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## **Frost Family Chronicles**

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Compiling and preparing a family tree, pursuing and extending research into various sources of information among the several branches, is a task that few people enjoy. The compiler is one of these few.

The following material has been gathered during many years, and from various sources. The old Frost brick house at Limington has been a mine of information. A scion of the family had collected much material, including the Berwick families. This was Prof. John Henry Pillsbury, late of Smith College. Norman S. Frost of Petaluma, California, aided the compiler concerning George Frost, first pioneer settler. Data is given to the 8th and 9th generations.

It is sincerely hoped that the interest in and value of the article may be sufficient to warrant its preparation.

One great fact seems evident, that those early Puritan migrators came to this rock-bound shore there to establish for themselves Freedom and Liberty in Religion and Government. The historian, George Bancroft, states that between 1620-1640, over 21,000 left Old England for the "New," because conditions and differences of opinion became intolerable. The English Church held that the Throne was head of the church; and the King and Bishops proceeded at once to pass laws "obliterating all opposed opinion." "If persistant, it meant the prison, hanging, or the stake."

Bancroft further states "that by 1838 one third of the citizenry of the country at that time were descendants of these same Puritans; and from this third were the leaders and supporters of progress which has made for unbounded prosperity." Most of the old N. E. families take a sensible pride in such a viewpoint; and the Frosts have a just claim with others.

At least four different families trace back to their English migrators: Elder EDMUND FROST, coming from Ipswish, Suffolk Co., England; to Cambridge, Mass., in 1635; NICHOLAS FROST of Tiverton, Devonshire, England, coming to Kittery, Maine, in 1634; WILLIAM FROST of Nottingham, England, to Boston in 1638; and the founder of the following "family tree", coming from Binstead, Hampshire, England, to Winter Harbor, Maine, in 1634; and of him and his descendants we speak. The first person bearing the name of Frost, and of the line represented by descendants living in Limington and surrounding towns, was GEORGE FROST, who came from Binstead, Hampshire Co., England, sailing for America, or more particularly for Maine, and eventually landing at Winter Harbor (Biddeford Pool) near the mouth of the Saco river, at least as early as 1634.

The place was so named by Capt. Richard Vines, who landed there in his prospective cruisings in 1614-1618. He was one of the explorers sent out by Sir Ferdinando Gorges of the Plymouth Company, who took a deep interest in the early settlements of Maine. Capt. Vines passed the winter there, and in 1623 settled at Saco, Maine. George<sup>1</sup> Frost was one of these adventurers, as Records seem to record, who accompanied these early expeditions, perhaps in 1623-1629.

There is no record of his birth, death or marriage; but he had a wife and three children: Rebecca<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, and William<sup>2</sup>. No birthdates given. John<sup>2</sup> was killed by the Indians in 1678.

These early settlers had various contentions with the several Indian tribes scattered through the southern part of Maine. At that time there were some 30,000 native Indians in Maine, the largest and strongest tribe being the Penobscots, under their famous chief Madocawando, perhaps next to Massasoit of the Wampanoags, and King Phillip of the Narragansets, the most powerful Chief in the East; and his hand, though often held out for peace, could strike hard, and was felt over the entire region. Squanto, Chief of the Sokosis tribe, had good reason for his anger against the Pale face; and Worumbo of the Androscoggins, was a harsh, daring leader.

The various tribes along the coast and valley of the Sagadahoc, had been molested by the daring Capt. George Weymouth, who landed at Monhegan in 1605, kidnapped several of their braves, as did also subsequent explorers, and took them to England; where, however, they were kindly treated. Among them were Samoset, Squantum, and Nahanada. Upon their return Nahanada befriended the earlier settlers along the coast and rivers, often serving as interpreter; and the former two are remembered for their good work among the colonists at old Plymouth. But the Indians' wrath had been raised against the white man, because of many unfair dealings; and with the French and Indian wars, and also King Phillips's war, the chief object was the extermination of the Pale face. The Frost families of this early date had their share of sufferings with others; and many homes became saddened.

WILLIAM<sup>2</sup> FROST, son of George<sup>1</sup> Frost, married Mary Littlefield, dau. of John and Elizabeth (Wakefield) Littlefield of Wells.

Children of William<sup>2</sup> and Mary Littlefield Frost:

- William<sup>3</sup> b.
  Nathaniel<sup>3</sup> b.
- captured by the Indians, 1690.
  - m. Daniel Hall of York.

- Elizabeth<sup>3</sup> b.
  Abigail<sup>3</sup> b.
- 5. Mary<sup>3</sup> b. July 31, 1677; m. Samuel Upton of Salem.
- 6. JAMES<sup>3</sup> b. about 1680; d. in 1748, age 68.

This Frost family had evidently settled at Wells, which was her home, but they were driven by the Indian uprisings to Salem, Mass., in 1675, where he lived till 1679, when the records show, he returned that year to Wells; but all too soon. Here on May 7, 1690, he and James Littlefield, perhaps a brother of his wife, were killed by the Indians, and his son Nathaniel, captured by them.

William<sup>3</sup> Frost lived in Wells from 1691 to 1702; and later, as records show, in Salem. He married, April 5, 1706, Elizabeth Searles.

Children of William and Elizabeth (Searles) Frost:

1. Benjamin<sup>4</sup> b. June 24, 1707; died young.

2. Elizabeth<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 22, 1708; m. John Brown.

3. Benjamin<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 24, 1710; d.

4. Hannah<sup>4</sup> b. July 4, 1712; m. John Prince.

5. Mary<sup>4</sup> b. Dec. 2, 1714; d.

- 6. William<sup>4</sup> b. Oct. 4, 1715; d.
- 7. Lydia<sup>4</sup> b. May 22, 1717; d. m. William Clark.

No further record,

JAMES<sup>3</sup> FROST (William<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>) lived in South Berwick. Married, Feb. 15, 1707, Margaret Goodwin of that town. Planter, Cong. Will probated 1748.

