

THE DURANT GENEALOGY:

A History of the Descendants of

George and Elizabeth (-----) Durant

of Malden, Mass. and Middletown, Conn.

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The Rev. William Durant

and continued (in part) to 1966 by his great nephew

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Volume I

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INTRODUCTION

1.A Note on the arrangement of the material.

The original manuscript lists all the descendants of 1.i.George¹ Durant in sequential order, regardless of whether or not the surname is Durant. I felt that it was more practical to divide the work into two volumes, putting all the Durants in Volume I and all the descendants of Durant women in Volume II. The original text assigned each paragraph a number. I have assigned each Durant his own Arabic serial number. The small Roman numeral before the given name indicates sibling position. The Arabic superscript following the given or middle name indicates generation number from George¹ Durant. In Volume II, no individual serial number was attempted for the descendants of Durant women.

Each volume has its own index of all proper names mentioned.

Volume II also contains additional items of possible interest to members of the Durant Family.

2.A Note on the History of the Durant Genealogy.

It is not known exactly when the Rev. William Durant began working on the Durant Genealogy. Internal evidence suggests that the bulk of the work was done in the years 1887-1890, with a few additions as late as 1908. The Rev. Durant speaks of an initial debt for matters genealogical to 241.William Bullard Durant, in a letter which he wrote 1 June 1901 to his second cousin, 312.Frederick Clark Durant, who was about to visit Boston:

I am glad you are interested to look up old family associations in Boston. Hope the inclosed outline of our common descent, made for you today, may interest you, and be helpful.

Besides the old Lamb Tavern site, where 7.Edward² lived, note the corner of Winter and Washington streets, probably the dearest land in Boston today, near which 10.Samuel³ and 11.Edward³ lived.

Don't fail to look in at Old South Church. The pew of 11.Edward was on your right as you face the pulpit, fourth from the Deacon's seat and third row from the pulpit wall. This Edward's grave-stone is in King's Chapel yard, on Tremont St. in corner furthest from street and next the Court House. His brother John's grave-stone in graveyard opposite, built in foundation wall of Park Church, and can be seen from sidewalk.

Then don't fail to see the old house in Newton, on Nonantum Hill, built by this 11.Edward³ 1730-32, possibly with some of the Waldo wealth inherited on death of his mother-in-law Faith (Jackson) Waldo. This old Newton house, corner of Waverly and Kenrick streets, now has the Eliot Memorial Terrace just behind it, to mark where John Eliot, first English missionary to American Indians, preached to the Waban tribe. The legends of the family say that 31.Cornelius⁴ dated his big fortune that went to the Ritchie family, from a find of a rich treasure trove, either in the lake behind the old house, or, as the Kenrick's tell it, in a blind well under the cellar of the house, where the cover stone still clanks at night when the ghosts of the old freebooters return to seek their hidden gold and jewels. The view from the old house towards Boston is alone worth the journey. The Jackson property was next on the right of the old house, so that Anne was nearest neighbor to 24 Edward⁴ who possibly didn't wait to graduate from Harvard before he married her.

Your and my great grandfather 57.Thomas⁵ Durant, was born in that old house in 1746, and from it he went on the tramp to Lexington and Concord in 1775, only a month or two before his marriage, his father-in-law-about-to-be, William Clark, a man nearly 60 years old, taking the same tramp from West Newton.

I believe Mr. William B. Durant, lawyer of Boston, descendant of the older branch of 10.Samuel³, would be pleased to have a call from you. He put me on my first searches, and has a large fund of family information. He may be interested also in my view outlined on accompanying sheets, of the first four generations:

By 1901, the Rev. Durant apparently had a somewhat different view of the possible ancestors of 1.George¹ Durant than that outlined on pages 1-3 of the following text: the outline referred to in the above letter is as follows: Richard¹ Durant (1553-1632), twice Mayor of Bodmin, Cornwall; his son, William² Durant, who appears in Boston, 1640, as "Ruling Elder" of 1st Church, etc.; (Ralph Durant, whose will, dated 15 Sept 1653, is preserved at Somerset House, London, is here thought to be a son of Richard¹ and brother of William²); George³ Durant (b. England, 1 Oct. 1632 is "probably" the son of William² and father by an earlier marriage (than that to Anne Norwood in 1658) of 1.George¹ Durant of Malden, Mass.

The Rev. William Durant's son, 420.William Clark Durant, gathered additional information for the Durant Genealogy in 1912.

On 4 June 1929, Mrs. Lucy (Stantial) Durant, widow of the Rev. William Durant, deposited with the Connecticut Historical Society, Hartford, Conn., all her husband's genealogical papers, where they are preserved today (1966). Letters from Mrs. Lucy Durant in 1931 to Mrs. Frank Durant, her sister-in-law, and Mrs. Alice (Shepard) Ewing, her niece, indicate that she had engaged a professional genealogist to put the Durant papers in order and to bring the material up to date -- for publication. It is interesting to note the estimated costs of the project at that time (1931): editing the material and bringing it up to date: \$500; publication: \$3000. Generous contributors at that time were Mrs. Frederick C. Durant, Mr. Clark Terry Durant, Mr. Frank Durant, and Mrs. Agnes Pomeroy. There were doubtless other contributors, but their names, unfortunately, were not recorded.

Mrs. Homer W. Brainard, eminent Hartford genealogist, was the person Mrs. Lucy Durant retained to edit and complete the Durant Genealogy. Questionnaires in the possession of Mrs. Louise (Durant) Rice indicate that Mr. Brainard was working on the project in Dec. 1932 and Jan. 1933. Unfortunately Mr. Brainard's death prevented his completing the project. The Connecticut Historical Society does have all of Mr. Brainard's papers, and his revision of the equivalent of approximately the first 59 pages of the present edition is preserved with the Brainard-Durant papers. With them is an interesting collection of Durant letters, originally part of the William Durant collection, that Mr. Brainard was apparently working on at the time of his death.

The present edition is based on a manuscript copy of the Durant Genealogy given me by Mrs. Lucy Durant in 1937 "in the hope that it might sometime be completed and published." This manuscript unfortunately breaks off at the end of page 143 of the present edition. For the remainder of the Rev. Durant's text, this edition follows the genealogy as it is preserved at the

Connecticut Historical Society collection, but is based on a copy (made with their kind permission and completed 5 June 1952, by my late cousin, Mrs. Ethel M. (Cassidy) Hungerford (1898-1964) of West Hartford, Conn.

I have worked on the project, very intermittently, as time permitted, from 1952 to the present (1966), though the bulk of the work has been done since Sept 1964. I have made very effort to get in touch with living members of the Durant Family, so that I could bring the material on their branches up to date. But the problem of picking up clues from where they left off some 76 years ago, or longer, has not been an easy one, and many lines of descent at the moment are not accounted for.

Acknowledgements of gratitude are due to the following people -- and, of course, to their families -- for without their assistance in providing new material, the genealogy could not exist in its revised form. The order of listing is mainly that of their appearance in the genealogy:

Mrs. Marie (Durant) Burton
 Mrs. Caroline (Henderson) Durant
 Mrs. Maxine (Durant) Burnell
 Mr. William Bullard Durant
 Mr. William Bullard Durant, Jr.
 Miss Elizabeth Hardy
 Miss Lucy Hardy
 Mrs. Freda (Baxter) Swanson
 Mrs. Alice (Akers) Durant
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Arthur Durant
 Mr. Nelson R. Durant
 Mrs. Heloise (Durant) Seeley
 Mrs. Lillian (Tiffany) Durant
 Mr. Richard Durant
 Miss Helen Cary
 Mrs. Rose (Ribera) Cary
 Mrs. Lois (Cary) Williamson
 Mrs. Edith (Emery) Terry
 Mr. Lawrence Shumaker
 Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Durant
 Mrs. Avis (Durant) Koch
 Mrs. Kendall (Durant) Ramsay
 Mrs. Virginia (Durant) Palmer
 Mrs. Dorothy (Durant) Bartsch
 Mrs. Charla (Durant) Turk
 Mrs. Margaret (Pearsall) Parrish
 Mrs. Cornelia (Howel) Durant
 Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Durant, III
 Mr. Kenneth Durant
 Mr. Douglas Durant Sr.
 Mr. Douglas Durant, Jr.
 Mrs. Babs (Van der Veer) Lee
 Mr. Harold K. Hochschild
 Mrs. Louise (Durant) Rice
 Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Durant
 Mr. Richard Durant, Jr.
 Mrs. Caroline (Durant) Ladeira.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lenderking
 Mr. Lucius White
 Mrs. Eleanor (McClelland) Yeatman
 Mr. Durant da Ponte and Mrs. Martha Lee (Pennebaker) da Ponte
 Mrs. Lyndall (da Ponte) Alder
 Mrs. Kate (Puffer) Barry
 Mr. Arthur Stone Dewing
 Mrs. Mary (Dewing) Ellington
 Mrs. Virginia (Ticknor) Gaillard
 Mrs. Helen (Church) Barclay
 Mrs. Laura (Rose) Harrower
 Mrs. Susan (Harrower) Terrel
 Mrs. Patricia (Harrower) Roose
 Mrs. Mary (Carman) Rose
 Mr. John M. Rose
 Mrs. Gladys (Rice) Brooks
 Mrs. Marjory (Rice) Means
 Mrs. Cynthia (Means) Colt
 Mrs. Maxine (Burnell) Metzen
 Mr. David Durant Burnell

Thanks are also due to the Connecticut Historical Society for permission to copy portions of the Durant papers in their possession and to Mr. Earl G. Terko, Registrar, Albany Cemetery Association, for his generous help with records from the Albany Rural Cemetery.

I am all too aware of the many shortcomings of this present edition -- from its very modest format to its many editorial inconsistencies. I felt, however, that at this point the important thing was to make the fruits of the Rev. William Durant's careful and thorough researches available to as many members of the family as possible -- before any more time passed. Though I have taken all due care to avoid errors, some are always inevitable, and I will appreciate having any pointed out to me at once, so that errata sheets may be circulated, if necessary. I will also be grateful for any additional information that any one can furnish, in the hope that a new edition -- or at least a supplement -- may follow at an early date.

The reader is referred to the appendix for copies of the questionnaires used by the Rev. William Durant, and the modified form that I have used in collecting information in the past two years.

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POSSIBLE ANCESTRAL CONNECTIONS

Richard Durant, twice Mayor of Bodmin, in Cornwall, England, died there 20 May, 1632, aged 79 yrs; having had 19 children, eight sons and eleven daughters, as shown on the brass tablet of his tomb. A lithograph of this tablet displays the effigies of his two wives and their children kneeling before two prayer stands. Behind the first wife are two sons and four daughters in a row; while the second wife precedes six sons and seven daughters, with a little figure at the end of this line suggesting the early death of an infant in the second marriage.

Around the border of the tablet is the following inscription: "Here lie y^e bodies of Jowdy / & Katheren Wives unto Richard Durant of this Towne who departed / this life in the faithe / of Jesus Christ. Jowdy was / buried the 22th of May, 1589; and Katheren the 22th of December, 1608." The second, or inner line of inscription reads: "Here lyeth the Body / of Richard Durant, Husband unto these wives, and father unto these Children / twice Maier of this Towne, who departed / This life in the faithe of Jesus Christ the 20th of May, Anno Domini, 1633, Aged 79." In two columns, above the effigies of wives and children, are the following lines:

During their lives had Durant wives, Joudy & Kathren namde,
Both feared god & eke his rodd, so well their lifes they framde.
both comly, frugall, chast & fruitfull; yea of a constant minde
to all their friends, even to their ends, still to their
 husband kinde;
both children dear, whiles they livd heer unto their husband
 brought,
by him a score they had no more, all in good nurture taught;
the first had 6, 14 y^e next, books of record doe tell.
the best is this & trew it is, they livde & died well.

Then, underneath the above lines, across the Tablet lengthwise, is this:

And here doe lie, whose children crie, woe y^t this day we see:
They must be still, it is God' will, they are gone & so must wee.

Beneath these lines, and over the kneeling figures, are two vines showing grape leaves and bunches of the fruit; each wife being a source whence a vine springs. The prayer desk, before which the first wife kneels has this inscription: " beholde the mercyes of God to"; while that at which the second wife kneels is inscribed:- "I lyved to dye & dyed to lyve againe."

The lithograph described above, measured within the faint line borders, is 18 inches broad and 8 inches high.

The will of Ralph Durant, a son of the above Richard, was found by the Rev. William Durant at Somerset House, London, England, in 1892. It shows that this Durant family of Bodmin was closely allied with the Puritan party. It mentions brothers and sisters of Ralph Durant at Bodmin, refers to Puritan relatives living in England and Holland, and identifies two Puritan ministers as nephews of Ralph. One of these, the Rev. William Durant, a graduate of Exeter College, Oxford, married a sister of Sir James Clavering, Baronet, and was Rector of All Saints Church, at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, until ousted at the restoration of Charles II to the English throne. The other nephew, named in the will of Ralph Durant, was the Rev. John Durant, who was one of the regular preachers in Canterbury Cathedral during Cromwell's rule.

Some of Richard Durant's family settled near Plymouth, Devonshire, England, and apparently it was his son, Thomas Durant, whose name appears in a company of merchants there who received fishing grants on the coast of Newfoundland before 1650.

In this connection, it is significant of long residence and high standing of the family, to observe that Burke mentions, as among the earliest instances of coat armor, a grant to "Durant of Cornwall", describing it as a black cross on a white shield, without crest; its simplicity being proof not only of its antiquity, but also of participation in one of the Crusades to recover the Holy Land from the infidel Turks. This Crusade date does not preclude origin of this family from France with the Normans; but it seems more probably that the Cornish family of Durant descends from one of the Roman conquerors of England, for the double reason that the name was originally Latin, and that the Roman settlement and rule continued much longer in the southwest of England than elsewhere in the island; because of the ease of defense in that rough country, and because of the valuable mines which the Romans had opened there. So far, also, as the writer has seen members of this Durant family their type is not that of the volatile Frenchman, tending to smallness of frame; but rather that of the purposeful and persistent character of the Graeco-Roman race, with their large and well-developed bodies, long heads, erect carriage, strength and dignity.

William Durant, or, as sometimes recorded, Durand; possibly a son of the above-mentioned Richard Durant, was in Boston, Mass., as early as 1644, or even shortly before that date. In that year (1644) he was commissioned by the Boston Church as a Ruling Elder, to act with Mr. Harrison as Pastor, for the Puritan colony in Nansemond county, Virginia. When this Puritan colony was exiled, in 1649, by Governor Berkeley, Harrison having fled to England, Durant led these Puritans into the colony of Maryland, and settled them near the mouth of the Severn, calling the place Providence; later the name was changed to Annapolis in honor of England's Queen Anne. Later this William Durant was prominent in the public affairs of Maryland, serving as Secretary of the Colonial Council for some time. He died about November, 1672, having willed his property to his grandson, Samuel Withers, who died in 1697. Elizabeth, daughter of William Durant, married "Samuel Withers of Durant's Point in the county of Anne Arundell", and had two sons, Samuel Withers and Henry Withers.

George Durant, b. 1 Oct. 1632, in England, m. Anne Horwood, in Nansemond county, Virginia, in 1658. A family of Horwood came into Maryland with William Durant. George Durant settled, in 1661, at what is still known as "Durant' Neck" on Albemarle Sound, Perquimans county, North Carolina; buying from the Indians 3,333 acres, the earliest title to land held by a white man in the present territory of that State. After long litigation with the English proprietors Durant's title was confirmed.

For a long time the government of the territory was transacted in George Durant's house. Bancroft, in his history of the United States, calls this George Durant a Quaker, but was mistaken; Durant was a staunch Puritan, and did not manifest any of the special Quaker traits. In accordance with probabilities, this George Durant was a nephew of William Durant, and possibly a grandson of Richard Durant; since more than one member of a family would be drawn into the early movement from England toward the American settlements. A sketch of his descendants, compiled from notes in George Durant's family Bible (Published in 1599, and preserved in the Historical Collections at College Hill, North Carolina) and from Precinct records at Durant' Neck, shows that his great grandson, George Durant, b. in 1723, was his only descendant bearing

the Durant name in 1744, when he gave a deed of his inheritance, and disappeared from the records of the colony.

1. George¹ Durant (3-7), the founder of the family recorded in the following pages, appears first in the Colonial records in 1662, as a tenant on Dexter property at Malden, Mass. Apparently he was a son of the Thomas Durant and grandson of the Richard Durant mentioned above. He d. at Lyme, Conn., 15 June, 1687; his widow, 2. Elizabeth, dying at Middletown, Conn., in Feb. 1691. In 1663 George Durant settled at Middletown, receiving a large grant of land on both sides of the Connecticut river, the parcels extending over several modern counties. In the public records both at Malden and Middletown, he is styled "blacksmith" which in those days covered all operations in shaping iron for various purposes, as well as making horse-shoes. His name is still preserved there in the "Durant School District", which lies on the south side of the city and includes the site of his forge and mill. In March, 1670, he was 15th in a list of 52 Freeholders and Proprietors of Middletown, where he is assessed £ 34. on a valuation of £4,332. 10s, covering his property in that district. Soon after he is found dwelling on his land at what is now Hadlyme, and especially interested in his land there and in his mill at what is now North Lyme.

The maiden name of George Durant's wife has not been found. The records, however, show that she was a widow when George Durant married her, and that she had a son, John Blake, of her former marriage, who received land at Middletown, Conn., from his step-father George Durant. Descendants of this John Blake claim ancestral connection with Admiral Robert Blake, who had the prominent part in saving England from the Spanish Armada in 1588. It is worth noting here, that a Robert Blake was associated with Thomas Durant in the company of Plymouth merchants who were interested in the fisheries of Newfoundland mentioned above.

SECOND GENERATION

(Children of 1.George¹ and 2.Elizabeth (-Blake) Durant)

Place and order of birth unknown.

3. i. Elizabeth² Durant, d. at Lyme, Conn., 6 Dec. 1704. She m. with John Wade, who d. at Lyme, "of old age", 24 March, 1728. He m. (2d) at Lyme, between 17 Jan. and 6 Feb. 1705-6, with Hannah (Brockway) Champion, widow of Thomas Champion, and eldest child of Wolston and Hannah (Bridges) Brockway, who was b. 14 Sept. 1644, at Lyme, Conn. Hannah Brockway m. (1) 3. Aug. 1688, with Thomas Champion, who d. in 1705. They had: (1) Hannah Champion. (2) Sarah Champion, possibly, who m. with Daniel Peck. (3) Thomas Champion who m. with his step-sister Elizabeth Wade. (4) Mary Champion. (5) Deborah Champion. John Wade's ante-nuptial agreement with his second wife, Hannah (Brockway) Champion, was dated 17 Jan. 1705-6, and acknowledged, 6 Feb. 1705-6, "by John Wade and Hannah his wife."

John Wade came to Lyme, Conn., from Brookhaven, Long Island, as appears from the following contract, dated 26 Sept. 1684, and recorded 12 May, 1685:

A Covenant between the Towne of Lyme and John Wade
Whereas the inhabitants of the towne of Lyme at a town meeting one the 25th of this Instant Septem. 1684, by a general voat have given granted and conferred to Mr. John Wade mill Right, heirs and successors forever, one half part of their come mill with the benefit of the stream; and, as by the said vote recorded in the Towne book more fully may appear, Know all men by these presents that I, the said John Wade, for myself and successors, do hereby Covenant and engage, to and with Captain Josiah Sill and Peter Pratt, and all and each of the Inhabitants of Lyme, jointly and generally, that I will, with all possible speed, remove myself and family from Brookhaven to the town of Lyme, and will use my utmost care and diligence to repair the said mill so that she may be fit for service. And, further I engage, from time to time and at all times, when there shall be water sufficient, and weather will permit, to grind all the corn into meal that they, or any of them shall bring to the said mill; taking toll according to the law, that is to say all the time which shall be my share; to improve and use the said mill as half owner thereof. And furdur I engage to inhabit as near the said mill as I can, and attend diligently upon her to keep her going; and from time to time repair her as there shall be need; and what there shall be occasion to build anew, for the true performance of the particulars above said, I do here bind myself,

heirs, executor, administrator and assigns; and, in case of neglect of any part thereof, to forfeit the said part of the mill to return again to the Towne; and also to pay twenty pound sterling to the parties aggrieved. -- In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, Sept. 26, 1684. The witnesses were Moses Noyes, Richard Ely Sr., and Amos Tinker. (Lyme Records Vol. I, p. 146)

John Wade received a grant of land, next this mill site, from the Towne, 30 July, 1636:-

Laid out to John Wade at the Corn mill 102 rods and a half of upland, bounded Easterly on a great rock and a stake; Northerly by the lands of William Terry; Westerly and Southerly by the highway -- being 20 rods in length and seven rods and a half at the west end, and 2 rods and 12 feet at the end next the mill." (Lyme Records Vol I, p. 146)

There were a number of persons bearing the name Wade in New England before the earliest date at which this John Wade has been found on record there. His marriage with 3.Elizabeth² Durant, who grew to womanhood in Middletown, Conn., suggests the possibility of his being the son of William Wade, of that town, who married with Sarah Phelps of Windsor, Conn.; she d. 10 July, 1659, about a year after her marriage. Although the name Wade was then common in the eastern counties of England, it may be more than a coincidence that Wade, Tinker, and Durant families were dwelling in the parish of Brundish, county Suffolk, England, early in the seventeenth century.

John Wade was the only person of the Wade name at Lyme, Conn., in Sir Edmund Andross' tax-list of 27 Aug. 1688, which is good evidence that no other of this name was then living there of full age. In that list the names Shether, Wade, and widow Durant stand together, as if they dwelt in that order, and were neighbors. His tax was: one person, £20, House and corn mill, £03, on cow and three swine £06; in all £29

On Dec. 12th, 1697, Joh Wade bought from Lieut. Abraham Brunson "one half part of the come mill and stream" for 111, 10s; (Middletown Records, Vol. 3, p. 159.) and 4 Feb. 1708-9, he bought 3 acres near his mill from Joseph Peck. (Lyme Records, vol. 2, p. 340.)

Through his wife, John Wade inherited considerable land, which had been the property, or the right, of her father, 1. George¹ Durant. Three records, out of a number, are here quoted in part. On 26th June, 1705, John Wade of Lyme, and Elizabeth his wife, Amos Tinker of said town and Sarah Durant his wife, and Samuel Tinker, of Shelter Island, and Abigail Durant his wife, conveyed to Francis Whitmore of Middletown, 19 acres and 20 rods of land, near the town plot in Middletown, "which was fundamentally layed out for George Durant, father to all the above females." (Lyme Records. vol. 3, p. 286.) On March 9, 1705-6, John Wade covenanted with "Sarjent Amose Tinker", also of Lyme, that Tinker should take "a fourth part of the land that was father Durand's above the Cove northward of Mr. Seltings [Selden's] farm, which is the said Wade's share in the right of his wife deceased; and the said Wade shall have 3 pounds north of the land granted to their father Durant near the Stage plaine in exchange besides his share." On the 27th of July, 1720, he had laid out to him in his own and his wife's right, and in the "right of George Durant" certain lands. One mill failed to satisfy Wade, or to meet the needs of the community. By Dec. 11, 1702, therefore, Wade completed a "Corne mill at Nauautick", and on that date he engaged to keep the mill going, by covenant with Thos. Bradford, Joseph Beckwith (on whose land the mill stood), George Way and Roger Alger; covenanting also that Joseph Beckwith and Roger Alger should have first refusal to purchase the mill and its privileges.

John Wade's activity was closed by disease in 1722, and the six years longer that he lived seem to have been a period of feebleness. For on June 25th, 1722, "being by the Decayes of old age and bodily Infirmities Brought very Low and weak, though In perfect understanding of mind", he executed his will, and made separate deeds of gifts to his sons. In the deed to his son George Wade, the latter covenanted to care for his father in the latter's old age. This will was not probated until April 24th,

1728, though the inventory was dated on the 11th of that month. He divided his property as follows: to his daughter "Elizabeth Champion" all of his household goods and his sheep. "I have given to my wife Hannah, a sufficient consideration by a writing under my hand before marriage.... Also to my two sons John and George I gave their shares of my estate by deed of gift." His son George Wade was made executor. If John Wade had other children, only these three survived his death.

The following "Inventory of John Wade's Estate" is of special interest because of the light it throws on the circumstances of those who were pioneers in settling the colonies. While its list of tools and furniture is very meagre, in comparison with what would be found today in frontier villages, it really indicates that John Wade and his family enjoyed all the comforts and most of the luxuries of those who were "well off" in his section and time. "An Inventory of the Estate of Mr. John Wade, Late of Lyme, who deceast y^e 24th day of March, 1728":

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wooling & Lying	07	17	00	gyners tools - 5 plains &			
Item one cotton sheet	00	27	06	too creeing plains & an			
one Lying Sheet	00	15	00	iron pin	00	05	00
one sheet	00	08	00	a candle stick	00	02	00
a small Table cloath: two				a white blankit	00	06	00
towells & a pilow bear	00	06	00	1 bird-eye coverlitt	01	15	00
one feather bed & a feather				1 Striped Coverlyd	00	17	00
bolster weighed 75 pounds	09	07	06	Several small pieces			
one chaff bed	00	12	00	old iron	00	00	06
a hand saw	00	09	00	a ginter with an Iron			
two augers	00	08	06	to it	00	02	00
a tenant saw	00	06	00	a white blankit	00	05	00
a broad ax	00	07	06	a Quilt blankit	00	16	00
a carpenters adds	00	09	00	a Carpenters Square	00	03	00
a Stoubbing how	00	02	00	about 600 tainter-hooks	00	06	00
a Landers box & 2 heeters	00	10	00	a Gun with a folwing			
an old axe	00	02	00	piece	01	05	00
a warming pan	01	00	00	a great Chair	00	03	00
a frying pann	00	09	00	four small Chairs	00	10	00
a small Drawing Knife	00	01	06	a great gimblet & a			
a trowell	00	02	06	small one	00	01	00
two old chissels	00	01	00	the great Kettle of brass	04	10	00
a trammel	00	01	00	an Iron Kettle	00	18	00
a pair of fire Tongs	00	08	06	a Small old bible	00	02	00

	L s d		L s d
a Chist with a lock & Kie	00-05-00	an old pewter bason & an	
a half barrell with a brass		old pewter platter	00-03-06
cock in it for beer	00-10-00	a hat brush	00-01-06
a Cedar Keelor	00-03-00	a water payl	00-03-00
a Cedar Dye Tubb	00-01-06	two swine	02-14-00
a Cedar Cann	00-01-06	a meal sive	00-04-00
a flasket	00-01-06	two quart dishes and a	
an Iron pott & pott hooks	01-00-00	pair of wooden Scales	00-02-00
a cubbard	02-00-00	a great Knoight bowl	00-05-00
three large pewter		Seven wooden plates	00-03-00
platters	03-00-00	a wooden plater & a	
five large plates or small		wooden plater	00-02-00
pewter platters	1-05-00	a pott Lyd	00-01-00
two porringers	00-04-00	two trays	00-02-00
a Small tyn Tunnil	00-01-00	a Small Table	00-07-06
a pint pott	00-03-06	two more Large dishes and	
a pewter Chamber pott	00-03-06	a Small Crakt glass	00-03-00

This Inventory was taken by us the Subscribers this 11th of aprill 1728,
we being first sworn for that work before M^r Justice Noyes, Esq^r
Samuel Marvin
Zachariah Sill
Sum total, erors except L25-18-00

4. ii. Mary² Durant apparently the second child of George Durant, but the first of his daughters to marry. Neither the date of her birth nor that of her death has been found. She m. (1) at Lyme, Conn., 28 Dec. 1678, with John Waller, son of William and Elizabeth of that town. Apparently John Waller d. early in 1686, as the inventory of his estate was appraised 28 Feb. 1685-6.

Mary (Durant) Waller m. (2) about 1687, with Samuel Shether, son of John and Susanna, who was b. at Guilford, Conn., 3 Feb. 1657-8. The latest appearance of his name on the record as then living is in the Lyme tax list of 27 Aug. 1688. But no personal tax was then levied against him, possibly because he was then near death. His only tax at that date was on his one-quarter interest in a saw-mill, on his dwelling house and land, and on his live-stock: 3 cows, 1 mare, 2 hogs, and 1 yearling. Savage says that John Shether (Sheather, or Shedar), as the name was variously spelled on the public records, dwelt in Guilford, Conn., in 1650, and appears in the list of freemen, 1659.

Mary (Durant-Waller) Shether m. (3) 29 Oct. 1694, with Robert Chapman, Jr.

of Saybrook, Conn., as his second wife; his first wife having been Sarah Griswold, of Norwich, Conn., whom he m. 27 July, 1671, probably a daughter of Lieut. Francis Griswold. In his first marriage Robert Chapman, Jr., had nine children, of whom six died in infancy; one, Francis Chapman, d. probably in 1716, aged 38 years; not m.; and the other two, Samuel Chapman and Robert Chapman had numerous descendants. Mrs. Sarah (Griswold) Chapman, first wife of Robert, d. 7 April, 1692. Robert Chapman, Jr., died suddenly, in the Court room at Hartford, Conn., soon after the opening of the Legislature in 1711. His tombstone stands in the old burying ground at Hartford, Conn., in the rear of the Center Church, about a rod north of the monument on which are inscribed the names of the first settlers. The inscription on his tomb is as follows: "Here lyeth the body of Robert Chapman, who departed this life November 10th, 1711, aged 65 years." The compiler has not discovered a record of the death of Mrs. Mary (Durant-Waller-Shether) Chapman. She had four children in her Chapman marriage, two of whom died young; the other two, Benjamin Chapman and Abigail (Chapman) Whittlesey, left numerous descendants.

5. iii. Sarah² Durant. The records of her birth and death have not been found. She m. at Lyme, Conn., 1 June, 1682, with Amos Tinker, son of John and Alice, of New London, Conn. Amos Tinker was b. 28 Oct. 1657, at Lancaster, Mass. His will was dated 19 Aug. 1729, at New London, Conn. and probated 22 June, 1730. It made his "loving wife, Sarah," sole executrix. Their marriage on the date noted above was recorded 9 May, 1684, in the first book of Lyme records, page 95, where her name was written as "Sarah Duren". In 1908 the New England pronunciation of the name Durant is Dur'-ent, and Dur'-en. Elsewhere it is almost invariably spoken with a slight accent on the second syllable, Du-rant'. The effect of accenting the first syllable has been in some Durant families, to change the spelling to Durrent, Durent, and Duren. Other public records show that Amos and

Sarah (Durant) Tinker were living at Lyme, Conn., in 1688, 1692, and June, 1705. The two following items are of interest as showing the method of identification of horses and cattle before fences were in vogue to keep together animals belonging to one owner. On page 94 of earliest Lyme records it appears that Amos~~s~~ Tinker sold a horse to "John Wheller [or Waller?] of New London, 22 Aug. 1681; and one "to a traveler" 9 Sept. 1681. His ear-mark for cattle was recorded in Lyme, 28 Aug. 1681, as follows: "Amose Tinker his eare marke for all sorts of Creatures is a halfe cross on the under side of the neare eare, and a half pene [penny] on the upper side of the same eare."

John Tinker, father of Amos Tinker and Samuel Tinker, was b. in England, probably in Yorkshire, and died at Hartford, Conn., in Oct. 1663. He was at Windsor, Conn. in 1643; but, after a few years, removed to Boston, Mass., where he became a "freeman" in 1654. He was one of the principal settlers of Lancaster, Mass., where he was a Selectman in 1655, and also Town Clerk. While here his son Amos Tinker was born. John Tinker returned to New London, Conn., where he was in high esteem, and was elected representative to the General Court, as the legislature of the colony was then called, for the years 1660 and 1661. After his death, in March, 1664, the General Court, as a rare mark of respect, ordered that the expenses of his last sickness and funeral amounting to 48 6s 4d, should be paid out of the public treasury.

Mrs. Alice (?Homan?) Tinker, wife of John Tinker, was born in England, in 1629, and died at Lyme, Conn., 20 Nov. 1714, aged 85 years. Her maiden name has not positively been ascertained, though it appears to have been Homan, or Holman. After the death of John Tinker, she m. (2) in 1664 with William Measure, a scrivener or attorney, who subsequently removed with the Tinker family to Lyme, Conn. Mr. Measure died during the administration of Sir Edmund Andross, and the inventory of his estate, dated 27 July, 1688, is recorded in Boston.

Children of John and Alice (Homan) Tinker

i. Sarah Tinker, b. in Boston, Mass., 2 Jan. 1651-2; probably died young.

ii. Mary Tinker, b. in Boston, 2 July, 1653. There seems to be hardly any doubt that she m. with William Waller, Jr., son of William and Elizabeth of Lyme, Conn. After her husband's death she dwelt at Middletown, Conn.

iii. John Tinker, b. at Lancaster, Mass., 4 Aug. 1655; d. probably at Lyme, Conn., before 18 Jan. 1788-9; and there has been no evidence found that he married.

iv. Amos Tinker, b. at Lancaster, Mass., 28 Oct. 1657; m. at Lyme, Conn., 1 June, 1682, with 5. Sarah² Durant, daughter of 1. George¹.

v. Samuel Tinker, b. at New London, Conn., 1 April, 1659; m. with 6. Abigail² Durant, daughter of 1. George¹.

vi. Rhoda Tinker, b. at New London, Conn. 23 Feb. 1661-2; probably died young.

The following extract from the records of a Town meeting at Lyme, Conn., 18 Jan. 1688-9, is good evidence that iii. John Tinker had no children, and that all descendants from John Tinker's sons are also descendants of 1. George and 2. Elizabeth (Blake) Durant:- "At the same meeting, Amos Tinker declaring his agrevance, Concerning his brother John Tinker, deceased, not being allowed anything in the fourth division of land, The Comity doe allowe unto him eight acres of Land lying on the west side of Eight Mile River as it is bounded by the measurers already."

(The present editor, writing in 1964, would like to call attention to a full history of the descendants of John and Alice (Homan) Tinker, a Tinker Genealogy, compiled by the Rev. William Durant and published by his son, William Clark Durant, in a limited edition of 21 copies, one of which is to be found in the New York Public Library.)

6. iv. Abigail² Durant. Neither the date of her birth nor that of her marriage has been found. But it is otherwise evident that she was a daughter of 1. George Durant, and that she m. about 1680, with v. Samuel Tinker, son of John Tinker, and brother of her sister 5. Sarah Durant's husband. Abigail (Durant) Tinker, d. at Southold, Long Island, 24 Dec. 1728. Her husband was b. at New London, Conn., 1 April, 1659, and d. at Lyme, Conn., 28 April, 1733, aged 74 years. His ear-mark for horses was recorded at Lyme, 30 Aug. 1681. The records show that Samuel Tinker and his wife Abigail dwelt at Lyme, Conn., in 1688, 1691, 2 and 3; but had removed to Shelter Island, just off the eastern end of Long Island, N.Y., before 26 June, 1705. They were living on Long Island in May, 1709, according to a deed given by his brother, Amos Tinker, by virtue of a power of attorney from Samuel Tinker, bearing the signatures of Amos Tinker, Samuel Tinker, and Abigail Tinker.

This deed was acknowledged by the brothers Amos and Samuel 25 Oct 1709.

Samuel Tinker made his will 28 April, 1733, and it was probated June 16th of that year.

7. v. Edward² Durant (8-15) "was born June 2d, 1661, as his mother saith", according to the public record at Middletown, Conn. The Boston record states that he died "March 28th, 1718, aged 66 years," which puts his birth in 1651 or 1652. In a deposition he made, 25 Sept., ¹⁶⁹⁶ before Judge Sewall (Letter Book, Vol. I, p. 170), he is described as then "aged fourty years", which puts his birth in 1656. His identity, however, is certain. He m. (1), about 1684, with Anne Hall, who seems to have been b. 20 Nov. 1661, sixth child of Richard and Mary Hall, and grand daughter of "Mr." John Hall, who settled in Middletown, Conn., in June, 1654, and d. there 26 May, ~~1763~~¹⁶⁶³, "being in the 89th year of his age, and the 40th of his being in New England." Ann, wife of John Hall, was a daughter of John Willcocke who d. 20 July, 1673, aged about 57 years. John Hall was accompanied to Middletown by three sons: Richard, Samuel, and John Hall, Jr. The following inscription was placed on the gravestone of Mr. John Hall at Middletown, Conn.: "Here lyeth the body of Iohn Hall / aged LXXV. years. departed this life January the / XXII. 1694. Here. lyes. OUR / deacon. Hall. who. stvdyed / peace. withall. was / Vpright. in. his. life. voyd / of. malignant. strife / gon. to. his. rest. left vs. / in. sorrow. doubtless / his. good. works. will / him. follow."

At Lyme, Conn., 7. Edward Durant recorded, 2 Nov. 1681, the sale of four horses in Boston in the preceding month. (Lyme Records, p. 100). His name, however, does not appear at Lyme in the tax list of 27 Aug. 1688. In 1686 he had a child baptized in Boston, Mass.; and, in 1689, another baptized at Middletown, Conn. Between these years his father had died, and the latter's estate had not been divided. It would seem that, after his father's death, in June, 1687, Edward Durant returned from Boston to

Middletown, Conn., to continue his father's business; remained there until the settlement of the estate, in 1691, after the death of his mother; and then finally settled in Boston, where his third child was b. in 1692. He was recorded as an inhabitant of Boston in 1695, and, on the 9th of July, 1694, had bought the "Inn at the Sign of the Lamb", at "the South end" of the City, on the road to Roxbury. This Inn, commonly called "The Lamb Tavern", was one of Boston's most famous public houses, and stood on the site of the present Adams House. During its ownership by Edward Durant, this property had a frontage on what is now Washington street of about 100 feet, and extended back 300 feet to the original line of the Commons, now Mason St.

Edward Durant m. (2) 2 June, 1714, with Sarah Whale, according to the record made by Mr. Thomas Bridges who was then minister of the Old South Church, Boston. No later allusion to this Sarah has been found. Apparently Edward Durant m. a third time, as the "widow Mary Durant received a license to keep the Inn at the Sign of the Lamb, 15 July, 1718. She m. 3 Sept. 1719, with William Ireland; and, on July 4th, 1720, the license was issued in the name of "William Ireland who married Durrant in Newberry St."

Edward Durant died intestate. His sons, "Samuel Durant, fellmonger, and Edward Durant, smith", were appointed administrators of his estate, 2 April, 1718, and three weeks later they filed the following Inventory.

	L s d
In the Parlour Closet, Suit of Apparel	2-10-00
In the Parlour Closet, Suit of Apparel	1-10-00
2 hatts and a Muff	1-04-00
6 shirts & Linnen Waistcoat and 2 neckcloths	1-10-00
2 pr. of Stockins & 1 pr of Boots, 1 pr Shoes	11-00
1 Bed & Bolster wt 70 lbs. at 20 s per lb.	6-10-00
1 Bedstead & Straw Bed & Suit of Curtains	1-07-00
1 Coverlitt, 1 Blanket, 12 pr sheets	6-12-00
4 Musling Curtains & head cloath & 4 Pillow Cases	1-04-00
4 Table Cloaths & 22 old Napkins	1-01-00
2 Silk Blanketts fit for children	1-15-00
1 Chest of Drawer, 6 small chairs & 1 large one	1-14-00
1 oval table and 1 House brush	1-01-00
60 lbs & $\frac{1}{2}$ old Pewter at 20 s per lb.	5-02-06
2 Tin pans, 1 earthen Juck & Dish, 2 Bibles,	
10 small books	1-14-06

1 Silk petty Coat that was his first wives	2-00-00
1 Piece of Gold valued at	1-06-00
46½ oz. of Silver at 10 s per oz.	23-05-00
Bills of Publick Credit	30-19-06
14 lbs of Butter at 8 d pr lb, 8 lbs Hoggs fat at 4 d pr lb	12-00
6 lbs of Cheese 5 d lb, 4 glass bottles at 3 d, 1 Tubb	04-00
An old Chest of Drawers, 1 old Cupboard	18-00
1 Bed 60 lbs at 16 d p lb, 1 Coverlitt, 2 Blanketts	5-01-00
1 Bed 70 lbs at 20 d p lb, 1 Rug, 1 Blankett	6-11-08
20 Bedsteads & Straw Beds & 3 old Stools	11-06-00
One Looking Glass	10-00
One old Chest of Drawers and one Table	18-00
6 High back Chairs and 1 pr of Brass Andirons	1-13-06
1 Cat tale Bed and Bedstead	1-00-00
1 Coverlitt & Blankett & 1 Chest of Drawers	1-00-00
1 Chest, 1 Hammock, 6 lbs of Hoggs, 2 baggs, one Table	19-00
1 Bed, 2 Bolsters, 3 Pillows, wt 70 lbs	5-16-08
1 Straw Bed & Bedstead, Curtain Rods & 3 old Ruggs	1-00-00
1 pr of Pistolls & holsters	1-05-00
some Pork in a barrel valued at £1-10, 1 Trunk	1-13-06
1 Brass Kittle and a brass pan wt 15 L & 3 Skillets	13-00
1 Warming pan & 4 pr of Scales & 10½ oz of Pewter at 16 d	1-06-09
11 Glasses, 4 glass Bottles, 4 Coffee Cups, 3 Salt Cellars, a Tap Boarer and Funnel	08-11
1 pestel & Morter & 2 Sugar Boxes & 1 Jugg & 2 Muggs	12-00
1 Pot and Kittle, 15 Tramels, 4 pr tongs, 1 Fire Shovel	1-12-00
3 Frs. Andirons 19, 2 Spitts, 1 Fender 10 & 2 Smoking Irons	1-11-00
6 Iron Candlesticks & a Case of bottles	16-06
3 Gridirons, a spade, an old howe, 1 pr Sillyards	17-00
1 Gun 14, 3 old Sadles 16, 2 Tables & a stool 5, & 2 Bridles	1-15-00
6 Chairs, 13 4 Back chairs, 5 1 Wooden Settle, 2 4 knives & 5 Forks	1-15-00
Meal Trough, 1 Cettle, 2 Cleevers, 1 Carving Knife, 6 lbs Beeswax	1-10-06
5 Meats tongues, 2 pieces of Beef, 1 Hammer, 1 Hook & 2 Howes	09-04
old ropes, 1 tub, 1 Funnel & 1 Bushel of Wheat Meal & chest	17-04
1 Jack and a parcel of soap	3-14-00
1 Hogshead of Rum 9 104 gall. at 3/5 p. Gall.	1-08-04
1 olk cask	3-09-00
20 pounds Candles at 10 d p lb. old lumber	18-08
35 hundred of Hay 3/6 p. hundred	6-02-06
2 Horses valued at	6-00-00
wood 11 4s Bedstead & an Iron bound Cask	1-13-06
2 Casks with vinegar in them	02-00
100 Gall. of Rum at 3/6 p. Gall.	19-05-00
7 Empty Casks and some Canary in a barrel	1-16-00
20 Galls. in a Hogshead a 3/6 p. Gall.	3-10-00
Servant Boy	16-00-00
3 Pints of Brandy, 3 ct little old iron	07-00
Two Bonds upon which one hundred and three pounds remain due to the estate from Samuel and Edward Durant; whether In- terest is to be demanded or no is left to Consideration	103-00-00

Taken by us John Bennit, Thomas Phillips, Calbe Eddy, Suffolk
By the Hon. Samuel Sewall, Esq. Judge of Probate &c.

Samuel Durant and Edward Durant, Administrators, presented the within written and made oath that it contains a true and perfect Inventory of the Estate of their father, Edward Durant, deceased, so far as hath come to their knowledge, and that if more hereafter appear they will cause it to be added. Boston, April 21st, 1718

THIRD GENERATION

(Children of 7 Edward² and Anne (Hall) Durant)

8. i. Anne³ Durant, b. in Boston, Mass., and baptized in the Old South Church, 15 Aug. 1686; apparently d. young.

9. ii. George³ Durant, b. probably at Middletown, Conn., was baptized there 10 Nov. 1689, "by virtue of his mother having owned the Covenant in Boston, which was signified by a letter from Mr. Willard", who was then pastor of the Old South Church, Boston. George apparently d. in youth; no later record of him has been found.

10. iii. Samuel³ Durant (16-23) b. in Boston, Mass., 4 April, and baptized there at the Old South Church, 17 April, 1692; d. at Dorchester, Mass., in 1738, aged 46 years. He m. 28 July, 1714 before the Rev. Joseph Sewall, colleague Pastor of the Old South Church, Boston, with Elizabeth Walker, who was b. in Boston, 16 Nov. 1688; daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Hunter) Walker.

Hunter Connections

Richard Carter appears in the Colony about 1663, with wife Anne. His dau. Mary m. (1) John Hunter before 1762; she m(2) with Joseph Cowell, who d. before 1702. John Hunter's dau. Sarah m (1) with a Samuel Walker; she m. (2) with a Mr. Paulling. Children of Samuel and Sarah (Hunter) Walker were: i. Sarah Walker, b. 10 Dec. 1679; m. a Mr. Bovey. ii. Mary Walker, b. 12 Oct. 1686. iii. Elizabeth Walker, b. 16 Nov. 1688; m. as above with 10. Samuel³ Durant.

Samuel Durant was styled a "fellmonger" in the old records, that is, a dealer in hides and leather. He was admitted a member of the First Church, Boston, 30 Aug. 1713, and his three oldest children were baptized there. Some time between the baptism of his son 18. George, in Nov. 1719, and the birth of his son 19. William, in March, 1722, he settled in Dorchester, Mass. There, 24 Sept. 1731, he bought a house and land from Zachariah

Lyon, William Deverick, and the latter's wife, Elizabeth; the property being bounded easterly on Samuel Robinson, northerly on Samuel Paul, southerly and westerly on Jonathan Jackson (Suffolk Deed, vol. 66, p. 231.) He sold the property, 1 March, 1735, to his son-in-law 16. Thomas Etheridge Samuel Durant's name is 44th in the list of signers on a petition, 21 April, 1721, for a tract of land, to be called New Boston, which was finally granted under the name of Nottingham, "a town northwestward of Exeter," New Hampshire. His name is among proprietors appended to that grant, and he drew two lots there on the division of the land: lot 39 Winter street, 4 Nov. 1730; and lot 15 in the 8th range, 1 Feb. 1733. But in June, 1734, he seems to have sold this property to Francis Hatton, periwig-maker of Boston. Ezekiel and John Walker, relatives of Samuel Durant's wife, were also interested in the Nottingham land.

11. iv. Edward³ Durant (24-31) b. in Boston, Mass., 2 March 1694-5, and baptized at the Old South Church, 24 Feb. 1695-6; d. at Newton, Mass., 14 Oct. 1740, aged 44½ years, and was buried in the Church yard of King's Chapel, Boston. He m. before the Rev. Benjamin Wadsworth, of the First Church, Boston, 31 March, 1715, with Judith Waldo, was b. in Boston, 25 Jan. 1691-2; d. in Medford, Mass. 27 Oct. 1785, aged 93 3/4 years; daughter of Cornelius and Faith (Peck) Waldo.

The following notes concerning 11. Edward³ Durant are from the Boston Public records. When 23 years old he was chosen, 9 March, 1718, to serve as one of the Clerks of the Market for the ensuing year, and, in that year he was also "Surveyor of the Highways." (Boston Record Commissioners' Reports: No. 8) The same year he was 'granted liberty to erect a tomb at the north end of the range of new tombs in the old burying place, provided he carry up the wall thereof next the adjacent lands in conformity to the other tombs in that range.' (Boston Rec. Com. Reports, No. 13) This tomb was evidently for his father, but its location has not been identified by the

Compiler. He was chosen Constable for the 8th Ward of Boston, 11 March, 1722, and 1723; the latter year he was also named in the visiting list of Inspectors. (Boston Rec. Com. Reports, No. 13). On Sept. 28, 1724, liberty was granted him to take up the pavement, open the ground, and lay a drain from his house in Newbury street to the common shore. (Bost. Rec. Com. Rep., No. 13) In March, 1728, he was chosen one of the 16 Scavengers, and in the following July, his petition to build a dwelling in Winter street, Boston, was granted. (No's 12 and 13). His property joined that of Judge Sewall. On it he erected a brick dwelling, at the southwest corner of Winter and Washington streets. In 1780 his mother-in-law, Faith (Peck-Jackson) Waldo, dwelt in that house. After the death of 11. Edward³ Durant it became the property and home of his widow, Judith (Waldo) Durant, and his only daughter, who lived to maturity, 29. Elizabeth⁴ Durant. From the latter it passed, by will, to her niece, 64. Sarah⁵ Durant, by whom it was transferred shortly before 1800, to her uncle, 31. Cornelius⁴ Durant.

On May 17th, 1732 Edward Durant was named with William Tyler and Joseph Marion a committee "to receive any proposals any may make for demolishing, or hiring out the old building belonging to the town of Boston in Dock Square"; a market building. (Boston Rec. Com. Rep., No. 12).

In conveyance of property Edward Durant was uniformly styled "blacksmith", like his grandfather 1. George¹ Durant, from 1716 down to May, 1733; but in the discharge of a mortgage, 1 Dec. 1733, he was described as "Edward Durant, of Newton, Gentleman"; and in March, 1736, another public record styles him "Captain".

In 1732, Edward Durant bought 91 acres in Newton, about eight miles west of Boston, in Middlesex county. This land was bounded east and west by public highways, and on the north by land of Captain John Jackson. This property included nearly the whole of Nonantum Hill, and in it is the monument erected to commemorate the Rev. John Eliot, the early missionary to the Wabau Indians. On the summit of Nonantum hill Edward Durant built

a large and substantial wooden house, about 1732, which is still standing in 1966, in good preservation.

Soon after the death of his grandchild, Dr. Edward Durant (1715-1782, #24) the house and surrounding land was sold to the Kenrick family. The Kenricks established one of the first, if not the first, tree nursery in New England. They imported young trees from Great Britain--particularly the copper beech; and some of those copper beeches, now of enormous size, still survive in the areas about the old Durant house. About 1903 the Kenrick heirs sold the house, and some of the surrounding land, to Dr. Austin Holden. Later it was acquired (c. 1914) by Frederick C. Durant (1853-1926), #312) of Philadelphia, a descendant of Dr. Edward Durant. He purchased the property in order to bring it back into the Durant family. In Jan 1923, Mr. F. C. Durant sold the property to Mr. Arthur Stone Dewing, grandson of Sophronia Durant (1811-1899, #160). Later Mr. Dewing acquired the lot to the north of the house, with a very large beech tree, said to be over 150 years old, and the lot to the east. In Feb 1954 Mr. Arthur Stone Dewing and his wife, Frances Hall (Rousmaniere) Dewing, deeded all the property to the Durant Homestead Trust. The Trust agreement provided that, so far as possible, the old Durant homestead shall be continuously occupied by a descendant of Edward Durant (1695-1740, #17). (Thanks are due to Mr. Dewing for the information in this note.)

The plan of the pews in the second building of the Old South Church, Boston, erected in 1730, shows Edward Durant's pew on the left of the pulpit, probably raised one step or more above the floor in front of it, with its seat facing the congregation. Soon after his removal to Newton, he asked leave to build a similar pew in the Meeting House there in 1734, but his request was denied. Jackson, in his History of Newton, helps us to appreciate the circumstances.

The 'Meeting Houses' of those days had long benches, the men sitting on one side of the room, and the women on the other side, while the young people were assigned to the gallery or the back benches. There were not many pews in the smaller buildings, and what there were would be built at private cost. In this case, the site most desired was along the wall at the pulpit end, and on a platform raised above the level of the floor. This was probably the site in which Edward Durant wanted to build a pew for his family in the Newton Meeting House. On the long seats, or benches, the attendants were assigned their places once a year by a committee, if the settlement increased rapidly. The Committee was instructed to seat people, first, by rank of 'dignity', as it was called; meaning, first, the families of the Minister and Magistrates and all in authority; second, those who paid the largest parish tax, or the rich men; third, the most aged; and fourth, they were not to degrade any, that is, no one was to be ranked in the Meeting House below the grade he had in the community. Married women took the grades of their husbands.

Captain Edward Durant, of Newton, was one of the subscribers to "Prince's Chronology," a history of New England in the form of Annals, and was "thus among those who may justly be regarded as the principal Literati of New England in his day. A mourning ring, engraved with Edward Durant's name and the date of his death is now (1966) in the possession of Mr. Arthur Stone Dewing, grandson of 160.Sophronia (Durant) Dewing.

To appreciate the values specified in the following Inventory of the

estate of Edward Durant, the financial conditions of the times should be borne in mind. Gold and silver were not then in circulation in New England. Money was represented by the "Public Bills of Credit", paper money issued by the several colonies, and these Credit Bills had so depreciated in 1738 that a pound sterling was equivalent to five pounds in "bills of credit". The purchasing power of money, in any form whatever, whether gold, silver, copper or paper, was then considerably greater than it is at the present time (1908); so that the prices below indicate what must have been a very fair fortune for those days.

An Inventory of the Real and Personal Estate of Edward Durant, Late of Newton in the County of Middlesex, Gentleman, Deceased; prized by us the Subscribers at Newton Afores^d. on January the 16 A.D.: 1740.

	£	s	d
The Wareing Apparil of the Deceased	91	14	6
Mr. Henry's Annotations and sundry other Books	58	18	4
one pair of Boots and Spaterlashes	05	15	0
Sword and Hanger £18 One Large Gun £ 5	23	00	00
A Trooping Sadle £ 21 a pair of pistoles 1	31	00	00
Hoolsters and Bags £ 9 one pair Bleu Bags £ 2	11	00	00
Cotoochbox powder Horns and Girdle	00	10	06
the Bed and furniture in the South Chamber	33	12	00
one Small Pallet-Bed and Bolester and Bedsted	06	15	00
the Bed in the North Chamber With one Bolster, two pillows, Bedsted and Curtains	39	16	00
one Red Sattin Quilt	09	10	00
one Bed and Bolster and pillow	09	06	08
the Negros' Beds and Beding	07	02	00
a Japland Chest of Draws £ 18 The Japland Table	21	00	00
the Great Japland Looking Glass	15	00	00
Six Chairs £9/6 The Great Ease Chair £ 8	17	06	00
Six Carved topt Leather Chairs	05	02	00
Six Leather Chairs & one Great Ditto	06	07	00
Six fine Backt Red Chairs 36/ Six Cain Ditto £4-10	06	06	00
The Chest of Draws in the South Chamber	06	10	00
one old Desk 55/ one Looking Glass £9	11	15	00
A Small Table	01	06	00
The Great Looking Glass in the North Room	16	00	00
The Scrutore £16/10 Round Table 14 Couch £5	25	00	00
in the East Room one Chest of Draws	03	10	00
One Looking Glass 1 5. plain Table 18/ Kitchen glass	07	03	00
In the South Lower Room the Looking Glass	10	00	00
The Clock £32 Round Table 14 one Ditto 35/	37	15	00
Thirty one old chairs	05	10	00
one Thrummed Rug 70/ one Quilt 14 one Ditto 16/	08	06	00
one Small Rug 10/ two White Blankets 38/	02	08	00
two pair of Sheets 50/ three Cotton & Lining Ditto 65/	05	15	00
two Old Ditto 10/ two pairs of Hollond Sheets 1 18	18	10	00
one Dyaper Table Cloth 55/ one Damisque Ditto 55/	05	10	00

three Table Cloaths 20/6	one pair of Muslin Curtains 88/	05-08-06
one pair of Striped Curtains		02-15-00
four Hollond pillow Beers 36/	two old Ditto 14/	02-10-00
A pair of Lining Ditto 8/	three Cotton Ditto 9/	00-17-00
to Eight Dammask Napkins £2	Seven old Ditto	02-09-00
two Silk Blankits and Sundry Smal Lining		11-00-00
one Dossen of putter plates		03-10-00
to three Earthen Dishes	four plats	four cups
two Dossen of putter plates £5	twenty six old plates £4	09-00-00
four puter platers	one Culender & Cheese plate	09-05-00
ten puter ditto £5.9.4.	old puter 11/6	06-00-10
A Large Brass Kittle £9	Old Brass 4.15.6	13-15-06
one Scilit and Tea Kittle 34/	one Copper pot 11/	06-00-08
two Brass Candle Sticks 15/	one Large Candlestick £3	03-15-00
Old brass 13/	one pair of Silyards 29/	one Ditto 14/
Scale and Weights 8/	Three pair of Tongs 28/	01-16-00
one fire Shovel 9/	Tobacko Tongs 13/	01-02-00
one pair of Iron Doggs 13/	Warming pan 16/	01-09-00
two Box Irons and Heelers & Great 23/6	Cradle 6/	01-09-06
one Stow 12/	two Brushes 4/	one Cain 5/
fifteen Knives and ten forks 22/6	one Large Knife 3/6	01-06-00
one Lanthorn and Tin Ware		00-09-00
one Meet fork	Choping Knife & two Iron Spoons	00-05-00
Six puter spoons 5/	Roleing pins & pessels 1/5	00-06-03
one Lead pott and Lid 6/6	Coffee mill 7/	00-13-06
one Gridiron 10/	one Large Ditto 23/	01-13-00
frying pan 8/16	Sieve 2/	two candelsticks 7
one Large Wheel & Spindle 12/	one Small Ditto 24/	00-11-10
Cards & Real 4/	Lining Yearn 35/	Cotton Yearn 41/8
Thirty yards of Cloath £6/10	one pound of Wossted yearn 9/	06-19-00
the Head of a Half pike 10/	three Rasses	Burning Glass 9/
A pair of Brass topt Andirons 9/	one pair of Small Ditto 6/	00-15-00
one pair of Tongs & fire Shovel With Brass Tops		00-14-00
two Large Decanters 20/	two Small Ditto 16/	01-16-00
one punch Bole and other Glass Ware 20/	more Glass 5/	01-05-00
Nine Wine Glasses 14/	two Salts 10/	a Case of Square
	Bottles 54/	03-18-00
one Gross and Half of Bottles 19	one Spaid 13/	09-13-00
two forks & one Shavel 8/6	Sixty two pound of Steel £9/6	09-14-06
two potts 24/8	Iron Kittle 10/	a Large Iron pot 38/8
one Spitt 8/	one Shave 9/	two Leather Buckits 8/6
to four Large Weights £3:15	one Iron Skilit 4/6	03-19-06
one Iron Dripin pan 11/	Six pails 5/	two Wash tubs 8/
Six Wooden Bottles 7/	one old Table 6/	one fender 8/
one pair of andirons £2	three trammels 30/	03-10-00
one Cheese Shelf 20/	Candle Box 4/	Hatt Case 2/
two tubs & a Box 5/	one Cart Rope 23/	01-06-00
to Eighty four pounds of Scraps 15/	more Ditto 2/	01-08-00
one Buckhorn Hammers and Tongs &c		00-17-00
one Anvill £6/8	one Vice 50/	Grandstone £2
Tryangles 32/	Bellows 48/	forty-five pound of old Iron' /22/6
more Old Iron £2/15	Tennant Saw 10/	04-00-00
two Iron Bars & two old Sledges £2-7	two Hammers 13/	10-18-00
to Nine pipes 30/6	four Hogsheads 23/	two Barrils 7/
two small Barils 6/	Seven tubs 8/	three meat tubs 20/
one Tray Keeler & Chese Tub 16/6	one Wicker Bascitt 7/	03-05-00
		03-00-00
		03-00-06
		01-14-00
		01-03-06

one Churn 9/ Bread Trough 5/ pail & Funil 30d	00-16-06
flower Barril & Small Cask & Winding Blades	00-07-00
four pounds of Wool 12/ two pounds of tow 2/	00-14-00
two pictures 5/ one Sadle and two Bridles £3	03-05-00
one old Sadle & Bridles 16/ one pair of flems 5/6	01-01-06
Cheese motes and Chease Tongs	00-03-00
the Small Shays	26-00-00
one pair of Brass andirons 23/ a Half Bushel 4/	01-07-00
one pair of Brass Tongs and fire Shovil	03-05-00
one pair of Brass Topt Doggs	04-05-00
one Sadle & Bridle £3/5 one plough 6/	03-11-00
one Coller and Horse Tacklen 37/ one Yoke 5/6	02-02-06
a Cart and Wheels £14 one Sled 5/ Sixteen Axes £12 /30d	26-05-00
Shays and Runers £30 two Axes in use 26/ one Broad Ditto	31-08-06
two Earthen Jarrs 6/ Earthen Ware 4/	00-10-00
to Meet in the Seller £13/10 to Cyder £9	22-10-00
one pair of Oxen £35/5 two Cows £19 three Cows £39	93-05-00
two Hefers £6 two ditto £16/10 one Bull £7/10	30-00-00
one Calf £3/5 the Best Horse £45 Another horse £14	62-05-00
two Swine £5 Rye 30/ Barley 36/ Indian Corn £13	21-06-00
to more Indian Corn	04-04-00
to English Hay £70/10 to one Mow of Hay £43	113-10-00
one Solver Tankard and four Spoons, forty-three ounces	62-07-00
one Silver Tankard, one Cann, five porringers, five spoons, peper Box, Spurs, Clasp Buckles 86 ounces	115-07-08
one Negro Man named Will	35-00-00
one Negro man named Cuff	164-00-00
	<u>£1597-16-02</u>

Due to the Estate on Bond, Viz.

A Bond from Jonathan Willard	50-00-00
A Bond from Thomas Snow	37-00-00
A Bond from Samuel Parker	100-00-00
A Bond from Thomas Snow	100-00-00
A Bond from Edward Park	-00-00
A Bond from Josiah Mixter	60-00-00
A Bond from Benjamin Garfield	30-00-00
A Bond from Josiah Parker	12-00-00
	<u>£439-00-00</u>

To one Dwelling House and outHousing and Barns with about ninety-seven Acres of Land adjoining 2800-00-00

To twelve acres of Wood Land lying Remote 174-00-00

A Right of Land in a New Township, called New Boston 100-00-00

A farm at Worcester with House and Barns and about 130 acres of Land 1550-00-00

A Dwelling House in Boston that Mr. Green lives in, with a Garden and Small passter adjoining thereto With a Barn there on 2150-00-00

A Dwelling House in Boston with two T^unements 1900-00-00

Another House in Boston 800-00-00

Sam^l Jackson 9504-00-00

Jonathan Fuller prizers £11540-16-02

John Spring

Middlesex Ss Feb. 23, 1740

Mrs. Judith Durant & Mr. Edward Durant, the administrators presented the foregoing and made oath that the same contains a full & perfect Inventory of the estate of the beforenamed Deceased so far as is come to their Hands or Knowledge & promised that if more should appear they would cause

the same to be added. "Jon^a Remington, J. pro."

In the preceding totals the amount due on bonds does not appear. This, which is £439, added to the valuation of the Personal property, £1397-16-02, and to the Real estate, £9504, makes the total valuation of the personal estate £11540-16-02.

For the record of the Division of the Real Estate, see Appendix, under "11. Edward Durant."

Judith Waldo, the wife of Edward Durant, was baptized in the First Church Boston, Mass., 31 Jan. 1691-2, when six days old. She was admitted to membership in the Old South Church, 6 Dec. 1719; and there her children were baptized, excepting the eldest, Edward Durant. Upon the death of her Mother, Faith (Peck) Waldo, in 1732, Judith received £100, and one-fourth of the estate without conditions. Soon after the death of her husband, Edward Durant, in 1740, she apparently removed from Newton, Mass., and dwelt with her minor children: Elizabeth Durant, aged about 12 yrs, Thomas Durant, about 10 yrs, and Cornelius Durant, 8 yrs. She was living in Dedham, Mass. 8 July, 1782, when she acknowledged discharge of a mortgage for £600, made by Abraham Adams, leather dresser, 2 May, 1778, her daughter Elizabeth Durant being a witness. Judith (Waldo) Durant d. at Medford, Mass., 27 Oct. 1785, aged nearly 94 yrs. (For Waldo Connections, see the Appendix)

12. ^vJohn³ Durant (32-36) b. in Boston, Mass., 29 March, 1697, and baptized there in the Old South Church, 4 April, 1697; joined the First Church of Boston, 25 Sept. 1715. He seems to have been living as late as 16 Aug. 1790, with a son, John Durant. In a list of "Boston Inhabitants", published in 1790, is this record: "John Durant, 2 males of 16 years and upwards, 0 males under 16 years, 5 females including heads of families."

John Durant m. 19 March 1718, before the Rev. Benjamin Wadsworth, pastor of the First Church, Boston, with Rachel Waldo, who was b. in Boston, Mass. 20 April, 1690; dau. of Cornelius and Faith (Peck-Jackson) Waldo, and sister

of Judith Waldo who married Edward Durant. In 1710, June 25, Rachel (Waldo) Durant was admitted a member of the First Church, Boston. Her death occurred at Dedham, Mass., 7 Jan. 1776, in her 87th year. There seems to be no possibility of making Rachel's age anything other than seven years the senior of her husband; she 28 and he 21 years old at the date of their wedding. Rachel was evidently the favorite child of her mother; in the latter's will Rachel's share was twice as large as the next favored child. She joined the Church at Dedham, Mass., with her daughter, Faith Durant, on their removal from Boston, "by the hand of tyranny", at the outbreak of the War of the Revolution, in 1775.

John Durant, like his brother Edward, was a blacksmith. His shop was on Battery-marsh street; and his son John Durant continued the business at the same place. In the great fire of 20 March, 1760, his house, in the "upper part of Water Street", was consumed. Neither John Durant nor his son, John Durant, seems to have been successful in business. Possibly this accounts for Mrs. Faith (Peck) Waldo's evident dislike of her son-in-law, John Durant; for she appears to have been a very thrifty woman. In 1729 John Durant's name appears as the 35th owner in "A List of the Tombs in the South Burying place on the South line."

13. vi. Ebenezer³ Durant, b. in Boston, Mass., 20 Sept. 1699; was baptized there in the Old South Church, 24 Sept. 1699; probably d. in childhood, as no other reference to him has been found.

14. vii. Abigail³ Durant, b. in Boston, Mass., and baptized there in the Old South Church, 10 May, 1702. She m. before the Rev. Thomas Foxcroft, of the First Church in Boston, 9 Oct. 1720, with John Salter, "both of Boston". John Salter, b. 6 April, 1696, was a son of Joseph and Elizabeth. The chln of John and Abigail (Durant) Salter were baptized in the First Church, Boston; their birthdates not being recorded there:

1. Richard⁴ Salter, bapt. 6 Aug. 1721; d. in 1793, aged 72 yrs. He

m. Jane -----, and had a son, John Salter, bapt. in First Church, Boston. Richard Salter became a Congregational minister and had a long pastorate at Mansfield, Conn., from 27 June, 1744 to his death in 1793. His name was given to a child in his parish who became a distinguished preacher in Brooklyn N.Y., the Rev. Richard Salter Storrs, D.D., who was not related to the Salter family. Dr. Richard Salter was graduated at Harvard College, in 1739, with honors. He was elected a Fellow of Yale College in 1771; and received his degree of D.D. from the same institution in 1782. In 1781, he deeded a farm to Yale College "for encouraging and promoting the study of the Hebrew language, and other oriental languages." He was twice married but had no chln.

- ii. Abigail⁴ Salter, b. 4 Aug. 1723; d. before Aug. 1730.
- iii. John⁴ Salter, b. 27 June, 1725; d. before July 1729
- iv. John⁴ Salter, b. 20 July, 1729; d. before Aug. 1731.
- v. Abigail⁴ Salter, b. 30 Aug. 1730.
- vi. John⁴ Salter, b. 15 Aug. 1731.
- vii. Jabez⁴ Salter, b. 29 April, 1733.

(Child of 11. Edward² and (2d wife) Sarah (Whale) Durant)

15.viii. David³ Durant, b. in Boston, Mass., about 1714. He was named, 21 Oct. 1722, as then about 8 years old, "son of Edward Durant, of Boston, victualler"; when his half-brother, Edward³ Durant, blacksmith, was appointed his guardian". Apparently he d. young; no other reference to him has been found.

FOURTH GENERATION

(Children of 10 Samuel and Elizabeth (Walker) Durant)

16. i. Anne⁴ Durant, b. in Boston, Mass. in 1715. She m. there 17 Oct. 1733, with Thomas Ethridge, "both of Boston," before the Rev. Thomas Foxcroft of the First Church. On the books of that Church are the baptismal records of their children; the parents having "owned the Covenant" 2 Feb.

- 1734-5:
- i. Thomas⁵ Eth^eridge, bapt. 2 Feb. 1735; prob. d. young.
 - ii. Abigail⁵ Etheridge, bapt. 2 Feb. 1735; prob. d. young.
 - iii. Thomas⁵ Etheridge, bapt. 13 June, 1736.
 - iv. William⁵ Etheridge, bapt. 1 Feb. 1741; m.? 26 Feb. 1764, Mary Bradley.
 - v. Thomas⁵ Etheridge, bapt. 16 Sept. 1744; m.? 3 May, 1785, Anne Burton.
 - vi. Jonathan⁵ Etheridge, bapt. 12 April, 1747.
 - vii. Ann⁵ Etheridge, bapt. 28 May, 1749; prob. d. young.
 - viii. Nathaniel⁵ Etheridge, bapt. 24 March, 1751.
 - ix. Anna⁵ Etheridge, bapt. 7 Oct. 1753; prob. d. young.
 - x. Mary⁵ Etheridge, bapt. 24 March, 1755; ? m. John Gilbert, 26 April, 1794.
 - xi. Anna⁵ Etheridge, bapt. 22 May, 1757; ? m. Samuel Hicks, 5 Aug. 1794.

17. 11. Samuel⁴ Durant (36-44) b. in Boston, Mass., and baptized there in First Church, 17 Feb. 1716-7; d. before 1803. He m. 9 May, 1738, with Silence Gulliver, who was b. at Milton, Mass., 3 Dec. 1719; d. as "widow of Samuel Durant", at Dorchester, Mass., in 1808, aged about 84 years; dau of John and Margaret Gulliver.

In a conveyance of land at Dorchester, 1743, 17. Samuel⁴ Durant was styled a "leather-dresser". He dwelt there, and later at Milton, Mass. In the latter place he bought, from his father-in-law, John Gulliver, "housewright", one acre and a half of land, near the middle of the town, on the south side of the road to Stoughton; bounded northeast on land of Hannah Gulliver (grand-mother of John Gulliver above); bounded on south on land of Samuel Keyes. The same year he also bought a quarter of an acre in Dorchester:- bounded easterly and no^vtherly on land of John Robinson; southerly on the Neponset river near the bridge; and westerly on the highway to Dedham. The latter piece he sold, in 1744, to his son-in-law, Richard Jordan, "of Milton, paper-maker." Samuel Durant was admitted a member of the First Church of Milton, 27 April, 1740. The Rev. Dr. Teele, who was a pastor of that Church, says the tradition is authentic which derives the Gulliver family from the north of Ireland; and which relates that one of the sons, returning and telling large stories about America, became known to Dean Swift, who thus obtained his title for his "Gulliver's Travels". A Lemuel Gulliver, who d. 4 Jan. 1840, aged 80 yrs, was buried in the Read and Gulliver tomb at Milton. Hannah Gulliver's tombstone is also in the same cemetery; she d. 1 June, 1760, aged 80 yrs and 4 mos.

GULLIVER NOTES

Anthony Gulliver d. 28 Nov. 1706 (Milton Epitaphs). He m. (1) Lydia Kinsley, dau. of Stephen, about 1640. Stephen Kinsley in his will, dated 27 May, 1673, named his son-in-law, Anthony Gulliver. The latter m. twice. On March 25, 1662, Anthony Gulliver and his wife Lydia signed a deed, which was acknowledged by Anthony but not by his wife, 4 April, 1682. In his will dated in Jan. 1703-4, he named his wife as Elinor; and, on the preceding day, he and his wife Elinor deeded land to his son Jonathan. Lydia was the mother of his chln. He probably m. Elinor after 1681-2; she was then probably a widow, with a dau. named Verin.

18. iii. George⁴ Durant, b. in Boston, Mass., and bapt. in the First Church, 22 Nov. 1719; d. between 27 Nov. and 25 Dec. 1744, as on the latter date his name does not appear as an heir of 1. George¹ Durant on deed of land at Middletown, Conn. He m. in the New South Church, Boston, 4 Nov. 1742, with Susanna Shed. It is conjectured that she was a dau. of the Joseph and Susanna Shed who had chln baptized in the New South Church, Boston, on and after 19 June, 1732. On that date the record mentions that Joseph Shed was connected with the Second Church in Roxbury, Mass. It seems probable that the "Susanna Durent" who, according to the Register of Trinity Church, Boston, married 20 May, 1746, with John Thomas, was the widow of 18 George⁴ Durant. By a deed, dated 27 Nov. 1744, "George Durant, of Boston, leather dresser", and his wife Susanna, conveyed one-third of an estate in "Cold Lane" to Samuel Barrett. This deed was not acknowledged by Susanna until 15 July, 1746; and on the following 28th of July, the witnesses testified that they saw George Durant sign the deed, and that he had since died. He entered into Covenant with the Hollis Street Church, Boston, at the time of the baptism of his daughter, apparently his only child:-

1. Mary⁵ Durant, b. in Boston, 7 Dec. 1744; bapt. 16 Dec. 1744. Nothing more has been learned concerning this child.

19. iv. William⁴ Durant, b. at Dorchester, Mass. 1 March, 1721-2; was bapt. at Milton, Mass., 11 March 1721-22. Apparently he d. young, as his name does not appear in the settlement of his father's estate in 1744.

20. v. Ebenezer⁴ Durant, b. at Dorchester, Mass., 15 May, 1723. On Dec. 25, 1744, he joined his brother, 17. Samuel Durant, in an assignment of land at Middletown, Conn., as the oldest direct descendants and heirs of his great-grandfather 1 George¹ Durant. He was apparently the "Ebenezer Durant" in the Louisburgh expedition, who was a private in the 8th Company, under Captain Samuel Rhodes, of the 3d Massachusetts regiment, Colonel Jeremiah Moulton, in 1745. (New England Genealogical Register, 1871, p. 258). Nothing later has been learned of him.

21. vi. Jonathan⁴ Durant (45-50) b. at Dorchester, Mass., 21 Jan., 1725-6, and baptized at Milton, Mass., 30 Jan. 1725-6; d. in Boston, Mass., 18 Feb. 1770, aged 44 yrs. He m. (1) with Hannah Copeland, dau. of Ephraim. She was b. about 1725, and d. in Boston, 6 Sept. 1760, aged 35 yrs. Jonathan m (2) 27 Sept. 1767, with Keturah Davis, who d. at Concord, Mass., in 1813, after a long illness.

Jonathan Durant was a "peruke-maker"; a peruke being an artificial cap of hair for a bald head. His death and that of his first wife are recorded in King's Chapel, Boston; altho he was admitted a communicant of the New South Church, 14 March, 1756. On the baptism of his son 45 Jonathan⁵ Durant, in the latter, 3 May, 1752, the register notes that Jonathan's wife, Hannah, was then a communicant in the Old South Church. She was apparently the Hannah Copeland admitted to membership at the Old South Church, 2 Jan. 1742-3. He was appointed guardian of his son 46 Ephraim⁵ Durant, 27 June, 1766; and, in Oct. 1772, Ephraim Copeland, the grandfather was appointed guardian of the same child. This record of guardianship seems conclusive as to the death of all Jonathan's other children in his first marriage, before June, 1766. The Keturah Durant who d. at Concord, Mass., is identified as the second wife of Jonathan Durant by the unique inscription on the gravestone of their child 50 Katherine⁵ Durant. The inventory of Keturah (Davis) Durant's estate was dated 17 March, 1813; and Abiel Haywood was named as administrator.

22. vii. Abigail⁴ Durant, b. at Dorchester, Mass., 7 Oct. 1728; no later reference to her has been found.

