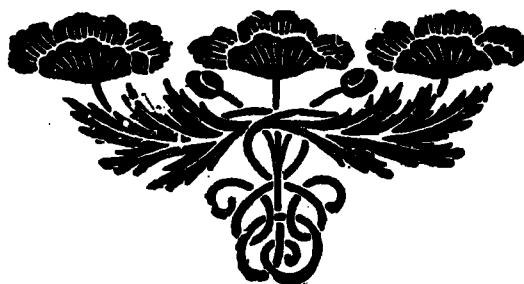


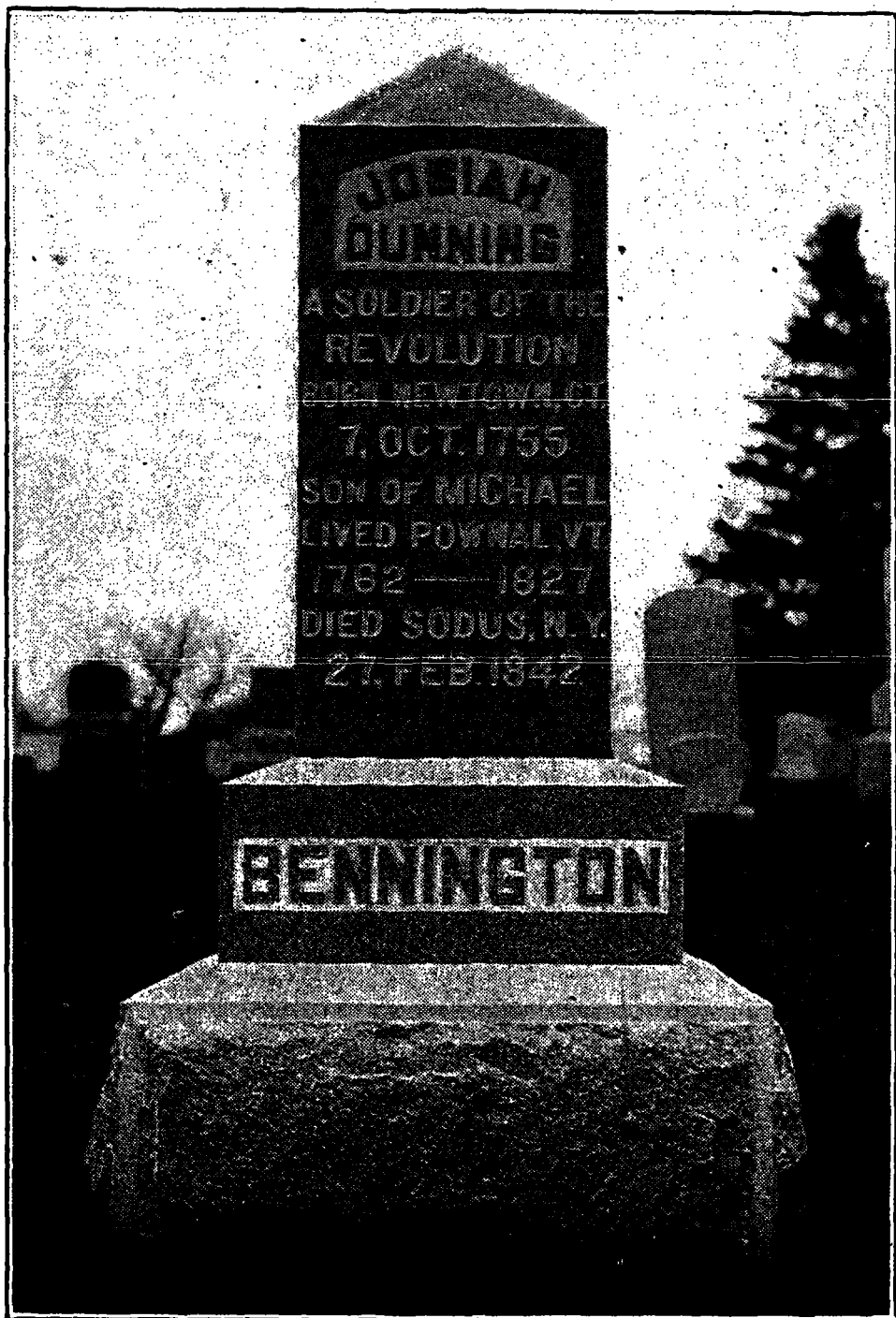
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The earliest mention of the name Dunning seems to be by the Bishop of Nelson, in his *Life of Walter de Merton*, p. 34, who says that "probably in the year 1269, he purchased the Norman Mansion (the present Pythagoras House, Cambridge), together with the estate of the Dunnings, who had held it from Conquest."

Bardsley's *Dictionary of English and Welsh surnames*, gives the following:

DUNNING, DOWNING.- the names Dunning, Dunnig (pronounced Dunning) and Dunnigs, occur as personal names in the "Hundred's Rolls" (1273):

John Dounynne (I Edward III. Kirby's Quest for Somerset).

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Johannes Dunning, 1379 (Yorkshire Poll tax).

Alicia Downing, 1379 (Yorkshire Poll tax).

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Hervey Dunning, 1273 (County Cambridge).

Richard Duning, 1273 (County Oxford).

John Dunning or Downing, sheriff of Norwich, 1432.

It seems probable that the Dunning family existed in England from a very early period and that men of the name scattered out over the British Isles and founded families whose relationship to each other cannot, at this late date, be definitely determined. Early in the reign of the later Stuarts, a family of Dunnings lived in Walkhampton, Devonshire, on the western edge of Dartmoor, from which arose the celebrated lawyer and parliamentarian, John Dunning, who became Solicitor-General of England and was created Baron Ashburton, Apr. 8, 1782. There is no evidence that any of the American Dunnings were directly related to this family, which was of the gentleman or landed class. At the same time, a number of families named Dunning, of the yeoman class, lived about 20 miles northeast from Walkhampton, and across Dartmoor, at Throwleigh and South Tawton. As it is probable that several of the early Dunning immigrants to America were of the families from this vicinity, a description of these towns from the Devon Directory of 1889, is given below:

SOUTH TAWTON, 4 mi. s. e. Sampford Courtenay Sta; 4 mi. e. Okehampton, SW. Ry. In St. Andrew's church, the stained glass window is a memorial to Richard Dunning, d. 1871, ae. 102. The record of baptisms dates from 1540; of marriages and burials from 1558. One of the 7 "principal land owners" named is Richard Dunning of Barton, Throwleigh, resident; Richard Dunning, farmer, Week.

THROWLEIGH, 7 mi. s. e. Okehampton. St. Mary's church has a memorial window to the Dunnings of Barton. Register of baptisms begins 1653; of marriages 1654. Chief land owners, James Dunning. Esq. (Lord of the Manor), Wonston; Richard Dunning, Barton; Trustees of the

late Wm. Dunning, Way; and 3 others. Private residents, Mrs. Dunning, Way; Richard Dunning, Barton; farmers, Thomas and James Dunning. Ash; yeomen, James Dunning, Wonston, Richard Dunning, Barton; area, 1884 acres; population, 317.

WINKLEIGH, 5 mi. n. w. North Tawton Sta. The Misses Dunning, Townsend Cottage; Mrs. Dunning, Hilliers; Mrs. Dunning, Townsend House; Richard Dunning. Baptisms registered since 1585; marriages and burials since 1569.

The prevailing opinion among those who have studied the early mention of Dunnings in America, seems to be that the earliest immigrants of that name came from Devon, England, and that they were probably of the class called Yeomen. Nothing authentic exists to show that these early Dunning immigrants were in any way related and hence, in considering the families founded by each on this continent, they are usually classified as distinct branches. While it is not here pretended that an exhaustive investigation and examination of records has been made, it is assumed on very reliable information that the following is about all we are ever likely to know concerning the early Dunning immigrants to America:

JONATHAN DUNNING (alias Singletary);—At the first settlement of Killingworth, Conn. (the part of the town now called Clinton), Jonathan Dunning drew the lot of land next to the parsonage. He had daughters born there in 1666 and 1668; was a soldier in an Indian war of 1676; and about 1682 is mentioned by Cotton Mather as one of a band of "Ranting Quakers" who pretended to perform miracles. In some of the records he is styled "Singletary" and the same man has apparently been traced in a family of Singletarys in Haverhill, Mass. No connection seems to have been established between him and any of the later Dunning families in New England.

HICKS DUNNING;—Sarah (dau. of Thomas Joy, who came to Hingham, Mass., 1638), married in 1648, Hicks Dunning, and to them was born, Mar. 31, 1672 a son Edmond, but no descendants have ever been recorded. Joy's will calls him Dunham or Denham.

ANDREW DUNNING;—Said to have been born in Devonshire, Eng: m. Susan Bond in England; came to America from Devon, Eng., in 1717; with 5 sons, landing at a place now called Georgetown, Me., near the mouth of the Kennebec river; blacksmith by trade; soldier in Capt. John Giles' Co., in the Indian war of 1723-24; subsequently moved to Brunswick, Me., and built a house at Maquoit; d. Jan. 18, 1736, aged 72, and is buried in Brunswick Old Burying Ground; descendants served in the Rev. War; many descendants today; for records apply to M. B. Dunning, M. D., Bedford, Iowa.

SAMUEL DUNNING;—Born in England; came to America early in life and settled in Kent Co. Del., near the present site of Dover; his younger brother Thomas, and sisters Deborah and Martha came to this country with him but died without issue. Samuel m. Tamar Wilson and died in Kent Co. Del., about 1734, aged 70. He is said to have had 7 children. Rec-

ords of descendants of his son William, may be had from M. B. Dunning, M. D., Bedford, Iowa.

SOUTHERN DUNNINGS:—In the summer of 1730, a Wm. Dunning was Speaker of the South Carolina Legislature. In 1780, "James Dunning of Charleston S. C., was an Addresser of Sir Henry Clinton." Clinton captured Charleston early in 1780, and it was for the most part loyal, and these "Addressers" were doubtless Loyalists, though Clinton paroled them. During the Revolution, among some Loyalists who were captured in North Carolina, was one, Ensign John Dunning (named also as Denning and Downing). The Colonial and State Records of North Carolina, Vol. xi, p. 486, say that he was captured at Moore's Creek Feb. 27, 1776, with a great many others, nearly all Scotch Highlanders, who had been settled in N. C. after the defeat of the Young Pretender at Culloden, and were still coming to N. C. as late as 1775. In a report of a Committee of the N. C. Congress on the prisoners, it is set forth "that John Downing did actually take up arms and go to war as an Ensign to Capt. Seymour Yorke's Co; that he is a freeholder in Guilford and Orange Counties and lives in Guilford Co." In 1816, a Judge Wm. Dunning (b. 1794 in Guilford, N. C.) moved from Guilford, N. C., to Tennessee, and from thence, in 1822, to Bloomington, Ind., in company with three of his brothers, John, Thomas and Paris Chipman. Wm. Dunning was Judge of Buchanan Co. Ind., 1844-1862, and d. 1879; John Dunning settled in Iowa; Thomas Dunning settled in Illinois; Paris Chipman Dunning, who is mentioned by Gen. Lew Wallace as being a sutler in the Mexican War, was elected Lieut-Governor of Indiana with Gov. Whitcomb in 1846; and on Gov. Whitcomb's election to the U. S. Senate in 1848, filled out the term, 1848-49, as Governor of the State. Sufficient investigation has never been made to determine the exact connection of these different families. Some of those who were Loyalists in 1776, may have fought on the other side at the battle of Guilford Court House in 1781. Descendants of Judge Wm. Dunning say that his grandfather and two of his uncles were killed in the Revolutionary war at the battle of Guilford C. H. Records of the descendants of Judge Wm. Dunning may be had from M. B. Dunning, M. D., Bedford, Iowa.

