

***The* GRISWOLD FAMILY**

ENGLAND—AMERICA

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EDWARD of Windsor, Connecticut
FRANCIS of Cambridge, Massachusetts
MATTHEW of Lyme, Connecticut
MICHAEL of Weathersfield, Massachusetts

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To those who have gone before

A tribute

To those that live

A memory

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FOREWORD

There is something exceedingly attractive in the study of historical and genealogical subjects; yet it presents hours of arduous labor and thought, many years of research and investigation, and no one except those who have had experience in this line can have any proportionate idea of the amount of patience and real interest required to prepare a work of this character. Its disappointments and perplexing embarrassments are only surmounted by the feeling of pleasure in the work.

The obscurity of dates, the destruction of entire community records by the elements, the unreliability of tradition, and family obscurity itself, only add to the puzzling situations. The loss of cemetery records is the most pitiable of all and this work is an appeal to all who are interested in the preservation of records to take the precaution now to preserve those gravestones which still remain.

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The present volume comprises the first three generations of the American ancestors from about the year 1639, followed later by a volume of the English families, which required further research.

FRANCIS GRISWOLD

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FRANCIS. Came to New England and settled at Cambridge, Mass., where he had a land grant 1636. He was also proprietor at Charlestown. Freeman 1645. Served as town drummer. His wife was MARY, whom he married in England, and whose family are unknown. His family connection is also unknown, but it has been thought he had some connection with Edward, Matthew, or Michael, of Connecticut, but we have no proof of this. He died in Cambridge, there recorded, Oct. 2, 1652. The *History of Cambridge* relates, Francis died at Charlestown, Oct. 2, 1652, leaving two daughters. Had a land grant of 2 acres for his work and services among the soldiers.

Mary married (2) WILLIAM BULLARD, b. about 1594, who came to New England about 1636. He was witness to the proving of a will 1638 (Suffolk Probate I-15). Son of William and Grace Bignett of Suffolk, England. Settled first at Watertown, later at Dedham, Mass. About 1653 removed to Cambridge. His will July 5, 1679, gives his age about 85 years; d. Dec. 23, 1686. William and Mary were members of the church in Cambridge 1658.

Francis Grissell, to whom reference is made in the calendar of state papers (Minutes of a Committee for Providence Plantation), as having applied in England from July 1635 to Feb. 1636, for remission of the cost of transportation for himself and wife to New England.

Children recorded in Cambridge:

- 2 MARY, b. Aug. 28, 1639; d. y.
- 3 HANNAH, b. Feb. 3, 1642; d. Apr. 1643.
- *4 HANNAH, b. Mar. 4, 1644.
- *5 ELIZABETH.

Records of Cambridge, Mass.; Charlestown, Mass., Archives;
The Bullard Family History.

HANNAH, b. Mar. 4, 1644 (*Francis*¹). Various recorded as Grizold, Grizwold and Grissell; m. Mar. 21, 1662, JOHN KENT,

b. England. Came to Dedham, Mass. 1645. His brother Joshua was in Dedham 1643 and was sent to England in 1644 with a testimonial from the church, and when he returned brought two brothers, John and Joseph, who settled in Bristol county. John was received into the church in Dedham May 16, 1652; freeman 1654, and appears as a witness to the will of John Lamson of Dedham Dec. 15, 1660. Apr. 13, 1673 he and his wife were admitted into the church at Charlestown. 1678-79 he was chosen as one of the tythingmen. She d. in Charlestown Jan. 9, 1690/1.

- 6 Hannah, b. July 2, 1667; m. Joseph Cahoon.
- 7 John, b. 1668; m. Sarah Smith.
- 8 Mary or Marie, b. Feb. 3, 1669/70; d. y.
- 9 Joshua, b. June 15; d. 20, 1672.
- 10 Joshua, b. July 4, 1674; m. Agnes Okeman.
- 11 Joseph, b. Oct. 15, bapt. 17, 1675; m. Rebecca Chittenden.
- 12 Samuel, b. Mar. 23, 1678; d. Mar. 16, 1702; smallpox.
- 13 Ebenezer, b. Aug. 18, bapt. 22, 1680; m. Hannah Gannett.
- 14 Lydia, b. July 16, bapt. 22, 1683; m. Ebenezer Simmons.
- 15 Mary, b. May 12, 1686; m. Joseph Barber.
- 16 Susanna, b. Aug. 13, bapt. 18, 1689.

Charlestown, Mass. Archives; Dedham, Mass. rec.; Charlestown and Dedham church rec.; Kent Fam. Hist., 10.

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ELIZABETH², b. Cambridge, Mass. (*Francis*¹); m. May 13, 1655, JONAH PALMER, s. of Walter and Ann. Resided in Rehoboth, Mass. She d. Bu. Feb. 11, 1691/2.

Jonah m. (2) Nov. 9, 1692, ABIGAIL (Carpenter) TITUS, wid. of John, who was bu. Apr. 16, 1789/90. She was the daughter of William Carpenter, b. Apr. 9, 1643, Weymouth, Mass., who m. John Titus 1659, who m. (1) Rachel and who served in King Philip's war.

Jonas Palmer came to America with his parents and lived at Charlestown, Mass., until 1655; removed to Rehoboth. Inherited 1/2 of his father's estate. His will, Taunton, Mass., Probate, proven July 6, 1709.

Children Palmer by Elizabeth:

- 17 Hannah, b. Nov. 8, 1657; m. John French.
- 18 Samuel, b. Nov. 22, 1659; m. (1) Elizabeth Kinsley; m. (2) Ann Durgy.
- 19 Jonah, b. Mar. 29, 1662; m. Elizabeth Kendrick.
- 20 Mary, b. Feb. 23, 1663; m. Joseph Daggett.
- 21 Martha, b. July 6, 1666; m. Joseph Titus.
- 22 Grace, b. Oct. 1, 1668; m. James Carpenter.

Records of Cambridge, and ~~Rehoboth~~ Rehoboth, Mass.; Carpenter Mem., 40, 41, 45, 47; Bullard Fam., 228; Palmer Groups, (Leavitt), p. 24.

EDWARD GRISWOLD

EDWARD. Born in England, 1607; m. there about 1630, MARGARET, whose family name and parentage have not been disclosed; neither have we actual records of his birth and marriage.

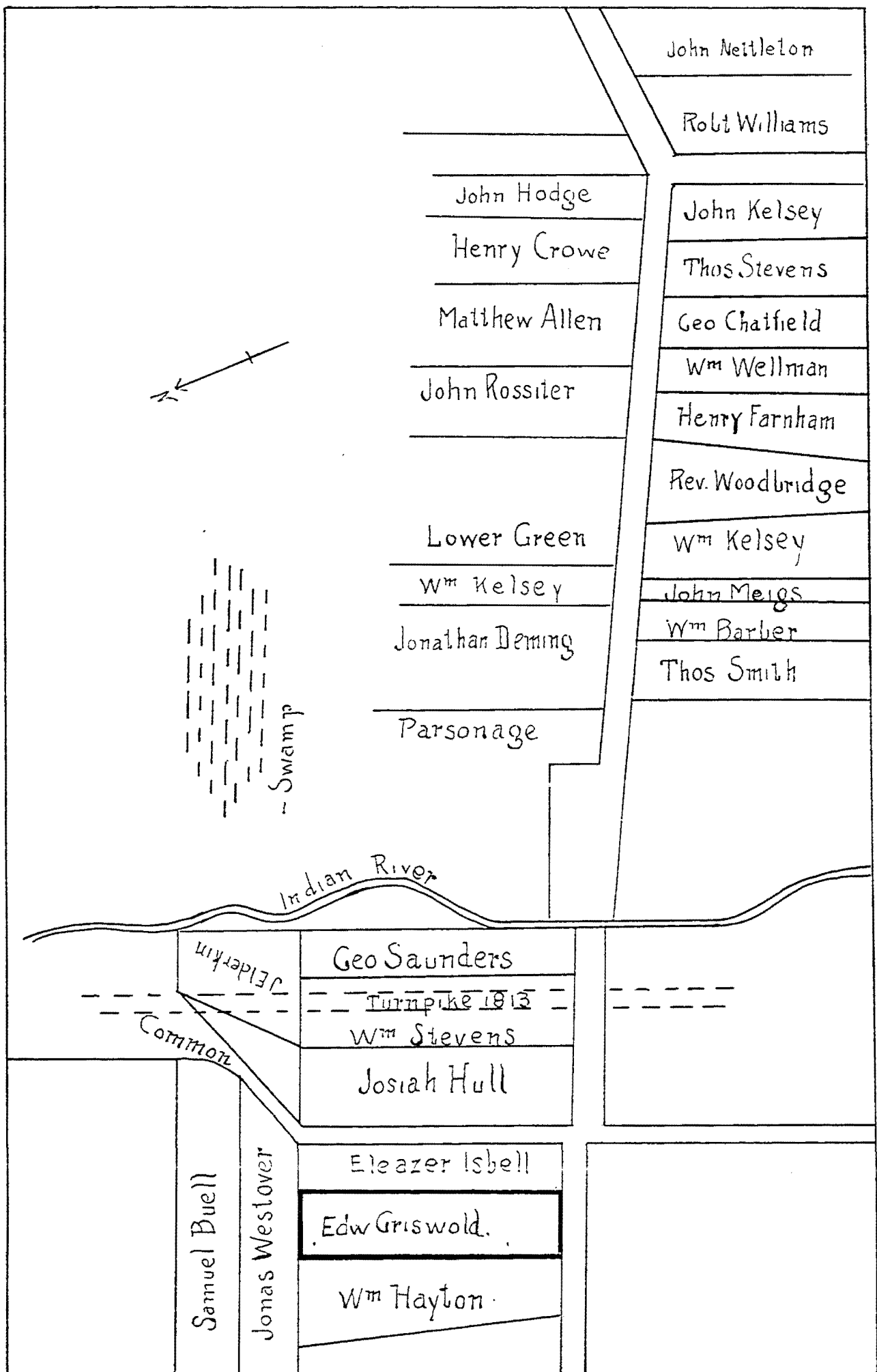
About Aug. 17, 1639, Rev. Ephriam Huit arrived in Windsor, Connecticut with his company and immediately entered upon his labors assisting Rev. John Warham.

Rev. Huit had been pastor at Knowle and Wroxall, Warwickshire, England, Wroxall being a part of Kenilworth Parish. He was a writer of note upon religious subjects and a powerful preacher of the Puritan faith; he was censured for his non-conformity and silenced by the Bishop of Worcester, which, no doubt, was the moving cause of his organizing his company and for his removal to New England. Edward and Matthew Griswold were members of this company, and for this reason it had been thought that the records of Knowle and Wroxall would disclose some clue to the parentage of our ancestors, but thus far they are silent.

Edward was of the sturdy intellectual type and speedily became prominent in the affairs of the new community, exceedingly active, and was frequently mentioned in colonial records. Served as deputy to the General Court Aug. 18, 1658-Mar. 14, 1660, and May 15, 1662-Mar. 11, 1663. In 1659 he built the Old Fort at Springfield for Mr. Pynchon. Also served as J. P. He was granted land at Poquonoc but he did not remove there until after the title of the Indians had been fully extinguished, 1642. But he was resident there with two other families, John Bartlett and Thomas Holcomb, in 1649. His home stood near the highway at the top of the hill; had 29 1/2 acres bounded mostly south and west by Stony Brook; east by the river. His sons George and Joseph inherited the homestead.

In 1663, with his son John, Edward removed to Hammonasset, later called Killingworth.

The present Clinton, Conn., is the original Killingworth; Main Street is the identical ground where the first settlers took their home lots. These were surveyed in 1663 by Byron Rossiter of Guilford. Edward was one of the first settlers and doubtless suggested the name from Kenilworth Parish in England, and



MAP OF ORIGINAL KILLINGWORTH, CONNECTICUT

was the most prominent man in the new settlement and must be given full credit for first organizing this community. He was its first deputy to the General Court.

Among the names entered as planters by the committee we find Edward Griswold, Samuell Buell, and Jonas Westover, and in 1669 these were recorded as freemen.

Edward was largely instrumental in organizing the first church and was its first deacon. Frequently served on important civil matters, his services, counsel and guidance evidently much sought. Served on the committee to establish a Latin school at New London.

Ancient land records on file at the office of the Secretary of State, Hartford, Conn., show land grants in favor of Edward; one of 200 acres; another of 100 acres given by the town of Killingworth; he was a large land holder showing the spirit of those English settlers to accumulate large land holdings.

Margaret died Aug. 23, 1670, and is buried in the Congregational cemetery at Clinton, Conn., her gravestone marked "M.G. 1670" is the oldest monument. However it does not show or indicate the patient devotion nor the hardship endured in that vast wilderness in rearing her family.

Edward married second, 1673, SARAH BEMIS, widow of James Bemis, constable of New London, who died in 1665. She was the daughter of John and Rebecca (Bemis) Dimond.

Edward died in his 84th year, his burial place being unknown, except it may be in the vacant space next to that of Margaret.

The following children were born to Edward and Margaret; the first five were baptized in Kenilworth Parish, England; others are recorded in Windsor, Conn.:

- 2 SARAH, b. 1631; d. y.
- *3 GEORGE, b. 1633.
- *4 FRANCIS, b. 1635.
- 5 LYDIA, b. 1637; no further information.
- *6 SARAH, b. 1638.
- 7 JOHN, b. 1642; d. y.
- *8 ANN, bapt. June 19, 1642.
- *9 MARY, b. Oct. 5, bapt. Oct. 13, 1644.
- *10 DEBORAH, bapt. June 28, 1646.
- *11 JOSEPH, bapt. Mar. 12, 1647.

12 SAMUEL, bapt. Nov. 18, 1646; d. July 6, 1672. His estate Feb. 26, 1672 (Hartford Probate, Mar. 1672/3).

*13 JOHN, bapt. Aug. 1, 1652.

Windsor and Killingworth, Conn., records; Historic Families of America, 297; Conn. Soc. Col. Dames Reg.; Savage Gen. Dict., Vol. I., 163, 288; II, 316; Dimond Fam., 13, 14; Bemis Fam., 211; N. E. Register, Vol. V; Mag. Am. Hist., I, 120, 129; Wylly's Papers, Vol. XXXI, 14, 28, 42, 56, 75, 161, 483; Trumbull Hartford County, II, 521, 548, 552; Manwaring Hartford Probate, I, 60, 103, 112, 121, 130, 252, 253; Stiles Ancient Windsor, I, 75, 148, 157, 158; II, 351; Anniver. 1st Church, Clinton, Conn., 25; Conn. Mag. VIII, 489, 504; Booth & Allied Fam.; Caulkin's Hist. New Lon. 283; Hist. Norwich, Conn., 92, 176; Conn. Hist. Soc. Coll. XXII; Conn. Colony records, Vol. I, 58, 196, 379, 380, 397, 398, 419; Vol. II, 58, 63, 240.. 525; Vol. III, 1, 3, 17, 26, 36, 48, 75, 86, 97, 106, 121, 139, 151, 155, 169.

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GEORGE², b. England, 1633 (*Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, Conn., Oct. 3, 1655, MARY HOLCOMBE, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth, who came from England to Dorchester, Mass., and removed to Windsor 1635. Mary d. Apr. 4, 1708. George made his home in Poquonoc 1649 where he purchased land from the Indians. Poquonoc then was about six miles from Windsor and those families venturing out to this settlement had no protection from any danger that might come or from the Indians; however, from the records, we find this family was never molested. Probably from the fact that he dealt honestly with the Indians and treated them fairly, they respected him; he was known to be of kindly disposition. Made freeman 1669; was a large land owner and a man of high respectability. A sturdy active citizen, but did not aspire to political office. Died Sept. 3, 1704. His estate, Hartford Probate, Vol. VII, 108; Vol. IX, 10, 11; Manwaring, II, 70. Inventory Oct. 2, 1704. An agreement made by the widow and children for the settlement of the estate is recorded. This agree-

ment also mentions his grand-daughter Abigail Griswold and daughters Mary Cooley and Deborah Moore. 1685 he was mentioned in Windsor Patent. 1676 contributed to the poor of other colonies. 1679 had a warehouse on the north side of the Rivulet near the ferry. Trade with England and West Indies.

Children recorded in Windsor:

- *14 DANIEL, b. Oct. 1, 1656.
- *15 THOMAS, b. Sept. 29, 1658.
- *16 EDWARD, b. May 19, 1660/1.
- *17 MARY, b. Sept. 28, 1663.
- 18 GEORGE, b. Dec. 3, 1665. Unm. See will.
- *19 JOHN, b. Sept. 17, 1668.
- *20 BENJAMIN, b. Apr. 16, 1671.
- *21 DEBORAH, b. May 30, 1674.
- 22 ABIGAIL, b. Oct. 31, 1676; d. May 7, 1682.
- 23 SAMUEL, b. Nov. 5, 1681; d. June 1, 1682.

Windsor, Conn., records; Nash Puritan Ancestors; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 351; Porter Fam. Hist., I, 63; N. E. Register, V, 226; Conn. Colonial records, Vol. I, 196, 256; II, 519; Gen. Daniel Bissell Fam. Hist., 25; Joseph Parsons Fam. Hist., 119; Historic Families of America, 297; Conn. Hist. Soc. Col., XXII, 183, 219, 264.

The will of George, b. 1665 (Manwaring Hartford Probate, III, 560), becomes important as a reference in that it mentions a number of the family and especially it seems to link the families of Edward and Michael by its reference to Jacob Griswold. Will dated Nov. 25, 1746.

I, George Griswold, of Windsor, make this my last will and testament: I give unto my cousin Hezekiah Griswold the whole of the lott that I now live upon, with all the buildings and appurtenances thereof; also the pasture on the west side of the street, likewise the whole of my round swamp; also my will is that the said Hezekiah have my two lots in Indian field and also my island; likewise to said Hezekiah have all my part in the corn mill; also that he have one half of my moveable estate. I give unto Peletiah Griswold my south lott in the fourth meadow during his natural life and after Peletiah's death my will is that the same lot return to the above Hezekiah Griswold. Also that the said Peletiah have one half of the last division of land laid out to me in the town

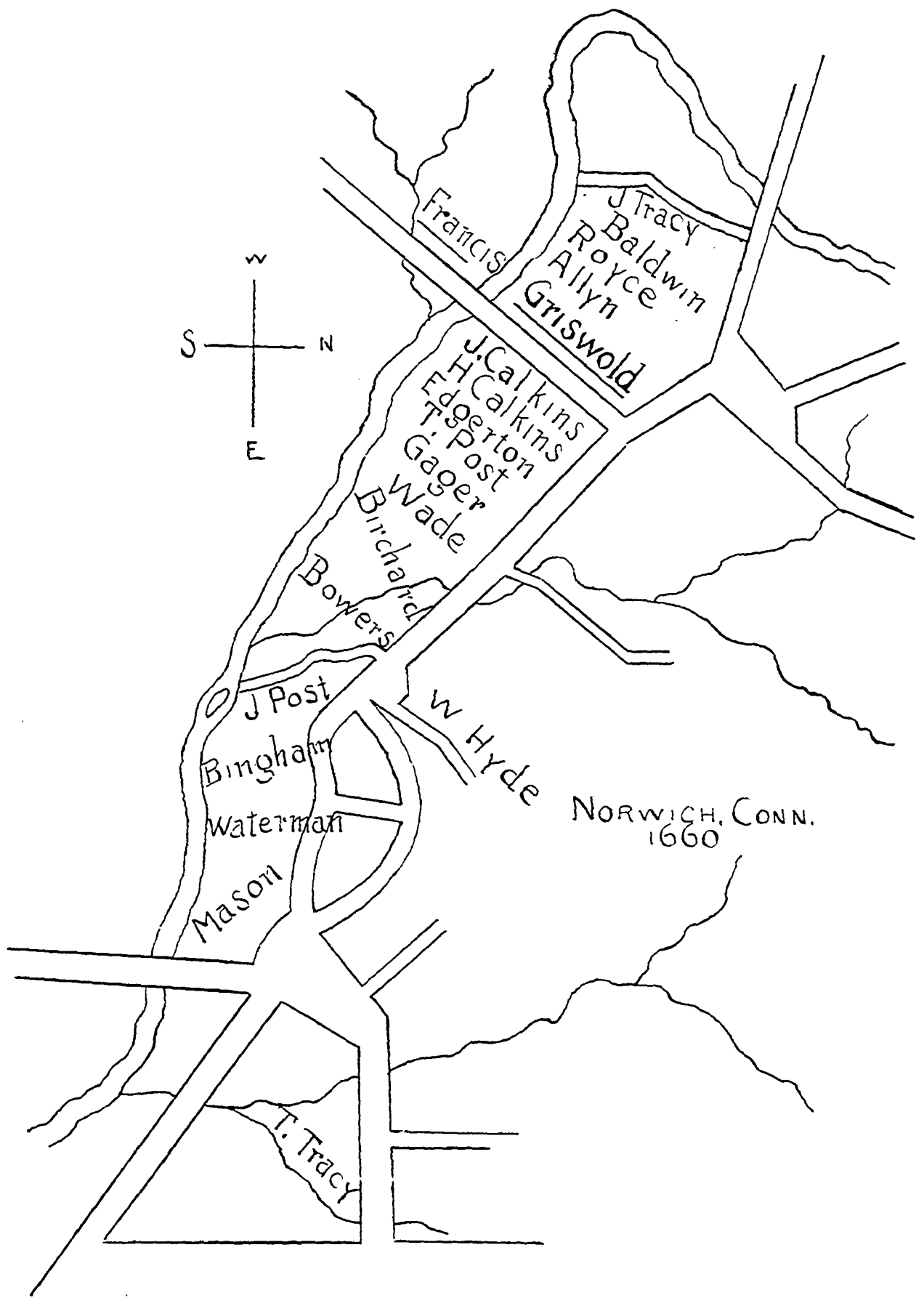
commons during his natural life, and after Peletiah's death my will is that it shall return to my cousin John Griswold. I give unto Joseph Bernard all my land in the quarrey field. I give unto George Griswold, 2nd of Windsor, my north lot in the fourth meadow. I give unto Jacob Griswold my wash brook lott. I give George Griswold, son of Daniel of Bolton, my right in the equivalent land. I give unto Isaac Griswold the other half of the last division of land laid out to me in the town commons, together with Peletiah Griswold to be divided between them, viz., Peletiah and Isaac. I give Zerviah, Sgt. George Griswold's wife, the other half of my moveable estate, together with Hezekiah Griswold to be divided between them. I appoint my cousin Hezekiah Griswold sole executor.

All the legatees mentioned in the above will were his first cousins except Isaac and Jacob. If it be true that Edward and Michael were brothers then Isaac and Jacob would be second cousins. However, Isaac of Windsor might have been the one intended and he would have been a third cousin. But we find no Jacob in the Edward branch, and George having mentioned his cousins through the will it might be his mention of Jacob would be a strong conjecture of the relationship of the two families.

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FRANCIS², b. in England, 1635 (*Edward*¹); m. about 1652. His wife seems to be unknown. Several authorities have stated she was Mary Tracy, daughter of Lieutenant Thomas Tracy and this has been carried from time to time by different writers and compilers as a fact. There seems to be no daughter Mary listed in the record of Thomas Tracy's children, and continued research has not solved this important point (See Fam. No. 26).

Francis was a man of capacity and enterprise. First settled in Windsor and Poquonoc, Conn.; thence to Saybrook, and later to Norwich where he made his permanent home. He is listed as one of the first proprietors of Norwich. Very few records of Norwich are in existence previous to 1660. One of these is a notice of a town meeting Jan. 7, 1655/6, at which Francis was present.



MAP OF EARLY NORWICH, CONNECTICUT

An exceedingly active citizen; deputy eleven years, 1660-1671. Appointed on the Court of Commission 1662. Lieutenant of train-band. Died 1671. He and his wife were buried in the old Post-Gager cemetery, over which there seems to have been a continued controversy between the town authorities and the friends of the historic who desire this cemetery be left undisturbed.

The birth of his children were recorded, first four in Saybrook, others in Norwich.

An interesting letter written by Benjamin Brewster to his brother-in-law concerning Francis which shows that the folk in early times were as keen on business as those of a later date:

Loveing Brother Wetherill

My love comended to you with my sister if Gorge and you dele for his cow then yo must make a very puntuall barginn with him for he is trading with severall for hur goodman Grissill expects the cow and therefore if you dele make aright with him and when he comes up let him make delevere of the cow to me for you and dele thus for prise that what the buccher will gife that you will give; and if you dele then send me word what your mind is whether I shall hur or not and you take butter you may have som Now rest.

Your assured Loveing Brother

Benjamin Brewster.

Their children:

- *24 SARAH, b. Mar. 28, 1653.
- 25 JOSEPH, b. June 4, 1655; d. July 1655.
- *26 MARY, b. Aug. 26, 1656.
- *27 HANNAH, b. Dec. 11, 1658.
- *28 DEBORAH, b. May 6, 1661.
- 29 LYDIA, b. June 1663; d. Apr. 1664.
- *30 SAMUEL, b. Sept. 16, 1665.
- *31 MARGARET, b. Oct. 1668.
- *32 LYDIA, b. Oct. 1671.

Windsor, Saybrook, and Norwich, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 351; Hist. of Franklin Conn.; Joseph Parsons Fam. Hist., 119; Conn. Col. Dames Register; Conn. Colony rec., Vol. I, 196, 297; Vol. II, 14, 79, 91, 113, 523; Nash Fifty Puritan Ancestors, 102.

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SARAH², bapt. Kenilworth Parish, England, 1638 (*Edward*¹); m. (1) in Windsor, Conn., Nov. 10, 16—, SAMUEL PHELPS, s. of William of Simsbury, b. 1625, who d. May 15, 1669. They settled in Poquonoc where he had a grant of land. Assisted in building the Old Fort at Springfield, Mass. His will, Hartford Probate, III, 65; Manwaring, I, 225, mentions Sarah, widow; and children Samuel, Sarah, Timothy, Mary, William, John, Ephraim, Abigail, and Josiah.

Sarah m. (2) in Windsor, July 21, 1670, NATHANIEL PINNEY, s. of Humphrey from Dorchester, Mass., becoming one of the settlers of Windsor. Nathaniel was b. Dec. 1640, bapt. Jan. 2, 1641, at Windsor, and d. there Aug. 7, 1676. Mentioned in town records Feb. 15, 1668/9, payment for two years "setting in the yeard," which meant doing guard or sentinal duty in the meeting house yard during divine services. Presented for freemanship May 9, 1667; oath Oct. 10, 1667. Tax list for 1675 showed that he had a family and a horse. His estate, Manwaring Probate I, 225; inventory Sept. 4, 1676, mentions Sarah, widow; children Nathaniel, ae 5; Sarah, ae 3.

Sarah m. (3) WILLIAM PRATT, s. of John III, and Hannah (Sanford) Pratt, who m. (1) Mary, prob. Mary Cadwell, and (3) Amy Pinney, b. Oct. 6, 1704, daughter of Nathaniel. William was bu. Center Churchyard, Hartford, Jan. 19, 1753. Amy was bu. June 10, 1772. His home was in front of State House Square, Hartford. Served as constable 1729. His estate, distribution, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions Amy Pratt, widow; children, Zachery, Mary Norton, Mabel Webster, Martha Drake, William, Joseph, Esther, Hannah, Sarah, and Susannah Pratt.

Children Phelps:

- 33 Samuel, bapt. Sept. 5, 1652.
- 24 Sara, b. Mar. 1653; m. John Mansfield.
- 35 Timothy, b. Oct. 1656; m. (1) Sarah Gaylord; (2) Sarah Pratt.
- 36 Mary, b. Oct. 1658; m. Daniel Adams.
- 37 William, b. Nov. 3, 1660; m. Hannah Hayden.
- 38 John, b. July 7, 1662; no issue.
- 39 Ephraim, b. Nov. 1, 1663; m. Mary Joggers.
- 40 Abigail, b. May 16, 1666; m. David Marshall.
- 41 Josiah, b. Dec. 15, 1667; m. Sarah Winchell.

Children Pinney:

- 42 Nathaniel, b. May 11, 1671.
- 43 Sarah, b. Nov. 11, 1673; m. Thomas Grant.

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 610; N. E. Register, V, 230, 359; Pinney Fam.; Winchell Fam.; Grant Fam., 4; Phelps Fam., I, 88; John Pratt Fam., 22; Nash Puritan Ancestors; James C. Brady Ancestry, 275.

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ANN, ANNA (HANNAH)², bapt. June 19, 1642 (*Edward*¹). While at present we have no direct proof that the following record is correct, circumstances and the records thus far assembled, would tend to show the almost certain proof. Search has not revealed the birth of any Hannah Griswold who could have been the wife of Jonas Westover. In view of the fact that Anna and Hannah were easily, and were very frequently confounded in the records, usually by mistake in the sound of the name, it has been thought that the only person possible would be Ann or Anna, daughter of Edward. Hence all the records that have been found are placed here.

She m. Windsor, Conn., Nov. 19, 1663, JONAS WESTOVER, s. of John, who d. in Simsbury Jan. 15, 1708/9. Farmer. Removed to Killingworth with Edward Griswold and Samuel Buell. Made freeman of Windsor 1658; of Killingworth 1669. Took his home lot next to Samuel Buell and near that of Edward. Members of the first church in Killingworth. Children recorded, first in Windsor, the others in Killingworth. There were others recorded in Simsbury, where he evidently resided later in life:

- 44 Jonas, b. Sept. 20, 1664.
- 45 Margaret, b. Feb. 19, 1666.
- 46 Hannah, b. Apr. 8, 1668; m. Joseph Alvord.
- 47 Elizabeth, b. May 3, 1670.
- 48 Jane, b. Mar. 26, 1672; m. — Byington.
- 49 Sarah, b. —; d. Aug. 15, 1718.
- 50 Mary, b. —; m. Samuel Case.
- 51 Jonathan.
- 52 Joanna, b. —; m. Stephen Wilton.

Colonial records show, Westover, Jonas, bapt. Sept. 20, 1664, s. of Jonas. Lot granted at Windsor 1661 to Jonas Westover, at Bowfield. No home or family there of record.

Vol. I, 191, Particular Court, June 7, 1649, "Jonas Westover acknowledged himselfe bound to this Commonwealth in a Recognizance of 20 pounds and a recognizance of John Bissell and Robert Haward provided that said Westover appears at the perticular Courte in Sept. next and carry good behavior in the meantime."

Vol. I, 195. "This Courte frees Jonas Westover and his security for appearance and good behavior."

Vol. III, 214. Petition in this Court by Jonas Westover and others for abatement of common fence laid upon them by the Committee in Symsbury, May 1697.

The will of Jonas Westover, Sen. Simsbury, Sept. 20, 1702; d. Jan. 1708/9.

I, Jonah Westover, Sen. being very sicke, do make this my last will and testament. I give to my wife 10 pounds out of my personal estate; also the house and household goods that are necessary for her use during life; also 1/3 part of my land to her order during life; also all my land that I stand possessed of, I give to my two sons Jonah and Jonathan, to be equally divided between them; also my housing, after their mothers decease. I do will unto my daughters that each of their portions (with what they have received) shall be 15 pounds. What has been paid to my daughters already: to Margaret, 5 pounds; to Hannah, 3 pounds; to Jane, 2-12-06; to Mary 9:00-06. I appoint my son Jonah and my son-in-law Samuel Case to be my executors. And as for my son Jonathan and my daughter Johanna, they shall be paid their portions as they come to lawful age.

Dudley Woodbridge.

Jonah Westover.

Nathaniel Holcomb, Sen.

The will of Hannah of Symsbury, dated Aug. 1, 1713.

In the name of God Amen, I Hannah Westover, of Symsbury, in the county of Hartford, and Colony of Connecticut, relict of Jonah Westover, of the town County and Colony aforsd, decd. being weak and sick in body, yet of sound mind and judgment and of perfect memory, do dispose of what I have: First of all and principally, I give and bequeath my soul to God that gave it,

and my body to Christian burial and touching my wordly goods, I give in manner following: First, I give and bequeath to my six daughters, 40 shillings to each daughter, and the remainder if any be, to be equally divided to my daughter Hannah Alverd and my daughter Mary Case, Jane Byington, and Johanna. Second: to Jonah my stack of rye. Third: I give also to my daughter Johanna my biggest pig, and the smaller pig I give to my son Jonathan. August the first 1713. This being my will and testament I set my hand this first day of August, 1713.

John Slater

Hannah Westover.

Samuel Adams.

The estate of William Case, Symsbury, Mar. 1700; Jonas Westover is mentioned as one of the distributors. Hinman, pg. 95, 163, states: Among the first settlers of Windsor. Jonas Westover. Shown from the early land records.

Westover, Jonah, Sen. Simsbury, father of Jonah, Jr. d. 1708. Samuel Case m. his dau. Children: Jonah, Jonathan, Margaret, Hannah, Jane, Mary, Joanna.

Goodwin Notes: Samuel Case m. Mary dau. Jonah Westover. Hannah, relict Jonah, the elder, d. May 3, 1714.

Windsor and Simsbury, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor.

9

MARY², bapt. Windsor, Conn., Oct. 13, 1644 (*Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, Mar. 19, 1661, TIMOTHY PHELPS, b. Aug. 1639, s. of William of Simsbury; the Phelps family was one of the most prominent in the early development of Windsor (*Phelps Fam. Hist.*).

Timothy became a freeman 1664; Lieut. 1690; Capt. 1696. Served in Queen Ann's War. A man of considerable ability and held in great esteem. He d. 1719. Mary d. previously.

The record of the settlement deed of William at the time of the marriage mentions son Timothy and Mary, daughter of Edward Griswold.

Their children:

- 53 Timothy, b. Nov. 1, 1663; m. Martha Crow.
- 54 Joseph, b. Sept. 27, 1666; m. Sarah Hosford.
- 55 William, b. Feb. 4, 1668; m. (1) Abigail Mudge; m. (2) Ruth Barber.
- 56 Cornelius, b. Apr. 26, 1671; m. Sarah Mansfield.
- 57 Mary, b. Aug. 14, 1673; d. Mar. 23, 1690.
- 58 Samuel, b. Jan. 29, 1675; m. Abigail Eno.
- 59 Nathaniel, b. Jan. 7, 1677; m. (1) Hannah Bissell; m. (2) Abigail Pinney.
- 60 Sarah, b. Dec. 27, 1679; m. David Marshall.
- 61 Abigail, b. June 5, 1682; m. Samuel Filer.
- 62 Hannah, b. Aug. 4, 1684; m. (1) Thomas Phelps; m. (2) Sgt. James Eno.
- 63 Ann, b. Nov. 2, 1686; m. David Porter.
- 64 Martha, b. Nov. 12, 1688; m. Samuel Holcomb.

HIS WILL

Dated Mar. 2, 1716/17. Hartford Probate, IX, 338, 350, 351; Manwaring, II, 419.

I Timothy Phelps of Windsor, being very aged yet retaining a good measure of understanding and memory, do make this my last will and testament: Imprinis. I give, devise and bequeath all my estate whatsoever, both real and personal to my three sons, William, Cornelius and Samuel, to have, hold and improve the same in trust for the use of my wife during her natural life, and after her decease my will is, and I hereby do give and devise all my housing and lands with the appurtenances to my sons, Timothy Phelps, William Phelps, Cornelius Phelps, Samuel Phelps, Nathaniel Phelps, and heirs of Joseph Phelps in room of their father, to be equally divided into six equal parts, provided always, and it is my will that they pay and make up to their sisters, Sarah, Hannah, Ann, and Martha, my daughters, or to their heirs and to the heirs of my daughter Abigail, deceased, 48 pounds as money apiece; and my will is that what they have already rec'd. as entered upon my book shall be reckoned as part of sd. summs and my 2d. son and the heirs of my son Joseph shall pay their sisters and their heirs above mentioned in equal proportion, except that the heirs of Joseph shall pay 4 pounds more than an equal proportion, and my son Cornelius 4 pounds less than an equal proportion. And my will further is, that my wife shall have the free disposal of all her wearing apparel at her decease, and that my grandson Samuel Filer shall have

half of that bequeathed to the heirs of my daughter Abigail if he liveth with me so long as I live, or till he comes to the age of 18 years. I appoint my wife Mary and my three sons, William, Cornelius and Samuel, to be executors.

John Mansfield.

Timothy Phelps.

Thomas Moore.

And whereas, I being aged and my wife soe, and not knowing how long it may please God to continue my life, and not knowing what debts and charge may arise before I leave this world, my will is that my sons and my daughters and their heirs shall pay their equal parts and shares of my debts and charges after my decease, and my daughters, Sarah, Hannah, Ann, and Martha, and the heirs of Abigail, shall have 46 pounds apiece with what they have already had, to be paid as money out of my estate after my decease. By the charge as above mentioned I intend that if there be any extraordinary charge, so that the improvement of my estate will not maintain me. This addition of my will was made and published the 2nd day of March, 1716.

Proven Oct. 6, 1719.

Windsor, Conn. records; Thomas Barber Gen., 40; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 351; 565; Phelps Fam., I, 93; Nash Fifty Puritan Ancestors; Conn. Colony records, Vol. II, 225, 519; Vol. III, 26, 162, 151; 209, 225, 228, 255, 519; Vol. IV, 16.

10

DEBORAH², b. Windsor, Conn., bp. June 28, 1646 (*Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, Nov. 13, 1662, SAMUEL BUELL, b. Windsor, Sept. 2, 1641, s. of William of Simsbury, a Welshman, who was an early and much respected citizen. His will gave half of his land grant and tools to his son Samuel.

Samuel was an active and esteemed citizen; freeman 1664. Contracted to hew timber for the Old Fort at Springfield. Removed to Killingworth, Conn., 1664 as one of its first settlers. Freeman

1669. Deputy 1692-1715, 16 sessions. J. P. 1704-1720. His home lot was next to Jonas Westover and close to Edward Griswold. Among the first members of the first church in Killingworth. He d. July 11, 1720. Deborah d. Feb. 7, 1717.

Their children:

- 65 Samuel, b. July 20, 1663.
- 66 Deborah, b. Oct. 18, 1665; m. Nathaniel Porter.
- 67 Hannah, b. Nov. 28, 1667; d. inf.
- 68 Mary, b. Nov. 28, 1669; m. Hezekiah Porter.
- 69 John, b. Feb. 17, 1671; m. Mary Loomis.
- 70 Hannah, b. May 4, 1674; m. Joseph Porter.
- 71 William, b. Oct. 18, 1678.
- 72 David, b. Feb. 15, 1678/9.
- 73 Jonah, b. Mar. 16, 1680.
- 74 Mehitable, b. Aug. 22, 1682; d. y.
- 75 Peter, b. Dec. 3, 1684.
- 76 Benjamin, b. 1686.
- 77 Samuel.

WILL OF SAMUEL BUELL

In the name of God, Amen, the 8th day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and twenty, I Samuel Buell of Killingworth, Imprimis, in the county of New London, in New England, being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God therefor, calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for men to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, that is to say, principally and first of all: I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it, hoping through the merriits death and passion of my savior Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon and forgiveness of all my sins and to inherit everlasting life and my body I commit to the earth to be decently buried at the descretion of my executors hereafter named, nothing doubting but at the Resurrection I shall receive the Lamb again by the mighty power of God and as touching such wordly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bestow in this life I give and dispose of the same in the following manner.

First I will that all those debts & duties as I do owe in Right or Consience to any person or persons whatsoever shall be well & truly * * * & paid or ordained to be paid in Convenient time after my decease by my Executors hereafter named.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved son Samuel Buell sixteen acres of my Roastmeat Hill Land. Further my will is that the rest of my estate at my deceas shall be divided as followeth, that is to say: my son Samuel, John, William, David, Peter and Benjamin shall have an equal part of my estate and my daughters Mary & Hannah shall have two thirds So much as one son; and further my will is that my grandson Nathaniel Porter shall have an equal part with my daughters upon condition my sd. grandson gives to my executors a general acquittance and discharge upon all amounts between him and my sd Grandson or his administration and myself relating to my debts or demands whatsoever. Further my will is that each child's part as aforesd shall be computed with what they have already had and further my desire is that in dividing as aforesd my son Samuel shall have the Remainder of my Roastmeat Hill Land as it shall be apprizd; and further my desire is that the dividing as aforesd my son David Buell shall have my house & lot with the buildings and orechargd upon it as it shall be apprizd; and further my desire is that in Dividing as aforesd my son Benjamin shall have all my meadow that is in the further quarter as it shall be apprizd.

Item I do hereby ordain constitute and appoint my Sons Samuel Buell and John Buell and David Buell to be executors of this my last will and testament; and do hereby revoak any other former Will or Wills.

In witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this eighth day of June, in the year of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred and Twenty as above written.

Signed Sealed and Published and Declared by the sd Samuel Buell as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us.

Gideon Allen.

Samuel Buell.

David Willcoks.

Jonah Rossettor.

Windsor and Killingworth, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 126, 351; N. E. Register, Vol. V, 64; Loomis Fam. Gen. 134; Kelley Fam., 65, 66; Conn. Soc. Colonial Dames Reg.; Conn. Colony records, Vol. I, 411, 425; Vol. III, 38, 85, 211, 319, 342, 371, 449, 461, 467, 482, 500, 532, 533; Vol. V, 21, 63, 94, 145, 219, 446, 509, 519; Landon Gen., 143.

11

JOSEPH², b. Windsor, Conn., bp. Mar. 22, 1647 (*Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, July 14, 1670, MARY GAYLORD, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth, b. 1649.

Dea. William Gaylord, founder of the family, one of the first settlers, and one of the first deacons of the Dorchester, Mass. church. Removed to Windsor 1638. Speedily became prominent and a valuable citizen. Deacon William, 2nd, was also much respected.

The estate of Samuel Gaylord mentions Joseph Griswold and his wife Mary.

Joseph was a freeman 1670; ensign 1690; Capt. Thomas Allyn.

Children recorded in Windsor:

*78 MARY, b. Mar. 16, 1670.

79 ELIZABETH, b. Mar. 28, 1674; d. 1742, ae 68. There is no proof as to this Elizabeth except what appears on this page. It is quite probable from all the circumstances that she belongs here.

*80 JOSEPH, b. Jan. 27, 1677.

A Windsor, Conn. record dated Aug. 17, 1677, states: "Joseph had three children b. Windsor."

*81 FRANCIS, bapt. July 11, 1683.

*82 MATTHEW, b. Feb. 25, 1686.

*83 ABIGAIL, b. Aug. 11, 1689.

JOSEPH'S WILL

Joseph Griswold, Windsor. Inventory Nov. 29, 1716, by Daniel Griswold, Sen. Thomas Griswold, and Joseph Barnard. Will dated Sept. 6, 1716 (Hartford Probate, IX, 106; Manwaring, II, 392).

The last will and testament of Joseph Griswold is as followeth:

I give to my wife Mary 40 pounds out of my moveable estate, prised as money, and 1/3 part of my lands during her natural life. I give to my son Joseph Griswold, and my son Francis Griswold all my lands which lyeth southeasterly of my son Matthew Griswold and southeast by Wilson's land they to divide it equally by the acre. I give to my three sons, Joseph, Francis, and Matthew, equally betwixt them, all my lands at Salisbury Plain which I bought of Mr. Mather. Also I give to my three sons all my land in the quarry Field. Also I give to my son Francis one acre of meadow land near the south end of the fourth meadow. I give

to my son Joseph all the remainder of my lott. Also I give to my two sons, Joseph and Francis, all my land on the neck on the east side of the river. Also, I give to my son Francis, 20 foots square of land which the town gave me, a little below Windsor Ferry. Also, I give to my son Matthew, my part of my land which was my father Gaylord's lying near Rocky Hill near the upper end of town. I give to my son Joseph the small parcel of land by Naughtsock, bounding southeastwardly by his own land and northwestwardly by Matthew Griswold's land. Also I give to my son Matthew Griswold all my lands which my house stands on, all my housing and barn and meadow adjoyning as it bounds southwestwardly by the highway, all the upland and meadow down to the fence near the Naughtsock and the land bounding southwestwardly by his own land and northwestwardly by George Griswold's land. Also I give to my son Francis $\frac{1}{3}$ part of the apples in my new orchard, from my house to the foot of the first hill for the first five years after the date hereof. Also I give to my two daughters, Mary, the wife of Joseph Gillette, and Abigail, the wife of Josiah Phelps 25 pounds apiece out of my moveables to be prised as money. I give to my grandchild Sarah Gillette 5 pounds out of my moveables. And the debts due me which are likely to be recovered are to be reckoned as moveables. Note: That what my daughters has formerly had is not to be reckoned in the above said legacies. If there be any overplus of moveables than pays what is above written it is to be divided thus—my wife to have $\frac{1}{3}$ of them and the remainder to be divided equally among all my children. I appoint my son Joseph Griswold and my son Francis to be executors of this my will, with my wife.

Joseph Barnard.

Joseph Griswold.

Samuel Holcomb.

Will proved Dec. 4, 1716.

Joseph appears on the tax list 1675, Windsor, having a family, horse, and two oxen. He and his wife contributed to the poor of other colonies 1676.

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor I, 88, 158, 229, 241; II, 279, 351; N. E. Register, V, 226.

13

JOHN², bapt. Windsor, Conn., Aug. 1, 1652 (*Edward*¹); m. (1) in Killingworth, Conn., Nov. 28, 1672, MARY BEMIS, daughter of James and Sarah (Dimond) Bemis, who became his stepsister by the marriage of his father to Sarah (Dimond) Bemis. Mary d. Oct. 27, 1679.

John m. (2) BATHSHEBA NORTH, daughter of Thomas, b. 1654, who d. Mar. 19, 1736. The burial places of Mary and Bathsheba are unknown.

John was a farmer; prominent and leading citizen. Deacon for many years. Served on important civil committees. Deputy 1690. Captain 1712. Served in the Narragansett War. The town granted six acres for his services in the Indian Wars. He died Aug. 7, 1717. Burial in the Congregational cemetery, Clinton, Conn. It is possible that Bathsheba is buried in the vacant space next to his tombstone.

Children recorded in Killingworth:

- *84 MARY, b. Feb. 1, 1673.
- *85 MARGARET, b. Dec. 10, 1675.
- *86 HANNAH, b. Oct. 25, 1677.
- 87 JOHN, b. Sept. 22, d. Dec. 14, 1679. ♀
- *88 DOROTHY, b. May 4, 1681; d. Mar. 3, 1690.
- *89 BATHSHEBA, b. Dec. 5, 1682.
- *90 SAMUEL, b. Apr. 14, 1685.
- *91 LUCY, b. July 26, 1686.
- 92 JOHN, b. Nov. 4, 1688; prob. d. y.
- 93 MARTHA, b. Jan. 1, 1689; d. Mar. 17, 1690.
- *94 JOSEPH, }
- *95 BENJAMIN, } Twins, b. Sept. 26, 1691.
- *96 DOROTHY, b. Sept. 23, 1692.
- *97 MARTHA, b. June 16, 1694.
- *98 DANIEL, b. Oct. 25, 1696.
- *99 WALTER, b. Mar. 7, 1700.

HIS WILL

State Library, Hartford, Conn.

In the name of God, Amen, I, John Griswold, of Killingworth, being in perfect health of body and of sound mind and memory, blessed be God for it, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following, viz: Imprimis: I do commit my soul into the hands of God and my body a decent

burial after this life at the descretion of my executor hereinafter named, in hopes of a joyful resurrection to life eternal thro Jesus Christ our Lord. For my worldly goods and possessions, I do devise, bequeath and dispose of them as followeth; my funeral expenses and just debts first paid. Imprimis: I give unto my dear and loving wife Bathshuah one third part of all my lands, tenements, buildings, mills, and hereditaments whatsoever, to be her and her assigns during the term of her natural life as her dower, and one third part of all my goods and chattels to be her own and at her own dispose forever. I do hereby give, grant and devise unto my sons Samuel Griswold, Joseph Griswold, Benjamin Griswold, Daniel Griswold, and Walter Griswold, the other two thirds of my lands, tenements, buildings, mills, and hereditaments whatsoever, and reversion of one third part of lands, tenements, buildings, mills, and hereditaments whatsoever devised for life to my loving wife, to have and to hold to each an equal share to them and their heirs forever. Saving that my son Samuel Griswold shall have that two acres of land I have given him by deed of gift over and above and more than an equal share with each of his brethren, my sons. above mentioned, to him and his heirs forever. I give and bequeath to my two daughters Dorothy & Martha Griswold, to each of them, fifty pounds as money; to my daughter Bathshuah twenty and two pounds as money besides what she already has of me and to my daughter Lucy ten pounds as money besides what she already has of me. All these legacies to my daughters to be paid out of remaining two thirds of goods and chattels and credits and all of residue of my goods and chattels and credits what is above disposed of and bequeathed, my will is that it shall be equally divided to and among my seven daughters, Mary Avery, Margaret Chapman, Hannah Crane, Bathshuah Clark, Lucy Ball, Dorothy Griswold, and Martha Griswold, and if this legacy shall not amount to ten pounds as money to each of my said seven daughters so much as to make up the legacy ten pounds to each of my said seven daughters. I do appoint and constitute my loving wife Bathshuah Griswold, my son Samuel Griswold, and my son Joseph Griswold, executors of my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hands this sixth day of June, Ano Domini, one thousand seven hundred and thirteen.

The estate of Bathsheba, Nov. 11, 1732, State Library, Hartford, mentions, to heirs of son Samuel; to sons Joseph, Daniel, Benjamin and Walter; to grandchild Mary Griswold, daughter of Samuel; to grandchildren, Sarah, Bathshua, and Jerusha, daughters of Daniel; to daughters Bathshua Clark, Lucy Ball, Dorothy Hand, Martha Pratt; also son-in-laws, Daniel Clark, Allent Ball, Janna Hand, and Samuel Pratt.

Killingworth Town records; Nash Fifty Puritan Anc.; Conn. Colonial Dames Register; Fulton-Hayden-Warner Gen., 546, 547; Dawes-Gates Fam., II, 403; Beginnings of Yale (Oviatt), 227, 242, 249; Magazine of American Hist. XL, 128, 129; Camp Manuscript, Historical Society, Hartford; Guilford Genealogies, Talcott, 259, 227; Connecticut Colony records, Vol. II, 201; Vol. IV, 15, 38, 62, 85, 197, 221, 235, 244, 294, 296, 298, 342, 371, 395, 407, 421, 434, 461, 487; Vol. V, 30, 37, 40, 67, 90, 107, 142, 163, 206, 245, 309, 310, 346, 519, 572.

14

DANIEL³, b. Windsor, Conn., Oct. 1, 1656 (*George², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, Feb. 3, 1680, MINDWELL BISSELL, daughter of Nathaniel and Mindwell (Moore) Bissell, b. Oct. 3, 1663, who d. Dec. 31, 1728.

Nathaniel Bissell was a son of John, the Settler, and the Bissells were the pioneers of East Windsor settlement. The will of John mentions his son Nathaniel, who received a double portion.

Daniel resided in Poquonoc and was exceedingly active in the affairs of the new community growing up at Poquonoc and was one of the active members of the new church society organized from the church in Windsor.

Children recorded in Windsor:

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| 100 | DANIEL, b. —; d. 1684/5. | |
| *101 | DANIEL, | } Twins, b. Feb. 14 1684. |
| *102 | NATHANIEL, | |

- *103 PELATIAH, b. Sept. 13, 1689.
- *104 MARY, b. 1692.
- *105 EDWARD, b. Mar. 8, 1695/6.
- *106 DEBORAH, b. Nov. 7, 1698.
- *107 DAVID, b. Aug. 26, 1701.
- *108 MINDWELL.

Windsor, Conn., records; Gen. Daniel Bissell Fam., 20;
Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 78, 352; Porter Fam., I, 63.

15

THOMAS³, b. Windsor, Conn., Sept. 29, 1658 (*George*², *Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, Aug. 11, 1681, HESTER DRAKE, daughter of Job and Mary (Wolcott) Drake, and granddaughter of Hon. Henry Wolcott, b. Oct. 10, 1662, who d. Feb. 19, 1691/2. He d. Sept. 18, 1689. She is called Esther in Windsor records.

The Drakes were in Windsor early in 1639. John, founder of the family, was granted land 1640 and became well considered.

The will of Job Drake 1689 mentions his daughter Esther. In 1664, Job, having become involved in a church difficulty in Windsor, was imprisoned through the illegal action of the church members which was permitted by Mr. Warham. Job sent a letter to Gov. John Winthrop telling of his treatment by the church and ended with the hope that "Iff itt please God for toe Incline youre harts for to Consider of my afflicted condition, and how things were transacted you may possebelly ssee cause ffor toe relieve mee. Youre humble Supplycantt."

Children recorded in Windsor:

- *109 THOMAS, b. Dec. 10, 1682.
- *110 SAMUEL, b. Aug. 7, 1685.
- *111 HEZEKIAH, b. Feb. 18, 1687. No information.
- *112 HESTER, b. Jan. 1, 1689.

Windsor, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 178, 352; N. E. Register, Vol. V, 66; Vol. VIII, 346; Wolcott Fam., 35; John Drake Fam., 26.

16

EDWARD³, b. Windsor, Conn., May 19, 1680/1 (*George², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, Nov. 3, 1681, ABIGAIL WILLIAMS, b. May 31, 1658, daughter of John and Mary (Burley) Williams, who d. Sept. 16, 1690.

The Williams family were early in Windsor. Arthur, the founder, had land grant 1640, but he seems to have disappeared without trace from Windsor records.

The will of John Williams, Feb. 10, 1707/8, Hartford probate, Vol. VIII, 333, mentions his grandson Edward Griswold, and granddaughter Abigail Barnard.

Edward was admitted to the church in Westfield, Mass., May 26, 1685.

Edward d. May 31, 1688. Sept. 30, 1690, George Griswold, of Windsor, Conn., the father of Edward of Westfield, appears. Administration of the estate is granted to him, with John Gunn and Nathaniel Bancroft. (Northampton, Mass., probate, Vol. II, 58.)

Children recorded in Westfield, Mass.:

113 EDWARD, b. Dec. 16, 1682; d. ¹⁷¹⁶~~1476~~. His estate: Edward of Windsor, Hartford, Conn., probate, Vol. IX, 44; inventory Mar. 5, 1715/16, mentions Thomas and Thomas Griswold, Jr., and brother-in-law, Joseph Barnard.

*114 ABIGAIL, b. Aug. 3, 1685.

Windsor, Conn., and Westfield, Mass., records; Westfield, Mass., church records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352.

17

MARY³, b. Windsor, Conn., Sept. 28, 1663 (*George², Edward¹*); m. in Saybrook, Conn., Jan. 22, 1684, JOSEPH COOLEY, s. of Benjamin and Sarah.

They resided in Springfield, Mass. Served as Selectman 1705 and 1721. Removed to Somers, Conn., about 1730. He was known as an important man; interested in the growth of the community and military affairs. Appointed lieutenant. He is mentioned in the probate of his father's estate (Northampton, Mass., Probate

records). Joseph died in Somers, Conn., May 20, 1740. Record of his estate, Northampton Probate, Mass., Vol. VI, 124, 137, 161, mentions widow Mary; sons George, Joseph and James; daughters Mary Munson, Sarah, Deborah, Abigail and Eunice. The record shows "Mary d. in Somers, July 13, 1739." This evidently is a mistake as she is mentioned in the court proceedings in reference to his estate as the widow, and also as the guardian of the minor children.

- 115 Mary, b. Oct. 1, 1685; m. Joseph Loomis.
- 116 Joseph, b. Jan. 31, 1687; m. Mary Dorchester.
- 117 Deborah, b. —; m. Joshua Loomis.
- 118 Abigail, b. —; m. Daniel Parsons.
- 119 George, b. Jan. 27, 1698.
- 120 Sarah.
- 121 Eunice.
- 122 James.

Windsor, Saybrook and Somers, Conn., records; Springfield, Mass., records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 351; Hist. Springfield, Mass. (Burt) I, 30, 31; II, 552; Loomis Fam., 145; N. E. Register, XXXIV, 386; Parsons Fam., II, 21, 70, 119; Warren-Clarke Gen., 77; Savage Gen. Dict., I, 453.

19

JOHN³, b. Windsor, Conn., Sept. 17, 1668 (*George², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, Nov. 22, 1705, ABIGAIL GAYLORD, daughter of Nathaniel and Abigail (Bissell) Gaylord, John d. Jan. 13, 1738. T.S.R. Elm Grove Cemetery, Windsor.

