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THE ROBERT GOWER FAMILY

About two months before his death Robert Gower, the founder of his family, made a statement to his son James, which he fortunately reduced to writing, still preserved in the family. From this it appears that Robert was born in England, in the County of Norfolk, in the village between Woodroe and Welch and near Holt, about eighteen miles from the city of Norwich, on October 9,1722. He was the son of Robert and Margaret Gower, whose maiden name was Harrison, or Herrison, and the names of his brothers and sisters were Jane, William, John, Edward, James, Arthur, Thomas and Anne. He further stated that his mother had two brothers who settled on the Hudson River.

There is a family tradition, generally believed, that Robert was of that family of Gowers in England of whom Burke wrote: "All our antiquaries coincide in attaching a long and distinguished line of ancestors to this family, and in giving it an Anglo-Saxon origin; but they differ as to the identity of its founder, some alleging him to have been Sir Alan Gower, Lord of Stittenham, in Yorkshire, and to have been sheriff of the County temp, William I; while others name William FitzGyer of Stittenham, who is charged with a mark for his lands in the sheriff's account Anno 1167. Of this family Sir Thomas Gower was created baronet June 2,1620; Sir John Levison Gower, baron, March 16,1702; his son, Sir John Levison Gower, earl, July 2,1746; Sir Granville Levison Gower, marquis, March 1,1786; and Sir George Granville Levison Gower, Duke of Sutherland, January 28,1833.

The names George, Lawrence, Thomas, John, Edward, Robert, Lewis, Walter, Jane, Anne, Richard, William, Ronald, Frederick, and Carolyn are common family names."

Colonel George Lewis Gower of Tacoma, who spent several years in Europe in connection with the Gower telephone of which his brother Frederick Allan Gower was the inventor, relates the following: "I remember my brother Fred telling me of some Herald office chap coming to him with a tale of following our ancestral trail back along, as far as it ran with one he was tracing, and suggesting that Fred stake him to continue it from where it branched off. Fred asked him how far back he had gone and he said, 'a couple of hundred years.' Fred wanted to know if he had found any Gowers jailed or hung; 'No indeed!' 'All right,' says Master Fred, 'if we are all right that far back I won't take any chances on going further.'"

Butler, in his History of Farmington, states that Robert came to this country as an English soldier. This is probably founded upon the family tradition to that effect; but inquiry of the Secretary, Public Records Office, Chancery Lane, W. C. 2, London, fails to disclose him as a commissioned officer, and not being such, search could not be made for him without information as to the regiment in which he served.

We have no further record of Robert until we find him in Boston in 1759.

The English pronunciation is variously given as Gore, Goor, and Gorr. Robert evidently pronounced it Gore, as this name so appears in the Boston record of the publication of his intention of marriage to his first wife, Margaret Alexander, and in conveyances of land to him as recorded in the Registry of Deeds for Lincoln and Kennebec Counties. The name, however, was Gower and so appears many times in Robert's own hand-writing as town clerk of Topsham, Maine.

Many instances are found in public records where well-known members of the family are recorded under the name, Gore. This undoubtedly led to the adoption of the pronunciation Gower in order to avoid such errors, and appears to have been adopted by the fifth generation living in widely separated parts of the country. The old pronunciation of Gore still prevails to some extent, and instances are found where the parents are called Gore and their children Gower.

While Robert Gower was one of those who voted to "stand by what the Continental and Provincial Congresses had done" and was one of the two men chosen at a town meeting held in Topsham, Maine on April 30,1775, eleven days after the battle of Lexington, "to meet the committees of other towns... on the second day of May to represent the town of Topsham as to the matter of provisions and ammunition and to consider the method of furnishing the same," he was too old to enlist again as a soldier upon the Declaration of Independence, lacking less than three months of being fifty-four years of age.

His eldest son Edward, however, then eighteen years old, enlisted in Captain Acter Patten's Company of Col. Samuel McCobb's Regiment on the Penobscot expedition.

There was at least one family of Gowers in America as early as 1648, and others were living in Maine, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, and Maryland before the war of the Revolution. From the fact that Robert mentioned his mother's brothers living on the Hudson and that there is no record of his mentioning his having relatives of his name, it is fair to assume that there were no kindred of his own name in this country so far as he knew.

Butler states that after leaving the army Robert engaged in the boot and shoe business in Boston. Unfortunately there was no Boston Directory at that time, so that fact has not been verified. Evidently he was living in Boston in 1759, for the intentions of marriage of Robert "Gore" and Margaret Alexander were published in Boston May 30, 1759, but the book in which the marriages from 1752 to 1761 were recorded is supposed to have been lost many years ago.

Margaret Alexander was the daughter of James Alexander, who was born in Ireland in 1709 and who with his father David came to Maine from Ireland in 1719 in Robert Temple's Scotch-Irish Colony. It is probable that James Alexander at the time of the marriage of his daughter Margaret to Robert was living in North Yarmouth, as William Alexander on December 15, 1757, then residing in "North Yarmouth in the County of York in His Majesty's Province of Massachusetts Bay in New England," conveyed to James a tract of land in North Yarmouth; and this is probably the same land that James "of a new settlement incorporated in the County of Lincoln" conveyed to Hugh Alexander, "land in Harpswell," on January 1, 1777.

Robert's whereabouts from the time he married Margaret Alexander until he went to Topsham, Maine and the date of his going to Topsham are unknown. It is probable, however, that he was living in Boston at the time of publication of his intention of marriage to Margaret Alexander and moved from there to Topsham. His name does not appear in the petition to incorporate the town of Topsham dated December 1, 1763. He was, however, living in Topsham at the time of its first town meeting held May 9, 1764 and was elected Sealer of Leather, and Warden, at that meeting. He was re-elected and at the annual meeting held March 12, 1767 he was elected moderator and town clerk and held the office of town clerk from 1757 to 1776. In 1782 he was elected constable. As town clerk of Topsham he recorded the birth of his son Edward, born February 12, 1761 and his son William, born November 30, 1762; but as the town was not incorporated until 1764, and he was not elected town clerk until 1767, it is evident that the record was not made until after his election as town clerk, and it does not necessarily follow that the birth of either of his sons above named occurred in Topsham. It is probable, however, that the death of his wife Margaret on June 29, 1765 occured in Topsham, as there is no evidence of his moving to Boston after the first town meeting in Topsham in 1764. Woodman's History of Topsham says that he first lived where Ezekiel Purinton r ... (then) lives, and afterward where Elder Randall now lives.

He married for his second wife Miss Mary Henry of Topsham January 17, 1771, the record of his marriage appearing in his own hand as town clerk, as also does the record of the birth of his son James, born January 2, 1772. She was the daughter

of James Henry and Hannah McNess and was born at Johnston, Rhode Island, January 22,1745. Her brother James Henry, Jr. married Mercy Beverage. Her sister Ann married James Wilson; her sister Betsy married Stephen Titcomb; her sister Sarah married Henry Sewall of Bath and her sister Jenett married Joseph Berry.

On May 10,1771 Robert recorded the mark of his neat cattle, sheep, and hogs, namely, a slit on the top of the left ear.

On January 19,1774 Samuel Winchell deeded to Robert Gower of Topsham, cordwainer, one hundred acres of land on Cathance River, bounded north by land of Acter Patten and beginning at Cathance River and running a west course to John Whiten's land; thence south 21 degrees west to land of Andrew Douglass; thence south 69 degrees east forty rods; thence south 21 degrees west 94 rods; thence south 69 degrees east forty rods; thence east to the river; thence up the river to point begun at; and on November 8,1776 Belcher Noyes conveyed to Robert "Gore" 60 acres, "being in the gore of lots fronting on Androscoggin River 45 rods and between land of Samuel Wilson on the southwest and of Archibald Moffatt on the northeast and extending back to land of Benjamin Thomas."

At a town meeting held in Topsham November 19,1774 it was unanimously voted that the town would stand by what the Continental Congresses had done; and at a meeting held April 30,1775 Robert Gower and William Randall were chosen a committee to meet the committees of other towns at Pownal-borough on the second day of May to represent the town of Topsham, as to the matter of provisions and ammunition, and to consider the method of furnishing the same.

In writing of forts and garrisons in Topsham, Wheeler says "A garrison house was built by Mr. Gore about where Mr. Collins Purington now lives near the railroad station." This was undoubtedly Robert Gower.

In Sinnett's "The Gower Family of Maine," he writes:
"The characteristics of Robert Gower also point to a common ancestry with the majority of the early settlers of Topsham, Maine. He was an ideal pioneer. While "Men of Kent" sat around their firesides talking of the 'good old times in the homeland,' the pioneers of Topsham, Harpswell, and Brunswick were trying to foil every device of the Indians and scouring the forests in all directions. This bit of history gives us a clear insight into the spirit of those days, and shows Robert Gower 'a man among men.' The early settlers were men accustomed to track the pathless forests and often to spend their nights with nothing over them save the glittering canopy of the heavens. In this way they became

acquainted with localities quite a distance off. Much time has been taken to establish the history of Robert Gower. He stands at the head of a long line of some of the best families of the old Pine Tree State. In all their hardihood, overcoming whatever difficulties have faced them in life, and holding fast to the faith of the fathers, we see, not the traits of the old singer, John Gower of Kent, England, but the unmistakable proofs of sturdy Scotch-Irish parentage,"

In May 1776, under the direction of a famous hunter Thomas Wilson, Robert Gower accompanied by Robert Alexander, brother to his first wife Margaret, and by his brother-inlaw James Honry and by Stephen Titcomb, who also married a sister of Jomes Henry, and by James McDonnell, all of Topsham, left Topsham for the purpose of exploring the Sandy River Valley. Of this trip Mr. Butler gives the following interesting account: "Attracted by the glowing description given of the region by the hunters, a party from Topsham, consisting of Stephen Titcomb, Robert Gower, James Honry, Robert Alexander, James McDonnell, together with Wilson, came to Sandy River in 1776 with a view of making a settlement. The party came up the Konnebec River in canoes as far as Hallowell, which was generally known at that time by the Indian name of "Bombahook." From Hallowell they proceeded on foot through the sparsely-settled district to Mr. Rumford Smith's, who had settled and built a log-house a little east of what is now known as Readfield Corner, but which was then Winthrop, Leaving Mr. Smith's, the last house on the route, they proceeded by compass a west-northwest course, supposing this course would bring them near to what is now Farmington Falls. from which place they could readily find the "creat interval," the object of their pilgrimage. But the course they took carried them too far east, and they struck the river near where New Sharon village is now located. There they crossed the river and continued along its northern bank some five miles to the southeastern boundary of the Tufts farm, now (1884) owned by the heirs of the late Peter Manter. Here they built a camp, and proceeded to make the necessary explorations to enable them wisely to determine where and how they should locate their farms. They finally decided to begin at the southern line of the Tufts farm, and using basswood bark as a substitute for a chain, they located six lots one hundred rods in width. After completing their survey, they divided the lands thus located between them by lot, and returned to Topsham to procure tools and provisions necessary to begin a chopping, under an agreement to return in two weeks for this purpose. At the time agreed the party ascended the Kennebec in batteaux to the mouth of the Cobbosse-contee Stream, which enters the river at Gardiner, and, carrying round the falls, followed the stream until

they came to the Indian "great carrying-place," which leads to Winthrop Great Pond, to a spot near where Winthrop village is situated. Thence they carried to the pond near Readfield Corner, thence up Bog Stream to Greeley's Pond, and, carrying a mile to Parker's Pond, they crossed the pond and carried from it to Norcross Pond, which lies in the western part of Chesterville. Following its waters into the Little Norridge-wock and Wilson Streams, they came into the Sandy River near the falls. They arrived on their first visit the twenty-fifth of May. It was doubtless the last of June or the first of July when the first trees fell. Each man made a chopping on the lot he had drawn, and, after exploring the country more extensively than at their first visit, descended the Sandy and Kennebec Rivers to Topsham."

Robert made a permanent settlement on this lot in 1783 and in a list prepared by Dummer Sewall in 1789 Robert's lot was designated as No. 43 consisting of one hundred acres at which time he had sixty acres cleared.

During the winter of 1788 the first school taught by a man named Lemuel Ferham, Jr. was opened in the log-house of Robert Gower.

On February 11, 1790 the Commonwealth of Massachusetts granted to Dummer Sewall and others, all that tract of land which is known by the name of "Sandy River Lower Township," in the County of Lincoln, on condition that they quit William Gower, Robert Gower and others one hundred acres of land, "to be so laid out as will best include his or her improvements, and be least injurious to adjoining lands, upon receipt of thirty shillings from each settler."

On July 30, 1791 Nathan Weston conveyed to Robert Gower Lot 12 on the west side of Sandy River containing one hundred and fifty acres.

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Sandy River Plantation held in 1793 Robert Gower, Moses Sterling, and Captain Supply Belcher were chosen a committee to draft a petition for the incorporation of the plantation, and at an adjourned meeting it was voted that Captain Supply Belcher go to Boston to act as an agent for the Sandy River Lower Township on the matter of incorporation or such other matters as the committee should elect, and Robert Gower, Samuel Butterfield, Jotham Smith, Lieutenant John Church and Peter Gay were chosen a committee to give Captain Supply Belcher his directions on the subject of incorporation.

"Although a majority of the inhabitants were plainly in favor of incorporating the town as a whole, a number of the

citizens of the lower part of the town were not ready to give their countenance to the project. During the next week they prepared a protest to the action of this meeting which they forwarded to the General Court." This protest, dated May 22, 1793, was signed by Robert Gower, William Gower, James Gower, Stephen Titcomb, Samuel Sewall, Stephen Norton and others.

"A part of the signers to this protest, however, soon thought better of the matter, and before the agent left for Boston gave him authority to erase their names from the paper, as is seen from the following document:

"This may certify that we the subscribers, inhabitants of Sandy River Lower Township, do authorize the bearer (Capt. Supply Belcher who is appointed agent for this plantation) to erase our names from a petition now lodged with the Committee of Incorporation at Boston remonstrating against said plantation being incorporated whole, as we are convinced by mature consideration it will be much more to the interest of said plantation to remain undivided which sentiment we have likewise manifested by setting our names to a petition for the purpose of having said plantation incorporated without any division.

Church Brainerd Peter Corbett Stephen Titcomb Francis Tufts

Robert Gower Ebenezer Blunt Ebenezer Jones Jesse Gould

The petition to the Massachusetts General Court for the incorporation of the plantation known by the name of Sandy River Lower Township in the County of Lincoln by the name of Farmington is dated December 24, 1793 and is headed by the name of Robert Gower.

In 1795 Robert Gower received 21 votes in Farmington for governor of Massachusetts, while Samuel Adams received 30 votes.

Robert Gower died at Farmington August 9, 1806 aged 73 years, 10 months, and 20 days. His wife, Mary Henry, died at Farmington January 13, 1836, aged 90 years, 11 months, and 22 days. Both, with their daughter Mary, who died at the age of eighteen years, are buried in the little cemetery on the old George Gower Homestead in Farmington adjoining the farm which Robert laid out in 1776.

FAMILY OF ROBERT GOWER (1)

Robert (1) He was born October 9, 1722, in Norfolk County, England and died August 29, 1806 in Farmington, Maine, aged 83 years, and is buried with his second wife, daughter Mary, and son James, on the little knoll on the George (3) Gower farm, on which knoll tradition says he and his party camped in their first trip in 1776. He married Margaret Alexander ---- (published in Boston) May 30, 1759. She died June 29, 1765 and is supposed to be buried in Topsham, Maine, He married January 17, 1771, Mary Henry of Topsham, who was born in Johnston, R. I. January 24, 1745, and who died in Farmington, Maine, January 13, 1836 aged 90 years, 11 months, 20 days, and is buried in the lot with her husband.

