europe. He came to Massachusetts with John Winthrop and settled at Lynn, Massachusetts, 1630. He is called "Mr." in the records implying social and educational distinction. Constable at Lynn, 1632. Representative at the first session of the Assembly or Court of Massachusetts, 1634. Deputy to the Assembly or Court, 1635. Member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston. He was the 12th signer of the original muster roll. He owned the whole of Sagamore Hill at Lynn. He was appointed Captain of the Saugus train band in 1633, which he commanded during the Pequot War, 1636-1637. Captain John Endicott (afterwards Governor) was his senior officer. In January, 1637, his house and its contents were destroyed by fire. The same year he removed to Connecticut, and was one of the owners and founders of New Haven. The founders of New Haven were the most opulent company which came into New England. They laid out a town plat for an elegant city. Having had military experience in Europe and in the Pequot War, Captain Turner was from the beginning intrusted with the command and order of military affairs in the New Haven Colony. He located his farm between East Rock and Quinnipiac River. He was one of

the seven members who organized the First Congregational Church in New Haven. Assistant to the Governor, 1639. Deputy in the Connecticut Assembly. He owned 800 acres of land and was one of the ten richest men in the colony. Turner was captain of the ill-fated "Lamberton's Phantom Ship" which sailed from New Haven on a voyage to Europe and was lost with all on board in January, 1646. Children—

2. Nathaniel Turner, Jr., died young.
3. Mary married Thomas Yale.
4. Rebecca born 1631 at Lynn, Massachusetts, died, 1731, at New Haven. Married Thomas Mix, 1649.
5. Abigail married John Hudson.
6. Isaac married Mary Todd.
7. Hannah married Samuel Hopkins, December 5, 1667.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Rebecca Turner, (3) Daniel Mix, (4) Thomas Mix, (5) Josiah Mix, (6) Eldad Mix, (7) Amos Mix, (8) Hannah Louise Mix, (9) Peter Dillon, (10) Peter Orison Dillon, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE WILCOXSON FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

WILLIAM WILCOXSON was born in England. He came to New England prior to 1636. He married Margaret \_\_\_\_\_. He lived at Concord, Massachusetts and Stratford, Connecticut. Made a freeman in Massachusetts, 1636. He removed from Concord to Stratford, Connecticut, 1640. After his death his widow married William Hayden. She died 1655. His Will was dated in 1651. He probably died that year. He gave thirty pounds to the Congregational Church of Concord. Children—

2. Timothy born 1630, died January 13, 1714 (see below).
3. John born 1634.
4. Joseph born 1638.
5. Samuel born 1640.
6. Obidiah born 1642.
7. Elizabeth born 1644.
8. Hannah born 1646.
9. Sarah born 1648.
10. Phebe born 1650.

#### SECOND GENERATION

TIMOTHY WILCOXSON probably was born in England, 1630. He married Joanna Birdseye. He died in August, 1713, in Connecticut. Children—

11. Joanna born 1667, married Joseph Fairchild.
12. Phebe born August 3, 1668, married Thomas Beach.
13. Sarah born December 26, 1670, married Robert McEwen.
14. Elizabeth born 1673, married Joseph Hawley.

15. Ruth born 1677, married Robert Walker.
16. Rebecca born 1680, married 1st a Mr. Rice, 2d married Eliasaph Preston.
17. Hannah born 1685, married Thomas Gridley.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(3) Phebe Wilcoxson, (4) Nathan Beach, (5) Joseph Beach, (6) Lydia Beach, (7) Amos Mix, (8) Hannah Louise Mix, (9) Peter Dillon, (10) Peter Orison Dillon, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE WILMOT FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

BENJAMIN WILMOT was born in England and settled in New Haven, Connecticut. He took the oath of fidelity, May 2, 1648. He died August 18, 1669, aged 80 years. His wife died October 7, 1668. He married Ann ————. Children—

2. Ann married William Bunnell.
3. Benjamin.
4. William died 1689, married Sarah Thomas, 1658.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Ann Wilmot, (3) Lydia Bunnell, (4) Elizabeth French, (5) Joseph Holt, (6) Sybil Holt, (7) Eldad Mix, (8) Amos Mix, (9) Hannah Louise Mix, (10) Peter Dillon, (11) Peter Orison Dillon, (12) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### MATERNAL ANCESTORS

#### THE ANTHONY FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION. IN ENGLAND

WILLIAM ANTHONY was born in Cologne, Germany, removed to London, England, during the reign of Edward VI (1547-1553), and was made Chief Graver of the Royal Mint and Master of Scales, holding office several years. Married and had children. Had a son Derrick.

#### SECOND GENERATION

DERRICK ANTHONY was born at St. Katherine, near the Tower of London. He was an eminent goldsmith and was in the Jewel Office of the Crown, during the reign of Queen Elizabeth (1558-1603). Patent of Arms given him, 1559. He was styled "London Gentleman." He married first Elizabeth Erley, daughter of Richard Erley, second, he married Margaret, daughter of Edward Ridge of Staffordshire. Issue by first marriage—

3. Francis (see below).
4. Charles.

5. Elizabeth, m. Richard Yardley.

Issue by second wife—

6. Edward.

7. Emanuel.

8. Anne, m. Thomas Middleton.

#### THIRD GENERATION

FRANCIS ANTHONY was born in London, April 16, 1550. Physician and chemist. Graduated at Cambridge College, 1574, with degree of Master of Arts. Died May 26, 1623. Buried in the church of St. Bartholomew the Great. He married first \_\_\_\_\_. Second he married Elizabeth Lante. His Will was dated May 25, 1623, proved June 19, 1623. Issue by first marriage—

9. Francis.

10. John (see below).

11. Charles, a physician.

12. A daughter.

13. A daughter.

14. Martha.

#### FOURTH GENERATION

JOHN ANTHONY was born 1585, graduated at Pembroke College, 1613. He became a physician, 1619. Served as a surgeon in the Civil War on the Parliamentary side under Colonel Sandys. Author of "The Comfort of the Soul." He married in London, and died there 1655. Had children. His son, John Anthony, Jr., moved to Rhode Island.

#### FIFTH GENERATION. IN AMERICA

JOHN ANTHONY, JR., was born in Hempstead, England. Came to New England and settled at South Kingston, Rhode Island. Came in the ship "Hercules," April 16, 1634. Married Susanna Potter, sister of Robert Potter. Innkeeper. Corporal in Indian Wars. Commissioner, 1651. Deputy in Rhode Island Assembly 1666 to 1672. Will made July 23, 1675, proved August 21, 1675. Died July 28, 1675.

Ancestor of: General Nathaniel Greene, Gilbert Charles Stuart, Governor and United States Senator Henry B. Anthony and Susan B. Anthony. Children—

16. John, b. 1642, d. 1716, m. 1st Francis Woodell, 2d m. Susanna Albro.

17. Elizabeth, b. 1646, d. 1698, m. James Greene.

18. Susanna, b. 1644, d. 1716, m. John Tripp, Jr., Sept. 7, 1665.

19. Joseph, b. 1648, d. 1728, m. Mary Wait, 1676.

20. Abraham, b. 1650, d. 1727, m. Alice Woodell, 1671.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(6) Susanna Anthony, (7) Susanna Tripp, (8) Susanna Potter, (9) John Sheldon, (10) Rev. George Sheldon, (11) Rev. Ichabod Sheldon, (12) Tacy Amanda Sheldon, (13) Belle Anne Cottingham, (14) Arthur Orison Dillon.

## THE BALLARD FAMILY

### FIRST GENERATION. IN ENGLAND

PHILIP BALLARD lived in Greenwich, Kent County, England. The surname of Ballard was used in England as early as the 12th century. He married Joanna, daughter of Edward Fitzwilliam. Had children.

### SECOND GENERATION

WILLIAM BALLARD lived at Southwell, England. Married Ann Lunn of Welley, England. Had children.

### THIRD GENERATION

HENRY BALLARD lived at Southwell, England. Married Elizabeth Townsend, daughter of Thomas Townsend of Testerton. Children—

4. Thomas born 1600.
5. Catherine.
6. Ann.
7. William (see below).
8. Philip.
9. Elizabeth.

### FOURTH GENERATION IN AMERICA

WILLIAM BALLARD was born in Southwell, England, 1603. He settled in Salem, Massachusetts, coming on the ship "Jane" in July, 1635, with his wife Elizabeth, aged 26, and children, Esther, aged 2 years and John, aged one year. He was a magistrate of Salem, also of Lynn. He was a freeman May 2, 1638, and was a member of "The Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston, 1638. He died 1639, leaving a nuncupative will, proved by Nicholas Browne, and Gerard Spencer, Jr., leaving half of his estate to his wife, the rest to be divided among his children. Children—

10. Esther born in England 1633, died 1717, married Joseph Jenckes.
11. John born 1634.

(5) Esther Ballard, (6) Elizabeth Jenckes, (7) John Tefft, (8) Joanna Tefft, (9) Elizabeth Webb, (10) Rev. George Sheldon, (11) Rev. Ichabod Sheldon, (12) Tacy Sheldon, (13) Belle Anne Cottingham, (14) Arthur Orison Dillon.

## THE BROWN FAMILY

### FIRST GENERATION

NICHOLAS BROWN was born in England. He was at Lynn, Massachusetts, prior to 1639. He lived on Walnut Street Saugus. He removed to Reading, Massachusetts, 1644. Brown owned 200 acres of land at Saugus. Married Elizabeth ————. Died 1673. Children—

2. Thomas (see below).



3. John b. 1634.
4. Edward, b. 1640.
5. Joseph, b. 1647.
6. Sarah, b. 1650.
7. Cornelius.
8. Josiah.

#### SECOND GENERATION

THOMAS BROWN born in England, 1628. Came to Lynn, Mass., with his father. Married in Lynn to Mary, daughter of Thomas Newhall. She was born in Lynn, 1637. Brown died at Lynn, August 28, 1693.

Children—

9. Thomas.
10. Mary.
11. Sarah.
12. Joseph.
13. Jonathan, died in infancy.
14. John.
15. Eleazor (see below).
16. Daniel, died young.
17. Ann.
18. Grace.

#### THIRD GENERATION

ELEAZOR BROWN born August 4, 1670 at Lynn, Massachusetts. Removed to Stonington, Connecticut when young. Married at Stonington to Ann Pendleton, October 18, 1693. He died November 30, 1734.

Children—

19. Jonathan.
20. James.
21. Eleazor.
22. Anna.
23. Ebenezer.
24. Mary.
25. Hannah.
26. Patience.
27. Abigail, born June 3, 1712, married James Pendleton.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(4) Abigail Brown, (5) Desire Pendleton, (6) Rev. Robert Niles, (7) Mary Niles, (8) Tacy Sheldon, (9) Belle Anne Cottingham, (10) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE BUSWELL FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

ISAAC BUSWELL was born in England, 1592. He came to Salisbury, Massachusetts. He was by trade a weaver. Freeman, 1640. Received land in the first division of Salisbury, 1640. In 1650 he was a townsman

or councilman of Salisbury. He married first Margaret \_\_\_\_\_. Second he married Susanna \_\_\_\_\_, 1644. His wife Margaret died September 29, 1642. His wife Susanna died March 21, 1676. He died July 8, 1683. His will was made April 9, 1680, proved September 25, 1683. Children—

2. William married Sarah \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Phebe born about 1626, married John Gill.
4. Samuel born 1628, married Sarah Keyes, 1656.
5. Mary born August 29, 1645, married Philip Brown, 1669.
6. Isaac born July 29, 1650, married 1st Mary Easton, 2d married Susana Perkins.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Phebe Buswell, (3) Elizabeth Gill, (4) Jabez Tucker, (5) Elizabeth Tucker, (6) Captain Stephen Niles, (7) Rev. Robert Niles, (8) Mary Niles, (9) Tacy Sheldon, (10) Belle Ann Cottingham, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE COTTINGHAM FAMILY

The ancestral home of the Cottingham family was in Cottingham, near the city of Hull, County of York, England. The Cottinghams were country gentlemen. In the war waged between Charles 1, and Oliver Cromwell, three brothers, so tradition says, were soldiers and officers in the King's army. After Charles 1 was executed, these brothers fled from England, one going to Ireland, and one or two came to Maryland. The Ireland Cottingham was the owner of a ship. Thomas Cottingham who came to Maryland was a planter and tobacco grower in Somerset County. He was in Maryland prior to 1666. In 1669 and in 1678, he is mentioned in the Maryland Archives as a tobacco grower. In 1666, he married Mary Dixon, daughter of Ambrose Dixon. He may have been the ancestor of most of the Maryland Cottinghams. It is claimed that some of the descendants of the Cottinghams who fled to Ireland, subsequently removed to Maryland.

Among the Cottinghams who were in Somerset County, Maryland about 1700 were Thomas, John, Jonathan, Charles, Josiah and David.

#### FIRST GENERATION

THOMAS COTTINGHAM was one of the first settlers of Maryland. He married Mary Dixon, July 8, 1666 in Somerset County. He was a planter. He lived in Somerset County. Probably his children were John, Jonathan, Charles, Josiah and David.

#### SECOND GENERATION

JOHN COTTINGHAM was in Somerset County, 1700. He married Mary Conner, daughter of Philip Conner, Sr. He was a planter and died in 1723. His Will made February 5, 1723, was proved November 25, 1723. Children—Thomas born 1705, John born 1707, and William born 1709.



Belle Anne Dillon  
(Mother)



#### THIRD GENERATION

THOMAS COTTINGHAM was born in Somerset County, Maryland, 1705. He was a planter. He married ——— and had children—

5. Thomas, Jr., b. 1732.
6. William, b. 1734.
7. Daniel, b. 1736, settled in South Carolina, before the Revolution.
8. John, b. 1738, settled in South Carolina before Revolution.