The estate of Nathaniel Gaylord, Hartford Probate, Vol. IX, 62, 117; Manwaring II, 388, mentions Abigail and John Griswold.

Abigail Gaylord was descendant of Dea. William Gaylord, of Dorchester, Mass., 1630; and later of Windsor, Conn. He was honored with election to the General Court in 41 semi-annual elections.

The date of Abigail's death or place of burial has not been found.

Their children recorded in Windsor:

- 123 ABIGAIL, b. Feb. 1, 1706/7; d. Feb. 9, 1712/13.
- 124 RACHEL, b. Feb. 28, 1708/10. No other information.
- 125 JOHN, b. June 16, 1712. Left no family. His will Apr. 6, 1789, disposes of his estate to kinsman Isaac and Abiel Griswold; children of Noah Griswold; Huldah, wife of Abiel Griswold.
- *126 HEZEKIAH, b. Sept. 6, 1715.
- *127 ISAAC, b. Sept. 24, 1718.
- *128 ABIGAIL, b. May 21, 1727.
- 129 Son, b. and d. Apr. 1721.

Windsor, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352, 280; Conn. Colony records, Vol. III, 262.

20

BENJAMIN³, b. Windsor, Conn., Apr. 16, 1671 (*George², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, Jan. 4, 1693, ELIZABETH COOK, daughter of Moses and Elizabeth (Clark) Cook, of Westfield, Mass., b. Aug. 25, 1673.

Elizabeth Clark m. (1) Moses Cook, son of Aaron, one of the first settlers of Windsor, Nov. 25, 1669; m. (2) Lieut. Job Drake Sept. 13, 1677.

The will of Elizabeth Drake, June 22, 1728, Hartford Probate, XI, 36; Manwaring III, 40, mentions daughter Elizabeth Griswold and grandson Moses Griswold.

The estate of Benjamin, May 1747, Hartford Probate, XV, 77; Manwaring III, 560. Inventory June 13, 1747. Administration to Benjamin Griswold and Isaac Gillette. Account exhibited mentions widow Elizabeth, and the children, Benjamin, Zaccheus, and Moses. Elizabeth, wife of Isaac Gillette; Hannah Wright, wife of Capt. Joseph; Zerviah, wife of George Griswold; Azuba, wife of John Warham Strong; Ann, wife of Josiah Phelps, and Esther, wife of Nathaniel Copley.

Children recorded in Windsor:

- *130 ELIZABETH, b. Feb. 5, 1694.
- 131 DEBORAH, b. Jan. 16, d. Jan. 26, 1697/8.
- 132 HANNAH, b. Mar. 16, 1698/9. No further information.
- *133 BENJAMIN, b. Apr. 14, 1701.



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- 134 ZERVIAH, b. Dec. 26, 1703.
- *135 ZACCHEUS, b. Dec. 10, 1705.
- *136 ANN, b. May 28, 1708.
- *137 AZUBA, b. Aug. 2, 1710.
- *138 ESTHER, b. Apr. 14, 1712.
- *139 MOSES, b. July 10, 1714.

Historic Families of America, 297; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352; Westfield, Mass., records, Goodwin Notes, 24; Daniel Clark Fam., 13; Windsor, Conn., town and church records; Windsor land records.

21

DEBORAH³, b. Windsor, Conn., May 30, 1674. (*George*², *Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, Dec. 12, 1695, THOMAS MOORE, b. July 25, 1667, s. of John and Hannah (Goffe) Moore, who d. Jan. 22, 1735, ae 68. She d. Jan. 19, 1756. T.S.R. Palisado Cemetery, Windsor.

Thomas Moore, the Settler, came to Windsor 1639 and built the old Moore homestead on the Broad street Green. Deacon John came to Dorchester 1630 with Rev. Warham and from thence to Windsor, and is said to have been an excellent and esteemed citizen.

Their children:

- 140 Hannah, b. Apr. 4, 1697; m. Isaac Skinner.
- 141 Deborah, b. Aug. 6, d. Aug. 28, 1700.
- 142 Samuel, b. Aug. 7, d. Aug. 20, 1701.
- 143 Abiah, b. July 9, 1706; d. Aug. 30, 1747; unm.
- 144 Keziah, b. Mar. 24, 1708; m. James Woodruff.
- 145 Deborah, b. Jan. 17, 1710; m. Daniel Kellogg.
- 146 Thomas, b. Oct. 28, 1718; m. Hannah Gillette.
- 147 Lois, b. —; m. Zebulon Hoskins.

HIS WILL

Hartford probate, XII, 298; Manwaring Hartford probate records, III, 183. Inventory taken Feb. 18, 1734/5, by Nathaniel Drake and Timothy Loomis. Will dated Apr. 20, 1733.

I, Thomas Moore, do make this my last will and testament.

I give unto my beloved wife Deborah Moore, $\frac{1}{3}$ part of all my moveable estate forever, and also the use and improvement of $\frac{1}{3}$ part of all my real estate during her natural life, and also the use and improvement of all the lands and buildings given unto my son Thomas, in this my will, until he shall arrive at the age of 21 years, provided she keep the buildings in repair and maintain the fences inclosing the lands. I give unto my son Thomas my home lott and the buildings thereon standing, and the 3 acres in Bowfield lying at the west end thereof; also my pasture on the east side of the country road (3 acres) being part of my father's home lott; also my little meadow lott, 6 acres, and also 4 acres in the Great Meadow, bounded west on the Rivulett, and also my lott at a place called Garson, 45 acres, bounding west on the country road; also my Mill brook lott that I bought of John Graham, 17 acres; also all my land lying in Torrington, being a right I bought of my brother, Josiah Moore; and also $\frac{1}{5}$ part of all the common and undivided land belonging to me in the Township of Windsor, with my saws and two best broad axes, and all my other necessary shop tools, all of which shall be set out to him by my executor hereafter named, when he arrives at the age of 21 years.

I give to my daughter Hannah $\frac{1}{2}$ of the lott called Moses' lott at Greenfield containing in the whole 20 acres; and also the other half of said lott.

I give and bequeath to my grandson Isaac Skinner, to be his at the age of 21 years, and until then his father to have the use of it.

I give unto my said daughter Hannah a $\frac{1}{5}$ part of my right in the common and undivided land at Windsor, and also $\frac{1}{4}$ Town Commons division, that is already made with $\frac{1}{4}$ part of all my land lying in Barkhamstead.

I give unto my daughter Abiah 60 pounds at inventory price out of my moveable estate and $\frac{1}{5}$ part of my common and undivided land in the Township of Windsor, and $\frac{1}{4}$ part of my Town commons division that is already laid out, and also $\frac{1}{4}$ part of my lands lying in Barkhamstead.

I give to my daughter Keziah 60 pounds at inventory price, $\frac{1}{5}$ part of my common and undivided land, and $\frac{1}{4}$ part of my Town commons division, and $\frac{1}{4}$ part of my land at Barkhamstead.

I give unto my daughter Deborah 10 pounds beside what I have already given her, also $1/5$ part of my common and undivided land, and $1/4$ part of my Town commons division, and $1/4$ part of my lands at Barkhamstead.

The remainder of the moveables, if any, shall be equally divided unto my four daughters.

I appoint Roger Newbury and my wife executors.

Matthew Allyn.

Thomas Moore.

Josiah Drake.

Martha Drake.

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, I, 146, 161, 221, 235, 236, 481, 482, 547, 548, 562, 578, 878; II, 351. Conn. Colony records, Vol. V, 262, 377, 428; Vol. VI, 403, 513, 549; Vol. VII, 55, 89, 123, 194, 221, 251, 267, 292, 293, 389.

24

SARAH³, b. Windsor, Conn., Mar. 28, 1653 (*Francis*², *Edward*¹); m. in Saybrook, Conn., July 27, 1671, ROBERT CHAPMAN, s. of Robert, the Settler, b. Sept. 16, 1646, in Saybrook. A man of varied interests and of wide influence. Extensively engaged in agriculture; owned 2,000 acres. For many years was clerk of the Oyster Bay Quarter; commissioner and surveyor for Saybrook. Served in the State Legislature 18 sessions, 1692-1711. She d. Apr. 7, 1692.

He m. (2) Oct. 29, 1694, MARY STREATHER, relict of Samuel.

His inscription Old Center Churchyard, Hartford: "Here lyeth the body of Robert Chapman who departed this life Nov. ye 10th, 1711, ae 65 years."

He was freeman of Saybrook 1669.

Their children; first marriage:

148 Samuel, b. Sept. 12, 1672; m. Margaret Griswold (No. 85).

149 Robert, b. Apr. 19, 1675; m. Mary Stevens.

150 Sarah, b. Sept. 12, d. Oct. 15, 1677.

151 Francis, b. Aug. 5, 1687; unm.

152 Dorcas, b. Aug. 26, d. Sept. 1680.

- 153 Stephen, b. Nov. 24, 1681; d. Mar. 14, 1686.
- 154 Son, b. Mar. 6, d. Mar. 10, 1683.
- 155 Sarah, b. Dec. 19, 1686; d. Jan. 25, 1689.
- 156 Son, b. Nov. 6, d. Nov. 9, 1689.

Children of second marriage:

- 157 Benjamin, b. Jan. 1, 1695.
- 158 Mehitable, b. May 15, 1697; d. Mar. 1, 1697/8.
- 159 Stephen, b. Mar. 5, 1698/9.

Windsor and Saybrook, Conn., records; Chapman Fam., 68; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 351. John Steevens Gen. 19.

26

MARY³, b. Saybrook, Conn., Aug. 26, 1656 (*Francis², Edward¹*); m. (Saybrook and Preston, Conn., rec.) July 11, 1672, JONATHAN TRACY, s. of Lieut. Thomas Tracy and ~~Mary, widow of Edward Mason~~, b. Saybrook, 1646.

Thomas Tracy came to New England 1636, and to Salem, Mass., 1637. Wethersfield, Conn., 1640. Thence to Saybrook, some years later to Norwich, Conn., with his family of six sons and a daughter. Thomas was a man of unusual talent and activity. The utmost confidence was placed in him and he was the recipient of all the public offices within the power of his neighbors.

He was ensign of the Norwich company and lieutenant of the New London company, called New London County Dragoons, enlisted to fight the Dutch and Indians.

Thomas died in 1685, his estate administered and the court ordered distribution. The children who shared in the distribution were John, Thomas, Jonathan, Miriam, Solomon, Daniel, and Samuel.

His services qualify his descendants for Societies of the Colonial Wars and Colonial Dames.

Jonathan was also a man of great worth and was held in the highest esteem. First town clerk of Preston, Conn., 18 years. One of the fifteen persons named in the Act of 1686 creating the

town. The first lieutenant of the trainband. Served as J. P. until his death. Selectman 1698; deputy 1699, 1700, 1710.

Mary died in Norwich, Apr. 24, 1711.

Jonathan m. (2) Aug. 21, 1711, MARY RICHARDS.

In the old cemetery there is a rough stone carved J. T. dated 1711. Inventory of his estate Feb. 12, 1712.

Mary Richards Griswold m. (2) Sept. 3, 1717, ELEASUR JEWITT, s. of Jeremiah and Sarah (Dickinson) Jewitt, bapt. Ipswich, Mass., Nov. 23, 1673, who m. (1) Mrs. Sarah Lamb, widow of Ebenezer, who d. 1714. He d. 1748, Mary d. Sept. 18, 1723.

Children Tracy by Mary Griswold:

- 160 Jonathan, b. Feb. 2, 1674/5; m. Anna Palmer.
- 161 Hannah, b. July 8, 1674; m. Thomas Davison.
- 162 Christopher, b. May 1, 1680; m. Lydia Parish.
- 163 Mary, b. Sept. 7, 1682; m. Benjamin Parish.
- 164 Maryam, b. Apr. 23, 1685; m. Isaac Clark.
- 165 David, b. Sept. 4, 1687; m. Sarah Parish.
- 166 Francis, b. Apr. 1, 1690.
- 167 Sary, b. Aug. 2, 1692; d. Sept. 6, 1693.
- 168 Samuel, b. June 6, 1697; m. Esther Richmond.

Saybrook and Preston, Conn., records; Preston church rec.; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 351; Nash Fifty Puritan Anc. Tracy Fam.; Jewitt Fam., I, 50; Tracy Fam. Conn. Mag., XI, 217; Conn. Colonial rec., Vol. V, 274, 323, 283, 319, 378, 414, 467, 500; Vol. VI, 21, 94, 145, 219.

27

HANNAH³, b. Windsor, Conn., 1658 (*Francis², Edward¹*); m. in Saybrook, Conn., Mar. 7, 1677, WILLIAM CLARK, b. 1639, s. of Thomas and Susannah (Ring) Clark.

William m. (1) Mar. 1, 1659, SARAH WOLCOTT, of Plymouth, Mass., where he resided in the garrison house by Eel river, which was surprised by Indians on Sunday, Mar. 12, 1676, while he was at church. His wife, several of his children, and some other persons, eleven in all, were killed. His son Thomas, left for dead, afterwards recovered and had a silver plate put over his exposed

brain by the celebrated surgeon, Dr. John Clark, of Boston. He was known afterwards as "silver headed Tom."

In July 1676 two hundred Indians surrendered themselves to the Plymouth Governor and were pardoned, with the exception of those who were concerned in the slaughter at Clark's. These were put to death (*Baylies History*). Colony records give the name of these Indians and states that they were decapitated.

William was an active and enterprising man having extensive operations in lands as appears by colony records. Engaged with others in making tar; 1684 engaged in fishing; 1697 received a grant of land from the town of Plymouth. Deputy 1674, 1680, 1681. Selectman many years.

Hannah d. 1687, ae 29. Her inscription in Burying Hill. "Here lies ye body of Mrs. Hannah Clark, wife of Mr. William Clark, dec'd Feb. ye 20, 1687, in the 29th year of her age."

He m. (3) ABIAH WILDER, daughter of Edward and Elizabeth Ames of Marshfield, Mass.

The gravestone appears for the 2nd wife but none for the others or himself.

Children recorded in Plymouth:

- 169 Thomas, b. 1660.
- 170 Sarah, b. June 19, 1678; m. Ephraim Little.
- 171 William, b. June 7, 1682; m. Bethia Mayhew.
- 172 Nathaniel, b. June 1, 1684.
- 173 Samuel, b. Dec. 8, 1687; d. Apr. 2, 1763.
- 174 Hannah, b. Aug. 2, 1697.
- 175 Abiah.

Windsor, Conn. and Plymouth, Mass., rec.; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 351; Mayflower Desc., I, 206; XIII, 203; Thomas Clark Fam., 13, 16; Windsor Fam.; N. Y. Gen. & Bio. Reg., Vol. XLVII, 198.

28

DEBORAH³, b. Norwich, Conn., May 6, 1661 (*Francis³, Edward¹*); m. (Norwich and Saybrook, Conn. records), Dec. 19, 1678, Lieut. JONATHAN CRANE, s. of Benjamin and Mary (Backus) Crane, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Dec. 1, 1658. She d. 1704.

Residence in Windham, Conn. Had a 1,000 acre right. Built the first mill. Selectman 1692. Patentee 1703. At the first meeting May 18, 1691 he was appointed to run town lines. One of the most active and influential men of the town, and one of its first settlers.

John Crane was the first of the name and founder of the family; came from Suffolk county, England; resided at Muddy Brook, now Brookline, Mass. Deputy 1649. Benjamin was a tanner and removed to Wethersfield, Conn. Jonathan received 76 acres in the land division 1670. His inscription: "Here lies Mr. Jonathan Crane, husband of Mrs. Deborah Crane who lived a pious and godly life and left ye earth for heaven Mar. ye 12th, anno 1735, in ye 77th year of his age."

Their children:

- 176 Sarah, b. Nov. 16, 1680; m. Nathaniel Hibbard.
- 177 Jonathan, b. Feb. 2, 1684; m. Mary Hibbard.
- 178 John, b. Oct. 1, 1687; m. (1) Sarah Spencer; (2) Prudence Belding.
- 179 Mary, b. Oct. 20, 1689; m. Jacob Simons.
- 180 Hannah, b. Mar. 7, 1692; m. Caleb Conant.
- 181 Isaac, b. Apr. 6, 1694; m. Ruth Waldo.
- 182 Joseph, b. May 17, 1696.
- 183 Elizabeth, b. Feb. 1698; d. same.
- 184 Deborah, b. 1698; d. same.
- 185 Abigail, b. Feb. 15, 1700; m. David Knight.

Wethersfield, Norwich, Saybrook and Windham, Conn., records; Caulkins, Hist. of Norwich; Old Houses of Norwich, p. 188; Crane Fam., II, 21; Conant Fam., 167; Waldo Fam., 62; Tucker Gen., 251; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 351; Fulton-Hatden-Warner Gen., 478, 480, 482; Conn. Colonial Dames Register; Conn. Colony Records, Vol. III, 149, 181, 343, 359, 366, 367, 395, 407, 445, 499; Vol. IV, 90, 108, 275, 293, 353, 424, 452; Vol. V, 19, 41, 127, 233, 270, 304.

30

SAMUEL³, b. Norwich, Conn., Sept. 16, 1665 (*Francis*², *Edward*¹); m. (1) (Norwich and Saybrook rec.), Dec. 10, 1685, SUSANNAH HUNTINGTON, b. Aug. 1667, daughter of Christopher.

Samuel m. (2) (Norwich, Lisbon, Conn., rec.), HANNAH TRACY. Sgt. Thomas Bingham, b. Dec. 11, 1667, m. Feb. 17, 1691, Hannah Backus, daughter of Lieut. William and Elizabeth Pratt, granddaughter of William, Sen. of Saybrook, who m. (2) Daniel Tracy. Daniel m. (1) Abigail Adgate.

Samuel resided in Norwich. A substantial citizen and prominent man. Deputy 1707. His inscription: "Here lies interred ye remains of Capt. Samuel Griswold, the first Captain of the 2nd Company of train bands in Norwich. He was born in Norwich, Sept. 1665, and died on ye 9th day of Dec. 1740, in the 75th year of his age."

Inscription, Windham, Conn.: "Mrs. Susannah, wife of Capt. Samuel Griswold of Norwich, died Mar. 6, 1727, age 60."

Samuel's will, New London probate 1730, mentions wife Hannah; sons Francis, Joseph, Samuel, and John; daughters, Lydia Huntington, Sarah Waterman; also Caleb Huntington and Ebenezer Waterman.

Estate of Hannah, inventory Feb. 5, 1752, mentions her children Bingham.

Sgt. Thomas Bingham, b. Dec. 11, 1667. He was the only member of his family who remained in Norwich when his father removed to Windham. Inscription old Burying Ground, Norwich: "Here lyes the body of Thomas Bingham who died the 43rd year of his age, Apr. 1, 1710."

"Here lies the body of Mr. Daniel Tracy, died June 29th 1728, age 76." He was killed by the falling of a bridge.

"In memory of Mrs. Hannah Griswold, relict of Capt. Samuel Griswold, late of Norwich, who d. Feb. ye 25th. 1752, in ye 77th. year of her age."

Children of Samuel and Susannah recorded in Norwich:

- *186 FRANCIS, b. Sept. 9, 1691.
- *187 SAMUEL, b. Feb. 8, 1693.
- *188 LYDIA, b. May 28, 1696.
- *189 HANNAH, b. Apr. 30, 1699.
- *190 SARAH, b. Jan. 19, 1700/1; bapt. Feb. 12, 1700.
- *191 JOHN, b. Dec. 16, 1703; bapt. Feb. 11, 1704.
- *192 JOSEPH, b. Oct. 17, 1706.
- *193 DANIEL, b. Feb. 24, 1709; d. Dec. 22, 1724.

Norwich and Saybrook, Conn., rec.; Early Conn. Mar. (Bailey); Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352; Huntington

Fam., 415; Norwich Congregational church rec.; Hyde-Dana Fam., 17; James Cole Fam., 316; Conn. Colony rec., Vol. IV, 30, 68.

31

MARGARET³, b. Norwich, Conn., Oct. 1668 (*Francis² Edward¹*); m. in Saybrook, Conn., Dec. 16, 1691, THOMAS BUCKINGHAM, s. of Rev. Thomas and Hester (Hosmer) Buckingham, b. Sept. 29, 1670.

Rev. Thomas was pastor at Saybrook. Descendant of Thomas, the Puritan settler, and ancestor of all the Buckinghams in America and was one of the company to which Eaton and Hopkins, two London merchants, and Rev. Davenport and Rev. Prudden belonged. Boston 1637; New Haven 1638; Milford, Conn. 1639.

They resided in Lebanon, Conn. Thomas was an exceedingly active and prominent man, being appointed to many offices of trust and prominently identified with all town affairs. Both were prominent members of the church. Landholder. His monument in the old Saybrook Burial Ground: "Died Sept. 12, 1739, ae 69." The death of Margaret and her burial place have not been ascertained.

Their children:

- 194 Thomas, b. Jan. 24, 1693; m. Mary Parker.
- 195 Samuel, b. Sept. 26, 1694; unm.
- 196 Jedediah, b. Oct. 2, 1696; m. Mary Haines.
- 197 Margaret, b. Aug. 14, 1699; m. — Johnson.
- 198 Mary, b. Feb. 10, 1702; d. June 5, 1703.
- 199 Mary, b. June 5, 1705; m. Solomon Huntington.
- 200 Joseph, b. June 20, 1710; m. Sarah Tully.
- 201 Sarah, b. Jan. 3, 1710; m. — Crocker.

Records of Norwich and Lebanon, Conn; Hist. of Norwich; Huntington Fam. Gen., 660; Historic Am. Families; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 351; Buckingham Fam., 140; Conn. Colonial Dames Register; Conn. Colony records, Vol. V, 401; Vol. VI, 69; Vol. VII, 140, 172, 201, 233, 270.

32

LYDIA³, b. Norwich, Conn., Oct. 1671 (*Francis², Edward¹*); m. Plymouth, Mass., June 6, 1692, JOSEPH BARTLETT, s. of Joseph and Hannah (Pope) Bartlett, and descendant of Robert who came in the ship *Ann* 1623. A tablet marks the site of his original home.

There does not seem to be any direct proof that Lydia Bartlett was the daughter of Francis Griswold, but as she was the only Lydia Griswold which the records disclose at that time, it would seem that she is the one to place here. The date of birth and death also be considered.

Inscription Burying Hill, Plymouth: "Here lyeth buried ye body of Joseph Bartlett, who departed this life Apr. ye 9th 1703 in ye 38th year of his age."

Joseph was a man of considerable prominence serving as selectman 1689 and 1695. Also was appointed Sgt. He was listed as proprietor 1701/2.

Lydia m. (2) JOSEPH HOLMES, JR., June 24, 1704. Joseph Holmes, Sen. and Junior, were men well considered and were frequently chosen for public office.

Lydia was appointed guardian of the following Bartlett children. She d. Jan. 1752, ae 80. T.S.R. Burying Hill.

Children Bartlett:

- 202 Joseph, b. May 15, 1693; m. Elizabeth Bartlett.
- 203 Samuel, b. Aug. 29, 1696; d. Mar. 25, 1759.
- 204 Lydia, b. Jan. 1, 1697; m. Lazarus LeBaron.
- 205 Benjamin, b. Oct. 9, 1699.
- 206 Sarah, b. Mar. 24, 1702/3; m. (1) Francis LeBaron; m. (2) Joseph Swift.

Children Holmes:

- Seare (Sarah), b. Mar. 25, 1706.
- Joseph, b. Oct. 2, 1714; d. on West India voyage.

Norwich, Conn. and Plymouth, Mass., records; History of Plymouth (Davis), 61, 74; Mayflower Desc., II, 18; XIII, 205; XVI, 64; Ancient Landmarks of Plymouth, 2nd Ed., Part 2, 19; LeBaron Fam. Gen., 16; Bartlett Fam., III. Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 351; Index to American Genealogies (Durrie), Bartlett.

78

MARY³, b. Killingworth, Conn., Mar. 16, 1670/1 (*Joseph², Edward¹*); m. in Hartford, Conn., May 17, 1692, JOSEPH GILLETTE, s. of Joseph and Elizabeth (Hawkes) Gillette, b. Nov. 2, 1664. Mary d. Dec. 19, 1719.

Joseph m. (2) ELIZABETH.

His will July 9, 1743 (Hartford Probate, Vol. XV, p. 25-8). mentions wife Elizabeth; and Joseph, Stephen, Asa, Jonathan, Matthew, Abigail Smith; Dorothy Bewell; Elizabeth Marsh; Mary Andrews; Esther Bancroft; Hannah Burr; Sarah Goodwin. He was a member of the 2nd church, Hartford, Dec. 8, 1700.

- 207 Joseph, b. Feb. 16, 1692.
- 208 Stephen.
- 209 Asa.
- 210 Jonathan.
- 211 Matthew.
- 212 Mary, bapt. Dec. 31, 1699; m. Caleb Andrews.
- 213 Esther, bapt. Apr. 27, 1701; m. — Bancroft.
- 214 Hannah, bapt. Oct. 18, 1702; m. — Burr.
- 215 Sarah, bapt. Oct. 8, 1704; m. Stephen Goodwin.
- 216 Abigail, bapt. Sept. 30, 1705; m. ~~John~~ Smith.
- 217 Elizabeth, b. —; m. Ebenezer Marsh.
- 218 Dorothy, bapt. Jan. 21, 1710; m. — Bewell.

Killingworth, Windsor, and Hartford, Conn., records;
Hartford 2nd church records; Stiles Ancient Windsor,
II, 290, 352; John Marsh Fam. Gen., 232.

80

JOSEPH³, b. Windsor, Conn., Jan. 24, 1677 (*Joseph², Edward¹*); m. (1) DEBORAH, who d. June 5, 1717; m. (2) Oct. 13, 1720, LOIS PHELPS, b. Westfield, Mass., Sept. 7, 1691, daughter of Nathaniel and Eunice.

Joseph died Feb. 17, 1724/5. His estate:—Joseph of Windsor, inventory, Apr. 6, 1725; court record 75; administration to Lois widow; mentions Shubael, George, Joseph, Roger, Abel, Jonah, Lois, Deborah. George, ae 16; Abel ae 17, Sept. 14, 1731; Mar. 22, 1732/33, Lois appointed guardian of Joseph ae 18; Lois, ae

11; Deborah, ae 10. It is probable there is a mistake in the record—Joseph ae 18, should be Joseph ae 8.

Children recorded in Windsor:

- 219 JOSEPH, b. May 31, 1700; d. y.
- 220 SHUBAEL, b. May 2, 1701.
- 221 JONAH, b. Apr. 12, 1704.
- 222 ROGER, b. Jan. 30, 1707/8.
- 223 GEORGE, b. Feb. 26, 1709/10.
- 224 ABEL, b. Feb. 1713/14. No further information.
- 225 DEBORAH, b. Mar. 10, 1715/16; d. y.
- 226 LOIS, b. Aug. 19, 1721.
- 227 DEBORAH, b. Jan. 26, 1723. No further information.
- 228 JOSEPH, b. Jan. 6, 1724/5.

Windsor, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352; Phelps Fam., II, 1295. Manwaring Hartford Probate Records, II, 517.

81

FRANCIS³, b. Windsor, Conn., July 11, 1683 (*Joseph², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, Dec. 7, 1703, ABIGAIL COLTON, daughter of John and Abigail (Parsons) Colton, and granddaughter of George, the Settler, b. Jan. 4, 1685.

George Colton, founder of the family, came to Springfield, Mass., as early as 1644 and located at Longmeadow, Mass. Many items of honorable mention appear in the records. One of the Commissioners who laid out the lots of the Suffield, Conn., district. In 1722 a grant of 50 acres of land was laid out to his heirs and assigns in recognition of his public services. A truly public-spirited man while he lived.

No record of the death of Francis and Abigail has been found.

Their children are recorded in Windsor, Conn.:

- *229 ABIGAIL, b. Dec. 23, 1704.
- *230 MARY, b. July 23, 1707; m. Zaccheus Griswold (No. 135).
- *231 MARGARET, b. Oct. 20, 1710.
- *232 KAZIAH, b. Sept. 11, d. Dec. 1, 1714.
- *233 ANN, b. July 29, 1716.
- *234 FRANCIS, b. Nov. 8, 1719.

Windsor and Norwich, Conn., and Longmeadow, Mass., records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 353; N. E. Register, Vol. XXXIII, 204; Colton Fam., p. 10; Parsons Fam., p. 48.

82

MATTHEW³, b. Windsor, Conn., Feb. 25, 1686 (*Joseph², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, Jan. 6, 1709, MARY PHELPS, daughter of Joseph (s. of Timothy and Mary Griswold Phelps) No. 9, and Mary (Porter) Phelps, b. June 8, 1689.

Matthew d. 1737. His estate, Hartford Probate, VIII, 39; inventory Nov. 18, 1737. His will dated Sept. 16, 1737, mentions his wife Mary; children, Matthew, Noah, Mary, Jerusha, Lucy and Lydia.

The will of Joseph Phelps, Aug. 23, 1710, Hartford Probate, IX, 99, mentions daughter Mary, and distribution of his estate mentions Matthew Griswold and his wife Mary Phelps. Date of her death unknown.

Children recorded in Windsor.

*235 MARY, b. May 11, 1710.

*236 JERUSHA, b. Apr. 19, 1714.

237 LUCY, b. June 10, 1716. No further information.

*238 MATTHEW, b. Jan. 27, 1717/18.

*239 NOAH, b. Sept. 11, 1722/23.

240 LYDIA, b. Sept. 18, 1725. No further information.

Windsor, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 353, 568; Phelps Fam. I, 140.

83

ABIGAIL³, b. Windsor, Conn., Aug. 11, 1689 (*Joseph², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, June 21, 1711, JOSIAH PHELPS, b. Poquonoc, (Windsor), Feb. 17, 1679/80, s. of John and Sarah (Buckland) Phelps.

The records are rather obscure in regard to this family and very little could be ascertained.

Their children:

- 241 Sarah, b. Jan. 14, 1712; d. y.
- 242 Josiah, b. Nov. 14, 1714. m. Elizabeth and prob. d. without issue.
His will dated June 11, 1781, leaves the property to his wife Elizabeth, and to Aaron and Enoch, sons of his brother Aaron. The will of widow Elizabeth Phelps is dated Oct. 27, 1783; it mentions: "my brother Israel Negers." Hartford Probate.
- 243 Aaron, b. Nov. 19, 1716; m. Mercy Kent.
- 244 Moses, b. 1718.
- 245 Sarah, b. Mar. 1723; d. y.
- 246 Ruth, b. Aug. 1726.
- 247 Abigail, b. Mar. 11, 1727; m. Elijah Loomis.

Windsor, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 597; Loomis Fam., p. 168; Phelps Fam., II, 1289-1290.

84

MARY³, b. Killingworth, Conn., Feb. 1, 1673 (*John², Edward¹*); m. in New London, Conn., 1696, JAMES AVERY, s. of Lieut. James and Deborah (Stallyon) Avery, b. Apr. 20, 1673, Groton, Conn.

Capt. James Avery, son of Christopher of England and founder of the family known as the Groton Averys. Settled at New London. He was a man of marked ability and continued service to the Colony. Served against the Indians 1675, and was selected for many town offices.

The present James resided in Groton; freeman 1705; brander of horses; constable 1707; selectman 1731-1742; moderator most of the time; deputy 1715-1731; J.P., 1726-1735. Guardian of the Pequot Indians. Ensign 1st company 1716; lieutenant 1721; captain 1728. Owned lot No. 18. His will, New London probate F. 535, mentions wife; sons, James, John, Ebenezer; daughter Hannah Hall. Mary d. Nov. 26, 1750. He d. Sept. 18, 1754. Both buried in the Avery-Morgan cemetery, Groton.

Their children:

- 248 James, b. May 27, 1697; m. Elizabeth Smith.

- 249 John, b. Feb. 4, 1700; m. (1) Elizabeth Morgan; m. (2) Mary Dennis.
- 250 Ebenezer, b. Mar. 29, 1704; m. Lucy Lathan.
- 251 Elihu, b. July 29, 1707; d. Nov. 28, 1748; unm.
- 252 Mary, b. Feb. 23, 1710.
- 253 Hannah, b. Apr. 7, 1712; m. Theophilus Hall.
- 254 Prudence, b. Mar. 21, 1715; d. Sept. 17, 1731.

Killingworth and Groton, Conn., records; Hist. of New London, Conn.; Colonial Dames Reg.; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352; Avery Groton Clan., 117; Conn. Colony records, Vol. VI, 19, 40, 66, 142, 162, 170, 205, 245, 309, 321, 338, 419, 515, 548, 572; Vol. VII, 2, 88, 124, 149, 191, 193, 250, 270, 293, 314, 325, 427, 545; Vol. VIII, 30, 54, 119, 195, 224, 288, 368, 411, 446, 573.

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MARGARET³, b. Killingworth, Conn., Dec. 10, 1675 (*John², Edward¹*); m. in Saybrook, Conn., Dec. 6, 1693, SAMUEL CHAPMAN, s. of Robert, Jr., and Sarah (Griswold, No. 24) Chapman, b. Sept. 12, 1672. Margaret, d. Dec. 21, 1750.

Samuel was descendant of Robert, first, the Settler 1635. He was an active and prominent citizen. J. P. 1737 to 1743. Captain of trainband of Saybrook, 1720; Captain of trainband of Tolland, Conn., 1735. He is mentioned also of Stafford, Conn. Said to have also resided in Westbrook, Conn. The date of his death or place of burial seems to be unknown.

Their children:

- 255 Sarah, b. Aug. 27, 1694; m. Nathaniel Kirtland.
- 256 Margaret, b. Apr. 6, 1697; m. Joshua Bushnell.
- 257 Samuel, b. June 10, 1698.
- 258 Martha, b. Apr. 2, 1700; m. Benjamin Turner.
- 259 Temperance, b. Dec. 17, 1701.
- 260 Jedediah, b. Oct. 9, 1703; m. Hester Kirtland.
- 261 Mehitable, b. Nov. 17, 1705; m. Stephen Chalker.
- 262 Caleb, b. Jan. 15, 1708; m. Deborah Jones.
- 263 Lucy, b. Dec. 27, 1709; m. Zebulon Dudley.

Killingworth and Saybrook, Conn., records; Chapman Fam., 70; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352; Conn. Colony

records, Vol. VI, 97, 98, 411, 539; Vol. VIII, 49, 81, 158, 224, 288, 367, 447, 514.

86

HANNAH³, b. Killingworth, Conn., Oct. 25, 1677 (*John², Edward¹*).

Persistent search has failed to find actual proof of her marriage to Crane, except her father's will 1713. It is found, however, that Abraham Crane, of Wethersfield, Conn., is the only Crane, at a proper date, whose wife was Hannah. No other Crane previous to 1713 seemed to have a wife Hannah.

The estate of Abraham Crane, Hartford, Conn., probate, Vol. VIII, 251; Manwaring, II, 183; inventory Nov. 19, 1713; administration to Hannah, widow. Distribution 1739 mentions Hannah, widow, children John, Benoni, Abraham, Mary, Hannah, and Lucy. In 1752 an agreement signed by the above persons was filed. Abraham d. July 5, 1713, ae 45.

Their children:

- 264 Mary, b. Feb. 7, 1697; m. (1) James Treat; (2) Nathaniel Copley.
- 265 John, Sgt., b. Mar. 14, 1700; m. Lydia Curtis.
- 266 Benoni, b. Aug. 20, bapt. Sept. 3, 1704.
- 267 Hannah, b. May 26, 1706.
- 268 Lucy, b. July 25, bapt. 30th, 1710; m. Joseph Forbes.
- 269 Abraham, b. Oct. 5, 1713.

Rev. Stephen Mix Diary; Wethersfield, Conn., records;
Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 255, 352.

89

BATHSHEBA³, b. Killingworth, Conn., Dec. 5, 1682 (*John², Edward¹*); m. in Killingworth, Dec. 6, 1708, DANIEL CLARKE, JR., s. of Daniel and Mary, b. Feb. 3, 1683, who d. Nov. 17, 1739. She d. Feb. 1753.

Thomas Clarke, founder of the family, first settled in Milford, Conn., and took the oath in 1644. Removed to Guilford, Conn., where he was a merchant and farmer.

Their children:

- 270 Mary, b. Feb. 27, 1709; bapt. Oct. 30, 1710; m. — Bailey.
- 271 Daniel, b. Sept. 26, 1711.
- 272 John, b. Jan. 9, 1712; d. Oct. 22, 1713.
- 273 John, b. Sept. 1, 1716.
- 274 Thomas, b. Apr. 25, 1718.
- 275 Bathsheba, b. Sept. 25, 1719; m. Samuel Nettleton.
- 276 Ruth, b. Dec. 19, 1725.

DANIEL CLARKE'S WILL

In the name of God, Amen: the sixth day of February, A.D. one thousand seven hundred and thirty nine, I, Daniel Clarke, of Killingworth, in the county of New London, and Colony of Connecticut, in New England, husbandman, being of perfect mind and memory, thanks being given unto God therefor, calling into mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament (that is to say) principally and first of all: I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent burial at the descretion of my executor, nothing doubting, but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I give, devise, and dispose of the same in the following manner & form, my just debts and funeral charges being first paid.

Imprimis: I give and bequeath to Bathsheba, my dearly beloved wife one third part of my moveable estate to be at her own dispose forever. I also allow my said wife the use and improvement & profit of one third part of all my lands and a room or two in my dwelling house to improve for her comfort and to improve the land and house so long as she remain my widow, I give and bequeath unto my three natural sons, Daniel, John, and Thomas Clarke, all my lands, (not before disposed of) each of them their equal part of plowing land, mowing land and pasture lands, to be equally divided amongst them by freeholders, (computing quantity and quality); if my sons cannot agree to divide sd lands

amongst them, which lands I give to my sons and to their assigns forever.

I give to my daughter Mary Bayley ten pounds of my moveable estate over and above what I had given her before.

I give and bequeath unto my two younger daughters, Bathsheba and Ruth, all the remainder of my moveable estate which I had not before given away, to be equally divided betwixt them, viz: Bathsheba and Ruth.

And I do hereby constitute, make and ordain, my well beloved wife Bathsheba, and my son Daniel Clarke executors of this my last will and testament, and do hereby disallow, revoke and disannul all and every other former testaments, wills, legacies, and bequests executed by me in every way named wills and bequests, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Nathaniel Farnem.

Daniel Clarke.

Samuel Rutty.

Josiah Rossiter.

Killingworth, Conn. records; Killingworth 1st church records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352; Hist. of Guilford (Smith); N. E. Register, Vol. LIX, 132.

90

SAMUEL³, b. Killingworth, Conn., Apr. 14, 1685 (*John*², *Edward*¹).

His wife was SARAH; her parentage has not been found. Very little information could be obtained in reference to this family.

Samuel d. Oct. 29, 1732. Sarah d. May 9, 1735. Burials in the Congregational cemetery, Clinton, Conn. His T.S.R. d. "Oct. 1732, ae 58."

His estate, Guilford, Conn., probate records; Samuel of Killingworth, d. Nov. 28, 1732. Daniel Griswold administrator. Mentions one son, one daughter.

Their children:

- *277 MARY, b. June 28, 1718.
- 278 SAMUEL, b. July 27, 1720; d. at Hartford, Dec. 27, 1736.
- 279 SARAH, b. Apr. 8, 1725; d. Dec. 3, 1726.

Killingworth, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 353.

91

LUCY³, b. Killingworth, Conn., July 4, 1686 (*John², Edward¹*); m. ALLING BALL, III, s. of Alling and Sarah (Thompson) Ball, b. Oct. 20, 1684.

Allen or Alling came with the Rev. Davenport, 1637. Lived in New Haven, afterwards East Haven. Farmer; had charge of 600 acres for Rev. Davenport. Prominent in East Haven; held many positions of trust. Alling II was captain of militia, saw service during the Indian troubles 1689. Blacksmith.

Their children:

- 280 Oliver.
- 281 Daniel.
- 282 Wait.
- 283 Eliphalet.
- 284 Alling.
- 285 Lucy, b. —; m. Ephraim Brush.
- 286 Lydia, b. Oct. 29, 1715; m. Abel Smith.

Killingworth, Conn., records; N. E. Register, Vol. LXI, 118, 119; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352; Dodd's Register; East Haven R.E., 104, 141, 151, 163.

94

JOSEPH³, b. Killingworth, Conn., Sept. 26, 1691 (*John², Edward¹*); m. in Killingworth, Dec. 29, 1714, TEMPERANCE LAY, b. 1691, daughter of Robert and Mary (Stanton) Lay, who d. Sept. 18, 1773.

Thomas Stanton, great grandfather of Temperance, was one of the most distinguished among the early planters. Came to Virginia 1635 but left there almost immediately for Boston. He acquired speedily an intimate knowledge of the Indian language and was recognized by Gov. Winthrop as a man of unusual ability and he was selected for delicate missions to the Indians. He soon acquired great prominence. He was forceful and spoke his mind freely, which did not always please his associates.

He was granted the right to establish a trading post on Pawcatuck river, in Stonington 1651 and removed his family there 1657. He took an active part in town affairs and was elected to almost every position of public trust. Magistrate, judge, and deputy to the General Court. Almost every Indian transaction bears his name.

Her grandfather, Robert Lay, came to Saybrook, 1649 and became an important citizen.

Joseph d. Apr. 18, 1771. His estate, May 1771, Guilford, Conn., probate records, mentions his children, Joseph, Capt. Nathan, Giles, John, heirs of Daniel and Jedediah.

Her estate mentions only her son Joseph as administrator.

Their children recorded in Killingworth:

- 287 JOHN, b. Oct. 12, 1715; d. y.
- *288 JOSEPH, b. Oct. 22, 1716.
- *289 NATHAN, b. Apr. 28, 1719.
- *290 TEMPERANCE, b. 1720. No record has been found for this, but circumstances point directly to Joseph as her parent.
- *291 GILES, b. June 3, 1723.
- *292 JOHN, b. Mar. 6, 1725/6.
- *293 DANIEL, b. Aug. 10, 1728.
- *294 JEDEDIAH, b. Dec. 13, 1730.

Killingworth, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Windsor II, 352; N. E. Register, Vol. XLVII, 172, 173; Stanton Fam.; Hist. of Stonington, Conn.

95

BENJAMIN³, b. Killingworth, Conn., Sept. 26, 1691 (*John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Killingworth, Conn., June 17, 1718, ABIGAIL NORTON, b. Nov. 12, 1693, daughter of Samuel and Abigail (Ward) Norton.

Thomas Norton, b. in England, was warden of Mr. Whitfield's church at Ockley, England, and came with him to America being one of the Covenanters on shipboard who signed the covenant June 1639. The covenant is among the manuscript papers of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston. Thomas was the miller from 1646 to his death 1648. Samuel was the son of Thomas. His home lot was on the west side of State street in Guilford, composed of two acres.

Abigail Norton is also descendant of William Ward M.D., who lost his life in the "Great Swamp Fight."

They were members of the Congregational church.

Their children:

*295 JOHN, b. Mar. 12, 1719.

*296 LUCY, b. Mar. 23, 1721.

*297 ABIGAIL, b. Sept. 13, 1726.

*298 BENJAMIN, b. Apr. 27, 1728.

299 AMAZIAH, b. Sept. 7, 1731. This is the Amaziah recorded in the D.A.R. as the Revolutionary soldier. This is a mistake. His estate, recorded in the Guilford, Conn. probate records, Oct. 16, 1753, refers to his brothers John and Benjamin; heirs of his sister Abigail Franklin and sister Lucy Stevens.

300 DANIEL, b. 1733/4. No further information.

Killingworth, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352; Fulton-Hayden-Warner Gen., 546; Andrew Ward Fam., 35.

96

DOROTHY³, b. Killingworth, Conn., Sept. 23, 1692 (*John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Guilford, Conn., Feb. 14, 1723, JANNA HAND, s. of Joseph and Hester (Wilcox) Hand of East Guilford.

Janna was descendant of John Hand of East Hampton, Long Island, one of the original proprietors and magistrates.

Joseph Hand, s. of John, came to Guilford before 1670. He was a vessel owner and builder. Served as deputy to the General Assembly, 1720.

Dorothy d. Feb. 12, 1775. T.S.R. Hammonasset cemetery, Madison, Conn.

JANNA'S WILL

In the name and fear of God, Amen, July the 26th Anno Regei Georgii Secundi 34 Annoque Domini 1760, I Janna Hand, of East Guilford, in New Haven county, in His Magestys English Colony of Connecticut, in New England, being weak and low, as to bodily health but of sound mind and memory, thanks be given unto God therefor.

Therefore calling to mind my own mortality and knowing it is appointed to all men once to die and altogether uncertain how near my time of departure may be, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, that is to say, principally and first of all, I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God who gave it, hoping for the mercy of God through Jesus Christ unto eternal life, and my body I commit to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the descretion of my executors, hereafter named, nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection, I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God. And as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life, I give and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

My just debts, funeral and other necessary charges being first paid out of my moveable estate.

Imprimis: I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Dorothy Hand my negro man and one third part of the rest of my moveable estate, to her her heirs and assigns; and instead of dower I give and bequeath to my said wife Dorothy the improvement of the western half of my dwelling house and of one third part of my homestead land on both sides of the river, excepting only of what is commonly called * * * orchard; as also one third part of my sluice meadow, so-called, during the term of her natural life. My will is that my sister, Huldah, whose first husband's name was Zechariah Smith shall have ten acres of my plan'd lot at the woods end at the most southerly corner running northerly one hundred and sixty rods; easterly ten rods, as her part of my

father's eighteen acre right, and I give it to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

My will is that if my son Janna Hand, who some years past went away on a voyage to sea, be yet alive and shall return home again, all the rest of my land in Guilford shall be equally divided betwixt him, and my two other sons, Joseph and Daniel Hand; only allowing to my two sons Joseph and Daniel the benefit and advantage of the labor they shall do upon said land; and I do hereby give all my land in Guilford, except the ten acres, to them, their heirs and assigns forever.

But if my son Janna be dead and return no more, my son Joseph Hand shall have all my land at the woddy end & Walnut Hill, except said ten acres; my land at the horse pond and my salt meadow at the island, and my will is that the same shall be for the use and improvement of him, his heirs and assigns immediately upon my decease and remain so till my said son Janna return home, if ever he do return; and if he never return, I give the same to him, his heirs and assigns forever, together with the barn upon said land.

I also give my son Joseph Hand the improvement of one third part of my old orchard from my decease to the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy. But then my will is that if my son Joseph possesses and inherits these legacies he shall pay annually for ten years, the value of ten pounds lawful money in calf or neat cattle per annum to his sister Esther Hugens; to the payment whereof I do subject him by my will.

I give and bequeath the fruit of my orchard called Peter's orchard to him during the term of the life to be improved at the discretion & direction of such person to whom he shall belong.

My will is that my son Daniel Hand shall pay annually for ten years the value of ten pounds lawful money in calf or neat cattle per annum to his sister Dorothy Hand and he shall have and possess immediately upon my decease all my homestead land on each side of the river, except my wife's third part. Mentions further his daughter Esther Hugens.

Their children:

301 Joseph, b. Jan. 24, 1723/4; m. Lucy Meigs.

302 Esther, b. Sept. 5, 1725; m. John Huggins.

303 Janna, b. Feb. 4, 1728. Went to sea and was never heard from.

- 304 Daniel, b. 1732; m. (1) Siba Smith; m. (2) Lizzie Lynde; m. (3) Ohloe Boardman, widow of Walter Price Griswold (No. 322).
 305 Dorothy, b. —; m. Heil Buell.

Killingworth, Guilford, and East Guilford, Conn., records; Dr. Talcott MSS; N. E. Register, Jan. 1901, p. 31; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352; Hand Fam.; Nash Fifty Puritan Anc., 113.

97

MARTHA³, b. Killingworth, Conn., June 16, 1694 (*John², Edward¹*); m. in Killingworth, also Saybrook, Conn., record, June 13, 1722, SAMUEL PRATT, s. of Samuel and Ruth (Huntington) Pratt, b. Feb. 11, 1683, who d. 1751. Samuel was a grandson of the first William.

Lieut. William Pratt, the first settler, supposed to have come with Rev. Thomas Hooker to Newton, (now Cambridge), Mass., in 1633, from thence to Hartford, Conn. One of the stout-hearted men who traveled on foot through the wilderness to the new home selected for about 100 residents of Cambridge. He was identified with all the best interests of the new community and took a splendid part in its continued development. His name appears on the Founders Monument, Center Churchyard, Hartford, Conn.

Samuel, son of William and father of Samuel above, was a prominent man of Saybrook, Conn., having been frequently selected for public office; J.P., selectman. He resided at Essex Point.

Very little has been ascertained of the Samuel here.

Martha m. (2) Mar. 21, 1759, Lieut. JONATHAN PARKER, s. of Joseph and Hannah (Gilbord) Parker of Saybrook, b. Oct. 6, 1686, who m. (1) Feb. 10, 1709, Elinor Post, who d. Dec. 25, 1740; he m. (2) 1742, Hannah Young, who d. 1758. He d. about 1770. Date of Martha's death is unknown.

Their children:

- 306 Samuel, b. —; m. Ann —.
 307 Nathaniel.

- 308 Ebenezer, b. Feb. 3, 1731; m. Zilpah Wood.
- 309 Thankful.
- 310 Bathsheba.
- 311 Martha.
- 312 David.

Saybrook, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352.
Parker Fam., p. 15; John Pratt Fam., p. 233.

98

DANIEL³, b. Killingworth, Conn., Oct. 25, 1696 (*John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Killingworth, May 9, 1722, JERUSHA STEVENS, daughter of Dea. Josiah and Sarah (Hubbell) Stevens, b. Oct. 19, 1704.

Jerusha was descendant of the first William. Daniel served as deputy 1732-35, and attended at least three sessions. Ensign west company trainband 1728. Lieutenant 1732. He d. Sept. 10, 1737, ae 40. T.S.R. Congregational cemetery, Clinton, Conn.

Jerusha m. (2) BENJAMIN DEWOLF.

Children of Daniel and Jerusha.

- *313 DANIEL B., b. 1722.
- *314 SARAH, b. Oct. 22, 1723.
- 315 BATHSHEBA, b. Oct. 20, 1725; d. Oct. 23, 1737.
- *316 JERUSHA, b. Nov. 23, 1727.
- *317 JOSIAH, b. Nov. 19, 1731.
- 318 GRACE, b. Apr. 2, 1734. No present information.
- 319 SAMUEL, b. Feb. 8, 1736; d. Apr. 17, 1745.

Killingworth, Conn., records; John Stevens Gen.

99

WALTER³, b. Killingworth, Conn., Mar. 7, 1700 (*John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Killingworth, Oct. 24, 1723, SARAH WRIGHT or WIGHT, whose family name has not been disclosed by the records. They were members of the Congregational church.

Removed to Saybrook, Conn. He served as private on the Sloop Defense, Sept. 12, 1741. (Conn. Colonial Archives).

Children recorded in Killingworth and Saybrook:

- *320 HANNAH, b. July 31, 1724.
- 321 MARTHA, b. May 28, 1726. No information.
- *322 WALTER PRICE, b. Feb. 24, 1728/29.
- *323 SARAH, b. Sept. 20, 1731.
- *324 PATIENCE, b. Apr. 22, 1734.
- 325 JAMES, b. Mar. 28, 1737.
- 325 EDWARD, b. Oct. 13, 1739. No further information.
- 327 MARY. No information.

WALTER'S WILL

Guilford Probate Records

In the name of God, Amen, Walter Griswold, of Saybrook, in the county of New London, and Colony of Connecticut, in New England, being of sound mind & memory through the goodness of God, yet calling to mind my own mortality, do make and ordain this my last will and testament and do hereby * * * all other last wills and testaments heretofore made, and first of all I give my soul to God, the father of spirits, hoping for acceptance in and through the Son of his Love and my body I give to the earth to be decently buried according to the descretion of my executors, hoping for an interest in the first resurrection, and touching such wordly goods which God hath blest me with, I dispose of in manner following, viz.:

Imprimis: My debts being first paid, I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Sarah one third part of my estate, both real and personal to her use during her natural life and no longer.

I give and bequeath to my three sons, viz.: Walter, James, and Edward, all my lands and rights in lands of every sort and houseing to be equally divided between them.

I give and bequeath unto my daughters all my moveable estate, viz.: Hannah, Martha, Sarah, and Mary, to be equally divided between them.

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Hannah thirty pounds in money of the old tennor to be paid by my three sons equally, viz.: ten pounds by each of them as they shall come to age of twenty one years, and I do appoint George Chapman and my wife Sarah to be my executors.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 3rd day of April, in the eighteenth year of His Magesties Reign, Anno Domini, 1745.

Walter Griswold.

Killingworth and Saybrook records; Bristol, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352-3; Wight Fam. 310.

101

DANIEL⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Feb. 14, 1684 (*Daniel*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, Sept. 5, 1716, SARAH WHITE, daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth, b. Aug. 20, 1694, who d. Jan. 5, 1738, ae 44 (Bolton rec). Another record states d. Feb. 1, 1738, ae 43. m. (2) in Bolton, Conn., Sept. 5, 1739, Mrs. SARAH (White) BURK. Sarah White, daughter of John and Hannah, m. (1) Jan. 11, 1722, Philip Smith of Hatfield, who d. Apr. 13, 1728; m. (2) 1734, John Burk of Hatfield, who was drowned Nov. 1736.

The will of Daniel White, June 9, 1726, refers to his daughter Sarah Griswold.

Daniel served as ensign in the Indian Wars. Removed to Bolton, Conn., 1729. Later, about 1760 was living in Harwinton, Conn. Mentioned in Wylly's Papers as a soldier, Col. William Whiting 1709, expedition against Canada.

His estate, Nov. 4, 1772, Litchfield, Conn., probate; inventory Feb. 10, 1773. His son White was administrator.

Their children:

- *328 SARAH, b. Oct. 14, 1717.
- *329 ANNE, b. Mar. 20, 1718.
- *330 BATHSHEBA, b. Dec. 2, 1720.
- 331 MINDWELL, b. Feb. 12, 1722; d. Jan. 1, 1746.
- *332 DANIEL, b. May 26, 1723.
- 333 HANNAH, b. Feb. 8, 1725/6; d. Nov. 4, 1757.
- *334 WHITE, b. Oct. 22, 1727.
- *335 GEORGE, b. Jan. 11, 1729/30; bapt. Jan. 4, 1729.
- *336 SETH, b. Apr. 27, bapt. 30th, 1732.
- 337 Daughter, b. and d. June 12, 1736.
- 338 REUBEN, b. Jan. 22, 1737/38; bapt. same; no further information.

Windsor, Bolton, and Harwinton, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352-3; John White Fam., 41, 43.

102

NATHANIEL⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Feb. 14, 1684 (*Daniel*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. (1) in Suffield, Conn., Apr. 23, 1716, ELIZABETH ADAMS; m. (2) in Windsor, Conn., Oct. 14, 1731, RUTH GAYLORD, b. Apr. 10, 1700, daughter of Nathaniel and Abigail (Bissell) Gaylord.

Served in Queen Ann's War 1711; ensign French and Indian War. Canadian Expedition (Conn. Colonial Archives). He d. Sept. 16, 1753, ae 68. T.S.R. Old Poquonoc Cem.

His will Dec. 14, 1750, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions wife Ruth; son Nathaniel, and daughters Ruth, Naomy, and Azubah.

Children recorded in Windsor:

- 339 RUTH, b. Aug. 3, 1732. No further information.
- *340 NAOMI, b. Apr. 5, 1735.
- *341 AZUBA, b. July 16, 1736.
- *342 NATHANIEL, b. July 27, 1742.

Suffield and Windsor, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352; Conn. Colony records, Vol. VII, 439; Porter Fam., I, 63.

103

PELITIAH⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Sept. 13, 1689 (*Daniel*³, *George*², *Edward*¹). His wife, ANN; No record of her except his will, which is dated Mar. 22, 1753 (State Library, Hartford). We find no family mentioned. After certain bequests to his wife Ann, the remainder of his estate is bequeathed to his servant John Lewis, in the event he lived to the age of twenty one years; otherwise, to Joel Griswold.

Pelitiah was an enterprising man, owner of considerable property, quiet and unassuming.

In Conn. State Archives (War Documents) is a petition dated May 1735, signed by eleven persons who believe themselves to be the sole survivors of the Swamp Fight, praying for a grant of land for their services. The name of Pelitiah appears thereon.

Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352.