ABIJAH DUNNING;—came to America as a young man; m. 1763 in Salem, Mass., to Elizabeth Gregory (b. June 4, 1842; d. May 2, 1820); moved 1773-74 to Springfield, Mass.; thence in 1790 to St. Johns, Canada, with 4 sons and one daughter; thence in 1792 to Montreal; thence in 1801 to Cumberland, Ont., and later to Longueil, Treadwell's Seignory, a few miles south of L'Original, Canada, where he d. Dec. 18, 1809, aged 75; monument in old Protestant Burying Ground at the Four Corners. Most of his descendants in Canada today. Records and a fine Memoir of Abijah and his sons may be had from M. B. Dunning, M. D., Bedford, Iowa.

THEOPHILUS DUNNING;—(sometimes named as Downing and called "the fisherman"), had land granted him in Salem, Mass., 1642; had a son Theophilus, bapt. Mar. 13, 1642; dau. Ann (or Hannah) bapt. Sept. 8, 1644; and son Benjamin bapt. Jan. 17, 1647, all in Salem, Mass. Nothing fur-

ther is known of Theophilus, but in the Town Reports of Boston Record Commissioners is found mention of a Benjamin Dunning, who, we assume, later moved to Long Island, where a Benjamin Dunning is mentioned at Newtown and Jamaica, L. I., in 1699, and again as late as 1708, when he is named as the father of Hannah Dunning who m. Isaac Hurd in Stratford, Conn., May 11, 1708.

OTHER DUNNINGS;—From Hanna, "The Wilderness Trail", Vol. II., 331, in a list of Indian traders is given the following: "James Dunning (sometimes incorrectly written as Denning, Demming, Denny, Dinnen, etc.) a trader at Allegheny 1734 to 1754; licensed in 1744 (Denning); robbed by Peter Chartier and the Shawnees at Allegheny, Apr 18, 1745; an unlicensed trader in 1747 (Denny) and in 1748; one of Forbe's and Bouquet's guides in 1758"; also, "Robert Dunning (and Donegal), trader in 1730, residence in what is now Carlisle, Pa."

The above comprise about all the Dunnings in America of early mention, but that there were later immigrants of the name in the U. S., is well known, these being mostly of Irish origin. The main branches of the family in America today, however, are the following:

MAINE DUNNINGS, from Andrew Dunning who came to Maine in 1717.

DELAWARE DUNNINGS, from Samuel Dunning who d. 1734 in Kent Co., Delaware.

SOUTHERN DUNNINGS, from the family originating at Guilford, N. C.

ABIJAH DUNNING family, mostly in Canada.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY, CONN., DUNNINGS, from Benjamin and John Dunning who first appeared at Stratford, Conn., about 1700.

ORANGE COUNTY, N. Y., DUNNINGS, from Michael Dunning who m. 1710 in Jamaica, L. I., and was of the party which founded Goshen, Orange Co., N. Y. in 1719; supposed to be a brother of Benjamin and John.

Modern descendants are fairly numerous from all the main branches but the best classified families of record are the Fairfield Co., Conn., Dunnings and the Orange Co., N. Y., Dunnings. These families are presumed to be descended from Theophilus Dunning, the English immigrant, granted land in Salem, Mass., 1642, and who probably lived and died there. Theophilus is therefore assumed to be the head of the family and is mentioned in these records as "Theop¹".

As no further mention is found of Theophilus, Sr., or of his son Theophilus, we feel justified in further assuming that the younger son, Benjamin, bapt. Jan. 17, 1647, in Salem, Mass., on reaching adult years located in Boston, Mass., and in support of this assumption we find in the Town Reports of the Boston Record Commissioners, the following mention: "Benjamin, son of Benjamin and Mary Dunning, born in Boston, Mar. 3, 1679. Benjamin Dunning was a taxpayer in Boston in 1681 and 1685; he was elected Sealer of Leather, Mar. 12, 1682, and a tything man in Capt.

Turill's Company, Apr. 30, 1684." To connect the Benjamin Dunning of Boston with a Benjamin Dunning mentioned in records at Newtown and Jamaica, L. I., in 1699 and later, seems a rather long step, but the fact that two brothers, Benjamin and John Dunning, appeared at Stratford, Conn. (just across from Long Island) about 1700, and were baptized together (as adults) May 30, 1703, in Stratfield church, (now 1st Church of Bridgeport, Ct.), lends a very decided probability to the assumption that the Benjamin Dunning of Boston moved to Long Island where his family grew up. In 1708, Benjamin Dunning, of Jamaica, L. I., is named as the father of Hannah Dunning who m. Isaac Hurd in Stratford, Conn; and Benjamin and John Dunning who came to Stratford, Conn., about 1700, were very likely his sons, as was probably Michael Dunning who m. 1710 in Jamaica, L. I., and who was of the party which founded Goshen, Orange Co., N. Y., in 1719. We therefore place Benjamin Dunning, bapt. Jan. 17, 1647, in Salem, Mass., named in Boston records and later in records of Jamaica, L. I., as second in the line of descent, and refer to him as "Benj 2".

In explanation of the curious fact that the brothers, Benjamin and John Dunning, who came to Stratford, Conn., about 1700, were not baptized until they were adults, we submit the following report on the condition of Long Island from 1638 to 1700; contributed by S. Wright Dunning:

"The first settlers, 1638, were Dutch. It was nearly depopulated by an Indian rising in 1643. A colony from Connecticut came in 1652, under a charter from Gov. Stuyvesant and called the place where they settled Middlebury. When the English first took possession, they professed allegiance to Connecticut, whither nearly the whole colony had gone in 1643 because of the Indians.- After the establishment of English rule in 1664, it was named New Towne. When the Dutch resumed possession in 1673, only 23 out of 99 male adults took the oath of allegiance. Rev. Francis Doughty, who, with associates, claimed 13,332 acres of land in Newtown, was made minister of Flushing (adjoining Newtown) by Gov. Stuyvesant. He was an Englishman, banished from Massachusetts for his views on baptism. He went first to Long Island in 1642 and went with the Quakers in 1656. In 1702 the Governor attempted to establish an Episcopal minister in a parish including Jamaica, Newtown and Flushing. Wm. Urquhart, rector from 1704 to 1709, said that 'most of the inhabitants are Quakers who roam through the country from one village to another, talk blasphemy, corrupt the youth and do much mischief.' If Benjamin Dunning were one of these it would explain why his sons were unbaptized until they became adults."

In a publication called the Town Records of Jamaica, L. I., from 1656 to 1748, Vol. I., p. 143, it is mentioned that "Daniell Downing, in Mar. 1693, sold a brown horse to John Harreson of Jamaica." From the same source, Vol. III., p. 133, a deed was made by John Foster to John Messenger, one of the witnesses of which was "Machel Duning." The date of this deed is May 20, 1714, and the witness referred to doubtless was Michael Dunning who was of the party which founded Goshen, Orange Co., N. Y.,

in 1719. From another source, "Benj. Downing of Hempstead, L. I., (ad-joining Jamaica), Apr. 28, 1755, had one female slave."

We have now reached a point where it is necessary to divide the family we are considering into 3 main divisions, these divisions being founded by the 3 sons of Benjamin Dunning of Jamaica, L. I. The given names in the families of these brothers are quite similar for several generations and each of the three men had a son named "Michael." While we do not know the order of birth of these brothers, the entry of their names on the baptismal record in Stratfield church was "Benjamin and John Dunning" which is pretty good evidence of their relative ages; hence we suppose Benjamin to have been the eldest, and according to the Boston record was born March 3, 1679; John, who accompanied Benjamin to Connecticut, being the second; and Michael who remained in Long Island, the youngest. As all were 3rd in line of descent from Theop¹, we describe them genealogically as "Benj 3", "John 3", and Michael 3". However they are also often spoken of in these records as follows: "Benj 3" is known as "Sergt. Benj." or Benj. Sr.; "John 3" is known as John (1), because he had a son John and a grandson John; and "Michael 3" is known as Michael of Orange Co., N. Y., or Michael, founder of the Orange Co., branch.

One of the most interesting groups of all the Dunnings in America is the one which had its origin in Fairfield Co., Conn., comprising the descendants of Benjamin and John Dunning who first appeared at Stratford, Conn., about 1700; were baptized together (as adults) May 30, 1703. by the Rev. Charles Chauncey in Stratfield Church (now 1st Church of Bridgeport, Conn). The record still exists, and that the brothers were adults at the time of baptism is proven by the fact that the same record does not name parents, but records the baptism of a daughter of Benjamin in 1707, and twin sons of John in 1713. In 1711, we find that Benjamin and John were of the party that first settled Newtown, Conn., about 20 mi. n. w. of Bridgeport, in that part which has since been made the town of Brookfield. They are both named in the early town records of Newtown, where they held town offices. Benjamin lived in Newtown all his life and d. Mar. 21, 1739. John moved to Norwalk about 1717 and d. there Jan. 1, 1734. The family records of the two brothers are given below:

BENJAMIN DUNNING 3 (Benj. 2 Theop¹), b. Mar. 3, 1679 in Boston Mass; known as Sergt. Benj. and Benj. Sr; came to Stratford, Conn., about 1700; bapt. May. 30, 1703 with his brother John in Stratfield church; was one of the party which founded Newtown, Conn., in 1711 and d. there Mar. 21, 1739. First wife is unknown, but he m. (2) 1710 Elizabeth Miner (b. 1690. dau. Capt. John Miner) who survived him and married Obadiah Wheeler. Benjamin's will was executed Mar. 23, 1737; a codicil was added 1738; and was proved Mar. 30, 1739. It willed to his wife, Elizabeth, who was required to pay 20£ to his grandson Joseph Stilson when he became of age, and to his daughter Sarah (Holley) 10£. Benjamin willed further to sons Benj., David, Abel, John, Michael and Amos; Thos. Tousey and the son Benj. were the executors. The inventory of the estate foots up 2499 £.. 16 s.

Elizabeth, his eldest daughter, is not named and was probably dead, the grandson, Joseph Stilson, mentioned above, being her son. On Jan. 7, 1740, Elizabeth, relict of Benjamin, was appointed guardian of Michael and Amos Dunning; Thomas Skidmore, guardian of Abel and John Dunning; and Obadiah Wheeler, guardian of Benjamin Dunning, - all sons of Benj. Sr. Of his family, given below, the first 2 children were by his first wife; the last 7 being by Elizabeth, second wife:

- I. Mary, b. July 6, bapt. July 20, 1707 in Stratfield church; not named in will.
- II. Benjamin, Jr., b. Aug. 9, bapt. Aug. 14, 1709; m. Sarah Burritt; d. 1782; called "Capt. Benj."; had 10 sons and 3 daughters.
- III. David, b. Sept. 6, 1711, bapt. May 11, 1712; m. 1736 Hannah Botsford; d. 1783; had 7 sons and 6 daughters.
- IV. Sarah, b. Aug. 14, bapt. Oct. 25, 1713.
- V. Abel, b.?; owned the covenant, Nov. 6, 1743 and dau. Sarah bapt. same day; a son, Josiah, bapt. Sep. 22, 1745; Abel d. Sep. 2, 1759.
- VI. John, b.?; several deeds of land in Newton between 1747 and 1752, in one of which he names Amos as his younger bro., and already dead; m. Sept. 2, 1747, Anna Kimberly; he d. 1764. Estate distributed Jan. 3, 1773 to sons Abraham, Philo, Isaac and James.
- VII. Elizabeth, b.?; m. Stilson.
- VIII. Michael; b. July 30, 1730; m. July 19, 1750 Abiah Kimberly; moved to Pownal, Vt., 1762, two years after first settlement of the town; had a 2nd wife; was a leading man in Pownal where he d. Feb. 28, 1810; had sons 7 and 3 or 4 daughters.
- IX. Amos, b. Jan. 20, 1734; died young, before 1752.