#### FOURTH GENERATION

WILLIAM COTTINGHAM was born in Maryland, 1734, died in 1784. He was a planter owning land in both Somerset and Worcester Counties. He was a slaveholder. He married Betty ———. His Will was proved 1784. Children—

9. Daniel Cottingham, born 1766 (see below).
10. Henry Cottingham.
11. William Cottingham.

#### FIFTH GENERATION

DANIEL COTTINGHAM was born in Somerset County, Maryland, 1766. He was drowned about 1811 and is buried in Somerset County. He owned two plantations and a mill. He was slaveholder. He was a chivalrous, likeable man. He owned thoroughbred horses and hounds, and is said to have enjoyed the chase. In 1800, he married Mary ———. She was born about 1780 in Maryland, and died at Mores Hill, Indiana, about 1864. She is buried on the old homestead near Mores Hill. In 1827, she sold her plantations and slaves and moved to Indiana with her six sons. Children—

12. James, born 1801 in Maryland, died unmarried at Mores Hill, 1841.
13. John was born in Maryland, 1803. Died at Girard, Illinois. He was a farmer. He married Laurretta Nicholson. Children were Mary, Daniel J., Margaret, Alfred, John, Jane, Susan and Amanda. Many of his descendants are living at Girard.
14. Caleb was born in Maryland, 1805. He married Jane Mitchell. He was a farmer. Most of his descendants live in Indiana. He died in Indiana. His children were Thomas William, Joshua J., George, Milla and Mary E.
15. Joshua was born in Maryland, 1807. He was a farmer and blacksmith. He lived near Mores Hill, Indiana from 1827 until his death in 1894. Some of his descendants are living there now. He married Elizabeth Timmons. His children were George, Andrew, Mary, Thomas, Joshua, Charles and Eva.
16. Blythe Cottingham (see below).
17. Thomas was born in Maryland in 1811, died in Indiana when a young man. Married but died without issue. He was a physician.

#### SIXTH GENERATION

BLYTHE COTTINGHAM was born in Somerset County, Maryland, in April, 1809. Removed to Mores Hill, Indiana in 1827 with his mother

- and brothers. He was six feet tall and weighed about 160 pounds. He was chivalrous and kind hearted, but fiery in disposition. He had piercing blue eyes, blond hair, high narrow forehead, long face and upper lip. Baptist, Republican, choir leader. He died at Cordova, LeSueur County, Minnesota, in February, 1880. He is buried in the Cordova cemetery. He was a farmer and cooper. He enjoyed considerable local reputation as a poet, orator, humorist and singer. He married Tacy Amanda Sheldon, daughter of Rev. Ichabod and Mary (Niles) Sheldon, at Mores Hill, Indiana, in 1839. He removed to Minnesota, 1861. Children—
18. Ichabod Niles Cottingham was born December 11, 1842 at Mores Hill, Indiana, died at Philbrook, Minnesota, 1914. He was a farmer and cooper. He married Melissa Moler in 1866. In the Civil War, he was an Indian fighter against the Sioux Tribe. He served in the LeSueur Tigers under Gen. Sibley and in the St. Paul Frontier Guards. He fought in the Battle of New Ulm, 1862. He received a pension. He served as Justice of the Peace and as Chairman of Township Board of Supervisors. His children were, Guy, Ada, Lucy, Mildred, Mary, Tacy, Bertha, Clinton and Daniel.
  19. Frances Cottingham was born at Mores Hill, Indiana, January 13, 1844, died in 1889, in Bullard Township, Wadena County, Minnesota, and is buried there. Married Myron Smith at St. Peter, Minnesota. Children were, Maud, Carrie, Charles, Wallace, Albert, Harry, Nellie and Effie.
  20. Benjamin Franklin Cottingham was born at Queensville, Indiana, June 9, 1851. Engineer. Has served as town clerk. Lives at Motley, Minnesota. He married Josephine Onn, 1877. Children were, May, Frank, Earl, Mark, Ira, Jay and Ray. The last two sons were soldiers in the World War.
  21. Belle Anne Cottingham (see below).
  22. Daniel Omar Cottingham was born at Queensville, Indiana, November 1, 1858. Lumberman. Lives in Montana. Married Matilda Bennet in 1884 at Verndale, Minnesota. Has one child, to-wit: Lawrence Cottingham.

#### SEVENTH GENERATION

BELLE ANNE COTTINGHAM was born at Queensville, Jennings County, Indiana, on Monday at 11 o'clock A. M., January 23, 1854. Died at Ontario, San Bernardino County, California, on Thursday, at 11 o'clock P. M., February 11, 1926. She is buried in Bellevue Cemetery, Ontario. She was five feet six inches in height, weighed about one hundred thirty pounds, slender figure, sprightly step, alert, erect, graceful, brown eyes, black hair, fair complexion, small mouth and ears, small aquiline nose, impulsive, intense, masterful, fearless, sensitive, proud-spirited, sympathetic, strong-willed, had musical and oratorical abilities, industrious and thrifty. She was a beautiful woman. In young womanhood she had rosy cheeks. She was a devoted, self-sacrificing mother and a pure hearted woman. She did not grow old in mind and in physical appearance. On the day that she died, she arose from her sick bed, dressed and sat up in a chair for

about an hour. She died bravely with a smile upon her lips. On October 5, 1872, at Cordova, Minnesota, she married Peter Orison Dillon. Rev. Wallace Hopkins, Christian minister, performed the marriage ceremony. Mr. Dillon died at Manitou Springs, Colorado, December 2, 1879. She married Thomas Cassady at Ellensburg, Washington, in 1889. Mr. Cassady organized the State Bank of Hensel, Hensel, North Dakota. He died in Seattle in May, 1912. She was a member of the Christian Church, having joined this denomination when a young girl. She was a member of the Pomona, California Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She was also a member of May Queen Rebekah Lodge No. 177, Independent Order of Oddfellows of Ontario, California. She had no children by her second husband. Had one child by her first husband, the compiler of this genealogy.

23. Arthur Orison Dillon.

## THE EAMES FAMILY

### FIRST GENERATION. IN ENGLAND

THOMAS EAMES was born in England. He lived in Fordington St. George from 1577 to 1618. He was buried there June 25, 1618. His wife Millicent was buried there May 23, 1614. Children—

2. Alia, bpt. 1577.
3. John, bpt. January 12, 1586.
4. Richard, b. 1590.
5. Anthony, born 1592 (see below).
6. Anne, b., married Thomas Rose, January 14, 1618.

### SECOND GENERATION. IN AMERICA

CAPT. ANTHONY EAMES was born in England about 1592. He married prior to 1618 and lived in the parish of Fordington St. George from 1618 to 1631. He was a church warden in 1622, 1627 and 1631. He came to Charleston, Massachusetts, 1634. Removed to Hingham, Massachusetts, 1636, and later moved to Marshfield where he resided, 1653 to 1661. Deputy in the General Court for Massachusetts Bay Colony 1637-1638-1643. Deputy to the General Court for Plymouth Colony 1653-1658-1661. Was a Captain in the militia in 1644-1645, and a member of the Council of War, 1657. He died, 1686. Married Margary ————. Children —

7. John.
8. Persus.
9. Elizabeth, m. Edward Wilder.
10. Justus.
11. Margery, m. John Jacob, October 23, 1653.
12. Millicent, m. William Sprague, 1635.

### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(3) Millicent Eames, (4) Jonathan Sprague, (5) Joanna Sprague, (6) Joanna Tefft, (7) Elizabeth Webb, (8) Rev. George Sheldon, (9)

Rev. Ichabod Sheldon, (10) Tacy Sheldon, (11) Belle Anne Cottingham, (12) Arthur Orison Dillon.

## THE GILL FAMILY

### FIRST GENERATION

JOHN GILL was born in England about 1622. He came to Salisbury, Massachusetts. Married May 2, 1645, Phebe Buswell. He purchased a house and lot and right of commonage in Salisbury of Anthony Sadler about 1646. Taxed 1650-1652-1654. He and his wife were members of the Salisbury Church, 1687. He died December 1, 1690. His Will was made September 1, 1690. Proved March 31, 1691. Children—

2. Elizabeth born January 8, 1646, married Morris Tucker, 1663.
3. John born October 15, 1647, married Martha Goodale.
4. Phebe born January 6, 1649, married Isaac Morrill, 1670.
5. Samuel born January 5, 1651, married Sarah Worth, 1678.
6. Sarah born January 27, 1654, married Peter Petty, 1682.
7. Moses born December 26, 1656, married Sarah Esty.
8. Benjamin born 1662.
9. Isaac born April 24, 1665.

### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Elizabeth Gill, (3) Jabez Tucker, (4) Elizabeth Tucker, (5) Capt. Stephen Niles, (6) Rev. Robert Niles, (7) Mary Niles, (8) Tacy Sheldon, (9) Belle Anne Cottingham, (10) Arthur Orison Dillon.

## THE GOODNOW FAMILY

### FIRST GENERATION

EDMUND GOODNOW husbandman, aged 27 years came from Dunhead, Wiltshire, England, with his wife Anne and sons John and Thomas, both under four years of age, with servant, Richard Sawyer, age 18 years. They came in the ship "Confidence," April 11, 1638. Settled at Sudbury, Massachusetts, land proprietor, 1639, freeman May 13, 1640. Selectman. Deputy to General Court of Massachusetts. Lieutenant of militia, 1651, later commissioned captain. He died April 5, 1688. Children—

2. Thomas born 1636.
3. John born 1634.
4. Hannah born Sept. 28, 1639, at Sudbury, Mass., married Capt. James Pendleton.
5. Sarah born January 17, 1642.
6. Joseph born May 19, 1645.

### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Hannah Goodnow, (3) Caleb Pendleton, (4) James Pendleton, (5) James Pendleton, Jr., (6) Desire Pendleton, (7) Rev. Robert



Niles, (8) Mary Niles, (9) Tacy Sheldon, (10) Belle Anne Cottingham, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

## THE HAZARD FAMILY

### FIRST GENERATION

THOMAS HAZARD was born in Nottinghamshire, England, 1610, and died at South Kingston, Rhode Island, 1680. He was in Boston, 1635, and removed to Rhode Island, 1638. He was one of the four founders and owners of Newport, Rhode Island. He signed the Rhode Island compact, 1639. Member of the General Court of Elections, 1640. Member of the Governor's Council, 1654. Magistrate 1652-1655. His first wife was Martha \_\_\_\_\_. She died 1669. They were the ancestors of Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry and Commodore Matthew C. Perry. His second wife was Martha Sheriff who died, 1691. He made his Will November 13, 1676. His wife was executrix of his Will. Children by his first wife—

2. Robert born 1635, died 1710, married Mary Brownell.
3. Elizabeth.
4. Hannah.
5. Martha, married Ichabod Potter.

### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Martha Hazard, (3) Thomas Potter, (4) Susanna Potter, (5) John Sheldon, (6) Rev. George Sheldon, (7) Rev. Ichabod Sheldon, (8) Tacy Sheldon, (9) Belle Anne Cottingham, (10) Arthur Orison Dillon.

## THE HOLBROOK FAMILY

### FIRST GENERATION. IN ENGLAND

SIR THOMAS HOLBROOK, a knight, lived in Weymouth, England. married and had children. His son Thomas settled in New England.

### SECOND GENERATION. IN AMERICA

THOMAS HOLBROOK, JR. was born in Broadway, Dorsetshire, England, 1601. Settled in Weymouth, Massachusetts, 1640. Died there, 1677. In England he married Jane Kingman, 1623. She was born in 1601. Freeman, 1645. Selectman for six terms. His Will dated December 31, 1668, proved April 2, 1677. He was one of the founders and owners of Rehoboth, Massachusetts. Children—

3. John born 1624.
4. Thomas born 1625, married Joanna \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Anne born 1630, married Mr. Reynolds.
6. Elizabeth born 1634, married Walter Hatch.
7. William (see below).
8. Jane married Joseph Drake.

#### THIRD GENERATION

CAPTAIN WILLIAM HOLBROOK was born at Weymouth, Massachusetts. Freeman. Captain in King Philip's War. Church Deacon. Congregationalist. Died 1699. Married Elizabeth, daughter of William and Elizabeth Pitts of Weymouth, Massachusetts. She died at Scituate, Massachusetts, 1701. Children—

9. William, Jr.
10. Cornelius.
11. Samuel.
12. John.
13. Mehitable, married Jonathan Sprague.
14. Persus.
15. Experience.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(4) Mehitable Holbrook, (5) Joanna Sprague, (6) Joanna Tefft, (7) Elizabeth Webb, (8) Rev. George Sheldon, (9) Rev. Ichabod Sheldon, (10) Tacy Sheldon, (11) Belle Anne Cottingham, (12) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE JENCKES FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

JOSEPH JENCKES was born in Buckinghamshire, near London, England, of Welsh ancestry. He came to Salem, Massachusetts, 1645. He was the first founder, working in brass and iron, on the American continent. He was a highly skilled worker in metals. In 1646, the General Court of Massachusetts granted him patents on three important inventions, to-wit, a water wheel, a machine for making scythes, and a model saw mill. He married in England, but his wife died before he left England. He had two sons by her, the older is supposed to have settled in Virginia, the younger Joseph, Jr., came to Massachusetts and later settled in Rhode Island. The elder Jenckes married a second wife at Lynn, Massachusetts, 1650. Had five children by second wife. Children by first wife—

2. A son.
3. Joseph (see below).

#### SECOND GENERATION

JOSEPH JENCKES, JR., was born in England, 1632. He came to Lynn, Massachusetts with his father. He removed to Pawtucket, Rhode Island, 1671. He was the founder of the town, having built the first house there. He was a man of much enterprise and a public spirited citizen. He, too, was a worker in brass and iron. He died January 4, 1717. He married Esther, daughter of William and Elizabeth Ballard. She was born 1633 and died 1717. He bought 60 acres at Pawtucket Falls and established his forge and mill there. He removed to Providence, 1671. Freeman. Jury foreman, 1670. His mill was destroyed in 1676. Deputy in the Rhode Island Assembly 1679-1680-1681. Assistant to the governor