Children First Marriage

- 1. Edward (2)
 - b. February 12, 1761 probably at Topsham, Maine
 - d. March 4, 1836 at Lee, Maine. Ae. 73-0-20
 - m. November 1785, Sarah, daughter of Eliphalet Smith, She died June 24, 1841
- 2. William (2)
 - b. November 30, 1762

 - ma June 1, 1784 his cousin Margaret Alexander

Children Second Marriage

- 3. James (2)

 - b. January 2, 1772 at Topshamd. September 13, 1855 at Farmington, Maine Ae. 85-8-11
 - (Pub.) Sept. 2,1800 Susannah, daughter of Cornelius and Lydia (Claghorn) Norton
- 4. Margaret (2)
 - b. August 14, 1773 at Topsham

 - m. Elijah, son of Ebenezer and Elizabeth (Smith) Norton

5. Hannah (2) b. February 27, 1775 at Topsham d. May 7, 1844 at New Portland, Maine. Ac. 69-2-10 m. January 29, 1793, Henry, son of Samuel and Mary (Davis) Norton 6. Mary (2) b. May 1,1777 at Topsham d. 1795 at Farmington and is buried in the lot with her parents. Ae. 18 7. Sarah (2) b. March 26, 1779 at Topsham m. May 13, 1803 Robert Coffren of Vienna, Maine 8. John (2) b. March 16, 1781 at Topsham d. August 29, 1843 at New Sharon, Maine 9. Samuel (2) b. August 16, 1783 at Farmington d. July 16,1862 at Canaan, Maine. m. Lucinda Chandler m, November 13, 1818 Mary Jennings of Farmington, Maine. See New Sharon, Maine, records 10. Anna (2) b. June 23, 1785 at Farmington m. May 24, 1807, John Mayall of Lisbon, Maine 11. Rebecca (2) b. March 17, 1788 at Farmington d. January 9, 1861 m. November 12, 1812, Elnathan Pope, a farmer and lawyer 12. George (2) b. April 9, 1789 at Farmington d. May 5, 1860 at Farmington m. April 5, 1816, Love, daughter of William

and Love (Coffin) Allen

FAMILY OF EDWARD (2) ROBERT (1)

Edward (2)

b. February 12,1761, Topsham, Maine (?) d. March 4,1836 in Lee, Maine, and is buried in the family lot in South Cemetery in Lee. He was a private in Capt. Acter Patten Co., Col. Samuel McCobb's Regiment. He enlisted July 6,1779 at the age of 18 years, and was discharged September 25, 1779 after a service of two months, 19 days on the Penobscot expedition. Roll sworn to in Lincoln County, and certified at Topsham (Mass. Soldiers and Sailors Record, V. VI p. 517). His name appears upon the petition dated May 16,1793, for the incorporation of the town of Litchfield. He was a carpenter and farmer and was the first Tyler of Morning Star Lodge No. 41, F. & A. M., chartered July 13,1822 at Litchfield, Maine. He was one of the earliest settlers and lived on Oak Hill, appearing as a taxpayer in that town in 1794. On November .., 1785, he married Sarah, daughter of William Smith. In 1832 he moved to Lee, Maine, where he died March 4,1836 aged 75 years. Sarah, his wife, died June 24, 1841, aged 74 years

- 1. Eliphalet (3)
 - b. June 30,1789
 - d. October 13,1805
- 2. Apphia (3)
 - b. June 7,1798 at Litchfield, Maine
 - d. October 19,1883 at Lee, Maine
 - m. November 22,1832 Benjamin Whitten and moved to Lee, Maine
- 3. Martha (3)
 - b. April 30,1806 at Litchfield
 - d. May 30,1893 at Lee
 - m. May .., 1832, John M. Maxwell

FAMILY OF WILLIAM (2) ROBERT (1)

William (2) came to the plantation (Sandy River Lower Township), Farmington, Maine, probably in 1784, and settled on the farm on the west side of the river, in 1885 owned by Luther Gordon and others.

Subsequently selling this farm to James Merrill, he moved to river-lot No. 47, east side, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was deputy sheriff for some years and was at one time in trade at the Falls Village as a partner of Col. Daniel Beale. He married June 1,1784, Margaret Alexander, his cousin

Children

- l. Elizabeth (3)
 - b. November 13,1785
 - d. February 3,1845
 - m. (pub.) March 22, 1306, Asa Brown
- 2. Margaret (3)
 - b. July 15,1787
 - d.
 - m. December 11,1806, Samuel Livermore Jones

FAMILY OF JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

James (2) married Susannah Norton, daughter of Cornelius and Lydia (Claghorn) Norton, 9-2-1800, published. Removed to Industry, Maine, about the year 1812, where he bought the mills at the outlet of Clear Water Pond, which for many years were known as Gower's Mills. Subsequently he moved to Abbott, Maine. He was a representative from Abbott in 1829. He died at Farmington Falls, Maine

- 1. Mary (3)
 - b. September 13,1801 at Formington
 - d. December 3,1887 at Farmington
 - m. October 14,1821, Thomas, son of Andrew and Sarah Croswell

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2. Robert (3)
         b. January 25, 1803 at Farmington
          d. April 2, 1874
         m. January 1, 1825, Rosamond, daughter of
              Alexander Greenwood
3. John Holmes (3)
         b. November 13,1804 at Farmington
         d. Lost at sea
4. James Henry (3)
         b. October 22,1806 at Farmington
         d. November 13,1879
         m. January 26, 1826, Borredell Cushman Greenwood
              at Monson.
5. Cordelia (3)
         b. January 18-28,1808 at Farmington
         m. ...., 1834, Hollis or Horace Greenwood of
6. Cornelius Norton (3)
         b. December 15,1810 at Farmington
         m. ..... Abigail Hawes of Vassalborough.
              Moved to Chippewa Falls, Visconsin. She
              died April 16,1897
7. Charles W. (3)
         b. August 25,1812 at Industry
         d. February 8,1361 at Greenville, Maine
         m. ..... Clarissa J. Hawes of Vassalborough
8. Ebenezer Norton (3)
         b. April 21, 1814 at Industry
         d. ...., 1887 m. Frances Hill Garrison Van 12 1837
9. Susan Norton (3)
         b. March 2,1819 at Industry
         m. Willard Hammond of Abbott about 1840. Moved
              to Tipton, Iowa
10. Davis Norton (3)
         b. September 30,1820 at Industry
         d. November 20,1897 at Readfield
         m. November 5,1848, Susan Hawes of Vassalborough.
              She died October 17,1893
11. Thomas Claghorn (3)
         b. April 23,1822 in No. 7 (Abbott),
         d. (drowned) October 1,1894 in French Broad Co. N. C.
         m. ..... Jane J. Williams
         m. ..... Mrs. Betsey Howland
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m. Sally Martin

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12. Samuel Pierce (3).
          b. July 4,1826 at Abbott
          d. February 22, 1827
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FAMILY OF MARGARET (2) ROBERT (1)

Margaret (2)(Gower) and Elijah Norton lived in Farmington, Maine and had

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Children
1. Robert (3)
         b. October 9,1794
          d. March 13,1826
2. Mary (3)
         b. April 23,1796
          d. March 10, 1837
          m. ....., John Day
  Ichabod (3)
          b. December 29,1797
          d. ..... Unmarried
   Eusebia (3)
          b. August5, 1799
          d. June 7,1800
5. Martha (3)
         b. January 15,1801d. October 13,1867 at Carlisle, Massachusetts
         m. April 16,1822, Hartson W. Cony who died
September 29,1826
m. November 27,1837, John Day
6. Betsy (3)
          b. July 24,1802
          d. ....,1851. Unmarried
7. Ebenezer (3)
          b. August 21,1805
          d. ...., 1863
          m. ..... Julia Hill
          m. ...., Botsey Maltby
8. Sarah (3)
          b. March 3,1807
          m. March 29,1836, James Moody of Phillips, Maine
9. David (3)
          b. February 20, 1809
          m. ...... Jane Morrill
          m. ..... Eliza McKenney of Iowa
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10. George (3)
          b. September 16,1810
          d. January 21,1880
          m. ..... Filone Hill
          m. ..... Barbara Dorrington
11. Elijah (3)
          b. October 10,131_
           FAMILY OF HANNAH (2) ROBERT (1)
Hannah (2) Gower and Henry Norton had
Children
1. Mary (5)
          b. March 20,1797
          M. ..... John Weymouth
2. Henry Davis (3)
          b. February 16,1799
          d. October 19,1819
3. John Wesley (3)
          b. February 14,1801
          m. ..... Lydia F. Flint, daughter of
               Dr. Thomas Flint
4. Samuel (3)
          b. August 20,1803
          m. ..... Charlotte Waugh of Starks
   Robert Gower (3)
          b. May 6, 1805
          m. ..... Candoc Case of Belviders, Illinois
   William Gower (3)
          b. April 14,1809
          m. ..... Elmira Parker of New Portland,
              Maine
7. Amos Hamlin (3)
          b. April 8,1810
          m. ..... Lucinda L. Whitney of Freeman,
               Maine
8. Sarah Gower (3)
          b. July 18,1812
          d. February 20,1884
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m. Samuel H. Norton

9. John Nelson (3)

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- b. December 26,1814
- d. in Wisconsin
 - f. Fobruary 10,1841 Martha Williams of Embden, Maine
- 10. Hannah Gower (3)
 - b. April 1,1817
 - d. November 24,1864 at Springfield, Illinois
 - m. John Ford

FAMILY OF JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

John (2) He was born at Topsham, March 16,1781. He went to Industry from Farmington in 1802 soon after the incorporation of the town and settled in that part of Industry set off to New Sharon in 1852. There he made an excellent farm, and engaged largely in stockraising. He was a man of strict integrity, and greatly respected by all who knew him. He was a justice of the peace and a licensed local preacher of the Methodist Church for many years. He was elected selectman in 1808, and served in that capacity fourteen years. In 1822 he represented the town in the State Lagislature. He died August 29, 1843, aged 62 years. His wife was born in Bradford, Mass. April 1774, died February 7,1844. He experienced religion at Farmington, in 1799 and was received into the Methodist Episcopal Church by the Rev. John Broadhed in 1800, licensed a local preacher in 1805 at Industry by the Rev. Joshua Soul in which capacity he continued to labor in a regular manner until his lungs failed and since that time. to quote from a statement dated at Industry, August 4,1845, "has attended more funerals than any other minister in the vicinity. He is now 62 years old, has been a professor of religion 44 years; a member of the M. E. Church 43 years, and a local preacher 38 years. He has never received the amount of a dollar for his ministerial services but contributed always to the amount of his abilities to the support of traveling preachers. He now expects to die in a few days in full fellowship with full hope of immortal glory. He wishes the following text to be made use of at his funeral and inscribed on his gravestone:

'The end of that man is peace.'

Industry, August 4,1843."

Buried at New Sharon. Has memorial window in M. E. Church, New Sharon, M ine.

Children

- 1. John (3)
 - b. February 1,1808 in Industry, Maine

 - d. April 19,1897 Odell, Illinois m. April 8,1834, Dorothy Weeks (born March 16, 1811) of New Sharon, Me. She died April 27,1894
- 2. George (3)
 - b. March 25,1810 in Industry, Maine

 - d. January 15,1900 in Farmington, Maine m. June 21,1835, Martha Jane Merrill, daughter of Rev. Thomas and Deborah (Allen) Merrill. She died June 30,1837
 - m. April 2,1839, Tamsin B. Weeks, widow of Allen H. Brainerd. She died June 11,1883
 - m. June 7,1885. Sarah Bixby, widow of Peter W. Manter
- 3. Mary (3)
 - b. March 8,1812 in Industry, Maine

 - d. January 4,1859 m. April 2,1839, Rev. D. B. Randall of M. E. Church, Portland, Maine
- 4. William (3)
 - b. June 26,1814 in Industry, Maine
 - d. November 26,1876
 - m. January 20,1842, Hester A. Chandler of Winthrop. Maine

FAMILY OF SAMUEL (2) ROBERT (1)

Samuel (2) He was born in Farmington, Maine on August 16, 1783, and died in Canaan, Maine on July 16,1862. He married Lucinda Chandler who was born in Winthrop, Maine, December 9,1796 and died in Canaan, Maine, November 22,1878. He resided in Farmington, Industry, New Portland, Kingfield, Clinton, and Canaan, all in Maine

- 1. Ann M. (3)
 - b. May 5,1818 in Industry, Maine
 - d. June 21,1854 in Canaan, Maine
 - m. John Tuttle of Canaan, Maine

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2. John Wesley (5)
           b. Fgruary 6,1820 in New Portland, Maine
           d. April 12,1872 in Lawrence, Massachusetts
           m. ..... Angeline Chandler
3. David (3)
           b. May 8,1822 in New Portland, Maine d. June 30,1863 in Vicksburg
4. Samuel H. (3)
           b. September 24.1824 in New Fortland
           d. April 12,1888 in Canaan, Maine
           m. ..... Azubah Shaw
5. Lydia C. (5)
           5. October 28,1826 in New Portland
           d. ..... in Canaan, Maine
           m. ..... no children
6. Clarissa P. (5)
           b. February 7,1829 in Industry, Maine
           m. ..... Charles Mosher
7. Esther L. (3)
b. June 18,1831 in Kingfield, Maine
d. December 10,1862 in Manhattan, Kansas
           m. ..... no children
8. Hartson C. (3)
           b. June 55,1835 in Canaan, Maine d. July 23,1914 in Canaan
           m. ..... Jennie Bullis
9. James (3)
           b. December 19,1839 in Clinton, Maine d. June 24,1847 in Athens, Maine
           m. ..... no children
              FAMILY OF GEORGE (2) ROBERT (1)
George (2) and Love (Allen) Gower had
Children
    (Rev.) Harrison Bartlett (3)
            b. ......1817
            d. August 24,1859 at Farmington, Maine m. August 1848, Maria T. Dix
   John Truman (3)
           of Thomas Croswell
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- 3. Hannah Allen (3)

 - m. November 5,1850, Charles S. Craig
- 4. George Dana (3)
 - b.,1826
 - d. May 19,1885 in Chicago, Illinois
 - m. Ellen Mansfield
 - m. Susan Mansfield

He was a prominent lumber dealer of New Haven, Connecticut

- 5. Merritt M. (3)
 - b.,1833
 - d. January ... 1911 in New Haven, Connecticut
 - m. October 3,1858, Clara W. Dodge, New Haven

FAMILY OF APPHIA (3) EDWARD (2) ROBERT (1)

Apphia Gower (3) was a school teacher for several years and married Benjamin Whitten, who was a farmer and carpenter of Lee, Maine, where they resided. She died at Lee, October 19,1883 at the age of 85 years and 4 months, and is buried in the family lot in Lee, South Cemetery.
The old homestead farm is carried on by a great grandson of Edward Gower

Children

- 1. William Edward (4)
 - b. September 8,1833 at Lee
 - d. November 5,1913 at Lee

He never married and was by occupation a carpenter and contractor.

- 2. Chesley Haze (4)
 - b. November 9,1836 at Lee
 - d. January 19,1918 at Lee
 - m. Lucy Smith, daughter of Thomas and Mary Smith. She was born September 13, 1837 in Nova Scotia and died March 11,1909 at Lee and is buried in Lee. North Cemetery
- 3. Sanford Eugene (4)
 - b. July 30,1837 at Lee
 - d. January 16,1911 in Washington State Occupation--lumberman

- 4. Frederick Charles (4) d. in infancy
- 5. Charles (4)
 - b. September 23,1841 at Leed. January 24,1920 at Lee. He was a merchant

FAMILY OF ROBERT (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Robert (3)

- b. January 25,1803 at Farmington, Maine
- d. April 2,1874
 m. January 26,1826, Rosamond, daughter of
 Alexander Greenwood. He moved to Iowa where he engaged in business. He was a member of the convention which framed the Constitution of Iowa

- 1. James (4)
 - b. December 29,1826 at Abbott, Maine d. April 24,1845 at Iowa City, Iowa
- 2. Alexander (4)
 - b. March 30,1828 at Abbott
 - d. October 10,1874 at Chicago, Illinois
- 3. Horace (4)
 - b. October 4,1829 at Abbott
 - d. July 15,1832 at Iowa City, Iowa
- John Holmes (4)
 - b. August 4,1831 at Abbott
 - d. August 22,1834 at Abbott
- 5. Sewall (4)
 - b. June 5,1833 at Abbott
 - d. January 21,1917 at Santa Cruz, California
 - m.,1859, Cornelia DeVoe
- 6. Rosamond (4)
 - b. December 15,1839 at Maurnee City, Ohio
 - d. January 15,1840 at Maurnee City
- 7. Robert A. (4)
 - b. February 14,1841 at Maurnee City
 - d. July 1,1845 at Gower Ferry, Iowa

FAMILY OF JAMES HENRY (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

James Henry (3) and Borredell (Greenwood) Gower had Children

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1. Charles (4)
        b. .....
        2. Otis (4)
        b. .....
        d. .....
           Cavalry officer in Confederate Army in
           Civil War
3. Helen (4)
        b. .....
        d. ........
   John Holmes (4)
        m. ..... Teresa Ryan
           Family moved to Washington, D. C. in 1891
5. Robert (4)
        b. .....
        d. .....
   Francis (4)
        b. .....
7. Robert (4)
        8. Mary (4)
        b. .....
        d. .....
        m. ..... Justin D. Bowersock
           Resides in Justin, Kansas
9. Hebe (4)
        b. .....
        d. .....
        m. ..... Dr. Henry Rector
10. Charles (4)
        b. .....
        đ. ......
            Disappeared in early eighties
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FAMILY OF CORVLLIUS N. (3) JAMLS (2) ROBERT (1)

Cornelius N. (3) owned and conducted a grist mill at Abbott, Maine for twenty-five years. Later for several years he was engaged in farming in Maine. The last twenty years of his life were spent in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, farming and lumbering.

Cornelius and Abigail (Hawes) Gower had

Children

- 1. Clara Amelia (4)
 - b. September 20,1840
 - Resided in Denver, Colorado
- 2. Abba Cornelia (4)
 - b. August 10,1842
 - d.
 - m. Reverend Addison Blanchard Resided in Denver, Colorado
- 3. Cornelius Albert (=)
 - b. July 3,1845
 - d. January 15,1952 at Lansing, Michigan m. September 12,1871, Dora Wilton
- 4. Arthur Collins (4)
 - b. November 10,1852

 - m. November 27.1880, Mary Schmolz

FAMILY OF CHARLES W. (5) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Charles W. (3) moved to Greenville, Maine and was a Representative to the Maine Legislature in 18... He and Clarissa (Hawes) Gower had

- 1. Ellen (4)

 - d. at three years of age
- 2. Emma (4)

 - d. in her early twenties
- 3. Ella (4)
 - d. in her early twenties

- 4. Charles (4)
 - b.

d. in his early twenties

- 5. Cora (4)
 - b.1857 in Greenville, Maine

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Maine. She resided later with her son in Berkeley, California

FAMILY OF EBENEZER N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT(1)

Ebenezer N. (3) born in Industry, Maine, April 21,1814. He moved with his father to Abbott, Maine. At the age of fifteen, he ran away from home going to Bangor and from there to Boston, where he remained six years while learning his trade. About 1835, he located in Greenville, S. C. where he and a Mr. Cox established "The Greenville Coach Factory" under the firm name of Gower, Cox, and Markley, later Gower, Cox, and Gower. At the age of twenty-three he married Frances Hill Carrison. In 1853 he moved to Gainsville, Georgia, and established a carriage factory, in which he continued until the outbreak of the Civil War; afterwards resuming business. In 1836 he built a hotel at "Gower Springs," a famous resort for people living in the low country, and lived there with his family for a number of years.