BENJAMIN DUNNING, Jr. 4, (Benj 3, Benj 2, Theop 1), b. Aug. 9, bapt. Aug. 14, 1709; m. (1) about 1730 Sarah Burritt (d. Mar. 12, 1773); m. (2) Oct. 13, 1773, a widow, Mary Bristol (her will proved April 2, 1782); called "Capt. Benj"; lived in Newtown and Brookfield, Ct.; he executed a will in Newtown, Oct. 9, 1782, saying he had no wife to provide for and willed to sons; will proved Nov. 5, 1782; family as follows:

1. Ezra, b. Jan. 1732, bapt. June 15, 1734; m. Ruby—(1739-1818); d. June 16, 1796; had the following children:
 - i. Sarah, b. Jan. 28, 1858; m. Abel Smith; d. Apr. 19, 1858, ae. 100.
 - ii. Lucy, b. Dec. 3, 1759.
 - iii. Liverus, b. Feb. 2, 1763; m. Sarah—(who d. 1793); d. July 24, 1831; issue as follows:
 - a. Northrop, b. Apr. 15, 1786; m. Feb. 9, 1807 Sally Smith (1788-1863); d. Feb. 4, 1863; he collected the material on which was based the claim for the estate of Lord Ashburton, and his family counted themselves the true heirs; issue as follows:

- (1) Sarah, b. Aug. 15, 1808.
- (2) Lorenzo Charles, b. Oct. 13, 1810; d. Jan. 9, 1872, no male issue.
- (3) Laura, b. Nov. 7, 1818.
- (4) Liverus, b. Sep. 11, 1827; lived in Brookfield, Ct.; no issue.
- iv. Edmond, b. Nov. 3, 1764; m. Hannah Hawley; d. May 24, 1856; said to have been with Washington at Valley Forge (as he was but 12 then, he may have been with his father, and there was an Ezra in the Army); later he was Capt. in the Conn. Militia; issue as follows:
 - a. Rufus Benjamin, b. Oct. 1, 1786; d. July 8, 1831; had a son Amos, born 1830.
 - b. Laura, b. Sep. 26, 1788; d. May 23, 1874.
 - c. Esther, b. Sep. 3, 1790; d. Mar. 22, 1874.
 - d. Betsy, b. Oct. 10, 1792; d. Sep. 21, 1865.
 - e. Lyman, b. Dec. 11, 1794; d. June 21, 1805.
 - f. Hawley, b. Dec. 19, 1796; m. June 10, 1821 Sarah Porter; d. Mar. 28, 1872.
 - g. Alucia, b. Sep. 27, 1809; d. Sep. 14, 1814.
- v. John, b. Feb. 7, 1767; d. Sep. 11, 1772.
- vi. Parthenia, b. Feb. 25, 1770; d. Mar. 6, 1773.
- vii. Anner, b. Oct. 19, 1772; m. Abiah Clark.
- viii. Parthenia, b. July 14, 1775; m. Abiram King; d. June 18, 1828.
- ix. John, b. Oct. 26, 1777; d. Sept. 11, —?.
- x. Ezra, b. Apr. 20, 1780; d. Feb. 20, 1854; lived in Mass., near East Canaan, Conn; known as "Snap" Dunning.
- 2. Mary, b. Sep. 9, 1734; m. Jos. Hepburn of Brookfield; was living in 1786.
- 3. Eli, b. Aug. 8, 1736; moved from Brookfield, Ct., to Hudson, N. Y; his son Smith Dunning went to England to see about the estate of Lord Ashburton.
- 4. Jared, b. July 31, 1738; m. Mercy, dau. of Joseph Smith of Brookfield; issue as follows:
 - i. Clarinda, b. 1762; m. Andrew Northrop (1758-1825); d. Jan. 11, 1852.
 - ii. Wolcott, m. Matilda Pulmer; moved to Butternuts, Otsego Co., N. Y.
 - iii. Joseph, b. 1769; m. Hannah, dau. of John Dunning, died in New Haven, Ct.
 - iv. Mary (twin of Joseph), b. 1769; m. Isaac Babbitt; d. Nov. 2, 1812.
 - v. Asahel, m. Lucretia Judd of Watertown, Ct.; moved to Indiana, on the Wabash, and had 3 children, Elsie, Bevil Judd and Juliet; he went twice to the West Indies and in 1812 to Canada, whence he was forced to return by the war.

5. (Rev.) Benjamin, b. June 17, bapt. June 30, 1740; m. in Newtown June 16, 1762 Mrs. Anne Botsford (1742-1792); received A. B., Yale, 1759; licensed to preach 1760; preached at Marlboro, Ct., and later during Revolution at Pettipog (now Essex), Ct.; d. May 12, 1785; monument in Old Essex Cemetery; issue as follows:
 - i. Benjamin, b. 1766; d. Mar. 19, 1789.
 - ii. Lucretia, b. 1765-66; lived in Middletown, Ct., and d. there 1845-46, aged 80.
 - iii. John Botsford, was at funeral of his sister in 1846; died in Mississippi, aged about 70.
 - iv. Tertius, b. 1770; m. Rebecca Broughton; issue as follows:
 - a. Charles, b. 1808-09; d. 1882-83.
 - b. Rebecca, b. about 1808; d. about 1849.
 - c. Ralph, b. 1811; nearly all his life an employe of the Engineering Dept., U. S. A., and for many years its chief clerk; d. May 4, 1905; no issue.
 - d. Benjamin, b. after 1817; d. after 1885 in Brooklyn, N. Y.; had 3 wives and issue by each; was a ship owner.
 - v. Anna, m. Thomas Hobby; d. in Middletown, Ct., about 1845, aged 71.
 - vi. Sarah, b. Nov. 1777; d. Mar. 27, 1778.
 - vii. Ralph, bapt. Jan. 31, 1779; d. 1811, aged 31.
 - viii. Julius, next to Ralph, younger or older; lived and had a stationery store at 111 Water St., N. Y. City; died 1826-27.
6. Peter, b. Apr. 2, 1742 (mentioned in father's will as "non compos mentis").
7. Andrew, b. Mar. 24, 1744; bapt. Apr. 25, 1744; mentioned in father's will, 1782.
8. Liverus, b. Feb. 7, 1746; d. June 25, 1753.
9. Ebenezer (probably died in infancy; not mentioned in father's will).
10. Sarah, b. Mar. 24, bapt. May 2, 1748; d. Oct. 20, 1753.
11. Reuben, b. Aug., bapt. Sept. 20, 1750; d. July, 1753.
12. Lucy, b. Aug., bapt. Aug. 16, 1752; d. Aug., 1753.
13. Reuben, b. Dec. 31, 1756; lived and died in Morris, Ct.; had a son, Benjamin.

DAVID DUNNING 4, (Benj 3, Benj 2, Theop 1), b. Sept. 6, 1711, bapt. May 11, 1712; m. Sep., 1736 Hannah Botsford; will executed Apr. 22, 1766 and proved Oct. 7, 1783, son David, executor; willed to sons David, Gideon, Abijah, Richard, Silas and to daughters Anna, Mehitable, Abigail and Hannah; distribution modified because Gideon and Abijah had trades; d. before Oct., 1783; issue as follows:

1. Ann, b. Jan. 11, 1737; m. Francis Barnum; lived in Bennington, Vt.
2. David, b. Apr. 17, 1738; lived at Sandgate, Vt.; had the Family Bible.

3. Gideon, b. Dec. 19, 1742; lived in Brookfield Ct., and Amenia and Galway, N. Y.; d. about 1807; (Note.—A Gideon Dunning m. Mary Wells of Wethersfield, Ct., and had a son Cyrus, who lived in Bridgewater and later moved to Ohio. David Dunning, of Schroon, N. Y., Nov. 14, 1812, quitclaimed to Cyrus Dunning "land which fell to me and my brothers from our father, Gideon, late of Brookfield").
5. Abijah, b. May 28, 1744, mentioned in his father's will, 1766.
6. Amos, b. Dec. 16, 1745; died 1753.
7. Richard, b. April 23 (his Bible says May 3), 1747, Newtown, Ct.; married about 1766 to Miriam—(b. Sept. 6, 1740; d. July 30, 1814); moved to Dorset, Vt., where he d. May 9, 1810, ae. 63; his will was executed Aug. 22, 1806, and proved Nov. 3, 1810, Manchester, Vt.; issue as follows:
 - i. Lewis, b. Nov. 13, 1767; m. (1) 1792 Anna Gray (1773-1809); m. (2) about 1810 Clara Prindle (1771-1826); was a farmer and lived at Dorset, Vt., where he d. Mar. 31, 1834, ae. 67; issue as follows:
 - a. Joel, b. Apr. 16, 1793, Dorset, Vt.; m. July 18, 1821 Sabra Prindle (d. 1872); moved to Genesee Co., N. Y., and thence to Conneautville, Crawford Co., Pa., where he d. Apr. 19, 1864; no male issue.
 - b. Diantha, b. May, 1801; d. Aug. 22, 1844.
 - c. Amos, b. Oct. 24, 1802, Dorset, Vt.; m. Dec. 25, 1839 Sarah J. Walker (1820-1869); d. Feb. 5, 1876; had 4 sons and 3 daughters.
 - d. Diadama, b. Dec. 12, 1804, Dorset, Vt.; m. Dec. 12, 1822 Rufus Page (1800-1872); d. July 11, 1850.
 - e. Clarinda, b. May 5, 1806, Dorset, Vt.; m. May 27, 1833 John Monroe (1801-1882); d. Aug. 25, 1883, Town Line, N. Y.; her son Charles W. Monroe (1847-1913) collected material and planed a Dunning history.
 - f. Anna, b. Mar. 2, 1808, Dorset, Vt.; m. (1) J. Johnson (d. 1845); m. (2) 1846 Jacob Crossman (d. 1877); she d. Jan. 5, 1887, Unadilla, Mich.
 - g. Lewis, b. July 3, 1809, Dorset, Vt.; m. (1) Sep. 12, 1832 Flora Hurd (d. 1859); m. (2) July 31, 1859 Mrs. Betsy E. Fountain; moved about 1836 to West Almond, N. Y., and d. Jan. 20, 1887, Friendship, N. Y.; had 4 sons and 1 daughter.
 - h. Dorcas, b. 1811; d. Feb. 20, 1830 (daughter by Clara Prindle).
 - i. Sarah (daughter by Clara Prindle).
 - ii. Dorcas, b. Aug. 19, 1769; m. Oct. 27, 1799 Stephen Rider (1776-1850); d. May 6, 1849.
 - iii. Abigail, b. Feb. 28, 1771; m. John Nicholson; lived at Shoreham, Vt.