1680-1681-1682-1683-1684-1685-1689-1690-1695-1696-1698. On January 30, 1690, he and five others and the Deputy Governor wrote a letter to King William and Mary congratulating them on their accession to the English throne. The letter also stated that Sir Edmund Andros had been arrested in Rhode Island. Jenckes was chosen by the Assembly to run the eastern line of the colony in 1695. His Will was proved February 11, 1717. His son Nathaniel acted as executor. Children—

3. Joseph Jenckes, the third, was born 1656 in Massachusetts. His first wife was Martha Brown. His second wife was Alice Dexter. He was a Major in the militia. He was Deputy Governor of Rhode Island for thirteen terms. He was Speaker of the House of Deputies four terms. He was Governor of Rhode Island from 1727 to 1732.
4. Elizabeth, b. 1658, d. 1740, married Samuel Tefft.
5. Sarah, married Nathaniel Brown.
6. Nathaniel born 1662, married Hannah Bosworth.
7. Esther born 1664, married Samuel Millard.
8. Ebenezer born 1669, married Mary Butterworth.
9. Joanna born 1672, married Sylvanus Scott.
10. Abigail married Thomas Whipple.
11. William born 1675, married 1st Patience Sprague, 2d Mary ———.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(3) Elizabeth Jencks, (4) John Tefft, (5) Joanna Tefft, (6) Elizabeth Webb, (7) Rev. George Sheldon, (8) Rev. Ichabod Sheldon, (9) Tacy Sheldon, (10) Belle Anne Cottingham, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE NEWHALL FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

THOMAS NEWHALL was born in England. He came to New England in 1630 and settled at Lynn, Massachusetts. He lived on Federal Street, and was a land owner. He married ———. Children—

2. John born in England.
3. Susanna born in England, married Richard Haven.
4. Mary born in England, married Thomas Brown at Lynn.
5. Thomas, Jr. born at Lynn, Massachusetts, 1630, died 1687.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Mary Newhall, (3) Eleazor Brown, (4) Abigail Brown, (5) Desire Pendleton, (6) Rev. Robert Niles, (7) Mary Niles, (8) Tacy Sheldon, (9) Belle Anne Cottingham, (10) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE NILES FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

JOHN NILES was born in Wales, 1603. Died in Braintree, Massachusetts, February 8, 1694. He came to Dorchester, Mass., 1634.

Removed to Braintree, Massachusetts, 1638. He was a weaver. Married Jane Reed, 1635, probably at Dorchester. His wife Jane died May 15, 1654, at Braintree. Second he married in 1656, Hannah Ames, widow of William Ames. She died January 31, 1702. In many Niles families, law, medicine, divinity and journalism in the order given were chosen professions of succeeding generations.

John and Jane Niles were the ancestors of Samuel Niles, Jr., Judge of Common Pleas Court, and Councillor of Massachusetts; Nathaniel Niles, inventor, congressman, lieutenant governor and supreme court judge of Vermont; Captain Robert Niles, revolutionary war naval hero; John Milton Niles, historian, United States Senator and Postmaster General of the United States; Jason Niles congressman and supreme court judge of Mississippi; William Woodruff Niles, Episcopalian Bishop of New Hampshire; Henry Niles, Member of the Canadian Parliament; Addison P. Niles, Judge Supreme Court of California; Niles Searles, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of California. Children by first wife—

2. Hannah born Feb. 16, 1636, married a Mr. Cowin.
3. John, Jr. born March 4, 1638 at Braintree, Massachusetts. He married ——— and removed to Block Island, Rhode Island. He was made freeman, 1678, and was living on Block Island, 1684. He left issue.
4. Joseph born August 15, 1640, at Braintree, and lived there. He married Mary Micall, 1662. Had issue.
5. Nathaniel (see below).  
Samuel born May 12, 1644 at Braintree and lived there. He married Mrs. Mary Belcher, 1680. He was a lieutenant in the militia. He had issue.
6. Increase born December 16, 1646, died September 1, 1693. He lived at Braintree. Soldier in King Philip's War. Married Mary Purchase, 1677. Had issue.
7. Benjamin born March 12, 1650 at Braintree, died in 1712 at Lyme, Connecticut. He was a real estate dealer. Married Ruth ———. Had three daughters.

Children by second wife—

8. Isaac Niles born 1658, died 1659.

#### SECOND GENERATION

CAPTAIN NATHANIEL NILES was born at Braintree, Massachusetts, August 16, 1642. He removed to Rhode Island when a young man. He married Sarah Sandys or Sands, daughter of Captain James and Sarah (Walker) Sandys or Sands, on February 14, 1671. His home was at South Kingston. He was a captain of militia in King Philip's War. Justice of the Peace. Grand juror, 1687. Member of the Rhode Island Assembly, 1705. Owned plantations at South Kingston and on Block Island. By deeds and will, he distributed his large estate to his children. He died December 22, 1727, at Braintree, Massachusetts. His Will was proved in Rhode Island, February 12, 1727. His son Ebenezer was executor of the Will. Children—

9. Rev. Samuel born May 1, 1674 at South Kingston, died in 1762 at Braintree, Massachusetts. Harvard graduate. First he married Elizabeth Thatcher, second he married Ann Coddington, third he married Elizabeth Whiting. He was a historian and clergyman. He had issue.
10. Nathaniel, Jr. born March 21, 1677, died 1766, lived at South Kingston, Rhode Island. Planter. Married Mary Hannah. Had issue.
11. Catharine born 1679, married Robert Hannah. Had issue.
12. Ebenezer (see below).
13. Tabitha born January 25, 1685, married Abraham Perkins. Had issue.
14. Sarah born 1687, married Judge Rouse Helm, 1709. Had issue.

### THIRD GENERATION

EBENEZER NILES was born December 3, 1683, at South Kingston, Rhode Island. Planter. Executor of his father's Will, inherited under the Will, the family mansion and 200 acres of land. Lived part of his life at South Kingston and part of his life at Stonington, Connecticut. He owned 300 acres of land at Stonington. His Will was drawn March 3, 1753 and was admitted to probate April 6, 1753. His Will is in New London, Connecticut. His first wife was Abigail, daughter of Col. George and Penelope (Arnold) Hazard. She died some time after 1714 at South Kingston or Charleston, Rhode Island. After her death he married Elizabeth Tucker at either Westerly, Rhode Island or Stonington, Connecticut, prior to 1725. She was likely descended from Jabez Tucker who lived at Goulds Neck, near Westerly. After his death in March, 1753, she married John Kenyon of Charleston, Rhode Island. Children by first wife—

15. Ebenezer, Jr. born 1710, died 1746 at Charleston, Rhode Island. He married Sarah Kenyon March 25, 1730. Had daughters.
16. Penelope born 1712, probably died unmarried before 1753.
17. Sarah born 1714, married first Jonathan Card, second married a Mr. Palmer.

Children by second wife—

18. Sands born probably not later than 1725, teacher at Stonington, Connecticut, married first Elizabeth Cottrell, second married Bethsheba Palmer. Had two sons and a daughter.
19. Nathaniel married Abigail ————. Had issue.
20. Stephen (see below).
21. David married Sarah Frink. Soldier in the Revolutionary War. Killed in battle. Had issue.
22. Abigail married Joseph Holly, 1746. Had issue.
23. Mary married George Bentley. Had issue.
24. Phebe married Joseph Cole, 1760.
25. Tabitha married Nathan Davis, 1757.

#### FOURTH GENERATION

CAPTAIN STEPHEN NILES was born not later than 1735, probably at Stonington, Connecticut. Died at Alburg, Vermont, in December, 1810, and is buried there. Married Desire Pendleton at Westerly, Rhode Island, January 9, 1755. Removed from Stonington to Stephentown, New York, just prior to the Revolutionary War. About 1800 removed to Alburgh, Vermont. He was a soldier in the Albany County militia. Commissioned first lieutenant, October 20, 1775, in Capt. James Dennison's company of Col. Stephen J. Schuyler's regiment of Albany County militia (6th company, 6th regiment), company transferred to Killian Van Rensselaer's regiment (4th Albany County) February 20, 1776. References: State Archives, Volume 1 (Documents relating to the Colonial History of the State of New York, Volume 150) page 264.

Stephen Niles was commissioned Captain, vice, James Dennison, deceased, March 4, 1780, in above regiment. References: State Archives, Volume 1 (Documents relating to the Colonial History of the State of New York, Volume 15) page 265. Certificates of Treasurer, manuscript record, Volume 8 shows that Stephen Niles received compensation several times for services rendered as an officer in the army. Captain Stephen Niles was discharged from the army at Albany, New York, in 1783. According to Stonington official records, he was a land owner there prior to the Revolutionary War. Children—

26. Lucy was born 1756, married Rev. George Sheldon (see below).
27. Rev. Robert Niles born 1758 (see below).
28. Nathan born 1762 at Stonington, Conn., died 1836 at Alburgh, Vt.
29. Sands died 1826 at Alburgh, Vermont.
30. Stephen died March 20, 1844 at Alburgh, Vermont.
31. Prudence.
32. Eunice.
33. Desire.
34. Ichabod born 1769 at Stonington, Connecticut, died 1859 at Alburgh, Vermont.
35. Paul was alive February 22, 1853, lived at Westville, New York.

#### FIFTH GENERATION

LUCY NILES was born at Stonington, Connecticut, 1756. She died in 1836 at Sempronius, New York. Married Rev. George Sheldon at Stephentown, New York, 1779. For her children see Rev. George Sheldon.

#### FIFTH GENERATION

REV. ROBERT NILES, brother of Lucy Niles, was born in Stonington, Connecticut, about 1758. He died at Sempronius, New York, January 24, 1816. Baptist clergyman and farmer. Married Tacy ————. He was a revolutionary soldier, being a private in Stephen Niles' company of Colonel Killian Van Rensselaer's regiment of Albany County militia (2d Rensselaerwyck Battalion). Roster of State troops printed in State Archives, Volume 1, (Documents relating to the Colonial History of the

State of New York, Volume 15) page 437. He was also, earlier in the war a member of Capt. James Dennison's company, 4th regiment, New York militia, commanded by Van Rensselaer. Rev. Robert Niles organized the First Baptist Church of Stephentown, New York, 1795. He was the first pastor and closed his pastorate there in 1803. Removed to Sempronius, Cayuga County, New York, and became pastor of the First Baptist Church there, October 27, 1804, and continued as pastor until his death. Under his faithful and judicious labors the church gradually increased in membership and strength.

Niles township, Cayuga County, New York, formed March 20, 1833, together with the village therein were named in honor of Rev. Robert Niles. References: History of First Baptist Church of Stephentown by Rev. L. A. Cummins; History of Rensselaer County by Anderson; History of Cayuga County by Storke.

Rev. Robert Niles owned 236 acres of land at Sempronius, New York, which was distributed to his heirs by deeds and Will. His wife survived him. His Will was proved March 21, 1816 in the Surrogate's Court, Cayuga County, New York. His eldest son Robert was executor of the Will. Children—

36. Robert, Jr. was born about 1782, married Parmalia \_\_\_\_\_.
37. Moses Barber born about 1784.
38. Jonathan Sweet born about 1786.
39. Tacy born about 1788, married Lemuel Parker.
40. Desire born about 1790, married Hopkins Harris.
41. Lydia born about 1792, married Amos Castle.
42. Mary born about 1794, married Rev. Ichabod Sheldon about 1812. She died in Ripley County, Indiana, probably before 1854.
43. Stephen.
44. Lucinda.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

- (6) Mary Niles, (7) Tacy Sheldon, (8) Belle Anne Cottingham, (9) Arthur Orison Dillon.

## THE PAINE FAMILY

### FIRST GENERATION

ANTHONY PAINE was born in England. He was one of the early settlers of Rhode Island. He settled at Portsmouth. He died in 1650. He and 28 other men signed the Rhode Island compact in 1638. The name of his first wife is not known to this compiler. His second wife was Rose Grinnell. He had children only by his first wife. A copy of his Will may be found on page 384 Records of Portsmouth. Children—

2. Alice b. died 1690, married Lot Stranger.
3. Mary b. died February 12, 1687, married first John Tripp, Sr. Her second husband was Benjamin Engell.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Mary Paine, (3) John Tripp, Jr., (4) Susanna Tripp, (5) Susanna Potter, (6) John Sheldon, (7) Rev. George Sheldon, (8) Rev. Ichabod Sheldon, (9) Tacy Sheldon, (10) Belle Anne Cottingham, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE PENDLETON FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

MAJOR BRYAN PENDLETON was born in England, 1599. He came to New England and settled in Watertown, Massachusetts. Made free-man, September 3, 1634. He removed to Sudbury and helped found that town and was a selectman. From Sudbury he removed to Ipswich, Massachusetts. He was a member of the famous artillery company of Boston, known as the "Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company." He also commanded this company. He removed to Portsmouth, New Hampshire about 1651. In 1653 he purchased land in Maine and removed to Maine. After a few years he returned to Portsmouth. He returned to Maine a few years before his death. He married Eleanor ————. He possessed large estates. His Will dated at Portsmouth, August 9, 1677, was proved April 5, 1680 in York County, Maine and mentions his wife Eleanor and son James and two grandchildren. He died 1680. He owned a house and furniture and land at Portsmouth; had land and a house at Cape Porpus; owned 640 acres east of Westbrook, near Saco Falls; had 100 acres adjoining Prince Rock; owned several islands near Cape Porpus; had a farm at Winter Harbor; owned three plantations at Wells; owned land on the great island of Piscataqua and 700 acres of land at Westerly, Rhode Island. He held the following offices: He was one of the eight members appointed by the Board of Assistants to govern New Hampshire. In addition to being the upper house of the legislature, they were the Judges of the Supreme Court and magistrates through the province. Selectman at Watertown, Massachusetts, 1635-1637. Deputy to the General Court of Massachusetts 1636-1638-1647-1648. Appointed Associate Judge of Portsmouth, 1651, Represented Portsmouth in General Court 1654-1658-1660-1661-1663. Commissioner of Maine, 1663. Commissioned Captain of Portsmouth Company, 1664. Appointed Major at Saco, Maine, 1668. Associate Judge in Maine, 1675-1676. Deputy Governor of Maine, 1679-1680. He died in office. Children—

2. Mary, married Rev. Seth Fletcher. Had issue.
3. James (see below).

#### SECOND GENERATION

CAPTAIN JAMES PENDLETON was born in England about 1627. He died in Westerly, Rhode Island, November 29, 1709. Like his father he held many public offices, including office of Captain of Portsmouth Military Company. He was a soldier in King Philip's War. He removed to Westerly, Rhode Island, before 1674. He took the oath of allegiance there September 17, 1679. In 1687 he was Justice of the Peace. In



1687-1688, he was Justice of the Court of Common Pleas. He helped organize the First Congregational Church of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, of which Rev. Joshua Moody was the first pastor. His Will was made February 9, 1703. His Will was proved December 21, 1709. His son Caleb was executor and his wife Hannah executrix of his Will. He was twice married. His first wife was Mary Palmer. Married her, 1647. She died on April 29, 1656. He married Hannah, daughter of Edmund and Ann Goodnow. Children by first wife—

4. James born Nov. 1, 1650, died young.
5. Mary born 1653, married three times.
6. Hannah born 1655, married John Bush.

Children by second wife—

7. Bryan born Sept. 27, 1659, died young.
8. Joseph born December 29, 1661, married 1st Deborah Minor; 2d married Patience Potts.
9. Edmond born June 24, 1664, married Mary \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Ann born Nov. 12, 1667, married Eleazor Brown, Oct. 18, 1693.
11. Caleb born August 8, 1669 (see below).
12. Sarah probably died young.
13. Eleanor married William Walker.
14. Dorothy married Nicholas Cottrell.