23 viii. Elizabeth⁴ Durant, b. at Dorchester, Mass., 20 Dec. 1730, was bapt. at Milton, Mass., 30 Dec. 1730. She d. at Dorchester, 22 Sept. 1734

(Children of 11 Edward³ and Judith (Waldo) Durant)

24 1. Edward⁴ Durant (51-62), b. in Boston, Mass., 7 Feb. 1715; d. at Newton, Mass., 10 April, 1782, aged 67 yrs. He m. (1) at Newton, 15 Sept. 1735 with Anne Jackson, who was b. there 15 June, 1714; d. there 25 Nov. 1753, aged 39 yrs, 5 mos.; dau. of Capt. John Jackson and his second wife Anne. Edward Durant m (2) 23 Nov. 1754, with Mary Allen, who was b. in 1728; d. in March, 1792, aged 64 yrs; dau. of John Allen, a merchant of Boston, who d. in 1751, aged 69 yrs, leaving one son, John Allen, M.D., and four daughters

JACKSON ANCESTRY

Christopher¹ Jackson, of London, England. John² Jackson, bapt. in parish of Stepney, London, England; 6 June, 1602; one of the first settlers in Cambridge, Mass., 1639; remained and d. there; brought a good estate from England; took freeman's oath in 1641; one of the first Deacons of the Church there; gave an acre of land for the Church and Burial Ground, on which the first Meeting House was built in 1660, and which, in 1889, was the oldest part of the Center Cemetery at Newton, Mass. He died 30 Jan. 1674-5, leaving an estate of £1,230.; his widow Margaret, a second wife, d. 28 Aug. 1684, aged 60 yrs. They had 5 sons and 10 daughters, and, at his death, about 50 grandchln.

Abraham³ Jackson, b. in 1655, the only son of deacon John² to leave chln, m. in 1679, with Elizabeth Bisco, dau. of John Bisco of Watertown, Mass., and had 3 sons and 8 daughters.

John⁴ Jackson, son of Abraham³, called "Captain", was b. in 1682; m. his second wife, Ann ----- 15 Feb. 1712; had 2 sons and 4 dau.; was "the richest man in Newton, paying the largest tax and having the highest seat in the Meeting House." He adopted two sons of his sister, Elizabeth⁴ (Jackson) Williams: Ephraim⁵ Williams, founder of Williams College, at Williamstown, Mass., and Thomas⁵ Williams. The estate of John⁴ Jackson, brought from England by his grandfather, Deacon John², the industrious accumulations of his father, Abraham³ Jackson, and the share of his mother from the Bisco estate, mainly centered in the possession of Captain John⁴ Jackson; he built a grand house for the times, lived luxuriously, and he and his children scattered the estate; he died in 1755. See Jackson's History of Newton.

24 Edward⁴ Durant was graduated at Harvard College in the class of 1735, and received his honorary degree of Master of Arts in 1748. He moved to Newton, Mass., with his father in 1730; and, ten years later, on his father's death, inherited most of his father's property there and in Cambridge, Mass., his share being appraised at £2788-13-04. His father-in-law, Captain John Jackson, was his nearest neighbor on the north. Edward Durant was public

spirited and generous. Among other deeds of that sort, he offered his house for the use of the Grammar School; and, in 1761, the Town voted that the school be kept in it.

Dr. Samuel F. Smith (author of the hymn, "My country, 'tis of thee") in his History of Newton specifies the following public records concerning Edward Durant:

He was Moderator of Town Meetings from 1765 to 1775; Selectman four years from 1762; and was a leading, influential and patriotic man in opposing the arbitrary measures of the British government, for more than ten years preceding the Revolutionary War. He was chairman of the committee, and author of the report, to instruct the representatives in the General Court of the Colony, in 1765, upon the passage of the "Stamp Act" of the British government. In Dec. 1772, he was Chairman of the Committee of five to express public opinion on the state of affairs in the Colony, and to instruct Representatives in the General Court. He reported, especially, (1) against England's taxation of the Colonies without giving them representation in Parliament; (2) against extension of the powers of the Courts of Admiralty; (3) against the presence of a British military force in Boston; (4) against taxation for maintenance of the Colonial government in any other way than by voluntary grants made by the Colony's General Court.

In January, 1774, he was elected Chairman of the Colony's Committee of Correspondence, which was charged with the duty of keeping in touch with the other American colonies in their opposition to what were regarded as "British tyrannies." He was also one of the two delegates, from the town of Newton, to the Provincial Congress at Concord in 1774, and to that at Watertown in 1775.

25. ii. Cornelius^h Durant, b. in Boston, Mass., 25 March, 1718; baptized in the Old South Church, 30 March, 1718; d. 19 Aug. 1718.

26. iii. Abigail^h Durant, b. in Boston, Mass., and baptized in the Old South Church, 30 July, 1721; d. young.

27. iv. Judith^h Durant, b. in Boston, Mass., and baptized in the Old South Church, 26 May, 1723; d. young.

28. v. Cornelius^h Durant, b. in Boston, Mass., and baptized in the Old South Church, 24 May, 1724; d. young.

29. vi. Elizabeth⁴ Durant, b. in Boston, Mass. and bapt. in the Old South Church 9 June, 1728; d. in Boston 1798; aged 70 years; not m. She was about ten years old when her father died. From his estate she received a portion of his farm at Worcester, Mass., and a brick dwelling in Boston, adjoining the properties of her mother and her brother 30. Thomas⁴ Durant, on the eastern side of Newbury street, near the present corner of Washington and Bedford streets. There she dwelt many years, ministering to the old age of her mother, making a home for her cousin 33. John⁴ Durant, and "giving maternal care" to her niece 64. Sarah⁵ Durant, the daughter of her brother 30 Thomas⁴ Durant. She was admitted a member of the Old South Church, Boston, 28 Dec. 1755, and probably had removed to Boston, with her mother, some years before. Her will is of special interest, establishing several genealogical facts. It was dated 10 April, 1792, and proved 9 Oct. 1798. In it she described herself as a "singlewoman", and bequeathed her property as follows:

"To my niece Sarah Durant, the youngest daughter of my brother Thomas Durant, by his first wife, the rents of my dwelling house in Newbury street, and house and land. Also one silver can, 2 silver porringers and 2 silver spoons. Also 18 ounces of silver plate more, which my brother Cornelius gave me more than 37 years ago, being his share of the silver plate of my deceased father's estate, which plate is contained in a silver tankard, one porringer, and some spoons; ...all my wearing apparel to my said niece. And though I have a number of other nieces and nephews, children of my brother Edward Durant, late of Newton, deceased; and likewise the children of my brother Thomas Durant by a second wife, lately deceased in the West Indies, which I do not particularize, not intending to give them anything because so small it would not be worth dividing; and because I have always had a maternal care of my said niece Sarah, having adopted her in her youth.

In a codicil she declared:

Whereas, I left in a former will to John Durant, only son of my late uncle John Durant, deceased, of Boston, blacksmith, a back chamber in said house during his life, my will is that I leave it at my niece Sarah's disposal.

30. vii. Thomas⁴ Durant (63-69) b. in Boston, Mass., 22 Aug. 1730; d. in the island of St. Croix, Danish West Indies. He m. (1) in Boston 21 Nov. 1751 with Ann Hunt, who d. in 1761; dau. of Richard and Sarah (Williams) Hunt. He m (2) in St. Croix a widow whose maiden name was Sally Hallam, and who d. before 1792. On the settlement of his father's estate, Thomas Durant, then

about 8 yrs old, received for his share a right of land in the New Boston township of New Hampshire, now part of Nottingham; and also a house in Boston, Mass., adjoining the house of his sister Elizabeth Durant, on the eastern side of Washington street, near Bedford street. In the record of his first marriage, at the New South Church, Boston, he is registered as "John Durant of Portsmouth." Deeds and other records, however, identify this as a record of Thomas Durant's marriage. In 1752 and 3 he disposed of all his property in Boston, and was a "merchant" on the tax list at Portsmouth, N.H., as late as 1759. After the death of his first wife, he appears to have removed to St. Croix, West Indies, in 1766, or earlier. There he became a partner with his brother, Cornelius Durant, in the lumber and shipping business, at Christians-ted. He also had a plantation on the island, residing there the remainder of his life.

THE HUNT FAMILY

The following from the Hunt Genealogy, pp. 247, 248, 348, is of interest for its bearing upon the families of 30 Thomas Durant and his brother 31 Cornelius Durant.

Richard¹ Hunt, "from Great Britain", m. before the minister of the Brattle Street Church, Boston, 11 April, 1716, with Sarah Williams. She d. in July, 1772, aged 75 yrs. Her will of 1 Aug. 1770, proved 21 Feb. 1772, gave to her dau. Durant; to her grand daughters Elizabeth Hunt, Jane Salmon, Mary Salmon; and to her niece Jane Williams. Richard Hunt's chln were:

- i. John² Hunt, b. 13 July, 1721; d. 1722.
- ii. Sarah² Hunt, bapt. 11 April 1725.
- iii. Richard² Hunt, bapt. 12 June, 1726
- iv. Ann² Hunt, m. John Durant of Portsmouth, N.H.
- v. William² Hunt, of Providence, R.I.
- vi. Mary² Hunt, m. John Salmon.

iii. Richard² Hunt m. (1) 13 Jan. 1745-6, with Mary Tothill, who received a divorce from him, 14 Feb. 1761, having three chln living at that date. He d. 27 Aug. 1765 (See Boston newspapers of about that date), and was buried from the house of his sister Mrs. Salmon. According to Suffolk County Deeds (No. 93.50), in Mass., Richard² Hunt was a truckman in Boston, and gave power of attorney to his wife, Mary, to sell land in Holden, Worcester county, Mass. This deed, of 25 Dec. 1758, was acknowledged in Falmouth, Maine; see also Worcester county, Mass., deeds, 40.210. Richard² Hunt owned the Covenant at the Old South Church, Boston, 5 March, 1749; and his wife, Mary did the same, 23 Sept. 1750. Their children were:

- i. Richard Tothill³ Hunt, b. 23 Feb. 1748-9; d. early.
- ii. Richard Tothill³ Hunt, bapt. 1751; d. in 1793.
- iii. John Salmon³ Hunt, bapt. 1752, Aug. 16.
- iv. George Shoars³ Hunt, bapt. 1 Sept. 1754.
- v. Mary³ Hunt, bapt. 1 Sept. 1754, d. y.

- iii. John Salmon³ Hunt, merchant in Boston, dwelt, in 1795, at 26 Federal street; later in the island of St. Croix, West Indies. He m. with Russell Lillie. In 1807, he and his wife sold land at Holden, Mass. His will was made jointly with his wife, 12 Aug. 1800; proved 27 June, 1815. His children were:
- i. John Lillie⁴ Hunt, b. 20 Aug. 1791; graduate of Harvard College, 1810; d. at St. Croix, 3 March, 1816.
 - ii. Cornelius⁴ Hunt.
 - iii. Andrew B.⁴ Hunt, d. 13 Sept. 1807, aged 13 yrs.
 - iv. Jane S.⁴ Hunt, m. John Brown
 - v. Russell O.⁴ Hunt, m. James Carden.

30 Thomas⁴ Durant's second marriage was romantic. As the family tradition runs, Sally Hallam was an English actress, of the celebrated Hallam family on the stage at that time. A branch of that family played in our Colonies from 1749 to 1774, with occasional tours to the West Indies. This company, with Lewis Hallam at its head, was received with great favor, and began the history of acting in this country. One of the company, "Miss Hallam", appeared at the John's street theatre, New York, in 1769, as Juliet, and subsequently took all the leading parts. So profoundly did she move her audiences, especially in the South, by her art, her beauty and her irreproachable manners in private life, that she was received with popular ovations. The Marylanders had her portrait painted by Charles Wilson Peale, as Imogene in Cymbeline, which she played at Annapolis. All trace of this portrait has been lost, and nothing is known of her in the history of the stage after the company disbanded in 1774. This Miss Hallam was a niece of Mrs. Douglas, the mother of Lewis Hallam. Another Miss Hallam was playing with the company in the Colonies from 1752 to 1754 (See History of the American Theatre, 1749-77, by Seilhamer).

The family tradition, however, locates the fame of Sally Hallam in London, England, and describes her as having attained eminences in her profession, though on the stage but a short time; giving it up to marry an Italian nobleman, whose name has been corrupted in the tradition to a sound like the word "Pigeon". With him, it is said that she made her home in Italy for a few years, when their happiness was cut short by his sudden death. Soon afterwards she sailed for England, with her only child, a young daughter, and with much valuable property. But fate had one more misfortune for her. The ship was

driven far out of its course by storms, and finally wrecked. Sally Hallam and her daughter, with some of the other passengers, were at last rescued by a vessel bound for St. Croix, from Boston, on which Thomas Durant was returning to his plantation. He had been daring in the rescue, and eventually won Sally Hallam to become his wife. Among the few articles she saved from the wreck was a solid silver fruit-basket, shaped like a boat, with the initials "J.L." on the handle. In accordance with her will, this silver basket has descended in the female line from mother to daughter, or to the oldest daughter in the next generation in case any holder of the basket fail to have a daughter of her own. It has thus descended:

- 1st to Louise, dau. of Sally Hallam by her first marriage: Louise left no child.
- 2nd to Mary⁵ (Durant) Maynard, only daughter of Sally Hallam's second marriage.
- 3rd to Sally⁶ (Maynard) Smith, oldest daughter of Mary (Durant) Maynard. As Sally Smith had no dau., the basket passed to her niece:
- 4th to Louise Dwight⁷ (Dow) Benton, oldest dau. of Maria Cornelia Durant (Maynard) Dow
- 5th to Emma Maynard⁸ (Dow) Gould, sister of Louise Dwight (Dow) Benton.
- 6th to Alice Maynard⁹ Gould, dau. of Emma M.⁷

When making the fifth transfer of the silver basket, on the occasion of her sister's silver wedding, 27 April, 1884, Mrs. Louise Benton wrote the following lines, which were read at that time and attracted much attention to the Silver Fruit Basket.

"Plea of the Neglected Heirloom
The Story of the Old Silver Fruit-Basket"

'Tis many and many a wedding feast I've haply graced;
Piled high with dainties, and conspicuously placed,
In city and in village, and in lands beyond the seas;
In pleasant homes, where plenty reigned, I've sat at ease;
On table or on sideboard, tho reflective ever bright;
Oft holding luscious grapes, or downy peaches, charming sight!
Or golden oranges, or cakes, or trifling bonbon sweet;
At all times offering a tempting and refreshing treat.
Always I held myself in readiness to serve,
With brightest shining face, the ready hand of nerve,
And the quick willing steps that deftly passed me round --
And never to be slighted -- as I always found.

But now, for long consigned to dulness, prison and gloom;
 Fast growing duller, in despair of finding room,
 Or time, or place, in which I might once more be used;
 As in old days, to scatter comfort, ne'er confused
 By any fresh attack upon my heaped up store.
 For aye I ready stood to hold or carry more.
 So, with a plea I come, on this your wedding day;
 This silver wedding night of joy, when all is gay
 With life and beauty, and with brightness new and fair;
 And beg that I may find a place accorded there,
 Where fresher silver gleams in rare and daintiest forms;
 And, harbored safe again by you from all the storms
 Of life and fate, which dull and sadden even me,
 Find fitting place once more, welcome both bright and free,
 With wedding gifts; among which often times before
 I've figured brightly, in the good old days of yore.
 Accept me, then, all the more gladly for my fashion old;
 And suffer me to tell the story often told,
 Of all my wanderings, by sea and on the land
 Three generations four, passed down from hand to hand;
 'Till now, the second time from sister to sister passed,
 Lo! here again I'm in a line of straight descent at last.

Know you, her great grand child, that many years ago--
 How many years now passed I can not surely know --
 Fair Sally Hallam shores of England left, and English home,
 Sailing with her Italian husband, over white sea foam,
 To Italy's fair storied, sunny land, where soon, alas!
 Sorrow befell, as come it will. All which, as in a glass,
 Powerless for aught but to grow dull with grief, I saw
 The fair young head bowed down with widdowed sorrow! Nor
 Reckoned I what might us next befall; when, lo!
 Surprised with other treasures sadly packt to go
 By sea, back with my mistress and her baby daughter,
 To England, home; I found myself upon the water.

Then storm and shipwreck came; but they and I, at last,
 Were saved by a vessel for West Indies sailing past.
 On board this ship there sailed a noble man and true,
 Thomas Durant, of Santa Cruz, one "well to do";
 Who e'er the vessel reacht his island home, had sued
 The widow for her hand; and not in vain he wooed.
 In Santa Cruz, then, for the second time, I played
 My part of service, in the wedding feast they laid.
 Your great, grandparents, as you know, are they
 Whose story I have tried to tell you here to-day.

The years past by. The babe Louise, a woman grown
 Received as from the father dead, she scarce had known,
 Me, thus, as doubly wedding gift; but with it, too,
 The mother's will, as binding now as then when new:-
 That ever on to eldest daughter I should pass,
 Or always in the female line. Thus came to pass,
 That first eldest daughter no daughter having had,
 I came to Mary, her half-sister, all too glad
 Once more to figure brightly in a banquet spread,
 When Mary Durant, of Santa Cruz, American, John Maynard, wed;
 Your mother's mother, and grandfather Maynard, these;
 Of whose twelve children all were born across the seas,
 Save only five in Boston born, your mother last of all.

Their eldest daughter, Sally, whom Aunt Smith we fondly call,
 Received me next. In her good care how many homes I decked
 I scarce can tell you now; but yet, as I reflect,
 I mind me well of two in Boston; in your neighboring town
 Of Scarborough, for several years; in Portland, up and down,
 As I reflect now, in three different houses, first and last;
 And in three Saccarappa homes she kept me fast.

From her, then, to her sister's eldest daughter next I went,
 Many a blessing bearing as a wedding gift was sent.
 And long since then, I've helpt to deck a home among the hills,
 Where now, alas! the sound of girlish laughter never thrills;
 Where sickness reigning, for my safety, banished me to gloom;
 Whence, now released, I brightly come to you, to beg for room
 And light of day, my cheering hospitable part to play;
 From sister once more come to sister, under pledge alway
 To go to eldest daughter, or next sister's daughter; still
 Passing ever as decreed by our great grand-mother's will.

31. viii. Cornelius⁴ Durant (70), the third child of this family to bear the name "Cornelius"; b. in Boston, Mass., 7 June, 1732, and baptized in the Old South Church, 11 June, 1732; d. in the island of St. Croix, West Indies, 1812. He m. (1) in 1766, or a little earlier, with Mrs. Mary (Tothill) Hunt, widow of Richard Hunt (This Richard Hunt was a brother of 30 Thomas Durant's first wife, see above) and dau. of Edward Tothill, her mother being a dau. of George Shore, or Shoars, of Boston, Mass. Cornelius Durant m (2) in Boston, Mass., 20 May, 1786, according to the "Mass. Centinel" of May 24th, with Maria Fenno, who d. before 1812.

The Tothill Family

In 1759 Mary Hunt, wife of Richard, has set off to her 1091 acres of land in Holden, Worcester county, Mass., as her share among the heirs of George Shore, whose will of 1743 gave his property to his five grandchln, the children of Edward Tothill, namely: 1. Mary Tothill, ii. Jeremiah Tothill. iii. Sarah Tothill. iv. George Tothill, and v. Elizabeth Tothill. Part of this land was sold by "Mary Durant" 11 April, 1768, under power of attorney from her husband Cornelius Durant, dated in St. Croix, 22 May, 1767.

From his father's estate Cornelius Durant received the larger portion of the farm in Worcester county, Mass. He was not married 21 May, 1754, when he joined with his sister, 29 Elizabeth Durant, in selling all their property in that county, about 153 acres, to Josiah Harrington, of Waltham, Mass.

A legend, most fully preserved among the descendants of 17 Samuel⁴ Durant as well as among those of his brother 24 Edward Durant, asserts that Cornelius

Durant found a treasure trove upon his father 11 Edward³ Durant's property at Newton, Mass., just before Cornelius went to the island of St. Croix about 1766. According to one version of the tradition, this treasure was concealed in a hole of the rock under the cellar of his father's house at Newton, Mass. The Kenricks, who lived in the house for three generations, or more, still occupying it in 1905, asserted that a certain part of the cellar floor of native rock sounds, when stamped upon, as if there were a cavity underneath; and, in their traditions, has always been connected with the treasure found by Cornelius Durant. Another version has it that, after thrice dreaming, on successive nights, of a treasure lying at the bottom of the lake behind the house, Cornelius Durant made a search for it the last morning, at early light, with grappling irons, and drew up a chest containing a large amount of coins and other valuables, which had possibly been lost overboard from a boat, or, more likely had been thus hidden by thieves who never found it convenient to recover their plunder. Tradition also asserts that this treasure-trove was the nucleus of the large fortune he gained in the West Indies.

In a deposition made in Boston, Mass., 4 Aug. 1810, Cornelius Durant styled himself then as "of Boston" and declared that he "went to the ^{West} Indies in the year 1766". In an earlier deposition, made at Salem, Mass., 18 Feb. 1808, he styled himself "of Roxbury", and added, "I went to the island of St. Croix, in the West Indies, in the year 1766, and resided there till the year 1778, and have resided there at different times considerably since."

The will of Cornelius Durant, dated 8 March, 1812, and proved 11 May, 1812, evidently a holograph, disposed as follows:

To the Danish Church in St. Croix, and to the Danish Hospital there, each 25 pices of eight in St. Croix currency.

To my niece 64 Sarah Durant, daughter of my brother Thomas Durant, dec'd, an annuity of \$1000 during her life.

To my two godsons, Cornelius D. Maynard and Cornelius Hunt, 2000 pieces eight St. Croix currency, each.

To the children of my nephew, 66 Lewis Edward Durant, dec'd, being three daughters residing in Norfolk, Virginia, \$1000 each to be paid out of any funds in St. Croix.

The farm and buildings which I own in Scarborough, purchased of William Vaughan and Samuel Libby, I devise to my executors to the use of John Maynard during his life, and, on his decease, to all the children of said Maynard and his present wife, Mary, my niece, (except Cornelius Maynard).

All my horses and stores and lumber yard and wharf in the town of Christiantia, in St. Croix, to be sold immediately after the dissolution of the co-partnership between Charles Webster and myself, which expires by contract in 1814.

My property in the Fountain Plantation estate, in St. Croix, to be sold
The general residue to my only child 70 Maria Cornelia⁵, wife to Andrew Ritchie, of Boston, attorney at law, to do as she sees fit with and devise the same by her last will.

The executors in St. Croix were to receive their "just fees according to his Danish Majesty's ordinance in such cases, and each to have a suit of clothing and a mourning ring worth 5 L.

(Children of 12 John³ and Rachel (Waldo) Durant) All born in Boston, Mass.

32. i. Faith⁴ Durant, baptized in the First Church, Boston, 24 Jan. 1719-20. It is probable that she is the one of this name enrolled, 27 June, 1762, as a communicant in that Church. Her epitaph at Dedham, Mass., reads as follows: "Here lies buried the body of Miss Faith Durant, who was driven by the hand of tyranny from Boston, the place of her nativity. She departed this life Oct. 7th, A.D. 1775. Aged 56 years." She and her mother joined the Church at Dedham on their removal from Boston.

33. ii. John⁴ Durant, b. in Boston, and baptized in the First Church there 20 Aug. 1721; living as late as April, 1792, when he had a "back chamber" in the house of his cousin 29 Elizabeth⁴ Durant, which was devised to him by her for his life. But, in a codicil, she left it at the disposal of her niece 64 Sarah Durant, to whom the house was given. Apparently John Durant was never married. At the time of the first great fire in Boston, 1760, his name was mentioned as one of those who suffered loss; and it appears that he then dwelt in the upper part of Water street. He seems to have continued his father's business, as blacksmith, at the old place, for, on Oct. 29th, 1774, he conveyed to Martha Salisbury, "a certain blacksmith's shop on Betterymarsh street, which was leased to said Durant 12 July, 1762".

34. iii. Thomas⁴ Durant, b. in Boston, Mass. and baptized in the First Church 6 Sept. 1724; d. 9 Aug. 1725.

35. iv. Rachel⁶ Durant, b. in Boston, Mass., and baptized in the First Church, 19 June, 1726. Not later record found; probably d. young.

FIFTH GENERATION

(Chln of 17 Samuel⁴ and Silence (Gulliver) Durant)

36. i. Samuel⁵ Durant, bapt. at Milton, Mass. 27 April, 1739. Apparently d. young, for another child of this family was baptized with the same name two years later.

37. ii. Abigail⁵ Durant (s.p.) b. at Dorchester, Mass., the 19th and Bapt. at Milton, Mass., 27 April, 1740, when her father was admitted to the communion of the Church there. No record of her marriage or death has been found. An Abigail Durant, probably this one, was a sponsor at the baptism of Margaret⁶ Akeley, in 1775, a niece of Abigail⁵ Durant. The latter m. 30 March, 1775, with Jotham Leavit, before the Rev. Samuel Stillman. Another sister of Abigail, 39. Ann⁵ (Durant) Vincent, had a child baptized in Aug. 1777, at which ceremony an "Abigail Levett", was one of the sponsors. These last baptisms are recorded in Trinity Church.

38. Samuel⁵ Durant bapt. at Milton, Mass., 7 March, 1741-2. According to the family tradition he was killed in one of the battles of the Revolution for Independence. It is conjectured that he was the one of this name whose marriage with Submit Conner, 20 Aug. 1778, is registered in Trinity Church, Boston. If so, this was apparently his second marriage, as he had a son, Ebenezer⁶ Durant, b. in 1773; but the name of the child's mother has not been found. Apparently Samuel's widow, Submit Durant, m. with John Buttman, as their intention to marry was published at Milton, Mass., 14 Aug. 1790. The State records show that Samuel⁵ Durant was enrolled in the Revolutionary troops from Brookline, Mass., in 1776; and that he afterwards enlisted in the 12th regiment of Continentals for service from 1777 to 1780, being recorded as "of Milton" when enlisting. The following appears to have been the only child of Samuel⁵.

1. Ebenezer⁶ Durant, b. at Dorchester, Mass., 15 May, 1773. On the Dorchester record of his birth the family name is written "Duren", and he is recorded as son of Samuel. But connection of this Ebenezer with 38. Samuel⁵ Durant, above, is uncertain, as a branch of the Durant family in Billerica, Mass., settled in Dorchester about this time, and in that Billerica family the name was commonly spelled "Duren".

39. iv. Anne⁵ Durant, b. at Dorchester, Mass., but baptized in the New South Church, Boston, 29 Jan. 1743-4; date of death not found. She m. before the Rev. John Lothrop, 9 Sept. 1769, with Clement Vincent, who was bapt. in Trinity Church, Boston, 6 Sept. 1741; date of death not found; son of Clement and Mary Vincent. They had five chln:

- i. Clement⁶ Vincent, b. in Boston, and bapt. at King's Chapel there, 4 March, 1769; probably d. before July, 1774.
- ii. John⁶ Vincent, bapt. in King's Chapel, 5 Feb. 1772.
- iii. Clement⁶ Vincent, bapt. in King's Chapel, 15 July, 1774.
- iv. Samuel⁶ Vincent, bapt. in Trinity Church, 16 Aug. 1777.
- v. Sarah⁶ Vincent, bapt. in Trinity Church, 24 June, 1779.

40. v. George⁵ Durant, bapt. in the West Church, Boston, 27 April, 1745. It was reported among his kindred, that while a young man he became a sailor, and never returned. It is not unlikely that he was lost in one of the sea-fights of a privateer in the Revolution.

41. vi. Elizabeth⁵ Durant. She m. in King's Chapel, Boston, 5 March, 1772, with Richard Jordan, who was said to have been a native of England. In 1774, he bought land in Dorchester from his father-in-law, Samuel Durant, and in the conveyance Mr. Jordan was styled, "of Milton, paper-maker". Later he was in partnership with his wife's brother, 43 William Durant, engaged in the manufacture of paper at Exeter, N.H. They had 6 chln all b. in Boston, Mass.

1. Elizabeth⁶ Jordan, b. 14 Dec. 1774, and bapt. in King's Chapel 11 Jan. 1775.
- ii. Silence⁶ Jordan, b. 14 Dec. 1774, and bapt. in King's Chapel 11 Jan. 1775. She m. with a Mr. Wentworth.
- iii. Richard⁶ Jordan, bapt. in Trinity Church 22 Oct. 1778.
- iv. Nancy⁶ Jordan, m. with a Mr. Sullivan.
- v. -----⁶ Jordan, a dau. She m. with a Mr. Hoyes.
- vi. William⁶ Jordan. He dwelt in Boston; a carriage-maker.

42. vii. Margaret⁵ Durant. She m. before 1773, with Joseph Akeley, who was bapt. in the New South Church, Boston, 5 July, 1752; son of Francis and

Tabitha Akeley. They had 6 chln, all b. in Boston, Mass.

- i. Joseph⁶ Akeley, b. 29 April, and bapt. in King's Chapel, 5 May, 1773.
- ii. Margaret⁶ Akeley, b. 27 Feb., and bapt. in King's Chapel 12 March, 1775. She m. 30 July, 1797, with Oliver Hartshorn, at the Brattle Street Church. An Oliver Hartshorn had m. at the same Church, 5 July, 1795, with Lucy Ellis, of Walpole.
- iii. Sarah⁶ Akeley, bapt. in Trinity Church, Boston, 25 Oct. 1778.
- iv. Elizabeth⁶ Akeley, bapt. in Trinity Church, Boston, 15 March, 1782; probably d. within the year.
- v. Elizabeth⁶ Akeley, bapt. in Trinity Church, Boston, 31 Aug. 1783.
- vi. Mary⁶ Akeley, bapt. in Trinity Church, Boston, 28 Dec. 1785.

43. viii. William⁵ Durant (71-78) b. at Milton, Mass., in 1758; bapt. at Milton, Mass., in 1758; d. at Exeter, N.H. in 1820, aged 62 yrs. He m. in 1779, with Mary Tyng, who was b. at Brentwood, N.H. in Sept. 1754; d. at Cambridge, Mass., 22 Feb. 1845, aged 90 yrs. and 5 mos.; dau. of Peter and Rebecca (Gale) Tyng. William Durant was "of Milton", Mass in 1775, when he joined Gridley's regiment, to serve the cause of Independence. During that war he participated in most of the active service in New England, northern New York and New Jersey; being present in the battle of Bunker Hill, in the expedition to Ticonderoga and Crown Point, and in the battles around Princeton, Monmouth and New Brunswick, in New Jersey. After the war he engaged in the manufacture of paper, in partnership with his brother-in-law, Richard Jordan, and dwelt at Exeter, N.H. He bought, 9 April, 1781, from Richard Jordan, for \$6,000 Continental money, about two acres, with a dwelling house and barn, on the road from Exeter to Brentwood, adjoining a lane running to the paper mill; and added five more acres 29 Nov. 1797. The latter piece he sold, 29 Aug. 1807, to John Rowell. Mary (Tyng) Durant, 7 April, 1836, as widow of William Durant, sold to Joseph Rundlett, one-half acre and a building in Exeter, on easterly side of road from Rymers corners to Bloody Brook; which her dau. 76 Elizabeth⁶ Durant bequeathed to her.

44. ix. Mary⁵ Durant. She m. at Dorchester, Mass. 28 July, 1785, with Thomas Bird, Jr., son of Thomas and Mary. Thomas, junior, was b. 25 Sept. 1757, at Dorchester; d. 6 Nov. 1824, aged 67 yrs. They had three chln.

- i. George⁶ Bird, b. 1 Dec. 1785; d. 29 March, 1836, aged 50 yrs.
- ii. John Durant⁶ Bird, b. 25 Nov. 1787.
- iii. Comfort⁶ Bird, a "son", b. 17 April, 1790.

(Children of 21 Jonathan⁴ and 1st wife Hannah (Copeland) Durant

All born in Boston, Mass.

45. i. Jonathan⁵ Durant, bapt. in New South Church, 3 May, 1752; probably d. before Dec. 1755, when his name was given to a younger child.

46. ii. Ephraim⁵ Durant (79-81) bapt. in New South Church, 31 March 1754; d. in Boston, about 1795. He was named for his grandfather, Ephraim Copeland, who became his guardian in 1772. He m. with Hannah Welch, 16 Nov. 1777.

According to the Massachusetts Rolls of military service in the Revolution (Historical Collections of Essex Institute, Salem, Mass., Vol. xiii, pp. 249-50. Ephraim⁵ Durant, "of Boston", in 1777 was a Sergeant in Capt. Eds's company of Colonel Crafts artillery. In 1780 and '81, he was styled as "of Charlestown". For refusal to march out of the state, on an expedition for the defence of Rhode Island, all the sergeants of his regiment were court-marshalled, 26 Sept. 1777; but on the petition of Colonel Craft and Lieut. Colonel Revere, the sentence was revoked the same day, the men were pardoned, and their Captains were ordered to pay them.

At King's Chapel, Boston, Ephraim Durant, his wife, and his son 81 William⁶ Durant, were all baptized, 17 Nov. 1794, the sponsors for the child being Mamey Masson, Patrick Moor Kenney, and the mother. This Patrick M. Kenney was a popular actor in the Federal Street Theater; he married, 19 May, 1795, before the Rev. John T. Kirkland, with Hannah, the widow of Ephraim Durant. They had a dau., Ann M. Kenney, who d. in Boston, not married, about 1869, aged 73 yrs.

47. iii. Jonathan⁵ Durant, bapt. in the New South Church, Boston, 7 Dec. 1755; probably d. before June, 1766; as 46 Ephraim⁵ was the only child for whom a guardian was appointed in 1772.

48. iv. William⁵ Durant, bapt. in the New South Church, Boston, 28 Aug. 1757; probably died before June, 1766.

49. v. ^{Mercy} Durant, bapt. in the Old South Church, Boston, 25 Mar. 1759; probably d. before June, 1766.

(Child of 21 Jonathan⁴ and 2d wife Keturah (Davis) Durant

50. vi. Katherine⁵ Durant, b. in Boston, Mass., 10 July, 1768, and bapt. in New South Church, 17 July, 1768. Her epitaph is in the Cemetery at Concord, Mass., and reads as follows:

Here lies buried y^e body of
Katherine Durant
daughter of
Mr. Jonathan Durant
&
Mrs. Keturah Durant
who departed this life
Jan^y y^e 24th 1786
Aged 17^{rs} & 7^{mos}

(Children of 24 Edward and 1st wife Anne (Jackson) Durant)

51. i. Anne⁵ Durant, b. 5 Jan. (or June?) 1736; d. before 1782. She m. with Daniel Dana, who was "of Cambridge, gentleman"; as mentioned in the will of his father-in-law, Edward Durant, Jan. 1781. The only Daniel Dana known to have resided in, or near, Newton, Mass., seems to have been too young for the husband of Anne Durant. He was b. 24 Dec. 1749; d. about 1797; son of Ebenezer and Mehetabel (Goodell) Dana. He had an only dau., Anna, and dwelt at Brighton which was then part of Cambridge. He had but one hand. During the Revolution he removed to Brookline. For his 2d wife he m. a sister of the Rev. Cotton Brown, of Haverhill. He was living as late as 1795, but probably d. at Roxbury in 1797. He was connected with Peter Cherdon Brooks. If the conjecture is correct that he m. Anne Durant, and if the date of her birth, as copied, is correct, she was his senior by 12 years. Can it be that the 51. Anne⁵ Durant, b. in 1736, d. young, and that another dau. b. in 1751, was given the same name? If so, she would have been less than thirty years to have died before her father's will was drawn; then all the other circumstances would strengthen the conjecture that she was the first wife of the Daniel Dana mentioned above.

There was a loyalist, or Tory named Daniel Dana, in the Boston Militia under Captain John Haskins, in 1773. 51 Anne (Durant) Dana had one child:

Anna⁶ Dana. Very little has been learned about her. In the will of her grandfather²⁴ Edward⁴ Durant, dated in Jan. 1781, a legacy of £120, was bequeathed to "Anna Dana, daughter of Daniel Dana of Cambridge, gentleman, and my daughter deceased." It is probable that she must be identified with the somewhat eccentric Anna Dana, of Brookline, mentioned in Wood's history of that town. If so, born about 1755, she d. in Feb. 1847, aged 92 yrs and one month. The legacy was to be paid on her marriage, or seven years after her grandfather's decease. No other child of this family is mentioned in the will of Edward⁴ Durant.

But, if the conjecture as to the identity of the Daniel Dana who m^a Anne⁵ Durant is correct, there appears to have been one son of this Daniel Dana, and he was either taken prisoner by the British troops and carried to England; or, as another tradition has it, he went voluntarily because he sympathized with the English side in the Revolutionary War.

52 ii. Edward⁵ Durant (82-89), called "Doctor" in his father's will, was b. at Newton, Mass., 31 March, 1738; lost at sea about 1778, aged about 40 yrs. He m. 21 Nov. 1761, with Mary Park, who was b. at Newton, 17 Jan. 1738; d. there 20 March, 1810, aged 72 yrs. dau. of Edward and Eunice (Barnes) Park.

PARK PEDIGREE

Richard¹ Park proprietor in Cambridge, Mass., 1636; probably son of Edward Park of London, England; Richard Park d. in 1663. Thomas² Park, b. 1628; m. Abigail Dix; dwelt near Bemis Mills on Charles river. Edward³ Parks, b. 1661; m. Martha Fiske. Edward⁴ Park, b. 1701; m. Eunice Barnes.

Edward Durant was a surgeon in Colonel Mansfield's regiment, 1775; and the same in Colonel Whitney's regiment in 1776. The following year he was with the army in New Jersey. On Sept. 1st 1777, he embarked as Surgeon on the privateer "Sturdy Beggar", Doane, commander, which was never heard of later. His father's will made express provision for him in case of his return. The following letter from him to his wife, Mary, has been preserved in the family of his eldest child 82 Henrietta⁶ (Durant) Jackson, dau. of John Jackson.

Boundbrook, near New Brunswick
Feb^y 28th, 1777

My dear:

Having an opportunity to send you a few lines (which happens very seldom) tho I can tell you nothing of any consequence, yet as I think it will afford you some satisfaction to hear from me, I could not therefore be negligent in this respect. I am in very good health, wishing you and the children might enjoy the same favour. I have heard nothing from you since I left Newton, which seems to be almost an age. You doubtless will wonder I don't inform you of several bloody Battles, that we have killed and wounded Hundreds &

taken Thousands of the Enemy, & many other stories, which I suppose are currently reported among you as usual, but the time has not come yet. I hope to have the pleasure of doing that when I get home. You will overlook my not being very tedious, and accept this as a mark of my esteem.

I am with sincere affection your
Husband &c.

Mrs. Durant

Edward Durant

53. iii. Mary⁵ Durant, called "Molly" in her father's will; was b. at Newton, Mass., about 1740; Jackson's History of Newton puts her death in "1797", aged about 57 yrs. She m. 17 Nov. 1755, with Jonathan Harbach, "saddler", who was b. at Sutton, Mass., 31 Jan. 1730; d. 20 Dec. 1803, aged about 74 yrs.; son of Thomas and Annable (Cooledge) Harbach. Jackson's History of Newton does not name Mary Durant among the children of Edward Durant; but in another place he states that "Jonathan Harback married "a Mary Durant in 1797". His date is wrong; for the intention of their marriage was recorded in Boston, 25 Oct. 1755; and the record of their marriage, on the date given above, is in the register of King's Chapel, Boston. Mary Durant was named in her father's will, 1781, as then living; possibly Jackson's "1797" was a "lapsus penna" from the date of her death. Their chln:

- i. -----⁶ Harbach, a daughter. She is said to have gone to England, having married an English army officer either just before or during the War of the Revolution.
- ii. -----⁶ Harbach, a daughter. She is said to have married with -----Sims and to have had two chln:
 - i. a son who never m.
 - ii. a dau. who m. Abram Hines
- iii. Thomas⁶ Harbach (for his descendants, see the Appendix) b. c. 1770; d. in Newton, Mass. 8 April, 1839, "aged 68 yrs." He m. in Cambridge, Mass. 19 Jan. 1796, with Charlotte Wilson, who was b. 10 Sept. 1771, at Newton; d. there 1 Jan. 1859, aged 87 3/4 yrs.; dau. of John and Mehetabel (Metcalf) Wilson. They dwelt at Brookline, removing to Newton about 1805. She united with the Baptist Church of Newton Center, 27 July, 1788. In Newton their home was at the end of the street now called Waverley avenue, about a quarter of a mile from the old Durant homestead.

54. iv. Abigail⁵ Durant, b. at Newton, Mass. about 1741; d. at Watertown, Mass., about 1830, aged about 89 yrs. She m. about 1758, with Phineas Cooke, who was b. at Canterbury, Windham Co., Conn., 7 June, 1736; d. at Weston, Mass. 12 Jan. 1784, aged 47½ yrs.

COOKE PEDIGREE.

Gregory¹ Cooke, shoemaker at Cambridge, Mass., 1667; m. (1) Mary ----- who d. in 1681; dwelt at Mendon, near Newton in 1672; in Watertown in 1673 and 1684; constable in 1667; d. 1691. Stephen² Cooke, b. 1647, was of Watertown, or Newton; m. Rebecca Flagg, dau. of Thomas; made freeman in 1690; was deacon; d. in 1738. Samuel³ Cooke, b. 1690; moved to Windham, Conn., bought 95 acres in Canterbury, Conn., Feb. 1714-15; member of first Church, Windham; and of the original members of Scotland Church; dwelt in eastern part of Parish; m. in 1716, Leah Ripley, dau. of the first Joshua Ripley; d. in 1745; and his widow, Leah, m. James Bradford of Canterbury.

A widely prevalent tradition says that Abigail⁵ Durant was a large and very handsome woman, with bright and versatile capacity. These traits of beauty and talent have been inherited by many of her descendants. In her later years she dwelt with her dau. Susanna (Cooke) Hunnewell, wife of Walter Hunnewell, M.D. of Watertown, Mass.

According to Jackson's History of Newton, Mass., "Phineas Cooke inherited a large estate from his uncle, Daniel Cooke of Newton. He built the house at Newton Corner, near the Watertown line, which was owned and occupied by General William Hull after the Revolutionary War. He was Captain of a company of Minute Men, in that war; raised in 1773, by Michael Jackson, which did good service in fights at Lexington and Concord, and received the thanks of General Warren for their brave conduct. Their Chln.: (See Appendix: 54 Abigail (Durant) Cooke.)

55. v. Nathaniel⁵ Durant, b. at Newton 13 July, 1742; d. there 25 Sept. 1751, aged 9 yrs.

56. vi. Catherine⁵ Durant, b. at Newton, Mass., 28 Dec. 1744; date of death not found. She m. (1) in 1764, with William Parker, her first cousin, who was b. at Newton, 20 Feb. 1742; d. in 1795, aged 53 yrs.; son of Enoch and Abigail (Jackson) Parker. She m. (2) in the year 1797 with Samuel Hastings, Jr.

(See Appendix for descendants of William and 56. Catherine (Durant) Parker).

PARKER PEDIGREE

Samuel¹ Parker, of Dedham, Mass. m. Sarah Homan. Samuel² Parker, of Newton, Mass.; m. Mary. Enoch³ Parker, graduate of Harvard College, 1733; kept a school many years in Newton, and was widely known as "Master Parker" He m. about 1735, with Abigail Jackson, dau. of Captain John Jackson (See Jackson pedigree above). Enoch³ Parker d. in 1801, aged about 85 yrs.

HASTINGS PEDIGREE

John¹ Hastings, deacon; early settler in Braintree; moved to Cambridge in 1656. Samuel² Hastings m. Mary Mean. Stephen³ Hastings m. Mary Stacey. Samuel⁴ Hastings, b. 1710, had a tanyard near West Parish Meeting House, Newton; m. Hephzibah Dana, dau. of Thomas Dana of Cambridge. Samuel⁵ Hastings m. Catherine (Durant) Parkey. By a former marriage Samuel⁵ Hastings had two chln: i. Caleb Hastings who d. not m. ii. Elizabeth Hastings who m. in 1785, with Shove Howland.

57. vii. Thomas⁵ Durant (90-98) b. at Newton, Mass. 18 March, 1746; d. at Middlefield, Mass., 2. Aug. 1831, aged nearly 85½ yrs. He m. at Newton, 23 July, 1775, with Elizabeth Clark, who was b. there 25 May, 1752; d. in Pittsfield, Mass. 17 March, 1853, aged 100 yrs. 9 mos. 12 days; dau of William and Mary (Marean) Clark.

CLARK PEDIGREE

Hugh¹ Clark, b. 1613; was at Watertown, Mass., in 1641; m. Elizabeth; gave to his son John² Clark 67 acres in Newton, 1681, near site of the Baptist Seminary. John² Clark, b. 1641; m. (1) Elizabeth Norman, of Boston; built a saw-mill at Newton-upper-falls in 1688, the first mill on the Charles river within the limits of Newton. William³ Clark, b. 20 June, 1686; m. Hannah Kee, in Feb. 1708; had 3 sons and 4 dau.'s; he d. in 1737. William Clark, b. 10 Dec. 1716; m. in 1740, Mary Marean, dau. of William and Elizabeth (Clark) Marean; Selectman 1757, '58, '59; had 6 sons and 2 dau.'s, of whom Samuel⁵ Clark m. 59. Elizabeth⁵ Durant, and Elizabeth⁵ Clark m. 57. Thomas Durant.

Thomas⁵ Durant was a "Minute Man" in the exciting times preceding the War of the Revolution, banded with others in the community to resist English tyranny over the American colonies. He took part in the opening of that war at the Lexington fight, where he served as Corporal in Captain Jeremiah Wiswell's company from Newton. In later days his wife was fond of telling how she, and the other women at home, busied themselves those days making bullets to supply their fathers and sons, their brothers and lovers, who faced death to wrest American freedom from the British soldiers. Later in the war, Thomas Durant was a Commissary and a Captain.

After his Marriage, Thomas Durant and his wife dwelt for a short time at Cambridge, Mass. While there his three oldest children were born, and baptized in Trinity Church Boston. These were 90 William⁶, 91. Anna⁶, and 92 Edward⁶; the sponsors being "Mr. Moss, Mr. Austin and Betsey Bell". In 1781, their fourth child, 92 Elizabeth⁶ was baptized in the same Church.

While serving as deputy Sheriff Thomas⁵ Durant lost all his property, "by endorsing a bond for a friend who left him in the lurch". After this misfortune he removed, with his little family, to what was then called Partridgefield from the name of its early owner, in that part of Hampshire county, Mass., which was later set off as Middlefield. The side-saddle, on which Mrs. Thomas Durant made ^{the} journey from Boston to their new home was, in 1889, preserved as a cherished heirloom by Mrs. Clarissa Noble, of Pittsfield, Mass. whose stepmother was Betsey (Durant) Tracy, a dau. of Mrs. Elizabeth (Clark) Durant, and at whose house Mrs. Thomas Durant dwelt the last twenty of her one hundred years.

Thomas Durant's home in Middlefield, Mass., was on what was later known as the "Harry Meacham farm", about two miles from Middlefield towards Hinsdale. In addition to farming, Thomas Durant also taught school several winters, and was a Selectman from 1796 to '98. He was about six feet tall, and of slender build. His wife was also above the average height of women. Of their sons only the eldest was less than six feet tall.

Mrs. Elizabeth (Clark) Durant was remarkably fluent and interesting in conversation. An earnest Christian, she was one of the twenty-nine persons who, in 1817, constituted the first Baptist Church at Middlefield, Mass. After a severe attack of rheumatism, in her fortieth year, her body was bent forward at the hips, nearly at a right angle, for the remaining 51 years of her life; but she recovered her health and vigor, and continued to be a pattern of industry after her 90th year. Even in her 101st year her faculties were not impaired. She still read without glasses and could hear a whisper; and, tho so much bent in body, she moved about with the activity of one forty years younger. Her death was occasioned in an epidemic of dysentery.

The burial place of this couple, in the Middlefield, Mass., Cemetery, is marked by a granite monument, which was erected by their youngest son 98 Clark Durant. But the age of Mrs. Elizabeth Durant, as there inscribed, "100 yrs. 9 mos. and 12 days", makes her ten days younger than she was, according to the date of her birth as recorded at her birthplace, Newton, Mass.

58. viii. John⁵ Durant (99-104) b. at Newton, Mass., 19 Dec. 1749; living in 1778. He m. about 1769 with Sarah Dennie, who was b. in Boston, Mass., and baptized there at the Brattle Street Church, 10 April, 1748; dau. of John and Sarah (Wendell) Dennie. The register of the same Church, under date of 8 Sept. 1743 records the marriage of John Dennie and "Mrs." Sarah Wendell. John⁵ Durant "of Waltham", Mass., "trader", bought there an acre with a dwelling, 17 March, 1776. Two years later, 12 May, 1778, on his purchase of three-quarters of an acre with a dwelling house, in Watertown, Mass., he was styled, "of Waltham, shop-keeper"; and he so styled himself, 1 Aug. 1778, when he joined the Dennie heirs in sale of property of Henry Bowers. In his father's will, drawn in Jan. 1781, he is referred to as "of Boston, gentleman". With his wife, he owned the covenant in the Church at Watertown, Mass., 24 Sept. 1769, when he was less than 20 years old and Sarah a trifle over 21 years. Their marriage was a romantic one of the old-fashioned sort, including the rope on which the bride slid down from her window into her lover's arms, the night they ran away to the minister. But, as the tradition runs, her parents did not relent. The young couple and their children, however, were generously befriended by one of Sarah's uncles.

John Durant, "of Waltham, Mass., trader", bought from Jedediah Thayer, "gentleman", for £213.6.8, one acre and a dwelling in Waltham. Of the same residence, John Durant, 12 May, 1778, then styled "shop-keeper" bought three-quarters of an acre, with dwelling, in Watertown, Mass., for £35.16s., from John Pond of Dedham.

59. ix. Elizabeth⁵ Durant, b. at Newton, Mass., 17 Nov. 1753. She m. at Newton with Samuel Clark, who was b. there 27 Feb. 1754; d. at Deer Creek, Lewis Co., N.Y. about -----; son of William and Mary (Marean) Clark. This Samuel Clark was a brother of Elizabeth Clark who m. with 57 Thomas⁵ Durant. They removed from Newton, after 1782, and settled at Partridgefield, in Hampshire Co., Mass. On the 15th of Feb. 1785, Daniel Clark, "of Newton, yeoman", for £100 sold to William Clark, of Newton, yeoman, the northerly half of square 100 in

Middlefield, Mass., containing about 100 acres (Springfield, Mass. Deeds, Vol. 23, p. 220.) Apparently this purchase was made by the father, William Clark, for the benefit of his son Samuel Clark, and his son-in-law 57 Thomas⁵ Durant. In 1803 the Baptist Church of Hinsdale, Mass., voted that Samuel Clark and John Newton should be Committee men, "in addition to the present committee to sign certificates." Clark and Newton probably represented the Middlefield section of the congregation. Some time previous to 1824, Samuel Clark removed to Copenhagen, Lewis Co., N.Y., where he then had a flourishing farm. His sons, William and Daniel^A, had settled, with other relatives, near by at Deer River, in 1801. (See appendix for descendants of Samuel and 59 Elizabeth (Durant) Clark.

(Children of 24 Edward and 2d wife Mary (Allen) Durant)

60. x. Martha⁵ Durant, b. 22 Oct. 1755; d. about 1836, aged 81 yrs. She m. 5 May, 1777, with Eliphalet Robbins, Jr., son of Eliphalet, of Cambridge, Mass. The intention of their marriage was published at Cambridge, according to Paige's History of Cambridge, 15 March, 1777; the family record dating the marriage as above. In 1782, they dwelt at Newton, where Mr. Robbins kept the "public house" or hotel; and in the terms of that day was styled "victualler". Later they removed to Dedham, Mass. (See Appendix for their descendants)

61. xi. Allen⁵ Durant (105-113) physician, b. at Newton, 11 May 1757; d. at 4 o'clock, Wednesday morning, 26 Feb. 1834, aged 77 yrs., at Rensselaerville, Albany Co., N.Y. He m. 25 Feb. 1793, with Parthenia Holdridge, who was b. at Colchester, Conn. 6 June, 1767; d. at 9:00 o'clock, Sunday morning, 14 Jan. 1844, in Albany, N.Y., aged nearly 77 years; dau. of Colonel Holdridge, of

Hillsdale, N.Y. ROBBINS PEDIGREE (See 60. Martha (Durant) Robbins

Richard¹ Robbins m. Rebecca -----, and dwelt at Cambridge, Mass., before 1640. Nathan² Robbins m. Mary Braside, in 1669. John³ Robbins, b. 1680; m. Abigail Adams in 1705. Eliphalet⁴ Robbins b. in Jan. 1717-18.

Dr. Allen⁵ Durant, then not quite 18 yrs. old, was with his brother 57 Thomas Durant, in Captain Wiswell's company that marched from Newton to Lexington, Mass., on the "alarm" of 19 April, 1775, at the outbreak of the Revolutionary

War. In Jan. 1776, he enlisted in the company of his brother-in-law, Captain Phineas Cooke, of Colonel Vaughn's regiment of the Continental army. Under date of July 4th, 1814, in a letter preserved by his family, he wrote a long account of himself and his children, from which the following record has been gathered.

He was called out with the "Minute Men" for the battle of Bunker Hill, but the distance from Newton was too great for them to reach the scene of conflict before the engagement was over.

In 1776, I entered the Continental Army in a small office; went to New York, thence to Canada; retreated back to Ticonderoga; was taken sick and went to the hospital at Fort George. Whilst remaining there as an invalid, assisted -- having little knowledge of medicine -- in pulverizing, compounding, and dealing out medicine to the sick. In the fall of the same year, returned home; recovered my health, and in 1777 went out again to the Northern department, in the Commissary line, and continued in that business until sometime after the surrender of Burgoyne in 1778. Returned home, studied physic, and, in the summer of 1779, went to sea in the privateer ship "Congress" as surgeon's mate; was taken prisoner, carried into Newfoundland, sent to Boston, and exchanged. Same year entered as surgeon on board the "Speedwell" at Salem, and, after taking one small prize, was again taken prisoner, carried to Barbadoes, thence down to St. Lucie, and put on board a prison ship, the "Carnage". After remaining nine months a prisoner, got over to Martinique; from thence home again after a tedious passage, rendered more so by the West India fever.

In 1781 continued to prosecute my medical studies; but in 1782 relinquished them, and entered the book and stationery business and continued in that line till 1787.

When the Shay's insurrection broke out, entered the State service as surgeon. After being discharged, came into this State, commenced the practice of physic, surgery &c., in Claverack, a town adjoining the city of Hudson, which it formerly included. In 1793, I married a daughter of Colonel Holdridge of Hillsdale; and in 1794, being pretty well worn down in practice, and the air of Claverack not agreeing with me, I purchased a farm and moved here.

The above was written by Dr. Allen Durant to his "kinsman", Horatio Townsend, Esq., apparently a first cousin on the Allen side, who then dwelt in Boston, but had formerly lived in Medfield, Mass.

In a brief account of his military services, which Dr. Allen Durant prepared, 13 July, 1832, some additional features appear. At the time of Burgoyne's surrender, Dr. Allen Durant was a Deputy Commissary, at Albany, N.Y.; and there he saw Burgoyne when the latter came down on his way to New York City. Dr. Durant

was still in Albany when honorably discharged from service the following year.

A brother of Dr. Allen Durant's mother, Parthenia Holdridge, was a physician in Boston, Mass., with whom Dr. Allen Durant pursued his studies.

The place which Dr. Allen Durant purchased, on leaving Claverack, was situated about three miles south of the village of Rensselaerville; and there he dwelt the remainder of his life, combining farming with the practice of his profession.

Dr. Allen Durant was a man of principle and religious fervor. At first an attendant of the Methodist Episcopal Church, later he was one of the founders of the Protestant Episcopal Church at Rensselaerville, in which he was an officer many years. His progressive spirit was illustrated by endorsing and recommending a young physician who attempted to introduce vaccination. But he was in advance of his times; the other neighboring physicians opposed him; a panic arose among the people, who took down their old muskets and drove the young physician away, threatening any who harbored him.

Dr. Allen Durant was about six feet tall, of erect and dignified carriage, and commanding appearance, with a benignant countenance. His wife was a woman of culture beyond her surroundings, and had great force of character. Theirs, however, was an age of homespun. Their fabrics were produced from their own wool and flax. Their children were trained to patience, thrift and industry.

62. xii. Nathaniel⁵ Durant b. at Newton, Mass., 28 June, 1760; d. at Palmer, Mass., about 1838, aged 78 yrs. He m. with a Mrs. Gates, widow of -----.

He was in the military service of Massachusetts in 1778, when but 18 years old, and served three years. (State Records, vol. 19, p. 96.) He was styled of "Leicester, Worcester county", 7 Sept. 1797, when he bought about 26 acres and a dwelling in Palmer, Mass., for \$200. He settled on a farm about two miles north of Palmer Center, and remained there many years, unmarried. Then, Mrs. Gates, his housekeeper, proposing to leave, he "proposed" to her. This changed her mind, and they were married. After becoming too old to work his farm, he deeded it to Mr. Roswell Hastings, who, in return for the gift, faithfully

cared for "Uncle Nat" as long as he lived. "Uncle Nat was a gentleman of the old school, pleasant and refined, with a very good opinion of himself and of his ancestry," so wrote one who knew him.

(Chln of 30 Thomas⁴ and 1st wife Ann (Hunt) Durant)

All b. at Portsmouth, N.H.

63. i. Anna⁵ Durant, b. in 1752 or 3; d. at sea in June, 1815, aged 63 yrs. She m. in 1776 or 7, with Ebenezer Battelle, who was b. at Dedham, Mass., 4 Feb. 1754; d. at Newport, Ohio, 10 Jan. 1815, aged 61 yrs.; son of Ebenezer and Prudence (Draper) Battelle.

BATTELLE PEDIGREE

Thomas¹ Battelle was b. at Dedham, Mass. in 1648, and m. there 5th of 7th month in that year, with Mary Fisher, dau. of Joshua. Thomas¹ Battelle was Selectman and Town Clerk; he d. 8 Feb. 1706, "the aged"; his wife having d. 7 Aug. 1691. John² Batelle, b. at Dedham 1 July, 1652; d. 20 Sept. 1712; m. Hannah Holbrook, 18 Nov. 1678. Ebenezer³ Battelle, b. 22 Jan. 1691; d. 6 March, 1759; m. (2) Abigail Allen, of Medfield, 8 Aug. 1718. Ebenezer⁴ Battelle, b. 10 Jan. 1729; d. 6 Nov. 1776; m. Prudence Draper, 23 July, 1751

A few of Anna⁵ (Durant) Battelle's letters have been preserved, and they show that she was a woman of superior education, wide interests, excellent judgment and firm religious convictions. She joined her husband in the pioneer settlement of Ohio, and dwelt there some time. But her later years were passed with her dau. Anna⁶ (Battelle) Smith, in Boston. She d. while returning from a visit to her two sons, Cornelius⁶ and Thomas⁶, in the island of St. Croix, West Indies. Her portrait, by Stuart, was (1900) in possession of her grand-dau. Mrs. Elizabeth⁸ M. (Smith) Tolman, of Boston, Mass. The following extracts from her letters, in which even the original punctuation is retained, have a special value as glimpses of her times, as well as indications of her opinions and feelings.

Writing from No. 11 South street, Boston, 25 Jan. 1807, to her son, Ebenezer⁶ Battelle, at Newport, Ohio, she said:

For several weeks past I think with anxiety on the commotions in your quarter -- heaven only knows how it will end. The accounts we have of Burr and his party are various and contradictory. His arrangements may give vent to your produce; but in the end, I fear, will bring more harm than good to your market. Write me soon what effect it has on your neighbors, and let me know if its influence on the Indians nearest to you will not be to make them mischievous? Do not fear being explicit:

to know the worst is not so bad as truth suspended and then left to conjecture. . . . I often recollect the light, and, as I think, inconsiderate manner the Sabbath was spent in Belpre, when I was there. I hope the small settlement at Newport (Ohio) one more seriously disposed, and willing to sustain a minister, and allow themselves full time to attend his preaching, and not curtail the Sabbath at both ends, that all their time may tend to some worldly account. I think a man who labors hard, in head or hand, 5 of the week days ought to relax upon the 6th, or at least the latter part of it; not keep Saturday evening as I was taught, but by carrying less of fatigue to Church be better able to attend its solemnities; and the mind will, of course, be more susceptible of good impressions, and listen with more avidity to directions to all the social duties.

On the 13th of May, 1807, she wrote to the same:

I thank you for mentioning Burr, Blennerhasset &c. I think you quite misunderstood what I wrote about the former, for I had no fear of his doing you any profound injury. My apprehensions were that his insinuating manners should lead you to adopt false politics and join his party, while you believed him a true friend to the Constitution of his country. I am glad no such attempt was made.

Colonel Ebenezer Battelle was graduated at Harvard College in 1775. In 1781 he became a partner of Isaiah Thomas, printer, publisher and antiquarian. For six or seven years he was the active partner of the firm in their Boston bookstore. He was a Colonel in the State militia and also, at one time, Commander of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery of Boston. He became a member of the Ohio Company, for the settlement of that state, and sailed from Boston, Sunday, 6 April, 1788, for Baltimore, in the brig "Betsey", Captain Wales, on his way to Marietta, where he arrived the last of May. The following list of "Clothing, House Furniture, Farming utensils, &c", shipped by E. Battelle, is preserved by the family, and is of peculiar interest, as indicating the necessaries and comforts of a family moving to the West in those days. The original list is in the hand-writing of Mrs. Anna (Durant) Battelle.

A large sealskin trunk containing

1 Square box filled as follows

	<u>l</u>	s	p		
1 bottle castor oil	6.00			1 tin pepper box	.03
1 bottle mustard	2.00			1 cream pot, 1 mustard pot	.04
1 snuff bottle of pepper	1.04			1 pint mug	.08
1 small bottle of alepice	.08			1 small fish line	1.00
3 lb bag B & Ground coffee	4.06			3 towells	2.00
tinder box and sundries	.06			1 small table cloth	2.00
1 teaspoon, 1 large spoon	1.00			Orange pear grafts, 13 inch apple	
2 knives & forks	1.08			do, winter pear ditto	.00
				1 pack cards	.04

1 Medicine Box containing			
1/2 oz phial Tartar emetic	1.00	10 pr hose	1.06.00
1/2 oz phial camomile	.04	1 cloth coat new	2.06.00
cream tartar	.06	2 old ditto	1.16.00
1 lb sulphur	03.00	1 white vest & small clothes	18.00
Rosin. French & pearl Barley	.08	1 brown ditto	18.00
Box of soap pills	02.00	1 olive vest	10.00
Castile soap	.04	1 corduroy	06.00
Flag root	.00	1 pair jean s.c.	06.00
Set Lancetts	02.00	1 pr deerskin ditto	18.00
Cork skrew	01.00	1 pr white dimotty ditto	05.00
Small hatchet	01.00	1 black shag vest	12.00
garden hoe	03.00	1 pr do satler S. Clothes	09.00
1 chisel, 2 firmers, 1 file,		1 scarlet jacket	10.00
sundries	01.08	1 frock	04.00
1/2 quire folio post paper	01.08	1 pr trousers	05.00
1 narrow ax	06.00	1 fire bag, filled with	
1 adz	01.06	sundries	03.06
1 inch augur	04.00	1 cott hammock &	15.00
Drawing knife	02.00	mattress	09.00
Plane & hammer	03.00	1 pillow	06.00
1 candle stick, candle		1 blanket	12.00
mould, lamp	02.00	False bottom for cott	09.00
1 large hatchet	03.00	Leg of bacon	04.00
1 broad hoe	04.00	1 Doddridge's Rise & Progress	04.00
1 powder horn & shot bag	03.00	1 Christina Queen	04.06
100 bullets	03.00	1 Witt's Commonwealth	06.00
clothes brush	.08		
1 girth	03.00		
2 1/2 lbs hard soap	01.08		
1 cod line lead	01.06		
2 doz. fish hooks	01.04		
Bundle of garden seeds			
1 pr shoes	02.00		
1 pocket dictionary	04.00		
1 blank book for surveying	03.00		
7 memorandum books	07.00		
3/4 quilts	04.06		
1 Prayer book	04.00		
1 Watts Psalms & Hymns	04.06		
1 Father's Legacy &			
Chesterfield's P.T.	03.06		
1 Ashes Grammar	02.00		
12 Plays	12.00		
1/2 sealing wax	04.00		
14 lbs brown sugar	07.00		
7 lbs rice	01.08		
4 lbs chocolate	04.00		
1 pr pillow cases	02.00		
1 pr. sheets	1.00.00		
1 pewter dish marked S.D.	04.00		
2 pewter plates, marked			
S.D. to C.D.B.	06.00		
1 coffee mill	02.08		
1 Looking glass	03.00		
4 butcher knives	05.00		
5 shirts	1.10.00		
9 stocks	09.00		

During the summer of his arrival at Marietta, Ohio, Colonel Battelle built a house in Campus Martius, on Washington street, in which was held the first court in Northwest Territory, 9 Sept. 1788; and he was appointed Clerk of the Court. His family arrived in the following December; more than two months on their journey from Boston, by way of Baltimore, and over the old post road through the Allegheny mountains. They descended the Youghiogheny river, with some other families, in a boat they built at the forks of the Yoh. The next spring Colonel Battelle located at Belpre, nearly opposite Blennerhasset Island; where, on May 1st, 1789, one of his associates in the settlement, Captain Zebulon King, from Rhode Island, was shot and scalped by the Indians, while he was working on his land. Colonel Battelle was one of the builders of the famous "Farmers Castle" in Belpre. He was a member of the Masonic order, connected with Union Lodge No. 1, in Marrietta, Ohio, which was formed by army officers in 1776. (For the descendants of Ebenezer and Anna (Durant) Battelle, see the Appendix)

64. ii. Sarah⁵ Durant, born about 1755; not m.; d. before 12 Feb. 1816, aged about 60 yrs. She was adopted, in her infancy, by her aunt 29 Elizabeth⁴ Durant, and became the latter's heir. This favor Sarah returned to her cousin 70 Maria Cornelia⁵ Durant, dau. of her uncle 31 Cornelius⁴ Durant. In her will, dated 19 Dec. 1812, and proved 12 Feb. 1816, Sarah Durant left all of her estate to her "beloved cousin Maria Cornelia, wife of Andrew Ritchie, having always had a maternal care of her from infancy, and feeling all the affection of a mother to her." Sarah⁵ Durant never married. Tradition describes her as "quite short in stature and somewhat stout". It is a tradition in her line that she required a ladder of several steps, to mount into the high beds then in vogue. The brick house in Boston, Mass., on Washington Street, No. --, near ----- brought by her grandfather, 11 Edward³ Durant in 1728, and which had always been the home of her aunt 29 Elizabeth⁴ Durant, was sold by Sarah Durant, 16 May, 1799 to Samuel Crease, furrier, with a plan of the property annexed to the deed. This house was occupied, in 1798, by Ann Battelle.

65. iii. Cornelius⁵ Durant, b. about 1757, at Portsmouth, N.H.; d. on the island of St. Croix, West Indies. One tradition has it that there were two sons of 30 Thomas⁴ Durant's first marriage, William⁵ and Cornelius⁵, one of whom died in infancy. Another tradition mentions but one son without naming him, and adds that he died in youth shortly after his father's removal to St. Croix.

(Chln of 30 Thomas⁴ and 2d wife Sally (Hallam) Durant)

All born in St. Croix, West Indies

66. iv. Lewis Edward⁵ Durant (114-116) b. about 1764; d. before 1812. Tradition places him as the first child of his father's second marriage. He was mentioned by name in the will of his uncle 31 Cornelius⁴ Durant, dated 11 May, 1812, and there referred to as deceased, and as having left three daughters, who were then living in Norfolk, Virginia. The "Lewis" of his name suggests a relationship between his mother and Lewis Hallam, the manager and leading actor in the company that gave historic origin to the theatre in the American colonies and the West Indies, between 1749 and 1774.

67. v. Thomas⁵ Durant (117-123) b. probably about 1769; d. 3 June, 1827, at Fredericksted, St. Croix. The report from St. Croix (1900) says that he m. about 1790, with Dorothy Ann Messer, a grand daughter of John and Mary McDonough. His dau. 123 Sarah A.⁶ (Durant) Robertson, in 1888, described him as "tall and straight, with gray eyes and dark brown hair. He was a lumber and hardware merchant until 1813, and a member of the Burgess Council. He was an executor of the will of his uncle 31 Cornelius⁴ Durant.

68. vi. Mary⁵ Durant, b. in the island of St. Croix, 22 April, 1771; d. at Framington, Mass., 3 Sept. 1812, aged 51½ yrs. She m. in the island of St. Croix, 4 Oct. 1789, with John Maynard, who was b. at Framingham, Mass., 3 Oct. 1766; d. at Scarborough, Maine, 6 Sept. 1818, aged 52 yrs. After their marriage they resided in the island of St. Croix until about 1803, removing to Boston, Mass. They were connected with the Episcopal Church. Mr. Maynard was

a planter in St. Croix, and a merchant in Boston. (See Appendix for the children of John and 68 Mary (Durant) Maynard.

69 vii. John Waldo⁵ Durant (124-131) b. in the island of St. Croix, West Indies, probably about 1774; d. in Philadelphia, Pa., about 1826, aged about 52 yrs. He m. about 1800, with Sarah Heyliger, who was probably b. in St. Croix; d. in Florence, Italy. She was a dau. of John and Sarah (Kortright) Heyliger.

KORTRIGHT CONNECTIONS

Lawrence Kortright, eldest son of Cornelius and Mary (Cannon) Kortright, was b. in New York City, 1728; a wealthy merchant; m. 6 May, 1755, Hannah Aspinwall, who d. in Sept. 1777, aged 39 yrs; he d. in Sept. 1794. Chln of Lawrence and Hannah (Aspinwall) Kortright were:

- i. Captain John Kortright, m. 2 May, 1793, Catharine Seamon, dau of Edward. She m. (2) in 1810, with Henry B. Livingston.
- ii. Sarah Kortright, m. 22 March, 1775, at Trinity Church, New York City, with Colonel John Heyliger, of St. Croix, West Indies. They had two chln:-
 - i. Sarah Heyliger, who m. as above, with 69 John Waldo⁵ Durant, and
 - ii. John Heyliger, b. in St. Croix, 23 Aug. 1782; Major in 55th regiment, British army; d. in Jamaica, West Indies, 8 Oct. 1808.
- iii. Elizabeth Kortright, m. 16 Feb. 1786, with James Monroe, then Member of Congress, U.S.A., and later President, U.S.A. They had two chln.:
 - i. Eliza Monroe, m. George Hay, a Judge in Virginia.
 - ii. Maria Monroe, m. Samuel Gouverneur, of New York.
- iv. Mary Kortright, m. in 1793, with Thomas Knox. Their dau. m. Alexander Hamilton (son of General Hamilton) who d. 3 Aug. 1875, and was buried in Christ Church, New Brunswick, N.J.
- v. Helen Kortright m. 25 Feb. 1790, with Nicholas Gouverneur.

69 John W.⁵ Durant was not named in the will of his uncle 31 Cornelius⁴ Durant, altho all of his brothers and sisters are there favorably mentioned. The tradition in St. Croix, as related by descendants there in 1900, plausibly accounts for that omission. According to this tradition, John Waldo⁵ Durant was the favorite nephew of his uncle, Cornelius Durant, who had no sons, and practically adopted him, educated him, and gave him fine prospects, having set his heart on having this favorite nephew develop into a worthy husband for his only child, 70 Maria Cornelia⁵ Durant. But love would not ride in fortune's ~~coach~~^{coach}. The nephew, John Waldo Durant, was captivated by Sarah Heyliger, a niece of President James Monroe, instead of his cousin with her dowry of more

than half a million dollars and her beauty. And from that day his uncle "never named him more".

If the conjecture as to the date of John Waldo Durant's birth is nearly ~~now~~ correct, it throws some doubt on this tradition. In that case John Waldo Durant was fifteen years ^{older} than his cousin Cornelia. She could have been barely twelve years old at the time of his marriage.

The baptismal records of John Waldo Durant's children indicate that he dwelt in St. Croix until about 1808; then in New York city till the summer of 1810; then again in St. Croix; and that he finally settled in Philadelphia, Penn., some time before 1817, the year that James Monroe became President of the United States.

John Waldo Durant owned large plantations in the island of St. Croix; one of them was called "Betsey's Jewell". But he was in reduced circumstances when he settled in Philadelphia about 1816. There he ~~was~~ was a Clerk in the Custom House, and dwelt on Pine street, near Tenth. One who was a playmate of his children, Mrs. Mary (Shaw) Tiller, residing, 1889, in Baltimore, Md., described John Waldo Durant as "a tall, spare man, with dark hair and eyes, very reticent, (A frequent trait in this George¹ Durant stock) dignified, and somewhat severe in bearing among strangers, but genial and tender in his home and with intimate friends."

Sarah (Heyliger) Durant, wife of John. W., was a woman of much grace, beauty and intelligence. Her mother, Sarah Kortright, was very small in stature, but very clever; she lived to be more than 80 yrs. old. She was much with her daughter, Mrs. J.W. Durant; and, when the latter was widowed, Mrs. Heyliger left her plantation in St. Croix, and made her home in Philadelphia, with her daughter. President Monroe and his wife were frequent guests of their niece, Sarah (Heyliger) Durant, in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Mary H. (Durant) Todd, of Rockville, Maryland, has two oil portraits, one of Colonel John Heyliger, and the other of his wife, Sarah Kortright; her

grand parents. Mrs. Sarah H. (Durant) Church, of Washington, D.C., has a beautiful miniature of her grandmother, Sarah (Heyliger) Durant.

(Child of 31 Cornelius⁴ and Maria (Fenno) Durant)

70. i. Maria Cornelia⁵ Durant, "only child", according to her father's will; baptized in the Hollis Street Church, Boston, Mass., 29 March, 1789; d. in Paris, France, 3 Dec. 1819, aged about 20 yrs. She m. with Andrew Ritchie. Apparently the mother of Maria Cornelia died when her dau was very young, as she was brought up by her cousin 64 Sarah⁵ Durant, who "always had a maternal care of her from her infancy." From this cousin-mother she inherited the silver-plate from her grandfather 11 Edward³ Durant. Four years after her death, Mr. Ritchie m. (2) 9 Dec. 1823, with Sophia Harrison Otis, who was b. 29 March 1799; dau of Harrison Gray and Sally (Foster) Otis, of Boston, Mass. By this second marriage Mr. Ritchie had two sons and one daughter. His son Harrison Ritchie graduated at Harvard College in 1845, and m. in New York City, 3 May, 1849, with Mary Sheldon, dau. of Frederick.

SIXTH GENERATION

(Chln of 43 William⁵ and Mary (Tyng) Durant) Order of birth conjectural.

71. i Rebecca⁶ Durant. She m. about 1800 with George Holt, who was b. at North Andover, Mass., 21 Feb. 1781; son of George and Nancy (Fish) Holt.

HOLT PEDIGREE

Nicholas¹ holt, b. 1602, came to New England on ship, "James", in 1635; settled at Newbury, later at Andover, Mass. m. (1) Elizabeth. Samuel² Holt, b. 1641; m. Sarah. Samuel³ Holt, b. 1670; m. Hannah Farmer. Samuel⁴ Holt, b. 1687; m. Jemima Gray. Benjamin⁵ Holt, b. 1729; m. (1) Shieah⁴ Holt. George⁵ Holt, b. 1756; removed to Dunbarton, N.H.; m. Nancy Fish.

George and Rebecca (Durant) Holt had 8 chln, all b. at Exeter, N.H.:

- i. Rebecca⁷ Holt, b. 20 March, 1801; m. in Dec. 1828, with John Webb, Jr.
- ii. Mary⁷ Holt, b. 31 Dec. 1802.
- iii. George⁷ Holt, b. 4 Dec. 1804.
- iv. Elizabeth⁷ Holt, b. 12 Oct. 1806.
- v. Silence D.⁷ Holt, b. 20 Oct. 1810.
- vi. Phebe D.⁷ Holt, b. 7 Sept. 1812
- vii. Samuel⁷ Holt, b. 10 Feb. 1814; m. 27 Nov. 1839, Pamela C. Meeder.
- viii. Amos⁷ Holt, b. 2 Nov. 1815; d. 4 Oct. 1824.

72. ii. Joanna⁶ Durant. She m. at Andover, Mass., with Gideon Church Wardwell, 21 June, 1801.