- iv. Anna, b. May 16, 1773; m. Barzillai Hudson (1765-1840); d. Aug. 12 1811.
- v. Hanna, b. Aug. 22, 1776; m. Eliphalet Towsley; lived at New Haven, Vt.
- vi. Betty, b. Mar. 16, 1780; d. Feb. 15, 1781.
- 8. Silas, b. Nov. 1748; d. 1753.
- 9. Abigail, b. Aug. 30, 1750; d. 1753.
- 10. Ashbel, b. Feb. 22, 1752; d. 1753.
- 11. Abigail, b. Nov. 17, 1753; m. Ebenezer Murray; lived at Orwell, Vt.
- 12. Silas, b. May 6, 1755; m. Jerusha Bristol; moved from Brookfield, Ct., to Salem, Washington Co., N. Y., in 1784; thence to Aurelius, Cayuga Co., N. Y., in 1796, where he d. Sep. 25, 1830: issue as follows:
 - i. Amarillas, b. Feb. 13, 1780; d. 1782.
 - ii. Mary Ann, b. Nov. 2, 1781; m.——Palmer.
 - iii. Winthrop, b. Apr. 13, 1783; d. 1823 at Aurelius, N. Y.
 - iv. Amarillas, b. Aug. 17, 1785; m. 1804 Nathaniel Garrow.
 - v. Eber, b. June 8, 1787; had 6 sons and 3 daughters; none left male issue.
 - vi. Ira, b. Mar. 23, 1789; m. three times and had 8 sons and 3 daughters; only one son, Henry Silas (1816-1871) left male issue; Ira d. Sep. 25, 1841.
 - vii. Jerusha, b. May, 1793; d. 1794.
 - viii. Silas, b. Oct. 1795; d. 1795.
 - ix. Jerusha, b. Nov. 23, 1796; m. S. C. Dunham; d. at Toms River, N. J.
 - x. Joanna, b. Apr. 24, 1798; m. Hinman Hurd; d. Cincinnati, O.
 - xi. Enos, b. Mar. 1800; d. 1800.
 - xii. Lucius, b. June 19, 1804.
 - xiii. Aphia, b. May 25, 1806; m. Smith Lyons.
 - xiv. Lucian, b. Dec. 10, 1809; d. Spring Grove, O.
- 13. Hannah, m. Colly Hurd; lived in Moncton, Addison Co., Vt.

ABEL DUNNING ⁴, (Benj ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), owned the covenant Nov. 6, 1743; m. Abiah.....; dau. Sarah, bapt. Nov. 6, 1743; son, Josiah, bapt. Sep. 22, 1745; Abel d. Sep. 2, 1759; his widow, Abiah, made administratrix of his estate, Oct. 2, 1759; Abiah was appointed guardian of dau. Ablah, Jan. 1, 1760; Sarah, eldest dau. of Abel, chose Jonathan Booth as her guardian, Feb. 29, 1760.

JOHN DUNNING ⁴, (Benj ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), m. Sep. 2, 1747 Anna Kimberly; in 1764, Anna Dunning was appointed administratrix of the estate of John Dunning, late of Stratford; between 1747 and 1752, John made several deeds of land in Newtown, in one of which he names Amos as his youngest brother and already dead; will disposes of property to wife, Anna, and the following sons:

1. Abraham.
2. Philo (in 1776, Philo made his brother Abraham, his administrator).
3. Isaac (Note.—Granville E. Dunning, living in Bridgeport, Conn., in 1885, said that he was born in Trumbull, Conn., and was the son of Granville, b. 1796 in Monroe, Ct; d. there 1881; said Granville. b. 1796. being the son of Isaac. A sister of Granville, b. 1796, married a Brookfield man and d. 1883, ae. 90; another sister Eliza (Thomas) lived in Woodbury).
- 4 James.

MICHAEL DUNNING 4, (Benj. 3, Benj 2, Theop 1.), b. July 20, 1730 Newtown, Ct; m. July 19, 1750 Abiah Kimberly; moved 1762 to Pownal, Vt., and became a leading man there; m. a second wife; d. Feb. 28, 1810, in Pownal, Vt; issue as follows:

1. Amos, bapt. Newtown, Ct., Dec. 2, 1750; d. in infancy.
2. Amos, bapt. Newtown, Ct., May 24, 1752; d. before 1791; left a son, George.
3. Betty, bapt. Newtown, Ct. Jan. 6, 1754.
4. Josiah, b. Oct. 7, bapt. Oct 12, 1755 Newtown, Ct; moved 1762 to Pownal, Vt; m. about 1777 Hannah Seelye in Pownal, Vt., where he lived until 1827, later living in Williamson, N. Y., and adjoining town of Sodus, N.Y., where he d. Feb. 27, 1842; he was a Revolutionary soldier and was in the battles of Bennington, Ticonderoga and Saratoga; issue as follows:
 - i. Allen, b. Aug. 27, 1778; m. Dec. 31, 1797 Hannah Perkins (1780-1864); d. Apr. 20, 1861 at West Union, Iowa; issue as follows:
 - a. Olive (1799-1903)
 - b. Lyman (1801-1810).
 - c. Josiah D. (1803-1887).
 - d. Sabrina (1805-1813).
 - e. Caroline (1806-——).
 - f. Minerva (1808-1898).
 - g. Miranda (1808-1895).
 - h. Mary Ann (1810-1888).
 - i. Hannah Maria (1812-1896).
 - j. Ebenezer Douglass (1814-1881).
 - k. Harriet T. (1816-1897).
 - l. Andrew Jackson (1817- 1859).
 - m. Cephas Perry (1819-1894).
 - n. Lewis (1821-1913).
 - o. Edgar (1824-1914).
 - ii. Josiah, b. Aug. 30, 1780; lived in Wayne Co., N. Y; left at least one son William (1818-1871).
 - iii. Ebenezer, b. July 19, 1782; m. Lucy——; d. 1868; no issue.
 - iv. Martin, b. Oct. 5, 1784; d. 1832; left 2 sons, Eben and Martin.

- v. Lyman, b. Jan. 17, 1787; m. Mary —; lived in Sodus, N. Y., and d. Apr. 1, 1859; left a son, George, who lived and died in Bryon, Mich.
 - vi. Eleanor, b. Mar. 6, 1789; m. Joseph Angel; d. Feb. 23, 1863.
 - vii. Laura, b. Oct. 8, 1791; m. 1812 Jesse N. Wright; d. Feb. 7, 1881.
 - viii. Cephas, M. D., b. Sep. 8, 1793; m. 1826 Sarah Mooar; d. 1875.
 - ix. Abel, b. Oct. 21, 1795; m. 1851 Cynthia Caton; d. Apr. 1, 1876.
 - x. Henry, b. Sept. 21, 1797; lived in Williamson, N. Y., and d. Apr. 25, 1860.
 - xi. Lucy, b. May 6, 1800; m.Pratt; lived in Howell, Mich; d. Sept. 9, 1895.
 - xii. John, b. Apr. 3, 1802; d. 1892 in Valparaiso, Ind.
5. Abel, b. 1763 Pownel, Vt; lived at Perth, near Amsterdam, N. Y; drew Revolutionary pension and d. Aug. 1841; his large family lived near Amsterdam, N. Y., except his son, Gerard (1787-1847), who had 8 sons and 2 daughters and lived in Penfield (now Webster), N. Y.
6. Abram, b. 1765 Pownal, Vt; m. Tryphena Jewett; lived in Weybridge, Vt., adjoining Middlebury, where he d. Aug. 22 1842; issue as follows:
- i. Samuel, b. Oct. 18, 1786; d. Dec. 18, 1854, at Castleton, Vt.
 - ii. Fanny, b. —; d. July 22, 1788.
 - iii. Fanny, b. Dec. 6, 1790; d. May 4, 1874 at Aldmont, Mich.
 - iv. Clarissa, b. Aug. 19, 1792; m. 1816 Conrad Saxe; d. Oct. 18, 1875, Highgate, Vt.
 - v. John, b. Apr. 19, 1794; d. Nov. 20, 1858 at Lockport, N. Y.
 - vi. Loan J., b. Dec. 28, 1795; d. Dec. 30, 1865 at Pittsford, Iowa.
 - vii. Abram, b. June 1, 1798; d. Sept. 9, 1841 at Weybridge, Vt.
 - viii. Frederick. b. —; d. Mar. 6, 1800.
 - ix. Frederick, b. Apr. 24, 1802; d. Oct. 31, 1859, at Saratoga, N. Y.
 - x. Erasmus Darwin, b. Nov. 7, 1803; d. June, 1847, at Vincennes, Ind.
 - xi. Tryphena, b. Nov. 24, 1806; d. Mar. 10, 1847 in Milford, Wis.
 - xii. Tryphosa, b. Sep. 2, 1809; d. — .
7. John, lived in St. Armand, Canada, adjoining Vermont; had 2 sons, 4 daughters; grandchildren were living in St. Armand in 1894.
8. Martin, said to have lived near John; Martin with his sons William, Samuel, Amos and Martin, visited Ticonderoga in 1812; his sons went west and Martin returned to Canada.
9. Huldah.
10. Patty (possibly Betty, the 3rd child).
11. Polly.
- (Note.—Lucy (Dunning) Pratt, b. 1800; d. 1895, a granddaughter of Michael, gave the names of his children in the following order: Josiah, Martin, Huldah, Abel, Patty, Abram, John and Polly.

JOHN DUNNING³ (Benj², Theop¹), m. about 1709 Sarah Lambert, dau. of Jesse and Deborah Lambert of Milford, Conn. She was born about 1693. Her mother, Deborah(Fowler)Lambert, was a granddaughter of Wm. Fowler who came to America with Gov. Eaton and John Davenport in 1637, went with them to New Haven in 1638, and in 1639 became one of the trustees of Milford,—the only one bearing the honorable prefix of “Mr”. Jesse Lambert, the father of Sarah was an English officer previous to his coming to America in 1680, and was from a collateral branch of the Earl of Cavan’s family,—if such being a descendent of William the Conqueror. John Dunning moved to Norwalk, Ct., before Apr. 9, 1717, when he bought land giving the latter place as his residence. He died there Jan. 1, 1734. His will was dated Dec. 22, 1733 and proved Feb. 11, 1734. In it he divides his estate into 15 parts, and gives each of his 6 sons 2 parts, and each of his 3 daughters 1 part. He makes his wife and brother Benjamin of Newtown, his executors. The inventory made Apr. 8, 1734, consists of a long list of household goods, a house and barn and home lot valued at £140; 3 acres with buildings and orchard, £280; 1½ acres to take up £3; ½ acre east of the river, £2; 6 acres west of Buckingham’s Ridge £33; 7 acres north of Mr. Lambert’s home lot, £50; right of commonage, £6 (Fairfield Co., Probate Records, Lib., 1716-36, pp. 262-318); his family was as follows:

- I. John (2), called “Deacon John” b. 1710, bapt. with twin bro. Richard, Oct. 4, 1713; m. Aug. 30, 1734 Hannah Keeler of Norwalk; lived in Brookfield, Ct., where he d. Jan. 13, 1794; buried in Brookfield, Ct.
- II. Richard, b. 1710, twin of John above: m. Aug. 8, 1733 Abigail Betts of Wilton; lived in Norwalk and Wilton and d. June 1797.
- III. Samuel, b. 1712.
- IV. Matthew, b. 1714; Baptist Deacon: had a wife Abigail, who d. 1790; monument in S. Williamstown, Mass; will probated in 1807; left a son Matthew.
- V. Sarah, b. 1717; m. Dec. 10, 1741 Joseph Judson of Stamford.
- VI. Hannah, b. 1721. m. Dec. 5, 1750 Aaron Gregory.
- VII. David, b. Apr. 13, 1722; m. Feb. 18, 1746 Hannah Mead at Wilton, Conn (b. May 17, 1731; d. Apr. 15, 1820); he d. Apr. 10, 1777.
- VIII. Michael, b. 1726; m. (1) Mar. 6, 1745 Hannah Green (b. 1723; d. Jan. 9, 1775); m. (2) after 1776, a widow, Hannah (Moorehouse) Rowland (b. 1740; d. Apr. 29, 1813); Michael moved to Saratoga Co., N.Y., about 1770, with 6 or 7 sons and died Nov. 29, 1813, at Malta, (Dunning Street), N. Y.
- IX. Mary b. 1728; m. Nov. 27, 1752 James Trowbridge.