#### THIRD GENERATION

CALEB PENDLETON was born August 8, 1669 at Portsmouth, N. H. He died at Westerly, Rhode Island, March 19, 1746. He was a farmer. He was active in town affairs. Married Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_. His children were all born in Westerly. His Will drawn March 10, 1745. Proved March 31, 1746. Children—

15. James (see below).
16. Sarah bapt. July 23, 1693, married Seth Lanphere.
17. Hannah bapt. July 7, 1659, probably died young.
18. Caleb, Jr. bapt. June, 1697, married Mary Randall.
19. Elizabeth bapt. June 25, 1699, married Jonathan Brown.
20. Bryan bapt. June 25, 1699, married Anna Wilcox.
21. Anna bapt. Aug. 22, 1703, married Samuel Babcock.
22. Read married John Sanders, Jr.
23. Susanna married Stephen Wilcox.
24. Ruth married 1st Benoni Smith, 2d married Benjamin Wilbur.

#### FOURTH GENERATION

JAMES PENDLETON was born about 1689 in Westerly, Rhode Island and died there June 9, 1753. Baptized with his father July 23, 1693 in First Congregational Church, Stonington, Conn. He was a farmer. First he married Elizabeth Lanphere, January 12, 1709. Second he married Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Brown, Jr. and Hannah (Collins) Brown, January 6, 1717. She survived her husband many years. Children by first wife—

25. James, Jr. (see below).

26. Obadiah born Nov. 1, 1712, married Rachel Hadsall, 2d married Mrs. Rebecca Reynolds.
27. Elizabeth born April 12, 1715, married Joseph Elliott.
28. Christopher (twin of Elizabeth).  
By second wife—
29. Thomas born Jan. 3, 1717, married Dorcas Dodge.
30. Samuel born Sept. 21, 1720, married Phebe Hall.
31. Thankful born July 14, 1725, married Christopher Coats.
32. Read born Feb. 24, 1728.
33. Hannah born July 3, 1731.
34. Ruth born December 19, 1734, married Elisha Brown.

#### FIFTH GENERATION

JAMES PENDLETON, JR. was born November 21, 1710, at Westerly, Rhode Island, and died there, 1792. He removed to Stonington, Connecticut, after the birth of his first child, remaining there until 1753, when he returned to Westerly. His Will is dated at Westerly, October 10, 1792. Inventory of his estate taken January 12, 1793. He married Abigail Brown, daughter of Eleazer and Ann (Pendleton) Brown, her mother being a daughter of Capt. James Pendleton. He married her at Stonington, March 22, 1731. She was born February 3, 1712. Their first and last child was born at Westerly, the others were born at Stonington. Children—

35. Ichabod born May 9, 1732, married Esther Ayer.
36. Desire was born February 27, 1738 at Stonington, Connecticut, married at Westerly, R. I. February 27, 1755 to Capt. Stephen Niles.
37. David born October 10, 1741, died January 8, 1748.
38. James born May 8, 1744, married Elizabeth ———.
39. Hannah born May 22, 1747, married David Wilbur.
40. Ann born February 7, 1749, probably died young.
41. Simeon born June 8, 1756, married Tabitha Niles.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(6) Desire Pendleton, (7) Rev. Robert Niles, (8) Mary Niles, (9) Tacy Sheldon, (10) Belle Anne Cottingham, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE PITTS FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

WILLIAM PITTS was born in England. He came to Hingham, Massachusetts in the ship Diligent, 1638, from Hingham, England. Married first Elizabeth ———, 2d married the widow of Philip Alley, December 7, 1655. He was a trader. Had children.

2. Elizabeth Pitts married Capt. William Holbrook.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Elizabeth Pitts, (3) Mehitable Holbrook, (4) Joanna Sprague, (5) Joanna Tefft, (6) Elizabeth Webb, (7) Rev. George Sheldon, (8)

Rev. Ichabod Sheldon, (9) Tacy Sheldon, (10) Belle Anne Cottingham,  
(11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

## THE POTTER FAMILY

### FIRST GENERATION

NATHANIEL POTTER was born in England. He was an early settler in Rhode Island. Died at South Kingston, 1644. In 1638 he and 28 other men signed the Rhode Island compact. Married Dorothy \_\_\_\_\_, 1638. She was born 1617, and died February 19, 1695. Children—

2. Nathaniel, Jr.
3. Ichabod born 1639 (see below).

### SECOND GENERATION

ICHABOD POTTER was born at Portsmouth, Rhode Island, 1639. Died 1676. Married Martha, daughter of Thomas and Martha Hazard, 1661. He served on Grand Jury, 1671. Children—

4. Thomas (see below).
5. John married Sarah Wilson.
6. Robert married Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Ichabod, Jr. married Margaret Helme.

### THIRD GENERATION

THOMAS POTTER was born at South Kingston, Rhode Island. Died 1728. On January 20, 1687, married Susanna Tripp, daughter of John and Susanna (Anthony) Tripp. She died. His second wife was Lydia Sherman. He had no children by his second wife. Potter was a planter, merchant and slave holder. His personal estate at his death was appraised at approximately \$21,000.00. Children—

8. Susanna born June 28, 1688, married Isaac Sheldon, 1708.
9. Ichabod born 1692.
10. Thomas, Jr. born 1695.
11. John born 1697.
12. Sarah born 1690.
13. Nathaniel born 1700.
14. Benjamin born 1703.
15. Joseph born 1706.
16. Mary born 1708.
17. Martha born 1710.

### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(4) Susanna Potter, (5) John Sheldon, (6) Rev. George Sheldon, (7) Rev. Ichabod Sheldon, (8) Tacy Sheldon, (9) Belle Anne Cottingham, (10) Arthur Orison Dillon.

## SANDYS FAMILY

### FIRST GENERATION. IN ENGLAND

ROBERT SANDYS was born at Saint Bees, Cumberland County, England, 1399. Married and had issue.

### SECOND GENERATION

JOHN SANDYS was born in England and lived at Furnesse Fills. Married and had issue.

### THIRD GENERATION

WILLIAM SANDYS was born in England and lived at Furnesse Fills. Married Miss Benham and had issue.

### FOURTH GENERATION

WILLIAM SANDYS, JR. was born in England and lived at Hawkshead. Married Margaret Rawson and had issue.

### FIFTH GENERATION

GEORGE SANDYS was born in England and lived in London. Married and had issue.

### SIXTH GENERATION

WILLIAM SANDYS was born in England. Knighted. He was an officer in the English army. In 1524 was made Lord Sandys. He was Lord Chamberlin under King Henry VIII. He had much to do in securing the downfall of Cardinal Woolsey and in sustaining charges against Pope Clement VII. He is one of the dramatis personae in Shakespeare's Henry VIII. He married Margaret Bray. His residence was in Hawkshead, Lancaster County. In early life he had been Receiver General for the Liberties of Furnesse, and later was an officer in the King's army. His grandson William was one of the judges that sat at the trial of Mary, Queen of Scots and condemned her to death. Children—

7. Thomas, slain in battle, 1547.
8. William died 1558.
9. Edwin, Archbishop of York (see below).
10. Anthony had issue.
11. Christopher had issue.
12. Myles had issue.

### SEVENTH GENERATION

EDWIN SANDYS was born at Hawkshead, Lancaster County, England. He graduated at Cambridge, 1541. He was favorable to the Puritan cause. He preached in favor of Lady Jane Grey, and was imprisoned in the Tower, from which he escaped and fled to the continent in 1554. He returned to England and was made Bishop of Worcester by Queen Elizabeth, 1559. He was made Bishop of London, 1570, and Archbishop of York, 1576. He translated Bishop's Bible. He married Cecily Wilford. He died in Southwell, England, July 10, 1588, leaving behind him a deservedly high reputation for learning and virtue. Children—

13. Samuel, ancestor of the Baron Sandys of Ombersley.
14. Sir Edwin, member of Parliament, father of Col. Sandys,
15. Myles, created a Baronet, 1612, had issue.
16. Thomas, London gentleman. Married Margaret Tyas. Had issue.  
One of his sons, Robert, married Alice Washington, daughter of  
Lawrence Washington of Sulgrave, England.
17. Rev. Henry (see below).
18. George Sandys, poet and treasurer of the London Virginia Co.

#### EIGHTH GENERATION

HENRY SANDYS was born September 30, 1572 and died 1626, and was buried at Groton, Suffolk County, England. He was educated at Oxford under holy orders, resided at Edwin's Hall, Essex County. Ordained a clergyman. He often preached at Boxford and Groton. He was a member of the London Virginia Company. He married first Priscilla Chauncey, daughter of Tobias and Bridget (Shelley) Chauncey, Knight and Sheriff of Northampton County. Bridget Shelley was the daughter of John Shelley, Esquire of Michelgrove, County of Sussex, six miles west of Shoreham. Second Rev. Henry Sandys married at Brettenham, Suffolk County, Miss Goffe, daughter of Thomas Goffe, London Merchant and Deputy Governor of Massachusetts Bay Company. The sons by second wife were raised by their mother who resided much of the time at Graces, Essex County. In 1638 they came with their uncle, Edward Goffe, to Boston. Children by first marriage—

19. Edwin (whose Will shows that he had a brother Chauncey living in the Bermudas and a nephew, John, living in New England, and a nephew Sir William Wake, his executor.)
20. Robert.
21. Chauncey.
22. Bridget married ——— Wake. This Bridget was mentioned in the Will of the widow of Archbishop Sandys.

Children by second marriage—

23. Henry.
24. James born 1622.

#### NINTH GENERATION

CAPTAIN JAMES SANDYS OR SANDS was born in Reading, Berkshire County, England, 1622. He died on Block Island, Rhode Island, March 13, 1695. He came with his brother Henry and his uncle, Edward Goffe to Boston, Massachusetts, 1638, at the age of sixteen years. His mother may also have accompanied them to Boston. He was in Plymouth, Massachusetts, about 1647. Shortly afterward he removed to Portsmouth, Rhode Island. He married Sarah, daughter of John and Katherine Walker, at Portsmouth, about 1651. In 1660, he and fifteen others, purchased Block Island, off the coast of Rhode Island, all of whom removed thither with their families. A charter for the island was obtained, 1672. He spent his days there. He was a planter and physician. His wife was a nurse and physician. He was captain of militia in King Philip's

war. He was a member of the Rhode Island Assembly 1678-1680-1690. Commissioner, 1657. Constable, 1664. Rev. Samuel Niles, his grandson, says that Dr. Sandys was a benevolent, kindly man and a benefactor of the poor, and a promoter of religion. He was a Baptist. Rev. Samuel Niles says his grandmother Sandys was a gentlewoman of remarkable piety and given to hospitality: She frequently went out and nursed the poor in her neighborhood without pay. Her father, John Walker, was one of the eighteen men who made the first English settlement in Rhode Island. Capt. James Sandys' estate consisted of 400 acres of land, 56 head of cattle, several slaves, 3 horses, 30 swine, 300 sheep, barn, stone house and mill. Mrs. Sandys survived her husband and died 1703. Capt. Sandys died in 1695. His Will was proved the year of his death. He was the ancestor of Robert A. Sands, the American poet. Children—

25. John was born 1652 in Rhode Island, married Sybil Ray. He was a captain in the militia and member of the Rhode Island Assembly. Had issue.
26. Sarah was born 1654, died 1726, married Capt. Nathaniel Niles February 14, 1671.
27. Mercy died 1704, married Joshua Raymond, 1683.
28. James died 1733, married Mary Cornell. Had issue.
29. Samuel died 1716 at Cow Neck, New York. His first wife was Dorothy Ray: His second wife was Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_.
30. Edward was born 1672, died 1708 at New Shoreham, Rhode Island. Member of the Assembly. Captain of militia. Had issue.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(10) Sarah Sandys or Sands, (11) Ebenezer Niles, (12) Capt. Stephen Niles, (13) Rev. Robert Niles, (14) Mary Niles, (15) Tacy Sheldon, (16) Belle Anne Cottingham, (17) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE SHELDON FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

JOHN SHELDON, SR. was born in England, probably about 1628. He married Sarah \_\_\_\_\_. He died after 1679. He was in Rhode Island at an early date, probably at Newport. He removed to South Kingston. His widow survived him and lived with her son John Sheldon, Jr., Children—

2. John, Jr. (see below).

#### SECOND GENERATION

JOHN SHELDON, JR. was born in Rhode Island, probably about 1653. He died at South Kingston, 1706. He married \_\_\_\_\_. On July 29, 1679, he and 41 other men of Naragansett signed a petition to the King asking him to end the differences about the government which had been so fatal to the prosperity of the place. On October 20, 1683, he purchased 230 acres of land of Henry Hall of Westerly and Benjamin Condon of Portsmouth, Rhode Island. He served on the Grand Jury,

1688. He was a planter. His Will was dated August 15, 1704 and proved January 16, 1706. His personal property according to inventory was 125 pounds, 7 shillings and 6 pence. Children—

3. John Sheldon married Herodias Watson, April 11, 1706.
4. Isaac Sheldon (see below).
5. Joseph Sheldon.
6. Abigail Sheldon.
7. Mary Sheldon.
8. Dinah Sheldon, married Jabez Gifford, Feb. 2, 1716

#### THIRD GENERATION

ISAAC SHELDON was born in Rhode Island, probably about 1687. He married Susanna Potter, daughter of Thomas and Susanna (Tripp) Potter about 1708. He died in 1752 at South Kingston. After his first wife died he married Sarah ————. He was a merchant and planter. Councilman of South Kingston, 1723. Justice of the Peace, 1739. His Will was published May 3, 1751, and was proved August 25, 1752. Children by first wife—

9. Thomas born February 18, 1709, setteled at Rawlings, New York.
10. Roger Sheldon born December 15, 1710, married Giffe Sweet.
11. Elizabeth born November 8, 1713.
12. Isaac, Jr. born March 4, 1716, married 1st Sarah James, 1741; 2d married Abigail Earl, 1746. Lived at North Kingston.
13. John (see below).
14. Susanna born October 23, 1720.
15. Joseph born March 17, 1722, married and settled at Stephentown, New York. Had issue.
16. Palmer Sheldon born May 16, 1724.
17. Benjamin born March 4, 1727, settled at Stephentown, New York.

