

Ancestry and Descendants  
of  
**WILLIAM GATES**

Late of  
  
Frankfort, New York

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**Appendix I.**

Descendants  
of  
**ALFRED GATES**  
(Brother of William Gates)

Late of  
  
Franklin, La.

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**Appendix II.**

Ancestry  
of  
**MARY ANN DEUEL**  
(Wife of William Gates)



# English Coat of Arms

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## Gates

OF SEMER, YORKSHIRE AND ESSEN, ENGLAND



## FOREWORD.

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Father, Mother, Brothers, Sisters, all have passed on; I alone am left and the time of my going may be near; the family bible with its records was destroyed by fire years ago; so, as I have been for many years gathering all facts that came within my reach regarding our family history, it has seemed wise to record this data in permanent form and place it within the reach of all members of the family, before my voice too shall be silent and my records scattered.

I am indebted to "Stephen Gates and his Descendants" referred to elsewhere, to the Genealogical Libraries at Boston and New York, to our family tradition which goes back to the Declaration of Independence with only one generation between, to the late Dr. Alfred S. Gates of Franklin, La., to his son W. R. Gates, to Mrs. Florence M. Crumb and to many others, for valuable information. Every effort has been made to avoid errors but ————. If leisure and means had been mine, it would have been a pleasure to have searched other libraries, family records, etc., to make this work more complete but that may not be. Blank pages have been left to provide for corrections, continuations, etc. as time brings its changes. It is hoped, all who possess copies of this pamphlet will make full use of such pages for the benefit of posterity.

Certain old records seem to warrant the presumption that through Mary Josselyn, wife of Peter Gates of London, there was injected into our family the blood of some of the kings and emperors of Europe. This may tickle our vanity a little (although that blood must be considerably diluted by this time) but we better not carry our noses very high in air for most kings have not been any credit to their descendants.

Do not, however, sneer at the study of genealogy. Every farmer knows there is something in HEREDITY. He studies with greatest care the genealogy of his breed of cattle and selects with much thought the blood to be infused into his herd and then, alas!—gives no thought to the ancestry of his own mate! American men and women would be twice as vigorous and virile, physically and mentally, today if our forefathers had studied this subject. Our children should be warned and taught. "A word to the wise," etc.

Let us strive to avoid the errors of our predecessors, to emulate their good qualities, to keep in harmony with our Heavenly Father, to love our Neighbor, and, so far as possible, to live at peace with him.

FREDERICK GATES (1647).

Long Valley, N. J.  
January 1st, 1921.

## OUR ENGLISH ANCESTORS

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The family appears to have originated in THOMAS GATES Esq. of Higheaster and Thurstubie, Essex, England, in A. D. 1327.  
(See Vol. XIV Harleian Society, Page 574.)

Briefly the line runs as follows:

- I Thomas Gates Esq. The founder.
- II William, Son of (I)
- III Sir Geoffry, Son of (II) m. Agnes Baldington.
- IV William, Son of (III) m. Mabell Capdow.
- V Sir Geoffry, Son of (IV) m. Elizabeth Clopton.
- VI Geoffry, Son of (V)
- VII Geoffry, Son of (VI) m. Joane Wentworth.
- VIII Peter, of London, Son of (VII) See pg. 3.
- IX Thomas, Son of (VIII) of Norwich, Norfolk County, England.
- X STEPHEN, Second Son of (IX), Tenth generation in England and head of our family in America. See pg. 5.

Peter Gates of London, (VIII) grandfather of our Stephen (X) m. Mary Josselyn, grand daughter of Sir Thomas Josselyn of Newhall, Josselyn, Essex Co. Her ancestry is given as follows:

- A Hengest, king of Saxons, A. D. 435, ruled from the Elbe to the Rhine.
- B Hartenwaker, s. (A) Saxon prince
- C Hottwigate, s. (B) Saxon prince
- D Haldrie, s. (C) Saxon king
- E Bordieus, s. (D) Saxon prince
- F Berthold, s. (E) Saxon king
- G Sighard, s. (F) Saxon king
- H Dieterie, s. (G) Saxon king
- I Wernicke, s. (H) Saxon king
- J Witikind, s. (I) last king of the Saxons. Defeated by Charlemagne about A. D. 785. (See Lewis History of Germany, pp. 85-86.)
  
- K Witikind II, s. (J) Count of Watin
- L Robert "The Strong" s. (K) Duke of France d. 866.
- M Robert II s. (L) Count of Paris, m. sister of Otho Emperor of Germany. Crowned King of France 922. Killed 923.
- N Hugh "The Great" s. (M) Duke of France and Burgundy, m. Eldheild dau. Edward "the Elder" 7th Saxon king of England. See pg. 4.
  
- O Hugh Capet s. (N) King of France, b. 940, d. 999, m. Princess Adelaide of Aquitaine, dau. Otho I. Emperor of Germany see pg. 4.
  
- P Robert III. s. (O) King of France, b. 971, d. 1031.
- Q Henry I. s. (P) King of France, b. 1005, d. 1060.
- R Hugh "Magnius" s. (Q) a Count. d. 1080.
- S Lady Isabel Vermandois, dau. (R) m. Robert Bellemont, Earl of Leicester.
- T Robert Bossude Bellemont s. (S) 2nd. Earl of Leicester.
- U Lady Isabella Bellemont dau. (T) m. (2nd) Sir Gervaise Paganel, Baron Dudley.
- V Lady Hawyse Paganel dau. (U) Baroness Dudley, m. John de Someri.
- W Roger de Someri s. (V) Baron Dudley.
- X Lady Margaret de Someri dau. (W) Baroness Dudley, m. (3rd) Sir John de Sutton.
- Y Maude de Sutton dau. (X) m. Ralph Josselyn about 1300.
- Z Jefforey Josselyn s. (Y) m. Margaret Rockell.
- AA Ralph Josselyn s. (Z) m. Margaret Patmer (Palmer?).
- BB Jeffry Josselyn s. (AA) m. Catherine Lebray.
- CC Thomas Josselyn s. (BB) m. Alice Duke 1426.
- DD George Josselyn s. (CC) m. Maude Bardolph.
- EE John Josselyn s. (DD) m. Philipa Bradbury.
- FF Sir Thomas Josselyn s. (EE) m. Dorothy Gates dau. Sir Geoffry Gates.
- GG Edward Josselyn 6th. s. (FF) m. Mary Lambe.
- HH MARY dau. (GG) m. PETER GATES, of London. See pg. 2.

(See County Genealogies, Pedigrees of Essex Families by Wm. Berry pp. 119-120.

Harleian Society Vol. XIII. pp. 223-224-225.

Alard's Sutton-Dudleys of England pg. 16.

New England Hist. & Gen. Register Vol. 71. pp. 236-237-238.)

## PEDIGREE OF PRINCESS ELDHEILD.

- a Cedric, first King of the West Saxons, said to be a descendant of Wodin reigned 33 years, waged war against the Britons 495-519, d. 534. See Turners History of England Vol. I pg. 275.
- b Cynric, s. (a) King of West Saxons d. 560.
- c Cheaulin, s. (b) King of West Saxons d. 593.
- d Cuthion, s. (c) killed in battle with Britons 584.
- e Cuth, Second s. (d)
- f Chelwold, s. (e)
- g Kenred, s. (f) whose eldest son Ina was 11th King of West Saxons.
- h Ingills, another s. (g)
- i Eoppa, s. (h)
- j Alkmund or Aethelmund, s. (i)
- k Eegberht or Egbert, s. (j) King of West Saxons 800-839. He successfully conquered the other kingdoms and became the first king of all England.
- l Aethulwulf, s. (k) King of England d. Jan. 18, 857.
- m Alfred "The Great" s. (l) King of England d. Oct. 28, 901.
- n Edward "The Elder" s. (m) King of England d. 925.
- o Eadhild or Eldheild dau. (n) Princess of England m. Hugh "The Great" of France. See pg. 3 (N).

## PEDIGREE OF PRINCESS ADELAIDE OF AQUITAINE

- 1 Charles le Martel, 1st. of the Carolingian kings of France b. 694 d. 741.
- 2 Pepin "The Short" s. (1) King of France d. 768.
- 3 Charlemagne "The Great," s. (2) Emperor of the West b. 742 d. 814.
- 4 Louis I "The Pious," s. (3) b. 778 d. 840.
- 5 Charles I "The Bald," s. (4) King of France, b. 823 d. 877.
- 6 Louis II "The Stammerer" s. (5) King of France b. 846 d. 879.
- 7 Carloman, s. (6) King of Aquitaine and Burgundy d. 884.
- 8 Arnulf, s. (7) Emperor of Germany.
- 9 Princess Luitgarda, dau. (8) m. Otha Duke of the Saxons.
- 10 Henry I, "The Fowler," s. (9) The first Emperor chosen and accepted by the whole German people. Founder of the German Empire. b. 876 d. 936.
- 11 Otho "The Great" s. (10) Emperor of Germany. " Mightiest Monarch of Europe" b. 912 d. 973.
- 12 Princess Adelaide, dau. (11) m. Hugh Capet, King of France. See pg. 3 (O).