JOHN DUNNING⁴ (John³, Benj², Theop¹), b. 1710, bapt. Oct. 4, 1713, with twin bro. Richard; m. in Wilton, Aug. 30, 1734 Hannah Keeler of Norwalk; lived in Brookfield and called “Deacon John”; his will is dated Nov. 18, 1783 and estate consisted of real estate 725 £, personal estate 32 £ 15 s, proved Feb. 11, 1794, estate distributed Aug.

20, 1794; he d. Jan. 13, 1794, and is buried in Brookfield, Conn.; the will of his widow, Hannah, is dated Jan. 2, 1795, and estate consisted of 219 £, 75 s, estate distributed Sept. 27, 1800; she d. Mar. 5, 1800; issue as follows:

1. Hannah, b. 1735; m. (1) 1753 David Bostwick (d. 1759); m. (2) 1760 Capt. Richard Smith (d. 1819); their son, Richard Smith, Jr., had a son, Hon. Ralph Dunning Smyth, who was a lawyer, genealogist and collector of Dunning records; Hannah d. Oct. 1789.
2. Samuel, b. 1737; is mentioned in his mother's will of 1795.
3. John, (3), b. 1739; m. Phebe Smith (b. Apr. 27, 1740; d. Oct. 22, 1802); d. Jan. 16, 1798, and is buried at Brookfield; Aug. 10, 1798, Ashbel, aged 20, and John, aged 18, chose their bro. Michael as their guardian; Apr. 3, 1803, Michael and Ashbel Dunning, administrators of the estate of Phebe Dunning, widow of John, report it insolvent; issue as follows:
 - i. Michael (Deacon Michael), b. 1772; m. Anna Starr; lived in Brookfield, Ct., where he d. Aug. 2, 1827; had but one leg; issue as follows:
 - a. Rebecca, b. July 29, 1795; m.—— Benedict; lived in Skaneteles, N. Y.
 - b. Hermon, b. 1797; m. about 1821 Flora Northrup (b. 1803); d. 1862 in Peekskill, N. Y.; had 4 sons; father of Rev. Homer N. Dunning, D. D., and Wm. Burr Dunning, M. D.
 - c. Lee. --
 - d. Anna Miranda: m. Dr. Philander Smith; lived in Peekskill, N. Y.
 - e. Elijah S., b.——; m. Oct. 20, 1840 Abigail E. Beach; d. Oct. 30, 1866; father of Rev. A. E. Dunning, D. D., former editor of the "Congregationalist."
 - ii. Joseph.
 - iii. Tamar; m. Andrew Merwin of Brookfield, Ct.
 - iv. Cloe, m.——Stevens.
 - v. Lee, b. Oct. 16, 1777, Brookfield, Ct.; m. Feb. 9, 1802, Manlius, N. Y., to Hannah Sisson (b. Jan. 3, 1783; d. Feb. 25, 1837); d. May 7, 1828 at Manlius, N. Y.; issue as follows:
 - a. Charles Lee, b. Dec. 23, 1802; d. Apr. 6, 1877.
 - b. Daniel D., b. Dec. 28, 1804; d. May 23, 1852.
 - c. Eliza, b. Aug. 23, 1807; d.——at Syracuse, N. Y.
 - d. James Sisson, b. Apr. 3, 1810.
 - e. Michael, b. Apr. 6, 1813; d. Sep. 12, 1816.
 - f. Zebediah, Sisson, b. Mar. 31, 1817; d. Apr. 14, 1861, Chicago, Ill.

- g. William H., b. Dec. 5, 1820; d. ——— in Detroit, Mich.
- h. George F., b. Feb. 26, 1827; d. Apr. 6, 1902, Toledo, Ohio.
- vi. Ashbel, b. 1778; d. 1855; Deacon in the Brookfield church.
- vii. John, b. 1780, chose his bro. Michael as his guardian, Aug. 10, 1798.
- 4. Lucy, m. Feb. 18, 1773 G. Clark Smith (d. Feb. 6, 1832); she d. Apr. 14, 1812.
- 5. Lurane, m. Adam Benedict; she d. March, 1806.
- 6. Benjamin, b. about 1745; m. (1) Nov. 19, 1767 Jemima Booth (d. 1773); m. (2) about 1776 Mercy Shove; lived in Warren, Litchfield Co., Conn.; d. Feb. 1794; widow and 12 children moved to Cayuga Co., N. Y., before 1800; issue as follows:
By Jemima Booth:
 - i. Sally, m. ——— Peck; had a dau. who m. ——— Cathcart.
 - ii. Abraham, b. Feb. 6, 1769, Warren, Ct.; m. Nov. 14, 1793 Lydia Strong, (1773-1821); d. Oct. 19, 1834, Fleming, N. Y.; issue as follows:
 - a. Rhoda, b. July 18, 1794; d. Aug. 10, 1795.
 - b. Allen, b. July 27, 1796; d. 1869, Cass County, Mich.
 - c. Ezra, b. Apr. 30, 1798; d. Apr. 7, 1836.
 - d. Eben, b. Mar. 7, 1800; d. 1879, South Creek, Pa.
 - e. Sally Louisa, b. Feb. 20, 1802; d. Sep. 5, 1879.
 - f. Warren, b. Nov. 20, 1806; d. 1871, Pontiac, Mich.
 - g. Amanda, b. Feb. 20, 1808; d. Apr. 28, 1902.
 - h. Lydia, b. Jan. 28, 1810; d. Mar. 5, 1874.
 - i. Betty, b. Apr. 13, 1812; d. Apr. 10, 1826.
 - j. Phebe, b. Mar. 2, 1815; d. ——— Cassopolis, Mich.
 - k. Cynthia, b. Aug. 28, 1818; d. June 24, 1896.
 - iii. Isaac, M. D., b. Oct. 21, 1772, Warren, Ct.; m. Nov. 21, 1801 Huldah Rood (1783-1861); d. 1850, Edwardsburg, Cass Co., Mich.; issue as follows:
 - a. Horace Baldwin, b. Sep. 18, 1802; d. 1867, Cassopolis, Mich.
 - b. Philander Barrett, b. Feb. 23, 1805; d. 1875, Buchanan, Mich.
 - c. Emily Marguritta, b. Feb. 28, 1807; d. 1891, Athol, S. D.
 - d. Barton Burgess, b. Apr. 3, 1809; d. 1877, Mt. Ayr, Iowa.
 - e. Benjamin Booth, b. Aug. 20, 1811; d. 1873.
 - f. Isaac Milton, b. Jan. 11, 1814; d. 1815.
 - g. Harriet Malvina, b. July 21, 1816; d. 1858, Cass Co., Mich.
 - h. Oscar Milton, b. Aug. 1, 1823; d. Aug. 29, 1911, Bedford, Iowa.
- By Mercy Shove:
 - iv. Betsy b. 1777; m. 1798 Dr. Ezra Strong; d. 1852.
 - v. Lois, b. 1779; m. 1803 Judge Allen Vorce; d. 1833.
 - vi. Jemima, m. Joseph Stewart, Venice, Cayuga Co., N. Y.

- vii. Clarinda, m. A. Jackson; d. 1853 Cass Co., Mich.
 - viii. Jacob, b. Nov. 15, 1784 Warren, Ct; m. Jan. 5. 1809 Martha Taylor (1792-1828); m. (2) 1829 Fanny Kingsley; d. Aug. 29, 1834 Byron, Genesee Co., N. Y.; issue as follows;
By Martha Taylor:
 - a. Alvira, b. Mar. 10, 1810; d. June 18, 1812.
 - b. John, b. June 2, 1812; d. Mar. 8, 1900 Unadilla, Mich.
 - c. Almeda, b. July 22, 1814; d. Sep. 6, 1854.
 - d. Orin, b. Mar. 4, 1817; b. July 10, 1892.
 - e. Erastus, b. July 1. 1819; d. Oct. 25, 1887.
 - f. Chandler, b. Apr. 14. 1822; d. June 19, 1892.
 - g. Almira, b. July 23, 1824; d. Aug. 17, 1825.
 - h. Lucinda; b. May, 19, 1828; d. Oct. 11, 1908.
 By Fanny Kingsly:
 - i. Harvey Wesley, b. Jan. 7, 1831; d. June 16, 1831.
 - ix. Mercy, b. 1787; d. 1847 Northeast, Pa.
 - x. Urane, m. Wm. Bennett, Auburn, N. Y.
 - xi. Arilla, m. Wm. R. Fitch, Groton, N. Y.
 - xii. Benjamin Alvah, b. about 1794; d. about 1844 in Ohio.
 - 7. Desire, m. Abel Pullin.
 - 8. Sarah W., m. Joseph Ruggles; d. June 18, 1812.
 - 9. Phebe, m. Shadrach Hubbel; d. Mar., 1807.
 - 10. Abigail, m. Eliphalet Brush; d. May 11, 1791.
 - 11. Nathan, d. Sep. 1795.
 - 12. Jeremiah, b. 174—?, m. about 1760 Comfort—; lived in Brookfield, Ct., and d. Aug. 5, 1824-25; issue as follows:
 - i. Clarina, b. 1762; m. Andrew Northrup; d. Jan. 11, 1852.
 - ii. Joseph, m. (1) Anna—; m. (2) Betsy Crane (widow).
 - iii. Mary, m. Isaac Babbitt.
 - iv. Asahel, b. Oct. 24, 1778; m. Feb. 10, 1799 Hannah Judd (d. Apr. 25, 1860); he d. Feb. 27, 1830; married in Waterbury, Ct.; went to Canada and later to Ohio; moved about 1823 to Indianapolis, Ind., where he built the first brick house there; issue as follows:
 - a. Elsia, b. Apr. 15, 1803; d. 1886 in Nevada, Story Co., Ia.
 - b. Bethel Judd, b. Apr. 15, 1805; d. July 7, 1874 in Nevada, Story Co., Ia.
 - c. Juliet, b. July 5, 1807; m. Dec. 31, 1823 John Beal, in Indiana.
- RICHARD DUNNING ⁴ (John ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), b. 1710, bapt. Oct. 4, 1713, with twin bro. John; m. in Wilton, Aug. 8, 1733 Abigail Betts; he lived in Wilton and left an estate valued at £2000, letters of administration taken out June 29, 1797; in his will of 1797, he willed to heirs of his sons, Elias and Thaddeus, children of his dau. Abigail, and to a wife Deborah (perhaps 2nd wife); he d. 1797 and left issue as follows:

1. Elias, Capt. in the 5th Co., of the 13th Conn. Militia in the Revolution; he is buried in Woodbury and the town records contain his will; he d. before his father, Richard, the latter heiring to his children:
 - i. Elias.
 - ii. Edmond.
 - iii. Leman, Capt. in the War of 1812; lived in New Haven, Conn.; on a voyage from Maine he was taken sick and died of cholera in Portland, Me.; his wife was Mary Osborn of Southey, Conn.; issue as follows:
 - a. (Rev.) Edward Osborn, m. Catherine (adopted dau. of John Adams).
 - b. Antoinette, m. Hon. James Donaghe (of Virginia and later collector of the Port of New Haven and a State Senator).
 - iv. Sheldon.
 - v. Sally, m. Feb. 1, 1787 Clapp Raymond.
 - vi. Rebecca, m. Nov. 23, 1769 Peter Adams.
 - vii. Polly.
2. Thaddeus, m. Mar. 19, 1778 Susannah Betts; had a dau. as follows:
 - i. Elizabeth (mentioned in grandfather Richard's will, 1797).
3. Abigail, m. Dec. 11, 1755 Asahel Raymond; died before 1797; issue as follows:
 - i. Asahel (Raymond).
 - ii. Zadock (Raymond).
 - iii. Naamah (Raymond).
 - iv. Abigail (Raymond).