Children by second marriage—

18. Sarah born January 3, 1735, married James Babcock, 1754.

#### FOURTH GENERATION

JOHN SHELDON was born August 21, 1718, at South Kingston, Rhode Island. He was a merchant. Owned one slave. He married Elizabeth, daughter of John and Joanna (Tefft) Webb, on May 29, 1743. She was born at Charleston, Rhode Island, March 27, 1724. She died November 23, 1763. This couple were married by Justice Nathaniel Lewis at South Kingston. John Shelton died at South Kingston. Children—

19. Palmer Sheldon born January 28, 1745 at South Kingston, R. I.
20. Mehitabel born July 20, 1746, married John Babcock, 1765.
21. John, Jr. born 1748 on April 29th.
22. Isaac Sheldon born May 11, 1750. Deputy Sheriff. Revolutionary War soldier. Removed to Vermont.
23. Nathan born March 29, 1752.
24. Jonathan born May 4, 1755. Revolutionary War soldier.
25. Rev. George Sheldon (see below).
26. Joanna born April 10, 1760.

#### FIFTH GENERATION

REV. GEORGE SHELDON was born in South Kingston, Rhode Island, October 11, 1757. He died in Ripley County, Indiana about 1840. When a young man he removed to Stephentown, New York at the beginning of the revolutionary war. He was a Baptist clergyman. He married Lucy Niles, daughter of Captain Stephen and Desire (Pendleton) Niles at Stephentown, New York about 1779.

Rev. George Sheldon enlisted as a soldier in the revolutionary war at Stephentown, New York. Date of enlistment: July, 1777, one month, private under Captain James Dennison; August, 1777, three months under Captain Philip Schermerhorn; summer of 1778, one month under Captain Cole; autumn of 1779, one month under Captain Stephen Niles; autumn of 1780, three weeks under Lieutenant Oliver Bentley. He fought in the Battle of Saratoga (Stillwater). He applied for a pension March 1, 1833. His claim was allowed. At the date of application he lived at Sempronius, Cayuga County, New York. In 1837, he removed to Ripley County, Indiana. He died near Mores Hill about 1840. Children—

27. George Niles Sheldon born 1779, married Huldah David, had 7 children, died 1854.
28. Palmer born 1780.
29. Lucy born 1782.
30. Desire born 1784, married Major Shaw at Niles, New York.
31. Rev. Ichabod Sheldon (see below).
32. Elizabeth born 1788, married Timothy Wheeler.
33. Abigail born 1790, married Benjamin Steadman.
34. Paul born 1793.

#### SIXTH GENERATION

REV. ICHABOD SHELDON was born 1786 at Stephentown, New York. He died about 1858 in Ripley County, Indiana. He was a Baptist clergyman. He married his cousin Mary Niles, daughter of Rev. Robert and Tacy Niles, at Sempronius, Cayuga County, New York, 1812. He enlisted in the war of 1812. Date of enlistment: August 27, 1812 as a private, soon was made a corporal, under Captain Martin Barber, and Col. Henry Bloom. On October 13, 1812, he was captured at the Battle of Queenston, confined at Fort George and at Quebec and then paroled; he caught a severe cold while in prison and was pensioned for the disability resulting therefrom. He applied for a pension August 15, 1836. His claim was allowed. He removed to Ripley County, Indiana, 1836, and lived near Mores Hill. His wife died in Ripley County about 1854. Children—

35. George Lawrence Sheldon born 1813, died 1814.
36. Lucy Miranda Sheldon born 1815, married Milo Jones. Had issue.
37. Tacy Amanda Sheldon (see below).
38. Benjamin Dwight Sheldon born 1818, married Mary Outhoudt. Had issue.
39. Barber Niles Sheldon born 1821, died at Cleveland, Minnesota in



1863. First married Ursula Livingston. Second married Harriet Downs. Had issue.
40. Amos Castle Sheldon born 1823, died 1825.
41. Lucinda Lianda Sheldon born 1825, married Charles Faulkner. Had issue.
42. Marietta Sheldon born 1827, married Stephen Burroughs. Had issue.
43. Ruth Ann Sheldon born 1831, married Archie Withrow. Had issue.
44. Nancy Angeline Sheldon born 1833, married Omar Jackson. Had issue.

#### SEVENTH GENERATION

TACY AMANDA SHELDON was born August 15, 1817, at Sepronius, Cayuga County, New York. Baptist. Removed with her parents to Mores Hill, Indiana, 1836. She taught school in both New York and Indiana. She was 5 feet 2 inches in height, weighed about 110 pounds, had large black eyes, black curly hair, aquiline nose. Firm and deeply religious. Married Blythe Cottingham, 1839. She died, 1888, and is buried in Bullard Township, Wadena County, Minnesota. For her children see Blythe Cottingham.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(8) Belle Anne Cottingham, (9) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE SPRAGUE FAMILY

#### FIRST GENPRATION. IN ENGLAND

TRISTRAM SPRAGUE was a fuller of Fordington St. George, Dorchester, England. Married ————. Children—

2. William married Margaret Jaggard, June 15, 1607.
3. Edward born 1576 (see below).

#### SECOND GENERATION

EDWARD SPRAGUE was born 1576, died June 6, 1614 at Upway, England. Married Christian ————. Children—

4. Alice born 1597.
5. Ralph born 1599.
6. Edward born 1601.
7. Richard born 1604.
8. Christopher born 1607.
9. William born 1610 (see below).

#### THIRD GENERATION. IN AMERICA

WILLIAM SPRAGUE was born 1610 in England. He came from Upway, England and settled at Hingham, Massachusetts. He owned property at Hingham and at Providence, Rhode Island. Married Millicent Eames, 1635. They were the ancestors of United States Senator William Sprague; Governor William Sprague, Civil War Governor of Rhode

Island, and of the noted Sprague family of Rhode Island. Children—

10. John.
11. Jonathan (see below).
12. William, Jr.

#### FOURTH GENERATION

JOHATHAN SPRAGUE was born May 28, 1648 at Hingham, Massachusetts. He died at Providence, Rhode Island, September, 1741. Married Mehitable Holbrook. Lived at Hingham, Massachusetts, and Providence and Smithfield, Rhode Island. Inherited from his father sixty acres of land in Rhode Island, 1675. He removed to Rhode Island about 1675. He with others were appointed a committee by the Rhode Island Assembly to survey the eastern boundary line of the colony. He was a deputy in the Rhode Island Assembly, 1695-1696-1698-1700-1702-1703-1704-1705-1706-1707-1708-1709-1710-1711-1712 and 1714. Judge 1702. In 1703 he was the Speaker of the House of Deputies. In 1703, he and 20 other men were appointed a committee to draw up rules and regulations to govern the Court of Common Pleas. Clerk of the Rhode Island Assembly, 1707. He was a councilman of Providence for eight years. He was a Baptist and a powerful lay preacher. Children—

13. Jonathan, Jr., died 1746. His first wife was Bethiah Mann. His second wife was Hannah Hawkins. He was a member of the Rhode Island Assembly.
14. William died 1763.
15. Patience married William Jenckes.
16. Joanna married John Tefft. She died 1757.
17. Mary married Daniel Brown.
18. A daughter married Ebenezer Cook.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(5) Joanna Sprague, (6) Joanna Tefft, (7) Elizabeth Webb, (8) Rev. George Sheldon, (9) Rev. Ichabod Sheldon, (10) Tacy Sheldon, (11) Belle Anne Cottingham, (12) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE TEFFT FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

JOHN TEFFT was born in England. Married Mary \_\_\_\_\_. Lived at Portsmouth and Kingston, Rhode Island. Freeman in 1655. Made his Will, November 30, 1674. Died January 26, 1676. His son-in-law Samuel Wilson, was executor of his estate. Children—

2. A daughter married Samuel Wilson.
3. Samuel (see below).
4. Joshua died 1676, married Sarah \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Tabitha born 1652, died 1722.

#### SECOND GENERATION

SAMUEL TEFFT was born 1644, died 1725. Lived at South Kingston, Rhode Island. Married Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph and

Esther (Ballard) Jenckes. His Will was proved December 20, 1725. His widow was executrix of his estate. He owned several hundred acres of land. His personal property was inventoried at 1,010 pounds, 2 shillings and 8 pence. His widow died 1740. Her Will was proved May 12, 1740. The personal property of her estate was inventoried at 401 pounds and 12 shillings. Children —

6. John (see below).
7. Samuel died 1760, married Abigail Tennant.
8. Peter died 1725, married Mary —————.
9. Sarah married Ebenezer Witter.
10. Elizabeth died 1750, married Solomon Carpenter.
11. Esther married Thomas Mumford.
12. Mary married a Mr. Newton.
13. Tabitha.
14. Mercy.
15. Susanna married Peter Crandall.

#### THIRD GENERATION

JOHN TEFFT was born in Rhode Island, died in 1762. Married Joanna, daughter of Jonathan and Mehitable (Holbrook) Sprague. His Will was proved January 21, 1762. Widow Joanna, executrix and son Joseph executor. He was a large land owner. Lived at South Kingston. His personal property was inventoried at 6,148 pounds, 16 shillings and 7 pence. Part of his personal property was in bonds and part in other kinds of chattels. Children—

16. John born December 4, 1699.
17. Joanna born 1701, married John Webb.
18. Joseph.
19. James born April 21, 1715.
20. Nathan.
21. A daughter.
22. Mary.
23. Mercy.
24. Mehitable.
25. Tabitha.
26. Sarah.

#### FOURTH GENERATION

JOANNA TEFFT was born 1701 at South Kingston, Rhode Island. Died after 1735. Married John Webb, April 28, 1721. Children—

27. Margaret born August 21, 1721.
28. Elizabeth born March 27, 1723, married John Sheldon.
29. Mehitable born August 11, 1725.
30. Mary born March 19, 1730.
31. George born May 10, 1733.
32. John born October 10, 1735.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

- (5) Elizabeth Webb, (6) Rev. George Sheldon, (7) Rev. Ichabod

Sheldon, (8) Tacy Sheldon, (9) Belle Anne Cottingham, (11) Arthur Orison Dillon.

## THE TRIPP FAMILY

### FIRST GENERATION

JOHN TRIPP, SR. was born in Northumberland County, England, 1610, and was the son of John and Isabel (Moses) Tripp. Died at Portsmouth, Rhode Island, 1678. Landed at Newport, Rhode Island, 1638. He and 28 others signed the Rhode Island compact, 1638. He owned land at Dartmouth, Portsmouth, Narraganset and Westerly, Rhode Island. He was a Quaker. Married Mary, daughter of Anthony Paine. Deputy in the Rhode Island Assembly from 1648 to 1672. Commissioner, 1655. Assistant to the Governor 1670 to 1675. Member of the town council for many years. He appears to have been a popular and successful politician. His Will was proved October 28, 1678. Children—

2. John, Jr. (see below).
3. Pelig married Anne Sisson.
4. Joseph married Mehitable Fish.
5. Mary.
6. Elizabeth.
7. Alice.
8. Isabel.
9. Abel.
10. James.
11. Martha.

### SECOND GENERATION

JOHN TRIPP, JR. was born 1640 at Portsmouth, Rhode Island. Died 1716 at South Kingston. Married Susanna, daughter of John and Susanna (Potter) Anthony. His Will was proved December 14, 1716. Children—

12. Mary born 1670.
13. Susanna born 1667, married Thomas Potter.
14. John born 1673.
15. Othnel born 1676.
16. Benjamin born 1678.
17. Lot born 1684.

### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(3) Susanna Tripp, (4) Susanna Potter, (5) John Sheldon, (6) Rev. George Sheldon, (7) Rev. Ichabod Sheldon, (8) Tacy Sheldon, (9) Belle Anne Cottingham, (10) Arthur Orison Dillon.