104

MARY⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Feb. 22, 1692 (*Daniel*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, Jan. 1, 1718/19, JEREMIAH BIRGE (*John*², *Richard*¹), s. of John and Hannah (Watson) Birge, b. Sept. 22, 1686. She d. June 8, 1763.

Estate of John Birge, Hartford Probate, VI, p. 34; Manwaring I, p. 539, mentions his son Jeremiah.

He was descendant of Richard Birge who came from Dorchester, Mass. with Rev. Warham. In 1640 had a home lot in Windsor and owned considerable other lands.

Children recorded in Windsor:

- 343 Jeremiah, b. Dec. 23, 1719.
- 344 Mary, b. Aug. 23, 1721.
- 345 John, b. Apr. 25, 1723.
- 346 David, b. May 16, 1725.
- 347 Ann, b. Oct. 28, 1726.
- 348 Pelitiah, b. Sept. 8, 1730; m. Mary Grant.
- 349 Hannah, b. Mar. 18, 1731; m. Joshua Phelps.
- 350 Mindwell, b. Mar. 24, 1733.
- 351 Lucy, b. Sept. 23, 1736.

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, p. 352, 375; Phelps Fam., I, 150.

105

EDWARD⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Mar. 8, 1695/6 (*Daniel*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, June 23, 1728, ABIGAIL GRISWOLD (No. 229), daughter of Francis, b. 1704, who d. Aug. 7, 1763. Edward died May 18, 1775, ae 78.

Children recorded in Windsor:

- *352 EDWARD, b. July 13, 1729.
- *353 ABIGAIL, b. May 5, 1732.
- *354 KEZIAH, b. July 5, 1737.
- *355 LYDIA, b. Apr. 25, 1743.

Windsor, Conn., town and church records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 353.

106

DEBORAH⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Nov. 7, 1698 (*Daniel*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. (1) BISSELL, of whom no record was found; m. (2) in Litchfield, Conn., June 18, 1723, EDWARD PHELPS (*Joseph*³, *Lieut. Timothy*², *William*¹).

He was one of the first settlers of Litchfield, where he d. May 3, 1790, ae 93. She d. in Harwinton, Conn., Jan. 18, 1771, ae 73. T.S.R. East cemetery, Litchfield.

Member of the legislature. His will proved June 2, 1790, refers to his son Edward; daughters Deborah McNeil, Mindwell Catlin; also Ebenezer, Samuel, Ashbel, and Truman Marsh, sons of Ebenezer Marsh and his daughter Lucia.

Their children:

- 356 Deborah, b. Sept. 15, 1726; m. Alexander McNeil.
- 357 Edward, b. Dec. 25, 1727; m. Hannah Marsh.
- 358 Mindwell, b. Feb. 17, 1732; m. George Catlin.
- 359 Roswell, b. Dec. 31, 1738; d. Nov. 8, 1739.
- 360 Lucia, b. May 21, 1741; m. Ebenezer Marsh.

Windsor and Litchfield, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352, 571; John Marsh Fam., 29, 36.

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DAVID⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Aug. 26, 1701 (*Daniel*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, Dec. 23, 1731, HULDAH BROWN, b. Nov. 17, 1709, daughter of Dea. Cornelius and Abigail (Barber) Brown, who d. June 4, 1785, ae 73. David d. Aug. 1, 1760, ae 58. (Wintonbury (Bloomfield) records).

Farmer; very little is known of him.

His estate, Sept. 3, 1760, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions Huldah, widow; children Joel, Ezekiel, David, Deborah, Huldah, Sibbell and Asena.

Peter Brown, the Settler, ancestor of the Windsor Browns, came to Plymouth in the Mayflower. Peter (2) and father of Cornelius, came to Windsor, and was admitted to the church June 22, 1662. Bought a home and was known as a staunch eitizen.

Children recorded in Windsor and Bloomfield, Conn.:

- 361 DAVID, b. May 25, 1733; d. Mar. 14, 1736/7.
- *362 JOEL, b. 1734.
- *363 EZEKIEL, b. Feb. 21, 1736/7.
- *364 HULDAH, b. Apr. 23, 1739.
- *365 SYBIL, b. Apr. 17, bapt. 18th, 1742.
- *366 DEBORAH, b. Mar. 15, bapt. 24th, 1745.
- *367 DAVID, b. Feb. 15, 1748; bapt. Mar. 13, 1751.
- 368 ASINAH, b. Sept. 6, d. Sept. 15, 1751.
- *369 ASENSA.

Windsor and Bloomfield, Conn., records; Wintonbury church records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352, 118; Thomas Barber Gen., 74.

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MINDWELL⁴, b. Windsor, Conn. (*Daniel*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, Jan. 12, 1708/9, EBENEZER HAYDEN, s. of lieutenant Daniel and Hannah (Wilcoxon) Hayden, b. Dec. 14, 1681.

Daniel Hayden was lieutenant of trainband and served in King Philip's War. Descendant of William who came to Dorchester, Mass., 1630; removed to Hartford where he received

land 1639. Participated in the Pequot War 1637. Granted a lot in the Soldiers' Field in recognition of his saving the life of Capt. Mason. Removed to Windsor about 1640.

Daniel worked the Hayden quarries and was one of the most prominent men of Windsor.

Their children:

370 Ebenezer, b. Dec. 9, 1709; m. (1) Mary Trumble; m. (2) Dorothy Loomis.

371 Mindwell, b. Apr. 4, 1713; m. Rev. Jedediah Dewey.

372 David, b. Jan. 21, 1715/16; m. Dorothy Allen.

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 371; George Dewey Fam., 859; Loomis Fam., 148.

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THOMAS⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Dec. 10, 1682 (*Thomas*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, Sept. 5, 1725, ABIGAIL SACKET, of Westfield, Mass., daughter of John and Deborah (Filley) Sackett, b. Oct. 1690, and granddaughter of John and Abigail (Hannum) Sackett, who settled in Springfield, Mass., but soon removed to Northhampton; sold their holdings in 1665 and removed to a farm near Westfield, Mass., since called Sackett Meadows, about the date of the first permanent settlement of that place and about ten years previous to the commencement of King Philip's War. Built a house and barn which was burned by the Indians and all his stock driven away.

Thomas served as Ensign 1708 and 1729; captain 1732; J.P. Hartford county, 1749-50; Died Mar. 7, 1753, age 70; T.S.R. Old Poquonoc (Conn.) cemetery.

His will dated Apr. 2, 1744, on file in the State Library, Hartford, Conn. mentions his wife Abigail; sons Phineas and Thomas.

Children recorded in Windsor, Conn.:

*373 PHINEAS, b. Nov. 15, 1725.

*374 THOMAS, b. Jan. 25, 1728/29.

Windsor, Conn. and Westfield, Mass. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 354; Conn. Colony rec., IV, 44, 262; Sackett Fam. Hist., 46.

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SAMUEL⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Dec. 15, 1684/5 (*Thomas*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. (1) in Simsbury, Mar. 5, 1713, DEBORAH HOLCOMB, daughter of Benajah and Sarah (Enno) Holcomb, b., Oct. 26, 1690, who d. Dec. 22, 1715.

Sgt. Thomas Holcombe, her grandfather, of Dorchester, Mass., came to Windsor 1639. Resided in Poquonoc next to Edward Griswold. He was one of those who represented Windsor and Hartford in forming the constitution of the Colony of Connecticut.

Samuel m. (2) in Simsbury, Conn., ELIZABETH GAYLORD, daughter of Nathaniel and Abigail (Bissell) Gaylord, b. July 28, 1693, who d. Jan. 4, 1764. The will of Nathaniel Gaylord Hartford probate, IX, 62; Manwaring Hartford Probate Records, II, 388, mentions Samuel and Elizabeth.

Samuel settled in Simsbury; farmer and man of affairs; prominent and influential. Served in the General Assembly 1727 and many places of public trust. Resided on his farm of 500 acres in the bend of the Farmington river where it breaks through the Talcott mountains. His house is said to have stood upon a beautiful swell of ground commanding a view of the valley. The compiler has visited this spot and it must have been a place of great beauty in the time of Samuel. The general beauty of the valley has been somewhat marred by the town of Tarrifville, which is only a short distance from the old farm site of Samuel.

Samuel is said to have been a little above medium height, eyes and general complexion light, and a man of genial disposition, but of great industry.

The Griswold family of Simsbury are said to have built a mill on the site of Tarrifville in the old days, and it was called Griswold Mills.

Samuel met his death by accident from a fall while he was preparing a back log for the fire. Died May 6, 1777.

Their children recorded in Simsbury:

375 SUSANNAH, b. Jan. 15, 1714; d. same.

*376 SAMUEL, b. Dec. 12, 1715.

*377 ELIZABETH, b. Aug. 3, 1717.

378 ESTHER, b. Sept. 15, 1720; d. Aug. 24, 1739.

*379 LYDIA, b. Dec. 17, 1722.

380 EZRA, b. Dec. 1, 1725; d. May 2, 1726.

381 DEBORAH, b. July 24, 1727; d. same.

Simsbury, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 354, 395. Holcomb Gen.

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HESTER⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Jan. 1, 1689 (*Thomas³, George², Edward¹*); m. (Windsor, Conn. and Westfield, Mass. rec.), Oct. 15, 1712, DANIEL GUNN, s. of John and Mary (Williams) Gunn, b. Westfield, Mar. 21, 1687.

Thomas Gunn, founder of this branch of the family was a freeman in Boston, 1634. Came to Windsor, Conn., where he was granted home lot 1640. Removed to Waronoco (Westfield), Mass. Gave his home to Timothy Thrall who had married his daughter Deborah. A grant of land is of record in Westfield 1668. The family were substantial. John, father of Daniel, and John, his brother, were especially well-considered, serving in many offices of trust. Daniel is not mentioned in any important records and disappears from the records after the birth of his last child, evidently having removed from Westfield. Daniel is mentioned in the will of his brother John Jan. 19, 1747, as legatee of a Great Bible. The death or burial place of Daniel and Hester are unknown.

Their children:

- 382 Hester, b. Dec. 7, 1713.
- 383 Azubah, b. Mar. 23, 1716.
- 384 Mary, b. Jan. 10, 1719.
- 385 Alexander, b. Apr. 1, 1726.
- 386 Daniel, b. Aug. 2, 1730.

Windsor, Conn. and Westfield, Mass. Town rec.; Northampton, Mass. Probate rec.

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ABIGAIL⁴, b. Westfield, Mass., Aug. 3, 1685 (*Edward³, George², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, Conn., Oct. 4, 1705, JOSEPH BARNARD (*Joseph², Francis¹*), s. of Joseph, b. June 20, 1681.

Francis Barnard was the first settler of Hadley, Mass., of this family. Not especially mentioned in history except he was considered a good citizen. His son Joseph m. Sarah, daughter of Elder John Strong and removed to Deerfield, Mass., where he died of wounds received from the Indians.

Joseph was held in high esteem in Windsor. Died July 12, 1736. Abigail died 1747. Her will (Hartford probate, XV, 167, Manwaring Hartford Probate Records, III, 496.), mentions sons Joseph, Edward, Francis; daughters, Abigail, Sarah, Ann, and Rebecca.

Their children:

- 387 Abigail, b. July 24, 1706.
- 388 Sarah, b. Sept. 23, 1707.
- 389 Joseph, b. Mar. 16, 1708/9.
- 390 Edward.
- 391 Ebenezer, b. Sept. 6, 1710.
- 392 Anne, b. Feb. 28, 1712/13.
- 393 Rebecca.
- 394 David, b. Nov. 3, 1714; d. May 27, 1718.
- 395 Francis, b. Sept. 9, 1719.

Windsor, Conn., Westfield and Hadley, Mass. records;
Hist. of Hadley, Mass.; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352;
Index to American Genealogies; Durrie, publications
mentioning Barnard.

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HEZEKIAH⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Sept. 6, 1715 (*John*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, Dec. 14, 1738, SARAH BARNARD.

He was lieutenant 5th company 1769; captain 3rd company, Oct. 1772.

He was the owner of large lands and property. A man of enterprise and ability, but did not aspire to the political growth of the town. He shared in the property of his cousin George.

Their children:

- 396 SARAH, b. June 5, d. July 14, 1740.
- 397 HEZEKIAH, b. Feb. 28, 1741; d. same.
- *398 MERCY, b. June 29, 1744.

- *399 ABIGAIL, b. Apr. 18, 1746.
- 400 FREDERICK. b. June 6, 1748 d. Apr. 1, 1751.
- *401 PRUDENCE, b. June 6, 1748 (twins).

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 354.

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ISAAC⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Sept. 24, 1718 (*John³, George², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, May 19, 1748, MINDWELL PHELPS, b. Windsor, Sept. 1729, daughter of Lieut. Daniel and Mindwell (Buckland) Phelps.

Daniel Phelps, descendant of the first William. His will, Mar. 15, 1749/50, Hartford Probate records, mentions his daughter Mindwell. Served in the Revolution, 4th Regiment of Lighthorse (Conn. Archives). Said to have taken part in chasing a company of British cavalry through Danbury, then 76 years old, riding nearly twenty four hours, and mourning on his return that he did not get a shot at one Britisher. He was so exhausted by this race that he died soon after.

Isaac died in Windsor, Oct. 21, 1755. T.S.R. Elm Grove cemetery.

Mindwell married (2) Capt. Noah Griswold.

Children recorded in Windsor:

- *402 ISAAC, b. Aug. 8, 1749.
- 403 PRUDENCE, b. Nov. 26, 1751; d. Nov. 27, 1752.
- *404 ABIEL, b. June 14, 1755.

Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 354, 569; Windsor, Conn. records; Phelps Fam.

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ELIZABETH⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Feb. 5, 1694 (*Benjamin³, George², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, Oct. 29, 1719, ISAAC GILLETTE, b. Aug. 2, 1693, s. of Nathan, Jr. and Rebecca (Owen) Gillette,

grandson of Nathan, Sen.; from Dorchester to Windsor 1625, and later to Simsbury; Nathan served in the Pequot War.

The Gillette family were well-considered and occupied a position of esteem in the community.

Their children recorded in Windsor:

- 405 Isaac, b. May 18, 1720; m. Honora Stephens.
- 406 Zaccheus, b. Dec. 18, 1724; m. (1) Ruth Phelps; m. (2) widow, Sarah Dean.
- 407 Jacob, b. Jan. 27, 1726; m. Lydia Phelps.
- 408 Elizabeth, b. Feb. 2, 1728.
- 409 Ava, b. Dec. 28, 1731; d. Dec. 28, 1736.
- 410 Ava, b. Dec. 10, 1739.

THE WILL OF ISAAC

In the name of God, Amen, I, Isaac Gillette of Windsor, in the county of Hartford & Colony of Connecticut, in New England, am at this time Through Gods Goodness in Common Health and of Sound Mind and Memory & calling to Mind the mortality of my Body & Duty to set my House in Order, do make and ordain this to be my Last will and Testament, that is to say, Principally, first of all, I give & Recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it & my Body at Death I give to the Earth to be Buried in Decent Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter to be named, Hoping again to Receive the same Through the Merritts of Christ at the Resurrection of the Just & as Touching such wordly Goods and Estate with which it has Pleased God to Bless me in this Present Life I give & Dispose of the same in the following Manner & form, Viz.:

Imprimis: I give & Bequeath unto my Truly & Well Beloved wife Elizabeth the use and improvement of my half of the dwelling House that I now live in & One half of my barn and also one third part of all my other estate both real or personal during the term of her Natural Life, and also Twenty Pounds money to be her own dispose to be paid to her by my executors within one year after my decease.

Item I give & Bequeath unto my son Isaac my Great Bible.

Item I give & Bequeath unto my son Zaccheus and to his heirs and assigns forever two thirds part both for Quantity & Quality of my Lott on the west side of the Streight where my house stands.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my son Jacob and to his heirs

and assigns forever one third Part Both for Quantity and Quality of my Lott on the west side of the Streight where my house stands.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth fifty pounds money to be paid to her within two years after my decease by my Eexecutors out of my estate.

Further my will is that after my just debts, Funeral Expense and the Legacies mentioned in this will be Respectively Paid, all the remaining part of my estate both real & personal shall be equally divided between my three sons, Isaac, Zaccheus and Jacob to be to them and to their heirs and assigns forever.

Item my will and Pleasure is that my son Isaac Gillette & Zaccheus Gillette shall be the only Executors to this my last will & Testament and I appoint them thereto and in witness of what is above written I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 24th day of December, Anno Dom. 1762.

Signed sealed Published pronounced & Declared by the said Isaac Gillette to be his last will and Testament in the Presence of us the subscribers.

Henry Allyn.

Isaac Gilette.

Augusten Drake.

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352, 297; Phelps Fam.; Hist. of Wolcott, Conn. (Orcutt), 482.

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BENJAMIN⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Apr. 14, 1701 (*Benjamin*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, July 22, 1726, ESTHER GAYLORD, daughter of Nathaniel and Abigail (Bissell) Gaylord, b. Apr. 8, 1702, who d. Sept. 3, 1776.

Benjamin was a farmer, prominent and upright; a man of talent and depth, well poised and steady. By great industry he attained an ample fortune; honored and respected.

Served as ensign 5th company 1738; received appointment as captain also.

His will Aug. 17, 1772, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions his wife Esther; daughter Zilpah, wife of John Perkins, and

son Silvanus. Benjamin died July 26, 1772; T.S.R. Elm Grove cemetery in Windsor.

Their children:

411 BENJAMIN, b. Dec. 15, 1727; d. Sept. 1, 1751.

A young man of remarkable talent, who by constant application had become a clergyman and who, had he lived, would have attained a high place in his calling.

*412 HEPZIBAH, b. May 31, 1730.

*413 SILVANUS, b. Aug. 5, 1733.

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 354.

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ZACCHEUS⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Dec. 10, 1705 (*Benjamin*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, Nov. 15, 1728, MARY GRISWOLD, b. 1707, daughter of Francis and Abigail (Colton) Griswold, No. 230 who d. Jan. 10, 1806.

Zaccheus was a farmer, a quiet man, who did not mingle much in the politics of the time, content to attend to his farm. Removed to Goshen, Conn. Bought land from Matthew and Noah Griswold

Their children:

*414 ZACCHEUS, b. Nov. 15, 1730.

*415 GILES.

*416 HANNAH.

HIS WILL

In the name of God, Amen, I, Zaccheus Griswold of Goshen, in Litchfield county, and state of Connecticut, being advanced in age but of sound mind and memory, blessed be God therefor, and calling to mind my own mortality and that it is appointed unto * * * to dye, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, viz.: principally I commend my soul to God who gave it and my body I commit to the grave to be buried with Christian Burial at the * * * and desire of my Executor hereafter named and as to the good things of this life with which it hath pleased God to Bless me, after my just Debts and funeral

Charges are first paid, I do hereby dispose and Bequeath them as follows:

I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary the use and improvement of the North half of my dwelling house in which I now live and also the one half of my dwelling house where my son Zaccheus now lives, and the improvement of thirty acres of land that lyes next to each of sd two houses during her natural life, and I do hereby give and bequeath to my sd wife the use and * * * of all my household goods during her natural life.

I give and bequeath unto my two sons Zaccheus & Giles, all my real estate that I shall dye seized of to be equally divided between them both.

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Hannah, the wife of David Thompson, of Goshen, Forty pounds lawful money to be paid to her out of my personal estate by my executor provided there shall be sufficient therefor, to be paid out of my personal estate at inventory price, and provided my personal estate shall not be sufficient for that purpose, that then, my sd executor pay the remainder out of my lands or in Cattell at inventory price and I do hereby nominate and appoint my two sons, Zaccheus & Giles to be the joint executors of this my last will and testament by me made, uttered, published, & pronounced, hereby ratifying this and this only to be my last will and testament, in confirmation whereof, I have hereunto sett my hand and seal this 31st day of July 1789.

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced & declared by the above testator to be his last will and testament.

Witnesses.

Zaccheus Griswold.

Windsor and Goshen, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 354.

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ANNE⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., May 28, 1708 (*Benjamin³, George², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, Sept. 14, 1733, JOSIAH PHELPS, b. Aug. 24, 1708, s. of Josiah and Sarah (Winchell) Phelps.

Sarah Winchell was the daughter of Nathaniel and descendant of Robert Winchell, of Dorchester, Mass., 1634, and Windsor, Conn., 1635.

Josiah served as captain in the Revolution. His will, Hartford Probate, Aug. 7, 1790, mentions his wife Anne; sons Josiah and Bildad, and daughter Ann Storrs. Also mentions his grandchildren. Proved Aug. 11, 1791. He was buried in Old Poquonoc, Conn., cemetery, T.S.R. "Capt. Josiah Phelps, July 24, 1791, ae 83. Revolutionary War, Col. Sheldon's Regt."

Anne d. July 4, 1799. Administration of her estate July 27, 1803.

Children recorded in Windsor:

- 417 Josiah, b. July 28, 1734; m. Ann Denslow.
- 418 Asa, b. 1736; d. 1745.
- 419 Bildad, b. Aug. 22, 1739; m. Eunice Phelps.
- 420 Anna, b. Mar. 20, 1741; m. Eleazer Storrs.

Windsor, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 569; D.A.R. Vol. XIX, 101; Vol. XXXI, 196; Winchell Fam., 70; Phelps Fam., I, 121.

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AZUBA⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Aug. 2, 1710 (*Benjamin³, George², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, Mar. 27, 1734/5, JOHN WAREHAM STRONG, s. of John, Jr. and Hannah (Trumbull) Strong, b. Sept. 3, 1706.

Descendant of Elder John Strong, of Northampton, Mass., where he was a leading man in town and church affairs.

The date of Azuba's death is unknown.

He m. (1) Nov. 30, 1727, ABIGAIL THRALL, b. May 13, 1708, daughter of Capt. Timothy and Sarah (Allyn) Thrall, who was descendant of William Thrall and Thomas Allyn of Middletown, Conn.

John W. served in King George's War. Died Apr. 25, 1752, ae 46. T.S.R. Elm Grove cemetery, Windsor.

Children of first marriage:

- 421 Elizabeth, b. Aug. 9, 1728.

422 Sarah, b. May 3, 1731.

423 John, b. June 14, 1733; m. (1) Sarah Strong; m. (2) Mrs. Mary Root; m. (3) Ann Beecher.

Children of second marriage:

424 Elijah, b. Dec. 22, 1755; d. Nov. 22, 1737.

425 Elijah, b. Feb. 20, 1738/9; d. while in service, French and Indian War, ae 19.

426 Abigail, b. Nov. 11, 1741.

427 Azubah, b. May 17, 1744.

428 Elisha, b. Dec. 1, 1747/8; m. Mary Beebe.

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor; Strong Family; Elder John Strong Fam., I, 20.

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ESTHER⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Apr. 14, 1712 (*Benjamin*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. in Windsor, Sept. 19, 1745, NATHANIEL COPLEY.

Thomas Copley of Springfield, Mass., s. of widow Elizabeth who married Nathaniel Phelps of Windsor.

Thomas was at Suffield, Conn., 1679. Had Thomas, Matthew, Samuel (Savage Gen. Dict., I, 456), Nathaniel, s. of Matthew and Hannah, b. Nov. 25, 1702 (Suffield rec.), is thought to be the one here.

Nathaniel m. (1) Apr. 3, 1730, MARY GAYLORD.

Their children; first marriage:

429 Nathaniel, b. Apr. 9, 1733; m. Mary Treat.

Second marriage:

430 Noah, b. June 25, 1746.

Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield; Copley Fam.

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MOSES⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., July 10, 1714 (*Benjamin³, George², Edward¹*); m. in Hartford, Conn., June 26, 1740, MARY NICHOLS, b. Oct. 4, 1713, daughter of Cyprian and Mary (Spencer) Nichols, who d. Dec. 27, 1775, ae 62.

Cyprian was a prominent citizen and mentioned many times in Colony records.

Moses served as ensign 5th company 1758; captain 1756; 1st lieutenant, 1st company, 3rd regt., 1755. (Colonial Archives). He d. Jan. 4, 1776, ae 61. T.S.R. Old Poquonoc cemetery.

Their children:

- *431 MOSES, b. Dec. 23, 1741.
- *432 MARY, b. Nov. 28, 1742.
- *433 HANNAH, b. Apr. 1750.
- *434 LUCY, b. Apr. 12, 1753.
- *435 ELIZABETH, bapt. Feb. 26, 1759.

Windsor, Conn. records; Wintonbury church records; Hartford Conn., First Church records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352; Goodwin Notes, 313.

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FRANCIS⁴, b. Norwich, Conn., Sept. 9, 1691 (*Samuel³, Francis², Edward¹*); m. (1) in Norwich, Nov. 30, 1714, ELIZABETH LOOMIS, daughter of Dea. John of Windsor, Conn., b. Dec. 31, 1677, who d. Apr. 13, 1718; m. (2) in Stratford, Conn., Dec. 13, 1721, ABIGAIL BINGHAM, daughter of Dea. Abel and Elizabeth (Odell) Bingham, of Stratford, b. June 7, 1696, who d. Feb. 18, 1754.

Dea. Abel Bingham, of Stratford, Conn. 1707 removed to Windham. He was deacon of the first church. Honored and respected; served as selectman and other town offices; m. (3) in Norwich, Dec. 23, 1755, Mrs. PATIENCE STARR, who was Patience Seabury, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Alden) Seabury, who m. (1) Joseph Latham, s. of Joseph and Mary, and who m. (2) Benjamin Starr. She d. Apr. 18, 1761. They were

members of the First Congregational Church. Francis d. 1760, ae 69. His tombstone in the old Norwich cemetery, with those of Patience and Abigail; also there is a stone in this group which is supposed to be that of Elizabeth.

The will of Francis dated Nov. 5, 1760, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions wife Patience; children Isaac, Daniel, Abel, Francis, Adonijah, Mary, Abigail, and Elizabeth.

Children recorded in Norwich:

- *436 FRANCIS, b. Jan. 31, 1722; d. Nov. 25, 1736.
- *437 MARY, b. Mar. 2, 1724.
- *438 DANIEL, b. Nov. 21, bapt. 27th, 1726.
- 439 ABIGAIL, b. Apr. 18, 1729; d. Mar. 3, 1761.
- *440 ABEL, b. Mar. 12, 1731.
- *441 ELIZABETH, b. Feb. 21, 1732/3.
- *442 ISAAC, b. Apr. 3, 1735.
- *443 FRANCIS, b. about 1735/6.
- *444 ADONIJAH, b. June 6, 1739.

Norwich, Conn. records; Norwich 1st Congregational Church records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 355; Loomis Fam., 134; Bingham Fam.

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SAMUEL⁴, b. Norwich, Conn., Feb. 8, 1693 (*Samuel*³, *Francis*², *Edward*¹); m. in Norwich, Apr. 2, 1719, ELIZABETH ABELL, b. Norwich, Feb. 11, 1698, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Sluman) Abell. Samuel was a son of Caleb Abell.

Samuel's will Oct. 25, 1753, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions wife Elizabeth; children Ebenezer, Samuel, Simon, Elisha, and Elizabeth.

Owned the Covenant, First church, Aug. 9, 1724.

Their children:

- *445 SAMUEL, b. Apr. 21, 1720; d. June 1726.
- *446 ELISHA, b. May 6, 1722; bapt. Aug. 9, 1724.
- *447 EBENEZER, b. July 29, bapt. Aug. 8, 1725.
- *448 SAMUEL, b. Apr. 7, bapt. May 19, 1728.
- *449 SIMON, b. Aug. 14, 1731.
- *450 ELIZABETH, b. May 19, bapt. July 2, 1734.

Norwich, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 355;
Norwich Congregational church records; Hyde Gen., I,
12, 58; II, 1052.

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LYDIA⁴, b. Norwich, Conn., May 28, 1696 (*Samuel³, Francis², Edward¹*); m. in Lebanon, Conn., Jan. 28, 1719/20, CALEB HUNTINGTON, b. Feb. 8, 1693/4, s. of Samuel and Mary (Clark) Huntington.

Simon Huntington, first, of Norwich, England, started for New England on account of religious persecutions, d. of small-pox on the way and was buried at sea. Dea. Simon settled in Norwich, 1660.

Caleb was considered an able citizen, interested in the growth of the community and took part in town affairs.

Their children:

- 451 Caleb, b. Dec. 9, 1721; m. Zerviah Case.
- 452 Lydia, b. June 3, 1722.
- 453 Elisha, {
- 454 Elijah, { twins, b. Apr. 25, 1724.
- 455 Abner, b. Mar. 6, 1726.
- 456 James, b. Apr. 25, 1728.
- 457 Susanna, b. June 23, 1730; m. Anderson Dana, who was killed at Wyoming, 1778.
- 458 Ezekiel, b. Aug. 2, 1732.
- 459 Daniel, b. Feb. 3, 1737.

Norwich and Lebanon, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352; Huntington Fam., 748; Hyde-Dana Fam., 17, 19, 24; John Clark Fam., 29.

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HANNAH⁴, b. Norwich, Conn., Apr. 30, 1699 (*Samuel³, Francis², Edward¹*); m. Nov. 5, 1742, EZEKIEL ASHLEY, b. Apr. 27, 1701, s. of Samuel and Sarah (Kellogg) Ashley, of Westfield, Mass.

He with his brothers Daniel and Aaron were among the first proprietors of Sheffield, Mass., and probably removed his family there about 1728. He and John Pell surveyed and located the "old ore hill" in Salisbury, Conn., a tract of 100 acres, which was granted in Oct. 1731 and May 1734; he, his uncle, Capt. John Ashley and others petitioned for a grant of 100 acres of land lying west of the Housatonic river near a large pond known to the Indians by the name of Wonokopoko Pond. He also had an interest in the forge and iron works and water privileges in Sheffield. He styled himself "husbandman" and "gentleman" in deeds. Took a prominent part in the management of town affairs. He was chosen moderator 1734/5 and again 1736, 37, 38. He was also interested in military matters serving in the local companies. While residing in Hartford, Conn., volunteered his services to Connecticut in the Cape Breton expedition and was appointed lieutenant in Capt. Adonijah Fitch's company, his commission dated May 30, 1745. He died while in service.

His will dated June 28, 1745, proved Aug. 5, 1746, Hartford probate, XV, 37; Manwaring Probate Records, Hartford, III, 490.

I, Ezekiel Ashley of Hartford do make this my last will and testament: I give to my wife Hannah all my estate both real and personal, and to her heirs and assigns forever, she paying only the several legacies herein mentioned to my several children. I give unto my son Ezekiel 20 pounds money, to be paid at the age of 21 years. And my will further is, that my son Ezekiel shall take to himself and have the benefit of his own wages until he shall come of age. I give unto each of my daughters 5 pounds money, to be paid when they arrive to the age of 18 years, viz.: to my daughter Hannah 5 pounds, when she shall be 18 years old, and to my daughter Grissell 5 pounds when she shall come to the age aforesd. I appoint my wife Hannah sole executrix.

Joseph Talcott,

Ezekiel Ashley.

Ozias Goodwin,

Moses Butler.

Children born in Sheffield, Mass.:

460 Ezekiel, b. Oct. 3, 1726; m. Elizabeth Farnsworth.

361 Hannah, b. Jan. 9, 1729; d. Jan. 2, 1730.

462 Jacob, b. Aug. 1, 1732; d. Dec. 1, 1736.

463 Hannah, b. Sept. 3, 1735.

- 464 Grissell, b. Mar. 13, 1738; m. Joseph Kelley. Her T.S.R. Norwich, Conn., "Grissell, wife of Joseph Kelley and daughter of Mrs. Hannah Wright, June 30, 1769, age 31."

Hannah Ashley m. (2) WRIGHT of Norwich, Conn.

Norwich, Conn., and Sheffield, Mass., records; Conn. Colony rec., Vol. IX, 128, 143; Mass. Archives; Hartford, Conn., First Church rec., Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352. Kelley Fam., 17.

190

SARAH⁴, b. Norwich, Conn., Jan. 19, 1700 (*Samuel³, Francis², Edward¹*); m. in Norwich, Dec. 19, 1721, EBENEZER WATERMAN, b. Feb. 20, 1698/9, s. of Thomas and Elizabeth (Allyn) Waterman.

Thomas Waterman, s. of Thomas of Marshfield, Mass., came to Norwich and married 1668, Miriam, daughter of Lieut. Thomas Tracy. The original home of Thomas was dismantled to widen the street which now passes over the site.

Thomas, the first born of the Norwich Watermans, married Elizabeth Allyn, daughter of the first Robert Allyn.

Children of Ebenezer and Sarah:

- 465 Susannah, b. Nov. 19, 1722.
- 466 Betty, b. Nov. 3, 1724.
- 467 Sarah, b. Jan. 23, 1726/7.
- 468 Ebenezer, b. May 1, 1732; d. Apr. 3, 1733.
- 469 Ezekiel, b. May 1, 1732; d. Aug. 3, 1733.
- 470 Flavius, b. Aug. 17, 1736.
- 471 Adonijah, b. Mar. 12, 1738/9.
- 472 Marian, b. Apr. 14, 1741.

Norwich, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 53, 73, 269, 352; Hist. of Norwich; Index American Genealogies (Durrie); Waterman Fam.

191

JOHN⁴, b. Norwich, Conn., Dec. 16, 1703 (*Samuel³, Francis², Edward¹*); m. in Braintree, Mass., July 24, 1729, SUSANNAH SANDERS, daughter of John and Susannah (Thompson) Sanders, b. Mar. 5, 1699. John d. Apr. 19, 1730.

Susannah m. (2) Dec. 6, 1739, in Roxbury, Mass., EBENEZER WARREN, s. of Joseph and Deborah, b. Jan. 26, 1698/9, who d. 1756. She d. before 1746.

The will of John Sanders, Dec. 1, 1733, mentions Susannah Griswold (Braintree, Mass. probate records).

Child Griswold:

*473 JOHN, b. Nov. 22, 1730.

Child Warren:

474 Samuel, b. 1743; d. Nov. 1, 1805.

Braintree, Mass. and Norwich, Conn. records; Norwich Land records, VI, 46; VII, 26, 27; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352, 355; Hist. Braintree, Mass., 60, 85, 247, 323, 549, 626.

192

JOSEPH⁴, b. Norwich, Conn., Oct. 17, 1706 (*Samuel³, Francis², Edward¹*); m. in Norwich, Feb. 6, 1728, SARAH DURKEE, whose parentage has not been determined, who d. Oct. 11, 1744.

Joseph was noted for his piety. Deacon of the Congregational church. Joined the "New Light" Separatist movement 1745, and was dismissed from the old church. He was chosen deacon in the new church. Said to have been imprisoned with others. Later returned to the old church. The story is told that in later life he became very deaf and was unable to hear the sermons. The pastor invited him to sit in the pulpit that he might hear the services.

Joseph died 1796, ae 90.

Their children:

*475 JOSEPH, b. Nov. 4, 1728; bapt. June 1, 1729.

- *476 SUSANNAH, b. Jan. 25, 1729; bapt. Feb. 1, 1730.
- 477 ANDREW, b. Nov. 7, bapt. 14th, 1731.
- *478 JOHN, b. Nov. 6, bapt. Dec. 2, 1733.
- *479 SARAH, b. Nov. 13, bapt. 16th, 1735.
- *480 HANNAH, b. Feb. 6, 1737/8; bapt. Feb. 12, 1738.
- *481 OLIVER, b. Feb. 18, 1739; bapt. Feb. 24, 1740.
- *482 JEREMIAH, b. Sept. 10, bapt. 19th, 1742.
- 483 BENJAMIN, b. Oct. 6, bapt. 14th, 1744; d. 1770.

Norwich, Conn. records; Norwich Congregational church records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 355.

220

SHUBAEL⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., May 2, 1701 (*Joseph³, Joseph², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, Nov. 3, 1723, PHEBE CORNISH, daughter of Dea. James and Elizabeth (Thrall) Cornish. The exact date of her death is not known. The records state she was born between 1701-1709.

James Cornish, farmer; man of considerable property. One of the foremost citizens of Simsbury. Prominent in the affairs of the town and church. Deacon. Served as deputy many times.

Shubael served as scout in the Indian Wars, 1724. His estate, Windsor, Conn., probate XI, 88, 272, Apr. 13, 1733. Administration to widow Phoebe, Vol. XV, 30, Jan. 6, 1746/7. Shubael, a minor, aged 17.

Their children:

- *484 PHOEBE, b. Sept. 14, 1726.
- *485 SHUBAEL, b. Nov. 30, 1729.
- *486 SARAH, b. July 1, 1732.

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 355; Cornish Fam., 9.

221

JONAH⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Apr. 12, 1704 (*Joseph³, Joseph², Edward¹*); m. in Bloomfield, Conn., Oct. 9, 1746, RUTH BARNETT, whose parentage has not been determined.

The records disclose very little in regard to this family.

Their children:

- *487 RUTH, bapt. Mar. 11, 1750.
- *488 JONAH, bapt. June 24, 1753.
- 489 ANN, bapt. Apr. 31, 1757; d. same.

Windsor and Bloomfield, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352; Wintonbury church records; Early Conn. Mar. (Bailey).

222

ROGER⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Jan. 30, 1707/8 (*Joseph³, Joseph², Edward¹*); m. in Enfield, Conn., Jan. 7, 1731, MARY GEER, b. Mar. 10, 1709/10, daughter of Shubael and Sarah (Abbe) Geer.

Mary was descendant of Thomas Geer, one of the early settlers of Enfield, a very worthy inhabitant.

Shubael Geer was also a staunch citizen, interested in town affairs, and was held worthy of public office. Served in the "Great Swamp Fight" in Capt. Appleton's Co.

Sarah Abbe, daughter of Thomas Abbe, soldier in King Philip's War.

Their children recorded in Enfield.

- *490 ROGER, b. Feb. 16, 1731.
- *491 SHUBAEL, b. Mar. 15, 1734.
- *492 SOLOMON, b. Feb. 11, 1737.
- *493 JERIEL, b. Feb. 25, 1740.
- *494 JONAH, b. Feb. 28, 1743.
- 495 JOSEPH, b. Oct. 3, 1746; d. Aug. 30, 1746.
- *496 JOSEPH, b. May 30, 1749.

Windsor and Enfield, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352; Geer Fam., 300, 302; Hist. of Enfield, Conn., I, 28.

223

GEORGE⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Feb. 26, 1709/10 (*Joseph³, Joseph², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, Mar. 6, 1734/5, ZERVIAH GRISWOLD (134), daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Cook) Griswold, b. Dec. 26, 1703, who d. 1748.

His will, State Library, Hartford, Conn., Apr. 21, 1783, mentions Zerviah, wife of Owen; Lydia, wife of Noah Phelps; Joab and George.

Their children:

*497 ZERVIAH, b. Dec. 22, 1735.

*498 GEORGE, b. Sept. 28, 1737.

*499 JOAB, b. Sept. 11, 1740.

*500 LYDIA, b. 1741/2.

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 355.

226

LOIS⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Aug. 19, 1721 (*Joseph³, Joseph², Edward¹*); m. in Simsbury, Conn., May 29, 1734, Capt. BENJAMIN ADAMS, b. 1695, who d. Oct. 3, 1770, s. of Daniel, who m. (1) Mar. 25, 1712, Rachel Case, who d. Nov. 29, 1732.

Lois d. Jan. 15, 1758. No issue.

Windsor and Simsbury, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 352.

228

JOSEPH⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Jan. 6, 1724/25 (*Joseph³, Joseph², Edward¹*).

There was a Joseph at Enfield, Conn., who went on the Cape Breton Expedition 1745 and never returned. He is said to have died on the way. In the History of Enfield he is indicated as the

son of Roger, but as Joseph, the son of Roger, was not born until 1749, it could not be true.

The above Joseph was a brother of Roger and it is thought he is the one to be considered in this record, as no direct information otherwise has been found of the above Joseph (*Hist. of Enfield*).

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MARGARET⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Oct. 20, 1710 (*Francis³, Joseph², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, Nov. 19, 1730, SAMUEL OWEN, s. of Obediah, b. in Windsor, Aug. 3, 1707, descendant of John from Wales who settled in Windsor at a place called Hosford's Lane and later as Polly's Orchard on the Farmington river. Known as a substantial citizen. Margaret d. Feb. 7, 1782/83.

Samuel m. (2) Feb. 26, 1783, MARY TAYLOR, widow. She was probably Mary Fyler.

He was deacon of East Granby church; d. in Bloomfield Jan. 16, 1787. His will dated Sept. 19, 1780, mentions his wife Margaret; sons Samuel and Seth; daughter Margaret Meacham.

Their children:

501 Margaret, b. Apr. 26, 1732; d. Apr. 28, 1741.

502 Samuel, b. Feb. 24, 1736/7; m. Rachel Stiles.

503 Margaret, b. Nov. 28, 1742; m. Barnabas Meacham.

504 Seth, b. Jan. 1, 1744/5; m. Jemima Murphy.

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 353, 545; Stiles Fam. Will records, State Library, Hartford, Conn.

233

ANN⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., July 29, 1716 (*Francis³, Joseph², Edward¹*); m. in Simsbury, Conn., Apr. 23, 1735, GIDEON MOORE, b. Simsbury, 1710, s. of Jonathan and Hannah (Large) Moore.

Hannah Large was Hannah Long, daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Wilcox) Long.

They removed to Nine Partners, N. Y. about 1738 and no further record of them has been found.

Their children:

- 505 Anna, b. May 5, 1736; m. Ephraim Woodworth.
- 506 Gideon, b. Apr. 14, 1738; m. Esther —.
- 507 Tryphenia, b. 1739; m. Jotham Bemis.
- 508 Charles, b. 1741; m. Esther Bidwell.
- 509 Reuben.
- 510 Alpheus.
- 511 Phineas.
- 512 William.
- 513 Hosea.

Windsor and Simsbury, Conn. records; Andrew Moore Gen., 17; Bemis Fam., 40; Stiles Ancient Windsor; Moore Fam.

234

FRANCIS⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Nov. 8, 1719 (*Francis*³, *Joseph*², *Edward*¹); m. (1) Aug. 2, 1739, JERUSHA THRALL, b. Sept. 2, 1722, daughter of Sgt. John and Mindwell (Moses) Thrall (W.C.R.).

William Thrall came to Windsor and had a grant 1640. Soldier in the Pequot War.

The date of Jerusha's death has not been ascertained. Francis m. (2) KEZIAH CHURCH, b. 1723, who d. Dec. 28, 1798, ae 75.

His will dated Jan. 26, 1796, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions wife Thezia; children Francis, Aaron, Jerusha, and Thezia, wife of Abel Barnes.

Francis served with Colonial troops 1758.

Their Children:

- *514 FRANCIS, b. Apr. 23, 1741.
- *515 AARON, b. Oct. 23, 1743.
- *516 JERUSHA, b. Dec. 6, 1747.
- *517 KEZIAH.

Windsor, Conn. town rec.; Windsor church rec.; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 355; Conn. Colonial Archives.

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MARY⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., May 11, 1710 (*Matthew³, Joseph², Edward¹*); m. in Windsor, July 2, 1729, NATHANIEL OWEN, s. of Nathaniel and Sarah (Palmer) Owen, b. Dec. 31, 1702.

The Owens of Windsor were a well considered family; citizens of merit who assisted greatly in the continued growth of the town.

Nathaniel's will, 1774, State Library, Hartford, Conn., proved 1776, names his sons Nathaniel and Alvan, and daughter Mary Warner.

Their children:

- 518 Keziah, b. Apr. 11, 1730; d. same.
- 519 Mary, b. Sept. 12, 1731; m. Nathan Warner.
- 520 Abner, b. Jan. 4, 1733; d. at Fort Edward while serving in the French and Indian War.
- 521 Nathaniel, b. 1735; m. Mary Pinney.
- 522 Alvan, b. Feb. 22, 1737.

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 353, 545.

236

JERUSHA⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Apr. 19, 1714 (*Matthew³, Joseph², Edward¹*); m. (1) JOSEPH PINNEY, b. Mar. 10, 1702, s. of Nathaniel and Martha (Thrall) Pinney. Nathaniel and Sarah (Griswold) Pinney, No. 6, were his grandparents, and direct descendants of Humphrey Pinney who came with Rev. Warham.

The will of Joseph Pinney, Dec. 13, 1737, Hartford probate, Vol. XIII, 75, 76; Manwaring Hartford Probate Records, III, 324.

I Joseph Pinney, of Windsor, do make this my last will and testament: I gvie to Jerusha, my wife, 1/3 part of my moveable estate. My will is that my house and home lott that I bought of Mr. Dwite, which contains about 30 acres, shall be sold at the descretion of my executors, and after my debts are well and truly paid, my will is that the remainder of my estate shall be disposed

of in equal shares to my three sons, viz.: Joseph, Nathaniel and John. Likewise constitute my honored father Nathaniel Pinney and Jerusha, my wife, executors.

Matthew Griswold,
Benjamin Barbour,
Hannah Barbour.

Joseph Pinney.

His estate Feb. 21, 1742/43, mentions Benjamin Enos and his wife Jerusha.

Jerusha m. (2) Jan. 1741/43, BENJAMIN ENOS or ENNO, s. of James and Hannah (Phelps) Enno, b. Oct. 5, 1719.

Children Pinney:

- 523 Nathaniel, b. —; d. in N. Y. state.
- 524 Joseph, b. July 15, 1735; d. in Havana, Cuba.
- 525 John, b. 1736; m. Sarah Lull.
- 526 Susan.

Children Enno:

- 527 Benjamin, b. Dec. 2, 1741.
- 528 James, b. June 17, 1743.
- 529 Joab, bapt. Mar. 17, 1745.
James and Joab were Revolutionary soldiers.
- 530 Abijah, b. —; m. Hannah Griswold, No. 433.

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 353; 611; Dawes-Gates Anc., 664.

238

MATTHEW⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Jan. 27, 1717/18 (*Matthew*³, *Joseph*², *Edward*¹). His wife was ELIZABETH; her name or parentage evidently has not been known. Not shown on any of the records.

He was owner of large lands; known as Esq. Matthew. Evidently a man of enterprise and ability as shown by the accumulation of property. Served as ensign of the 5th company and captain 1736.

His estate, Hartford State Library; distribution 1776, mentions children Matthew, Alexander, Elihu, and Elizabeth.

Their children:

- *531 MATTHEW, b. 1743.
- *532 ALEXANDER, b. 1745.
- *533 ELIHU, b. Aug. 17, 1756.
- *534 ELIZABETH.

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 353.

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NOAH⁴, b. Windsor, Conn., Sept. 11, 1723 (*Matthew³, Joseph², Edward¹*); m. (1) about 1745, ABIGAIL GRISWOLD, daughter of Sgt. John. The date of her death is unknown; m. (2) about 1756, MINDWELL (PHELPS) GRISWOLD, widow of Isaac Griswold, b. in Windsor, Sept. 1729, who d. Sept. 17, 1777. He d. Sept. 24, 1789, ae 66. T.S.R. Old Poquonoc cemetery.

Children first marriage:

- *535 NOAH, b. Aug. 10, 1746.
- *536 MINDWELL, b. 1748.
- *537 ELIJAH, b. 1750.

Child second marriage:

- 538 ELISHA, b. Apr. 10, d. Dec. 25, 1757.

Windsor, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor; Phelps Fam., I, 167, 224.

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MARY⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., June 28, 1718 (*Samuel³, John², Edward¹*); m. in Durham, Conn., Mar. 28, 1739, ELIHU CHAUNCEY, s. of Rev. Nathaniel and Sarah, b. Mar. 24, 1710.

Elihu was a man of education and of great influence. Served as Representative from Durham 76 sessions, being elected continuously for 39 years except while he was in the Northern army. Served as colonel in the French War. The old Chauncey

mansion stood at the east end of the street leading from the Green, being inherited by Charles Chauncey and later was destroyed by fire. Elihu also served in other public offices. Descendant of Charles Chauncey the second president of Harvard University.

Elihu died Apr. 10, 1791, ae 88. Mary died Mar. 1, 1801, ae 83. Their graves are in the Old Durham cemetery. Their monuments are of smooth sandstone, old and weatherbeaten, pathetic reminders, in that neglected spot of "How soon we are forgotten." It seems strange in that beautiful little town that this one place is allowed to rest peacefully neglected on the hill.

Their children:

- 539 Charles, b. Dec. 28, 1739; d. Jan. 13, 1740.
- 540 Catherine, b. Apr. 11, 1741; m. Rev. Eleazur Goodrich.
- 541 Sarah, b. Dec. 22, 1742; d. Aug. 15, 1744.
- 542 Sarah, b. May 8, 1745; m. (1) Lemuel Guernsey; m. (2) Simeon Parsons.
- 543 Charles, b. May 30, 1747; m. Abigail Darling.

Killingworth and Durham, Conn. records; Goodrich Fam., 75; Tuttle Fam., 104; Treman-Truman Fam., 1703; John Strong Fam.; Parsons Fam.; Chauncey Mem., 112.

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JOSEPH⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Oct. 22, 1716 (*Joseph*³, *John*², *Edward*¹); m. (1) in Killingworth, Dec. 4, 1740, REBECCA RUTTY, b. Apr. 4, 1719, prob. daughter of Edward and Rachel, who d. May 31, 1747; m. (2) in Killingworth, SARAH HURD, prob. daughter of Elnathan and Thankful, b. Aug. 23, 1725, who d. Sept. 16, 1751; m. (3) in Killingworth, Nov. 6, 1751, SARAH JONES, whose parents are unknown, who d. Dec. 9, 1753; m. (4) in Killingworth, May 22, 1754, LYDIA FARNAM, whose parents are unknown, who d. in Walpole, N. H. Jan. 15, 1791, ae 63.

Joseph lived in Killingworth; later removed to Walpole, N. H. the exact date of his removal being unknown. He d. July 13, 1791, ae 75. His estate Dec. 1791, in which the names of Gilbert, Elisha, and Ethan Griswold appear (Keene, N. H. Probate records).

Children recorded in Killingworth:

- 544 GIDEON, b. July 24, d. Dec. 31, 1742.
- *545 JOSEPH, b. Dec. 29, 1743.
- *546 SAMUEL, b. July 16, 1745.
- 547 ELNATHAN, b. Jan. 24, 1749. His will, Guilford, Conn. probate, Dec. 2, 1775; distribution to brothers Joseph and Samuel and sister Rebina (Rebecca).
- *548 REBECCA, b. Nov. 14, 1753.
- *549 DANIEL, b. Feb. 18, 1755.
- *550 GIDEON, b. Feb. 3, 1757.
- 551 LYDIA, b. Mar. 20, 1759; d.y.
- *552 GILBERT, b. June 6, 1761.
- *553 LYDIA, b. Dec. 6, 1763.
- *554 ESTHER, b. Oct. 1, 1765.
- *555 STEPHEN. {
- *556 ASAHUEL, { twins, b. Jan. 24, 1768.
- *557 ELLEN, b. Feb. 25, 1771.

Killingworth, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 355.

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NATHAN⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Apr. 28, 1719 (*Joseph*³, *John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Killingworth, May 2, 1745, SARAH HULL, daughter of Dea. Josiah and Elizabeth Hull, b. May 29, 1725, who d. Oct. 10, 1794, ae 70.

Dea. Josiah Hull was one of the first settlers of Killingworth, a substantial citizen and prominent member of the first church.

Nathan d. June 15.. 1791, ae 73, T.S.R. Southwest cemetery, Killingworth. His will Feb. 19, 1791, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions wife Sarah; children Joel, Martin, George, Nathan and Temperance Buell.

The estate of Sarah also mentions children Joel, Martin, Nathan, George and Temperance.

Nathan was a Revolutionary soldier; Capt. 1777, Tryon's Raid, and Danbury Alarm.

Nathan also served with Colonial troops; Ensign 12th Co., 7th Regt., 1760; Lieutenant 10th Co., 7th Regt. 1761; Capt. 12th Co., 7th Regt., 1766.

Children recorded in Killingworth:

- *558 NATHAN, b. Sept. 27, 1746.
- *559 TEMPERANCE, b. Dec. 14, 1748.
- *560 GEORGE, b. Nov. 6, 1752.
- *561 JOEL, b. May 21, 1757.
- 562 SARAH, b. Apr. 10, 1760; d. Oct. 5, 1763.
- 563 JARED, b. Aug. 10, 1764; d. Oct. 30, 1784.
- 564 SARAH, b. Feb. 20, 1766; d. Oct. 26, 1784.
- 565 MARTIN, b. Feb. 4, 1770; d. Oct. 4, 1795.
- 566 MARTHA, b. Feb. 4, 1770; d. Oct. 26, 1784.

Killingworth, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 355; Kelsey Fam., I, 170; Hull Fam., 27.

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TEMPERANCE⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., 1720 (*Joseph*³, *John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Wallingford, Conn., Aug. 23, 1741, TIMOTHY ANDREWS.

There is no proof at present that this Temperance was the daughter of Joseph. Killingworth records gives date of her marriage and death. The fact that Joseph's wife was TEMPERANCE and that the date of birth is indicated by her date of death, seems very probable that this record would be correct.

Temperance died Nov. 25, 1743, ae 23, shortly after the birth of her child.

Timothy m. (2)RACHEL, whose name and parentage are unknown. She d. Jan. 11, 1756, ae 33.

Timothy is said to have removed to Newark Valley N.Y. The compiler visited this beautiful valley in search of further information of this family but could gather no further knowledge, except that the Andrews family are buried in the Newark Valley center cemetery.

The child of Temperance:

- 567 Lydia, b. Oct. 27, 1743.

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GILES⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., June 3, 1723 (*Joseph³, John², Edward¹*); m. in Killingworth, Nov. 17, 1746, MARY CHATFIELD, daughter of Josiah and Mary (Hull) Chatfield, b. Mar. 23, 1729.

Served as private, Capt. Buell, 1757.

His estate, Oct. 1808, d. 1804, mentions Giles, Zenas, Abner, David, Mary, Mercy, Lucy, Drusilla and Charity.

Her estate 1808, mentions the same children as above. (Saybrook probate records; State Library, Hartford, Conn.). T.S.R. southwest cemetery, Killingworth.

Their children:

- *568 MARY, b. Apr. 18, bapt. May 10, 1747.
- *569 GILES, b. Oct. 28, bapt. Dec. 4, 1748.
- *570 MERCY, b. Oct. 19, 1751; bapt. (Oct. 28, 1750).
- *571 LUCY, b. Oct. 15, bapt. 21st, 1753.
- *572 JESSE, b. Aug. 28, 1756, bapt. (Sept. 7, 1755).
- *573 EZANUS, (ZENAS), b. May 10, 1758; bapt. (May 13, 1759).
- *574 ABNER, b. Mar. 30, bapt. Apr. 14, 1762.
- 575 DRUSILLA, b. May 21, 1764; d. Mar. 12, 1765.
- *576 DRUSILLA, b. May 21, bapt. 25th, 1766.
- *577 DAVID, b. Nov. 30, bapt. Dec. 11, 1768.
- *578 CHARITY, b. Feb. 12, 1774; bapt. (Jan. 16, 1774).

Killingworth Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 355. Hull Fam.; Conn. Colonial Archives.

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JOHN⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Mar. 6, 1725 (*Joseph³, John², Edward¹*); m. in Killingworth, Jan. 13, 1748, MARY WARD, b. Mar. 12, 1730, daughter of Pelatiah and Jerusha (Kelsey) Ward, descendant of William Ward, M.D. who was appointed surgeon with the Fairfield, Conn., troops and lost his life in the "Great Swamp Fight," and descendant of the first Andrew Ward, the Settler, of Fairfield, Conn.

John served in the Revolution; was at the Battle of Long Island and died of exposure, 1776.

Their children:

- *579 JOHN, b. Apr. 4, 1749.
- *580 MARY, b. Aug. 4, 1752.
- *581 JERUSHA, b. Jan. 25, 1755.
- *582 GRACE, b. Nov. 26, 1756.
- *583 LUCY, b. 1757.
- *584 SARAH, b. June 24, 1759.
- *585 DANIEL, b. Dec. 5, 1762.
- *586 ANNA, b. July 29, 1763.
- *587 HULDAH, b. 1765.
- *588 MATTHEW, b. 1771.
- *589 EUNICE, b. —; d. inf.
- 590 EUNICE, b. —; d. inf.

Killingworth, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 355; Kelsey Fam., I, 131; Andrew Ward Fam., 83; Records of Conn. Men in the Revolution; D.A.R., XLIV, 247.

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DANIEL⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Aug. 10, 1728 (*Joseph*³, *John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Killingworth, Apr. 26, 1751, LYDIA HULL, b. Oct. 29, 1732, daughter of Capt. Josiah and Elizabeth (Redfield) Hull.