Children of James<sup>3</sup> and Margaret (Goodwin) Frost:

1. James<sup>4</sup> b. Nov. 5, 1707; d.

2. William<sup>4</sup> b. in Mch. 1709; d. Mch. 14, 1709.

3. WILLIAM<sup>4</sup> b. Feb. 15, 1710; d.

4. Nathaniel<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 14, 1713; d.

5. John<sup>4</sup> baptized Oct. 28, 1716; d.

6. Stephen<sup>4</sup> baptized Apr. 12, 1719; d.

7. Mary<sup>4</sup> baptized Aug. 8, 1721; d.

8. Jeremiah<sup>4</sup> baptized Dec. 24, 1725; d.

9. Margaret<sup>4</sup> baptized July 12, 1730; d.

William Frost, the third son, lived in Berwick, Maine. He married Love Butler in 1732. Husbandman and churchman.

Children of William<sup>4</sup> and Love (Butler) Frost:

1. William<sup>5</sup> bap. May 30, 1733; d.

2. Elizabeth<sup>5</sup> bap. Mch. 29, 1734; d.

3. Moses<sup>5</sup> bap. Mch. 27, 1737; d.

4. JAMES<sup>5</sup> bap. May 6, 1739; d. July 22, 1798, age 59.

5. Love<sup>5</sup> bap. Apr. 5, 1741; d. in May, 1775, age 34.

6. Thomas<sup>5</sup> bap. July 20, 1744; d.

7. Elliot<sup>5</sup> bap. May 3, 1747; d.

8. Ichabod<sup>5</sup> bap. July 14, 1751; d.

9. Abraham<sup>5</sup> bap. Oct. 7, 1755; d.

10.  $Isaac^5$  bap. no date given.

11. Phineas<sup>5</sup> bap. no date given.

Moses and Elliot Frost of the above family are supposed to be the two Frosts by those names, who with many other Frosts from Kittery and the Berwicks, were soldiers in the American Revolution.

JAMES<sup>5</sup> FROST lived in Berwick and Falmouth; later in Limington, his house located eastward from the Brick house, and built before 1800. He married Love Wingate of Berwick, Sept. 24, 1767.

Children of James<sup>5</sup> and Love (Wingate) Frost:

1. Wingate<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 3, 1768; d. Mch. 9, 1856, age 87.

2. Dorothy<sup>6</sup> b. Mch. 22, 1770; d. Apr. 13, 1837, age 67.

3. Love<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 1, 1771; d. Mch. 6, 1856, age 83.

In 1\$62, James<sup>5</sup> Frost purchased a lot in Stroudwater, and thereon built a two story house, and opened an Inn. This property was subsequently sold to Col. Jedediah Preble in 1775. It was a substantial structure.

Meanwhile he had married Love Wingate and removed to Falmouth where the family were born. She was born in July, 1750, and died Oct. 15, 1775, age 26.

It was on Aug. 4, 1777, that he was voted one of the Proprietors of Ossipee, and he became their clerk; which office he held for about 21 years. He married for 2d wife, widow Eleanor (Small) Chapman of Falmouth, Jan. 8, 1778, and lived on her farm. She was the daughter of Joseph<sup>4</sup> and Mary (Libby) Small of Kittery. James<sup>5</sup> died July 22, 1798, age 59.

As clerk to the first Proprietors of Ossipee (Limington) he found much of interest to record concerning the various litigations and final settlement thereof; and the activities of the earlier settlers of this town, Limington, being one of the six towns included in the famous Capt. Sundy Indian Deed, given to Francis Small of Kittery Nov. 28, 1668, and included, besides the above, Limerick, Cornish, Newfield, Parsonsfield, and Shapleigh, a territory 20 miles square; but was not recorded for over 100 years; and thereby hangs a tale; for perhaps no deed in York Co., perhaps in the state, was the cause of so much contention, heart yearnings, and continuous litigations through three generations. Date of Deed, Nov. 28, 1668; date of recording by Dea. Samuel<sup>4</sup> Small, Esg. of Scarborough, Aug. 28, 1773; and date of final settlement, as passed by the Mass. General Court, Oct. 30, 1783. James<sup>5</sup> Frost took up the duties as Proprietor's clerk, following Samuel<sup>5</sup> Small, Jr., who was their first clerk, and rendered a faithful, honest service. Before this, he was, in 1774, one of a committee appointed to manage the Prudential affairs of the **Proprietors.** 

WINGATE<sup>6</sup> FROST was a Quaker, following in line from his mother's people, the Wingates; thus serving the religious traditions of his maternity. He always appeared as of the old school, wearing the typical broad-brimmed hat of his day. The following copy is from an old paper giving his own personal sketch of early life. It is to be regretted that a more complete and extended sketch was not preserved.

"I was born in old Falmouth near Portland in the year 1768. My parents were James Frost and Love Wingate.

"My mother died when I was about 7 years old, leaving three children. I was the only son with two sisters younger. We were left in the hands of such as could be had. Sometime after, my father married the widow Chapman, and went onto her farm. She had three children, one son and two daughters. Her oldest were married and gone. My mother-in-law was a Freewill Baptist. My father made no profession with any order of people.

"By this time, I became of age for school and no school within three miles, so I was neglected of education that I always found to be a loss. When I arrived at 20 years of age, my father placed me in the country where he had made a beginning for a farm." Unfortunately, the "Personal Record" stops here.

Upon the death of his father in 1798, he was voted clerk to the Proprietors of Limington, Sept. 21, 1798; and "affirmed to that trust Oct. 9, following." From that time onward he was active in all their affairs.

The town organization was completed Feb. 8, 1792, when the Proprietors were not then so much needed; and their last meeting was held June 28, 1803, when they voted to adjourn to Aug. 30 next; but they never met. For his services as clerk to the Limington Proprietors, a large tract of land was voted him June 15, 1803. He built his two story brick house in 1800, situated on south side of road about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile eastward from the "Corner" or half the distance between the village and Pine Hill, so called, and where he raised his large family, and a remarkable one, too. Material for the bricks hauled up Pine Hill by oxen.