The "Greenville Mountaineer," in the issue of Saturday, January 14,1837, noted the marriage of Ebenezer and Frances in the following way: "Married on Thursday last by the Rev. A. M. Spalding, Mr. Ebenezer Gower of Maine to Miss Frances, daughter of Charles Carrison, Esq., of Greenville, S. C.

Ye bachelors throughout the world, And maidens, all arise whilst Hymen's banner is unfurled Unite in stronger ties—Oh! do not longer waste your time But while you can, go marry—For having once but lost your prime, You may forever tarry."

Children

- 1. James Charles (4)
 - b. October 23, 1839
 - d. September .., 1864

He was a student at Furman University and at Georgia Hilitary Institute of Marietta, Georgia but volunteered for service in the Confederate Army; was first Lieutenant in Co. A and died from wounds received at the second battle of Manassas

- 2. Thomas Croswell (4)
 - b. July 6,1341

He was a student at Furman University, Greenville, S. C. and was a successful physician until his decease at the age of 72 years

- 3. Florence (4)

 - d. at the age of five months
- Kathleen (4)
 - b. January 3, 1845
 - d. February 22, 1920 at San Antonio, Texas
 - m. October 12, 1865, H. H. Hall
- 5. Frances Louise (4)
 - b. pecember 3, 1850

 - d. March 26,1925 m. December 15,1870, William L. Fain He died January 4,1910
- 6. Susan Emily (4) b. June 8, 1853

 - d. August 11, 1932

Resided with her parents until their decease and then with her brother Eben

- 7. Caroline (4)
 - b. October 17, 1855

 - m. October 22, 1873, W. C. Baker. Is now a widow, residing at Tulsa, Oklahoma
- 8. Eben Norton (4)
 - b. June 6, 1859
 - d. October 20, 1933
 - m. November 19,1885, Martha Elizabeth Bagwell, who died December 1,1914. He was in the carriage business for a number of years and later was superintendent of motive power on the Q. J. & 8. R. R.

FAMILY OF DAVIS H. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Davis N. (3) and Susan (Hawes) Gower had

- 1. Isabel (4)
 - b. October 7,1849 at Greenville, Maine
 - d. March 1, 1922 in Los angeles, California

- 2. Edwin (4)
 b. April 2,1851 in Greenville, Maine
 d. March ... 1853 in Vassalboro, Maine
- 3. Laura Jane (4)
 - b. October 21,1853 in Greenville
 - d. in Los Angeles, California and is buried in the family lot in Readfield, Maine
 - m. September 23, 1899, Frederick Diminick
- 4. Edward I. (4)
 - b. July 7, 1856 in Greenville, Maine
 - d. September 8, 1859 in Abbott, Maine

TAMILY OF THOMAS CLACHORN (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

The following is from the Greenville (S. C.) Daily News of October 24,1894:

"Thomas Claghorn Gower was born in Maine, not far from Moosehead Lake, in 1821, and was, therefore, 73 years old. He came to this city in 1842, being then a very young man, and in later years used to be delighted to recall the fact that the journey occupied six weeks, being begun with a twenty mile drive in a sleigh. Mr. Gower's elder brother was at that time in Greenville. The new comer promptly went to work at the coach making and carriage building business and very soon began to show his qualities as an enterprising, useful, and energetic citizen.

Mr. Gower advanced steadily and rapidly, doing much to build up the business which has since become that of the Greenville Goach factory. He was of the then famous and yet well remembered firm of Gower, Cox & Markley. He was successful almost uniformly except when he undertook to farm a season or two. He struck on a year of almost unprecedent drought and agricultural disaster and brought that experiment to a close after having made very serious losses.

"At the beginning of the war, however, Mr. Cower was a prosperous and influential man and had already made his mark on Greenville and done much to encourage and work with the spirit of growth and progressiveness which then made the village there was here then notable for its ambitions and aggressions.

Mr. Gower sympathized cordially with the people among whom he lived and was one of the earliest volunteers in the Brooks Troop of the Hampton Legion, with which he went to Virginia. After he had served twelve months it was found that his mechanical talent and energies could be made much more valuable to the Confederate government than his service as a private

in the ranks, and he was detailed to return here and take charge of the ordnance works established here by the Confederates. He was active in manufacturing gun carriages and caissons, wagons, ambulances, saddles, etc. Just before the close of the war, after Lee's surrender, but before the news of it was known, Mr. Gower's firm was paid a very large sum of money for debts due to it in Confederate notes. They were worthless in a week and in 1865, Mr. Gower, then forty odd years old, had to begin at the beginning again with a heavy burden of debt to carry. He struggled successfully against all adverse circumstances, however. As late as 1872 and 1830 he was in very serious financial trouble, but it was the source of constant pride to him that he pulled through it all, paid every dollar he owed and had put himself in good shape.

"In the midst of his energetic, steady struggles to establish his own fortunes he found time to give much thought and effort to various public enterprises and affairs. He carried the city for mayor in 1872 after the hardest kind of a fight against determined opposition on the issue of building the Main Street bridge over Reedy River which had up to that time been crossed by a ford and footlog. It is known by all old residents as "Gower's bridge" to this day. After one term as mayor he was reelected and his influence in city politics was from that time on very powerful. He was an indomitable tireless worker in whatever he undertook and had the faculty of attending to many things at once keeping them all in mind and prosecuting them all successfully. He was a wonderful man in that respect.

"At the time of his death at the age of 73 years, he was the head of the extensive warehouse and sash, door, and blind firm of T. C. Gower & Son, owner and president of the city railway company, member of the contracting and planing mill firm of Dillard and Gower, active partner in the tannery and harness store of Gower & Goodlett, and active director and leading owner in the big lime works at Gaffney City, N. C. He owned probably hundreds of pieces of real estate in Greenville city, and had probably two hundred large and small houses rented to tenants—an interest which in itself would occupy all the time and thought of an ordinary worker. With all this, however, he gave much time and attention to his interests in North Carolina, and found leisure to spend and enjoy at his home there. He was nervous, energetic, laborious, but never morbid or dull or too much absorbed to enjoy life. Be was always on the alert, always thinking of a dozen things at once but never turned aside from the main thing he happened to have in view, and always had time to exchange greeting or joke with acquaintances or to take some new project in his mind and study it over and reach sound conclusions on it.

*He was genial, kindly, liberal, the soul of hospitality, and always ready to spend his money with a free hand in any cause commending itself to his sense or sympathies.

In his religious life he was as energetic, progressive and full of achievement as in his business affairs. He was for many years an elder of the First Presbyterian Church and was always his pastor's right hand man in all the active affairs of the church. He probably did more and gave more than any other man to build the beautiful new Presbyterian Church in Washington Street where the South Carolina Synod is now sitting.

Mr. Gower was married three times. His first wife was Miss Miliams whose father was the founder of the town of Williamston, which was named after nim. His second wife was a widow, Mrs. Howland, who was originally Miss Brocks, daughter of Capt. J. W. Brooks. The third wife, who survives him, was Miss Martin, of the widely known and distinguished Martin family of Edgefield and Abbeville. Seven children survive him—Mrs. C. P. Mills of this city, Mrs. W. J. Crosswell now of Wilmington, N. C., A. G. Gower of this city, of the firm of Gower & Son, Charles Gower of Baldwin, Missa, Misses Lola and Marie Gower and T. C. Gower, Jr. He also leaves three brothers—Eben Gower of Gainesville, Ga., Cornelius Gower of Chippewa Falls, Wis, Davis Gower of Winthrop, Maine. His sister, who was the mother of Frank Hammon, president of the Peoples' Bank here, is dead. It is a strange coincidence that she, too, lost her life by drowning, having fallen into an open distern.

- 1. Susan C. (4)
 b. December 3,1845
 d. July 4,1956 at Greenville, S. C.
 m. October 15,1867, Otis P. Mills, Capt. C. G.
 56 N. C. Regt., Confederate Army
- 2. Mary G. (4)
 b. November 11,1852 at Greenville
 d. at Wilmington, N. C.
 m. William J. Croswell. Both
 are buried in Christ Church Cemetery,
 Greenville, South Carolina
- 4. Charles E. (4)
 b. November 22,1863 at Greenville
 d. March 10,1918 at Baldwin, Mississippi
 m. December 24,1888, Constance C., daughter of
 J. H. and Sarah A. Richardson of Baldwin,
 Moved to Baldwin, Mississippi. Was a farmer
 and merchant

- 5. Lola G. (4)
 - b. About 1870 at Greenville, S. C.
 - d. October 15, 1914 at greenville
 - m. October 14,1896, Walter B. Carpenter, born November 17,1868 and died February 30, 1928 at Greenville, S. C. Buried Christ Church Cemetery. He was son of Frederick G. and Nancy Wilson Carpenter
- 6. Maria G. (4)
 - b. pecember 10, 1877 at Greenville
 - d.
 - m. 1896, William Priestly Conyers, son of Samuel H. and Mary E. (Oliver) Conyers
- 7. Thomas Claghorn (4)
 - b. March 13,1880 at Greenville
 - d.
 - m. November 21, 1906 at Cleveland, S. C. Mary Louise Cleveland, daughter of Jesse H. and Emma (Goodwin) Cleveland. Both are residing at Greenville, S. C. where he has lived all of his life. He is a Realtor and was a Captain in the State Militia

TANILY OF JOHN (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

John (3) was born in Industry, Maine, February 1,1808 and while in Maine was a schoolteacher and farmer. In 1855 he moved to Odell, Illinois where he engaged extensively in farming in company with his some Later he retired from business and resided in the village of Odell, where he passed his remaining years

- 1. Bailey Ames (4)
 - b. October 27, 1835 at Industry, Maine
 - d. April 1,1921 at Odell, Illinois
 - m. January 12, 1861, Olive C. Day
- 2. Eben Weeks (4)
 - b. December 27, 1837 at Industry
 - d. March 1,1864 at Mitchell, Indiana. While
 a soldier in the U. S. service he was
 sent from Vicksburg, Mississippi to
 Chattanooga, Tennessee with a squad of soldiers,
 when the Confederates held the ground between,
 hence he was sent to City of Cairo, Illinois,
 Louisville, Kentucky, and became ill on the
 way and died

- 3. John, Jr. (4)
 - b. July 16,1843 at New Sharon, Maine
 - d. January 11,1844 at New Sharon
- 4. Julia Hall (4)
 - b. September 4,1845 at New Sharon
 - d. October 1,1934
 - m. May 31,1866, Charles D. Gammon. Resides in Odell, Illinois
- 5. Mary Randall
 - b. May 11,1851 at New Sharon
 - d. September 13,1853 at New Sharon

FAMILY OF GEORGE (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

- George (3)
- b. March 25,1810 in Industry, Maine
- d. January 15,1900 at Farmington, Maine
- m. June 21,1835, Martha Jane Merrill of Industry, who was a daughter of Rev. Thomas and Deborah (Allen) Merrill. She died June 70,1837
- m. April 2,1839, Tamsin Weeks, widow of Allen H. Brainerd. She died June 11,1883
- m. June 7,1885, Sarah Bixby, widow of Peter W. Manter

That part of Industry where George Gower lived, was later a part of New Sharon. From there he moved to Mercer on what was later known as the Bunker farm, which he later sold and went to Illinois intending to live there, but returned to Farmington, Maine, in 1868 and bought the David Beal farm on which is located the family lot containing the last resting place of Robert Gower (1), his wife and daughter, Mary. He finally sold this farm and moved to West Farmington, Maine, where he resided until his death. He was the most extensive farmer in Farmington, and one of the most extensive in Franklin County, according to Butler's History of Farmington. He served the towns of Industry, New Sharon, Mercer, and Farmington, as selectman, having in all a service of thirty-five years. He served as County Commissioner of Franklin County and was Representat tive to the Legislature from Mercer.

Children First Marriage

1. Truman Merrill (4) b. April 21,1837 in Industry

Second Marriage

- 2. Roxa Brooks (4)
 - b. February 25, 1843 in Industry
 - d. May 14, 1923 at Norridgewock, Maine. Ae. 80-2-19
 - m. February 13, 1864, M. Fernando Carr. He was born December 8, 1840 and died June 8, 1910 at Norridgewock
- 3. John Fessenden (4)
 - b. September 8, 1848
 - d., 1904 at penver, colorado, where he had been temporarily for his health
 - m. Ann R. Knowlton of Farmington, Maine. Her address is McDonald, Kansas

FAMILY OF WILLIAM (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

William (3) and Hester (Chandler) Gower lived in Winthrop, Maine and had

- 1. Ellen F. (4)
 - b. December 30,1843 in Industry, Maine d. November 11,1906 in Lewiston m. November 3,1868, John Doughty
- John (4)
 - b. August 23, 1845

 - m. November 13, 1877, Mary M. Stanley of Winthrop
- 3. George (4)

 - d. at the age of four years
- 4. Albert (4)
 b. May 4,1860 in Winthrop
 d. November 22,1916 while traveling on a train and is buried in Woodburn, Oregon in Belle Passi Cemetery. He was a locomotive, marine, and stationary engineer, a veteran of the Spanish-American War, and travelled for many years continuously. Never married

5. Edwin F. (4)
b. March 3.1864 in Winthrop, Maine
d.
m. December 24,1895 at Waco; Texas, Gertrude
Frances, daughter of Amos Bradford and Almira
(Wheeler) Bishop. She was born in Leeds,
Maine

FAMILY OF ANN M. (3) SAMUEL (2) ROBERT (1)

Ann M. (Gower) (3) and John Tuttle had Children

OITT.	Laren		
1.	b. d.	*********	at Canaan, Maine Lizzie Kimball
2.	đ∙	••••••	at Canaan Stephen Rolfe
3.	d.	<u>.</u>	
4.	d.		
5.	Linda (4)	•••••	at Canaan

6. Manter (4)
b. at Canaan
d.

d.

FAMILY OF JOHN RESLEY (3) SAMUEL (2) ROBERT (1)

John Wesley (3) and Angeline (Chandler) gower had

OUT	TOYOU	
1.	Alma (b. February 27, 1846 d George Hamblett, resident of Haddam, Connecticut
2.	Addie	(4) b. May 20, 1856 d
		FAMILY OF DAVID (3) SAMUEL (2) ROBERT (1)
Dav:	id (3)	and had
chi:	ldren	
1.	Walter	. (4)
		b
2.	Cora (d
	I	WILY OF SAMUEL H. (3) SAMUEL (2) POBERT (1)
Sam	uel H.	(3) and Azubah (Shaw) Gower had
Chi	ldren	
1.	Manson	d
2.	Lizzie	d

FAMILY OF CLARISSA P. (3) SAMUEL (2) ROBERT (1)

Clarissa P. (Gower) (3) and Charles Mosher had

m.