Daniel died July 9, 1753.

Lydia m. (2) in Killingworth, Mar. 12, 1759, SYLVANUS GRAVES, b. 1730, who d. Feb. 4, 1801, ae 72. She d. June 23, 1797, ae 65. T.S.R. Old Union District or Tower Hill cemetery.

Sylvanus was a Revolutionary soldier.

Children Griswold:

- 591 DANIEL, b. 1751; d. May 10, 1777.
- *592 JOSIAH, b. June 17, 1752.
- *593 SIBA, b. Apr. 27, 1758.

Children Graves:

- 594 Abner, bapt. Aug. 17, 1760.
- 595 Phebe, bapt. Aug. 15, 1762.
- 596 Sarah, bapt. Apr. 1, 1764.
- 597 Seth, bapt. Oct. 13, 1765.
- 598 Lydia, bapt. Feb. 13, 1767.
- 599 Rachel, bapt. May 27, 1770.

- 600 Sylvanus, bapt. July 5, 1772; d. Oct. 28, 1796, ae 25.
 601 John, bapt. Nov. 6, 1774.

Killingworth, Conn. records; Second church, north parish, Killingworth; Hull Fam., 31; Record of Conn. Men in the Revolution, 40, 198, 434, 450; Conn. Revolutionary Archives.

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JEDEDIAH⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn. Dec. 13, 1730 (*Joseph*³, *John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Saybrook, Conn., Apr. 19, 1758, PATIENCE BATES, whose parentage, death and burial has not been ascertained.

He served as private, Capt. Hull, 1757; served in the Revolution, private Capt. Vail, Col Canfield, Apr. 10, 1781, 8 months, 20 days. Died in Roxbury, Conn., Nov. 10, 1808.

Their children:

- *602 PATIENCE, b. Jan. 21, 1759.
- *603 SUBMIT, b. May 9, 1761.
- *604 JEDEDIAH, b. May 20, bapt. 29th, 1763.
- *605 EDMUND, b. Feb. 9, bapt. 16th, 1766.
- *606 BILLE, {
- *607 POLLA, { twins, b. Oct. 27, 1769.
- *608 CHAUNCEY, b. Dec. 26, 1771.
- *609 BENJAMIN, b. Sept. 21, 1774.
- *610 MELINDA, b. Apr. 3, 1777.

Killingworth, Saybrook and Guilford, Conn. records; Early Conn. Mar. (Bailey); Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 356; Bates Bulletin, I, 25; Records of Conn. Men in the Revolution; Conn. Revolutionary and Colonial Archives.

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JOHN⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Mar. 12, 1719 (*Benjamin*³, *John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Killingworth, Sept. 29, 1743, ELIZABETH HULL, b. Aug. 19, 1721, daughter of George and Phebe (Rutty) Hull.

Joseph Hull, father of George, and grandfather of Elizabeth was granted 5 acres for his services in the Narragansett War. Resided in Killingworth; removed to Salisbury, Conn.

Their children:

- 611 DARIUS, b. Aug. 1, 1744; d. Mar. 31, 1748.
- *612 NOAH, b. Aug. 8, 1746.
- *613 ELIZABETH, b. Sept. 29, 1749.
- *614 JAMES, b. June 30, 1751.
- *615 NATHAN, b. Oct. 9, 1753.
- 616 DARIUS, b. Feb. 4, 1754; d. Apr. 24, 1755.
- 617 EBENEZER (Eber), b. 1756; bapt. Nov. 20, 1757.
- *618 LUCY, b. Apr. 4, 1760.
- *619 GEORGE, b. May 8, 1761.

Killingworth, Conn. records; Second church, north parish, records; Hull Fam., 23; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 356.

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LUCY⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Mar. 23, 1721 (*Benjamin*³, *John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Killingworth, Dec. 3, 1742, EBENEZER STEVENS, b. Apr. 4, 1713, s. of Jonathan and Deborah.

Their first home was in Killingworth. There is of record the following purchase: "Ebenezer Stevens of Killingworth and Philip Chatfield bought of Josiah Stoddard, of Salisbury, 1,059 acres of land Apr. 25, 1752." Dec. 4, of the same year, he bought of Barnes a quarter section on Town Hill, near Salisbury. About this time the family moved to their new possessions. Their child Beulah was the first child born in Salisbury (Town record). They were admitted to the Salisbury church 1763. Ebenezer was a corporal in Col. Seth Warner's regiment, Feb. 25, 1779; ensign Aug. 7, 1779; quartermaster Sept. 7, 1780. Freeman 1773. Lucy died 1811. There seems to be no record of his death. His will dated July 4, 1798, in which he mentions his wife Lucy; children Zaide Hamilton, Asenath Harrison, Abigail Smith, Beulah Gould, Thankful Calkins, Mindwell Canfield and Lydia Allen.

Ebenezer was descendant of John Stevens of Guilford. Thomas, his son, was a man of ability and prominence in Killingworth;

twice elected to the General Assembly. 1654 he was corporal in an expedition against the Dutch of New York.

Their children:

- 620 Deborah, b. Nov. 10, 1743; m. James Coon.
- 621 Lucy, b. Jan. 20, 1745; m. Zara Beach.
- 622 Zada, b. Mar. 12, 1748; m. Joseph Hamilton, M.D.
- 623 Asenath, b. Sept. 10, 1750; m. Capt. Jared Harrison.
- 624 Abigail, b. Feb. 17, 1752; m. Capt. Nathaniel Smith.
- 625 Beulah, b. Aug. 7, 1753; m. Ebenezer B. Gould.
- 626 Ebenezer, b. June 29, 1755. Revolutionary Soldier.
- 627 Frederick, b. July 6, 1757. Revolutionary soldier. They were both lieutenants, and both served with Montgomery at Quebec. Ebenezer was killed in action. Frederick was taken prisoner and died in prison.
- 628 Thankful, b. Apr. 2, 1759; m. Moses Calkins.
- 629 Mindwell, b. May 9, 1761; m. Saba Canfield.
- 630 Lydia, b. Aug. 15, 1762; m. Nathaniel Allen.
- 631 Joel, b. Mar. 26, 1765; m. Lydia Hurd.
- 632 Adin, b. June 7, 1768; m. Abigail Bradley.

Killingworth and Salisbury, Conn. records; D.A.R., LII, 38; LXII, 238; John Steevens Gen., 25; Fulton-Hayden-Warner Fam., 546, 547; Revolutionary Archives; record of Conn. Men in the Revolution.

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ABIGAIL⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Sept. 13, 1726 (*Benjamin*³, *John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Killingworth, Sept. 4, 1749, JONATHAN FRANKLIN, s. of Jonathan and Esther (Parmalee) Franklin, b. July 31, 1722.

Abigail died before 1753. The will of her brother Amaziah refers to heirs of Abigail Franklin that year.

No trace has been found as to the ultimate death or family of Jonathan.

Child:

- 633 Ishi, b. Apr. 4, 1750; m. Martha Pierson.

Records of Killingworth.

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BENJAMIN⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Apr. 27, 1728 (*Benjamin³, John², Edward¹*).

His wife was SUSANNAH; her name and parentage has not as yet been discovered, although more than diligent search has been made. Not only has the compiler devoted a large amount of time, but others, interested in their own line of ancestry, have used every endeavor to trace this family.

They lived for a time near Canaan, Conn.; records show the birth of two children there. Land records do not disclose the ownership of any lands.

There was an Amaziah Griswold shown to be of Salisbury, Conn. which the compiler believes to be a son of this Benjamin. Amaziah was a Revolutionary soldier and afterwards lived at Scipio, New York.

The report of the New York State Historian 1897 shows this Benjamin to have served in many Colonial campaigns and calls him Benjamin I.

Children of Benjamin and Susannah:

*634 ABIGAIL, b. July 8, 1754.

*635 BENJAMIN, b. Dec. 3, 1756.

Killingworth and Canaan, Conn. records.

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DANIEL B.⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., 1722 (*Daniel³, John², Edward¹*); m. in Killingworth, Oct. 22, 1750, MARY BUSHNELL, daughter of Francis.

Daniel served as lieutenant in the Colonial Wars. Captain of militia during the Revolution. J.P. Appears on census 1790 of Killingworth. Removed to Fairfield, New York, about 1792. It is said he owned a coasting vessel engaged in the West Indies trade. The Griswold family took quite a prominent part in the development of Fairfield and vicinity.

Their children:

636 JERUSHA, b. Aug. 20, 1752; d. y.

*637 MARY, b. Mar. 25, 1754.

- *638 JERUSHA, b. Jan. 25, 1755.
- *639 DANIEL, b. Jan. 17, 1756.
- *640 EDWARD, b. Feb. 11, 1758.
- *641 BEULAH, b. Oct. 20, 1760.
- *642 FRANCIS, b. Aug. 11, 1762.
- *643 JOHN, b. June 7, 1764.
- *644 ANNE, b. Apr. 12, 1766.
- *546 SARAH, b. Nov. 5, 1768.
- *646 AARON, b. Nov. 1, 1770, bapt. Dec. 28, 1770.
- *647 SIMEON, b. Oct. 3, bapt. 17th, 1773.
- *648 WILLIAM, b. Mar. 14, bapt. June 23, 1776.

Records of Killingworth, Conn. and Fairfield, N. Y.; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 356; French and Indian War rolls; D.A.R., X, 321, 322; Hist. Fairfield, N. Y.; Hist. Herkimer, N. Y.; Conn. Colony rec., X, 399, 472, 474; XI, 254, 354, 486, 619; XIII, 298; Edward Griswold of New York (Rev. H. D. Griswold).

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SARAH⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Oct. 22, 1723 (*Daniel*³, *John*², *Edward*¹); m. May 24, 1746, NATHANIEL STEVENS, b. East Guilford, Conn., June 6, 1721, s. of Nathaniel and Mindwell (Graves) Stevens.

Descendant of the first William Stevens who was a freeman of Killingworth 1669, and one of its first settlers. His original lot was where the present bank of Clinton, Conn., now stands. Also the present Clinton post office. The turnpike which was located in 1813 is the abandoned street of Clinton which passes in front of the post office under the railroad, was surveyed through about the center of his property. He was largely instrumental in the continued growth of the town.

His son Nathaniel, who was a lieutenant in the Colonial forces in Queen Ann's War, was buried on the Green in New Haven in front of Yale university. His grave stone, with others, was removed to the north wall of the "old" cemetery. Nathaniel II was a lieutenant and captain 6th company, 7th regiment.

Nathaniel III was appointed ensign. He and Sarah were dis-

missed from the first church in Guilford, Conn., among others to form a church in North Madison, Mar. 25, 1757.

Their home was in North Madison; the family prominent and influential. Sarah d. Apr. 11, 1785. He d. Oct. 8, 1798. Both are buried with their son Samuel, in the old cemetery which was found in the deep woods, with just a trail leading to it, about one mile east of North Madison center.

Their children:

- 649 Jerusha, b. Apr. 28, 1747; m. Didymus French.
- 650 Nathaniel, b. —; m. (1) Ruth Dudley; m. (2) Rebecca Buell.
- 651 Samuel, b. Sept. 19, 1754; d. at Ticonderoga. His gravestone, "Samuel Stevens who died at Ticonderoga while in defense of his Country, Sept. 1776." A Revolutionary marker is present.

Killingworth, Conn. records; Guilford, Conn. records; Guilford and North Madison, Conn. church records; Stevens Gen.; Conn. Men in the Revolution; Conn. Revolutionary Archives.

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JERUSHA⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Nov. 23, 1727 (*Daniel*³, *John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Killingworth, Mar. 16, 1743, NOAH ISBELL, b. Aug. 20, 1717, s. of Robert and Miriam (Carter) Isbell.

Residence in Killingworth until 1759; removed to Salisbury, Conn. on a farm of 50 acres. Oct. 1767, purchased a farm of 60 acres in Lennox, Mass., and removed from Salisbury shortly after, being one of the earliest settlers of Lennox. He was admitted to Lennox Congregational Church Sept. 22, 1771, and d. Oct. 18, 1801. He was also a shoemaker.

Jerusha d. Mar. 21, 1745, and he m. (2) Dec. 28, 1748, Jerusha Ward, daughter of Pelitiah and Jerusha (Kelsey) Ward.

Child of 1st marriage:

- 652 Bathsheba, b. Nov. 5, 1743.

Children of 2nd marriage:

- 653 Oliver, b. July 28, 1749; d. y.
- 654 Oliver, b. Apr. 5, 1751; m. Sarah Wilson.

- 655 Noah, b. Oct. 26, 1753; m. Sarah Redfield.
- 656 Jerusha, b. Mar. 6, 1755; m. Ichabod Hamlin.
- 657 Eber, b. July 11, 1758; m. (1) Betty Huler; (2) Candace Root.
- 658 Eli, b. Sept. 27, 1760; m. Sally Hadaway.
- 659 Hannah, b. Mar. 5, 1763.
- 660 Nathan, b. July 30, 1765; m. Abigail Smith.
- 661 Asenath, b. Dec. 13, 1767.
- 662 Abner, b. Aug. 23, 1770.

NOAH'S WILL

In the name of God, Amen: I, Noah Isbell, of Lennox, in the county of Berkshire, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, being weak in body but of sound mind, blessed be God, do this 13th day of January, in the year of our Lord, 1794, publish this my last will and testament.

Namely, to my son Nathan, I give and bequeath my house and barn and Fifty acres of land, being situated in said Lennox, and is the farm on which I now live; I also bequeath to him all the farming tools of which I am now in possession; I also Will and direct my son Nathan to pay my son Oliver 11 pounds, 10 shillings lawful money in addition to 13 pounds 9 shillings and 8 pence which he had already received out of my estate, and that he pay to said Eber 11 pounds 10 shillings in addition to 6 pounds which he has received of my estate, and that he pay to Eli 6 pounds 18 shillings in addition to 10 pounds 12 shillings which he has already received, as aforesaid, which legacies Nathan is to pay to his brothers Oliver, Eber and Eli within three years after my decease as their full portion out of my estate; and I do direct that the expenses of my funeral shall be paid by my son Nathan.

I give and bequeath to my daughters, Jerusha, Hannah, and Asenath all my household furniture to be equally divided between them, according to quantity and quality, immediately after my decease. My eldest daughter Tuilet, has already received her free proportion of my estate.

I also direct a looking glass, one bed and bedclothes and pewter, the property of my late wife, be given to her daughters in equal proportion, and that the children of said daughter deceased shall have her mother's share.

This my last will and testament I make the day and year above mentioned, whereupon I set my hand in the presence of the witnesses who were present when I signed the same.

John Stoughton,

Noah Isbell.

Josiah Osborn,

Billy Isbell.

Killingworth and Salisbury, Conn., and Lennox, Mass.
rec.; Andrew Ward Fam., p. 50; Kelsey Fam., I, 131;
James W. White Anc.

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JOSIAH⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Nov. 19, 1731 (*Daniel*³, *John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Killingworth, LUCY KELSEY, daughter of Solomon and Mary (Mather) Kelsey, b. Nov. 19, 1737.

Lucy Kelsey was descendant of William, the ancestor, who came to Hartford, Conn., with the Hooker company and was one of the "original proprietors" and his name appears on the Founders' monument. Removed to Killingworth 1663. The reader is referred to Vol. I of the Kelsey Genealogy for complete history of William.

Distribution of the estate of Solomon Kelsey 1784 mentions Josiah and Lucy.

The will of Josiah, July 2, 1800, on file in the State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions his wife Lucy; children Molly, Martin, Levi, Jehiel and Lucy.

Their children recorded in Killingworth:

- *663 LEVI, b. Sept. 16, 1764.
- *664 LUCY, bapt. Mar. 23, 1765.
- *665 MARY (Molly), bapt. July 7, 1768.
- *666 JEHIEL, b. Mar. 1, 1772.
- *667 JOSIAH.
- *668 MARTIN.
- 669 SAMUEL, b. —; d. on a prison ship.

Killingworth Town and First Church records; Kelsey Fam.
Gen., I, 134.

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HANNAH⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., July 31, 1724 (*Walter*³, *John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Killingworth, Sept. 16, 1742, JOHN CRANE, s. of Theophilus and Margaret (Lane) Crane, b. Mar. 2, 1720.

Capt. Henry Crane, one of the first settlers and father of Theophilus, appears in connection with various public trusts, deputy, J.P., Representative for 27 years. Lieutenant and captain.

John was a prominent and worthy man. Served in the Colonial campaigns. Ensign 1754; lieutenant 1760; captain 1761. He and his three sons served in the Revolution.

Their children recorded in Killingworth:

- 670 Eliza, b. Aug. 26, 1743.
- 671 Mary, b. Feb. 10, 1745; d. Nov. 2, 1750.
- 672 Jemima, b. Sept. 23, 1748.
- 673 John, b. Sept. 11, 1750.
- 674 Mary, b. Mar. 29, 1753; m. Mr. Tewell.
- 675 Simeon, b. Sept. 18, 1755; m. Anne Easton.
- 676 Joel, b. May 24, 1758; soldier; d. in the service June 27, 1781.
- 677 Hannah, b. Oct. 1, 1760; m. Ezekiel Cook.
- 678 Phoebe, b. June 2, 1763; m. Elihu Parmalee.
- 679 Chloe, b. Oct. 1, 1765; m. Mr. King.
- 680 Anna, b. —; m. Selleck Adams.
- 681 Elizabeth, b. 1770; m. Mr. Tewell.

Killingworth, Conn. records; Conn. Colony records, VIII, 573; Conn. Revolutionary Archives; Record of Conn. Men in the Revolution; Crane Fam., 70; Index to American Genealogies (Durrie) Crane Fam.

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WALTER PRICE⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Feb. 24, 1729 (*Walter*³, *John*², *Edward*¹); m. CHLOE WHITE, bapt. Feb. 19, 1738, daughter of Capt. Elisha and Ann (Field) White, descendant of Elder John White.

Walter was a shipmaster in foreign trade. Inventory of his estate Oct. 1770.

Chloe m. (2) in Killingworth, as third wife, Jonathan Boardman, of Haddam, b. Feb. 28, 1724, s. of Samuel and Mehitable

(Cadwell) Boardman, who m. (1) 1748, Zerviah; m. (2) widow Sarah Smith, Jan. 3, 1764; administration of his estate to widow Chloe, Apr. 5, 1790.

She m. (3) Capt. Daniel Hand, s. of Janna and Dorothy (Griswold, No. 96) Hand, of Guilford, b. 1732, who d. Oct. 16, 1816. Capt. Daniel served in Col. Talcott's Regt. 1776. Was with Washington at Long Island, and other service. Chloe d. Nov. 28, 1821, ae 84. T.S.R. Hammonasset cemetery.

Children Griswold:

*682 CHLOE.

*683 SALLY.

*684 JULIANNA, bapt. Feb. 5, 1764.

*685 CLARISSA.

*686 WALTER PRICE.

Children Boardman, 1st marriage:

687 Luther, b. Dec. 3, 1749; m. (1) Esther Smith and (2) Sally Elliott.

688 Sarah, b. Apr. 4, 1752; m. Thomas Hubbard.

689 Jonathan, b. Apr. 14, 1754; m. Abigail Clark.

690 Samuel, bapt. Jan. 11, 1756.

691 James, bapt. Sept. 1758.

692 Zerviah, bapt. Oct. 1760; d. y.

693 Daniel, bapt. July 1762.

Children Boardman, 2nd marriage:

694 Zerviah, bapt. Oct. 1764; m. Capt. Samuel Hubbard.

Children Boardman, by Chloe:

695 Samuel, b. —; m. Sally Parmalee.

Killingworth Town and First Church records; Elder John White Fam., 67; East Guilford rec.; Boardman Gen., 215.

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SARAH⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Sept. 20, 1731 (*Walter*³, *John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Guilford, Conn., Nov. 14, 1767, PHINEAS BRADLEY, s. of Joseph and Priscilla (Redfield) Bradley, b. Feb. 12, 1746.

The story would not be complete without mention of the ancestry of Priscilla Redfield, who traces her line directly to

John Alden and Priscilla, and thus we are reminded of the sweetest romance in our history, the love story of John and Priscilla.

Phineas died June 6, 1768. Sarah died Feb. 12, 1768, ae 20. No issue. Burials were on Guilford Green and the tombstones later removed to the west side of the church, and doubtless have disappeared.

Bradley Fam. Hist.; Guilford 4th church records; N. E. Register, LVII, 140; LVIV, 66.

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PATIENCE⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Apr. 22, 1734 (*Walter*³, *John*², *Edward*¹); m. in Killingworth, Feb. 28, 1754, BENJAMIN WELLMAN, s. of William and Ruth (Hurd) Wellman, b. Jan. 12, 1726/7. Patience d. Nov. 20, 1754, and he m. (2) MARY DIVALL, whose parentage has not been ascertained. It is said he removed to Sunderland, Vermont, 1782.

Child of first marriage:

696 Ruth, b. Nov. 15, 1754.

Children of second marriage:

697 Patience, b. Sept. 28, 1756.

698 Temperance, b. Aug. 7, 1758.

599 Mercy, b. Nov. 28, 1759.

700 John, b. Apr. 8, 1761.

701 Gideon, b. May 21, d. Sept. 9, 1763.

702 Gideon, b. Oct. 31, 1764. Revolutionary soldier in Vermont.

703 Jerusha, b. Jan. 27, 1767.

704 Molly, b. Jan. 14, 1769.

705 Lydia, b. Sept. 24, 1771.

Killingworth, Conn. records; Wellman Fam. Gen.

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SARAH⁴, b. Bolton, Conn., Oct. 14, 1717 (*Daniel³, George², Edward¹*); m. in Bolton, June 15, 1738, JAMES OLCOTT, s. of Dea. Timothy and Sarah Olcott.

Thomas Olcott founder of the family who located on the east side of State House Square, Hartford, Conn., was a prominent citizen and his family one of consideration. The name of Thomas appears on the Founders Monument in Center Churchyard.

Children of James and Sarah:

- 706 Margaret, b. Mar. 1, 1739.
- 707 Child, b. Nov. 25, 1741.
- 708 James, b. Mar. 20, 1740.
- 709 Daniel, b. Mar. 8, 1744; d. Dec. 27, 1750.
- 710 Bersheba, b. July 1, 1746; d. Dec. 27, 1750.
- 711 John Davis, b. Jan. 10, 1748; d. Dec. 28, 1750.

Hartford, Conn. records; Bolton, Conn., Town and 1st church records; Olcott Fam., 39; Warren-Clarke Gen., 126.

329

ANNE⁴, b. Bolton, Conn., Mar. 20, 1718/19 (*Daniel³, George², Edward¹*); m. in Bolton, June 15, 1739, BENJAMIN SMITH, b. 1710, who m. (1) Hepziba Spencer, Nov. 18, 1728.

He was admitted to Congregational church 1740. He d. Feb. 19, 1792, ae 82. No record of the death of Anne.

Children of Benjamin and Anne:

- 712 Benajah, b. July 25, 1740; bapt. July 27, 1740; d. Dec. 31, 1742.
- 713 Ann, b. Oct. 12, bapt. Oct. 17th, 1742; m. Jonathan Skinner.
- 714 Sarah, b. Feb. 13, bapt. 17th, 1745; m. John Doughty.

Bolton records; Bolton church records; Early Conn. Mar. (Bailey).

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BATHSHEBA⁴, b. Bolton, Conn., Dec. 2, 1720 (*Daniel*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. in Bolton, June 16, 1740, JABEZ DARTE, bapt. Jan. 1708/9, s. of Daniel and Elizabeth. Descendant of Richard of New London. Removed to Waterford, Conn., and built a house which is said to be still standing.

Bathsheba d. Feb. 1, 1745/6. T.S. Manchester, Conn.

Jabez m. (2) SARAH WICKHAM, whose parents have not been ascertained. Residence South Manchester. He d. Nov. 10, 1776.

The children, first marriage:

715 Roswell, b. Sept. 19, 1740.

716 Jabez, b. May 21, 1742; d. Mar. 14, 1812.

717 Simeon, b. Apr. 5, 1744.

Second marriage:

718 Joseph, b. 1750; d. Oct. 2, 1826.

719 Levi, bapt. Aug. 24, 1760.

720 Elijah.

HIS WILL

In the name of God, Amen, I, Jabez Darte, of Hartford, in the county of Hartford, and colony of Connecticut, in New England, being in a comfortable state of health and of sound and disposing mind and memory, thanks be to God therefor, calling to mind that my life here upon earth is uncertain, do make this my last will and testament in the manner and form following, that is to say, first and principally, I commend my Soul to God who gave it, in the hope of the full pardon and forgiveness of all my sins through the merits and righteousness of Jesus Christ, my Lord Redeemer, and my body to a comely Christian burial in hopes of a blessed resurrection. And as to the estate God hath given me I give order and dispose of as followeth, viz.

Item. I give to my loving wife Sarah one third part of my moveable estate after my just debts and funeral charges are paid out of the same to be at her dispose forever and also the one third part of the improvement of my buildings and land during her natural life.

Item, I give unto my son Roswell Darte ten shillings lawful money to be paid to him by my executor within one year after my decease.

Item, and further I give unto my son Jabez Darte ten shillings lawful money to be paid to him by my executor within one year after my decease.

Item, and further I give unto my son Elijah Darte ten shillings lawful money to be paid to him by my executor within one year after my decease.

Item, and further I give my two sons Joseph Darte and Levi Darte all the rest of my estate both real and personal that hath not heretofore been mentioned to be equally divided between them, provided the sd. Joseph and Levi pay to each of their sisters, viz.: Bathsheba Darte, Sarah Darte and Dorcas Darte, each of them, the sum of ten pounds within two years after my decease, viz.: to Bathsheba ten pounds; to Sarah ten pounds, and to Dorcas ten pounds; and if either of my two youngest sons, viz.: Joseph Darte and Levi Darte should die without issue, then his part of the estate to go to the surviving brother or his heirs.

Lastly I do appoint my wife Sarah Darte to be executor to this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 22nd day of April, 1772.

Witnesses.

Jabez Darte.

Bolton town and church records; Darte Fam., 3, 9; N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Register, 59.

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DANIEL⁴, b. Bolton, Conn., May 26, 1723 (*Daniel*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. (1) in Bolton, June 28, 1744, ELIZABETH BALDWIN, whose parentage has not been ascertained; m. (2) in Bolton, May 23, 1771, Mrs. JUDITH SHAILER, widow of Ebenezer Shailer.

Daniel d. July 27, 1804, ae 81.

Children of Elizabeth:

721 ELIZABETH, b. Jan. 12, bapt. 19th, 1745; d. y.

*722 DANIEL, b. July 23, bapt. 24th, 1748.

723 ELIZABETH, b. Mar. 24, bapt. 31st, 1751; d. Nov. 20, 1773.

- 724 DANIEL, b. Dec. 15, bapt. 16th, 1753.
 *725 BENJAMIN, b. July 12, bapt. Sept. 1, 1756.
 *726 HANNAH, b. —; d. Nov. 4, 1757.
 *727 BATHSHEBA, bapt. Oct. 29, 1758.
 *728 THEOPHILUS, bapt. May 3, 1761.

Bolton, Conn. records; Bolton church records; Early Conn. Mar. (Bailey).

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WHITE⁴, b. Bolton, Conn., Oct. 22, 1727 (*Daniel*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. in Bolton, Feb. 14, 1750, ELIZABETH CHEENEY, daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Long) Cheeney, who d. in Manchester, Conn., Aug. 1, 1798, ae 69.

In the three cemeteries of Manchester are the graves of twenty-three soldiers of the Revolution. Among them is that of White and his wife. On her tombstone appears, "P. S. Mr. White Griswold, d. in Philadelphia, Dec. A.D. 1777, in the 50th year of his age."

White served in the Northern Department and while there wrote a letter home of which the following is an extract:

"Fort George 10 Aug. 1776. Although at a great distance from you yet I have an opportunity which I gladly embrace to let you know something of my circumstances since I came from home; but where and how to begin I am at a loss for the time is short in which I have to write. I have been into Canada as far as Three Rivers, 90 miles above Quebeck, which is two hundred and seventy eight miles from this place, and on the march we underwent an unknown deal, both by fatigue and want of provisions; also by the smallpox so that we have undergone almost everything but death. But thanks be to God I and my son all in comfortable circumstances at present. Our business for some days past has been making coffins. I counted the graves Saturday night the 10th. of August and there were 130 graves and sundry have two bodies in them, and tis more than 30 days since the first was buried there. Although death is so frequent tis minded among the greater part of the soldiers no more than among a herd of cattle which makes it the most doleful to behold."

His service record: "Private, Canadian Campaign 1776; Enlisted 1777 for three years, Capt. Munson; battle of Germantown. Reported missing Oct. 4, 1777. Died on board the prison ship Jersey" (Record of Conn. men, p. 324 D.A.R. Index; Conn. Archives).

Their children:

- *729 SARAH, b. Dec. 23, 1753.
- *730 GEORGE, b. June 19, bapt. 20th, 1756.
- *731 ELIZABETH, bapt. Sept. 15, 1754.
- *732 BETSEY, bapt. Sept. 5, 1754.
- *733 ASA, b. May 5, 1758.
- 734 EUNICE, b. Dec. 9, 1760; unm.
- *735 ESTHER.
- *736 LOUISA, b. Feb. 4, 1763.
- *737 THOMAS WHITE, b. July 4, 1765.
- *738 DANIEL WHITE, b. 1767.

Bolton, Conn., town and church record; Cheeney Gen., 251.

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GEORGE⁴, b. Bolton, Conn., Jan. 4, 1730 (*Daniel*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. (1) in Bolton, July 26, 1759, SARAH JONES, b. 1730, who d. Apr. 16, 1763, ae 33; m. (2) in Bolton, Dec. 12, 1763, SUSANNAH CONE, b. 1735, daughter of Stephen III and Susannah Cone, of East Haddam, who d. June 16, 1815, ae 80. He d. Apr. 26, 1813, ae 84. Burials in Vernon, Conn.

Children of first marriage:

- *739 GEORGE, b. June 13, 1760.
- *740 JOSIAH, b. Nov. 13, 1761; d. Sept. 11, 1785.

Children of second marriage:

- *741 SARAH JONES, b. Feb. 12, bapt. 15th, 1767.
- 742 SUSANNAH, b. Aug. 2, bapt. Sept. 4, 1768; d. Feb. 1, 1778.
- *743 JENNET, b. Jan. 16, bapt. 24th, 1773.
- *744 CALVIN, b. Mar. 24, bapt. 26th, 1775.
- *745 JOSIAH, bapt. Dec. 3, 1786.
- *746 AUSTIN, bapt. July 22, 1787.
- *747 MINDWELL.

Bolton, Conn. records; Bolton church records; East Haddam, Conn. records.

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SETH⁴, b. Bolton, Conn., Apr. 30, 1732 (*Daniel³, George², Edward¹*); m. (1) in Bolton, June 13, 1751, SUSANNAH SHURTLEFF, b. Dec. 5, 1727, Plymouth, Mass., daughter of John and Sarah (Lucas) Carver, widow of John Carver, who d. before 1757.

John Shurtleff was also of Hebron, Conn., and removed to Torrington, Conn., where they were admitted to the church 1749.

Seth m. (2) ANN LOPER, whose parentage has not been ascertained, who d. in New Hartford, Conn., Sept. 16, 1774.

He m. (3) in Winchester, Conn., Dec. 31, 1778, HULDAH (PRIEST) LOOMIS, widow of Simeon Loomis.

Seth lived in New Hartford, Winchester, and d. in Colebrook, Conn.

Seth served in the Revolution. Pvt. Capt. Abel Pettibone, Col. Thomas Belden, 1777.

Their children:

*748 SIMEON, b. May 16, bapt. 17th, 1752.

*749 BENJAMIN, b. Mar. 30, bapt. Apr. 7, 1754.

*750 SUSANNAH, b. June 4, 1761.

*751 ANNA, b. May 5, 1763.

*752 SETH, b. July 11, 1774.

*753 BENAJAH.

*754 ROSWELL, b. Feb. 8, 1780.

*755 ASA, b. May 26, 1781.

HIS WILL

In the name of God Amen, I, Seth Griswold, of Colebrook, in Litchfield county, being advanced in age and not knowing how soon my Lord and Master may call me out of this wourld, yet through the goodness of God being at Present of Sound and Disposing mind and memory, do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say, after all my Just Debts and funeral charges be paid and

Discharged, I will to my Present beloved wife the whole of my household furniture, two good cowes & one * * * which may be fit and comfortable for her to * * * upon in her own Proper Estate, Little Wife, the use and improvement During her natural life, of the Ond Third part of all my Land and all other real Property which I may be possessed of at the time of my death or Decease.

As to the rest of my property, both real and personal which I may be possessed of at the time of my Demise I will to my son Roswell and likewise that part of my Real Estate, which I have given the Improvement of to my beloved wife, after her Death on these conditions, that is to say, that said Roswell is to take good care of and Comfortably Provide for myself & my beloved wife during our natural lives and likewise to pay after my Demise to my daughter Huldah Brown, the sum of eighty dollars.

As to the rest of my children, Simeon, Benjamin, Benajah, Seth, and the grandchildren of my daughters Susannah & Ann, I have heretofore given to each what I judge to be Just and * * * and it is my will that they nor any of them hereto have any more of my estate.

Lastly I do make and Constitute my said son Roswell Griswold executor of this my Last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this 5th day of Dec. one thousand eight hundred and ten.

Administration 1817.

Seth Griswold.

Bolton, New Hartford and Winchester, Conn. records;
Bolton church records; Loomis Fam., 176; Munson Fam.,
860.

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NAOMI⁵, b. Windsor, Conn., Apr. 5, 1735 (*Nathaniel*⁴, *Daniel*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. Dea. DAVID MARSHALL, b. Windsor, Oct. 21, 1728, s. of David and Sarah (Phelps) Marshall, who d. Mar. 13, 1776, ae 47.

Dea. David is 4th in descent from Capt. Samuel Marshall,

who was one of the most prominent men of Windsor. Capt. Samuel was actively engaged in King Philip's War. One of the five Connecticut captains who led the Connecticut forces to the attack on the Narragansett fort Dec. 19, 1675, where he fell at the head of his troops, an honored citizen.

Dea. David was prominent in the church. Resided in Poquonoc. Farmer. Served in the Revolution (Rec. of Conn. Men. Conn. Archives). His estate, Mar. 12, 1776, Hartford Probate Records, State Library, in Hartford, mentions wife Naomi; children Elisha, Olive, Naomi, and Pamela. His will appoints Nathaniel Griswold as one of the executors. Witnessed by Hezekiah Griswold and Silvanus Griswold.

756 Naomi, b. Sept. 30, 1757; m. Moses Niles.

757 Sarah, b. Mar. 21, bapt. Oct. 7, 1759; d. Feb. 6, 1761.

758 Pamela.

759 Elisha, b. Apr. 16, 1763; m. Anne Carter.

760 Elihu, b. Mar. 21, bapt. Oct. 7, 1765; m. Sabrina Griswold.

761 Olive, b. Oct. 19, 1766; m. (1) Joseph Holcomb, and (2) Alexander Enos.

Windsor town records; Windsor church records; Stiles Ancient Windsor, II, 470; N. E. Register, Vol. LXXXV, 156; Phelps Family, 97, 115, 246.

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AZUBA⁵, b. Windsor, Conn., July 14, 1736 (*Nathaniel*⁴, *Daniel*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. in Simsbury, Conn., Dec. 8, 1757, JOSEPH FOOTE, s. of Daniel and Mary (Collyer) Foote, b. Feb. 17, 1727, who d. Sept. 16, 1779.

Nathaniel Foote, the ancestor, was one of the first settlers of Wethersfield, Conn., who came from Colchester, England, to Watertown, Mass. He was known as one of the most steady of citizens.

Azuba, d. in Northampton, N. Y., Aug. 12, 1829, ae 93.

Their children:

762 Joseph, b. Oct. 26, 1758; m. Bersheba Burr.

763 Azuba, b. Apr. 13, 1760; m. Ashbel Case.

- 764 Sarah, b. June 22, 1762; m. John Bacon.
- 765 Elisha, b. Aug. 26, 1764; m. Rebecca C. Miller.
- 766 Delight, b. Jan. 8, 1767; m. Joab Judson.
- 767 Aaron, b. Apr. 10, 1769; m. (1) Esther Barber; m. (2) Ruhamah Scribner.
- 768 Daughter, b. May 6, 1771; d. inf.
- 769 Levi, b. May 10, 1773; d. Sept. 16, 1775.
- 770 Amelia, b. Apr. 28, 1777; d. Oct. 14, 1792.
- 771 Electa, b. Apr. 27, 1780; m. Caleb Hitchcock.

Simsbury, Conn. rec.; Foote Fam., 58; Thomas Barber Fam., 79.

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NATHANIEL⁵, b. Windsor, Conn., July 27, 1742 (*Nathaniel*⁴, *Daniel*³, *George*², *Edward*¹); m. Simsbury, Conn., Mar. 11, 1762, ABIGAIL PINNEY, daughter of Capt. Abraham and Elizabeth (Butler) Pinney, who d. Apr. 26, 1820, ae 75. T.S.R. Elm Grove cemetery, Windsor, Conn.

Nathaniel served in a company from Windsor under Gen. Lyman 1st Regt. 1760 (Colonial Archives).

Also served in the Revolution; Sgt. 8th Co., 1st Regt. Pvt. Capt. Bristol, July 1779. East Haven (Rec. of Conn. Men, 551, 623, 654).

Residence Poquonoc; census 1790 wife and five children. T.S. Old Poquonoc cemetery. No dates.

His estate, Hartford probate, State Library, Hartford, Conn., 1798 and 1801.

Their children, recorded in Windsor:

- *772 FRIEND, b. June 10, 1764.
- *773 AGNES, b. Sept. 29, 1765.
- *774 GROVE, b. Nov. 4, 1767.
- 775 TIRZAH, b. May 16, 1769; d. June 11, 1771.
- *776 NATHANIEL, { Twins, b. June 19, 1771.
- *777 ABIGAIL, {

Windsor and Bloomfield, Conn. records; Old Wintonbury Church records.

MATTHEW GRISWOLD

MATTHEW. Came to New England 1639 with Edward Griswold and Rev. Ephraim Huit, and eventually arrived in Windsor, Conn., but did not long remain there, having become an agent of Lord Fenwick, removed to Saybrook, Conn. Received a grant of land 1645 which became the foundation of a large fortune.

Matthew was a typical Englishman, hardy and venturesome, and with a lusty desire to accumulate large land holdings and a vigorous method of accomplishing it. Full of energy and was held in high esteem by the early settlers, and he was counsellor and friend to all. He possessed very largely those traits of physique and character, so often met with in men of the Griswold Clan. Large community spirit, genial and easy-going, yet forceful when required. A man of powerful build and used his strength in the combat with the wilderness to found a home and fortune. It is said he was exceedingly kind and gentle in his family.

Old Lyme was first settled in 1664 as East Saybrook, and Matthew was the pioneer and its first settler, which was set off from Saybrook in 1665, and he was one of the signers of the Articles of Separation. This was in an age when distinctions of rank and caste were held in severe respect, and Matthew, by his constant contact with the more aristocratic families, through his association with Lord Fenwick, became more or less imbued with this, and the family of Griswold being constantly in the public eye gradually became part of the leading families. However the family were devoted to the public cause and exercised all their powers to build a substantial and lasting community.

Matthew built a log cabin. One of his Negro men occupied it and it became known as "Blackhall" or "Blak's Hall," and doubtless this is the origin of the name Blackhall which has come down to the present time as a name for the ancestral estate.

The early houses built upon Blackhall lands have entirely disappeared. The oldest house now standing was built in 1796 by Matthew fifth. It is an exact reproduction of an earlier house built on the same spot by his grandfather Judge John.

Matthew was a lawyer, but by trade a mason and he furnished the stones for many of the graves of the early settlers. There is

a receipt dated Apr. 1, 1679, registered at Saybrook for 7 pounds sterling "paid M. Griswold in pay't for tombstone of Lady Alice Boteler (Lady Fenwick), late of Saybrook." He also furnished the stone for his father-in-law Henry Wolcott which is almost intact after all these years. That of Lady Fenwick, by reason of its removal from the point where the railroad crosses to its present site has sadly lost its ancient symmetry. And no stone marks his own grave nor do we know exactly where he was buried. There are records which lead us to believe in all probability that he was buried in old Saybrook cemetery. Although he removed to Lyme he retained his connection with Saybrook church as a member until his death, and from the church records we find that he was brought thither for interment. During his lifetime he presented to the church the first silver cup used in the observance of the Lord's Supper. The inscription upon it is: "S.C. ex dono domini Matthai Griswold." The S.C. evidently is the initials of *Sacramentales Calix*.

Matthew had many views far in advance of his time and concerning the rights of women was one of them.

There is an ancient deed Apr. 23, 1663, Hannah or Anna Griswold, wife of Matthew, has a portion of meadow land in Windsor Great Meadows—"Twelve akers more or less—" this comes to her as part of the portion that fell to her by the last will and testament of her brother Christopher Wolcott out of his estate which was to be divided among his relations, and this parcel of meadow is allowed by her husband Matthew Griswold to be recorded and made over to Anna, his wife, "to remain to her and to her children and her dispose forever."

Matthew served as deputy 1654, 1667, 1678, and 1685; also as J.P. Was trusted with many important affairs of the Colony in its struggle with those matters which always beset the formation of a new community.

He was married Oct. 16, 1646, to ANNA WOLCOTT, daughter of the first Henry Wolcott, of Windsor, who emigrated from England and was the ancestor of the Wolcott family in America; son of John Wolcott of Tolland, England, bapt. 1578. Came in the ship Mary and John and was made a freeman on the first day of the first General Court, Oct. 19, 1630, in Boston. Anna came over with her sister and youngest brother after the family were settled. She was living in Sept. 1700 when she and Abraham

Bronson were summoned before the court at New London as administrators of the estate of Matthew. She probably died before May 1701, when he was summoned alone. We have no record of her death and the place of her burial is unknown. Matthew died at his home Sept. 27, 1698.

The children as named in the family records:

- *2 SARAH,
- *3 MATTHEW, b. 1653.
- *4 JOHN, b. ——. No records. Probably d. unm.
- *5 ELIZABETH.
- *6 ANNA.

Records of Lyme and Saybrook, Conn.; Wolcott Mem. Conn. Colony records, Vol. I, 158, 161, 162, 205, 352, 404; Vol. II, 43, 46, 48, 70, 83, 109, 294, 317, 557; Vol. III, 24, 43, 66, 92, 121, 139, 158, 159, 201, 482; Hist. Soc. Coll., Particular court records; Court of Assistants records, Office Secretary of State.

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SARAH², b. Lyme, Conn. (*Matthew*¹); m. Sept. 11, 1677, Capt. THOMAS COLTON, s. of George and Deborah (Gardiner) Colton, b. Longmeadow, Mass., May 1, 1651. Sarah died Sept. 12, 1690.

Resided in Longmeadow. George Colton, the ancestor, was a prominent man, honored and trusted, public spirited, and was always one of the dependable citizens. Has honorable mention in old records.

Capt. Thomas m. (2) Dec. 17, 1691, HANNAH BLISS, b. May 26, 1665, who d. Nov. 6, 1737.

The town of Springfield voted Nov. 30, 1693, to send Capt. Thomas and Sgt. Luke Hitchcock to the Bay to procure a minister. The Rev. Dr. Williams in a funeral sermon preached a few days after the death of Capt. Thomas spoke of him "as a man of strong character, a man of eminent piety, and as having been eminently useful in the Indian Wars." Capt. Thomas is said to have been much feared by the Indians, both for his daring in attack, and from his apparent invulnerability and supernatural

protection from their best-laid plans for his death or capture. His tombstone in Longmeadow "Here lies interred the body of Capt. Thomas Colton, who departed this life Sep. the 30th 1728, ae 77. Prov. 7."

The children of Capt. Thomas and Sarah, b. in Longmeadow:

- 7 Sarah, b. Sept. 25, 1678; m. Samuel Keep.
- 8 Anna, b. Dec. 27, 1680; m. Samuel Porter.
- 9 Thomas, b. Mar. 27, 1683; m. Joanna Warriner.
- 10 Benjamin, b. Feb. 19, 1684; d. Apr. 7, 1685.
- 11 Elizabeth, b. Apr. 5, 1686; m. Joseph Kellogg.
- 12 Matthew, b. Feb. 13, 1688; d. June 6, 1690.
- 13 Daughter, b. and d. Sept. 11, 1690.

Second marriage:

- 14 Hepzibah, b. Oct. 26, 1691; m. Capt. Samuel Chandler.
- 15 William, b. July 7, 1694; m. Mary Merrick.
- 16 Ebenezer, b. July 23, 1696; m. Deborah Chandler.
- 17 Joseph, b. Aug. 26, d. Sept. 10, 1698.
- 18 Isaac, b. Oct. 10, 1700; m. Esther Marshfield.
- 19 Hannah, b. July 11, 1703; m. Nathaniel Munn.
- 20 Dinah, b. Jan. 31, d. May 5, 1706.
- 21 Abner, b. June 17, 1709; d. Feb. 24, 1710.

Lyme, Conn. and Longmeadow, Mass. records; N. E. Register, XXXIII, 203; John Keep Fam., 4; Chandler Fam., 77, 83.

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MATTHEW², b. East Saybrook (Lyme) Conn. 1653 (*Matthew¹*); m. (1) Lyme, Conn., May 21, 1683, PHOEBE HYDE, daughter of Samuel and Jane (Lord) Hyde, b. Jan. 1663, and granddaughter of the first William Hyde.

William Hyde, the founder of the Hyde family in America, appears first at Hartford, Conn. 1636, as one of the original settlers and his name is inscribed on the Founders Monument, Old Center Churchyard. Removed to Saybrook, Conn. Norwich, Conn., was settled in 1660 and his name was among the original proprietors. Phoebe d. Nov. 29, 1704.

Matthew m. (2) May 30, 1705, Mrs. Mary Lee, widow of Lieut. Thomas Lee, who d. Oct. 24, 1724, ae 68. She was Mary DeWolf

and her daughter by her first marriage, Hannah, became the mother of Gov. Matthew Griswold. Matthew d. Jan. 13, 1716, ae 63. Old Lyme Inscriptions.

Children recorded in Lyme:

- 22 PHOEBE, b. Aug. 15, 1684; .d Nov. 29, 1704; unm.
- 23 ELIZABETH, b. Nov. 29, 1685; d. 1704, unm.
- 24 SARAH, b. Mar. 19, 1687/8; d. Jan. 4, 1760, unm. Her estate mentions brothers John and George; brother Edmund Dorr and Mary and Deborah Dennison.
- 25 MATTHEW, b, Sept. 15, 1688; d. 1712, unm.
- *26 JOHN, b. Dec. 22, 1690.
- *27 GEORGE, b. Aug. 13, 1692.
- *28 MARY, b. Apr. 22, 1694.
- *29 DEBORAH, b. 1696.
- 30 SAMUEL, b. 1697; d. June 10, 1727, unm.
- *31 PATIENCE, b. 1698.;
- 32 THOMAS, b. Feb. 1700; d. July 27, 1716.

Matthew III ran away to sea. At Jamaica he was pressed into the naval service; then served on a privateer, where he narrowly escaped death, and the man who stood next to him was cut to pieces with chain shot. He was then captured by the French and put ashore in the Bay of Honduras where he was taken by a party of Spanish Indians, carried 600 miles with his hands tied behind his back and cast into prison. After six months was released and sent to Spain on a galleon. On the voyage he very nearly died from tropical fever. From Cadiz he went to a port in Portugal where he found a ship for Newfoundland. Eventually he reached home and died age 24, a victim of his terrible experiences.

The estate of Matthew III, May 3, 1716, mentions brothers Samuel, John, George and Thomas; sisters Sarah, Deborah, Mary and Patience.

LETTER OF MATTHEW TO PHOEBE

“Deare Heart.

Tender of my most unfayned and Intyre Love to you, hoping you are in good health, etc., although my present abilities of body and mind will nott allow mee to Write Largely unto you as I sho^d be glad to do, yet having this opportunity I was desirous to trouble you with a line or two—a little to Remind you of the

unexpected * * * unheard of * * * which I have mett with. In the management * * * motion of marriage mad by mee unto yo^rselfe which * * * so very strange that I am at a great Loss * * * of mind to think what the good pleasure of the Lord * * * as to a fynale Issue; though this I must saye, if I thought you had not Reall Love and Affection for me, I should then think it rather my Duty to desist than to proseed; but as yet I am nott, nor cannot bee convinced that It is so, for, as God and thy owne conscience knows very well when I was fully come to a conclusion in my owne minde never to give myself nor you any farder Trouble in this matter, yo^rselfe were pleased to tell mee that unexpected (though welcome) news, that you could not beare the thought of a fynale Separation; and since when you were last att ou' side of the River, you told mee the same thing, besides many things which you have in discourse told divers of youre owne best freyns which gave them grounds to conclude that you had special Love for my person. If I had thought that these things had been false I must have Judged of * * * to the * * * which would have commanded a period to all proceedings of this nature; but eont^y I believed thee and accordingly concluded that hee which had Incindled this Love in Thee would increase It, and in his good time bring us together in the Relation of man and wife, and hereupon gave my affections their full scope, concluding not only that I mite, but that it was my duty to Love her intirely for whose sake I should forsake Father and mother; and, as I tould you when I last spake with you, I shall not at this time Release any promise (and you to mee, I should nott suffer for yo^r sake) which has past between us, though I cannot desire you should proseed to Joyne yourself In marriage with mee on the account of pittee. I desire to look to God who is able to give me * * * to all his gracious promises which wo^{ld} be matter of comfort * * * (for so they are * * * I would desire you^{ed} not forget how willing I have been, according to my capacity and opportunities; so then in kindness and in a way of Requital faure mee with some Lynes. I shall not enlarge att present, but desiring that the Good Lord would graciously guide us to that which may tend to his glory and our own everlasting peace, I take leave and Remain thine, and thine only, in the bonds of Intire Affection.

M.G.

The clouds of misunderstanding must have blown away and they were married and lived a happy frontier life ever after.

Matthew was a large powerful man, possessing the physical characteristics of the early Griswolds in a large degree; gentle, as his letter indicates, but aggressive and forceful.

The records show his fighting qualities when occasion demanded.

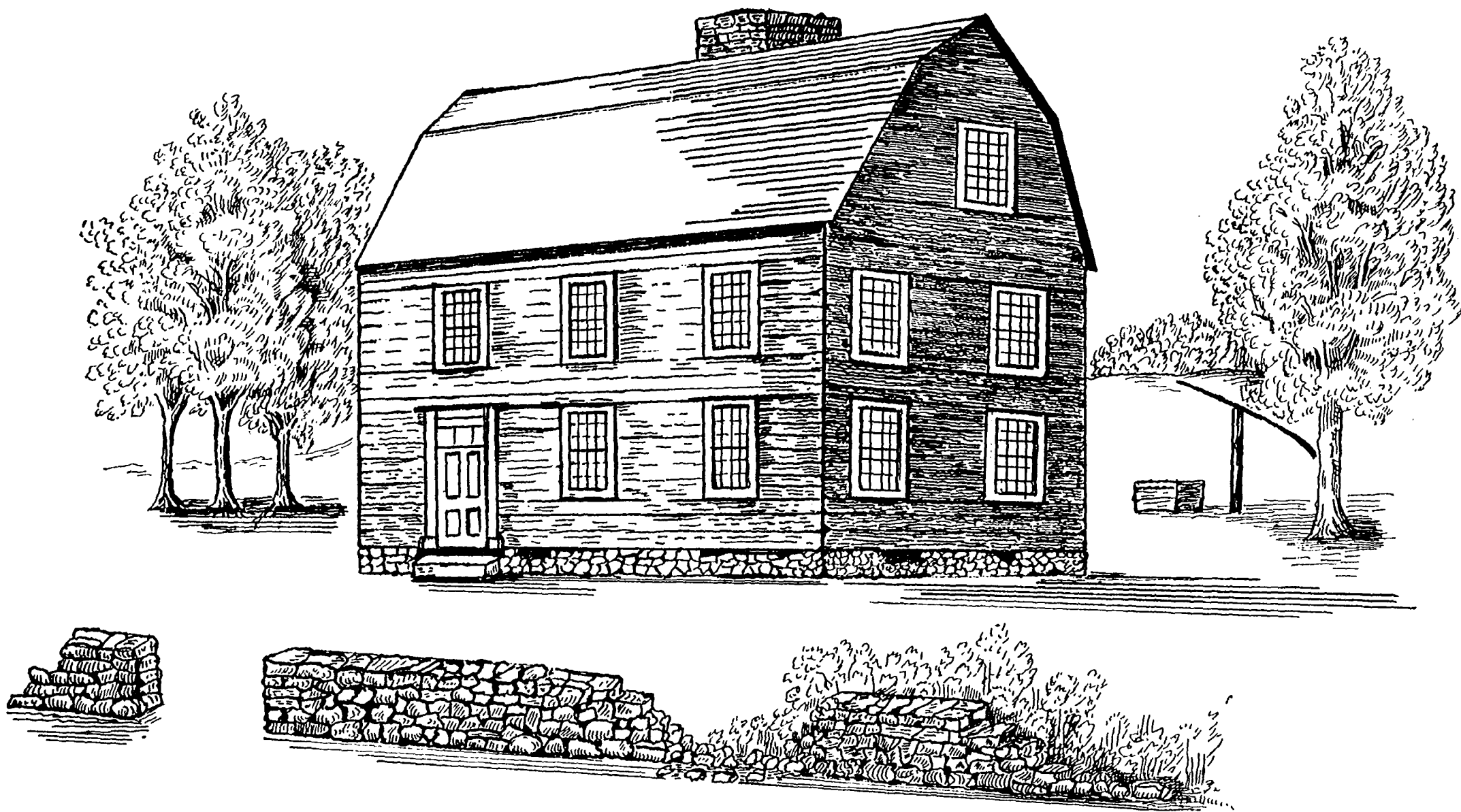
There appears of record in the Court of Assistants, 1687-1715, p. 302, 330, on file in the office of the Secretary of State, Hartford, Conn., the following presentation against Matthew Griswold.

"Matthew Griswold of Lime being bound over to this court to answer to a presentment made against him for an high breach of ye peace which is as follows, Viz: Lime July 14, 1713, J. Will^m Lee, Constable of Lime do make presentment to Justice Ely of Mr Matthew Griswold of Lime, for this day feloniously assaulting of Henry Morris, contrary to ye Peace and hath with a churn Half wounded ye sd Morris in ye head which wound is judged mortal and that ye sd Morris hath layn speechless three hours. The sd Griswold appeared at this court according to his bond and pleads guilty.

Whereupon this court has considered that ye sd Matthew Griswold shall pay a fine of twenty pounds in money to ye public Treasury of this Colony and ye charge of his Prosecution which is allowed to be in ye whole 10-0-2 and that he give bond with two sufficient sureties in ye sum of 100 pounds money for his peacable and good behavior until ye Superior court to be holden at New London in March next and to be committed until ye sentence be fullfilled and that he pay unto ye sd Henry Morris for ye hurt and damage done him ye sum of 16 pounds in money Exⁿ granted for ye 16 pounds. Sept. 25, 1713.

Matthew Griswold discharged from his bond March 24, 1713/14.

Lyme and Saybrook, Conn. records; Conn. Colony rec., II, 338. Rev. James Hillhouse Fam., 50; Noyes-Gilman Anc., 181; Hyde Gen., 10.



HOME OF JOHN AND ELIZABETH ROGERS, NEW LONDON

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ELIZABETH², b. Lyme, Conn. (*Matthew*¹); m. in Lyme, Conn., (New London rec.), Oct. 17, 1670, JOHN ROGERS, s. of James and Elizabeth (Rowland) Rogers, b. New Milford, Conn., Dec. 1, 1648.

James Rogers of New London, 1637, one of six men from Saybrook under Capt. John Underhill, who took part in the Pequot War.

The marriage rite of Elizabeth and John was performed by Matthew, accompanied with the formality of a written contract and dowry, the husband settling his farm at upper Mamacock upon the wife, in case of his death or separation from her during life.

In May 1675, after two children were born to them, she appeared to the General Court for a divorce grounding her petition, not only upon the heterodoxy of her husband (that of founding a sect called Rogerene Quakers), but upon certain alleged immoralities. The Court, after a delay of nearly a year and a half, granted her petition.