SAMUEL DUNNING ⁴ (John ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), b. 1712. (Note.—Nothing definite is known of this Samuel, b. 1712, beyond his birth date. However, the presumptive evidence is so strong that he left the following descendants that they are here inserted as a temporary classification):

1. Samuel Dunning, b. Dec. 15, 1753; m. Jan. 21, 1776 Dezier Bradley (b. June 19, 1760; d. June 6, 1839); m. (2) Abel Pulling, (who d. Oct. 14, 1842, in Galway, Saratoga Co., N. Y.); Samuel d. before Apr. 9, 1791, and left issue as follows:
 - i. Levi, b. June 23, 1777; m. July 25, 1797 Betsy—— (d. Jan. ——); between Apr. 9-15, 1791, Levi chose Nathan Dunning of Brookfield as his guardian; d. Feb. 2, 1813; issue as follows:
 - a. Samuel, b. Sept. 17, 1805.
 - ii. Lemon, b. Sep. 3, 1781; m. Oct. 1, 1807 Polly M. Goodrich (b. Apr. 22, 1788; d. Dec. 30, 1853); moved to Galway, Saratoga Co., N. Y., early in life; thence to Bluff Point, Yates Co., N. Y., in 1816; d. Nov. 3, 1853; issue as follows:

- a. Nancy Maria, b. Aug. 24, 1808; d. Feb. 27, 1914.
- b. Alanson S., b. July 1, 1810; d. June 10, 1890.
- c. Clarissa, b. Mar. 11, 1812; d. Nov. 11, 1877.
- d. Lemman Osander, b. Apr. 14, 1814; d. Apr. 25, 1888.
- e. Levi Oliver, b. June 19, 1816; d. June 7, 1904.
- f. Allen Goodrich, b. June 13, 1818; d. May 7, 1868.
- g. Desire, b. Nov. 13, 1821; d. Sep. 1900.
- h. Sarah E., b. Dec. 7, 1824; d. Aug. 19, 1892.
- i. Bradley P., b. Dec. 14, 1827; d. Aug. 16, 1851.
- j. Mary Harriet, b. June 24, 1832; d. June 7, 1854.
- iii. Samuel, b. Dec. 30, 1784; d. Feb. 5, 1785.
- iv. Abigail B., b. Nov. 9, 1788; d. July 26, 1796.
- v. Alanson, b. Dec. 31, 1790; d. June 7, 1793.

MATTHEW DUNNING ⁴(John ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), b. 1714; m. in Wilton, Dec. 9, 1742 Abigail Patchen (d. 1790, ae. 70); called "Deacon Matthew"; in 1791 he, with 14 others, petitioned Williamstown, Mass., for a Baptist church; his estate was probated in 1807; in his will he mentions a wife, Mary (probably his 2d wife), and a son Matthew; monuments in S. Williamstown, Mass., opposite a church, formerly a Baptist church; issue as follows:

- 1. Matthew, was in expedition against Crown Point and Ticonderoga in 1775; later was at Battle of Bennington, 1777, and marched on alarm at Saratoga in 1781; he made a deed after 1832; issue as follows:
 - i. Matthew L., b. 1784; d. Apr. 10, 1832, ae. 48; buried at S. Williamstown, Mass.

DAVID DUNNING ⁴(John ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), b. Apr. 13, 1722; m. Feb. 18, 1746 in Wilton. Conn., Hannah Mead (b. May 17, 1731; d. Apr. 15, 1820); d. Apr. 10, 1777; estate distributed Nov. 20, 1780; issue as follows:

- 1. Stephen, b. Mar. 18, 1747; d. Dec. 18, 1752.
- 2. David, b. June 28, 1749; d. July 2, 1749.
- 3. Anna, b. Nov. 25, 1750; d. Jan 27, 1801.
- 4. David, b. July 9, 1753; m. (1) 1775 Mary Sterling; m. (2) Sep. 20, 1820, Hannah Hyatt; children by first wife; issue as follows:
 - i. Hannah, b. Nov. 1, 1775; d. Oct. 4, 1776.
 - ii. Sarah, b. Oct. 28, 1777 d. Feb. 4, 1859.
 - iii. David, b. July 7, 1780; d. May 19, 1813.
 - iv. John b. Aug. 30, 1782; m. Sep. 6, 1810 Lydia Jessup; d. Mar. 16, 1872; issue as follows:
 - a. Mary Ann.
 - b. Richard.
 - c. William Jessup, b. ———; m. Pauline———; had 4 children, Lydia A. (1839-1905); Mary E. (Sayre) d. 1913; Charles Jessup, d. 1872; William.

- v. Richard, b. Aug. 30, 1782 (twin of John): d. July 11, 1861.
- vi. James, b. Aug. 7, 1784; d. Feb. 5, 1827.
- vii. Anna, b. Sep. 23, 1788; d. Feb. 8, 1860.
- viii. Polly, b. June 6, 1794; d. Oct. 26, 1868.
- 5. Stephen, b. Aug. 19, 1755; d. Nov. 26, 1760.
- 6. Josiah, b. July 11, 1758; d. Mar. 6, 1777.
- 7. Phebe, b. Mar. 8, 1761; d. Mar. 30, 1846.
- 8. Moses, b. June 15, 1763; m. Sarah—— (d. Aug. 19, 1816, ae. 49); d. Mar. 13, 1819, ae. 56; lived in Malta, Saratoga Co., N. Y., and is buried in "Dunning Street" cemetery with his uncle, Michael.
- 9. Aaron, b. Dec. 22, 1765; d. Feb. 2, 1834.
- 10. Daniel, b. Jan. 26, 1768; d. June 10, 1802.
- 11. Hannah, b. Feb. 15, 1770; d. Apr. 7, 1805.
- 12. James, b. Dec. 28, 1771; d. Apr. 7, 1778.

MICHAEL DUNNING ⁴ (John ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), b. 1726 Newtown, Conn.; m. (1) Mar. 6, 1745 Hannah Green (b. 1723; d. Jan. 9, 1775); m. (2) after 1776, widow, Hannah (Morehouse) Rowland of Fairfield Co., Conn. (b. 1740; d. Apr. 29, 1813); moved from Fairfield Co., Ct., about 1770, with 6 sons, to Saratoga Co., N. Y., settled first at Stillwater on the Hudson river, later founded the hamlet "Dunning Street" in Malta, N. Y., where there is today a large Presbyterian church and a cemetery containing graves of 37 Dunnings; d. Nov. 29, 1813, ae. 87; buried in "Dunning Street" cemetery; issue as follows:

- 1. Jesse, b. between 1745-50, Fairfield Co., Conn.; moved to Dutchess Co., N. Y.; had 3 sons and 3 daughters:
 - i. Jesse, of Stillwater, N. Y.; said to have moved on the old home farm at Northeast, Dutchess Co., N. Y., when it was vacated in the late '40s by his brother, Samuel, who moved about that time to Lyons, N. Y.
 - ii. Thomas Hill, of Rochester, N. Y.; had at least one son as follows:
 - a. Benson, lived and died at Rochester, N. Y.
 - iii. Samuel, b. Apr. 27, 1789, Northeast, Dutchess Co., N. Y.; m. Phebe Hughson; d. Dec. 30, 1876, Lyons, N. Y.; had issue as follows:
 - a. Heman R., b. Dec. 1, 1809; d. Oct. 1, 1843.
 - b. Mary Ann, b. June 7, 1811; d. July 12, 1878.
 - c. Laura Ett, b. Apr. 11, 1814; d. Feb. 1882.
 - d. Horace H., b. June 17, 1816; d. July 1, 1876.
 - e. Nancy M., b. Apr. 6, 1818; d. May, 1882.
 - f. Norman O., b. Mar. 20, 1820; d. Oct., 1842.
 - g. George W., b. Jan. 16, 1822; d. May 29, 1902.
 - h. William A., b. July 31, 1828; d. Mar. 2, 1914.

- i. Julia A., b. July 31, 1828 (twin of William); d. Apr. 10, 1906.
 - j. Edwin P., b. Sep. 30, 1831; d. May 1904.
- 2. Michael, b. May 20, 1750, Norwalk, Conn.; moved to Saratoga Co., N. Y., about 1770; enlisted, 1777, in Capt. McCuen's Co., of Seth Warner's Regt., and commissioned 1st Lieut.; captured by British, 1779, and exchanged June, 1782; promoted Capt., Nov. 12, 1779; engaged in battles of Bennington and Hubbardtown; m. in Stillwater, N. Y., Nov. 18, 1784 Hannah Gregory (b. Jan. 29, 1764; d. Dec. 10, 1840); Capt. Michael placed on the pension rolls, Mar. 25, 1835; d. Sep. 28, 1837 at Enfield, Tompkins (now Schuyler) Co., N. Y.; issue as follows:
 - i. Tirzah, b. Oct. 23, 1785; d. March 29, 1820.
 - ii. Terah, b. Mar. 31, 1787; d. June 17, 1789.
 - iii. Harriet, b. Aug. 19, 1789; d. 1833.
 - iv. Mahala, b. Mar. 10, 1791; d. Aug. 23, 1843.
 - v. Beulah, b. Jan. 6, 1795; d.——, Ottawa, N. Y.
 - vi. Mariah, b. Apr. 4, 1797; d. Jan. 11, 1873.
 - vii. Michael, b. Nov. 28, 1798; d. Feb. 17, 1861, in Wisconsin.
 - viii. Urbane, b. Mar. 2, 1801; m. (1) Sep. 16, 1828 Eliza Egan (d. Nov. 5, 1852); m. (2) Mar. 8, 1856 Mrs. Arelda Gilbert Johnson; d. Dec. 1, 1867, Utica, N. Y.; issue as follows:
 - a. (Rev) Charles Urbane, b. July 31, 1829; m. Nov. 25, 1858 Harriet F. Batchelder (1840-1914); d. July 8, 1905.
 - b. Ann Eliza, b. 1832,——.
 - c. John Egan, b. 1835,——.
 - d. William Daniel, b. 1837,——.
 - e. Catherine Nellie, b. 1838,——.
 - f. Edward Strong, b. 1841,——.
 - g. Thomas Goodsell, b. 1843,——.
 - ix. Alvah Gregory, b. July 5, 1805; d. 1895.
 - x. Samuel Sheldon, b. May 10, 1808; d. 1883.
- 3. William, b. Apr. 10, 1754; m. Sarah——(1756-1829); d. Nov. 19, 1837; lived at Malta, N. Y.; issue as follows:
 - i. Hannah, b. July 19, 1778; d. Feb. 6, 1812.
 - ii. William (Capt. Wm.), b. Aug. 2, 1780; drowned May 30, 1812.
 - iii. Comfort, b. Feb. 23, 1783; d. April 15, 1848.
 - iv. Tamezon, b. May 28, 1786; d. Jan. 3, 1809.
 - v. Edward, b. Mar. 23, 1788; d. Feb. 27, 1861.
 - vi. Zadock, b. Sep. 1, 1790; m. about 1813 Polly Collimer (1793-1873); d. Oct. 27, 1857; issue as follows:
 - a. Joel Richard, b. July 4, 1815; d. Mar. 24, 1907.
 - b. Barker, b. Mar. 29, 1817.
 - c. Sarah O., b. Mar. 4, 1820.
 - d. Tamezon, b. Jan. 1, 1822.