73. iii. Silence Gulliver⁶ Durant, b. 18 Feb. 1783; d. at Cambridge, Mass., in 1869, aged 86 yrs. She m. in Trinity Church, Boston, 4 Feb. 1812, with William Edwards Carter, who was b. at Tamworth, Staffordshire, England, in ~~1872~~¹⁷⁸²; d. at Cambridge, Mass., in 1863, aged 81 yrs. Silence G. Durant was bapt. as an adult single-woman, in Trinity Church, Boston, 2 Feb. 1812, along with her sister 77 Mary⁶ Durant, the witnesses being 41 Elizabeth⁵ (Durant) Jordan, her aunt, and William Edwards Carter; the latter m. Silence G. Durant two days later. For the chln of 73 Silence (Durant) Carter, see the Appendix.

74. iv. Samuel⁶ Durant. He m. at Exeter, N.H., 18 Oct. 1829, Susan Daniels.

75. v. William⁶ Durant (132) b. at Exeter, N.H., in Oct. 1791; d. at Andover, Mass., 15 March 1821, aged 30½. He m. at Andover, Mass., 13 Feb. 1818, with Mary Blunt, who was b. there 25 Dec. 1793; d. in Cambridge, Mass., 8 Dec. 1876, aged 83 yrs; dau. of Isaac and Lois (Phelps) Blunt

76. vi. Elizabeth⁶ Durant, b. at Exeter, N.H., about 1792; d. 21 May, 1829, aged 37 yrs.; not married.

77. vii. Mary⁶ Durant, b. at Exeter, N.H., 22 Sept 1793; d. at Wardsboro, Vermont, 22 April, 1874, aged 81 yrs. She m. at Cambridge, Mass., 16 Oct. 1814, with Daniel White, who was b. at Sutton, Mass., 24 June, 1790; d. at Wardsboro, Vermont, 28 Nov. 1872, aged 82 yrs; son of Thomas and Susanna (Putnam) White.

WHITE CONNECTIONS

Thomas White, Sr., grandfather of Daniel, m. Eleanor Brown. Chln were: i. Roxalalana. ii. Diadama. iii. Lucretia. iv. Bethana. v. Joel. vi. Alpheus. vii. Thomas, b. 26 Sept. 1749; m. 1 Nov. 1778, Susanna Putnam, b. 27 Jan. 1755. Chln of Thomas and Susanna (Putnam) White: i. Alpheus White, b. at Uxbridge, Mass. 18 July, 1779. ii. Phinehas White, b. at Northbridge, Mass. 37 June, 1781. iii. Anna White, b. at Northbridge, Mass. 7 March, 1783. iv. Thomas White, b. at Northbridge 18 Sept. 1784. v. James White, b. at Sutton, Mass. 18 April, 1786. vi. Cyrus White, b. at Sutton, Mass. 24 Sept. 1788. vii. Daniel White, b. at Sutton, Mass. 24 June, 1790; m. 77 Mary⁶ Durant. viii. Elizabeth White, b. at Uxbridge, 27 April, 1793.

Mary⁶ Durant went to Andover, Mass., when she was 12 yrs. old, in 1805

She was never at home after that except for short visits. With her sister Mrs. Silence (Durant) Carter, she was baptized as an adult single-woman, in Trinity Church, Boston, 2 Feb. 1812. Immediately after her marriage she and her husband settled at Wardsboro, Vermont, where they dwelt in the same house from 1814 to 1848, and where all their fifteen children were born. In 1848 they removed to Jamaica.

78. viii. Nancy⁶ Durant, b. about 1795; m. with John Floyd, at Cambridge, Mass., 17 Feb. 1826. He was of Harvard, or Bolton, Mass.

(Chln of 46 Ephraim⁵ and Hannah (Welch) Durant)

79. i. Ephraim⁶ Durant. It has not been learned when he was b. nor whether he married. One of his nephews wrote: "Of my uncle Ephraim, I know very little; nothing at all concerning his marriage and death; only recollect being told, when very young, that 'he had gone off'".

80. ii. Hannah⁶ Durant, b. in Boston, Mass., about 1781; d. there 9 Feb. 1825; aged about 44 yrs, not m. Her funeral occurred Feb. 11th, the same day with that of Governor Eustis, and is particularly remembered because of the difficulty of obtaining carriages.

81. iii. William⁶ Durant (133-140) b. in Boston, Mass., 14 Feb. 1785; bapt. in King's Chapel, 17 Nov. 1794, the sponsors being his mother, Patrick M. Kenney (who later became his step-father), and Mamey Masson. He d. in Boston 30 June, 1829, aged 44 yrs. He m. 23 April, 1807, with Eunice Campbell, of Framingham, Mass., who was b. 2 June, 1787; d. 1 April, 1833, aged 46 yrs. He grew up in the Roman Catholic faith of his step-father, Patrick M. Kenney; and all of his own children were baptized in that faith. But when his wife, Eunice, was admitted to membership in the Old South Church, Boston, 23 March, 1823, by dismissal from the First Church, he allowed the children to attend there, and to be brought up in the faith of their mother.

(Children of 52 Edward⁵ and Mary (Park) Durant)

82. i. Henrietta⁶ Durant, b. at Newton, Mass., 17 May, 1762; d. there

10 June, 1855, aged 93 yrs. She m. (1) at Charlestown, Mass., in 1784, with her first cousin, Thomas Jackson, who was b. at Newton, Mass., 16 June, 1761; d. there in 1787, aged 26 yrs; son of John and Mary (Ellis) Jackson. (John Jackson was a brother of Henrietta Durant's grandmother). She m. (2) with Reuben Moore, of Sterling, Mass., who d. at Newton, in 1837, aged 83 yrs.

From her first husband Henrietta Durant Jackson received the original John Jackson homestead in Newton, on which her granddau., Mrs. Edwin W. Gay, resided in 1889. Henrietta's later girlhood covered the Revolutionary times, during which her father was actively engaged, and early lost his life, for the independence of his country. It is easy to imagine the anxious care shared by this only daughter with her mother, as well as the hardships and privations of the family in those trying days. After coming into possession of the Jackson place, in 1805, tho her property was somewhat reduced by following mistaken advice, her circumstances were very comfortable. She was always ready with advice and a helping hand, for any of her nephews and nieces who needed her assistance; and with welcome hospitality for any relatives, however distant. She had a cheerful disposition, and was a great lover of books. Her last days were passed in the family of her daughter, Catherine (Moore) Ricker, wife of James Ricker; in a quiet old age, keeping her faculties almost unimpaired to the end, even beyond her 90th year. See appendix for her descendants.

83. ii. Adolphus⁶ Durant, b. at Newton, Mass., 25 Sept. 1764; d. at Marlborough, Mass., 9 July, 1793, aged 29 yrs; not m. He was a cabinet maker. His marriage day had been appointed, but his death preceded that date. By his will he left £ 30. to "my chosen companion, Elizabeth Dana". The rest of his property was willed to his mother.

84. iii. Edward⁶ Durant (141-150), b. at Sherborn, Mass., 19 April, 1766; d. at Flat Creek, near Hilham, Overton county, Tenn., 19 Feb. 1855, aged 89 yrs. He m. (1) at Newton, Mass., 8 July, 1790, with "Habby" or Abigail Fuller, who

was b. there, 14 July, 1765; d. in Oct. 1825, aged 60 yrs, at Flat Creek, Tenn.,
 dau. of Joseph and Mindwell (Stone) Fuller.

FULLER PEDIGREE.

John Fuller, b. in 1611, one of the earliest settlers in Cambridge Village, Mass; owned upwards of a thousand acres in the township of Newton; m. Elizabeth. Twenty-two of his descendants in Newton served in the army of the Revolution. Joseph² Fuller, b. 1652; m. in 1680, Lydia Jackson, dau. of Edward; served as Selectman of Newton, 5 yrs.; d. in 1740. Isaac³ Fuller, b. 1698; d. 1745; m. Hannah Greenwood, dau. of John. Joseph⁴ Fuller, b. 15 Aug. 1727; d. 3 March, 1807. He m. in May, 1756, Mindwell Stone, who was b. in 1730; d. 11 Feb. 1777. Joseph⁴ Fuller raised and commanded a company of 96 men in Colonel Bullard's regiment, and marched to Bennington, Vermont, thence to Queensboro and Lake George, to oppose Burgoyne; thence to Cambridge to guard the captured English soldiers; he became noted in the engagements around Saratoga, and was given charge of General Burgoyne on the latter's surrender. He d. 3 March, 1807. The chln of Joseph⁴ Fuller, as remembered by his dau. Nabby (Fuller) Durant were: i. Asa⁵ Fuller, b. 17 June, 1757. ii. Lois⁵ Fuller, b. 13 Feb. 1759. iii. Susanna⁵ Fuller, b. 9 Oct. 1760. iv. Mindwell⁵ Fuller, b. 7 Nov. 1762. v. Nabby⁵ Fuller, b. 14 July, 1765.

He m. (2) at Flat Creek, Tenn., with a Mrs. Harville, widow of Archibald, who was then about 40 yrs old, and had at least three chln of her first marriage. Edward⁶ Durant's youngest dau. by his first wife 149 Harriet⁷ Durant m. for her first husband, with Archibald Harville, a son of her step-mother's first marriage.

Edward⁶ Durant was a cabinet-maker at Marlboro, Mass., in 1793. His wife's memoranda of family events and dates supplied many facts and dates mentioned here. She joined the Congregational Church at Newton, 26 July, 1789. They removed to Fitchburg, Mass., 29 Feb. 1792; later they dwelt in, or near, Worcester, Mass. He undertook the manufacture of cotton goods, with considerable success for a time; but at last met with heavy losses. In consequence of this misfortune, he set out with his son, 144 Samuel⁷ Durant, 28 Oct. 1816, for the new settlements then opening in Tennessee. His wife and their other children, excepting 143 Eliza⁷, left Fitchburg, Mass., 17 Oct. 1817, and joined him at Hilham, Tenn., Nov. 10th. There he had set up the business of cabinet and chair making. But, finding this alone unprofitable

in the new country, he bought on long credit a plantation of a thousand acres, with a good stream of water, at Flat Creek, about three miles from Hilham, and settled there with his family, 18 Sept. 1818. Mrs. Durant's memoranda also note that, ~~12~~¹³ May, 1820, she set out for Carthage, Smith county, arriving there the next day, to visit her son 142 Thomas⁷ Durant and his wife; and that she returned to her family July 1st, in company with "Mr. Warren", who later married her daughter 145 Mary⁷ Durant.

The following is from an obituary notice in the Banner of Peace.

Edward Durant was early taught by his widowed mother, after the old Puritan order, the principles of the Christian religion, which made an indelible impression on his character thru life. He was strictly a practical Christian. Shortly after settling in Tennessee he became a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Flat Creek, in which he was later a Ruling Elder. His chief desire seemed to be that he might be useful to all and harmful to none. He had a camp ground on his land, where houses were built for those who came from a distance to attend the meetings. The services were held in a large arbor in the center of the camp. Until his death he always camped out every fall during the meetings.

85. iv. Thomas⁶ Durant (151-162) b. at Holliston, Mass., 5 June, 1768; d. at Newton-Lower-Falls, Mass., 2 Aug. 1829, aged 61 yrs. He m. in 1794 with *Aligail* ("Nabby") Starr, who d. 4 May, 1850, aged 75 yrs; dau. of Josiah Starr, M.D., of Weston, Mass. It was reported that Thomas⁶ Durant held a commission in the army, signed by President John Adams, and that he was in camp at Oxford, Mass., 1798. He dwelt at Newton-Lower-Falls, where his occupation was that of designer and builder. On the organization of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 7 April, 1812, he was made a Warden, and placed on the Committee to erect the building. His counsel was often sought by his neighbors. In appearance he was of average height, somewhat stout, erect and dignified. In the tax list of 1 Oct. 1798, he was rated on one house valued at \$390.00, and four acres of land at \$271.00.

86. v. Jackson⁶ Durant (163-173) b. at Holliston, Mass., 20 March, 1770; d. 16 Jan., 1840, aged nearly 70 yrs. He m. 29 Nov. 1792, with Dorcas Fuller, who was b. at Fitchburg, Mass., 26 Oct. 1771; d. at Fitchburg, Mass., 29 Jan.

1835; dau. of Edward and Ruth (Jackson) Fuller.

FULLER PEDIGREE

See under Nabby Fuller, wife of 84 Edward⁶ Durant for John¹ and Joseph² (p. 63). Jonathan³ Fuller, b. 1686, m. in 1717, Sarah Merick, dau. of John; selectman 7 years; d. in 1764. Edward⁴ b. 1735; inherited the homestead; m. in 1759, Ruth Jackson, dau. of Isaac; selectman 7 yrs, and representative one year; Lieut. at battles of Lexington and Concord; Captain at the capture of Burgoyne's army.

In the early part of the 19th century and as late as 1808, Jackson Durant was in business at Thomaston, Maine. Then he enlisted in the regular army, for the War of 1812, and was commissioned 2d Lieutenant of the 4th Infantry, 18 June 1808; 1st Lieutenant 31 Oct. 1809, for the district of Maine; and Captain in the 4th Infantry, July, 1813. At first he had command of the fort near Thomaston, and after 1812 was transferred to a fort near Georgetown, Maine, where he remained until the close of the war, and then resigned from the army. Later he dwelt for a time in Fitchburg, Mass., removing, after 1836, to Great Falls, New Hampshire, where his family was located for several years.

87. vi. Samuel⁶ Durant, b. at Holliston, 13 March, 1772; d. 15 June, 1795; not m.

88. vii. Mary⁶ Durant, b. at Holliston, 8 Dec. 1774; d. 5 Sept. 1778.

89. viii. Charles⁶ Durant (174-180) b. at Newton, Mass., 16 July, 1777; d. at Roxbury, Mass., 23 Oct. 1833, aged 55 3/4 yrs. He m. 6 April, 1806, with Abigail Langdon Williams (a sister of Payson Williams who m. 163 Maria⁷ Durant) who was b. at Cambridge, Mass., 25 Feb. 1779; d. at Roxbury, Mass., 29 Oct. 1865; aged 86 2/3 yrs.; day. of Stephen and Mary (Langdon) Williams.

(Chln of 57 Thomas⁵ and Elizabeth (Clark) Durant)

90. i. William⁶ Durant, born at Newton, Mass., 21 Sept. 1775; baptized at Trinity Church, Boston, 8 Nov. 1779; d. in Albany, N.Y., 1 Oct., 1844, aged 69 yrs; not married. He grew up at Middlefield, Mass., and, at an early age settled in Albany, where he entered upon the business of forwarding produce from the west to New York City, and of exporting grain from the latter port.

In this business he was very successful, first as a partner in the firm of Pratt and Durant, and later in partnership with his youngest brother, 98 Clark⁶ Durant. He was one of the original directors of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank, and also one of the first trustees of the Albany Savings bank; taking an active part in the management of both. He was also a leading promoter of the Unitarian Church in Albany, and in his will gave it a legacy of \$5,000. Without children of his own, he was thoughtful and generous towards his nephews and nieces. He was described as a little under six feet in height stout, with florid complexion; of quick and accurate judgment in business matters, venturesome disposition, and of inflexible purpose. He was the second adult buried in the Albany Rural Cemetery; and his monument, a granite shaft, was the first erected in its grounds.

91. ii. Anna⁶ Durant, called "Nancy", b. at Cambridge, Mass., 21 Oct. 1777; baptized "Anna" at Trinity Church, Boston, 8 Nov. 1779; d. at Middlefield, Mass., 15 Oct. 1841, aged 62 yrs. She m. at Middlefield, Mass., about 1802, with Amasa Blush, who d. there 18 Nov. 1839; son of Joseph. The surname is spelled "Blish" in early records at Middlefield, and tradition asserts that the name was originally "Bliss". Joseph Blush and his brother Benjamin are said to have come from Colchester, Conn., and their ancestors from Cambridge, Mass. They settled at what is now Middlefield Center about 1775. About 1800 Amasa Blush bought a fulling mill at Middlefield; in 1805 he built a saw mill and a new cloth mill; and, in 1815, still another factory. (See Appendix for the descendants of 91 Anna (Durant) Blush).

92. iii. Edward⁶ Durant (181-184) b. at Cambridge, Mass. 12 July, or as recorded at Middlefield, Mass., 27 July 1779; bapt. at Trinity Church, Boston, 8 Nov. 1779; d. at Westmoreland, Oneida county, N.Y., 10 Oct. 1819, aged 40 yrs. and 3 mos. He m. at Westmoreland 11 Sept. 1811, with Lucina Willey, who was born at East Haddam, Conn., 29 Jan. 1790; d. at Ogden, Monroe Co., N.Y., 6 May, 1857, aged 67 1/4 yrs.; dau of Alfred and Olive (Cone) Willey.

The WILLEY PEDIGREE

For full records see "Isaac Willey of New London, Conn., and His Descendants: by Henry Willey". The latter kindly supplied some additional items for the following note. The numbering follows that of the Willey book.

1. Isaac¹ Willey, in Boston, Mass., 1640; in Charlestown, 1644; went to New London, Conn., in 1645, with John Wentworth, Jr.; d. about 1685; had wife Joanna, who d. in New London, Conn., before 1670.

7. John² Willey (son of 1 Isaac¹) b. in New London, about 1648; d. at Haddam, Conn., 2 May, 1688. He m. 18 March, 1668-9, with Miriam Moore, dau. of Miles and Isabel (Joyner) Moore. Miriam, as widow, m. (2) with Samuel Spencer.

11. iii. John³ Willey (son of 7 John²) b. at New London, 24 Feb. 1674-5; d. at Hadlyme, Conn., 19 June, 1754; was a "Sergeant" in colonial troops. He m. in Oct. 1698, with Elizabeth Harvey at East Haddam, Conn. She was b. about 1680, dau. of John Harvey of New London, Conn.

31. ii. Allen⁴ Willey, b. at East Haddam, Conn., 29 Sept. 1700; d. there 7 Feb. 1780. He m. 7 May, 1730, with Mehetabel Richardson, who was b. at Stonington, Conn., 13 Sept. 1709; d. at East Haddam, 5 May, 1778; dau. of Lemuel and Mehetabel (Chapman) Richardson; descending from Amos¹ Richardson, of Boston in 1645; through Stephen² Richardson.

82. ii. John⁵ Willey, b. at East Haddam, 11 Oct. 1732; d. at Millington, Conn., 26 Dec. 1805; Captain in 12th Conn. regiment, 1768; Captain of 1st Company in 4th Battalion of Continentals, 1776. He m. Esther Comstock, b. about 1725; d. at Millington, 5 May, 1807.

234. vi. Alfred⁶ Willey, bapt. at Millington, Conn. 3 June, 1770; moved before 1811 to Westmoreland, N.Y.; then, about 1816, to Ogden, N.Y. d. in 1830 aged 60 yrs. He m. 29 Oct. 1789, with Olive Cone who was b. about 1767; d. 28 Jan. 1845, at Lisle, Illinois.

Chin of 234, vi. Alfred⁶ and Olive (Cone) Willey:

925. i. Lucina⁷ Willey, b. about 1790; m. 92. Edward⁶ Durant.

ii. Rebecca⁷ Willey, b. in East Haddam, Conn., about 1791; m. in 1810, with Windsor Stone Trowbridge, author and poet.

iii. Ogden Moseley Willey, b. in 1793; lawyer, m. (1) in 1823, with Abigail Belden Chamberlain. M. (2) in 1825, with Grace Maria Stanely. A child of the first m. was Henry Willey, compiler of the Willey Genealogy.

iv. Sophia Willey, b. about 1795; m. Solved Stephens, of Parma, N.Y.

v. Sylvanus Cone Willey, b. in Hampden, Oneida county, N.Y., in 1799; farmer; m. Malenda Atschinson.

vi. Maria Willey, b. about 1801; m. William Ward, and settled at Iona, Mich.

vii. John Willey, b. about 1805; m. about 1829, with Sally Foster, and d. in Mich.

viii. Olive Willey, b. about 1807; d. Jan. 1820

ix. Caroline Willey, b. in 1811; m. in 1831, Robert Strong, and settled in Lisle, Illinois.

Pedigree of Olive Cone, wife of 234 Alfred Willey: Jared Spencer, of Cambridge, Mass., in 1634; freeman of Lyme, Conn., 1637; settled at Haddam, Conn. 1662; d. 1665. His dau. Mehetable Spencer, m. in 1662, with Daniel Cone, who was among the first settlers of Haddam, Conn., in 1662; d. 24 Oct. 1706, aged 80 yrs. His son, Nathaniel Cone, b. in Haddam, Conn., about 1672; m. Sarah Hungerford, 3d dau. of Thomas Hungerford of Lyme, Conn. Their son, James Cone, m. 10 Feb. 1726 with Grace -----, who d. at East Haddam, 7 Nov. 1767, aged 63.

His son, Sylvanus Cone, b. at East Haddam, 21 Jan. 1734-5; d. 5 May, 1812; m. 13 Nov. 1755 with Hannah Ackley, bapt. March, 1742, at East Haddam, Conn. d. 24 June, 1790. The Ackley Line: Nicholas Ackley, Hartford, 8 Nov. 1666, m. Hannah ----- James² Ackley m. Elizabeth; Gideon³ Ackley m. Hannah Andrews, dau. of Samuel A. Andrews and Eleanor Lee; Hannah⁴ Ackley m. Sylvanus Cone.

Edward⁶ Durant was about 9 yrs. old when his parents settled at Middlefield, Mass.; later he taught the District School there several winters. His removal to Westmoreland, N.Y., was in connection with the forwarding and export of grain and produce, in which he was associated with his brother, 90 William Durant. Edward Durant was the tallest of the brothers, about 6 feet 1 inch; he was spare in habit, active, genial, impulsive, industrious, and fond of study. After his early death, his widow with her dau. 182 Mary Jane⁷ Durant and her son 184 Edward Thomas⁷ Durant, went to her father's home, at Ogden, N.Y. while the other children, 181 Nancy Maria⁷ Durant and 183 William Clark⁷ Durant were adopted by their father's relatives in Middlefield, Mass.

93. iv. Elizabeth⁶ Durant, b. at Cambridge, Mass.; bapt. in Trinity Church, Boston, Mass., 29 Nov. 1781; d. before Oct. 1788.

94. v. Mary⁶ Durant, commonly called "Polly", and so recorded at Middlefield, Mass., where all the children of this family were recorded, 7 March, 1796, except the 4th, by "John Dickson, Town Clerk". She was b. at Cambridge, Mass., 5 March, 1784; d. before 1844. She m. at Middlefield, Mass., with Samuel A. Wheeler and settled on a farm near Lockport, Niagara county, N.Y. (See Appendix for their descendants).

95. vi. Sarah⁶ Durant (s.p.), called "Sally" and so recorded at Middlefield, Mass.; b. at Cambridge, Mass., 6 June, 1786; d. in Albany, N.Y., 1 April, 1872. She m. ----- as his 2d wife, with William Newton, who was b. at Bozrah, Conn., 6 Jan. 1786; d. in Albany, N.Y., 14 Feb. 1872. The childhood and youth of Sally Durant were passed at Middlefield, Mass., where she became acquainted with her husband. During all her married life she dwelt in Albany. Without children of her own, and altho having certain sharp peculiarities of disposition,

due to her day and training, she was a faithful and kind step-mother to her husband's children and grand-children. Her nephews and nieces, also, had many reasons, in her kindness and generosity, to hold their "Aunt Sally" in affectionate and grateful regard.

96. vii. Elizabeth⁶ Durant (s.p.) called "Betsey" and so recorded at Cambridge, Mass., where she was born 9 Oct. 1788; died at Pittsfield, Mass., 12 Jan. 1873, aged 85 yrs. She m. as his second wife, with Walter Tracy, their intention to marry being published at Middlefield, Mass., 3 Sept. 1832. He d. in Pittsfield, Mass., 7 June, 1870; son of Nathaniel and Susanna (Burnham) Tracy. After the marriage they dwelt in Pittsfield; and her aged mother, Elizabeth (Clark) Durant made her home with this daughter in her old age. Having no children of her own, "Aunt Betsey" adopted her niece, 181 Nancy M.⁷ Durant, an orphan dau. of her deceased brother, 92 Edward⁶ Durant.

Nathaniel Tracy was a Revolutionary soldier, who settled at Hinsdale, Mass. about 1771, coming from Norwich, Conn., where his first marriage was contracted. One of the daughters of his first marriage became the wife of the Rev. Dr. Yeomans. By his first marriage, Walter Tracy had three children: i. Charles K. Tracy, m. 16 Nov. 1835, with 181 Nancy M.⁷ Durant. ii. Ezra Tracy. iii. Clariss² Tracy; m. Henry Noble, and, in 1889, was living in the Tracy homestead at Pittsfield, Mass.

97. viii. Thomas⁶ Durant (185-188) b. at Middlefield, Mass., 30 Jan. 1791; d. in Pittsfield, Mass., 11 Sept. 1866, aged 75½ yrs. He m. before the Rev. Jonathan Nash, of Middlefield, Mass., 9 March, 1815, with Sybil Wright, who b. at Chesterfield, Mass., 6 Oct. 1788; d. in Pittsfield, Mass., 29 Aug. 1866, aged 78 yrs; dau. of Nathan and Mary (-----) Wright. Thomas Durant, very tall and spare in his appearance, was a successful merchant, doing business, first, at Lee, Mass.; then at Lanesboro and Hinsdale, but for most of his life at Pittsfield, Mass. He also became interested in the western railroads promoted by his sons, 186 Thomas C.⁷ Durant, 187 Charles W.⁷ Durant, and 188

98. ix. Clark⁶ Durant (s.p.) b. at Middlefield, Mass., 4 March, 1794; d. in New York City, 28 Feb. 1873, aged 79 yrs.; not m. The following is from the Albany Argus.

The death of Clark Durant comes in the order of nature. When he died last night in New York, at the residence of his nephew Charles W. Durant, he had reached his 79th year. He came to this city in 1825, and engaged in the general produce business, with his brother, under the firm name of 'William and Clark Durant'. For many years they did the largest business of any firm in the city, and were always successful. The deceased retired with a large fortune in 1857, when he removed to the City of New York, where he engaged largely in business enterprises, which resulted in adding greatly to his ample wealth. Before his death he was estimate to be worth at least a million of dollars; and, as he lived and died a bachelor, his fortune will be distributed among his nieces and nephews, to whom he has always been kind and profusely liberal.

Mr. Clark Durant was the first President of the Albany Board of Trade, one of the first Directors of the Commercial Bank; and always an intelligent, liberal and energetic man of business. He was a warm friend of the late Rev. Dr. Welch, and contributed liberally to the fund for the erection of the Old Pearl Street Baptist Church. (Later sold; and new edifice erected on State Street, named Immanuel.) His contributions to the Albany Hospital, of which he was an early and warm friend, have amounted to \$10,000, and he has probably extended his benefactions in his will.

He was a man of somewhat eccentric character; but was always kind, genial and generous to persons he deemed deserving of his friendship and benefactions. He survived most of his business contemporaries, and goes to his long home leaving behind him the reputation of an honest man.

He became much interested in the work of "Domine" Miles at the Bethel, formerly a building erected for the Third Presbyterian Church, which stood on Montgomery street between Columbia and Orange streets, when that was the fashionable quarter of the City. After the tide of fashion turned, and it became difficult to sustain the Bethel amid railroad and freight houses, Clark Durant bought the building, and paid the salaries and expenses until Domine Miles became too old and feeble to preach; providing then for his comfortable support until the death of Mr. Miles.

Mr. Durant was elected President of the Albany Board of Trade, 24 June, 1847.

One of his eccentric acts was to have Patrick Dempsey, an old and faithful laborer in his employ, draw a note for a large amount which Mr. Durant would endorse to use in his business operations.

Little things often had a great and lasting effect on his affections and judgments. His own account of the reason why he remained a bachelor, assigned it to the fact that, one evening, the young lady in whom he was interested, but with whom there was no engagement, accepted an invitation to the theatre from a man whom Mr. Durant disliked. He never spoke with her after that.

The bequests to charities made in his will were the following:

American and Foreign Bible Society	\$5,000
Five Points House of Industry, New York City	10,000
New York Bible Society	5,000
Children's Aid Society	10,000
Female Guardian Society	5,000
Improvement of the Conditions of the poor, New York City	10,000
The Juvenile Asylum	5,000
Society for Relief of Indigent Females	5,000
Society for Relief of Destitute Children of Sailors	2,000
Total for general beneficence	\$57,000
His other legacies, aside from the residuary estate,	800,000
	<u>\$857,000</u>

(Children of 58 John⁵ and Sarah (Dennie) Durant)

99. i. John⁶ Durant (189-201) b. at Newton, Mass., 9 Nov. 1770; d. at St. Charles, Illinois, 3 Jan. 1848, aged 77 1/4 yrs. Ho m. at Palmer, Mass., 18 Feb. 1796, with Abigail Ward, who was b. there in Dec. 1774; d. at St. Charles, Illinois, 23 Dec. 1851, aged 77 yrs; dau. of Urijah and Prudence (Wood) Ward. According to deeds at Springfield, Mass., "John Durant, of Palmer, trader", for \$400 bought about 7 acres, with dwellings, adjoining the Meeting House lot in Palmer, 23 July, 1798; and, for \$100, he bought land then in his possession, "north of and near the Meeting House". Previously he had been in mercantile business at Watertown, Mass. Soon after 1801 he moved to a farm in Ware, Mass. and dwelt there some forty years, respected by all his neighbors. He migrated to St. Charles, Illinois, in the fall of 1842, accompanied by his wife and several grown children. There he dwelt on his farm, and then bought the brick dwelling opposite the Congregational Church, in the village, residing there until his death. John Durant was of medium size, light complexion, and called "a handsome man". In manner he was very quiet and unassuming, with domestic habits. His wife "was one of the best of mothers". They were members of the Congregational Church both at Ware and St. Charles. Of their thirteen children, ten settled in the West.

100. ii. Thaddeus Burr⁶ Durant, b. at Newton, Mass., in 1772; d. young.

101. iii. Dennie⁶ Durant (202-211) b. at Waltham, Mass. 15 July, 1775, and baptized there the next day; d. at Brookfield, Mass., 4 Jan. 1862, aged 86½ yrs.

He m. at Palmer, Mass., 8 Oct. 1800, with Bersha Ward, who was b. there 6 Oct. 1778; d. at Brookfield, Mass., 10 Aug. 1860, aged nearly 82 yrs; dau. of Urijah and Prudence (Wood) Ward., and sister of his brother, 99 John⁶ Durant's wife. Dennie Durant was of medium height, slender form, with light brown hair and gray eyes; diffident but gentlemanly in his bearing. He was a farmer and a democrat. Until the age of 14 years he dwelt in Newton or Watertown, Mass., and then moved to Palmer where he dwelt till 1848, finally settling in Brookfield. This family tradition may possibly fix the date of his father's death about the year 1786, and indicate that the latter's half brother, 62 Nathaniel⁵ Durant, took the two orphaned children under his care. Bersha (Ward) Durant was under the average height, slender, of light complexion, with hair almost black. She attended schools in Palmer and New Ipswich; and was a member of the Congregational Church, a devoted Christian, kind, gentle, and social in disposition.

102. iv. James⁶ Durant, b. at Watertown, Mass., and baptized there 4 May, 1777; d. in youth.

103. Sally⁶ Durant, b. at Watertown, Mass., and baptized there 27 Sept. 1778; d. in youth.

104. vi. Nancy⁶ b. at Watertown, Mass., and baptized there 16 April, 1780; d. in youth. The family tradition asserts that the three youngest children died nearly at the same time, victims of the same disease, an epidemic of diphtheritic nature.

(Children of 61 Allen⁵ and Parthenia (Holdridge) Durant)

105. i. Maria⁶ Durant, b. 21 March, 1794; d. 7 May, 1794.

106. ii. Maria⁶ Durant (S.P.) b. Saturday, 26 Dec. 1794; d. at Rensselaerville, N.Y. 26 May, 1868, aged nearly 73½ yrs. She m. there 24 Dec. 1818, with Franklin Frisbie, who was b. 15 Jan., 1794, probably at Branford, Conn., the earlier residence of his father; he d. 31 March, 1881, aged 87 yrs.; son of Reuben Frisbie, M.D. Maria (Durant) Frisbie was tall, matronly, and dig-

nified; mild and even tempered; a communicant in the Protestant Episcopal Church.

107. iii. Benjamin Franklin⁶ Durant, b. 19 Dec. 1796; d. 14 March, 1798.

108. iv. Parthenia⁶ Durant, b. Saturday, 28 July; d. at Great Barrington Mass., 13 March, 1870, aged nearly 72 yrs.; buried at Rensselaerville, N.Y.; not married. She was a very intelligent woman, and a favorite with her nephews and nieces.

109. v. Benjamin Franklin⁶ Durant (212-216) b. Thursday, 14 Aug. 1800; d. at Great Barrington, Mass., 11 Feb. 1875, aged 74½ yrs. He m. at Great Barrington, in Jan. 1834, with Lucy Wilcox, who was b. 28 March, 1810; d. 23 Nov. 1881, aged 71½ yrs; dau. of Joseph and Jemima (Hunt) Wilcox, of South Canaan, Conn. Benjamin F. Durant was a merchant all his mature life, beginning in his native place, and removing to Great Barrington about 1849, in order to become head of the firm of Durant, Hollister & Co. On the close of this partnership, Benjamin F. Durant built the best store in the town, and there conducted a successful business until his death. He was of medium height, quick and alert in all his movements, of strict integrity, and inclined to reticence in speech.

110. vi. George Washington⁶ Durant (217-223), b. Saturday, 3 July, 1802; d. at Baldwinsville, N.Y., 13 April, 1886, aged nearly 84 yrs. He m. (1) at Milford, Otsego county, N.Y., 21 Oct. 1830, with Mary Lucinda Harrington, who was b. there in 1805; d. 16 Oct. 1847. Her mother's maiden name was Scott. He m. (2) at Vernon, N.Y., 7 Jan. 1850, with Harriet Bronson, widow, who d. in Brooklyn, N.Y., about 1874. George W. Durant, after teaching school for several years, and seeing something of the world, finally settled on the homestead in Rensselaerville; but, finding it lonesome and retired for his family, he removed to the village in 1836, and spent a few years in conducting a foundry. In 1844, he resumed farming, having purchased near the village, and continued until compelled to cease by advancing years. His children being then established in homes of their own, he passed his old age in travel and

leisure. He was a man of fine presence, and of great vigor both of mind and body.

He was a radical thinker upon all subjects; an early and persistent pioneer in temperance and the abolition of slavery, and lived to see the latter accomplished. A facile and ready writer, he was also speaker, eloquent and effective in presenting the theme that engaged his attention. Generally he found himself in the minority, as his thinking was in advance of the day; and he always had the courage to stand for an idea or a principle whether popular or not. He was a life long member of the Presbyterian Church.

A letter is preserved from his first wife, Mary Lucinda Harrington, written a month before their approaching marriage, which reflects the intensity of her religious life, and in which she proposes a day of prayer in view of the event, that they may be strengthened to assume the duties and cares of their new relation, so that these may not militate against devotion and elevated thought. She was a woman of rare excellence of Christian character; her Bible was her constant companion, and the atmosphere of her life was prayer.

111. vii. Julia⁶ Durant, b. Thursday, 31 May, 1804; d. at Great Barrington, Mass., 16 April, 1891. She m. at the latter place, 9 Feb. 1841, with John Lewis who was b. 25 Nov. 1790, at Wethersfield, Conn.; d. 15 March, 1876, aged 85 1/3 years. (See Appendix for descendants).

112. viii. Edward Allen⁶₁ ^{Durant} (224-229) b. Saturday, 15 Aug. 1807; d. 1 Oct. 1894, aged 87 yrs. He m. in Albany, N.Y., 26 Dec. 1840, with Margaret Stiles, who was b. 7 Sept. 1815, in Schenectady, N.Y.; d. -----; ^{at N. Brook field, Mass. 13 Dec. 1898} dau. of Jacob Alexander and Cornelia (Ryckman) Stiles. Edward A. Durant came from Rensselaerville to Albany, 1 April, 1832, and for many years was engaged in the flour and grain commission business, with marked success, retiring with large gains some years before his death. He was among the pioneers in his line, and traveled between Albany and Buffalo by stage, making frequent trips before there was any railroad; often going into Ohio, which was then the far West. All

western produce, at that time, came forward by the Erie canal, in boats that carried from 30 to 40 tons each.

Mr. Durant was one of the founders of the Fourth Presbyterian Church in Albany, and became a communicant member in 1835; later serving it as a Trustee for twenty years, being President of the Board for nine consecutive years, and as a Ruling Elder for more than twenty-five years. He was a life member of the Albany City Tract and Missionary Society, having twice been its President, and serving continuously as one of its active directors. His Church made him an honorary Life member of the American Board of Commissions for Foreign Missions, and a Life Director of the New York State Temperance Society.

In appearance he was slender, over six feet in height, with gray eyes. He was vigorous and alert even down to his 82d year.

The following minute was adopted by the Albany Board of Trade.

Mr. Durant was one of the founders of this Board. The perfection of the rules for governing commercial transactions was more than the work of a day. The records show it to have been the result of years. Mr. Durant's house was one of the largest in the city, and he gave his vast experience and ability to assist in perfecting the rules that have been handed down to us. To-day we meet to express our gratitude in memory of one of the fathers of this Board for the legacy left us.

On motion of Mr. John D. Capron a committee was appointed to draft resolutions, who reported as follows:

At a meeting of the Board of Trade held Wednesday morning, October 3, 1894, the following minute was adopted.

The death of Edward A. Durant, for many years an active merchant in our City, has taken from us in the ripeness of years, one whose presence and help will be greatly missed.

Previous to his retirement from business, some twenty-five years ago, Mr. Durant was closely identified with the progress and best interests of our City. He was among the pioneers in the grain trade, and his house bore a name that was synonymous with integrity and usefulness.

In the community in which he lived he was honored and beloved, and the growth of many charities, with which he was actively identified, was largely due to his wise counsel and assistance; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board, of which he was long an active member, desires to pay its tribute to his peculiarly kind and benevolent disposition; and that the oldest members will always remember with pleasure their association with him. Signed John D. Capron

G. E. Peck

D. C. Bennett, Committee

Minute of the Session of Fourth Presbyterian Church

The Session of the Fourth Presbyterian Church bears grateful and loving testimony to the character and service of Edward A. Durant, whose long life of Christian usefulness on earth is now closed.

Coming into the fellowship of this Church within a few years of its organization, he was closely identified with all its memorable history, and through all the long years was one of its most loyal and devoted servants, the friend and helper of every Pastor the Church has known. The qualities which made him successful in business, prominent in civil and social life, honored as a man and a citizen, were offered freely in the service of the Church, and contributed largely to its growth.

His marked ability and unquestioned devotion brought him early into official relations with the Congregation. Elected a Trustee in 1836, he served continuously in that office by repeated election until 1861. The office of Ruling Elder, to which he was chosen in 1859, was terminated only by death. While strength lasted his place in the sanctuary was seldom vacant, and while many would have felt released from responsibility because of the infirmities of age, he was faithful to every trust; and the ministries of his later years to the sick and the aged, the sorrowing and the lonely, have enshrined his name in blessed memories.

The interest of the Church which he had served with such fidelity rested upon his heart through all the final period of his enforced retirement, and he ceased not to pray for the peace of Jerusalem.

Elder Durant was characteristically an intelligent Christian and presented a rare instance of expanding thought and more inclusive faith in extreme old age. His spirit, chastened through suffering, grew ever more submissive to the Father's will, and led him into the peace of child-like confidence in the divine wisdom and love.

More and more as the years passed, he revealed the "~~charity~~ ^{charity} that suffereth long and is kind, that believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

The Church which he served and honored treasures his memory with sincere affection and gratitude, while it bows in sorrow with the loved ones whose tender care in the home smoothed the dying pillow of their father in Israel.

Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord. Yea, saith the Spirit, they do rest from their labors and their works do follow them.

Albany, N.Y., October 3, 1894.

Andrew V. V. Raymond, Moderator.

Samuel Anable. Chauncey B. Wickes. James McKinney. E. A. Hobbs.
Frederick Cleveland. Wm. M. Kennedy. A. S. Kibbee. Henry D.
Enos. James Rodgers. Albert McHarg. John Rowland.

113. ix. Augustus Holdridge⁶ Durant, b. 12 July, 1810; d. 17 July, 1810.

(Children of 66 Lewis Edward⁵ and -----(-----) Durant)

114. i. Maria⁶ Durant. The will of her great uncle 31 Cornelius⁴ Durant, mentions that three daughters of his nephew 66 Lewis Edward⁵ Durant, were living in Norfolk, Virginia, in 1812, but does not name them. The names, with the items here stated, were reported by Mrs. Sarah A. Robertson, of

St. Croix, West Indies, in 1888; she stated that Maria⁶ Durant was living at Norfolk, Virginia, in 1825.

115. ii. Hannah⁶ Durant. She m. before 1825 with ----- Duncan and visited St. Croix in 1825.

116. iii. Anna⁶ Durant, b. about 1812. She m. with ----- Duncan. In 1825 she was 17 yrs old, and was then engaged to a lawyer, a relative of her sister Hannah's husband. (Has not Mrs. Robertson's memory confused the daughters named above, with the daughters of 69 John W.⁵ Durant, one of whom m. a Duncan?) (Children of 67 Thomas and Dorothy (Messer) Durant)

All b. at Fredericksted, St. Croix, West Indies.

117. Thomas⁶ Durant (230-232) b. 19 Nov. 1792; d. there 31 Dec. 1833, aged 41 yrs. He m. ----- with Gertrude Smith, who was b. there 20 Oct. 1801; d. in 1844, aged 43 yrs; dau. of Captain Thomas and Isabella (-----) Smith. Thomas⁶ Durant was tall, "with straight black hair and fair complexion. He was first Lieutenant and Adjustant in the Danish Troops. Both he and his wife were communicants in the Episcopal Church.

118. ii. Elizabeth⁶ Durant (s.p.) b. 29 Aug. 1796; d. 3 July, 1873, aged 77 yrs. She m. in 181⁵, with Joseph Titcomb, who d. in 1849. She was short in stature, with straight black hair and black eyes. For some time she taught in a female school. Her husband was a Second Lieutenant in the Danish Troops.

119. ⁱⁱⁱ John Waldo⁶ Durant, d.y.

120. iv. Mary⁶ Durant, d.y.

121. v. Sarah⁶ Durant, d.y.

122. vi. Felicia⁶ Durant, d.y.

123. vii. Sarah Antoinette⁶ Durant, b. 4 July, 1806; living in 1888, at Fredericksted, St. Croix^x, West Indies. She m. 11 Dec. 1828, with John Robertson, who was b. there 22 July, 1801; d. 16 Jan. 1855, aged 53½ years; son of Daniel and Rebecca (Armstrong) Robertson. They were communicants in the Episcopal Church. Mr. Robertson was a dealer in provisions.. Mrs. Sarah A.

(Durant) Robertson has kindly supplied all the records of her father's family and descendants recorded here, with many valuable items of coordinate branches. (Children of 69 John Waldo⁵ and Sarah (Heyliger) Durant)

124. i. John Heyliger⁶ Durant, b. on St. George estate, island of St. Croix^x, West Indies, 1 Jan. 1801; baptized by the Rev. Mr. Stuart. He came to Philadelphia, Penn., with his parents, about 1817; never married. He tried the theatrical stage as a profession, about the time Edwin Booth, the elder, began his career, from whom he cherished several letters. He is believed to have been killed in the Mexican War of 1846-48.

125. ii. Maria⁶ Durant, b. on St. George Estate, island of St. Croix, West Indies, 9 Oct. 1802; bapt. by the Rev. Mr. Parsons; d. at No. 2 Foxall's Row, Georgetown, District of Columbia. She m. ----- with Joseph M. Duncan. The following is copied from a newspaper scrap, which has neither name nor date, part of an obituary notice relating to the death of Mrs. Maria (Durant) Duncan. "The shortness of this notice will not permit us to picture the excellence of one who was beyond all praise. Seldom have so much purity of heart, such powers of mind, such domestic virtues, such unaffected piety, and engaging manners been united in the same person.

126. iii. Cornelia Elizabeth⁶ Durant, b. on St. George Estate, St. Croix, West Indies, 20 Oct. 1804; baptized by the Rev. Mr. Parsons. She d. in 1865, aged 61 yrs., at New Orleans, La. She m., about 1830, with Lorenzo L. Da Ponte, who d. about 1841, son of Prof. Lorenzo Da Ponte (See Appleton's Encyclopedia), of Columbia College, New York City. They dwelt in Philadelphia, and later in New York City. Mr. Da Ponte's profession was literary and artistic. His wife left the Protestant Episcopal Church and joined the Roman Catholic. (See Appendix for their descendants).

127. iv. Cornelius Batelle⁶ Durant, b. in New York City, 31 March, 1808; baptized there in Trinity Church by the Rev. Mr. Jones; d. in Philadelphia, Penn., in 1826, aged 18 yrs; not m. An obituary in a local paper reads

as follows:

He was a young man of studious habits, and of refined tastes. His reading was great and various; and his memory was so tenacious that little worth retaining was ever forgotten. The most prominent events in ancient and modern history were familiar to him; and his acquaintance with poetry and with works of taste was so extensive that a casual quotation was almost intuitively placed by him to its right account. His ideas of men and things were generally correct. His attachments were faithful, strong and lasting; and his sense of honor and integrity was formed by a heart always attuned to the right. He was in the employment of the writer of this short and imperfect notice for many months previous to, and until the disease which caused his death laid its heavy hand upon him. In this situation he not only deserved the writer's confidence and esteem, but had won his affections; and a melancholy pleasure is now felt in calling to mind the rare qualities of his head and his heart.

128. v. Gordon Stedman⁶ Durant, b. in New York City, 17 Jan. 1810; bapt. there by the Right Reverend Bishop Moore; d. in St. Croix^x, West Indies, 20 Oct. 1810.

129. vi. Thomas Jefferson⁶ Durant (233-239), b. in Philadelphia, Pa. 8 Aug. 1817; d. in Washington, D.C. 3 Feb. 1882, aged 64½ yrs. He m. 13 Nov. 1845, with Mary Elizabeth Harper, who was b. 2 Sept. 1827, at Marlboro, Prince George county, Maryland; d. in Washington, D.C., 8 July, 1886; dau. of Robert Withers and Sarah (Lyles) Harper. Thomas J. Durant entered the Collegiate Department of the University of Pennsylvania, in 1830, but did not graduate: they have him, in their catalogue, born in Jan. 1816 and record him as a member of the Philomathean Society. He adopted the middle name "Jefferson" on reaching manhood. He was a lawyer of national eminence. While pursuing his legal studies he was a clerk in a bank, and until his admission to the Bar. For several years he served as District Attorney. He was an earnest abolitionist and a Union man. In the reconstruction period, after the Civil War, he took a prominent and influential part. The following account is condensed from a long article in the Chronicle, of Washington, D.C.

Among the citizens of the District of Columbia, who have recently departed this life, there is probably no one who will be more generally missed than Thomas Jefferson Durant the man whose name stands at the head of this article; certainly none that the community could less afford to spare. Though sixty-four years of age, he managed to keep

himself so young and vigorous that it was a common remark among those who best knew him that he would live to a great age; and such would probably have been the case, but for his accidental exposure, while acting as pall-bearer at the funeral of a friend, which resulted in pneumonia.

So quiet and unassuming was this man, that but few in the community were aware of his great learning and transcendent abilities. He seemed to combine the clearness and logic of Webster with the philosophy of Emerson and the uncompromising integrity of Garrison. It was these qualities, with his consistent action in refusing to accept the Governorship of Louisiana, in 1867, subject to the military, that caused Wendell Phillips to speak of him many years ago as the "Arago of America". With five languages at his command, and a thorough knowledge of the law and literature of the great nations of the earth, he yet made no pretensions to knowledge or goodness, and would meet the poorest and humblest laboring man with the same cordiality that he bestowed on the most learned or wealthy. A favorite motto with him was that "whatever is worth doing at all is worth doing well." As a consequence he was noted among the eminent lawyers, who practiced before the Supreme Court, for the thoroughness of preparation and the clearness of his statements. The fact that he was selected, by the Committee of Congress on the Revision of the Laws, of which Caleb Cushing was the chairman, to review and compare with the original records the five years' labor given to the preparation of the Revised Statutes, shows the high esteem in which he was held by the eminent lawyers who composed that Committee. In this task he not only read, and reread, the work of the Commission, but also every word of the fifteen volumes containing the Statutes from the formation of the Government.

His practice was almost wholly confined to the Supreme Court, and the Spanish Claims Commission; in the latter appearing as the attorney for the United States. In one instance he deviated from his rule; and, in the Police Court defended Isaac Cohen against the charge of obstructing the streets while addressing an open-air meeting of laboring men. Cohen was poor, and without friends able to procure him counsel; and, but for Mr. Durant's gratuitous espousal of his cause, would undoubtedly have been sent to jail.

The scene in the great injunction case of "Citizens against the Board of Public Works", before Justice Wylie, about 1871, in which Mr. Durant and Judge Cox appeared for the citizens, and Caleb Cushing and William A. Cook for the Board, illustrates the wonderful memory, readiness and power of Mr. Durant as a lawyer. Caleb Cushing cited an authority in support of his position, claiming it entitled to great weight; and took his seat. Mr. Durant rose to reply, and, after disposing of Mr. Cushing's personalities, with the quiet dignity and keen sarcasm for which he was noted, said: "But, your honor, while passing over the harmless personalities, I cannot refrain my astonishment at the boldness and cool audacity of my learned friend in citing this eminent authority exactly the reverse from the way it reads in the book. If your honor will send for the book, he will see that this decision, instead of being against us, completely knocks the foundation from under our opponents."

"Is that so?" said Judge Wylie; "bring me the book."

The book was brought, and, amid quite a sensation in the Court, Mr. Durant was found to be correct. The discomfiture of Mr. Cushing was complete, and he left the room without any explanation or attempt at reply.

But it is not for his achievements as a lawyer, his literary culture, or eminence as a linguist, that Mr. Durant will be longest remembered. It is for his love of right, his unbending integrity, his aid to those without friends, his brave words for unpopular truths, his efforts to ameliorate the conditions of the laboring masses, his opposition to monopolies, his advocacy of self-government for the people of this District, and his blameless every day life, that he will be best known in history.

130. vii. James Monroe⁶ Durant, b. in Philadelphia, Penn., 6 Aug. 1819; baptized by the Rt. Rev. Bishop White; d. 28 Dec. 1821.

131. viii. Sarah⁶ Durant, b. in Philadelphia, Penn., about 1823; not m.; d. in New Orleans, La., in the home of her brother, 129 Thomas J. Durant.

SEVENTH GENERATION

(Children of 75 William⁶ and Mary (Blunt) Durant)

132 i. Marianne⁷ Durant (240-243) b. at Andover, Mass., 22 Jan. 1819; d. 3 June, 1906, aged nearly 87½ yrs. She m. 30 Dec. 1839, with the Rev. Amos Bullard, who was b. at Medway, Mass., 12 July, 1807; d. 21 Aug. 1850, aged 43 yrs. He was graduated at Amherst College in 1833, and became a Congregational minister, settled as pastor over the Church at Barre, Mass.

(Children of 81 William⁶ and Eunice (Campbell) Durant) All b. in Boston, Mass.

133. i. William⁷ Durant, b. 24 Nov. 1807; d. 25 Nov. 1807, aged 1 day.

134. ii. William⁷ Durant, b. 28 Jan. 1810; d. 28 Jan. 1816, aged 6 yrs.

135. iii. Thomas Perkins⁷ Durant (s.p.) b. 12 March, 1812; living, 1889, in Boston, Mass. He m. 8 Sept. 1834, with Delia Elvira Jenness, who was b. at Rochester, Vt., 16 March, 1814; living 1889; dau. of Simon Duncan and Delia (Sedgwick) Jenness. He was an upholsterer. They dwelt in Boston, and were members of the Baptist Church.

136. iv. James⁷ Durant (s.p.) b. 1 July, 1814; d. in Boston, Mass., 19 Aug. 1890, aged 76 yrs. He m. 9 May, 1849, with Susanna Thomas Hunt, who was b. at Duxbury, Mass., 30 Aug. 1822; living, 1888; dau. of Capt. Samuel and Sarah Smith (Kent) Hunt. They dwelt in Boston, where James Durant was a cabinet-maker.

137. v. William⁷ Durant, b. 26 July, 1816; not m.; d. in Boston, Mass., Thursday morning, 31 Dec. 1903, aged nearly 87½ yrs. The following is from the Boston Evening Transcript of Dec. 31, 1903.

William Durant, treasurer of the Boston Transcript Company and for nearly seventy years faithful and trusted employee and guiding spirit of this paper, died at his home this morning in his eighty-eighth year.

The life of William Durant is not a difficult one for his biographer to follow. It did not acquire a fitful prominence from a background of startling events, but glowed with the steady lustre of true worth. It would be difficult to point to one more spotless or more fruitful in the line of duty, with which from boyhood to old age it was uninterruptedly identified.

Mr. Durant was a son of Boston, a citizen of Boston and an honor to Boston during his more than fourscore years of busy life. He was born in Norfolk place, opposite the present Adams House, then known as Lamb Tavern, July 26, 1816. His father, also William Durant, was likewise a native of Boston, while on the side of his mother he was of excellent Scotch descent, her maiden name being Campbell. He attended what was then known as the Mason Street School until he was twelve years of age, when he was forced to give up regular study, owing to impaired eyesight, an affliction which grew upon him until the end of his days. But he was one of those men to whom schools are not indispensable. He kept in close touch with the movements and events which made up contemporaneous history. If his information was less technical than that which some possessed, the deficiency was offset by its breadth and solidity.

Upon leaving school he entered the law office of Mr. William Sohler, and later, in February, 1834, when in his eighteenth year, he came to the Transcript and there entered upon what proved to be his life work. At that time the Transcript was a young enterprise having been running about four years.

Cheerful and efficient service and strict fidelity were followed in due time by their natural and proper recognition, and he was advanced through various grades of responsibility. About 1842 Mr. Durant became business manager and confidential adviser of the Proprietors, in which position he remained for many years. During those early days of the expanding life of the paper he was no small part of its strength and inspiration. While a conservative man in the best sense of the term, prudent in all his acts, never venturing upon rash experiments or taking doubtful chances, his caution was not of a kind to deaden enterprise. He was progressive along broad and safe lines. He believed in growth and expansion, and encouraged such a policy in all departments of the paper. He was not simply a fair weather pilot. His qualities of cheerfulness, courage and skill were even more conspicuous in storm and stress than when all was plain sailing. He was not unduly elated by success nor cast down by difficulties, but stood at his post unspoiled and undismayed to the end of his service.

In the years 1874-75 three of Mr. Durant's warmest friends and associates connected with the paper died. The first to go was Mr. Daniel N. Haskell, the long-time editor; then the younger Mr. Dutton, who was followed in a short time by his aged father. The loss of so many props and stays threw upon Mr. Durant additional responsi-

bilities. He remained at his post and assumed full charge, in conjunction with Mr. S. P. Mandel, of all business affairs connected with the paper, they acting as executors and trustees for the Dutton estates, until, in 1879, the Boston Transcript Company was incorporated. Mr. Durant then became business manager and treasurer, with Mr. Mandell as president, holding these positions until 1886, when, of his own motion, he was relieved of his more active duties; retaining, however, his position as treasurer and director.

He possessed an equipoise of character that was unusual. In it were happily blended justice, charity and vigorous common sense. He won the confidence and esteem of all associated with him, either socially or in the way of business. He enjoyed the appreciative friendship of not only the best men of his day and generation, but also of some of the most prominent, among them being Daniel Webster, Wendell Phillips, Charles Sumner, John G. Whittier, Rev. E. H. Chapin, George W. Childs, Thomas Starr King, William Lloyd Garrison and many others.

Old age did not take away from the attractiveness of his life and character. His wealth of years seemed rather to strengthen, ripen, and enrich the graces of his early manhood. To the last he was a cordially welcomed visitor whenever he chose to make the round of the departments.

Mr. Durant never married. But he had family ties and strong ones, living many years with a brother and later establishing a home of his own, which he made cheerful and pleasant to those about him. He belonged to the order of Odd Fellows, being one of the founders of Oriental Lodge, No. 10, of which, for a long time, he was the only surviving charter member.

His old age was a happy one. To this his own hopeful and philosophic temperament contributed. He also saw the labor of his life crowned with success, and knew that it had been appreciated. There may be those who have won greater names, but there have been few, if any, who have improved their opportunities more wisely, or lived up more exactly to the measure of their duties. Of him it can be said, without flattery or exaggeration that he made the world better by living in it.

138. vi. Daniel⁷ Durant, b. 5 Oct. 1818; d. 17 May, 1821.

139. vii. Eunice⁷ Durant, b. 18 Jan. 1821; d. in Boston, Mass. 21 Dec. 1872, aged nearly 52 yrs. She m. 15 Sept. 1847, with Jonas Heywood Priest, who was b. at Jaffrey, N.H., 27 April, 1817; living 1888, in Boston, Mass.; son of Josiah and Lydia Ripley (Heywood) Priest. They dwelt in Boston and were members of the Central Congregation Church. Mr. J. H. Priest was a grocer, retiring from business in 1882 with a competence. (See Appendix for their descendants.)

140. viii. Emily⁷ Durant, b. 8 Oct. 1823; d. 19 May, 1825, aged 1½ yrs.

141. i. Polly⁷ Durant, b. at Newton, Mass., 6 Mar, 1791; d. at Marlboro, or Fitchburg, Mass., 27 Aug. 1794.

142. ii. Thomas⁷ Durant (244-255), b. at Fitchburg, Mass., 17 Nov. 1792; d. at Carthage, Illinois, in 1881, aged about 89 yrs. He m. (1) at Fitchburg, 25 July 1817, with Sarah P. Cowdin, who d. at Columbus, Illinois, in 1848. He m. (2) at Hilham, Tenn., 15 Feb. 1849, with Sarah Perry (Fiske) Little, living 1888, at Carthage, Illinois, widow of S. H. Little, and dau. of Moses and Nancy Fiske. Thomas⁷ was a farmer. His wife, Sarah, did not accompany him when he took his mother and the younger members of the family, 17 Oct. 1817, to join his father at Hilham, Tenn. But on May 10th, 1819, he set out on his return to Fitchburg; and, on Sept. 25th of that year, he arrived again at Hilham, this time having his wife, Sarah Cowdin, with him. He was living at Carthage, Smith county, Tenn., in May, 1820, when his twin daughters were born, but removed, about 1836, to Columbus, Illinois; but again returned to Carthage, Tenn., about 1856.

The following correspondence gains increasing interest as the years pass, as it puts us in touch with the migration which settled the middlewestern states; and because it is the only autograph record of a number of interesting facts respecting this branch of the family.

From 142 Thomas⁷ Durant to 152 Adolphus⁷ Durant of Lawrence, Mass., dated "Columbus, Illinois, Sept. 4th, 1848":

Dear Cousin, Your letter of 31st July came duly to hand. I am, as you presumed, the eldest son of Edward Durant of Fitchburg. My father is living, and, as you say, of your aunt Moore, does not look as old by twenty years as he really is. He is living where he first settled, near Hilham, in Overton county, Tennessee. I was at his house a year ago last May. He is quite active and labors constantly. I have no doubt he does more work than half the young men.

I have one brother living near father, Edward, who has seven sons. There are but four of my father's children now living, Edward and two sisters, Mary and Sarah, living at Rushville, about forty miles north-east of this. My youngest sister and her husband are both dead; she left three children that are with me. My youngest brother died at Jacksonville of consumption in 1832. Brother Samuel died of cholera

in 1833, at Jacksonville. I have been living here about twelve years, and engaged in farming. We have the prettiest farming country in the world. 84

I have considered myself settled for life; but since the death of my wife, I have become restless, and I think of breaking up housekeeping to travel. I think of going to Tennessee soon, and the city of Washington, and probably to North California. Should you come to this country you will find my children in this vicinity, who will be happy to see you.

My oldest son is settled in Quincy. My second son Harry, I expect will soon marry, and settle on land I have given him one mile from Columbus. Our wheat crop has been pretty good this year, but the wet weather since harvest has destroyed and injured a great deal of it. I have this year raised near a thousand bushels for market, and am now engaged in hauling it to Quincy, about 14 miles west of this.

Please remember me to all enquiring friends
Your affectionate Cousin
Th. Durant

The following letter was written by 266 Warren⁸ Durant, son of 152 Adolphus⁷ Durant, while visiting descendants of 84 Edward⁶ Durant.

Blandensville, Ill., June 5th, 1859.

Folks at Home. ----- I am among the Durants at last, and find them more numerous than I expected.

Leaving St. Louis on Thursday the 26th, I landed at Quincy the next day at noon, and by the Directory found there was a Thomas Durant, a harness maker, doing business there. Called upon him, and made my relationship known. He is married and has two children, girls; and appeared to be doing a good business. He is a grandson of your uncle Edward, and is about 35 years old. Saturday he went out to Columbus with me, eighteen miles by rail from Quincy.

There I saw Miss Sarah Durant, a maiden lady; also saw the widow of Joseph Durant, grandson of Edward, and seven children. This is the town in which Thomas Durant, your first cousin, lived for some years; but now the children of Thomas are dead, or have left for the most part. I had a pleasant day, and returned to Quincy at night.

Tuesday, at 6 a.m. left Quincy on the Chicago road; got off at Plymouth, and took a stage for Carthage. We were two hours traveling 18 miles -- prairie roads to perfection. There I found Thomas Durant, living with his second wife. He is a land speculator on a small scale; is about 67 years old, and has two girls by his second wife, Mary and Lina.

I remained at Carthage till Friday a.m., when I left for this place, which I reached by a ride of 10 miles in a stage, and 7 miles on foot. Here lived another son of Thomas, senior, Joseph, a physician. He is 27 years old; has a wife and two children; and has a good practice.

143. iii. Eliza⁷ Durant, b. at Fitchburg, Mass. 15 Dec. 1794; d. at (?) Concord, Mass., 2 May, 1824, aged 29 yrs. 5 mos. She m. 18 Dec. 1817, with Joshua Melvin. From a long letter, written by Eliza to her mother in 1823,

it appears that Eliza was then living in Concord, Mass., and had suffered some time from illness; that she was a member of a church in Worcester, Mass., from which she had not taken her certificate; and that her husband had a weaving or carding, machine in or near their house. While the tone of this letter reflects some of the anxieties and burdens of long-protracted illness; yet it is full of faith, patience, and thoughtfulness for others. Eliza had

- two chln:
- i. Edward Durant⁸ Melvin, b. 26 Sept. 1819; began to attend school in April, 1823; and, in Sept. of that year he could "read very prettily in plain easy reading", as his mother then wrote to her mother. Apparently he and his father were living in 1833.
 - ii. Eliza Durant⁸ Melvin, b. 4 March, 1824; d. 23 Jan. 1825.

144. iv. Samuel⁷ Durant, b. at Fitchburg, or Lowell, Mass., 26 July, 1797; d. in July, 1833, at Jacksonville, Illinois, aged 36 yrs; not m. He accompanied his father on the first journey to Tennessee, and assisted in preparing the home in Hilham. In 1831, with his brother, Joseph, he went to Jacksonville, taking with them a machine for carding wool, and began business. But his career, which promised to be an unusually good one, was soon clouded and cut off. The next year his brother Joseph died; and, in 1833, after nursing cholera patients for weeks, he himself was one of the last victims of the scourge.

145. v. Mary⁷ Durant, b. at Fitchburg, Mass., 31 July, 1799; d. at Tecumseh, Nebraska, 29 April, 1871, aged 71 3/4 yrs. She m. near Hilham, Tenn., 1 Jan. 1822, with Micaiah Warren, who was b. about 1791; dwelt in Fitchburg, Mass., in 1816; d. at Rushville, Illinois, 10 April, 1864, aged 73 yrs. Mr. Warren seems to have gone to Tennessee soon after his wife's father moved thither in 1816. He settled in Winchester in Franklin county, Tenn., where he was in business in 1822, engaged in wool carding; and, in 1831, he had a cotton factory there. In 1833, he removed to Rushville, Illinois, and there manufactured wagons and carriages. He was a Ruling Elder in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, in which his wife was also a communicant. She was one "whom everybody

loved, an earnest but quiet worker in the Church." Mr. Warren "was a man of strict integrity and honor, social and benevolent, respected by all." His widow moved to Nebraska in 1870, with her dau. Mrs. Elizabeth M.⁸ McCrosky, wife of Charles. (See Appendix for descendants.)

146. vi. Sally⁷ Durant, so written in her mother's memoranda, b. at (?) Fitchburg, Mass., 7 Dec. 1801; d. at Whitehall, Illinois, in Dec. 1873, aged 72 yrs.; not m. In 1831 she was living with her sister Mary (Durant) Warren, and was still with her, at Rushville, Illinois, in 1848.

147 vii. Edward⁷ Durant (256-262) b. at Fitchburg, Mass., 23 Aug. 1803; d. 11 Feb. 1860, at Anna, Union county, Illinois, aged 56 1/4 yrs. He m. 12 Aug. 1829, with Sarah M. Brisbin, who was b. in Penn. 9 Feb. 1804; d. at Anna, Ill. 24 March, 1860; aged 56 yrs, 1 mo.; dau. of John Brisbin. In Aug. 1807, "the month he was four years old", according to his mother's memoranda, Edward Durant fell into a well, at Fitchburg, which was 36 feet deep with three feet of water in it. He was taken out for dead, but soon revived and recovered, altho his arm was very much broken and his skull fractured." He was fourteen years old when he accompanied his mother, in the fall of 1817, to the new home of the family at Flat Creek, near Hilham, Tenn. There he became a carpenter and cabinet maker; and, still further following in his father's steps, he was later made a Ruling Elder in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. In 1831 he appears to have engaged in business at Jacksonville, Illinois; but, later he returned to Hilham, and was dwelling there in 1848. But the slavery question finally made the South uncongenial to him, and he removed his family to Anna, Illinois, about 1860

148. viii⁷ Joseph⁷ Durant, b. at Fitchburg, Mass., 19 April, 1806; d. at Jacksonville Illinois, 7 March, 1832, aged 26 years. He m. at the latter place, 22 Nov. 1831 with Nancy McCord, who m. (2) with ----- Ledgerwood. Joseph Durant was at Columbia, Tenn. in 1828. The seeds of consumption began early to appear in him. Just before settling in business at Jacksonville with his brother Samuel, in the Spring of 1831, he took a trip by river to New Orleans for the benefit of his

health. Encouraged by the result, and by the prospects of his enterprise, he m. that fall. But an exposure in the following winter proved fatal, and he did not live to see his child. The McCords and Ledgerwoods moved from Tennessee at an early date to the neighborhood of Macomb, Illinois. Joseph Durant had only one child: 1. Sarah⁸ Durant, b. about 1832; d. about 1860, probably near Macomb, Ill. It is said that she m. a Mr. Welch, and had two or three chln., but their names were not reported.

149. ix. Harriet⁷ Durant, so spelled in her mother's memoranda, but generally known in the family as "Henrietta", b. at Fitchburg, Mass., 12 March, 1808; d. near Hilham, Tenn. about 1844, aged 36 yrs. At the age of 15 years she joined the Church in which her father was an Elder. He m. (1) before 1831, with Archibald Harville, son of her step-mother's first marriage; he d. in 1832, without chln. Harriet m (2) 26 Feb. 1835, with Thomas Irwin, who d. about 1844. The three chln of the latter marriage were cared for in the home of their uncle⁸⁵ Thomas Durant. (See Appendix for descendants)

(Child of 84 Edward⁶ and 2d wife (-----Harville) Durant)

150. x. Henry⁷ Durant, b. near Hilham, Tenn., about 1828; d. aged 20 months. (Children of 85 Thomas⁶ and Nabby (Starr) Durant)

All but the first b. at Newton-Lower-Falls, Mass.

151. i. Nabby⁷ Durant, b. about 1796, at Weston, Mass.; d. at Newton-Lower-Falls, 3 April, 1883, aged 87 yrs; not m.

152. ii. Adolphus⁷ Durant (263-6) b. at Newton-Lower-Falls, 23 Sept. 1798; d. at Lawrence, Mass., 23 June, 1885, aged 86 3/4 yrs. He m. 23 May, 1823, with Maria Cutter, who was b. at Weston, Mass., 10 March, 1804; d. at Lawrence, Mass., 9 Sept. 1875, aged 71½ yrs.; dau. of Richard and Miriam (Brown) Cutter. They dwelt in Newton, Mass., till 1826; then in Methuen, Mass., in that part which became the City of Lawrence in 1846. Adolphus Durant was noted for mental and physical vigor, enterprise and perseverance. When quite young in business he bought a mill at Newton-Lower-Falls, and began the manufacture of paper. In

1826 he moved to Methuen and built the first paper-mill on the Spicket river. After three years of the old hand-made process, he introduced machinery and supplied the leading newspapers and bookbinders of his day until about 1846.

From the first of his residence at Methuen he predicted that, at no distant day, the water power of the Merrimack river would create in the neighborhood a second Lowell; and he lived to see his prediction fulfilled, with a population of over 40,000, in the manufacturing city of Lawrence.

At the age of 21 yrs he was baptized in the Episcopal Church; later he became interested in the formation of several parishes. He was confirmed in Grace Church, Lawrence, 13 May, 1877. His wife was confirmed in St. Mary's, the church built by her husband's father at Newton-Lower-Falls, between 1823 and 1826. She was "a woman of rare loveliness, of dignified and distinguished beauty; adorned with a gentle, pure and elevating spirit; possessing in an unusual degree the charity which thinketh no evil." Brought up under Unitarian influence, the Protestant Episcopal Church became the church of her affections from the first time she was permitted to attend its services; and thenceforth no effort was too great to secure its privileges.

153. iii. William⁷ Durant (267-270) b. 18 Jan. 1800, at Newton-Lower-Falls; d. at Niagara Falls, N.Y., 9 Aug. 1856, aged 56½ yrs. He m. 11 May, 1820, with Eliza Elvira Gibson, "both of Newton", Mass., according to the records of the Episcopal Church, at Dedham, Mass. She was b. 21 Sept. 1800, at Harvard, Mass. d. at New Haven, Conn., 6 June, 1869, aged 69 yrs, 9 mos.; dau of John and Lucy (Reed) Gibson. William Durant was a paper manufacturer, a democrat, and a Universalist. His wife was an Episcopalian. From Newton-Lower-Falls, their first home, they removed to Camden, Maine; to Pepperell, Mass.; and to Niagara Falls, N.Y. He was of medium height, with light complexion, brown hair and black eyes, weighing about 150 pounds.

154. iv. Harriet⁷ Durant, b. about 1802, at Newton-Lower-Falls, Mass.; d. at Newton, 28 May, 1840, aged 38 yrs. She m. about 1828-29, with Joseph Foster,

who was b at Framingham, Mass., about 1792-3; d. at Newton-Lower-Falls, 9 Dec 1853, aged about 60 yrs; son of Bennett, or Benjamin and Sally (Stimson) Foster, of Maine. They dwelt at Newton-Lower-Falls where Mr. Foster was a paper manufacturer. He served as Selectman, and also in the State Legislature. Both were tall and slender and of light complexion. They were connected with the Episcopal Church. (See Appendix for descendants)

155.v.Horatio⁷ Durant, b about 1803; living in Sept 1840, but d soon after, around 1843 in New York City; not m.

156.vi.James⁷ Durant (271-8), b at Newton-Lower-Falls, Mass. 4 Nov 1805; d at Lawrence, Mass., 24 Dec 1855, aged 50 yrs, 1 mo. He m with Margaret Childs, who was b in Needham, Mass., 1808; d at Lawrence, Mass. 26 Oct 1880, aged 72 yrs. He was a paper manufacturer, connected with his brother Adolphus Durant in factories in Methuen and Lawrence, Mass.

157.vii.Charles⁷ Durant, b c. 1806; d in infancy.

158.viii.Thomas⁷ Durant, b c. 1808; d in infancy.

159.ix.Caroline⁷ Durant, b at Newton-Lower-Falls, Mass., 16 Aug 1809; d 22 May, 1898, at Saxonville, Mass. She m 1 Oct 1840, with John Bent Dench, who was b at Hopkinton, Mass., 27 July, 1808; d at Saxonville, Mass. 6 Aug. 1872, aged 64; son of Isaac and Martha (Bent) Dench of Framington, Mass. John B. Dench was a cotton broker, with place of business in New Orleans, La., where he passed the winters, always returning to Saxonville for the summer. For forty years he thus went back and forth. During the Civil War he was obliged to remain in the North, but he resumed his former business on the return of peace. (See Appendix for descendants)

160.x.Sophronia⁷ Durant, b 20 Sept. 1811; d 1 April 1899. She m 10 Jan 1834, with Paul Dewing, who was b at Needham, Mass 14 Aug 1805; d at New Haven, Conn., 15 Aug 1863, aged about 58 yrs.; son of Captain Nathan and Ada (Fisher) Dewing. (See Appendix for descendants)

Sophronia (Durant) Dewing, like her brothers and sisters, was born in the old Durant house in Newton-Lower Falls, which is still standing, just opposite St. Mary's Church. Paul Dewing was the great, great great grandson of Andrew Dewing, first settler of the western part of Dedham, Mass. now the town of Wellesley. (See Clarke, History of Needham, Mass., p. 20.) Paul Dewing was a paper maker at Newton-Lower-Falls. His Mother, Ada Fisher, was a descendant of Capt. Daniel Fisher, one of the first settlers of Dedham, Mass. (See Fisher Genealogy, p. 3). Captain Nathan Dewing lived from 1758 to 1831. (See B.F. Dewing, Dewing Genealogy, for further details on the Dewing Family). Thanks are due to Mr. Arthur Stone Dewing for information on this branch of the Durant Family.

161.xi.Almira⁷ Durant, d young.

162.xii.Louisa⁷ Durant. She m with William Wallis, a tailor, of Boston.

They were both living in 1886, without children; and resided at the home-
stead of Louisa's father, in Newton-Lower-Falls.

(Children of 86 Jackson and Dorcas (Fuller) Durant)

163 i. Maria⁷ Durant b. at Newton, Mass., 7 April, 1793; d. at Fitchburg, Mass., 22 Nov. 1838, aged 45 yrs. 7 mos. She m. at Newton, Mass., 9 June, 1811, with Payson Williams, who was b. at Roxbury, Mass., 4 Dec. 1785; d. at Town Point, Maryland, 11 March, 1846, aged 60 yrs, 3 mos.; son of Stephen and Mary (Langdon) Williams.

Payson Williams m (2) 9 Jan. 1841, at Philadelphia, Penn., with Mrs. Mary Williams (Vose) Hewett, who d. at Middletown, Delaware, 8 April, 1845, aged 51.

Maria (Durant) Williams was of medium height, with dark brown hair and eyes, a fair and attractive face. Both she and her husband were members of the First Unitarian Church, in Fitchburgh. They were noted for integrity, sociability, benevolence and activity in all good works.

Payson Williams was a farmer, an enlightened and successful agriculturist, frequently taking premiums and abundance of his crops, producing, at one time, more than fifty bushels of wheat to an acre. He was a frequent writer in the "New England Farmer"; and, at one time, Superintendent of the Farm School on Thompson's Island, in Boston Harbor. In politics he was a Free Soil Democrat. For many years he served as Justice of the Peace; and, for two or more terms he was a member of the Massachusetts Legislature. In the Temperance cause he was a prominent worker and earnest writer, and President of the first Temperance society in Worcester county, Mass. In appearance he was of medium height, with brown curling hair, blue eyes, and genial expression. He dwelt, at different times, in Roxbury, Watertown, and Fitchburgh, Mass.