The old Proprietors Records and the two Deeds upon which their claims were established, — the old Indian Deed, so called, and the one from Francis<sup>2</sup> Small to his son Samuel<sup>3</sup> Small, which same had been given him for safekeeping, he treasured with great care; the deeds coming to him from Joshua<sup>6</sup> Small; and to his faithful trust, the Small family and Frosts, as well as many others, have much for which to thank Wingate<sup>6</sup> Frost.

Wingate<sup>6</sup> Frost was twice married. His first wife was Elizabeth Mitchell, daughter of Dominicus and Anna (Small) Mitchell of Standish, married Aug. 8, 1790. She was born May 15, 1766, and died May 4, 1799, age 33. Her mother was Anna Small, daughter of Joshua<sup>5</sup> and Susan (Kennard) Small of Limington, born Aug. 8, 1744, and died July 20, 1784, age 40.

Joshua<sup>5</sup> Small, as a leading pioneer of the town of Limington, had much to do with surveying and granting allotments to the earlier settlers of this Ossipee Territory.

Mr. Frost married 2nd Anna Mitchell, third daughter of Dominicus and Anna (Small) Mitchell, Mch. 23, 1800. She was born Mch 4, 1782, and died July 6, 1848, age 66. Wingate<sup>6</sup> Frost died Mch. 9, 1856, age 87. The first four children of his family were by first marriage; the remaining eight being born at the brick house, many living to a good age.

## Generation of WINGATE<sup>6</sup> FROST:

- 1. JAMES<sup>7</sup> b. June 6, 1791; d. Jan. 31, 1865, age 73.
- 2. Nancy<sup>7</sup> b. July 7, 1793; d. Jan. 26, 1813, age 19.
- 3. Eunice<sup>7</sup> b. Sept. 24, 1795; d. in infancy.
- 4. Esther<sup>7</sup> b. Jan. 9, 1797; d. July 4, 1882, age 85.
- 5. Oliver<sup>7</sup> b. June 4, 1801; d. Oct. 29, 1871, age 70.
- 6. Eunice<sup>7</sup> b. July 7, 1803; d. July 19, 1861, age 58.
- 7. Mary<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 24, 1806; d. Apr. 11, 1893, age 86.
- 8. Betsy<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 2, 1810; d. May 5, 1835, age 24.
- 9. Nancy<sup>7</sup> b. Sept. 12, 1813; d. Mch. 23, 1865, age 51.
- 10. Mitchell<sup>7</sup> b. May 2, 1816; d. Oct. 15, 1835, age 19.
- 11. Joshua<sup>7</sup> W. b. Mch. 9, 1819; d. May 27, 1881, age 62.

12. Zelinda<sup>7</sup> b. June 26, 1825; d. Dec. 6, 1842, age 17.

The several generations of this family are here appended. A family of piety, and very loyal to their church, the Cong.

JAMES<sup>7</sup> FROST married Jan. 7, 1819, Nancy Davis, dau. of Joseph and Abigail (Whitney) Davis of Brooks, Maine. Note age.

Children of James<sup>7</sup> and Nancy (Davis) Frost:

1. Harriet<sup>8</sup> Newell b. Dec. 20, 1819; d. July 12, 1911, age 91.

- 2. William<sup>8</sup> b. Aug. 4, 1822; d. Apr. 20, 1896, age 73.
- 3. Abigail<sup>8</sup> Davis b. Feb. 1824; d. Feb. 22, 1901, age 77.
- 4. Elizabeth<sup>8</sup> M. b. Dec. 1, 1826; d. Mch. 14, 1922, age 95.
- 5. Esther<sup>8</sup> Jane b. May 19, 1829; d. Nov. 13, 1911, age 82.
- 6. Sarah<sup>8</sup> Jane b. Dec. 6, 1832; d. Oct. 23, 1904, age 71.
- 7. Maria<sup>8</sup> Nancy b. Feb. 26, 1835; d. Mch. 19, 1938, age 98.
- 8. Charles<sup>8</sup> Carroll b. May 3, 1838; d. at Andersonville in 1864.
- James<sup>8</sup> Woodbury b. Jan. 1, 1842; d. in the West Nov. 11, 1898, age 56.

Harriet<sup>8</sup> Frost married Allen W. Foss of Limington, Dec. 25, 1838, and where they resided. She was a lady of fine attainments, and possessed much literary talent. Wrote considerable, and composed the *Poem* for Golden Wedding anniversary of Dea. Joshua<sup>7</sup> and Mary<sup>7</sup> (Frost) Small in 1876. Cong.

Family:

- Mary<sup>9</sup> Abby b. Feb. 7, 1842; d. June 24, 1868, age 26.
  m. John Kinsley of Limington, June 11, 1865.
- Zelinda<sup>9</sup> Frost b. Oct. 4, 1844; d. Apr. 6, 1931, age 86.
  m. J. Frank Brackett of Limington, Nov. 25, 1880.

Family: Harriett<sup>10</sup> E. b. Nov. 22, 1882.

Guy<sup>10</sup> A. b. July 20, 1884.

Roy<sup>10</sup> F. b. June 26, 1886.

3. Joseph<sup>9</sup> Allen b. Apr. 9, 1848; d. Mch. 22, 1850.

4. Emma<sup>9</sup> Maria b. Sept. 27, 1853; d. Feb. 6, 1942, age 88.

She and her sister Zelinda graduated from Maine Wes. Sem. in 1875. Taught at Limington Acad. Married in June 1886, Charles F. Dimmock of Limington, merchant, and a man of unusually prominent courtesy and politeness. One son William<sup>10</sup>, P.M. at Limington.

WILLIAM<sup>8</sup> FROST married Selinda Clough of Limington, Nov. 14, 1852. Resided in Boston. Built up a large R.R. trucking business, known as the Boston Forwarding Co., with office on Columbus Ave., in which business his son William<sup>9</sup> followed; and he in turn by Joshua S. Small of Limington and Winchester, Mass.

Family:

Joseph<sup>9</sup> Wingate b. Sept. 13, 1853; d. Aug. 20, 1859.

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Sarah<sup>9</sup> Ann b. July 18, 1855; dec.

Alice<sup>9</sup> Maria b. Dec. 15, 1857; dec.

William<sup>9</sup> Jr. b. Nov. 14, 1860; dec.