- e. Permella, b. Nov. 19, 1826.
- f. Emily, b. Oct. 20, 1828.
- g. Orcelia, b. Dec. 5, 1830.
- h. John, b. Dec. 25, 1833,———, address, Ballston, Lake, N. Y., R. F. D. No. 2.
- i. Nancy, b. Nov. 3, 1838,———address, Mrs. Warren Arnald, Waterloo, N. Y.
- j. Cyrena, died young.
- vii. Isaac, b. Sep. 1792; d. Mar. 28, 1822.
- viii. Eli, b. Nov. 26, 1794; d. Jan. 27, 1869.
- ix. Dollie, b. Mar. 5, 1797.
- x. Orsmyon, b. Apr. 4, 1799.
- 4. James, b. 1756; m. Abigail——(b. 1756; d. July 30, 1833); d. Jan. 22, 1839.
- 5. Lewis, b. Mar. 11, 1765; m. Hannah——(b. Jan. 29, 1770; d. Mar. 27, 1853); d. Oct. 24, 1851; issue as follows:
 - i. Polly, b. Oct. 7, 1786.
 - ii. Nancy, b. Aug. 25, 1788; m. Nov. 7, 1805, John W. Patrick.
 - iii. Lewis, b. Mar. 21, 1791.
 - iv. Lucy, b. Mar. 2, 1793.
 - v. Cherry Ann, b. Aug. 15, 1795.
 - vi. Henry, b. Aug. 19, 1797; m. Rachel Burdette; went to Canada about 1816 and settled in Ontario; place still known as the "Yankee Settlement"; he died at Napanee, Ont., Canada; he left one son:
 - a. Sylvester, b. at Demorestville, Ont; father of Rev. Henry N., of Regina, Sask., Canada.
 - vii. Charlotte, b. Aug. 1, 1799.
 - viii. Amanda, b. Aug. 7, 1801.
 - ix. Jeremiah, b. Nov. 19, 1803.
 - x. Betsy, b. Aug. 17, 1805.
 - xi. James, b. Nov. 5, 1808.
 - xii. Hannah, b. Aug. 22, 1812.
- 6. (Gen) John, b. 1766; officer (not Gen.) in War of 1812; later sheriff of Saratogo Co., N. Y; m. (1) July 4, 1786 Sarah (Sally) Benedict (1768-1813); m. (2) Sept 11. 1813 Olive Edmonds (1772-1837); d. Oct. 15, 1850, ae. 84; issue by first wife as follows:
 - i. Reuben, b. Apr. 25, 1788; d. Oct. 7, 1807.
 - ii. John, b. Oct. 26, 1790; d. Mar. 16, 1853; sons as follows:
 - a. Harlan P.
 - b. Henry M.
 - iii. Sally, b. Dec. 28, 1792; d. Oct. 11, 1866.
 - iv. Matilda, b. June 23, 1795; d. July 25, 1796.
 - v. Betsy, b. May 22, 1797; d. Sep. 15; 1798.
 - vi. (Rev) Richard, b. July 14, 1799; m. Sep. 27, 1826 Joanna Beebe (1800-1879); d. Aug. 8, 1873 at Rochester, N. Y.; issue as follows:

- a. Mary Ann, b. Oct. 3, 1828; d. Apr. 24, 1830.
- b. Edwin Beebe, M. D., b. July 11, 1830; d. Aug. 3, 1894,
Paw Paw, Mich.
- c. Warren Parker, b. Nov. 9, 1832; d. June 20, 1847.
- d. Elizabeth Maria, b. June 17, 1835; d. Oct. 2, 1913.
- e. John, b. Sep. 4, 1837; d. July 31, 1839.
- f. Harriet Newell, b. June 15, 1839; d. Mar. 20, 1841.
- g. Czar, b. Mar. 19, 1844; d.——.
- vii. Czar, b. Aug. 22, 1801; d. 1884, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- viii. Anna, b. Apr. 3, 1804.
- ix. Clarissa, b. Oct. 11, 1806; d. Jan. 21, 1823.
- x. Mary, b. Mar. 12, 1809; d. Sep. 7, 1828.
- xi. Matilda, b. Jan. 2, 1813.
- 7. Richard, b. July 18, 1867; m. (1) Sally——(1781-1817); m; (2) Esther
——(1789-1846); d. Sep. 4, 1856, ae. 89; issue as follows:
 - i. Michael N., b. 1815; d. Feb. 15, 1817.

MICHAEL DUNNING ³ (Benj ², Theop ¹), m. 1710 Margaret Foster in Jamaica, L. I.; was a witness, May 20, 1714, to a deed made by John Foster to John Messinger in Jamaica; was a shoemaker by trade and was of the party which founded Goshen, Orange Co., N. Y., in 1719; sheriff of Orange Co., 1738-39; had 4 sons, as follows:

- I. Jacob, m. Keturah Conkling; d. 1770.
- II. Samuel (Note.—In 1910, Mrs. Smith received records from a grandson of a Jacob Dunning, b. 1782, whose eldest dau. married in Goshen, N. Y.; Jacob, b. 1782, was the youngest son of a Samuel H., who lived to be 104,— probably a son or a grandson of Michael of Goshen.)
- III. James.
- IV. Michael, b. 1725-26; his family lived in Sussex Co., N. J. (adjoining Orange Co., N. Y.; 2 of his grandsons settled in Pa., near the N. Y. line.

JACOB DUNNING ⁴ (Michael ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), m. Keturah Conkling (b. in L. I.; she m. (2) Sep. 11, 1783 Capt. Jonathan Bailey, a widower with one dau. Mehitabel, who m. John Dunning, Jr., in 1793); Jacob d. 1770; will dated Oct. 15, 1770; issue as follows:

- 1. John (Lieut. John), b. 1740; m. Mary Seeley; was Lieut. in Capt. Isaac Vail's Co., Ulster Co., Militia, 1777-78; lived in Wallkill, Ulster Co., N. Y.; d. 1795; issue as follows:
 - i. John, Jr., b. 1765; m. 1793 Mehitabel Bailey; d. 1841; issue as follows:
 - a. Henry, b. 1794 at Stony Ford, Orange Co., N. Y.; had 5 sons, Charles Seeley, D. D., Horace, Edward P., and Wm. Arnott.
 - b. John (3), b. 1796.
 - c. Jonathan Bailey.

- d. Rosetta.
- e. Charles Seeley.
- f. Horace.
- g. Mary.
- h. Caroline.
- i. Wm. Horton.
- ii. Jacob.
- iii. Charles Seeley, m. Susan——; issue as follows:
 - a. Gabriel, b. Sept. 15, 1797; m. (1) Dec. 9, 1817 Keziah Case of Goshen, N. Y; m. (2) Susan (Bunday) Austin, a widow; had 2 sons and 3 daughters, Susan Jane, b. 1818; Charles, b. 1819; Orpha, b. 1821; Nathaniel Bailey, b. 1823; Eliza, b. 1824.
 - b. Mathias, b. Oct. 13, 1799; was married 6 times; his son, Rufus Libbie, b. 1828, was the father of Mrs. Ella May Smith, Columbus, Ohio.
 - c. Elizabeth, m. Joseph Gaston.
 - d. Orpha.
 - e. Samuel.
- iv. Benjamin, killed, Minnisink Indian massacre, July 22, 1779.
- v. Temperance.
- 2. Jacob (Lieut. Jacob).
- 3. Benjamin, will executed 1770.
- 4. Methitabel.
- 5. Mary.
- 6. Bathsheba.

(Note.—It is freely admitted by all who have investigated the early records of the Orange Co., N. Y. family, that much information is lacking. Please send all records on this family to Mrs. Ella May Smith, 60 Jefferson Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

From this point, the narrative of the family becomes too voluminous to compress within the confines of a single essay. Not many of the sons of the two brothers, Benjamin and John, moved far from the home locality in Fairfield Co., Conn., but many of their grandsons did so, giving rise to numerous settlements of Dunnings in the states north and west. However it will be noted that Michael (1730-1810) son of Serjt. Benj., moved to Pownal, Vt., in 1762; and Michael (1726-1813) son of John (1), moved to Saratoga Co., N. Y., in 1770, both of them leaving Connecticut before the Revolution. A little later, when the tide of immigration to the newly opened country in New York and elsewhere, set in earnest, many of the Fairfield Co., Conn., Dunnings followed, and to illustrate this exodus a note is here submitted by S. Wright Dunning, describing what took place in one of the families of the 2nd generation:

“It is notable that no less than 6 of the 13 children of DAVID, b. 1711,

(2d son of Sergt. Benj.) lived in the southern part of Vermont and in adjacent parts of New York. They were:

Ann, b. 1737; m. Francis Barnum, lived in Bennington, Vt.

David, b. 1738; lived in Sandgate, Vt., about 20 miles north of Bennington, next to the New York line.

Gideon, b. 1742; lived in Galway, N. Y., a few miles west of Saratoga.

Richard, b. 1747; lived in Dorset, Vt., some 10 miles north of Sandgate.

Abigail, m.—Murray; lived in Orwell, Vt., 6 mi. west of Ticonderoga.

Silas, b. 1755; lived in Salem, N. Y., adjacent to Sandgate.

Hanna, b.—? m.—Hurd; lived in Moncton, Vt., much further north—about 15 miles from Lake Champlain at Vergennes.

At the same time, Matthew (son of John 1st) was in Williamstown, Mass., the town next to Pownal, Vt., on the south; Michael (son of Sergt. Benj.) was in Pownal; and Deacon Michael (son of John 1st) was in Stillwater and Malta (Dunning Street), N. Y. To understand this we must remember that this country was first opened for settlement by the close of the War which made Canada English; that an exceptionally large proportion of the Colonial troops, who had campaigned in this country were from Connecticut, and were therefore informed as to its attractions. People swarmed there from Connecticut as they did between 1850-60 to Iowa, between 1865-70 to Kansas and Nebraska, and after 1880 to the Dakotas, from states further east. I never heard it intimated that the children and grandchildren of Michael of Pownal, Vt., were aware that they were related to any of these other Dunnings,—yet Michael of Pownal, Vt., and Matthew of Williamstown, Mass., were first cousins."