## THE TUCKER FAMILY

### FIRST GENERATION

MORRIS TUCKER was born in England and came to Salisbury, Massa-

chusetts, about 1659. Removed to Tiverton, Rhode Island, 1699. Cooper by trade. He married first on October 14, 1661, Elizabeth Stevens who died October 16, 1662. Second he married Elizabeth Gill. 1663. Took oath of allegiance 1677; freeman 1690. He purchased land in Rhode Island and probably died there. By first wife had,

2. Benoni born 1662 and married ——— Nichols.

By second wife had

3. John born August 16, 1664, residence Salisbury, Massachusetts.

4. Mary born May 31, 1666, married Stephen Davis.

5. James born December 28, 1667, a weaver, residence Salisbury, Mass.

6. Sarah born May 19, 1670, residence Salisbury, Mass.

7. Joseph born February 20, 1671, married Phebe Page.

8. Jabez (see below).

9. Elizabeth born April 7, 1677, residence in Rhode Island.

10. Morris born September 6, 1679, residence in Rhode Island.

#### SECOND GENERATION

JABEZ TUCKER was born in Salisbury, Massachusetts, February 5, 1674. Removed with his parents to Tiverton, Rhode Island about 1699. Married Rebecca ———. In 1707 he purchased land at Goulds Neck, Westerly, Rhode Island. Planter. Among his children were

11. Moses.

12. Elizabeth married 1st Ebenezer Niles, 2d married John Kenyon. She died after 1769, probably at Charleston, R. I.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(3) Elizabeth Tucker, (4) Capt. Stephen Niles, (5) Rev. Robert Niles, (6) Mary Niles, (7) Tacy Sheldon, (8) Belle Anne Cottingham, (9) Arthur Orison Dillon.

### THE WALKER FAMILY

#### FIRST GENERATION

JOHN WALKER was born in England. He was one of the early settlers of Rhode Island. Died at Portsmouth, 1647. In 1638 he and 28 other men signed the first political compact made in Rhode Island. He married Katherine ———. She died in 1654. His Will was proved, 1647. A copy of his Will may be found on page 421, Records of Portsmouth. A copy of his wife's Will may be found on page 422 of said records. He was a Congregationalist. He was a member of the Congregational church at Roxbury, Mass., 1634. He was in Boston, 1637. Removed to Rhode Island the same year. Children—

2. Sarah born about 1631, died 1709, married James Sands, 1651.

3. Mary married William Earle.

#### GENERATIONS FOLLOWING TO COMPILER

(2) Sarah Walker, (3) Sarah Sands, (4) Ebenezer Niles, (5) Capt.

Stephen Niles, (6) Rev. Robert Niles, (7) Mary Niles, (8) Tacy Sheldon, (9) Belle Anne Cottingham, (10) Arthur Orison Dillon.

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## ABRAHAM LINCOLN

My mother told me of this man  
In early childhood at her knee;  
I took him for my hero then,  
And still his deeds are dear to me.  
His humble birth,  
His sterling worth,  
And spotless life my breast doth thrill:  
His tragic lot,  
By traitor shot,  
Doth make me sad and ever will.

He was born in a small log hut  
In the woods of a Southern land,  
Where mountains rear their lofty heads,  
Where rivers gurgle o'er the sand.  
This lowly son  
Was Nature's chosen one:  
She had a work for him to do;  
Sublime and great  
By the decree of fate:  
To God and man, his heart beat true.

This homely toiler, tall and gaunt,  
Split fence rails in the forest wild,  
For he could use the maul and axe,  
The things he play'd with when a child.  
His hands were tough,  
His mien was rude and rough,  
But his great soul was clean and just,  
And full of love  
That came from heaven above—  
Love never marred by greed or lust.

There came a change to this rude man  
Of giant frame and rugged face;  
The nation asked for a true man,  
A lover of the human race,  
To guide the state  
Through storm and war and hate;  
To save his country, strong and brave,  
Rose Lincoln, then,  
The godliest of men,  
To do his work and gain a grave.

He saved the nation, freed the slaves,

And spoke kind words to everyone;  
He wiped away the tears of grief,  
And thus all hearts by him were won.  
This man uncouth  
Embodiment of truth,  
Ranks with the foremost of the ages.  
His deeds divine  
Will ever shine  
The fairest on our history's pages.

This man whose heart and mind were pure,  
This product of the common poor,  
Touches our hearts and him we love,  
His rugged face, sad and demure,  
Tells us a story  
Of tragedy and glory.  
He died but left a glorious name,  
The symbol of the right,  
And mounted Honor's height  
To live immortal in our country's fame.

He fell a martyr to the cause  
Of freedom and exalting man;  
He was the glory of the war,  
A brave and true American.  
Prophetic sight,  
And judgment bright  
Of all made him the master soul.  
A patriot grand,  
The calmest in the land,  
He lead the way and reached the goal.

O, rulers of this mighty land!  
O, selfish leaders, great and small!  
Let Lincoln teach you how to rule;  
He is the model for us all.  
Our faith in him  
Shall ne'er grow dim;  
Within our hearts he is enshrined.  
He lived and died  
The nation's pride:  
In both he lifted up mankind.

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## THE MASTER NATION

God dreamed the dream, before His vision passed  
The worlds and suns and stars and space, all things:

The Universe, child of His thought, took shape.  
He moved upon earth's western watery waste,  
And spoke the mystic word: out of the Gulf  
Arose the mountain, vale and plain, a world  
Magnificent, in land exceeding rich,  
In Nature's wealth immense—a continent  
Whereon a great race might be born and bred,  
Whereon might rise a nation fit to rule.

Thereon a race is born; the nation lives,  
Which was creat'd without a doubt for some  
High purpose by the skillful hand of Him,  
The Lord and Master of eternity.  
America, the last best work of God,  
Should rise in splendor like the morning sun  
And mould all nations, every race and tribe,  
To truth, to liberty and to the scheme  
That all men equal are before the law.

O land, keep faith with Him, but ever watch  
The trend of coming things, the warning sign  
And prophecy, which augurs peace or war.  
The time not yet is ripe for peace: too much  
Old error sways the rulers, lords and kings;  
Too little they regard what's just and right.  
Before sweet peace can be assur'd, some race,  
Some nation, why not thee? shall hold in awe  
The armed host, the world's usurping force.

Perhaps thou shalt change man's long destiny,  
And strike the fetters from a servile world,  
Although thou hast to meet in war on land  
And sea the rival nations, old and young,  
(Who watch thy growth with envious eye and hate),  
And vanquish them upon the world's great fields  
Of battle and in naval fights upon  
The sea. Perchance the clash of arms and roar  
Of cannons may resound throughout the world;  
Thy starry flag, man's hope, should onward go;  
And Freedom's song, and Freedom's music should  
Triumphant swell above the battle storm  
Proclaiming justice, truth and liberty.

The throne shall not much longer rule the world;  
The reign of monarch, prince and king shall end;  
Old empires shall decay and fall; and on  
Their tombs republics will rise. Ere that time  
And then, wilt thou insure, if strength permits

Eternal peace and bliss to every realm?  
O wilt thou onward bear His cross of love?  
O wilt thou prove thyself the master land?

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### LIBERTY BELL

Let no man dare to scoff  
At that old cracked bell;  
Let every freeman doff  
His hat to that old shell.  
Its music once did spell  
A nation's happy birth;  
That old bell rang the knell  
Of tyranny on earth.

Men responded to its toll,  
Sincere in every thought;  
'Twas the paeon of the soul  
That liberty bell wrought.  
Now tuneless is its throat,  
And silent is its voice;  
No sweet note now can float  
From it to make us rejoice.

Like those who lived that day,  
'Tis numbered with the dead;  
Its shell is here to stay  
Although its soul has fled.  
Old relic it is still  
Sacred in our sight;  
And it will ever thrill  
The patriot with delight.

How proud we are of thee,  
Bell of a former time,  
Sweet symbol of the free,  
Heroic thing sublime.  
To the grand, old bell, now  
Worn and silent in its frame,  
Our love we vow, and bow  
In reverence to its fame.

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### NATION BUILDING

Let other bards sing of the flowers,  
Or battlefields and lonely bowers,  
Or fleecy clouds and noon-day beams,

And other ancient, worn-out themes;  
But let me sing with words of grace,  
The purpose of the great new race.  
Oh, let me sing the songs of fire  
Which thrill our men with race desire.

One language, and one aim we need,  
One land, one ideal and one breed;  
The several races here must blend,  
And make one race that will defend  
This land against the foreign host,  
From north to south, from coast to coast,  
And love this nation like the man  
Who is a true American.

We only welcome patriots here;  
Let others leave this hemisphere;  
Here in this land of Liberty  
Our hearts should beat in loyal glee;  
Our country's love should be a fact  
That's proven by our every act;  
We seek to build the noblest State,  
And merit well a happy fate.

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### THE AMERICAN RACE

Our fathers' work so well begun  
Shall onward lead us to the sun,  
If we fulfill the noble plan  
Which makes a god of every man.  
The signs along life's winding way  
Will guide us right if we obey  
The higher call of heart and brain;  
Dominion o'er the world we'll gain.

Dominion o'er the world we'll hold,  
While we are young, when we are old,  
If we shall train to highest skill  
Our heart and brain and hand, and will  
To crush the low, weak traits of mind,  
To only give strength to our kind,  
To only build with God-like might,  
To only live the life of right.

No reason why we should not be  
The master race; we all are free  
To think and act and to perceive  
The things we need and can achieve.

Let us become the iron race.  
And take and hold the foremost place  
Among mankind forevermore,  
And send the light the broad world o'er.

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## THE WORLD SPOILERS

Such times as these distract mankind,  
The kings are mad with conquest vain;  
Each plans to build an empire great,  
And rule the earth and boundless main.  
The sea of blood is flooding wide,  
And billows o'er the hill and glen;  
The roar of cannons echo far,  
And drown the shrieks of dying men.

The horrors of the battlefields  
Reflect malignant sin and pain;  
Despair benights the mother earth,  
As host kills host for selfish gain.  
The lust of gold, its many ills,  
The pomp of pride which empire breeds,  
Too long have cursed the reign of kings,  
Too long have clouded noble deeds.

The kings may break the human heart,  
May break man's law though old and gray,  
May trample nations weak in dust,  
May shout with triumph in their day.  
The judgment day will surely come  
To those who kill for land and trade;  
The Judge beholds the awful wrong,  
The brutal deeds that men degrade.

Before Him pale the earthly kings,  
His throne is stars and planets bright;  
He measures deeds and whirl of suns,  
He reads the human heart aright.  
Oh, spoilers in that last sad hour,  
When death shall smite you with his rod,  
How will you answer to your crimes,  
How will you meet Almighty God?

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## THE FLAG OF FREEDOM

O'er the homes of the free, our banner waves,  
The emblem and pride of our beautiful land;



The battles rage and the mad Kaiser raves,  
But victory gleams from our flag on the wand.

The flag of our grandeur it floats in the sky,  
The fairest one that was ever unfurled;  
The hand of liberty holds it on high,  
And proudly flaunts it the hope of the world.

O, star-spangled banner, child of the free,  
The offspring of war, but pure as the dews,  
The liberty loving people over the sea,  
Gaze with joy on thy sky colored hues.

The patriot this flag does truly revere,  
It stirs the heart throbs down deep in his breast;  
He gives up his work, or the life he holds dear  
To serve the pround flag, the one he loves best.

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### THREE HEROES

No straps were on their shoulders,  
No medals had they won;  
They were only private soldiers whose  
Trench work had just begun.

Unknown till duty called them  
To check the Hun's advance,  
To strike a blow for freedom on  
The battle field of France.

The first to fight, the first to fall,  
Young Enright, Gresham, Hay,  
Have made the sacrifice supreme  
On French soil far away.

In them America gave his sons,  
His blood and flesh and bone  
To show the old world that the new  
Lives not for self alone.

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### THE UNITED STATES

Dear land, you gave me birth and made me free,  
And taught me carefully through golden years  
The lessons that I need to know. Through fears,  
And doubt and hate to love you guided me,  
Through mental darkness to the spiritual morn,  
When light and deathless beauty met my sight,

When I first felt the rapture of delight,  
The bliss that's given to the heart reborn.  
If I have failed where I should have won,  
The fault is mine, not yours; I had the chance;  
I'll try and try again, past errors shun,  
Redeem myself, once more, perhaps in France;  
If it need be, I'll give my life for you  
In battle 'neath the red and white and blue.

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## YOU AND I

It matters not when you or I may die;  
At most our toiling, struggling life is brief,  
A little happiness mix'd with tears and grief,  
And then the hand of death shall choke our cry,  
And blind our eyes to land and sea and sky,  
And still our dauntless heart which beats for love,  
And dark our brain like ebon clouds above;  
Death's mighty angel will not pass us by.  
'Tis better to die a noble youth like Hale,  
Or like heroic Warren in our prime,  
And slumber in a battle-scarred vale  
Than reach life's highest peak of hoary time  
With little done for country, self or peers;  
God measures us by deeds and not by years.

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## THE SOLDIER'S CALL

My country calls me to the war; the white  
Winged dove of peace has left this world  
Until the flag of freedom is unfurled  
Forever o'er all nations; till the light  
Of liberty dispels old tyranny's night,  
Until Democracy beholds the hour  
When it has broken Autocracy's grim power,  
Until the leaders rule the world aright.  
I leave my country for a foreign land  
To fight the ruthless Hun; in sunny France  
I may give back my life to God, perchance,  
My love, my labor, all that I have planned;  
Yet I would die to make the nations free,  
To give mankind the fruits of liberty.

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## FOR LOVE OF COUNTRY

No mother loves her child or wife her mate  
More than I love America; I try

To learn the truth, have tried these years that I  
May live the life which makes a nation great.  
The ideal is not yet my life; I wait  
For strength and hope the character to gain;  
Though I may fail I have not lived in vain;  
The purpose shall forever shape my fate;  
I'll serve my country, be its loyal friend,  
In war and peace, and I shall never shirk  
My duty. When I've reached life's fitful end  
And weary grown with care and quit my work  
I want to feel that I have done my best,  
That I shall pass the patriot's rigid test.

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### IN SOLITUDE

I wandered in a virgin wood, one day,  
Alone; the haunt of man I fain forsook;  
I traveled onward reading Nature's book  
Far from a beaten path or blazed way;  
And here and there the flowers wild and gay  
Were dancing in the zephyr, keeping time  
To the music of the birds; the sun sublime  
Spread glory on the flowers at play.  
There in the forest I read His command,  
In Nature, to obey the law of right,  
To live the thought like blossoms of the vale;  
And then I felt my inner life expand  
Perchance like Paul's when he beheld the light,  
Long years ago, from the lonely Syrian trail.