The compiler recalls a very delightful visit at this home of felicity and good will, made many years ago. None of the family married. Cong.

ABIGAIL<sup>8</sup> FROST married June 22, 1843, Charles Thorndike, who died in 1845. She married 2d Benjamin Manson of Limington Nov. 14, 1865. Family by first marriage, Charles H. and Lydia Hill. Free Will Bap.

ELIZABETH<sup>8</sup> FROST married Daniel Blanding of Bangor, Sept. 15, 1852. She lived to a great age, 95, with remarkable vigor of mind and body. Their son, Edward<sup>9</sup> M., a business man and journalist of Bangor, became active in the Board of Trade, and served for several years as State Sect. in that body. Born Nov. 2, 1856; married Ina Louise Potter, Oct. 29, 1865. No family living. His older brother, William<sup>9</sup> Frost, born Sept. 5, 1854, married Oct. 18, 1896, Rose G<sup>9</sup>y, and had daughter Lora Elizabeth, who, after her mother's death, lived in the Blanding family; a young lady of culture and fine presence.

ESTHER<sup>8</sup> FROST married in 1851, Charles Eaton of Gorham where they resided. He died Mch. 12, 1898.

Family:

Ella<sup>9</sup> Frost b. in 1853; died in infancy.

Harriet<sup>9</sup> Rebecca b. in 1855; d. in Sept. 1879, age 24.

Helen<sup>9</sup> Hathaway b. Mch. 5, 1858.

No further record.

SARAH<sup>8</sup> FROST married Dr. Stephen C. Libby, June 27, 1852. Residence Saco, Maine. He was born Apr. 1, 1822, son of Capt. John and Nancy Gerrish (Libby) Libby. Baptist. The various Libby families of York and Cumberland Counties are all descended from one John Libby, who came from Broadstairs, Kent Co., England, settled in Scarborough about 1659. He was the *first* of that name in N. E., as *records* so state.

Mrs. Libby was a lady of more than usual goodness and constancy of spirit; a former schoolteacher, and seatmate with

compiler's mother, Mary Clark Small, at the old Limington Acad. under Prin. William G. Lord.

She had the same fine toned voice in speaking, characteristic of others of her sisters. The compiler well recalls a delightful two weeks at this home of sunshine and good will. Dr. Libby died Dec. 14, 1888.

Family:

Edwin<sup>9</sup> Jackson b. July 10, 1856; d. Aug. 19, 1856. Carrie<sup>9</sup> Emma b. Sept. 28, 1860; d. Feb. 22, 1878, age 17.

Frank<sup>9</sup> Howard b. Nov. 4, 1862; dec.

Ella<sup>9</sup> Frost b. Sept. 30, 1866; m. July 18, 1892, Rev. Martin Thwing, many years Cong. pastor, Tonawanda, N. Y. She possessed many qualities of unusual merit. Lived to advanced years. Her brother Frank was secretary at Saco Y. M. C. A. for several years.

MARIA<sup>8</sup> FROST married, as 2d wife, William C. Pillsbury, May 20, 1852, a Quaker of Limington, living at the old Frost Brick house. No family of her own; but she proved a gracious stepmother for his children. She possessed that fine toned voice in speaking, characteristic of many in this family. Lived to the advanced age of 98. See later record of family of W. C. P.

JAMES<sup>8</sup> WOODBURY FROST married Dec. 10, 1863, Elizabeth Smyth and removed to the West.

Family:

Charles<sup>9</sup> Carroll b. Sept. 30, 1864. Eliza<sup>9</sup> Maria b. Jan. 1, 1868. Stella<sup>9</sup> b. May 6, 1874; d. Aug. 7, 1884, age 10. Augusta<sup>9</sup> Ella b. Apr. 12, 1876.

No further record.

NANCY<sup>7</sup> FROST, daughter of Wingate and Elizabeth (Mitchell) Frost, married Stephen Hobson of Limington.

Family:

1. Simeon<sup>8</sup> b.

2. Stephen<sup>8</sup> b.

3. Aurelia<sup>8</sup> b.

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4. Frank<sup>8</sup> b.

5.  $Emma^8$  b.

No further record except that Stephen Hobson was son of Enock and Nancy (Strout) Hobson.

ESTHER<sup>7</sup> FROST, daughter of Wingate and Elizabeth (Mitchell) Frost, married Mch. 8, 1813, Simeon Strout of Limington. He died Aug. 31, 1867.

Family born in Limington:

1. Nancy<sup>8</sup> Frost b. Jan. 19, 1814; d. Aug. 21, 1883, age 69.

2. Earl<sup>8</sup> Frost b. Jan. 31, 1816; d. April 5, 1816.

3. Micajah<sup>8</sup> C. b. Sept. 4, 1817; d. Aug. 18, 1896, age 78.

4. Wingate<sup>8</sup> Frost b. Mch. 29, 1820; d. Dec. 10, 1842, age 22.

5. Nancy<sup>8</sup> Jane b. Apr. 19, 1822; d. Feb. 20, 1915, age 92.

6. Caroline<sup>8</sup> b. July 28, 1824; d. Aug. 23, 1824.

7. Cephas<sup>8</sup> Meade b. June 16, 1826; d. Mch. 24, 1904, age 77.

8. Caroline<sup>8</sup> b. Mch. 27, 1828; d. June 16, 1866, age 38.

9. Andrew<sup>8</sup> J. b. Aug. 3, 1830; d. Aug. 17, 1830.

10. Leonard<sup>8</sup> J. b. Nov. 27, 1832; d. Aug. 11, 1915, age 82.

11. Elizabeth<sup>8</sup> b. Nov. 23, 1836; d. Apr. 28, 1865, age 28.

12. Esther<sup>8</sup> Ann b. Apr. 12, 1839; d. Mch. 13, 1864, age 27.

NANCY<sup>8</sup> STROUT married Enock Hobson of Limington. Family not obtained.

MICAJAH<sup>8</sup> STROUT lived in Portland. Lawyer. Had two sons, Charles<sup>9</sup>, and George<sup>9</sup>, who conducted a wholesale miliner business. Charles<sup>9</sup> has a son Arthur<sup>10</sup>, living at 257 Spring Street, Portland.