The above note merely illustrates how numerous and how widely distributed are the modern descendants of the old Connecticut stock of the Dunning family. To go into the matter much further would be to write a book, giving under proper classification, the descendants of each son of the three brothers, Benjamin, John and Michael Dunning. We are satisfied that the foundation for such a work exists and with a united effort on the part of all the Dunnings interested, could be carried to completion. We desire, therefore, to make a definite call upon all who receive this publication, to furnish the records of their families as indicated on the attached blank, to the representative of the branch to which they belong; for the Fairfield Co., Conn. family to M. B. Dunning, M. D., Bedford, Iowa; for the Orange Co., N. Y. family to Mrs. Ella May Smith, Jefferson Ave., Columbus, Ohio; for all other branches of the Dunning family in America, please communicate with the authors.

Recently two groups of Dunnings in New York state have engaged the attention and study of the writer in trying to locate their ancestry from the Fairfield Co., Conn., family, and are as follows.

Dunnings in Yates Co., N. Y., are descended from a Lemon (or Leman) Dunning, (b. 1781; d. 1853); his father is said to have been a Samuel Dunning (b. 1753; d. about 1791), who married Desire Bradley in 1776. After

the death of Samuel, his wife Desire married Abel Pulling in Conn., presumably in the vicinity of Newtown, and soon after brought her family to Saratoga Co., N. Y., from which locality, Lemon, mentioned above, moved in 1816 to Yates Co., N. Y. Our records seem to indicate that Samuel (1753-1791?) was of the family, (possibly a grandson), of John, b. 1710 (one of the twin sons of John 1st).

Dunnings in Wyoming Co., N. Y., and vicinity, are descended from a David Dunning, b. in Conn.; m. in Conn., to Susannah——; came to N. Y., in 1802 with 3 children and settled in Wethersfield, Wyoming Co., N. Y., where he ran a blacksmith shop for about 25 years; he then moved to Ohio with a son, Samuel, and settled at Fairview, Ohio, where he d. about 1858-60; had a family of 10 children of which a very good record exists. By the most careful analysis of our records, we are, as yet, unable to say to which Connecticut family this David belongs.

In conclusion we desire to urge all Dunnings who may peruse these notes, to begin a systematic classification of their families and communicate the results to the persons mentioned above. Records and information on any particular branch will be gladly furnished on request.

Respectfully submitted,

Bedford, Iowa, June 25, 1915.

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NOTABLE DUNNINGS IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR.

JOSIAH DUNNING ⁵ (Michael ⁴, Benj ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), b. Oct. 7, 1755 in Newtown, Conn.; moved to Pownal, Vt., 1762; was a soldier of the Revolution and took part in the battles of Bennington, Ticonderoga and Saratoga; d. Feb. 27, 1842, in Sodus, N. Y.; monument in Pleasant View Cemetery, Williamson, N. Y.

ELIAS DUNNING ⁵ (Richard ⁴, John ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), Capt. of the 5th Co., of the 13th Conn. Militia, which marched to and garrisoned Ticonderoga after its capture; entered service Aug. 12, discharged Sept. 16, 1776; Capt. Elias is buried in Woodbury, Conn., and the probate records contain his will.

MICHAEL DUNNING ⁵ (Michael ⁴, John ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), b. May 20, 1750, Newtown, Conn.; moved to Saratoga Co., N. Y., about 1770; enlisted in 1777 at Stillwater, N. Y., in Capt. McCuen's Co., of Seth Warner's Regt; in the fall of 1779, while a Lieut., was captured by the British and confined in Montreal for 3 years; promoted Capt., Nov. 12, 1779 to rank from July 16, but never served with that rank; engaged in battle at Bennington and Hubbardton; placed on pension rolls, Mar. 25, 1835, and died Sep. 28, 1837, at Enfield, Tompkins (now Schuyler) Co., N. Y.

MATTHEW DUNNING ⁵ (Matthew ⁴, John ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), was a private in Capt. Sam Clark's Co., of Col. Benj. Simond's Berkshire

Regt., in 1777, also Corporal in 1777 and Sergt. in 1781 of same Company; took part in the battle of Bennington and was said to have been at the capture of Ticonderoga; he lived at Williamstown, Mass.

NOTABLE DUNNINGS DECEASED.

MICHAEL DUNNING 4 (Benj 3, Benj 2, Theop 1), b. July 20, 1730, Newtown, Conn.; moved about 1762 to Pownal, Vt., where he became town clerk and selectman and is often mentioned in the town records; was the father of Josiah, the Revolutionary soldier; d. Feb. 28, 1810, and is buried in Pownal, Vt., where his headstone says, "Honest and industrious in life, a friend to the poor, a patriot of '76". Many of his descendants became prominent in public life.

REV. BENJAMIN DUNNING 5 (Capt. Benj 4, Benj 3, Benj 2, Theop. 1), b. June 17, 1740, Newtown, Conn.; received A. B. from Yale in 1759; licensed to preach 1760; preached in Marlboro, Ct., and later during the Revolution at Pettipog (now Essex), Conn.: d. May 12, 1785, monument in old Essex Cemetery.

RALPH DUNNING 7 (Tertius 6, Rev. Benj 5, Capt. Benj 4, Benj 3, Benj 2, Theop 1); b. 1811 in Middletown, Conn.; entered the engineering branch of the U. S. Army when Andrew Jackson was President, and long its chief clerk; assisted in building many fortifications at Savannah, Charleston and on the Pacific Coast; retired about 1880; d. May 4, 1905, at Brooklyn, N. Y.

MICHAEL DUNNING 4 (John 3, Benj 2, Theop 1), b. 1726, Newtown, Conn.; moved about 1770 with 6 sons to Saratoga Co., N. Y., settling first at Stillwater (on the Hudson) and later founding the hamlet "Dunning Street," now Malta, N. Y.; d. Nov. 29, 1813, and is buried in Dunning Street Cemetery which contains 37 Dunning graves; was the father of Capt. Michael, the Revolutionary soldier, and is notable for very many descendants.

REV. CHARLES URBANE DUNNING 7 (Urbane 6, Capt. Michael 5, Michael 4, John 3, Benj 2, Theop 1), b. July 31, 1829, Ithaca, N. Y.; educated at Hamilton College, Clinton, N. Y., and at M. E. Biblical Institute (now Boston University), Concord, N. H., where he graduated in 1855; ordained minister of the M. E. Church and served in the ministry and as presiding elder in New Hampshire and Mass.; d. July 8, 1905, Winchester, Mass.

REV. HOMER NORTHRUP DUNNING, D. D. 8 (Herman 7, Michael 6, John 5, John 4, John 3, Benj 2, Theop 1), b. July 17, 1824, Brookfield, Conn.; received A. B. from Yale in 1848; Congregational pastor at Gloversville, N. Y., and at South Norwalk, Conn.; graduated at Union Theological Seminary in 1852; translated many Greek plays, the Old High German Nibelungen Lied and made a poetical para-

phrase of the Book of Job; he died Mar. 27, 1896, in South Norwalk, Conn.

BENJAMIN DUNNING ⁵ (John ⁴, John ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), b. about 1745 at Newtown, Conn.; moved about 1767 to Warren, Litchfield Co., Conn., where he had 12 children by two wives; called "Benj. of Warren"; died before 1795 and chiefly notable for numerous descendants; his widow, Mercy Shove, and 12 children moved to Cayuga Co., N. Y., before 1800.

LEHMAN HERBERT DUNNING, M. D. ⁸ (Oscar M. ⁷, Isaac ⁶, Benj ⁵, John ⁴, John ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), b. Apr. 2, 1850 in Edwardsburg, Mich.; graduated Rush Med. College, 1872; elected Professor of Gynecology, Med. Coll. of Indiana, 1890; abdominal surgeon and author; Pres. Amer. Assoc. Obstetricians and Gynecologists, 1903; died Jan. 6, 1906, in Indianapolis, Indiana.

REV. CHARLES SEELY DUNNING D. D. ⁸, (Henry ⁷, John ⁶, John ⁵, Jacob ⁴, Michael ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), b. 1828 Wallkill, Orange Co. N. Y.; A. B., Williams College, 1848; graduated Union Theological Seminary, 1852, and instructor in Hebrew there for a year; pastor of churches in Franklin N. Y., and Honesdale, Pa; d. June 1, 1896 in Metuchen, N. J.

BENJAMIN F. DUNNING ⁷ (Benj ⁶, John ⁵, Jacob ⁴, Michael ³, Benj ², Theop ¹), of Warwick, Orange Co., N. Y.; A. B., Union College; an eminent lawyer in the city of N. Y., and for a time the partner of Charles O'Connor.

NOTABLE LIVING DUNNINGS.

Descendants of Benj ³, Benj ², Theop ¹;

DAVID MONTGOMERY DUNNING ⁸, b. 1844, ———, Pres. Auburn Savings Bank, Auburn, N. Y.; also his brothers, **WILLIAM B.**, b. 1854, ———, formerly in U. S. Navy, now a banker at Oakland, Calif; and **SAMUEL W.**, b. 1858, ———, Col. U. S. Army, retired, 1914.

JOSHUA DUNNING ⁸, b. 1843 ———, petroleum producer of Bolivar, N. Y.

LYMAN ALLEN DUNNING ⁷, b. 1860, ———, of Macrorie, Saskatchewan, Canada, formerly County Judge of Sheridan Co. North Dakota.

NELSON MAX DUNNING ⁹, b. 187—, ———, architect, 35 S. Dearborn St., Chicago. Ill.

CHARLES MOOAR DUNNING ⁸, b. ———, architect, Oklahoma, Okla; was on the battleship Oregon in 1908.

WILLIS MILLER DUNNING ⁸, b. 1860, ———, Pres. Nat. Bank, Logan, Kansas.

GRANT HENRY DUNNING ⁸, b. 1865, ———, of Howell, Mich; Civ. Eng., U. of M., 1893; County Surveyor of Livingston Co., Mich.

CHARLES REYNOLDS DUNNING ⁸, b. 1846, ———, of 3414 Wallace St., Philadelphia, Penna.

ELLSWORTH E. DUNNING, b. 1861, ———, VicePres., R. J. Schwab & Sons Co., Milwaukee, Wis., son of Rev. Sidney Walter, b. Penfield

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MELVIN P. DUNNING⁸, b. 1836,——, Pres. Dunning & Stephens Commission Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

FRANK DUNNING⁸, b. 1845,——, Pres. Citizens Bank, Bedford, Iowa;

EDWARD L. DUNNING⁸, b. 1862;——, of Winchester, Mass., also his brother, CHARLES H., b. 1868,——, of firm of Dunning Bros, Winchester, Mass;

REV. HENRY N. DUNNING⁸ b.——, of Regina, Sask., Canada. Presbyterian minister.

FRANK WALLACE DUNNING⁸, b. 1857,——, of Winthrop, Mass; and his brother, JAMES CZAR, b. 1859,——, of Bay City, Mich.

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FAMILY RECORD.

(gt. grandfather)	birth.	death.
	marriage	
	occupation.....	
	residence.....	
(gt. grandmother)	birth.	death.
(grandfather)	birth.	death.
	marriage.....	
	occupation.....	
	residence.....	
(grandmother)	birth.	death.
Children:		
i.	birth.	death.
ii.(give names of all uncles and aunts).		
(father)	birth.	death.
	marriage.....	
	occupation.....	
	residence	
(mother)	birth.	death.
Children:		
i.....	birth.	death.
ii.....(all sisters and brothers).		

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