He was a brother of the Abigail (Langdon) Williams who m. 89 Charles⁶ Durant, and uncle of Maria Durant. (See Appendix for Descendants)

164 ii. Charles⁷ Durant(279-281) b. at Cambridgeport, Mass., 14 Feb. 1795;

d. at North Woodstock, 12 Jan. 1840, aged nearly 45 yrs. He m. 12 Dec. 1831, with Betsey Wood, who was b. about 1804; d. at Waltham, Mass., 6 June, 1840, aged 36 yrs. Charles Durant was a mariner. When first mate of his ship, and about to go as Captain on the next voyage, the poor health of his wife kept him at home. Subsequently he took up the business of painting in which he lost his own health.

165. iii. Ruthy⁷ Durant (s.p.) b. at Charlestown, Mass., 14 March, 1797; d. at Melrose, Mass., 12 March, 1884, aged 87 yrs. She m. 3 Nov. 1841, with Jacob Adams, a farmer of Waltham, Mass., who d. 4 May, 1858, aged 82 yrs. Until her marriage Ruthy had lived for some time at Newton, Mass., in the family of deacon Ezra Fuller, her mother's brother. Afterwards she dwelt, successively at Waltham, Newtonville, Framingham; and, for the last twenty years of her life, with her brother Augustus Durant. "She was a small woman, bright and active; a great reader; a devoted and consistent Christian, member of the Universalist Church. For eight years before her death she was crippled by rheumatism, only once in that time going up a flight of stairs, and never stepping on the ground."

166. iv. Jackson⁷ Durant (s.p.) b. at Fitchburg, Mass., 28 June, 1779; d. at Porte au Prince, Haiti, West Indies, 28 March, 1835, aged nearly 56 yrs. He m. with Elinor (White) Foley, widow of Morris Foley; she d. at Milford, Mass., 2 June, 1861. "Captain Jackson Durant took a severe cold on a voyage home from China, resulting in consumption. He died among strangers while seeking health."

By her first marriage Mrs. Elinor (White) Foley had at least two chln: i. Bridget Ellen Foley, who m. Clement S. Parsons. ii. Mary Ann Foley, b. in Boston, 14 Feb. 1813; m. there 29 Sept. 1837, with Appleton Bragg, who was b. at Milford, Mass., 3 April, 1805; son of Arial and Elizabeth (Chamberlain) Bragg. Clement S. and Bridget E. (Foley) Parsons had 3 chln: i. Clement S. Parsons Jr. ii. Mary E. Parsons, who m. a Mr. Todd. iii. John Parsons. Appleton and ii. Mary Ann (Foley) Bragg had: i. Ellen W. Bragg, m. a Mr. Merrill. ii. William A. Bragg, b. in New York City, 16 July, 1844; living in 1889, at Braggville, Mass.; not m. iii-vii. five other chln, names not reported.

167. v. Eliza⁷ Durant b. at Thomaston, Maine, 16 July, 1801; d. at Springvale, Maine, 1 March, 1889, aged nearly 88 yrs. She m. at Great Falls, N.H.

6 Sept. 1829, with Samuel Willard, who was b. there 19 Jan. 1803; d. at Springvale, 27 June, 1884, aged nearly 81 yrs; son of Evert and Hannah (Humphrey) Willard. They dwelt for a few years at Great Falls, then at Alfred, Maine; and, for more than forty years, at Springvale. For some time they were members of the Methodist Church, but later became ardent Universalists. Samuel Willard was a house carpenter.

From the "Springvale Advocate" of 3 March, 1889, the following sentences were culled out of a long article:

During the War of 1812, Mrs. Eliza (Durant) Willard was with her father in the Fort at Thomaston, and afterwards in that at Georgetown, in both of which he was commanding officer. At the close of the war Captain Durant returned to Massachusetts with his family. Here Miss Durant began work in the cotton factory at Waltham, where she became acquainted with the celebrated "Bobbin Boy, employed in her room, Nathaniel P. Banks - afterwards Governor of the State, Member of Congress and Major General in the Union army during the Civil War. During her younger days Eliza Durant was well known as a singer of unusual merit, and her name often appeared upon programs of public concerts in Lynn, Salem, Portsmouth, Dover and other New England towns. Having a lively and patriotic interest in all questions of the day, she early became pronounced in her convictions upon Temperance and Abolition. She was soon recognized as an active and leading spirit in her vicinity for these reforms. Her own voice, and the voices of her family, were often given in public meetings for these causes, when singers were not easily found to take part in these causes which were then unpopular. . . .

Her youngest son she gave to her country; he was killed in the battle at Petersburg. Willard Post, No. 70, Grand Army of the Republic, at Springvale was named in his honor, and the annual Memorial service is conducted at the family lot in Riverside Cemetery.

(See Appendix for descendants)

168. vi. William Winthrop⁷ Durant (282-288) b. at Thomaston, Maine, 27 May 1803; d. at Round Pond, Maine, 22 Aug. 1887, aged 84 yrs, 3 mos. He m. (1) at Roxbury, Mass., 1 June, 1828, with Susanna Lincoln Marsh, of Roxbury, who was b. 7 Jan. 1807; dau. of Warren and Hannah (Withington) Marsh. He m. (2) with Emily Maria Marten, who was b. in Canada, in 1817; d. in Albany, Ill., 27 Nov. 1878, aged 61 yrs. W. W. Durant went west in 1836; was living in Albany, Illinois, as early as 1852, and had then m. the second time.

169. vii. Julia⁷ Durant, b. at Thomaston, Maine, 7 Aug. 1805; d. at Clinton Mass., 20 Aug. 1878, aged 73 yrs. She m. at Great Falls, N.H., 1 July, 1827, with William Gage, who was b. at Methuen, Mass., 5 Jan. 1803; d. at Spring-

vale, Maine, 22 Oct. 1854 (Another account says that he died "17 Oct. 1859, aged 51 yrs."); son of William and Hannah (Kimball) Gage. They dwelt at Great Falls, N.H., Springvale and Limerick, Maine. William Gage was a physician. Both were members of the Baptist Church. (See Appendix for their descendants)

170. viii. Dorcas⁷ Durant, b. at Warren, Mass., 9 Aug. 1809; d. at Grafton, N.H., 22 June, 1884, aged nearly 75 yrs. She m. at Somersworth, N.H., 28 June, 1829 with George Pierce Gibbs, who was b. at Bridgeton, Maine, 17 June, 1808; d. at Grafton, N.H., 5 Jan. 1874, aged 66½ yrs.; son of Theodore and Lucy (Kendall) Gibbs.

Dorcas Durant was educated at Methuen, Mass., and there joined the Methodist Church; but, later, she became a Universalist. For many years she was an invalid, bearing her trial with patience and fortitude. After the death of her husband she dwelt with her son Alonzo Durant⁸ Gibbs.

George Pierce Gibbs, when but a boy, went to Beverly, Mass., and served his time at cabinet making; later working as a journeyman at Malden. Upon his marriage he began business for himself at Gilmanton, N.H.; moved, in 1832, to Laconia, where he carried on the business of cabinet making and painting. April 9th, 1849, he moved to Hebron, N.H., and there made farming his principal business. In 1858 the family moved to Bristol, N.H., and in 1867 to Grafton, where they passed the remainder of their days. (See Appendix for descendants).

171. ix. Nancy⁷ Durant, b. in Georgetown, Maine, 5 July, 1811; d. at Lynn, Mass., 23 April, 1871, aged nearly 60 yrs. She m. (1) 6 Sept. 1830, with Stephen Bartlett, who d. 10 July, 1831. She m. (2) 27 Sept. 1835, with Henry Toby⁶, who was b. 4 March, 1811, at Falmouth, Mass.; living at Lynn, Mass., in 1887; son of Captain Zimri and Nancy (Wing) Toby⁶, of Sandwich. Before she was 20 years old, Nancy Durant was a wife, a mother, a widow, and childless. Her second husband, Henry Tobey, did business in Georgetown,

in South Carolina (?) and spent only his summers at home in Falmouth.

(See Appendix for descendants)

172. x. Augustus⁷ Durant (S.p.) b. at Newton, Mass., 30 March, 1813; d. at Melrose, Mass., 22 Nov. 1881, aged 68 2/3 yrs. He m. 12 April, 1836, with Louisa Otis, who was b. at Barrington, N.H., in 1811; d. 25 Aug. 1886, aged 75 yrs., at Melrose; dau. of Daniel and Lydia (Allen) Otis. They dwelt at Gilmanton, N.H., and Boston, Mass., removing to Melrose in 1855. Both united with the Congregational Church at Gilmanton. "They were wonderfully united and happy in their union, strife and unpleasantness being unknown in their home." Louisa (Otis) Durant was regarded as very pretty in her youth; in later years she was well-known for her industry and frugality; "a loving, tender, patient, true and sweet woman, always ready for every duty, forgetting herself in seeking the welfare and comfort of all about her." Augustus Durant for eighteen years was a general agent for the publications of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. For several years he was a Deacon in the Bowdoin Street Congregational Church, Boston; "respected and esteemed by all who knew him". Having no child born to them, they adopted Mr. Durant's niece, 279 Elizabeth⁸ Durant, dau. of 164 Charles⁷ and Betsey (Wood) Durant.

173. xi. Henry Fuller⁷ Durant, b. at Newton, Mass., 13 May, 1816; d. there 29 Dec. 1816.

(Children of 89 Charles⁶ and Abigail Langdon (Williams) Durant

All b. at Roxbury, Mass.

174. i. Nabby Williams⁷ Durant, b. 29 June, 1806; d. 12 March, 1811.

175. ii. Charles Mortimer⁷ Durant, b. 28 Dec. 1808; d. 4 Aug. 1828, aged nearly 20 yrs.; not m.

176. iii. Mary Park Langdon⁷ Durant, b. 17 Feb. 1811; d. 22 Jan. 1875, aged nearly 64 yrs.; not m.

177. iv. Nabby Williams⁷ Durant, b. 26 April, 1813; d. 6 June, 1839, aged

26 yrs; not m. "Her character was almost perfect".

178. v. Henrietta⁷ Durant, b. 29 Dec. 1815; d. 21 July, 1829; aged 13½ yrs.

179. vi. Caroline Augusta⁷ Durant, b. 6 April, 1818; living, 1886, at Boston Highlands, Mass. She m. 20 July 1854, with John Wells Parker, who was b. at Roxbury, Mass., 21 April, 1809; d. there 3 June, 1875; son of Samuel⁶ and Eusebia (Moore) Parker. After leaving the Roxbury Latin School, Mr. Parker entered mercantile business in Boston in the service of William Davis; then he became bookkeeper for Enoch Train, from 1853, till the latter retired; then he was an assistant in the Treasury department of Roxbury until the latter was annexed to Boston. From then, until his death, he was Assistant Treasurer and Secretary of the Roxbury Institute for Savings. He was one of the Founders of the Prince Society, and its Treasurer from the organization in 1858 until 1863. He was also a member of the Norfolk Guards and Clerk of the company for some years; member of the New England Historic Genealogical Society in 1851; Treasurer of the Roxbury Athenaeum, and a devoted officer of the Roxbury Charitable Society. PARKER LINEAGE

John Wells⁷ Parker was a descendant in the 7th generation from Samuel¹ Parker, of Dedham, who m. Sarah Holman; thru Nathaniel² Parker and Mary Wiswell; Noah³ Parker who m. Sarah Cummings; Thomas⁴ Parker who m. Eunice Hammond; and Joseph⁵ Parker who m. Eunice Carver.

180 vii. Charles⁷ Durant, b. 27 Jan. 1830; d. 28 Jan. 1830.

(Children of 92 Edward⁶ and Lucina (Willey) Durant)

181. Nancy Maria⁷ Durant b. 5 Nov. 1812; d. at Hinsdale, Mass., 31 Jan. 1868, aged 55 1/4 yrs. She m. 16 Nov. 1835, with Charles K. Tracy, who was b. at Hinsdale, 18 Nov. 1810; d. there 31 March, 1876, aged 66 1/3 yrs; son of Walter and Mary (King) Tracy. He m. (2) -----

After the death of her father in 1819, Nancy M. Durant was adopted by her aunt, 96 Elizabeth⁶ (Durant) Tracy, whose step-son she afterwards married. Charles K. Tracy was a farmer and cheese-maker in Hinsdale. (See Appendix for descendants)

182. ii. Mary Jane⁷ Durant, b. 14 Sept. 1814; d. at Ogden, or 96
Spencerport, N.Y., 19 Feb. 1847, aged 32 yrs, not m. On her father's
death she remained with her mother.

183. William Clark⁷ Durant (293-297) b. 3 Nov. 1816; d. in Milwaukee, Wis.
10 Dec. 1881, aged 65 yrs. He m. in Albany, N.Y., 11 March, 1845, with Ann
Elizabeth White, who was b. there 17 Sept. 1827; d. there 13 Sept. 1884,
aged nearly 57 years; dau. of William and Laura (Putnam) White.

The following is from a newspaper obituary.

William Clark Durant was named for the oldest and the youngest of his father's brothers. These uncles of his never married, and always provided for him as son, rather than as a nephew, after the early death of his father in 1819. In that year he was adopted by his father's sister, Nancy (Durant) Blush, wife of Amasa; and he grew to manhood in their home at Middlefield, Mass. There he had only the advantages of a country school, but his natural literary tastes were developed early, and before he had attained his majority he was the teacher of the school where he had recently been a pupil.

On coming of age he was, for a short time, a clerk in the store of his uncle, Thomas Durant, at Hinsdale, Mass.; then his two uncles, whose names he bore, William Durant and Clark Durant, put him in charge of a store at Poland, Herkimer county, N.Y., in which they were interested, in order that he might wind up its affairs, which had been mismanaged by their agent. When this task was completed he came to Albany, and, for a few years, was in the business of forwarding country produce down the Hudson river to New York City, in partnership with his cousin, Charles W. Durant. Just after his marriage, William C. Durant conducted the branch office in New York City.

After the death of his uncle, William Durant, in 1844, Wm C. Durant returned to Albany and entered upon the business of manufacturing flour and meal, in the Columbia Mills, on the Pier above the Columbia Street bridge; and, a little later, having associated a partner with himself, in his characteristic modesty, the firm took the name of "M. L. Crittenden & Company". The business was very successfully conducted until the financial panic of 1857, when, like so many others at that period, this firm was dissolved in bankruptcy, and Mr. Durant continued the business alone some ten years longer. In 1870 he purchased the City Mill, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and, moving his family to that city, he pursued the business of manufacturing flour until his death in Dec. 1881.

The following sentences are from a Milwaukee newspaper of that date:

It is our sad duty to announce to the readers of the "United States Miller" the death of William C. Durant, one of Milwaukee's oldest and most prominent millers. Mr. Durant, while conversing with Mr. Ilsley, in the latter's bank, at about the hour of noon on the 10th

of December, suddenly expired from a stroke of heart disease. He was a very quiet unassuming gentleman, and was highly esteemed by all with whom he came in contact.

Wm. Clark⁷ Durant's residence in Albany, N.Y., immediately after his marriage, was on the north side of Steuben Street, the second house west of Lodge Street; and there his first child was born in 1846. A year or so later he purchased the house on Columbia Street, then numbered 85, nearly opposite the north end of Lodge Street, and with only one house between his and that of his father-in-law, William White, on the west. But in 1848, on account of the illness of his two children, he bought, from Mr. Charles B. Lansing, what had been the "Van Wie farm", with a large brick dwelling which had just been completed. It was about two and a half miles north of Albany on the Albany and Troy turnpike, and about a quarter of a mile south of what became Menand Station on the Rensselaer and Saratoga railroad, which later became a branch of the Delaware and Hudson. Subsequent purchases, increasing the property to about fifty acres, were made to control a small stream of water that flowed thru a stretch of woods and a romantic ravine, and from which he called the place "Brookside". Here the family resided for some twenty years, until the removal to Milwaukee, and often returned to spend their summers. Mr. Durant found much pleasure and recreation from business in beautifying the place, and in his hot-houses and graperies.

He was averse to public life. The only offices he is known to have accepted were those of trustee of the First Presbyterian Church, and President of the Board of Trade, both in Albany. Ordinarily he preferred to take a troublesome journey rather than attend a public meeting; and, in general company, he was habitually silent. But when his opinions could be drawn out, they were expressed in terse phrases, close to the point, based on sound judgment, and conceived in the kindest spirit. At home, and among those with whom he chose to be familiar, while never voluble or boisterous, he was uniformly cheerful and companionable; even ready to enter into the pleasures of

little children. Very few men have a nature as sympathetic as was his; and his children remember, with tender reverence, his quiet counsels, his zest in their sports, and the patient anxiety and tenderness with which he watched and cared for them when ill. His generosity was large in all directions. In church, in private and among his relatives less favored by fortune, his benefactions were continuous and often lavish. In appearance he was a trifle under the average stature, somewhat spare in habit until his later years with black hair inclined to curl slightly, dark eyes and ruddy cheeks. His countenance and bearing suggested his refined and contemplative nature.

Mrs. Ann Elizabeth (White) Durant had dark brown hair, dark hazel eyes, a very clear complexion with rosy cheeks; a cheerful and lively disposition, strong social tastes, a sensitive conscience, and a determined purpose. She was a woman of action rather than of contemplation. For twenty years after marriage her life at "Brookside", three miles from Albany, with the care of her growing children, she had little scope for social or public activities. But even there she was among the first to recognize the need for the first Sunday School of the neighborhood, and opened her parlors for it, until its growth in numbers required its removal to the public school house on Menands road. After the removal of the family to Milwaukee, with fewer home cares, she was at once, and continuously, in demand for the benevolent activities of her Church and city. In the various missionary societies of her Church, and the benevolent institutions of the city, she was active as an officer as well as a guiding member. Her duties were fulfilled with scrupulous and untiring fidelity; her counsel was always sought and prized, and her public influence for good continued many years after her death. On the death of her husband, she returned to her old home at "Brookside", near Albany, N.Y., and died there.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Durant became communicants in the First Presbyterian Church of Albany in 1857; removing their membership to the Fourth Presbyterian Church of that city in 1868; and on removal to Milwaukee, they became members

of the Immanuel Presbyterian Church of that city.

Upon their death Mr. and Mrs. William Clark Durant were buried in the Albany Rural Cemetery, in the lot originally purchased for the burial place of Wm. C. Durant's oldest and youngest uncles, who never married, William Durant and Clark Durant; this lot having been conveyed by the latter to Wm. C. Durant.

184. iv. Edward Thomas⁷ Durant (299-307) b. 11 July, 1819; living 1903 at the home of his dau. Mrs. 301 Clara Maria⁸ (Durant) Davison, wife of John Davison, at Waterville, Kansas. He m. 16 April, 1842, with Sally Ann Whallon, who was b. -----; dau. of Samuel and Sally (Norton) Whallon. On the death of his father, in Oct. 1819, Edward T. Durant remained with his mother until about 1833, when, for a few years, he was with her brother, John Willey, in Cattaraugus county, N.Y. He reported as follows:

I have met only a few of my father's relatives during my whole life, and these but a few times. The fall after I was 14 years old my uncle William Durant came for me and took me to Albany, N.Y., where I first saw uncle Clark Durant and Aunt Sally (Durant) Newton. He then took me to Pittsfield, Mass., where I saw my grandmother, Elizabeth (Clark) Durant, uncle Thomas Durant, and Aunt Betsey (Durant) Tracy, aunt Blush, my brother William C. Durant and sister Nancy M. Durant. The second and last time, that I saw grandmother Durant, uncles Thomas and Clark, aunts Sally and Betsey, and my sister Nancy, was in the summer of 1847. My brother William C. I met half-a-dozen times, all told.

Edward Thomas Durant settled early on a farm in Will county, Illinois, and removed to Kansas after 1866.

The following sketch by his son 299 William E. Durant, gives an account of the service of father and son in the Civil War.

At the breaking out of the war for the Union we were living in Lisle Township, Dupage county, Illinois. August 19th, 1861, we joined a detachment recruited by Moses I. Morgan, and went to Bloomington, Illinois, where we assisted in organizing, and enlisted in Captain Moses I Morgan's Company B., 33rd Illinois Volunteer Infantry. About ten days later we moved to Camp Butler, near Springfield, Illinois, where the regimental organization was perfected, and we were mustered into the military service of the United States. A few weeks were passed in drilling, and learning the duties of a soldier. We were then ordered into active service, arriving at Pilot Knob, Missouri, Sept. 20th, 1861. Our company

was detached from the regiment, and spent the following winter guarding bridges on the St. Louis and Iron Mountain railroad. We returned to the regiment at Pilot Knob, Feb. 1st, 1862.

March 1st, 1862, we started on a campaign thru Missouri and Arkansas, joining Curtis' army at Batesville, Ark., in June. On the 22d of that month we started with Curtis on a march out of the wilderness, in search of something better to eat and drink than roasting ears of corn and swamp water. After a long march and some fighting, we came out on the Mississippi river at Helena, Arkansas, within reach of supplies. That summer we spent in making raids in Arkansas and Mississippi after rebel cotton, having occasional skirmishes. In Oct. 1862, we were ordered up the river to Missouri, and spent the winter in tramping over the hills and wading creeks after an enemy that always managed to keep out of our way. For much of this time we were on short rations; but our winter campaign resulted in good to most of us, as it froze out the malaria that had gathered in our bodies during a summer passed in the southern swamps.

March 16th, 1863, found us on our way down the Mississippi river, to take part in the Vicksburg campaign. Our regiment was assigned to the 13th army corps. In April we marched below Vicksburg on the Louisiana side of the river, crossed into Mississippi below Grand Gulf; and were in the advance when General Grant cut loose from his base of supplies and struck out into the enemy's country. The 33d Illinois regiment took its share of fighting in this campaign, and occupied a prominent station in the line that invested Vicksburg. We celebrated the 4th of July in the surrender of Vicksburg.

July 6th the army started east, to pay our respects to Joseph Johnston's forces. We caught up with them at Jackson, Mississippi, where they made a stubborn resistance; but they had to retreat, leaving the capital of the State to our tender mercies. We demolished the fortifications and destroyed the railroads for miles on each side of the city, and then returned to Vicksburg July 24th. There we rested a few days, and some of the soldiers were furloughed.

On August 18th our Corps was ordered to New Orleans, to join the army of the Gulf. September and October were mostly spent in a campaign in western Louisiana. November 15th we embarked for Texas, landed on Metagorda Island, and took part in the reduction of Fort Esperanza.

We went into winter quarters at Indianola, Texas, where the regiment re-enlisted as veterans, to date from Jan. 1st, 1864; and returned to New Orleans in February; went home on veteran furlough in March; and rendezvoused at Camp Butler, Springfield, Illinois, April 15th. We expected to join Sherman's army, but General Banks had been defeated in Louisiana, and we were again ordered to the Army of the Gulf. Arriving at New Orleans the last of April, we were soon after sent west of the city, on the New Orleans and Opelousas railroad. For nearly a year there we were guarding this railroad, keeping peace between the native whites and the "contrabands", or former slaves; and in fighting

mosquitos, alligators and malaria.

In March, 1865, we were relieved from our railroad duties, ordered to New Orleans, and assigned to the 16th army corps. Then we took part in the Mobile campaign. After reducing the defences of that place, we marched thru Alabama to Montgomery, getting news on the way that peace had been declared. Then we marched to Selma, Alabama, and went thence by railroad to Meridian, Mississippi, arriving there about the first of June, 1865. Later the regiment was ordered to Vicksburg, and during the summer and fall was on duty at that place and at Yazoo City, Miss. This service went hard with the boys, as the war was over; they were anxious and impatient to get home. At last their time came, and they were mustered out, Nov. 24th, 1865; ordered to Springfield, Illinois, and finally paid off and discharged Dec. 6th, 1865.

Edward T. Durant enlisted as a private, was promoted to Corporal, First Sergeant, Second Lieutenant, and First Lieutenant, he was commander of his Company "B" for some time, and also commanded Company "K" for several months. He went home, on furlough for a few days in October, or November, 1863.

(Children of 97 Thomas and Sybil (Wright) Durant)

185. i. Thomas Alonzo⁷ Durant, b. at Lee, Mass., 3 July, 1818; d. there 2 Dec. 1818.

186. ii. Thomas Clark⁷ Durant (308-309) b. at Lee, Mass. 6 Feb. 1820; d. at North Creek, Warren county, N.Y., 5 Oct. 1885, aged 65 2/3 yrs. He m. at Little Rock, Arkansas, 14 March, 1847, with Heloise Hannah Timbrel.

The following is from a biographical sketch written by General Silas Seymour:

The history of the world shows us that whenever a period has arrived in the destinies of nations, or of governments, which seemed to require some great mind to guide and mould affairs, there has always come forth some man of commanding genius and powers of organization, whose special mission appeared to be to comprehend and control the situation. In military and political history this fact often appears, and it is no less true concerning the great victories of peace, "no less renowned than war". These have often been won by combined intellect, capital and energy, over the forces of nature in the development of the physical and commercial resources of the world. Whenever it has been apparent that any great work was necessary for the public good, there has always appeared, just at the proper time, some man equal to the emergency, who seemed especially created for this work. We need not go far back for instances of this. The name DeWitt Clinton in connection with the great Erie Canal, and that of Ferdinand de Lesseps in connection with the Suez canal, are abundantly sufficient to illustrate the fact. A most striking illustration is also afforded in our own day and in our

own country, by the connection of Thomas C. Durant with the Union Pacific Railroad.

For more than a quarter of a century the public mind has been more or less agitated by the scheme of a great National highway across the American continent. The writers for the press, looking far into the future, drew wonderful imaginary sketches of a grand Appian Way from ocean to ocean; and, in the Congress of the United States, men like Thomas H. Benton indulged in "glittering generalities" with regard to it, and had vast sums of money appropriated for explorations and surveys. Several enterprising large-minded men were especially prominent in the matter at different times. The great political parties of the country also embodied it as a saving plank in their respective platforms; until, by these means, the people had come to have an indistinct faith that at some future time the work would be accomplished.

But there was nothing tangible or practical in the ideas advanced and the speculations thus far indulged in. The whole thing was chimerical, and its realization seemed to be far off. The engineers in charge of the large exploring expeditions, sent out by the government, made voluminous reports which consisted mainly of pictures of their camps and illustrated dissertations on the character and habits of the natives, the animals, birds, minerals, and vegetables indigenous to the regions they had traversed. These reports were most ably discussed in Congress, and commented on in the press; then more money would be appropriated to print and illustrate these reports, and more parties would be sent out to collect information, and then the whole subject would rest for a time. The Hour had evidently not yet arrived which was to produce the Man.

The almost constant agitation of the subject, however, was not without its beneficial results. The people of the country in time became convinced -- or rather educated into the belief in the importance, the necessity, of the road. And now that the Hour had arrived, there appeared also the Man: one who, throwing aside as useless all the mass of surveys, plans and reports which have previously been made, proceeded to work in his own way, and with his own means, to acquire the information necessary to convince him of the feasibility of the scheme. And, when so convinced, he promptly organized the company, and constructed the work which will carry his name and fame down through all the future, as the projector and builder of the greatest conception of the age, the Union Pacific Railroad: a work destined to revolutionize the commerce of the world.

Thomas C. Durant, late Vice President and General Manager of the Union Pacific Railroad, was born in Berkshire county, Massachusetts. What influence the vigorous air of that rugged region may have had in molding his racy and enterprising character, it is not for us to say; but doubtless the Green Mountain climate exerted its powerful animating tendencies in rapidly developing his intellect and in sharpening his inherently quick perception. Selecting medicine and surgery as the field in which he might employ his natural and acquired talents advantageously, he entered the Albany Medical College, and was graduated therefrom with full honors at the age of twenty years, receiving his diploma a year earlier than was customary for medical schools to grant such licenses.

But Dr. Durant did not find scope enough in the practice of his profession. His mind yearned for larger fields, more extensive interests, and more comprehensive considerations. After but three

years as a physician, having an opportunity to engage in mercantile life, he accepted it and became partner in the firm of Durant, Lathrop and Company, in Albany, N.Y. The business of this house was very extensive, having branches in Buffalo, Chicago and New York, with agents at numerous other points; besides owning and employing a large number of vessels for transporting merchandise. The operations of this firm were chiefly in grain and flour, and the transactions were conducted on a scale unsurpassed by any other dealers in their line. Dr. Thomas C. Durant had special charge of the branch office in New York City, and shipped grain to all the principal ports of Europe.

This business was carried on with unexampled success until the breaking out of the French Revolution in 1848. Previous to that date the foreign demand for our cereal productions had been very great, and the shipments of Durant, Lathrop and Company were enormous.

The knowledge of the resources of the great West, obtained in the course of this mercantile career, made Thomas C. Durant an earnest advocate of transportation improvements, and induced him to turn his attention to railway matters. He appreciated, with all the clearness and foresight of DeWitt Clinton at an earlier period, but on a much larger scale, the importance of bringing the East and the West, the Atlantic and the Pacific, into closer connection, strengthening by iron bands and greatly improved commercial relations. He assisted very materially in promoting the construction of the Michigan Southern Railway, and was the principal contractor in constructing the Bureau Valley, the Chicago and Rock Island, and the Mississippi and Missouri Railroads. Exhibiting boldness, sagacity and tact in manipulating railroad securities, he also became one of the most successful operators in the Stock Exchange in New York City.

Very early in this career he was one of the first to appreciate the possibility and great advantage of a medium of transit by rail from the Atlantic to the Pacific across the country. At a time during the Civil War, when the project seemed impracticable, Mr. Durant cherished it and furthered the undertaking with all the enthusiasm of his energetic nature. Several years previous to the organization of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, under the Charter passed by Congress in 1862, Mr. Durant, in association with gentlemen interested with him in constructing railroads in Illinois and Iowa, caused preliminary surveys to be made up the Platte Valley; and, in 1863, also prior to the organization of the company, at his own expense, sent several corps of engineers to examine the country and make surveys of the route, commencing at Omaha and other points on the Missouri river, on a line thru Cheyenne Pass and Bridger's Pass, into the basin of the Great Salt Lake. And it is a striking fact that the route thus indicated by Mr. Durant, in his instructions to his engineers, varies but a few miles at any point from the line subsequently adopted by the Company. At the same time Dr. Durant also sent out a competent geologist for the purpose of ascertaining the mineral sources of the country.

In 1863 he was active in procuring the subscription of two million dollars of stock, which was required by the Act of Congress, before the Company could be organized. Finding it difficult, amid the unsettled conditions in the early years of the Civil War, to induce capitalists to embark in the enterprise, he either subscribed

himself or caused to be subscribed for his account, the requisite amount of stock required by the Act of Incorporation, and the first installment of ten per cent, thereon.

Having from the surveys and examinations of the route previously made, obtained a knowledge of the obstacles to be surmounted in constructing the railroad, he devoted the winter of 1863 and 1864 to obtaining from Congress important amendments to the Charter, which doubled the land-grant, and made the Company's mortgage bonds a first lien on the road. During the year 1864 he perfected the financial organization under which the work was carried to completion.

These amendments to the original charter, and the organization required to secure the completion of the road, were attended with many difficulties and obstructions; they also involved interests of far greater importance and of far more extended nature than was apparent at the time, or even at a later day, to any but a close and interested observer. They involved not only the construction of a first class railroad and telegraphic line over the different ranges of the Rocky Mountains, and entirely thru undeveloped and almost uninhabited territories of the United States, extending from the Missouri river to the eastern boundary of California. At that time, also, the nation was in the midst of the devastation of a Civil War, which rendered laborers unusually scarce, and raised the price of all materials and supplies exceedingly high. The value of gold was almost doubled, while the best commercial securities were much below par.

Another difficulty to be overcome was due to the fact that the route of the railroad was wholly disconnected - and necessarily so - from any great thoroughfare by rail or water, except the uncertain navigation of the Missouri river at the eastern end of the railroad during a portion of the year; and no other rail or river connection approached it from any direction. The line was entirely isolated, and dependent on its own resources of rails and motive power to transport its required materials.

Upon the construction of the main line depended also not only the construction of necessary branch lines, but also the extension of lines to connect it with different railroads from the East. None of these could be advanced with safety until the main line of the Union Pacific had become a practical means of transportation.

In fact the main line was the great motive power, or locomotive, which was to haul in its train all its different branches and connections. If the machinery proved to be perfect and the engine remained on the track, the entire train, with all its branching roads, would become a great success and benefit the whole country. The responsibility, therefore, which rested on Dr. Durant at this time was very great, and he appreciated it in all its force. The eyes of the nation were fixed upon him. And all the various interests, represented by diverging, converging, or connecting lines of railroads, were watching with closest scrutiny for the development of his plans, in order to judge the expediency of their own. The slightest mistake in these preliminary arrangements would, undoubtedly, have proved fatal to the enterprise. But, most fortunately, no such mistake occurred; and the wisdom and foresight of his plans and combinations were more than justified by the result which followed.

The work of construction was begun in the spring of 1865, and prosecuted without interruption until its completion in the spring of 1869. About 600 miles were constructed in the last year, at an elevation of from 6,000 to 8,000 feet above sea level.

The construction of eleven hundred miles of railroad in four years, thru an uninhabited country, requiring all supplies and materials to be brought from the rear, certainly is a fact unsurpassed in the annals of railway construction. Nothing but the most indomitable energy, clear foresight and consummate skill in the organization of capital and labor, all of which were possessed in a remarkable degree by Mr. Durant, could have accomplished such a result.

Immediately upon laying the last rail of the Union Pacific,

Durant retired from its active management. A western correspondent of one of the leading newspapers of New York, gave the following graphic sketch of Thomas Clark Durant, as he appeared at one of the Chicago hotels about the time of the completion of the Union Pacific Railroad.

Meanwhile, one of the most marked and original characters of all this throng is one of the quietest and least obtrusive. There he sits, chatting carelessly in low tones; a tall man, exceeding six feet in height, neither stout nor slim, in middle age, his hair and beard beginning to show streaks of gray; and his face -- worn, mild, thoughtful - shaded by the limp brim of a soft and low-crowned brown hat. Mr. Durant has energetic and persevering associates, but he has been the motive power; has borne the brunt of everything. He was born among the Berkshire hills of Massachusetts. He studied medicine, and graduated at the Albany Medical College, and tried to content himself as a practicing physician; but with no other occupation than feeling pulses and writing prescriptions, his overabundant and restless energy would have left him no peace. He became the head of a heavy firm, originated by his uncle, William Durant, which began with transportation of grain from the West to tide-water and developed ~~into~~ a general freight business. It often carried westward the supplies for the construction of new railroads, taking their securities in payment. Negotiating these bonds familiarized him with the stock market. Then he began building roads for himself, taking enormous contracts, pushing forward the work, selling the bonds; becoming widely known as a contractor and operator.

In the early and doubtful years of the Civil War, he went into the Union Pacific company. His first step was to spend several months inducing Congress to change the law and make the Government lien only a second mortgage upon the road, that the Company might issue its own bonds as a first mortgage. Even after this was done, his eastern associates lacked faith in the enterprise, but his whole soul was thrown into it, and he furnished from his private means a large portion of the first resources. He believed in the Nation, in the West, in a Pacific Railway. "The fact was", he explained when asked about it, "I had built railroads before over the prairies in advance of settlements, and I know how they bring population and make business from the very outset."

It was hard study. Even after the money was raised, labor could hardly be found. "The boys" were all in the Civil War. But men were gathered up in Canada, in New England, in Pennsylvania, and

sent forward fifteen hundred miles at the Company's expense. And the number kept increasing till, at one time, eighteen hundred were employed.

Things were conducted on a grand scale. Enormous excursions were sent out from the East over the line, in palace cars, with a sumptuous regardlessness of expense. The offices of the Company were among the most elegant in New York. Brussels carpets and black walnut and marble counters in the rooms of the managers, rare statuary and choice paintings surprised the eyes of visitors. Dr. Durant's horses were the envy of Central Park in New York, and his yacht was the admiration of the New York Yacht Club.

Meanwhile Thomas C. Durant was working like a galley-slave. Sometimes he was hardly in bed for weeks. Then he would spend nights and Sundays on his yacht, for the quiet and the cool air of the sea. Into the controversies of the Company he plunged with characteristic energy; and, I fancy, there were times when he could not have told whether the next turn of the wheel would leave him worth a few millions, or a few millions less than nothing. But he saw to it that the great work never flagged. The expenses were enormous. Laborers were paid as high as three dollars a day and board. As the road pushed on, everything, workmen, food, iron, timber, fuel had to go forward on a single track thru an uninhabited country. It was like building a road from Chicago to New Orleans, and carrying all the supplies, even coal and bridge timbers, from Boston. The telegraph bills alone ~~time~~ ^{time} amounted to a small fortune. Sometimes, in an emergency, ~~time~~ which had been transported 800 miles were burned for fuel.

At last, after his every nerve had been strained for years, he was foot-loose once more. As he gets up for a stroll, we see the chief mark which his terrible labor has left upon him. His frame is bowed; and he looks like a modern Atlas, a little surprised that his heavy burden has rolled off. He has done the work; let him have the credit of it. He is said to own one-fourth of the entire road. Now he will devote himself to his private affairs, which have taken care of themselves during these busy years. Just now he is building a plaything of a railroad into the Adirondack region of New York, where he owns a half million acres of land, more or less.

Where will his indomitable energy next find vent? His mainspring of energy seems to be not love of money for itself, or of notoriety in any sense; but a love for large operations -- a resistless desire to be "swinging" great enterprises, and doing everything on a magnificent scale. And yet this man, who has chosen such a stormy career, and who, while yet under fifty years of age, has carried forward such a stupendous and historic work to completion, half considers life a failure, because it has not been devoted to natural science, the subject of all others which fascinates him, and in which he always finds rest and recreation.

In April, 1870, Dr. Durant gave to the Albany Medical College the sum of Fifteen thousand dollars, to found a chair for the Professorship of Surgery, to be called the "March Professorship", in memory of Dr. Alden March, his early preceptor in medicine, and the found^{er} of the College.

187. iii. Charles Wright⁷ Durant (310-314) b. at Lanesborough, Mass. 23 April, 1821; d. in New York City, 5 April, 1885, aged 63 3/4 yrs. He m. in Albany, N.Y., 22 Nov. 1843, with Margaret Anne Lane, who was b. there 1 Sept.

1821; d. in N.Y. City, 22 Dec. 1884, aged 63 yrs; dau. of Jesse Lane who was b. 25 March, 1789, and married 20 March, 1813, with Ann Wiley, who was b. 2 Nov. 1792.

When fifteen years old Charles W. Durant went to Albany, N.Y., and entered the office of his uncles, William Durant and Clark Durant, of the firm of Durant and Lathrop, shippers of grain. On the death of William Durant, Charles W. Durant became a partner in the firm, and its title was changed to Durant, Lathrop & Co. For many years it continued to be the largest shipper of grain in the country, and was among the first owners of large steam-towing boats on the Hudson river.

In 1859 he became interested in the Chicago and Rock Island Railroad, with his brothers, and was President of the company for many years.

When his sons 311 Charles W.⁸ Durant and 312 Frederick C.⁸ Durant came of age, he began with them the business of importing and refining sugar, under the firm name of C. W. Durant & Sons, in New York City, at 25th Street and East river.

For 25 years he was a member of the Union Club, and one of the early members of the Union League.

Like his brothers, he was more than six feet tall, of large frame and commanding presence, with black hair and eyes.

188. iv. William Franklin⁷ Durant (315-318) b. at Lanesboro, Mass., 11 April 1823; d. in Chicago, Illinois, ^{5 Nov} ~~in~~ 1899, aged 76 yrs. He m. at Waukesha, Wis. 23 Dec. 1847, with Ellen Eliza Loring, who was b. in Boston, Mass. 20 Jan., 1811; ^{19 Mar 1905} ~~living 1887~~; dau. of David Sawyer and Caroline (Stilson) Loring. David S. Loring came from Boston, Mass., and his wife from Buffalo, N.Y. The following sketch is from a Chicago newspaper.

Colonel William Durant, the wealthy retired railway contractor, died at the Auditorium last evening at 6.40 o'clock. He had been sick with pneumonia for six days, and by reason of his age and infirmities, fell an easy victim to the disease. Sunday, a week ago

he crossed from the hotel to the Annex without his overcoat, and when he returned to the hotel was seized with a chill. Dr. S. D. Hammond, the house physician, who was called in, at once perceived that his aged patient was attacked by pneumonia. So his death was not unexpected, and his family was about him when the last moment came.

Colonel Durant was born at Lanesborough, Mass., April 11, 1823, seventy-six years ago. When a youth he worked as a clerk in a New England country store. When 25 years old he came west to Iowa City, Iowa, and gradually became interested in railway construction. His brother, Dr. Durant, was for many years vice president and a director of the Rock Island company. Colonel Durant, as contractor, built many miles of the Union Pacific, having previously constructed almost all of the Rock Island road across Iowa.

For thirty years he has lived in Chicago. His house was in Fourteenth street, near Wabash avenue, and next door to that of W. B. Howard, whose son, "Durant", was named for the Colonel.

He retired from business in 1881.

For about seven years he lived in the Leland hotel; but, since the opening of the Auditorium he has lived there. He liked Chicago, and left the city only when the cold winds off the lake drove him to warmer latitudes. The last eight winters he had rooms at the Riggs House, in Washington, D.C., or at one of the Florida resorts. He celebrated his golden wedding in 1897.

Colonel Durant made considerable money in railway contracting. He liked a good horse and a quiet game of cards, and in this he found a comrade at Washington in Attorney General Garland of Arkansas, a member of Mr. Cleveland's first cabinet. His title was one of courtesy only, but it had been accorded him for many years by spontaneous suffrage; and he was "Colonel Durant" alike to his many friends and the public at large.

(Children of 99 John⁶ and Abigail (Ward) Durant)

189. i. Henry Ward⁷ Durant (319-326) b. at Watertown, Mass., 7 Nov. 1798; d. at Warren, Mass., 30 March, 1868, aged nearly 70 yrs. He m. at Palmer, Mass., 17 March, 1829, with Sarah Buckland Bridges, who was b. at Hopkinton, Mass., 25 Dec. 1808; d. at Warren, Mass., 3 July, 1872, aged nearly 64 yrs.

190. ii. John⁷ Durant, b. at Watertown, Mass. 25 March, 1800; d. at Dayton, Ohio, 10 May, 1881, aged 81 yrs. He m. in Cincinnati, Ohio, with Alsena Phelps, who was living in Feb. 1908, at St. Charles, Kane co., Ill. John Durant went to Cincinnati as early as 1826, and remained in that neighborhood until about 1840, when he removed to Kane county, Illinois, and settled at Compton. He served in the Union army during the Civil War, first in A Company of the 8th Illinois Cavalry, and later in C Company 23d Illinois In-

fantry. He entered the Central Branch, National Home for Disabled Veteran Soldiers, at Dayton, Ohio, and d. there.

191. iii. Sarah Dennie⁷ Durant, b. at Watertown, Mass., 10 July, 1801; d. at Ashford, Catteraugus county, N.Y., 20 Sept. 1834, aged 33 years. She m. at Ware, Mass., 28 Nov. 1820, with Peter Berlon Chamberlain, who was b. at Pomfret, Conn., in 1796; d. in 1858, aged 62 yrs.; son of Pliny and Martha (Berlon) Chamberlain. Sarah D. was of small stature; "beautiful both in looks and character"; a member of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Chamberlain was a Baptist. Nearly all his life he followed farming. See Appendix for Descendants.

192. iv. Nancy⁷ Durant (s.p.) b. at Ware, Mass., 28 Nov. 1802; d. at Albert Lea, Minn., 17 March, 1887, aged 84 1/3 yrs. She m. at Rochester, N.Y., in July, 1827, with Benjamin Cooley Beach, who was b. at Hubbardston, Vt., 6 April, 1810; d. in 1845, aged about 35 yrs; son of Aaron and Rachel (Walker) Beach. (Sophronia Beach, a sister of Benj. C. Beach, m. with Harvey Beach a son of Philip and Lois (Cushman) Beach. See note under ¹⁹⁷Louisa W.⁷ Durant.) After her marriage Nancy (Durant) Beach dwelt for some time at Cambria, Niagara co., N.Y.; then at Adrian, Michigan, in 1837; and later in Peoria, Ill. While in the latter place her husband suddenly disappeared, apparently under the influence of insanity, and was never heard from afterwards. He had no intemperate habits, was free from vices, and his home was happy.

The following is from the "Albert Lea Enterprise", of 23 March, 1887.

In her youth Mrs. Nancy (Durant) Beach removed to the State of New York, and there married. After becoming a widow she came to Fort Dodge, where she resided until 18-- with her adopted son, Bryant Chamberlain Beach, who was her nephew, adopted in his infancy. In 1877 she came to Minnesota, to visit her three nephews, George Chamberlain, James Chamberlain, and Horace Chamberlain, of Freeborn county; since then her home has been with George, at Albert Lea. While young she became a Christian, and thru-out her long life she has truly exemplified the text, "By their fruits ye shall know them." Wherever her home has been she has won many friends by her cheerful disposition, always showing a sympathetic interest in the welfare of those around her.

193. vi. Mary Capen⁷ Durant (s.p.) b. at Ware, Mass., 31 March, 1804; living at St. Charles, Illinois, in 1886. She m. in the latter place, 4 Jan. 1848, with Ithiel Eaton, a brickmaker who d. about 1880.

194. vi. Caroline⁷ Durant (See Appendix for Descendants) b. at Ware, Mass., 1 April, 1805; d. at Monson, Mass., 14 Dec. 1884, aged 80 yrs. She m. at Ware, 28 Nov. 1825, with Theron McMaster, who was b. at Palmer, Mass., 24 Sept. 1794; d. at Monson, Mass., 6 Feb. 1866; son of William and Mary (Hunter) McMaster. They dwelt at Palmer for some years, later at Ware and Monson. "Their chln were educated at Monson, and all of them have maintained a respectable standing in society."

195. vii. Abby⁷ Durant (s.p.) b. at Ware, Mass., 6 Feb. 1807; d. at St. Charles, Illinois, in Sept. 1848, aged about 41½ yrs. She m. at St. Charles in 1846 with a Mr. Van Valkenburgh.

196. viii. Bryant⁷ Durant (327-332) b. at Ware, Mass., 14 Dec. 1808; living at St. Charles, Illinois, 1887. He m. at Genoa, Illinois, 14 Nov. 1843 with Jerusha Shurtleff, who was b. at Stansted, Canada, 20 April, 1818; living 1887; dau. of David. Bryant Durant arrived at St. Charles in April, 1837. He soon bought 195 acres from his brother 199 James T.⁷ Durant, and took charge of the whole property. In 1887 he still owned his original purchase, but rented the farm and resided in the village.

When the Durant brothers reached St. Charles, in the spring of 1837, there were no buildings within the village plot on the west side except two log cabins. A number of houses were erected that summer.

Bryant Durant was a man of medium height and stout build, with florid complexion, blue eyes and dark hair. He was a man with marked influence, widely known and respected, quick tempered but generous and kind-hearted, very sociable and unusually intelligent. He and his wife were members of the Congregational Church, and staunch Republicans in politics.

Jerusha (Shurtleff) Durant removed from Stansted, Canada, to Lowell, Mass., in 1835; to Genoa, Ill., in 1841, and was a teacher there for a short time before her marriage. She was of medium height, somewhat stout but of good figure, very erect, with black hair and brown eyes; a woman of remarkable discernment, high-minded in the best sense of that term; very persistent in effort, ambitious for her children, quiet and reliable.

197. ix. Louisa W.⁷ Durant (See Appendix for Descendants) b. at Ware, Mass., 20 Sept. 1810; d. at St. Joseph, Missouri, 25 April, 1885, aged about 74½ yrs. She m. at Cambria, N.Y., in 1835, with Philip Beach, who was b. at Farmington, Conn., in May, 1803; d. at St. Charles, Ill., 7 May, 1872, aged 69 yrs; son of Philip and Lois (Cushman) Beach*. Louisa W. Durant was a woman of firm mental attainments, and left an impress of sturdy New England character upon her sons, marked in their sobriety and morality. Mr. Beach was less strong in mental qualities, but possessed a happy and cheerful disposition. He was a farmer, and left Cambria, N.Y., in 1838, for St. Charles, Ill. In early life he was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, but united with the Congregational Church at St. Charles, along with his wife, who had been in that communion before her marriage. After the death of her husband she removed to the home of her son, James Tracy⁸ Beach.

198. x. Prudence Almirine⁷ Durant, b. at Ware, Mass., 2 Oct. 1812; living in 1887, at St. Charles, Illinois, an invalid, not married.

199. xi. James Tracy⁷ Durant (333-335) b. at Ware, Mass., 28 May, 1815; living, 1887, at St. Charles, Illinois. He m. (1) in Chicago, Ill., 9 Oct. 1837, with Louisa Brock, who was b. at Charlestown, Ill. 26 Dec. 1821; d. in Chicago, Ill., 28 April, 1846, aged 25 1/4 yrs.; dau. of Thomas Brock. James T. Durant m. (2) in Chicago, 16 May, 1849, with Harriette Nickerson, who

* Beach Ancestry. John¹ Beach was at New Haven, Conn. in 1643. Thomas² Beach, b. 1659; m. (1) Ruth Peck; m. (2) Phebe Wilcoxon. Gershom³ Beach, b. at Wallingford, Conn., 1697; m. 1720, Deliverance How. Aaron⁴ Beach, at Farmington, Conn. Gershom⁵ Beach, at Farmington. Philip⁶ Beach 1770-1840. See also note under 192 Nancy⁷ Durant.

was b. at Athol, Mass., 3 May, 1821; living in 1887; dau. of Nathan and Hannah (Nickerson) Nickerson.

James T. Durant attended school until his 16th year, and then became a clerk in a store at Amhurst, Mass., during 1832 and '33. In 1834 he went to Boston, Mass., and, for a year, was a clerk in a dry-goods store. In the following year he started out for himself in the same business. In the fall of 1836 he removed to Chicago, and engaged in the dry goods business there and at St. Charles until 1860; after the latter date he carried on a carpet business in Chicago. He was burnt out in the great fire of 9 Oct. 1871; and was the first to have his store rebuilt one-story high, and opened for sales just sixty days after the fire. In 1849 he removed his residence to St. Charles, and was appointed Postmaster there by President Taylor the same year. He was a little under the average height, stout and strong, with clear and ruddy complexion, light brown hair and blue eyes: a man of great energy, persistence, tact and good judgment.

In July, 1837, he and Albert Guild purchased the original claim taken by Dean Ferson in 1834, a mile or more out of the village. Their purchase covered about one thousand acres. James T. Durant and his family lived on the farm for about a year, and then returned to Chicago. He was a leading member of the Baptist Church, and President of the Village for a number of years. (From the St. Charles' Valley Chronicle, 16 March, 1885.)

200. xii. Martha⁷ Durant (See Appendix for Descendants) b. at Ware, Mass. 2 Aug. 1818; living, 1887, at Council Bluffs, Iowa. She m. at St. Charles, Ill., 26 May, 1852, with George Guby Rice, who was b. at Enosburg, Vermont, 22 Sept. 1819; living 1887; son of Benjamin and Matilda (Guby) Rice. Martha Durant joined the Congregational Church at Ware in 1837. She studied at Westfield and Wilbraham, Mass. Before her marriage she taught in Chicago and Rock Island, Illinois.

The Rev. George G. Rice was graduated from the University of Vermont, Burlington, in 1845; and at Union Theological Seminary, New York City, in 1850. His ministry was in Congregational Churches. While serving as pastor in Kansas, he was also superintendent of schools for Brown Co. and for two years was also Probate Judge in the same county. He and his wife dwelt first at Council Bluffs until 1857, then in Kansas until 1867, and then again in Council Bluffs.

201. xiii. Lavina Davis⁷ Durant (s.p.) b. at Ware, Mass., 26 April, 1820; living, 1887, in St. Joseph, Missouri. She m. at Council Bluffs, Iowa, 23 Aug. 1854, with Hiram King Judd, who was b. at Warrensburgh, N.Y., 28 Oct. 1828; living in 1887; son of Samuel and Sally (Dunham) Judd. Mrs. Lavina D. (Durant) Judd was a member of the Southern Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Hiram K. Judd went from Warrensburg, N.Y. to Missouri in 1852, and to St. Joseph in April, 1854. He was then a bookkeeper. From 1860 to 1880 he was very successful in wholesale merchandise. In 1887 he was President of the St. Joseph Plow Co., which manufactured agricultural implements.

(Children of 101 Dennie⁶ and Bersha (Ward) Durant)

All born at Palmer, Mass.

202. i. Cornelius Lynch⁷ Durant, b. 19 Dec. 1801; d. there in Jan. 1883, aged 81 yrs; not m. He was of medium height and rather stout, with dark hair and gray eyes; very diffident; but of a cheerful, honest, and kind disposition. He was a farmer; and, in his politics, a democrat.

203. ii. James⁷ Durant, b. 10 June, 1803; d. at Chicopee, Mass., in the summer of 1849; not m. He left home early, dwelt successively in several different places, and had not been long in Chicopee when he died of cholera. He was of medium height, stout, with light complexion, light hair and blue eyes.

204. iii. Harriet⁷ Durant (See Appendix for Descendants) b. 13 Aug. 1804; d. at Brookline, Mass., 13 Nov. 1876, aged 72 1/4 yrs. She m. 25 March, 1827, with Moses Edward Eager, who was b. at Marlboro, Mass., 16 Nov. 1797; d. at Canton, Mass., 20 June, 1879, aged 81 1/2 yrs.; son of Moses and Sarah (Stratton) Eager. Harriet Durant was about 5 feet 2 ~~or~~ 3 inches tall, with dark hair and blue eyes. For many years she was an active and devoted member of the Congregational church, Trinitarian. She was married at the home of her brother 209 John⁷ Durant, in Palmer, Mass., by the Rev. Mr. Sweet, "between meetings": the customary Sunday services of the New England Churches at that

date were held in the morning and afternoon, families bringing lunch with them; and the second service began soon after lunch was finished.)

Moses E. Eager was 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighed 200 pounds, and had black hair and eyes. He was a proprietor in the business of house and carriage painting. The family dwelt successively at Palmer, Chicopee, Boston, and Brookline, Mass.

205. iv. Maria⁷ Durant, b. 14 April, 1806; d. at Blissfield, Michigan, 14 Jan. 1887, aged nearly 81 yrs.; not m. At an early age she united with the Congregational Church in Palmer. In stature she was a little under average; her complexion was very fair, with blue eyes and light hair. Her disposition was diffident among strangers, but sociable among friends, kind and benevolent. For the last twenty years of her life she dwelt with her sister, 211 Mrs. Sophia (Durant) Templeton.

206. v. Thomas Dennie⁷ Durant (343-344) b. 22 May, 1808; living at Meadville, Penn., in 1887. He m. at Middlefield, Mass. 16 April, 1834, with Thankful Metcalf, who was b. there 16 Feb. 1813; living in 1887; dau. of John and Lucy (Root) Metcalf.

When seven years old, Thomas D. Durant went to live with Joseph Little, in the eastern part of Middlefield; Mr. Little's wife, Mary Clark, being a daughter of ⁵⁹Elizabeth (Durant) Clark, and own cousin to Thomas D. Durant. He worked for Mr. Little, who was a farmer, until 1829; then, for three years, with his brother-in-law, Mr. Dickson, a tanner; and two years with a Mr. Wright a farmer, all in Middlefield. Soon after his marriage, he bought and settled on a farm in Woodcock, Crawford county, Pennsylvania, living there for 23 years and moving thence to Meadville about 1857. In addition to farming, and until 1875 when he retired from business, he bought cattle for the Chester county market. He was of medium stature, with stout and well-knit frame; in disposition he was sociable, benevolent, and of the strictest integrity.

Thankful (Metcalf) Durant studied at the Wilbraham Academy, Mass. She and her husband were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which he was also a steward and class leader. The celebration of their golden wedding was marked by many evidences of the high esteem in which they were held in the community.

207. vi. Abner Ward⁷ Durant (s.p.) b. 25 Nov. 1809; d. at Cohasset, Mass., 18 Sept. 1833. He m. at latter, in the spring of that year, with Luana Rundlett, who m. (2) after his death and moved West. He was a member of the Congregational Church. An injury received in childhood left him a cripple. He was a bright scholar, excelling in penmanship. Of medium height and slender form, with dark complexion, gray eyes and dark brown hair, he was very sociable and generous.

208. vii. Thaddeus Burr⁷ Durant (s.p.) b. at Palmer, Mass., 1 March, 1812; d. there, in Sept. 1845; not m. He was tall and slender, with light complexion, blue eyes and light hair; very energetic and ambitious, with good business ability; very kind to all his friends, sociable and of pleasing address. By trade he was a house-painter. He dwelt at Waltham, and later at Springfield, Mass.

209. viii. John⁷ Durant (345-349) b. at Palmer, 9 Oct. 1814; living at Brookfield, Mass., in 1888. He m. (1) at Greenwich, Mass., 8 Jan. 1843, with Lucy Putnam Haynes, who d. in 1855, dau. of Reuben and Betsey (Marsh) Haynes. He m. (2) at North Brookfield, Mass., 7 Sept. 1860, with Annie M. Emory, who was b. at Amherst, N.H., 14 Dec. 1838; living 1888; dau. of Ambrose and Mary (Goddard) Emory.

John Durant and his wife Annie M. were members of the Congregational Church. He owned the 'Millbrook Farm'; a man of high principles, strict integrity, generous to friends, liberal to the Church and the poor. In politics he was a free-soil Whig, then a Republican, and later a Prohibitionist. During his whole active life he was an ardent worker in the temperance cause, giving

freely of money and time to the cause. After 1843 he was a farmer; previously he bought cattle in the West for the Boston market.

210. ix. Bersha⁷ Durant (s.p.) b. 16 Nov. 1817; living in 1888, at Highland, Kansas. She m. in Brookline, Mass., 13 May, 1863, with Elijah Allen, who was b. at Heath, Mass., 15 March, 1816; living 1888; son of Elijah and Rhoda (Thompson) Allen. Bersha Durant attended Wesleyan Academy. Admitted in youth a member of the Congregational Church, at Palmer, Mass., in 1843, she was, in 1888, at Highland, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and active in its work and missions. Before her marriage she was a school-teacher. Of medium height, slender form, with fair complexion, dark hair and gray eyes; she had a cheerful disposition, and was painstaking, obliging and benevolent. Thanks are due to her for assistance in gather^{ing} records of the descendants of 58 John⁵ Durant.

Elijah Allen attended the academy at Ipswich, Mass. He became a member of the Congregational Church at Heath, Mass., in 1833, and was a deacon there for nine years. There he had a farm, and was a Republican in his politics. Of medium height, with dark complexion, he had black hair and eyes. He was a man of strict integrity, sociable and benevolent.

211. Sophia⁷ Durant b. at Palmer, Mass., 12 Sept. 1820; living in 1888 at Blissfield, Michigan. She m. 7 Sept. 1848, with William Burrows Templeton, who was b. at Westmoreland, N.H., 14 Nov. 1808; d. at Blissfield, Mich., 30 Nov. 1884, aged 76 yrs.; son of Thomas and Sarah (Burrows) Templeton.

Sophia (Durant) Templeton was 5 feet tall, slender, with light complexion, dark hair and eyes; "a woman firm for the right". William B. Templeton was 5 feet 9 inches tall, slender, with light complexion, blue eyes and black hair; open-hearted and generous. He entered Amherst College; but remained only six months, owing to the death of his father, which devolved on him to care for a large family. He acquired the trade of carpenter and joiner, and was also a teacher. He was an active worker in the Republican party,

especially during the Fremont campaign. He and his wife were Congregationalists. They dwelt successively at Greenfield, Mass.; Laport, Ind.; Brookfield, Mass.; and Blissfield, Mich.

Children of 109 Benjamin and Lucy (Wilcox) Durant

212. i. Martha B.⁷ Durant b 11 June, 1836; ^{d. 1913} living, ~~1888~~, at Great Barrington, Mass. She m in latter 27 Dec. 1860, with Caleb Ticknor, of Middlebury, Vt., who was b. at Keeseville, N.Y., in 1840; ^{d. 1921 at Great Barrington} living ~~1888~~; son of Myron and Elizabeth Knickerbocker) Ticknor. They were connected with the Episcopal Church. Mr. Ticknor was proprietor of the hotel at Great Barrington.

213. ii. Julia Helen⁷ Durant, b. in 1839; d. 5 Oct. 1841.

214. iii. Benjamin Franklin⁷ Durant, b. 24 Oct. 1844; d. 6 Sept. 1845.

215. iv. Lucy Ann⁷ Durant, b. 5 Sept. 1849; living 1888, in the homestead at Great Barrington. She m. 11 Nov. 1890, with Charles J. Potter, a merchant of Great Barrington.

216. v. Frank⁷ Durant (Child 350) b. 28 April, 1851; living at Great Barrington, 1888. He m. 10 June 1869, with Katherine Vosburgh Kane, who was b. at Clyde, N.Y., 17 Jan. 18⁴8; living 1888. They were connected with the Protestant Episcopal Church. He was a merchant.

(Children of 110 George Washington⁶ and 1st wife, Mary L. (Harrington)

Durant): all b. at Rensselaerville, Albany Co., N.Y.

217. i. Edward Payson⁷ Durant (351-353) b. 9 Oct. 1831; d. in Germany, July 28, 1892. He m. at Ansonia, Conn., 30 Dec. 1861, with Jeannie Terry, who was b. at Bristol, Conn., 14 July, 1839; d. Oct. 5, 1928; dau. of Miles and Abigail (Parsons) Terry. Edward P. Durant settled in Albany, N.Y., in 1850, and dwelt there as a merchant in flour, grain, and allied products. He became a member of the 4th Presbyterian Church in Albany, 3 Apr. 1852; changed to the State Street Presbyterian Church in 1862, and was there ordained a Ruling Elder in Jan. 1867. He was President of the Board of Trade, Director in the Union National Bank and in Mutual Insurance Company; for two years he served as President of Albany County Bible Society; and was frequently a delegate to the Synod of New York and to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church. Very few laymen are so well versed as he was in the theology and polity of that Church. His Sunday School class for the study of the Westminster Catechisms became widely known, and his instruction in this class was highly complimented by the Rev. Dr. A. A. Hodge, of Princeton Seminary. He was also an occasional contributor in the religious press, on vital questions of Presbyterian doctrine and government.

218. ii. Elizabeth Harrington⁷ Durant, b. 20 May, 1833; d. at Rensselaerville, 19 Nov. 1849, aged 16½ yrs.

219. iii. Allen Baxter⁷ Durant (354-355) b. 14 June, 1836; d. in Albany, 9 Nov. 1882, aged nearly 46½ yrs. He m. in Albany, 16 April, 1872, with Eliza Wilson, (dau. of John) who ^{d. there 19 Aug 1918} ~~was living in 1890~~. Allen B. Durant studied law in the office of Otis Allen and in the Albany Law School. He was admitted to the Bar and practiced for a few years. Upon the death of Mr. Allen, and

the breaking up of that office, Allen B. entered upon the flour and grain business with his brother, Edward P. Durant, and continued this pursuit until his death. He was small in stature, with light complexion and sandy hair; thoughtful and reticent; safe and conservative in his business methods. During his law practice his statements had the entire confidence of the Courts, and he was eminently qualified for that profession. For many years he was a member of the 4th Presbyterian Church in Albany.

220. iv. Lovejoy⁷ Durant, b. 7 Nov. 1838; d. 16 Nov. 1849.

221. v. George⁷ Durant, b. 1 Jan. 1841; d. 9 Sept. 1841.

(Chln of 110 George Washington⁶ and 2d wife, Harriet (Benson) Durant)

222. vi. Elizabeth Augusta⁷ Durant (See Appendix for Descendants) b. at Rensselaerville, Albany Co., N.Y., 9 Jan. 1851; living 1888, at Warren, Penn. She m. in Brooklyn, N.Y. 28 Oct. 1874, with Ernest Nelson Smith, who was b. at Conneautville, Penn., 4 Sept. 1845; living 1888; son of Jesse and Elizabeth Jane (Smith) Smith. Elizabeth A. was graduated at Mt. Holyoke Seminary. She and her husband are members of the Protestant Episcopal Church. They dwelt for eight years in Foxburg, Penn., before settling in Warren.

Ernest N. Smith enlisted in the 40th Wisconsin Volunteers, in 1864; served his time, and was honorably discharged. For eight years he was engaged in the hardware business at Titusville, Pa. At Warren he was an oil producer. His father and mother, altho bearing the family name of Smith, so far as their ancestry was known, were not related.

223. ^{vii} Julia Ella⁷ Durant, b. at Rensselaerville, Albany co., N.Y., 13 Feb. 1858; d. 31 March, 1864.

(Children of 112 Edward Allen⁶ and Margaret (Stiles) Durant)

All born in Albany, N.Y.

224. i. Parthenia Holdridge⁷ Durant, b. 26 Aug. 1841; ~~living there 1890;~~ ^{d. there 11 Oct 1907}
not m.; member of the Fourth Presbyterian Church.

225. ii. Cornelia Ryckman⁷ Durant (See Appendix for Descendants) b. 7 March

1843; d. in Cleveland, Ohio, 8 Nov. 1901, aged 58 $\frac{2}{3}$ yrs. She m. in Albany, 7 June, 1871, with Joseph Colwell, who was b. in New York City, 10 Jan. 1843; living 1901; son of Albert G. and Sarah (Rogers) Colwell. Joseph Colwell, 1901, was Vice President of the Commercial National Bank, of Cleveland

226. iii. Maria Frisbie⁷ Durant, b. 16 Dec. 1844; d. in Albany, 17 May, 1888 not m., aged 43 $\frac{1}{2}$ yrs. She was a member of the 4th Presbyterian Church, Albany, and active in its work and Sunday School.

227. iv. Edward Allen⁷ Durant Jr. (not m.), b. 11 April, 1847; *d. at Boston, Mass.* living, *31 Mar 1917; resident of Pittsfield* 1908, in Albany, N.Y. He was graduated at the Albany Academy in 1865, and at Williams College in 1868. Since the latter date he has been very successfully engaged in the flour and grain business, and has also efficiently served public interests in the Board of Education and other offices. He was a Presidential Elector in 1888, on the winning Republican ticket. The following sketch was published in an Albany newspaper about 1888:

Edward A. Durant, a native of this city has been prominently identified with its interests. His progenitors, dating back for over a century, were actively associated with the interests and welfare of this old city. His preliminary education was obtained at the Albany Academy, from which he was graduated with honors in 1864. Then he passed thru a full course at Williams College and concluded with high honors.

On leaving College he at once engaged in mercantile pursuits, his particular line being the grain business. Possessing tact, judgment, ability and high integrity, his business has been successful, and he has become one of the most popular and esteemed members of the mercantile community.

Being a member of the Board of Trade from the time of his entry into the business community, his energy and ability were recognized in 1871 by his election as President of the Board, a position which he filled with credit and distinction.

In 1884 he was elected a member of Albany's Board of Public Instruction. His eminent fitness for the administration of the affairs of our public schools made itself apparent from the first. He has served on the Committees of Finance and Examination, and the duties required of him have been ably and satisfactorily performed.

In 1886 he was nominated by the Republican party for Mayor of the City, and, altho the nomination was but a few days before election, he made a most creditable run. He had as his opponent the popular John Boyd Thacher. The free use of money, however, by the Democrats, alone defeated Mr. Durant.

Mr. Durant has always been a steadfast Republican, and taken a prominent part in the party's affairs. He served as a member of

the Presidential Congress which cast New York's 36 votes to elect Benjamin Harrison President.

Mr. Durant is a member of the Fort Orange and Albany clubs, and is exceedingly popular thru-out the city.

In 1890 he declined the nomination offered him by the Republican convention as a candidate for Member of Congress.

228. v. Margaret Stiles⁷ Durant, b. 22 March, 1849; *d. at Pittsfield, Mass* ~~living in Albany,~~
16 Mar 1917
1908; a graduate of the Albany Female Academy. She is a member and an active worker in the Second Presbyterian Church.

229. vi. Samuel⁷ Durant, b. 7 Nov. 1851; d. 25 Sept. 1852.
(Children of 117 Thomas⁶ and Gertrude (Smith) Durant)

All b. at Frederickstad, S. Croix, West Indies.

230. i. Thomas Smith⁷ Durant (356-359) b. 22 Dec. 1812; d. in 1854, aged 42 yrs. He m. 11 Feb. 1833, with Elizabeth Rattune, who was b. 8 March, 1815 living in 1888; dau. of John and Christina (Smith) Rattune. Thomas S. Durant was a merchant at Frederikstad. He was also a school commissioner and burgher.

231. Ruth Smith⁷ Durant (See Appendix for Descendants) b. 20 Oct. 1815, She m. 15 Oct. 1839, with James Wilson Crosby, who was b. 30 Nov. 1815; d. 9 Nov. 1865, aged 50 yrs. They were communicants in the Episcopal Church. He was tall, with straight black hair; a clerk. Ruth S. Durant was of middle size, with light hair; a mantua-maker.

232. iii. Joseph Titcomb⁷ Durant (s.p.) b. 19 June, 1819. He m. in 1847 with Adelaide Kerlocke, who d. in 1870. Joseph T. Durant was tall, with straight black hair and black eyes.

He was a master tailor and a member of the Church of England.

(Children of 129 Thomas Jefferson⁶ and Mary E. Harper) Durant)

All b. in New Orleans, La.

233, i. Robert Harper⁷ Durant, b. in 1847; d. 5 Sept. 1861, aged 26 yrs.

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233. ii. Maurice Cannon⁷ Durant, b. about 1849; d. aged 10 days.

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 235. iii. James Maxwell⁷ Durant, /b. 23 Sept. 1850; d. Mar. 18, 1926, in Washington, D.C. He m. in the Church of the Epiphany, Washington, 15 Jan. 1890, with Mary Justine Wilson, dau of who was born in Indianapolis, Ind. in 1864; d. in Garden City, L.I., Nov. 15, 1930. The following obituary of James M. Durant appeared in the Washington Evening Star of Mar. 19, 1926:

James Maxwell Durant, 75 years old, for many years a practicing attorney here, who served also as a clerk in the office of the foreign trade adviser, State Department, for 15 years, died at his residence in the Cordova Apartments yesterday from heart disease.

Mr. Durant was a native of Mississippi, spent a part of his early life in New Orleans, La., and came to this city in 1869. He studied law here, being graduated from the old Columbian College, now George Washington University. He then practiced until entering the government service, from which he was retired 2 years ago.

Funeral services will be conducted at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Dr. Herbert Scott Smith will officiate. Interment will be private in Oak Hill Cemetery.

236. iv. Mary Harper⁷ Durant (See Appendix for desc.) b. 10 Dec. 1853; *d at Wash. D.C. 15 July 1932*
~~living, at Rockville, Md., in 1890.~~ She m. at Washington, D.C. 27 Dec. 1881 with Edward Jesse Todd, who was b. at Ridgeville, Md., 7 Nov. 1854; living in 1890; son of Jesse Peyton and (Hammond) Todd. Mary H.⁷ Durant was tall and stout, with a fair complexion; an Episcopalian. Edward J. Todd was tall and slender, with dark complexion. He studied at the Maryland Agricultural College, the Military Academy at Lexington, Va., and at the Union Seminary, Washington, D.C.

237. v. Sarah Heyliger⁷ Durant (See Appendix for desc.), b. 15 Dec. 1856; *9 Feb 1935*
~~living, 1890, at 1624 Nineteenth Street, Washington, D.C.~~ She m. 5 May, *d at Wash. D.C. 10 Oct 1935*
 1881, with Melville Church, who was b. at Utica, N.Y. 16 Dec. 1856; living 1890; son of Freeman Kilgour and Julia Maria (Benedict) Church. Sarah H. Durant studied at various schools in Washington, D.C. She had a very clear complexion, with rosy cheeks, dark hair, and large brown eyes. Melville Church was a Patent Attorney. He studied at St. John's Academy, Alexandria, Virginia. Both were members of Trinity Episcopal Church, in which Mr. Church *was Vestryman and Superintendent of the Sabbath School.*

238.vi.Thomas⁷ Durant (363-364), b Sept 15 1862 in New Orleans, La.;
 d Mar 15 1946 in Washington, D.C. He m at Washington, D.C. in 1895 with
 May West O'Reilly, who was b in Baton Rouge, La., May 1 1871; d at Ann Arbor,
 Mich., April 4 1963; dau of Luke and Cordelia Elizabeth (West) O'Reilly.

Mr. Thomas Durant was a graduate of Harvard College in the class of 1884
 and also of Columbus Law School, Washington, D.C. He was a patent attorney
 with Church and Church, the firm of his brother-in-law, Mr. Melville Church.

Mrs. Durant was the daughter of an Army Officer and spent part of her
 childhood at various forts in the west. Later she attended the Friends
 School in Washington. After her marriage, she was active in the Women's
 Suffrage movement early in this century. She was an Episcopalian and a
 Republican (being the grand daughter of a Republican Senator.)

239.vii.Louisiana⁷ Durant, b May 19 1868; d Jan 28, 1938, in Washington,
 D.C. Miss Louisiana Durant was an accomplished pianist and some time prior
 to World War I, she went to Germany to study music---and was interned there
 during the war. On her return to America, around 1920, she wrote an account
 of her experiences in Berlin during the war: this extremely interesting docu-
 ment (which has never before been published) is reproduced in full in the
 Appendix in Volume II of this present work. The copy is furnished through
 the kindness of her great nephew, Mr. David Burnell, who had preserved a copy
 of it.

Children of Amos and 132 Marianne (Durant) Bullard

240. i. Elizabeth Carter⁸ Bullard, b. at Leicester, Mass., 12 Dec. 1842; ~~living, 1908~~, ^{d. 1924} at Cambridge, Mass.; not m.

241. ii. William⁸ Bullard Durant (365-367) b. at Barre, Mass., 29 Sept. 1844, and named William Durant Bullard, but the name was changed to the order first shown here, by decree of Probate Court in 1867; d. at Cambridge, Mass., Oct. 4, 1911. He m. at Worcester, Mass., 14 Oct. 1879, with Caroline Virginia Aldrich, who was b. at Barre, Mass., 14 Feb. 1851; d. there Dec. 23, 1947; dau. of the Hon. P. Emory and Sarah (Wood) Aldrich. William B. Durant was graduated at Harvard University in the class of 1865, and of the Law School in 1869, receiving in that year his degrees of A.M. and L.L.B. He was a Representative in his State Legislature in 1890 and 1892, and State Senator in 1894 and 1895. Especial thanks are due to him for many of the Boston records of the family.

242. iii. Mary Louisa⁸ Bullard, b. at Barre, Mass., 17 Aug. 1846; ^{d. 1923} ~~living-~~ 1908, in Cambridge, Mass.; not m.

243 iv. Henry Adams⁸ Bullard, b. at Barre, Mass., 8 March, 1849; d. there 6 Sept. 1860.

Children of 142 Thomas and Sarah (Cowdin) Durant

244. i. Thomas⁸ Durant, b. near Hilham, Overton Co., Tenn., about 1818; d. in infancy.

245. ii. Mary Cowdin⁸ Durant, b. at Carthage (Tenn.?), 27 May, 1820; d. at Columbia, Tenn., 6 Sept. 1828. Her grandmother's record says that "twin sisters" were born about 27 May, 1820, only one of whom survived.

246. iii. Thomas Edward⁸ Durant (368-370) b. at Carthage, Smith Co., Tenn., 14 Aug. 1822; living, 1890, in Quincy, Illinois. He m. at Columbus, Ill., 25 March, 1847, with Elizabeth Delia Johnson, who was living in 1890; dau. of George and Eleanor (Guthrie) Johnson, of Jefferson Co., Kentucky. (George

Johnson d. at Columbus, Illinois, 5 March, 1868, aged 69 yrs.

Eleanor Guthrie, b. in Jefferson, Ky. 16 Feb. 1802, was living at Quincy, Illinois, in 1886.) Thomas E. Durant was a manufacturer of harness and saddles; and, with his wife, was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church

247. iv. Henry Snow⁸ Durant (371-373), b. at Columbia, Tenn., 10 May, 1827; d. at Hamilton, Hancock Co., Ill., 26 Aug. 1855, aged 28½ yrs. He m. at Columbus, Ill., 9 Nov. 1848, with Mary Catherine Nichols, who was b. in Bourbon Co., Kentucky, 31 Aug. 1827; died at Hamilton, Ill., ^{14 Mar 1917}; dau. of John Perkins and Kitty (Carter) Nichols. Henry S. Durant, a farmer, dwelt at Columbus, Illinois, until 1854, and then settled at Hamilton. He was baptized in 1852. Mr. Durant is buried at Columbus, Adams Co.; Ill. Mrs. Durant, in Oak Grove Cemetery, Sonora Twp., Hancock

248. v. Sarah⁸ Durant, b. in 1830; d. at Whitehall, Illinois, in 1855, aged 25 yrs; not m.