FAMILY OF HARTSON C. (3) SAMUEL (2) ROBERT (1)

Hartson C. (3) and Jennie (Bullis) Gower had Ohild

FAMILY OF HARRISON BARTLETT (3) GEORGE (2) ROBERT (1)

Harrison Bartlett (3) Graduated from Brown University in 1846, and was ordained to the Baptist ministry in Buxton, Maine in 1848. He preached for some years in Farmington and afterwards at Sedgwick. For a time he was an editor in the publication society of the Baptists in Philadelphia. Mr. Gower married, August 1848, Maria T. Dix of Providence, Rhode Island. He died in Farmington, August 24,1859. His widow afterwards married Hon. W. C. Sargent of Sargentville

Harrison Bartlett Gower and Maria Dix Gower had

Children

- George Lewis (4)
 - b. November 6, 1849 at New Sharon, Maine

 - m. January 23, 1873, Frances, daughter of Joseph M. Blake of Bristol, Rhode Island
 - m. November 6, 1905, Emma, daughter of A. B. Joins, Esquire, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- 2. Frederick Allen (4)
 - b. July ,1851 in Sedgwick

 - m. January 22, 1883, Lillian, "Nordica", daughter of Edwin Norton and is supposed to have been drowned in the English Channel while ballooning. Fitted for college at Little Blue, and entered Brown University in 1869, but left in 1871, and adopted journalism as a profession. He afterwards became associated with Prof. A. Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone, and invented an improved instrument known as the Gower Telephone, which was adopted by the French government and is widely used in Europe and India. He was president of the Bell-Gower Telephone Company of London. He resided in Paris, France
- 3. John William Dix (4)

 - b. July ,1853 in Sedgwick, Maine d. March 24,1906 at West Newton, Massachusetts
 - m. September 9, 1878, Lydia B. Sargent of Sedgwick (Sargentville). She was born July 19, 1854. He was captain of a ship at twenty-one and later a shipbuilder at Sedgwick and moved to West Newton, Massachusetts

FAMILY OF JOHN T. (3) GEORGE (2) ROBERT (1)

John Truman (3) and Mary (Croswell) Gower had

- 1. Mary Love. (4)
 - - Resides 349 East Edgeward Road, Hollywood, California

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2. George Truman (4)
          b. .....1854
          m. December 23, 1887, Mary Jenifer
               Resided 1400 Gower Street, Hollywood, California
3. Henry Croswell (4)
          b. .....1856
          m. ......1388, Libbie Davis
4. Birney Pope (4)
          5. Charles Wilson (4)
          b. . Feb. H. 1860 !- .
          m. . Oct. 12.18.8.5. Sarah Stewart,
3. Harriet (4)
          b. ......1862
          m. .....1908, Charles Chester Pierce
7. Thomas C. (4)
          b. .....1863
          m. .....
       FAMILY OF MERRITT M. (3) GEORGE (2) SOBERT (1)
Merritt Melville Gower and Clara (Dodge) Gower had
Children
1. Ellen Augusta (4)
          b. October 27, 1861 at Haikuii, Hawaiian Islands
          m. May 12, 1884, Arthur Dort Bissell. He died
               May 24, 1925 at Claremont, California
2. Katy Helen (4)
          b. October 6, 1863
          m. January 14, 1894, Charles H. Hatch, a lawyer.
Resides 1663 Virginia Park, Detroit, Michigan
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- 3. Anna Clara (4)
 - b. June 13, 1865

 - m. May 5,1892, Ed McNeil who died December 10,1894 m. June 5,1900 Rev. Carl Stackman

FAMILY OF CHESLEY (4) APPHIA (3) EDWARD (2) ROBERT (1)

Chesley Haze Whitten (4) and Lucy (Smith) Whitten had

Children

- 1. Vaughan Jerome (5)

 - b. February 3, 1863 d. November 2, 1884

He was a school teacher educated at Lee Academy

- 2. Addie Gerish (5)
 - b. January 21, 1870
 - d. January 14, 1902

Educated at Lee Academy. Was a school teacher for ten years

FAMILY OF SANFORD E. (4) APPHIA (3) EDWARD (2) ROBERT (1)

Sanford Eugene Whitten (4) and Sara (McLellan) Whitten resided in Bartlett, N. H. and Washington where he engaged in the lumbering business. They had

- 1. Eugene McLellan (5) b. October 21,1879 at Bartlett, New Hampshire. Resided in Skamokawa, Washington

 - m. December 30, 1911, Jennie Noyes Children: Rugene Noyes, Fleda

FAMILY OF CHARLES (4) APPHIA (3) EDVARD (2) ROBERT (1)

Charles (4) and pora A. (Reed) Whitten had

Children

- 1. Frederick C. (5)
 - b. February 24, 1879 at Lee
 - d. February 23, 1903
 - m. Blanche M. Applebee Educated Lee Academy and Bangor (Maine) Business College. Merchant
- 2. Effic Gower. (5)
 - b. pecember 5, 1883 at Lee

 - m. September 8, 1908, Dr. Albert M. Jones. He died March 4, 1910 at Milo, Maine

TAMILY OF SEWALL (4) ROBERT (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Sewall (4) and Cornelia (Devoe) Gower had

Ohildren

- Edwin (5)
 - b. September 14, 1860 in a covered wagon at foot of Carson Hill, Nevada

 - m. January 12, 1882, Cora C. Perkins
- 2. Ishmal (5)
 - b. July 1,1865 at Stockton, California
 - d. May 4, 1869 at Stockton
- 3. Mary (5)
 - b. November 23, 1869, at stockton
 - d. January 16, 1909, at Fowler, California
 - m. November 12, at Stockton, Arthur C. Blayney, a farmer
- 4. Rosamond Gower (5)
 b. March 31, 1873 at Stockton

 - m. November 17, 1899, Nehemiah Turner, Secretary at State Institution. He died April 1, 1932. Resides 297 Bay Street, Santa Cruz, California

- 5. Borredell (5) b. July 31,1875 at cedar Bluffs, lowa
 - m. November 17, 1897, C. P. Bolly, Stockton, formerly in foundry business in Oakland, California, retired to farm in Fowler, California. He died May 15, 1933

FAMILY OF JOHN HOLMES (4) JAMES HENRY (3) JAMES (2) BORERT (1)

John Holmes (4) moved from Maine to Iowa, where he married Teresa Ryan. He died there in 1878 and in 1891 his family moved to Washington, D. C.

Children

- 1. Henry R. (5) b. December 15,1876 at Lawrence, Kansas

 - m. April 19,1909, Gertrude Hastings
 "Harry" is a lawyer in Washington, D. C.
- 2. Mary Borredell (5)
 - b. May 18, 1878 at Lawrence. Unmarried. She resides with her mother in Washington, D. C. having apartments in the same building with "Harry." (5)

FAMILY OF MARY (4) JAMES HENRY (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Mary (Gower) (4) and Justin D. Bowersock reside in Lawrence, Kansas

- 1. Fred Holmes (5)
 - b.

 - m. Fanny Pickering. Resides in Washington, D. C.
- 2. Justin D., Jr.
 - b. November 8, 1871

 - m. Frances Blossom Matteson and is a lawyer in Kansas City, Missouri

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4.	d) January 25,1881 September 36,1904, Elliot B. Blackwelder
5.	ć	(5) January 26, 1878 June 2, 1903, Paul A. Dinsmore. Resides in Lawrence, Kansas
6.	Ć	(5)
	FAMILY C	F HEBE (4) JAMES HENRY (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)
Hel	de (Gower) (4) and Dr. Henry M. Rector had
Ch:	lldren	
1.	Ċ	(5)
2.	t d	Resides in Fieldston, Ark.
3.	Ċ	5) Frye
4.	Ċ	ne (5) Morrison
5.	Ċ	wer (5)

FAMILY OF CORNELIUS A. (4) CORNELIUS N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Cornelius Albert (4) went to Michigan in 1867 graduating from the University of Michigan the same year. For fifteen years he was engaged in educational work in connection with the public schools of the state and for eleven years was Superintendent of the State Reform School. for Boys at Lansing, Michigan. More recently he was engaged in manufacturing and real estate business. He lived at Lansing, Michigan. Died January 15,1932 at Lansing. Cornelius Albert Gower and Dora Walton Gower had

Children

- 1. Helen Dora (5)
 - b. February 14,1873
 - d. December 24,1900
 - m. June 6,1895, Harry D. Baker of St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin. 5. July 27,1874
- 2. Charles Arthur (5)
 - b. January 13,1876
 - d.
 - m. September 12,1916, Hazel Hayden
- 3. George H. (5)
 - b,1878
 - d.1879
- 4. Clara Alice (5)
 - b. November 9,1880
 - d.
 - m. October 20,1903, Frank E. Cooley, son of Thomas M. Cooley, a Judge of the Supreme Judicial Court of Michigan

FAMILY OF ARTHUR C. (4) CORNELIUS N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Arthur C. (4) went to Michigan in 1867, graduated from the pharmacy department, University of Michigan, in 1870. Was engaged in the drug business in Ann Arbor and in Detroit for about ten years. Moved to Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin in the summer of 1879. Engaged in farming. Married Mary Schmolz, November 27,1880. They had

Children

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1. Cornelius Ralph (5)
            b. October 1,1881
            m. May 18,1904, Julia Downing of Rusk, Dunn County,
                 Wisconsin
2. James Carl (5)
            b. November 22,1882
            m. April 11,1905, Cora Strong. She died
            m. May 1,1925, Carrie (Jones) Cedarstrom (widow)
3. Cornelia (5)
            b. August 10,1884
            d. September 15,1884
  Elsie (5)
            b. August 10,1884
            d. September 15,1884
5. Ruth Frances (5)
            b. April 17,1887
                 Graduated 1911 from Ripon College. Dean of
                 Women, Yankton College, Yankton, South Dakota
6. Arthur William (5)
            b. July 16,1895
           d. ....
            m. April 15,1922 at San Antonio, Texas, Vera E.
                 O'Connell, daughter of Daniel and Johanna
                 (Kuehn) O'Connell
                 Graduated from University of Wisconsin as
                 electrical engineer. Was over seas in World
                 War. Captain in U. S. Army. Located at Fort
                 Bliss, Texas
     FAMILY OF CORA (4) CHARLES W. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)
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Cora (Gower) (4) and Charles C. Davis had

Children

1. Edith May (5) b. d.

m. Frank Porter Flagel, District Superintendent of the California Conference of the M. E. Church. She graduated from Boston University. Reside in Oakland, California

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2. A daughter, name not known (5)
            b. ......
           d. in infancy
3. Carrie Gower (5)
           b. ......
           d. .....
            m. ..... William I. Hawes, a builder.
                She graduated from Boston University and
                resides in South Pasadena, California
4. A daughter, name not known (5)
           d. in infancy
5. Frank C. (5)
           b. .....
           m. ..... Evalene Flannigan. He graduated
                from the University of California, is a World War Veteran and in 1923 was doing post
                graduate work in psychology in University
                of California
FAMILY OF THOMAS CROSWELL (4) EBENEZER N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)
Thomas Croswell (4)
Children First Marriage
1. James Charles (5)
           b. May 31,1876
           d. ......
                He is a physician at Gainesville, Georgia
2. Thomas Croswell (5)
           b. December 26,1877
           d. February 8,1920
                Machinist
3. E. N. (5)
            b. September 5,1879
           d. ......
            m. .......
               He is a lumberman
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Children Second Marriage
4. William (5)
          b. ........
          d. ......
             He is a contractor
5. Nell (5)
          b. ......
          d. ......
FAMILY OF KATHLEEN (4) EBENEZER N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)
Kathleen (Gower) (4) and H. H. Hall had
Children
1. Henry Nerton (5)
         b. January 8,1868
          d. .......
             Resides in Jacksonville, Florida
3. Mary Gower (5)
         b. March 14,1872
         d. ..... Unmarried
4. Francis Vinton (5)
         b. February 1877
         d: ......
          m. ..... Pearl Bragg.
             Lumber dealer
5. Fred Ives (5)
         b. ..... 1386
         d. ......
          m. ..... Olive Bradley.
             Journalist. Resides in San Antonio, Texas
6. Julian Croswell (5)
         b. .... 1889
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A lawyer. Resides in San Antonio, Texas

FAMILY OF FRANCES L. (4) EBENEZER N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Frances Louise (Gower) (4) and W. L. Fain had

- 2. Helen Frances (5)
 b. April 7,1875
 d.
 m. April 27,1899 William Croswell, a wholesale
 dealer in hay and grain, W. L. Fain Grain
 Co., and grandson of T. C. Gower of
 Greenville, South Carolina. He died January 6,
 1934. She resides at 826 Peachtree Street,
 Atlanta, Georgia
- 3. Caroline McLellan (5)
 b. June 1,1876
 d.
 m. November 11,1897, Edgar Dunlap, who died
 May 1928. She resides Biltmore Hotel,
 Atlanta, Georgia
- 4. Susan Kathleen (5)
 b. January 6,1880
 d.
 m. Nevember 28,1916, Luther H. Stringer, druggist.
 He is President of America Building & Loan
 Company. Resides 1109 Augusta Street,
 Greenville, South Carolina
- 5. Florence (5)
 b. September 25,1882
 d.
 m. Unmarried
 Resides in Boston, Massachusetts

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7. Sarah Louise (5)
          b. December 21,1886
           m. June 29,1925, Henry Lester Gerry, Professor in
               the Teachers College of the City of Boston.
               Reside at Cleveland Road, Needham, Massachusetts
               Child: Henry Lester, Jr. b. January 26,1928
8. Kathleen (5)
          b. July 29,1889
          d. January 27,1894
9. Mary Lucy (5)
b. May 21,1892
           m. Unmarried. Resides Cox-Carlton Hotel, Atlanta,
               Georgia
10. Dorothy Elizabeth (5)
          b. September 4,1897
          m. Unmarried. Graduate of Smith College, 1918.
               Resides 1109 Augusta Street, Greenville,
               South Carolina
FAMILY OF CAROLINE (4) EBENEZER N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)
Caroline (Gower) (4) and W. Clark Baker had
Children
1. Ella Kathleen (5)
          d. .......
          m. ...... Charles Smith, a broom manufac-
               turer. She graduated from Belmont College.
               Nashville, Tennessee, and was a teacher prion
               to her marriage
2. Helen (5)
          b. ......
          d. ......
          m. ......
               Music teacher
3. Marion (5)
          b. ......
          d. .......
               Graduated at Fort Smith and was a teacher
               for several years. Later in business
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-4. Caroline (5)
           b. .........
           d. ......
           m. ...... John H. Elgin. She was Clerk of
                Courts and later a public stenographer. Re-
                side in Tulsa, Oklahoma
5. William (5)
           b. ......
           d. .......
                Is in business in California
6. Henry (5)
           b. ......
           d. ..........
           m. ......
                In business
FAMILY OF EBEN N. (4) EBENEZER N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)
Eben Norton (4) and Martha Elizabeth (Bagwell) Gower had
Children
1. Annie Kathleen (5)
           b. December 23,1887
           m. October 20,1915, Hugh A. McLaures, a public
                accountant. She studied art in Brenau College
               at Gainsville, Georgia. Reside 1518 Park
               Court, Charlotte, North Carolina. No children
  Arthur Norton (5)
           b. September 25,1889
           d. .......
           m. ...... Mrs. Pearl Harris of Atlanta, Georgia,
                She died December 27,1935. He lives in Des
               Moines, Iowa
  Lillian (5)
          b. November 18,1891
          d. ..... 1893
4. Susan Gertrude (5)
           b. August 19,1897
           m. Unmarried. Graduated in voice at Brenau College,
               Gainesville, Georgia. Teacher of voice and Director of the Choir in the Second Presbyterian
               Church, Charlotte, North Carolina
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- 5. Elizabeth (5)
 - b. Fobruary 18,1899
 - d.
 - m. August 30,1933, Rufus Atkins Resides near Gainesville, Goorgia
- 6. Mary Norton (5)
 - b. October 20,1912
 - d.
 - m. Unmarried. Graduate nurse. P st graduate work at Butler Hospital, Providence, Rhode Island

FAMILY OF ARTHUR G. (4) THOMAS C. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Arthur Gaillard Gower (4)

- b. October 14,1861
- d.

m. May 20,1884, Addi o Eleanor Cheatham of Richmond, Virginia. He was engaged in the coal and builder's supply business from January 1886 to the summer of 1908, and being badly hit by the panic of 1907 he decided to liquidate to save creditors and stockholders. To do this he sacrificed his entire holding, but paid every creditor in full. For eight years he was on the Board of Directors of the Board of Trade of Greenville, S. C.; served as Alderman two years, Police Commissioner four years, and City School Trustee four years. For about thirty years he taught a class of boys in the First Presbyterian Sunday school; was Scout Master of the first patrol of B y Scouts organized in Greenville; has been an officer of the church for thirty-five years. For more than twenty years he worked in his flower garden from awhile before day light till time to go to his office, and after office hours, raising flowers, which he personally distributed to every patient in the three hospitals in the city and to others who were ill, averaging one hundred and fifty visits to the sick every Sunday, all without financial award,

His wife died December 15,1887, and September 5, 1889, he married Mattie Lee Williams of Winchester, Tennessee, who died December 28,1893. October 30, 1895 he married Rosa Belle Waldrop of Richmond, Virginia.

Children First Marriage

- 1. Thomas Charles (5)
 - b. June 23,1885 in Richmond, Virginia
 - m. June 16,1920, Kathryn Lindsley Smith, New York City. He is an Electrical Engineer and resides in Greenville, South Carolina. December 1909 to 1911 Fairbanks, Alaska as Government Wireless Expert. 1917-1918 at Fort Moultrie S. C. in Coast Artillery as Captain. Went to France with 75th Regiment, Heavy Artillery, serving as Regimental Communications Officer with rank of Captain. Rotarian, Shriner. On Board of Trustees for Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children. Member of Committee of Fifteen on Unemployment for

Relief of Greenville S. C. Children: Virginia Lee (6) b. July 6,1921 Thomas Charles (6) b. March b. March 30,1922 Jane Williams (6) b. January .1930

- 2. May Hibernia (5) b. June 13,1890 d. August 21,1902
- Jane Williams (5) b. August 28,1892
 - m. April 3,1924, Roger Samuel Huntington, an electrical engineer. They reside in Greenville, South Carolina
- Susan (5) b. December 8.1896
 - d.
 - m. September 12,1923. David T. Smith, M. D. They reside at Ray Brook, New York Durham, M.C.
- 5. Arthur Gaillard, Jr. (5)
 - b. January 1,1889
 - m. June 18,1925, Anna Harris. He is an electrical engineer. They reside at Wilkinsburg. Pennsylvania

FAMILY OF CHARLES E. (4) THOMAS C. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Charles E. (4) resided in Greenville, S. C. until 1890 when he went to Baldwin, Mississippi, where he married on December 24,1888, Constance C., daughter of J. H. and Sarah A. Richardson. Constance C. was born September 20,1863 at Pickens, Alabama. He was a farmer and merchant, and was Mayor of Baldwin.