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### CALIFORNIA

In years gone by, in many pleasant dreams,  
When roaming o'er the hills among the elms,  
I saw the loveliness of sunny realms,  
And Nature's handiwork, the starry schemes,  
The forest, mead and field, the poet's themes,  
The moonlight glow, the crimson sky of morn,  
The wondrous beauty that is ever born  
In mount and plain and grove and lake and streams.  
Yet never did I see earth's paradise  
Till I saw, through the Golden Gate, the bold  
And rugged mountains in the land of gold,  
Her sunny clime and stretch of azure skies;  
Then I knew, at last, 'twas my happy fate  
To reach the blessed realm, the ideal state.

## RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, ON EASTER MORN

As I behold thee from Rubidoux's retreat  
Methinks thou wert born 'mid beauty's florid bloom  
For some high purpose, and will not meet the doom  
Of Sodom which, once, knew the tread of feet.  
This rosy morning, thee, my heart doth greet  
With joy; thou wilt live on when I am gone,  
And others will behold thee in the dawn  
Of day, and in the dawn of bliss replete.  
Thou wilt have more than Father Serra's cross  
To beckon men to thee on Easter morn  
If thou are true to Him who was lowly born  
In Bethlehem; thou wilt be like a cross  
Aflame with glory from the orbs above  
If thou dost ever build with thoughts of love.

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## PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

Behold the city in the floral bower,  
The splendid mansions and the lovely cots  
Among the bloom of roses and forget-me-nots,  
Below the mountain peaks that skyward tower;  
'Tis a fit place for culture to bud and flower,  
To lift the soul above the mire of shame,  
To mould a people to a worthy fame,  
The goal beyond the lure of worldly power.  
Oh, city, we love thee and thy mountain rills,  
Which headlong rush to join the sun-lit sea  
Through fields of golden poppies that nod with glee  
Upon the slope of the eternal hills;  
Thou are theynosure of every eye  
That seeks for beauty 'neath the Southland sky.

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## POMONA, CALIFORNIA

Pomona's kissed by the gentle gale  
Which, bird-like, wings along from the western sea  
Surcharg'd with music of the lark and bee,  
And bearing sweetness of the floral dale;  
She is adorn'd with orange blossoms pale,  
And deck'd with sunshine like a happy bride;  
She dwells in beauty by the mountain's side,  
The virgin city of a fruitful vale.  
Amid the fields and groves by Nature blest,  
Where golden mornings spread their rosy glow  
O'er hill and park and home and streamlet's flow,  
Pomona shines like a star in the west;

There church and college banish moral night;  
There heart and brain are molded to the right.

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### MOUNT SAN ANTONIO, CALIFORNIA

At thy front gate they stand, the sentinels two;  
The Upland City with its orange farms,  
And Ontario, the dreamy town that charms,  
Arrayed in blossoms of red, white and blue,  
Upon thy breast the primrose doth renew  
Its bloom each spring, as seasons come and go;  
Thy silvery waters flow on from the snow  
And kiss the petals of the larkspurs blue,  
Which fringe thy garment where the deep chasms yawn;  
Above thy head the white clouds sail along,  
Below, the birds sing liquid notes of song,  
The mocking bird at night, the lark at dawn;  
Among thy crags which loom above the clod,  
The reverent mind will turn to thoughts of God.

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### REDLANDS, CALIFORNIA

Perhaps you've toured around the world and seen  
The beauty spots of earth—the Alpine peaks,  
The art and ruins of the ancient Greeks,  
The castles old, and Ireland's stretch of green,  
The German parks and cities, neat and clean,  
The terraced farms and mountain streams in Wales,  
The lilies blooming in the Frankish vales,  
And splendid Rome, the River Tiber's queen.  
Yet these are not more fair than Smiley Height,  
And Redlands, where the earth with flowers teem,  
The garden, where the thinkers muse and dream,  
And where mankind is thrilled with delight—  
An Eden, where the rays of heaven shine  
Upon a world of beauty near divine.

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### EUCLID AVENUE, ONTARIO, CALIF.

They who made this avenue long and wide  
Construct'd with vision and with city pride.  
We praise the street, its symmetry and plan,  
And appreciate the artistry of man;  
We love its flowers, trees and grassy sod,  
The decorations made by the hand of God.

If we seek loveliness of earth and sky,  
Here on this avenue it shall greet our eye;

A paradise of beauty is here in bloom,  
Exhaling to mankind a sweet perfume,  
A riot of orange blossoms with sweetness riven,  
Inspiration to the soul, a dream of heaven.

Here the stars hang low on the breast of dark,  
And on the mountains rest the rainbow's arc.  
And here the mocking birds sing happy lays  
Through moonlight nights, bright mornings, golden days.  
Here trips upon the sward the oriole;  
Here flits the humming bird in caracole.  
The spreading trees extend their cooling shade  
And cheer and bless the traveling cavalcade.

They who dwell by this avenue broad and fair  
Experience life unknown to those elsewhere;  
Here we find what the heart forever treasures,  
Enchanting beauty, friends and home and pleasures.  
Though we may go abroad, in all our quest,  
We'll find no place like this for peace and rest;  
A glory is here, some charm from above  
Which touches the heart with the sanctity of love.

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## EUCLID AVENUE, ONTARIO, CALIF. IN FUTURITY

This scenic avenue stretching miles on miles,  
Basks in the sunshine and with beauty smiles;  
It runs from the river to the mountains' side,  
Array'd superbly like a stately bride.  
Its parkways covered with a velvet green  
Are set with flowers and the rose is queen;  
Trees standing like colonnades in a temple grand  
Are comely features in this lovely land;  
The fountains throw their lucid waters high  
Which gleam in colors like rainbows in the sky;  
Birds answer birds with songs of love and mirth,  
Reminding man that Eden was on earth.

Here statues tower to the wise and great,  
Memorials to those who served the state;  
And they who see the likeness of the true  
Shall catch the spirit of the avenue too.  
The world shall come to view the splendid scheme,  
Achievement born of high and happy dream;  
Its flowers, fountains, statuary, trees and grass  
Shall gain the lasting love of those who pass.

This avenue shall be seen by wonderful men,  
The masters of music, sculpture, painting and pen;  
And they shall dream by the side of the street,  
And tell their stories with affection replete.

And travelers shall behold in Euclid Way  
The finished work of those of a future day;  
Shall see a glory we shall never see,  
And beauty that we all wish could now be.

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### CHINO VALLEY, CALIFORNIA

This is the vale where all things grow,  
And artesian wells forever flow;  
The walnuts thrive upon this plain,  
And apples, melons, corn and grain;  
Here grow the strawberries luscious, red;  
Here blooded steeds and kine are bred;  
The sunny day and starry night  
Proclaim the climate, here, is right.

This is the vale of alfalfa hay,  
The annual crops are large and pay;  
Here thrive the apricot and peach,  
And sugar beets will yearly reach  
Four times ten thousand tons or more,  
So rich is nature's golden store  
Of climate, soil and water clear;  
For these this valley has no peer.

If you seek beauty, it is here,  
Domestic flowers bloom all the year,  
The skies are cloudless and serene,  
The neighboring hills are always green,  
The spreading trees extend their shades,  
And smile upon the grassy blades,  
And blossoms wild of varied hues,  
Which daintily sip the pearly dews.

Come here and plow the fertile sod,  
And make it bloom with wealth and God;  
The valley land you can reclaim,  
And grow crops that will bring you fame.  
This valley is the home of man,  
Of every creed and tribe and clan;  
Come here and use your hand and brain,  
And peace and joy and health attain.

## THE CLOSE OF DAY

A cloudless evening closed the April day  
In colors as lovely as a roundelay;  
The setting sun, like some great ball of fire,  
Shone, like a noble eye in animat'd ire,  
And redder grew than scarlet pennant furled,  
As it fell o'er the dark edge of the world.

As glowing beauty flooded the Chino Vale,  
Immersing orchards, ranches and the trail,  
I leapt into my flivver car and rode  
Out through the farms; I saw a horned toad  
Run o'er the road, and a jack rabbit bound  
Across the pasture swifter than a hound.  
Out of the field came the song of a lark  
In happy contrast with an Airedale's bark.

My auto rolled on passed green-leaved trees,  
Where often in mid-day swarmed honey bees,  
But at that hour the noisy linnets were there,  
Quarreling and fighting and giving the dare.

And on and on I rode, passe'd field after field,  
Where everything grows with a heavy yield,  
A stretch of green, of beets, of grain and vine,  
A drove of hogs, a herd of dairy kine,  
A poultry yard where the industrious hens  
Were scratching dirt for food inside their pens.  
Good orchards, rich in bloom, and walnut groves  
Confront'd my eye. The cooing of the doves,  
Quaint notes, and children screaming at their play  
Were like encores to a perfect day.

Off in the distance beyond the avenue,  
Within the range of vision met my view  
The great frame derricks on the shrubby hills  
Where crews of men were using rotary drills,  
And sinking holes down deep through earth's hard soil  
In search of arteries of crude black oil.

Within the vale the proof of thrift was seen  
In bungalows, orchards and the fields of green;  
The spirit of good will seemed to pervade  
The hearts of father, mother, youth and maid,  
And neighbors met neighbors on the square,  
And peace and harmony commingled there.



The don't care purpose which is all the rage,  
Which wrecks the soul and home in this new age,  
May be at work to unwoman and unman  
Those who now live up to the moral plan;  
But still among these tillers of the ground,  
True homes and real living may be found,  
Some of the virtues that made life sublime  
In happy periods of a former time.

When night drew her veil o'er the sun's last ray  
And hid the rosy face of April's day,  
From out of shadowy dusk above my car  
Low down in heaven came the evening star.

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### THE SAN BERNARDINO GIRL

She came here from the foothill town,  
Down from San Bernardino;  
She was a new girl in this part,  
Here in the vale of Chino.  
I saw her at a rancher's house,  
She was eating bread and butter;  
She gayly smiled and winked at me,  
My heart was all a-flutter.

I gave her a knowing grin,  
But not a word did utter,  
While she was busy as a bear  
Eating bread and butter.  
When she was through she spoke to me;  
Oh, my, how she did sputter!  
My heart it nearly ceased to beat,  
And no word could I utter.

At last I dared this question ask:  
"Is your home in Berdoo?"  
She grew red, stuttered and she said:  
N-no no, it ain't, d-darn you!  
N-no such a p-place is on the map;  
W-won't you f-folks here in Chino  
Learn to p-pronounce the n-name right?  
Sir, 'tis San B-Bernardino."

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### THE PIONEER

He had a giant frame and handsome face,  
A kindly nature and a Christian grace;  
A thinker born, of calm, judicial mind,

A leader rather than a manual grind;  
Yet fate denied to him a great career,  
The lure of the wild made him a pioneer.

He purchased land in an unbroken wood  
Where trees were thick and large, where soil was good;  
He slashed many oak and maple clumps,  
And mowed underbrush and grubbed stumps.  
He built his house and barn from logs of oak,  
Removed the forest and the wild soil broke.  
He worked early and late, all the year,  
Through snow and sleet and rain his land to clear.

High were his hopes in the bloom of youth,  
His dreams were noble as the gems of truth;  
He thought of love and happy, married life,  
Then wedd'd and brought to his new home a wife;  
She was a lady of sense and of worth,  
A woman fit to give a hero birth.  
Joy filled the new home with tender smiles,  
And the bride never dreamed of future trials.  
'Tis good the future's hidden from our view,  
If it were not faith could not bear us through;  
If the future were seen life's charm would be lost,  
And hope would fade like a flower in the frost.

One day in answer to their heartfelt prayer  
A blue-eyed baby came to cheer the pair;  
His sunny presence gave the parents delight,  
And home was dearer since he was the light.  
Through summer days in field of corn and grain,  
My father labored in sunshine and rain;  
He rose in the morning with the meadow lark,  
And toiled through the weary hours till dark;  
When his day's work was done with heart of joy  
He went home to talk with his wife and boy.

In winter evenings when the howling blast  
In wild rage shook the house as it flew past,  
Or when it moved more gently as a breeze,  
And kissed the icy jewels on the trees,  
By the roaring fire my father read a rhyme,  
Or story aloud, or we sang till bed time;  
And then we knelt in prayer upon the floor,  
And felt His Presence enter through our door.

By our hearth was a feeling of good cheer,  
And home to us was a place very dear;

Our home was a bright sanctuary on earth,  
Where father and mother proved their true worth;  
Which gave a charm that words can never tell,  
A charm that is like where the angels dwell.

Now in the after years I'm sadly dreaming  
Of that log house where lighted lamps were gleaming  
In evenings long ago when he was there  
Who gave me sympathy and love and care.  
My father's life went out like some young sun,  
A broken promise with his work just begun,  
Leaving his home dismal as night's face  
With all the stars dead in the heavenly space.

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### THE DEATH OF MOTHER

I saw my mother in young womanhood,  
A beautiful woman, firm and brave and good;  
I saw her in mid life, mature and grand,  
One of the noble mothers of the land;  
I saw her in old age, serene, content,  
In glory crowned by a life well spent.

I saw her die and heard her gasp for breath;  
I saw her struggle in the throes of death;  
And in that hour there glowed in her face  
A holy life, the saint's consummate grace;  
She passed out of life a heroine,  
A fit immortal for the world divine.

When I saw mother lying cold and dead  
Beneath the snowy shroud upon her bed;  
And then again as she in her casket lay  
Pallid and queenly, garbed in dress of gray,  
I felt the kindest influence I had known  
Had gone forever and left me alone;  
In her I lost my dearest, truest friend,  
The one on whom I ever could depend.