249 vi. Joseph Fuller⁸ Durant (374-382), b. at Columbia, Tenn., 23 Nov. 1831; dwelt at Quincy, Illinois, and d. there 5 June, 1906, aged 74 yrs, 8 mos, 12 days. He m. at Quincy, Illinois, 10 Jan. 1856, with Ottilia Maertz, who was b. in St. Louis, Missouri, 30 Oct. 1835; ^{d 15 July 1909} living 1890; dau. of Charles Augustus and Ottilia (Obert) Maertz. Dr. Joseph Fuller Durant was graduated at the Eclectic Medical Institute of Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1854; in 1890 he was a member of the Illinois State Medical Society, and treasurer of the Adams County Medical Society. He helped to recruit the 11th Illinois Cavalry for the Civil War, but was prevented from going to the war. Originally a democrat in his politics, that war turned him into an active working republican; he was an enthusiastic admirer of James G. Blaine, long-time Speaker of Congress. He served as an alderman in Quincy, and held other offices. His wife was educated at the Monticello Female Seminary, near Alton. Her parents, born in Germany, were married in 1834 at St. Louis, Mo.

250. vii. Samuel Warren⁸ Durant (383-385) b. at Columbia, Tenn. 19 Sept.

1833; living, 1888, at Payson, Illinois. He m. 18 Jan. 1860, with Amelia Ann Richards, who was b. at Richfield, Adams Co., Illinois, 6 Nov. 1854; living 1888; dau. of John Franklin and Catherine Virginia (Tandy) Richards. Dr. Samuel W. Durant was a graduate of Rush Medical College, Chicago. His wife was a member of the Baptist Church.

251. viii. Helen⁸ Durant, d. "in infancy".

252. ix. Elizabeth⁸ Durant, d. "in youth".

Children of 142 Thomas⁷ and (2d wife) Sarah Perry (Fiske-Little) Durant

253. x. Mary⁸ Durant (See Appendix for descendants), b. 12 Nov. 1849; living, 1886, at Killerton, Hamlin Co., South Dakota. She m. 13 July, 1868, with the Rev. Henry Martyn Springer, who was b. at Joliet, Illinois, 19 Dec. 1842; living, 1886; son of the Rev. Elihu and Martha Barney (Scarritt) Springer. Mary Durant joined the Methodist Episcopal Church at the age of 15 yrs. The Rev. Henry M. Springer was but 8 years old when his father died at Oconomowac, Wisconsin. In 1856 he settled on a farm with his mother at Baraboo, Wisconsin and there joined the Methodist Church in 1859. In the spring of 1861 he went to Colorado, where he enlisted in Captain Cook's company, which was merged in the First Colorado Volunteers, and in that regiment he served 3 yrs and 2 mos of the Civil War. In 1867 he was admitted on trial as a preacher by the Northwest Wisconsin Conference, and appointed to the Wauneka circuit in Dunn county. For the next sixteen years he supplied various charges in that and in the Rock River Conference. In the fall of 1873, he was sent to Dakota as a missionary, and, after settling his family on a homestead, he continued his work in that section.

254. xi. Celina Adelia⁸ Durant, b. at Carthage, Ill., 7 Dec. 1851; d. there, 15 Sept. 1854.

255. xii. Lina⁸ Durant, b. at Carthage, 15 Nov. 1854; d. there 30 Oct. 1872 aged nearly 18 yrs; "in a very happy hope of the hereafter"; not m.

Children of 147 Edward and Sarah (Brisbin) Durant

256. i. Thomas Jefferson⁸ Durant (s.p.), b. at Jacksonville, Illinois 1 June, 1830; living, 1889, at Seapo, Republic County, Kansas. He m. (1) at Chambersburg, Pike County, Illinois, 13 Aug. 1857, with Adelia Campbell, who was b. in Jessamine county, Kentucky, 28 Nov. 1830; died 30 March, 1880, aged 49 1/3 yrs.; dau. of Robert and Mary (Marcells) Campbell. Thomas J. Durant m. (2) 6 April, 1881, with a dau. of Frederick and Augusta (Stringweger) W. -----.

Thomas J. Durant was 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighed 170 pounds, and was of light complexion, with light blue eyes, and very thick sandy beard and hair. He was a farmer and stock raiser; a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Justice of the Peace from 1870 to 1881. From 1840 to 1857 he resided near Hilham, Tenn., then at Naples and Exeter, Illinois, until 1866; then at Manhattan, Kansas, until 1868; and later at Seapo, Kansas.

257. ii. John⁸ Durant (386-392) b. at Jacksonville, Illinois, 23 Sept. 1831; living, 1889, at Bluffs, Scott county, Ill. He m. at Livingston, Overton county, Tenn., 6 Aug. 1852, with Sarah Amanda Myers, who was b. at Wilkesborough, Wilks co., North Carolina, 14 July, 1834; living in 1889; dau. of Peter and Margaret Ann (Van Zandt) Myers. John Durant left Livingston, Tenn., in Oct. 1858, and settled at Anna, Union co., Ill.; removed thence, in Aug. 1862, to Bluffs. He was a farmer. Thanks are due to him for much valuable information concerning his near relatives. Of himself and brothers he wrote: "We are all identified with the great and grand Republican party. My grand-father and my father were old line whigs. They voted for William Henry Harrison 48 years ago last November, and I voted for his grandson, Ben Harrison last November."

258. iii. Samuel⁸ Durant (393-394) b. at Macomb, McDonald co., Ill., 14 Nov 1833; living, 1889, at Ozark, Missouri. He m. (1) ----- with his

cousin, Lucy (Morgan) Sickler, a widow, dau. of Charles and Elizabeth (Brisbin) Sickler. She d. in June, 1878, at Naples, Illinois. He m. (2) in 1881, with his step-daughter, Lulu Sickler. Samuel Durant, a carpenter and cabinet-maker, was about 5 feet 6 inches tall, slender, with dark complexion, dark hair and eyes. During the Civil War he served for three years in Company I, of the 129th regiment, Illinois Volunteers, and followed General Sherman in his march to the sea. In 1881 he removed from Naples, Illinois to Butler, Bates co., Missouri.

259. iv. Edward⁸ Durant, b. at Macomb, Illinois, 11 Nov. 1835; d. at Bluffs, Illinois, 14 Feb. 1888, aged 52 1/4 yrs.; not m. He was 5 feet 11 inches tall slender, with dark complexion, black hair and eyes. The following is General Order No. 2 of Post 234, Grand Army of the Republic:

Of those who shouldered the musket and went forth to battle for their country, asking neither rank nor fame, and shed their blood in the defense of right and liberty, the name of Edward Durant deserves a place high upon the roll of honor. He was among the first to enlist from Illinois. He entered the service on April 22d, 1861, as a private in Company G, 8th Illinois Volunteer Infantry, on the first call for three months' men; re-enlisted in the same regiment for three years more. He was mustered out after the close of the war, on the 8th of May, 1866; his whole length of service being 5 yrs and 12 days. He was severely wounded at Fort Donelson, 15 Feb. 1862, when close up under the enemy's guns, being struck by a shot which passed entirely thru his breast. From this he recovered, but after the war the old wound began to destroy his vitality; yet he bore up bravely. None was more devoted or better loved. He was impulsively generous, to a fault. As a comrade he had no superior; and in all his acts, words and deeds, while associated with us, he showed the promptings of a noble and true heart.

260. v. Charles Marion⁸ Durant, b. at Livingston, Overton co., Tenn., 14 June, 1843; d. at Naples, Scott co., Illinois, 24 Aug. 1857, aged 14 yrs.

261 vi. William Joseph⁸ Durant (s.p.) b. at Livingston, Tenn., 1 Jan. 1845; d. at Naples, Illinois, 30 March 1871, aged nearly 26 1/4 yrs. He m. 9 Mar. 1867, with Sarah Aldridge, who was b. near Naples, Ill.; d. near Murrayville, Ill., in the summer of 1888; dau. of Harrison and Mary Aldridge. She m. (2) with Isaac Taylor. William J. Durant, 6 feet tall, slender, with dark com-

plexion, black hair and eyes, was a farmer. He enlisted for the Civil War in Company G. 8th Illinois infantry, and was honorably discharged, on account of wounds received at the battle of Fort Donelson. Recovering his health, he again enlisted in Company H, 16th Illinois infantry, 24 June, 1863 and was mustered out of service 19 June, 1865.

262. vii. Alexander Franklin⁸ Durant, (395-398) b. at Livingston, Tenn. 25 Oct. 1846 was living in 1889. He m. 7 April, 1874, with Theresa, dau of Michael ----- who was b. in Austrian Hungary, 8 Dec. 1855; living in 1889. A.F. Durant, a farmer in Riley Center, Kansas, was more than 6 feet tall, heavy build, with light complexion, sandy hair and gray eyes. He enlisted in the 14th Illinois infantry; was captured 4 Oct. 1864, and confined in Andersonville prison until April, 1865.

Children of 152 Adolphus and Maria (Cutter) Durant

263. i. Maria Martha⁸ Durant, b. at Newton, Mass. 25 Sept. 1824; living 1897, at Lawrence, Mass.; not married; a communicant in the Protestant Episcopal Church, having been baptized in St. Mary's at Newton. Thanks are due to her for very valuable records of her great grandfather 52 Edward⁵ Durant's descendants.

264. ii. Adolphus Melville⁸ Durant (399) b. at Methuen, Mass., 7 Feb. 1827; living at Lawrence, Mass., in 1897, aged 70 yrs. He m. at Lowell, Mass., 12 Sept. 1860, with Rosalinda Burnham, who was b. 17 Sept. 1830; living 1890; dau of Asa Richardson and Mary (Jackson) Burnham. After marriage, A.M. Durant and wife dwelt in Lowell until 1882, and then removed to Lawrence. In 1848 he made a visit in the west to meet some of his great-grandfather 52 Edward⁵ Durant's descendants. Some extracts from his letters written at that time are quoted above.

265. iii. Henrietta Moore⁸ Durant, b. at Methen^u, Mass., 24 Aug. 1830; d. at Lawrence, Mass., 6 Sept. 1850, just over her 20th year. She was noted

for her beauty of face and character. With remarkably clear 129
complexion and delicate color, she had light hair and hazel eyes.

266 iv. Warren Augustus⁸ Durant, b. at Methuen, Mass., 11 April, 1833;
d. at Lawrence, Mass., in Nov. 1895, aged 62½ yrs; not m.

Children of 153 William and Eliza (Gibson) Durant

267. i. George Thomas^{*9} Durant (400), b. at Newton-Lower-Falls, Mass.,
9 Dec. 1834; living 1887 at Agawam, Mass. He m. at Westfield, Conn., 18
May, 1849, with Elizabeth Smith, who was b. 18 May, 1827, at Litchfield, Conn.
living, 1887; dau. of Augustus and Lois (Cooper) Smith. Geo. T. Durant was
5 ft, 6 inches tall, stout, with florid complexion. In politics he was a
democrat. He was educated at the Academy in Westfield, Mass.; and then be-
came a paper-maker. Later, for fifteen years, he was a contractor in the
"whip business"; later he was proprietor of a hotel, and a storekeeper under
the National Government.

268. ii. Elizabeth Jane⁸ Durant (s.p.) b. at Newton-Lower-Falls, Mass.
15 Oct. 1826; living, 1886, in Wallingford, Conn. She m. at Birmingham,
Conn., 28 Nov. 1877, with Amos Smith Dickinson, who was b. at North Ridge,
Niagara county, N.Y., 26 July, 1824; living, 1886; son of Amos and Mary
(Smith) Dickinson, of Haddam, Conn. Both Mr. and Mrs. A.S. Dickinson
were members of the Congregational Church. He was a Master mechanic; a
democrat in politics; chief of Wallingford Fire Department, 1879-1884.

269. iii. William Lorenzo⁸ Durant (401-403) b. at Newton-Lower-Falls,
Mass., 25 Oct. 1830; living, 1886, at Danbury, Conn. He m. with Rebecca
Bradley.

270. iv. Frederick Augustus⁸ Durant (404-407) b. at Matick, Mass., 18 Jan.
1834; *d 21 June 1905 at Guilford,*
~~living, 1888, in New Haven,~~ Conn. He m. (1) 1 Aug. 1851, with Sarah
Bradley, who was b. in New Haven, 17 Sept. 1834; d. at Batavia, Kane co., Ill.
27 Nov. 1855, aged 21 yrs.; dau. of Philo and Henrietta (Leavenworth) Bradley.
Fred A. Durant m (2) 7 Oct. 1860, with Charlotte Amelia Scott, who was b. in

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Albany, N.Y., 5 Nov. 1839; ^{d. 1923} living, ~~1888~~; dau. of John and Frances (Beebe)

Scott. F. A. Durant enlisted in Co. D. 15th Connecticut infantry, and served three years of the Civil War. He was, 1888, proprietor of the "Durant Hotel" in New Haven, Conn.

Children of 156 James and Margaret (Childs) Durant

271 i. Harriet S.⁸ Durant, b. 14 Nov. 1828; d. 21 Aug. 1862; aged nearly 34 yrs; not m.

272. ii. Eliza Jane⁸ Durant, b. at Newton-Lower-Falls, Mass., 9 Aug. 1831; d. 12 July, 1875, aged nearly 44 yrs; not m.

273. iii. Emily M.⁸ Durant, b. at Dover, Mass. in 1834; d. at Methuen, Mass. 12 March, 1866, aged about 32 yrs. She m. at Lawrence, Mass. 18 July, 1860 with Robert C. Mann, a gardner. They had one child, who d. in infancy.

274. iv. Charles James⁸ Durant, b. at Needham, Mass. about Aug. 1835; d. at Lawrence, Mass. 9 June, 1854, aged nearly 19 yrs.

275. v. Isabella S.⁸ Durant, b. at Methuen, Mass. about July, 1838; d. at Lawrence, 8 May, 1854, aged nearly 16 yrs.

276. vi. Albert Allen⁸ Durant, b. at Methuen, Mass. 25 Aug. 1840; d. 2 March, 1859, aged 18½; a salesman.

277 vii. Marietta A.⁸ Durant, b. at Methuen, Mass. in March, 1844; d. at Lawrence, Mass. 12 Dec. 1864, aged 20 3/4 yrs.; not m.

278. viii. Caroline M.⁸ Durant, b. at Lawrence, Mass. 10 June, 1850; d. there 27 July, 1866, aged 16 yrs.

Children of 164 Charles and Betsey (Wood) Durant

279. i. Elizabeth⁸ Durant (See Appendix for desc.) b. 8 Jan. 1835; living 1890, at Melrose, Mass. She m. in latter, 9 Dec. 1868, with Henry M. Small, who was b. at Hampden, Maine, 13 Dec. 1838; living in 1890; son of James and Eliza Small. Elizabeth was adopted by her uncle 172 Augustus⁷ Durant, and m. from his house. She was a graduate of Bowdoin School, Boston. Both

Mr. and Mrs. H.M. Small were members of the Congregational Church. Henry M. Small entered the United States' Navy in 1862, for 15 months, and was assigned to duty on the Lancaster, which was then flag-ship of the squadron on the Pacific coast. Later he was a manufacturer of furniture.

280. ii. Charles Jackson⁸ Durant (s.p.) b. at Upton, Mass. 16 July, 1837; d. 15 Feb. 1865. He m. 15 Nov. 1864, with Corinne Gray, of Farmington, N.H. Charles J. Durant enlisted, Sept. 1861, in the 3d Regiment of New Hampshire Volunteers; was wounded, 16 June, 1862, at the battle of James Island, South Carolina, and honorably discharged in Sept. 1862.

281. iii. Maria Williams⁸ Durant, b. at Upton, Mass., 7 July, 1839; d. at Springvale, Maine, 15 July, 1853. At the death of her parents, she was adopted by her aunt, 167 Eliza⁷ (Durant) Willard.

Children of 168 William Winthrop and Susanna (Marsh) Durant

282. i. Edward Warburton⁸ Durant (408-410) b. at Norfolk, Mass., 8 April, 1829; living, 1890, at Stillwater, Minn. He m. at Albany, Ill., 29 Dec. 1853, with Henrietta Pease, who was b. in St. Louis, Mo., 30 Sept., 1835; living, 1890; dau. of Henry and Mary (Warburton) Pease, and in the 8th generation from Robert Pease, who came in the Ship Francis, 1634, and settled at Salem, Mass. Henry Pease and his wife were from Hartford, Conn. Pease and Van Doren entered all the lands of Iron Mountain, Mo.

283. ii. Susanna Louisa⁸ Durant, b. at Sandwich, Mass., 25 Feb. 1831; living, 1888, at Roslindale, Mass.; not married; a teacher in Boston Highlands, Mass.

284. iii. William Warren⁸ Durant (411-416) b. at Roxbury, Mass., 19 Jan. 1837; living, 1887, at Albany, Ill. He m. at Lyons, Clinton co., Iowa, 26 Jan. 1871, with Sarah Ann Chacey, who was b. at Coma, Ill., 12 Nov. 1851; living 1887; dau. of Daniel and Sarah (Holmes) Chacey. W. W. Durant served during the Civil War, from 1862 to 1865, in the Union army, taking part in

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CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS to the biography of 282.i.Edward White⁸
(not Warburton) Durant, sent by him, c. 1913, to 420.William Clark Durant.
Henrietta Pease Durant d in Stillwater, Minn. 15 July, 1910. Mr. Durant
was living in Charleston, S.C. in 1913.

Edward White Durant was b at Roxbury, Mass 8 Apr 1829. Moved with family
Sept 1838 to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he attended school. In the fall of
1839 the family sought a new home near Sterling, Ill. on a farm. In the
autumn of 1843 the farm was disposed of to make a new home at Albany, Ill.,
where his father engaged in buying grain and management of a general country
store.

The boy Edward took a mail contract, thirty miles each way--up one day and
returning the next day during the summer. Subsequently was engaged in buying
grain for the St. Louis markets and clerking in store and warehouse.

In March 1848 he took passage on a steamboat for a lumbering town at a loca-
tion now known as the State of Minnesota, began work in a saw mill, rafting
lumber to go to St. Louis. When the raft was made up he shipped as a hand,
made the trip, and decided to learn the Mississippi River and became a pilot
from Stillwater to St. Louis, a distance of 777 miles, which occupation he
followed some 15 years.

In the meantime he left Albany to take up his home in Stillwater, Minn.
and engaged largely in the lumber business. Organized a line of tow boats to
transport logs and lumber to St. Louis and intermediate points.

While a citizen of Stillwater was elected Mayor for 2 terms. Served 3
sessions in the Legislature and 4 sessions in the State Senate. Was nominee
for Lt. Gov., and in a joint convention of the House and Senate was placed
in nomination for the U.S. Senate. Was appointed by the Governor as a mem-
ber of the Western Waterways Commission for Minnesota, and organized and was
President of the Stillwater Water Works Co. for 30 years, also Director in
Lumberman's National Bank, Director in St. Croix Boom Corp., President of NW
Lumberman's Assn., held at Chicago.

Was appointed by the Governor, along with Mrs. Durant, commissioner to
the Louisiana Exposition at New Orleans.

Was one of the proprietors of the Grand Opera House at Stillwater and mana-
ger until it was destroyed 20 years later by fire.

Had a membership in the St. Croix Valley old Settlers Assn., holding the
position of President. Was also Member and President of the Pioneer Terri-
torial Assn. of Minn., was a member and Pres. of the Assn. of men who came to
Minn. prior to 1850. Charter member of American Sons of the Rev. and Life
Member of the Minn. Hist. Soc. Senior past Grand Chancellor, Knights of
Pythias. Also Grand Master, Grand Lodge AF and AM of the jurisdiction of
Minn. At present, President Masonic Veterans Assn. of South Carolina.
(Charleston, S.C., Dec. 9, 1911).

Mrs. Henrietta (Pease) Durant was a member of the DAR, also member St. Croix
Valley Old Settlers Assn., a prominent member of the Minn. Territorial Pioneers
Assn., President Stillwater Primrose Social Club for several years and one of
six ladies appointed by the Governor to select the flower for the State flag
of Minnesota.

Mrs. Durant was an adept with pencil and brush, taking the Gold Medal for a
hand painted dinner game set inclusive from Punch Bowl to after dinner coffee
set at the Minn. State Fair. Also a premium for tapestry at the Louisiana
Exhibition of Fine Arts.

the seige of Vicksburg, in the march from Memphis to Lookout Mountain and in the battles of Mission Ridge and Altoona Pass.

Childern of 168 William Winthrop and 2d wife Emily M. (Marten) Durant

285. iv. Charles Augustus⁸ Durant (s.p.) b. at Sterling, Ill. 10 Feb. 1842; living, 1887, in St. Louis, Mo. He m. in latter, 24 Aug. 1870, with Agnes A. Smith, who was b. at Barr Head, 8 May, 1845; living, 1887; dau. of Francis and Agnes (Adams) Smith, of Glasgow, Scotland. Charles A. Durant was a commercial traveller. He first went on the road in Oct. 1866, from Memphis, Tenn. In Jan. 1887, he was with his fourth house, the Gans Shelton Hat Co., having then been with them for thirteen years. He has dwelt in Chicago, Memphis, and St. Louis. In Sept. 1861, he enlisted in Co. F. 52d Illinois Volunteers, and served until after the battle of Fort Donelson. Then he was detailed to guard the first lot of prisoners taken to Camp Douglas in Chicago. Having been wounded in his left hand and arm, he was honorably discharged from military service.

286. v. Helen⁸ Durant, b. 19 Nov. 1855; d. 2 April, 1876. She m. with Joseph S. Green, and had one child, name not reported.

287. vi. Alfred⁸ Durant, b. 8 Nov. 1855; d. 21 Sept. 1881; not m. He was a pilot on the Mississippi river.

288. vii. Augusta⁸ Durant, b. 8 Aug. 1858; living, 1888, at 2531 Glasgow Ave., St. Louis, Mo.; not m. a teacher in the public schools.

Great grandchildren of Phineas and 54 Abigail (Durant) Cooke:
Grandchildren of John and Mary (Cooke) Fowle (See Appendix)
Children of William and Harriet (Fowle)

289 i. William Fowle⁸ Smith, b. 2 Nov. 1819; d. 7 March, 1885, aged 65 yrs. He m. 2 July, 1868, with Lizzie Sargent, of Springfield, Mass., who d. 7 March 1885. They had one child: i. Bessie Sargent⁹ Smith, b. 12 Sept. 1871.

290. ii. Henry Fowle⁸ Durant (Originally named Henry Welles Smith, name legally changed, as above, 24 Nov. 1851.) b. at Hanover, N.H. 20 Feb. 1822;

d. 3 Oct. 1881. He m. 23 May, 1854, with Pauline Adeline Fowle who was b. 13 June, 1832; d. ~~Feb. 12, 1917~~ dau. of Lieut. Colonel John and Paulina (Cazenove) Fowle.

The following is from "Reminiscences of the Family of Captain John Fowle, of Watertown, Mass.," published in Boston, 1891.

When quite young he was sent for a year to the academy at Peacham, Vt.; and, at the age of twelve, went to Mr. and Mrs. Ripley's famous school in Waltham, Mass., where he remained for three years while fitting for college. Mrs. Ripley was a fine Greek scholar, and 'it was largely to her good mind and fine scholarship that Mr. Durant attributed the rousing of his faith in the high intellectual powers of woman.' He laughingly related of her, afterwards, that 'she used to hold her own baby, shell peas, and hear him recite in Greek, all at the same time without dropping an accent, or particle, or boy, or pea pod, or the baby.'

While in Harvard, his tastes led him to spend much of his time in the College library, for he found that this was the most profitable thing for him to do. He was devoted to Greek, and was a good French scholar, but cared less for Latin. 'He worked hard under Lord Erskine's tutors, Milton and Shakespeare, and received the utmost benefit from the vast educating influence of the fine library.' Mr. Durant said of himself, 'I studied immensely the last part of the time I was in Cambridge, and to great advantage. I had but few recitations, and saw scarcely any one, so that I had plenty of time.' He made full and critical studies of the poets of the nations, and his own poetic compositions were of service to him in later years, mainly as close practice in writing.

His word drill, for 'he sought the means of enriching, beautifying and enforcing thoughts commonplace', was begun in his later College years, and continued even after he was in active professional life.

Being so decidedly poetical in his temperament, he was much averse to his destined study of law, to which he referred in a letter to a friend as 'that horrid dream of a legal profession.'

It was remarked, however, that his keen eye for legal business was opened in his early college days, for he was found to be very observing in such matters.

After graduating at Harvard in 1841, at the age of nineteen, he entered his father's law office in Lowell, and he wrote to a friend, about this time, of his plans. 'I shall study law for the present to oblige father; he is in some trouble, and I wish to make him as happy as possible. The future course of my life is undetermined, except that all shall yield to holy poetry; indeed it is a sacred duty. I have begun studying law; don't be afraid, however, that I intend to give up poetry. I shall always be a worshiper of that divinity, and I hope in a few years to be able to give up everything and be a priest in her temple.'

A twelvemonth ⁱⁿ ~~is~~ a law office made him say to a friend, 'I have not written any poetry this whole summer. Old Mrs. Themis says that I shall not visit any more at the Miss Muses. I'll see the old catamaran hanged though, but what I will, and I'll write a sonnet to my old

shoe directly, out of mere desperation. Pity and sympathize with me.'

Mr. Durant was admitted to the bar eighteen months after leaving college, just after his twenty-first birthday, in the spring of 1843. He continued in Lowell, working in his father's office, until the spring of 1846. 'It was impossible to imagine a school better fitted, than this, to develop any latent talent for business, and for breaking up any tendency towards literary tastes.' It was the demand of the hour that the poet should plunge into the work of the courts, where ready money was to be obtained, for as Mr. Durant said, 'In the drudgery of a law office I have found that riches are important.' It is difficult to determine how much Mr. Durant owed to being in his father's office, and how much the office owed to him in regard to the methods of conducting cases. He was a very close student of his profession, not only diligent but devoted to study. During part of the time Mr. Durant was reading law in Lowell, Mr. Benjamin F. Butler was a partner of his father. Mr. Durant and Mr. Butler were never partners.

In the spring of 1846, Mr. Durant formed a partnership with Mr. Joseph Bell of Boston, and their office was in the northeast corner of the old State house. It was about this time that he changed his name from Henry Welles Smith, taking the two family names of his mother and his maternal grandmother, Fowle and Durant, instead. This change seemed almost imperative, as another lawyer, bearing the same name, Henry W. Smith, often received his letters and private correspondences. This, combined with other reasons, decided him to make the change, and so avoid trouble in the future. In August of the same year in which Mr. Durant formed a partnership with Mr. Bell, he also formed one with his father, thus between the two firms he did business in both Suffolk and Middlesex counties.

He was introduced to Mr. Bell, and to his brother-in-law, Hon. Rufus Choate, by his uncle, Mr. A. G. Britton, of Orford, N.H., a life-long friend of Mr. Bell. Mr. Britton interested these gentlemen in his promising nephew, and they soon recognized in him much ability. This partnership with Mr. Bell gave Mr. Durant, at the outset, a respectable standing at the Suffolk bar, and it was severed only by the failing health of the senior. Mr. Durant was naturally thrown before the notice of Mr. Choate, Mr. Bell's brother-in-law, who watched him with interest, and often employed him as junior counsel, finding he proved serviceable. As Mr. Durant had learned to perfection, in Middlesex county, the mechanics of the law, he learned from Mr. Choate, the great leader of Suffolk County, new lessons in the art of advocacy. For points in respect to the hypothesis upon which to present a case, he was particularly indebted to Mr. Choate, so that when Mr. Durant came to take a leading part in contests, his pronounced individuality had much more force on account of his wonderful power to profit by varied schooling. Mr. Durant was one of the hardest working men of his time, having formed in his youth the habit of industry; and he became a perfect slave to the rule, 'If you wish anything well done, do it yourself.' His genius, which many believed to be of the highest order, was primarily a genius for labor.

He tried no cases except upon exhaustive preparation. 'At the Middlesex bar he was always in his place, and always alert. He had few associates, every hour of his time being absorbed by his profession. Apparently he took little notice of current questions of the day. Sometimes he was genial and sometimes icy; often pre-occupied, absorbed, intense, and perhaps imperious; mysteriously making up a case, presenting it, and then retiring, only to reappear when he had a new case to win; never really happy unless taking some work of surpassing difficulty,

which might fully tax all his powers. It was said of him, that he was more frequently employed in what were considered desperate cases than any other lawyer of his time. An eminent man in his profession said of him that 'he was the most persistent, persistent, persistent, man he ever saw.'

Cases of which he did not feel certain he endeavored to have settled in the office. But in spite of this, he often found himself compelled to take tremendous risks in the court room, and, not infrequently, by virtue of his knowledge of human nature, and the working of the mind of the opposing counsel, he secured his victories by absolutely wresting them from his opponents.

His devices to rid himself of what he thought to be bad cases would prove very amusing. Sometimes he played them off on his opponents as huge practical jokes, of course having the laugh to himself.

Mr. Durant was wonderfully clever in the original way he managed cases, and was indefatigable in their preparation. He was adroit and dexterous in cross-examination. For example, in the horse railway case where a little child had been run over on Sudbury street. His theory was that the driving was too fast, carelessly fast; but the ability of corporations to bring evidence is often astounding, and in this case it was so strong that the driving was slow, that Mr. Durant turned around in an instant; and, in the cross-examination, took the theory that the man was driving slowly. In his polite way, he obtained the statement from the willing witnesses of the company that the car was moving little faster than a walk.

Question. 'What is your business?'

Answer. 'To drive horse cars.'

Question. 'Could you see all the way down the street?'

Answ. 'Yes.'

Ques. 'Were you looking up at the sides of the street, or at the windows?'

Ans. 'No.'

Ques. 'Then you try to make the Court believe that, going slowly, and seeing the track, you deliberately walked your horses over this child.'

Of course the effect upon the jury was conclusive.

Mr. Durant had great discernment in his power to see the point at issue, and faculty in throwing light upon it to make it clear to the Judge; and he also had great adroitness in concealing his point from his opponents until he wished to bring out his climax.

As the Hon. Rufus Choate grew older, and his health became more and more broken, suffering as he did from terrible headaches, Mr. Durant, who had worked much with him as junior counsel, would often take up the case where Mr. Choate dropped it, and carry it forward, to the perfect satisfaction of his senior and his client, as in the notable case of Shaw against the Worcester Railroad. Mr. Durant was called to the argument in less than a day's notice, with a former trial and a fifteen thousand dollar verdict to face. The case stood, at first, with Mr. Choate and Mr. Durant for plaintiff, and Judge Hoar, Judge Gray, and Mr. Butler for defendant.

Mr. Shaw, driving on the highway, accompanied by his wife and others, in crossing a track on the Worcester Railroad, was struck by a passing train. He was killed, and his wife seriously injured.

His family claimed that the accident was owing to the negligence of the company, while, in turn, the company asserted that the man was intoxicated.

One of the employees of the railroad, upon being cross-examined, was asked where he lived. He answered, 'Boston'. 'Did you name the street?' 'I don't know as it is any of your business', was his reply. The Court said he must answer: 'Has the street a name?' 'I don't know as it has.'

'Are the houses on the street numbered?' 'I don't know.' 'Tell me where it begins and where it ends.' 'It goes from State street to Dock Square.' 'What is the name of the place you stop in?' 'The Bite Tavern.' The Bite Tavern was the worst gambling house in the City. Upon the question being asked whether the engine bell was rung, the company offered a thermometric observation, showing that it was a clear cold night. The Rev. Dr. William Barrows, one of the witnesses for the plaintiff, not having forgotten his physics, went out and procured a book on the subject, and brought it into court. He read from Olmstead's standard work, that sound travels best when the air is laden with moisture. Mr. Durant dwelt upon this fact. For the interest of the corporation it had been sworn that a full minute had elapsed from the time Shaw started to cross the track until he was struck by the engine, and that the fault was his. In the intense excitement of the Court, Mr. Durant raised the question, 'How far can a man go in a minute, say around the Court room?' He paused in his vehement argument. 'What is a minute?' Have people generally an exact idea of the length of a minute? I ask the Court, the jury and others, to take out their watches, and see how long a minute is, here and now.' The Jury, the Court, the opposing Counsel, the bar, and the crowded audience, to a man, took out their watches. I will tell you when to begin to measure the time, and when to end.' All was still as death; it seemed an hour, or as one said, an age. It was apparent that Shaw could not have stood there in front of the headlight all that time.

At a point near the close of his argument, he made a sudden transition. 'In a case so clear as this, you would all say, if you gave expression to your judgment, that it would be in favor of our client, but clear as it seems to you, the verdict will be lost. If the ends of justice only were to be served, there could not be found twelve men who, after hearing the testimony, would not bring a verdict for my client; but I feel that, with this jury, the award will not be made. There is one among your number who will defeat it.'

The jury, the court, and the audience were thunderstruck.

The Court asked if counsel was understood to imply that any one had tampered with the jury.

Mr. Durant waited quietly.

The Court, the counsel, the audience began to pierce the jury.

One jurymen turned pale.

Mr. Durant finally answered the question of the Court, 'No, I do not; but if the question had been asked at the last trial, it would have been answered that a man had been placed upon the jury to defeat the verdict.'

The flurry was over: Mr. Durant had been fully equal to the occasion. The frightened jurymen joined the eleven, and brought in a verdict for twenty-one thousand dollars.

It is related that once, when an insurance company claimed that a gas explosion was not a fire, Mr. Durant proposed to have a gas stove brought in, and invite the directors to sit on it!

One of Mr. Durant's finest speeches was made in the Eliot school case, on the use of the Bible in public schools. He also made a few public addresses. One before the Mercantile Library Association on James Otis; another at Bowdoin College, on the American Scholar, which was a Commencement oration; and another on the "Influence of Rural Life."

In 1848, Mr. Durant was invited to make his home with his aunt, Mrs. Benjamin Wiggin, with whom he was a great favorite. She then lived at 5 Pemberton Square, and he remained with her for several years.

On May 23, 1854, Mr. Durant married his cousin, Pauline Adeline Fowle, the only child then living of Colonel John and Paulina (Cazenove) Fowle, who was b. 13 June, 1832; and living, in 1909, at Marlborough street, Boston.

The following is from the memorial sketch, authorized at the annual meeting of the Executive Committee of the Wellesley Alumnae Association, in June, 1882; and prepared by Marion L. Pelton.

One friend is gone, who loved and worked for us all; and, not only for us, but for all the daughters of Wellesley in the years to come. The shadow and the light of a common loss have fallen on us. And it is such a loss as can come to our College but once. She may grow fairer and better; she may have many nice and loving friends; but her father has lived his life, and ended his work on earth. Therefore, it has been thought best that we make part of our exercises to-day a Memorial of Mr. Durant's character and work; of what he was and what he did; that we try to understand the meaning which he wished Wellesley to have for us; that we strengthen ourselves by recalling 'the good fight' which he fought; and that we rejoice in beautiful memories of him.

Mr. Durant meant to keep himself in the background of his work. You know how he refused to give his name to the College he had founded, saying, 'It was Christ's College, not his'; how he was unwilling even that a picture of himself should be put in its Library; how he would be found sitting in corners and on back seats on festal days; how carefully he avoided speaking of his own career. But since he has lately been discussed in the newspapers and by strangers, it is right--nay, it is important that we, for whom he worked, should try to gain that just estimate of his character which can only be founded on facts, and which is needed, in order that the good work he started may bring forth its fruit. But for that full estimate this is not the time nor the occasion. Rather, as children who gather about the grave of a revered father, let us tell the simple story of his life and his love for us. Let us talk of whatever is noblest and most beautiful in the father-soul that has passed away.

Many of the accounts of Mr. Durant's personal history which have been printed since his death are so full of errors that I think you will be glad to hear an outline of his early life, which is at least true as far as it goes. But the point that most concerns us is the spirit of his later life, which found expression in Wellesley College. To this point, then, let us give special attention; looking always to his essential purpose; leaving the final judgment of his methods to the only Judge whose sight is wholly clear.

His father was a lawyer, bright and kindhearted. His mother was Miss Harriet Fowle of Watertown, the second of five sisters who were noted for their beauty and intelligence. Mrs. Smith was not as fine looking as her sisters, but had brilliant and expressive eyes. Her son, Henry, however, who was tenderly devoted to her, used to declare that she was the handsomest of old ladies. She was a religious woman, lofty in her teachings as in her life, and was very fond of books. After some years spent in Hanover, New Hampshire, the family moved to Lowell, Mass., which was Mr. Durant's home for the rest of his boyhood, and for a short time after he became a lawyer. He was fitted for College at a school in Waltham, under a bright woman, Mrs. Ripley, who taught him his Greek. In the last years of his life he often told, with enthusiasm how this alma mater would nurse the baby, shell peas, and teach the boys their classics at the same time. It was largely to her good mind and fine scholarship that he attributed

the rousing of his faith in the high intellectual possibilities of women.

Mr. Durant studied at Harvard College, where he was graduated in 1841. He thought that the teaching there was worth less to him than his own reading in the Library. Books were not so plentiful as in our day; his parents were not rich, and the eager boy plunged with delight into the great Harvard collection. Does not this throw light upon his special interest in our own Library at Wellesley?

After leaving college Mr. Durant read law in his father's office at Lowell. He took a three year's course in half that time; and is said to have worked just as hard up to his last illness.

His early poverty seems to have heightened his interest in the struggles of poor students; and his views on the dignity of labor, as given in an address on 'The Influence of Rural Life', show the spirit in which he hewed out his own fortune; 'A true man does not grumble because he was not born with a silver spoon in his mouth; he knows that gold is a soft metal, and does not wear well--iron is better. There is no one here to-day who is anything, who has made himself anything, who feels that he is a living real man, who does not in his heart of hearts thank heaven that he was not born rich. ... The dignity of labor is but another name for liberty. The chivalry of labor is now the battle-cry of the Old world and the New.'

During part of the time when Mr. Durant was reading law with his father, Mr. Benjamin F. Butler was a partner of the elder Smith. Mr. Durant and Mr. Butler were never partners.

At the age of twenty-one years the young lawyer was equipped for his chosen profession. Shy and sensitive in nature, and a great lover of books, he would have preferred the quiet life of a student; yet he found much to interest his mind and gratify ambition in the brilliant career which opened before him. He practised law with his father for a short time, and then, entering into partnership with Mr. Joseph Bell, he moved to Boston, where he rapidly acquired fame as a lawyer who always won his cases. The following passage from a Boston newspaper of the year 1862 gives some idea of his working methods: 'His success is almost proverbial. Sometimes it is accounted for as being 'good luck'; but more frequently it is attributed to good management. He knows just how to place a case before a jury. He knows, at a glance, the weak spots in his enemies' armor, and judges well the right time to strike them. None better than he can cover his own weak spots. All the contingencies of the contest are provided for, and evidence is hunted up to meet the opponent at every step. He talks to the jury with the manner of one unprepared, and gains their ears by the apparent absence of effort. He places evidence before them rapidly, and yet so skillfully that they seldom fail to view it in just that light he wishes. ... Mr. Durant is quite as successful before the Court as with a jury ... He is more frequently employed in what are considered desperate cases than any other lawyer.'

He often worked as junior counsel with Rufus Choate, whom he dearly loved; and it was remarked that Mr. Choate would rarely take a case against his friend.

One of Mr. Durant's finest speeches was made in the Eliot School case. It was afterwards printed at the request of four Boston ministers, and shows the speaker's high respect for Christianity before he became an avowed Christian. He also made a few public addresses...one, before the Mercantile Library Association, on 'James Otis'; another, at Bowdoin College, on 'The American Scholar', which was a Commencement Oration, and was received with great enthusiasm; another, on 'The Influences of Rural Life', a beautiful expression of that love for the country which was one of his strong characteristics.

During Mr. Durant's earlier years in Boston he was annoyed by the fact that there was another lawyer in the City who bore the same name, 'Henry W. Smith'; and to whom letters, intended for Mr. Durant, were often delivered. Our friend, therefore, changed his name to Henry Fowle Durant; both Fowle and Durant being ancestral names.

As to Mr. Durant's domestic character at this time, we have very positive testimony from those who knew him best. He was a devoted son; and, indeed, a peculiar tenderness for home characterized him through life. He was most lovable in his family relations; gentle and thoughtful for others; clean in his tastes. Though, at that time, not a professed Christian, he attended Church regularly, and, as we have seen, had great respect for religion and the Bible. He gave liberally to the poor, and was often very generous of his legal services. Letters are still in existence which contain touching expressions of gratitude from the men and women whom he helped.

Meanwhile Mr. Durant was prosperous in private life as well as at the Bar. We have seen that his nature, at once passionate and gentle, was especially fitted for the appreciation of a happy home. It was, therefore, with no common joy and hopefulness that, in 1854, after a short engagement, he was married to his cousin, Miss Pauline Adeline Fowle.* The young wife was a Christian woman. Already she had consecrated to God the gift He had conferred upon her; now, in many ways, she sought the highest good of her noble and ambitious husband. And when, thru a strange and terrible experience, her prayers were answered, Mr. Durant looked up to her maturer faith with the humble trust of a child. In his later years of Christian usefulness, her good sense, her heroic endurance, and profound love, held up his weary hands. Truly this seems to have been one of the marriages made in heaven.

Two little children were born to them, a boy and a girl. The little Pauline died in less than two months. But Harry, the son, grew into a bright and beautiful boy.

In the year following that of his marriage, Mr. Durant bought the summer place at Wellesley, then named West Needham, which was destined to become the seat of a great institution. The family spent their summers in what is now known as the 'Farm House'. At first the land extended about as far west as the present site of the College, and so far north as at present. Mr. Durant, however, judiciously added to the property, piece by piece, making large improvements on the grounds, and planning to build a homestead on one of the great hills.

But, suddenly, in the summer of 1863, came the shock which was the turning point of his life. Little Harry, his only son, whom he loved with the forceful intensity of his nature, was stricken dangerously ill. During those days of suspense, the agonized father looked back upon the world, which had seemed to him so bewilderingly joyous in the proud days of his youth; upon the great ambitions which had urged him forward. He realized that, without God, all was vanity; that God was his only refuge and strength. In the throes of this mighty sorrow his soul was 'born again'; and he told his faithful wife, that, whether Harry lived or died, his own life was thenceforth

* See Appendix for record of Pauline A.⁸ Fowle; her father, John⁷ Fowle was a brother of Harriet¹ Fowle, the mother of Henry F.⁸ Durant. Mr. and Mrs. H. F.⁸ Durant were first cousins of the Fowle descent, and also second cousins of the Durant descent; both were grandchildren of Abigail⁷ Durant who m. Phineas Cooke.

consecrated to God. After the little child, who had led him to this resolution, was taken away, Mr. Durant wrote a prayer for family use, which, in its humility and trustful resignation, shows the strength of his new faith.

With his changed ideal of life it became a moral impossibility for him to go on with his profession, for he believed that it could not be done honestly; as he afterwards said with characteristic wit, 'the law and the Gospel are diametrically opposed.' A fortnight after his son's death he sold out the whole of his law business. He had determined to give his time and his talents to Christ. Men have wondered that the brilliant lawyer who, at forty-one years of age, had won so great a reputation, and had been pointed out by the press as a successor of Webster and Choate, should suddenly draw back from the laurels which bent to his touch, and give up utterly his old ambitions. Some have set it down to eccentricity; others have tried to find in it a hidden plan of caution or gain; we have the simple truth.

And now the question remained, How should he serve God? What was the most effectual way? Looking over their fair country seat, now so desolate, the bereaved parents decided to consecrate it to a Christian institution. Their plans took shape gradually; but already, in the year of Harry's death, they concluded to build a school for boys or girls, or both. At one time they thought of dividing the estate into two parts; erecting a school-building on one part, and on the other a home for orphans or partial orphans. Mr. Durant believed that this arrangement would be highly valuable, because the students could have charge of the poor children, and thus develop their own capacities for usefulness. The plan, however, was given up as impractical, and the whole estate was devoted to the school. As he studied into the subject of education, Mr. Durant saw, that, while the teaching of the country was passing more and more into the hands of women, many of them came to the work very poorly prepared, and that their opportunities for preparation were not equal to those of men. Moreover, the influences of his wife and his mother, and of Mrs. Ripley's teaching, were strong upon him. He decided to build a school for girls, which should 'be a means of educating Christian teachers'. Later he became a trustee of Mt. Holyoke Seminary, and was much impressed with the Christian spirit there, though he thought the course of study too limited for the needs of the age; so he planned that his future school should be like Mt. Holyoke in religious influence, but have a more extended course of study. For sometime he called the proposed institution the Wellesley Female Seminary; the name college was adopted after much reluctance, especially on the part of Mrs. Durant, who feared that it might seem too pretentious. In the mean time Mr. Durant thought it wisest to prepare financially for this great undertaking, by laying aside every year a portion of his income from the great business concerns with which he was connected, so that when the work of building was once begun it could go forward without embarrassing the business, which could then keep on supplying the needed funds.

But during the years of waiting he found other work to do, for which he was peculiarly fitted. He said that the hardest thing he ever did was to speak for the first time in prayer-meeting; but, finding that his talents as an orator might be used to bring men to Christ, he became a lay preacher. He held a great number of meetings, not only in Boston and its neighborhood, but in many towns of Massachusetts and New Hampshire, from 1865 to 1874. He threw himself into his work with a zeal like that of the early apostles; lavishing his strength till he was forced to stop from positive illness, and rallying from his exhaustion to repeat the same process. In a letter to a co-worker, written in illness, he said, 'I do not care for myself; I am willing to be used up, or anything else; but do pray for the meetings.'

A friend who was a fellow evangelist calls him 'this minister of God who was a flaming fire.'

Mr. Durant never would hold meetings in any town except on the invitation of the pastor. At first his efforts were opposed, even by some ministers; for in those days many conscientious men doubted the lay preachers' right to take a text, or preach on Sunday. But some clear-sighted men saw his evident fitness for the work, and gave him brotherly hands of welcome. A passage from a contemporary religious paper will help us here: 'Within a few weeks he has spoken in many of our churches where there is religious interest, and always to large and often to crowded audiences; and his well known ability and his previous personal associations have drawn in great numbers who seldom attend such meetings. There is no doubt that he reaches a large class who would shun a service conducted by a clergyman; and his earnest manner, his scholarly style, and that training which his legal practice has given him, add much to the effectiveness of his addresses.... It is very gratifying to notice the cordial manner in which he is received, and to see abundant evidence that his labors are bringing their legitimate fruits.'

There was another element that added to Mr. Durant's success as an evangelist. He made people see that he really valued their souls; that he met them on a level of human brotherhood. He wrote respectful words of sympathy to a poor ignorant cripple; and Henry Wilson, whom his preaching brought to Christ, shared his ministry with the timid young country girl, to whom he seemed in very fact a heavenly messenger, as he said solemnly, 'This is God's Truth.'

He never gave up his lay preaching. Only a few years ago he conducted meetings among the factory people at Charles River Village, and sowed seed which has since been fruitful. ... He poured out his heart upon his hearers. He was seen with his arms around the neck of a rough man, begging him to come to Christ.

Just before Mr. Durant started on the last journey of his life, his trip to Mexico, he spoke to one of the Wellesley students of a truth which he wanted to preach. And this is what he said, - the outline of his last sermon: - 'There's a sermon that I've been wanting to preach to the girls, on a text I've been studying for two or three years, and now I'm going to preach it to you. "As the Father hath sent me, even so send I you." It means that he sends you into the world for the same purpose that he sent Christ, with something the same powers, with the same certainty of success; and with the same deep sympathy in the Father's heart, my child. To save souls, to uplift humanity, - that is what is going to lift you from a commonplace life to a supernatural one. And this world is going to be saved by the higher education of women, -- by lifting them from pettiness and frivolity to purity and unselfishness. It will come. Now I want you to believe in higher education of women. I want you to give your life to it, -- to lifting your sex. If you don't give yourself to God to serve Him in it, somebody else will. It's sure to come. I hope I shall come back to preach this to the girls. But if I don't, remember it's all there, --- "As the Father hath sent me, even so I send you."

In the year 1871 the time came when work on the college building might wisely be begun. A charter had been obtained in March of the previous year, and the first meeting of the first trustees had been held in the following month. On the 18th of August, 1871, the first stone of the foundation was laid, at the extreme northeast corner, by Mrs. Durant; on the 14th of September she also laid the corner-stone at the north-west corner, without any public ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Durant and the workmen alone taking part in the service, and each workman receiving a copy of God's word. In the Bible that was placed in the corner-stone was written the prayer so often

on the founder's lips, that God might there be first in every thing. From that time the work went steadily onward under Mr. Durant's personal care. 'Quietly and alone', says a friend, 'the man worked there day after day, in the woods by the water-side, looking after the minutest details of gravel, excavation, stone-work, and iron-work, while all the world knew nothing of these plans, now fulfilled, which, in their true relation to the Kingdom of God, may prove as notable as anything in this country.' Who can imagine the perplexities, the hopes, the discouragements, the weariness of those years of patient toil! In a private letter to his wife, written during this time, are these pathetic words:- 'The work is very hard, and I get very tired. I do feel thankful for the privilege of trying to do something in the cause of Christ. I feel daily that I am not worthy of such a privilege, and I do wish to be a faithful servant to the Master. Yet this does not prevent me from being very weary, and sorely discouraged at times. To-night I am so tired I can hardly sit up to write.'

On September 8th, 1875, without any public ceremony the college was opened for students. Since that time we have shared largely in its history. Is it not well just here to emphasize once more Mr. Durant's purpose in founding it, For himself, his wish was to serve God in the best way; for us, to prepare us to serve God in the best way, by giving us a thorough Christian education. The opportunities for learning were to be equal to those in men's colleges, but secular culture was to be second to Christianity. Whatever else was or was not done, girls were to be trained into full Christian womanhood. 'I would rather empty this home and lock these doors,' he said, 'than that Christ should not be first in everything here.' And again in a private letter: 'May God be honored always in the college. May it be known and loved as His only.' Swervelessly Mr. Durant held to this purpose till death parted him from his earthly world. And, when the time came for the dying man to send his last solemn message to the teachers and students of Wellesley College it was this: to the teachers, "Have faith; work and pray; and be co-laborers with God." To the students, 'Work for one another, and try to lead souls to God; Christ first in all things and always.'

His purpose, then, is plain. How was it to be accomplished, Evidently it was necessary, not only that great buildings should be put up, teachers supplied, and the machinery of college life started, but that, behind all this, there should be a personal force, which should hold the institution unswervingly to its ideal as Christ's college. The personal force was to come from the governors, trustees, and instructors; for all true Christians who shared in its work and privileges. Who then should, behind all others, guide the infant institution during the first years of its life? Who should stand as the rock, against which all waves of varying opinion should beat in vain? Who but the man to whom the college owed its being? As well say that the mother's work for her child is done when she has brought it safely into the world, as that Mr. Durant's work for Wellesley College was properly done when its towers were tipped with shining spires, and its hospitable doors flung wide to the eager girls who waited to throng its halls! The beautiful body of the college was dear to his loving heart, because it was an expression of and a help to the beautiful spirit which should there grow, by the tender care of years, to its slow and firm maturity.

Mr. Durant took no title in connection with the institution but that of treasurer of the board of trustees. He met the temptations of fame with a stern 'Get thee Behind me!!!' He strove to have 'a single eye to God's glory'. This spirit was shown in manifold ways, as in his emphatic message of last fall: 'Say very positively, I won't have any bust or picture of me at Wellesley College. It is a matter of principle: the college belongs to God, not to me.'

None the less Mr. Durant gave his strength of body, mind, and soul to the college for the six years between its opening and his death. For it he went on increasing his great fortune. For it he took long journeys, and spent his days and nights in a whirlpool of various business. For it his mind was teeming with plans of buildings and landscape gardening, of laboratories and professorships, of hosts of improvements which should develop it into a university. Yet he found time for little things: he gave strong words of counsel to his teachers; he advised the students about their works; he visited the sick, and sent them flowers; he comforted the downcast; he planned festivals; he hunted out rare books for the library; he collected beautiful paintings, and works of art, as happy surprises for 'our girls'. How many of us remember the gleeful smile that accompanied his mysterious 'Don't you want me to tell you a secret?' And then, while we were steadfastly keeping the secret until the appointed time, how his delight would brim over from eyes and lips until the secret was told! But he worked on steadily for his one great object-- to make the students Christian women. He brought noble hearted men and women to the college, to say faithful words to them. He introduced a system of careful Bible study. He sought to have all other branches taught in such a way as to lead the learners farther into religious truth. 'Make the girls feel', he said, 'that they're beginning a new life.' He preached from the chapel pulpit with his old fiery zeal, adding to it the peculiar tenderness of a father trying to win his children. He talked with the students separately, using the same marvelous persuasiveness that had once enthralled his juries, to lead God's souls back to Him. He was terribly in earnest, and let nothing stand in his way. This man, so gentle so womanly sensitive, was stern as a rock when he believed any person or thing dangerous to the best interests of the college. Being mortal, he was sometimes mistaken. Being faithful to his high purpose, he held his way amid storms of opposition from those whose grateful trust he had a right to expect.

I have said little of Mr. Durant's plans for the intellectual greatness of the college. Little, perhaps, is needed to-day for you whose course of study has been pursued here. Two points may be referred to as instances of his wise fore-sight. One is, his special attention to science, 'the new learning of our time'; his furnishing fine laboratories and apparatus, and making special efforts to secure masterly teachers in this direction. The other is, his purpose to build up a great English department, in which our magnificent language shall be systematically studied; and the whole Teutonic history, literature, and mythology should come out from the background into which they have been thrust by classic importations.

But, dear friends, he is gone. The terrible energy of his life has worn out that fine and delicate frame. The face that in moments of exaltation here shone transfigured by the heavenly light behind it, speaks to our sight no longer. The beautiful, wrestling, unconquerable soul is gone to the Father's triumph. Mr. Durant's farewell was touched already with the death-won peace of the heavenly East day. 'We have both trusted Christ too long,' he said to his faithful watcher, 'not to trust Him now.' --- It does not agitate me to talk about parting; it is just getting ready to go home. -- There are things unfinished, but He knows best. He will give the wisdom to take care of it all.' And so in the sleep that God giveth His beloved, the weary soul passed into rest. He asked that upon his tombstone these words should be placed: 'The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth from all sin.'

291. iii. Maria⁸ Smith, d. young (in her 7th year) 144

292. iv. Adeline⁸ Smith, d. aged about 13 years.

Children of 183 William C. and Ann Elizabeth (White) Durant

(Note: the material on their descendants is taken mainly from the Rev. William Durant's White Genealogy, edited and completed to 1951 by Alexander G. Rose (Washington, D.C.: 1951), pp. 113-121.)

293. i. William⁸ Durant (419-422) b. on Steuben street, Albany, N.Y. 21 Aug. 1846; d. at Wellesley, Mass. 1 Mar. 1914. He m. (1) at Albany 17 July 1878, (the Rev. Henry Darling, D.D. of the Sixth Presbyterian Church officiating with Elizabeth Frances Stantial, who was b. in Troy, N.Y. 28 Mar 1852; d. in Morristown, N.J. 18 Mar 1885; dau. of Thomas and Lucy (Bugden) Stantial. He m (2) in Albany 19 May 1887 (the Rev. Walter D. Nichols of the First Presbyterian Church officiating) with Lucy Bugden Stantial, a sister of his first wife, who was b. in Troy 16 June 1854; d. at Bryn Mawr, Pa., 25 July 1939.

William Durant was graduated at the Albany Academy, in 1864; and at Yale College in the class of 1868, where he received appointment in the Commencement list among the group of "Second Coloquies". He traveled, from July 1868 until June 1869, in Europe, Egypt, Palestine, England, Scotland and Ireland, in that order; and in the fall of 1869, entered Princeton Theological Seminary, graduating in the spring of 1872, having been licensed to preach by the Presbytery of Albany, in June 1871. He was ordained to the ministry and installed as Pastor of the Sixth Presbyterian Church of Albany, as the second pastor of that Church, 9 Dec 1873; the first pastor, Rev. Amos H. Dean, was also a native of that city. Mr. Durant resigned his Albany pastorate in April, 1882, after a service of nearly $8\frac{1}{2}$ years, in order to accept a call to become pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at Morristown, New Jersey. In May, 1887 he resigned this charge, having received a call to the Boundary Ave., later named the Northminister Presbyterian Church, in Baltimore, Maryland. At his request he was released from the latter June 1st, 1892. After four months of travel with his wife in France, Holland and England he returned in time to sit as a member of the Presbytery of New York during the trial of Prof. Charles A Briggs, of the

Union Seminary, for heretical teaching, and voted with the minority for the latter's acquittal. Early in December, 1892, he received a unanimous call to become pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at Saratoga Springs, N.Y., where he was installed as Pastor 15 Feb. 1893; he resigned this charge in May, 1908, after a pastorate of nearly 15½ years. Union College conferred on him at the Commencement in 1895, the degree of Doctor of Divinity. He published several sermons by request of the congregations he served; and also a volume of 532 pages on Church Polity, in 1878, selected from articles contributed to the Princeton Review by the Rev. Charles Hodge, D.D. of Princeton Seminary (pp. xi., 532, octavo, published by Charles Scribner's Sons, New York.) He also edited a "History of the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown, New Jersey", containing items of special interest from the original records, together with genealogical data for 13,000 names on its registers.

As a pastime he has ridden the genealogical hobby, and collected records and biographical notes of more than 10,000 persons, mainly in the Durant, Tinker, Putnam and Wade families. One of his pleasant surprises in this pursuit was the discovery that Anson Phelps Tinker, of his college class at Yale, united three lines of descent from his own ancestor, George Durant who settled at Middletown, Conn., in 1663; while two other college classmates, Thomas Thatcher and Isbon T. Beckwith, each had a line of descent from this George Durant.

He contributed occasionally to religious newspapers on topics of ecclesiology and the practical Christian life; also published a score or more of sermons in pamphlets.

His complexion was light; hair dark brown, early turning white; eyes hazel; weight averaged 186 pounds; height 5 feet 8½ inches.

The parents of Mrs. Elizabeth (Stantial) Durant were natives of England, her father, Thomas Stantial, coming from Wiltshire and her mother, Lucy Bugden from Kent; but they first met at Utica, New York, and were married there in

1846. Elizabeth was their second child. Her mother dying in 1858, her mother's sister, Ann Bugden, became her step-mother. At the age of fifteen years Elizabeth entered the Normal School at Albany. After completing the regular course of studies, she returned to pursue post-graduate studies. In the fall of 1869 she was appointed a substitute teaching in Public School 5, of Albany, and in November of that year she became a regular teacher in School No. 6, on Second street, Albany, continuing to teach there until her marriage in July, 1878. The same fall she was received as a communicant member of the Fourth Presbyterian in Albany; and, a few days later, she was one of the company dismissed from that Church for the purpose of organizing the Sixth Presbyterian Church on Second Street, near Lark. She continued to teach in School No. 6 until just before her marriage. After that, for four years, her home was at 309 Clinton Avenue, where her first child was born.

The following quotations are from letters, resolutions and newspapers, immediately after her death.

No death has ever moved the hearts of the people as this has since I have been in Morristown. This shows how strong a hold Mrs. Durant had upon us; and how, almost unconsciously, we loved her. We realize in our newly formed Missionary society what we have lost. She was the one person who could harmonize all elements in the Church. Whatever her hand touched became ennobled. What a record for a woman to leave in a community.

She proved to be an able assistant to her husband in his Church work in Albany, and did much to encourage the growth of social and charitable societies among the ladies of the Congregation. When the Rev. Mr. Durant accepted the call to Morristown, she gave him invaluable aid in his new field. She was a woman of many rare graces of person and character, a tireless worker for the right; and a conscientious and consistent Christian. She had a pleasant sunny nature, and a broad and cultivated intellect.

Resolved, That we bow submissively beneath the burden thus laid heavily upon us, believing it is in love and not in wrath. We keenly feel our loss and deeply mourn that we shall have the cheering light of her sunny smile and helpful presence no more among us; yet rejoice that this grief is ours -- for her there is only joy.

Resolved, That we cherish most tenderly the memory of her pure and lovely Christian character, her sweet resignation under trials, her ready obedience to every call of duty, her devotion to the Master's work as shown particularly by her earnest interest in the purpose and work of this Society; and that we strive to emulate her ex-

ample, praying that the inspiration of her beautiful life and peaceful death among us may lift each of us to a higher plane of consecration to the cause she loved so dearly.

Resolved, That in gratitude to God for the blessed hope of eternal life, through Jesus Christ, His Son, we will make a special offering to the cause of Foreign Missions, devoting it to some special object hereafter to be designated.

The offering given was the sum of two hundred dollars, which provided a Library, bearing the name of "Mrs. Elizabeth Durant", in the Missionary Seminary, of the Presbyterian Church, at Beirut, Syria.

The Rev. William Durant entered into retirement after resigning his charge at Saratoga Springs, and he and Mrs. Lucy Durant settled in Wellesley, Mass., where their daughter, Lois, was to attend Wellesley College. The Albany Evening Journal and the Boston Evening Transcript for March 2, 1914 carried very complete obituary notices of the Rev. Durant.

Two bound volumes of the Rev. Durant's letters describing his Travels In Europe are in the possession of his grandson, Richard¹⁰ Durant. The manuscripts of his sermons are in the library of Princeton University. All his genealogical manuscripts are deposited with the Connecticut Historical Society at Hartford, Conn.

Mrs. Lucy (Stantial) Durant was educated at the Normal School in Albany and afterwards taught in the public schools of that city until shortly before her marriage. After the death of her husband she made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Lois (Durant) Cary, in Hartford, Conn. until the latter's death in 1930. From that time to the year of her death in 1939 she lived in her own apartment at 206 Farmington Street, Hartford, which the kind and generous assistance of two cousins, the late Mr. Seth Stantial and the late Mrs. Frederick C. Durant, helped her to maintain.

Mrs. Lucy Durant always felt an unusually strong sense of kinship with, and affection for, both her own and her husband's family. The present editor had the great pleasure of visiting her in Hartford in 1935, 1937, and 1939, and the memory of her truly loving and Christian nature which had enabled her to find contentment and happiness in spite of having more than her share of bur-

dens to bear will always command his greatest admiration. He once asked her how she reconciled herself to the problem of the seemingly unnecessary evil in the world, and this was her reply:

I can no longer believe that God sends these misfortunes to us as trials of our faith and strength, though of course there is Job's memorable case. I cannot conceive of God's deliberately doing this. These misfortunes could doubtless have been avoided if somewhere along the line we had done differently. Yet I feel that it is in our power to turn each grief and loss to some good end, some benefit to ourselves. This it is in our power to do. The past is done beyond change, but out of the future we can build as we would.

294. ii. Annie⁸ Durant (See Appendix for desc.) b. at 85 Columbia Street, Albany, N.Y. 23 Aug. 1848; d. at Minneapolis, Minn. 16 Jan 1903; m. at her father's home, "Brookside" near Albany, 5 Dec. 1867, with George Washington Shepard,* who was b. at Albany, N.Y. 22 Feb 1843; d. at Milwaukee, Wis. 6 Sept. 1928; son of Alfred Day and Harriet Cecelia (King) Shepard. Annie Durant divorced George W. Shepard in 1897.

Annie Durant Shepard was educated at the Albany Female Academy. On 28 June 1866 she became engaged to George Shepard whose father owned a neighboring estate on the Troy Road, "The Oaks". The Rev. James M. Ludlow performed the wedding ceremony 5 Dec 1867; the bride's oldest brother, William Durant, was best man, and Ruth Williams was bride's maid. The bride wore the traditional white silk with train and veil. Mr. and Mrs. Shepard lived at "The Oaks" from the time of their marriage until their removal to Ripon, Wis. around 1870. Their residences thereafter were as follows: Milwaukee, 1871-fall of 1883; Evanston, 1883 to May 1886; Minneapolis, 1886 to fall of 1893; Chicago, 1893

* John¹ Shepard, of Westfield, Mass. 1695, was prob. b. at Wetheringset, Co. Suffolk, England, and was prob. a descendant of John of Mendelsham; arms at the church at Wetheringset are: a fess or between 3 talbots passant argent, wounded in their heads with an arrow; motto, "Dat tela fidelitas"; the arms indicate that the original grantee was a ranger in the King's forest. John¹ was a deacon at Westfield; m. 1703, Elizabeth Woodruff; he d. 1756. John² b. 1706; m. 1731, Elizabeth Noble; also deacon at Westfield, he d. 1783. David³ b. 1744; grad. Yale, 1766; served as captain and surgeon in the Revolution; moved to Chester 1788; to Amsterdam, N.Y. 1802; m. (2) 1771 Lucinda Mather; he d. 1819. Mather⁴ b. 1773; m. 1796 Harriet Day; d. 1821. Alfred Day⁵ b. 1801; m. 1826; removed to Albany 1840; d. 1869

to summer of 1894; Milwaukee, 1894-1897.

George Shepard was a manufacturer of flour at Waterford, N.Y. until his removal west. Thereafter he was a grain commission merchant. He was educated at the Albany Academy and for five years was a member of Co. "A", 60th N.Y. Militia. He was also a 32d Degree Mason and a Member of the Milwaukee Board of Trade. At the time of his death he was a recognized authority on the subject of the visible supply of grain and flour on the domestic market.

Annie Durant Shepard made her home mainly in Minneapolis from 1897 to the time of her death, with frequent visits to the East and to her relations there to whom she was particularly devoted. She was a member of Emmanuel Presbyterian Church in Milwaukee and later of the First Presbyterian Church in Minneapolis and always an active worker in the church, particularly the Missionary Societies. In the last five years of her life she became interested in the Christian Science religion. She was a member of a Milwaukee Chapter of the DAR. The following quotations are from a biographical sketch written by her daughter Mrs. Ethel Shepard Rose:

My Mother represented qualities of both her parents, her Father's inclination to be rather quiet and retiring, yet also her Mother's tendency to be full of fun, rather inclined to be a tease, and fond of society. She was a devoted Mother and cared for us tirelessly during illnesses and read to us endlessly. She was firm with us but understanding and expected and got obedience; at the same time, she tried to fill our desires. She loved and was loyal to her family, always remembering her brothers on their birthdays and at Christmas and always excusing any laxity on their part toward her. She had a keen sense of humor, liked plays and music, and was a devout Christian. In later years she tried to give a tenth of the money she earned from her embroidery work to the Church. Like her Mother, she loved to create beautiful things with her hands and was always eager to learn something new in embroidery and crocheting, and whatever she did was perfect. She was a good housekeeper, but not fussy, and was a kindly mistress with her servants. She was also a person of great spirit and great personal courage.

Mother was very progressive and when styles changed, she changed. When bonnets were discarded for hats, I was quite horrified, thinking her too old, but my opinion and protest were to no avail. There was a certain formality about Mother that kept her from using first names even with people she knew well. She was pure in thought, word, and deed -- a true Christian lady.

295. iii. Edward Clark⁸ Durant (423-25) b. at "Brookside" 14 Aug 1853; d. at Los Angeles, Cal. 9 Dec 1912; m. by the Rev. G. P. Nichols in Milwaukee, Wis. 11 Nov 1875 with Emily Theresa Whitcomb, who was b. at Two Rivers, Wis. 14 Feb 1852 and d. at San Francisco, Cal. 12 June 1919; dau. of Cyrus and Eliza (Whipple) Whitcomb. Edward Clark Durant was one of the five grandchildren of William White who were baptized at the first service held in the Session House of the First Presbyterian Church, corner of Hudson and Philip streets, Albany. Mr. White was especially interested in that event, also, by the fact that, on his advice, this building was erected entirely on borrowed money, without the solicitation of a cent. When the Session House was completed, money was easier, and the Congregation was so much pleased with the building, that the borrowed money was speedily repaid by generous and willing gifts.

Edward C. Durant received his early education in the preparatory department of the Albany Academy, and completed his studies in the schools of Milwaukee, and Ripon College, Wisconsin. Then he learned the milling business in his father's "City Flour Mills", Milwaukee. Soon after his father's death, in 1882, he removed to Arvilla, Dakota, then a new settlement, where he had charge of elevator and grain shipments. In July 1884, he removed with his family, to Brule River, where he was store-keeper and paymaster for Delby and Richards, contractors, who were then building the branch of the Northern Pacific railroad from Duluth to Ashland. On the completion of this road he remained at the Brule River, keeping a hotel there, until Nov 1886, when he removed to Minneapolis, where he made his home until 1906; at that time he and Mrs. Durant went to make their home in Los Angeles, Cal. with their daughter 423 Florence Durant Emery and her family. Mr. Durant's employment after 1886 as recorded in the city directories of the time was as follows: he was employed as a bookkeeper with the following Minneapolis firms: Strong and Miller, 1887-1891; O.P. Carter and Co., 1891; L. T. Sowle Elev. Co., 1892-1897; James Johns and Co., 1897; Johns and Powers, 1898-1902.

296. iv. Howard Putnam⁸ Durant, b. at "Brookside", 23 Aug. 1855; d. of membranous croup, at his grandfather White's 89 Columbia street, Albany 7 Feb 1857.

297. v. Walter Newton⁸ Durant, b. at "Brookside", 8 Mar 1858; d. at Los Angeles, Cal. of heart trouble 17 Nov 1930; he m (1) in Milwaukee 1 Jan 1883 with Lillian Idessa Johnston, who was b. at Easton, Pa. 25 Aug 1861; d. at -----; daughter of Samuel Dunham and Ellen (Smith) Johnston. This marriage was dissolved by court in 1905. Walter N. Durant m. (2) at Niles City, Mich. on 27 Dec 1905 with Alma Frederica Funk, who was b. at Fox Lake, Wis. 30 Oct 1881; d. of cancer at Los Angeles, Cal. on 10 Dec 1943; dau of Herman Christopher and Lucy Wilhelmine (Stuebe) Funk.

Walter N. Durant was educated in the public schools and the Academy of Milwaukee, and at Ripon College. On graduation he became a clerk for his father in the City Mills, manufacturing flour. Upon the latter's death, in Dec 1881 he operated the business alone for a time, and with good results. After a brief residence in Albany, N.Y., he returned to Milwaukee where he established a factory and, with marked success, manufactured machines for the automatic counting and registering of manufactured articles.

Walter Durant sold his counting machines business before his second marriage in 1905. After this marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Durant travelled to Florida and Cuba, and then settled in Los Angeles in 1906. In 1912 they removed to Covina, Cal. where they purchased an orange grove which Mr. Durant operated himself. But the floods of one year and crop-freezing weather of two additional years made him sell the grove and settle at Alhambra, Cal. While operating the grove Mr. Durant invented and patented a machine for extracting the oil from orange peel for use as a flavoring extract. He also invented a graphite lubricating device for machinery, but in each case he did not have sufficient resources to promote the manufacture of the machines. From 1919 to 1923 Mr. and Mrs. Durant rented a store in South Pasadena and manufactured jams and

jellies. In 1923 they came back to Los Angeles where Mr. Durant worked in his little shop at home on some of his ideas.

298 vi. Frank Ross⁸ Durant (428) was b. at "Brookside" 6 Oct 1866; d. at Pasadena, Cal. 7 Dec 1934; interment, Mountain View Mausoleum; m. at the Ashley home near Columbia, South Dakota 15 June 1892 with Lois Minerva Ashley, who was b. in Grattan Township, Mich. 23 Feb 1869 and d. at Long Beach, Cal. 29 Oct 1956; dau of Charles and Minerva (Knapp) Ashley.*

Frank R. Durant was educated in the 7th Ward school of Milwaukee; the Morris Academy, Morristown, N.J., 1882-3, 1884-5; Albany High School, 1883-4; Stevens Institute, Hoboken, N.J., 1886-7. In June 1888 he completed the one year course in Electricity at Lehigh University, where he became a member of Sigma Phi. After spending part of the summer of 1888 with the Morristown Lighting Plant, Mr. Durant removed to Minneapolis, which was to be his home until 1918 when he settled on the north shore of Crystal Bay, Lake Minnetonka. In the fall of 1928 ill health necessitated his removal to California where he lived at Long Beach, Glendale, and Pasadena.

From 1888-1891 Mr. Durant was employed with several different firms and gained valuable experience in the grain business. From 1891 to 1901 he was with the grain firm of G. W. Van Dusen Co., where part of his work was keeping

* The Ashley Line. Robert¹ Ashley had settled in Springfield, Mass. by Jan 1638/9; d. at West Springfield 29 Nov 1682; m. in Springfield c. 1641, w Mary, widow of Thomas Horton, who d. at West Springfield 19 Sept. 1683. David² Ashley, b. at Springfield, Mass. 3 June 1642; d. at Westfield, Mass. 8 Dec 1718; m at New Haven, Conn. 24 Nov 1663 with Hannah Glover, who was b. at New Haven, Conn. in May, 1646; d. at Westfield 7 June 1722. Samuel³ Ashley, b. Springfield 26 Oct 1664; d. Westfield 1722; m. at Hadley, Mass. 27 Apr 1686 with Sarah Kellogg, b. at Hadley 27 Aug 1666; d. Westfield 30 Jan 1729. Aaron⁴ Ashley, b. Westfield 1 Jan 1702/3; d. Sheffield, Mass. c. 1788; m. (2) Sarah Day in Springfield c. 1727; she was b. at West Springfield 14 May 1708; d. c. 1748. William⁵ Ashley, b. in Sheffield, 1742; d. c. 1798; m. c. 1762 Jane Dutcher (1746?-1810?) William⁶ Ashley, b. at Sheffield 12 Dec 1781; d. at Oakfield, Mich 11 Dec. 1868; m (1) at Williamstown, Mass 26 May 1803 with Sarah Sheldon, b. there 26 Apr 1786; d. Richmond, N.Y. 17 Oct 1830. Alanson Sheldon⁷ Ashley, b. Richmond, N.Y. 30 Oct 1806; d. Ordway, S.D. 18 Apr 1882; m at Lima, N.Y. 8 Oct 1829 with Persig Pond, b. Alstead, N.Y., 14 Feb 1807; d. Groton, S.D. 15 May 1893. Charles⁸ Ashley, b. Richmond, N.Y. 30 Sept 1834; d. Columbia, S.D. 11 Oct 1924; m. Minerva Knapp who was b 19 Sept 1837; d. 18 Jan 1915. See F. B. Trowbridge, the Ashley Genealogy.

the company agents at their grain elevators through the country informed about daily grain prices. In 1902 Mr. Durant founded the Grain Bulletin market card to carry out this service more extensively. In the beginning, various interested companies supported the Grain Bulletin, but from 1914 on Mr. Durant operated it independently. Mr. Durant wrote his autobiography as a Christmas present for his grandchildren in 1931, and it has furnished the facts for the above account. It is the regret of the present editor that space does not permit the reproducing of at least portions of its very interesting, colorful pages.

Mrs. Lois Ashley Durant was educated in the country and village schools of Columbia and Ordway, South Dakota and taught a few terms of country school before her marriage. In South Dakota she attended the Methodist Episcopal Church, but in Minneapolis she and Mr. Durant were members of the First Presbyterian Church. The present editor cannot close this account of Mrs. Lois Durant without mention of what great assistance her continued interest in the family history and great kindness in helping supply material for it have been. Mrs. Durant was a member of the Pasadena Presbyterian Church.