Note.—I have not been able to verify every link in these different chains running back to royalty, so that I cannot vouch for the correctness of this record, nor do I consider it of any special value if correct, but record it here as a matter of interest, for what it is worth, the different sources of information being such as to warrant some presumption of its general truth.

As to the English family record, running back to Thomas Gates, Esq., I have followed "Stephen Gates and His Descendants," knowing that Charles O. Gates spent about three years of painstaking labor compiling that work with the aid of competent assistants costing him many thousands of dollars to gather and verify the facts.

Just before going to press, I was told that our Stephen Gates (1) was **not** a descendant of Peter Gates of London! Well, it may be true, almost anything **may** be true, and if true it would not make me value my ancestors any the less, but after spending a day at the New York Library trying to verify that report and being unable to find anything to substantiate it, I concluded Charles O. Gates had good reasons for printing his record as he did, especially as this harmonizes better with family traditions.

The check numbers (in parentheses) used in the following pages are, for the sake of those seeking fuller information, the same as those used in "Stephen Gates and His Descendants," published by Willis McDonald & Co., New York, 1898.

The following abbreviations also are used:

b.—Born.	d.—Died.	m.—Married.	s.—Son of
dau.—Daughter of	res.—Residence.	occ.—Occupation.	



## THE AMERICAN FAMILY

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STEPHEN GATES of the tenth generation of the English family, was the second son of Thomas Gates of Norwich, England. In 1638 he emigrated, with his wife (Ann Hill) and two children, from Hingham, England, to Hingham, Mass., on the good ship "Diligent" afterward moving to Lancaster, Mass., and later to Cambridge, Mass., where he died in 1662. The family appears to have been somewhat quarrelsome—Mary, a daughter, was arrested and punished for publicly contradicting a minister in meeting; Stephen quarrelled with his neighbors and after his death, his sons tried to break his will. Probably they were not all bad, for men are apt to record more of the evil deeds committed than the good ones.

### STEPHEN GATES (1)

b.....England, d. 1662 Cambridge, Mass.  
m.....England to Ann Hill, b..... d.....

#### Children.

Elizabeth (2)	Mary (3)	Stephen (4)	Thomas (5)
Simon (6)	Isaac (7)	Rebecca (8)	

### STEPHEN GATES (4)

b. 1640. d. 1706, Acton, Mass.  
m.....Sarah Woodward of Watertown, Mass.

#### Children.

Stephen (9)	Simon (10)	Thomas (11)	Isaac (12)
Nathaniel (13)	Sarah (14)	Rebecca (15)	Daniel (16)

### SIMON GATES (10)

b. June 5, 1666. d.....  
m. May 4, 1688, Hannah Benjamin of Stow, Mass.

#### Children.

Simon (42)	Joseph (43)	Benjamin (44)	Elisha (45)
Israel (46)	Aimos (47)	Hannah (48)	Mary (49)
Susannah (50)	Elizabeth (51)		

### BENJAMIN GATES (44)

b..... d. 1756, Barre, Mass.  
m. 1727, Bethulia Rice of Sudbury, Mass. Lived first at Worcester, Mass., thence moved to Barre.

#### Children.

Israel (148)	William (149)	Thomas (150)	Makepeace (151)
Benjamin (152)	Esther (153)	Jonathan (154)	Aaron (155)

## BENJAMIN GATES (152)

b. Nov. 27, 1737, Barre, Mass.      d. Feb. 16, 1797, Barre, Mass.  
 m. 1758 to Experience Mason, sister of Dea. John Mason of Barre, Mass.

## Children.

Jonas (428) b. July 14, 1766, Barre, Mass. d. Jan. 14, 1866, Vermont.  
 Served in the Revolutionary War under his father. Last pensioner on Vermont rolls; enlisted at 16; served to the end of the war; a carpenter; moved to Vt.; raised a large family; died at 99 years, 6 months.

Arethusa (429) b.....Barre, Mass.      d.....Barre, Mass.  
 m. ....to Hon. & Maj. Nathaniel Jones, Barre, Mass., a farmer, reputed wealthy. Raised a large family.

Thomas (430) b. .... & d. ....at Barre, Mass.  
 m.....Served in the war with his father.

Mary (431) b..... and d.....at Barre, Mass.  
 m.....to Fisk. Bore two children. Died young.

William (Buckminster) (432) See pg. 8.

Horatio (433) b. Oct. 7, 1777, Barre, Mass. d. Apl. 11, 1834, Montreal, Can.  
 m.....Clarissa Adams (b. 1787 d. Apl., 1842)  
 Hon. Horatio Gates (433) was named after Gen. Horatio Gates of revolutionary fame; was prominent for many years in the financial and political life of Canada; President the Bank of Montreal and member of the Executive Council of the Province of Quebec at the time of his death. It is recorded in Barre that the town voted him \$110 in 1802 for "teaching school."

Samuel Savage (434) b..... and d..... Barre, Mass.  
 m.....  
 Was childless; finally became blind; gave \$500 to found the Barre Public Library.

John Mason (435) b. 1784 and d. 1854, Barre, Mass.  
 m. Sally Cobb dau. Miles Cobb, a descendant of Miles Standish.

Benjamin Gates (152) was a blacksmith by trade but for the most part of his life kept the "Gates Tavern" at Barre, Mass., where the colonists were wont to meet and discuss their wrongs suffered under British rule. No doubt the "fire water" dispensed there contributed to the heat of the arguments. He was prominent in the community and before the revolution was fairly well to do for those days; was a member of the Orthodox (Congregational) Church; was chosen Moderator of one of the Town Meetings and was one of the Minute Men of 1775. As such he responded to the Lexington alarm (Apl., 1775) and served at Bunker Hill (June, 1775) where he was a lieutenant under Col. Buckminster of Barre. One account says he was under Col. Brewer but both may be right; some change may have been ordered on the eve of the battle. He was commissioned just before the fight.

His son, William Buckminster (432), remembered seeing the Barre company drawn up on the village green just before or after the battle when his father went down the line and gave every man a glass of "flip"—some kind of sweetened liquor—and then they took leave of friends and marched off to the war.

Lieut. Benjamin was at the siege of Boston and the evacuation thereof by Lord Howe. He was in command of a company in Col. Rufus Putnam's regiment at New York and on recommendation of his colonel was commissioned a captain July 18, 1776. He was at the battle of Long Island (Aug. 27, 1776) and probably at the capture of Trenton Dec. 26, 1776.

When Burgoyne came down from Canada to cut off Washington's connection with New England, Capt. Gates was with the troops sent to reinforce the army opposing that movement. He was under Gen. Horatio Gates at the battle of Bemis Heights—Sept. 19, 1777—and was present at the surrender of Burgoyne—Oct. 17, 1777. While engaged in this campaign, a son was born to him at his home in Barre, Mass., and named Horatio after his commander who, it appears, was a very distant relative as they made out at a conference during the campaign.

Family tradition states that he was again ordered to join Washington's army but of his exact movements thereafter we have no record; however, in some rear guard action when hard pressed by the British; loading on the run, wheeling, firing and running again—it was very hot—some of the company were killed, some taken prisoners and some overcome by the heat, among whom was our Capt. Benjamin. He was never able thereafter to do any work and resigned his commission Jan. 13, 1778. His pay (Continental money) was worthless and his losses and expenses during the war so heavy that he was in quite reduced circumstances until his death—Feb. 26, 1797.

Tombstones standing in the old cemetery at Barre, Mass.:

Erected  
In memory of  
Benjamin Gates  
Who died  
Feb. 16, 1797  
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In memory of  
Mrs. Experience  
Wife of Capt. Benjamin Gates  
Who died  
Oct. 29, 1826  
Aged 84

## WILLIAM (BUCKMINSTER) GATES (432)

b. Dec. 14, 1772, Barre, Mass. d. Aug. 19, 1854, Waterford, N. Y.  
 m. First—Aug. 27, 1797, to Molly Bettis ("Polly") b. Feb. 28, 1780. d. June 4, 1838.  
 m. Second—Mrs. Prescott. (No Children.)

**Children** (by first marriage).

Horatio (901) b. Oct. 8, 1798. d. July 12, 1850. Rochester, N. Y. Cholera.  
 m. Sept. 7, 1830. Ann Edmonds—b. Oct. 23, 1802.