Mr. Rogers was greatly incensed at the decision of the Court. He lived a single life about twenty-five years and then married Mary Ransford. She is reported to have been a servant, whom he had bought and probably of the class of persons called Redemptionists. Mr. Rogers would not be united in marriage by any minister or magistrate, and proposed to his intended that they both go to the county court room while the court was in session, and there publicly declare their marriage intentions, to which she agreed. He leading the bride by the hand, entered into the presence of the assembled court, and there requested the whole assembly to take notice that he took the woman he held by the right hand to be his lawful wife. The bride also assenting.

This connection was, however, an unhappy one, violent quarrels afterward arising. Mr. Rogers was compelled to apply to the court. In 1703 the court declared the marriage invalid. She afterwards married Robert Jones of Block Island.

In 1714 Mr. Rogers was again married to Sarah Cole, of Oyster Bay, L. I. He d. of smallpox Oct. 17, 1721 and was buried upon the bank of the Thames river within the bounds of his farm, where he had set aside a place of sepulcher.

Mamacock farm, the home of John Rogers, extended on both sides of the Norwich road about two miles from New London, from the small rocky peninsula of that name a short distance northeast of the station stop on the railroad at present called Harrison, and bordered some distance by the Thames river.

The central portion or Mamacock proper was originally a grant to Rev. Mr. Blinman. The burial place was crossed by the railroad in later years and partially destroyed, and it has almost totally disappeared, only five legible stones yet remaining. That of John Rogers cannot be found. The buildings have disappeared and the entire place is given over to the elements and presents a scene of entire desolation.

The estate of John Rogers, including the Mamacock farm, was inventoried June 30, 1722, at 110 pounds.

This farm and the home shown by the drawing are interesting to us as the home of Elizabeth Griswold for a time and as the birthplace of her children.

Children Rogers by Elizabeth:

33 Elizabeth, b. Nov. 8, 1671; m. Stephen Prentice.

34 John, b. Mar. 20, 1674; m. (1) Bathsheba Smith; m. (2) Elizabeth Dodge.

Children Rogers by Mary:

35 Gershom, b. Feb. 24, 1699; d. at sea.

36 Mary, b. Mar. 6, 1702; m. John Hobbs.

Elizabeth m. (2) in Lyme, Aug. 5, 1779, PETER PRATT, who d. Mar. 24, 1688. Very little is known of him. (Book I, Town rec.); Prat, Peter, married 5 Aug. 1679, Griswold, Elizabeth, "that was deuost from John Rogers. Prat, Peter, d. 24 Mar. 1688."

Child Pratt by Elizabeth:

37 Peter, b. —; m. Mehitable Waterhouse.

Elizabeth m. (3) MATTHEW BECKWITH, b. 1637 (Old Lyme Ins.), who had m. (1) Elizabeth — in Guilford, Conn., where he resided for a time, and who m. (3) —. He d. June 4, 1727. He was a seaman.

The birth of his children by his first marriage, Matthew and John are registered in Guilford, the next three, James, Jonah and Prudence are on record in New London, and Elizabeth, Ruth, and Sarah, in Lyme, where he came in 1677.

Children Beckwith by Elizabeth:

- 38 Griswold (Grissell), b. 1691; m. Eliakim Cooley.

Children of his first marriage:

- 39 Matthew, b. Apr. 13, 1667; m. Hannah Champion.
40 James, b. June 1, 1671; m. Sarah Marvin.
41 Jonah.
42 Prudence, b. Aug. 27, 1676; m. Roger Darte.
43 Elizabeth.
44 Ruth.
45 Sarah.

The will of Matthew Beckwith, New London probate, Vol. C, 221, mentions the seven children of his first marriage, and his beloved daughter Grissell, and her husband Eliakim Cooley, giving her land that had been willed to her by her grandfather Matthew Griswold. Dated Mar. 19, 1714/15.

Beckwith Notes, VI, 1, 2; Henry Wolcott Gen., 34; James Rogers Fam., 42, 44; Conn. Colony rec., II, 326; Henry Champion Fam., 32; Hist. of Montville, Conn.

6

ANNA², b. about 1656 (*Matthew*¹); m. Sept. 2, 1674, Lieut. ABRAHAM BRONSON, bapt. Nov. 28, 1647, s. of John of Farmington.

John Bronson, founder of the family, believed to have been one of the company who came to Hartford, Conn., with Rev. Hooker 1636. Fought in the Pequot War; removed to Farmington 1641.

Lieut. Bronson was appointed administrator of the estate of Matthew I with his mother-in-law Anna Griswold. Matthew II became involved with them in court upon accusations that Lieut. Bronson had destroyed the family papers. Whatever became of them we are at a loss to know, and we are much in the dark as to the truthfulness of the accusation. Be that as it may, the papers evidently had disappeared and we can only deplore the loss, for want of the light they would have given upon the family ancestry.

He was appointed lieutenant in 1678. Died June 27, 1719, ae 72. Anna d. Apr. 13, 1721. T.S.R. Meeting House Hill cemetery, Old Lyme.

Their children:

- 46 Anna, b. Oct. 5, 1675.
- 47 Abraham, b. Mar. 29, 1677; d. Jan. 21, 1678.
- 48 Mary, b. Jan. 21, 1679; m. Thomas Waite.
- 49 Mercy, b. Oct. 21, 1681.
- 50 Elizabeth, b. Aug. 12, 1682.
- 51 Sarah.
- 52 Frances.
- 53 Dorcas, b. —; m. — Hopkins.

Lyme, Conn. records; Savage Gen. Dict., I, 279; New London probate records; Bronson Lineage (Sibley); Conn. Colony records, Vol. III, 9, 42, 55, 66, 102, 130, 138, 148, 158, 265, 280, 296, 341, 342, 391, 429, 435.

26

JOHN³, b. Lyme, Conn., Dec. 22, 1690 (*Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. in Lyme, June 23, 1713, HANNAH LEE, daughter of Thomas and Mary (DeWolf) Lee, b. Feb. 25, 1694/5.

Thomas Lee was a leading man in Lyme and next to Matthew Griswold the largest landholder. A man who served the community well and faithfully.

Balthasar de Wolf came to Lyme about 1668; he and his three sons served in the trainband. Took part in town affairs as a matter of common interest. Were held in high esteem although they never attained special prominence. Mary, his daughter, was the second wife of Thomas Lee.

John Griswold was a leading citizen; prominent in all civic matters; known as Judge John; a man of great wealth and much esteemed for his superior wisdom and integrity. He inherited many of the fundamental traits of the Griswold ancestry. Tall, light complexion, genial, and of great physical strength. T.S.R. Old Lyme Cemetery. "Sacred to the memory of John Griswold, who, after having sustained the Public offices of Justice of the

Peace and of the quorum for many years, dep^d this life Sept. 22, 1764, in the 74th year of his age."

His will dated Apr. 13, 1762, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions wife Hannah; children Matthew, Thomas, Phebe, Hannah, Lucy, Sarah, Clarina, Deborah and Lydia.

Hannah d. May 11, 1773, ae 70. Her will proved June 7, 1773, New London probate records, mentions granddaughters Phebe, Lucia and Lydia Parsons; grandson Marshfield Parsons.

Their children:

- *54 MATTHEW, b. Mar. 25, 1714.
- *55 PHOEBE, b. Apr. 22, 1716.
- *56 THOMAS, b. Feb. 15, 1718.
- *57 HANNAH, b. Jan. 10, 1724.
- *58 LUCY, b. July 6, 1726.
- *59 SARAH, b. Dec. 2, 1728.
- 60 CLERINE, b. May 30, 1731; d. Apr. 9, 1732.
- *61 CLARINA, b. Feb. 9, 1732/3.
- *62 DEBORAH, b. Mar. 1, 1735.
- 63 JOHN, b. May 15, 1739; d. Jan. 4, 1742.
- *64 LYDIA, b. 1742.

Lyme, Conn. records; Conn. Colonial Dames Register; Hyde Gen., I, 51; Res. James Hillhouse Fam., 51; Lee Fam. (Salisbury), III, 56; Noyes-Gilman Anc., 182.

27

GEORGE³, b. Lyme, Conn., Aug. 13, 1692 (*Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. (1) in Lyme, June 22, 1725, HANNAH LYNDE, daughter of Judge Nathaniel Lynde of Saybrook, who d. Jan. 23, 1734, ae 37.

He m. (2) in Lyme, July 20, 1736, ELIZABETH LEE, his second cousin, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Graham) Lee, who d. Aug. 28, 1759.

George was a graduate of Yale at Saybrook. An ecclesiastical society was organized 1724/5 and known as east society of Lyme and he was the first pastor. The meeting house erected by them stood at least a century. It was a small square building, without steeple, bell or porch. He was a grave, judicious, and godly man;

very successful and diligent in his ministry among the people and the Nehantick Indians whom he had in charge. He d. Oct. 14, 1761. His will, Jan. 1759, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions his children George, Silvanus, Samuel, Andrew, Elizabeth Raymond, Lucretia Latimer, and Eunice.

- *65 GEORGE, b. Sept. 19, 1726.
- *66 ELIZABETH, b. July 16, 1728.
- *67 LUCRETIA, b. July 16, 1730/1.
- *68 SYLVANUS, b. Feb. 3, 1733.
- *69 SAMUEL, b. May 23, 1736/7.
- 70 HANNAH, b. 1737; d. Mar. 9, 1843.
- *71 EUNICE, b. Jan. 21, 1742.
- *72 ANDREW, b. Aug. 12, 1745.

Lyme, Conn. records; Hyde Gen., I, 52; Lee Fam.; Lynde Fam. (Salisbury), I, 407; Noyes-Gilman Anc., 182; Conn. Colonial rec., X, 25, 54, 107.

28

MARY³, b. Lyme, Conn., Apr. 22, 1694 (*Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. in Lyme, Sept. 4, 1719, EDMUND DORR, b. Oct. 19, 1692, Roxbury, Mass., s. of Edward and Elizabeth (Hawley) Dorr.

The Dorr family occupied a prominent position in Roxbury and Edward was an early settler.

Edmund settled in Lyme; clothier; d. there. She d. Feb. 21, 1776. T.S.R. Old cemetery, North Lyme.

Their children:

- 73 George, b. Aug. 1, 1720; m. Sarah Marvin.
- 74 Edward, b. Nov. 2, 1722; m. Helena Talcott.
- 75 Matthew, b. June 14, 1725; m. Elizabeth Palmer.
- 76 Mary, b. June 10, 1727; d. July 16, 1742.
- 77 Eve, b. Mar. 4, 1733; m. George Griffin.
- 78 Elizabeth, b. Apr. 16, 1735; m. Dr. Elisha Tracy.
- 79 Deborah, b. 1739; d. July 28, 1768; unm.

Roxbury, Mass. and Lyme, Conn. records; Hyde Gen., I, 53; Marvin Fam., 65; Tracy Fam., 38; Hawley Record, 571; Noyes-Gilman Anc., 182; Erasmus Stevens Fam., 12; Savage Gen. Dict., II, 61.

29

DEBORAH³, b. Lyme, Conn., 1696 (*Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. New London, Conn., record, Oct. 19, 1721, ROBERT DENNISON, bapt. Mar. 21, 1697, Stonington, Conn., s. of Capt. Robert and Joanna (Stanton) Dennison of North Parish, now Montville, Conn.

Robert was descendant of the distinguished civilian and soldier George Dennison whose career is fully set forth in the History of Stonington, Conn. Served in the great swamp fight and other Indian Wars. Deputy to the General Court. Also descendant of Thomas Stanton of Stonington, Conn.

Robert served as captain in Gen. Wolcott's brigade at Louisburg and won recognition for gallantry. Rapidly promoted until he received the rank of colonel. Very popular with his comrades. Resided at Mohegan, now Montville. Late in life removed to Horton, Nova Scotia, where he d. 1766.

Deborah d. 1732, and he m. (2) PRUDENCE SHERMAN, daughter of David and Mercy of New Haven, Conn.

Children of first marriage:

- 80 Deborah, b. Dec. 9, 1721; m. Christopher Manwaring.
- 81 Elizabeth, b. Feb. 26, d. Mar. 16, 1723.
- 82 Robert, b. Mar. 5, d. May 16, 1724.
- 83 Elizabeth, b. Sept. 10, 1726.
- 84 Daniel, b. 1727.
- 85 Andrew, b. 1728; m. Mary Thompson.
- 86 Mary, b. 1730; d. Dec. 21, 1743.
- 87 Robert, b. 1732; d. inf.
- 88 Betsey, b. —; m. Nathan Smith.

Children of second marriage:

- 89 David Sherman, b. Aug. 1734; m. Sarah Fox.
- 90 Mercy, b. Oct. 1736; d. Jan. 15, 1743.
- 91 Robert, b. July 31, 1739; d. Dec. 25, 1743.
- 92 Sarah, b. —; m. Capt. Kenedy.
- 93 Eunice, b. —; m. John Lathrop.
- 94 Gurdon, b. 1744; m. Catherine Fitzpatrick.
- 95 Samuel, b. 1746; d. unm. 1820.

New London and Montville, Conn. records; Hist. of Montville, Conn.; Hist. of Stonington, Conn., 341; George Dennison Fam., 60.

31

PATIENCE³, b. Lyme, Conn., 1698 (*Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. 1724, JOHN DENNISON, b. Nov. 28, 1698, Stonington, Conn., s. of Capt. Robert and Joanna (Stanton) Dennison. The same line of descent as the previous number, 29.

Their children:

- 96 Dorothy, b. 1726.
- 97 John, b. July 31, 1731; d. Dec. 14, 1736.
- 98 Samuel, b. Aug. 1733; d. Dec. 6, 1736.
- 99 Patience, b. 1735; m. John Walworth.
- 100 John, b. Feb. 6, 1737; m. Mary Sears.
- 101 Phebe, b. Apr. 21, 1739; d. Dec. 28, 1741.
- 102 Samuel, b. June 8, d. July 15, 1741.
- 103 Samuel, b. Mar. 11, 1742; m. Mary Champlin.
- 104 Phebe, b. 1746; m. Josiah Ely.

New London, Conn., records; George Dennison Fam., 60, 72; Hyde Gen., I, 56; Ely Anc., 108; Noyes-Gilman Anc., 182; N. E. Register, 54; Hist. of Stonington, Conn.

54

MATTHEW⁴, b. Lyme, Conn., Mar. 25, 1714 (*John³, Matthew², Matthew¹*); n. in Lyme, Nov. 10, 1743, his second cousin, URSULA WOLCOTT, daughter of Gov. Roger and Sarah (Drake) Wolcott, b. Windsor, Conn., Oct. 30, 1724, which marriage reunited two of the leading families by a new tie of blood.

Matthew resided in Lyme the greater part of his life. His natural abilities were considerable and varied and he seemed to develop them without the aid of others. Admitted to the bar 1743. 1761 began his public career as Representative from Lyme in the General Assembly, a position he held until 1759 when he was chosen as a member of the Council. Supported the Colonial cause in the Revolution. Head of the Council of Safety. 1769 began a period of 15 years' service as Deputy Governor, which in effect was Chief Justice of the state. Governor 1784/86. Presiding officer constitutional convention.

Gov. Talcott in 1739 “for loyalty, courage and good conduct” appointed captain of South trainband. 1766 Gov. Pitkin appointed him major 3rd regiment.

Retired to his farm and lived a quiet peaceful life until his death.

A letter from Gov. Matthew to his son Matthew while he was at Yale.

Dear Son.

From your affectionate Father,
Matthew Griswold, Jr. Matth^w Griswold.

Lyme, Dec. 16, 1755.

Death has with violent hand taken from us our Eldest Daughter
a Dear and Tender Child who on account of some Amiable Qual-

litys which I imagine appeard to her in an uncommon degree with a most Exemplary and Dutiful Behavior not only Rais^d the Expectation but Extremely Endear'd her to her Parents; but alas our towering hopes like the Flower of the Field are all cutt down at one blow; upon my return from Windham about 24 hours before her Death she appeard in a Calm and Serene Temper of mind Signified she had made her Peace with God Used the words that he was Sweeter to her than all y^e world y^t She was free to part with Father and Mother and Everything here and was willing & not afraid to die; She appeared to Retain a Composed Temper of mind and her Reason to the very last. A little past the Middle of the Day the Symptons of Death appeared. She appeared very Sensible View^d her finger nails Sundry times; I suppose to Satisfie herself whether she was Dying; then Desired a Prayer might be made which being done, her friends Standing Round her not being able to Refrain Weeping—after Some Time turning her eyes Round upon them and once in a Special Manner and of her own accord without Shedding a Tear & without any other seeming Disorder but only some difficulty to speak bid us Rejoice her Speech fail^d and after some time without y^e least token of Repining at her condition or anxiety of mind, like a Tender Lamb Resign^d her breath and so fell a victim to the King of Terrors; Indeed the Satisfactory Account she gave how she had Seen Herself a Sinner and of the Love of God manifested in her Soul and a sense of her Love to God and Willingness to part with y^e World with the Surprising Unshaken fortitude of mind with which she was Carried Thro the agonies of Death afford us unspeakable Comfort, but to Human Nature y^e blow is violent and y^e wound Deep. Parting pain is sensible & piercing. I beg your prayers to Almighty God that wee might be Supported under this bereaving Stroke and not Murmur or Repine at the Dispensation of heaven, and so by Such Undutiful behavior make this chastisement a new occation of sin.

From your Dutiful Son,

Copy Lt. Gov. Wolcott

M. Griswold.

on death of Hannah.

Matthew did have at least two romances. He first paid court to a lady of Durham. At that time he was merely a good-looking young farmer and she wished to hold him in reserve, hoping to

get a better offer from a young doctor. "I would like more time to consider the matter" she said, when he asked for a final decision. "Madam, you may have a life time," he replied and departed. And this proved true for she never married, a hard lot in those days. Meantime, his cousin, Ursula Wolcott, of Windsor, had heard good accounts of him as a rising young man with a handsome house and property. Pretty, vivacious, and matrimonially enterprising, she arranged a visit to his mother in Lyme. There she saw Matthew and approved of him, but he was backward and silent. When she met him about the house she roguishly inquired "what did you say, Cousin Matthew?" He invariably replied, "Oh, nothing." As the end of her visit drew near she grew bolder. Turning one day on the long stair, she demanded, "What did you say, Cousin Matthew?" "I said nothing," he replied. As he mounted slowly behind her, Ursula stood smiling and blocking the way, "Well, it is quite time you said something." The matter was happily settled then and there.

His inscription Old Lyme: "This monument is erected to the memory of Matthew Griswold, Esq., late Governor of the State of Connecticut, who died on the 28th day of April, in the year 1799, ae 85 years and 28 days."

His estate, June 13, 1798, mentions sons John, Matthew and Roger; daughters Mary Ann Lane and granddaughter Ursula McCurdy.

Her inscription Old Lyme: "Mrs. Ursula Griswold the amiable consort of Matthew Griswold, Esq., late Governor of the state, departed this life 5th day of April, 1788, in the 64th year of her age."

In the family Bible of Dea. John Griswold, their son, is recorded that she died in the night in a "very sudden and surprising manner" like her mother Sarah (Drake) Wolcott.

Their children:

- 105 URSULA, b. Nov. 18, 1744; d. Feb. 14, 1745.
- 106 HANNAH, b. Apr. 17, 1746; d. Dec. 15, 1755.
- *107 MARIAN, b. Apr. 17, 1750.
- *108 JOHN, b. Feb. 26, 1752.
- *109 URSULA, b. Apr. 13, 1754.
- *110 MATTHEW, b. Apr. 17, 1760.
- *111 ROGER, b. May 21, 1762.

Lyme, Conn. records; Hyde Gen., I, 182; Wolcott Mem.

55

PHOEBE⁴, b. Lyme, Conn., Apr. 22, 1716 (*John³, Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. in Lyme, Dec. 14, 1731, JONATHAN PARSONS, b. Nov. 30, 1705, West Springfield, Mass., s. of Ebenezer and Margaret (Marshfield) Parsons.

Yale 1729. Ordained and established pastor of the First Church, Lyme, Mar. 17, 1731. Soon encountered opposition to his views of the New Light Theology by many prominent members and took a dismissal. Removed to Newburyport, Mass., where he was established as pastor.

Phoebe is said to have been very talented and accomplished, took a prominent part in her husband's ministry, and possessed mental endowments far superior to most of her sex. Keen of wit, brilliant, of great courage and firmness, and yet of much sensibility and kindness of heart.

The story is told of his preparation of a sermon and she had so mixed the sequence of the pages that he was utterly confounded when attempting its delivery, And she very innocently enjoyed the situation. It is not reported what was said after church services were over.

Phoebe d. Dec. 26, 1770, and he m. (2) 1771, Mrs. LYDIA CLARKSON, widow of Andrew, of Portsmouth, N. H., who d. Apr. 30, 1778.

Resided on School street, Newburyport, and he d. there July 19, 1776, and is buried beneath the pulpit of the Federal street meeting house.

Their children recorded in Lyme and Newburyport:

- 112 Marshfield, b. Feb. 7, 1733; m. (1) Lois Waite; m. (2) Abigail Marvin; m. (3) Abigail Waterman; m. (4) Phebe Griffin. Lieut. Colonel.
- 113 Jonathan, b. Apr. 25, 1735; m. Hannah Gyles.
- 114 Samuel Holden, b. May 14, 1737; m. Mehitable Mather; served as General in the Revolutionary War.
- 115 Thomas, b. Apr. 28, 1739; m. (1) Mary Gibson; m. (2) Sarah Sawyer.
- 116 Ezra, b. Jan. 2, d. Jan. 13, 1742.
- 117 Ezra, b. July 21, d. Aug. 23, 1751.
- 118 Phoebe, b. Mar. 6, 1748; m. Capt. Ebenezer Lane.
- 119 Lucia, b. Dec. 2, 1752; m. Capt. Joseph Tappen.
- 120 Lydia, b. Apr. 3, 1755; m. Moses Greenleaf.
- 121 Clarina, b. June 7, d. Aug. 13, 1756.

The following very interesting letter written by Mr. Parsons

to his son gives a very clear insight into the character of Jonathan.
Dear Child:

I am very glad to hear by yours of y^e first and 10th. instant y^t your health is restored and pray God to give yo a heart to serve him in newness of Spirit. Sorry am I to find y^e chhs are thrown into confusion, and y^e more so, as I understand much of y^e controversy is whether y^e children of those Parents who do not come to y^e Lord's Table shall be baptized or not? My judgment is y^t or Chh has a right to deny Baptism to those children whose parents openly profess good principals & lead a moral life, even tho' they do not come to y^e Lord's Table, & I am very sorry. Dr. Bellamy & others have stirred up strife abt y^e matter. I think they may be easily answered, and were I a minister in your Colony I believe I should think it my duty to enter y^e List; I am persuaded if the Separatists from Mr. Edwards, had an able Leader, Mr. Edwards must either be convinced or removed. Mr. Bird is not his match & perhaps those that separate y^t do not desire him, if he was, I should be loth to stand in special connection with a particular church that goes into y^t new scheme. The like controversy gave great disturbance to y^e protestant church about 150 years ago, but was happily calmed by some able Pens.

You write y^t one Samuel Parsons from Martinco desires to know from w^t part of England our ancestors came. I will tell you as near as my Memory enables me (as I have no records of the matter but what I heard from my Parent), I suppose my Great Grandfather Parsons came from Great-Torrington, about 20 or 30 miles from Tiverton, and not far from Exeter. He came over and brought my Grandfather Benjamin Parsons and other children about 130 years ago, perhaps 140. I believe y^e record of my Great Grandfather and Grandfather might be found, either at Great-Torrington or Tiverton & by y^e means it might be known whether we & Samuel Parsons are descended from one stock. My Great Grandfather Marshfield came from Exeter, and brought my Grandfather when he was about 4 years old. My Grandfather Marshfield's name I think was Samuel, and my Great Grandfather's name Josiah. They came over about the same time with my Great Grandfather Parsons and his family. I should be glad if the history of the families could be traced back as far as those y^t first came over, for it might be of service to some of their Descendants.

My love to my children and grand children & am your careful father.

J. Parsons.

Newburyport, Oct. 20, 1769.

Addressed, Samuel H. Parsons,
Lyme, Conn.

Lyme, Conn. and Newburyport, Mass. records; Parsons Fam.; Hall Anc., 273; Hyde Gen., I, 184; Vol. I, Rec. State of Conn., 28.

56

THOMAS⁴, b. Lyme, Conn., Feb. 15, 1718 (*John*³, *Matthew*², *Matthew*¹); m. in Saybrook, Dec. 17, 1741, SUSANNAH LYNDE, daughter of Nathaniel, Jr. of Saybrook, b. about 1722, descendant of Judge Nathaniel Lynde. She d. at Blackhall, Sept. 25, 1768, ae 46.

Thomas was deacon of the Congregational church. Served as ensign of South company 1749. He d. July 16, 1770, ae 52. Old Lyme cemetery.

His will, Mar. 6, 1770, New London, Conn., probate records, mentions daughter Phebe and Dyar Throop; Lucy and Richard Waite; Lois and Samuel Mather; Sarah and David Fithen Sill.

Their children:

- *122 PHOEBE HYDE, b. Aug. 18, 1743.
- *123 LUCY MARVIN, b. Oct. 7, 1745.
- *124 LOIS, b. 1747.
- *125 SARAH, b. Aug. 26, 1749.
- *126 LOVICE or LOUISA, b. July 25, 1751.
- 127 ANNA, b. Mar. 31, 1753; d. 1760.

Lyme and Saybrook, Conn. records; Hyde Gen., I, 184; Marvin Fam., 76; Hall Fam. (Coe), 98, 104.

57

HANNAH⁴, b. Lyme, Conn., Jan. 10, 1724 (*John*³, *Matthew*², *Matthew*¹); m. in Norwich, Conn., Nov. 5, 1740, BENAJAH BUSHNELL, b. Mar. 11, 1715, in Norwich, s. of Benajah and Zerviah (Leffingwell) Bushnell.

Through Zerviah the ancestry of this family is traced to Thomas Leffingwell, one of the first proprietors of Norwich. Served as deputy for about eleven years and was a citizen of good repute and enterprise.

Richard Bushnell, also one of the first settlers, probably of Saybrook, whose family came to Norwich about 1660, and his sons were among the prominent and useful citizens.

Benajah was a freeman 1730; Yale 1735. Acted as agent of the town in 1723 in matters of boundary disputes.

Hannah's inscription: "In memory of Mrs. Hannah, consort of Mr. Benajah Bushnell & daughter of John Griswold, Esq., late of lime, decs., who departed this life in Hope of a Better on the 10th day of Aug. 1772, in ye 49th year of her age." It is said her gravestone was removed and placed in the basement of Christ church.

Their children:

- 128 Benajah, b. Mar. 21, 1744; m. Lucy Abell.
- 129 Jathleel, b. Sept. 14, 1745; m. Lydia Bushnell.
- 130 Eusebius, b. Feb. 1, 1749; m. Borodell Latimer.
- 131 Abishai, b. Nov. 3, 1752.
- 132 Ezra, b. Jan. 13, 1755; d. May 29, 1777, unm.
- 133 Matthew, b. June 5, 1764.
- 134 Elizabeth, b. Oct. 8, 1741; d. Mar. 3, 1752.
- 135 Caroline, b. July 12, 1747; m. Mundator Tracy.
- 136 Clarina, b. Jan. 31, 1751.
- 137 Elizabeth, b. Nov. 14, d. Nov. 21, 1756.
- 138 Zerviah, b. Nov. 7, 1757; d. Apr. 7, 1759.
- 139 Hannah, b. Mar. 17, 1760.
- 140 Zerviah Holden, b. Mar. 9, 1762.
- 141 Clarissa, b. Aug. 8, 1768.

Norwich, Conn. records; Hyde Gen., I, 86; II, 919; Hist. of Norwich.

58

LUCY⁴, b. Lyme, Conn., July 6, 1726 (*John³, Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. in Norwich, Conn., Jan. 9, 1753, ELIJAH BACKUS, b. Norwich, Mar. 14, bapt. 20th 1726, s. of Samuel and Elizabeth (Tracy) Backus.

Descendant of William Backus who came from Norwich, England, and was living at Saybrook, Conn., 1637. Moved to Norwich, Conn., 1659.

The family were foremost citizens, always identified with the best interests of the community. Samuel Backus received special grant from the town and erected the iron works on the Yantic river which became so important during the Revolution, and successfully carried on by Elijah and his son James. Also operated the grist mill which was erected by Samuel.

Elijah was the owner of a large estate. One of the most prominent citizens. Served in the Legislature and as J.P.

Lucy d. Dec. 16, 1795, ae 70.

Elijah m. (2) Oct. 30, 1796, Mrs. MARGARET GRANT TRACY, widow of Jared Tracy, who d. Nov. 13, 1815. Elijah d. Sept. 4, 1798, ae 73, T.S.R. Old Cemetery, Norwich.

Their children recorded in Norwich:

- 142 Elijah, b. Feb. 17, 1754; d. Mar. 8, 1755.
- 143 Elijah, b. May 2, 1759; m. (1) Lucretia Hubbard Tracy; m. (2) Hannah Richards.
- 144 James, b. July 10, 1761; d. Jan. 17, 1762.
- 145 James, b. July 11, bapt. 15th, 1764; m. Dorothy Church Chandler.
Was one of the first settlers of Ohio, going to Marietta 1788 as agent for the Ohio Company and made the first surveys there, and is said to have built the first regular house 1791. Returned to Norwich to assist his father in the iron works. His marriage gives his family a double Griswold ancestry.
- 146 Matthew, b. Sept. 24, bapt. 28th, 1766. Lawyer, Marietta, Ohio; d. 1807, unm.
- 147 Lucy, b. Jan. 31, bapt. Feb. 20, 1757; m. Dudley Woodbridge and they were among the first settlers of Ohio.
- 148 Clarina, b. Mar. 19, d. Apr 22, 1763.
- 149 Clarina, b. Aug. 17, 1769; d. unm.

Lyme and Norwich, Conn. records; Hyde Gen., I, 187; II, 920; Backus Fam., 12, 13, 14; Norwich first church records; Index to American Genealogies (Durrie) Backus Fam.

59

SARAH⁴, b. Lyme, Conn., Dec. 2, 1728 (*John*³, *Matthew*², *Matthew*¹); m. Nov. 1, 1750, WILLIAM H. HILLHOUSE, b. Aug. 25, 1728, New London, s. of Rev. James and Mary (Fitch) Hillhouse.

Rev. James was the founder of the family in America and pastor at Montville.

William H. resided in Montville. Strong community leader and prominent citizen. Exceedingly tall and slender, powerful personality and swarthy complexion. Served as quarter-master 3rd regiment 1750; cornet 3rd regiment 1754; served in the Legislature 1756, where he was either a member of the lower house or the Governor's Council 50 years. Lieutenant 1757; J.P. 1759; chief judge of the county court 1767 for 40 years; major 2nd regiment 1776; council of safety 1776-77; Congress of the Confederation; Congress 1783-86.

William married second DELIA HOSMER. No issue.

The following inscriptions are found in the Raymond Hill cemetery, Montville.

"Here lyeth the body of the Rev. Mr. James Hillhouse, first pastor of the 2nd church of Christ in New London. He was born in Ireland, descended from Honorable Progenitors, a great Proficient in human and Divine Learning; a Man of a true Magnanimity bearing all his troubles with a patient Resignation to the will of God, still discovering a Christian forgiving Disposition the delight he had in his Master's work increased his grief under his Suspension Declaring his dependance on the Veracity of Christ's Promises that he had Experienced and so Commending his Soul to God he fell asleep December 15, 1740. Aetatis Suae 53.

"Mary Fitch Wife of Rev. James Hillhouse died October 25, 1768. Aetatis Suae 62.

"The Honorable William Hillhouse died Jan. 12, 1816, in the 88 year of his age."

"Mrs. Sarah Hillhouse the wife of the Hon'ble Wm. Hillhouse and daughter of John Griswold, Esq. died Mar. 13, 1777 in the 49th year of her age."

"In memory of Mrs. Delia Hillhouse Relict of the Hon. William Hillhouse who died Apr. 28, 1817 aged 73 years."

Their children recorded in New London:

- 150 John Griswold, b. Aug. 5, 1751; m. Elizabeth Mason.
- 151 Mary, b. Apr. 10, 1753.
- 152 James, b. Oct. 20, 1754; m. (1) Sarah Lloyd; m. (2) Rebecca Woolsey.
- 153 David, b. May 11, 1756; m. Sarah Porter.
- 154 William, b. Sept. 7, 1757; d. Feb. 23, 1833, unm.
- 155 Rachel, b. Aug. 17, 1760.
- 156 Mary, b. —; m. Daniel F. Raymond.
- 157 Samuel, b. Jan. 17, 1762; m. Sarah Comstock.
- 158 Oliver, b. Nov. 11, 1764; d. Jan. 27, 1771.
- 159 Thomas, b. Sept. 24, 1766; m. (1) Harriet Hosmer; m. (2) Ann Ten-Broeck.
- 160 Sarah, b. May 12, 1773; d. Sept. 4, 1778.
- 161 Sarah Griswold, b. —; m. Joseph Hart.

Hist. of Montville; Historic Families of America, 252; Lyme, New London, and Montville, Conn. records; Hyde Gen., I, 188; Rev. James Hillhouse Fam., 51, 52; Conn. Colony records, IX, 519; X, 262, 553, 592, 597, 613; XI, 11, 224, 250.

61

CLARINA⁴, b. Lyme, Conn., Feb. 9, 1733 (*John*³, *Matthew*², *Matthew*¹); m. Oct. 22, 1754, NATHAN ELLIOTT (*Jared*³, *Joseph*², *John*¹).

Descendant of John Elliott, first minister at Roxbury, Mass., 1632. His work among the Indians soon gave him the name of Apostle. A man endeared to all; great in spirit; a wonderful preacher.

Jared, minister at Killingworth, eldest son of Rev. Joseph, seemed to have inherited the excellence of his grandfather and became the most distinguished member of the family. The traits of character which were so strikingly marked and exemplified in him seem to have been largely bred in his posterity.

Nathan was a farmer and merchant of Kent, Conn. Served in the General Assembly 14 sessions.

Clarina d. Feb. 11, 1811.

Their children:

- 162 Lucy, b. Sept. 17, 1755; m. Rev. Seth Swift.

- 163 Nathan, b. Feb. 3, 1757; d. Apr. 28, 1757.
- 164 Nathan, b. Mar. 1758; d. Nov. 1759.
- 165 Clarina, b. July 13, 1759; m. Jonathan Warner.
- 166 John, b. Nov. 3, 1760; d. Dec. 13, 1845.
- 167 Matthew, b. Dec. 1, 1761; d. June 26, 1827.
- 168 Lydia, b. Oct. 5, 1763; m. Daniel S. Brinsmade.
- 169 Phoebe, b. July 13, 1765; m. Abner Mitchell.
- 170 Nathan, b. Feb. 25, 1767; d. Jan. 4, 1828.
- 171 Augustus Griswold, b. Oct. 20, 1768; d. 1834.
- 172 Samuel, b. July 25, 1770; d. 1774.
- 173 Richard Jackson, b. Sept. 1773; d. Feb. 12, 1814.
- 174 Sarah, b. Aug. 27, 1776; m. Youngs Elliott.

Lyme, New Preston and Kent, Conn. records; John Elliott Fam., 58; Hyde Gen., I, 189; II, 939.

62

DEBORAH⁴, b. Lyme, Conn., Mar. 1, 1735 (*John*³, *Matthew*², *Matthew*¹); m. in East Haddam, Conn., Dec. 9, 1756, NATHAN JEWITT, b. in Lyme, Sept. 20, 1734, s. of Nathan and Deborah (Lord) Jewitt, her second cousin.

Nathan was appointed captain 14th company, 25th regiment, May 1778.

Farmer; d. June 19, 1802. Deborah d. May 16, 1811. T.S.R. Old cemetery on the hill, North Lyme.

Their children recorded in East Haddam:

- 175 Hannah, b. Oct. 3, 1757; m. Ichabod Spencer.
- 176 Elizabeth, b. June 4, 1759; d. Aug. 27, 1829, unm.
- 177 Lucinthy, b. Nov. 12, 1761; m. — Walker.
- 178 Anna, b. Feb. 21, 1764; m. Squire Allen.
- 179 Nathan, b. July 20, 1767; m. Hepzibah Lee.
- 180 Samuel, b. July 21, 1769; d. May 1, 1840, unm.
- 181 John Griswold, b. Sept. 17, 1771; m. Lois Lay.
- 182 Deborah, b. Jan. 12, 1777; m. — Frink.
- 183 Dyar, b. Jan. 23, 1780; d. unm.

Lyme and East Haddam, Conn. records; Hyde Gen., I, 177; Vol. II. Records State of Conn.

64

LYDIA⁴, b. Lyme, Conn. 1742 (*John³, Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. in Lyme, Apr. 26, 1762, SAMUEL LOUDEN, merchant of New York, said to have been born in Scotland 1727.

Active and prominent citizen. Residence in New York. Built a large house and wharf 1771. Active in aiding in the defense of the city. Fled with the troops and many of the citizens in Sept. 1776. Came to Norwich, Conn., bringing with him, a large stock of books. Remained there only a few months; returned to New York. The following letter is one written to Elijah Backus.

“New York, 29 Mar. 1776.

I lately engaged in the Printing Business as there was nothing to be done in the Merchantile, and as I have good encouragement to prosecute it, it will not do to leave the city till I'm obliged. I intend to keep my office by head Quarters where the post meet which will be in or near the city, and if is apparent danger, to move my Family a little way into the Country. Our city is now Fortifying; every street is strongly Barracadoed and entrenched, and Batterys in every part of the city and they are making a Strong Fortification on a Hill behind the city and opposite to it on Long Island. We are intrenching and Forming a Strong Redoubt. Some thousands of the citizens and Army are employed every day at the Works; which makes them go on very rapid. Some of the troops from Boston are arrived here and many more expected. We will have a large army here soon, which I hope will be able to repel the Forces which Britain may send.”

He d. Feb. 24, 1813. She d. 1788.

184 Matthew Griswold, bapt. 1777.

185 Samuel, b. —; d. in New York, 1795.

Lyme and Norwich, Conn. records.

65

GEORGE⁴, b. Lyme, Conn., Sept. 19, 1726 (*George³, Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. in Lyme, Feb. 7, 1758, ELIZABETH LEE, his second cousin, daughter of Stephen, and Abigail (Lord) Lee, b. Aug. 18, 1736, who d. Oct. 5, 1797, ae 62.

Settled at "Giant's Neck" East Lyme and is the ancestor of the East Lyme branch of the family. Served in the Revolution. He d. May 12, 1816, ae 90. T.S.R. East Lyme. His will Jan. 20, 1809, New London, Conn. probate records, mentions his children, Nathaniel, Andrew, Candace, Hannah Sill, Elizabeth Sill, Eunice Gillette, Jane Lee, and Ursula Wells.

Their children:

- 186 MATTHEW, b. Jan. 10, d. Feb. 10, 1759.
- *187 HANNAH LYNDE, b. Apr. 16, 1760.
- *188 ELIZABETH, b. Feb. 18, 1762.
- 189 CANDACE, b. Apr. 4, 1764; d. Jan. 13, 1814, unm.
- *190 EUNICE, b. Mar. 31, 1766.
- 191 MATTHEW, b. June 7, 1768; his estate 1797, New London probate records, mentions his parents; brothers Nathaniel L., George and Thomas; sisters, Hannah, Elizabeth, Eunice and Jane. Also will records. State Library, Hartford.
- *192 JANE, b. Nov. 20, 1770.
- *193 NATHANIEL LYNDE, b. Jan. 19, 1773.
- *194 URSULA, b. Jan. 20, 1775.
- *195 GEORGE, b. Mar. 6, 1777.
- 196 ANDREW, b. 1778.
- *197 THOMAS, b. Mar. 21, 1779.

Lyme and East Lyme, Conn. records; Hyde Gen., I, 190.

66

ELIZABETH⁴, b. Lyme, Conn., July 16, 1728 (*George*³, *Matthew*², *Matthew*¹); m. 1747, JOHN RAYMOND, b. Jan. 18, 1725, s. of Joshua and Elizabeth (Christophers) Raymond of Montville.

Descendant of the first Richard Raymond who came to Salem, Mass., about 1634.

Joshua was an exceedingly active citizen; prominent in the civic affairs of the town, frequently holding offices of trust; served in the General Assembly; J.P. Lieutenant in the 3rd company of New London.

John was a worthy representative of this important family. Owned and occupied the old Raymond homestead of Haughton's

Cove. Much interested in military matters and served as lieutenant under Col. Whiting in the French War. Was at Fort Edward 1756. Inscriptions in the Raymond Yard, Capt. Fitch farm, New London turnpike.

"In memory of John Raymond who died May 7, A.D. 1789, in the 64 year of his age."

"In memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Raymond, wife of Lieut. John Raymond, who died of the smallpox Jan. 6, 1779, in the 50th year of her age."

Children recorded in New London:

- 198 John, b. Jan. 7, 1749. Lieutenant in the Revolution; m. Mercy Raymond.
- 199 William, b. June 27, 1749; served in the army; taken prisoner and is said to have been whipped to death at Halifax. Unmarried.
- 200 Elizabeth, b. Apr. 7, 1751; m. Joshua West.
- 201 Mary, b. Oct. 17, 1754; m. Joshua Raymond.
- 202 Nathaniel, b. Nov. 18, 1756; m. Louisa Raymond.
- 203 George, b. Dec. 8, 1757; m. Martha Smith.
- 204 Anne, b. Dec. 13, 1758; m. (1) Capt. Stephen Billings; m. (2) Capt. Dennison.
- 205 Eunice, b. Mar. 15, 1761; m. Henry Bolles.
- 206 Eleanor, b. Nov. 9, 1765; m. John Manwaring.
- 207 Sarah, b. Mar. 1, 1772; m. Daniel Baker.

Lyme and New London, Conn. records; Hyde Gen., I, 191; History of Montville, Conn.; Raymond Fam. Gen.; Index American Genealogies (Durrie), Raymond Fam.

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LUCRETIA⁴, b. Lyme, Conn., Mar. 26, 1731 (*George*³, *Matthew*², *Matthew*¹); m. (New London rec), Jan. 28, 1747, JONATHAN LATIMER, b. May 27, 1724, s. of Capt. Jonathan and Boradill (Dennison) Latimer, and descendant of the first Capt. Robert Latimer of New London.

Jonathan of this sketch was wealthy and distinguished, and resided at New London, in the Chesterfield Society. Served as colonel of the Third Regiment of Connecticut militia at the time of Arnold's raid on New London in 1781, and was censured for

not taking a more active part, and was cited for court martial for not leading his regiment forward and preventing the enemy from sacking and burning New London. He was acquitted with honor. Colonel Latimer served in several campaigns against the French upon the northern frontier and during the Revolution was much of the time in the field. With his seven sons Colonel Latimer removed from Montville, Conn., to Tennessee about 1790. He died on the journey and was buried at the place of death. The sons settled in the country, and were the ancestors of numerous descendants. The early Latimers were noted for their height and stalwart muscular frame.

Borodell Dennison was the daughter of George and Mrs. Mary (Wetherell) Harris, and descendant of George Dennison and Ann Borodell. George Dennison was a most distinguished civilian and soldier. After the death of his first wife he returned to England and served as a soldier in several battles, was wounded and taken prisoner. The romantic story is told of his being nursed back to health in the home of John "Brodil" of Cork, Ireland, a gentleman of wealth, whose only daughter Ann was the angel of mercy in his sickness and subsequently married him and came to America. It is said she was a most beautiful woman.

The children of Jonathan and Lucretia:

- 208 Hannah, b. Sept. 19, 1747; m. Daniel Rogers and removed to Tennessee.
- 209 George, b. July 29, 1749; m. Rachel Smith.
- 210 Borodell, b. Dec. 13, 1750; d. y.
- 211 Jonathan, b. Apr. 12, 1753; m. Elizabeth Chapel.
- 212 Borodell, b. Dec. 13, 1755; m. Eusebius Bushnell.
- 213 Wetherill, b. Mar. 18, 1757; m. Abigail Fish.
- 214 Charles, b. Jan. 20, 1759.
- 215 Robert, b. Nov. 11, 1760; killed by Indians in Tennessee.
- 216 Nicholas, b. Jan. 8, 1763.
- 217 Griswold, b. Sept. 8, 1764.
- 218 Joseph, b. June 8, 1766; m. Ann Dobbins.
- 219 Nathaniel, b. Feb. 25, 1768.
- 220 Daniel, b. May 4, 1771.

Lyme and New London, Conn. rec.; Hyde Gen., I, 192;
George Dennison Fam., 36; James Rogers Fam., 79;
History of Montville.

68

SYLVANUS⁴, b. East Lyme, Conn., Feb. 3, 1733 (*George*³, *Matthew*², *Matthew*¹); m. (1) Lyme, Conn., Nov. 17, 1763, ELIZABETH MARVIN, bapt. Nov. 6, 1737, who d. Jan. 27, 1797, ae 60, daughter of Capt. Matthew and Mary (Beckwith) Marvin.

Descendant of lieutenant Reinold Marvin, freeman of Saybrook, 1658, ancestor of the family. Representative from Lyme 1670 and from 1672 to his death. Mentioned favorably in Colonial records many times and he was one of the important men of Lyme.

Capt. Matthew was a farmer; he and his wife died the same day of smallpox; a much respected citizen and held numerous town offices.

Inscription at Feeding Hills, Mass. "Mrs. Elizabeth late consort of Rev. Sylvanus Griswold, died Jan. 27, 1797, ae 59."

Sylvanus m. (2) in Granby, Conn., Mrs. ELIZABETH COLTON, Dec. 1, 1799.

His inscription at Feeding Hills, Mass.: "Rev. Sylvanus Griswold, b. Lyme, Conn., Feb. 14, 1733. Ordained pastor of the Congregational church of this place Mar. 17, 1762; died Dec. 14, 1819." On the same stone appears:

"Elizabeth his 2nd wife, died Dec. 1815."

Their children:

*221 ISOBEL, b. May 7, 1780.

*222 ABIGAIL.

*223 HANNAH.

*224 MARY.

225 SYLVANUS, b. 1789; d. Dec. 31, 1815, ae 29.

Lyme, Conn. and Feeding Hills, Mass. records; Hyde Gen., I, 190; Marvin Fam., 73, 75; Marvin Fam. (Salisbury), III, 145; Dennison Fam., 74; Conn. Colony rec., VIII, 30, 38, 415; X, 262.

69

SAMUEL⁴, b. East Lyme, Conn., Mar 23, 1736/7 (*George*³, *Matthew*², *Matthew*¹); m. in Lyme, Conn., Apr. 13, 1762, MARY MARVIN, daughter of Capt. Matthew and Mary (Beckwith) Marvin, bapt. Jan. 13, 1740/41, who d. Apr. 15, 1788, ae 40.

Revolutionary soldier. Residence East Lyme, where he d. Mar. 5, 1816, ae 80.

Their children:

*226 SYLVANUS, b. May 21, 1763.

227 GEORGE, b. July 13, 1766; d. unm.

East Lyme, Conn. rec.; Hyde Gen., I, 193; Marvin Fam., 75; Marvin Fam. (Salisbury), III, 145.

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EUNICE⁴, b. East Lyme, Conn., Jan. 21, 1742 (*George*³, *Matthew*², *Matthew*¹); m. (New London, Conn. rec.), Feb. 2, 1764, EBENEZER WEEKS, s. of Ebenezer and Anna, b. Pomfret, Conn., Aug. 5, 1741.

Descendant of George Weeks, of Dorchester, Mass. A man who was held in high estimation and held a prominent place in the Colony.

Ebenezer lived at New London; removed to Brooklyn, Conn., 1777; thence to Steuben, Oneida county, N. Y. 1791. Eunice was admitted to the church in Brooklyn Feb. 20, 1791. She d. at Steuben Oct. 6, 1792.

1797 Ebenezer m. (2) Olive, daughter of Sampson Keyes, of Ashford, Conn. He d. July 6, 1813. Olive d. in Vermont 1817.

The graves of himself, Eunice, and son Ebenezer are on the farm a short distance from the house. He served as J. P. and was held in high esteem by his neighbors. No record of his church affiliation has been found. However he was known to be much interested in the support of the church and the schools.

Their children recorded in New London:

228 Elizabeth, b. Nov. 17, 1764.

229 Anne, b. Mar. 13, 1766.

- 230 Eunice, b. Oct. 8, 1767; d. Nov. 29, 1767.
- 231 Joseph, b. Apr. 8, 1769; d. Mar. 18, 1776.
- 232 Hannah, b. Apr. 5, 1771; d. June 29, 1777.
- 233 Ebenezer, b. Feb. 24, 1772.
- 234 Eunice, b. Apr. 29, 1774.
- 235 Joseph Holland, b. May 5, 1776.
- 236 William, b. Aug. 6, 1783.

East Lyme, Conn. records; New London, Conn. records;
Hyde Gen., I, 194; Geo. Weeks Gen., 138; Annals of
Dorchester, Mass.

72

ANDREW⁴, b. East Lyme, Conn., Aug. 12, 1745 (*George*³,
*Matthew*², *Matthew*¹); m. Mar. 31, 1768, EUNICE PRINCE, b. Jan.
14, 1751, daughter of William and Mary (Holland) Prince, who
d. Jan. 13, 1844, ae 93. He d. July 4, 1813. T.S.R. East Lyme,
Old Stone Church.

Andrew served as Ensign in the Revolution. His will dated
Apr. 19, 1813, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions his
wife Eunice; children, Andrew, Jared, Mary Douglas, Sarah
Caulkins, Martha Watrous.

Will of Eunice, Oct. 4, 1824, mentions children Andrew and
Jared; Martha Watrous, wife of Elisha; Mary, wife of Josiah
Douglas; Sarah, wife of Daniel H. Caulkins. Codicil July 2, 1834
shows the death of Mary; also mentions niece Martha, wife of
A. G. Wait.

Their children recorded in East Lyme:

- *237 MARTHA, b. Oct. 16, 1769.
- *238 MARY, b. May 4, 1773.
- 239 William, b. Dec. 12, 1774; d. Mar. 15, 1797, at sea; unm.
- 240 ANDREW, b. Jan. 30, d. Feb. 27, 1777.
- *241 SARAH, b. July 16, 1783.
- *242 ANDREW, b. Oct. 22, 1787.
- *243 JARED, b. Oct. 22, 1794.

East Lyme, Conn. records; Hyde Gen., I, 193; II, 954; Conn.
Revolutionary Archives; Conn. Men in the Revolution;
Caulkins Gen.

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MARIAN⁵, b. Lyme, Conn., Apr. 17, 1750 (*Matthew⁴, John³, Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. in Woodstock, Conn., Sept. 20, 1769, CHARLES CHURCH CHANDLER, b. Jan. 11, 1746, s. of Samuel and Dorothy (Church) Chandler.

He was descendant of John Chandler a pioneer of the Woodstock, Conn., settlement, and founded a family of many distinguished citizens. Men who were distinctive in continued public service.

Charles C. was a man of genius and ability and universally known and respected. Harvard 1763. Lawyer. Served in many offices; judge of probate; state legislature; Continental Congress. He was called suddenly by death at the height of professional success. His inscription in South Woodstock: "The dust of Charles C. Chandler, the son of Samuel Chandler, Esq., and Dorothy, his wife, who died August 9, 1787, in the 41st year of his age."

Children Chandler:

- 244 Dorothy, b. Aug. 19, 1770; m. James Backus.
- 245 Samuel, b. —; d. June 16, 1782, ae 10.
- 246 Martha, b. July 29, 1774; m. James Lanman.
- 247 Ustrula, b. Dec. 1, 1776; m. Dr. Harvey Frink.
- 248 Charles, b. —; d. Sept. 19, 1787.
- 249 Hannah, b. Mar. 29, 1780; m. Theodore Ely.
- 250 Sally, b. Nov. 1782; m. Richard D. Tucker.
- 251 Esther, b. Feb. 26, 1784.
- 252 Elizabeth, b. Sept. 10, 1786; d. Aug. 13, 1787.

Marian m. (2) Capt. EBENEZER LANE, of Northampton, Mass., b. Feb. 10, 1747, s. of Ebenezer and Bertha (Shaw) Lane, of Attleboro, Mass., who m. (1) Phebe Parsons, daughter of Rev. Jonathan and Phebe (Griswold) Parsons, who d. Nov. 12, 1781; he m. (2) Martha Phelps who d. about 1785. He was a retired shipmaster. Resided in Northampton where he d. June 6, 1808.

Child Lane:

- 253 Ebenezer, b. Sept. 17, 1793; m. Frances Ann Griswold.

Marian m. (3) Dec. 1810, JUSTIN ELY, of West Springfield, Mass., as second wife. He was the s. of Ens. John, b. West Springfield, Mass., Aug. 10, 1739; d. there June 26, 1817. Successful merchant and prominent in public affairs. Gave valuable services to the Revolutionary cause.

Marian was considered a very beautiful woman, brilliant and outspoken. When Mr. Ely proposed marriage she replied, "Oh, I could not think of burying another husband!"

Her inscription, Yantic cemetery, Norwich, Conn., on the Backus Monument: "Marian Ely, daughter of Gov. Matthew Griswold and Ursula Wolcott and mother of Dorothy Church Chandler, Apr. 17, 1750; June 17, 1829."

Lyme, and Woodstock, Conn., records; Backus Fam.; Nathaniel Ely Fam., 34; Chandler Fam.

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JOHN⁵, b. Lyme, Conn., Feb. 26, 1752 (*Matthew⁴, John³, Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. in Lyme, Nov. 5, 1772, SARAH JOHNSON, b. Jan. 29, 1748, daughter of Rev. Stephen and Elizabeth (Diodate) Johnson, who d. Jan. 4, 1802.

Rev. Stephen Johnson was an honored pastor for many years and an eminent patriot.

William Diodati, first of the name, was a man of great respectability and was highly esteemed. He was buried on New Haven, Conn. Green, and in 1821, when it was decided to obliterate this cemetery, the gravestone was removed, like those of many other early settlers, and his grave is now only an unmarked spot beneath the sod. The name carries us back to the middle ages in Italy and to this honorable family. Elizabeth, his only daughter, was the wife of Rev. Stephen Johnson.

John served the church steadfastly as deacon.

Their children recorded in Lyme:

- 254 DIODATE JOHNSON, b. Dec. 16, 1773.
- *255 URSULA WOLCOTT, b. Dec. 2, 1775.
- *256 ELIZABETH, b. Oct. 15, 1778.
- *257 SARAH, b. Aug. 12, 1781.
- *258 JOHN, b. Aug. 14, 1783.
- *259 MARY ANN, b. Feb. 25, 1786.
- *260 CHARLES CHANDLER, b. Nov. 9, 1787.

Lyme, Conn. records; Tuttle Fam., 666; Johnson Fam. (Salisbury), II, 346.

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URSULA⁵, b. Lyme, Conn., Apr. 13, 1754 (*Matthew⁴, John³, Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. Nov. 22, 1777, LYNDE McCURDY, s. of John and Anna (Lord) McCurdy, b. Lyme, Apr. 4, 1755.

He was an active merchant and esteemed citizen. Resided in Norwich, Conn. Distinguished for generosity and public spirit. Said to have been a very handsome man, tall and of fine figure. Ursula d. Nov. 27, 1781.

He m. (2) June 8, 1784, LYDIA LOCKWOOD, daughter of Nathaniel and Mary (Patchin) Lockwood, b. Mar. 14, 1763, of Wethersfield, Conn. He d. about 1803/4.

Their children:

261 Ursula, b. Aug. 20, 1778; m. John Allen.

262 John, b. Aug. 18, 1780; d. Apr. 23, 1785.

Lyme and Norwich, Conn. records; McCurdy Fam. (Salisbury), II, 67; Hyde Gen., II, 746.

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MATTHEW⁵, b. Lyme, Conn., Apr. 17, 1760 (*Matthew⁴, John³, Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. in Lyme, Sept. 4, 1788, LYDIA ELY, his third cousin, b. Sept. 12, 1766, daughter of Dea. Seth and Lydia (Reynolds) Ely.

Matthew was a lawyer; Yale 1780. Resided in North Lyme where he d. 1842. Distinguished in his profession; of fine courtesy and stately bearing. Was not disturbed by ambition being more content to live a peaceful life. However he served as member of the Council and judge of the County Court.

His will disposes of his estate to the six sons of his brother Roger Griswold. No issue.