Children 1. Sallie Markley (5) b. October 31,1889 at Baldwin m. November 26,1913 at Baldwin, L. P. Crockett 2. Mary Cordelia (5) b. September 6,1892 at Baldwin 11. October 16,1915 at Baldwin, Calvin McCary Tom Croswell (5) b. March 21,1895 at Baldwin d. July 1,1923 at Sherman, Mississippi, Laraida, daughter of L. B. and Nannie E. Ash 4. John Hammond (5) b. September 5,1898 at Baldwin m. August 4,1916 at Corinth, Mississippi, Hallie B., daughter of R. T. and Lula M. Adams FAMILY OF MARIA G. (4) THOMAS C. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1) Maria G. (Cower) (4) and William Priestly Conyers reside in Greenville, South Carolina, and have Children 1. Sarah G. (5); b.1897 d. m. Melville C. Westrevelt 2. William F. Jr. (5) b.1898 d. m. Olivia Wallace

m.1930, Fletcher Lowe

3. Mary Olive (5)

FAMILY OF BAILEY A. (4) JOHN (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Bailey Ames Gower (4) was born in Industry, Maine, October 27, 1835, where he attended the public schools and Kent's Hill Academy. In 1855 his father moved to Livingston County, Illinois, where with his family and son Bailey, he settled on a farm six miles west from Odell. Young Bailey taught school both in Maine and Illinois making his home with his father on the Illinois farm where they first located, and to which they added as circumstances permitted, until it included a very large acreage.

On January 12,1861, he married Olive C. Day, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Day.

He united with the M. E. Church in Odell where he retained his membership until the time of his decease. He was ever interested and active in public matters, served on the Board of Supervisors of Livingston County, and was for two terms Representative in the Illinois General Assembly; viz., 1892-1896.

He was one of the "Grand Old Men" of Livingston County.

- 1. Louis James (5)
 - b. October 23,1861 at Esmet Township, Illinois
 - d
 - m. August 22,1888, Anna Ellis at Andover, South Dakota. She died at Farmington, New Mexico,
 - November 24,1904
 m. October 23,1911, Mrs. Mary Grigerist, and resides in Farmington, New Mexico
- 2. Frank Weeks (5)
 - b. October 10,1863
 - d.
 - m. February 7,1894. Emma Ellis. Resides in Odell
- 3. Eben Bailey (5)
 - b. December 23,1868
 - d.
 - m. November 30,1898, Mary F. Gray

FAMILY OF JULIA H. (4) JOHN (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Julia H. (Gower) (4) and Charles D. Gammon who died August 10, 1906 had

Children

- 1. Dorothy M. (5)
 - b. May 11,1867 at Odell, Illinois

 - m. August 12,1896, Thomas F. Kane, later president of the University of South Dakota
- 2. Grace (5)

 - b. May 15,1871 at Odell d. April 22,1928, unmarried

FAMILY OF TRUMAN II. (4) GEORGE (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Truman Merrill Gower was born in Industry, Maine, April 21, 1837. His mother died when he was about two months old. He was educated at Kent's Hill, Maine, and went to Illinois where on June 10,1859, he married Carrie N. Wilbur of Sunbury, Illinois. He returned to Mercer, Maine, where their first child was born in the little red house that stood in the field of the George Gower farm, later known as the Bunker farm. In April 1862 they moved back to Illinois where he continued to teach school, preach the Gospel and study medicine preparatory to becoming a physician. A second child, Reginald, was born to them in Illinois but lived only about one year. July 19,1862 a commission was issued to him under the name and style of "Reverend Truman M. Gower, Odell Livingston County, Illinois," authorizing him to "enroll and report at Kankakee an Infantry Company for Government service for three years, unless sooner discharged." Instead, however, he enlisted as a Volunteer in Co. E. 17th Regiment Illinois Cavalry, but being very near sighted, and a student of medicine, he was assigned to the U. S. Army Hospital at Alton, Illinois, where he contracted typhoid fever. Being an Odd Fellow, the Noble Grand of the Odd Fellows Lodge of Alton took him into his own home and there cared for him until he died July 14,1864, leaving a widow and two small sons, the elder being the writer. He was buried in the Odd Fellows lot in Alton Cemetery where he yet rests, in an unknown grave, somewhere in the lot.

Children

- 1. George Winfield (5) b. March 6,1861 at Mercer, Maine
 d. Comparison of March 1885, Mabel Whipple, only daughter
 of Jotham and Climena (Hodson) Whipple of
 Solon. She died April 7,1895
 m. September 11,1898, Grace E., daughter of Hezekiah
 and Evelyn (Brainerd) Tolman of New Sharon,
- 2. Reginald (5) d. at age of one year

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FAMILY OF ROXA B. (4) GEORGE (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Roxa B. (Gower) (4) and M. Fernando Carr lived in Mercer, Maine where for many years he carried on the business of a blacksmith and where all of their children were born. Later they moved to Norridgewock, Maine, where he continued in the same business until his decease.

- 1. Rosa May (5) b. November 1,1864 at Mercer, Maine
 - m. October 26,1889, Alvinzy Whitcomb, Postmaster at New Sharon, Maine, Resides New Sharon
- 2. George 0. (5) b. February 12,1868 at Mercer m. March 31,1897, Maude Ardelle, daughter of Captain Francis H. and Mary Ella (Smith) Wing of Skowhegan, Maine. Postmaster at Norridgewock, Maine
- 3. Charles (5) b. December 21,1869 d. March 1,1875
- 4. Lilla E. (5) b. November 18,1871 Unamrried. Resides in Nogridgewock, Maine

FAMILY OF JOHN F. (4) GEORGE (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

John Fessenden Gower (4) after his marriage continued to reside with his father on the old homestead in Fermington until 1885 when he moved to Pender, Nebraska, where he carried on the business of firming and was elected Judge, holding the office until his decease at Cold Springs, Colorado, where he had been temporarily on account of his health.

Children

FAMILY OF ELLEN F. (4) WILLIAM (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Ellen F. (Gower) (4) and John Doughty resided in Lewiston and Sabattus, Maine

- 2. Hester J. (5)
 b. July 7,1877 in Lewiston
 d.
 m. August 9,1910, John F. Slattery of Lewiston

- 5. May Bell (5)
 b. May 27,1885 in Lewiston
 d.
 m. September ..,1903, Harry Dockurn of Freeport,
 Maine

FAMILY OF JOHN (4) WILLIAM (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

John (4) In 1884 he located on a farm in Winthrop,
Maine, on the western shore of Lake Maranacock two
miles north of Winthrop Village. In 1869 he
embarked in the subscription business in which he
achieved an exceptional and substantial success,
employing many agents whom after a course of training
he sent out over the country. He was general agent
in New England and New York for several publishing
houses, handling Johnson's, Appleton's, and the
Peoples' encyclopaedias, and for many years handled
the publications of C. A. Nichols Company of
Springfield, Massachusetts in New England, the
Middle States, Canada, and the West. In 1893-4
he was Representative to the Maine Legislature.
He was an active member of the M. E. Church, and a
member of Trinity Commandery, No. 7, Knights Templar of Augusta, 10 are.

- l. Annie Branscomb (5)
 b. December 21,1879 in Winthrop
 d.
 Unmarried. She was for several years employed as Clerk in the State House at Augusta, Maine
- 2. Stanley Merrill (5)
 b. June 25,1882 in Winthrop
 d.
 m. August 3,1908, Alice F. Pillsbury of Limington, Maine, a teacher of French in
 Skowhegan, Maine, High School. Dr. Gower

is a dentist and was President of the Maine Dental Association. Both are members of the Federated (Cong. and Baptist) Church of Skowhegan.

FAMILY OF EDWIN F. (4) WILLIAM (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Edwin F. (4)
Resided in Winthrop, Maine until 1890. University of Michigan 1890. Sales organization until 1908.
Between 1908 and 1917 publishing executive. Secretary Sales Manager. Between 1917 and 1930 Registrar Cost Division American Extension University. After 1930 official Columbia University Educational Advertising. Retired in 1938. He and his wife make their home in Gold Run, California

Children

- 1. Harold Edwin (5)
 b. October 4,1897 at Little Rock, Arkansas
 d. May 31,1914. Buried in Wyuka Cemetery,
 Lincoln, Nebraska
- 2. Frances Melanie (5)
 b. July 15,1901 at Dennison, Texas
 d.
 m.
 Creduste University of Coliforn

Graduate University of California 1926. Divisional Advertising Manager Emporium Stores, San Francisco, California

FAMILY OF GEORGE LEVIS (4) HARRISON B. (3) GEORGE (2) ROBERT (1)

George Lewis Gower (4) resided in Rhode Island from the time
he was eleven years of age until he was thirty-nine.
Although he was admitted to the Rhode Island Bar in
1871, he never actively practiced his profession but
found it helpful in his varied business enterprises.
From 1878 to 189 he spent much time in Europe with
his brother Frederick Allen Gower, in connection
with the Gower-Bell telephone, which was adopted
by the French government. In 1883 and continuously
since 1888 his residence has been in Tacoma, Washington, where he was engaged in lumber mills,
automobile sales agencies, and so forth. He made
the "Around the World" trip, seven months, in 1892

outside voyages, via Unalaska and six months to Cape Nome, St. Michalls, Bering Strait in 1900, in addition to a dozen or fifteen Atlantic crossings. His first married life was short, 1873 to 1878 when his wife died leaving two children.

November 6,1905 he married Emma, daughter of A. B. Joins, Esquire, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. There was no issue of the second marriage.

Children

- 1. Marie Hope Hunt (5)
 - b. September 2,1875 at Bristol, Rhode Island
 - d.
 - m. February 19,1910 John E. O'Brien. Resides at St. Louis, Missouri
- 2. George Lewis, Jr. (5)
 - b. December 16,1876 at Providence, Rhode Island
 - đ.
 - m.

Divorced

FAMILY OF JOHN W. D. (4) HARRISON B. (3) GEORGE (2) ROBERT (1)

John William Dix Gower (4) was a ship builder and sea captain and resided in Sedgwick, Maine. After reaching maturity, he did not use the name "John." He married September 9,1878 Lydia Sargent, who was born July 19, 1854 in that part of Sedgwick known as Sargentville. Later he moved to West Newton, Massachusetts, and died March 24,1906 at Melrose, Massachusetts. His widow resides with her son Ronald L. Gower, 155 Oakleigh Road, Newton, Massachusetts

- 1. Grace Prescott (5)
 - b. November 1.1883 in Sedgwick
 - d.
 - m. June 8,1904, Pitt Danforth whose office is Park Square Building, 31 St. James Street, Boston, Massachusetts. Residence is Jacksonville, Florida, in winter, and Sedgwick, Maine, in summer

- 24 Frederick Allen (5)
 - b. January 25,1885 in Sedgwick
 - d.
 - m. June 2,1910 Segrid, daughter of Andrew and and Bertha Swenson of Melrose, Massachusetts. Frederick resided in Sargentville, Maine; ..., Newton, Melrose, and Fall River, Massachusetts; East Orange, New Jersey; Galveston, Texas; New Crleans, Louisiana; and Baltimore, Maryland. By occupation, he is a Ship Master, both sailing and steam, and is Resident Manager at Fall River (C. D. Mallory & Co., Inc., N. Y.) of a steam-ship agency. He was Lt. Commander in the World War of the transport U. S. S. Argonne, and in 1917 taught at the U. S. Navigation School at Calveston, Texas. He resides in Fall River; is a 32nd degree Mason, Shriner, Vice President of Boston Marine Society, member of the New York Marine Society, Ex-President Boy Scouts, and Exvice President of Fall River Rotary Club. No children.
- 3. William Harrison (5)
 - b. July 31,1886 in Seagwick
 - d. Lost at sea in January, 1913. Unmarried
- 4. Gertrude Sargent (5)
 - b. September 13,1888 in Sclawick
 - d.
 - m. June 18,1927 William Watson Westcott Reside 63 High Street, Malden, Massachusetts
- 5. Helen Bartlett (5)
 - b. September 30,1891 in Sedgwick
 - d. June 4,1908 at Melrose. Unmarried
- 6. Ronald Lee (5)
 - b. April 10,1897 in Watertown, Massachusetts
 - d.
 - m. September 23,1921 Dorothy Sewall Hudson of Seattle. Washington

FAMILY OF GEORGE T. (4) JOHN T. (3) GEORGE (2) ROBERT (1)

George Truman (4) and his wife Mary Jenifer Gower resided at 1400 Gower Street, Hollywood, California at the time of his death on a part of the original 160 acres "taken up" by his father many years earlier.

Children

- 1. John Truman (5)
 - b. November 23,1888

 - m. September 28,1922 Winnifred Bruels. He was a Second Lieutenant in the World War and later was Engineer for the Harbor Board at Los Angeles, California
- 2. Harrison Preston (5)
 - b. November 4,1890
 - d.
 - m. March 12,1918 Pauline Frederick. He was a Corporal in the World War and later Mining Engineer for Pacific Coast Borax Company
- 3. Lena Jenifer (5)
 - b. October 27,1894
 - d.
 - m. June 4,1917 Fred Everett Henderson, a Sergeant in the World War. Clerk for the Standard Oil Company at San Diego, California
- 4. Alice Drucilla (5)
 - b. October 18,1897
 - d.
 - m. December 29,1923 Lawrence Graham Putnam.

 She is a graduate nurse and is Superintendent of the Methodist Hospital at Los Angeles, California

FAMILY OF CHARLES WILSON (4) JOHN T. (3) GEORGE (2) ROBERT (1)

Charles Wilson Gower (4) and Sarah (Stewart) Gower had

- 1. Helen (5) Stewart (5)
 b. May 19, 1889 at Loe augeles, California
 d.
 m.
- 2. Frances (5) Anna (5)
 b. July 23 1891 at for Augles
 d.
 m.
- 3. Marian (5) Thuch (5)
 b. april 21, 1901 at Los augeles
 d.
 m. August 12, 1926 Charles Edward Berr
 - M. August 12 1926 Charles Edward Beardoly Alese at Sun mario California Chieseur: Frances Vilen 57 Jan Hyman Jan Mangry

FAMILY OF ELIEN AUGUSTA (4) MERRITT M. (3) GEORGE (2) ROBERT (1)

Ellen Augusta (Gower) (4) married May 12,1884 in New Haven, Connecticut, Arthur Dort Bissell, a teacher in Pomona College from 1891 to May 24, 1925 when he died at Claremont, California. They had

Children

- 1. Howard Gower (5)
 - b. March 5,1888 at Hawaiian Islands
 - d.
 - m. December 30,1893 Ruby Mellor.
 An architect. Residence 1225 West Acadia
 Street, Stockton, California
- 2. Clara Louise (5)
 - b. June 11,1889 at Honolulu
 - d.
 - m. Unmarried
 - At Constantinople in 1927
- 3. Warren Mélville (5)
 - b. January 23,1891
 - d. April 13,1896

FAMILY OF KATY H. (4) MERRITT M. (3) GEORGE (2) ROBERT (1)

Katy Helen (Gower) (4) married January 14,1894 Charles Harrison Hatch in New Haven, Connecticut, a lawyer now residing at Detroit, Michigan, office address 73 Forest Avenue, West.

Residence, 1663 Virginia Park.

- 1. John Gower (5)
 - b. May 11,1897
 - d. February 4,1898
- 2. Melville Harrison (5)
 - b. November 25,1898 at Detroit

 - m. July 31,1924 at Ann Arbor, Michigan, Estelle Rebecca Jacka. Dr. Hatch is teaching in the University of Washington, at Seattle.
- 3. Alfred Gower (5)
 - b. February 20,1901
 - d.
 - m.

FAMILY OF FREDERICK C. (5) CHARLES E. (4) APPHIA (3) EDWARD (2) ROBERT (1)

Frederick Charles Whitten (5) and Blanche M. Applebee were married at East Lowell, Maine February 23,1903 and reside in Lee, Maine. She was a daughter of Charles and Bertha (Baker) Applebee and was born at East Lowell, July 2,1885. Both were educated at Lee Academy and he was a graduate of Bangor (Maine) Business College and is now (1931) a merchant at Lee, Maine

Children

- 1. Charles (6)
 - b. June 19,1906 at East Lowell
 - d.
 - m. October 13,1922, Isabel Dunton of Hampden, Maine University of Maine, 1929. Forester, lumberman
- 2. Robert Reed (6)
 - b. July 14, 1909 at Lee, Maine
 - d.
 - University of Maine, 1931. Civil Engineer
- 3. Norman E. (6)
 - b. December 18,1911 at Lee
 - d.
 - Lee Academy, Class of 1928. Bates College, Class of 1932
- 4. Frederick C. Jr. (6)
 - b. August 23,1920
 - d.
 - m.

FAMILY OF EFFIE G. (5) CHARLES (4) APPHIA (3) EDWARD (2) ROBERT (1)

Effic Gower (Whitten) Jones (5) received her education at Lee Academy 1901; Farmington Normal School, 1924; Castine Normal School, 1926 and University of Maine, 1928. She taught school in Lee, 1901-1903; Ashland 1924-1926; Calais 1926-1928, was in the millinery business 1905-1908 in West Enfield and Milo, and is now (April 1931) H-H Club Agent for Kennebec County, Maine. Her husband Albert Mark Jones was a son of John Dow Jones and Rebecca (Gray) Jones, was born January 5,1872 at Brooks, Maine and died March 4, 1911 at Milo, Maine, where he was buried.