William (902) b. May 20, 1800. d. July 22, 1802.

Josiah B. (903) b. Apl. 2, 1802. d. Apl. 5, 1802.

**Alfred** (904) b. July 27, 1803. d. Jan. 10, 1874. **See Appendix I.**

Jane (905) b. Dec. 10, 1805. d. Mar. 14, 1874.  
 m. Sept. 1, 1825. John Mott.

**William** (906) b. Feb. 29, 1808. d. July 28, 1877. **See page 10.**

Mary (907) b. Dec. 8, 1810. d. Sept. 3, 1812.

Mary Augusta (908) b. July 13, 1813, Mechanicsville, N. Y.

d. Dec. 23, 1891. Frankfort, N. Y.

m. Sept. 28, 1833. Stephen Fuller. b..... d. Sept. 9, 1855.

He was employed in the Gates Match Factory at Frankfort, N. Y., was caught by a shaft, whirled around it many times and injured so he died soon after. William Gates Fuller, her only child, was b. in summer of 1834.

Frederick (909) b. Apl. 1, 1816. d. Aug. 12, 1845. Cleveland, Ohio.  
 m. Jan. 6, 1841. Mary Talmadge.

George Upfold (910) b. Aug. 1, 1819. d.....1880, Saratoga, N. Y.

m. First—Nov. 10, 1841. Mary Odell—b..... d. Dec. 17, 1871.

m. Second—May 29, 1873. Mrs. Sarah E. Poates.

One son by first marriage—Odell.

One son by second marriage—George Upfold.

He was a Hardware Merchant in Saratoga.

William (Buckminster) Gates (432) did not use his middle name, always signing himself William Gates. He must have moved to New York State early in life where he met and married Molly Bettis Aug. 27, 1797, at the age of 25 years. She was an Episcopalian, which faith he embraced and was a faithful member until his death. Like his father, he followed the hotel business and for many years kept the "Half Way House" at Mechanicsville, N. Y., (on the old stage route from Albany to Montreal, Can.) where they changed horses and fed the passengers. About 1813 he moved to Waterford, N. Y., where he continued in the same business.

Later—about 1839—he concluded to try farming, rented a farm for a season and finally bought one in or near Clifton Park, Saratoga County, N. Y. on which there was a saw and gristmill. We do not know how long he kept this farm but later, about 1850, we find him at Waterford again, at the home of his grandson Samuel Mott—son of Jane Gates Mott (905)—where he died.

Tombstones in Cemetery at Ballston, N. Y.

WILLIAM GATES

Died

Aug. 19, 1854

Aged 82 Years

MOLLY BETTIS

Wife of

William Gates

Died

June 4, 1838

Aged 58 Years

## WILLIAM GATES (906)

b. Feb. 29, 1808. Mechanicsville, N. Y. d. July 28, 1877. Frankfort, N. Y.  
 m. June 5, 1832. Stillwater, N. Y. Mary Ann Deuel—**See Appendix II**

**Children**

Theodore (1641) b. Nov. 16, 1833. Clifton Park, N. Y. d. Apl. 15, 1854. Lima, Peru,  
 on his way back from Australia, where he went to seek gold.  
 d. of Yellow Fever.

Melinda (1642) b. Sept. 9, 1835. Ballston, N. Y. d. Apl. 19, 1860. Conklingville, N. Y.  
 m. Sept. ....1855. Gurdon Conkling. Two children—  
 William Gates Conkling, b. Oct. —, 1857.  
 John P. .... Conkling, b. July 5, 1859.

Aurelia (1643) b. Feb. 4, 1838. Ballston, N. Y. d. Jan. 14, 1889. Frankfort, N. Y.  
 m. Dec. 23, 1858. John F. Sheldon. Four children—  
 Annie Elizabeth Sheldon, b. Dec. 11, 1859.  
 William Theodore Sheldon, b. Jan. 13, 1862.  
 Laura May Sheldon, b. Feb. 18, 1870.  
 Irving W. Sheldon, b. Sep. 9, 1872.

William Buckminster (1644) b. Sep. 17, 1840. d. May 5, 1900. **See page 14.**

George Washington (1645) b. Feb. 22, 1843. d. Sept. 22, 1918. **See page 15.**

Frederick (1646) b. Aug. 31, 1845. d. Sep. 2, 1848.

Frederick (1647) b. Oct. 3, 1848. d. .... **See page 17.**

Frank (1648) b. Mar. 23, 1857. Frankfort, N. Y. d. Dec. 1, 1857.

William Gates (906) long known as the manufacturer of Gates' Matches—"None Better"—was born at Mechanicsville, N. Y., Feb. 29, 1808, and died at his home in Frankfort, N. Y., July 28, 1877, aged 69 years, 4 months, 29 days.

Although his father kept a public house and sold intoxicating liquors, William became a total abstainer early in life, largely no doubt through his mother's influence but partly because he saw plenty of evidence, in his father's bar room, that alcohol is not a friend but an enemy of mankind. He received a common school education at Ballston, N. Y., and afterward attended a private school kept by a Mr. Babcock, an Episcopal clergyman, where he received very thorough training.

After his father moved to the farm at Clifton Park, N. Y.—about 1830—he worked in the gristmill on the farm, about five years, learning the trade. It was while thus engaged that he was fortunate enough to meet Mary Ann Deuel, the daughter of a Quaker, living at Stillwater, N. Y., a few miles away. The acquaintance ripened into love and they were married June 5, 1832. Three years later they moved to Ballston, he entered another mill, but as his employer failed to keep his contract he left his service after a few months.

Then the great West beckoned to him and he went to Wisconsin when Milwaukee was but a rude settlement with stumps standing in the streets, and supported himself as a Government surveyor. Finally securing a site about three miles from Milwaukee he decided to become a pioneer and early in the spring of 1838 returned East to take his family to what was then called the far West. But near Marcellus, N. Y. he was taken from the stage too sick to proceed farther. There for three weeks, among strangers, he suffered from fever. Finally he reached home but it was only to find that the memorable panic of 1836 had locked up all his funds and made it impossible to go West.

Undaunted he next opened a general store at Ballston and for three years enjoyed a splendid trade but being unable to collect his bills from many to whom he had given credit, financial disaster overtook him and he lost everything. Driven by necessity he then took employment in a distillery. After a few months he suffered an almost fatal attack of pneumonia caused by exposure. It was several months before he recovered. In 1841 he moved to Half Moon, N. Y. and in 1843 learning that rents were cheaper in Frankfort, Herkimer County, N. Y. he moved his family thither. They travelled—Mr. Gates, Mrs. Gates, Melinda, Aurelia, William B., and George W. (the latter less than four months old)—in a one horse "democrat" wagon, while his father and Theodore came by the Erie Canal with the goods.

Still unsettled as to his future business he sold clocks and watches and repaired the same all over the hills near his home. Many of those old brass clocks are still doing good service among the farmers of that section. He told the writer once that often when sitting at the bountiful tables of the farmers he could not eat butter for thinking of the wife and children at home who were denied that luxury because of poverty. That winter—1843-4—he was employed as a salesman by a firm of whip makers of Westfield, Mass., selling whips and cigars. Attempting at this time to learn to smoke as a matter of business policy, he failed after several efforts to accomplish it, and was never sorry.

During his travels as a salesman this winter, he became impressed with the idea of making friction matches. Here was something new, a real improvement, a great convenience—fire could be produced instantly by rubbing a match over any rough surface—and withall the act destroyed the match so there would be a continual consumption and a constant demand. These considerations led him to investigate and he was able to learn the method of manufacture.

Returning home that spring—1844—he set to work and after much compounding and experimenting perfected the composition for the heads of the matches and made **five gross!** It will interest the reader no doubt to learn that the match sticks were made by hand with a plane the iron of which had one or two holes in it with cutting edges. Pushing this plane over the edge of a straight grained board produced one or two long round sticks as long as the board. These were then cut into lengths, dipped, dried and packed in boxes for sale.

Those five gross were taken to Utica, N. Y. but there he met with no encouragement. New inventions were not as readily adopted then as now and although the new-fangled fire makers beat flint and tinder out of sight the merchants would not buy! With great difficulty he induced them to take them on trial, a few in a place, to be paid for if sold. A few more gross were made and traded for groceries and drygoods to meet the needs of his family and so, slowly, the business grew—those who once used matches never went back to flint and steel—merchants began to buy—he put up a small building or two, hired some help and gradually built up a paying business. The writer well remembers riding with him to Utica behind old “Charley horse” in the “democrat” wagon packed with 20 or 30 gross of matches to be peddled out for cash, credit, groceries, anything to make a sale, and when all were disposed of the horse’s head was turned toward home and the load of barter was there disposed of to the best advantage. This was a weekly occurrence.