Lyme, Conn. records; Ely Fam., 195.

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ROGER⁵, b. Lyme, Conn., May 21, 1762 (*Matthew⁴, John³, Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. in Lyme, Oct. 27, 1788, FANNY ROGERS, b. Mar. 28, 1767, daughter of Capt. Zabdiel and Elizabeth (Tracy) Rogers.

Of distinguished ancestry through the Rogers and Tracy lines.

Roger graduated from Yale 1780. Studied law with his father and was admitted to the bar 1783. Settled in Norwich, Conn., and commenced his brilliant career and soon acquired distinction as an able advocate and vigilant public officer. Few men have ever acquired a greater reputation at the bar than he. 1794 he returned to Lyme. Elected as a Federalist to represent his district in the national House of Representatives; re-elected five times. To quote from published biography: "He was placed in the front ranks for his ability and profound judgment and distinguished for his powerful talents in forensic discussions or debate and the independence and decision of his conduct."

1807 Judge of the Supreme Court, two years; Lieut. Governor, two years; Governor 1811. Died Oct. 25, 1812.

To quote again from his biography: "Taken by death in the prime of life and in the midst of a career which has been seldom equaled. His death was sincerely and generally lamented. Few have been more universally esteemed and loved; deserving and receiving the highest honors his state could bestow."

He is said to have been a very handsome man, large flashing dark eyes and commanding figure.

He was impressive by his promptness of mind, his keen penetration of the matters before him and his inflexible integrity.

No amount of honor bestowed or public adulation could swerve his mind from his own fireside and his family. Through his life he always gave the impression of the true husband and father. To quote from a letter written by him to Fanny from Philadelphia, Dec. 8, 1797:

"I do not know how it comes to pass but I grow more weary of residing in this City than ever—every novelty has fled—and nothing remains but a dirty smoky noisy City without a single charm to recommend it—and when I turn my eyes upon the purity of my native air, and the pleasures of my own fireside, with half a dozen rosy cheek'd children and their mother around

it, I am almost disposed to curse myself for a blockhead for following a Phantom, when such real pleasures are within my reach yet such is the fatality which attend us—ever striving for something not in our possession, & looking forward to attainments which please at a distance, we often neglect those substantial enjoyments which can only reward our ambition merely because they are in our possession.”

His letters constantly show a tender love and affection, a longing for his family. Clearly they show that his honors were unsought, but felt it a duty to his people, his friends and the country at large, to serve them.

To quote again from one of his letters: “For my part, I have so little ambition left, that with a snug fortune I shou’d be very well content to bid eternal adieu to Courts, legislatures and offices—and in simplicity and retirement, spend my life in Philosophical contentment.

I have somewhere heard or seen, either a Text of Scripture or prayer saying—God keep you in his Holy keeping.”

Fanny d. Dec. 26, 1863, æ 97. Devoted to the memory of her husband she had remained a widow for over fifty years.

Their children:

- *263 AUGUSTUS HENRY, b. Oct. 27, 1789.
- *264 CHARLES CHANDLER, b. Feb. 8, 1791.
- *265 MATTHEW, b. Sept. 13, 1792.
- *266 FRANCES ANN, b. Jan. 15, 1795.
- *267 ROGER WOLCOTT, b. Mar. 15, 1797.
- *268 ELIZA WOODBRIDGE, b. Apr. 7, 1799.
- *269 MARIAN, b. Jan. 4, 1802.
- *270 WILLIAM FREDERICK, b. Mar. 22, 1804.
- *271 ROBERT HARPER, b. 1806.
- *272 JAMES, b. Dec. 31, 1808; d. Jan. 16, 1810.
- *273 HENRY.

This record would not be complete without showing one of his letters; his charming way of discussing matters with his wife is of great interest. The compiler had the opportunity of reading a large number of letters from the pen of Roger, but space here will not permit more than one.

“Philadelphia, May 9, 1796.

Dear Fanny

As I have nothing to tell you worth relating I must entertain you with that which is of no value—a description of a visit

I made last Saturday in Company with Mr. Francis to Mrs. Powell a celebrated Widow of this City—The Company was not very numerous consisting principally of the cousins and other relations of the family—

Mrs. Powell appears to be about fifty years old and is really a woman of uncommon understanding, & has paid great attention to books—but and you know there is a *but* belonging to almost every discription—a learned woman I believe is extremely apt to know that she is learned, and of course rather inclined to entertain her Company with too much science—I do not say this for the purpose of depreciating the Wisdom of the Ladies—God forbid that I should be so impolite as too hint a thing of this kind—but it is very certain that I was thoroughly entertained with the good ladies science—principally Politicks—and as I paid very great attention—(which you know is the way to please the Ladies) I was highly honour'd by the attention of the Lady, being placed next to her at the table, and fed with everything which was rich and luxurious—for which you may be assured I made more * * * than I can well relate—on the whole I was very well entertained—I partook of a very good dinner, and having very soon learnt to foible of the Lady—viz Vanity—which perhaps is not too uncommon with the Sex, I really became soon very much at home, & very much at my ease—To be serious and to do justice to the Lady. I must say That in my opinion few women can be found possess'd of more Science or more vigorous understandings, and although her manners are not such as to induce a reasonable man to fall in love with her (at her age) at first sight yet they are sufficiently open & friendly to convince you that you are welcome to eat at her table & drink from her Glass—

So much for a Saturdays visit to a Widow—and you may be assured that I wou'd not have given you so much of it had I found anything of value to have fill'd up my paper—but since the great question about the Treaty is closed we are as still as the grave & are winding of the ordinary business with great celerity, and I presume by the close of the month we shall break luck—perhaps at an earlier day—

A six months absence is certainly attended with many serious evils, but feeling new spirits from the prospect of soon seeing an end to our present labours, I am inclined to make the best

of it, & to say that it is likewise attended with many valuable consequences—it sharpens up a relish for home, which nothing else can give, & teaches us to prize domestick enjoyments according to their just value, & it prepares us to experience a day of pleasure which is worth many days of Pain—remember me affectionately to the little flock—

Good night

R. Griswold.”

Lyme and Norwich, Conn. records; Hist. of New London County; Hist. of Norwich; Hyde Gen., I, 129; Wolcott Fam., 57, 77; Wolcott Mem., 78, 79, 231, 257, 307, 339.

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PHEBE HYDE⁵, b. Lyme, Conn., Aug. 18, 1743 (*Thomas*⁴, *John*³, *Matthew*², *Matthew*¹); m. DYAR THROOP, b. Sept. 17, 1738, s. of Benjamin and Sybil (Dyar) Throop, of Norwich, Conn.

Yale M.A. 1759. J.P. and deputy from East Haddam. First judge of Middlesex county 1785. Constitutional Convention 1789. Man of strong mind and conscientious public service. Exceptionally valuable service in the Revolution. Lieutenant Colonel. Brigadier General 1784-1789. No issue.

HIS WILL

In the name of God, Amen:

This 18th day of March Anno Domini, 1789, I, Dyar Throop, Esq., of East Haddam, in the county of Middlesex, in the state of Connecticut, in New England, being in the fifty first year of my age, of sound mind and memory do make this my last will and testament. First and principally I commend my soul to my God that gave it and my body to be buried in a decent manner according to the custom of the country at the time of my decease, and as to my wordly estate, my will is, that it be disposed of in the following manner, viz:

That my funeral charges and debts be paid out of my personal estate.

I give devise and bequeath to Phebe my faithful and beloved wife the use of my dwelling house and all my lands lying in said East Haddam during her natural life. I also give to her two cows, twelve sheep, my saddle horse, side saddle, and all the household furniture of every kind, excepting the household furniture I have lately bought at New York, one half of which I give to my said wife and the other half to my sisters equally to be divided. I also give to my said wife one hundred pounds lawful money to be paid out of my personal estate, and whereas, my said wife have lately sold two certain pieces of land lying in Lyme in the county of New London, and given a deed with warrantee thereof to his Excellency, Matthew Griswold, Esq., of said Lyme, for somewhat more than three hundred pounds, L.W. and whereas there is a clause in my wife's father's will giving said two pieces of land to all my wife's sister's children to be equally distributed among them in case my wife should dye without leaving issue of her body lawfully begotten;—Now in case all my wife's sisters shall and do give full acquittance of all their pretended right to said lands to his Excellency, Matthew Griswold, Esq., his heirs or assigns or any other way fully secure my estate from said warrantee, then and that case I give three hundred pounds L. money, the purchase money of said lands to my said wife forever. But in case they refuse to do it or any other way fully to secure my estate, then I give the use of said three hundred pounds to my said wife, for and during her natural life. And after my decease, my will is, that said three hundred pounds to be given to and equally distributed amongst said children on condition that they give acquittance as aforesaid or any other way secure my estate from said warrantee.

I give to my brother Benjamin Throop of Bozrah, Esq., my sword, my gun, one half of my wearing apparel, one third of my land lying in said Bozrah, to him and his heirs forever, to be taken off from that part of my land which adjoins to his, the said Benjamin.

I give to my brother William Throop, of Bozrah, aforesaid, the other half of my wearing apparel and the residue of my land which lies in said Bozrah, to him and his heirs forever.

I give to each of my sisters, to wit: Elizabeth, Sibel, Abigail, Sarah, and Octavia, a sett of large silver table spoons to be pur-

chased and delivered to each of my said sisters by my executrix hereafter named within eighteen months after my decease.

I give to Dan Throop, the eldest son of my brother Benjamin Throop, Esq., my silver tankers.

I give to Dyer Throop Hinckley, the eldest son of my sister Elizabeth all my right and title in and to the Philogrammation Library kept in Lebanon.

I give Oramel Hinckley the second son of my sister Elizabeth one half of my law library.

I give to my nephew Dyar Throop son of my said brother Benjamin one hundred dollars to be paid him by my executrix within eighteen months after my decease.

* * * Ogden Moseley, Esq., my case of pistols in testimony of my esteem, he being my brigade major.

* * * Gates Brainard, Daniel Chapman, son of Colonel Chapman, Jared Spencer, Daniel Lyon, Esq., the other half of my law library to be equally divided between them; also to each of them an enameld mourning ring to be delivered to each of them by my executrix within eighteen months after my decease in testimony of my esteem.

I give to James Dyar Chapman, son of Doct. Zachariah Chapman, a mourning ring to be delivered as aforesaid.

I give unto Mary Rolo, a girl that I brought up from a child, in consideration of her faithfulness and obedience one hundred and twenty Spanish milld dollars upon the express condition that she marries with my approbation or is unmarried at the time of my decease to be paid her by my executrix in two years after my decease.

The rest and residue of my library either divinity history or books of amusement, I give to my said wife Phebe, and all the rest and residue of my estate either real or personal I give and devise to all my brothers and sisters and their heirs forever to be equally divided between them.

And of this my last will and testament I appoint my beloved wife Phebe sole executrix.

This I ratify and confirm to be my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th day of Mar. 1789.

Israel Champion
Zachariah Chapman
Sarah S. Chapman.

Dyar Throop, Esq.

In the Congregational cemetery East Haddam is "the family tomb of Capt. Samuel Gates and Dyar Throop, Esq., erected A.D. 1789." He d. June 3, 1789.

Phebe married second, Oct. 20, 1791, Dr. THOMAS MOSELEY, s. of Abner and Mindwell (Lyman) Moseley, and who m. (1) Rhoda Ogden.

In the above cemetery is "The family tomb of Doct. Thos. Moseley, erected Sept. 3, 1790."

Phebe, widow of Dr. Thos. Moseley d. Apr. 27, 1790.

The following letter is one written by Dyar Throop to his wife Phebe while he was serving in the Revolution.

Dear Phebe:

I take this opportunity by Mr Higgins to let you know that I am in health tho much worried, the duty being very hard ever since we took the highths in Dorchester. We are obliged to be on duty every two or three nights. I have an offer of going into the Continental Service on the establishment but have not determined to accept, as the Service is disagreeable to me—have this hour received Orders to move my lodgings tomorrow morning (for which I am very sorry) as those that we have now are very comfortable; but in the army nothing is stable; we know not one hour where our lodgings are to be the next; the Enemies fleet has all the appearance of a departure and it is thought the Army are really agoing, but I have my fears that it is only a faint of theirs; and if it is, I suspect they may give us a trimming yet; for the General is ordering the Troops fast for New York; What will be the event I know not—Whether it will be best for my horse to be sent by the first of April or not I am not determined for I know not but that we shall be desired to Stay longer; but I rather think I shall want him about that time—a line from you my dear, would be acceptable not having had one Since I came from home.

I am your loving Husband

Dyar Throop.

Norwich and East Haddam, Conn. records; Revolutionary Archives; Probate records, State Library, Hartford, Conn.

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LUCY MARVIN⁵, b. Lyme, Conn., Oct. 7, 1745 (*Thomas⁴, John³, Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. in Lyme, May 1, 1764, her third cousin, RICHARD WAITE, b. Nov. 28, 1739, s. of Richard, Esq., and Elizabeth (Marvin) Waite. Lucy d. Nov. 25, 1795.

Resided in Lyme; Farmer.

The Waite family were of English origin but little is known of them prior to the removal of Thomas from Sudbury, Mass., to Lyme. Anciently the name was written Wayte. Burk's General Armory shows the name Wait, Waite, and Wayte. This first Thomas married Mary Bronson, granddaughter of the first Matthew Griswold.

274 Thomas Griswold, b. Feb. 14, 1765; m. Hannah Calkins.

275 Lynde, b. Nov. 16, 1769; m. Lois Waite.

276 Richard, b. June 18, 1771; m. Mary Wade.

277 James, b. Mar. 10, 1777; m. Phenice Wilder.

278 David, b. Feb. 12, 1780; m. Sophia E. Wood.

279 Phoebe, b. —; m. Giles Bishop.

Lyme, Conn. records; Hyde Gen., II, 896; Marvin Fam., 76.

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LOIS⁵, b. Lyme, Conn., Sept. 1, 1747 (*Thomas⁴, John³, Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. in Lyme, Nov. 14, 1765, SAMUEL MATHER, b. Feb. 22, 1745, s. of Richard and Deborah (Ely) Mather.

The family were distinguished by the number of ministers in the male line.

Samuel settled in Lyme where he was one of the active and prominent citizens. J.P. Lois d. Nov. 17, 1804. He d. Mar. 26, 1809.

Their children:

280 Anna, b. Dec. 12, 1766; m. her fourth cousin, William Lord, M.D.

281 Thomas, b. Oct. 10, 1768; m. his fourth cousin, Sarah Hubbard.

282 Samuel, b. Jan. 4, 1771; m. Catherine Livingston.

283 Phebe, b. July 22, 1772; m. Thomas Miner, M.D.

284 Mehitable, b. Nov. 14, 1774; m. her first cousin, Capt. Thomas Sill.

- 285 Henry, b. July 31, 1777; d. May 24, 1802, unm.
- 286 Fanny, b. Dec. 13, 1779; m. Sylvester Chapman.
- 287 Richard, b. May 10, 1782; d. Aug. 12, 1805, unm.
- 288 James, b. Mar. 14, 1785; m. Caroline Tinker.
- 289 Margaret, b. July 16, 1787; m. her fourth cousin, Judge William Nicol Sill.
- 290 Lydia, b. Aug. 11, 1790.

Lyme, Conn. records; N. E. Register, VI, 21; Richard Mather Fam., 162; Goodwin Notes, 153; Marvin Fam., 82; Hyde Gen., II, 901.

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SARAH⁵, b. Lyme, Conn., Aug. 26, 1749 (*Thomas⁴, John³, Matthew², Matthew¹*); m. in Lyme, May 1, 1767, her third cousin, DAVID FITHEN SILL, b. Lyme, Apr. 24, 1733, s. of John and Phebe (Fithen) Sill.

The Sill family descend from John who located in Cambridge, Mass., about 1637. Very little is known of him. His son Joseph was known as Captain Sill having been actively engaged in public service in the Indian War 1676. Participated in several expeditions against the Indians. After the close of the war Joseph removed to Lyme, Conn., and became a highly respected citizen. His second wife was the widow of Reinold Marvin.

David was a house joiner by trade. In the French War received commission of lieutenant, 1759, and served under Lord Amherst, 1760; Lake George and Crown Point, Mohawk River and Oswego. Served with Commadore Loring on board the Onondaga at Isle Royal. Went with the army to Montreal. Returned and settled in Silltown, Lyme.

Appointed captain 1775 under Colonel Tyler. After Lexington 100 men were raised in Lyme in three days and marched to Roxbury, Mass., under his command. Rose to lieutenant colonel, 1st Conn. Regiment and served with ability during the war. He was frequently elected to public office; J.P., legislature; was town clerk for fifty years. He d. Jan. 9, 1813; she d. Nov. 20, 1815.

Their children:

- 291 Mary, b. June 27, 1768; m. Nathaniel Matson.
- 292 Thomas, b. Nov. 26, 1769; m. Mehitable Mather, his first cousin.
- 293 Lois, b. Aug. 29, 1771; m. David Matson.
- 294 John, b. June 14, 1773; drowned Aug. 26, 1794.
- 295 David, b. Jan. 8, 1775; d. June 19, 1775.

Lyme, Conn. records; John Sill Fam., Hyde Gen., I, 163; II, 768; American Families (Cutter), 14, 15, 16.

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LOUISA⁵, b. Lyme, Conn., July 25, 1751 (*Thomsa*⁴, *John*³, *Matthew*², *Matthew*¹); m. in Lyme, Jan. 1, 1771, her third cousin, LEE LAY, b. Lyme, Jan. 1, 1745/6, s. of John, Esq., and Hannah (Lee) Lay.

John Lay served as deputy for Lyme. Lee was appointed lieutenant; captain 1776.

Resided at Blackhall. She d. Feb. 5, 1813, ae 61. He d. Feb. 13, 1813, ae 68. T.S.R. Old Meeting House Hill cemetery.

Their children recorded in Lyme:

- 296 Susan, b. Dec. 7, 1771; m. Daniel Robbins.
- 297 Thomas Griswold, b. Mar. 3, 1775; m. Sept. 13, 1815, unm.
- 298 Lovisa, b. Mar. 27, 1777.
- 299 Alexander, b. Sept. 23, 1779.
- 300 Lee, b. Jan. 16, 1782.
- 301 Lois, b. Apr. 2, 1784; m. her second cousin John Griswold Jewitt.
- 302 Gurdon, b. Apr. 6, 1787.
- 303 Willoughby Lynde, b. Aug. 27, d. Sept. 22, 1790.
- 304 Willoughby Lynde, b. Jan. 12, 1792.
- 305 James Benjamin, b. Dec. 9, 1794.
- 306 Phebe, b. Dec. 9, 1797.
- 307 Mary Ann, b. 1800; m. Chauncey Champion.

Lyme, Conn. records; Lee and Lay Fam. (Salisbury); Champion Fam., 132; Conn. Colonial rec., XIII, 169, 235, 283; Records state of Conn., Vol. I, 119, 137, 202.

MICHAEL GRISWOLD

MICHAEL. Much argument, speculation, and conjecture has been spread upon the records as to whether any relationship existed between Michael, Edward and Matthew Griswold. Extensive search has been made through the years and the compiler of this record has added to that search without result. It has been generally thought they were brothers but at the present time no authentic proof has been found to determine this question or support that theory. In fact, the records and circumstances rather tend to the contrary. Edward and Matthew were much alike in figure, ability, disposition, and business acumen; while Michael was very much unlike the general make up of the other two.

Search has been going forward in England to determine this and other questions but thus far nothing has been found.

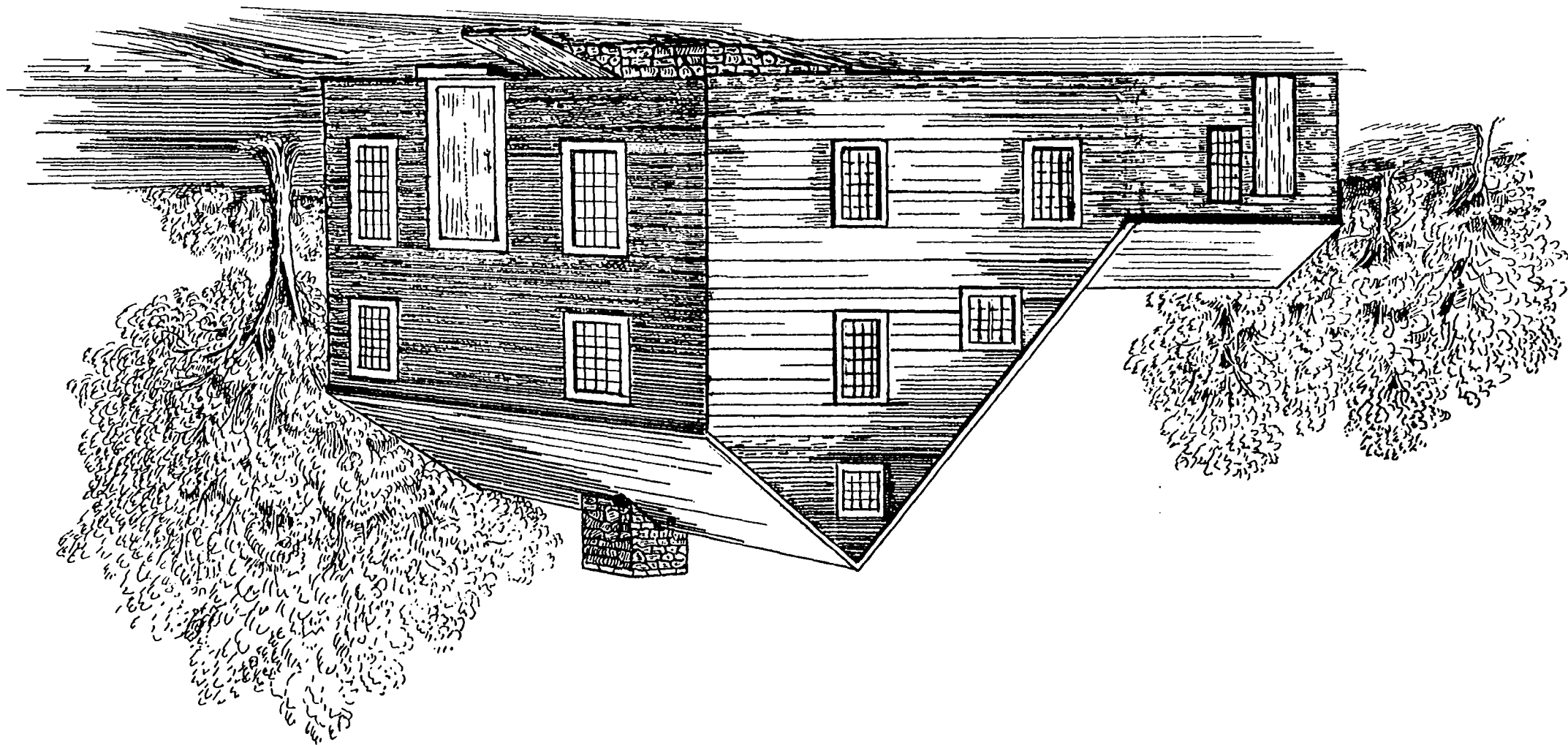
Michael came to New England; mason by trade and yeoman in rank. Owned lands in Wethersfield as early as 1640. Was the only freeman of the name in Wethersfield in 1659. Served as constable, assessor and appraiser of land. He was never prominent and apparently did not seek to be, and did not reach the success in life that came to Edward and Matthew. He evidently had the confidence of his neighbors; a steady individual, content to ply his trade, yet ever ready to assist in the community welfare. He was associated with Emanuel Buck in business for a time. Had a home and two acres on New street, which street was abandoned 1660, so that his home was located as shown by the illustration facing on what is now Garden street.

Conn. Historical Society Collections, XXII shows he served on jury, and page 196, Oct. 9, 1658, he was fined twenty shillings for taking up and selling a horse that was not his own.

General Court record, Feb. 23, 1659, he was freed from training but was to maintain watch and ward. John Riley in his will, May 13, 1674, Hartford probate records, mentions "my cousin Michael Griswold."

The records name ANN his wife, but who she was, her parentage, and the date of marriage has not been determined. It is to be presumed from the date of the birth of his first child that they were married in the Colony.

MICHAEL GRISWOLD HOUSE, WETHERSFIELD, CONNECTICUT



Their children recorded in Wethersfield:

- *2 THOMAS, b. Oct. 22, 1646.
- *3 HESTER, b. May 8, 1648.
- *4 MARY, b. Jan. 28, 1650.
- 5 MICHAEL, b. Feb. 14, 1652; d. inf.
- *6 ABIGAIL, b. June 8, 1655.
- *7 ISAAC, b. Sept. 1658.
- *8 JACOB, b. Apr. 15, 1660.
- *9 SARAH, b. Sept. 1662.
- *10 MICHAEL, b. Mar. 7, 1666/7.

Wethersfield, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 166; Conn. Colony records, Vol. I, 3, 44; II, 195, 198, 520.

2

THOMAS², b. Wethersfield, Conn., Oct. 22, 1646 (*Michael*¹); m. Nov. 28, 1672, MARY HOWARD, daughter of Henry and Sarah (Stone) Howard, who d. Oct. 29, 1718, ae 71.

Henry Howard was of Hartford and later of Wethersfield, Conn. Never was particularly prominent but a substantial citizen.

Mary's inscription, Wethersfield cemetery, "Here lies the body of Mary the wife of Thomas Grisild who dept^d this life Oct. the 29th, 1718, ae 71 years." She is mentioned in her father's will, Hartford, Conn. probate, Vol. VIII, 1.

Thomas was surveyor 1675; constable 1690; drew land 1694. He d. Oct. 28, 1718.

Children recorded in Wethersfield:

- *11 THOMAS, b. Jan. 11, 1673.
- *12 JACOB, b. Feb. 5, 1675.
- 13 ISAAC, b. Aug. 20, 1678 (Non compos).
- 14 MARTHA, b. 1682; d. 1684.
- *15 MICHAEL, b. Jan. 28, 1680.
- *16 SAMUEL, b. Dec. 15, 1684.

Wethersfield, Conn. records; Savage Gen. Dict., II, 471; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 395, 439.

3

HESTER², b. Wethersfield, Conn., May 8, 1648 (*Michael*¹); m. NATHAN BRADLEY, b. 1658.

It is somewhat difficult to trace the ancestry of Nathan except that he may descend from the Bradley family of Rowley, Mass. Whoever he may be there seems to be proof that he married twice, and that Elizabeth, the second wife, came to this country either with or after her stepson William. We have the record of the children and William and Nathan seem to be half-brothers. Nathan would also be a brother of Stephen Bradley of Guilford.

Hester died and Nathan m. (2) Aug. 21, 1694, HANNAH (MUNSON) TUTTLE, daughter of Thomas Munson and widow of Joseph Tuttle, of New Haven, bapt. June 11, 1648, and died Nov. 30, 1695.

Nathan m. (3) MARY FREEMAN of Guilford, Conn.

His will Feb. 2, 1709 (New Haven probate), mentions wife Mary; daughters Abigail Willard, Mary Mix, Esther Mayhall and Patience.

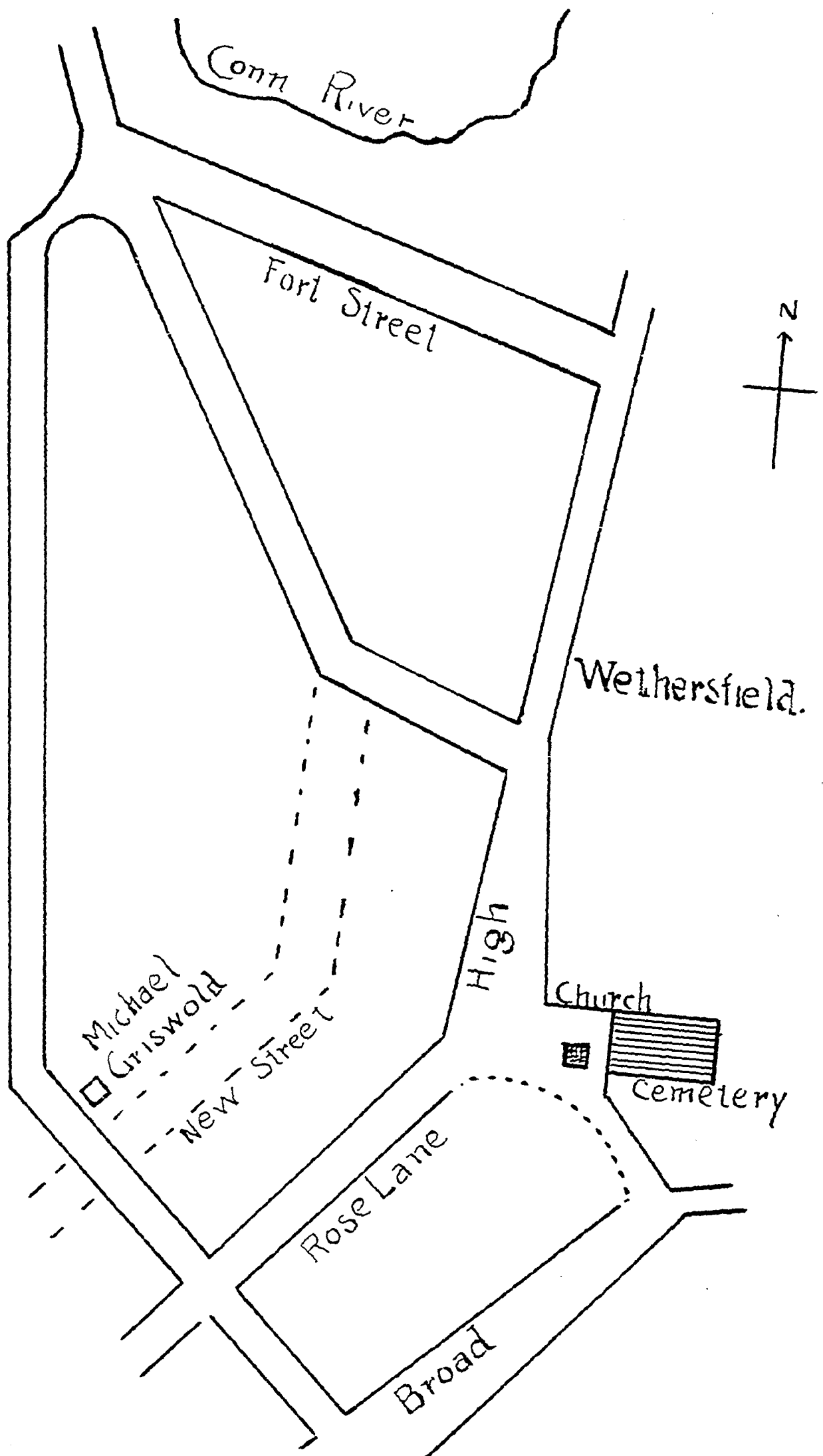
Children of Nathan and Hester:

- 17 Anne, b. Nov. 16, 1669; m. Jonathan Murray.
- 18 Mary, b. Mar. 13, 1672; m. Caleb Mix.
- 19 Hester, b. Nov. 2, 1674; d. Feb. 20, 1678.
- 20 Esther, b. Apr. 17, 1677; m. — Mayhall.
- 21 Daniel, b. June 10, 1680; d. Apr. 2, 1688.
- 22 Nathanoah, b. Sept. 17, 1685; m. Mary Hatch.
- 23 Patience, b. Apr. 6, 1688.
- 24 Abigail, b. July 8, 1689; m. Thomas Willard.

Wethersfield and Guilford, Conn. records; Bradley of Essex County, 191; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 395; Hatch Gen., 23.

4

MARY², b. Wethersfield, Conn., Jan. 28, 1650 (*Michael*¹); m. OBEDIAH WILCOXON, b. 1642, Stratford, Conn., s. of William and Margaret. William was b. 1601, St. Albans, in England, and



MAP OF EARLY WETHERSFIELD

came to New England about 1638, and settled at Stratford, a prominent man of the town.

Obediah was one of the founders and first settlers of Guilford, Conn. He was living in Killingworth in 1669 and removed to Guilford 1676. Mary d. Aug. 8, 1670. There may have been a child of Mary but the records have not been found.

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ABIGAIL², b. Wethersfield, Conn., June 8, 1655 (*Michael*¹). According to her father's will she married Lattin. Also her daughter Ann is mentioned. No further information has been disclosed.

The Latting, Lattin or Letten, family in this country are descendants of Richard who came to Boston 1638/9 and removed to Fairfield, Conn. in 1646 (N. E. Register, I, 8).

It is possible that the above is her family.

Their child:

25 Ann.

Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 395.

7

ISAAC², b. Wethersfield, Conn. Sept. 1658 (*Michael*¹); m. ELIZABETH BRADLEY, b. Dec. 31, 1671, daughter of Stephen and Hannah (Smith) Bradley, who d. Oct. 27, 1732. Isaac died June 13, 1727. T.S.R. Congregational cemetery, Clinton, Conn.

Elizabeth m. (2) WILLIAM WELLMAN, who m. (1) Elizabeth—who died Jan. 5, 1629, in Guilford, Conn. age 68. William died Aug. 23, 1736, age 75. Members of the Congregational church in Killingworth, Conn.

Isaac removed to Guilford, and later to Killingworth, Conn. The old meeting house in Wethersfield was sold in 1687/8. On the side of what was considered the corner stone appear the

initials I.G. 1686. These were no doubt the initials of Isaac, who was a mason by trade and was likely to have assisted in the erection of this first church.

Stephen Bradley was a prominent man of Guilford. Served as ensign, lieutenant and captain; deputy to the General Court.

Their children:

*26 MICHAEL, b. June 4, 1690.

27 RICHARD, b. June 4, 169-. Probably died young as no record has been found of him.

28 HANNAH, b. May 20, 1698; died unmarried.

*29 ELIZABETH, b. Apr. 7, 1700.

*30 ISAAC, b. Apr. 8, 1702.

HIS WILL

In the name of God, Amen, I, Isaac Griswold of Killingworth, in the county of New London, and Colony of Connecticut, in New England, finding my health and strength to decline and being sensible of my frailty and mortality, yet through Divine Goodness at this time, of sound mind and memory, do now this twenty-second day of May, Anno Domini, one thousand seven hundred and twenty-three, make this my last will and testament, Imprimis:

I will and bequeath my soul into the hand of God, my merciful and faithful Creator, hoping for acceptance through the merits and moderation of Jesus Christ, my dear and sufficient redeemer, and my body to the dust, to be buried as my executor shall order, hoping for a glorious resurrection, and as touching such goods and worldly estate with which God hath been pleased to bless me, and after just debts & funeral defrayed I dispose of will and bequeath as followeth:

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife one third part of all my moveable effects that shall be found at my decease and to the use and improvement of all the remainder of the moveable effects during her natural life, and what shall remain, that is to say, two thirds that she has the improvement of, at her decease, I give to my son Isaac. I also give to my loving wife the use and improvement of the house and homestead where I now dwell and the improvement of one third part of the other old improved lands, if she hath need of it.

I will and bequeath to my oldest son Michael Griswold the

whole of that land where he now dwells being sixty four acres with the house & barn thereon standing, as also the land at * * * meadow, being sixty acres together with what hath been since added thereto as also three acres of Salt Marsh lying in the further Quarter, also half my Marsh lying in the Broad Meadow, also half the land Lying above the Long Meadow belonging to me, as also one pasture on the Rocky Hill over the way opposite to the House where I now dwell, as also twenty eight acres of my land Lying near Hammonasset River in the additional Grant if I should not have occasion to sell it.

Item: I will and bequeath to my son Isaac Griswold all the land adjoining to the land of Gersham Palmer both within and without the Common Fence & the House Standing thereon; also my land in the neck both upland and meadow, also my Land at a place called Nod, also the one half of my Marsh Lying in the broad meadow, also the whole of my Meadow Lying in the Cove, also half of my Land Lying about the Long Meadow, as also the remainder of my Land Lying in the additional Grant near Hammonasset River if I should not have occasion to sell it, also the two thirds of my moveable estate of which I have given my wife for Improvement as above the Legacies hereafter mentioned being by him first paid.

Item: I will and bequeath to my daughter Hannah Griswold my house and Home Lot where I now dwell and to the heirs of her body, and for want of issue to Return to her Brothers and Sisters and to the heirs of their bodies, also Twenty pounds which I order that her Brother Isaac to pay her.

Item, I will and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Hull fourty acres of land * * * to Layout in the Next Division upon my Property to her and to her heirs of her body and for want of issue to her Brothers & Sisters and to the heirs of their bodies, as also fourty pounds to be paid to her by her Brother Isaac. For due execution of this my Last Will & Testament I do hereby constitute & appoint my two sons Michael & Isaac to be my executors and do Order my son Isaac to pay to his sisters the legacies above mentioned.

Signed Sealed Pronounced & Declared to be my last Will & Testament in the presence of Witnesses.

Jared Elliott,
Jonathan Franklin,
Samuel Parmalee.

Isaac Griswold.

The following distribution being exhibited in Court was approved and ordered to be recorded.

A distribution of the Estate formerly of Mr. Isaac Griswold of Killingworth, deceased, which was by Will given to his Daughter Hannah, according to Court order Divided as followeth:

To Michael Griswold; to Lydia Nichels; to Elizabeth Davis, to Sybil Davis, to Rebina Chatfield, to heirs of Elizabeth Hull, deceased; to Stephen Griswold.

Distribution completed Feb. 2, 1760.

Killingworth and Wethersfield, Conn. rec.; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield.

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JACOB², b. Wethersfield, Conn., Apr. 15, 1660 (*Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, Dec. 10, 1685, MARY WRIGHT, b. Apr. 15, 1665, daughter of Dea. Joseph and Mary (Stoddard) Wright.

Thomas Wright, the Wethersfield Settler, came first to Watertown, Mass. Served on the Massachusetts Court of Assistants. Removed to Wethersfield about 1639. Man of great influence and high standing. Served as deputy to the General Court; selectman, and other positions of trust.

Mary died Apr. 25, 1735.

Jacob served as collector 1693. He was the first settler of "Two Stone," Griswoldville, Conn.; drew land 1694; surveyor 1698; it was he who laid the foundation for the Fulling Mills which later became noted.

Their children recorded in Wethersfield:

*31 JOHN, b. Sept. 25, 1686.

*32 MARY, b. June 19, 1688.

*33 JACOB, b. Mar. 26, 1690.

34 ANNA, b. Aug. 14, 1693; d. Aug. 4, 1723.

*35 SARAH, b. Mar. 18, 1695/6.

36 ESTHER or HESTER, b. Mar. 13, 1696/7. Probably unm. No further information.

37 JOSEPH, bapt. Aug. 21, 1698. No further information.

*38 JOSIAH, b. Jan. 4, bapt. 5th, 1701.



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*39 EBENEZER, b. Oct. 25, 1702.

*40 EPHRIAM, b. Sept. 23, bapt. 24th, 1704.

*41 LYDIA, bapt. Sept. 4, 1707.

HIS WILL

Jacob Griswold, Sen. d. July 22, 1737. Inventory Aug. 18, 1737. Will dated Feb. 10, 1735/6; Hartford probate, XIII, 20; Manwaring Hartford Probate Records, III, 275.

I, Jacob Griswold, Sen. of Wethersfield, do make this my last will and testament: I give my son Josiah Griswold the whole of my lott lying in Newington Parish in that tier of lotts called the half-mile tier, containing 29, 1/2 acres butted east on commons or highway and also west, north on the heirs of Capt. Robert Wells, and south on a highway to be to him, my son Josiah and his heirs forever. I also give to my son Josiah 3 1/2 acres of land lying in the south part of Wethersfield in the Great Meadow, butted east on a highway, west on land of my son Josiah Griswold, north on land of Ephriam Williams, and south on land of the heirs of Ephraet Dickenson, with this condition that he, the sd Josiah Griswold pay and make out these sums following to the persons next mentioned: To the heirs of my oldest son John, deceased; to Jeremiah, to John, to Hannah, a daughter to Thankful, another daughter to Mabel, another daughter. (Amounts follow each name.) Also that my said son Josiah pay to my eldest son now surviving, Jacob Griswold 35 pounds to complete his portion. My son Ebenezer has already been advanced in portion and settlement as appears by record, equal with his brethren. To my son Ephriam I give 8 acres of land, part of my homelott, butted east on a highway, west on my son Josiah's land, north on land of Michael Griswold, and south on common land. I give to my eldest daughter, Mary Ellis, 110 pounds to be her portion of which she hath already received 100. I give to my daughter Sarah 110 pounds in moveable estate, of which she has already received 75-18-11. I give to my daughter Esther 110 pounds of which she has already received 77-04-09. I give to my daughter Lydia 110 pounds in moveable estate of which she hath already received 66-02-08. I appoint my son Josiah Griswold to be sole executor.

Jacob Griswold.

Thomas Wright,
Elisha Micks,
Joseph Pynchon.

Wethersfield town and First Church records; Diary of Rev. Stephen Mix; Conn. Mag.. Vols. VII and VIII; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 395, 853.

9

SARAH², b. Wethersfield, Conn., Sept. 1662 (*Michael*¹); m. JAMES HILL, of Guilford, Conn., s. of John and Frances, who d. May 1673. Sarah, d. Oct. 8, 1707.

Very little is known of this James, but there could be no other of the Guilford family of Hill, having a wife Sarah, at a sufficiently early date except him.

Resided at Homonoscit. Associated with Obediah Wilcoxon and others in a petition to the General Court at a session Oct. 10, 1695, to permit them to assist the ministry at Kenilworth, as Guilford was some five miles farther from their dwellings than Kenilworth. This petition was granted.

Records do not fully disclose the birth of their family; only three have been found; no doubt there were others.

Their children:

42 Isaac.

43 Michael.

44 James, b. Feb. 11, 1687 (Guilford rec.).

Wethersfield and Guilford, Conn. records; N. E. Register, Vol. XLVII, 251; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 395.

10

MICHAEL², b. Wethersfield, Conn., Mar. 7, 1666 (*Michael*¹); m. May 12, 1692, ELIZABETH BURNHAM, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Loomis) Burnham, who d. Sept. 9, 1741.

The Burnhams were one of the most respected families in Wethersfield. William was a son of Nathaniel who was a mem-

ber of a Troop of Horse in Windsor, Conn., and served in King Philip's War.

Michael was a mason by trade; served as collector of taxes and chimney viewer; drew land 1694; appointed ensign of south trainband 1710. This Michael is without doubt the builder of the present Michael Griswold House in Wethersfield. There has been considerable conjecture as to the age of this house. Some have placed its construction in about the year 1730. Michael received this property by will 1684. It is hardly likely that he would have waited until he was sixty four years old to make any improvement desired. The present house, without doubt, was constructed about the home of Michael I, or an improvement upon that ancient home. We must surely give this house a much earlier date. It was the home of Michael II. The records disclose no other.

Michael died July 24, 1742, age 76. T.S.R. Wethersfield cemetery. The date of death and burial place of Elizabeth are unknown.

Their children recorded in Wethersfield:

- *45 DAVID, b. Mar. 25, 1693.
- *46 JONATHAN, b. Oct. 6, 1695.
- 47 JOSEPH, b. Dec. 28, 1697; no further information.
- 48 STEPHEN, b. Aug. 14, bapt. 17th, 1700; no further information.
- *49 ELIZABETH, b. Apr. 21, bapt. 25th, 1703.
- *50 CALEB, b. May 8, 1706.
- *51 ELISHA, b. Feb. 7, bapt. 26th, 1708/9.
- *52 NATHANIEL, b. Feb. 23, bapt. 24th, 1711/12.
- *53 ANNE, b. Jan. 4, bapt. 20th, 1714/15.

MICHAEL'S WILL

Hartford, Conn. probate, Vol. XIV, 24, 25; Manwaring Hartford Probate Records, III, 400. Will dated Oct. 9, 1741; inventory of estate Aug. 24, 1742 by Timothy Baxter, Timothy Wright and Thomas Hurlbut.

I, Michael Griswold, of Wethersfield, being far advanced in years, do make this my last will and testament:

I give to my son Stephen one acre of land lying on the northward side of my homelott, butting northerly on my son Stephen's home lott. I give my sons Caleb and Elisha, my land lying on the west side of the highway near my home lott, being 9, 1/2

acres to be divided in equal proportion between them. I give my son Jonathan all my right share or interest in and to the commons and undivided lands lying within the bounds of the township of Wethersfield, and 25 pounds in money. I give to my son David my best Bible. I give my sons Jonathan, Caleb, and Elisha, all my wearing apparel to be divided equally between them. I give my son Caleb 15 pounds in moveable estate. I give to my son Nathaniel 30 pounds in moveable estate. I give to my son Joseph my loom and bedd and furniture. I give to my daughter Elizabeth, the wife of Zachariah Bunce, 5 pounds in moveable estate. I give to my daughter Ann, the wife of * * * 20 pounds in moveable estate. And if any of my moveable estate be left or remaining after my debts, funeral expenses and legacies are paid, I give the same and all of it to my said daughter Anne. I do hereby appoint my sons Caleb and Elisha Griswold executors.

Samuel Deming,
Timothy Wright,
Isaac Riley.

Michael Griswold.

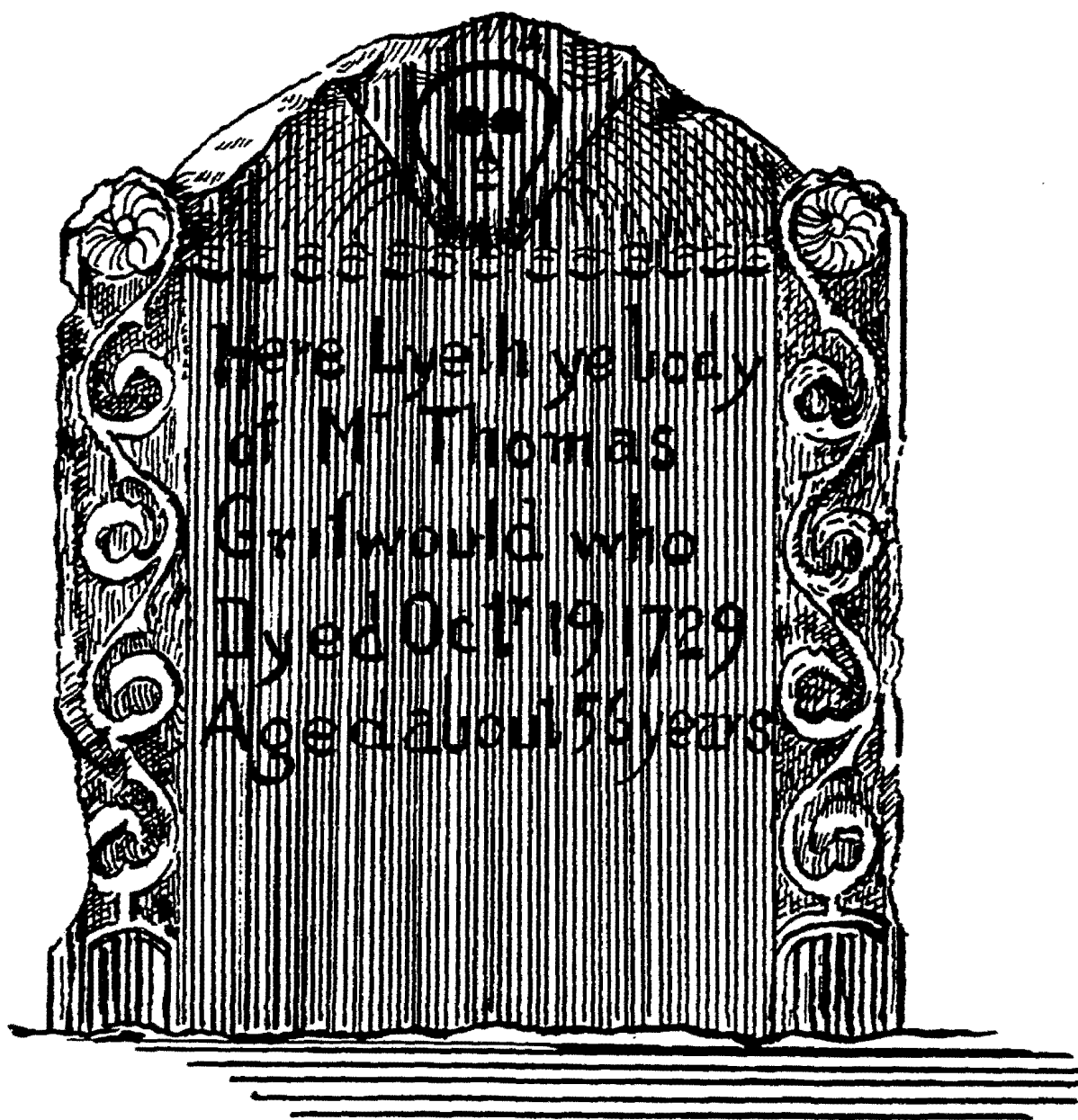
Distribution of the estate of Michael Griswold on file without date: To Caleb; to Nathaniel; to Zachariah Bunce in right of Elizabeth, his wife; and to Dositheus Humphrey in right of his wife Ann.

Wethersfield, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 166; Thomas Burnham Fam., 29, 62, 126; Loomis Fam., 131; Wethersfield First Church records; Rev. Stephen Mix Diary; Conn. Mag. Vols., VII and VIII; Conn. Colony records, V, 160.

11

THOMAS³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Jan. 11, 1673/4 (*Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. May 9, 1697, SARAH BRADLEY, b. Oct. 17, 1676, daughter of Stephen and Hannah (Smith) Bradley.

Stephen Bradley, founder of the family came to New Haven, Conn. 1639, and his son Stephen settled in Guilford. A man who became prominent almost immediately. In the "War of William



TOMBSTONE THOMAS GRISWOLD,
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and Mary" he was appointed ensign of Dragoons for New Haven county 1690. Lieut. Stephen Bradley was deputy to the General Court, 1692, 1693, 1694, 1696, 1698, 1700, 1701. Held the highest positions of trust Guilford could give, a worthy man who served them faithfully.

Thomas was a blacksmith and came to Guilford 1695, either at the request of the settlers or upon a private enterprise. He was given no grant of land and the records show he made no purchase until about 1725 when he established a home at Nut Plains. Where he lived in Guilford settlement is unknown. He may have lived on "Crooked Lane," State street, near or with Stephen Bradley. The home he established has long since disappeared. He was a steady citizen but never prominent, a man among men, content to forge the iron for himself and his neighbors who battled the wilderness and laid bare the forests for the plow.

Thomas d. Oct. 19, 1729, aged about 56 years. No special epitaph marks his passing. He was buried on the Guilford Green with other early settlers and his grave marked by a simple finely carved sandstone monument; when it was determined to clear the Green of monuments and obliterate the cemetery, the gravestone of Thomas, with others were removed to the church. The records show it was finally removed to the premises of George Griswold, on Boston street, where it has lain for perhaps a hundred years. His gravestone has recently been found but is almost illegible and much worn. The inscription "Here lyeth ye body of Mr. Thomas Griswold who died Oct. 19, 1729 aged about 56 years."

Their children:

*54 MARY, b. 1699.

*55 EXPERIENCE, b. May 9, 1703.

*56 SARAH, b. 1706.

*57 THOMAS, b. Mar. 26, 1708.

58 SUBMIT, b. Sept. 26, 1710. No further information.

*59 ANNE.

Wethersfield and Guilford, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 395; Bradley Fam., 193; Nash Fifty Puritan Anc., 69; Hist. of Guilford (Steiner).

12

JACOB³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Feb. 5, 1675 (*Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, Nov. 30, 1696, ABIGAIL HAND, daughter of Stephen and Rebecca, of Guilford, Conn., who died Apr. 18, 1747, ae 66.

John Hand, the ancestor, was a leading member of a company that came from England about 1635 to Lynn, Mass. Later he was one of the original patentees and proprietors of East Hampton, L. I. Served as Magistrate.

Joseph, his son, settled in Guilford; vessel builder and owner; an active business man and citizen. Served as deputy 1720.

Jacob served as collector 1715. The date of his death and place of burial are unknown.

Their children:

- *60 HEZEKIAH, b. Oct. 16, 1697.
- 61 JOSIAH, bapt. Aug. 20, 1699. No further information.
- 62 LYDIA, bapt. Feb. 11, 1699. No further information.
- *63 ABIGAIL, b. Dec. 1, bapt. 7th, 1701.
- *64 RACHEL, b. Apr. 8, 1705.
- *65 REBECCA, bapt. Sept. 28, 1707.
- 66 EXPERIENCE, b. Mar. 11, 1709/10.
- *67 IRENE, b. Aug. 5, bapt. 9th, 1713.
- 68 MARTHA, bapt. Mar. 25, 1716.
- *69 LYDIA, b. Mar 17, 1716/17.
- *70 JANNA, b. Sept. 16, 1719.
- *71 MINDWELL, b. Feb. 19, 1723/24.

Wethersfield town and First Church records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield II, 397; Rev. Stephen Mix Diary; Conn. Mag. Vols. VII and VIII; Nash Fifty Puritan Anc., 112.

15

MICHAEL³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Jan. 28, 1680 (*Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, Jan. 27, 1703/4, MARY GILBERT, daughter of Sgt. Benjamin and Mary (Riley) Gilbert, b. Nov. 22, 1681.

The estate of Benjamin Gilbert of Wethersfield, Hartford pro-

bate, Vol. VIII, 99; Manwaring Hartford Probate Records, II, 203, mentions Michael Griswold in right of his wife Mary.

No records appear concerning what position, if any, Michael may have taken in the community. Judging from the accumulations of property he must have been active and enterprising.

Their children:

- 72 BENJAMIN, b. Apr. 10, 1705. No further information.
- *73 PRUDENCE, b. Jan. 22, bapt. 26th, 1706/7.
- *74 WILLIAM, b. Sept. 22, bapt. 26th, 1708.
- *75 MICHAEL, b. Feb. 18, 1710/11; bapt. same.
- *76 PHINEAS, b. Dec. 26, 1714; bapt. Jan. 2, 1715.
- 77 KAZIAH, b. Dec. 10, 1717; adjudged incompetent 1748 (Conn. Colony records, Vol. IX, 395).

MICHAEL'S WILL

Michael Griswold of Wethersfield. Died Apr. 20, 1731. Inventory May 11, 1731 by Michael and Jacob Griswold and Nathaniel Burnham. Will dated Apr. 2, 1731 (Hartford probate, Vol. XI, 102).

I, Michael Griswold, 2nd, of Wethersfield, do make this my last will and testament: I give unto my son Benjamin my homestead, about 11 acres of land with house and barn and orchard thereon standing, except improvement of 1/2 of said lands, buildings and orchard, which I reserve to my wife Mary during her widowhood; also except blacksmith shop and tools thereof, and the ground which said shop covers which I reserve for my son Michael during the time he shall see cause to uphold and work in sd shop, and no longer; and also one acre of land across the highway near said homestead, which I purchased of my brother Samuel Griswold, and lying next to the homelott of George Northway, excepting the use of said acre which I reserve for my wife during her widowhood; and also two acres of land lying in the great meadow in Wethersfield which I purchased of Eliphalet Dickinson; he, said Benjamin paying upon my decease to my daughter Prudence the sum of 20 pounds money or equivalent thereto. I give to my son William Griswold 1/2 my lott at Newington and lying on the north side of sd lott there, and my desire is that my said wife, upon my decease, do by deed of gift convey to sd William the 1/2 of my lott that I hold in her right at Besitt Plaine, viz. the north side of said lott; but in case my said wife

shall neglect or refuse to convey sd half of said Besitt Plaine, then my will is that she pay to said William out of my moveable estate what the said land shall be valued at upon my decease. I give to my son Michael Griswold the other half of my lott at Newington, lying on the south side of sd. lott, and my smith shop and tooles, and also the use of the ground it covers, while the said Michael shall uphold and use the same, and also my pacing mare. I give to my son Phineas Griswold, 1, 1/2 acres of land lying across the way purchased of my brother Samuel Griswold, being part of the homelott of my honored Father Thomas Griswold, excepting 1/3 part of the yearly produce, which I reserved to the use of my said father during his natural life; and also 1/2 of the house and land now standing on said lott and to be divided between Phineas and Ens. Michael Griswold upon the decease of my sd. father; and also my windmill lott. I give my daughter Prudence 20 pounds money and also a heifer and calf which, with which she hath had, is all her portion. I give to my daughter Kezia the one half of my Besitt Plaine lott, on the east side of said lott and 5 roods of land in the Great Plaine, concerning which lands my will or desire is that my sd. wife (upon my decease) do convey sd. half of sd. Besitt Plaine lott and sd. 5 roods in sd Plaine to Kezia by deed of gift. I give to my wife Mary the improvement of the 1/2 of my house and orchard and homelott whereon they stand, and also the improvement of 1 acre lying across the way next the homelott of George Northway during the time she shall continue my relict or widow; and also my part of the team and all the tackling thereon, and husbandry implements, and all other my moveable estate. Also 2 cows and all my sheep and family provisions and winter corne on ye ground. I give to my wife and my son Benjamin for the payment of my just debts and support of my family as need shall require. I appoint my wife and my son Benjamin to be my executors.