He was educated at Maine Central Institute, Pitts-field, 1896; Bates College, Lewiston, 1900; and Maine Medical School, 1904; and Eastern Maine General Hospital at Bangor.

Child

1. Stuart Whitten (6)
b. September 26,1909 at Milo, Maine. Educated
at Lee Academy, 1926, Maine Central Institute,
1927, and Bates College, 1931

FAMILY OF EDWIN (5) SEVALL (4) ROBERT (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Edwin Gower (5) and Cora C. (Perkins) Gower had

- Cornelia Martha (6)
 b. April 28,1883 at Cedar Bluffs, Iowa
 d. May 3,1914 at Fowler, California
 m. April 28,1903, F. F. Freman
- 2. Emily Elizabeth (6)
 b. May 16,1884 at Cedar Bluffs
 d.

 Resides with her mother at 3861 Park Boulevard,
 Oakland, California
- 4. Rosamond (6)
 b. August 24,1888 at Fowler, California
 d.
 m. May 31,1917, William C. Colberg.
 She was a graduate nurse from Childrens Hospital,
 San Francisco, California
 He is in the river transportation business.
 Reside at 1519 Argonne Drive, Stockton, California

- 6. Sewall (6)
 - b. March 20,1892 at Fowler, Galifornia

 - m. March 25,1918, Ruth James, a teacher in Fowler Grammer School He is a graduate from California State Pharmacy College in San Francisco, and served in the Army from November 3,1917 to February 15,1919
- 7. Edwin (6)
 - b. July 11,1893 at Fowler
 - d.
 - m. June 16,1915, Grace Rampendahl. He is a graduate from University of California and is farming with his brother in Fowler. Land appraiser. Federal Land Bank System.
- 8. Gertrude (6)
 - b. October 2,1895 at Fowler
 - d.
 - Resides in Oakland, California with her mother
- 9. Cora Maud (6)
 - b. February 13,1897 at Fowler
 - d. July 22,1924 in San Francisco. Graduate nurse from Merritt Hospital, Oakland, California

FAMILY OF MARY (5) SEWALL (4) ROBERT (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Mary (Gower) (5) and Arthur C. Blayney had

- 1. Lillian A. (6)
 - b. August 17,1892 at Fowler, California
 - d.
 - m. October 14,1911, Albert M. Graff, a farmer residing at Fowler
- 2. Charles 0. (6)
 - b. March 9,1899 at Fowler
 - d.
 - m. August 24,1923, Lillian Lundgren of Piedmont, California

He was graduated from the University of California in Berkeley in 1922; was Supervisor of Attendance, Fresno County schools, 1925-1929; Principal of Monmouth Junior High School, 1929-1930; instructor in the high school at Caruthurs, 1930; and Vice-Principal of Selma High School, 1930-1936.
Resides at 2050 Gaither Street, Selina, California

- 3. Edwin (6)
 - b. September 8,1905 at Fowler
 - d.
 - Graduate of University of California at Los
 Angeles. Principll of DeWolf School, 1935-1936

FAMILY OF JUSTIN D. JR. (5) MARY (4) JAMES H. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Justin D. Bowersock, Jr. (5) was born November 8,1871 at Iowa City, Iowa, where he resided until 1877. Then he lived in Lawrence, Kansas, until 1896 and since then in Kansas City, Missouri. He was educated at the University of Kansas and at Harvard, is a lawyer, practicing in Kansas City since 1896. He married February 8,1899, Frances Blossom Matteson, daughter of Aaron Ogden and Alice (Blossom) Matteson. She was born May 20,1875 at Brookfield, Missouri

Children

- 1. Elizabeth (6)
 - b. January 27,1900 in Kansas City, Missouri

 - m. June 30,1928, George Mercereau Thompson at Kansas City, Missouri
- 2. Justin D. 3rd (6)
 - b. December 27,1907 in Kansas City, Missouri
 - d.
 - m. October 25,1930, Betty Bruce Van Antwerp at Louisville, Kentucky. Reside Kensas City, Missouri

FAMILY OF JEAN (5) MARY (4) JAMES H. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Jean B. (Bowersock) (5) was born January 25,1881 in Lawrence, Kansas, married Elliot Blackwelder in Lawrence, September 26,1904. He was son of Isaac Simeon and Gertrude (Boughton) Blackwelder. She was born

June 4,1880 in Chicago, Illinois. Jean resided in Madison, Wisconsin, 1905-1916; Urbana, Illinois 1916-1919; Denver, Colorado 1919-1922; Stanford University, California, since 1922

Children (. .

1. Margery (6) b. November 29,1905 at Madison, Wisconsin m. March 22,1929. Donald Hill Alden 2. Martha Jean (6) b. August 8,1907 at Madison d. m. 3. Richard Eliot (6) b. January 29,1909 at Madison d. m. 4. Gertrude (6) b. December 8,1910 at Madison d. m. 5. Lois (6) b. December 18,1913 near Madison d. m. Ruth (6) b. November 15,1915 near Madison d. m. 7. Justin Otis (6) b. July 18,1917 in Urbana, Illinois d. m.

FAMILY OF MARY B. (5) MARY G. (4) JAMES H. (3) JAMES (8) ROBERT (1)

Mary B. (Bowersock) (5) married June 2,1903, Paul A. Ditemore, managing partner of Lawrence Paper Manufacturing Company of Lawrence, Kansas. He was son offrank F, and Emma (De Land) Dinsmore and was born July 10,1879, at Lawrence, Kansas. Residence at Lawrence, Kansas

Children

1. Dorothy Addison (6)
b. May 21,1906 at Lawrence, Kansas
d.
m.

FAMILY OF HELEN DORA (5) CORNELIUS A. (4) CORNELIUS N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Helen Dora (Gower) (5) and Harry D. Baker had

Children

- John Gower (6)
 b. October 23,1897
 d.
 m. June 3,1922, Ruth Parsons
- 2. Theodore Potter (6)
 b. December 24,1900
 d. December 13,1902

FAMILY OF CHARLES A. (5) CORNELIUS A. (4) CORNELIUS N. (5) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Charles A. (5) and Hazel (Hayden) Gower had

- 1. Martha (6)
 b. March 4,1918 in Lansing, Michigan
 d.
- 2. Dora Walton (6)
 b. October 30,1919 in Lansing
- Anne Kingsbury (6)
 November 7,1921 in Lansing
- 4. Helen (6)
 b. June 15,1924 in Lansing
 d.

FAMILY OF CORNLIUS RALPH (5) ARTHUR C. (4) CORNELIUS N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Cornelius Ralph (5) and Julia (Downing) Gower had

Children

- 2. Gladys Jeanette (6)
 b. September 9,1917
- 3. Vivian Delores (6)
 b. January 21,1926

FAMILY OF JAMES CARL (5) ARTHUR C. (4) CORNELIUS N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

James Carl (5) and Cora (Strong) Gower had

- 1. Homer Strong (6)
 - b. January 7,1906
 - d.
 - m. April 5,1930 Floris M. Richards of Pocatello, Idaho at Salt Lake City. Railroad employee
- 2. Helen Louise (6)
 - b. January 22,1910
 - d.
 - m. December 20,1929 Clement Sheeran, son of Michael A. Sheeran of Pocatello. Graduate of Columbia University, Portland. Electrician.

FAMILY OF ARTHUR W. (5) ARTHUR C. (4) CORNELIUS N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Arthur William (5) and Vera (0°Connell) Gower had

Children

- 1. Daniel William (6)
 b. June 14,1923 at El Paso, Texas
 d.
- 2. Donald Norton (6)
 b. October 3,1926 at Fort William McKinley, P. I.

FAMILY OF EDITH MAY (5) CORA (4) CHARLES W. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Edith May (Davis) (5) and Frank F. Flagel had

- 1. Frank Gower (6)
 b.1911
 d.
 m.
- 2. Scott Davis (6)
 b.1912
 d.
 m.
- 3. Carl Wesley (6)
 b.1914
 d.
 m.
- 4. Ralph Porter (6)
 b.1916
 d.
 m.
- 5. Arthur Russell (6)
 b.1919
 d.
 m.

FAMILY OF WILLIAM M. (5) FRANCES L. (4) EBENEZER N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

William Mercer Fain (5) and Gertrude (Drake) Fain had

Children

- 1. William Lafayette (6)
 - b. February 10,1904
 - d.
 - Residence 579 Elmwood Drive, Atlanta, Georgia Educated at Atlanta "Tech."
- 2. Carolyn (6)
 - b. January 11,1909
 - d.
 - m. June 6,1931, James F. Ferguson.
 Resides Blounton Hotel, Cmaha, Nebraska

FAMILY OF HELEN F. (5) FRANCES L. (4) EBENEZER N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Helen Frances (Fain) (5) and William J. Croswell had Children

- 1. William J. (6)
 - b. October 3,1903
 - d.
 - Flyer with Curtis Plane Company, Buffalo, New York
- 2. Frances (6)
 - b. September 11,1907
 - d.
 - m. Resides 826 Peachtroo Street, ...tlant... Goorgia

FAMILY OF CAROLINE M. (5) FRANCES L. (4) EBENEZER N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Caroline McLellan (Fain) (5) and Edgar Dunlap had

Children

2. James Cousar (6)

b. December 23,1901 at Atlanta

m. May 11,1929, at Atlanta, Lucille Stone, daughter of Charles Frederic and Virginia Butler Stone. She was born August 11,1907
 He was graduated from the University of Virginia in 1923. Vice-President and Treasurer of Dunlap and Company, Atlanta

FAMILY OF SALLIE M. (5) CHARLES E. (4) THOMAS C. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Sallie Markley (Gower) (5) and L. P. Crockett had

Child

l. Charlie Gower (6) b. June 24,1925

FAMILY OF MARY C. (5) CHARLES E. (4) THOMAS C. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Mary Cordelia (Gower) (5) and Calvin McCary had

Children

1. James Gower (6)
b. September 15,1916
d.
m.

5. Sarah Jane (6)
b. June 14,1928
d.
m.

m.

FAMILY OF TOM C. (5) CHARLES E. (4) THOMAS C. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Tom Croswell Gower (5) and Laraida (Ash) Gower had

Children

- 1. Connie Lucile (6)
 b. August 20,1924
 d.
 m.
- 2. Thomas Charles (6)
 b. October 6,1926
 d.
 m.

FAMILY OF JOHN H. (5) CHARLES E. (4) THOMAS C. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

John Hammond Gower (5) and Hallie B. (Adams) Cower had

Child

1. Ann (6)
b. August 15,1917
d.
m.

FAMILY OF LOUIS J. (5) BAILEY A. (4) JOHN (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Louis James Gower (5) and Anna(Ellis) Gower resided in South
Dakota. On account of her health they moved to
Farmington, New Mcxico where she died November 24,
1904. On October 23,1911 he married Mrs. Mary
Grigerist and they now reside in Farmington, New Mexico.
There are no children by the second marriage.

- 1. Bailey Ernest (6)
 b. July 10,1889 at Andover, South Dakota
 d.
 m. December 3,1913, Jessie Powell, at Farmington,
- New Mexico. Réside in Flora Vista, New Mexico.

 2. John (6)

 b. March #3.1892 at Andover
 - m. World War and resides at 504 East Clinton Street, Durand, Michigan
- Jeniel Ellis (6)
 April 17,1894 at Andover
 M. December 24,1921, Gladys/Placeway,
- 4. Gilbert Frank (6)
 b. April 30,1897 at Andover
 d.
 - m. November 5,1932, Loretta V. Pinger.

 Educated at University of Michigan.

 Address: Box 578, Calipso, California
- 5. Chester (6)
 b. October 18,1903 at Farmington, New Mexico
 d.
 m. November 20,1932 at Farmington, Nina Clark.
 They reside at 342 Thirteenth Street, Sparks,
 Nevada
- 6. Frances (6)
 b. October 18,1903 at Farmington
 d.
 m. November 12,1927, John Henry MacGillivray.
 Reside at Davis, California

FAMILY OF FRANK W. (5) BAILTY A. (4) JOHN (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Frank W. (5) and Emma (Ellis) Gower had

Children

- 1. Olive Ellis (6)
 - b. August 6,1895 near Odell, Illinois

- m. September 15,1927, John Leslie Hundley. Educated Chicago University Domestic Science. Reside 7 Belmont Apartments, Grand Forks, North Dakota
- Warren L. (6)
 - b. August 4,1897 near Odelld. January 10,1906
- Laurence E. (6) 3.
 - b. August 5,1899 near Odell d. February 9,1936

- m. July 26, 1924 Clara Belle Pearson. Educated at the University of Illinois. Farmer. Residence Odell.
- Dorothy (6)
 - b. November 6,1901 near Odell

d.

m.

Educated at the University of Wisconsin

- 5. Walter E. (6)
 - b. December 19,1903 near Odell

d.

m. June 16,1928, Vera K. McComb. Educated at the University of Illinois. Physician and surgeon at Pocahontas, Iowa

FAMILY OF EBEN B. (5) BAILEY A. (4) JOHN (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Eben B. Gower (5) is a lawyer residing at Kankakee, Illinois. Was for several years Judge of the Kankakee County Court and later resumed general practice, having his son associated with him. He was educated at the University of Michigan. Eben B. Gower and Mary (Gray) Gower had

Children

- 1. Benjamin Gray (6)
 - b. January 31,1900 at Kankakee

m. January 8,1938, Julie Paradis. He was educated at the University of Michigan and is associated with his father in the practice of law.

2. Charlotte Day (6)

b. May 5,1902 at Kankakee

d.

Educated at Smith College, graduating in a class of 497, and one of five awarded Summa Cum Laude. She returned to Smith as demonstrator in the Department of Sociology and did post graduate work, and later did research work in Europe.

3. Eben B., Jr. (6)
 b. January 5,1912 at Kankakee
 d. March 11,1913

FAMILY OF GEORGE W. (5) TRUMAN M. (4) GEORGE (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

George Winfield Gower (5) was born March 6,1861 in the little red house then standing on the west side of the road, on the George Gower (3) farm, later known as the Bunker farm, in Mercer, Maine. His father Truman (4) went to Illinois, where he met and married Carrie N. Wilbur as stated hereinbefore. Carrie, mother of George W. (5) was a descendant in the eighth generation from Samuel "Wildbore" and her name appears in "The Wildbores in America," edition 1907, page 102, serial number 4604 where it is erroneously stated that she married Gear. She was born in Ohio, October 18,1840, and was with her father Leonard Wilbur when he moved in a covered wagon from Ohio to Illinois about 1848. He is a descendant in the ninth generation from Nathaniel Merrill, who was born in Wiltshire County, England, about 1610, married Susanna Wilterton or Walterton and located in Agawam, Massachusetts, now Ipswich and about 1634 moved to Newbury, Massachusetts. He is a descendant in the eleventh generation from George Allen, who was born in England about 1568, his grandmother, Mertha Jane, being a daughter of Rev. Thomas Merrill and Deborah (Allen) Merrill. Early in 1862 his parents returned to Illinois where a second son Reginald was born, who lived only about one year. After the death of his father and brother his mother moved to Odell, Illinois, where she married Capt. Stephen Cooper, a widower with two daughters, viz: Ida and Ella five and three years respectively, older than George W., who was called "Winnie" until he went into business.

In 1874 he returned to Firmington, Maine, making his home with his grandfather George Gewer (3) until the spring of 1877 when he rejoined his mother at Streator, Illinois, arriving on Washington's birthday.

While in Illinois he attended school, worked on a farm, clerked in stores, and worked around coal mines and at the same time read law in the office of J. T. Murdock of Streator. At twenty years of age he returned to Maine and graduated from the State Normal School at Gorham, Maine, January 1883, and at once registered as a law student in the office of Hon. J. C. Holman of Farmington, Maine. He taught school winters and worked on farms in harvesting until he was admitted to the Bar at Farmington, Maine, March 4,1885, and opened a law office at Kingfield. He was married October 14,1885 to Mabel, usually called "Balle," daughter of Hon. Jotham and Climena (Hodson) Whipple of Solon, Maine, where he opened a law office in the spring of 1886. In the spring of 1892 he entered into a law partnership with Hon. E. N. Merrill at Skowhegan, under the name of Merrill & Gower. In 1896 he resumed practice alone. He served two terms (4 years) as County Attorney for Somerset County. In the case of State vs. Terrio (98 Me. P. 17) he conceived and demonstrated the idea that no two manufactured objects are precisely alike; that a careful microscopic examinat ion will reveal differences. The firing pin of a rifle was shown to have peculiar marks which were impressed upon the primer of a cartridge exploded. This idea has since come into general use in criminal investigations.

His wife died at Skowhegan on April 7,1895, leaving him with two daughters, Winnibel and Grace. September 11,1898 he married Grace Evelyn, daughter of Hezekiah and Evelyn (Brainerd) Tolman of New Sharon, Maine, and had by her two daughters, Doris Tolman and Carolyn Ruth.

In the early days of his practice he held municipal offices but in later years devoted his time to his law business. He is a member of various fraternal organizations, Past Master of Keystone Lodge, No. 80 F. & A. M. of Solon, Maine, Past Commander of De Molay Commandery No. 10, K. T. of Skowhegan, and Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Maine, K. T. in 1906. He was also a member of I. O. O. F. and K. P.