But William Gates could never be satisfied to continue making matches in that slow laborous manner; so while the business was gradually growing he was inventing improved Machinery and Methods. The first continuous match machine ever built was patented by him in 1854. For that day, it was a marvel, taking in blocks of wood at one end and delivering matches ready for use at the other. He also bought a crude machine for making paper boxes, perfected it, made it work, patented the improvements and for years it “ate” rolls of paper and dropped finished boxes into the basket at the rate of 60 a minute. About this time he began the manufacture of Phosphorus, on a small scale to supply his needs, the price of that commodity being very high at that time; so importing some workmen skilled in the art he soon succeeded in making enough to make him independent of the foreign manufacturers. At the Herkimer County Fair, held in Frankfort in the fall of 1855, he exhibited samples of his matches and also some phosphorus. On page 12 will be found a facsimile of the placard that he hung above the latter exhibit, said placard giving a fair sample of his penmanship at that period. He used a quill pen and wrote a very plain hand. His business prospered, he was able to buy land, put up buildings, install improved machinery etc. until at the time of his death his factory was the most complete in the country. His success was not a matter of luck or chance but of hard work and bulldog tenacity. He earned it.

With his employes he was generous and helpful. He knew what poverty was and helped them over the hard places without ostentation; many acquired homes by his aid paying him in installments as they were able. The aroma of his kindly deeds lingers in many homes and hearts in Frankfort.

He loved the right and hated wrong. In all his business dealings no one ever accused him of deception or unfair practices; while he suffered sometimes by the chicanery of others, his high sense of honor would not allow him to descend to a return in kind.

In early life he was a Democrat and followed his party until 1856 when to the surprise of his friends he joined in the call to organize (locally) the Republican party. He told the writer once that while he did not like the position of his old party on the slavery



question, nevertheless he tried to convince himself and others that it was the best that could be done etc. until he realized that he was asserting what he did not really believe until he was **beginning to believe it!** Then he broke short off and followed his convictions. For many years he was prominent, locally, in the councils of the new party but never sought office. Later when the Republican party persistently refused to take up the Temperance question he reluctantly took leave of those with whom he had trained for 20 years and cast his vote with the Prohibition Party.

In 1875 under the ministry of Rev. J. L. Humphrey he was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. His best eulogy is that he so lived that dying, he was everywhere missed and his memory was a legacy to all.

Placard hung over an Exhibit of Phosphorus at the County Fair, 1855.

# Phosphorus

This interesting article is manufactured principally, in France and Germany. Until the subscriber commenced, it is believed that none was ever made in America, except as an experiment in the Chemist's laboratory. Persons desirous of seeing the process of manufacturing will be gratified, by calling on the subscriber, at any time during the ~~day~~ last day of the Fair.

Wm Gates

WILLIAM BUCKMINSTER GATES (1644). s. William (906).

b. Sep. 17, 1840, Ballston, N. Y. d. May 5, 1900, Frankfort, N. Y.

m. Apl. 8, 1863, Fannie Adeline Rodgers, dau. Lucius C. and Mary (Austin) Rodgers.  
she b. Apl. 11, 1846, Frankfort, d. Feb. 2, 1916, Oshkosh, Wis.

#### Children

Minnie Aurelia (2088) b. Sep. 23, 1866, Chicago. d. July 30, 1867, Chicago.

Arthur Deuel (2089) b. Oct. 10, 1867, Chicago. d. .... See page 14.

Charles Leonard (2090) b. May 9, 1872, Frankfort, N. Y. d. Sep. 4, 1872, Frankfort.

Herbert Rodgers (2091) b. Mar. 24, 1876, Frankfort, N. Y. d. .... See page 15.

William Buckminster Gates (1644) was born in Ballston, N. Y., moved with his parents to Frankfort, N. Y., when about 3 years old, attended the "District School" there and later a seminary at Fort Edward, N. Y. Soon after his marriage in 1863 he went to Chicago to represent his father as Western Sales Manager for "Gates' Matches." He also had charge there of a small match factory for his father. About 1870 he returned to Frankfort and from that date until about 1880 was in charge of the Office and Sales departments of the business there.

Upon the death of his father—William Gates—in 1877—the business was inherited by the three surviving sons, William B., George W., and Frederick, and was continued under the name of William Gates' Sons until 1881 when it was merged, with other match concerns into the Diamond Match Company. William B. at that time was elected Treasurer of said Company but a long and dangerous illness followed almost immediately so that the choice of a successor became necessary.

Recovering finally he moved to Chicago again and engaged in business there until about 1898 in failing health he came back to the old home at Frankfort to die May 5, 1900. His wife survived him until February 2, 1916, living at Oshkosh, Wis.

He was converted about 1866 and was an earnest worker in the Methodist Episcopal Church for many years. Because of his earnest appeals, many forsook their sins to lead a new and better life and bless his memory and thank God for the influence for good that he brought into their lives.

ARTHUR DEUEL GATES (2089). s. William B. (1644).

b. Oct. 10, 1867, Chicago. d. ....

m. First—June 15, 1892, Carra Isabella Atkins, dau. Elias C. and Sarah Atkins of Indianapolis, Ind. They were divorced in July, 1904.

m. Second—Feb. 11, 1909, Elinor Wild, dau. George P. and Sarah (Pierce) Wild of Sycamore, Ill. She was b. Oct. 18, 1872. d. ....

Res. Sycamore, Ill. Occ. Retail Shoe Merchant.

#### Children of First Marriage.

Cornelius Atkins (2089a) b. Aug. 5, 1894. d. Dec. 18, 1901? Indianapolis.

#### Children of Second Marriage.

HERBERT RODGERS GATES (2091). s. William B. (1644).

b. Mar. 24, 1876, Frankfort, N. Y. d.....

m. Sep. 10, 1902, Alice Gibbons, dau. Geo. A. and Alice (Alexander) Gibbons of Houston, Tex. She was b. Sep. 6, 1877.

Res. 711 Gray Ave., Houston. Occ. with the Texas Company, Refining Dept. Houston.

#### Children

Lila Belle (2091a) b. July 11, 1903, Houston. d.....

Minnie Alice (2091b) b. May 17, 1905, Houston. d.....

Frances Elizabeth (2091c) b. Aug. 5, 1907, Houston. d.....

GEORGE WASHINGTON GATES (1645) s. William (906).

b. Feb. 22, 1843, Half Moon, N. Y. d. Sep. 22, 1918, Oshkosh, Wis.

m. Apl. 8, 1863, Emma Angelett Grant, dau. Abram and Mary (Phillips) Grant of Frankfort, N. Y. She was b. Oct. 7, 1845. d.....

#### Children

Lindley Frank (2092) b. July 6, 1866. d..... See page 16.

Ada (2093) b. Mar. 7, 1870. d..... See page 16.

LeRoy Grant (2094) b. June 16, 1881. d..... See page 16.

George Washington Gates (1645) when about four months old was carried in his mother's arms as she rode in a one horse wagon from Half Moon, N. Y. to Frankfort, N. Y.—some 50 miles. He was educated in the public school at Frankfort and at the old Fairfield Seminary in Herkimer County, N. Y. He inherited much of his father's mechanical ingenuity; grew up in his father's factory and machine shop and when the father laid aside the active superintendency George was the logical successor. From 1866 to the organization of the Diamond Match Co. in 1880 except for one brief intermission of a few months, he was in charge of all operations at the factory including enlargements and rebuilding.

In 1881 he went to Oshkosh, Wis. to take charge of the J. L. Clark factory, which had been acquired by the D. M. Co. and continued there as Manager until he resigned in 1892 in favor of his son Lindley Frank Gates, the present manager. In 1910 he was again employed by the D. M. Co. in their Machinery Department at Oshkosh, and continued there until failing health compelled him to give up the position in 1918.

Besides being a natural mechanic he was a natural musician and acquired a good deal of proficiency upon the piano, organ and cornet; organized a brass band of twenty pieces and directed it for 20 years, most of the members being operatives at the Frankfort factory; was organist and choir director at the Baptist church in Frankfort and later held the same position at Oshkosh.

He was quiet, unassuming, an honest Christian, a Deacon in the Baptist Church at Frankfort, also at Oshkosh, a man with many warm friends who valued him for his sterling qualities and who treasure the memory of a man of honor who was just and true in all his dealings with his fellow man.