Children of 184 Edward Thomas and Sally Ann (Whallon) Durant

299. i. William Edward⁸ Durant (429-430) b. at Oregon, now Wheatland, Will Co., Ill., 25 Apr 1843; d. 17 Feb. 1929 at Clay Center, Kan. He m at Monrovia, Kan. 3 Oct 1869 with Lucretia Jane Rhodes, who was b. at DeKalb, 29 July 1853; ^{a. c. 1947} ~~living 1887~~; dau of John and Jemima (Allee) Rhodes. William E. Durant was 5 feet 8 inches tall, with light complexion, dark hair, and hazel eyes; "disposed to look on the bright side of things, and perhaps too credulous of the honesty of his fellow men". For a number of years he was a miller. He and his wife joined the Methodist Church in 1868. She was 5 feet 1 inch tall, with light complexion, brown hair and dark eyes; of a nervous temperament, ambitious and energetic. They have dwelt in Kansas since their marriage: near Waterville till March 1879; at Frankport till Oct 1879; at Downes

Osborne Co., till Sept. 1880; and since the last date at Clay Center. Part of his army experience is given in the record of his father. William E. Durant was furloughed from Vicksburg in Aug 1863, and was taken sick while at home. But he rejoined his regiment at New Orleans in Feb 1864; was sent back to the hospital during the Mobile Campaign in April 1865; recovered and joined his regiment at Selma, Ala. the last of May. In June he went home for 30 days on a sick furlough. At expiration of the term he reported for duty at Springfield, Ill. and was assigned for duty at Camp Butler Hospital, first as nurse and later as druggist, remaining there till his regiment came home, when he was mustered out with the rest. Neither he nor his father was wounded or taken prisoner in any of their engagements.

Mrs. Durant's father, John Rhodes, was a stone mason by trade. He moved from Missouri to Kansas in 1855. Being a "free state" man, he was driven away by the "border ruffians" in 1856, but returned in 1860. He enlisted for the Civil War in a Kansas regiment, and was mortally wounded in one of the early battles in Missouri. His widow, in 1887, dwelt in Effingham, Kan., a seamstress.

300. ii. Sophia Willey⁸ Durant, b. at Wheatland, Ill. 20 Sept. 1844; living 1887 at Waterville, Kan. She m (1) 20 June 1864 with Michael Angelo Sherburne, who was b at Troy, N.Y., 12 Nov 1836; d at Sparland, Ill. 30 June 1876; son of James and Harriet (Manchester) Sherburne. She m (2) at Manhattan, Kan. 5 Aug. 1880, with Martin Norton, who was b at Joliet Ill. 1 June 1844; living 1887; son of Jesse Olds and Phebe Ann (Sheldon) Norton. M. A. Sherburne was a painter. ^MMartin Norton was an officer in the U. S. Army 1862-1870, and since the latter date has been a travelling salesman. (See Appendix for des.

301. iii. Clara Maria⁸ Durant, b. at Wheatland, Ill. 21 July, 1846; living, 1888 at Waterville, Kan. She m at Monrovia, Kan 19 Jan 1868, with John Davison, who was b. at Oswego, N.Y. 22 Mar 1837; d. near Waterville, 2 Mar 1884; son of Samuel and Leah (Robinson) Davison. John Davison was a farmer. He

enlisted Aug. 1861, for the Civil War and was wounded at the battle of Vicksburg 23 May 1863, so severely as to unfit him for further service, and was honorably discharged the December following. He then purchased a farm near Pardu, Kansas, and remained there until 20 Oct 1879, when he bought and removed to a farm near Waterville, where his widow and children now reside

302. iv. Charles Samuel⁸ Durant, b. 18 Oct 1848; d 29 June 1850.

303. v. Percy Hamilton⁸ Durant, b. 6 Nov 1850; d 4 Feb 1853.

304. vi. Albert Norton⁸ Durant, b 15 July 1853; d 1 Sept 1854.

305. vii. Frances Caroline⁸ Durant, b. 18 Dec 1854; d 6 Feb 1875.

306. viii. Edward Thomas⁸ Durant, b. 23 Apr 1857; d. 4 May 1877; not m.

307. ix. Tracy Clark⁸ Durant, b. 5 Apr 1860; d 1 June 1883; not m.

Children of 186 Thomas Clark and Heloise (Timbrell) Durant

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308. i. William West⁸ Durant, b. 23 Nov. 1850 at Brooklyn, N.Y.; d. at New York City, N.Y., 31 May, 1934.. He m. (1) at Stottville, N.Y. 15 Oct. 1884, with Janet Lathrop Stott, dau. of Commodore Francis Horatio and Helen Elizabeth (Lathrop) Stott, who was b. in Stottville, N.Y. 24 Feb. 1865; and d. at New York City, 14 Aug. 1931. William W. Durant's first marriage ended in divorce in 1898, and he m (2) in 1907 Anne Cotton, who d. Sept. 15, 1962, in her 90th year in New York City. William Durant and his second wife are buried in the Durant Mausoleum in Greenwood Cemetery, Brooklyn, N.Y.

The following obituary notice appeared in the New York Herald Tribune of June 1, 1934:

William West Durant, real estate and railroad developer in the Adirondack Mountains and son of the late Dr. Thomas Clark Durant, vice-president and general manager of the Union Pacific Railroad, died yesterday morning at Mount Sinai Hospital, Fifth Avenue and 100th Street, after an operation. He was 83 years old and lived at 182 West 58th St.

In recent years Mr. Durant has discontinued active management of his extensive Adirondack property, which at once time consisted of 750,000 acres. He had been president of the Adirondack Railroad, now a division of the Delaware and Hudson.

Mr. Durant was descended from Colonial and Revolutionary ancestry.

In his youth he was sent to European schools by his father, who was a graduate physician and had visions of a professional career for his

* For an excellent portrait of William West Durant, see Harold K. Hochschild's *Life and Leisure in the Adirondack Backwoods* (Blue Mountain Lake: Adirondack Museum, 1962), pp. 1-78.

son. The latter, however, on completion of his course at the University of Bonn, Germany, chose to devote his time to amateur exploring, passing much time with expeditions in the Far East. When he was in Egypt, his father recalled him to aid in the development of his Adirondacks interests.

Among the better known parcels later sold by the Durant family were Sagamore Lake, bought by the late Alfred Vanderbilt, and Camp Uncas, in the central Adirondacks, now owned by J. P. Morgan.

At one time Mr. Durant owned two steam yachts, one of them the Utowana, noted both for its palatial appointments and teakwood decks and for having accommodated royalty during its visits to the King's Cup races at Cowes, England. King Edward VII, Prince Henry of Prussia and the Duke of Connaught had been aboard. The Utowana later was sold to J. Philip Armour.

Janet (Stott) Durant was educated at St. Johns School for Girls in New York City. She was a life-long Episcopalian and resident of New York City. She is buried in the Churchyard at Stockport, New York. For an account of the Lathrop family, see the Rev. E. B. Huntington's Genealogical Memoir (Ridgefield, Conn., 1884).

309. ii. Heloise Hannah⁸ Durant (See Appendix for desc.) b. at Brooklyn, 23 Apr. 1853; d. at She m. (1) at St. Leonard's England 13 July 1891 with Arthur B. Frethey, who was b. at Bath, England, 2 Dec. 1864 and d. 29 Aug. 1891. She m (2) in New York City, 31 Aug. 1895, with Charles V. M. Rose.

The following clipping is from the New York Herald of 19 April, 1908:

Private letters received here from Europe have brought news that Mrs. Heloise Durant Rose's play of "Dante" probably will be staged by Mr. Ermete Novelli for the first time next month in the Olympic Theatre in Vicenza, near Venice, which is devoted to the production of classic dramas. Mr. Novelli has a 5 year contract for the production of the play in Italy, France, Spain, Portugal, Central and South America. After Italy the play will next be seen in Paris. Although there are said to be five plays on Dante extant none of them is being acted in Italy at the present time and the fact that an American woman's drama is first to be produced on the Italian Stage is regarded by her friends as a signal honor for Mrs. Rose. The original version in blank verse was written by Mrs. Rose several years ago, and Henry W Longfellow personally revised a part of it. Mascagni has composed incidental music especially for her play.

Mr. Novelli planned to produce "Dante" during his last New York engagement, but his time here was shortened and he did not have sufficient time for the production.

310. i. Thomas Franklin Durant (434-435) b. in Albany, N.Y. 30 Nov. 1844;
d. in New York, 13 Mar 1885. He m with Adelaide Wolf, who was living in 1888.

311. ii. Charles Wright Durant (436-438) b. in Albany, N.Y. 8 June 1849;
d. Oct. 3, 1928. He m.

Katherine M. Collins, who d. May 10, 1922, aged
68 years 8 mos 5 days.

312. iii. Frederick Clark Durant (439-443) b. in Albany, N.Y. 11 June 1853;
d. in Philadelphia, Penna., 5 Oct. 1926. He m. at

Clara Elizabeth Harrison, who was b. at

; d. at Bryn Mawr, Penna.,

Jan. 27, 1940; dau. of Sarah and Joseph Harrison, Jr.

The Philadelphia Evening Bulletin for Jan. 27, 1940 carried the following
notice of Mrs. Durant's death:

Mrs. Clara Elizabeth Durant, a past regent of the Philadelphia Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and a member of an old Philadelphia family, died suddenly today at her home, 1030 Wyndon Ave., Bryn Mawr.

Mrs. Durant, who was 85, had not been well for the past nine weeks. She formerly lived at 1900 Rittenhouse St. and was the widow of Frederick C. Durant. She was the daughter of the late Sarah and Joseph Harrison, Jr. who was a railroad builder during the Civil War days. Mrs. Durant had been president of the Mary Anna Longstreth Alumni Association. She also was a member of the New Century Club.

Funeral Services will be held at All Saints' Church in Wynnewood on Tuesday with interment in Albany, where Mr. Durant is buried. He was in the sugar business in this city before his death.

Surviving children are F. Clark Durant, Harrison, Kenneth, Douglas and Mrs. Ethel Durant Lapetina. There also are nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

(Mr. Harold K. Hochschild in An Adirondack Resort (Blue Mountain Lake, N.Y.: Adirondack Museum, 1952) gives some interesting biographic data on F. C. Durant, pp. 9, 25, 31, 41, 65, 69. In 1879 Mr. F. C. Durant bought Prospect Point on Blue Mountain Lake, and in the summer of 1882, his Prospect House opened for guests. Meanwhile, Mr. Durant had retired from his father's sugar refinery business, C. W. Durant and Sons, in which he was a partner. In 1898, his cousin, 313 Howard M. Durant bought Prospect House. In 1880, Mr. F. C. Durant built "The Cedars" at Forked Lakes, which remained the family summer home for the next several decades. Mr. Durant wintered in New York City until 1886 and after that, in Philadelphia. Mr. Durant was very interested in the Durant Genealogy: see the Appendix for an account of his researches in England c. 1912.

313. iv. Howard Marion⁸ Durant (444-446) b. in New York City, 10 April 1859; d. at Saratoga Springs, N.Y., 10 Oct 1921. He m 13 Jan 1885 with Louise McCay Bixby*

314. v. Estelle⁸ Durant, b. in New York City, 11 April 1862; living in 1890 at "Willow Brook", Coopertown, N.Y. She m (1) 25 Oct 1882, with Henry Crain Bowers, who was b at Cooperstown, 25 Sept 1857; living 1890; son of Henry Ray Myer and Phila Theta Marshall (Crain) Bowers. They are communicants in the Episcopal church and live very quietly near the old homestead of Mr. Bowers. He is a lawyer.

Mr. Bowers' ancestors were Friends or Quakers and immigrated from Swansea, Wales, in the 17th century, settling at Swansea, Mass. of which they were the principal proprietors.

Henry Bowers, a descendant, a merchant of Boston, resided at Somerset. His son, Henry Bower, Jr., b at Somerset, 1747; m 1772, Mary, dau. of John Ray Myer, of New York City, who was a son of Hendrick and Mary (Ray) Myer.

Mary Ray's mother was a Miss Crommelin, niece of the Amsterdam Banker. Henry Bowers Jr. resided for some years on the fine estate in Brighton, Mass., which he bought for £ 5000 in 1778, from heirs of John Dennie of Boston, among whom were his son-in-law and daughter, John and Sarah (Dennie) Durant.

Henry Bowers Jr., removed to New York City, dying there that year at his residence in Wall Street, on the present site of Brown Brothers Banking House.

John M Bowers, only son of Henry Bowers Jr., was b in 1772; he m in 1802, Margaretts M.S. Wilson, who is described by Mrs. Elliott in her "Women of the Revolution", as of remarkable grace and beauty and a great belle. Soon after his marriage he removed to Cooperstown, and in 1805, took up his residence at "Lakelands" on Otsego Lake.

Mrs. Bowers was the only child of Robert Wilson, of the barony of Innishowen in the north of Ireland, who was a merchant in Philadelphia, before the Revolution, and for a time was on Washington's staff. The wife of Robert Wilson was Martha Stewart, dau. of Col. Charles Stewart, of Landsdown, N.J. See her portrait with an account of mother and dau. in Mrs. Elliott's "Women of the Revolution", Vol. 11, frontespiece and page 37.

Estelle (Durant) Bowers m (2)

(*Howard M. Durant was associated with Durant and Elder, a sugar trust in New York City. He was a member of the Racquet Club and the Union League Club, New York. From 1897-1900, he was owner and manager of Prospect House, ~~Prospect~~ Prospect Point, Blue Mountain Lake, N.Y. (See Harold K. Hochschild's An Adirondack Resort (Blue Mt. Lake: Adirondack Museum, 1962, pp. 65, 69.) Louise McCay Bixby was the daughter of Francis M. Bixby, who had a fleet of ships that ran between New York and South Carolina, and who owned Bixby shoe polish. He also served as N.Y. State Senator for two terms, "not a professional politician but a wealthy man devoted to a cause", according to the newspapers of the day.

315. i. Caroline Margaret⁸ Durant, b. at Franklin Park, Somerset Co., N.J.

27 Sept. 1850; living in 1887, in Chicago with her parents; not m. (d. Apr. 4, 1906; buried in Graceland Cemetery, Chicago.)

316. ii. Ellen Wright⁸ Durant, b. at Franklin Park, 17 Jan 1853; d there

26 Jan 1853 and buried in the private grounds of her parents called "Prim Lawn"

317. iii. Charles Franklin⁸ Durant, (447) b. in Iowa City, Ia. 16 Apr 1859; living

(Buried in Graceland Cemetery, Chicago, Feb. 6, 1923) 1887, at Oconomowoc, Wis. / He m in Milwaukee, Wis. 5 Dec 1883, with Marie

Alice Butterfield, who was b at Saratoga Springs, N.Y. 18 Dec 1865; living 1887; dau. of Elijah and Mary (Bacon) Butterfield.

318. iv. Robert Loring⁸ Durant, b at Iowa City, 11 Nov 1863; d there 26 Oct

1864; buried in Graceland Cemetery, Chicago, Ill.

Children of 189 Henry Ward and Sarah (Bridges) Durant

319. i. Mary Louise⁸ Durant (See Appendix for desc.) b at Palmer, Mass.

9 Feb 1830; living 1888 at Wayne, Me. She m at Worcester, Mass 23 Sept 1847

with Orren Maxim who was b at Winthrop, Me 21 Jan 1815; d 28 Sept 1877; son

of Benjamin F. and Eunice (Raymond) Maxim. Like her father, Mary L. (Durant)

Maxim is short and stout. Her husband was 5 feet 10 inches tall and slender.

In 1845-6 he had to do with construction of the telegraph line from Boston

to New Haven. Soon after marriage they settled on a farm at Wayne, where

both became members of the Methodist Episcopal Church and earnest temperance

workers. Previously a democrat, Mr. Maxim became a republican on his religious conversion.

320. ii. Charles⁸ Durant, b. at Palmer 13 June 1833; d there 1 May 1834.

321. iii. Helen M. Durant (See Appendix for desc.) b at Palmer 5 May 1835;

d. at Warren, Mass. 14 July 1873; she m (1) at Warren 24 June 1858 with John

H. Wiswell, who was b at Holliston, Mass. 2 May 1832; d at Wilmington, N.C.

23 Mar 1865; son of Oliver and -----(Clement) Wiswell. She m (2) at

Warren, 25 Dec 1867 with Charles E. Berry, who was b at Dixfield, Me. 7 Jan

1842; living 1888; son of Joseph S. and Elizabeth (Steele) Berry.

Helen M. Durant was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. John H. Wiswell enlisted for the Civil War and was a prisoner for many months at Andersonville. After his exchange he was able to get only as far as Wilmington on his way home, dying there, and it was many months before his fate was known. Charles E. Berry is a member and officer of the Methodist Episcopal Church; foreman of Wire Goods Co., Worcester, Mass. A republican. During the Civil War he was in the 3rd Maine Infantry and later in the 1st U.S. Cavalry. He is 5 feet $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches tall, with brown hair, ruddy complexion and of stout build.

322. iv. Charles Henry⁸ Durant (448-456) b at Ware, Mass 25 Mar 1837; living 1888, at Lee, Mass. He m at Lee, 10 Sept 1867 with Hannah Maria Oldfield, who was b at Greenfield, Mass 6 June 1845; living 1888; dau of William and Rachel (Lee) Oldfield. Charles H. Durant and wife are members of the Episcopal Church, in which he is a warden. He was a member of the 43d Mass Volunteers in the Civil War. His business is that of steam and gas fittings. He is 5 feet $8\frac{1}{2}$ inches tall with dark hair and eyes.

323. v. William H.⁸ Durant, b at Ware, 1 June 1840; d at Warren, Mass. 12 Jan 1864; not m.

324. vi. Harriete⁸ Durant, b at Ware, 23 May 1843; d at Warren 10 Oct 1847.

325. vii. Sarah Abby⁸ Durant, b at Warren, Mass. 28 Feb 1845; living 1888 at Albuquerque, New Mexico. She m at Warren, 26 Oct 1865, with Joseph Clinton Marshall, who was b at Chicopee, Mass. 12 Nov 1840; living 1888; son of Joseph Kidder and Hannah (Giddings) Marshall. Sarah A. (Durant) Marshall is 5 feet $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches tall, with grey eyes and light brown hair. Joseph C. Marshall is 5 feet $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches tall, slender^{er} with blue eyes and brown hair. He was Corporal in Co. K Mass. Vol. in 1862-3. Until July, 1887, he had for some time been secretary and treasurer of the Albuquerque Foundry and Machine Co. He had been school trustee there and twice had the democratic nomination for city council. He and his wife attend the Congregational Church. Since marriage

they have resided in Springfield, Mass., Garfield, Kan., Kansas City, Mo., and Albuquerque.

326. viii. Caroline Harriet⁸ Durant, b at Warren, 24 Nov 1846; living there 1888. She m there 14 Aug 1872, with Walter Augustus Putnam, who was b at Rutland, Mass 17 Feb 1847; living 1888; son of John Emmons and Lucinda (Muzzy) Putnam.

Children of 196 Bryan and Jerusha (Shurtleff) Durant

327. i. Julia Maria⁸ Durant b 18 Aug 1844; living in Chicago 1887. She m at St. Charles, Ill. 11 Aug 1868 with John Wallace Johnston, who was b in Glasgow, Scotland 8 Feb 1842; living 1887; son of William and Jane (Beith) Johnston. Julia M (Durant) Johnston is rather above the average height, with light complexion, blue eyes and brown hair.

For five years before her marriage she taught at Sycamore and Bloomington, Ill. John W. Johnston is of medium stature, slender, with blue eyes and brown hair. At the age of 6 years he came from Glasgow with his parents who settled in St. Charles. During the Civil War he served 3 months in Co. D 41st Illinois infantry. He was a republican. In the year of his marriage he moved to Chicago, and has there built up a large and profitable grocery business. Both are members of the 1st Congregational Church.

328. ii. Henrietta Durant b 3 Oct 1846; living at Jewel City, Kan. in 1887. She m at St. Charles 2 Oct 1872 with James Frank Harrington, who was b at Sycamore, Ill 17 Jul 1846; d 14 Mar 1885 at Jewel City; son of James and Charlotte (Walrod) Harrington.

Henrietta Durant studied at Oberlin College, Ohio and taught for two years before her marriage. She became a member of the Congregational Church at an early age.

James F. Harrington enlisted in 1864, in the 146th Illinois Infantry and served nearly a year. He moved to Kansas in 1871, taking a homestead in

Prairie township about 10 miles from Jewel City, where he dwelt until about 1883. He was a member of the masonic order and of the grand army, and at the time of his death he was marshall of Jewel City and received a mortal wound at the hands of a horse thief whom he was attempting to arrest and who a moment later was shot down by Harrington's companion. "For his kind heart and good deeds he was loved by his fellow men an obliging and self-sacrificing neighbor always ready to lend a helping hand, very tender hearted and easily moved by the sufferings of others; a loving and devoted husband and father."

329. iii. William Henry⁸ Durant, b 12 Feb. 1849; living in Chicago 1887. He m there 24 Dec 1874 with Kate Brown.

330. iv. Emma Louisa Durant, b 20 April 1852; living at St. Charles, 1890. She m there 22 Dec 1887 Dr. Larmon Blakslee Lake, son of Jonathan. She was educated at St Charles and Chicago and taught for 11 years. In the winter of 1871 she united with the Congregational Church of St. Charles.

331. v. Abbie Elizabeth⁸ Durant, b 26 Nov 1853; living at Fairfax, Mo. 1887. She m at St. Charles 6 Jan 1881 with Henry Lincoln Allen, who was b at Heath, Franklin Co., Mass 31 May 1850; living 1887; son of Elijah and Louisa (Damond) Allen.

Abbie E. Durant was graduated at the St. Charles High School in 1873. She was of medium stature with blue eyes and brown hair and excelled in elocution and essay writing.

Henry L. Allen was a teacher for several years. In 1876 he went to St. Joseph, Mo. and was in the wholesale house of H.K. Judd, until 1880; engaged in mercantile business at Milton, Mo. from Jan. to autumn of 1881, and then removed to Fairfax, where he is a merchant in dry goods and groceries.

He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church of which Mr. Allen is a deacon; both entering actively into all work. They are influential, honorable, benevolent, and hospitable to a marked degree.

332. vi. Charles Bryant⁸ Durant (457-459) b 20 Sept 1855; 163

living at Aurora, Kan. in 1890. He m at the latter place 20 Sept 1883 with Irene Bates, who was b 7 May 1869 near Omaha, Neb.; living 1890; dau of Robert Emmert and Grace Adela (Brainard) Bates. Charles B. Bryant was tall and slender, with blue eyes and brown hair.

After a number of years with his brother William in the grocery business, in Chicago, he settled on a Kansas farm about 1882. He and his wife are members of the Methodist Church. She is tall with light complexion, blue eyes and auburn hair.

Children of 199 James Tracy⁷ Durant and his 1st wife, Louisa Brock

333. i. Edward Brock⁸ Durant, b in Chicago, Ill. 20 Aug. 1838.

334. ii. Thomas Julian⁸ Durant, b at St. Charles, Ill. 27 April 1840; d 14 April 1870 at New Orleans, whither he had gone in search of health; not m.

335. iii. Helen Louisa⁸ Durant, b in Chicago, Ill 2 Sept 1845; d there 6 Feb 1846.

Children of 199 James Tracy⁷ Durant and his 2d wife, Harriette Nickerson, all born at St. Charles, Ill.

336. iv. Solon Nickerson⁸ Durant b 29 July 1850; d 11 Aug 1850.

337. v. Solon Nickerson⁸ Durant, b 15 Mar 1852; d at St. Charles 25 Oct 1870

338 vi. James Tracy⁸ Durant, b 11 Mar 1854; d at St. Charles, 2 Jan 1855.

339 vii. Hattie Nickerson⁸ Durant b 18 Jan 1856; d at St. Charles 25 Apr 1875

340 viii. Clarence Tracy⁸ Durant, b 15 Jan 1858; drowned at St. Charles in a mill run, 6 July 1863.

341. ix. Kate Florence⁸ Durant, (See Appendix for desc.) b 19 May 1860; living at St. Charles 1887; she m there 10 June 1886 with George Frederick Ross. living 1887; son of Frederick and Charlotte Eunice (Clark) Ross.

342. x. Jesse Tracy⁸ Durant b 23 Nov 1862; living at St. Charles 1887; she m there 10 June 1886 with George Adams Tate, who was b at Ayersville, Ohio, 10 Feb. 1860; living 1887; son of Andrew Kinnear and Cynthia Anna (Adams) Tate

George A. Tate was educated at the Southern Illinois College at Enfield. He was connected with the Ohio and Mississippi Railway until 1879; with the produce exchange, Baltimore, Md. until 1882; with the Chicago Board of trade until 1885, and at present (1887) he is with the H. Bignall Hardware Company, Chicago.

Children of 206 Thomas Dennie and Thankful (Metcalf) Durant

343. i. Marie Ella⁸ Durant, b at Woodcock, Penn., 14 Dec 1836; d at Meadville, Penn. 29 May, 1887. She m 29 June, 1864 with James Ellwood Stubbs, who was b at Vernon, Ohio, 14 Feb 1837; living 1887; son of the Rev. Thomas Stubbs.*

Marie E. Durant received a high school and then an academic education at Painesville, Ohio. At the time of her marriage she was principal of the Meadville South Ward School.

Dr. James E. Stubbs attended Allegheny College at Meadville for a while, and was then graduated from a medical college in Philadelphia. On their marriage they settled at Corry, Penn. and dwelt there until 1876, when Dr. Stubbs removed to Chicago and Mrs. Stubbs returned to Meadville. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

344. ii. John Henry⁸ Durant (460-463) (Changed his name to Henry J. Durant), b at Middlefield, Mass while his parents were visiting there, 22 Mar 1839; d. at Franklin, Pa. 26 July, 1878. He m 11 June 1867 with Mary Field who was b at Conway, Mass. 8 Jan 1844; living 1887 at Montclair, N.J.; dau of William

* The Rev. Thomas Stubbs was b at Kendall, England 8 Oct 1801; d in Cleveland, O. 8 Feb 1884, having been in the Methodist ministry more than 60 years. His first wife was Agnes Scott. His second wife and mother of his children was Mary (Killett) Cole, wid. who was b in Shopp Fells, England, 14 Apr 1798; d in Cleveland, O. 7 Apr 1886; the grand dau of Lord Bird. The chln of Thomas and Mary (Killett-Cole) Stubbs were:

- i. John Stubbs, b in England
- ii. Thomas Stubbs, b at Willoughby, O. d in infancy.
- iii. William Stubbs, b at Poland, O. d in infancy.
- iv. James Ellwood Stubbs (see above)
- v. Robert N. Stubbs, b at Poland, O.
- vi. Jabez B. Stubbs, b at Poland, O.

and Submit (Hamilton) Field.

Dr. Henry J. Durant was educated at Allegheny College, Meadville, graduating about 1857; and studied medicine. He served 4 years of the Civil War as assistant surgeon of the 3rd Pennsylvania Cavalry. At the close of the war he abandoned his profession for the more congenial pursuit of a business life, residing at Franklin. There in 1867, he became a partner with Wilson Brothers and S. M. Reid in the hardware business, under the firm name of Winsor Brothers & Co. On the subsequent withdrawal of the Messrs. Winsor, the firm became Reid and Durant. In his business career he met with unvarying success and left a competence to his family. He and his wife were Episcopalians.

Children of 209 John⁷ and Annie (Emory) Durant (all b at Brookfield, Mass.)

- 345.i. John⁸ Durant, b 1 Aug 1861; living at Brookfield 1888; not m.
- 346.ii. Annie Francega⁸ Durant, b 9 Mar 1863; d Feb 9 1866.
- 347.iii. Willie Ward⁸ Durant, b 17 June 1865; living at home 1888; not m.
- 348.iv. Fannie Ayres⁸ Durant, b 25 Feb 1868; living at Brookfield, 1888. She m there 13 Oct 1887 with Charles E. Newton, who was b at Sturbridge, Mass in Sept 1860; living 1888; son of John and Lucy (Bailey) Newton. Fannie A. (Durant) Newton is a member of the Brookfield Congregational Church.
- 349.v. Fred Emory⁸ Durant, b Nov 1872; living at home, 1888.

Children of 216 Frank⁷ and Katherine Vosburgh (Kane) Durant

- 350.i. Mary Elizabeth⁸ Durant, b at Great Barrington, Mass. 24 June 1880; d. there Oct 3, 1956

Children of 217 Edward Payson⁷ and Jeannie (Terry) Durant

- 351.i. Jeannie Terry⁸ Durant (See Appendix for Desc.) b in Albany, N.Y. Oct 19 1862; d Feb 23, 1919 in New York City. She m in Albany, 21 Sept 1882 with Charles Clarence Rice, M.D., who was b at Natick, Mass. 28 Sept 1853; d at New York City, ~~1936~~ ^{4 July 1935}; son of Abner and Nancy (Reeves) Rice of Lee, Mass.

Jeannie T. Durant attended private schools in Albany, and Mrs. Graham's school in New York. In 1880 she travelled in Europe with her parents.

In 1922, the following biographical sketch of her appeared in The National Cyclopaedia of American Biography:

. After her marriage and when her children were grown up, she sought a field wherein she might find means for the expression of her artistic ability. Thus it was that after exhaustive study of ceramic art, in the works of Volkmar at Metuchen, N.J., she founded the Durant Kilns at her country place at Bedford Village, N.Y., and the production of pottery became her life interest. The experiments she inaugurated at Bedford were undertaken with no commercial end in view,

Dr. Clarence C. Rice died at New York City 9 July 1935. The New York Times of 10 July carried the following obituary notice:

Dr. Clarence C. Rice, nose and throat specialist, whose practice included a number of operatic and stage performers, died yesterday of a heart ailment at his home, 52 Park Ave., after two weeks of illness. His age was 80.

Dr. Rice who was long connected with the New York Post-Graduate Medical school and Hospital was active in his profession until his last illness. His office was also at 52 Park Ave. He had practiced here for more than 50 years.

Born in Natick, Mass., he was a son of the late Abner Rice, high school principal, and the late Mrs. Nancy Reeves Rice. He was descended from Deacon Edmund Rice who came from England in 1640. Two sisters of his mother married brothers of Margaret Fuller, famous 19th century author.

As a child Dr. Rice moved to Lee, Mass. where his father was principal of a high school which Dr. Rice attended. From 16 to 18 Dr. Rice worked in a laboratory in Lee. He was graduated in 1877 from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University. He then took an internes' exam and passed first in a class of 10.

He entered Charity Hospital, now City Hospital, on Welfare Island, as an interne because he intended to practice in the country in Mass. and wanted the thorough training in obstetrics he knew he would obtain there. At that hospital he became associated with a nose and throat specialist, the late Dr. Louis Elsberg, whom he aided in filling new wards and enlarging the number of beds.

Dr. Elsberg asked him to assist with his patients at his office, 614 Fifth Avenue, and Dr. Rice thereafter specialized in nose and throat diseases. When Dr. Elsberg's health became enfeebled, Dr. Rice took almost entire charge of his office. Dr. Rice met Oscar Wilde through Dr. Elsberg. Dr. Rice acted as escort about the city hospitals to Sir Morrell Mackenzie, noted London throat specialist.

Among his patients were the elder Henry H. Rogers, the financier, who became a close friend of his; Speaker Thomas B. Reed of the House of Rep., with whom he went on yachting trips; E. H. Sothorn and Julia Marlowe of the stage; Collis P. Huntington, railroad financier; Lillian Russell, the actress; Enrico Caruso, the tenor; Miss Elisabeth Marburg, Elsie de Wolfe and Edwin Booth, actor, whom he attended on his death bed.

Dr. Rice's collection of theatrical photographs of patients was considered a remarkable one. He was for years house physician to the Metropolitan and Hammerstein's Opera Houses, and took care of the throats of literally hundreds of singers when they were giving performances. He was the author of many pamphlets on the nose and throat and the mechanism of the singing voice. He belonged to the Players, which was near his old home office at 81 Irving Pl.

One of his friends was Mark Twain.

In 1887 he became Professor of Diseases of the Nose and Throat of the Post-Graduate School and from 1916 to his death he was Emeritus Professor of Laryngology there. He was secretary of the Faculty in 1887 and member of the Hospital's board in 1893-95. In 1892 the present main building was completed at 20th St. and Second Ave. under the supervision of a building committee of which he was a member.

He had also served on the medical staff of the N.Y. Infant Asylum, Montefiore Home and Bellevue Hospital. He was a former pres. of the Amer. Laryngological Soc. He belonged to the N.Y. Academy of Medicine, the A.M.A., and the N.Y. State and County Medical Society. He devised an electric cautery for the destruction of tonsils. Burial will be in the Mount Hope Cemetery, Westchester Co., N.Y.

(Dr. Rice m. (2) at Swartzwood, N.J. Oct 1915 Mrs. Mary Masterson Peticolas, who was b at Memphis, Texas 29 Sept 1881; living 1966 in N.Y.C.)

but purely for the sake of reviving the art that had flourished in the orient for centuries. Nothing of the quality of the Durant pottery has been produced in Europe or the United States in its particular field since the masterpieces of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries. Mrs. Rice's devotion to her art resulted in the production of some unprecedentedly rare and beautiful. Each individual object made at the Durant kilns, whether a vase, bowl, candlestick, lamp base, fruit dish, garden jar, or tile, received her personal attention and those pieces which failed to reach the highest standard of beauty and quality were discarded. The principal glazes include White Italian majolica, which is modeled in relief decoration in the spirit of the Renaissance, Persian blue, Egyptian blue, aubergine, jade green and yellow, and contrary to the custom of most pottery works in the United States, there was no attempt made to copy ancient designs. Each piece was an expression of her individual sense of beauty and it was because of thus treating her work as an art rather than as a craft that she won her great prestige. Mrs. Rice was a member of the Cosmopolitan Club.

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Dr. Charles C. Rice, when 10 years old, went to Lee, Mass. with his parents and there studied at the high School, of which his father was principal. He was graduated in 1877, at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York and for the next 18 months was house surgeon at the Charity Hospital, Blackwell's Island. He was a member of the board of health, New York City; professor of diseases of the nose and throat in the post graduate medical school and hospital; secretary of the faculty; and was a member of numerous medical societies. His speciality was the treatment of diseases of the nose and throat, and he was personal physician of many of the Metropolitan Opera singers. Dr. and Mrs. Rice were members of the Madison Square Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Gladys (Rice) Brooks, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Rice, gives very interesting portraits of her parents, and of other members of her family, in her books, Gramercy Park: Memories of A New York Girlhood (Dutton: 1958) and Boston and Return (Atheneum: 1962). Mrs. Brooks has given the Library at Bedford Village, N.Y. a set of her Mother's pottery. The Metropolitan Museum in New York City has a turquoise bowl from Mrs. Rice's Durant Kilns. Mrs. Rice was also instrumental in starting the Children's Orchestra in New York City, with David Mannes conducting.

352.ii.Dudley Harrington⁸ Durant, b in Albany, 12 July 1866; d 1 Dec 1866

353.iii.Clark Terry⁸ Durant (464-467) b in Albany, N.Y. 2 Oct 1868; d at Hartford, Conn. May 31, 1930; m at Great Barrington, Mass. Oct 31, 1895 with Maria Louise Church, who was b at Great Barrington July 24, 1871; d

there Oct 11, 1946; dau of George and Maria Louise (Bostwick) Church.

The following obituary notices appeared in Hartford papers at the time of Mr. Durant's death:

Clark Terry Durant, 61 years old, vice-president of the trust department of the Hartford-Connecticut Trust Company, died in his home, 1224 Prospect Avenue, Saturday morning after a long illness.

Mr. Durant was largely instrumental in organizing the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving, the formation of which was recently announced. The foundation was organized for the purpose of handling legacies left to Hartford charities through a board of trustees who direct the disposal of the funds in the most economical manner. Mr. Durant worked on the plan for several years, succeeding in having a change made in the state statutes to permit the organization of the foundation and secured the cooperation of other banks of the city in the organization.

He was also greatly interested in the problems of state's rights and taxation. In 1927 he became secretary of the Connecticut Committee of the American Taxpayers' League, which was formed for the purpose of reinforcing the action of the Conn. Legislature in asking Congress to repeal the Federal Estate (inheritance) tax. Many of the most prominent men of the State were members of the organization which took the position that the Federal tax was an effort on the part of the Federal Government to coerce the states into surrendering their taxing powers to Congress.

.... He attended the schools of Albany, and was graduated from Yale University in the class of 1890. In college he was a member of the freshman crew, and secretary of the University Club. His interest in Yale continued after graduation and in recent years he was active in the affairs of his class, and for the interests of the university.

Upon graduation Mr. Durant entered the firm of Durant & Company, commission merchants, in Albany, and continued in this connection until 1900, when he dissolved the firm and took up his residence in Great Barrington, Mass.

In 1908 he entered Harvard Law School, from which he was graduated in 1911, and was at once admitted to the bars of Mass. and Conn. He took up the practice of law in Great Barrington in the fall of the same year, remaining in the community until 1916, when he formed a partnership arrangement with the firm of Perkins, Wells & Scott, of Hartford.

In August 1917 he was appointed Assistant Federal Food Administrator of Conn. being placed in charge of enforcement, which, with his administrative duties, consumed his entire time and energies during the remainder of the war period. In September, 1918, he was appointed attorney for the Conn. Trust and Safe Deposit Company, which, a year later, became the Hartford-Conn. Trust Company by merger with the Hartford Trust Company.

A short time later Mr. Durant became associated with the trust department of the bank, and last January was made a vice-president in this department.

Mr. Durant was a member of several local clubs, the University Club of New York, and the graduates club of New Haven.

Funeral services will be held at his home Monday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, Dr. Willis H. Butler, pastor of the Asylum Hill Congregational Church will officiate. Burial will be in the Albany Rural Cemetery, Albany, N.Y., with committal services at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Another newspaper clipping (also not identified) spoke of Mr.

Durant as follows:

Mr. Clark T. Durant, trust officer and vice president of the Hartford-Conn. Trust Company, who died yesterday following a long illness, was one of those unobtrusive citizens who was known to his immediate circle of friends and associates as a man of keen intellect, positive convictions and rugged integrity. In the field of law in which he specialized, he had few equals. He could go to the heart of a difficult question with unerring accuracy and make clear the reasons by which he arrived at his conclusions. He rendered the banking institution with which he was connected service of the very highest order.

Mr. Durant was particularly interested in problems of government and few lawyers or statesmen had a better understanding of our dual system of sovereignty than he possessed. He was alert to protest all encroachments of the Federal Government on the reserved rights of the States, and just as quick to resent the reverse of this principle. He was ardent in his patriotism as a citizen of the United States and as a citizen of Conn. An omnivorous reader, he had a retentive memory. He could accurately quote from a poem or an intricate legal decision. His versatility in such matters made him a brilliant conversationalist. Although strongly adhering to his own opinions, his tolerance for the opinions of others, his grace of manner and his sense of humor made him an agreeable companion. His activities were necessarily restricted by the nature of his long-standing ailment but he was a constructive force in the community. His life enriched all those with whom he came in contact.

Mrs. Clark T. Durant served as Head of the Red Cross through the first World War. She organized the Visiting Nurses Service and was President for twenty years. She was also very active in the Congregational Church. Mrs. Durant was a member of the Society of Colonial Dames and of the D. A. R.

Children of 219 Allen⁷ and Eliza (Wilson) Durant

354.i. John Wilson⁸ Durant, b in Albany, N.Y. 2 July 1873; ~~killed in a~~ *d. there 3 Nov 1927*
~~duel at Ostend, March 3, 1901.~~ See p. 166C for biographical sketch.

355.ii. George Allen⁸ Durant, b in Albany 30 June 1875; ~~living 1890.~~ *d. there 15 Feb. 1889*

Children of 230 Thomas Smith and Elizabeth (Rattune) Durant

356.i. Samuel⁸ Durant, b at Frederiksted, island of St. Croix, W.I.
 3 July 1835; living at St. Thomas, 1889; a bookkeeper. He has been twice married.

357.ii. Sigismunda⁸ Durant (s.p.) b 14 June 1850⁴; living at St. Thomas,

The Albany Times-Union of 7 Nov 1927 carried the following obituary notice of John Wilson Durant:

Funeral Services for John Wilson Durant, a prominent attorney, were conducted this afternoon at the chapel of Marshall W. Tibutt and Sons, 76 State St. The Rev. Roelif H. Brooks, rector of St. Thomas Episcopal Church, N.Y., a former rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Albany, officiated. The bearers were: Charles Irving Oliver, Harold P. Alexander, Dr. F. L. Guyer, Walter J. Fitzpatrick, Louis J. Rizzimini and Buel C. Andrews. Interment Rural Cemetery.

Mr. Durant died Thursday after a prolonged illness. He was born in Albany.... He was graduated from the Albany High School with the class of 1891, later attending Cornell. He was a graduate of the Harvard Law School. He is survived by a cousin, Clark Durant of Great Barrington.

John Wilson Durant, under circumstances that are not clear, was reported killed in a duel at Ostend, Belgium in New York papers of March 5, 1901. The Albany Evening Journal wrote:

Young Durant is remembered in Albany as one of the most fearless of young men. ... Young Durant spent his boyhood days in the neighborhood of South Swan, Lancaster and Jay streets and on State street just below Lake street. He was, to use a slang expression, the "terror" of the neighborhood in which he lived. There was no boyish trick known in those days that he didn't practice. He had a special fondness for guns, pistols, and knives, and he used them with dexterity upon every occasion.

After a preparatory education he entered the Albany High School from which he was graduated about 1890. While in that institution young Durant began to show the bent of his inclinations. At one time his mother owned an unoccupied house on Lancaster street just above Hawk street. The top floor of this house young Durant fitted into a gymnasium into which he would gather his friends and enemies, principally the latter, to settle difficulties that arose at school. Foils, broad swords, boxing gloves, and pistols were the weapons used on various occasions. He seemed to his fellows to live in another world. His friends found it hard to follow the pace he set.

After leaving high school Durant and his mother went to New York City, where the former pursued his studies with a view to practicing law. Subsequently they went to Paris, where they have resided for the past few years.

According to this same article, Mr. Durant and his mother had been living at the Hotel Lefond Tremoille in Paris. Mr. Durant frequently used as his middle name, "MacWilson", as he was peculiarly proud of his Scotch ancestry.

The New York Herald mentions that Mr. John Durant had attended the University of Pennsylvania for a few months. For a time he was connected with the American Commission to the Paris Exposition and was employed in the department which had charge of the plumbing arrangements for the American section. He was to have been married to a French lady on March 25. (Editor's note: the correct date of Mr. Wilson's death was discovered only as the result of a chance inquiry at the Albany Rural Cemetery about his place of burial. Thanks are due to Mr. Earl G. Terko, Registrar there, for the correct date.)

W.I., 1888. She m 6 June 1880, with James Stevenson, who was b at Fredericksted, St. Croix, 15 Dec 1833; living 1888; son of James and Anna Stevenson. Sigismunda Durant was confirmed in the Church of England 15 Mar 1862. Her husband was a bookkeeper.

358.iii.Thomas Theophilus⁸ Durant (468) b at Fredericksted, St. Croix, 31 May 1846; living 1888, St. Thomas, W.I. He m 6 Dec 1877, with Ariminta Cox Perierra, who was b at St. Kitts, 18 Mar 1850; living 1888. Thomas T. Durant was a bookkeeper.

359.iv.Ida Elizabeth⁸ Durant, b at Fredericksted, St. Croix^x, 8 Nov 1850; living there 1888; not m. She was confirmed in the Church of England, 20 June 1870.

Children of 235 James Maxwell⁷ and Mary (Wilson) Durant

360.i.Marie⁸ Durant (See Appendix for Descendants), b Feb 26 1893 in Washington, D.C.; living there 1965; she m June 14 1916 with Earl Burton, who was b in Isabel, Ill., 1889; d in New York City, 1928.

Mrs. Marie Burton attended Western High School in Washington, D.C. and Miss Marshall's School in Philadelphia. She is an Episcopalian and a Republican and has been a Red Cross Volunteer since 1917.

Mr. Burton attended the University of Illinois and was a Civil Engineer. He was a Methodist and a Republican.

361.ii.William Wilson⁸ Durant, b Oct 6 1896 in Washington, D.C. and d there July 17, 1947. He was educated in the Chevy Chase School, D.C. and in Augusta Military Academy. He was employed in the Passport Division of Standard Oil of New Jersey. He was an Episcopalian, a Republican, and a member of the Mayflower Society. In World War I he served as a Corporal in the Marine Corps.

362.iii.James Maxwell⁸ Durant Jr. (469-470) b Feb 26 1900 in Ward's Crossing, Md.; d in Washington, D.C. Feb 10 1957. He m in Washington, D.C.

June 18, 1927 with Caroline Henderson, who was living in ~~Oregon in 1965.~~

Kimington, Md. 1966

Mr. Durant was educated at the Chevy Chase School, D.C. and at Augusta Military Academy. He was an Episcopalian and a Republican, and he was employed with the Washington Gas Light Company.

Children of 238 Thomas⁷ and May West (O'Reilly) Durant

363.i.Thomas⁸ Durant, b Sept 6 1896 in Washington, D.C.; d there 21 Mar 1965; not m. Mr. Durant graduated from Western High School in 1915 and served as an Ensign in the U. S. Navy in World War I. From around 1922 to 1940 he lived in Detroit, Mich., where he was in the investment business. Then he returned to Washington, D.C. for the remainder of his life, where he was associated with the Internal Revenue Service.

364.ii.Maxine⁸ Durant (See Appendix for Descendants), b in Washington, D.C. Oct 14 1899; m there June 28 1919 with Lorenzo Dale Burnell, who was b at Mona, Iowa July 22, 1887; d at Ann Arbor, Mich., April 21, 1958; son of Virgil and Julia (Hunt) Burnell

In 1965 Mrs. Maxine Burnell was living in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Mrs. Burnell graduated from Western High School in 1917. After their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Burnell lived in Detroit until 1925, when they removed to Grosse Pointe, Mich. In 1941 they moved to Ann Arbor.

Mr. Burnell worked as an accountant for Halley Carburetor Co and then had the Dodds-Burnell Dodge and DeSota Automobile Agency. In 1930 Mr. Burnell went into the insurance business, earning his Chartered Life Underwriter's Certificate. Later in the 30's he started Crobalt, Inc., a tool and die plant. The company moved from Detroit to Ann Arbor in 1941.

Descendants of 241.ii.William Bullard⁸ and Cornelia (Aldrich) Durant

365.i.Aldrich⁹ Durant, b in Cambridge, Mass. 31 Dec 1881; m with Susan M.L. Gould at New York, April 20, 1915. Mrs. Durant was b at Scranton, Pa. Sept. 14, 1891. In 1965 both were living in Cambridge, Mass. Mr. Durant studied mechanical engineering in the Lawrence Scientific School, Harvard, graduating in the class of 1902. He was a civil engineer and a Harvard College administrative officer. Their child:

i.Aldrich¹⁰ Durant Jr., b. New York, 6 July 1916; living at Newport, R.I. in 1965; not m.

366.ii.Henry Woods⁹ Durant, b at Cambridge, Mass. 22 Mar 1886; in 1965, living at Cambridge, Mass.; not m. Mr. Durant attended Harvard, graduating in the class of 1907. He also attended Harvard Law School. He was a banker and investment broker.

367.iii.William Bullard⁹ Durant, b Cambridge, Mass. 14 Sept 1889; m with Barbara Loughton, who was b in Boston 10 Nov 1891; dau. of Cedric and Julia (Stowell) Loughton. Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living in Cambridge in 1965. Mr. Durant, now retired, was a manufacturer and civil engineer. He attended Harvard College, graduating in the class of 1910. Their children:

i.Celia¹⁰ Durant, b Greenfield, Mass. 26 May, 1916; living in 1965 in New York City; not m.

ii.William Bullard¹⁰ Durant, Jr. b Boston 26 Nov 1917; m/with Analee Frances Patterson, who was b at Davis, West Va. 3 Aug 1922. In 1965 Captain and Mrs. Durant were living in Hanover, N.H. Their chln.:

i.William Bullard¹¹ Durant, III, b Schenectady, N.Y. 28 Sept. 1948
 ii.Peter Montgomery¹¹ Durant, b. Honolulu, 13 Mar 1950.
 iii.David Woods¹¹ Durant, b Bethesda, Md. 3 June 1952.

iii.Thomas L.¹⁰ Durant, b at Cambridge, Mass. 12 Jan 1921; living 1965 at Plattsburgh, N.Y.; not m

iv.Richard¹⁰ Durant, b Boston 18 Sept 1925; m at Belmont, Mass., May 13, 1950 with Katherine Ada Darrow, who was b at Cambridge, Mass 19 Feb 1925. Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living in 1965 at -----, N.Y.

DESCENDANTS OF 246.iii.Thomas Edward⁸ and Elizabeth (Johnson) Durant:

368.i.George Thomas⁹ Durant, b at Quincy, Ill. 28 Mar 1848; d there 28 Aug 1851.

369.ii.Anna Delia⁹ Durant, b at Quincy, Ill. 16 June 1851; d at Indianapolis, Ind. 1 July 1893. She m 9 Oct 1873 at Quincy, Ill. with James Bartlett Hardy, who was b 9 July 1850 at Louisville, Ky.; d at Indianapolis 13 Mar 1931; son of Joseph Edward and Mary Frances (Reed) Hardy; burial in Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis.

Shortly after their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Hardy removed to Louisville, Ky. In 1884 they came to Indianapolis. Mr. and Mrs. Hardy were members of the Episcopal Church. Mr. Hardy was a member of the firm of Hardy and Amthor, dealers in wall-paper. Their chln.:

i.Elizabeth Durant¹⁰ Hardy, b at Louisville, Ky. 2 Oct 1875; living in Indianapolis, 1953. Thanks are due to her for family records.

ii.Lucy Gilmer¹⁰ Hardy, b at Louisville, Ky. 11 Mar 1878; living in Indianapolis, 1953.

370.iii.Sarah Eleanor⁹ Durant, b at Quincy, Ill. 16 Apr 1856; d there 3 Mar 1874; not m.

DESCENDANTS OF 247.iv.Henry Snow⁸ and Mary (Nichols) Durant:

371.i.Delia Ann⁹ Durant, ("Deed"), b in Adams Co., Ill. 25 Sept 1849; d near Sabetha, Kan. 29 Sept 1930. She m near Sonora Twp., Hancock Co., Ill. 22 Jan 1874 with Jefferson Brownlee, who was b there 10 Sept 1848; d near Sabetha, Kan. 16 Oct 1887, of what was then called "walking typhoid"; son of Samuel and Mary Douglas (Conner) Brownlee. Both are buried in Woodlawn Cemetery near Sabetha, Kan.

A few years after their marriage, they removed to Kansas and bought a farm near Sabetha. After Mr. Brownlee's death, his widow and small children remained on the farm, and in later years it was bought by the youngest son, Gale

whose widow, Elfie, still resides there (1965). Mrs. Brownlee's obituary says of her:

The passing of Mrs. Delia Ann Brownlee takes from the vicinity its oldest resident and best beloved citizen. She had many years of hardships and brave struggle in rearing her family of four. Life brought its vicissitudes but she met them with a smile. She never acknowledged defeat. Always hope and courage sustained her. No eulogy seems adequate for such a life as Mrs. Brownlee's. Words seem futile in paying a tribute to her as mother, neighbor, friend. Suffice it to say: Maybe God could have made a better woman, but he never did.

She was a member of the Christian Church. Their four children:

- i. Warren Snow¹⁰ Brownlee, b 23 Nov 1875; m 8 July 1903 to Ora French of Topeka, Kan. He was a salesman and was killed in a car accident returning to his home on a Friday night, 23 Sept 1932. Their 2 chln:
 - i. Virginia¹¹ Brownlee
 - ii. William¹¹ Brownlee, living in 1965 in Hartford, Conn.
- ii. Jessie Flora ("Jess") Brownlee, b 11 Apr 1878; m 26 May 1917 to John Humphrey of Woodlawn, Kan. They owned a store in Woodlawn and also kept about 100 colonies of bees. She d 26 May 1934. Both Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey are buried in Woodlawn Cemetery.
- iii. Harry¹⁰ ("Dr. Hal") Brownlee, b 13 Oct 1881; m 28 Jan 1914 to Mary Hall. He was a veterinary at Sabetha, Kan. and also raised greyhounds for a number of years and produced several champions. He d 25 Mar 1962 and is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery.
- iv. Gale¹⁰ Brownlee, b 8 May 1884; m 22 Dec 1917 with Elfie Eva Hunt; He d 12 Nov 1964 and is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery. He stayed on the family farm with his mother and later bought it. His wife was still living there in 1965. Their four children:
 - i. Paul Hunt¹¹ Brownlee, b near Sabetha, Kan. 27 Apr 1925. He is a graduate of the University of Kansas. He m (1) 4 Aug 1951 Alice Marie Goldsworthy, dau of Martin Wilbert Goldsworthy. He m (2)----- Hanna ----- and in 1965 was living in Europe.
 - ii. Harry Jefferson¹¹ Brownlee, b 14 May 1927; m 4 Mar 1951 with Marjorie Evelyn Imler, dau. of Leonard T. Imler; she was b. 10 June 1927. In 1965 they were living in Topeka, Kan. Mr. Brownlee is a graduate of Kansas State University. He is with the Goodyear Rubber Co. and has just returned from a two year assignment in Turkey. Their four chln:
 - i. Timothy Jay¹² Brownlee, b 22 Sept 1952.
 - ii. Ronald York¹² Brownlee, b 29 July 1954.
 - iii. James Scott¹² Brownlee, b 4 Mar 1958.
 - iv. David Alan¹² Brownlee, b 28 Apr 1962.

iii. Jim Durant¹¹ Brownlee, b 25 Feb 1930; m 15 Aug 1954 with Mildred Louise McFall, who was b 23 Oct 1933; dau of Melvin and Kathern McFall. Mr. and Mrs. Brownlee were living in 1965 near Sabetha, Kan. where they have a farm. Their 3 chln:

- i. Mark Anthony¹² Brownlee, b 26 July 1955.
- ii. Marcia Ann¹² Brownlee, b 4 Feb 1958.
- iii. Steven Ray¹² Brownlee, b 19 Mar 1960.

iv. Maridee¹¹ Brownlee, b 16 Sept 1934; m at Junction City, Kan. 17 June 1955, with Charles Frederick Needham, who was b at Lancaster, Kan. 5 Nov 1930; son of Fred and May Needham.

Mrs. Needham has a degree from Kansas City University and is teaching in Branson, Mo. (1965). Mr. Needham is a graduate of Washburn College, Topeka, Kan. and presently (1965) owns and operates a resort at Ronson, Mo. on Lake of the Ozarks. Their chln

- i. Lance Brownlee¹² Needham, b 5 Nov 1960.

(Descendants of 247.iv. Henry Snow⁸ Durant - Continued):

372.ii. Emily Sarah⁹ Durant, b 4 Feb 1851; d 27 Feb 1916, Sonora Twp., Ill.; m at Hamilton, Ill. 20 Oct 1879 with Bodford Bennett Summers, who was b at Keokuk, Iowa 28 Feb 1852; d 10 Dec 1904; son of Alfred and Ally (Whitson) Summers. Both are buried in Oak Grove Cemetery near Hamilton, Ill. They bought Henry Snow Durant's farm from his widow, Mary C. Durant, and she continued to reside with them, until her daughter's death and was then cared for in the home of a granddaughter until her death, 14 Mar 1917.

Emily S. Summers was 5 feet 3½ inches tall, rather slender, with dark complexion, dark hair and grey eyes; a member of the Christian Church.

Bennett Summers was a farmer and a republican. Their five chln:

- i. Kittie Belle¹⁰ Summers b near Hamilton, Ill. 25 Jan. 1881; d there 9 Jan 1952. She m there 27 Apr 1910 with Albert Otto Behnke, who was b in Clark Co., Mo. 11 Nov 1863 and d 24 June 1948; son of Johann Gottfried and Paulina (Steinke) Behnke. Both are buried in The Oak Grove Cemetery, Sonora Twp., Ill. They were members of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Behnke attended Gem City Business College two winters. He was a self-taught surveyor and laid out many lines in Hancock Co. They lived on a farm near Hamilton. Their three chln:

- i. Alberta Emily¹¹ Behnke, b 3 Apr 1911; d 7 Apr 1911.
- ii. Mary Grace¹¹ Behnke, b 29 May 1914 near Hamilton, Ill; m in Hamilton 26 Dec 1948 with Robert L. Schafer of Tonica, Ill. He was b 4 Sept 1908 at Stuttgart, Ark; son of Theodore and Margaret (Brush) Schafer. Mr and Mrs. Schafer were living near Hamilton in 1965, on a 140 acre farm. Mrs. Schafer was an 8th Grade County Honor Student, 1928; attended Carthage College for two years; taught for five years; and returned to graduate in 1940 with a B.A. in Home Economics. Since then, she has taught school, served as a dietician in hospitals and camps during summers and also as a Demonstration Agent. She is active in Community affairs and the Home Bureau, and has led Junior Girls 4H Club 11 years. Mr. Schafer served in the Air Corps in World War II as an electrician. He farms and raises steers. Both are members of the American Lutheran Church.
- iii. Alice Leah¹¹ Behnke, b 27 July 1916 near Hamilton; m 3 May 1941 at Hamilton to Lawrence Paul ("Lonnie") Buckert, b 1 Sept 1917 at Nauvoo; son of Oscar and Augusta (Argast) Buckert. In 1965 they were living in Hamilton, Ill. Mrs. Buckert attended Carthage College for three years and taught school before her marriage. She is presently working as a Cashier. Mr. Buckert is a mechanic and for several years has been Chief Trucker and Sales man for Tri-State Welding Co. Both are members of the Presbyterian Church. Their 2 chln:
- i. Donald Argast¹² Buckert, b at Hamilton, Ill. 17 Jan 1942; m 1 Jan 1965 at Elvaston, Ill. w Alice Mae Price, who was b 21 Aug 1943; dau of Glen and Elsie (Stumpt) Price. Mr. Buckert received the American Legion Award in 8th grade; was Co-Salutatorian in his senior year and won a PTA Scholarship. He has studied two years at Carthage College and is now completing his third year at the University of Ill. School of Pharmacy in Chicago (1965). He was recently elected President of the American Pharmaceutical Assn., Student Branch, having been Vice-president last year.
- ii. Deborah Lynn¹² Buckert, b 25 Aug 1947. She has been active in 4H; chosen to model dress at State Fair one summer and dress was sent as one of best from County next year.
- ii. Thomas Durant¹⁰ Summers, b 6 Jan 1883, Sonora Twp., Ill; d at Stockton, Calif. 1950; m. at Nauvoo, Ill. with Iva Amanda Morrill. Their 10 chln:
- i. Harold LeRoy¹¹ Summers, b 18 Feb 1906 at Nauvoo, Ill.; he m. Fern ----- . In 1965 Mr. Summers was a rancher near Stratton, Col., and Mrs. Summers was a schoolteacher. Their 2 chln:
- i. Shirley¹² Summers.
ii. Jerry¹² Summers.
- ii. Helen Emily¹¹ Summers, b 9 Sept 1907, Sonora Twp., Ill; m (1) Edmund Andrews; m (2) Carl Schlegel; residing in Davenport, Iowa in 1965. One child by first marriage:
- i. Lois¹² Andrews, m. Robert Evans of Davenport, Iowa.

iii. Lloyd Thomas¹¹ Summers, b 8 Mar 1908, Sonora Twp; m 11 Apr 1933 at Glenwood Springs, Col. w. Elizabeth Burge, who was b. 16 Apr 1910 at Glenwood Springs, Col. Mr. and Mrs. Summers were living there in 1965. Mrs. Summers has been a checker at the Safeway for the past ten years and active in the Eastern Star; Past Worthy Matron of Erica Chapter #69 and Past Mother Advisor of Rainbow. Mr. Summers served in the Navy in World War II. At present he is engaged in Body and Fender work. Both are Presbyterians. Their 3 chln:

i. LaBeth¹² Summers, b 29 Apr 1934; m. John A. Baugh, 18 Sept. 1955. Mrs. Baugh is a Past Worthy Advisor of Rainbow. Their 3 chln:

i. Andrea Jean¹³ Baugh, b 15 May 1956.
 ii. John Andrew¹³ Baugh, 9 May 1957.
 iii. Mary Lynn¹³ Baugh, 29 Jan. 1964.

ii. Lloyd Russell¹² Summers, b 15 Nov 1936; m 4 Aug 1957 at Rifle, Col., with Nelda Jean Kruse. Mr. Summers served 5 years in the Navy, with 2 years of special duty at the U.S. Embassy in Rome. One child:

i. Kraig Russell¹³ Summers, b 8 Mar 1961.

iii. Lida Ann¹² Summers, b 29 May 1947; m 19 Apr 1965 with Calvin Paul Letey. Mrs. Letey is an Associate Advisor of Rainbow.

iv. Maxwell Morrill¹¹ Summers, b 24 Sept 1910 at Nauvoo, Ill. In 1965 he was living at Stockton, Calif and working as an attendant at California State School for the mentally retarded; m. to -----.

v. Maurine Elizabeth¹¹ Summers, b 9 Jan 1912 at Hamilton, Ill; m with C. A. Hammond and in 1965 was living in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

vi. Franklin Albert¹¹ Summers, b 18 Aug 1912; d 5 Oct 1913.

vii. Muriel Enid¹¹ Summers, b 12 May 1915 near Hamilton, Ill; m ----- McLean. Their one child:

i. Mary Helen¹² McLean.

viii. Arthur Lewis¹¹ Summers, b 15 May 1918, Carthage, Ill; he served in the Marine Corps in World War II as a Master Sgt. and remained in after the war; m with -----.

ix. Raymond Bennett¹¹ Summers, b 11 June 1921, at Hamilton, Ill. He served in the Marine Corps in World War II, and after the war, remained in as a Master Sergeant, Recruiting Officer; m with -----

x. George Milton¹¹ ("Billy") Summers, b 29 June 1924 at Nauvoo, Ill. In 1965 he was living at Norwalk, Calif.

(Chln of 372.ii.Sarah⁹ (Durant) Summers -- Continued)

iii. Nella Arvilla¹⁰ Summers, b 17 Oct 1886, at Sonora Twp., Ill.; d Phenix City, Ala. 27 Mar 1947. She m 4 Aug 1907 at Sonora, with Clinton Rocita

son of George Washington and Mary Frances (Smith) Gilliland 175
("Rowe") Gilliland, b 28 June 1890 at Hays, Kan.; d 27 Sept 1948 in Phenix
City, Alabama; both buried there. Mrs. Gilliland was a Baptist. Mr. Gilli-
land was a rancher in Colorado and a construction worker, living successively
in Ill., Neb., Col., Fla., Ga., and Ala. He worked on much construction at
Ft. Benning. Their 9 chln:

i. Winfred Floyd¹¹ Gilliland, b 4 May 1908 in Sonora Twp., Hancock Co.,
Ill.; m 24 Dec 1926 at Phenix City, Ala. with Lucille Vanzi Quattle-
baum, who was b 23 Nov 1909; dau. of Henry Grady and Leda Irene (White)
Quattlebaum. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Quattlebaum were living at Rock-
mart, Ga., where he is a Rural Mail Carrier and a licensed Missionary
Baptist minister. Their 5 chln:

i. Robert¹² Gilliland, Quattlebaum, b 15 Sept 1927 at Columbus, Ga.; m Betty
Jo Spann at Cedartown, Ga.; living in 1965 at Austell, Ga. Mr.
Quattlebaum served in the Air Force 1948-1956. Both are Bap-
tists. One child:

i. Kathy Elaine¹³ Gilliland.

ii. Carolyn Winifred¹² Gilliland, b 1 July 1931 at Rockmart, Ga.;
m there 17 Jan 1953 with Haywood Nebron Curenton, son of L. C.
and Mary (Hardin) Curenton. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Gilliland
were living in Enterprise, Ala., where he operates a bakery.
Their 3 chln:

i. Martha Lynn¹³ Curenton, b 11 July 1954 at Rome, Ga.
ii. Rose Mary¹³ Curenton, b 10 June 1960 at Marietta, Ga.
iii. Amy Marie¹³ Curenton, b. 16 Dec 1962 at Dothan, Ga.

iii. Floyd Eugene¹² ("Pick") Gilliland, b 19 Feb 1935 at Rockmart, Ga.;
m 9 Mar 1957 at Cartersville, Ga with Patricia Ann Causey, dau of
John William and Dorothy (Brown) Causey. In 1965 Mr and Mrs
Gilliland were living at Austell, Ga., where he is a salesman.
Their 3 chln:

i. Ann Teri¹³ Gilliland, b 10 Nov 1958 at Douglasville, Ga.
ii. Su Ellen¹³ Gilliland, b 19 July 1960 in Calif.
iii. Kimberly Lane¹³ b 11 Oct 1961 at Rockmart, Ga.

iv. Henry Gladstone¹² Gilliland, b 26 Nov 1939 at Rockmart, Ga; not
m.; engaged in Mechanical Drafting.

v. Marjorie June¹² Gilliland, b 23 Aug 1950 at Rockmart, Ga.; in
1965 was attending High School there.

ii. Lois Genevieve¹¹ Gilliland, b 28 June 1909 at Davenport, Iowa; d
there 28 June 1909.

iii. Lucile Frances¹¹ Gilliland, b 27 May 1910 at Willard, Col.; m 24 Apr
1932 at Opelika, Ala. with John Louis Lane, who was b 15 Aug 1905 at
Columbus, Ga. and d 31 July 1961 at Phenix City, Ga. In 1965 Mrs.

Lane was living in Phenix City. Mr. Lane operated a grocery store in Phenix City for many years and was also a City Policeman for a number of years. Both were Baptists. Their 3 chln:

i. David Louis¹² Lane, b 11 Mar 1933 at Columbus, Ga.; m 15 Aug 1958 at Birmingham, Ala. with Iva Jeanne Storey, who was b 14 Apr 1932. Mr. and Mrs. Lane were living in ----- in 1965. Mr. Lane served in the Korean War 1953-56 as a Dental Assistant, A.M.C. and attended O.C.S. (Infantry) at Ft. Benning, Ga. He had 4 years at Howard College, Birmingham. Both are Baptists. Their 2 chln:

i. Kelli Lucille¹³ Lane, b 28 Sept 1960 at Savannah, Ga.
ii. John Louis Lane II, b 19 Dec 1961.

ii. John Gerald¹² ("Jerry") Lane, b 20 Nov 1935 at Phenix City; m ----- Mr. and Mrs. Lane were living in Phenix City in 1965. Their one child:

i. Laura Ann¹³ Lane.

iii. Laura Carol¹² Lane, b 25 Aug 1939 at Phenix City; m 27 June 1959 at Phenix City with Harold Randolph Lee, who was b 27 Oct 1931 at Columbus, Ga. In 1965 she was employed as a Secretary and he was an Architectural Draftsman, Civil Service, Corps of Engineers, Ft. Benning, Ga. Mr. Lee is a graduate of Southern Tech., Marietta, Ga. Both are Disciples of Christ. Their 2 chln:

i. Harold Randolph¹³ Lee, b at Columbus, Ga. 27 Nov 1960.
ii. Jeff¹³ Lee, b at Columbus,

iv. Marjorie Julia¹¹ Gilliland, b 15 Nov 1911 at Sonora Twp., Ill; m (1) 11 Nov 1934 Clopton Herring III who was killed in 10-15-1944 on the Siegfried Line while commanding a Tank Unit as a 1st Lieut. She m (2) 24 Feb 1947 at Phenix City, with Burns McLendon, who was b 10 Oct 1908 on the family plantation at Ft. Mitchel (now Seale) Ala. Both are Baptists. Mr. McLendon attended Auburn State College 1 year. Mrs. McLendon is a celebrated seamstress, whose Bridal Gowns, made for her nieces, are works of art. In 1965 they were living on part of the Plantation, some of which has been flooded by a dam on the Chatahoochie River, and some sold to the Government for use by Ft. Benning.

v. Laura Florence¹¹ Gilliland, b 24 Dec 1912 at Davenport, Neb.; m at Phenix City, Ala. in Dec 1927 with Alvin Dinkins of Americus, Ga.; d -----; buried at Columbus, Ga. Their 1 child:

i. Audrey Nelle¹² Dinkins, b 6 Feb 1929 at Columbus, Ga; m 8 Feb 1947 at Phenix City with Benjamin Ray Satterfield of Columbus, Ga., who was b 3 Aug 1923. In 1965 they were living in Albany, Ga. Mrs. Satterfield attended Troy State Teachers' College; taught one year; and is now a nurse in a doctor's office. Mr. Satterfield was at one time a pitcher with the Yankee Farm Club, Newark, N.J. He is now a Merchandiser for Pillsbury Mills. Their two chln:

Laura (Gilliland) Dinkins m (2) at Columbus, Ga. in July 1934 with Ralph Reynolds; son of Frank and Nora (Sims) Reynolds.

- i. Laura Sue¹³ Satterfield, b 24 Aug 1949.
 - ii. Lisa Gay¹³ Satterfield, b 30 Nov 1954.
- vi. Roina (Rowene) Emily¹¹ Gilliland, b 23 Dec 1914 at Davenport, Neb.; m 17 June 1931 at Phenix City, Ala. with Coley Blease Davis, who was b 4 Nov 1911 in Covington Co., Ala. In 1965 they were both living in Phenix City, Ala. Mr. Davis served with the Navy in World War II, Pacific Theater, Specialty Training: Electrical, and he is a licensed electrician. He works as a night foreman at the Tom Huston Candy Co. in Columbus, Ga., and Mrs. Davis is a sales clerk in a store in Columbus. Both are Baptists. Their 4 chln:
- i. Donald Gene¹² Davis, b 28 Feb 1932 at Columbus, Ga.; m 14 Oct 1949 at Phenix City, Ala. with Mary Alice Johnson, who was b 15 Mar 1931. In 1965 they were living in Huntsville, Ala. Mr. Davis graduated from Auburn University with a degree in Engineering. He was in the Army 1952-55, stationed at El Paso, Texas. While working in N. Carolina in 1959, he worked on the unit that carried monkeys, Baker and Able, into space. At present he is an Electrical Engineer, Civil Service, with Redstone Arsenal, Polaris Missiles. Both are Missionary Baptists. Their 3 chln:
 - i. Penelope Gene¹³ Davis, b 1 Sept 1950 at Columbus, Ga.
 - ii. Patty Jane¹³ Davis, b 12 Nov 1954 at Ft. Benning, Ga.
 - iii. Donald Keith¹³ Davis, b 3 Feb 1960 at Burlington, N. Car.
 - ii. Dorothy Joan¹² Davis, b 28 Feb 1932 at Columbus, Ga.; m 24 Mar 1956 at Phenix City with Walter C. McGahee, who was b 4 July at Covington, Ga. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. McGahee were living in Birmingham, Ala. Mrs. McGahee graduated from Perry Business College in Columbus and was a clerical worker in Cobb Hospital in Phenix City before her marriage. Mr. McGahee is a graduate of North Georgia Military College, Delonecia, Ga. Both are Methodists. Their 2 chln:
 - i. Melanie¹³ Elizabeth McGahee, b 17 Oct 1956 at Macon, Ga.
 - ii. Amanda Rowene ("Mindy")¹³ McGahee, b 17 Oct 1957 at Birmingham, Ala.
 - iii. Coley Blease¹² Davis Jr., b 10 May 1935 at Columbus; m 13 Aug 1960 at Columbus with Shirley Ada Bean, who was b 12 June 1935 at Graceville, Fla. Mr. and Mrs. Davis were living in Columbus in 1965. Mrs. Davis graduated from Florida State Univ., Tallahassee and has taught History in Jordan High, Columbus. Mr. Davis served in the Marine Corps 1957-60, receiving training in Electronics. He is also in the National Guard. He is a surveyor with Hewitt Construction Co. Both are Baptists. One child b 30 Dec 1963; d 31 Dec 1963, Phil Davis.
 - iv. Gary Otis¹² Davis, b 18 Aug 1939 at Phenix City; m 29 Aug 1955 at Phenix City with Sandra Annette Horne, who was b 9 Apr 1940 at Phenix City. In 1965 Mr and Mrs Davis were living in Phenix City. Mr. Davis works at Tom Huston Candy Co. Two chln:
 - i. Gary¹³ Davis
 - ii. Mark¹³ Davis

vii. Clarence Newton¹¹ Gilliland, b 18 Sept 1916 at Willard, Col.; d there 28 Dec 1917.

viii. Clinton Ray¹¹ Gilliland, ("C.R.") b 23 Mar 1922 at Lynn Haven, Fla.; m 1941 with Avie Evelyn Burkhalter who was b Nov 1925 in Clay Co., Ga. Their 7 chln:

- i. Clinton Ray¹² Gilliland Jr., b 5 Mar 1943 at Columbus, Ga.
- ii. Floyd Wayne Gilliland, b 8 Sept 1944 at Columbus.
- iii. John Harry b 5 Mar 1947, twin
- iv. James Larry¹² Gilliland, b 5 Mar 1947, twin.
- v. Jerry Summers¹² Gilliland, b 25 July 1954 at Phenix City.
- vi. Benjamin Burns¹² Gilliland, b 30 Aug 1957 at Phenix City.
- vii. Roina,¹² Gilliland

ix. Wayne Summers¹¹ Gilliland, b 28 June 1925 at Columbus, Ga.; m 24 Dec 1948 at Columbus with Miriam Jean King, who was b 6 May 1930 at Columbus. Mr. and Mrs. Gilliland were living in 1965 at Columbus, Ga. In World War II Mr. Gilliland served in the Pacific Theater, Leyte and Luzon, 1944-47. Recalled during the Korean War, he served at Nancy, France, 1952-54. In the National Guards, he is a Chief Warrant Officer. He participated in police action of National Guard against the infamous establishments of Phenix City, Ala. night districts in the early 1950's. At present he is Allstate Insurance Co. District Manager for Central West Ga. Both are Baptists. Their 3 chln, all b at Columbus:

- i. Pamela Jean¹² Gilliland, b 23 Apr 1951.
- ii. Debra Kay¹² Gilliland, b 13 Sept 1953.
- iii. Paula Ann¹² Gilliland, b 16 Feb 1958.

(Children of 372.ii.Sarah⁹ (Durant) Summers -- Continued):

iv. Henry Alfred¹⁰ Summers, b 13 Feb 1888, in Sonora Twp., Ill. on the farm of his grandfather, 247 Henry Snow⁸ Durant. He m 29 Mar 1916 at Nauvoo, Ill. with Villette May Schilson, who was b 17 Jan 1897, dau. of John and Anna Alice (Herold) Schilson of Montebello Twp. Following the death of his mother, he bought the family farm from the other heirs, and there his 6 children were born and his widow still lives (1965). The house has been in the family 122 years*. Mr. Summers d of pneumonia 7 Jan 1933. Mrs. Summers taught school

* At Hancock Co. Court House, records show that Henry Snow Durant purchased 120 acres, more or less, on July 5, 1854, for the consideration of \$1200 from John and Mary Ann Nichols of Hancock Co. They moved from Adams Co. early in 1855, and Henry S. Durant died on Aug 26 1855 of typhoid fever. His wife and a friend took his body to Columbus in Adams Co for burial, a two-day trip with wagon and team. Mary Durant then returned to Columbus, with her children, to live, her mother, Mrs. Nichols, taking the baby, Nancy Helen, so that Mrs. Durant could earn a living for herself and children by tailoring men's suits of clothes. When her son, John Thomas Durant, was a grown boy of around 18, the family returned to their farm in Sonora Twp. Hancock County Court house

Page 176, line 26: iv. Marjorie Julia¹¹ Gilliland, m (1) at Phenix City, Ala., with David Clopton Herring III, who was b 3 July, 1912; m (2) Lee Co., Ala. Feb 22, 1947 with Burns McLendon, who was b 12 Oct 1907; son of William McLendon and -----(McMillian) McLendon.

Page 177, line 4: Coley Blease Davis, son of Otis Cuthbert and Rebecca Ann (Butler) Davis.

Page 177, line 12: Mary Alice (Johnson) Davis, dau. of Sam and Alice Mae (Tillery) Johnson.

Page 177, line 25: Walter Clyde McGahee Jr., son of Walter Clyde and Elizabeth (Howard) McGahee.

Page 177, line 36: Shirley Ada (Bean) Davis, dau. of Mary Alice (Bush) Bean

Page 177, line 45: iv. Gary Otis¹² Davis---Sandra Annette Horne, dau. of Elmo Horne and Louise (Weldon) Horne; Sandra is a Cashier.