Nathaniel Burnham.

Michael Griswold.

Michael Griswold.

Nathaniel Griswold.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 397, 355; Wethersfield First Church records.

16

SAMUEL³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Dec. 15, 1684 (*Thomas², Michael¹*); m. in Wethersfield, Mar. 11, 1708, MARY FRANCIS, b. May 26, 1689, daughter of Sgt. John and Mercy (Chittenden) Francis.

Sgt. John Francis was a man of considerable importance and consideration. Served as sergeant with the Colonial Troops. His estate, Hartford probate, Vol. VIII, 95, mentions Mary, wife of Samuel Griswold and daughter of said deceased.

Samuel removed to Guilford about 1695. Owned a farm in the Black Rock district.

Their children:

- *78 MERCY, b. July 27, bapt. Aug. 27, 1708.
- *79 SAMUEL, b. Feb. 7, bapt. 12th, 1709/10.
- 80 LUCY, bapt. Nov. 11, 1710; d. Feb. 17, 1712.
- *81 JARED, bapt. Jan. 11, 1712.
- 82 LUCY, bapt. Dec. 12, 1712.
- 83 DAVID, bapt. Jan. 8, 1712/13.
- 84 LUCY, b. Dec. 8, 1714.
- *85 NEHEMIAH, b. Aug. 12, 1716.
- *86 JEREMIAH, b. Feb. 8, bapt. 9th, 1717.
- *87 MOSES, b. Nov. 2, 1719.
- 88 JOHN, b. June 23, 1721. No other information.
- *89 MARY, b. June 25, 1723.
- *90 MANUS, b. Sept. 4, 1727.
- *91 AARON, bapt. Apr. 6, 1729.
- 92 SARAH, bapt. June 22, 1731.

SAMUEL'S WILL

I, Samuel Griswold, of Guilford, in the county of New Haven, in the Colony of Connecticut, altho I am now sick and weake, and expect to move out of this world in a short time, yet since through Divine Favour I have my reason, therefore think it my duty to make my will and settle my affairs.

But principally and first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of my merciful creator hoping for a glorious resurrection.

I will and bequeath to my loving wife Mary Griswold the use and improvement of the one third part of all my buildings and lands during the term of her natural life and I give and grant to my said wife to be at her own free dispose the third part of my moveable estate.

My will is that what grain & provision that I leave shall be for the use of my family and not be inventoried and my will is that my executor thereafter named shall sell my old oxen and so much of the price or value of them as may be found needful to supply my family with grain till the next crop cometh in, with what I have above given to my family shall be improved by the executrix to purchase graine with for the families use and the remainder of the price of sd. oxen shall be answer as far as that will go my just debts.

I will, give and grant, to my son Samuel Griswold and to his heirs forever, my dwelling house and barn and the one half (being the north side of the lands I live upon and is bounded west by the highway and east by the Homonosett river; northerly by Hezekiah Griswold and southerly by the remaining half or part of said lands).

I will, give and grant, to my son Jared and to his heirs forever, ten acres of that land (to be the south end thereof), that I bought of Corp. Samuel Buell (being in Killingworth bounds), and the remainder of sd. parcel of land, I give and grant to my sd. son Samuel, and to my sons, Nehemiah Griswold, Jeremiah Griswold, Moses Griswold, John Griswold, Manus Griswold, Aaron Griswold, to them and my sd. seven sons and their heirs forever, to be equally divided between them, my sd. seven sons.

I will give and grant to my sd. son Nehemiah & his heirs forever, three acres of land lying on the west side of the highway joining on the north by the land that is or was Searsaros, and easterly by the sd. highway.

I will give and grant to my sd. son Jeremiah and his heirs forever my field of land lying eastward of the house that Mr. How lately sold to William Bartholomew; it containeth about seven acres, more or less, and is inclosed round with a fence.

I will give and grant to my sd. son Moses, and to his heirs forever, my next field that adjoineth that which I have given to Jeremiah and containeth about seven or eight acres and is bounded easterly by the fence that incloseth.

I give and grant to my sd. son John, and his heirs forever, my next field & adjoineth on the north to that I have given my son Moses, and containeth about seven or eight acres and is also bounded by the fence that incloseth it.

I will give and grant to my son Manus, and his heirs forever, my lot at the place called the straights.

I will give and grant to my son Aaron, and to his heirs forever, the other one half or part of my land where I dwell, to be bounded northerly by that which I have given to Samuel, and easterly by the said river and westerly by the highway & southerly by Ephriam Squires land.

I will give and grant to my sons Nehemiah, Jeremiah, Moses, John & Manus, and to their heirs forever, my piece of land containing about six acres, more or less, lying in Killingworth bounds & adjoineth to sd. river on the western side thereof to be equally divided between them, sd. Nehemiah, Jeremiah, Moses, John & Manus.

As to my daughter Mercy Crane, I have already given her the portion that I intended for her and I do confirm to her those goods I have heretofore put into her possession and which she now hath.

And I do hereby appoint my wife Mary to be sole executrix of this my last will and testament and do order that she shall pay my debts out of my moveable estate.

And my will is & I do give and grant to my daughter Lucy Griswold, Mary Griswold, and Sarah Griswold, all the remainder of my moveable estate that shall remain when my wife hath taken out her thirds (which shall be first done), and when my debts are paid, then sd. moveables given to my sd. three daughters shall be by my sd. executrix equally divided between them, to Lucy, Mary and Sarah, and belong to them.

Declaring this and no other to be my last will and testament, I witness whereof, I have signed, sealed, and published these presents as such this 22nd day of Nov. 1732.

James Wadsworth,
Hezekiah Griswold,
David Latimore.

Samuel Griswold.

Records of Wethersfield, Guilford and Durham, Conn.;
Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 338; Wethersfield First
Church Records; Rev. Stephen Mix Diary; Conn. Maga-
zine, Vols. VII and VIII; Francis Fam., 122.

26

MICHAEL³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., June 4, 1690 (*Isaac*², *Michael*¹); m. in Killingworth, Conn., Sept. 15, 1713, ELIZABETH HULL, b. 1691, daughter of Thomas and Hannah (Streather) Hull.

George Hull, founder of the family, settled in Windsor, Conn., removed to Fairfield, Conn. Appointed associate magistrate. Man of great public spirit, active, and of unusual intelligence. A citizen of worth.

Elizabeth died Sept. 27, 1752. Michael died June 8, 1753. His will, Aug. 13, 1752, Saybrook, Conn. probate, mentions sons Ebenezer and Michael; daughters Sibbell Davis, Lydia, Elizabeth and Rebina; children of daughter Abigail Kelsey; Jemima, daughter of son Ebenezer.

Their children:

- *93 MICHAEL, b. Oct. 5, 1714.
- *94 ABIGAIL, b. Apr. 12, 1717.
- 95 LYDIA, b. Apr. 27, 1719.
- *96 EBENEZER, b. May 26, 1722.
- 97 ELIZABETH, b. Jan. 10, 1725.
- *98 SYBIL, b. Mar. 9, 1727.
- 99 MARY, b. Sept. 20, 1729.
- *100 REBINA, b. Apr. 11, 1732.

Wethersfield and Killingworth, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield; II, Hull Fam., 29; Dawes-Gates Fam., 463.

29

ELIZABETH³, b. Killingworth, Conn., Apr. 7, 1700 (*Isaac*², *Michael*¹); m. in Killingworth, Jan. 25, 1722, NATHANIEL HULL, b. Apr. 23, 1699, son of Thomas and Hannah (Streather) Hull.

Elizabeth died about 1723; heirs of Elizabeth mentioned in her father's will that year. It is therefore presumed that she had one child and hence the entire family of Nathaniel is presented.

He m. (2) July 1, 1736, ESTHER BRISTOL, whose parentage and date of death could not be determined.

He m. (3) Apr. 14, 1743, HANNAH FARNHAM, daughter of Peter, b. Oct. 31, 1713, whose date of death is unknown.

Date of his death could not be ascertained. Distribution of his estate, State Library, Hartford, Conn. mentions Levi; heirs of Daniel; heirs of Abigail, wife of Samuel Seward; heirs of Jonathan; Hannah, wife of Elisha Hooper; Concurrence, wife of Parker Stevens, Elizabeth, wife of Benjamin Wilcox.

- 101 Abigail, b. Apr. 23, 1737.
- 102 William, b. July 11, 1738; d. 1760.
- 103 Concurrence, bapt. Mar. 23, 1740; d. Apr. 8, 1741.
- 104 Levi, bapt. Dec. 26, 1745; m. Mary Clark.
- 105 Concurrence, b. July 1748; m. Parker Stevens.
- 106 Samuel {
- 107 David } Twins, b. July 21, 1751.
- 108 Jonathan.
- 109 Hannah, b. —; m. Elisha Hooper.
- 110 Daniel.
- 111 Elizabeth.

Killingworth, Conn., records; North Parish, Killingworth, church records.

30

ISAAC³, b. Killingworth, Conn., Apr. 8, 1702 (*Isaac*², *Michael*¹); m. in Killingworth, Apr. 13, 1731, JEMIMA KEEP, b. July 17, 1711, daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Colton) Keep. Sarah Colton was a daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Griswold) Colton (No. 2 of the Matthew branch).

Jemima was descendant of Samuel Keep of Longmeadow, Mass. Farmer; selectman; active in town and church matters. Also descendant of John Leonard, who with his wife and one child, was killed by Indians 1676.

Isaac's will, Sept. 28, 1751, State Library, Hartford, Conn., Isaac of Bolton, mentions wife Jemima, and son Stephen.

Jemima m. (2) in Lebanon, Conn., Dec. 13, 1753, ISAIAH TIFFANY, b. Bristol, R. I. 1698, who d. in Lebanon, 1780, s. of Thomas and Hannah, who m. (1) 1726, Elizabeth Smith of Swansea.

Resided in Woodstock, Conn. Selectman and town clerk. No issue.

Child Griswold:

*112 STEPHEN, b. Nov. 21, 1732.

Killingworth, Woodstock and Lebanon, Conn., records; Tiffany Fam. Stiles; Ancient Wethersfield, Vol. II; Colton Fam., 8, 9; John Keep Fam., 17.

31

JOHN³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Sept. 25, 1686 (*Jacob², Michael¹*); m. in Wethersfield, June 18, 1711, MABEL BOARDMAN, b. May 30, 1689, daughter of Daniel and Hannah (Wright) Boardman.

Samuel Boardman, Wethersfield settler, received a large grant of land from the town and Indians by each of whom he seemed to be especially trusted. Served as deputy to the General Court 18 terms, 34 sessions. A very active citizen; held many town offices.

John served as surveyor 1714; removed to New Milford 1716. Owned the first mill erected in Lanesville 1717; he d. there Dec. 24, 1719. His estate, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions Jeremiah, John, Hannah, Thankful and Mabel.

She m. (2) JOSIAH NICHOLS of Danbury, Conn., b. July 25, 1687, who d. 1743, s. of Samuel and Susan (Fairchild) Nichols.

Their children:

*113 HANNAH, b. Nov. 23, 1711.

*114 JEREMIAH, b. Nov. 16, 1713.

*115 THANKFUL, b. Dec. 19, 1715.

*116 MABEL, b. Mar. 12, 1718.

*117 JOHN, b. Mar. 1, 1720.

Wethersfield and New Milford, Conn., records; Wethersfield First Church records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 397; Boardman Fam., 203, 228; Sgt. Francis Nichols Fam., 26; Conn. Colonial rec., V, 177; Andrew Ward Fam., 32.

32

MARY³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., June 19, 1688 (*Jacob², Michael¹*); m. in Wethersfield, Dec. 15, 1709, WILLIAM ALLIS or ELLIS, b. May 16, 1684, s. of William, who was a freeman of Braintree, Mass., 1640.

William was collector, lister and packer for Wethersfield.

Their children:

- 118 Mary, b. Nov. 22, bapt. 25th, 1711; m. Ebenezer Sanford.
- 119 Lydia, b. Sept. 14, bapt. Oct. 11, 1713; m. John Collins.
- 120 Sarah, b. Oct. 6, 1715; m. Ezekiel Kelsey.
- 121 Ann, b. 1720; m. Samuel Pike.
- 122 John, b. Sept. 11, 1726; d. May 18, 1756.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; N. E. Register, XV, 242; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 28; Rev. Mix Diary; Conn. Mag., Vols. VII and VIII; Allis Gen., 4.

33

JACOB³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Mar. 26, 1690 (*Jacob², Michael¹*).

Records give his wife the name of COMFORT but they do not disclose who she was in any particular.

His name appears showing his home lot on the Litchfield map of 1720. Served as ensign 1729; lieutenant 1729; captain 1735, 13th Conn. regiment; served as deputy to the General Court, 1742. He was a man of influence and worth and highly esteemed.

The following episode in the life of Jacob has frequently been published but this record would not be complete without it.

Captain Jacob being alone in a field about one mile west of the court house at Litchfield, two Indians suddenly rushed upon him from the woods, took him, pinioned his arms and carried him off. They traveled in a northerly direction, and the same day arrived in some part of the township now Canaan, then a wilderness. The Indians kindled a fire and after binding their prisoner hand and foot, lay down to sleep. The Captain fortunately disengaging his hands and feet, while his arms were yet pinioned,

seized their guns and made his escape into the woods. After traveling a short distance, he sat down and waited until dawn, and although his arms were yet pinioned he carried both the guns. The savages awoke in the morning and finding their prisoner gone immediately pursued him; they soon overtook him and kept in sight of him the greater part of the day, while he was making his way homeward. When they came near, he turned and pointed one of the pieces at them; they then fell back. In this manner he traveled till near sunset; when he reached an eminence in an open field about one mile northwest of the present court house, he then discharged one of his guns, which immediately summoned the people to his assistance. The Indians fled and he safely returned to his family.

Removed to New Milford; died Mar. 11, 1772, aged 83.

Their children:

*123 EUNICE, b. Mar. 23, 1721.

*124 ANNE, b. June 11, 1723.

*125 MARY, b. Mar. 22, 1726.

*126 ELIJAH.

HIS WILL

State Library, Hartford, Conn.

The last will and testament of Capt. Jacob Griswold, of Litchfield, in the county of Litchfield, and Colony of Connecticut, in New England, which I make this 22nd day of June, 1768, as follows:

In the name of God Amen, I being now in reasonable common health considering mine age and sound in my reason through the goodness of God who has continued ye same, but considering the mortality of my body, not knowing how soon I shall put off my earthly tabernacle and those temporal blessings that God has bestowed on me, moveth me to make this my last will and testament in ye following manner and form.

First I commit my soul to God through our Lord Jesus Christ and my body to ye earth to a decent burial hoping at ye resurrection of ye just that both soul & body shall be united in Glory; as to my temporal estate that God has blest me with, I give and bequeath after my just debts and funeral expenses are paid in ye following manner.

First I give and bequeath to my beloved son Elijah Griswold

one half of an undivided right of land in Litchfield and two acres already granted on said right of ye last division not yet laid out, and my wearing apparel, my great Bible and my * * * and my cyder mill for his own forever.

Secondly, I give and bequeath to my three daughters or their heirs, viz: to Eunice, ye wife of Capt. Solomon Buell, and Anne, formerly ye wife of Jacob Woodruff, Esq. and to Mary, formerly ye wife of Elisha Kilborn, all my moveable estate excepting what I have already given away to my son Elijah, which shall be equally divided in three parts; to Eunice, one part; and ye heirs of Anne, one part; and to ye heirs of Mary, one part, which shall be their own forever.

Thirdly, I give and bequeath to my beloved grandson, Jacob Griswold, my dwelling house and barn and twenty six acres of land where my sd house and barn now standeth, ye whole of said lot, providing said Jacob Griswold shall pay all my just debts, which if he shall faithfully do, then ye land & buildings shall be his own forever; furthermore my will is that my son Elijah Griswold shall be executor of this my last will and testament, and all other wills formerly made by me are void and this my last will and testament, I do acknowledge to be my last free will.

In witness whereof I do hereto set my hand & seal.

Benjamin Kilbourne,

Jacob Griswold.

Beriah Stone,

Isaac Bissell.

Wethersfield and Litchfield, Conn., records; Hist. of Litchfield; Conn. Colonial records; Conn. Colonial Archives.

35

SARAH³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Mar. 18, 1695/6 (*Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, Dec. 16, 1718, JOHN BELDEN, b. Dec. 3, 1685, son of John and Dorothy.

He m. (1) Kaziah Gilbert, b. Oct. 7, 1691, daughter of Sgt. Benjamin and Mary, May 1, 1712, who d. Dec. 2, 1712, ae 21; m. (2) Mar. 22, 1714/15, Patience Rossiter, daughter of Josiah, who d. Mar. 9, 1716, ae 24 (T.S.R. Wethersfield).

The John Belden estate, Hartford Probate, Vol. X, 305; Manwaring, I, 465. Inventory June 24, 1725. Administration to Sarah, widow; mentions children John, Ebenezer and Timothy; it also mentions the death of one child previous to the father.

Their children:

- 127 John, b. Mar. 1, 1715/16; m. Sarah Kellogg.
- 128 Ebenezer, b. Dec. 6, 1719.
- 129 Kaziah, b. Aug. 21, 1722; d. y.
- 130 Timothy, b. Dec. 26, 1723; m. Abigail Hurlbut.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; Hurlbut Fam., 36; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield.

38

JOSIAH³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Jan. 4, 1701 (*Jacob², Michael¹*); m. in Wethersfield, Aug. 17, 1727, MABEL BELDEN, daughter of Josiah and Mabel (Wright) Belden, b. Feb. 9, 1708.

Mabel was descendant of Richard Belden, Wethersfield settler 1646; appointed "cow keeper" or "herder," an office which in nowise affected the social standing in those days, as every one seemed willing to accept any situation or community office for the "common weel." He accumulated considerable property and was a man of some financial ability and intellectual force. John Belden in her line of descent was a trooper under captain John Mason 1657/8; also descends through the Standish family.

Josiah was prominent and influential in civil and military affairs. Served as major in several French and Indian War campaigns. Lived in and probably built the house, later known as the Broadbent house, in Griswoldville. Was interested in the Fulling Mills.

Mabel d. Dec. 13, 1789, ae 82. Josiah d. May 9, 1769. His estate May 20, 1769, Hartford, Conn., probate records, mentions wife Mabel; sons Josiah, Ozias and Daniel; Abigail, daughter of son John; Sarah, daughter of son Justus; Mercy, widow of son Jacob; grandsons Moses, Jacob, and Josiah; daughters Lydia, Mabel, Mary, and Rebecca. A document by the heirs of Major Josiah for the settlement of the estate in order to avoid the cost of

administration was filed and signed by John Robbins, Charles C. Buckley, son of Charles, Ozias, Josiah, Catherine, Jerusha (Jannette), Hosea Buckley, Charles Buckley, Jr., Joseph Riley; Jerusha, Martha, Abigail, and Gunlot Griswold; Amasa Adams, Jr.; Noadiah Hooker and wife. Both buried in Wethersfield cemetery.

Their children:

- *131 JOSIAH, b. June 30, 1728.
- 132 MABEL, b. May 6, 1730; d. Dec. 13, 1736/7.
- *133 JOHN, b. Apr. 30, 1732; bapt. same.
- *134 JACOB, b. June 30, 1734.
- *135 OZIAS, b. Jan. 16, 1736/7.
- 136 JUSTUS, b. Dec. 26, 1737; d. Aug. 18, 1760.
- *137 MABEL, b. June 13, bapt. 15th, 1740.
- *138 MARY, b. Nov. 5, 1741; bapt. Nov. 8, 1745.
- 139 REBECCA, b. Feb. 19, 1742; d. same.
- *140 REBECCA, b. Sept. 7, 1744.
- 141 SARAH, b. May 26, 1748; d. Mar. 27, 1754.
- *142 DANIEL, b. Dec. 28, 1748.
- 143 LYDIA, b. May 13, bapt. 20th, 1753. No further information.

Wethersfield, Conn., town and First Church records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 79, 398; Conn. Soc. Colonial Dames Register; Conn. Colonial rec., Vol. IX, 11, 95; Vol. X, 394.

39

EBENEZER³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Oct. 25, 1702 (*Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, Dec. 13, 1734, DEBORAH GRIMES, b. Feb. 13, 1715/16, daughter of Henry and Mary (Seymour) Grimes, who d. June 7, 1765, ae 50.

Ebenezer was 2nd lieutenant, 1st company, 3rd Conn. regiment, Crown Point Expedition.

He d. Dec. 7, 1772, ae 71. Burial in Wethersfield cemetery. His will, Nov. 18, 1772, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions Jehiel, Timothy, Elias, Elizur, Anne Woodruff and Sarah.

Their children:

- 144 ELIAS, b. Feb. 22, 1736; d. May 9, 1741.
- 145 JEHIEL, b. June 22, 1738.

- 146 ELIZUR, b. Aug. 10, 1742; d. Nov. 9, 1744.
- 147 TIMOTHY, b. Oct. 28, 1744; bapt. same.
- 148 ANNE, b. Oct. 10, 1746.
- 149 ELIAS, b. Oct. 6, bapt. 7th, 1750.
- 150 ELIZUR, b. Oct. 30, bapt. Nov. 4, 1753.
- 151 SARAH, b. May 7, 1758; bapt. same.

Wethersfield town and First Church records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, I, 393, 395, 396, 402, 574; Vol. II, Griswold and Grimes Fam.; Society of Colonial Wars Register.

40

EPHRIAM³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Sept. 23, 1704 (*Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. (1) in East Haddam, Conn., Dec. 19, 1726, MEHITABLE RILEY, b. Mar. 6, 1702/3, daughter of Sgt. Jonathan and Sarah (Deming) Riley.

The Demings settled in Wethersfield about 1635; John served as juror and deputy to the General Court and his name appears on the famous charter of Connecticut given by King Charles. He was the ancestor of the family and was known as a staunch citizen and a man of substance.

William Riley, first of the name in Wethersfield, was appointed captain of trainband organized in Stepney (Rocky Hill). The Riley family were among the most noted mariners of Wethersfield.

The date of Mehitable's death has not been ascertained. Ephraim m. (2) in Sharon, Conn., Nov. 6, 1746, EXPERIENCE STEADMAN, whose parentage and date of death has not been found.

The estate of Sarah Riley, of Stepney, Conn., Hartford probate, Vol. VIII, 180; inventory June 22, 1739, mentions Mehitable, wife of Ephriam Griswold of Modus.

Ephriam was a farmer and keen land trader. Sharon land records show thirty-one land transactions in his name. Man well considered, of great energy and enterprise.

Removed to Spencertown, N. Y., with his son John, but the records thus far do not disclose where he died or his burial place nor that of Experience.

Their children:

- *152 AZARIAH, b. Sept. 10, 1727.
- *153 Ephriam, b. July 3, bapt. Sept. 21, 1729.
- *154 JABEZ, b. June 24, 1731; bapt. May 6, 1739.
- 155 SARAH, b. Oct. 9, bapt. Dec. 9, 1733.
- *156 GURDON.
- *157 DAVID, bapt. Apr. 11, 1736.
- *158 JOHN, b. Nov. 3, 1747.

Wethersfield, East Haddam and Sharon, Conn., records;
 Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 396, 554; John Deming
 Fam., 11.

41

LYDIA³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Sept. 4, 1707 (*Jacob², Michael¹*); m. in Wethersfield, Oct. 8, 1732, EPHRIAM WILLARD, b. June 30, 1707, s. of Simon and Mary (Gilbert) Willard, who d. Mar. 30, 1766. Lydia d. Apr. 1, 1770, T.S.R. Wethersfield cemetery. Ephriam was descendant of the first Simon Willard, No. 61, and Simon, his father, was the first male buried in the Newington churchyard.

Their children:

- 159 Ephriam, b. May 6, 1733.
- 160 Stephen, b. Feb. 9, 1740/1.
- 161 Elizabeth, b. Apr. 26, 1741; m. Nathaniel Russell.
- 162 Mary, b. Feb. 17, 1743; m. Samuel Pierce.
- 163 Simon, b. Jan. 25, 1744/5.
- 164 Justus Gilbert, b. Nov. 28, 1747.
- 165 Sarah, bapt. Sept. 3, 1749; m. Othniel Horsford.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 794; Willard Fam., 43; Rev. Stephen Mix Diary; Conn. Mag., Vols. VII and VIII.

45

DAVID³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Mar. 25, 1693 (*Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. SIBERANCE FRANCIS, b. Aug. 23, 1687, daughter of Sgt. John Francis and Mercy (Chittenden) Francis.

She was descendant of the first Robert Francis who resided in Wethersfield previous to 1652; land records show him there in that year. Fence viewer, surveyor and constable. Also operated a tavern.

David removed to New Milford, Conn.; admitted as a citizen Nov. 30, 1713; sold his right and removed to Farmington, Conn.

The estate of John Francis, Hartford, Conn., probate records, Vol. VIII, 95, mentions his daughter Sybarance.

Their children:

- 166 ANNA, b. Feb. 22, 1716; no further information.
- *167 GIDEON, b. Oct. 2, 1717.
- *168 ELIJAH, b. May 20, 1719.
- 169 MARY, b. Feb. 15, 1720; d. Jan. 21, 1720/21.
- 170 ELIAKIM, b. July 17, 1722; d. Nov. 21, 1723.
- *171 HANNAH, b. Nov. 2, 1724.
- 172 CABLE, b. Sept. 17, 1726; no further information.

Wethersfield, New Milford and Farmington, Conn., records;
Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 338; Francis Fam., 122;
Boardman Gen., 687.

46

JONATHAN³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Oct. 6, 1695 (*Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. in Farmington, Conn., Feb. 23, 1725/6, MARY WILLARD, daughter of Simon and Mary (Gilbert) Willard, b. Mar. 29, 1700.

Mary was descendant of the first Simon Willard who came to Boston 1634; removed to Concord, Mass. Served as deputy to the General Court 1636 and was re-elected almost every year until 1654. Member of the Court of Assistants 22 years. Took an important part in King Philip's War. Removed to Groton, Conn., 1671, where he held many town offices.

Mary d. Apr. 30, 1741, and Jonathan m. (2) in Farmington,

Oct. 6, 1748, EXPERIENCE WARREN, b. June 9, bapt. 15th, 1712, daughter of Abraham and Experience (Stevens) Warren.

His estate, Farmington, Conn., probate records, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions his daughter Mary as his only heir, wife of Timothy Merrill. His wife Experience declined administration Mar. 12, 1771.

The estate of Symon Willard, Hartford Conn., probate records, Vol. X, 147; Vol. XI, 9; an agreement dated Mar. 6, 1729, for settlement of the estate signed by Jonathan and Mary.

Their children:

- *173 MARY, b. Nov. 27, 1726.
- 174 JONATHAN, b. Apr. 25, 1731; no further information.
- 175 RHODY, b. Apr. 4; d. Aug. 23, 1733.
- *176 ASHBEL, b. Sept. 8, 1733/34.

Wethersfield and Farmington, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 794; Willard Fam., 26.

49

ELIZABETH³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Apr. 21, 1703 (*Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. ZACHARIAH BUNCE, s. of Jonathan and Sarah, b. 1702, who d. Apr. 1781, ae 78.

Descendant of Thomas Bunce, the ancestor who came to Hartford, Conn., 1637, from Massachusetts. Served as ensign with Hartford troops in the Pequot War and was granted 60 acres for his services. Fifty acres added in 1672.

The estate of Jonathan Bunce, Hartford probate, IX, 255; Manwaring Hartford Probate Records; Inventory Jan. 6, 1718; mentions wife Sarah; Zachariah, ae 15; Abigail, ae 9.

Elizabeth d. May 16, 1782, ae 79.

Their children:

- 177 Elizabeth, b. May 29, 1726.
- 178 Zachariah, b. Oct. 5, 1728; m. Sarah Bowin.
- 179 Ann, b. Aug. 8, 1731.
- 180 Abigail.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 164; Bunce Fam.; Conn. Colonial records, XI, 154, 375.

50

CALEB³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., May 8, 1706 (*Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, July 30, 1730, ABIGAIL BUNCE, daughter of Jonathan and Sarah, bapt. June 6, 1708. Abigail was descendant of Ens. Thomas Bunce (No. 61).

Caleb was a ship builder and master; owned sloops Henry and Eliza. Was master of the sloop Defence for a time. The following letter written to Jonathan Law is an interesting acknowledgment of the service.

Wethersfield, Mar. 21, 1748.

Honnord Sr.

Your Honor was pleased to appoint me master of the Coleny Sloop Defence the year past and I hearing that Shee is fitting for service as usull I should be verry willing to serve in s^d post if it be agrable to your Honnor. Hooping I have discharged my Betrustment to the satisfaction of your Honnor but with dew submission to your honnor I take leave to Subscribe mySelf your Honnor's obedient and Humble Servant.

(Subscribed)

Caleb Griswold.

To the Honr^{ie} Jonathan Law, Esq.

Caleb d. Dec. 20, 1754, ae 49. T.S.R. Wethersfield cemetery.

Abigail m. (2) May 7, 1760, DANIEL CONE, s. of Daniel and Mary (Gates) Cone, who m. (1) Dec. 25, 1718, Mary Barnes, who d. Sept. 24, 1763. Records conflict as to marriage of Abigail and death of Mary.

Daniel served as lieutenant of militia. J.P. East Haddam; deacon of the Congregational church for 30 years. One of the earliest settlers. He d. May 27, 1776, ae 83. T.S.R. Moodus, Conn., cemetery.

Children Griswold:

- 181 CALEB, b. Oct. 25, bapt. 31st, 1731; d. Sept. 23, 1762, unm.
- 182 JONATHAN, b. Aug. 30, 1733; d. Nov. 28, 1756, unm.
- *183 WILLIAM, b. Jan. 14, 1735.
- *184 TIMOTHY, b. Mar. 19, 1737/8.
- 185 ABIGAIL, b. Nov. 8, 1740; d. Nov. 9, 1776.
- 186 MICHAEL, b. Oct. 28, 1742; d. Apr. 27, 1745.
- 187 PRUDENCE, b. July 22, bapt. 29th, 1744. No information.
- *188 ELIZABETH, b. June 12, bapt. 22nd, 1746.
- *189 SARAH, b. May 11, bapt. 21st, 1749.

Children Cone, first marriage:

- 190 Jeremiah, b. Jan. 15, 1720 d. y.
- 191 Jonah, b. Mar. 7, 1721; m. Elizabeth Gates.
- 192 William, b. Mar. 14, 1723; m. ——— Bailey.
- 193 Eunice, b. May 24, 1727; d. Nov. 21, 1741.
- 194 Mary, b. Oct. 12, 1729; m. John Borden.
- 195 Lois, b. Aug. 9, 1731; d. y.
- 196 Daniel, b. Jan. 21, 1733; m. Dorothy Spencer.
- 197 Oliver, b. May 28, 1736; d. Dec. 17, 1755.
- 198 Statira, b. Jan. 13, 1740; d. Mar. 30, 1749.
- 199 Records disclose that two daughters Cone were born to Abigail,
- 200 their names and birth have not been determined.

Wethersfield, Conn., town and First Church records; Bunce Fam.; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, I, 567, 568, 574, 899; II, 398; records of East Haddam, Conn.

51

ELISHA³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Feb. 7, 1709 (*Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, May 29, 1735, ABIGAIL DIX, b. Jan. 25, 1714/15, daughter of Leonard and Abigail (Gibbs) Dix, who died Feb. 13, 1809, aged 95.

Leonard Dix was one of the earliest settlers of Wethersfield, son of Edward and Deborah, who came to Watertown, Mass., 1630 with Gov. Winthrop.

Elisha served as lieutenant Troop of Horse, 6th Regiment 1756; captain 1761. Mariner. His will, State Library, Hartford, Conn., dated Jan. 24, 1780, mentions wife Abigail; children Simeon, Elisha, Rhoda, Abigail and Lois. He died Apr. 15, 1780.

Their children:

- *201 ABIGAIL, b. Mar. 26, 1736.
- 202 LOIS, b. June 2, 1739; d. Sept. 21, 1741.
- *203 SIMEON, b. Aug. 9, 1742.
- *204 LOIS, b. June 8, 1745.
- 205 RHODA, b. June 4, 1748; d. Sept. 22, 1752.
- *206 ELISHA, b. June 11, bapt. 17th, 1753.
- *207 RHODA, b. June 4, bapt. 17th, 1757.

Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 304, 398; Wethersfield, Conn., records; Dix Fam. Gen.

52

NATHANIEL³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Feb. 28, 1712 (*Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, Jan. 27, 1737/38, MABEL GRISWOLD, No. 31, daughter of John and Mabel (Boardman) Griswold. He died July 31, 1759, ae 49. T.S.R. Wethersfield cemetery. Record of his estate, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions wife Mabel; sons Frederick and Felix.

Their children:

*208 FREDERICK, b. July 3, 1739.

209 FELIX, b. Aug. 10, bapt. 17th, 1746.

Wethersfield town and First Church records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield.

53

ANNE³, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Jan. 4, 1714/15 (*Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. in Hartford, Conn., May 23, 1734, DOSETHEUS HUMPHREY, s. of Nathaniel, bapt. Dec. 4, 1709, who d. May 21, 1763.

No other records could be obtained in reference to this family. Burials in Center Churchyard.

Their children:

210 Ann, b. May 4, 1735.

211 Dosetheus, b. Nov. 27, 1737; d. of smallpox Mar. 1, 1761.

212 Joseph, bapt. Jan. 16, 1739/40; m. Abigail Seymour.

213 Nathaniel, b. Feb. 21, 1741/42.

214 Elizabeth, b. Apr. 29, 1743/44.

215 James, b. Oct. 19, 1746; d. Jan. 29, 1775.

216 Sarah, b. Feb. 26, 1748/49; d. Apr. 26, 1766.

217 Abigail, b. Feb. 17, 1750/51.

218 Hannah, b. June 23, 1754.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; Hartford church records; her father's will, Fam. No. 10.

54

MARY⁴, b. Guilford, Conn., 1699 (*Thomas³, Thomas², Michael¹*); m. in Guilford, Oct. 9, 1723, SAMUEL FITCH, b. 1694, s. of Samuel and Susannah of Milford, Conn.

Thomas Fitch, s. of Thomas of Braintree, co. Essex, England, founder of the family in America, settled in Norwalk, Conn., and became its wealthiest citizen.

Samuel of Hartford, Conn., became prominent in local affairs; served as deputy to the General Court.

Mary d. Dec. 2, 1750. T.S.R. North Guilford.

Samuel m. (2) July 22, 1752, HANNAH (Chittenden) Bishop. Hannah Chittenden, daughter of William and Hannah, b. 1703, m. Dec. 31, 1728, Josiah Bishop, of Guilford, s. of Ebenezer and Ann (Latimer) Bishop. Josiah d. Apr. 12, 1745. Hannah d. July 1, 1773.

Their children:

219 Sybil, b. 1726; d. Mar. 25, 1731.

220 Samuel, III, b. 1729; m. Hannah Rossiter.

221 Luci, b. 1729; d. Dec. 24, 1756.

222 Martha, b. 1734; d. Dec. 20, 1736.

Guilford, Conn., records; Belden Fam., 727; Chittenden Fam.; Fitch Fam., II, 206.

55

EXPERIENCE⁴, b. Guilford, Conn., May 9, 1703 (*Thomas³, Thomas², Michael¹*); m. in Norwich, Conn., Mar. 17, 1734/5, NATHANIEL POST, b. Sept. 6, 1702, s. of Samuel and Ruth (Lothrop) Post.

Nathaniel is descendant of Stephen Post, father of John who m. Hester, daughter of the first William Hyde.

Nathaniel m. (1) Mar. 24, 1725, ABIGAIL BIRCHARD, who d. June 14, 1733. He and his wife Abigail owned the covenant Jan. 30, 1726. Experience d. June 13, 1792 at Bozrah.

Children of Nathaniel and Experience:

223 Luce, b. Oct. 12, bapt. 23rd, 1737.

Children of first marriage:

- 224 Jabez, bapt. Jan. 30, d. Mar. 13, 1726.
- 225 John, bapt. Jan. 1, 1727.
- 226 Jabez, bapt. Aug. 9, 1730; m. (1) Martha Hyde; m. (2) Lucy Hyde.
- 227 Abigail, bapt. Apr. 1, 1733.

Guilford, Conn., records; Norwich, Conn., town and church records; Hyde Gen., I, 57; Hist. of Norwich.

56

SARAH⁴, b. Guilford, Conn., Jan. 5, 1706 (*Thomas³, Thomas², Michael¹*); m. in Norwich, Conn., Jan. 11, 1732/33, SAMUEL POST, s. of Samuel and Ruth (Lothrop) Post, b. Dec. 22, 1698.

Samuel is descendant of Stephen Post, father of John, who m. Hester, daughter of the first William Hyde.

Samuel d. Dec. 7, 1746.

Their children:

- 228 Samuel, b. Mar. 14, 1734; d. Apr. 15, 1735.
- 229 Samuel, b. Feb. 12, 1735/6.
- 230 Sarah, b. Nov. 11, 1738; d. Dec. 4, 1746.
- 231 Ann, b. Feb. 11, 1740/1.
- 232 Ruth, b. Jan. 6, 1743/4.
- 233 Dorcas, b. Sept. 8, 1746.

HIS WILL

Know all men by these Presents that I Samuel Post of Norwich, in the county of New London and Colony of Connecticut, in New England, being by the Providence of God brought under sickness and confessing that it is appointed for all once to Die and being in Perfect use of memory and understanding Do now, this Sixth day of December, A.D. 1746, In the fear of God & with Impartial Efection make & ordain this my last Will & Testament, that is principally and first of all I do solomnly give & Recommend my sould to God who gave it & my body to the Earth to be buried with a Decent Christian buryall and with Respect to such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to Bestow on me, after my just Debts and funeral charges are paid by my Executor hereafter named I give and Dispose of in the following manner,

viz; Imprimis: I give to Sarah my beloved wife the one third Part of all my Personal Estate to be at her Dispose forever. Also I give her the use and Improve of the one third of all my real Estate both in Housing and Land So Long as she remain my widow.

Item I give to my only son Samuel all my Real Estate in Housing and Land excepting my Pasture that adjoynd to sd Pasture I sold to my sister Esther Decd and the land given to me by my sd sister in her last will and sd Improvement given as above to his mother; I also give him my young mare and all my waring apparel and all my Husbandry tools. I give to my three daughters, Ann, Ruth and Dorcas my Pasture adjoyning to sd Pasture I sold to my sister Esther Decd with sd Land given to me by my sister in her last Will. I also give them all the remaining part of my Personal Estate and my will is that if sd personal estate given to my sd daughters shall not amount to one hundred pounds of Tenor according to inventory price that to be made up to them in money or land to be sett off to them when they shall severally come of age at sd election of my son Samuel and furthermore I do & it is my will that my loving wife Sarah & my beloved brother Nathaniel Post be sd Executors to this my Last will & Testament & I do now declare pronounce this & no other to be my Last will & Testament I witness whereof I do sett my hand & seal sd day above written

Witnesses.

Samuel Post.

Inventory Feb. 17, 1746.

Guilford and Norwich, Conn., records; Hyde Gen., I, 56.
State Library, Hartford, Conn., record of wills.

57

THOMAS⁴, b. Guilford, Conn., Mar. 26, 1708 (*Thomas*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. in Guilford, Feb. 19, 1735, ANN GRAVES, daughter of John E. and Elizabeth (Stevens) Graves, b. Apr. 12, 1715.

Ann was descendant of George Graves, one of the earliest settlers of Hartford, Conn., who served as deputy 1657. George

II of Middletown, served as deputy and marshall. Dea. John, one of the grantees of Guilford Patent. Served as deputy 23 sessions. Ann is also descendant of William Stevens and his son Lieutenant Nathaniel Stevens.

Thomas served in Capt. Johnson's company 1756. Ann died May 29, 1801. Thomas died Jan. 11, 1784, ae 76. His estate, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions his children Miles, Thomas, Ezra, and heirs of John. Burials, Alderbrook, Guilford.

Their children:

- *234 MILES, b. Jan. 2, 1735/6.
- *235 THOMAS, b. Sept. 1, 1737.
- *236 JOHN, b. June 17, 1742.
- *237 EZRA, b. Dec. 10, 1753.

Guilford, Conn., records; N. E. Register, Vol. LXVI, 262; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield; Foote Fam., 29; John Stevens Gen., 94.

59

ANNE⁴, b. Guilford, Conn., about 1711/12 (*Thomas³, Thomas², Michael¹*); m. Nov. 26, 1730, JOHN HALL, b. Guilford, 1706, s. of Thomas and Mary (Hiland) Hall.

Thomas Hall was one among the important citizens; captain of militia; deacon in the Congregational church.

John was chosen to "time the Psalm" 1758. Died Oct. 3, 1790, ae 84, Anne died July 4, 1750.

Their children:

- 238 Philemon, b. Sept. 23, 1733; d. Sept. 21, 1800.
- 239 Amos, b. Nov. 10, 1739; d. Feb. 7, 1740.
- 240 John, b. Sept. 8, 1741. Lieutenant John served in the Revolution.
- 241 Isaac, b. Nov. 18, 1742; d. Mar. 28, 1800.
- 242 Samuel, b. Dec. 8, 1747; d. Jan. 6, 1751.
- 243 Ann, b. June 6, 1750; d. Dec. 17, 1764.

Guilford, Conn., records; Hist. of Guilford (Steiner); Hall Fam., records.

60

HEZEKIAH⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Oct. 16, 1697 (*Jacob*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. MARY OLMSTEAD, b. Sept. 18, 1701, daughter of Samuel and Mary (Rowley) Olmstead, of East Haddam.

Mary was descendant of James Olmstead, the Puritan ancestor, who came to Boston 1632; removed to Quincy and later to Cambridge, Mass., where he had a home on Harvard street upon the spot or very near to what has been called the "President's House," and was the second piece of land acquired by Harvard College. He was one of the twelve men selected to examine the lands on the Connecticut river and became one of the original proprietors of Hartford; his name appears on the Founders Monument.

Nicholas his son served in the Pequot War and received a grant of land for his services.

Samuel was a farmer in East Haddam and by his will 1744 gave his daughter Mary the negro girl called Patience.

Hezekiah settled at a place called Black Rock, then in East Guilford, and about one mile northward from the present town of Rockland, in Madison; cleared a farm from the forest of about 32 acres where he made his home. The compiler was fortunately able to locate this old farm, the old cellar place, and the old road cut through this farm to connect the old county road, approximately the present route 79 from Madison to Durham, with Cohabit, now North Guilford. This road has practically disappeared as well as the old home and barn. The last house built was destroyed by fire more than forty years ago. Almost the entire farm was covered with timber until destroyed by fire in recent years.

Hezekiah owned other lands in this vicinity and in 1753 sold out his holdings for 4,000 pounds and removed to Ponsett in Haddam.

Black Rock received its name from a very large dark colored rock about thirty feet high and covers the ground about fifty feet square, almost a single stone, under which was a considerable cave. In the early days this rock was an Indian camp ground.

Records disclose that Hezekiah held large land interests during his life, a shrewd and intelligent trader, and accumulated a snug fortune. Information is unattainable to show when or where he died or what disposal was made of his property.

Their children:

- *244 DANIEL.
- *245 HEZEKIAH.
- *246 MARY, bapt. May 14, 1732.
- *247 DOROTHY {
- *248 DEBORAH { Twins, bapt. Mar. 30, 1735.
- *249 JONATHAN, bapt. July 26, 1741.

Wethersfield and Durham, Conn., records; Durham church records; Olmstead Gen., 18; Guilford and Haddam, Conn., land records.

63

ABIGAIL⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Dec. 1, 1701 (*Jacob*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, Mar. 19, 1718, THOMAS FRANCIS, b. Wethersfield, Feb. 4, 1690, s. of John and Mercy (Chittenden) Francis. Abigail died Feb. 8, 1752.

Thomas married second, June 14, 1758, SARAH SMITH (Newington, Conn., church record).

Farmer; resided in Newington. Prominent and worthy. Held public offices; appraiser of cattle; church and school committees.

Robert Francis appears to be the first of the name in Wethersfield; mentioned in land records 1652. Evidently well considered and respected as he was chosen for public offices, fence viewer and surveyor. Member of the Congregational church.

Thomas died Apr. 26, 1774, ae 85. Burials in Newington, Conn., cemetery; his wife, Abigail, and his daughters Abigail and Anne are buried beside him.

Children of Thomas and Abigail:

- 250 Abigail, b. Dec. 7, 1718.
- 251 Josiah, b. Sept. 18, 1722; m. Millicent Stoddard.
- 252 Samuel, b. Jan. 22, 1725.
- 253 Lydia, b. June 12, 1729; m. Robert Stanford.
- 254 John, bapt. Dec. 31, 1732.
- 255 Ann, b. Oct. 19, 1732; m. Samuel Steele.
- 256 Hezekiah, b. Mar. 11, 1738.
- 257 Mabel, b. Dec. 27, 1740; m. Uriah Goodwin.

Wethersfield and Newington, Conn., records; Rev. Mix Diary, Conn. Mag. Vols. VII and VIII; Francis Fam., 167; Boardman Gen., 687; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield.

64

RACHEL⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Apr. 8, 1705 (*Jacob*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. in East Haddam, Conn., Jan. 2, 1723, JONATHAN EMMONS, b. 1698, s. of Samuel and a daughter of Dea. Samuel Butler. Descendant of the first Thomas. Samuel Emmons resided in Cambridge, Mass., and came to Wethersfield, Conn., about 1691; removed to East Haddam; admitted to the church there Oct. 5, 1705.

The old homestead of Jonathan in Moodus, East Haddam was altered and repaired by his son Joseph and is still standing. Recently it has passed out of the Emmons ownership. Jonathan was a farmer.

The compiler has visited their old place and was particularly attracted by the barnyard fence, which consisted of enormous slabs of stone, some six feet each way and very thick. These were placed on edge, side by side, and sunk in the ground deep enough to hold them rigid. It is interesting to note how this was accomplished with the implements they had to work with in those days. The old house occupies a hill and the view over Moodus is very beautiful. Rachel d. 1767, ae 66.

Jonathan m. (2) ESTHER, whose family name is unknown, and the only record we have is the will of Jonathan in this record.

The children of Jonathan and Rachel:

- 258 Abigail, b. July 28, 1726.
- 259 Rachel, b. Sept. 13, 1729; m. Adonijah Robarde.
- 260 Sarah, b. July 5, 1732; m. John Hersey.
- 261 Hannah, b. Oct. 18, 1734. *M. Sarah Tyler 1754*
- 262 Jonathan, b. Apr. 5, 1737; m. (1) — Williams; (2) Desire Harris.
- 263 Joseph, b. Sept. 9, bapt. Oct. 14, 1739; m. Lois Gilbert.
- 264 Lydia, b. July 9, 1742.
- 265 Benjamin, b. Feb. 4, 1744; m. Esther Marvin.
- 266 Jeremiah, b. July 30, bapt. Sept. 14, 1748; m. Lydia Ackley.

JONATHAN'S WILL

In the name of God, Amen, this Seventh day of February, A.D. 1771, I, Jonathan Emmons, of East Haddam, being advanced in years but of Sound mind & memory Do make and ordain this my Last will & testament, (viz), my Soul I commit into the hand of God that Gave it and my Body I commit to the Dust in hopes of a Joyfull Resurrection, & my Body to be Decently Buried at the Descretion of my Executors hereafter named, and as to my wordly Interest I shall Dispose of in the following manner, (viz). Item, I also order that after my Decease that my wife Esther Emmons for a Valuable Consideration Received Shall Receive all the household goods that she brought with her as her own proper Estate.

Item, I also give to my Son Jonathan Emmons, Jr. his portion out of my Estate by Deed of Gift, and to my Son Joseph Emmons all my undivided Lands after my decease & Benjamin Emmons & Jeremiah Emmons parts may be fully known by a Deed Given to my Son Joseph Emmons baring date January 24, 1771.

Item I also Give to my Son Joseph Emmons a fifty eight pounds Rite in the Commons & undivided Lands in the township of East Haddam & half my house & barn after my Decease.

Item I also order that my son Joseph Emmons Shall provide for me & my wife yearly during my Natural Life, fourteen Scone weight of midling good pork & four Scone weight of midling good Beef and also Sixteen bushels of good wheat & Thirty Bushels of good Indian corn & sufficient firewood fit for the fire & Sufficient Cloathing that is necessary and to keep for me two Midling good Cows & one horse kine & eight midling good Sheep.

Item I also order that my Son Joseph Emmons Shall pay out of my Estate to my daughter Abigail Six pounds Lawfull money & to my daughter Rachel Six pounds Lawfull money & the Heirs of my daughter Sarah now Deceased forty Shillings each & to my Daughter hannah Six pounds Lawfull money to be paid after my Decease I also give to my three Daughters & to the heirs of my Daughter Sarah Deceased all my household good after my Decease to be equally Divided as Before mentioned.

Item I also Give to my Son Joseph Emmons all my Moveable Estate except what I have Given to Daughters.

Item and that my Son Joseph Emmons Shall pay all my Just Debts, funeral charges, etc.

And I do hereby Nominate & appoint my Son Joseph Emmons to be the Executor of this my Last will & testament Ratifying & confirming this and No other to be my Last will & testament in Confirmation of which I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal the Day & year above mentioned.

Signed Sealed published pronounced & Declared by the testator Mr Jonathan Emmons to be his Last will & testament in the presence of us the Subscribers.

James Gates

Jonathan (X) Emmons.

Jonathan Huntington

Silence Huntington.

Wethersfield and East Haddam, Conn., records; Emmons Fam., 19; Marvin Fam., 577.

65

REBECCA⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Sept. 28, 1707 (*Jacob³, Thomas², Michael¹*); m. in Wethersfield, NATHANIEL CHURCHILL, s. of Nathaniel and Mary (Hurlburt) Churchill, b. Oct. 29, 1703.

Josiah Churchill who came to Wethersfield 1638 married Elizabeth Foote; very little is known of him previously. Served as juror, constable and surveyor; was known as an active citizen and man of affairs; Joseph his son served with the troops as sergeant, and was also a very active man. Served in numerous town offices.

Nathaniel, Sen., lived in old Wethersfield 1719; removed to near Farmington bounds. Active in all public matters.

Their children:

267 Abigail, b. Sept. 28, 1727.

268 Mary, b. Aug. 22, 1729.

269 Nathaniel, b. June 25, 1731; m. (1) Elizabeth Sage; m. (2) Jane Bushnell.

270 Rebecca, b. Feb. 10, 1734.

271 Lucy, b. May 3, 1736.

272 Janna, b. Feb. 20, 1738; m. Mrs. Sarah (Mix) Foster, widow of Thomas Cowles.

273 Amos, b. Mar. 5, 1743; m. Lydia Cowles.

274 Mary, b. June 30, 1746.

275 Josiah, b. July 1, 1748.

276 Hannah, b. July 15, 1750.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 223; Churchill Fam., 329, 333; Cowles Fam., 144.

67

IRENE⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Aug. 5, 1713 (*Jacob*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. WILLIAM ANDRUS, s. of Dr. Joseph and Sarah (Curtis) Andrus, of Newington, Conn., b. May 24, 1710. They were members of the Wethersfield Congregational Church 1747.

John Andrus the ancestor was one of the original proprietors of Farmington, Conn. Resided near the Wethersfield line; Joseph, his son, was a thorough business man; accumulated large land holdings, owner of mills and considered one of the most steady citizens.

Irene died Sept. 10, 1758, and William m. (2) Mar. 15, 1759, LOIS STEPHENS, widow of Darius and daughter of John Whaples, of Newington, Conn. The will of John, July 11, 1728, Hartford Probate Records (Manwaring), III, 130, mentions his daughter Lois. William is named in the wills of his father and Sarah, his mother.

Children of first marriage:

277 Miles, b. May 22, 1735; m. Phebe Hurlburt.

278 Elisha, b. May 1, 1738; d. Nov. 3, 1756.

279 William, b. Oct. 28, 1740; m. Silence Wright.

280 Joseph, b. Apr. 13, 1743; m. Asenath Waples.

281 Chloe, b. Mar. 3, 1748; m. Asa Andrews.

Children of second marriage:

282 Silvia, b. Apr. 17, 1762.

283 Cynthia, b. Oct. 15, 1765.

284 Rhoda, b. Oct. 14, 1768.

Wethersfield and Newington, Conn., records; Hurlburt Fam., 413; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 31, 32; Andrews Mem., 90.

69

LYDIA⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Mar. 17, 1716/17 (*Jacob*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. in Harwinton, Conn., Jan. 6, 1737, JOSEPH RICHARDS, s. of Thomas and Abigail (Turner) Richards, b. 1714.

Descendant of Thomas who came to Hartford, Conn., 1639; one of the original proprietors; deacon and prominent citizen. Thomas and Thomas, Jr., proprietors in East Harwinton. Joseph settled there 1737. Took deed of lands that year; appointed tything man Dec. 12, 1738. His estate, State Library, Hartford, mentions his wife Lydia; sons Joseph, Simeon, and Eli; grandson Charles Dix.

Their children:

- 285 Lydia, b. Jan. 22, 1738.
- 286 Joseph, b. Oct. 12, 1740.
- 287 Lois, b. Apr. 9, 1743; d. Oct. 23, 1745.
- 288 Simeon, b. Sept. 10, 1745.
- 289 Eli.

Wethersfield and Harwinton, Conn., records; Hist. of Harwinton, Conn. (Chipman); Memorial Hist. of Hartford, Conn.

70

JANNA⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Sept. 16, 1719 (*Jacob*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. in Harwinton, Conn., Jan. 1, 1748, MARTHA (HURLBURT) GRISWOLD, widow of Phineas Griswold (Fam. No. 76) Daughter of William and Susannah (Brown) Hurlburt.

Martha was descendant of Thomas Hurlburt who came to America 1635 as a soldier under Lion Gardiner. From a letter written by Lion Gardiner (Vol. 3, 3rd Ser. Mass. Hist. Soc. Colls), we learn of the exploits of Thomas. In an engagement with the Indians he was wounded but still continued to assist in the fight and by his efforts he was largely responsible for extricating his comrades from their predicament, being surrounded by the savages, conducted himself in a brave and creditable manner. He was a blacksmith and after the war located in Wethersfield; became prominent and held in high esteem. Selected for several

town offices and deputy to the General Court. Received a grant of 120 acres for his services in the war.

Janna was a farmer; never became prominent but rather belonged to that class of meritorious persons who walk quietly along the pathway of life. History takes little note of such men, yet to such, society owes its peace, stability and progress. Janna was a member of the church in Hartland, Conn.

Their children:

- *290 ABIGAIL, b. Mar. 28, 1749.
- 291 SABRA, b. Feb. 10, 1751; no information.
- *292 LYDIA, b. Dec. 30, 1752.
- 293 SPEDE (Daughter), b. July 27, 1754.
- *294 LOIS, b. July 15, 1756.
- *295 JANNA, b. Aug. 15, 1758.
- *296 HEZEKIAH, b. Jan. 9, 1760.

Wethersfield and Harwinton, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, Griswold Fam.; Waterbury Land records, V, 13, 257, 288; Hartland, Conn., church records.

71

MINDWELL⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Feb. 19, 1723/4 (*Jacob*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. in Harwinton, Conn., Sept. 15, 1742, ABRAHAM CATLIN, s. of Benjamin, b. Hartford, Conn., Dec. 7, 1723.

Thomas Catlin, the ancestor, first mentioned in Colonial records 1644, Hartford, Conn. Chimney viewer, surveyor, townsman, and constable.

Abraham served in the Revolution.

Their children:

- 297 Jacob, b. Mar. 23, 1744.
- 298 Mindwell, b. Aug. 27, 1745.
- 299 Abraham, b. July 7, 1748.
- 300 Sarah, b. Jan. 6, 1750/51.
- 301 Simeon, b. Aug. 10, 1755.
- 302 Hulda, b. July 23, 1757.
- 303 Elisha, b. June 21, 1759; m. Roxanna Dewey.
- 304 Timothy, b. Nov. 29, 1761.