Children First Marriage

- 1. Winnibel (6)
 - b. September 30,1886 at Solon, Maine
 - m. Unmarried. Educated at Colby College and
 Columbia University. Taught school for several
 years in Deering High School, Portland, Maine,
 where she is now Librarian. Resides 1 Carrol
 Street, Portland, Maine
- 2. Grace (6)
 - b. August 8,1888 at Solon
 - m. at Skowhegan, Clair Randolph
 Marston. Resides 52 Northport Avenue, Belfast,
 Maine

Children Second Marriage

- 3. Doris Tolman (6)
 - b. May 20,1399 at Skowhegan, Maine

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- m. Unmarried. Educated at Colby College, Columbia
 University, New Hampshire State College, and
 University of Michigan. Now teaching History in
 East Hartford, Connecticut, High School.
 Resides 1125 Main Street, East Hartford, Connecticat
- 4. Carolyn Ruth (6)

b. August 18,1902 at Skowhegan

d.

m. Unmarried. Educated at Wheaton College and Bread Loaf; M. A. Columbia, 1937. Was in Europe in the summer of 1929. Taught in high schools at Groton and Lexington, Massachusetts and at East Hartford, Connecticut. Is now Dean of Girls, East Hartford High School.

FAMILY OF ROSA M. (5) ROXA B. (4) GEORGE (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Rosa May (Carr) (5) and Alvinzy Whitcomb were married at Mercer, Maine, where they resided until May, 1893, when they moved to New Sharon, Maine. She was a teacher. He is in the real estate business and is postmaster at New Sharon.

Child

1. Charles Floyd (6)

b. July 14,1894 at Norridgewock, Maine

d.

Educated at University of Maine and at Columbia University. Has made several trips to Europe and is instructor in French in Danbury (Connecticut) High School.

FAMILY OF STANLEY M. (5) JOHN (4) WILLIAM (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Stanley M. Gower (5) is a dentist residing in Skowhegen and was president of the Maine Dental Society, (1930-1931). He and Alice (Fillsbury) Gower had

Children

- 1. Alice Muriel (6)
 - b. August 8,1910 in Winthrop, Maine
 - m.1938, John Archer David, Jr., a graduate of Bates College, Lewiston, Maine and now an instructor in the High School at Woodbury, Connecticut. She graduated from Bates College in 1932
- 2. Stanley Merrill, Jr. (6)

b. August 2,1914 in Skowhegan, Maine

d.

m.

Graduate of Amherst College, 1936. Now employed by the First National Bank of Boston

FAMILY OF MARIE HOPE HUNT (5) GEORGE L. (4) HARRISON B. (3) GEORGE (2) ROBERT (1)

Marie Hope Hunt (Gower) (5) and John E. O'Brien had

Child

John Erwin (6)

b. June 20,1912

d.

m.

FAMILY OF FREDERICK A. (5) J. VM. D. (4) GEORGE (2) ROBERT (1) (4) HARRISON B. (3)

Frederick A. (5) was born in "Sargentville," in Sedgwick, Maine, and on June 2,1910 married at Melrose, Massachusetts, Segrid, daughter of Andrew and Bertha Swenson. She was born September 22,1884 at Melrose, Massachusetts. He has resided in Sedgwick, Maine; Newton, Melrose, and Fall River, Massachusetts; East Orange, New Jersey; Galveston, Texas; New Orleans, Louisiana; and Baltimore, Maryland. He now resides at Fall River where he is Resident Manager of C. D. Mallory & Company, Stemship Agents. In 1917 he taught at the U. S. Navigation School at Galveston, Texas; was Lt. Commander of the transport U. S. S. Argonne in the World War. He is a 32nd degree Mason, Shriner, Vice President of the Boston Marine Society; member New York Marine Society; Ex-President Boy Scouts; and Ex-Vice President Fall River Rotary Club. No children.

FAMILY OF RONALD L. (5) J. WM. D. (4) HARRISON B. (3) GEORGE (2) ROBERT (1)

Ronald Lee Gower (5) and Dorothy S. (Hudson) Gower had Children

- 1. Robert Bartlett (6)
 b. November 26,.922 at Newton, Massachusetts
 d.
 m.
- 2. Bruce Haskell (6)
 b. March 16,1925 at Newton
 d.
 m.

P.: ILY OF JOHN TRUMAN (5) GEORGE T. (4) JOHN T. (3) GEORGE (2) ROBERT (1)

John Truman (5) and Winnifred (Bruels) Gower had

Children

- l. Ruth Winnifred (6) b. March 22,1924 d. m.
- 2. George Harrison (6)
 b. April 10,1928
 d.
 m.

FAMILY OF HARRISON P. (5) GEORGE T. (4) JOHN T. (3) GEORGE (2) ROBERT (1)

Harrison Preston (5) and Pauline (Frederick) Gower had Child

l. Mary Lillian (6)
b.
d.
m.

FAMILY OF LENA J. (5) GEORGE T. (4) JOHN T. (3) GEORGE (2) ROBERT (1)

Lena Jenifer (Gower) (5) and Fred Everett Henderson had Child

1. Fred Everett, Jr. (3)
b. February 15,1919
d.
m.

FAMILY OF CORNELIA M. (6) EDWIN (5) SEWALL (4) ROBERT (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Cornelia Martha (Gower) (6) and F. F. Freman had Child

1. Giles Freman (7)
b. September 23,1906 at Fowler, California
d.
m. April 2,1930, Marguerite F. Stuberndorff
Resides Santa Cruz, California

FAMILY OF VIOLET B. (6) EDWIN (5) SEWALL (4) ROBERT (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Violet Borredell (Gower) (6) and Clark Hastie had Child

1. Margaret (7)
b. February 2,1912 at Fowler, California
d.
m. April 5,1934, Leslie Morrison.
Beauty operator

FAMILY OF MILLICENT (6) EDWIN (5) SEWALL (4) ROBERT (3) JAMPS (2) ROBERT (1)

Millicent (Gower) (6) and J. C. Graff had

Children

Child

- 1. Rosamond Mildred (7)
 - b. July 23,1913, at Fowler, California
 - đ.

Attending high school at Sanger, California

- 2. Jacqueline (7)
 - b. February 19,1923 at Fowler
 - d. August 15,1926 at Haywards, California
- 3. Millicent Ann (7)
 - b. August 14,1924 at Haywards
 - d.

FAMILY OF EDVIN (6) EDWIN (5) SEWALL (4) ROBERT (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Edwin Gower (6) and Grace (Rampendahl) Gower had

1. Marguerite Lillian (7)

- b. October 27,1916 at Fresno, California
- d.

Attended high school at Fowler and Fresno State Teachers College, California

FAMILY OF LILLIAN A. (6) MARY (5) SEWALL (4) ROBERT (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Lillian A. (Blayney) (6) and Albert M. Graff had

Children

- 1. Eleanor Mary (7)
 b. September 13,1913 at Fresno, California
 d.
 m. June 30,1934, Donald G. Scheppegrell.
 Nurse at Burnett Sanitarium. Child: Patricia Ann,
 b. May 13,1935
- 2. Borredell (7)
 b. May 31,1915 at Fresno
 d.
 High school student
- 3. Albert Blayney (7)
 b. November 12,1917 at Fresno
 d.
 Grammar school student at Fowler
- 4. Kenneth Arthur (7)
 b. June 12,1920 at Fowler
 d.
 Grammar school student at Fowler

FAMILY OF CHARLES O. (6) MARY (5) SEWALL (4) ROBERT (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Charles O. Blayney (6) and Lillian (Lundgren) Blayney had

- 1. Joyce Helen (7)
 b. January 29,1925
 d.
- 2. Robert Charles (7) b. June 25,1928 d.

FAMILY OF ELIZABETH (6) JUSTIN D. JR. (5) MARY (4) JAMES H. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Elizabeth (Bowersock) (6) and George Mercereau Thompson had Child

1. Mary Gower (7)
b. August 20,1930 in Kansas City, Missouri
d.

FAMILY OF JOHN GOWER (6) HELEN DORA (5) CORNELIUS A. (4) CORNELIUS N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

John Gower (6) and Ruth (Parsons) Baker had Children

- 2. Ruth Jean (7)b. January 28,1928 at Milwaukeed.

FAMILY OF HAROLD EUGENE (6) CORNELIUS R. (5) ARTHUR C. (4) CORNELIUS N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Harold Eugene (6) and Alberta (Rosenberger) Gower had Children

- l. Vernon Rålph (7) b. October 10,1925 at Carmangay, Alberta d.
- 2. Glen Harold (7)
 b. March 20,1927 at Shelby, Montana
 d.
- 3. Gordon Lloyd (7) b. May 20,1929 at Carmangay

4. Evelyn Sylvia (7) b. May 26,1931 at Carmangay d.

FAMILY OF HOMER STRONG (6) JAMES CARL (5) ARTHUR C. (4) CORNELIUS (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Homer Strong (6) and Floris M. (Richards) Gower had

Child

1. James Russell (7)
b. March 31,1931 at Pocatello, Idaho
d.

FAMILY OF HELEN LOUISE (6) JAMES CARL (5) ARTHUR C. (4) CORNELIUS N. (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Helen Louise (Gower) (6) and Clement Sheeran had

Child

1. Patrick Dennis Sheeran (7)
b. October 5,1930
d.

FAMILY OF EDGAR (6) CAROLINE M. (5) FRANCES L. (4) EBENEZER (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

Edgar (6) and Mary (McCarty) Dunlap had

Children

- Edgar, Jr. (7)
 b. November 23,1928 at Atlanta, Georgia
 d.
- 2. William Anderson
 b. July 24,1933 at Atlanta
 d.

FAMILY OF JAMES C. (6) CAROLINE M. (5) FRANCES L. (4) EBENEZER (3) JAMES (2) ROBERT (1)

James C. (6) and Lucille (Stone) Dunlap had

- 1. Virginia Caroline (7)
 b. January 26,1931 at Atlanta, Georgia
 d.
- James Cousar, Jr. (7)
 May 25,1934 at Atlanta
 d.

FAMILY OF BAILEY E. (6) LOUIS J. (5) BAILEY A. (4) JOHN (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Bailey E. (6) and Jessie (Powell) Gower had

Child

1. David Louis (7)

b. November 21,1914 near Farmington, New Mexico

d.

m. September 5,1937, Blanche Cook.
They reside at Farmington

FAMILY OF JOHN (3) LOUIS J. (5) BAILEY A. (4) JOHN (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

John (6) and Alice E. (Mansfield) Gower had

Child

1. Homer Carl (7) b. June 16,1928 at Owosso, Michigan

FAMILY OF DANIEL E. (6) LOUIS J. (5) BAILEY A. (4) JOHN (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Daniel Ellis Gower (6) is Inspector in Charge, Division of Foreign
Plant Quarantines, Bureau of Entomology and Quarantine of the
U. S. Department of Agriculture at Chicago, Illinois, He
graduated from Michigan Agricultural College in 1917. In
the World War he served as a labratory technician with
Evacuation Hospital No. 11. Daniel Ellis Gower and Gladys
(Placeway) Gower reside at 5254 George Street, Chicago

- 1. Bailey James (7)
 b. May 31,1923 at Saginaw, Michigan
 d. June 2,1923
- 2. Dorothy Fay (7)
 b. September 3,1924 at Saginaw,
 d.
- 3. Walter Clare (7)
 b. March 17,1929 at Detroit,
 d.

FAILY OF CHESTER (6) LOUIS J. (5) BAILEY A. (4) JOHN (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Chester (6) and Nina (Clark) had

Child:

1. Delia Frances (7)
b. June 26,1955 at Reno, Nevada

FAMILY OF FRANCES (6) LOUIS J. (5) BAILEY A. (4) JOHN (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Frances (Gower) (6) and John Henry MacGillivray had

Children

- Anna Ellis (7)
 November 2,1928 at West Lafayette, Indiana
 d.
- 2. Harriet Jean (7)
 b. October 1,1930
 d.
- 3. Mary Margaret (7)
 b. September 10,1934 at West Lafayette

FAMILY OF OLIVE E. (6) FRANK W. (5) BAILEY A. (4) JOHN (3) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Olive E. (Gower) (6) and John Leslie Hundley had Child .

FAMILY OF LAURENCE E. (6) FRANK W. (5) BAILEY A. (4) JOHN (2) ROBERT (1)

Laurence E. (6) and Clara B. (Pearson) Gower had

- l. Warren Charles (7)
 b. April 22,1928 near Odell, Illinois
 d.
- 2. Charlene (7)b. February 6,1934d.

Robert Gower, to his son James Gower, both of Farmington, deed dated February 4,1800, recorded Kennebec Registry of Deeds, Volume 7, Page 260, land in Farmington on the east side of Sandy River, being a part of lot 43, bounded southeasterly by land of Henry Norton and on the front by the River, being 40 poles wide and bounded northwest by land of Robert Gower and running parallel line to a stake and stones on the range line.

Deed Robert Gower to his son John Gower, both of Farmington, dated March 18,1305 and recorded December 27,1804 in Kennebec Registry of Deeds, Vol. 6, Page 236, land in New Sharon on Sandy River and numbered on a plan made by Ephraim Ballard in 1790, now in the Proprietor's Clerk's Office marked 54, lying on the north side of Sandy River and marked with red ink on said plan, containing 100 acres.

Robert Gower to his son George Gower, both of Farmington, being a deed of Robert's homestead farm mentioned in his will. Deed dated July 14,1806, recorded in Kennebec Registry Volume 29, Page 154, beginning at a stake and stones on the east bank of Sandy River, thence running north 56 degrees east on land of James Gower to the range line; thence westerly on the range line 60 rods to Stephen Titcomb's easterly corner; thence southwesterly on said Titcomb's land to the river; thence down said river or the course of it to the point of beginning, containing 120 acres. Robert's wife did not sign.

Will of Robert Gower

Probate Records Kennebec County

In the name of God Amen, I, Robert Gower, of Farmington in the County of Kennebec and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, yeoman, tho' weak in body, yet of sound mind and memory, thro' the blessing of Almighty God, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, to wit:

1st. That all my just debts be paid by my executors hereinafter mentioned.

2nd. I give and bequeathto my beloved wife Mary Gower the sum of six hundred dollars to be paid out of the sum hereinafter mentioned, to be received of George Gower when he arrives to the age of twenty eight years, also two good beds and sufficient bedding for the same, two good cows, and four sheep, two tables, one chest and four chairs, to her sole use and benefit forever, also the improvement of the southwest room in the house where I now live during her natural life.

3rd. I give and bequeath to my oldest son Edward Gower the sum of twenty dollars.

4th. I give and bequeath to my son William Gower one hundred acres of land situated in Anson in said County being the west end of lot No. thirty-one, and to be set off at right angles on the west end of said lot, also fifty dollars in money.

5th. I give and bequeath to my son James Gower three hundred dollars.

6th. I give and bequeath to my oldest daughter Peggy Norton, wife of Elijah Norton, two hundred and twenty dollars.

7th. I give and bequeath to my daughter Hannah Norton, wife of Henry Norton two hundred and twenty dollars.

8th. I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Cofren, wife of Robert Cofren, two hundred and twenty dollars.

9th. I give and bequeath to my son John Gower two hundred and twenty dollars.

10th. I give and bequeath to my son Samuel Gower two hundred and twenty dollars in addition to one hundred and fifty acres of land which I have this day conveyed to him by deed.

llth. I give and bequeath to my daughter anna Gower two hundred and twenty dollars, together with the privilege of the improvement of the chamber in the west part of the house where I now live Thile she remains sole and unmarried.

12th. I give and bequeath to my daughter Rebecca Gower two hundred and twenty dollars, together with the privilege of the improvement of the aforesaid chamber, during the time she remains sole and unmarried.

farm whereon I now live, with all the privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging (except the privileges in the house above mentioned) of which I have this day made and executed a deed to the said George, and lodged the same in the hands of my executors hereafter named, to be delivered to the said George, when he arrives at the age of twenty-one years, provided the said George shall secure to the said executors, by a mortgage on said estate, the sum of twelve hundred dollars, to be paid in seven years from the time the said George is twenty-one years old, for the benefit of the afore-caid legatees, said sum is not to be on interest, and the said George is likewise to keep the stock bequeathed to his mother, on said farm, also, I give and bequeath to the said George Gower all

the rest of residue of my household furniture, and live stock, and all the farming utensils that I shall die seized of.

And I will and grant that all the rest and residue of my estate real and personal, if any shall remain after paying the aforesaid legacies shall be equally divided among my eleven children before named.

And I do hereby nominate and appoint, my beloved wife Mary Gower, and my son John Gower, to be the joint executors of this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourteenth day of July in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and six.

Robert Gower seal

Signed and sealed, published and declared, in presence of us, to be the last will and testament of Robert Gower and we witness the same in his presence.

Stephen Titcomb seal

Henry N. Chamberlain seal

Hannah Titcomb seal

Lydia Titcomb seal

Probate Records Kennebec County

Inventory of the estate of Robert Gower late of Farmington in the County of Kennebec gentn. deed.