NANCY<sup>8</sup> STROUT married Rev. Oliver Hasty, and one daughter living in the West (1943) was then 97 years old. Nothing further.

CEPHAS<sup>8</sup> STROUT resided in South Limington. His wife, Sarah ——, outlived him.

LEONARD<sup>8</sup> J. STROUT, prominent school teacher, Justice of the Peace, trustee of Limington Academy, and active in town and church affairs, married Almeda Foss, of Limington, Sept. 17, 1857; and had Fred<sup>9</sup> and Annie<sup>9</sup>, the former deceased. Annie taught in the Academy after her graduation. A fine scholar. OLIVER<sup>7</sup> FROST, son of Wingate and Anna (Mitchell) Frost, married Caroline King Warren of Standish, Apr. 24, 1825. Lived in Bangor, where he built up an extensive lumber business, and became quite wealthy. At one time made the trip to India.

Children of Oliver<sup>7</sup> and Caroline (Warren) Frost:

- 1. Patrick<sup>8</sup> Henry b. —, died in childhood.
- 2. Charles<sup>8</sup> Osborn b. —, died in childhood.
- 3. Caroline<sup>8</sup> Frost, b. Mch. 23, 1831; died Sept. 3, 1919, age 88.
- 4. Charles<sup>8</sup> b. —, married and had two sons.
- 5. James<sup>8</sup> Oliver b. ——, married and had son and daughter.
- 6. Emma<sup>8</sup> b. Dec. 3, 1838; d.
- 7. Helen<sup>8</sup> b. ——; d. in early life.

Unfortunately, family data is lacking.

CAROLINE<sup>8</sup> FROST was a woman of fine presence, attractive features, and a noble heart. She was always doing little things for those in need, and remembering her friends in many ways, during her lifetime. Possessed a very charitable spirit, delightful in conversation and social life, well educated, musical, and held her many friendships to the last. She told the compiler at one time she had heard all the noted singers and stage actors of her day. Her frequent visits to Limington and Greene with her cousins, are cherished memories. Married Apr. 9, 1854, Alfred F. Howe; residence, Boston. In later years lived with her son's family in Kingston, Mass. One son Fred<sup>9</sup> C. b. Oct. 13, 1855, mining engineer; worked at one time in the Barbados. Married Lucy Holmes of Kingston, Mass., and have Natalie<sup>10</sup>, Harold<sup>10</sup>, and Ned<sup>10</sup>. Later he removed to Ketcham, Idaho, and there served in the state legislature. (dec.)

EMMA<sup>8</sup> FROST married Pembroke S. Huckins who continued the business of her father, when same was transferred to East Boston, under the name of P. S. Huckins and Co. Had Frank<sup>9</sup> P., who married Florence Howland Ramsey, Feb. 2, 1916; and Carrie<sup>9</sup>. Residence, Brookline, Mass.

EUNICE<sup>7</sup> FROST, daughter of Wingate and Anna (Mitchell) Frost, married Josiah Davis of Gorham, Maine, Oct. 3, 1821.

Children of Josiah and Eunice (Frost) Davis:

1. Charles<sup>8</sup> Oliver b. Jan. 19, 1822; d. Apr. 26, 1878, age 56.

- 2. James<sup>8</sup> Wingate b. May 18, 1824; d. Feb. 14, 1885, age 66.
- 3. Ellen<sup>8</sup> Augusta b. Feb. 14, 1827; d. Oct. 20, 1869, age 42.
- 4. Harriet<sup>8</sup> b. Sept. 1, 1828; d. Sept. 7, 1832, age 4.
- 5. Frances<sup>8</sup> Maria b. Apr. 30, 1833; d. Dec. 20, 1859, age 26.
- 6. Fred<sup>8</sup> b. July 14, 1836; d. perhaps 1910.
- 7. Julia<sup>8</sup> b. —; d. young.

CHARLES<sup>8</sup> OLIVER DAVIS served in the Navy as a Captain in the Civil War. Civil engineer, fine mathematician and penman. Built railroads South in the state of Georgia, and drew a consecutive prospective of these several lines, some of which the compiler possesses. Built the Nashua and Rochester R. R. in Maine and New Hampshire; also did some work on the Mountain Division R. R. He was for several years superintendent of the Portland Locomotive Works and Foundry. A highly respected official. Married Aug. 3, 1856, Ann Elizabeth Small, daughter of Dea. Joshua and Mary (Frost) Small of Limington, residence Portland; but for three years lived in Greene; buying in 1859, for \$1600 in gold, the Adams place, so called, where William Sprague, former town clerk, later resided; and where his oldest daughter was born. He was tall of stature, broad shouldered, and of active temperament. Cong. Mrs. Davis was a former schoolteacher, and graduate of Limington Academy.

Family:

Kate<sup>9</sup> b. Oct. 19, 1859; d. Mch. 9, 1921, age 61. She married Edwin L. Chick of E. Limington, merchant and P.M. (dec.) No family.

Lizzie<sup>9</sup> b. Apr. 10, 1861; d. Aug. 19, 1863.

Fred<sup>9</sup> b. July 31, 1865; d. Sept. 29, 1884, age 19.

Charles<sup>9</sup> Oliver, Jr., b. June 16, 1871; d. in the middle 30s, aged about 64, after a somewhat disresolving life; married in Chicago, and for 25 years was clerk for a large wholesale grain concern in Minneapolis. No family. Residence, St. Paul.

JAMES<sup>8</sup> WINGATE DAVIS lived in Boston, where he engaged in business connected with the government. Married Rebecca Hatch and had two children: Nellie<sup>9</sup> and Frank<sup>9</sup>.

ELLEN<sup>8</sup> DAVIS married Thaddeus F. Irish of Gorham, Nov.