LINDLEY FRANK GATES (2092) s. George W. (1645)

- b. July 6, 1866, Frankfort, N. Y. d.....  
 m. First—July 6, 1886, Mary Bertha Owen, dau. Rev. David E. (D.D.) and Elizabeth (Jones) Owen of Newark, O. She was b. Jan. 19, 1868, Newark. d. Apl. 31, 1887, at Oshkosh, Wis.  
 m. Second—Aug. 30, 1893, Nelly Louette Smith, dau. Samuel W. and Emily (Grenelle) Smith, Albion, N. Y. She was b. Oct. 4, 1865, Albion. d..... res. Oshkosh, Wis. occ. Local Manager, Diamond Match Co.

**Children of First Marriage**

- Rhea Owen (2092a) b. Apl. 29, 1887, Oshkosh, Wis. d.....  
 res. Oshkosh. occ. Teacher and Social Worker.

**Children of Second Marriage.**

- Ralph Grant (2092b) b. Oct. 22, 1901, Oshkosh, Wis. d.....  
 res. Oshkosh. occ. Student.

ADA GATES (2093) dau. George W. (1645)

- b. Mar. 7, 1870, Frankfort, N. Y. d.....  
 m. First—Mar. 11, 1891, John Earl Morgan s. John R. and Ellen (Hughes) Morgan, Oshkosh, Wis. He was b. Aug. 22, 1868, Oshkosh. They were divorced Feb. 5, 1898.  
 m. Second—July 16, 1898. Theodore Rudolph Frentz s. Theodore and Caroline (Weisbrod) Frentz, Oshkosh. He was b. Dec. 17, 1863. res. Oshkosh. occ. Cashier New American Bank.

**Children of First Marriage.**

- Beatrice Morgan b. Dec. 12, 1892 Oshkosh. d.....  
 res. Oshkosh. occ. Teacher.  
 Lindley Frank Morgan b. Dec. 18, 1894 Oshkosh. d. Mar. 17, 1902. Oshkosh.

**Children of Second Marriage.**

- Ruth Isabel Frentz b. Aug. 3, 1900, Oshkosh. d.....  
 res. Oshkosh. occ. Clerk in New American Bank.  
 Theodore Gates Frentz b. Oct. 18, 1905, Oshkosh. d.....  
 res. Oshkosh. occ. Student.

LEROY GRANT GATES (2094) s. George W. (1645)

- b. June 16, 1881, Oshkosh, Wis. d.....  
 m. Aug. 10, 1905 Effie Perry Maxwell dau. Frank Wellington and Helen Cornelia (Perry) Maxwell, Oshkosh. She was b. Aug. 27, 1881. res. Bakersfield, Cal. occ. Mechanical Engineer.

FREDERICK GATES (1647) s. William (906)

b. Oct. 3, 1848 Frankfort, N. Y. d.....

m. May 29, 1866 Emily Elizabeth Wightman dau. Rev. Oramel Eleazer and Mary  
Amanda (Van Antwerp) Wightman, Jordanville, N. Y. She was b. July 11,  
1846 at Hammond, N. Y.

res. Long Valley, Morris Co., N. J. occ. Market Gardener.

**Children.**

Renfrew Wightman (2095) b. Nov. 7, 1868. d..... **See below.**

Frederick William (2096) b. Aug. 9, 1872. d..... **See pg. 18.**

George Winfield (2097) b. July 1, 1876. d..... **See pg. 18.**

RENFREW WIGHTMAN GATES (2095) s. Frederick (1647)

b. Nov. 7, 1868, Frankfort, N. Y. d.....

m. Oct. 2, 1889 Marion Wilson Taylor, dau. John Andrew and Margaret (McGill) Tay-  
lor of Frankfort. She was b. Nov. 9, 1867, Galesburg, Ill. res. Des Moines, Ia.  
occ. Public Accountant.

**Children.**

Harlow Taylor (2244) b. Apl. 8, 1891. d..... **See below.**

Frederick (2245) b. Oct. 3, 1892, Harriman, Tenn. d..... Lance Corporal, Co. E,  
25th U. S. Engineers, A. E. F., in France. World War, Nov., 1917, to July,  
1919. res. Grimes, Iowa. occ. Farmer.

Margaret Corinna (2095c) b. Dec. 1, 1899, Chattanooga, Tenn. d.....  
res. Des Moines, Iowa. occ. Student.

John Renfrew (2095d)

Jean Marion (2095e) Twins. b. May 19, 1911, Memphis, Tenn. d.....  
res. Des Moines, Iowa.

HARLOW TAYLOR GATES (2244) s. Renfrew W. (2095)

b. Apl. 8, 1891, Harriman, Tenn. d.....

m. June 3, 1914, Pearl Elizabeth Lenz, dau. William Frederick and Josephine (Beitler)  
Lenz of Pittsburgh, Pa. She was b. July 21, 1890, Pittsburgh. res. Des Moines,  
Iowa. occ. Asst. Public Accountant.

**Children.**

Doris Pearl (2244a) b. Apl. 6, 1919, Clarksburg, W. Va. d.....

FREDERICK WILLIAM GATES (2096) s. Frederick (1647)

b. Aug. 9, 1872, Ilion, N. Y. d.....  
 m. Dec. 24, 1891, Jennie Belle Lindsay, dau. Charles May and Angeline (Allen) Lindsay  
 of Harriman, Tenn. She was b. June 21, 1869, Fly Creek, N. Y. res. Westfield,  
 N. J. occ. General Eastern Manager, Plunkett Chemical Co. Office in New  
 York City.

**Children.**

William (2246) b. Sept. 22, 1893.  
 Wendell Lawrence (2096b) b. Oct. 31, 1898, Chattanooga, Tenn. d.....  
 res. Westfield, N. J. occ. Clerk, Plunkett Chem. Co., N. Y. City.  
 Helen (2096c) b. June 25, 1900, Ridgedale, Tenn. d..... res. Westfield, N. J.  
 occ. Student.

WILLIAM GATES (2246) s. Frederick W. (2096)

b. Sept. 22, 1893, Harriman, Tenn. d.....  
 m. Oct. 1, 1915, Louva Dell Drew, dau. Manvis Roscoe and Katherine Jane (Blunt) Drew  
 of Greenfield, Mass. She was b. Mar. 23, 1890, Greenfield. res. Garwood, N. J.  
 occ. Auto Express.

**Children.**

Raymond Leonard (2246a) b. May 4, 1917, Bridgeport, Conn. d.....  
 Ruth Jeanette (2246b) b. Dec. 22, 1919, Clifton, N. J. d.....

GEORGE WINFIELD GATES (2097) s. Frederick (1647)

b. July 1, 1876, Frankfort, N. Y. d.....  
 m. Apl. 23, 1902, at Jasper, Tenn., Nell Eugenie Newcomb, dau. Frederick and Jennie  
 Louise (Chamberlain) Newcomb. She was b. ....1874, Eastport, Me.  
 res. Chattanooga, Tenn. occ. Machinist.

**Children.**

Grace Ione Coombs (2097a) b. Sept. 19, 1905, Mentone, Ala. d.....  
 George Marshall Newcomb (2097b) b. Aug. 30, 1908, Mentone. d.....

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## 11th Generation

Raymond Leonard (2246a)  
Ruth Jeanette (2246b)

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## Appendix I

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### Alfred Gates (1904)

of

Franklin, La.

and his

### Descendants

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NOTE.—The numbers in parenthesis below (904) and (432) refer to the identification numbers in "Stephen Gates and His Descendants" mentioned heretofore, the other numbers employed in this Appendix are used for convenience in identifying the several parties for the purpose of this Appendix only.

ALFRED GATES (904) son of William (Buckminster) Gates (432).

b. July 27, 1803, Stillwater, N. Y. d. Jan. 10, 1874, Franklin, La.

m. Aug. 3, 1826, at Syracuse, N. Y., Amoret Cossit, dau. Sterling and Susan (Smith) Cossit. She was b. Sept. 16, 1807, Marcellus, N. Y. d. June 4, 1881, at Franklin, La.

#### Children.

Frederick Larned (904a) See pg. 21.

Susan Cornelia (904b) See pg. 23.

Virginia (904c) b. Jan. 1, 1835, Baton Rouge, La. d. Feb. 19, 1835, Baton Rouge, La.

Maria Adele (904d) See pg. 24.

Alfred Sterling (904e) See pg. 25.

Alfred Gates (904) was Captain of one of the first passenger boats on the Erie Canal in the early days. He must have made his home in Syracuse before 1826 for he was married there at that time and two of his children were born, one there and one at Liverpool in the same County in 1827 and 1829, but he moved to Baton Rouge, La., soon after the latter date. He then was Captain of steamboats on the Mississippi River running between New Orleans and Saint Louis. For several years he was in this occupation, one of the boats he commanded being the "Daniel Webster." It took three weeks then to make the run up stream to St. Louis.