That rainy afternoon, her burial day,  
I rode behind the hearse which bore her away  
To God's green acre, to her precious tomb,  
Where she was buried 'neath a bank of bloom.  
I, her chief mourner, bade her there adieu  
Till we should meet in Heaven, then withdrew  
To live as she would have me live on earth  
In preparation of my new triumphant birth.

In love profound I to her grave repair,  
And set thereon, heart's gift, sweet flowers fair;  
And kneeling there I pray for grace and power  
That I may honor mother every hour,  
That in no thoughtless moment may I forget  
Her teaching nor do what I shall regret.

When death bears me across the mystic sea  
To be a citizen of eternity,  
I hope in that new life I shall attain  
To meet my honored mother there again.

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### THE ACACIA TREE

The acacia stands in my front yard,  
A graceful tree of lordly mien;  
It stands there like a friend on guard  
In uniform of velvet green.

My acacia tree is tall and fair,  
And wears a crown of grayish flowers;  
It lifts its arms to God in prayer  
Like Druids in the woody bowers.

The acacia to me is dear,  
For it was mother's favorite tree;  
It brings to me a sigh and tear  
For her my sweetest memory.

And when the stars in heaven gleam,  
And o'er the world their splendor fling,  
I sit beside my tree and dream,  
And hear the whir of an angel's wing.

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### ALONE

I have lost those who were my own,  
Those whom God gave;  
I walk the road of life alone  
Toward the grave.

Few flowers decorate my way  
Down through the years;  
I oft for solace pause and pray  
In burning tears.

But faith looks up and never down  
To comfort loss,  
And points forever to the crown  
Above the cross.

## THE CALALILY

Sweet blossom lovely as a dream,  
A thing of beauty in God's scheme,  
Arrayed in robes of starry white,  
The angels view it with delight.

The lily prays with upturned face  
A prayer pure as mother's grace,  
And in its pallid bloom refined  
I see a beauty like her mind.

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## OUR HOME

Our house was like a golden dome  
When mother was the light;  
It was our sanctuary and home  
Until she said "good night."

'Tis now a shrine, that home once fair,  
Once rich in faith and grace;  
The Lord was there and heard her prayer,  
And blessed our dwelling place.

If God supplants my grief and pain  
With bliss that is divine,  
'Twill be when I shall meet again  
That dear, old mother of mine.

When faith shall build a heavenly home  
For us up in the sky;  
And we shall dwell in that new home  
And never say good bye.

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## THE LOVED AND LOST

She loved the out of doors,  
The gold of day,  
The orchard, field and lawn,  
The mountains gray.

She walked among the flowers,  
The larkspurs blue,  
Caressed the lilies and loved  
The roses too.

Oft she sat on our porch  
In her rocking chair,

And in her brown eyes shone  
A heavenly prayer.

One day they carried her out,  
Broken like an urn,  
And bore her to God's acre  
To never return.

I think in some new world  
She surely waits  
My homeward coming at  
The sunset gates.

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### MOTHER'S HANDS

Hers were the hands of beauty, strength and grace,  
Hands made to match her fine and comely face;  
Hands of an artist, hands that were refined,  
Hands that sweet Nature shaped and designed,  
Hands that required a thousand years to make,  
Hands white as shining waters of a lake,  
Hands that were useful in the household toil,  
Hands that old age and labor did not spoil;  
Those kind hands often soothed my fevered brow,  
But that is past they do not serve me now;  
The soil of California, with gold inlaid,  
Holds in its pulsing breast those hands God made.

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### HEAVEN

Where heaven is I do not know,  
I wish I knew;  
It may be here where lilies blow,  
Or in the vaulted blue.

Some say it is in human hearts  
But deathless love  
Forever points to other parts,  
To realms above.

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### THE DESERTED HOME

'Tis years, Dan, since I saw the dear old place,  
But I know it well as I do your face,  
Although the house has fallen to the ground,  
And I see gloomy changes in all around.  
Where is the barn? It too, is gone. Yet I  
Know this was my home in the years passed by:

The landmarks are here that I used to behold  
When I was a child in the days of old.

There stands the pine on yon hill's sandy crown,  
Where I used to sit and dream of renown;  
There flows the winding stream where I and you  
Have seen the red man in his bark canoe.  
Here's the well, now dry, I dug long ago,  
And there's the field in which I used to hoe;  
In yonder meadow green I once made hay  
From early morning till the twilight gray.

This home was bright with a good mother's cheer:  
Here, in these woods, I ran free as a deer;  
Amid these pines I've heard the robin's tune,  
And picked blueberries in sunny June.  
Here gaily played I like the breezes free;  
Here, I was happy in sweet boyish glee:  
But my wild heart where perfect bliss did dwell  
Has known a sad change that no words can tell.

Not far from this spot on a hillside steep  
In the bosom of the earth my kindred sleep.  
Home of my childhood, humble, but the best,  
You bring tears to my eyes, sighs to my breast:  
The flowers my mother set by the cabin door  
Have passed like the home, and will bloom no more;  
Old home, so sad, that was once bright and gay,  
All your past joys live in my heart today.

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## A NOVEMBER DAY

'Twas a chill day in November—  
A humid day I well remember;  
Some snow had fallen in the night  
And was melting in the morning light.  
A fog hung o'er the vault of blue  
And hid the sun from mortal view;  
The eaves were dripping on the sod,  
The breeze was making the trees nod;  
The grass was seer, the leaves were dead  
And rotting in their earthly bed.

The day was dark and wet and dreary,  
My heart was dull and sad and weary  
Till I went forth beneath the sky,  
And with the spirit's hidden eye

Beheld what Nature had to show,  
And then my soul was all aglow.

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### RENA

She's beautiful as the shining night  
Which follows after gloomy storm;  
And all that's pure and fair and bright  
Is moulded in her face and form.

The glistening dew upon the lawn,  
The golden sun of cloudless skies,  
The silvery moon and rosy dawn  
Pale in view of her dark-blue eyes.

Grace and refinement can be seen  
In all her movement, in her smile;  
The rarest virtues deck my queen,  
Whose soul of beauty knows no guile.

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### THE TREES

The shady trees  
Our hearts do please  
As we gaze on their glory,  
Or seek their shade  
To there evade  
The sun light hot and hoary.

The cattle browse  
Beneath their boughs,  
Or chewing cud lie there.  
The squirrels run  
And have their fun  
Upon the branches fair.

Our friends the trees  
Bow in the breeze  
Like courtiers to a king.  
They are the retreat  
Where sparrows meet  
To love and mate and sing.

Like dunes of sand  
Would be the land  
Without a shady tree.  
And so we love  
The trees and grove  
Which grow through God's decree.



## JIM

We've had our sports and our joys, Jim,  
We've lived and grown old in years;  
We've floated down time's stream, Jim,  
And have now no cause for tears.

Though our heads are white as wool, Jim,  
Though we're not straight as a pine,  
Although our faces are wrinkled, Jim,  
Our hearts cling to things divine.

Still we love the fragrant flowers, Jim,  
That bloom in the woods on the hill;  
Still we love the feather'd warblers, Jim,  
And the purling of brook and rill.

We like to talk with the boys, Jim,  
And join them in yarn or song,  
And listen to their laughter, Jim,  
For we won't be with them long.

Soon we'll lie down and die, Jim,  
But the future we do not fear,  
For we have lived good lives, Jim,  
And been kind to our neighbors here.

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## SEATTLE

Seattle sits on many hills,  
Her glory is unfurled;  
At her feet is Puget Sound where moves  
The commerce of the world.  
Her bosom's gemm'd with pearly lakes;  
The mountains tower near;  
The fir tree forests skirt her bound,  
The beauty of earth is here.  
We doff our hat to this fair city,  
The youngest in the West,  
The gateway to the Orient.  
Whom grandeur has caressed.

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## THE MASTER MAN

Revere and cherish the master man,  
The blessed son of a chosen clan,  
Conceiv'd in strength and born to health,  
Embodiment of Nature's wealth.

As some keen watcher of the skies  
With rapture views a new star rise,  
So should we gaze upon the face  
Of him who comes to serve the race.

He only comes at Nature's call  
To do a special work for all;  
The heart of hearts, the supermind,  
He loves, he helps, he saves mankind.  
He pens the word, the whole world needs  
To broaden thought, ennoble deeds,  
Or frames the laws, humane and great,  
For science, liberty, better state.

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### BOYHOOD'S DAY

I'm glad to see you again old friend,  
Before life's fleeting days are done,  
And those sweet memories to recall  
That dawn'd 'neath boyhood's summer sun,  
When we ran o'er the grassy lea,  
And pluck'd the gay, sweet-scented flowers,  
Or when we threw stones at the birds  
That sang amid the woody bowers.

Sad feelings come to me old friend,  
When I think of that happy time,  
Those boyhood days gone, gone for aye,  
When our joys were indeed sublime.  
The years have wrought a change in us  
And marked our lives with deeds humane,  
But we have lost the joys of youth,  
And never shall know them again.

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### THE SNOW STORM

The dark clouds robe the winter sky,  
And from their bosoms snow flakes fly;  
The snow comes falling slantwise down,  
And puts on house and hill a crown.

The crystal gems adorn the tree  
And bush, the dead grass on the lea,  
The garden weed, the fields of black,  
And cover path and wagon track.

Snows lightly strike the frozen ground;  
To listening ears there's no sound—

And then go whirling o'er the plain,  
And pile up in the narrow lane.

The snow storm is a picture bright  
To beauty's eye, to minds of light;  
Those sparkling jewels, white and cold,  
Are fair as diamonds or pure gold.

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### GEN. U. S. GRANT

Grant was a scion of the pioneers,  
That nation building group who have few peers,  
Who laid the foundation of the American State,  
Who built the government which made us great.  
And they who built the best known to mankind  
Gave in the making body, soul and mind.

His years of training for immortal work  
Were hard, obscure; in them there seem'd to lurk  
Despair and failure; grief was in his heart.  
But, oh, those humble years, his trying start,  
Gave vision, purpose, strength to do the things  
The nation needed done; and he on wings  
Of achievement like an eagle in its flight,  
Serenely rose to fame's eternal height.

He fought to win and conquer'd every foe,  
But mercy gave to heal the crushing blow;  
Grant was the soldier who preserv'd the realm,  
He in the field and Lincoln at the helm.

In seven years this man, poor and unknown,  
Had grown in stature, had come to his own,  
Our leading general and the nation's chief;  
A wondrous growth for him in time so brief;  
For him who changed the course of history,  
And made more sacred human liberty.

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### GEN. NATHANAEL GREENE

Great hero of many a battle field,  
'Neath Northern sky and Southern pine,  
His mighty arm did glory wield  
At Eutaw, Trenton, Brandywine.  
His strategy when in sole command,  
His campaigns, maneuvers and retreat,  
All show how ably they were planned,  
The reasons why the foe was beat.

And there amid the battle's storm,  
I see him like a cavalier,  
Erect, and tall, a knightly form,  
Enveloped with a noble air.  
Best type of man the colonies grew,  
Best soldier of his time save one,  
No patriot ever was more true,  
He lives the peer of Washington.

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## THE AVENUE

Along the shady avenue, paved and brown,  
I walked alone at close of summer's day;  
The avenue led me northward from the town;  
Past cross roads, farms and orchards ran the way.

The workers in the beehives were at ease;  
The mocking birds sang in the orchard bowers;  
I saw red peaches in clusters on the trees,  
Geraniums in bloom and wild sun flowers.

I saw the stars come through the twilight gate,  
And line up on the azure field like tots  
Who scamper through the schoolroom door, elate,  
To play a game out on the vacant lots.

I saw lights gleaming through the open doors  
Of cozy homes which nestled near the street;  
The men were whistling while they did their chores;  
In barns I heard the horses stamp their feet.

There Nature's heart, with peace and bliss, was rife;  
The mad world I forgot; there came to me  
A truer vision of the worth while life  
On that straight road which led to destiny.

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## OBSERVATION

I strolled about in the open air  
Among the trees and flowers fair,  
In meadow green, in field of grain,  
By singing brook, on ferny plain.

I saw in nature things which charm,  
In pasture land, in grain sown farm,  
And in the passion of delight  
I saw night catch the ball of light  
By morning thrown across the sky,

Zigzagging like a butterfly,  
And hide the orb in its dusky hand.  
As daylight faded from the land.

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## BEAUTY

We meet in Nature, face to face,  
Beauty of inspiring grace;  
Be it in star or tree or shrine,  
We feel that beauty is divine.

Beauty waltzes through the dawn,  
And paints the green on velvet lawn;  
It runs in ocean's organ note,  
And floats in song from linnet's throat.

We breathe it from the orange bloom;  
It is the soul of that perfume;  
We see it in the pansy's hues;  
It sparkles in the diamond dew.

Like some sweet sprite in modest dress,  
It speaks the honied words that bless;  
And we behold in beauty's scheme  
The glory of the Master's dream.

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## THE THUNDER STORM

One evening I stood beside the sea  
Upon the green slope of a lofty mount  
Whose head was diademed with crystal snow;  
The icy gems adorn'd that noble peak,  
As jewels deck a tall and queenly bride.  
The silvery candles of the azure sky  
Were hid behind the drifting clouds which frown'd  
On heaven like bleak hills on a blooming vale.

The sable clouds pour'd out a lucid stream  
Flooding the vale along that grand sea shore;  
Red flames leapt from the bosom of the clouds,  
Like kings from chariots making day of night.  
Vast sea waves storm'd the tall, white cliffs and sang  
With cannon-like voices, mingling their hoarse tunes  
With deep majestic tones made by the wind,  
As it swept o'er the rocks and through the trees.  
The thunder roared like a Niagara  
Beneath the dome of the evening sky; the earth

And humid heavens trembl'd. My heart beat time  
To Nature's music, music wild and mad  
Which flow'd from ocean's organ, played by  
The Master's hand. The splendor of that storm  
Awoke my sense of Nature's majesty,  
Making me love the weird and wild and grand.

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### THE STARRY FLAG

Flag of my country, thou'rt precious to me,  
Fondly I press thee once more to my breast,  
Where I shall hold thee till life ceases to be,  
Then mayest thou float over the place of my rest.

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