29, 1848. Mr. Irish was a prominent businessman of Gorham, later mail agent on the Portland and Rochester R. R. till 1886. Removed to Somerville, Mass., and became connected with the Boston firm of Dana Estes, remaining there till 1900, when he retired. Cong. and very loyal to his church; of amiable disposition, charitable, and of fine presence, and strict integrity. Born Nov. 24, 1824; died in 1912, age nearly 88. Three children by this marriage, with two living: James<sup>9</sup> of Rochester, N. H., and Fred D. of Somerville, Mass. (at the date of this copy (1951) both are believed deceased.)

FRED<sup>8</sup> DAVIS became a civil engineer, connected with the Chicago Dredging and Dock Co. Was given charge of building the ship canal connecting Lake Ladoga with the Gulf of Bothnia, a Russian undertaking given to this company. Mr. Davis remained in Russia two years to complete the job; location near St. Petersburg. Returned sometime in the middle 80s. He married Fanny Wilson, and Bangor was their home. One son, Rennie<sup>9</sup> who died in early youth, and his wife soon followed; whence he removed to Chicago. Popular club man. Upon retiring from business, came to Newport, Maine; but died at the home of his nephew, Fred Irish, in Gorham, in his middle 70s.

NANCY<sup>7</sup> FROST, daughter of Wingate and Anna (Mitchell) Frost, married, Jan. I, 1846, William Pillsbury of Limington, a Quaker, born Ian. 9, 1820. She died in 1865, and he married 2d Maria<sup>8</sup> Nancy Frost, a daughter of his first wife's brother James<sup>7</sup> Frost, as before given. She lived to a great age, 98! Resided at the old brick house. She received from Wingate Frost his old desk, also old deed of transfer from Francis<sup>2</sup> Small to his son Samuel<sup>3</sup> Small. Mr. Pillsbury died Sept. 15, 1895, age 75. A man of fine character and principle, and very much devoted to his home and family life.

Family by first marriage:

- 1. John<sup>8</sup> Henry b. Dec. 20, 1846; d. Dec. 19, 1920, age 64.
- 2. James<sup>8</sup> Frost b. June 28, 1849; d. May 17, 1926, age 76.
- 3. Anna<sup>8</sup> Frost b. Mch. 17, 1852; d. Sept. 11, 1852.
- 4. Alfred<sup>8</sup> Fuller b. Mch. 18, 1856; d. Oct. 5, 1911, age 55.

Prof. John<sup>8</sup> Henry, popularly known by his double name, was

educated at Kents Hill Seminary, and many years a teacher at Smith College, Botany and Biology being his specialties. Collector of much data concerning many of the earlier families, which same material, it is understood, is in the custody of Portland Public Library. Married in Aug. 1878, Nellie S. Robinson, dau. of Prof. Robinson of Kents Hill, born July 10, 1853. No family.

James<sup>8</sup> remained on homestead. Followed for many years successful teaching; trustee of Cong. church and Limington Acad.; active in various town and school affairs. Married Dec. 22. 1883, May E. Townsend, born May 5, 1860.

Family:

- 1. Nellie<sup>9</sup> May b. Sept. 17, 1884; d. Nov. 29, 1938, age 54.
- 2. Alice9 Frost b. Mch. 8, 1886;
- 3. James<sup>9</sup> Frost b. Dec. 19, 1888;
- 4. Loring<sup>9</sup> Wingate b. July 1, 1892;
- 5. William<sup>9</sup> Townsend b. July 11, 1898;
- 6. Ella<sup>9</sup> Marjorie b. June 21, 1901.

Nellie May Pillsbury graduated from Mt. Holyoke College 1906. Taught at Colebrook, N. H., West Falmouth, Mass., and Stamford, Conn., her final home. Married Edward H. Smith, 1918, and have: Lydia Clark Smith, University of Vermont, A.B. 1946; Edward Henry Smith, Jr., University of Connecticut, B.S. 1950.

Alice Frost Pillsbury attended Mt. Holyoke College, taught at Bridgton, Maine, High School; Skowhegan High School; Madison High School, her last work from which duties she retired a few years since. Married in 1908 Dr. Stanley M. Gower, dentist of Skowhegan, their home. He was a son of the late Judge John Gower of Winthrop. Family: Alice Muriel Gower, Bates College, 1932; Stanley M. Gower, Jr., Amherst, A.B. 1936.

James Frost Pillsbury lived near the home place. Married Bessie Janet Dutton in 1915 and have: Donald Dutton Pillsbury, Bates College, A.B. 1938; James Carlton Pillsbury; Bettina May Pillsbury, Gorham State Normal School, A.B.; Dorothy Priscilla Pillsbury, A.B. University of Maine 1945; Constance Irene Pillsbury, student at Gorham Teachers College. Mr. Pillsbury has the general care of work at the old "Homestead." Mrs. Pillsbury died in 1939.

Loring Wingate Pillsbury, known by his middle name among his townsmen, has had much to do in public service in Limington, Selectman many years, Sheriff, and has had much to do with road construction in town, besides his farming. Married in 1914, Janet Hepburn Small, who died in 1924. Married 2d in 1925 Vivian Weeks Bickford. One daughter by second marriage, Winnifred Pillsbury, graduate of Nasson College.

William Townsend Pillsbury is a lumberman at Kezar Falls. Graduated from Wentworth Institute, Boston, 1917; married, Jan. 30, 1925, Mayola Marean and have: Leona Marjorie, Wayne Royce, William James, Judith May Pillsbury.

Ella Marjorie Pillsbury graduated from Bates College, A.B. 1923; taught in Brandon, Vt., 1923-1924; married, Aug. 16, 1924, Prof. Norman E. Ross of Bates; res. Frye Street, Lewiston. She has had to do with various departments of work at the College.

JOSHUA<sup>7</sup> FROST, son of Wingate and Anna (Mitchell) Frost, born in Limington, Mch. 9, 1819, married Apr. 27, 1847, Mary E. Whitmore of Standish. She was born Sept. 27, 1819, and died at Middleboro, Mass., Sept. 8, 1908, age 89. First lived in the old house eastward from the brick house, built by his grandfather, James<sup>5</sup> Frost previous to 1800; thence to Taunton and New Bedford, Mass., and for several years a planter in Virginia, but died in New Bedford.