About 1848 he moved to Franklin, La., engaging in the lumber business; had a number of slaves, considerable real estate, saw mills, etc., and was prospering financially when the Civil War broke out. He was an old line Whig, became a Secessionist, and lost all his property by confiscation; his slaves were emancipated; his mills dismantled and his stock consumed by the U. S. Army. After the war he refused to accept the verdict and would not subscribe to the Oath of Allegiance to the U. S. Government. He was a strong churchman—Episcopal.

**FREDERICK LARNED GATES (904a) s. Alfred (904)**

b. July 8, 1827, Syracuse, N. Y. d. May 25, 1897, New Iberia, La.  
 m. Nov. 16, 1854, St. Martinsville, La., Maria Louisa Moseley, dau. Eldridge Newson and  
 Elizabeth (Denson) Moseley. She was b. Aug. 25, 1833, Richmond, Va.  
 d. May 11, 1918.

**Children.**

Cornelia Barnard (904aa) **See below.**

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Frederick (904ac) **See pg. 22.**

Amoret (904ad) **See pg. 22.**

Walter Moseley (904ae) b. June 30, 1869, Franklin, La. d. Dec. 23, 1909.

Alfred (904af) **See pg. 22.**

Frederick Larned Gates (904a) was a veteran of the Mexican War. In the Civil War he was a lieutenant and adjutant in Terrill's Regiment, Tex. Vol., C. S. A.; was badly wounded at the battle of Pleasant Hill between Dick Taylor's forces and Gen. Banks' army. After the war he engaged in the cotton seed oil industry at which he prospered. He was a lawyer by profession, was Judge of the District Court of Iberia Parish for several years and also represented his parish in the State Legislature.

**CORNELIA BARNARD GATES (904aa) dau. Frederick L. (904a)**

b. July 11, 1855, St. Martinsville, La. d. Oct. 12, 1892, New Iberia, La.  
 m. Dec. 28, 1876, Franklin, La., Charles Peterson Hine, s. T. D. and Helen (Smith) Hine.  
 He was b. Sept. 9, 1850, New Haven, Conn. d. Aug. 26, 1909.

**Children.**

William Warren Hine b. Nov. 28, 1877. d. Dec. 23, 1893, Baton Rouge, La.

Mabel Florence Hine. b. Aug. 11, 1879. d.....  
 m. Mar. 8, 1900, Porteus Richard Burke.

Earl Frederick Hine. b. May 4, 1882. d.....  
 m.....Lucille Fourney.

Eldridge Moseley Hine. b. June 1, 1891. d.....  
 m.....Olga Smith.

**HORATIO PALFREY GATES (904ab) s. Frederick L. (904a)**

b. Aug. 25, 1861, Texas. d.....

m. June 18, 1890, New Iberia, La. Alice Marie Dupre, dau. Oscar and Zulmee (Mayo)  
 Dupre. She was b. July 30, 1868, New Orleans, La. d..... res. New  
 Iberia. occ. Farmer.

**Children.**

Marie Louise (904aba) b. Oct. 5, 1891. d.....  
 Oscar Thomas (904abb) b. Nov. 13, 1894. d. Oct. 20, 1895.  
 Nina Cicilia (904abc) b. Sept. 21, 1896. d.....  
 Alice Ann (904abd) b. Jan. 15, 1900. d.....  
 Lucille Marguerete (904abe) b. Dec. 10, 1902. d.....  
 Amoret Katherine (904abf) b. Sept. 21, 1905. d.....  
 Myrtle Elizabeth (904abg) b. Mar. 26, 1909. d.....

FREDERICK GATES (904ac) s. Frederick L. (904a)

b. Mar. 12, 1865, Franklin, La. d.....  
 m. Feb. 5, 1890, New Iberia, La. Alphonsine Dubuis, dau. Jules and Henrietta (Gou-  
 gon) Dubuis. She was b..... d. Oct. 16, 1919.  
 res. 4808 Magazine St., New Orleans. occ. U. S. Inspector Customs.

**Children.**

Francis Earl (904aca) b. Oct., 1895. d.....  
 m. June 8, 1919, Bernadetta Fabares, dau. B. Fabares, Algiers, La. She was  
 b. Oct. 17, 1895. d..... res. San Diego, Cal. occ. ....  
**One Child**, Joseph Norman (904acaa) b. Apl. 9, 1920).  
 Henrietta (904acb) b. Aug., 1897. d.....

AMORET GATES (904ad) dau. Frederick L. (904a)

b. Aug. 7, 1859, St. Martinsville, La. d. Sept. 13, 1907.  
 m. Dec. 22, 1891, James F. Gebert, s. Adam and Leventina (Grout) Gebert. He was  
 b. July 4, 1853, Circleville, O. d. Oct. 23, 1906. No Children.

ALFRED GATES (904af) s. of Frederick L. (904a)

b. Aug. 18, 1874, Franklin, La. d.....  
 m. Mar. 15, 1895, New Iberia, La., Louise Fargot, dau. John A. and Ida (De Blanc)  
 Fargot. She was b. Feb. ...., 1878, New Iberia, La. d..... res. Baton  
 Rouge, La. occ. with Standard Oil Co.

**Children.**

James Gebert (904afa) b. Oct. 4, 1897. d.....  
 m. Apl. 5, 1918, Aldina Scaife, dau. Dr. Robt. H. and Nebada (Gibbs) Scaife.  
 She was b. Nov. 30, 1897.

SUSAN CORNELIA GATES (904b) dau. Alfred (904).

b. Nov. 16, 1829. Liverpool, N. Y. d. Apl. 8, 1891. San Antonio, Tex.  
 m. First—Sept. 30, 1852, John Barnard, s. .... d. Nov. 12, 1854.  
 m. Second—Mar. 8, 1858, William Taylor Palfrey, s. John Palfrey. b. Nov. 3, 1800.  
 d. Nov. 29, 1868.

**Children of First Marriage.**

Alfred Gates Barnard b. Aug. 21, 1854, Franklin, La. d. Jan. 14, 1915.  
 m. First—Dec. 27, 1877, Martha Hamilton De Valcourt, who bore:  
 Nina De V. Barnard b. Oct. 14, 1878.  
 m. Second—Oct. 12, 1882, Sarah Abbay De Valcourt, who bore:  
 Mattie De V. Barnard b. Apl. 14, 1884.

**Children of Second Marriage.**

George De Clouet Palfrey b. Dec. 20, 1858. m. Dec. 29, 1881, Amelia Gorgas, dau.  
 Gen. Josiah Gorgas, and begat:

Jessie Palfrey b. Mar. 24, 1883.  
 William Taylor Palfrey b. Jan. 30, 1885.  
 Minna Palfrey b. June 15, 1888.

Henry Sterling Palfrey b. Dec. 27, 1860. m. Jan. 15, 1885, Millie Wall, dau. William  
 Wall, and begat:

Harry Palfrey b. Oct. 3, 1885. d. Nov. 10, 1887.  
 Myrtle Palfrey b. May 14, 1889. m. .... Brumby.  
 Willie Palfrey b. Feb. 11, 1891. m. .... Foster.  
 Donelson Caffery Palfrey b. Apl. 21, 1895.  
 Vera Lydia Palfrey b. Apl. 1, 1902.

Frank Richardson Palfrey b. July 17, 1863. d. Feb. 18, 1889. Unmarried.

Thomas Bisland Palfrey b. July 17, 1863. d. Aug. 20, 1914.

m. Apl., 1894, Lee Upson Palfrey, who bore:  
 Frank Upson Palfrey b. Oct. 10, 1895.

MARIA ADELE GATES (904d) dau. Alfred (904)

b. Apl. 3, 1836, Baton Rouge, La. d. Apl. 9, 1906.  
m. Apl. 29, 1856, John B. Marsh b. Nov. 25, 1828. d. May 14, 1892.

**Children.**

Nina Hamilton Marsh b. Mar. 3, 1857. m. Feb. 28, 1878, Wm. Prescott Foster, & bore:

Emma Marsh Foster b. Nov. 23, 1878.

Leila Amoret Foster b. Oct. 19, 1880. m. Walter R. Gates. **See pg. 26.**

Martha Prescott Foster b. Oct. 29, 1882.

Murphy John Foster b. Apl. 16, 1886.

Thomas Jefferson Foster b. Mar. 31, 1888.

William Alston Marsh b. Apl. 13, 1858. m. Aug., 1880, Elizabeth Heyle and begat:

John Heyle Marsh b. July 13, 1881.

Sidney Wallace Marsh b. May 3, 1883. d. June, 1884.

Hamilton Allen Marsh b. Feb. 23, 1885.

George Villere Marsh b. Jan., 1887.