Page 178: line 3: viii. Clinton Ray¹¹ ("Buddy") Gilliland, residence, 1965, Fortson, Ga.; occupation, mechanic. Divorced, Phenix City, Ala., Mar. 1947. remarried, Atlanta, Ga., Sept., 1961; 2d divorce, Phenix City, April, 1963; 2d remarriage, May, 1963, Phenix City, Ala. Served in Air Force 1941-46. Arvie Evelyn Burkhalter, dau. of Jerry Noah and Julia (Brooks) Burkhalter.

Page 178: line 6: i. Clinton Ray¹² Gilliland Jr., not m.; occupation, 1965, U. S. Navy.

Page 178; line 7: ii. Floyd Wayne¹² Gilliland, m. 14 Aug 1964, with Linda Garner, dau. of William B. Garner; divorced, Mar. 1965.

Page 178, line 8: iii. John Harry¹² Gilliland; not m.; 1965, occupation, Cabinet Maker, Columbus, Ga.

Page 178: line 9: James Larry¹² Gilliland; not m; occupation, 1965, Sheet Metal Worker, Columbus, Ga.

Page 178: line 12: vii. Evelyn Rowena¹³ Gilliland, b. Phenix City, Ala., Mar 6, 1964.

Page 178: line 13: Mrs. Miriam Jean (King) Gilliland is the daughter of Ray and Thadde Bell (Summerlin) King. Mrs. Gilliland is a grocery clerk.

before marrying and resumed teaching after her family were grown. She is a member of Hancock Co. Teachers' Council, Eastern Star, American Legion Auxiliary, and V.F.W. Auxiliary. Both were members of Point Golden's Christian Church. Their 6 chln:

i. Floyd Thomas¹¹ Summers, b 5 Apr 1917; m Ruby Swinford of Ft. Madison; in 1965 both living in Tucson, Arizona, where they removed 3 years ago from Hamilton, Ill., where Mr. Summers had farmed. Both are members of the Christian Church and active in the Masonic Lodge and Eastern Star. Mr. Summers is at present employed by the Tucson school system. Their 3 children:

i. Jerry Ross¹² Summers, b 26 Sept 1941; m Peggy McGuire of Gibson City, Ill. He attended the University of Ill for 3 years and graduated from the Univ. of Arizona, Jan 1965. At present (1965) he is a Co-Pilot on United Airlines, out of Denver, Col. Their 1 child:

i. Leslie Ann¹³ Summers, b 1962.

ii. Ronald Lee¹² Summers, twin, b 7 Oct 1946, presently (1965) in the Naval Reserve and will return shortly to the University of Arizona.

iii. Donald Lynn¹² Summers, twin, b 7 Oct 1946; in Marine Corps (1965).

ii. Ruth Eileen¹¹ Summers, b 27 July 1918; m Edwin Fisher of Hamilton, Ill. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs Fisher were living in Decatur, Ill. Mrs. Fisher does secretarial work and Mr. Fisher is a salesman for Strand Corp. which specializes in steel buildings. Mrs. Fisher attended Western University at Macomb and Keokuk Community College. Their 5 chln

i. Thomas¹² Fisher, b 16 Nov 1941; a graduate of Carthage College, where he was on the basketball team.

ii. Bonnie Jean¹² Fisher, b 17 Aug 1942; attended Western University and later, a School for Airline Stewardesses in Minneapolis, Minn. She is now (1965) an airline Stewardess.

iii. Charles Robert¹² Fisher, b 16 Jan 1944; a Sophomore at Purdue University and a fine athlete.

iv. Dixie Lee¹² Fisher, b 17 July 1948.

v. Jimmy¹² Fisher, b 23 Apr 1953.

records show that on Aug 14, 1878, the farm was transferred to Sarah E. Durant. In Oct 1879 she was married to Bennet Summers and they and the Mother, Mary Durant, continued to live on the farm. On Dec. 10, 1904, Mr. Summers died, but the family continued to live on the farm until 1916 when Sarah E. Durant died. Mrs. Mary Durant then went to live with a granddaughter, Bessie (Durant) Hosford until her own death in March 1917. On Dec 22, 1916, the farm became the property of Henry A. Summers, son of Sarah Emily Durant. It is now owned by Viletta (Schilson) Summers, widow of Henry: she lives in the original house. A new house is under construction across the driveway from the old one and will be occupied by Gene Summers and his family; his Mother will have her private apartment in the house. (Note and records supplied through kindness of Mrs. Carroll Swanson, of Hamilton, Ill.)

- iii. Mary Alice¹¹ Summers, b 15 Apr 1921; m 1946 Richard Scholtz of Ft. Madison. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Scholtz were living in Franklin, Ia. Mr. Scholtz attended St. Ambrose College in Davenport, Ia. for two years. At present he works as a Toolmaker in Ft. Madison. Their two chln:
- Scholtz
i. Walter Daniel¹² ("Dan")/b 25 Apr 1947; has completed high School and will attend St. Ambrose College, Sept 1965.
ii. Sara Jean¹² Scheltz, b 1 May 1949.
- iv. Edwin Gene¹¹ Summers, b 27 Sept 1927; m Dorothy Jones of Keokuk, Ia. In 1965 they were living on the family farm (See footnote above) near Hamilton, Ill. Mr. Summers is a Carpenter. Their 2 chln:
- i. Douglas Gene¹² Summers, b 2 Aug 1953.
ii. Henry Alfred¹² Summers, b 20 Sept 1960.
- v. Euvon Emily¹¹ Summers, b 29 Mar 1930; m Oct 1957 with Albert Scott Ammon of Denver Col. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Ammon were living in Denver where he owns a Tire business, wholesale, retail, recapping, etc. Mr. Ammon attended Greeley State College at Greeley, Col. for 2 years. He is also in the Naval Reserve. Their 3 chln:
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i. Albert Scott Ammon III, b 25 Jan 1959.
ii. Vicki¹² Ammon, b 15 Oct 1962.
iii. Joni Mae¹² Ammon, b 14 June 1962.
- vi. Lois Elaine¹¹ Summers, b 4 Aug 1932; m to Robert Walker of Hamilton, Ill., where they were living in 1965. Mrs. Walker works in the Accounting Dept at Electro-Metals. Mr. Walker is in charge of installation and maintenance of equipment for Ametek-Troy Div. Mr. Walker was in the Marine Corps for 2 years and is now in the reserves. Their two chln:
- i. Tamara Kay¹² Walker, b 7 Oct 1956.
ii. Graceann¹² Walker, b 13 Sept 1954.

(Children of 372.ii.Sarah⁹ (Durant) Summers - Continued)

- v. Helen Delia¹⁰ Summers, b 12 Mar 1891 in Sonora Twp., Hancock Co., Ill; m 24 June 1914 at Hamilton, Ill. to Lynne Harlow Hosford, son of Harris Truman and Francis Viola (Warner) Hosford; b 6 Jan 1892 at Bedford, Ia., later moving to Hamilton, Ill. Mr. Hosford was a carpenter with his father and 2 brothers until about 1940 when he became Chief of Yards and Construction Projects at the Iowa State Prison Farm at Ft. Madison, Ia. Both are members of the Lutheran Church. They were living in Ft. Madison in 1965. Their 2 chln:
- i. Lynore Viola¹¹ Hosford, b 30 May 1915 at Hamilton, Ill.; m 27 Mar 1937 at Ft. Madison, with Howard Walter Frey. In 1965 they were living near Ft. Madison, Ia. Mr. Frey is Quality Assurance Mgr. at Sheaffer Pen Co. Both are members of the United Church of Christ. Their 3 chln:

- i. Judith Ann¹² Frey, b 22 Dec 1938 at Ft. Madison; in 1965 was working at Iowa Ordnance Plant, Burlington.
 - ii. John Howard¹² Frey, b 14 Apr 1943 at Ft. Madison; in 1965, a senior at Iowa State College, Ames, majoring in Forestry.
 - iii. Timothy Lynn¹² Frey, b 12 Aug 1947 at Ft. Madison; in 1965 was a senior Honor Student at Ft. Madison High, planning to enter ~~Kansas~~ ^{Kansas} University.
- ii. Hilda Elaine¹¹ Hosford, b 10 May 1921 at Hamilton, Ill.; m 21 Feb 1942 at Ft. Madison with Charles Edward Walters, who was b 30 May 1921. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Walters were living near Danville, Ia. on an 80 acre farm. He served in World War II and presently is a rural mail carrier. Their 2 chln:
- i. Theresa Lynn ("Terry Lynn") Walters, b 20 Nov 1942 at Ft. Madison. Graduated from Burlington Jr. College and Univ. of Iowa and in 1965 was employed as a Staff Accountant by Farm Services Division of the Ill. Agr. Assn., Bloomington, Ill.
 - ii. Mary Kathleen ("Kathy"), b 16 July 1948 at Burlington, Ia.; in 1965 was a Sophomore at Danville Iowa High School.

(Descendants of 247.iv. Henry Show⁸ Durant---Continued)

373A.iii. John Thomas⁹ Durant, b 1 Jan 1853 at Columbus, Adams Co., Ill.; d 10 May, 1933 at Montebello Twp., Hancock Co., Ill.; m 17 Oct 1878 at Carthage, Ill., w Caroline Elizabeth Wilson, who was b 23 Aug 1855 at Sonora Twp., Hancock Co., Ill; d there 26 Dec 1920; dau of James Carr and Jeanette (Golden) Wilson. Both are buried in Oak Grove Cemetery, Sonora; members of Golden's Point Christian Church. Mrs. Freda Swanson wrote of her grandfather in 1965: "He was a Republican and he belonged to the Odd-fellows Lodge. He was a farmer and horse-breeder. He had an imported stallion from France and gave a pretty penny for him! It might have been a profitable venture, but he seldom got paid, and being a very sociable fellow he always invited his customers to stay for dinner---which they usually did! It wasn't exactly other people's fault because charges just weren't mentioned much! I can still see grandad on old Ord prancing up and down the lane! Grandad was rather a handsome man, gray curly hair and a short mustache, a little above medium size. He used to tell of earning his first dollar at the age of 12, when he played the drums in a memorial service for President Lincoln." Found among his papers was the following item which is reproduced here with the permission of the family, for the light it sheds on social and legal practices of the times:

Rec'd October 30th 1878 of John Thomas Durant One hundred \$100 dollars in full. of all claims or demands of whatsoever name or nature I may have against the said John Thomas Durant for any breach of Marriage Contract and this is a full and final settlement of all damage for supposed breach of Contract.

Ella A. Cox

By Thos Ruggles her Atty

His Descendants:

- i. Georgia Panola¹⁰ Durant, b 21 Oct 1879 at Sonora Twp., Hancock Co., Ill.

d there 28 Sept 1948; m 7 May 1902 with Charles Edwin ("Charley") Penrod, who was b 7 Feb 1871 at Troy, Kan; d 2 Dec 1954 in Keokuk Hospital, while living in Sonora; son of Joseph and Margaret (Putnam) Penrod. They met in Horton, Kan. while Georgia was visiting relatives and were married at her home in Sonora. They lived in Horton and later in Topeka, retiring on the farm of Georgia's parents, which they bought. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church of Troy; she, of Golden's Point Christian Church, near Hamilton. He was an Engineer on the Rock Island Railroad all his life. Their 3 chln, all b in Horton, Kan.:

- i. Joseph Durant¹¹ Penrod, b 9 Apr 1903; m 3 May 1933 with Helen Kennedy of Portland, Oregon. He d 9 Feb 1965 in Portland and is buried there. Mr. Penrod was a member of Horton Christian Church. He attended medical school for several years but did not finish; he was with the State Health Dept in Portland. He died of cancer. Mrs. Penrod was of the Catholic faith. Mrs. Penrod is a professional beautician; she had a shop at a Portland Hotel for many years and periodically was a Beauty Consultant at various department stores in cities throughout the north west.
- ii. Charles Edwin¹¹ ("Ed") Penrod, b 21 Sept 1904; m 10 Jan 1942 with Fay Golden, who was b 15 Sept 1909; dau of John and Emma (Koontz) Golden of Montebellow Twp., Hamilton, Ill. They bought a farm near the John Thomas Durant farm and operated both until after the death of his father, when they bought the Durant farm. John Thomas Durant had bought the farm in 1841 from his father-in-law's heirs. Thus, in 1965, the farm had been in the family 124 years. Mr. and Mrs. Penrod for a number of years have been raising turkeys and pure-bred Jerseys, and recently have been raising quail to be released by the state.
- iii. Margaret Elisabeth¹¹ Penrod, b 30 Aug 1908; m 21 Feb 1935 at Wash. D.C. with Harold Aldo Wood ("Woody"), who was b 17 Dec 1908 at Madison, N.J.; son of Sidney Ballantine and Christine Josephine (Seiler) Wood. Before her marriage Mrs. Wood was a secretary in Washington. Mr. Wood attended George Washington University in D.C.; graduated from Bliss Electrical School in D.C., and also completed the Alexander Hamilton Correspondence Course. In 1965, he was with the Bell Telephone Co., first in Silver Springs, Md. and now in White Plains, N.Y. Their four chln:

1. Marion Penrod¹² Wood, b 29 Nov 1935 in Washington, D.C.; m 15 Nov 1958 at Scarsdale, N.Y. to Charles Michael Margetts, who was b 18 Nov 1935 at Salt Lake City, Utah; son of Raymond L. and Afton (Popworth) Margetts. Mr. and Mrs. Margetts were living in Salt Lake City in 1965 and are of the Mormon faith. ~~She~~ ~~is~~ is a graduate of Maryland University and did graduate work at Duke University. ~~Mr. Margetts~~ received his degree from ~~He~~

the University of Utah in June, 1965. He has completed 8 years in the Army Reserve, Paratroop Division. He is a Physiotherapist. Their 2 chln:

Mrs. Margetts

- i. Mathew Wood¹³ Margetts, b 12 Aug 1962 at Salt Lake City Utah.
- ii. Catherine Elisabeth¹³ Margetts, b 18 June 1964, at Salt Lake City.
- ii. Donald Sidney¹² Wood, b 24 Nov 1939 in Washington, D.C.; m 9 June 1962 at Rye, N.Y. with Marilyn Catherine Elizabeth Murphy; dau of John and Vivian (Dunham) Murphy. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Wood lived in Rye, N.Y. Mr. Wood served 3 years in the Army. At present he is working for American Motors and taking Alexander Hamilton Correspondence Courses. Their 2 chl both b at Greenwich, Conn.:
 - i. Dennis John¹³ Wood, b 10 Aug 1963.
 - ii. David Philip¹³ Wood, b 9 Sept 1964.
- iii. Joel Harold¹² Wood, b 17 Apr 1946 at Takoma Park, Md.; d. there 19 Apr 1946.
- iv. Vaughn Philip¹² Wood, b 21 Feb 1948, Washington, D.C. In 1965, he was a senior at White Plains High School.

(Children of 373A.iii John Thomas⁹ Durant -- Continued)

ii. Bessie Janet¹⁰ Durant, b 24 Nov 1880, Sonora Twp.; m 9 Oct 1907, at Sonora, with George Warner Hosford, who was b 9 July 1877, Conway, Ia.; d at Hamilton, Ill. 26 Dec 1958 (burial Oak Grove Cemetery); son of Harris Truman and Frances Viola (Warner) Hosford. Both were members of the Christian Church. Mr. Hosford and his father and brothers were carpenters, working together and building many of the fine homes in the Hamilton, Ill. area. Mrs. Hosford taught school before her marriage. She left Hamilton in 1963 to make her home with a daughter in Monrovia, Calif. Their 5 chln, all b in Hamilton.

i. Thomas Truman¹¹ Hosford, b 26 Dec 1908; m 31 Mar 1928 at Hamilton, Ill with Beulah Marie Karr, who was b 11 Mar 1908; dau of Marshall and Vera (Emery) Karr. Mr. and Mrs. Hosford were living in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. in 1965, where they had moved in 1958 from Springfield, Ill. Mrs. Hosford is a secretary and Mr. Hosford is a Printer. He served in the Navy in World War II. They are both members of the Presbyterian Church. Their one child:

i. Donna Gale¹² Hosford, b 18 Apr 1935.

ii. Eldon Maxwell¹¹ Hosford, b 15 May 1910; m June 1944 at Arcadia, Ia. with Lenora Dowling. Mr. and Mrs. Hosford were living in 1965 in

Ruston, La., where they removed from Hamilton, Ill. in 1963. Mr. Hosford served in the Army 3 years during World War II. He was connected with Union Electric Co., Keokuk Division, but retired in 1963 because of ill health. Mrs. Hosford taught high school and was president of the Hamilton P.T.A. for two years. Their two sons:

- i. Stephen Dhu¹² Hosford, b 7 July 1946; in 1965, a college student at Monroe, La.
- ii. Eldon Maxwell¹² Hosford Jr., b 13 July 1950.

iii. Stanley Clifton¹¹ Hosford, b 22 Oct 1913; m 1948 with Dorothy Haynes; moved from Hamilton, Ill. to Azusa, Calif in 1963. Mr. Hosford is a Lineman and Electrician. Their 3 sons:

- i. Gene Warner¹² Hosford, b 4 Dec 1949.
- ii. Guy Stanley¹² Hosford, b 10 Dec 1954.
- iii. Mark Allen¹² Hosford, b 25 June 1956.

iv. Janet Pearl¹¹ Hosford, b 9 Apr 1915; m 15 Sept 1932 at Palmyra, Mo. with Myron Gayle Folts, who was b 16 Mar 1910; son of Jefferson and Nellie Folts. In 1965 they were living in Monrovia, Cal. Mrs. Folts is doing photographic work, and Mr. Folts is employed in Electronics with Lockheed. Their two chln:

- i. Hal Hosford¹² Folts, b 14 Jan 1937 at Hamilton, Ill.; m 23 Jan 1960 with Carrie Mae Simons, who was b 7 July 1932; dau of Sibert Simons. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Folts were living in Covina, Calif. Mr. Folts served in the Air Force for 4 years. At present he works as a stock clerk--auto parts. Their 2 chln:

- i. Steven Lance¹³ Folts, b 25 Jan 1961.
- ii. Shellie Lynn¹³ Folts, b 15 Aug 1962.

ii. Georgan Sue¹² Folts, b 27 Nov 1938 at Hamilton, Ill; m 29 May 1963 with Donald Proudfoot, who was b 5 Oct 1929 at Liverpool, England; son of John Proudfoot. In 1965 they were living in Azusa, Calif. Mr. Proudfoot served 7½ years in the British Navy. At present he is engaged in Electronics work. Their chil

- i. John Myron¹³ Proudfoot, b 18 Dec 1963.

v. George Hosford Jr.¹¹, b 18 Mar 1921; m 13 Mar 1941 with Francis Harness of Keokuk, Ia., son of Raymond and Helen Harness. Mr. and Mrs. Hosford were living in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. in 1965, where they had moved in 1962. Mr. Hosford attended the University of Ill. and Chillicothe Business College. He is a member of the Christian Church. He served in the Marine Corps in World War II. Until 1963 he lived in Hamilton, Ill owning and operating a fleet of trucks to distribute Tri-State Dairy products. At present, he is with a Lumber and Construction Company. Their one child:

- i. Larry Raymond¹² Hosford, b 8 Feb 1942; m 17 June 1962 at Hamilton, with Dianne Lea Galloway, who was b 4 Oct 1943; dau of Kenneth and Doris (Bowen) Galloway of Hamilton. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Hosford were living in East Moline, Ill, where he is a tool designer with John Deere Co. He received a degree from Western University in 1965.

Both are Members of the Presbyterian Church. Their one child:

i. Kristine Rene¹³ Hosford, b 17 Mar 1965.

(Children of 373A.iii. John Thomas⁹ Durant - Continued)

iii. Jimmy¹⁰ Durant, b 26 Apr, 1882 at Sonora; d there 5 June 1890 of a ruptured Appendix.

iv. Daisie¹⁰ Eudora Durant, b 18 Jan 1884, Sonora; d there 7 Apr 1884.

v. Mary Flavia¹⁰ Durant, b 28 Apr 1885 at Sonora; d/ Montebello Twp., Hancock Co., Ill. She m 11 May 1904 at Sonora with Frederick George ("Fred") Baxter, who was b 28 Oct 1882; /son of Isaac Newton and Eugenia Amelia (Kellogg) Baxter. Both were members of Golden's Point Christian Church which is located in a corner of their farm, where they lived almost their entire married life. Both are buried in Oak Grove Cemetery. Four children, all b on the family farm.

i. Freda Belle¹¹ Baxter, b 25 Mar 1905; m 10 Aug 1928 at Hamilton, Ill., with Carroll Lee Swanson, who was b 8 Oct 1899 at Dallas City, Ill.; son of Nels and Caroline (Olson) Swanson. Mr. and Mrs. Swanson were living in Hamilton, Ill. in 1965.

Mrs. Swanson attended Western University and taught school before her marriage. Her hobbies include photography and family history. In fact, all the material in this genealogy on the descendants of 142 Thomas and Sarah (Cowdin) Durant from 1890 onward has been collected through her efforts, with the help of various members of her immediate branch. Hence, great thanks are due to her and her branch of the family.

Mr. Swanson has been associated with Dadant and Sons since 1919: They are manufacturers of bee-comb foundations and candles, and other items like bee-veils and gloves. They also edit the American Bee Journal and publish some pamphlets and books about bees. Mr. Swanson worked there in the summer while he was still in school, then he worked with the bees, and later, was Superintendent of the Factory for many years. In 1956 he became Purchasing Agent in charge of keeping the 6 branches of the company supplied, and also in charge of the Inventory for all the branches.

Both are members of the Christian Church.

Since August, 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Swanson have been living in Polson, Montana, where Mr. Swanson is helping set up a new Dadant venture. He is Vice-president of Western Bee Supplies, a member of the Board, and Manager of the new plant.

- ii. Maryn Dale¹¹ Baxter, b 15 Oct 1906; m 3 July 1934 at Shelbyville, Mo. with Alice Viola Hosford, who was b 5 Sept 1907; dau of Edward Wright Hosford and Mary Leith (Morris) Hosford. In 1965 they were living on a farm in Sonora Twp., Ill. Mrs. Baxter is a graduate of Knox College, Galesburg, Ill. She taught in high schools before her marriage and in 1958 resumed full-time teaching at the Nauvoo-Colusa High School. Mr. Baxter is an Apiarist; formerly a turkey-grower and sheep-breeder. Their 3 children:
- i. Mary Alice¹² Baxter, b 25 July 1937; m 10 Mar 1959 at Sonora with Glen Alan Cuerden, who was b 10 July 1937; son of Floyd and Margaret Cuerden. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Cuerden were living in Denver, Col. Mrs. Cuerden is a graduate of Normal University, Bloomington, Ill., with a degree in Math. Mr. Cuerden is a graduate of the University of Ill. with a degree in commercial art. He is in the Army Reserve. At present, he is a commercial artist in Denver. Their 3 chln:
 - i. Becky Ann¹³ Cuerden, b 26 Dec 1959.
 - ii. Debby Jean¹³ Cuerden, b 30 Jan 1960.
 - iii. Randy Alan¹³ Cuerden, b 15 July 1963.
- ii. Georgia Jean¹² Baxter, b 30 Sept 1940; living in 1965 in Decatur, Ill. Miss Baxter attended Western University at Macomb, Ill for 2 years, winning the Salee Award, given when there is an outstanding Freshman in the Biological Sciences. She transferred to Southern University and graduated from there. She worked a year before enrolling in the Michael Reese School of Cytotechnology, Chicago. Since her graduation from that school, she has been employed at the Decatur Hospital.
- iii. Ace Morris¹² Baxter, b 13 Sept 1942; in 1965 he was in his senior year at Southern University, Carbondale, Ill.
- iii. Myrtle Kathryn¹¹ Baxter, b 18 Sept 1911; m 20 Feb 1935 at Long Beach, Cal., with Dr. George Elsea Barker, who was b 24 Jan 1910 at La Harpe, Ill.; son of Dr Jesse Barker and Dr. Kathryn Elsea. Mrs. Barker attended Western University and taught school before her marriage. She belongs to Ass't League: P.E.O. Dr. Barker practices in Long Beach, Cal. and is a member of the Optimist Club and Elks. Both are members of the Christian Church. Their 2 chln:
- i. Mary Kay¹² Barker, b 30 Dec 1938; m 22 Feb 1963 at Palos Verdes Cal. with Dave Peterson, who was b 18 Aug 1938; son of James and Alberta Peterson. Mrs. Peterson studied two years at the University of Arizona and graduated from the University of North Dakota. At present (1965) she is an elementary teacher in Long Beach School. Mr. Peterson is a graduate of Long Beach State, with a major in French. He studied Russian at Indiana University 1963-4 on Comp. Scholarship. At present he teaches French and Russian in the Los Angeles schools. Both are Methodists.
 - ii. Philip George¹² Barker, b 12 May 1942; in 1965, attending Long Beach State, working vacations and part-time in Disneyland for the past 5 years; Methodist. He m. at Las Vegas, Nev. Dec. 27, 1965 with Leslie Jan Greer; dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Richard James Greer of Long Beach, Calif.

iv. Isaac Clair¹¹ Baxter, b 23 Oct 1912; m 1936 at St. Louis, Mo. with Lois Irene Boeddeker, who was b 3 Mar 1917; dau of Ferdinand and Amanda (Worrell) Boeddeker. He d 11 Oct 1959 and is buried in Oak Grove Cemetery. Mr. Baxter lived in Hamilton, Ill., where he was a mechanic and a member of Golden's Point Christian Church. Mrs. Baxter was of the Catholic faith. Their 4 chln:

i. Margaret Ann¹² ("Peggy"), b 24 Apr 1937 in Peoria, Ill.; m George Floyd Leffler, who was b 9 Mar 1936; son of Wayne and Bertha Esther (Nesbit) Leffler. Mrs. Leffler is a secretary and a member of the Christian Church. Mr. Leffler served in the Marine Corps 3 years and is presently employed at Electro Metals. Their 2 chln:

i. Andrew George¹³ Leffler, b 2 Apr 1957.
ii. Beth Ann¹³ Leffler, b 15 Oct 1958.

ii. William Clair¹² Baxter, b 19 Sept 1939; m 3 Apr 1959 with Linda Cramer of Keokuk. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Baxter were living in Colorado Springs, Col. where he is an oil rigger. He served in the Army. Their 2 chln:

i. William Clair¹³ Baxter, b 5 Apr 1960.
ii. Carrie Marie¹³ Baxter, b 30 Dec 1961.

iii. Penny Sue^{Baxter}, b 3 July 1951.

iv. Daniel Allen¹³ Baxter, b 26 May, 1954.

(Children of 373A.iii. John Thomas⁹ Durant -- Continued):

vi. Nannie Myrtle¹⁰ Durant, b 2 Mar 1887, Sonora; m 19 Jan 1942 at Bowling Green, Mo. with Dr. Claude R. Thomas, who was b 19 Oct 1881 at Good Hope, Ill. son of Charles and Mary (St. Clair) Thomas. (He had a twin brother, Clair Thomas.) In 1965 Dr. and Mrs. Thomas were living in Hamilton, Ill. Dr. Thomas taught school before his graduation from Dental College and he also played professional baseball. He was a dentist in Bushnell, Ill. for many years. Then he moved to Carthage and was State Representative from this district 8 years. Both are members of the Christian Church.

vii. Phoebe Annabel¹⁰ Durant, b 18 Jan 1889 at Sonora; m 1 Dec 1909 there with Guy Earl Hosford, who was b 26 June 1886 at Conway, Ia.; son of Harris Truman Hosford and Frances Viola Warner. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Hosford were living in Hamilton, Ill.; both members of First Christian Church. Mr. Hosford is a carpenter, working with his father and brothers for several years

and later with Keokuk Contractors as finisher. Their 2 chln:

i. Oral Jay¹¹ Hosford, b 29 Aug 1910 at Hamilton; m 27 June 1941 at Hamilton with Margaret Aline Daugherty, who was b 10 Aug 1913; dau of Hays and Thirza (Ashlock) Daugherty of Hamilton. Mr. Hosford worked for Union Electric of Keokuk, until he removed to Denver where he is now (1965) a City Employee in the Utilities Dept. He is a member of the Christian Church and a Mason and Shriner. Mrs. Hosford was a Beauty Operator and later a Secretary; member of the Methodist Church.

ii. Nyle Guy¹¹ Hosford, b 17 July 1914 at Hamilton; m 11 Oct 1940 at Unionville, Mo with Alice Loretta Hathaway, who was b 24 Jan 1914 at Cisco, Ill.; dau of Dr. Robert M and Antonia (Grethe) Hathaway. Mr. Hosford served in World War II 1942-1946, stationed the entire time at Ft. Benning, Ga. He is a member of the Christian Church and of the Masonic Lodge. He has played bass horn in the Keokuk Municipal Band since the age of nine. At present (1965) he is employed as an electrician at Hoerner Corp. in Keokuk.

Mrs. Hosford went 2 years to Iowa Wesleyan University and then transferred to Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Ia, where she received a degree in Music. She taught in the Quincy, Ill. schools several years; is a Church Organist; a member of the National Music Ass'n; P.E.O.; and of the Methodist Church. Their one child:

i. Robert Guy¹² Hosford, b 7 Dec 1942; graduate from Keokuk Junior College; presently (1965) a senior at Missouri State College at Kirksville.

viii. Martin John¹⁰ Durant, b 16 Dec 1894, Prairie Twp., Hancock Co., Ill; d. 16 Mar 1963 at Keokuk, Ia. Mr. Durant served in France in World War I, 31 Aug 1918 to 18 Feb 1919. He was Commander of American Legion Post 41, Keokuk, Ia; a member of the Christian Church; and a Painter and Decorator. He is buried in Oak Grove Cemetery, Hamilton, Ill. He m (1) 13 Mar 1918 with Florence Lovingfoss, dau of Burton and Alice (Coeur) Lovingfoss. They lived near Randall, Minn. but were divorced 28 Apr 1924. Their 2 chln:

i. Betty Alice¹¹ Durant, b 20 June 1920; m Joe Coyle. Mr. and Mrs. Coyle were living at Buckley, Wash. in 1965. Mr. Coyle is retired after 20 years of Army service and is now employed at a school for the retarded. Their 5 chln:

i. Donald Joseph¹² Coyle, b 30 May 1946.
 ii. Mary Elizabeth¹² Coyle, b 15 Jan 1948.
 iii. Jean Marie¹² Coyle, b 11 Mar 1953.
 iv. Rose Ann¹² Coyle, b 12 Feb 1958, twin.
 v. Dianne¹² Coyle, b 12 Feb 1958.

ii. Lyle Lovingfoss¹¹ Durant, b 13 Sept 1921; m 12 Mar 1945 at Bellingham, Wash. with Betty Lou Lockness, who was b 27 May 1926 at Ferndale, Wash.,

dau of Alfred Henry and Thelma P. (Wogensen) Lockness. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living in Spokane, Wash. Mr. Durant served in the U.S. Naval Air Corps Apr 1942-Oct. 1945 and is now a Railroad Engineer. Both are Protestants. Their 2 chln:

- i. Jane Louise¹² Durant, b 11 July 1947 at Spokane, Wash.
- ii. Steven Floyd¹² Durant, b 28 Aug 1949 at Spokane.

Mr. Martin John Durant m (2) at Carthage, Ill. 11 Apr 1925 with Helen Eddith Garrison, who was b 4 June 1902 at Keokuk, Ia.; dau of Clinton E. and Katherine (Gallagher) Garrison. Mr. and Mrs. Durant lived in Keokuk from 1928 on, and Mrs. Durant still lives there (1965). Their 3 chln:

- i. Mary Helen¹¹ Durant, b 11 Nov 1928; d 21 Nov 1928; buried at Oak Grove Cemetery.
- ii. John Richard¹¹ Durant, b 7 Nov 1932 at Keokuk.
- iii. Gerald Wayne¹¹ Durant, b 24 July 1936 at Keokuk; m 16 Aug 1959 at Wyaconda, Mo. with Deloris Jean Steele, who was b 5 June 1941; dau of Arthur O. and Letha Belle (Lawson) Steele. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living in Centerville, Ia. Both are members of the First Christian Church. Mr. Durant is a graduate of N.E. Missouri State Teachers College, May 1962, BS degree. He has won scholarships to attend summer school. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge and at present is a teacher at Centerville, Iowa High School. Their 3 chln:

- i. Douglas Kent¹² Durant, b 31 July 1960 at Kirksville, Mo.
- ii. Diana Kay¹² Durant, b 26 July 1962, at Kirksville, Mo.
- iii. Deborah Sue¹² Durant, b 19 Aug 1964 at Centerville, Ia.

ix. Emma Lynette¹⁰ Durant, b 5 Sept 1896, Prairie Twp., Hancock Co., Ill.; m 21 Apr 1928 at Keokuk, Ia. with Alvah Irl Lovingfoss, who was b 26 July 1898; son of Burton and Alice (Coeur) Lovingfoss of Hamilton, Ill. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Lovingfoss were living in Castle Rock, Wash. They had previously lived in Minnesota and Hamilton, Ill. Mrs. Lovingfoss is a member of the Christian Church. Mr. Lovingfoss served in the Navy in World War I. He is a carpenter. Their 3 chln:

- i. Hal Durant¹¹ Lovingfoss, b 20 May 1929; d in an accident 20 July 1930 in Minnesota.
- ii. Nan Carolyn¹¹ Lovingfoss, b 17 June 1931 in Minnesota; d 24 Aug 1945 of Meningitis, after an illness of one day.
- iii. Ned Durant¹¹ Lovingfoss, b 5 Jan 1936 at Hamilton, Ill.; m 24 Aug 1954 at Castle Rock, Wash. with Doreen Jane Williams, who was b 15 Sept 1936 at Longview, Wash.; dau of Ray Williams and Lois Warren (now Mrs. Chenoweth.) Mr. Lovingfoss attended Chico State College. He served in the Army, Paratroop Division, 4 years, being stationed at Pt. Barrow Alaska part of the time. He is a member of the Christian Church.

Mrs. Lovingfoss is a member of the Baptist Church. In 1965 they were living at Longview, Washington. Their 7 chln:

- i. Lyle Steven¹² Lovingfoss, b 7 Mar 1955 at Ft. Lee, Va.
- ii. Jeffrey Durant¹² Lovingfoss, b 12 Oct 1956 at Longview, Wash.
- iii. Craig Warren¹² Lovingfoss, b 22 Feb 1959 at Longview.
- iv. Brian Keith b 27 Feb 1960 at Chico, Cal.
- v. Hal Scott¹² Lovingfoss, b 20 Apr 1961 at Chico, Cal.
- vi. Eric Daniel¹² Lovingfoss, b 31 Aug 1962 at Longview.
- vii. Phillip Guy¹² Lovingfoss, b 22 Apr 1965 at Longview.

x. Walter Henry Snow ("Smokey") Durant, b 26 Mar 1899, Sonora Twp., Hancock Co., Ill.; m 24 Apr 1926 at Everett, Wash. with Rachel Elizabeth Emry, who was b 14 Mar 1901 at Hardman, Oregon; dau of Jesse H. and Minnie E. (Thomas) Emry; living in 1965 in Spokane, Wash. where he is a city employee. Mr. and Mrs. Durant formerly lived in Everett, Wash. Both are Protestants. Their one child:

1. Keith Emry¹¹ Durant, b 23 July 1931 at Everett, Wash.; m 21 July with Jeanette Aroline Hartman, who was b 25 June 1929 at Mukilteo, Wash.; dau of Roy T. and Ruth (Tuft) Hartman. Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living in Spokane, Wash. in 1965. Mr. Durant served in the Marine Corps. He went to work for the Union Pacific Railroad as Fireman 25 Aug 1952 and is now a Locomotive Engineer. He belongs to Elks Lodge and Eagles. Both Mr. and Mrs. Durant are Protestants. Their 2 chln:

- i. Karen Lynn¹² Durant, b 14 Mar 1952.
- ii. Kathy Rae¹² Durant, b 22 May 1954.

373B. Nancy Helen⁹ Durant, b 25 Oct 1854 in Adams Co. near Columbus, Ill.; she m 28 Dec 1877 with Marshall Ney Brownlee, who was b 9 Aug 1854 in Sonora Twp.; son of Samuel and Mary Douglas (Conner) Brownlee; d. 27 May 1915 near Sabetha, Kan. Mrs. Brownlee d 7 May, 1925, near Sabetha; both buried in Caploma Cemetery near Sabetha. They left Ill. soon after they were married, going to Iowa and then Marysville, Mo. before locating in Kansas. They bought a farm near Sabetha, which their daughter, Bess Brownlee still owns. Besides farming, Ney Brownlee bought stock, especially horses, which he and his brother, Gus, sold on the eastern markets, usually Philadelphia or Boston. Their 2 chln.

1. Tina¹⁰ Brownlee, d in infancy.
- ii. Bessie Cora¹⁰ ("Bess"), b 25 Oct 1880, probably in Iowa. She resides (1965) in Carthage, Ill., where she came to live with her elderly maiden Aunt, Miss Coloma Brownlee, and remained after her aunt's death; member of the Christian Church.

Descendants of 249.vi.Dr. Joseph Fuller⁸ and Ottilia (Maertz) Durant: All but ix. b at Blandinsville, McDonough Co., Ill.

374.i.Carrie Louise⁹ Durant, b 15 Aug 1857; d 13 Jan 1860.

375.ii.Charles Thomas⁹ Durant; b 6 Feb 1859; d 15 Dec 1859.

376.iii.Georgia Leonia⁹ Durant, b 31 Oct 1860; d 1 Nov 1877 at Quincy, Ill.

377.iv.Edward Snow⁹ Durant, b 7 Sept 1863; d 15 Feb 1941 at Quincy; m at Tekawah, Burt Co., Neb. 15 Oct 1925 to Mrs. Cora (Parrish) McKeen. As a young man he located in Blair, Neb. where he engaged in the ice business. Following his wife's death, he retired to Quincy, where he lived with his sisters in the old home. In his youth he had also been a carriage maker.

378.v.Nellie Ottilia⁹ Durant, b 20 Jan 1866; d 15 Feb 1941 in Quincy; not m. She had a good literary and commercial education and training in kindergarten work and taught for a number of years in St. Louis, Mo. She was a member of Central Baptist Church

379.vi.Augustus Maertz⁹ Durant, b 7 Oct 1868; d 20 June 1940 at a picnic at Eagles Alps, near Quincy; m 4 Apr 1892 to Minnie Joe Motter at La Grange, Mo. He was a dental supply salesman and a member of Lambert Lodge of Masons and U.C.T. Mr. and Mrs. Durant were residents of Quincy. According to their obituaries, "their ashes were scattered by friendly hands over the Mississippi." Mrs. Durant was b 5 July 1868. Their chln:

- i.Richard Fuller¹⁰ Durant, d 1957; m Anna Gertrude Hoyt; no chln.
- ii.Dorothy Ottilia¹⁰ Durant, d 1946; m Alan Adams; no chln.

380.vii.Bessie Cyrus⁹ Durant, b 3 Mar 1872; d Quincy 13 July 1943. She was educated in the Quincy public schools and was a graduate of the Art Institute in Chicago, where she won honors for her work. She had a studio in her home and for many years was a successful teacher of art; not m.

381. viii.Emma Hardin⁹ Durant, b 12 Dec 1875; d Quincy 7 Mar 1878.

382.ix.Karl Maertz⁹ Durant, b at Quincy 29 Apr 1878; d 9 Mar 1931 in Quincy while shoveling snow; m 1914 with Alice Akers of Quincy who was living there in 1965. Mr. Durant worked for the railroad and was for several years State Oil Inspector. He was a 32d degree Mason, a member of Lambert Lodge and also a member of Knights Templar and the Elks.

Children of 250.vii.Dr Samuel Warren⁸ Durant and Amelia Ann Richards:

383.i.A child, b at Payson, Ill 31 Aug 1881; d the same day.

384.ii.May Edith⁹ Durant, b at Payson, 8 Jan 1883; d 1959.

385.iii.Franklin Herbert⁹ Durant, b at Payson, 4 Dec 1887; d "quite a few years before 1960; m; no chln."

Children of 257,ii.John⁸ and Sarah Amanda (Meyers) Durant:

386.i.Albert Newton⁹ Durant, b at Livingston, Overton Co., Tenn. 14 May 1853; living 1888 at Bluffs, Ill.; m at Winchester, Ill. 7 June 1877, with Harriet Anna Hart, b at Bluffs 5 Mar 1861; dau of Bolivar and Eliz. (Cox) Hart. Until 1874 he was a farmer; then he went into railroading and in 1888 was a trainman. The Durants are said to have removed to Portland or Silverton, Oregon and to have died there. Their chln.:

1. Claroner Clinton¹⁰ Durant, b 22 Feb 1881; d 12 Jan 1885. 192
- ii. Albert Mark¹⁰ Durant, b 16 Jan 1886.
- iii. Belle¹⁰ Durant, b 28 Sept 1888.
- iv. Albert Newton¹⁰ Durant, Jr.; said to have married and had two sons, names not recorded.
- v. Cora Ann¹⁰ Durant; said to have m.
387. ii. Sarah Ann⁹ Durant, b at Livingston 28 June 1854; d 3 Sept 1854.
388. ^{iii.} Bella Lee Ann⁹ Durant, b at Livingston 4 Nov 1855; living 1888 at Quincy, Ill. She m at Exeter, Ill 4 May 1876 with George Myron Bush, who was b at Lyons, Mich 28 July 1845; living 1888; son of Henry and Melissa (Young) Bush. In 1888 George Bush was engaged in a general commission business at Quincy and was also partner in a wholesale grocery firm. They were said to have removed to Phoenix, Arizona, where they d. Their chln:
- i. Lena Belle¹⁰ Bush, b at Quincy, Ill 12 June 1877; m Charles Pinyard; They are said to have lived and d in Hutchinson, Kan. Child:
- i. Charlene¹¹ Pinyard, said to be living in 1965 in Springfield, Mo
- ii. Olive Miriam¹⁰ Bush, b Quincy 18 Aug 1878; d there 25 June 1879.
- iii. Georgia Viola¹⁰ Bush, b 12 Nov 1879 at Quincy; m Wallie White; said to be living in 1965 in Phoenix, Arizona, and to have two daughters.
- iv. Laura Amanda¹⁰ Bush, b 12 Jan 1881 at Quincy; deceased sometime prior to 1965; not m.
- v. Grace Elizabeth¹⁰ Bush, b 1 May 1886 at Quincy; deceased prior to 1965; not m.
389. iv. Laura Louisa⁹ Durant, b at Livingston, 17 Apr 1858; living 1888 at Exeter, Ill. She m there 27 July 1887 with Robert Tillard Brackett, a mechanic, who was b at St. Charles, Ill. 3 Mar 1857; living 1888; son of John Hobson and Caroline (Thompson) Brackett. She had a light complexion with dark brown hair and blue eyes; he had a dark complexion, with black hair and brown eyes. They are said to have lived and d at Exeter, Ill. Chln:
- i. Flossie¹⁰ Brackett, d young of diphtheria.
- ii. Bella¹⁰ Brackett, deceased 1965; m Carl Bean, who was living at Winchester, Ill 1965. Their child:

- i. Dixie Lee¹¹ Bean, as of 1965, said to be living and to have four sons; husband deceased.
- iii. Earl¹⁰ Brackett, as of 1965, said to be deceased; wife and four boys and three girls living; one dau. deceased. Wife, Helen Quintal.
- iv. Claud¹⁰ Brackett, as of 1965, deceased; wife living; said to have had 3 daughters and two sons; son Robert killed in World War II. Wife, Della Seeman.
- v. Shelby Cullom¹⁰ Brackett, b 1895; living in 1965 in Dixon, Ill. m 1910 Frances Viscount. Mr. Brackett served in World War I in France, England, and Germany. He was a fine wire weaver. He was a Methodist and Mrs. Brackett a Catholic; no chln.
- vi. Chester¹⁰ Brackett, m Mary Hale; both living in 1965 in Springfield, Ill. They have three children, a son who is a minister and two daughters.
- 390.v. Oscar Bates⁹ Durant, b at Anna, Ill., 11 May, 1861; living in 1887 at Hannibal, Mo. He m at latter place, 7 Sept 1886 with Louisa Belle Hawkins, who was b at Bridgeport, Ill. 17 Sept 1867; living 1887; dau of Harvey Oscar and Louisa Ellen (Roe) Hawkins. Oscar B. Durant was a wholesale dealer in eggs, butter, poultry, fruits, etc. He was 5 feet 10 inches tall, with dark complexion, brown hair and eyes. His wife was 5 feet tall, with dark hair and blue eyes. They are said, later, to have removed to Springfield, Mo. and d. there. They are believed to have had chln, but names not recorded.
- 391.vi. Samuel Benton⁹ Durant, b at Exeter, Ill. 11 Oct 1868; d there 15 Feb 1871.
- 392.vii. William⁹ Durant, b at Exeter, 1 Mar 1872; d there in infancy. Many of this family are said to be buried in the same plot in Scott Co., Ill. (Children of 258.iii. Samuel⁸ Durant and his 1st wife, Lucy (Morgan) Sickler);
- 393.i. Samuel Edward⁹ Durant, b at Naples, Ill. 22 Nov 1872; d about 1881 at Butler, Mo. (Children of 258.iii. Samuel⁸ Durant and his 2d wife, Lulu Sickler):
- 394.ii. Frank Lincoln⁹ Durant, b at Ozark, Mo.; d there 28 Oct 1888. (Children of 262.vii. Alexander Franklin⁸ and Theresa (-----) Durant): All living at Riley Center, Kansas in 1888.

395.i.Laura Bella⁹ Durant, b 17 Feb 1875.

396.ii.Benjamin Franklin⁹ Durant, b 11 Feb 1876.

397.iii.Edwin Irwin⁹ Durant, b 11 Feb 1879.

398.~~ii~~^{iv}.Mary Sarah⁹ Durant b 18 Apr 1885.

Child of 264.ii.Adolphus Melville⁸ and Rosalind (Burnham) Durant

399.i.Henrietta⁹ Durant, b at Lowell, Mass. 10 Feb 1862; living 1897 at Albion, St. Lawrence, Mass.; not m.

Child of 267.i.George Thomas⁸ and Elizabeth (Smith) Durant:

400.i.George Thomas⁹ Durant, b at New Haven, Ct. 13 Dec 1857; living 1887 at Agawam, Mass.; not m. He was 5 feet 6 inches tall, stout, with light complexion. He was educated at Westfield, Mass. and was a clerk in a whip and cigar firm, and was also in the hotel business.

Children of 269,iii.William Lorenzo⁸ and Rebecca (Bradley) Durant:

401.i.Edgar Eugene⁹ Durant, b - - - - -; living 1890 in New Haven, Ct.; m Ellen Maria Sackett. Mr. Durant was secretary and treasurer of the C. F. Warner Manufacturing Co., New Haven, manufacturers of malleable and gray iron castings.

402.ii.Frederick Bradley⁹ Durant, living 1888.

403.iii.Frank Clement⁹ Durant, d before 1888.

Child of 270.iv.Frederick Augustus⁸ and his 1st wife, Sarah (Bradley) Durant:

404.i.Charles Henry⁹ Durant, b at Westville, Ct. 22 May 1852; d 6 Feb 1942 at New Haven, Ct.; burial Westville Cemetery, New Haven; m 7 June 1880 w Martha Maria Provost, who was b at Litchfield, Ct., -----; d at New Haven, Ct / 1918; dau of Rufus and Cordelia (Stevens) Provost. Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Durant were Universalists. He was a sawyer; a member of the New Haven Fire Dept. and served five years in the state militia. His child:

i.Arthur Henry¹⁰ Durant, b at New Haven, Ct. 2 Feb 1885; d there 28 Aug 1951; m there 5 Jan 1917 w Lucy Eckle, who was b at Southington, Ct. 21 Sept 1889; d at New Haven, 22 Nov 1959; dau of John and Lucy M. (Standfuss) Eckle.

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Mr. and Mrs. Durant were Episcopalians. Mr. Durant was a Book Reeper and a member of the New Haven Redmen.

Their chln:

i. Lucille¹¹ Durant (a step-daughter), b in New Jersey, 31 Jan 1915; m at New Haven, Ct. c. 1939 with Charles S. Farren, who was b at New Haven 27 Jan 1910; son of Charles Samuel and Harriet (Mitchell) Farren. In 1961 Mr. and Mrs. Farren were living in the New Haven area.

Mrs. Farren attended Clinton Grammar School and Fairhaven High School, and she is an Episcopalian. Mr. Farren is a Roman Catholic. He is a Machine Operator.

Their chln:

i. Charles Samuel¹² Farren, b at New Haven 9 Jan 1940.
ii. Judith Ann¹² Farren, b at New Haven 1 June, 1942; m a Mr. Brown.

ii. Elsie¹¹ Durant, b at New Haven, 19 Dec 1919; m there 25 May 1946 w Lyman Howe Roberts, who was b at East Haven, Ct. 19 Mar 1919; son of Edward M. and Laura (Howe) Roberts. In 1966 Mr. and Mrs. Roberts were living in the New Haven area.

Mrs. Elsie Roberts attended Benjamin Jepson; Fair Haven Junior High; Commercial High; and Stone College.

Mr. Roberts attended Laurel Grammar School and Fair Haven Junior High. He is a truck driver.

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts are Episcopalians.

Their chln, all b in New Haven:

i. Karen Sue¹² Roberts, b 22 Dec 1947.
ii. Jill Ellen¹² Roberts, b 12 Feb 1952.
iii. Lyman Howe¹² Roberts, b 31 Aug 1953.
iv. Larry Roy¹² Roberts, b 12 Nov 1954.
v. Lois Ann¹² Roberts, b 10 Sept 1958.
vi. Melody Jean¹² Roberts, b 4 Apr 1963.

iii. Charles Arthur¹¹ Durant, b at New Haven 12 June 1921; m at West Haven, Conn. 9 Apr 1960 w Elizabeth Huston Durant, who was b at West Haven, Ct. 13 June 1927; dau of Alexander J. and Mary (Dwyer) Huston. In 1966 Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living in West Haven.

Mr. Charles Durant attended Benjamin Jepson, Fair Haven Junior High and Hillhouse High School, all in New Haven. He served in World War II 1942-45. He owned Holiday Hills Tourist Cottages in Lenox, Mass. 1948-1958. At present he is a Repairman with Western Electric Co. He is an Episcopalian. Many thanks are due to Mr. Charles Durant for his aid in collecting material on his branch of the family.

Mrs. Elizabeth Durant attended Thompson School and West Haven High School. She is a Roman Catholic.

Their chln:

i. Nancy Ellen¹² Durant, b at New Haven 19 June 1961.
ii. Charles Arthur¹² Durant, Jr. b at New Haven, 18 Apr 1963.

iv. Harry Robert¹¹ Durant, b at New Haven 3 Feb 1923; m there 26 Sept 1943, with Charlotte Irwin, who was b at West Haven, Conn. 7 Mar 1924; dau of Stanley E. and Hazel (Hamburg) Irwin. In 1966 Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living at North Haven, Conn.

Mr Harry Durant attended Benjamin Jepson; Fair Haven J.H., and Hillhouse H.S., all in New Haven. He served in World War II,

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1943-45, and is now employed as an Industrial Fireman.

Mrs. Charlotte Durant attended the Clinton Ave. School; Fair Haven J.H. and Hillhouse H.S. She is a member of the PTA. Mr. and Mrs. Durant are Episcopalians.

Their chln, all b in New Haven:

- i. Dianne¹² Durant, b 30 Oct 1946.
- ii. Harry Roberts¹² Durant, b 8 Oct 1947.
- iii. Arthur Richard¹² Durant, b 20 June 1951.
- iv. David Allan¹² Durant, b 22 Aug 1954.

v. Arthur Henry¹¹ Durant, Jr., b at New Haven 14 July 1925; d at West Haven, Ct. 8 Feb 1951; m at West Haven 17 Jan 1948 with Elizabeth Huston, who was b at West Haven 13 June 1927; dau of Alexander J. and Mary (Dwyer) Huston.

Mr. Arthur Durant attended Benjamin Jepson; Fair Haven J.H., and Commercial High. He was a Roman Catholic.

Their chln, both b in New Haven:

- i. Darlene Anne¹² Durant, b 6 Dec 1948.
- ii. Lynn Elizabeth¹² Durant, b 7 Aug 1950.

vi. Edgar Eugene¹¹ Durant, b at New Haven, 16 Jan 1926; m there 15 May 1948 w Carol Garthwaite, who was b at New Haven 4 Dec 1929; dau of Wesley and Grace (Farren) Garthwaite. In 1966 Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living in New Haven, Conn.

Mr. Edgar Durant attended Benjamin Jepson, Fair Haven J.H. and Hillhouse H.S. He served in the Navy in World War II, 1943-46 and works now as a Truck Driver.

Mrs. Carol Durant attended Strong School, Fair Haven J.H., and Commercial High School. Mr. and Mrs. Durant are Episcopalians.

Their Chln, all b in New Haven:

- i. Kathleen Joy¹² Durant b 2 Nov 1951.
- ii. Barbara Carol¹² Durant, b 22 Feb 1955.
- iii. Susan Grace¹² Durant, b 15 Apr 1956.

vii. Raymond Allen¹¹ Durant, b at New Haven, 7 Sept 1927; m there 3 July 1954 with Mary Fisher, who was b at Worcester, Mass 9 Oct 1935, dau of Gerald A. Fisher Sr. and Virginia Rose (Scanlon) Fisher. In 1966 Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living in East Haven, Conn.

Mr. Raymond Durant attended Benjamin Jepson, Webster and Hillhouse H.S. He served in the U.S. Army 1950-52. He works at present as a Material Handler. He is an Episcopalian.

Mrs. Mary Durant attended St. Francis School; Fair Haven J.H. and Wilbur Cross H.S.; and the Grace-New Haven School of Nursing. Mrs. Durant is a Roman Catholic.

Their chln, all b in New Haven:

- i. Deborah Jean¹² Durant, b 28 Nov 1954.
- ii. Richard Thomas¹² Durant, b 1 June 1956.
- iii. Brian Sean¹² Durant, b 5 Nov 1960.
- iv. Janet Ellen¹² Durant, b 21 May 1964.
- v. Penny Susan¹² Durant, b 6 Feb 1966.

Children of 270.iv. Frederick A.⁸ and his 2d wife, Charlotte (Scott) Durant, all b. in New Haven, Ct.

405.ii. William Albert⁹ Durant, b 14 Mar 1862; d at New Haven, 12 Oct 1936; m in New Haven 7 Oct 1887 with Sarah Alice Boone, who was b at Greenwood, Pa.

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7 Mar 1861; d at Guilford, Ct. 19 Feb 1957. Mr. and Mrs. Durant are buried in Evergreen Cemetery, New Haven. Mrs. Durant was the dau of Jacob Swisher and Mary Ann (Cox) Boone. Mr. Durant was a member of the Prohibition Club; a bookkeeper in the G. F. Warren Manufacturing Co. On the occasion of his marriage he received a set of silver from his shop-mates. His wife, a resident in New Haven since her second year, was a member of the Baptist Church. Their two children:

i. Hazel¹⁰ Durant m. Walter Dodge; living in 1966 in Sun City, Arizona

ii. Nelson Raymond¹⁰ Durant, b at New Haven, Ct. 7 Sept 1894; m at Stratford, Conn. 25 Mar 1933 with Elpha Markham (Silliman) Strauss, who was b at Bridgeport, Ct. 22 Nov 1896; dau of Robert Curtis and Pearl Markham (Paronteau) Silliman. In 1966 Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Mr. Durant was educated at Worcester Academy, Booth's Preparatory School; and Georgetown University Law School (LLB, 1920). He is a Republican and a Baptist, and has practiced law since 1920.

Mr. Durant is a Lt. Col. (ret.) of Cavalry in the Conn. National Guard; Past Dept. Adjutant, Conn. American Legion; a graduate of the Cavalry School, Fort Riley, Kan. He served as Battalion Sgt. Maj. in the American Expeditionary Forces, 1918-19.

Mr. Durant was Assistant, and City Attorney, City of New Haven, 1927-1935; Prosecuting Attorney, Town of Milford, Conn. 1951-55. He was publisher of the Conn. Echo, 1936-1940. From 1944-1947, he served as Senior Instructor, Escola Tecnica de Aviacao, Sao Paulo, Brasil.

Thanks are due to Mr. Durant for data on his branch of the family.

Mrs. Elpha Durant was educated at Sea Pines, Mount Ida and at the Sorbonne, Paris, and the University of Michigan. In politics, she is an Independent; in religion, a Congregationalist. Mrs. Durant has been active in the Red Cross for 36 years. Their child:

i. Cynthia Nelson¹¹ Durant, b at New Haven, Ct. 15 May 1934; m at Stratford, Conn. 9 June 1956 with Allan Clyde Youngblood

In 1966 Mr. and Mrs. Youngblood were living in Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Cynthia Youngblood was educated at the University of Conn. She is a Republican, a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority and of the Congregational Church. She is a social worker.

Their child:

i. Jessica Durant¹² Youngblood, b at New York City, 2 Oct 1958.

Mrs. Nelson Durant has a son by a previous marriage, Henry John Strauss, who has changed his name legally to Henry John Durant. He was b in Bridgeport, Ct. 15 May 1925 and m Jacky Gallenbeck. In 1966 they were living in Miami, Fla. with their two chln., i. Tonya Renie Durant, b at Shreveport, La. 5 Feb 1951 and ii. Mark Nelson Durant, b at Ft. Worth, Texas 20 Dec 1954.

406.iii. Arthur James⁹ Durant, b 16 June 1866; d 5 Jan 1870.

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407.iv. Harry Riggs⁹ Durant, b at New Haven, Ct. 13 Jan 1871; d at
Guilford, Conn. 21 Apr 1957; m at on

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Mr. Harry Durant combined careers as lawyer, politician, and judge with additional ones in writing, editing, sports promotion, and managing and advising actors.

He was a graduate of the Yale Law School in the class of 1894.

Mr. Durant served four terms in the State Senate and a single term in the State House of Rep. He was named first judge of Guilford Town Court by Gov. Wilbur Cross.

Beginning his writing career in 1900, by 1910 he had sold more than a 100 stories to magazines and had written a volume of boxing stories. From 1910 to 1920, he worked as an editor for newspaper and magazine publisher Frank A. Munsey (in what in 1957 was the Paramount Co.). He is said once to have dictated in a single 21-hour sitting an entire novel for Mr. Munsey. During his writing career he wrote 56 feature motion picture scripts and turned out two plays a year. He produced many of his own plays after he moved to Guilford in 1920 (where he bought and restored the Lyman Beecher house, which he furnished with period pieces.).

Mr. Durant was very interested in sports and promoted boxing (the Coco Kid, among others) in New Haven, Waterbury, New London, and West Palm Beach. He had a winter home in the latter town, and commuted from there by plane in the winter of 1928 to the sessions of the Conn. State Legislature.

Adviser and agent for many screen stars, he numbered among his clients Mabel Normand, Gloria Swanson, Geraldine Ferrar, Elsie Ferguson, and Mary Astor (whose name he had changed from Lucille Langhanke.).

Mr. Durant's father, Fred A. Durant, was proprietor of the old Park House (once on the site of the Edward Malley store) and later of the Durant Hotel, on the east side of State Street between Whiting and Water streets in New Haven. (See obituaries in the New Haven Register and the Hartford Times for April 22-23, 1957). Mr. and Mrs. Harry R. Durant had two sons:

i. John¹⁰ Durant; in 1966 said to be living in Florida, and covering the Florida West Coast for the magazine section of the Sunday New York Times.

ii. Thomas W.¹⁰ ("Tim") Durant, b at Waterbury, Conn. -----, 1900; living in Beverly Hills, Calif., 1966; m Mary -----, a dau. of Mrs. Merriweather Post. They were later divorced, and in 1956, she was Mrs. Augustus Riggs 4th, of Baltimore.

Mr. Tim Durant is a graduate of Yale, class of '23, where he made his mark in baseball. In the later 1920's he had a thriving brokerage business and was joint master of the Smithtown (L.I.) Hunt Club. He was also one of the original members of the old Watertown, Conn. Hunt Club. Later, in California, he played bit parts in the movies and was at one time Charlie Chaplin's business manager.

On March 26, 1966, he satisfied a life-long ambition of riding in The Grand National at Aintree, England. (See Life Magazine article, "The Galloping Grandfather and The Grand National", April 8, 1966, pp. 80A-82.) Mr. Durant and Mrs. Riggs have one daughter:

i. Marjorie¹¹ Durant b. at on ;
living 1966 in Beverly Hills, Calif. m (1) at Washington, D.C., St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, 19 Apr 1956 with Donald Bowles Wallery
m (2) Mr. Dye. (See Life Magazine article, cited above.)

Children of 282.ii.Edward Warburton⁸ and Henrietta (Pease) Durant:

408.i.Henry Marsh⁹ Durant, b 13 Oct 1854; d 17 Aug 1855.

409.ii.Henrietta Louise⁹ Durant, b at Stillwater, Minn 5 Oct 1856; living in St. Paul, Minn. c. 1913; m at Stillwater 18 Oct 1883 with Harold P. Barclay; of Stillwater, who was b at Freehold, N.J., 29 Oct 1856; d St. Paul, Minn. 7 Jan 1906; son of Dr. De Witt Barclay and Augusta (Baldwin) Barclay. Harold Barclay was educated at the Univ. of Bremen and at Glasgow, Scotland. Their chln:

i.Durant¹⁰ Barclay, b at Stillwater, Minn., 1884; living 1913; educated at St. Paul H.S. and at the Univ. of Minn.

ii.Child, b 1886; d 3 Dec 1886.

iii.Margret Augusta¹⁰ Barclay, b 1888; m George John Sullwold; both living in St. Paul, Minn. 1913. Mrs. Sullwold was educated at St. Paul H.S. and the U. of Minn. Their child:

i.George John¹¹ Sullwold Jr., b at St. Paul, Minn. 12 Oct 1912.

iv.Twin Girls, b 1891; d in infancy.

v.De Witt¹⁰ Barclay, b 1899; living in St. Paul, 1913.

vi.Marion Barclay, b 1901; living St. Paul, 1913.

410.iii.Edward Warburton⁹ Durant, b at Stillwater, Minn 3 Aug 1864; m at Burnside, La. 27 Feb 1904 w Nancy (Miles) Chisholm (widow of Wm. Gregg Chisholm (by whom she had 3 sons and a dau.)); both living in Charleston, S.C. in 1913. Mr. Durant spent his early life in Minnesota. He was a graduate of Yale Scientific School, 1887. He went to Charleston, S.C. as Collector of the Port of S.C. In 1913 he was in the lumber business and was Vice President of the Binker Lumber Co. Children:

i.Nancy Miles¹⁰ Durant, b at Charleston, S.C., 7 Oct 1904.

ii.Henrietta Warburton¹⁰ Durant, b at Charleston, 24 May 1906.

iii.Edward Warburton¹⁰ Durant, II, b at Flat Rock, N.C. (their summer home), 4 Sept 1909.

iv.Thomas Ordway¹⁰ Durant, b at Charleston, 12 Mar 1912.

410.A.iv.Pauline⁹ Durant, b at Stillwater, Minn. 21 Mar 1877; d there 21 Mar 1880.

Children of 284.iii.William Warren⁸ and Sarah Ann (Chacey) Durant: All b and all but i. and iv. living in 1887 at Albany, Ill.

411.i.Winthrop⁹ Leroy Durant, b 6 Apr 1872; d 21 Aug 1872.

412.ii.George Arthur⁹ Durant, b 28 Sept 1873.

413.iii.Charles Marsh⁹ Durant, b 25 June 1876.

414.iv.Beatrice⁹ Durant, b 5 Oct 1878; d 29 July 1879.

415.v.Ethel Louisa⁹ Durant, b 1 Jan 1880.

416.vi.Frank Holmes⁹ Durant, b 7 Feb 1884.

Children of 289.i.William⁸ Fowle and Lizzie (Sergeant) Smith:

i.Bessie Sergeant⁹ Smith, living 1888 and attending Miss Eastman's School, Wellesley, Mass.

(Children of 290.ii.Henry Fowle⁸ Durant--formerly Henry W. Smith--and
i.Pauline Adeline⁸ Fowle)

417.i.Henry Fowle⁹ Durant, b 2 Mar 1855; d in his 9th year, 3 July 1863.

418.ii.Pauline Cazenove⁹ Durant, d in infancy: b 10 Oct 1857; 24 Nov 1857.

(Children of 293.i.William⁸ Durant and his 1st wife, Elizabeth Stantial)

419.i.Elisabeth⁹ ("Lisa") Durant, b at 315 Clinton Ave., Albany, N.Y. 16 Apr 1880; d of membranous croup at Morristown, N.J. 25 Dec 1885. She was baptized by the Rev. James G. K. McClure, in the Sixth Presbyterian Church, Albany, 3 Oct 1880.

420.ii.William Clark⁹ Durant, b at Morristown, 13 Feb 1883 and baptized 5 Oct 1883 by the Rev. Thomas B. McLeod, in the Chapel of the First Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn; d. at Middletown, Conn. 28 Dec 1927. He m at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York City 17 May 1912 with his third cousin 432.ii.Heloise Timbrell⁹ Durant, who was b at New York City 25 June 1887; living Bethesda, Md. 1965; dau of 308 William West⁸ and Janet L. (Stott) Durant. William Clark Durant was educated in the public schools of Saratoga Springs, N.Y. He attended Cornell for a year but transferred to Union College, Schenectady from which he graduated with a degree in Electrical Engineering around 1905. He worked first with the General Electric Company at Schenectady; then with a Canadian Hydro-Electric Company in British Columbia; and later with New England Power and Light.

William Clark Durant (always known as Clark) shared his father's studious tastes and interest in research of a biographical and genealogical nature, and but for his poor health and untimely death, might well have completed the histories of the White and Durant Families undertaken by his father. As it was he has to his credit the completion of the Rev. William Durant's History of the Tinker Family (published in a limited edition of 21 copies) and the preparation of a critical edition, with introduction, of the Journals of Mrs. Mary Wollstonecraft Godwin (1759-1797), of whom he was a great admirer.

For the biographical sketch of Mrs. Heloise (Durant) Durant, see 432 below.
Their child:

- i. Richard¹⁰ Durant, b at Quincy, Mass., 5 Mar 1918; m at Detroit, Mich. 26 July 1945 with Rosemary Heenan, who was b at Detroit 8 Mar 1915; daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl I. Heenan. Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living in Grosse Pointe, Mich. in 1965.

Mr. Durant attended Ojai Valley School; the Harvey School, Hawthorne New York; the Berkshire School, Sheffield, Mass.; Columbia University (working his way through that institution at night); and the American Institute of Banking, New York.

At 15, Mr. Durant worked as office boy for National City Bank of New York (now First National City Bank of New York) in 1933 and became successively bookkeeper, teller, and did some new business soliciting. In Sept 1940 he left to enlist as a private in Squadron A, 101st Cavalry, NY Nat'l Guard. He was called to Federal Service 1 Jan 1941, went to OCS and was commissioned 2nd Lt. Sept 1942, rose to and was discharged as Capt. April 1946; served in continental US, Mexico, Philippines, and Japan.

Mr. Durant came to Detroit in 1946 and established a stock market letter entitled, "Dow Theory Investing". (He is the author of "What is the Dow Theory?", published in 1948.) He has been associated with the firms of Campbell, McCarty and Co., members of the Detroit Stock Exchange; and Fordon, Aldinger and Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange. Currently (1965) he has his own business as Durant & Co., Investment Counselors. He is also managing partner of the group that own control of two banks, Howard City State Bank, Howard City, Mich. and the Kalkaska State Bank, Kalkaska, Mich.

Mr. Durant entered politics when he was 21 when he volunteered as a precinct runner at the Republican Club in New York City. In 1940 he went stump speaking for Wendell Wilkie on New York's Lower East side. He has served on the 14th Congressional District Republican Committee from 1946 to 1950; was Republican nominee for Congress from the 14th District in 1950 and 1952; founder and secretary-treasurer of the 14th District Republican Club from 1951 to date; Vice Chairman of the 14th Congressional District Republican Committee from 1956 to Nov 1, 1962, when he was elected Chairman. He has also been a delegate to two national Republican conventions.

Mr. Durant is a member of the Country Club of Detroit; the Economic Club; Savoyard Club; Witenagemote Club; Zion Lodge, No 1, F. & A. M.; board member, Detroit TB Sanatorium. He and Mrs. Durant attend the First Presbyterian Church of Detroit.

Mrs. Durant attended Miss Newman's School, the Madeira School, and Vassar College. She is Secretary of the Grosse Pointe Farm and Garden Club, the Women's City Club, the Sophie Wright Settlement Assn., the Junior League of Detroit, the Grosse Pointe Women's Republican Club, and she is very active in Republican affairs in the district and the state. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Durant:

- i. Richard¹¹ Durant Jr. b 16 Sept 1946 at Detroit, Mich. He is a senior at Grosse Pointe High School. (1965)
- ii. Peter Heenan¹¹ Durant, b 16 Apr 1948 at Detroit. He is a senior at Grosse Pointe University School.
- iii. William Clark¹¹ Durant, b 14 May 1949 at Detroit. He is a junior at Grosse Pointe University School.

iv. Bernice Eugenie¹¹ Durant, b 15 Apr 1955 at Detroit; attending Grosse Pointe University School.

421.iii. Elisabeth Stantial¹⁰ Durant, b at Morristown, N.J. 18 Mar 1885; baptized by the Rev. Thomas B. McLeod, beside her mother's coffin, 20 Mar 1885; d at Morristown 22 July 1885.

(Child of 293.i. William⁸ Durant and his 2d wife, Lucy (Stantial) Durant):

422.iv. Lois Pierson¹⁰ Durant, b at St. Paul Street, Baltimore, Md. 7 Jan 1890; d at Hartford, Conn. 15 July 1930; she m at Wellesley, Mass. 29 June 1914 with Dr. Albert Ely Cary, who was b in Old Lyme, Conn. 26 Mar 1876 and d at Hartford 4 Aug 1937; son of William Brackett and Harriet Elizabeth (Pate)

Cary. The Cary Pedigree:

William B. Cary, b at Cherry Valley, N.Y. 8 Aug 1841; d c. 1923; a direct descendant of the John Cary who came from England to Duxbury, Mass. in 1630. William B. Cary volunteered for service in the 5th N.Y. Cavalry at the beginning of the Civil War and was discharged at the close of the War as Captain of Company I. He was graduated from New York University and later from Union Theological Seminary and went to Kansas in 1872 as Home Missionary. Later he was pastor of the Congregational Church in Old Lyme, Conn. and then in North Stonington, Conn. He was chaplain of Conn. State Prison from the age of 73 until his death. He was a member of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, GAR; the Conn. Library Association; the Army and Navy Club of Conn.; the Hartford Ministers' Association; the Masons; and the First Church in Windsor (Congregational).

William B. Cary's wife, Harriet E. Pate, was born at Brooklyn, N.Y. 14 Feb 1847; d at Windsor, Conn 28 Oct 1914; dau of William and Harriet (Wastel) Pate, who were both born in England. William Pate was an importer of paintings and a publisher of etchings and engravings in Brooklyn. Harriet (Pate) Cary was graduated from Brooklyn Heights Seminary about 1866 and was a member of the First Church in Windsor (Congregational) and a descendant of the Walter de Lacy who came to England with William the Conqueror.

Mrs. Lois Durant Cary received her early education in the public schools of Saratoga Springs, N.Y. She was awarded a Certificate in Music from Wellesley College in 1913 and was an accomplished pianist. Mrs. Cary's love of music and interest in it were commemorated by her Mother, Mrs. Lucy Stantial Durant in the "Cary Fund" of the Center Congregational Church of Hartford (of which Mrs. Cary was a member), to be used for the music of the Church. Mrs. Cary was a member of the Hartford Wellesley Club and of the College

Club of Hartford.

Dr. Albert Cary was graduated from the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery (now the University of Maryland) in 1898 or 1899. From the time of his marriage, he made his home in Hartford and practiced his profession of dentistry there. Dr. Cary belonged to the following organizations: Sons of Veterans, Military Order of the Loyal Legion, Hartford Dental Association (of which he was several times president), Northeastern Dental Association, and Kiwanis Club (in which latter two he served as president). Chln of Dr. and Mrs. Cary: (See Page 200A for additional data)

i. Richard Durant Cary, b 10 July 1916 at Hartford, Conn.; living 1965 in Sunland, Calif.; m at Middletown, Conn. in 1938 with Rose Marie Ribera, who was b at Middletown, 28 May 1918; dau of Sebastiano and Vincenzia (Sbona) Ribera. Mr. and Mrs. Cary were divorced in 1948, and in 1965 Mrs. Cary and her daughters were living in Middletown, Conn.

Mr Cary is a graduate of Tabor Academy in Marion, Mass., 1934, and of Wesleyan College in Middletown, Conn., 1938. Mrs. Cary was educated in the public schools of Middletown. Mr. Cary has followed the profession of musician and "arranger", playing piano and trumpet with night club orchestras and writing arrangements for them. Mr. and Mrs. Cary have two daughters:

i. Judith Arlene¹¹ Cary, b at Hartford, 20 Feb 1939.
ii. Janet Adrienne¹¹ Cary, b at Hartford, 23 Dec 1947.

ii. William Brackett¹⁰ Cary, b at Hartford 7 July 1919; living in Newington Conn. in 1965. Mr. Cary m (1) 1 July 1944 with Lucy Skwolak who was b at New Britain, Conn., 5 Apr 1923; dau of Mickel and Josephine Skwolak, both natives of Warsaw, Poland. They had 1 daughter:

i. Loraine¹¹ Cary, b at Hartford, Conn. 2 Jan 1946.

Mr. Cary m (2) 21 May 1955 with Rene Ford, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert A. Ford of Milford, Conn.; a descendant of John Wesley. Mr. Cary enlisted in the Air Corps in Sept 1941 and served until the end of World War II, being discharged with the rank of 1st Lieutenant. He remained in this country as an instructor, teaching classes studying the electrical parts of airplanes. Mr. Cary is a salesman for Mid-Eastern Envelope Co., Danbury, Conn. He and Mrs. Cary live in Meriden

iii. Lois Elizabeth¹⁰ Cary, b at Hartford, 24 May 1921; m 14 Apr 1957 with Virgil Kenneth Williamson, who was b 6 Nov 1916 in Dexter, Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Williamson were living in 1965 in Los Angeles, Calif. Mrs. Williamson is a graduate of Dean Academy in Franklin, Mass., 1940 and was a member of First Church, Windsor, Conn. Prior to her marriage she was a receptionist for an Engineering Firm in Beverly Hills. At present Mr. and Mrs. Williamson own and manage a garden-type apartment house in Los Angeles.

iv. Albert Ely¹⁰ Cary Jr., b at Hartford, 21 Jan 1925; d there 28 June 1927; buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Hartford.

v. Phyllis Ann¹⁰ Cary, b at Hartford, 9 Oct 1926; d 26 July 1955 at Kings Co. Hospital, Brooklyn, N.Y. After her father's death in 1937, Miss Cary made her home in Windsor with her father's sister, Miss Helen Cary (to whom thanks are due for information on this branch of the family). Miss Phyllis Cary was a graduate of Chaffee School, Windsor, 1945 and Skidmore College, Saratoga, N.Y., 1949. In May 1951 she completed a seventeen months course in occupation therapy at Columbia University. Miss Cary was a member of First Church in Windsor, Windsor, Conn.