Received the old Indian Deed known as the Ossipee Deed, from his father, Wingate Frost, giving transfer of the Ossipee lands from Capt. Sundy to Francis Small. This included, practically, the territory composed by the towns of Cornish, Limington, Limerick, Newfield, Parsonsfield and Shapleigh; a most famous Deed given in 1668, but not recorded for over 100 years, thereby giving rise to almost endless litigations through three generations. It came into possession of Lawreston W. Small of New York City (borrowed), a descendant of Henry Small of the Shaving Hill District, Limington; and by him sold to a Mrs. Ada Small Moore of New York, a descendant of Daniel Small of Cape Cod, and whose husband was a wealthy horseman. She

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paid him \$1000 for the Deed; and now it may, by courtesy of Mrs. Moore, be seen at the Maine Historical Rooms, Portland.

Family born in Maine and Mass.:

1. Henry<sup>8</sup> Lyndon b. Mch. 10, 1848; d. Dec. 19, 1848.

2. William<sup>8</sup> Penn b. Mch. 7, 1850; d. Oct. 4, 1867, age 17.

3. Anna<sup>8</sup> Wingate b. Dec. 9, 1851; dec.

4. Lovell<sup>8</sup> Whitmore b. Oct. 13, 1855; dec.

5. Herbert<sup>8</sup> Mitchell b. Mch. 4, 1858; dec.

6. Milton<sup>8</sup> b. Jan. 8, 1860; dec.

ANNA<sup>8</sup> WINGATE FROST was born in Taunton. Married, June 12, 1874, George A. Potter, son of Joshua W. and Sarah (Tripp) Potter of Westport, Mass.; residence, Taunton. In later years she lived with her brother Lovell, in Middleboro, Mass. No family.

LOVELL<sup>8</sup> FROST was an extensive market-gardener in Middleboro. He married Apr. 13, 1881, Ellen Carnell Valentine, dau. of William C. and Ellen (Higgins) Valentine of New York

Family born in the various places of his living:

1. Jesse<sup>9</sup> b. Sept. 27, 1883, at Roselle, N. J.

2. William<sup>9</sup> Lovell b. Feb. 6, 1886, at Brooklyn, N. Y.

3. Anna<sup>9</sup> Wingate b. Oct. 20, 1887, at Cramford, N. J.

4. Eleanor<sup>9</sup> b. Aug. 10, 1889, at Boston, Mass.

5. Florence<sup>9</sup> b. Apr. 2, 1892, at Boston, Mass.

6. Edith<sup>9</sup> b. Oct. 18, 1898, at New Haven, Conn.

HERBERT<sup>8</sup> FROST married Mabel Hardy Barney, dau. of Charles and Lucy (Gifford) Barney at Pawtucket, R. I., Aug. 15, 1885.

Family born in New Bedford: Estelle<sup>9</sup> Webster b. Nov. 20, 1887; Irene<sup>9</sup> Heath b. June 22, 1890.

MARY<sup>7</sup> FROST, daughter of Wingate and Anna (Mitchell) Frost, born Dec. 24, 1806, was lovingly known to all her many friends as "Aunt Mary"; married Mch. 29, 1826, Dea. Joshua<sup>7</sup> Small of Limington. He was 50 years deacon of the Cong. church at time of his death, Aug. 30, 1885, age 86. His farm was part of the original grant from his grandfather Joshua<sup>5</sup> Small, and 6th from Francis<sup>2</sup> Small, original grantor; and located on highway about one half distance between Saco River and the village; and opposite the old homestead of his father, Joshua<sup>6</sup> Small where he was born, and where his brother, Dea. Nathaniel Small lived, who was the last of the name to reside on this part of the ancient grant. Some of the doors of this old house were one board only, old "punkin pine." Much of the Deacon's splendid pine was used in building the new Cong. church at the village, where they were constant attendants.

Dea. Joshua and Mary Small observed their 50th wedding anniversary in 1876. She seemed to possess most of those better qualities and spiritual graces which makes life sweet, mellow, golden and christian.

Family:

- 1. Elvira<sup>8</sup> b. Sept. 29, 1827; d. May 1, 1854, age 26.
- 2. Ann<sup>8</sup> Elizabeth b. June 19, 1829; d. Mch. 15, 1878, age 48.
- 3. Mary<sup>8</sup> Clark b. Dec. 8, 1831; d. Aug. 8, 1913, age 81.
- 4. Edward<sup>8</sup> Payson b. Apr. 21, 1834; d. Mch. 6, 1836.
- 5. Joshua<sup>8</sup> Wingate b. Oct. 16, 1836; d. Aug. 19, 1912, age 75.
- 6. Rebecca<sup>8</sup> Adams b. Nov. 11, 1838; d. Aug. 19, 1869, age 30.
- 7. Oliver<sup>8</sup> Frost b. May 21, 1841; d. at Gettysburg, age 22.
- 8. Franklin<sup>8</sup> Yeaton b. Aug. 18, 1843; d. Dec. 19, 1863, age 20.

ANN<sup>8</sup> ELIZABETH SMALL was a school teacher in the public schools after leaving the old Academy. Married Aug. 3, 1856, Charles<sup>8</sup> Oliver Davis, her cousin. (See gen. of Eunice<sup>7</sup> Frost already given.)

JOSHUA<sup>8</sup> WINGATE SMALL followed on homestead, the 4th Joshua to follow in direct ownership. Served in the Civil War, 17th Reg. Inf., and saw much hard service. Has said his worst battle was Chancellorsville "when he would not have given a nickle for his best chances to get out alive." Married Sally Cotton Small, dau. of Sewall and Nancy (Bean) Small. She and her brother, Benjamin, sang in the old choir a good part of their lives. They were descendants of the early pioneer settler, Benjamin Small. Sally<sup>8</sup> was married to Joshua<sup>8</sup> W. Small in October, 1865. Family:

1. Oliver<sup>9</sup> Frost b. in 1866; d. young.

2. Edwin<sup>9</sup> Frost b. Apr. 6, 1868; d. Mch. 9, 1912, age 43.

3. Joshua<sup>9</sup> Sewall b. Apr. 19, 1870, d. Mch. 27, 1934, age 64.

4. Evelyn<sup>9</sup> Frost b. July 30, 1872; d. Jan. 22, 1929, age 56.

5. Mary<sup>9</sup> Elizabeth b. May 2, 1876; d. Dec. 2, 1951, age 75.

6. Benjamin<sup>9</sup> b. Sept. 10, 1880; d. Sept. 26, 1945, age 65.

7. Frank<sup>9</sup> Cutts b. Dec. 28, 1883; d. Feb. 21, 1931, age 48.

The compiler recalls many happy visits around the hearthstone of this old home of felicity and good will, before the young people married.