Walter Prescott Marsh b. Dec. 26, 1889.

William Alston Marsh b. July, 1893. d. Nov. 1, 1896.

Myrtle Adele Marsh b. Aug. 1, 1898.

Elizabeth Morse Marsh b. Aug. 4, 1900.

Frederick Cade Marsh b. Aug. 31, 1862. d. Sep. 13, 1908.

m. Dec. 19, 1906, Marie Michael and begat:

Martha Marsh b. Nov., 1907.

Elizabeth Amoret Marsh b. Aug. 9, 1866. m. June 29, 1893. Thomas Foster Frere,

M. D., b. Feb. 17, 1870. d. July 16, 1916, and bore;

John Marsh Frere b. Apl. 24, 1894.

Thomas Foster Frere b. Feb. 18, 1896.

Dixie Navaro Frere b. Sept. 1, 1898. d. Nov. 21, 1899.

Emma Adele Frere b. Aug. 29, 1901.

Elizabeth Frere b. Oct. 31, 1904.

ALFRED STERLING GATES (904e) s. Alfred (904).

b. June 4, 1842, Baton Rouge, La. d. Feb. 19, 1918, Franklin, La.  
m. Jan. 3, 1870, Franklin, Helen Lovisa Johnson, dau. Cheney and Elizabeth Maria  
(Smith) Johnson of Franklin. She was b. Jan. 31, 1844. d. July 19, 1900.

**Children.**

Sterling Johnson (904ea) See below.  
Augustus Fuller (904eb) See pg. 26.  
Elizabeth Adele (904ec) See pg. 26.  
Homer Horatio (904ed) See pg. 26.  
Walter Richard (904ee) See pg. 26.

Alfred Sterling Gates (904e) enlisted Apl., 1861, in the St. Mary's Cannoneers, served in the C. S. A. during the entire Civil War, was captured by Federal troops after Farragut passed the forts at the mouth of the Mississippi River, was paroled and exchanged, was in both days' fighting at the battle of Irish Bend, also engaged at Mansfield, Pleasant Hill, Cane River and innumerable skirmishes with Bank's army on its march to Port Hudson. A history of the Company will be found in Jeff Davis' history of the war—"Farragut and Forts Jackson and St. Phillip."

After the war he studied Medicine, graduated with honor and practiced in Franklin and also managed a Drug Store.

STERLING JOHNSON GATES, M. D. (904ea) s. Alfred S. (904e)

b. Oct. 21, 1870, Luna Landing, Ark. d. Jan. 2, 1915, Cliff, New Mex.  
m. .... Ada Favrot, dau. George and ..... Favrot, Baton Rouge, La.  
She was b. .... d. ....

**Children.**

Sterling Atherton (904aaa) b. Jan. 20, 1899, Franklin. d. ....

Dr. Sterling Johnson Gates was born in Luna Landing, Ark., on the 21st of October, 1870. He was the eldest child of Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Gates, who were both natives of Franklin, La. A few months after his birth, his parents returned to their native home permanently. Here he was reared and the Parish of Saint Mary became the scene of his life work. He was educated at the University of Tuscaloosa, Alabama; graduated in medicine and surgery in the medical department of Tulane University, New Orleans, La., and served as both an externe and interne in the Charity Hospital at New Orleans. He therefore commenced the practice of his chosen profession fully prepared and under flattering promises of success. His subsequent work showed how completely he fulfilled the promises of his young professional life. In a few years he took a creditable position in the forefront of the able men of his profession, and maintained it. He soon gathered around him a large clientele whose faith in his ability to help and to heal their bodily infirmities was unswerving.

At last in the midst of his work, usefulness and happiness, the Spoiler came, and he, who had done so much to heal and allay the pains of others, was stricken with a malady that brooks no resistance. Broken down in health and strength, he was compelled to give up his life work among his friends here and seek possible relief in the far west. There in the mountains of Western New Mexico, for two years he continued the unequal fight against the relentless destroyer. He failed, and his gentle, lovable soul passed away from suffering here to that far-off, silent realm beyond the grave. He died at Cliff, New Mexico, on the 2nd day of January, 1915, at the age of 44 years.

He was a Past Master of Franklin Lodge, No. 57, F. & A. M., and a 32° Mason.

AUGUSTUS FULLER GATES, M. D. (904eb) s. Alfred S. (904e)

b. Sept. 30, 1872, Franklin, La. d.....  
 m. Nov. 20, 1901, Sarah Frances Farley, dau. John Coolidge and Sarah Frances (Fester) Farley. She was b..... d.....  
 res. Hammond, La. occ. Physician.

#### Children.

Richard Farley (904eba) b. Feb. 10, 1906. d.....

ELIZABETH ADELE GATES (904ec) dau. Alfred S. (904e)

b. Oct. 7, 1874, Franklin, La. d.....  
 m. Oct. 10, 1894, Franklin, James Berwick Todd, s. Nathan K. and Adelaide (Berwick) Todd. He was b. Feb. 25, 1870, Centerville, La. d. Mar. 27, 1918. He was a Planter at Denham Springs, La.

#### Children.

James Berwick Todd b. Oct. 13, 1896. d.....  
 Alfred Gates Todd b. Nov. 29, 1900. d.....

HOMER HORATIO GATES, M. D. (904ed) s. Alfred S. (904e).

b. May 16, 1876, Franklin, La. d.....  
 m. Nov. 27, 1901, Ole Brown, dau. William T. and Mattie (Bush) Brown, she was b. Nov. 23, 1880, Centerville, La. d. Dec. 23, 1920, Franklin.  
 res. Franklin. occ. Physician.

#### Children.

Helen (904eda) b. Feb. 14, 1903, Franklin. d. Oct. 6, 1906, Franklin.

WALTER RICHARD GATES (904ee) s. Alfred S. (904e).

b. Sep. 25, 1878, Franklin, La. d.....  
 m. Dec. 26, 1901, Leila Amoret Foster, dau. Wm. Prescott and Nina Hamilton (Marsh) Foster. She was b. Oct. 19, 1880. d.....  
 res. Franklin. occ. Practiced law seven years. Now engaged in the Manufacture of Ice.

#### Children.

Amoret Donaldson (904eea) b. Feb. 14, 1904, Franklin. d.....  
 Sterling Prescott (904eeb) b. June 3, 1905, Franklin. d.....  
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## Appendix II

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Ancestry of  
**MARY ANN DEUEL**  
 Wife of  
**WILLIAM GATES**

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NOTE—This record is not as complete as might be desired but all data so far obtained will be found therein. It appears that the ancestors of William Gates and of Mary Ann Deuel, his wife, reached these shores at about the same time—1638-40. The changes which occur in the spelling of the name Deuel from generation to generation should be noted.

### 1st. Generation.

In the town history of Duxbury, Mass. it says:  
 WILLIAM DAVEL (1) (the emigrant) applied for land there Aug. 3, 1640. The town history of Rehoboth, says: he was granted a house and lot Dec. 26, 1645. Jan. 7, 1646 he bought a house and lot of John Hazell. Feb. 9, 1647 permission was given to set up a weir upon the cove "in front of Wm. Davol's house." In 1649 he was a Constable. Oct. 2, 1650 he, his wife and others, were before the Grand Jury for meeting on the Lord's day from house to house contrary to order of the Court enacted June 12, 1650.

History of Newport, R. I. says:—he was made a freeman May 17, 1653. He deeded to his son Benjamin lands in Monmouth, N. J. in 1672. Oct. 22, 1673 he was a jurymen. Feb. 18, 1679 he witnessed a deed by his son Joseph. In 1680 William and Joseph Davol (his son) were taxed One pound, one shilling, and two pence. His birthday and name of his wife are unknown. He must have died later than 1680.

### Comment.

Because the Davels were Quakers they were persecuted by the Pilgrims who themselves came to this hemisphere to escape religious persecution! How strange that they should deny to others—Baptists and Quakers—that which they demanded for themselves.

### 2nd Generation.

JONATHAN DAVOL (2) of Dartmouth, Mass. and Newport, R. I. s. (1).

b. .... d. ....

m. Hannah A(n)dley.

Oct. 31, 1677 joined with others in a grant of 5000 acres of land. Aug. 19, 1698 deeded 50 acres in Dartmouth, Mass.

## 3rd Generation.

JEREMIAH DAVEL (3) s. (2)

b..... d. Nov. 29, 1753.

m. First—May 24, 1711, Sarah Allen.

m. Second—....., Sarah Whitridge.