	Home farm with the buildings etc. containing 120 acres more or less	\$ 30 00.00
	Part of back lot No. 1 containing 40 acres	50,00
	Lot No. 2 in the first range, 200 acres	700 • 00
Anson	Part of back lot No. 31, 90 acres	45.00
In New Sharon	One-half of the 25th part of the undivided land in common in said New Sharon	10.00
Personal	Notes of hand	
es ta te	No. 1 vs. Robert Cornforth, date 19th of May 2800 sum \$80.00 on demand with interest	80.00
	No. 2 vs. do. date 30 of Oct. 1804 sum \$18.17 on demand with interest	18.17
	No. 3 vs. James Gower, 1st of March 1804 sum of \$450.00 on demand with interest	450.0 0
	No. 4 vs. Lemuel Busley, 10 of March 1800 sum \$280.00 on demand with interest	280.0 0
	No. 5 vs. Samuel Brown, 15 of March 1800 sum \$100 on demand with interest one year interest paid	100.00
	No. 6 vs. Samuel Gower 23rd of March 1800 sum \$100.00 on demand with interest	100,00
	No. 7 vs. do. 19th of May 1800 sum \$50.00 do. do.	50,00
	No. 8 vc. do. 29th of June 1800, sum \$45. do. do.	45.00
	No. 9 vs. do. 7th of June 1800 sum \$40.00 do. do.	40,00
	No. 10 Endorsed note vs. do. 28th of June 1805 sum 40.00 on demand with interest	40.00
	No. 11 vs. do. 25th of May 1805, sum \$17 do. do.	17.00
	No. 12 vs. Robert Cochran 30 of June 1804 sum 27 on demand with interest. Interest paid up to July 1800	70.00
	No. 13 vs. Henry Norton 28th of July 1804 sum \$50. on demand with interest	50. 00 5145,17

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No. 14 vs. do. 25th of February 1804 on demand with interest		27.00
No. 15 vs. John Minott 9th of April sum \$50.00 on demand with interest		50.00
No. 16 vs. Thomas Wellman 7th of Mar sum \$44.52 on demand with interest		44 •5≳
No. 17 vs. do. 19th of May 1800, sum	့်20.62 do do	20.62
No. 18 vs. John Butterfield 5th of M sum \$31 on demand with interest		31.00
No. 19 Endorsed note vs. Newell Gord sum of \$14 with interest payable 1st		L4,00
No. 20 vs. William Farrand, 15th of sum of \$58.67 with interest 23rd Jun forty-four dollars paid in part	' January 1800 1e 1800 5	58.67
No. 21 vs. Zebulon True, 21st of Jan sum \$20 on demand		00.00
No. 22 vs. William Walker 30th of Se sum \$10 on demand with interest		LO.00
No. 23 vs. Aaron Stoylls, 25th of Fe sum 20.00 in 9 months with interest endors d by Henry N. Chamberlain	•	30 •00
No. 24 vs. Daniel Sullivan, 20 of Apsum \$50.00 on demand with interest (ten dollars endorsed) (21 of October	20 of Sept, 1803 : 1805	
sixteen dollars endorsed)	5	60 .00
No. 25 Recognizance vs. Stephen Mort sum w22 payable Nov. 1805 w20.00 pai		00.8
No. 26 vs. Joseph Francis 7th of Junsum \$6.00 on demand with interest \$4.44 paid in 1805 in part	te 1804	6.00
No. 27 vs. James Rhodes 20th March 1 sum \$3.04 on demand with interest		3.04 22.02

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	No. 28 vs. Benjamin Ranger 20 of April 1805 Sum \$13.00 (22 of July 1805, four dollars paid) (1st of March 1806, eight dollars 27/100 paid (1st of April 1806, ninety seven cents paid)	្13.00)
	Cash on hand	19.50
	Bal. of exrs. vs. H. N. Chamberlain	37.50
	Cash rec'd of Saml Crompton	1.50
Neat Stock	One pair of beef oxen	60.00
	One pair of steers do.	40. 00
	3 cows first quality @ 15.00	45. 00
	4 do 2d quality ∈ \$12.00	40.00
	3 heifers 2 years old @ \$10.00	30 .00
	One steer 2 years old @ 10.00	10.00
	4 last spring calves C 2.00	8.00
Horses	One old mare (25.00	25.00
	One pied horse	20.00
	One grey colt	15.00
	One young do	8.00
Swine	3 hogs © \$10.00	30.00
	2 shoats at \$4.00	8,00
Sheep	13 sheep at \$1.50	19.50
	8 1ambs @ \$1.00	8.00
Farming	Cort and wheels	30.0 0
Utensils	3 sets of old plow irons	6,50
	1 harrow 20 teeth	10.00
	1 yoke irons & bows @ \$2. one do old @ \$1.50	3.50
	1 draught chain @ 22.50; two do @ 1.00	4.50
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	one old broad axe & [1.00; old post do C [.17, three old narow do & [.50]	2. 67
	one old hand saw @ $\frac{2}{4}.75$, one pr. pf old chissels $\frac{2}{4}.1.25$	1,00
	one pair of beetle rings .25, two iron wedges @ .	25 .7 5
	one pair of trace chains \mathbb{C} 32.00 , three old augers \mathbb{C} 3.25	2.75
	4 old sythes and two sets of tackles	1,85
	3 old hoes	1.17
	one iron shovel @ \$1.00, one pair of incers @ \$.17 one set of ox shoes © \$.50	1,67
	3 old pitch forks © 0.25, one stone hammer 0.5.25 3 old sickles © 0.25, one shoe hammer 0.2.25, one nail do 0.3.33 One clovis and pin 0.1.00	,50 1,55 1,00
	One old sleigh and two harnesses	20.00
	Part of two sleds @ [1.50; one grindstone C [1.25]	2.75
	one vinnowing mill	7.50
	One saddle, one bridle and one halter	5 •00
	ld furniture	
Wearing apparel	Best coat © \$12, one do at \$7	19.00
	One waistcoat a 33, one do a 22, one do at 1	6.00
	Two silk hkfs @ \$.50	1.00
	l pr. of small clothes @ 33, and one pr. do @ \$2, and one pr. do @ \$1	6.00
	l pr. of pantaloons @ 22, one old do @ 1	3.0 0
	l great coat and one sattoo\$ © \$\daggeq\$4	11.00
	2 shirts @ 1, one do. @ 5.50, one pr. silver s. buttons @ 2.50 2 hats and one cap 1 pr. of worsted hose @ 6s, 2 pr. do. @ 3s 1 pr. ofhose @ 3s, one pr. of buskins @ 4s 1 pr. of boys @ 9s, one pr. of shoes @ 6s and 1 pr. of do. @ 4s 1 pr. of spurs @ 4s 1 Masonic jewel @ 12s, one apron @ 3s 2 razors case and box 4s, one hone 3s	3.00 4.00 2.00 1.17 3.50 .75 2.50 1.17 38.53
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Bedding

l do, do and do in-adjoining bedroom l do, do and do in N. part of the chamber l do, do and do in S. part of do	40.00 40.00 25.00 80.00 11.00 2.00
l table at 24s. 1 do. @ 12s, 1 stand @ 6s & 1 do. @ 9s 6 chairs at 6s great do. @ 7s 1 shovel & tongs 1 pr. of decenters at 4s6& 1 pr. of wine glasses @ 9s	8:50 7:17 2:50 .88
Crockery 1 doz. plates © 9s, 2 mugs © 6s, 2 bowls at 1s6 3 small bowls © s6, 2 sugar do at s9 1 teapot © 1/6 & 1 set of C. & S. at 2/6, & 1 do @ 2/6 1/2 set of white do at /7d, 1 do mug © 1/6 1/2 mug © /9 & cream pitcher © /6	1.67 .50 1.08 .55
Plate 2 large tablespoons @ 12/3 small do @ 2/	5.00
Kitchem 1 pr. of handirons © 10/, showel & tongs © 2/ 3 candlesticks © 10/ 1 iron kettle)) © 15/1 dish do © 3/1 small © 1/ 1 bake do © 6/ ten do © 4/ & 1 tin do © 3/ 1 small tin do © 2/ 1 iron pot (old) 1/6 1 spider © 4/1 skillet © 1/, and 1 toaster © 3/ 1 steel yard © 6/3 3 plates © 1/6 and 1 flesh fork at 1/	5.00 .37 3.17 2.17 .33 .25 1.34 1.92
l tin kitchen © 12/ 1 do. pail © 4/ 1 do. waterpot 3/ l lantern © 3/ 1 calendar © 1/6 & 1 pan © 1/6 l coffeepot, 3 cups, 1 teapot, 1 Cannister (old tin) l dipper, skimmer, 1 pepperbox l pewter dish © 2/3 plates do © 1/ 3 milk pans © 17, 1 pudding pan © /6.4 butin pots © 1/9 l wooden bowl © 3/, 1 piggin /9, 2 milk pots © 1/6	3.17 1.00 .50 .83 .87 1.12 16.42

Amt. brot. over \$63	316.42
l sugar box C 1/3 cheese hocps C /6d 2 old churns 2/6 case bottles C 1/2 junk do G 16 l die tub G 1 l crane & hooks G 24/ small do G 9/1 loom with apparatus C 36/2 large wheels C 6/2 foot wheels C 6/1 clock reel C 6/1 hitchell 12/1 meal chest C 9/1 small do C 3/3 corn baskets 3/1 looking-glass C 3/1 washing tub C 3/2 old truys	1.00 1.35 5.50 8.00 5.00 2.50
<pre>1 lottery-box 0 3/ 1 clothes chest 0 9/1 trunk 0 4/ 3 clothes-baskets 0 1/ 1 cider-barrel 0 6/ 1 leachtub 0 3/</pre>	1.11 2.67
4 dry casks in the corn barn 0 1/3 3 meat-barrels 0 3/2 other barrels in the callar 0 2/ 1 sugar-tub 0 2/2 kegs 0 2/5 meal-bags 0 2/ Table Linen	2.07
4 short napkins 1/6 2 long do 6/3 coarse do 1/6 3 large table cloths 2 12/4 small do 4/ Library	3,7∋ 8,6°
l large Bible 12/ (Old) l hymn-book 2/ 2 vols. of Noah @ 2/ 2 vols. of the Messiah @ 2/ 1 vol. Klyogga 6/1 l vol. Telemachas @ 1/6 1 vol 0 1/6	2,33 1,34 1,25 ,25
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Measurer (dry) 1 half bushel 0 2/1 peck 0 /9 \$63	.45 77.24

The foregoing is an accurate inventory of the estate of Robert Gower &c (produced to us the subscribers by the exrs.) as valued by

Supply Belcher

Solomon Adams

Church Brainerd

Appraisers

December 30 Sworn

Adams		Baker	
Elizabeth F. C. Hallie Lula R. T. Samuel	46 46 48,69 48 7	Helen Joan Henry John Gower Kathleen Smith Marion Ruth Joan Ruth Parsons Theodore Potter W. Clark	80 45 64,80 44 44 80 64,80 64 23,44
Donald Hill Margery	63 33	William Beale	45
Alexander		Daniel (Col.)	11
David James Margaret Margaret (2)	3 3 2,3,5,8 8,11	Belcher Supply (Capt.)	6,7
Robert	3,4,5	Berry	· , .
Allen		Jenett Henry	4
Deborah Love Coffin	16,72 9,17	Joseph	4
George 72	72	Beverage	
William	9		
William	9	Mercy	4
Applebee		Mercy Bishop	4
Applebee Bertha Blanche M. Charles	59 36,59 59	•	30,54 30,54 30,54
Applebee Bertha Blanche M. Charles Ash	59 36,59 59	Bishop Almira Amos	30,54 30,54
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Blackwelder		Bradley	
Jean Justin Otis	38,62 63	Olive	42
Lois (6)	63 63	Bragg	
Margery Alden Martha Jean	63	Pearl	42
Richard Eliot Ruth	63 6 3	Brainerd	
Blake		Allen H.	16,28
Frances Joseph M.	33 33	Church Evelyn Tamsin W.	7 73 28
Blanchard		Broadhed	
Abba Cornelia Addison, (Rev.)	21 21	John	15
Blayney		Brown	
Arthur C. Charles O. Edwin Joyce Helen	36,61 61,79 62 79	Asa Elizabeth G. Flora Joseph	11 11 30 30
Lillian A. Graff	61,78	Bruels	
Lillian Lundgren Mary Robert Charles	61,79 36,61 79	Winnifred	57,76
Blunt		Bullis	
Ebenezer	7	Jennie	17,32
Bolley		Butler	
	37	(Historian)	2,3,5
Borredell C. P.	37	Butterfield	
Bowersock		Samuel	6
Betty B. Van A. Don	62 37	Carpenter	
Elizabeth Thompson Fanny Pickering	62,80 37	Frederick G.	27
Frances Blossom		Lola G. Nancy Wilson	27 2 7
Matteson Fred Holmes	37,62 37	Walter	27
Jean Blackwelder Justin D.	37 ,6 2 20 , 37	Carr	
Justin D. Jr.	37 ,6 2 62	Charles	51
Justin D. 3rd Margery Dalton	38	Fernando M. George O.	29,51 51
Mary G. Dinsmore	38,63 20,37	Lille E.	51
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Cedarstrom		Conyers	
Carrie	40	Mary E. Maria G.	27 27,48
Cheatham		Mary Olive Lowe Olivia Wallace	48 48
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Chesley H.	18,35	Francis M. (Capt.) Mary Ella Smith	51 51
Dora Reed	19,36	Maude Ardelle Carr	51 51
Effie Gower Jones	36,59	Madde Arderic Carr	O.L.
Eugene McLellan	35		
Frederick C.	36,59		
Frederick C., Jr.	5 9ີ		
Frederick Charles	19		
Isabel Dunton	59		
Jenny Noyes	35		
John	4		
Lucy	18,35		
Norman E. Robert Reed	5 9 59		
Sara McLellan			
Sanford E.	18,35 18,35		
Vaughan Jerome	35 35		
William E.	18		

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The preparation of stencils for this work offered an opportunity to revise and extend the original manuscript of Mr. Gower. The final draft of his copy was made in 1932. During the ensuing six years he accumulated additional facts. These, and some other items easily secured from interested members of the family, have been incorporated in this present edition. Thus is explained the notation on the title page: "Partially Revised," and the fact that there are data about some families to 1938 while about others there are no facts beyond 1932.

It is of interest to some that all descendants of Robert Gower may apply for membership in either the Cons or the Daughters of the American Revolution. This basis of membership is found in the fact that Robert is considered a Patriot because he was elected to preside as moderator at the Town Meetings of Topsham, Maine, for several years* and because he served on a committee which was concerned with the furnishing of provisions and ammunition. This service is mentioned by Mr. Gower on page 2 in quotations from the Town Records of Topsham for the meetings of November 19, 1774 and April 30, 1775 (Vol. 1, pp. 32, 34).

It has come to my attention that descendants of James (2), Margaret (2), and Hannah (2) Gower, through marriages with members of the Norton family, are able to prove a Mayflower lineage to John Tilley, his daughter, and her husband. John Tilley's (I) daughter, Elizabeth (II), married John Hewland; their daughter, Hope Howland (III), married John Chipman; their daughter, Hope Chipman (IV), married John Huckins; their daughter, Mary Huckins (V), married Nathan Bassett; their son, Samuel Bassett (VII), married Martha Pease; their daughter, Sarah Bassett (VII), married Major Peter Norton.

Three of Major Peter and Sarah (Bassett) Norton's thirteen children were: Lbenezer (VIII), born August 29, 1741; Samuel (VIII), born April 16, 1743; and Cornelius (VIII), born February 27, 1746.

Ebenezer Norton (VIII) married Elizabeth Smith on September 24, 1761. They had twelve children. Their son, Elijah (IX), married Margaret Gower, December 5, 1793.

*1773-75, 1778. Cf. Town Records of Topsham, Vol. 1, pp. 28-48.

Captain Samuel Norton married Mary ("Molly") Davis and had seven children. Their son, Henry (IX), born in Edgartown, Massachusetts, June 7, 1770, married Hannah Gower on January 29, 1793 or 1795. Cornelius Norton (VIII) married Lydia Claghorn and had nine children of whom five survived. One was Susanna (IX), born April 24, 1781, who married (published September 2, 1800) James Gower.

Most of the data for the proof of this lineage have been graciously furnished by Mrs. E. A. (Flora Norton) Odell of Farmington, Maine. They follow:

Generation IV.

Hayflower Descendants, 3:183; 4:121; 5:58; Plymouth Colony Records, 8:42 Otis, Gencalorical Notes of Larnstable Families, 1:160-175; 2:64f.

Generation V.

Hayflorer Descendants, 3:180; 6:139
Pioneers of Hassachusetts, 240
Childark (Hassachusetts) Vital Records, 85
Otis, Genealogical Notes of Barnstable Families, 2:65
Savage, Genealogical Dictionary, 2:487
Dukes County (Massachusetts) Probate Records, 6:41
Banks, History of Martha's Vineyard, 3:32

Generation VI.

Banks, History of Martha's Vineyard, 3:52 Butler, History of Farmington, Maine, 536f Hatch, History of Industry, Maine, 751f Chilmark Vital Records, 14-85

Generation VII.

Banks, History of Martha's Vineyard, 3:361
Butler, History of Farmington, 536f
Hatch, History of Industry, 751f
Edgartown (Massachusetts) Vital Records, 246f
Dukes County Probate Records, 6:41
New England Historical & Geneal Mical Register, 53:107

Generation VIII.

Banks, History of Martha's Vineyard, 3:568 Hatch, History of Industry, 752

Generation IT.

Hatch, History of Industry, 751ff
Butler, History of Farmington, 481f, 537
Farrand, Censalogy of the Forton Family, 1-7

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