Edwin<sup>9</sup> was a weaver at Pemberton Mill, Lawrence, Mass.; married Esther Clark of Lawrence, and have 3 children: Gladys<sup>10</sup>, Bernard<sup>10</sup>, Donald<sup>10</sup>.

Joshua<sup>9</sup> became connected with Frost Forwarding Agency, Boston, and later as president of same, active in Masonry and I.O.O.F. Married Emma Flanders of Boston, res. Winchester. No family.

Evelyn<sup>9</sup> married 1st Dr. Fred Roberts of Waterboro, Dec. 18, 1901, and had Albert<sup>10</sup> and Eva<sup>10</sup>. m. 2nd John Chase of East Limington, June 19, 1912. She followed teaching.

Mary<sup>9</sup> married, Dec. 21, 1898, Charles L. Orton of Hardwich, Vt., former Principal of Limington Academy, later connected with U. S. Customs Dept. in St. Albans, Vt., and Montreal. Res. St. Albans.

Family: Evelyn<sup>10</sup> b. Sept. 23, 1899; Oliver<sup>10</sup> b. Feb. 15, 1915; Elizabeth<sup>10</sup> b. April 30, 1918.

Benjamin<sup>9</sup> and Frank<sup>9</sup> became connected with the George Frost Garter Co., Boston. Res. Winchester, Mass. Benjamin married Elizabeth Moody of Limington; one daughter. He was a fine tenor singer and served in his church choir several years. Frank<sup>9</sup> never married.

Evelyn is a teacher at Burlington, Vt., of many years standing. Not married.

Oliver is employed by the government at Miami, Fla. Not married.

Elizabeth is married and lives in Montreal.

MARY<sup>8</sup> CLARK SMALL became a well known schoolteacher, after graduating from the Limington Academy under Principal William G. Lord, teaching 32 terms. Very conscientious in her work. Married, Jan. 1, 1861, Lowell Mason Mower of Greene. where she had come to teach school, which proved her last school work, and there she resided. Active in F. B. church and S. S. there, having a class of young ladies, and as Superintending Secretary of the Benevolent Society, from its inception in 1878 till age prevented; Treasurer of Missionary during its many years of existence; for two years, President of the local W. C. T. U.; a woman of deep spiritual fibre and authority. Her word was always law. Dea. Lowell M. Mower served his church from about 1845 as chorister for 40 years, and 20 as church clerk, 1886-1906. An excellent bass singer. Served in Co. G, 23d Reg. Inf., in the Civil War. Built his house in 1864. Followed grafting of fruit trees 33 seasons. Served at many score of "last rites" services. Highly respected citizen, Republican, and a strong temperance advocate.

Family:

Walter<sup>9</sup> Lindley Mower b. Nov. 23, 1866;

d.

Charles<sup>9</sup> Mason Mower b. Sept. 17, 1869;

d.

Charles<sup>9</sup>, carpenter, architect and builder, made Portland his home for 41 years. Married Ida May Litchfield of Auburn, Sept. 3, 1896. Mrs. Mower died Feb. 17, 1924, age 57. Cong. and Dea. of his church since 1907; church clerk 31 years; choir singer, teacher of the Bible class, and S. S. Treas. over many years. Jocelyn Botanical Soc.; for two years Pres. of Cumberland Co. Audubon Soc.; Maine Mineralogical Soc.; S. A. R.; P. of H. 7th degree; Three-Quarter Century Club. Has made a careful study of Maine woods and has a mounted collection of some 300 varieties, native and elsewhere. He is good authority on Maine woods, fine mathematician, and strong temperance advocate.

Family:

Charles<sup>10</sup> Mason, Jr., b. Nov. 8, 1899.

Lowell<sup>10</sup> Kendall b. Sept. 24, 1901. Sarah<sup>10</sup> Clark b. Apr. 4, 1903.

Irving<sup>10</sup> Frost b. Sept. 16, 1917.

Mason and his brother, Lowell, graduated from engineering course, Ann Arbor. Mason became connected with a large hydraulic engineering concern in New York with business of building water supplies for growing cities, or drainage. His work has been mostly confined to estimated costs and material. Had work in many different states; later employed by government. Present office in Atlanta, Ga. Served in first World War.

Lowell is a geologist with the Shell Oil Co. with present office at Houston, Texas. Was with the company at home office, The Hague, before the place was bombed out in late war.

Irving graduated from radio course at Ann Arbor and is chief engineer at Manchester, N. H., radio station. Served on radio vessel in late war.

Sarah graduated from Simmons College as a dietetic nurse, Res. New Gloucester, Maine. All four are married, with families, and well settled.

Walter<sup>9</sup>, singer, teacher, historian, genealogist, hobbiest, compiler of these *Frost Family Chronicles*, followed on home farm in Greene; married June 1, 1904, Mrs. Etta May (Rounds) Nute of Wiscasset. She died Nov. 6, 1928, age 60. No family.

This copy made in 1951, from the compiled record made by W. L. Mower, as completed about 1932. He has done much family compilation over the years; issued his Mower Family History 1923, and Sesquicentennial History of Greene 1938.

His special hobbies have been minerals, shells, coin, stamps, eggs, old books, topographic maps, and genealogy. Fifty-seven years choir service; church clerk 40 years; for 30 years had care of Memorial Day flag decorations; 7th degree P. of H. and Golden Sheaf member. Member of U. S. Geographic Society since 1917; Stanton Bird Club; the Androscoggin Historical Society; and Three-Quarter Century Club of Maine.