## Children of First Marriage.

Reuben (4) b. July ....., 1712. m. Mary Roloson who bore:—

Lydia (16), Zilpha (17), Peremiot (18), Benjamin (18)

Timothy (5) b. Jan. 1, 1741, settled in Dutchess Co. N. Y., 1757. m. Lydia Mosher, who bore:—

Lydia (20), Philip (21), Hannah (22), Rhoda (23), Juda (24), Silas (25), John (26), Benjamin (27)

Trustrum (6) b. Mar. 20, 1716.

Silas (7) b. Aug. 9, 1717. See below.

Ruth (8) b. Mar. 14, 1719. m. Howland.

Jeremiah (9) b. May 8, 1721. Supposed to have died before 1753 as he was not mentioned in his father's will.

Abraham (10) b..... d..... His father's Executor.

m. Elizabeth Jones who bore

Abraham (36), Mary (37), Elizabeth (38).

Ephriam (11) b..... d.....

Sarah (12) b..... d.....

## Children of Second Marriage.

Joseph (13)

Friscilla (14)

Mary (15)

## 4th Generation.

SILAS DAVEL (7) s. (3)

b. Aug. 9, 1717. d....., 1799.

m. Mary Wilbur—"Intentioned Oct. 6, 1744, married Nov. 1, 1744."

## Children.

Mary (28), Sarah (29), Hannah (30), Ruth (31), Tillah (32), Jeremiah (33), Wilbur (34), see later. Silas (35).

Silas Davel (7) probably came to Dutchess Co., N. Y., with his brother Timothy (5) in 1757. His will is on record in Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

## 5th Generation.

WILBUR DEUEL (34) s. (7)

b. .... d. ...., 1823.

m. .... Phoebe ....., who bore:—

Rhoda (39) m. Joshua White

Daniel (40) m. Lydia Swift

Silas (41) m. Desire Palmer

Charlotte (42) m. Nathan Palmer

Mary (43) m. Joel Gould

Jeremiah (44) m. Susan Underhill

Phoebe (45) m. Henry Coe

Reuben (46) m. Betsy Howland

Stephen (47) see later.

Ephriam (48). Charity (49).

Wilbur Deuel (34) was a Quaker, owned a large farm in Dover, Dutchess Co., N. Y. His will is recorded in Poughkeepsie. He m. a second wife Ruth, who had no children.

## 6th Generation.

STEPHEN DEUEL (47) s. (34)

b. Aug. 31, 1788. d. Feb. 9, 1855.

m. First—Mar. 5, 1809, Melendea Palmer, her mother was a Northrup. She was b. Nov. 30, 1788, d. Jan. 23, 1827.

m. Second—June 8, 1828, Sarah Dillingham, sister of his son in law Aaron Dillingham, she was b. Aug. 11, 1797. d. Dec. 17, 1875.

## Children of First Marriage.

Sally Ann (50) b. ...., at Dover. d. ...., young.

Susan (51), b. June 12, 1811, d. Apl. 24, 1872, m. Jan. 23, 1828, Aaron Dillingham, her step mother's brother.

Ethan Allen (52) b. June 14, 1813, d. Aug. 31, 1895, m. Oct. 28, 1833, Ruth Coggsall.

Mary Ann (53) see pg. 31.

George Washington (54) b. Aug. 16, 1817. d. May 15, 1827.

William Henry (55) b. Nov. 4, 1819, d. Feb. 16, 1899, Frankfort, N. Y.

m. Oct. 27, 1852, Mary Charlotte Dygert of Frankfort.

She was b. Mar. 11, 1833, d. Dec. 18, 1902. She bore:—

Florence Melinda (65) b. Dec. 6, 1854, m. .... Crumb.

Warner William (66) b. Feb. 10, 1857, d. Oct. 12, 1904.

m. Jennie Williams of Frankfort.

George Eddy (67) b. Apl. 25, 1859.

Frank Dygert (68) b. Sep. 18, 1869.

Mariah (56) b. Dec. 16, 1821, d. Jan. 14, 1850, m. Mar. 25, 1840, Bloomfield Usher.

Walter (57) b. July 14, 1824, d. Mar. 27, 1887, m. Feb. 24, 1851, Keziah Watson, who bore Estus (69) M. D. and Charles (70).

He was a farmer near Lyons, N. Y. before the Civil War, was in the Union Army until the end, then lived several years in Frankfort, N. Y., thence engaged in gardening at Chittenango, N. Y., where he died.

### Children of Second Marriage.

Melendea (58) b. Mar. 10, 1829, d. Feb. 17, 1857, m. May 1, 1855, Philip Snyder.

Joseph Dillingham, b. Apl. 2, 1830, d. Aug. 29, 1836.

George (59) b. Sep. 1, 1831, d. ...., m. Nov. 9, 1854, Sarah M. Haviland.

Caroline (60) b. Jan. 1, 1833, d. June 6, 1849.

Stephen Thorne (61) b. Nov. 24, 1834, d. Feb. 3, 1869, m. ...., Henrietta Wells.

John (62) b. Aug. 12, 1836, d. Feb. 2, 1864, m. June 30, 1861, Eliza Rogers.

Sarah (63) b. Sept. 1, 1839, d. Apl. 2, 1850.

A son unnamed (64) b. Sep. 21, 1841, d. Jan. 28, 1842.

Stephen Deuel (47) lived on a farm in the town of Stamford, Dutchess Co., N. Y., for several years but about 1825 moved to Stillwater, Saratoga Co., N. Y., where his family was raised.

### 7th Generation.

MARY ANN DEUEL (53) dau. (47).

b. Aug. 4, 1815, Stamford, d. Jan. 12, 1899, Frankfort, N. Y.

m. June 5, 1832, William Gates, s. William (Buckminster) and Molly (Bettis) Gates.

Her descendants will be found on pg. 10 and thereafter.

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While living at Stillwater, Mary Ann Deuel (53) made the acquaintance of a young man who was working in his father's grist mill at Clifton Park, about six miles away—William Gates—and at the early age of seventeen she became his wife and a most faithful and devoted wife she proved to be.

Speaking of those early days of her girlhood once she told the writer how they tried to keep fire always in the house, never being without live coals in the ashes of the fireplace except once in a great while, by accident or carelessness they went out. Then she would be sent to a neighbor's to get fire. Taking a large coal between two flat sticks she would run for home blowing the coal to keep it alive. Once or twice she tripped and fell, putting out the coal and had to go back for more. Matches were not used until later.

She learned while quite young to spin and weave and for many years the bed in the guest room at Frankfort was covered with a fine spread spun and woven by her own hands. The following obituary, prepared by Rev. H. Skeel, her pastor, contains much other data.

### OBITUARY

Mrs. William Gates died Jan. 12, 1899, in Frankfort at the "Gates homestead," where she had continuously resided for more than fifty-five years. Her maiden name was Mary Ann Deuel. She was born in Stamford, Dutchess County, N. Y., Aug. 4th, 1815. With her father, Stephen Deuel, when nine years old, she came to Stillwater, Saratoga County, in the spring of 1825. June 5th, 1832, she was married with William Gates, Jr., soon after settling in Balston Spa, where they resided for the greater part of the time until 1842.

In June, 1843, with their family of three sons and two daughters, they came to Frankfort, the eldest son, Theodore, with his grandfather, William Gates, Sr., making the journey by canal with the furniture while Mrs. Gates and her husband, with four children made the trip in a one-horse wagon; the four children being Melinda, Aurelia, William B., and George W., who was then less than four months old. In 1844, Mr. Gates began the manufacture of friction matches, attaining by his success a national reputation. About 1867 she was converted and with her husband became a member of the M. E. church, remaining a most faithful and devoted one to the day of her death.

She was of more than ordinary ability, extremely unpretentious and quiet in her manner, but of keen observation, giving closest attention to all social and religious interests, whether press or of more local kind. None but the needy ever knew how generous was her heart, how benevolent was her hand, none but the workers ever knew what ready helping hand and love she gave in the Master's service. Her life was perfectly transparent and as free as the sunlight from all blame; and as warm and genial as the summer to all good. For all kindness, for all temperance and all righteousness she was as firm as adamant could be.

Slowly disease, with great painfulness, came to her, and, with as great Christian fortitude was borne to the end, while her ready soul waited and wondered that the Master did not call her to her blessed home.

Her words of direction as to her funeral were like her very self—"Do not eulogize the dead, my life is known here and that will speak; if I have done any good to any one, they know it and God knows it and that is sufficient. I want no ostentation but everything done in the plainest manner."

Selecting the text for the service and securing a promise from the writer to preach the sermon on that occasion, she waited in great suffering and in great and rejoicing trust that at last set her free from earthly trials and opened unto her the gates of endless joy.

Great is the loss of the community, of the church, great the bereavement of the children at her going, but unspeakably great is the deliverance of this dear saint of God, and the bliss of her everlasting crowning.

Harlow Skeel.