Shortly after Miss Phyllis Cary's death, Miss Helen Cary wrote of her as follows: "Phyllis was born with a defective heart. It was a miracle that she lived to adult life. This last year she spent much time in the Presbyterian Hospital in New York. Finally they told her that without the operation she had only a few months to live; with it there was a chance of complete health. She hopefully took the chance. She was so greatly admired for her cheerful and uncomplaining attitude that five doctors from the Presbyterian hospital went to Kings to give blood for her during the operation. Twenty-five friends gave the same service. Her surgeon performed the operation successfully; but a few hours later an embolism went to her brain. The surgeon said that he found her heart had deteriorated so badly that she couldn't have lived more than a few weeks, if she had recovered from the operation. Ten or fifteen years ago if doctors had known how to perform this operation she could have been cured

(Children of 295.iii. Edward Clark⁸ and Emily (Whitcomb) Durant):

423.i. Emily (or Emilie) Florence⁹ Durant, b at Milwaukee, Wis. 6 Aug 1876; d at Gardena, Cal. 25 May 1946; m at St. Paul, Minn. 21 Nov 1900 to Charles Morgan Emery, who was b at Le Seur, Minn. 29 Sept 1878; d at Los Angeles, 24 Sept 1944; son of George Davis and Addie (Farmer) Emery.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery lived in St. Paul 1900-1906; in Los Angeles 1906-1913; then in Portland, Oregon for six months and Seattle, Wash. for six months; in San Francisco 1914-1921; and then returned to Los Angeles.

Mr. Emery was on the stage (Belasco Theater, Los Angeles) in the Nance O'Neill Company during the years 1906-1910 and in this period performed as a violinist at the Ship Cafe in Venice, Cal. Later he worked as a newspaper reporter. From 1912-1921 he was with the Automobile Blue Book Publishing Co. travelling from coast to coast mapping roads for automobile travel. From 1921 to the day before his death he worked as a salesman, travelling much of the time, for the Pacific Piston Ring Co. of Los Angeles.

ADDITIONS TO PAGES 199 and 200

Page 199, line 10: i. Richard Durant¹⁰ Cary has had over 50 original pieces recorded.

Page 199, line 11: Rose (Ribera) Cary graduated from Middletown High School in 1935; studied art privately 1950-1960; has been attending adult education evening classes since 1960, with emphasis on Spanish. She is a cosmetic buyer and manager of a cosmetic shop in a department store.

Page 199, line 22: Judith Arlene¹¹ Cary graduated from Middletown High School in 1956 and from Nursing School, St. Francis Hospital, 1959, specializing in the operating room. She worked at Middlesex Memorial Hospital from 1959-1960 and at Doctor's Hospital in New York 1960-1963. In 1963, she married Dr. Alan Bernstein, an orthopedic surgeon. Dr. and Mrs. Bernstein then moved to Rutland, Vt., where Dr. Bernstein has his practice. Their children:

- i. Matthew Alan¹² Bernstein; b. May 26, 1964.
- ii. Adrienne Durant¹² Bernstein; b. July 13, 1965.

Page 199, line 23: Janet¹¹ Cary graduated with honors in 1965 from Middletown High School. She won a scholarship to Skidmore College in 1965, where she plans to major in Psychology.

Page 199, line 28: Loraine Margaret¹¹ Cary was graduated from Meriden High School in June 1964 and is presently (1965) attending the University of Conn.

Page 199, line 29: Lorene Ford Cary, b Milford, Conn., 9 Apr 1924. She attended Grammar and High School in Milford, Conn. Before her marriage she worked as a supervisor in the Southern New England Telephone Co. in Milford. In World War II, she served as a Seaman 1/c in the WAVES. Child of William and Lorene (Ford) Cary:

- i. Lorene Ford¹¹ Cary, b 30 Jan 1959.

Page 199, line 37: Virgil Kenneth Williamson was b at Dexter, Iowa 6 Nov 1916, son of John William Williamson (b at Loudale, Ill., farmer) and Eula (Phillips) Williamson (b at Leroy, Ill.) Mr. Williamson attended High School at Ringsted, Iowa. For the past 18 years he has been in Tool and Die Work and is now a Tooling Supervisor in charge of four different departments at Morman Products Co.

Page 200, line 3: v. Phyllis Ann¹⁰ Cary: After completing the occupational therapy course at Columbia, she opened a tiny shop in Greenwich Village and sold her hand made silver jewelry.

(Descendants of 423.i Emily Florence⁹ (Durant) and Charles Emery):

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i. Lawrence Durant¹⁰ Emery, b in St. Paul, Minn., 31 May 1902; m (1) Nov 1926 with Helen H. Hunter: divorce granted c 1929; m (2) at Yuma, Ariz. 18 June 1932 with Henrietta Terra, who was b in Clarksburg, Cal. 24 Aug 1902; dau of Joseph and Minna C. (Lee) Terra. Mr. and Mrs. Emery were living in 1965 in San Marino, Cal.

Mr. Emery graduated from Lick-Wilmerding High School in San Francisco in 1921 and studied Engineering at the University of Cal. in Berkeley. He is now employed as a Field Engineer for Western Geer in Lynwood, Cal. traveling extensively as the major part of his job.

Mrs. Emery was educated in the public schools of Freeport, Cal, and then attended business college in Sacramento for about six months. From 1920-23 she worked for the So. Cal. Tel. Co. in Los Angeles, and later, in the library of the May Company and in the L.A. Stock Exchange, attending Polytechnic Evening school taking a business course. Mr. and Mrs. Emery have three children:

i. Diane Marie¹¹ Emery, b in Los Angeles 29 May 1934; m with Frank McElwain in Dec 1956; living in 1965 in Malta, Idaho where Mr. McElwain is employed as a Forest Ranger. Their Chln: (both b in Nevada)

i. Kristin McElwain, b Aug 22, 1961.

ii. Karen Marie¹² McElwain, b Jan 9, 1964.

ii. Claudia Fey¹¹ Emery, b in Los Angeles 9 Sept 1937; m with William King in 1957; living in 1965 in Costa Mesa, Cal. Their chln:

i. Kimberly¹² King, b Pasadena, Cal. 23 Feb 1958.

ii. Kory¹² (a son) King, b Pasadena 22 Dec 1959.

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iii. Durant Lee Emery, b in Los Angeles 30 May 1940; in 1965 he was residing with his parents in San Marino and a student at Los Angeles Art Institute, studying Industrial Design; not m.

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ii. Edith Bernice¹⁰ Emery, b at St. Paul, Minn. 3 Aug 1906; m (1) at West Adams Presbyterian Church, Los Angeles, Cal., 30 June 1928 with Neilson Free Shumaker, who was b in Springfield, Mo. 14 Aug 1902; son of Urban and Edna (Bond) Shumaker; divorce granted in May 1943; m (2) at Los Angeles in Aug 1944 with Thomas Archer; divorce granted Aug 1948; m (3) at Las Vegas, Oct 1, 1955, with Jack Terry. In 1965, Mr. and Mrs. Terry were living in Lynwood, Cal.

Mrs. Terry attended elementary schools in Seattle, Berkeley, and San Francisco and high schools in San Francisco and Los Angeles, graduating from Los Angeles High School in 1925. She went to the Otis Art Institute (now the Los Angeles Art Institute) for a few months and then went to work for the So. Cal. Telephone Co., at the same time taking up secretarial work in night school. Since 1926 Mrs. Terry has held numerous positions in the Los Angeles area, working for such firms as Safeway Stores, Western Geer Works, Standard Lumber, U.S. Electrical Motors, Security Title Co., Sterling Meat Co., Coast Packing Co., Bullocks, Simpson Logging Co. At the present time Mrs. Terry is doing secretarial work with Soule Steel. Mrs. Terry has been active in Mariner Scouts, serving as a Mariner Skipper. She is a Presbyterian.

Mr. Shumaker was educated in the public schools of Springfield, Mo. and the Missouri State Teacher's College. After coming to Los Angeles, he

worked for the Telephone Co., the Yellow Cab Co., and various Auto Parts companies. Mr. Shumaker has remarried and is a resident of San Bernadino.

Mr. Archer served in the U.S. Navy in World War II as a Carpenter's Mate in the Sea Bees, seeing duty in the South Pacific.

Mrs. Terry and Mr. Shumaker have two children:

i. Lawrence Allen¹¹ Shumaker, b in Los Angeles, Cal. 13 Feb 1932. He was educated in the public schools of the Los Angeles area, attending Bret Harte and South Gate Junior High Schools and South Gate High School, class of 1949. He attended East Los Angeles Junior College for a semester and in Feb 1950 took a temporary position in the office of Western Truck Line until his departure in June for the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md. This marked the fulfillment of an early ambition as he had been a member of the Sea Scouts and long interested in a sea career. Mr. Shumaker graduated from Annapolis in 1954, and since that time has been on active duty in the Navy, based in San Diego, Cal. He m Ione Elizabeth Beck on Aug 28, 1954 in South Gate, Cal.; she was b Aug 2, 1930 in Detroit, Mich. As of Sept. 1965, Lt. Cmdr Shumaker was assigned to Bureau of Ships (Deep Submersibles) in Washington, D.C. Their chln:

i. Lawrence Neil¹² Shumaker, b in Corona Naval Hospital, Corona, Cal. Oct 7, 1956.

ii. Kurt Emery¹² Shumaker, b in St. Francis Hospital, Lynwood, Cal. July 10, 1958.

iii. Erica¹² Shumaker, b San Diego, Cal. June 25, 1961.**

ii. Marsha Jean¹¹ Shumaker, b at Los Angeles, Cal. 19 Sept 1936; was educated in the public schools of the Los Angeles area and a graduate of South Gate Junior High and South Gate High. In high school she was a student of the piano, a member of the high school glee club, and interested in the Mariners, a branch of the Girl Scouts. She m (1) with Arthur Douglas Busby 2 Apr 1955 at Las Vegas, Nevada. They were divorced in ; she m (2) Samuel J. Olivito in Los Angeles, Cal. Jan 5, 1957. Mr. Olivito was b July 4, 1935 in Morgantown, West Va. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Olivito were living in Huntington Park, Cal. Mr. Olivito works with Central Screw Co., Los Angeles as a Fastening Consultant. He graduated from Huntington Park High School in Jan 1954, attended East Los Angeles Junior College for a year, and was in the U.S. Army from Dec 1954 to Aug 1955.

Mrs. Olivito has worked as a Secretary for the Paul Wood Company for the past 5 years. Their chln:

i. Robin Lynn¹² Olivito, b Los Angeles, Aug 30, 1957.

ii. Cheryl Lee¹² Olivito, b Los Angeles, Jan 1, 1960.

Mr. Jack Terry was b Oct 23, 1908 in Los Angeles. His family left Los Angeles in 1912, moving to Oklahoma for 2 years, then to Arkansas until 1915; they then moved to Oklahoma again for 1 year, then to Colorado for 11 years, returning to California in 1925, where he has lived since that time. Some of his ancestors (the Meeks family) traveled by wagon train from Tennessee, eventually settling in San Bernardino, Cal., where part of the Meeks family still lives. For the past ten years, Mr. Terry has been employed as a machinist and mold maker for Schindeler Mold Co.

Thanks are due to Mrs. Terry for her help in collecting material on her branch of the family.

** iv. Suzanne¹² Shumaker, b at San Diego, Cal., 24 Oct 1965.

424. ii. Harriet (Hattie)⁹ Durant was b at Milwaukee, Wis. 7 Feb 1879 and d at Los Angeles 19 Nov 1908; burial in Inglewood Cemetery. On Nov 22, 1908 her father wrote of her as follows in a letter to his brother, 293. William⁸ Durant: "Hers was a lovely character. While she did not unite with the Church until she was about fifteen years old, I know that she was a Christian and had no fear of death. She always took great interest and pleasure in Christian Endeavours and Sunday School work and also in all kinds of Church work. She wanted to do much more but was not very strong."

425. iii. Wm. Cyrus⁹ Durant, b Mpls. 26 Dec 1887; d there 4 Jan 1888.
(Children of 297.v. Walter⁸ and Alma (Funk) Durant)

426. i. Bruce Waldo⁹ Durant b at Los Angeles 5 June 1909; m there 28 June 1930 with Ethel Dean Robeson who was b at Dyersburg, Tenn. 5 Mar 1911, dau of John Calvin and Bertha (Lewis) Robeson. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Durant were living in 1965 in Alhambra, Cal.

Mr. Bruce Durant was graduated from the Manual Arts High School in Los Angeles and is a member of the Presbyterian Church. He has been a printer by trade since his graduation from high school in 1928. Since April, 1949 he has been working for the Los Angeles Times in the composing room. Mrs. Ethel Durant has worked at various times since her marriage and at present is with the Los Angeles Dept. of Water and Power. Their child:

i. Carole Dean¹⁰ Durant, b at Los Angeles, 19 July 1933; d there in an automobile accident 16 Oct 1961. She m 2 June 1953 at Las Vegas, Nev. with David Boyd; they were divorced in -----. Mr. Boyd m (2) at Las Vegas, Nev. 19 May 1962 with Delpha Dell Rhodes, who was b at Roby, Ill., April 15, 1929. David Boyd was b 9 July 1931 at New York City.
Chln. of Carole Durant and David Boyd: Living in 1965 at La Puente, Cal.

i. David Randal¹¹ Boyd, b 15 July 1954 at Norfolk, Va.
ii. Laura Dean¹¹ Boyd, b 1 June 1958 at Monterey Park, Cal.

427. ii. Robert Gordon⁹ Durant, b at Los Angeles 24 Dec 1911; m (1) at Yuma, Arizona 3 May 1934 with Beverly Pauline Hills, who was b. at Three Oaks, Mich.

They were divorced in -----, and Mr. Robert Durant m (2) Juanita Dace 6 Oct 1951 at North Hollywood, Cal. She was b 17 Jan 1918 at Peoria, Ill. In 1965 they were living at Tujunga, Cal. Chln by 1st m:

i. Marilyn Dee¹⁰ Durant, b at Los Angeles, 26 June 1935; m 2 Oct 1954 in San Fernando, Cal. with Ora Loree Mills, who was b 17 Sept 1929 at Hugoton, Kan. Their chln:

i. Scot Durant¹¹ Mills, b Sept 12, 1958 at Encino, Cal.
ii. Linda Loree¹¹ Mills, b 8 June 1962 at Canoga Park, Cal.

ii. Susan Elizabeth¹⁰ Durant, b at Los Angeles 23 June 1945; m 15 Sept. 1962 at Tujunga, Cal. with Kenneth C. Dilley, who was b 9 Mar 1939.

Children by 2d marriage:

iii. Gale Ann¹¹ Durant, b 25 Oct 1952 at Los Angeles, Cal.
iv. Amanda¹¹ Durant, b 12 Nov 1954 at Los Angeles.

Mr. Robert Durant is a graduate of the Los Angeles Manual Arts High School in the class of 1930 and is a member of the Presbyterian Church. Since 1930 he has worked in and owned gasoline filling stations. At the present time, he has his own garage called Durant's Automotive Service, located in downtown Los Angeles.

(Child of 298.vi. Frank Ross⁸ and Lois (Ashley) Durant)

428.i. Avis Elizabeth⁹ Durant, b 12 Dec 1894; living in 1965 in Solana Beach, Calif.; m at the First Presbyterian Church, Minneapolis, Minn. 3 Sept 1919 with Arthur Louis Koch, who was b at St. Paul, Minn 5 Nov 1896; d at Pasadena, Cal. 28 Apr 1941; son of Louis K. J. and Emma Lilly (Ette) Koch.

Mrs. Avis Durant Koch was a graduate of Clinton Elementary School and of Central High School in Minneapolis. She attended Wellesley College 1913-1914 and the University of Minnesota 1914-1917, receiving a B. A. degree. In 1945 Mrs. Koch accepted a position teaching arts and crafts and English Conversation in the American Junior College for Women in Beirut, Syria, and she also did counseling, remaining there from Sept 1945 to June 1946. She had spent the summer of 1945 studying at Columbia University in preparation for this work. The last half of 1946 Mrs. Koch spent in Switzerland, and then after travel-

ling in Italy, France, and England, she returned to Pasadena, Cal. The academic year 1948-1949 she spent as Children's Librarian in the Hood River, Oregon, County Library. From 1949 to 1951 Mrs. Koch was in charge of the library and taught classes in English at the Hillcrest Training School for Girls in Salem, Oregon. During the academic year 1951-52, Mrs. Koch went to Willamette University and obtained a provisional teacher's certificate. From 1952-54, she lived in Pasadena, Cal., with extended travel in Iran and Europe. In 1954 she and her mother removed to Capistrano, Cal., and around 1961, to her present residence at Solana Beach.

Arthur L. Koch was educated in the public schools of Minneapolis, Bryant Elementary School and Central High School, and was a graduate of the University of Minnesota in June 1919 in the field of chemical engineering. His college career was interrupted by World War I in which he served in a Chemical Warfare group at Nila Park, Ohio, engaging in the making of mustard gas and lewisite gas. From 1919 to 1920 he studied in the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. Mr. Koch was with the Twin City Brick Co. from 1920-1928, becoming superintendent in 1922. The Kochs removed to California in 1928 in order to be near Mrs. Koch's parents; out there, after working as a salesman for the Otis Elevator Co. and as an engineer for the Pacific Clay Products Co., Mr. Koch went with the New York Life Insurance Co. in 1931, and achieved his status as a C.L.U. (Certified Life Underwriter) in 1940, taking the five necessary exams within a few months. Their chln:

1. Frank Durant¹⁰ Koch, b at St. Paul, Minn., 16 July 1922; m at Alexandria, La., 2 June 1946 with Joyce Marie Aertker, who was b at Alexandria, La. 28 Sept 1924; dau. of Bernard Leonard and Guerry (Ward) Aertker. Mr. and Mrs. Koch were living in 1965 at Escondido, Cal., where they removed from a ranch at Carlsbad in 1962.

Mr. Koch was educated in the public schools of the Los Angeles area and has done work toward a B.S degree. A victim of polio as a child, he was unable to enter active service in World War II but worked in the watch and jewelry dept. at Camp Claiborne, La. during the war. He was employed with Western Electric, an affiliate of Bell Telephone until around 1956 when he removed to San Clemente, where he invested in some rentals and spent his time caring for them. At present he has three acres of avocados, near Escondido, Cal.

Mrs. Koch has a B. A. degree in education from Southwestern La. Institute, and is a charter member of the Monterey Park Junior Women's Club which is philanthropic in nature. Her interests include music, art, and books, and particularly her home.

ii. Arthur Louis¹⁰ Koch Jr., b at St. Paul, Minn. 25 Oct 1925; m at Chicago, Ill. 30 Aug 1947 with Ruth Emma Kunst, who was b at Chicago 4 July, 1923; dau of Bernard William and Bertha Edith Juliana (Pfeiffer) Kunst. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Kunst were living in Gainesville, Fla.

Mr. Koch attended Willard Elementary School, Wilson Junior High, and Pasadena Junior College in Pasadena. He received his B.S. degree in June 1948 from California Institute of Technology and his PhD degree in the field of plant pathology at the University of Chicago in June 1951. Following that, he had a grant from the National Polio Foundation at the University of Chicago. Around 1954 he went to teach at Hillis Memorial Hospital and Medical School, where he is now (1965) a full professor. In 1962-3, he had a fellowship to study at the Pasteur Institute in Paris. During World War II Mr. Koch served as Electronic Technician's mate second class from 25 May 1944 to 29 May 1946.

Mrs. Koch studied at Northern Illinois State Teachers College, 1941-4 and received her B.S. in Business Administration in 1945 from Northwestern University, with majors in Industrial Relations and English. In the period between Jan 1941 and Aug 1947, and Oct 1948 to June 1950 she held several positions as confidential secretary and personnel assistant. She is a very active member of the Lutheran Church and a former Sunday School superintendent and also a Member of the Eastern Star. Her present interests include the piano, reading, and art, though she is now fulltime house wife and mother. Their two chln:

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 i. Katharine Ann Koch, b at Chicago, Ill. 31 Jan 1951.
 ii. Walter Edward¹¹ Koch, b at Chicago, Ill. 21 July 1954.

iii. Susan Ann¹⁰ Koch, b at St. Paul, Minn. 9 Aug 1928; m (1) in Iran in 1952 with Nazrallah Motarjemi ("Jimmy") --name later legally changed to Bryan; she m (2) in San Jose Oct 9, 1961 with Arthur E. Strahm, as his third wife. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Strahm were living in the San Francisco area.

Mrs. Strahm attended the public schools of Pasadena until 1945 when she accompanied her mother to Beirut, Syria, 1945-6. The last six months of 1946 she attended L'Ecole Internationale in Geneva, Switzerland. She attended Pasadena Junior College 1947-8 and Reed College 1946-50. In June 1951 she graduated from the University of Oregon at Portland, Oregon, having majored in languages and Political Science. In the summer of 1951 she came to Washington, D.C. and got a position with the Point 4 Program which took her to Tehran, 1951-52, where she met and married Mr. Motarjemi. In 1953 both she and her husband worked in Paris and Orleans, France, returning to San Francisco in 1954. There, their only child was born:

- i. Shereen June¹¹ Bryan, b 29 Jan 1956. Her name has now been legally changed to Strahm, that of her step-father.

Mrs. Strahm put herself through Court Reporting School in San Francisco 1954-55, and since that time has followed the profession of Court Reporter very successfully.

Mr. Strahm has a position with Lockheed.

iv. Lois Elizabeth¹⁰ Koch, b at Pasadena, Cal 20 Sept 1937; m at Solana Beach, Cal. 31 Aug 1959, with Dr. John Alfred Martin, who was b in Bozeman, Montana 16 Aug 1931; son of Harry Alfred and Ann (Foster)-- a near relative to Steven Foster--Martin. Dr. and Mrs. Martin in 1965 were living in Solana Beach, Cal.

Mrs. Martin was educated in the public schools of California and Oregon, as well as in Beirut and L'Ecole Internationale, Geneva. She got her degree with a Social Science major in June, 1962.

Dr. Martin graduated from the University of Washington Dental School in 1956. From then until 1958 he was a dentist in the Navy at Camp Pendleton near San Clemente. In 1958 he went into private practice in Solana Beach. Their child:

i. John Durant¹¹ Martin, b 18 Sept 1960 at LaJolla, Cal.

(Children of 299.i. William Edward⁸ and Lucretia (Rhodes) Durant):

429.i. Ira Edwin⁹ Durant, b at Waterville, Kan. 16 Feb 1871; living at Clay Center, Kan. 1888. He is said to have been a doctor.

430.ii. Charles Willey⁹ Durant, b at Waterville, Kan. 8 Mar 1874; died at Clay Center, Kan. April 16, 1947.

430A.iii. Alta⁹ Durant, b ; m Jack Dring, who for many years was associated with the Telephone Co. in Denver, Kansas City, Chicago New York, and later in the south, where he is said to be retired, as of 1965.

(Children of 308.i. William West⁸ and Janet (Stott) Durant):

431.i. Lawrence Thomas⁹ Durant, b 7 Sept. 1885, at New York City; d in Florida c 1950. He m (1) Adelaide Pendergast (who later became Mrs. Irwin Cornell. He m (2) Mrs. Woodward, whom he divorced and then re-married. He m (3) Phyllis Kranick. He was educated at the Episcopal Boarding School in Garden City and lived in New York City, and later, probably at Lake Worth, Fla.

432.ii. Heloise Timbrell⁹ Durant, b 25 June 1887 at New York City; living 1965 at Bethesda, Md.; m (1) 420.ii. William Clark⁹ Durant, her third cousin (See p. 196 above.) at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York City, 17 May 1912; m (2) at Philadelphia, Pa. 14 Oct 1939 with Mr. Bromley Seeley, who d at Philadelphia, Pa. 19 Jan 1964. Mr. Seeley was a well known patent attorney who practiced in New York City until about 1951 when he removed to Washington, D.C. to work in the Patent Office. He also wrote a series of

articles for the Christian Science Monitor entitled "My Old Washington", reminiscences of his earlier years there.

Mrs. Heloise Durant Seeley was educated in the Brearley School, New York City, and Miss Porter's School, Farmington, Conn. For ten years she was a Real Estate Broker in New York City. Formerly an Episcopalian, she is now a Christian Scientist and has been active in Christian Science Churches in New York City, Westport, Conn., and at present is a member of the First Church of Christ Scientist, Chevy Chase, Md., and is a registered Christian Science Practitioner. Mrs. Seeley is also a member at large of the D.A.R.

The present editor of the Durant Genealogy is more indebted than he can say to Mrs. Seeley for her great help in the project, in helping with information about the various branches of the family, and in continuing encouragement. For biographical sketches of Mrs. Seeley's descendants, see pp. 197-8.

433.iii.Basil Napier⁹ Durant, b in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. Dec 28, 1889; d Aug 11, 1928, Southampton, 9 May 1959 at Wilson, N.C. He m (1) Virginia -----; m/(2) Marjorie McColl, fourth daughter of Francis and Florence (Linder) McColl, who was b April 27, 1889; d of cancer, c 1945. He m (3) a widow, Peggy Ann Rohde, but they separated several years before his death.

Mr. Durant attended the Morristown School, Morristown, N.J. He was a flight instructor in the RCAF during World War I. In 1911 he and his third cousin 420.ii.William Clark⁹ Durant worked for two years as real estate brokers for the Grand Trunk Pacific Railroad. At one time Mr. Basil Durant was a professional ballroom dancer (vintage Vernon Castle). In later life he was a custom tailor on Fifth Avenue, New York. He was staunchly republican and mildly Episcopalian. He belonged to no clubs other than country clubs.

Mrs. Marjorie (McColl) Durant was brought up in Brooklyn Heights and Cohasset, Mass. She had been married previously to Paul Shields for 12 years. Child of Mr. and Mrs. Durant:

i. Kendall Lathrop¹⁰ Durant, b 5 June 1929 in New York City; m 20 Sept 1952 in Christ Church, Alexandria, Va., with William Thaddaeus Ramsay, who was b 22 Jan 1928 in Charleston, S.C. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Ramsay were living in Takoma Park, Md.

Mrs. Ramsay moved to Long Island in 1936. She was educated in the public schools in New York, in Our Lady of Sorrows Academy, Syosset, L.I., and in the Barmore School in N.Y. She also attended Black Mountain College, N.C. for a year. After holding various jobs in New York, she became assistant manager of a motel in North Carolina.

Mr. Ramsay grew up primarily in Charleston, S. C., where he attended Porter Military Academy. He attended Duke University, but was drafted; by the time he was discharged he was a sergeant in the Signal Corps. He completed his B.A. at Atlantic Christian College, Wilson, N.C. and did his M.A. at East Carolina College, Greenville, N.C., and is now working on his doctorate at the University of Maryland. He was an instructor in English at Atlantic Christian College and is now an assistant professor of English at Montgomery Junior College, Takoma Pk., Md. He is a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon, the Modern Language Association, and the Association of University Professors. Mr. and Mrs. Ramsay are both Episcopalians. Their chln:

- i. Kathryn Linder¹¹ Ramsay, b 5 Jan 1955 at Rocky Mt., N.C.
- ii. Laird William¹¹ Ramsay, b 8 June 1956 at Rocky Mt., N.C.
- iii. Alan Douglas¹¹ Ramsay, b 14 May 1959 at Wilson, N.C.

(Children of 310.i. Thomas Franklin⁸ and Adelaide (Wolf) Durant):

434.i. Adele⁹ Durant m William Griswold Wheeler of Chicago, Ill.

435.ii. Victor⁹ Durant, d young.

(Children of 311.ii. Charles Wright and Catherine Monteath (Collins) Durant):

436.i. Edith⁹ Durant, b at New York City 10 Jan 1874; a at Springfield, Mass., 9 Feb 1948; resided in Springfield; member of South Congregational Church there.

437.ii. Harold⁹ Durant, b at New York City 17 Jan 1876; d at Strafford, Pa. 19 Sept 1931; m at Springfield, Mass. 9 Oct 1912 with Florence Folsom, who was b at Becket, Mass 1 Aug 1887; living 1966 at Hampden, Mass. Mrs. Florence Durant was a graduate of the classical high school in Springfield. Mr. and Mrs. Durant had one child, a daughter b 21 Nov 1916, who d aged 3 days.

438.iii. Charles Collins⁹ Durant, b at New York City 24 Aug 1880; d at Pittsfield, Mass. 3 Aug 1959; m at Becket, Mass 10 Sept 1907 with Virginia Folsom, who was b at Springfield 4 May 1884; d at Becket, Mass. 22 June 1947 Mrs. Virginia Durant was a graduate of the classical high school, Springfield.

Mr. Charles C. Durant was manager of a Lumber Co. in Canada, but around 1911-1914 he went into the Insurance business in Springfield, Mass.

A NOTE ON THE ANCESTRY OF FLORENCE (FOLSOM) DURANT AND VIRGINIA (FOLSOM)

DURANT Grand

Nancy Redmond (their/Mother) was b at Point Pleasant West Va. 22 May 1839; d at Oakland, Cal. 14 Jan 1927; m at Point Pleasant, West Va. 10 Nov 1857 w William Jennings Stephens, who was b in Becket, Mass. 12 Jan 1821; d at Springfield, Mass. Feb 1898. Grand

William Jennings Stephens (their/Father) had three sisters, Hannah, Amanda, and Lucy. He was the son of William Dart Stephens, who m Hancy Jennings, who was a descendant of John Foxe, famous for writing Foxe's Book of Martyrs. William Dart Stephens (he had a sister Betsey) was the son of Thomas Stephens who came from Truro, Mass to Becket and married a Perrin from Hartford, Conn.

Nancy Redmond (their/Mother) had a brother Benjamin. They were children of Andrew Redmond and Alah Amos. Andrew Redmond had a sister Mary Redmond: both were born at Parkersburg, Va. chln of Benjamin Redmond (who came from Arcola, Va.) and Nancy James.

Children of William Jennings and Nancy (Redmond) Stephens

- i. Virginia Redmond Stephens, b Stanton, Va 23 July 1860; d at Northampton, Mass. 7 Oct 1925; m at Springfield, Mass 20 June 1883 with Dustin Adam Folsom, who was b 29 Oct 1846; d Oct 1912 (Parents of Florence and Virginia (Folsom) Durant)
- ii. Benjamin Redmond Stephens, b Point Pleasant, West Va., 5 July 1862; d at Becket 1 Jan 1901; m at Point Pleasant Sept or Oct 1885 with Edith Miller, who was b at Point Pleasant 4 June 1865. She m again in 1915 with Dr. J. H. Wade of Ashland, Ky. No chln.
- iii. Josephine Dart Stephens, b at Becket, "Sunnyside", 32 Aug 1871; m at the home of Edward Everett Hale, 17 Dec 1901 with Henry Waldemar Larsson, who was b in Skofde, Sweden, 29 May 1871; d Berkeley, Cal 4 Aug 1937. (They sailed for Sweden the day after their marriage). No chln.
- iv. Enola G. Stephens, b at Springfield 17 Apr 1879; living there in 1965; m at NYC nov 1915 with Arthur Callender, b 22 June 1879; d at Worthington, Mass. 27 June 1939.

The Springfield Republican carried the following account of the wedding of Charles Durant and Virginia Folsom:

A very pretty wedding occurred at Becket at 2:30 yesterday afternoon, when Miss Virginia R. Folsom, daughter of Mr and Mrs Dustin A. Folsom of 69 Pearl street, this city, was married to Charles Collins Durant of St Gabriel De Brandon, Can.... The ceremony took place at Sunnyside, the summer home of Mrs N. R. Stephens, grandmother of the bride, and was performed by Rev William P. Clancy, pastor of the Becket Congregational Church. The maid of honor was the bride's sister, Miss Florence Folsom, and the best man was Harold Durant, brother of the groom. The bridal party entered the parlor, where the ceremony was performed, to Mendelssohn's wedding march, played by Miss M. Louise Schlessinger of Becket. The ring ceremony was used, the bride being given away by her father. The parlor was prettily decorated with palms, asparagus and asters, and the corner in which the ceremony was performed was banked with white asters tied with white ribbon, and the mantels with white asters. In the hall and drawing-room the decorations were of a delicate pink, with asparagus, the banisters being trimmed with pink asters, asparagus and pink ribbon. Osterman & Steele did the decorating, Charles C. Osterman superintending the work. The catering was done by Barr of Springfield.

... Mr and Mrs Durant...left immediately after the ceremony for Pittsfield in an automobile. Mr. and Mrs. Durant will spend a few weeks in the Adirondacks, after which they will be at home in St. Gabriel De Brandon, where the groom is engaged in the lumber business.

Children of 438 Charles and Virginia (Folsom) Durant

i. Virginia¹⁰ Durant, b at Cape Magdalaine, Quebec, Canada, 17 Nov 1911; m 9 Nov 1940 at Becket, Mass w Albert Richard Palmer, who was b at New York City 9 Oct 1908; son of Wm. S. and Marie (Halzinger) Palmer. Mr. and Mrs. Palmer were living at Brookdale Farm, Chester, Mass. in 1966. Mrs. Palmer was educated in the public schools of Chester, Mass. She has followed the profession of Bookkeeper and served 20 years as Becket Town Treasurer.

Mr. Palmer is a farmer. He was educated in the public schools of Chester. His other activities include being Selectman, Town of Becket; Cemetery Commissioner; Past Master and Secretary of Federal Lodge AF and AM, Chester, Mass.; member of the Becket Grange and Past Master; and Clerk and Treasurer of First Congregational Church of Becket.

Their three children:

1. Nancy¹¹ Palmer, b at Becket, Mass 25 Aug 1941; m at Becket 25 Jan 1964 w Mr. Balardine; living in 1966 at Satellite Beach, Fla., where Mrs. Balardine is employed as a secretary with General Electric Co., at Cocoa Beach, Fla.
- ii. Mariel¹¹ Palmer, b at Becket 9 May 1943; m there 26 June 1965 with Mr. Raftery; living in Stockbridge, Mass. in 1966.

Mrs. Raftery is a graduate of the Univ. of Mass., Amherst, June, 1965 and presently an instructor in Physical Education at Lenox High School, Lenox, Mass. She is a member of the Stockbridge Congregational Church, Stockbridge, Mass.

- iii. Stephen Charles¹¹ Palmer, b at Becket, Mass 25 Apr 1946; in 1966 a student at the Univ. of Mass., Amherst, Mass.

Mr. Stephen Palmer is a member of the Becket Grange and a Junior Deacon of the First Congregational Church of Becket, Mass.

ii. Dorothy¹⁰ Durant, b at Becket, Mass. 8 Nov 1914; m at Suffern, N.Y. 8 Nov 1957 w Arthur H Bartsch, who was b at Newark, N.J. 26 Oct 1905; son of Felix Bartsch (b at Berlin, Germany, 22 Feb 1877; d West Patterson, N.J., 1945) and Julia (Leaerman) Bartsch (b 17 Feb 1876; m 1902; living 1966 West Patterson, N.J.). In 1966 Mr. and Mrs. Bartsch were living in Becket, Mass.

Mrs. Dorothy Bartsch was educated in the public schools of Becket and Chester, Mass and is at present Postmistress of Becket. In religion she is a Protestant; in politics, an independent.

Mr. Bartsch was educated in the public schools of Becket. He is a Carpenter in the Woodworking Dept. of the General Electric Co. He is a Protestant and a Republican.

Thanks are due to Mrs. Bartsch for information about her branch of the family.

iii. Catherine¹⁰ Durant, b at Becket, Mass. 4 Dec 1922; m. Korreson Juniper; living in Little Rock, Ark. in 1966.

iv. Charla¹⁰ Durant, b at Becket, Mass. 29 Sept 1924; m at Bolling Air Force Base Chapel, Wash., D.C. with Lt. Col. Laurel Agee Turk, who was b at Earlville, Ill. 26 Nov 1915; son of Albert James and Lucille (Agee) Turk. In 1966 they were living at Santa Barbara, Calif.

Mrs. Charla Turk was educated in the public schools of Becket and Chester, Mass. and the George Washington Univ., Wash., D.C., where she majored in Business Adm. She has been employed in the real estate field.

Lt. Col. Turk was educated in the public schools of Earlville and Rushville, Ill. and at Butler Univ.; Indiana Univ.; and the Univ. of Md. (extension courses). He is a career officer in the U. S. Air Force.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. Turk are golfing and skiing enthusiasts. They are members of the Episcopal Church. Thanks are due to Mrs. Turk for help in supplying records on her branch of the family.

Their chln:

i. Cynthia Jean¹¹ Turk, b at Montgomery, Ala. 10 May 1949; she has attended school in Honolulu, Hawaii; Colorado Springs, Col.; Fayetteville, N.Y., and is presently a Junior at San Marias High School, Santa Barbara, Cal. She is an Episcopalian and works as a nurse's aide.

ii. Roger Durant¹¹ Turk, b at Bolling Air Force Base Hospital, Washington, D.C., 26 May 1950; he has attended school in Honolulu, Colorado Springs, Fayetteville, N.Y. and is currently a Sophomore at San Marias H.S., Santa Barbara, Cal., where he is active on the football and baseball teams.

Children of 312.iii. Frederick C.⁸ and Clara (Harrison) Durant:

439.i. Ethel⁹ Durant, b 22 June 1878 at New York City, N.Y.; d at Germantown Hospital, Pa., Feb 1953; m (1) at Holy Trinity Church, Phil. 22 June 1899 w Robert Pearsall, who was b at Morristown, N.J. 4 Feb 1863; d at Chestnut Hill, Pa. 18 Dec 1928; m (2) Jack Lucas; m (3) Frank J. Lapetina.

Mrs. Ethel (Durant) Lapetina was an Episcopalian.

Mr. Robert Pearsall was a business executive.

Their three children (and their descendants):

i. Margaret Lane¹⁰ Pearsall, b at Philadelphia, Pa. 5 Oct 1901; m at St. Martin's Church, Chestnut Hill, Pa., 30 Sept 1922 with Cuthbert Parrish, who was b at Ardmore, Pa., 29 June 1891; d at Chestnut Hill Hospital, 24 Apr 1964. In 1966 Mrs. Parrish was living in Ft.

Washington, Penna.

Mrs. Parrish was educated at Springside. She is an Episcopalian and is a member of the Philadelphia Chapter of the DAR since 1925; State President, CAR; now Hon. State President, and National and State Promoter, CAR; Past President and member Flourtown Women's Club; Past President and member League of Women Voters of Springfield Township; member of Colony Club of Ambler; and member of the Historical Society of Ft. Washington. Great thanks are due to Mrs. Parrish for assembling the data on her branch of the Durant family.

Mr. Cuthbert Parrish was educated in England and served in the Canadian Field Artillery in World War I. He was a business executive, an Episcopalian, and a Charter Member of the British Officers Club of Phila. Their chln:

- i. Anthony Roberts¹¹ Parrish, b at Chestnut Hill, Pa.; m at Germantown, Pa., 7 June 1945 w Anne M. Riegel, who was b at Germantown 2 Jan 1923; dau of Jacob Riegel Jr. and Georgiana Gaylord (Pitfield) Riegel. Mr. and Mrs. Parrish were living in the Washington, D.C. area in 1966.

Mr. Anthony Parrish attended Chestnut Hill Academy; St. Andrews School (1941); USMA, class of 1945; Masters degree in Administration, Staff and Command School, Univ. of Texas, 1951; graduate of U.S.A. War College, Carlisle, Pa., 1966. He has been in the USAF since 1945; assigned to the Pentagon for 4 years, as of July, 1966.

Mr. and Mrs. Parrish are Episcopalians.

Their chln:

- i. John C.¹² Parrish, b at Germantown Hospital, Pa. 30 May 1946; graduate of St. Andrews, 1964; attending Univ. of Penna. 1966.
- ii. Anthony R.¹² Parrish Jr., b at Denison, Texas 31 Aug 1948; graduate of St. Andrews, 1966.
- iii. James Pleasants¹² Parrish, b at Ft. Myer, Va. 9 May, 1957.
- ii. Robert Pearsall¹¹ Parrish, b 25 June 1925; d 5 Sept 1925.
- iii. George Dillwyn¹¹ Parrish, b at Chestnut Hill Hospital, Pa. 24 Jan 1927; m at St. Thomas Church, Whitmarsh, 4 May 1957 w Janice Sibre, who was b at Germantown Hospital 27 July 1934; dau of Charles LeRoy and Eleanor (Howell) Sibre. Mr. and Mrs. Parrish were living in the Germantown, Pa. area in 1966.

Mr. George Parrish is a graduate of Springfield H.S., 1945; Dickinson College, 1948; and Dickinson Law School, 1951. He is a lawyer, an Episcopalian, and a member of the Jaycees and the Business Men's Association.

Mrs. Janice Parrish is a graduate of Barren Hill Consolidated and Springfield Township H.S. She has worked as a medical secretary.

Their chln:

- i. George D.¹² Parrish Jr., b at Chestnut Hill Hospital, 14 Mar 1960.
- ii. David Harrison¹² Parrish, b at Chestnut Hill Hospital, 3 July 1962.
- iii. Susan Roberts¹² Parrish, b at Chestnut Hill Hospital, 25 July, 1963.
- iv. Cuthbert¹¹ Parrish Jr., b at Chestnut Hill Hospital 9 Jan 1932; m at St. David's, Willow Grove, Pa. 19 Nov 1955 with Patricia J. Planas, who was b at Forsyth, Ga. 13 Dec 1933; dau. of Edward J. and Verna (Brooks) Planas. In 1966 Mr. and Mrs. Parrish were

in Hatbow, Penna.

Mr. Parrish is a graduate of Springfield Township H.S. and of Temple University with a B.S. in Business Adm., in 1955. He is a salesman and a member of the Jaycees.

Mrs. Patricia Parrish is a graduate of Abington H.S.

Their chln:

- i. Donna Marie¹² Parrish, b at Chestnut Hill Hospital 23 Sept 1956.
 - ii. Deborah Anne¹² Parrish, b at New Orleans, La. 19 Oct 1958.
 - iii. Denise Elizabeth¹² Parrish b at Abington Hospital, 24 Sept 1963.
- v. William Pearsall¹¹ Parrish, b at Chestnut Hill Hospital, 17 Apr 1934; m at St. Genevieve's Church, Flourtown, 12 Sept 1959 with Jeanne Otwell, who was b at Washington, D.C. 30 Jan 1940; dau of Edward C. and Marie (Lobb) Otwell. In 1966 Mr. and Mrs. Parrish were living in Flourtown, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Parrish are graduates of Springfield H.S. and are Roman Catholics.

Mr. Parrish served as Airman 1/c Aug 1952-Dec 1956 and saw action in Korea, Aug 1953-Aug 1954. He is an auto mechanic.

Their chln:

- i. Edward Otwell¹² Parrish, b at Chestnut Hill Hospital 29 June 1960.
 - ii. William P.¹² Parrish Jr., b at Chestnut Hill Hospital 21 June 1961.
- vi. Richard Price¹¹ Parrish, b at Chestnut Hill Hospital 6 July 1936; m Strinestown, York Co., Pa. 21 Sept 1958 with Judith E. Witmer, who was b at York, Pa. 22 Aug 1939; dau of Elwood Glenn and Gladys Irene (Weigle) Witmer. In 1966 Mr. and Mrs. Parrish were living at Strinestown, York Co., Pa.

Mr. Richard Parrish is a graduate of Flourtown Elementary School, Springfield H.S.; Millersville State Teachers College, class of 1961, and has done graduate work at Temple, Rutgers, and Trenton State. He is a school teacher, a basketball coach, and a PTAA official.

Mrs. Judith Parrish attended Strinestown Elementary School, Mt. Wolf Junior High; Manchester H.S.; and studied a year at Millersville State Teachers College.

Their chln:

- i. Amy Sue¹² Parrish, b at Chestnut Hill Hospital, 18 Jan. 1959.
- ii. Richard P.¹² Parrish Jr., b at Chestnut Hill Hospital, 5 July 1960.
- iii. Keith Allen¹² Parrish, b at Chestnut Hill Hospital, May 11, 1965.

(Children of Etnel (Durant) and Robert Pearsall---Continued)

- ii. Robert Pearsall Jr., b at 228 S. 19th St. Phila., Pa., 9 Nov 1903; d at Chestnut Hill Hospital, 21 May 1923; attended Chestnut Hill Academy, 1922 and U.S. Naval Academy 1922-23.
- iii. Clara Elizabeth¹⁰ Pearsall, b at 228 S. 19th St. Phil. Pa, June 22, 1907; living 1966 at Boyertown, Pa.; m (1) at Trinity Church, St. Augustine, Fla. 27 Dec 1930 w Joseph Charles Armour; m (2) at Allentown, Pa. 4 Oct 1947 with R. N. Pechin. Mrs. Clara (Durant) Pechin was educated at Linden Hall and at Darlington Seminary.

Joseph Charles Armour was b at Bryn Mawr, Pa. 18 July 1906; living 1966 in San Antonio, Texas. He is a graduate of Washington and Lee U., 1931; member of the Scottish Society, San Antonio Chapter; American Statistical Assn.; Past President, National Sojourners; and Founder of the American Society of Military Comptrollers, and a Life Member; re-tired from the U.S. Army in 1962.

Dau of iii.Clara¹⁰ (Pearsall) Armour Pechin and Joseph Armour:

i.Violet Margaret¹¹ Armour, b 23 June 1933 at Abington Township, Montgomery Co., Penna.; living 1966 in San Antonio, Texas.

Miss Armour has a degree in Bacteriology from Indiana University, 1956 and is presently employed by Southwest Research Institute, San Antonio, as Chief of the Bacteriology Dept. She is a member of the Scottish Society, San Antonio Chapter.

440.ii.Frederick Clark⁹ Durant, Jr. b 7 Nov 1879 at New York City; d 27 Dec 1961 at Bronxville, N.Y.; m Cornelia Allen Howel 10 Jan 1912, who was b 15 Dec 1889 at Little Rock, Ark.; living 1966 in Bronxville, N.Y.; dau of Alfred Preston Howel of Alabama and Caroline Maxwell (Allen) Howel of Augusta, Ga.

Mr. Durant attended Colorado College and the Mass. Institute of Technology. He was in the investment banking business and with Day & Zimmerman, Inc., engineers, before becoming Head of the old Keystone Telephone Co. during the 1920's. The company was merged with the Bell Telephone Co. of Penn. in 1945. Mr. Durant was a member of the Midday and Rittenhouse Clubs of Philadelphia. He is buried in the Philadelphia Memorial Park, Frazer, Pa.

Mrs. Durant, like her Mother, was educated at Madame Lefebvre's famous school, then located at 122 W. Franklin St., Baltimore, Md. She is a Republican and a Christian Scientist. Thanks are due to her for her great assistance in collecting material on her branch of the Durant family. Children:

i.Elizabeth¹⁰ Durant, b 12 Oct 1912; m Robert Charles Sullivan, who was b at New York City, 27 Oct 1906; son of Robert and May (Young) Sullivan, originally from Dublin, Ireland. Mrs. Sullivan was educated at Agnes Erwin School and the Penn. Museum School of Industrial Arts, both in Philadelphia. Mr. Sullivan is a graduate of Haverford College and of Yale Law School and is a member of the Yale Club, N.Y. and of the Tax Executive Institute. He is a lawyer and is Vice President in charge of Legal Services at Sperry Rand. Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan/are Republicans and Presbyterians. Their children: (Residence, 1966, Bronxville)

1.Robert Clark¹¹ Sullivan b 2 Apr 1940 at New York City.

ii.Cornelia Elizabeth¹¹ Sullivan, b 5 Mar 1943 at Bronxville, N.Y.

iii. Henry Allen¹¹ Sullivan, b 22 Sept 1945 at Washington, D.C.

ii.Frederick Clark¹⁰ Durant, III, b 31 Dec 1916 at Ardmore, Pa; m (1) 20 Feb 1942 Celeste Bennett, who was b 3 Jan 1919 at Jacksonville, Fla.; d 13 July 1945; m (2) Carolyn Griscom Jones 4 Oct 1947; she was b at Philadelphia, Pa 12 Jan 1921. In 1966 Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living in Chevy Chase, Md.

Mr. Durant has a B.S. degree in Chemical Engineering from LeHigh University in 1939. He was a student at the Philadelphia Museum School of Industrial Arts 1946-7. He was an Engineer with E. I. de Pont de Nemours & Co., 1939-41; Rocket Engineer with Bell Aircraft Corp., 1947-48; dir. of engineering, Naval Air Rocket Test Station, 1948-51; cons., Wash., 1952-3; mem. sr. staff Arthur D. Little, Inc. 1954-5; exec. asst. to dir. Avco-Everett Res. Lab., 1957-59; dir. pub. and govt. relations, research and adv. devel. div., Avco Corp., Wilmington, Mass. 1959-61; sr. rep. Bell Aerosystems Co., Wash., D.C. 1961-4; in 1965 he was appointed Asst. Dir. (Astronautics) National Air Museum of the Smithsonian, Wash. D.C.

Mr. Durant was a participant at the annual congresses of the International Astronautical Federation, 1951-1960; pres. 1953-56; mem. organizing Com. Project Orbiter, 1954. He served to comdr., aviator, USNR, 1941-46, 48-52; comdr. Res.; Registered profl engr., D.C. and Mass.

He is a fellow of the American Rocket Society (President, 1953), Am. Astronautical Soc. (chmn awards committee 1961); asso. fellow Inst. Aerospace Scis.; mem. Aviation Writers Assn., Internat. Soc. Aviation Writers, Nat. Rocket Club (gov. 1961), Aerospace Med. Assn.; Pan-Am. Med. Assn. (council Space med. sect.); hon. fellow or mem. numerous nat. and fgn. rocket and space flight societies. He was a contributing editor of Missiles and Rockets, 1956-58; contrib., Encyc. Britannica. Thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. Durant for their great interest in the present project and their assistance in obtaining materials for the genealogy.

Their chln:

- i. Derek Clark¹¹ Durant, b 18 May 1949; d 31 Aug 1951.
- ii. Carolyn Maxwell¹¹ Durant, b Washington, D.C. 6 Nov 1951.
- iii. William Clark¹¹ Durant, b Washington, D.C. 1 Feb 1953.
- iv. Stephen Harrison¹¹ Durant, b at Lexington, Mass. 2 Aug 1955.

441.iii. Harrison⁹ Durant, b at New York City, 14 May 1882; d Philadelphia, Pa. 2 July 1965; m (1) (date and place not recorded) w Marjorie Day. They had a daughter, Phyllis¹⁰ Durant, who was b 21 Oct 1905 and was drowned off the coast of England the summer of 1929; not m.

Harrison Durant m (2) Marie Hartmann, who was b 27 June 1896 at Philadelphia, Pa.; living there 1966.

Their children: (All living 1966 in Philadelphia area)

- i. Lois¹⁰ Durant, b 21 June 1921; m 1 Mar 1947 w Ezra Cromwell Hand.

Their chln:

- i. Jill Cromwell¹¹ Hand, b 6 Mar 1954.
- ii. Tricia Cromwell¹¹ Hand, b 29 June 1957.

- ii. Patricia¹⁰ Durant, b 14 Jan 1924; m 4 Jan 1947 w Lawrence Russell Mallery, Jr.

Their chln:

- i. Lawrence Russell¹¹ Mallery, III, b 27 July 1951.
- ii. Faith Boyd¹¹ Mallery, b 28 June 1954.

- iii. Suzanne¹⁰ Durant, b 2 June 1930; m 20 Nov 1950 John Finley Clough, Jr.

Their chln:

- i. John Finley¹¹ Clough, III, b 12 Dec 1953.
- ii. Joanne Harrison¹¹ Clough, b 16 Feb 1957.
- iii. Suzanne Harrison¹¹ Clough, b 5 July 1958.
- iv. Ellen Harley¹¹ Clough, b 6 Oct 1959.

442.iv. Kenneth⁹ Durant, b at Philadelphia, Pa. 9 Oct 1889 m (date and place not recorded) w Helen Van Dongen, who was b in Amsterdam, Holland 5 Jan 1909. In 1965 Mr and Mrs. Durant were living in Jamaica, Vermont, where Mr. Durant has retired. Mr. Durant has an adopted daughter, Marcia Roberta Durant, now Mrs. Robert M. Liles, daughter of a previous wife, Genevieve Taggard Durant, well known teacher, scholar, and poetess.

443.v. Douglas⁹ Durant, b at Philadelphia, Penna. 2 June, 1895; living 1965 at Half Moon Bay, Calif.; m (1) at Paris, France, 14 July 1918 with Alice Clayton Kiley, who was b at Lennox, Mass. in 1888; m (2) 3 April 1948 with Anne Turner Egalf, who was b in Philadelphia, Pa. 3 Aug 1896; living 1965 at Half Moon Bay, Calif. In 1965 Mrs. Alice (Kiley) Durant was living in

Hollidaysburg, Penna.

Mr. Douglas Durant served with the American Field Service, Reserve Mallet, and the American Red Cross, as Chief of the Property Division, in France 1917-1919. In 1941-42 Mr. Durant and Mrs. Anne Durant served together with the First Interceptor Command. Mrs. Durant is a member of the DAR. Mr. Durant is a member of Lodge 1327 AFL/CIO. Thanks are due to Mr. Durant for help with material on his branch of the family.

Children by first marriage:

- i. Barbara Elizabeth¹⁰ Durant, b in Philadelphia 1920; d in New York, April 1943; she m a Mr. Stember. She was a member of the CAR and attended Sarah Lawrence College 1940-41 and the University of Wisconsin, 1941-42.
- ii. Douglas¹⁰ Durant Jr., b. Philadelphia, Penna. 7 Mar 1922; m at Valley Forge, Pa. 19 June 1948 with Betty Louise Butterbaugh, who was b at Lakemont, Altoona, Pa. 15 Oct 1925; dau of Earl Charles Butterbaugh (of Newry, Pa.) and Ella Mabel (Kramer) Butterbaugh (of Philadelphia). In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Durant were living in Camp Hill, Pa.

Mr. Douglas Durant attended Valley Forge Military Academy and Radnor High School (both in Wayne, Penna.) and the University of Penna. He is a Personnel Analyst with the Penna. State Civil Service Commission.

He was a member of the CAR, serving two terms as Junior State Registrar and two terms as Junior State President. He is a member of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity; of the Lions Club (Past Secretary, Tail Twister, and presently treasurer); and of the Public Personnel Association.

Mrs. Durant was educated at Altoona High School and the University of Penna School of Nursing. She is a Registered Nurse and a member of the American Nurses Association and the Penna. State Nurses Assn. Their chln:

- i. Barbara Elaine¹¹ Durant, b at Altoona, Pa. 8 July 1949.
- ii. Douglas¹¹ Durant, III, b at Altoona, Pa. 8 Aug 1955
- iii. Earle Charles¹¹ Durant, b at Harrisburg, Pa. 4 Nov 1964

Children of 313.iv. Howard Marion⁸ and Louise (Bixby) Durant

444.i. Marion⁹ Durant, b at New York City 19 Nov 1884; d at Newport, R.I., 1927; m at her home in Montreal Canada 28 Dec 1909 with Norman Van der Veer, Lt. Cmd. USN (Ret.), living in 1965 in Florida, aged 81. They were later divorced.

Marion (Durant) Van der Veer was educated at the Royal Victoria College, Montreal.

Lt. Cmd. Van der Veer was educated at Princeton and the U.S. Naval Academy. He had a brilliant career in World War I and received ~~army~~ honors and citations from President Wilson, retiring from the Navy in 1929. He has the Navy Cross, the Victory Medal, and the French Legion of Honor.

He revised the Blue Jackets Manual for the Navy in 1918 and is the author of Cochrane the Unconquerable and other Stories.

He is a member of the Princeton Club and the New York Yacht Club.

Their child:

- i. Babs¹⁰ Van der Veer, b at Washington, D.C. 10 Mar 1914; m 20 Feb

1931 w Hal Fitzhugh Lee, who was b in New York City 1901; d there

9 Dec 1959. In 1966 Mrs. Babs Lee was living in New York City. Thanks are due to her for help with material on her branch of the family.

Mrs. Lee was educated in private schools, and has made a name for herself as an author, advertising consultant, and beauty expert. She was Associate Fashion editor of Town and Country Magazine, 1945-6; fashion coordinator, Young and Rubican, 1946-52; beauty editor, Harpers Bazaar, 1952-3; creative consultant with Johnson and Johnson, 1953-4; acting beauty editor, Vogue, 1954; beauty editor, Vogue, 1955-58; consultant on women's advertising and styling, New York City, 1950 to present. She is presently Beauty Editor of McColl's Magazine.

Mrs. Babs Lee is the author of three detective novels: A Model is Murdered, 1942; Measured For Murder, 1943; and Passport to Oblivion, 1945; all published by Charles Scribners Sons; and of ABC's of Beauty, published 1950 by the Lantern Press.

Mr. Hal Lee was a graduate of Columbia University, where he was a member of Delta Upsilon. He made a name for himself in Wall Street, starting one of the first mutual funds, North American Shares, and also Distributions Group, Inc. He sold out in 1929 and was a millionaire before he was 29. He was Secretary of Fenner and Beane Corp up to 1 Oct 1934.

In 1942 Mr. Lee became associated with the N.Y. Board of Trade and then editor of the Pan American Magazine and the Pan American Year Book. His work to bring a greater understanding between the hemispheres was well known. He was a delegate to the Inter-American Press Congresses in S. A. and organizing secretary of the Inter-American Press Association, which was his dream child, since he felt it served freedom of the Press in our two hemispheres. In later years he became interested in roof-top gardening and wrote occasional pieces for the Times, which incorporated one of his articles in their book on gardening.

(Children of 313.iv.Howard Marion⁸ and Louise (Bixby) Durant): (Cont.)²¹²

445.ii.Reginald Wright⁹ Durant, b in New York City, date not known; d 3 Dec 1943 in New York City; buried in Long Island National Cemetery, Farmingdale, L.I. N.Y.; m (1) Florence Hathorne of Hathorne Springs, Saratoga, N.Y. He was married 3 additional times, but name of wives are not recorded. He is said to have no children. He studied Engineering at McGill University, Montreal. Her served as a flier in World War I.

446.iii.Edward Ladew⁹ Durant, b in New York City, date not known. He was educated in the public schools of New York City. He is said to have been married twice (no chln) and to have died in the 1940's.

(Chln of 317.iii.Charles Franklin⁸ and Marie (Butterfield) Durant):

447.i.Philip⁹ Durant, b at Oconomowoc, Wis. Sept 12, 1884; living there 1887

(Children of 322.iv.Charles Henry⁸ and Hannah (Oldfield) Durant):

All b at Lee and all living there, 1888, except ii. and iv.

448.i.Henry Oldfield⁹ Durant, b 19 Oct 1868; m at Bellows Falls, Vt. June 6, 1893, with Henrietta Stone Conant, who was b at Bellows Falls, Jan 7 1872; dau of William Jewett and Harriet Dyer (Hacket) Conant. Living 1902 at 108 Chapier Street, Holyoke, Mass. Their chln:

i.William Conant¹⁰ Durant, b at Lee, Oct 4 1895.

ii.Henrietta Oldfield¹⁰ Durant, b at Lee May 9 1899.

449.ii.William Lee⁹ Durant, b Aug 17 1870; d 2 Feb 1873.

450.iii.George Marshall⁹ Durant, b Aug 16 1872; m at Lee, Mass. April 24 1902 with Mary Juanita Roberts, b at Glasgow, Scotland, April 1 1876; dau of George and Margaret (Cannon) Roberts.

451.iv. A son b 16 July 1875; d the same day.

452.v.Charles Harrison⁹ Durant, b Aug. 18 1878.

453.vi.Walter Putnam⁹ Durant, b Oct 30 1880.

454.vii.Clifford Holcomb⁹ Durant, twin, b May 15 1888.⁴

455.viii.Clarence Newton⁹ Durant, twin, b May 15, 1888.⁴

456.ix.Harold Heath⁹ Durant, b Mar 3 1888.

(Children of 332.vi.Charles Bryant⁸ and Irene (Bates) Durant):

457.i.Clara Elizabeth⁹ Durant, b near Aurora, Kan. Aug 26 1884; living there 1890.

458.ii.Julia Jerusha⁹ Durant, b May 3 1887; living 1890.

459.iii.Richard Dennis⁹ Durant, b Aug 27 1889; living 1890.

(Children of 344.ii.John Henry⁸ and Mary (Field) Durant):
All but i. living at Montclair, N.J. in 1888.

460.i.Jessie Hamilton⁹ Durant, b Mar 7 1869; d Aug 5 1869.

461.ii,Marshall Howard⁹ Durant, b Nov 7 1872.

462.iii.Frederick Field⁹ Durant, b Feb 7 1874.

463.iv.Leonard⁹ Durant, b July 28 1876.

(Children of 353.iii.Clark Terry⁸ and Maria Louisa (Church) Durant):

464.i.George Church⁹ Durant, b at Great Barrington, Mass. July 20 1896;
m (1) April 1924 with Mary Barnett Heed Mariner, who was b in St. Louis, Mo.,
June 24, 1904. They were divorced and Mr. Durant m (2) Jan 7 1937 Mary
Elizabeth Gardner, who was b in Providence, R.I. Aug 26, 1909 and attended
Lincoln School, Providence, R.I. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living
in Clearwater, Fla.

Mr. Durant attended the Berkshire School 1909-1914; Phillips Andover Ada-
demy 1914-1916; Yale, Sheffield Scientific School 1916-1917 and 1919. In
World War I he served in the Yale Ambulance Unit, U.S.A.A.S. June 1917-April
1918. He is a member of Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity, the U.S. Power Squadron,
1952- at Clearwater, and the Rocky Point Golf Club, Tampa, Fla. He lived
in Hartford, Conn. 1920-1935; Clearwater, Fla., 1935-1939; Providence, R.I.,
1939-1945; and Clearwater, Fla. since 1945, where he has followed the pro-
fession of accountant. Children (by first marriage):

i.Guy Crandall Mariner¹⁰ Durant, b at West Hartford, Conn. Dec 26, 1928;
m at Jackson, Miss. June 5, 1957 with Mary Laurence Vinz, who was b
at Magnolia, Miss. June 22 1935; dau of Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Arnold
Vinz. Mrs. Durant is a graduate of Jackson Central High School and
Texas Women's University, Denton, Texas, with an Education Major, 1956
In 1965 Dr. and Mrs. Durant were living in Metairie, La.

Dr. Durant attended Christ School, Arden, N.C. 1942-44; Pelham
H.S., Pelham Manor, N.Y. 1947; the University of Virginia, 1947-1952,
graduating with a B.A. degree in Zoology. He is a member of TKL
Fraternity. He served in the U.S.Army 1952-1954. He attended the

University of Mississippi 1954-56, obtaining a B.A. degree in Chemistry and the University of Mississippi School of Medicine 1956-1960, earning his M.D. degree in 1960. 1960-1961 he did an internship at Charity Hospital of New Orleans; from 1962-64 he was associated with Charity hospital and in General Practice in Lake Charles, La.. He was in Private Practice 1962-64 and in 1964 earned a B.S. degree in Medical Science. At present he has a Fellowship at the Ochsner Foundation Medical Center at New Orleans, specializing in Obstetrics and Gynecology. He is a member of AAJ, a medical fraternity and is an Episcopalian. Children of Dr. and Mrs. Durant:

- i. Mary Jacqueline¹¹ Durant, b Dec 19, 1959, attending 1st grade.
- ii. William Crandall¹¹ Durant, b Dec 14, 1960, in Kindergarten.
- iii. Lawrence Herbert Clark¹¹ Durant, b Mar 28, 1962, in nursery school.

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ii. George Church¹⁰ Durant, Jr. b at Hartford, Conn., Dec 10 1925; m at New Orleans, La. Jan 7, 1953, with Beth Charbonnet Hennican; dau of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Patrick Hennican, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living in New Orleans in 1965.

Mr. Durant attended Rye High School, Rye, N.Y. 1939-1941; Christ School, Arden, N.C., 1941-1944; the University of Virginia, 1945-1950, where he was a member of Zeta Psi Fraternity. He served in the U.S. Navy as Seaman 2/c in the SW Pacific Theater June 1944-Aug 1945 and was awarded the Silver Star, the Purple Heart, and the WW II Victory Medal. He also served in the U.S. Army as a 1st Lt. Mar 1951-Nov 1952. In the Oil and Gas Industry for some years, he is at present a Banker in the Oil and Gas Dept of the Hibernia National Bank, New Orleans. He is a member of Y.M.B.C.; the American Society of Petroleum Accountants; the American Assoc. of Oil Well Drilling Contractors; the Essex Club of New Orleans; the New Orleans Lawn Tennis Club; and the Carnival Organization of New Orleans.

Mrs. Durant attended the Academy of the Sacred Heart; Marymount Academy, Tarrytown, N.Y. 1945-1947; Newcomb College of Tulane University, 1947-1951 and is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority. She is also a United Fund Captain; a Charter Member of the Louisiana Conservative Party; the A.A.U.W.; and President of the Board of the Maison Hospitaliere (a home for elderly ladies); and a member of the Junior League of New Orleans. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Durant:

- i. George Church¹¹ Durant, b at New Orleans, La. June 24 1954; attending Christian Brothers School, New Orleans.
- ii. Ann Charbonnet Hennican Durant, b Lake Charles, La. Nov 2 1956; attending Academy of the Sacred Heart, New Orleans.

465. ii. Louise⁹ Durant, b at Albany, N.Y. Apr. 10, 1899; living in 1965 in Sheffield, Mass. She married at Great Barrington, Mass. Oct 15, 1927 with Durant Rice, who was b in Riverdale, N.Y. Jan. 12 1890; d at Boston, Mass. Sept 24, 1950; son of Dr. Clarence C. Rice and 351. Jeannie Terry (Durant) Rice
Mrs. Louise (Durant) Rice attended St. Timothy's School for Girls in Catonsville, Md. 1914-17 and Finch Junior College, N.Y., 1918-1920. In the 1920's

she studied sculpture with Solon Borglum and then came under the tutelage of Mahonri Young, Anna Hyatt, Edward McCarten, and James L. Frazier, winning the Anna Hyatt Medal for excellence in Sculpture: it was a competition, and the subject was "Womanhood". She also studied in Boston under Grafley.

During the period that Mr. Rice was retired because of ill health, and after his death, Mrs. Rice had successful careers, in the Boston area, in the fields of merchandising and real estate. The present editor of the Durant family history is most indebted to Mrs. Rice for her kindness in helping collect information on her branch of the family.

As a boy, Mr. Rice was a member of the Knickerbocker Grays in New York City. He prepared for college at Pomfret School in Conn. and was in the class of 1912 at Harvard. In 1914-15 Mr. Rice served with the American Field Service in France, receiving the Croix de Guerre with Palm. In 1916 he was with Squadron A, New York National Guard, on the Mexican border. Then, having been commissioned a first lieutenant, he went to France with the 369th Infantry, was brigaded with the French, and won a second Croix de Guerre with Palm.

In 1942, with the rank of Major, Army Air Force, Mr. Rice was a liaison officer with the French Air Force in North Africa until August, 1944, when he was transferred to the SHAHF Mission to the French Air Force in Paris. There he was promoted to Colonel and received the Legion of Honor, with rank of Chevalier, awarded by the French Provisional Government, July 27, 1945.

Mr. Rice was a member of the Tavern Club in Boston, one of the oldest clubs in existence, and he made his home in Dedham, Mass. for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Rice have one son:

1. Richard Durant¹⁰ Rice, b at Cambridge, Mass. Feb 25, 1933; living in 1965 in Providence, R.I., where he is working on an M.S. degree in Library Science at the University of Rhode Island. He attended Noble and Greenough School in Dedham, and prepared for college at the Putney School, Putney, Vt. He is a graduate of Bard College, with a B.S. in Biology. He has also taken courses at the Rhode Island School of Design.

He served in the Army Medical Corps in Houston, Texas and
Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D.C.

Mr. Rice is a book illustrator and has done the illustrations
for the following books: Henry Chapin, The Remarkable Dolphin (1962);
Mildred and John Teal, Portrait of An Island (1964); Margalo Gillmore,
Four Flights Up (1964); and Peter J. Stephens, The Perrely Flight (1965).

466.iii.Edward Clark⁹ Durant, b Sept 4 1900 in Albany, N.Y.; m at New York
City, at the "Little Church Around the Corner" Mar 10 1928 with Louise Amelia
Wolven, who was b at Mellenville, N.Y., Jan 29 1907; dau of Joseph Clarence and
Della (Hagedorn) Wolven. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living in Great
Barrington, Mass. Many thanks are due to them for their assistance in collect-
ing material on their branch of the Durant Family.

Mr. Durant was educated in the public schools of Great Barrington and also
studied with private tutors. He did additional study at the Browning School
in New York City and also read law in the law firm of Kellogg, Cande, and
Myers in Pittsfield, Mass. In the 1920's he traveled extensively in Europe,
and spent considerable time in Central America. He also worked for the United
Fruit Co. in Honduras. He was also Vice President of Monument Mills, which
at the time it was sold had been in his family for 107 years. At present,
Mr. Durant is Assistant Treasurer of the Pittsfield Cooperative Bank. He is
Past Master of Cincinnatus Lodge of Masons, AF and AM.

Mrs. Durant was educated in the public schools of Mellenville, N.Y. and is
a graduate of Pittsfield High School. She attended Nurses Training School at
the Bishop Memorial Hospital Training School in Pittsfield. She is Past Matron
of the Eastern Star, Cincinnatus Chapter. Mr. and Mrs. Durant are both members
of the First Congregational Church of Great Barrington, Mass. Their children:

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1.Della¹⁰ Durant, b at Pittsfield, Mass. Feb 27, 1929. In 1965 she was
living at University Park, Penna., where she is an Associate Professor
of Physical Education at Penn State University.

Miss Durant was educated in the public schools of Great Barrington
and holds a B.S. degree from Russell Sage College and an M.S. degree in
1950 from Penn State University. She taught at the Beard School in
Orange, N.J. in 1951 and at the University of Delaware from 1952-1954;
since 1954 she has been teaching at Penn. State.

Miss Durant is a member of both the Pennsylvania and the American Association for Physical Education and Recreation; a member of the Eastern Association for Physical Education of College Women and a member of the Executive Board. During the first year she was chairman of the Committee on Membership and Public Relations. She is now Chairman of the Committee on International Understanding.

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ii. Edward Terry Durant, b at Great Barrington Jan 28, 1932; m at San Francisco, Cal. Sept 21, 1963 with Martha Harriette Mac Phee; dau of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Abner Mac Phee. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Durant were living in Trumbull, Conn.

Mr. Durant was educated in the public schools of Great Barrington; Kent Preparatory School, class of 1950, Kent, Conn.; and Colgate University, 1954. He is also a graduate of the University of Virginia Law School and a member of the Virginia Bar. He was also in the U. S. Navy, a 1st Lt. in 1957, having received his Commission as a 2d Lt. from NROTC at Newport, R.I. in 1954.

Mr. Durant spent 5½ years with the National Labor Relations Board, having served in Washington, D.C. as legal assistant to the Chairman of the NLRB, Frank McCulloch, and in San Francisco, Cal., as a supervisory attorney for the general council of the NLRB.

In 1965 Mr. Durant was admitted to the Connecticut Bar and became associated with the law firm of Cummings and Lockwood, with offices in Stamford, Greenwich, Darien, and Bridgeport, Conn. Mr. Durant is practicing primarily in the Bridgeport office. He was recently elected to the Vestry of Christ Episcopal Church of Tashua, Conn.

At Colgate, Mr. Durant was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity and at the University of Virginia, he was a member of Delta Theta Phi, a legal fraternity. He is the fourth generation of his family to be a member of the Royal Arch Chapter of Masons, in which his great grandfather, George Church, held the office of Scribe at the time of its founding in Great Barrington in 1874.

Mrs. Durant was b in Great Falls, Montana Aug 19 1936. She spent most of her life in Spokane, Wash. and attended the University of Washington, where she was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority. She is active in civic and church affairs in Trumbull, Conn.

467.iv. Richard Church⁹ Durant, b at Great Barrington, Mass., Apr. 25, 1906; he m in Maryland, Dec 14 1939 with Mrs. Jayne (Shaddock) Topping. In 1965 Dr. Richard Durant was head of the Medical Dept. for Holmes and Narver, Consultants to the Atomic Laboratories at Los Alamos, and at that time he was working on Johnston Island.

Dr. Durant was educated in the public schools of Great Barrington and the Berkshire School in Sheffield. He graduated from Yale with a B.A. in 1928 and from Harvard Medical School in 1934. He served a medical internship at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital in Boston and was resident surgeon, Boston City

Hospital. At Tufts Medical School he was a teaching fellow surgeon. Then, for a year and a half he was resident surgeon at Doctor's Hospital, New York City

On July 17, 1939 Dr. Durant opened his office at Great Barrington for the practice of General Surgery, but a month after his marriage, on Jan 3, 1940, he and Mrs. Durant moved to Honolulu. On July 14, 1943 Dr Richard Durant was appointed to the teaching and research staff of Harvard Medical School, Boston. At that time he had been assisting at the Blood Bank in Boston and was making his home in Dedham.

During World War II, Dr. Durant was a Cmdr in the USNR, serving as Surgeon on the USS West Point for 30 months in the Atlantic and Pacific Theaters. Later, he was chief of Surgery at the US Naval Hospital in Annapolis. He then returned to Honolulu where he practiced surgery until his present connections with Holmes and Narver. Dr. Durant's five children:

- i. Anne¹⁰ Durant, b Mar 20 1941 in Honolulu; m there in 1961 with Robert Freebairn, who was b in Culver City, Cal. in 1941.
Mrs. Anne Freebairn is a graduate of Punahou School and attended the University of Hawaii one year.
Mr. Freebairn is a Mormon and has lived in Hawaii since 1960. At present he is a Salesman and District Manager for the Xerox Co. Their child:
 - i. Sonia¹¹ Freebairn, b Honolulu, c 1963.
- ii. Richard Church¹⁰ Durant, Jr. "Rikki", b at Boston, Mass. July 30, 1942; living near Sheffield, Mass. in 1965.
Mr. Richard Durant attended the Mt. Everett Regional School in Sheffield and Punahou School in Honolulu. He also took University of Maryland extension classes while in France.
He served in the Army Paratroops Aug 1962 to Feb 1963 as an Aerial Supply Specialist or Parachute Rigger, stationed in Evereux, France. He holds the Parachutist's badge and the Expert Rifleman's Badge and the Expert Infantryman's Badge. He is a member of the Wanalua Congregational Church of United Church of Christ, Hana, Maui. He is also a Republican. Mr. Durant kindly supplied the information on his siblings.
- iii. Clark Terry¹⁰ Durant II, "Binky", b Boston, Mass July 23, 1945; in 1965 he was in Honolulu, serving in the U.S. Army.
- iv. Louise Dunham¹⁰ Durant, "Susie", b in Honolulu, Aug 1946; in 1965 she was in Boston, Mass. attending a Powers Modeling School.

Miss Durant was educated at the Star of the Sea School, Hawaii; St. Andrew's Priory (Episcopal); St. Helena's Hall, Portland, Oregon; and she is a graduate of Roosevelt High School, Honolulu.

v. Payson¹⁰ Durant, "Herc", was b at Honolulu, Mar 1951; in 1965 he was attending the Watkinson School in Hartford, Conn.

(Child of 358.iii. Thomas Theophilus⁸ and Aramenta (Pirierra) Durant):

468.i. Edmund Vincent⁹ Durant, b at St. Thomas, West Indies, Feb 2 1879; d May 9 1879.

(Children of 362.iii. James Maxwell⁸ and Caroline (Henderson) Durant):

469.i. Caroline⁹ Durant, b Washington, D.C. Jan 31 1928; m in New York City, Jan 6 1950 with Luiz Gonzaga Ladeira. In 1965 Mr. and Mrs. Ladeira were living in New York. Mrs. Ladeira has a B.S. in Sociology from Columbia University 1955; an M.S. in Library Science from Columbia, 1958; and she is presently a doctoral candidate in International Relations at New York University. Mr. Ladeira is with the Voice of America and also represents Brazilian coffee interests in New York.

470.ii. Jacqueline Maxwell⁹ Durant, b Washington, D.C. Feb 12, 1931; m there April 7 1956 with Truxton Rich Baldwin. Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin were living in Alexandria, Va. in 1965. Their children:

- i. Caroline¹⁰ Baldwin, b. Dayton, Ohio May 7, 1957.
- ii. Thomas¹⁰ Baldwin, b Dayton, Ohio Sept 12 1958.
- iii. Jacqueline Alexandra¹⁰ Baldwin, b Arlington, Va., June 26, 1964.

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