305 Hezekiah, b. Aug. 5, 1764; m. Sarah Stone.

306 Jesse, b. July 25, 1767.

Wethersfield and Harwinton, Conn., records; Dewey Fam., 735.

73

PRUDENCE⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Jan. 22, 1707 (*Michael*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, Oct. 17, 1728, DANIEL ROBBINS, b. Apr. 30, 1709, s. of Joshua and Abigail, who d. 1767.

John Robbins, founder of the family, came to Wethersfield, a man of apparent means and good social standing. All early records show him as "gentleman." Became one of the leading citizens. Served as selectman and deputy to the General Court.

Daniel was a navigator and sea trader.

Their children:

307 William, b. Apr. 25, 1729.

308 Hezekiah, b. Sept. 20, bapt. 23rd, 1733; m. (1) Mehitable Harris; m. (2) Amelia —.

309 Daniel, b. Jan. 22, 1736.

310 Roger, b. Aug. 17, 1738; m. Abigail Beadle.

311 Michael, b. Jan. 24, 1744.

312 David, b. Jan. 13, 1749; d. Aug. 20, 1757.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; Robbins Fam. Gen.; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 552.

74

WILLIAM⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Sept. 22, 1708 (*Michael*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); this William is probably the one mentioned in Hartford, Conn., probate records, estate of William Griswold; inventory Mar. 1, 1733/34; administration to Benjamin Griswold, Feb. 22, 1732/33. No family mentioned.

This William, b. 1708, has been indicated by some records as the William, soldier of the Revolution which evidently could not be possible. Rocky Hill, Conn., inscriptions show "William, Capt. Revolutionary soldier, died Sept. 7, 1806, age 72."

75

MICHAEL⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Feb. 18, 1711 (*Michael*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, May 22, 1746, SARAH HOWARD, daughter of William and Sarah (Gardner) Howard, b. Dec. 15, 1718. William had a home on High street, Wethersfield, 1721.

Very little seems to be known of this family. Search has not developed any additional information than appears here.

Their children:

313 LUCRETIA, b. June 1746; d. Sept. 3, 1747.

*314 LUCRETIA, b. Sept. 12, 1748.

Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 352, 397, 440.

76

PHINEAS⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Dec. 26, 1714 (*Michael*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. MARTHA HURLBURT, b. Wethersfield, Mar. 1718, daughter of William and Susannah. Bowen

The records disclose very little information in regard to Phineas. Inventory of his estate, Hartford probate XIV, 156, Jan. 3, 1743/44; administration to widow Martha; William Hurlburt signed bond. Benjamin Griswold appointed guardian of children. Distribution of estate Oct. 4, 1758. To William, Phineas, Miles, Martha Benton, and widow Martha.

Martha m. (2) JANNA GRISWOLD.

Children of Phineas and Martha:

*315 WILLIAM.

*316 MARTHA, b. Feb. 15, 1738.

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Lydia Benton m.
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Hurlbut

*317 MILES, bapt. Sept. 6, 1745.

*318 PHINEAS.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 446; Hurlburt Fam., 36.

78

MERCY⁴, b. Guilford, Conn., July 4, 1708 (*Samuel³, Thomas², Michael¹*); m. in Durham, Conn., Nov. 27, 1729, SILAS CRANE, s. of Henry and Abigail (Flood) Crane, b. Jan. 25, 1705.

Silas was descendant of Henry Crane, the ancestor, who came to Wethersfield, Conn., as one of its earliest settlers. Later removed to Guilford and Killingworth, Conn. He was a leading man in all matters pertaining to the public welfare and continued to merit confidence and esteem his entire life. Appointed captain of militia. Henry, his son, was one of the original proprietors of Durham, Conn.; deacon Congregational Church. Served as deputy to the General Court twenty-eight sessions 1718-1740.

Silas settled in Durham; became prominent in all civic affairs and a leading man. Served as sergeant in the French and Indian war. He died Aug. 1773, age 60. She died (March on tombstone) Oct. 29, 1782, age 76. Their tombstones are in the old Durham cemetery on the hill, of red sandstone, almost destroyed by the elements.

Their children:

319 Abigail, b. Sept. 10, 1730.

320 Jesse, b. June 5, 1732.

321 Fludd, b. Feb. 12, 1734; d. June 2, 1743.

322 Silas, b. Nov. 9, 1737.

323 Robert Griswold, b. Feb. 18, 1739; m. Mary Camp.

324 Eli, b. Nov. 27, 1742; m. Mehitabel Chapman.

325 Fludd, b. Feb. 27, 1744; d. Jan. 6, 1763.

326 Huldah, b. Apr. 30, 1747.

327 Ruth, b. Dec. 12, 1749.

328 Frederick, b. Feb. 24, 1751.

329 Nathan, b. Sept. 18, 1754; d. 1771.

Guilford and Durham, Conn., records; Crane Fam., 71.

79

SAMUEL⁴, b. Guilford, Conn., Feb. 12, 1709 (*Samuel³, Thomas², Michael¹*); m. in Guilford, Feb. 8, 1734/5, HANNAH ADKINS, daughter of Benjamin and Jane, of Middletown, Conn., b. Oct. 12, 1712.

Very little information could be obtained in regard to Samuel. Died 1758. Administration of his estate, New Haven, Conn., probate, Dec. 3, 1758. Where they resided is unknown except it is probable they resided in Guilford for a time in the Black Rock district, as the children are recorded both in Guilford and Durham.

Hannah married second Sept. 27, 1764, JOHN RUSSELL, of East Haven, Conn.

Children Griswold:

- *330 ELIZABETH, b. Sept. 5, bapt. 12th, 1736.
- *331 ANN, b. Sept. 14, bapt. Oct. 22, 1738.
- *332 RHODA, b. June 9, bapt. 15th, 1740.
- *333 HANNAH, b. May 23, 1742; bapt. Apr. 22, 1745.
- *334 SAMUEL, b. June 22, bapt. 25th, 1744.
- 335 JOHN, b. Sept. 1, bapt. 6th, 1747; d. unm. 1769.
- 336 LYDIA, b. Sept. 14, 1750; d. May 23, 1813, unm.

Guilford and Durham, Conn., records; Guilford and Durham Church records.

81

JARED⁴, b. Guilford, Conn., Jan. 8, 1713 (*Samuel³, Thomas², Michael¹*); m. ANN, whose family name has not been determined. Resided in Killingworth. He died Sept. 22, 1747. His estate, Guilford probate records, mentions wife Ann and brother Samuel; makes no mention of children.

Ann m. (2) Feb. 14, 1748, SAMUEL NETTLETON, s. of George and Rebecca, who m. (1) Nov. 9, 1743, Bathsheba Clark, daughter of Daniel and Bathsheba (Griswold) Clark (No. 89, Edward branch).

Samuel was descendant of the first Samuel Nettleton, the ancestor, who was one of the men who bought the lands of Toto-

ket, Branford, Conn., for a settlement and came to occupy it early in 1644. It is shown that some three years later he bought for his wife a pair of shoes, which shoes proved to be quite worthless and the following curious commentary is set forth on the records of the General Court, thus:

"Samuel Nettleton of Totoket doth testify upon oath taken before the Governor the 4th day of Nov. 1647, that he bought a pair of shoes of Goodman Meges of New Haven, russed, closed in the inside at the side seams, for his wife, she put them on, on the Lord's day and the next third day morning they were ripped the soales being good, neither shranke nor hornie that I could perceive, and he also testified that for and in consideration of satisfaction from Goodman Meges he expecteth a new pare." A committee was appointed to whom some of the shoes sold by Goodman Meges were given for examination, with orders from the court to take those shoes aside and viewe them well and if there be cause to ripe some of them that they may give unto the court according to their best light the cause of this damage, they did so and returned this answer:—We apprehend this—that the leather is very bad, not tanned nor fit to be sold for serviceable leather, but it wrongs the country and we find the workmanship bad also, first, there is not sufficient stuffe put in the thread, and instead of hemp it is flax, and the stitches are too large and the threads not drawn home, and there wants wax on the thred, the aule is to bige for the thred. The court proceeded to sentence and ordered Goodman Meges to pay 10s. as a fine to the jurisdiction with satisfaction to every particular person as damage shall be required and proved. Others had testified to the badness of shoes bought of Goodman Meges.

Samuel died Sept. 23, 1796, ae 83. Ann died July 28, 1800, ae 82.

Children Griswold:

337 JONATHAN, b. Apr. 10, 1746.

Children Nettleton first marriage:

338 Bathsheba, b. June 4, 1744; d. Feb. 27, 1836, unm.

339 Abner, b. Feb. 12, 1746; m. Asenath Davis.

340 Ruth, b. Dec. 8, 1747.

Children Nettleton second marriage:

341 Samuel, b. June 17, 1750.

342 Ann, b. June 7, 1752.

- 343 Elizabeth, b. Mar. 31, 1754.
- 344 William, b. Sept. 1755; m. Zilla Parmalee.
- 345 Jonah, b. Sept. 28, 1755; m. Hannah Shipman.
- 346 Sarah, b. Apr. 9, 1758; d. July 7, 1838, unm.

Killingworth, Conn., records; Conn., Mag., XII, 148; North Society, Killingworth, church records.

85

NEHEMIAH⁴, b. Guilford, Conn., Aug. 12, 1716 (*Samuel*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. Jan. 23, 1745, MARY GRAVES, daughter of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Barnes) Graves of Guilford, b. Sept. 6, 1716. (No. 57 for Graves family descent.)

Well known farmer in the Black Rock district of East Guilford. Warden Church of England Oct. 13, 1781 to Mar. 24, 1785. In 1780 a committee was appointed in Guilford to examine persons as to their suspected loyalty to the king. Nehemiah was found to be an undesirable person. Apr. 12, 1790 it was voted to expunge this finding from the record. Guilford, Conn., probate records show an agreement in settlement of his estate signed Feb. 17, 1789 by his children, Nathan, Noah, Joel, Zadoc, Azuba, and Elizabeth Dobel (Vol. XIV, 41).

Nehemiah died Dec. 17, 1787, age 72; burial record Jan. 1, 1788. Mary died Nov. 25, 1776, age 61.

Their children:

- 347 RUTH, b. Sept. 23, 1745; d. Sept. 29, 1748.
- 348 AZUBA, b. July 6, 1747; d. unmarried Mar. 12, 1807. Guilford probate record, Dec. 1807; her estate to brothers and sisters.
- 349 NOAH, b. Apr. 16, 1751; d. unmarried; his estate Guilford probate record, Apr. 2, 1811; to brothers and sisters.
- *350 NATHAN, b. Apr. 16, 1751. Twin with Noah.
- 351 JOEL, b. May 15, 1753; d. May 28, 1802, unmarried. His estate, Guilford probate record, June 1802; mentions brothers and sisters as above.
- 352 LUCY, b. 1754.
- *353 ZADOC, bapt. Aug. 18, 1755.
- *354 ELIZABETH, bapt. July 13, 1761.

Guilford, Conn., records; N. E. Register, XLVI, 262; Guilford Land records; North Guilford, St. John Episcopal Church records.

86

JEREMIAH⁴, b. Guilford, Conn., July 2, 1717 (*Samuel*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. (1) BATHSHEBA HOWE, b. Apr. 20, 1720, daughter of John and Lydia (Seward) Howe, of Durham, Conn.

Edward Howe, the ancestor, came to New England 1635. Settled at Lynn, Mass. Man of considerable ability high standing and much respected. Deputy to General Court 1638.

The date of Bathsheba's death has not been found.

Jeremiah m. (2) SARAH, whose parentage is unknown; also the date of Jeremiah's death.

Their children:

- *355 LYDIA, b. Nov. 5, 1738.
- *356 MOSES, bapt. Aug. 2, 1741.
- *357 AARON, bapt. Dec. 18, 1743.
- *358 RUTH, bapt. Feb. 10, 1744/5.
- *359 PHEBE, bapt. Dec. 2, 1753.
- *360 JEREMIAH, bapt. Aug. 15, 1756.
- 361 NOTWITHSTANDING, b. Mar. 4, d. Mar. 5, 1759.
- 362 NOTWITHSTANDING, b. Apr. 16, d. Apr. 29, 1764.
- 363 ROSETTA } Twins, b. Oct. 20, bapt. 26th, 1766.
- 364 ROSAMOND }
- *365 SAMUEL, b. May 29, bapt. June 4, 1769.
- *366 JOEL, bapt. Sept. 28, 1777.

Guilford and Durham, Conn., records; Durham Church records; John Howe Gen., 405.

87

MOSES⁴, b. Guilford, Conn., Nov. 17, 1719 (*Samuel*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. in Durham, Conn., Feb. 3, 1768, ANN SMITHSON, daughter of Lieutenant William and Mary, b. Durham, July 19, 1746. Moses died Sept. 30, 1770. His will, Middletown, Conn., probate records, mentions his wife Ann and son Jared.

Ann m. (2) JESSE COOK, who m. (1) Ruth Fairchild, of Haddam, Conn., Oct. 22, 1760, who died Apr. 5, 1766, age 23. Jesse m. (2) Oct. 27, 1766, Rhoda Talcott, who died Feb. 29, 1771.

Jesse and Ann resided in Durham. Their home built in 1775 nestles on the brow of Old Mill Hill, a charming old place, whose

traditions are all but forgotten. It fell into decay but has recently been restored.

Child Griswold by Ann:

367 JARED, b. Mar. 13, bapt. 19th, 1769.

Children Cook by Ruth:

368 Robert, b. Mar. 20, 1763.

369 Sarah, b. Jan. 27, 1765.

Children Cook by Rhoda:

370 Edmund, b. Nov. 17, 1767; d. Feb. 17, 1768.

371 Ruth, b. July 27, 1769.

Children Cook by Ann:

372 Rhoda, b. July 15, bapt. Aug. 16, 1772.

373 Delight, bapt. Mar. 13, 1774.

374 Joyce, bapt. Oct. 15, 1775.

375 Child, bapt. Aug. 1777.

Guilford and Durham, Conn., records; Durham Church records.

89

MARY⁴, b. Guilford, Conn., June 23, 1723 (*Samuel³, Thomas², Michael¹*); m. 1742, JOHN NORTON (*John, Thomas, Thomas*), son of John and Elizabeth, of Durham, Conn., b. 1715/16.

John was descendant of Thomas Norton who was warden of Mr. Whitfield's church at Ockley, England, and came with him to America, being one of the Covenanters on shipboard who signed the covenant June 1639. Thomas was the miller of Guilford from 1646 to 1648.

Mary died Mar. 2, 1799, ae 76. John died June 24, 1787. T.S.R. Chestnut Hill cemetery, Killingworth.

Their children:

376 Mary, b. Apr. 13, 1743; m. Cornelius Hall.

377 Rhoda, b. Aug. 16, 1745; m. Asael Parmalee.

378 Moses, b. Dec. 28, 1746; m. Mary Linn.

379 John, b. Feb. 23, 1748.

380 Aaron, b. June 24, 1751; m. (1) widow Eunice Ruddy; m. (2) widow Lydia Hutchinson.

- 381 Anna, b. Feb. 3, 1754; m. — Baker.
- 382 Elah, b. May 8, 1757; m. Huldah Hall.
- 383 Abel, b. July 4, 1762.
- 384 Amos, b. Nov. 1764; m. Sylvia Field.

Guilford, Conn., records; Field Gen., I, 275; Nash Fifty Puritan Anc., 158; History of Guilford, Steiner; History of Guilford (Smith). Dr. Talcott, MSS. records.

90

MANUS⁴, b. Guilford, Conn., Sept. 10, 1727 (*Samuel*³, *Thomas*² *Michael*¹). The records state that his wife was CHLOE, whose name, parentage, death and burial, or other information has not been disclosed.

Farmer; removed to Canaan, Conn., about 1771 and later to Sandisfield township, Berkshire county, Massachusetts. Guilford, Conn., and Great Barrington, Mass., land records show him the owner of considerable landed property. His estate, Berkshire county probate records at Pittsfield, Mass.; Bond filed Nov. 23, 1779. His wife declined to serve as administratrix. Record of settlement of his estate of 984 pounds is agreed upon by the heirs mentioned; Chloe, widow; children, Reuben, Manus, Samuel, Chloe, Mary, Sarah, Wealthy, Levi, Olive, Lucy and Amy.

Manus died 1779; his burial place is unknown although the compiler visited Sandisfield and attempted to find some information regarding this family. The terrain is wild and rugged and almost inaccessible; the roads rough and while road work is being accomplished much of the country is much the same as when the early pioneers settled there.

Their children:

- *385 REUBEN, b. Feb. 27, 1754.
- *386 MANUS, b. Aug. 31, 1755.
- *387 SAMUEL, b. Jan. 17, 1757.
- 388 WARREN, b. Nov. 4, 1758; Revolutionary soldier; died in service, Jan. 24, 1778.
- *389 MARY, b. Oct. 28, 1762.
- *390 SARAH, b. Oct. 3, 1764.
- *391 WEALTHY, b. Sept. 5, 1766.
- *392 LEVI, b. Apr. 16, 1768.

- *393 OLIVE, b. Sept. 4, 1770.
- *394 LUCY, b. Dec. 21, 1772.
- *395 ABRAHAM, b. Nov. 1774.
- *396 AMY, b. Apr. 30, 1775.

Guilford and Canaan, Conn., records; Record of Conn. Men in the Revolution. Sandisfield, Mass., records. Berkshire county, Mass., land records.

91

AARON⁴, b. Guilford, Conn., Apr. 6, 1729 (*Samuel*³, *Thomas*², *Michael*¹); m. in Middletown, Conn., Aug. 2, 1750, HANNAH ROBERTS, who d. Sept. 20, 1783.

Residence in Middletown. Served in the Revolution. His will, May 16, 1782, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions wife Hannah; children Josiah, Aaron, Moses, Elijah, Mary, Rebecca, and Olive.

Their children:

- 397 HANNAH, b. Feb. 17, 1751; d. Apr. 1756.
- *398 AARON, b. Apr. 10, 1754.
- *399 MOSES, b. Sept. 14, bapt. 21st, 1755.
- *400 JOSIAH, b. June 8, bapt. 11th, 1758.
- *401 MARY, b. Sept. 22, bapt. Oct. 5, 1760.
- *402 ELIJAH, b. Aug. 10, bapt. 15th, 1762.
- *403 REBECCA, b. Aug. 11, bapt. 19th, 1764.
- *404 OLIVE, b. Jan. 31, bapt. June 14, 1767.

Guilford, East Haddam and Middletown, Conn., records; East Haddam, Conn., church records; Revolutionary Archives of Conn.

93

MICHAEL⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Oct. 5, 1714 (*Michael*³, *Isaac*², *Michael*¹); m. in Killingworth, July 3, 1740, SARAH PARMALEE, daughter of Nathaniel and Esther (Kelsey) Parma-

lee, b. Mar. 1, 1718, who d. May 7, 1784. He d. Nov. 12, 1776, ae 63. (T.S.R. Union District Cemetery, Killingworth.)

His estate, Guilford, Conn., probate, 1777, mentions widow Sarah; sons Moses, Ebenezer and Nathaniel; daughters Esther, Mary Jerusha, Sarah and Abigail; distribution Apr. 23, 1777.

Her will, Apr. 5, 1781, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions Moses, Ebenezer, Nathaniel, Mary, Esther, Jerusha and Abigail.

Their children:

- *405 MARY, b. May 29, bapt. June 27th, 1742.
- *406 ESTHER, b. Apr. 19, bapt. May 3rd, 1744.
- *407 MOSES, b. Nov. 19, 1745.
- *408 JERUSHA, b. Sept. 18, bapt. Oct. 18, 1747.
- *409 SARAH, b. July 28, bapt. 30th, 1749.
- *410 ABIGAIL, b. Sept. 21, 1751.
- 411 MICHAEL, b. Apr. 18, 1754; accidentally killed May 28, 1771.
- *412 EBENEZER, b. May 23, bapt. June 20th, 1756.
- *413 NATHANIEL, b. Nov. 30, bapt. Dec. 9th, 1759.

Killingworth, Conn., records; North Parish, Killingworth, Church records; Kelsey Fam., I, 153.

94

ABIGAIL⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Apr. 12, 1717 (*Michael*³, *Isaac*², *Michael*¹); m. in Killingworth, Jan. 16, 1745, JOSEPH KELSEY, b. Jan. 20, 1710/11, s. of Stephen and Concurrence (Hayden) Kelsey.

Descendant of William Kelsey, the ancestor, one of the original proprietors of Hartford, Conn., coming with the Rev. Hooker company and is honored upon the Founders Monument. Later became one of the original settlers of Killingworth; a man of strong character and one of the staunch supporters of the church.

Abigail died Aug. 5, 1751, and Joseph m. (2) Sept. 16, 1752, TEMPERANCE HAND, b. July 17, 1725, Guilford, Conn., daughter of Ebenezer and Susannah (French) Hand.

Joseph d. Dec. 23, 1797. His will, Aug. 23, 1788, Saybrook, Conn., probate records, mentions his wife Temperance; children,

Joel, Lemuel, Abigail, Temperance, Parmalee, and Susannah Bartlett. Proven Jan. 17, 1798.

Children first marriage:

414 Joel, b. Apr. 12, 1747.

415 Lemuel, b. Aug. 26, 1749.

416 Michael, b. Aug. 4, 1751; d. same }
 417 Asabel, b. Aug. 4, d. Oct. 19, 1751 } Twins.

Children of second marriage:

418 Temperance, b. Nov. 26, 1755.

Killingworth, Conn., records; Kelsey Fam., I, 156; N. E. Register XLV, 33.

96

EBENEZER⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., May 26, 1722 (*Michael*³, *Isaac*², *Michael*¹); m. in Killingworth, Dec. 3, 1746, LYDIA PARMALEE, daughter of Heil and Eunice, b. Oct. 16, 1726.

Ebenezer died Sept. 18, 1752. His will, Guilford, Conn., probate records, mentions his only daughter Jemima; Michael, Jr. appointed administrator.

Their child:

*419 JEMIMA, b. Sept. 18, 1747.

Killingworth, Conn., records.

98

SYBIL⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Mar. 9, 1727 (*Michael*³, *Isaac*², *Michael*¹); m. in Killingworth, Jan. 14, 1747, SOLOMON DAVIS, b. 1720, s. of Solomon.

Their children:

420 James, b. Mar. 12, 1748.

421 Levi, b. Mar. 17, 1750; m. Martha Kelsey.

422 Solomon, b. Jan. 25, 1753; m. (1) Hannah Palmer; m. (2) Hannah Wellman.

- 423 Josiah, b. Aug. 5, 1758.
- 424 Sibil, b. Aug. 29, 1760; m. Abel Nettleton.
- 425 Rebecca, b. Jan. 11, 1763.
- 426 Jonah, b. Sept. 27, 1765.

Killingworth, Conn., records; Conn. Mag. Vol. XII, 154;
Kelsey Fam., Vol. I. Hull Fam., 40.

100

REBINA⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Apr. 11, 1732 (*Michael*³, *Isaac*², *Michael*¹); m. in Killingworth, Oct. 17, 1754, JOSIAH CHATFIELD, b. Feb. 23, 1727, s. of Jonah and Mary (Hull) Chatfield.

Rebina died Aug. 9, 1805. Her estate, Saybrook, Conn., probate, mentions children Jonathan, Josiah, Elihu, Michael, and Elizabeth, wife of John Turner.

Their children:

- 427 Jonathan, b. July 13, 1757.
- 428 Josiah, b. July 17, 1764.
- 429 Elihu, b. Aug. 5, 1768.
- 430 Michael, b. Apr. 16, 1773.
- 431 Elizabeth, b. —; m. John Turner.

Killingworth, Conn., records; Hull Fam., 30; Second Church records, Killingworth.

112

STEPHEN⁴, b. Killingworth, Conn., Nov. 21, 1732 (*Isaac*³, *Isaac*², *Michael*¹); m. in Bolton, Conn., Jan. 10, 1751, HANNAH COLMONS, b. 1733, who d. Dec. 2, 1767, ae 34. (T.S.R. Vernon, Conn.)

Stephen removed to Sullivan, N. H., about 1768; was one of the first settlers. Served as lieutenant in the Revolution.

He m. (2) in Chesterfield, N. H., Sept. 22, 1778, MRS. ELIZABETH DAVIS, widow of Capt. Isaac Davis.

Children of Stephen and Hannah:

- 432 MOLLY, b. June 17, bapt. 24th, d. May 13, 1753.
 *433 ISAAC, b. Sept. 24, bapt. 30th, 1753.
 *434 JEMIMA, b. July 12, bapt. 13th, 1756.
 *435 MOLLY, b. May 26, bapt. 31st, 1761.
 *436 STEPHEN, b. May 3, bapt. 10, 1767.

Children of Stephen and Elizabeth:

- *437 MARY.
 *438 CLARA.
 *439 FLAVIA.
 *440 ESTHER, bapt. July 7, 1785.

Killingworth, and Bolton, Conn., records; Keene, N. H.,
 records; Hist. of Sullivan, N. H., Sullivan, N. H., records.

114

JEREMIAH⁴, b. Nov. 16, 1713 (*John*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹);
 m. in Litchfield, Conn., Jan. 30, 1734/5, HANNAH GIBBS, b.
 Nov. 3, 1716, daughter of Benjamin and Abigail (Marshall)
 Gibbs.

Residence New Milford. Farmer. Died Mar. 29, 1795, ae 78.
 T.S.R. Milton cemetery, Litchfield.

Their children:

- *441 SETH, b. May 30, 1740.
 *442 ASAHUEL, b. Jan. 23, 1734/5.
 *443 MABEL, b. Mar. 5, 1746.
 *444 HANNAH, b. Apr. 13, 1750.
 *445 SARAH, b. Aug. 30, 1753.
 *446 JOHN, b. June 29, 1758.



Litchfield and New Milford, Conn., records. Derby, Conn.,
 church records; Private Bible Rec. State Library, Hartford,
 Conn.; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 399.

115

THANKFUL⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Dec. 19, 1715 (*John*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. THOMAS STARR, s. of Joseph and Abigail (Baldwin) Starr, b. Sept. 14, bapt. 22nd 1706. Joseph was the son of Comfort Starr.

Thomas died Dec. 31, 1746, Cape Breton, Louisburg Expedition. Residence Salisbury, Conn.

Thankful m. (2) Feb. 14, 1750, JOHN WARD, s. of John and Margaret, of Middletown, Conn.

The will of John Ward, Jr., Jan. 26, 1797, State Library Hartford, Conn., mentions wife Thankful; son John; heirs of daughter Mehitable, and Thankful; grandsons Joseph and Mizah Barnes.

Children Starr:

447 David, b. Mar. 21, 1738/9.

Children Ward:

448 Thankful, b. Mar. 3, 1752; m. Joseph Barnes.

449 John.

450 Mehitable.

Wethersfield and Middletown, Conn., records; Starr Fam., 213.

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JOHN⁴, b. New Milford, Conn., Mar. 1, 1720 (*John*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. in New Milford, Nov. 29, 1750, PHEBE COLLINS, daughter of Nathan and Phebe, b. Aug. 6, 1730.

New Haven, Vermont, was chartered 1761 but remained unsettled until 1769. That year a few hardy families came to this unbroken wilderness and cleared the land for homes. Among them was this Griswold family. Very soon trouble came to them from residents of New York State, who claimed the land, and this family were among those driven from their homes by the raid of Colonel Reid and his followers. These raids continued until a small fort or blockhouse was erected at New Haven by Colonel Ethan Allen. And then the Revolution.

In 1778 this part of Vermont was raided by the British, Tories and Indians, burning the homes and capturing the able-bodied

men. This family was taken, but the elder Griswold was released, no doubt owing to his advanced age; also Doctor, the youngest, who traveled to a place of safety barefoot, over rough trails, in the bitter weather of November. The others were taken to Quebec, John, Jr., never returned and his ultimate fate is unknown. After about two years the others were released and returned to their home, entered the army, and later were largely instrumental in the development of New Haven and Waltham, Vermont. It is also said that the elder John was drowned in Lake Champlain previous to the raid. Also that John the younger was sent to Ireland.

Children recorded in New Milford, Conn.:

- 451 JOHN, b. Sept. 15, 1751.
- *452 NATHAN, b. Mar. 5, 1756.
- *453 ADONIJAH, b. June 11, 1758/9.
- *454 DAVID, b. July 29, 1761.
- *455 ASAPH, b. Oct. 17, 1766.
- *456 DOCTOR, b. Nov. 30, 1770.

New Milford, Conn., records; Boardman Gen., 228; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 399. Addison county Vermont History. Records of New Haven and Waltham, Vermont.

123

EUNICE⁴, b. Litchfield, Conn., Mar. 21, 1721 (*Jacob³, Jacob², Michael¹*); m. in Litchfield, Jan. 19, 1737/8, SOLOMON BUELL, b. Aug. 30, 1715, son of John and Mary (Loomis) Buell.

Her inscription, West cemetery, Litchfield: "Here lies the body of Mrs. Eunice, wife of Capt. Solomon Buell. She departed this life Aug. 7, 1771 in the 51st year of her age. She was the first English person ever born in Litchfield."

Solomon m. (2) JERUSHA, who d. Oct. 30, 1798, age 63. He died Mar. 22, 1795, ae 80. West cemetery. No issue of second marriage.

Children of Solomon and Eunice:

- 457 Salmon, b. Oct. 14, 1739; m. Margaret Catlin.
- 458 Dorcas, b. July 14, 1742.
- 459 Ira, b. Feb. 20, 1745; m. Prudence Deming.

460 James, b. 1750; m. Asenath Woodruff.

461 Solomon, b. 1754; m. widow Mary Catlin.

Litchfield, Conn., records; Deming Gen., 60; Champion Gen., 272; Loomis Fam., 134.

124

ANNE⁴, b. Litchfield, Conn., June 11, 1723 (*Jacob³, Jacob², Michael¹*); m. in Litchfield, Dec. 31, 1741, JACOB WOODRUFF, s. of Nathaniel and Thankful (Wright) Woodruff, b. 1717.

Jacob descended from Matthew who first located at Hartford; removed to Farmington, Conn., 1672, one of the 84 proprietors. Nathaniel, his son, became one of the original proprietors of Litchfield.

Jacob bought a tract of land in the district now called Morris. Improved and cleared a farm from the forest, where he lived until his death, 1790, age 73. Man of decided ability and became speedily prominent. Represented the town in the General Court in the years 1759 and 1768. Elected Magistrate. Served in the Revolution.

Anne died May 27, 1754, and he m. (2) May 22, 1755, LUCY FARNAM, daughter of John and Hannah (Crittenden) Farnham, b. 1729, who died Nov. 28, 1815, age 86. Jacob died Dec. 21, 1790.

Children first marriage:

462 Theda, b. Oct. 8, 1742; m. Elihu Harrison.

463 Wright, b. Aug. 10, 1744; m. Thankful Linsley.

464 Jacob, b. Feb. 2, 1746/7; m. Ann Orton.

465 James, b. Aug. 21, 1749; m. Lucy Morris.

466 Lydia, b. Aug. 7, 1751; d. Sept. 6, 1790.

Children second marriage:

467 Ann, b. Apr. 5, 1756; m. R. N. Whittlesey.

468 Lucy, b. Dec. 3, 1758; m. Enos Barnes, Jr.

469 Ruth, b. Dec. 7, 1761; m. Ezekiel Trumbull.

470 Hulda, b. Sept. 16, 1765; d. Apr. 8, 1786.

Litchfield, Conn., records; Hist. of Litchfield; Litchfield Gen., Register, 256.

126

ELIJAH⁴, b. New Milford, Conn. (*Jacob³, Jacob², Michael¹*); m. in Litchfield, Conn., Feb. 21, 1739/40, ELIZABETH YOUNGS, whose parentage has not been ascertained. She d. July 17, 1770/71.

Elijah died Aug. 19, 1785. Administration of his estate Sept. 27, 1785; inventory 58 pounds. It is interesting to note that 2, 3/4 acres were appraised at about 4 pounds, and one half of dwelling house at 6 pounds.

Their children recorded in Litchfield:

- *471 DEBORAH, b. May 6, 1740.
- *472 RACHEL, b. Oct. 18, 1740.
- *473 DANIEL, b. Aug. 1, 1744.
- *474 HARRIET, b. Aug. 24, 1748.
- 475 ELIZABETH, b. Dec. 12, 1750; d. Jan. 5, 1751.
- *476 SARAH, b. July 27, 1752.
- *477 JAMES, b. July 3, 1754.
- 478 SETH, b. May 8, 1757. Tory; removed to New Brunswick.
- *479 JACOB.

Litchfield, Conn., town and land records.

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JOSIAH⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., June 30, 1728 (*Josiah³, Jacob², Michael¹*); m. (1) in Wethersfield, May 21, 1750, DEBORAH WILLIAMS, whose parents are unknown, who d. Aug. 14, 1763, ae 29.

Josiah m. (2) in Wethersfield, Oct. 7, 1764, MERCY MILLER, whose parents are unknown, who d. Nov. 3, 1819, ae 82.

Josiah served as lieutenant, 9th company, 6th regiment; died Oct. 20, 1774, ae 47. T.S.R. Rocky Hill cemetery.

Mercy left by will 100 pounds to the Ecclesiastical Society of Stepney (Rocky Hill), devised for the sole use and support of a minister, Congregational or Presbyterian, and for no other purpose whatsoever. She was the earliest midwife in Rocky Hill. She was known to all as "Granny," and followed her calling until late in life. In those days the midwife was much more important

than the physician. It is related of her that an inquisitive youngster of some eight or ten years, hearing of the number of babies that come into the world by the old lady's help, once asked her where she got them and was answered, "out of chamomile bed in the garden." The next day Granny found her flower-bed had been completely dug over—the youngster having thoroughly explored it in search of more small children.

Children of Deborah:

*480 CHLOE, b. Jan. 30, 1750.

*481 SOLOMON, b. Aug. 27, 1751.

*482 CONSTANT, b. Mar. 29, 1753.

Children of Mercy:

483 NANCY, b. Nov. 10, 1765; d. Oct. 1, 1781.

*484 DEBORAH, b. Mar. 18, bapt. Apr. 1, 1768.

*485 CATHERINE.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 399.

133

JOHN⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Apr. 30, 1732 (*Josiah*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, Mar. 15, 1756, ABIGAIL STANLEY, b. in Farmington, Conn., Mar. 7, 1730, daughter of Thomas and Esther (Cowles) Stanley.

Esther Cowles has a very remarkable ancestry. In her were united the blood of four families, whose founders in each family, were among the most honorable of the early settlers.

John Cowles who came to America about 1634/5. Served as deputy to the General Court.

Thomas Stanley. Original proprietor of Hartford, Conn. Served as deputy to the General Court.

Thomas Porter, original proprietor of Hartford.

Stephen Hart, original proprietor. Removed to Farmington; served as deputy to the General Court.

The names of Thomas Stanley and Stephen Hart appear on the Founders monument, Center Churchyard, Hartford.

Esther died June 6, 1795, ae 66. He died Nov. 19, 1765, ae 34. He was known as captain John.

Their child:

*486 ABIGAIL, b. June 21, 1761.

Wethersfield and Rocky Hill, Conn., records; Farmington, Conn., records; Stanley Fam. Gen.; Cowles Fam., 57; Porter Fam. Gen., Vol. I.

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JACOB⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., June 30, 1734 (*Josiah*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, Nov. 17, 1755, SUSANNAH BOWEN, whose parentage and date of death and burial has not been found. Jacob m. (2) in Rocky Hill, Conn., Dec. 25, 1785, RACHEL WARNER, bapt. Jan. 24, 1768 (Rocky Hill Church records), daughter of Capt. Wait Warner and Abigail Deming.

Rachel was descendant of William Warner who came to Wethersfield about 1660. Lieutenant 1689; deputy to the General Court; deacon Congregational church. A man of conspicuous importance. His epitaph terms him "Deacon, pious, grave, modest, and true." Captains William, and Wait were mariners.

Jacob served in the Revolution. Captain Wells' company, Col. Belden. He was lost at sea May 25, 1792, ae 34.

The will of Captain Wait Warner, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions grandsons Jacob and Wait Griswold, sons of his daughter Rachel. She died Nov. 23, 1789, ae 23. (T.S.R. Wethersfield cemetery.)

Their children:

*487 JACOB, b. Nov. 12, 1786.

*488 WAIT, b. Feb. 9, bapt. Apr. 6, 1788.

Wethersfield and Rocky Hill, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 399, 732; Bailey Early Conn. marriages; Conn. Revolutionary Archives; Record of Conn. Men in the Revolution.

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OZIAS⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Jan. 16, 1736 (*Josiah*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, Dec. 11, 1760, ANNA STANLEY, b. Aug. 8, 1742, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Francis) Stanley, of Newington, Conn., and descendant of John Stanley. She died July 26, 1825, age 83.

Ozias served in Capt. Lee's company 1757. Farmer; lived his entire life in Wethersfield. Census 1790, wife and eleven children. Served in the Revolution; private, relief of Boston.

Some records give her name as Anner.

Their children recorded in Wethersfield:

- *489 ANNER, bapt. Sept. 12, 1762.
- *490 MARY W., b. Mar. 18, bapt. Apr. 5, 1764.
- 491 LUCY, b. Apr. 20, bapt. 21st, d. Oct. 17, 1774.
- 492 JOHN, b. Nov. 29, 1766; d. Sept. 16, 1775.
- *493 JUSTUS, b. Apr. 26, 1768.
- *494 SAMUEL, b. Jan. 26, 1770.
- *495 LYDIA, b. Oct. 8, 1771.
- *496 OZIAS, b. Aug. 7, bapt. 8th, 1773.
- *497 THOMAS, b. July 11, bapt. 16th, 1775.
- 498 LUCY, b. Apr. 11, 1777; d. Aug. 18, 1849.
- *499 JOHN, b. Apr. 9, bapt. 25th, 1779.
- 500 SARAH, b. Mar. 20, 1781; d. July 9, 1800.
- *501 JAMES, b. Aug. 21, bapt. 24th, 1784.
- 502 MABEL, b. Feb. 26, 1786; d. May 31, 1804.
- *503 NANCY CLARK, b. Sept. 10, bapt. 14th, 1788.

Wethersfield and Farmington, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, I, 167, 425; II, 400; Stanley Fam., 91; Cowles Fam., 56; Conn. Colonial Archives; Record of Conn. Men in the Revolution.

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MABEL⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., June 13, 1740 (*Josiah*³, *Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. JOHN ROBBINS, b. Jan. 20, 1738, s. of Esq. John, who d. Nov. 11, 1794. (T.S.R. states John, 2nd. She d. Nov. 27, 1792. T.S.R. Wethersfield cemetery and S.C.R.)

The records reveal they had twenty-one children but the record of their birth has not been found. All but one died young. Resided in Rocky Hill.

He is said to have been a machinist and owner of a gin distillery. He was called Captain John.

504 Joseph, b. 1768; m. Clarinda Huntington.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; Rocky Hill town and church records; Robbins Fam. records.

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MARY⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Nov. 5, 1741 (*Josiah*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. Mar. 10, 1758, CHARLES BUCKLEY, s. of Charles and Mary (Sage) Buckley.

Descendant of Rev. Gershom Buckley, pastor at Wethersfield 1666. He was also a physician, a brilliant student and master of several languages. During his pastorate, 1675, he was appointed by the General Court as surgeon to the Connecticut troops in King Philip's War and also served on the War Council. Wounded in action.

Mary d. Jan. 24, 1771/2 and Charles m. (2) Oct. 7, 1773, EUNICE WELLS, daughter of Solomon and Sarah, b. Apr. 15, 1746, who d. Sept. 10, 1827, ae 81. He d. Nov. 10, 1812, ae 78.

Children of first marriage:

505 Charles, b. May 19, 1760; d. 1799, ae 38.

506 Justus, b. Mar. 15, 1762.

507 Mary, b. June 13, 1764; m. Elisha Wetherill.

508 Elizabeth, b. Jan. 25, 1766.

509 Daniel, b. Aug. 14, 1769.

Children of second marriage:

510 Eunice, b. Dec. 11, 1774.

511 Nancy, bapt. Apr. 27, 1777; m. Joshua Goodrich.

512 Inf., bapt. May 2, 1779; d. May 6, 1779.

513 Chester, bapt. Feb. 25, 1781/2; m. (1) Hannah Buck; m. (2) Martha Riley.

514 Polly, b. Oct. 30, 1785.

515 Mary Griswold, bapt. Oct. 26, 1783.

516 Horace Wells, bapt. July 16, 1786.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 156, 768; Goodrich Fam., I, 136; Buckley Fam., 266.

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REBECCA⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Sept. 7, 1744 (*Josiah*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. Jan. 2, 1765, Noadiah Hooker, s. of Capt. Joseph and Sarah (Lewis) Hooker, of Farmington, b. Aug. 29, 1737.

He was an officer of the Revolution. Raised the first troops enlisted at Farmington and marched in command of a company of 100 men, or more, the very elite of the vicinity. They arrived in Boston some three weeks in advance of any other enlisted men. He was commissioned captain and served in several different regiments 1776. Promoted to colonel and served in command of various regiments until the close of the war. Served as colonel of the 15th regiment of state militia. Representative for many sessions of the Assembly. J.P. for 40 years. Prominent and active. Church treasurer for many years. Resided in Farmington, where he d. June 3, 1823, ae 86. Rebecca d. Nov. 9, 1816, ae 72.

His will, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions his children, Sally, Abigail, James, William and Edward. Distribution of his estate mentions Sally Cook, Abigail Clark, James, William and Edward.

Their children:

- 517 Sarah, b. Oct. 10, 1765; d. Oct. 1766.
- 518 John, b. Oct. 24, 1766; d. Oct. 26, 1766.
- 519 Joseph, b. Oct. 24, d. Oct. 25, 1766.
- 520 Sally, b. Nov. 16, 1767; m. George Cook.
- 521 Lucy, b. Jan. 16, 1771; d. Jan. 16, 1788.
- 522 John, b. June 21, 1774; m. Mary Ann Chapman.
- 523 James, b. Sept. 11, 1777; m. Mrs. Jennette Sweet.
- 524 Abigail, b. May 23, bapt. 27th, 1780; m. Asahel Clarke.
- 525 Nancy, b. Sept. 1, 1782; m. Col. Martin Cowles.
- 526 William Griswold, b. Sept. 1, 1782; m. Melinda Metcalf.
- 527 Edward, b. Apr. 27, 1785; m. Elizabeth Daggett.

Wethersfield and Farmington, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 435; Farmington Church records; Rev. Thomas Hooker Fam., 63; Cowles Fam., I, 136; Chapman Fam.; Daggett Fam.

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DANIEL⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Dec. 28, 1748 (*Josiah*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. in Rocky Hill, Conn., Nov. 23, 1760 (Stepney Church record), JERUSHA GIBBS, b. Sept. 25, 1742, daughter of Jacob and Mary, who died Feb. 25, 1804, age 63. He died June 26, 1786, age 40.

The estate of Capt. Daniel of Wethersfield, Oct. 1786, State Library, Hartford, Conn., mentions his wife Jerusha; children, Josiah, Daniel, and George.

Their children:

- *528 JOSIAH, b. Sept. 6, 1771.
- 529 DANIEL, bapt. Aug. 15, 1773; d. inf.
- *530 DANIEL, b. Oct. 29, bapt. Nov. 5, 1775.
- 531 JACOB, b. Jan. 4, 1778; d. Aug. 31, 1783.
- *532 GEORGE, b. Apr. 25, bapt. 29th, 1781.

Wethersfield and Rocky Hill, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 353, 400.

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JEHIEL⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., June 22, 1738 (*Ebenezer*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. (1) LUCY, who died Oct. 16, 1770, age 28 (T.S.R. Wethersfield cemetery).

He m. (2) MARY, whose name and parentage cannot be found. Census 1790, Wethersfield, wife and two children.

Their children:

- *533 LUCY, bapt. Oct. 2, 1774.
- *534 ESTHER, bapt. Feb. 9, 1777.
- *535 EBENEZER G., bapt. July 22, 1781.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; Wethersfield First Church records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield I, 425; Vol. II, Griswold Fam.

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TIMOTHY⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Mar. 19, 1737/38 (*Caleb*³, *Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, Jan. 17, 1765, HANNAH TRYON, bapt. Mar. 31, 1741, daughter of Abial and Hannah (Northway) Tryon, descendant of William Tryon, who was the first of the name in Wethersfield.

Timothy appears on the census of 1790 with wife, 4 sons, and 1 daughter. She died Apr. 4, 1815, age 74. He died June 27, 1791, age 42. (T.S.R. Wethersfield cemetery.) Served in the Revolution.

Their children:

- *536 JONATHAN, b. May 19, bapt. 25th, 1766.
- 537 HANNAH, b. June 21, bapt. 26th, 1768; d. Oct. 21, 1772.
- 538 TIMOTHY, b. June 11, 1770; d. June 30, 1771.
- *539 MOSES, b. Aug. 2, bapt. Oct. 1, 1775.
- 540 GEORGE, b. Apr. 12, 1777; d. Dec. 18, 1801.
- 541 ABIGAIL, b. Jan. 24, 1779; d. Nov. 24, 1805.
- 542 HANNAH, b. Nov. 24, 1782; bapt. May 4, 1783.

Wethersfield town and First Church records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 400, 718.

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ELIAS⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Oct. 6, 1750 (*Ebenezer*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, Dec. 8, 1773, RHODA FLOWER, daughter of Joseph and Hannah (Pierce) Flower, b. June 1, 1756, descendant of Lamrock Flower, who first appears in Hartford, Conn., 1684/5. His wife was Lydia, daughter of Joseph Smith, by his wife, Lydia, who was a grand-daughter of Rev. Ephriam Huit.

Elias removed to Buckland, Mass., and he is the ancestor of the noted Griswold family of Colrain, Mass., and vicinity, and founders of the noted Griswold mills at Colrain.

Elias was a devout Christian and served the church faithfully for forty years; died at Sidney, N. Y., Dec. 12, 1829, age 79. He appears on census of 1800 at Delhi, N. Y., with wife, four sons and three daughters.

Their children:

- *543 ELIAS.
- *544 JOSEPH, b. May 23, 1777.
- *545 WHITING, b. 1781.
- *546 SIMEON, b. 1783.
- *547 HORACE, b. 1785.
- *548 RHODA, b. Oct. 17, 1787; m. Capt. Chester Griswold of Utica, N. Y.
- *549 SALLY, b. 1791.
- *550 POLLY.

Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 324. Hartford, Conn., Mem. Hist.

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ELIZUR⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Oct. 1753 (*Ebenezer*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. 1777, TRYPHENIA BIRGE, b. July 18, 1757, daughter of Elisha and Mary (Muckleston) Birge.

Residence Litchfield, Conn. He died July 10, 1787. She died July 28, 1836. His estate, Litchfield probate records; Bond filed Aug. 7, 1787; distribution June 15, 1799, mentions Polly, Chester and Elizur.

Their children:

- *551 ELISHA, b. 1778.
- 552 JOSEPH, b. 1779; d.y.
- *553 POLLY, b. June 24, 1779.
- *554 JOSEPH, b. 1780.
- 555 RICHARD, b. 1781.
- *556 CHESTER, b. Sept. 8, 1782.
- *557 ELIZUR, b. Sept. 18, 1785.

Wethersfield and Litchfield, Conn., records.

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AZARIAH⁴, b. East Haddam, Conn., Sept. 10, 1727 (*Ephriam*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. in Sharon, Conn., Feb. 18, 1753, OLIVE BROWN, whose parentage has not been determined.

Owner of considerable property; his name appears on Sharon land records many times. Served with Capt. Noble 1757. Sharon records do not disclose the death of Azariah or his wife and it is thought that they removed to Vermont with their son Azariah.

Their children:

- *558 MARY, b. Mar. 20, 1756.
- *559 AZARIAH, b. Oct. 30, 1757.
- *560 OLIVE, b. Nov. 16, 1760.
- *561 DAVID, b. Oct. 1, bapt. Nov. 17, 1765.
- *562 STEPHEN, b. Apr. 30, bapt. June 5, 1768.
- *563 SUSANNAH, b. Feb. 19, bapt. Apr. 22, 1770.

Sharon and East Haddam, Conn., records; Conn. Colonial Archives.

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EPHRIAM⁴, b. East Haddam, Conn., July 3, 1729 (*Ephriam*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. HANNAH SMITH, daughter of John, a Revolutionary soldier.

Removed to Kingston, N. Y. Later removed to Fort Ann, Washington county, N. Y., about 1791. Bought a large tract of land and erected a mill and forge for the manufacture of chains and anchors which was later operated by his son-in-law Elias M. Forbes. A small settlement sprang up and was known as Griswold Mills.

The compiler had the pleasure of visiting this place in May 1935. Located in a deep valley surrounded by high rugged hills, and after traveling the rough road, one could not but wonder how the iron could have been transported into this rough country in those old days. The site is not without its wild beauty and no doubt has changed but little since this family has passed on. The little high-walled cemetery on top of the most rugged hill where this family lie buried, peacefully overlooks the valley. The remains of the mill and the old stack are plainly visible.

There is a record of a certificate of survey 600 acres at Fort Ann, Sept. 22, 1789, and also on Apr. 16, 1792, a proposal of Ephriam Grissel to buy 300 acres in Westfield (now Fort Ann). The census of 1790 shows him with wife and one child.

Ephriam served in the Revolution; captain Tillman, Colonel Schuyler. (N. Y. Archives; Roberts N. Y. in the Revolution.)

The burial place of Ephriam and his wife are at the present unknown, but five of the children lie in this cemetery.

- *564 EPHRIAM.
- *565 SYLVESTER, b. July 2, 1793.
- *566 SAMUEL, b. 1798.
- 567 SALINA, b. —; d.y.
- *568 EBEN.
- 569 MARY, b. —; d.y.
- 570 MARANDA, b. —; d.y.
- 571 CAROLINE, b. —; d.y.
- 572 EUNICE.
- 573 OLIVE, b. Nov. 25, 1774.
- 574 RHODA, b. Nov. 14, 1786.
- 575 BETSEY, b. —; d.y.

East Haddam, Conn., records; History of Fort Ann.

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JABEZ⁴, b. East Haddam, Conn., June 24, 1731 (*Ephriam*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. in Amenia, N. Y., July 19, 1763, DEBORAH PROUT, b. 1744.

Farmer; resided in Sharon and Salisbury, Conn. Died Sept. 3, 1771, age 33, and Deborah m. (2) SAMUEL HARMON, b. Suffield, Conn., Apr. 5, 1740, who m. (1) Kazia King, who died Apr. 12, 1772, age 26. He was son of Samuel and Hannah (Phelps) Harmon. He died in Sheffield, Mass., Jan. 31, 1730, age 89-9-26; she died there Oct. 13, 1825, age 81.

Children Griswold:

- *576 JABEZ, b. May 12, 1764; bapt. Oct. 12, 1766.
- *577 SARAH, b. Mar. 12, 1766; bapt. Oct. 12, 1766.
- *578 MEHITABLE, b. Dec. 28, 1767; bapt. May 1, 1768.
- *579 MILLICENT, b. June 28, 1770.

Children Harmon:

- 580 Salmon, b. Jan. 2, 1775.

581 Mary, b. 1777; m. Jonathan Smith.

582 John, b. Oct. 17, 1779; m. Charity Bacon.

Sharon, Conn., records; Amenia, N. Y., church records;
Sharon, Conn., land records; Harmon Gen., 162, 167.

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GURDON⁴ (*Ephriam*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. MERCY BUTLER, b. Dec. 20, 1753, daughter of Charles and Jerusha (Goodrich) Butler.

Mercy was descendant of Dea. Richard Butler who came to Cambridge, Mass., 1632; original proprietor of Hartford, Conn., 1639; deacon of First Church. Became a prominent and useful citizen; held numerous public offices; deputy to General Court. She died in Sheffield, Mass. He died in Rocky Hill, Conn.

Their children:

583 BARNABAS.

584 ELIZUR, b. —; d. —.

585 ABIGAIL.

586 SILAS.

587 JERUSHA.

588 ELEAZER.

589 MERCY.

590 JOHN.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 177; Hist. Cambridge, Mass. (Paige); Mem. Hist. Hartford, Conn.; Conn. Colonial records, Vol. I, 313, 314, 315, 346; Butler Fam. Gen.

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DAVID⁴, b. 1736 (*Ephriam*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); his wife was GRACE, whose parentage has not been determined unless she be the daughter of Samuel and Grace Cary.

Ephriam deeded land to him in consideration of love and affection.

David's will, Nov. 23, 1759, Sharon probate records, mentions Grace, widow, and Grace, only child.

An indenture by Grace Griswold, daughter of David, Feb. 17, 1780, releases estate of her father from all claims. Signed also by Samuel and Grace Cary.

591 GRACE, b. —.

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JOHN⁴, b. Nov. 15, 1747 (*Ephriam*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. Sept. 17, 1780, EUNICE CAULKINS, b. Sept. 3, 1761, daughter of Turner Caulkins, of Austerlitz, N. Y., who died Sept. 28, 1861, age 100 years and twenty-five days.

John was a Revolutionary soldier. Came to Spencertown, N. Y., 1760. Clothier by trade; a good citizen and became well considered in the community.

The story of their courtship is interesting. Eunice was residing with the family of the Justice of the Peace, in Spencertown, who was quite a talkative person, and whenever John called at the house the Squire would monopolize the conversation to such an extent that John and Eunice did not have the least opportunity to really speak their minds. After this had extended for some period they met on the road one day and John said to her, "Eunice, don't you think we had better be married?" Eunice thought so and they set a day to quietly go away and be married without saying a word to any one. In this way they were married and she returned home. Time went on and John prepared a home and meeting her on the road again said "Eunice, don't you think it is about time you came home?" Eunice thought it was and gathered up her belongings and came to her own home, and as long as he lived the old Squire could not make out how this all came about.

Their children:

*592 MERCY, b. Sept. 15, 1781.

*593 MATTHEW, b. June 1, 1783.

594 EUNICE, b. July 16, 1786; d. Mar. 14, 1852, unnm.

595 URSULA, b. 1788; d. Dec. 24, 1827, unnm.

- *596 JACOB, b. Apr. 11, 1791.
- *597 MELICENT EXPERIENCE, b. Sept. 17, 1795.
- *598 JOHN B. FRANKLIN, b. May 15, 1798.
- *599 ROBERT F., b. Feb. 26, 1801.
- *600 FRANCIS.

New York Revolutionary archives. Spencertown, N. Y.,
records; Spencertown Church records.

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GIDEON⁴, b. Farmington, Conn., Oct. 2, 1717 (*David*³,
*Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. HANNAH ROOT, daughter of Joseph
and Hannah of Newington, Conn., b. July 13, 1717, who died
June 19, 1814, age 95.

Hannah was descendant of Thomas Root, Salem, Mass., 1637;
original proprietor of Hartford, Conn. 1639; served in the Pequot
War.

Gideon was a large land owner; successful and driving farmer;
owned the covenant in the Newington church 1754. Census 1790
of Berlin Town. Served in the Louisburg Expedition.

Their children:

- 601 ELIJAH, bapt. Aug. 2, 1752; d. 1768.
- 602 SAMUEL, b. Jan. 15, 1754; d. Sept. 2, 1776, while in the Revolutionary
army.
- *603 GIDEON, b. Jan. 15, 1754, twin of Samuel.
- *604 ASHBEL, b. May 12, 1757.
- *605 ANNA, b. Apr. 3, 1760 }
- *606 HANNAH, b. Apr. 3, 1760 } Twins.
- *607 LYDIA, b. Nov. 24, 1765.

Farmington and Newington, Conn., records; Newington
church records.

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MARY⁴, b. Farmington, Conn., Nov. 27, 1726 (*Jonathan*³, *Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. in Farmington, Mar. 23, 1758, TIMOTHY MERRILL, s. of Lieut. Isaac and Sarah (Cook) Merrill, b. Mar. 22, 1708/9, of Hartford, Conn., who died Nov. 1778, and who m. (1) Nov. 9, 1738, Mary Kellogg, of Colchester, Conn., who died Dec. 15, 1754. Mary died Mar. 9, 1797. Residence West Hartford.

Their children. First marriage:

- 608 Timothy, b. July 21, 1741; m. — Plumb.
- 609 Mary, b. Sept. 28, 1743; m. John Thompson.
- 610 Lucy, b. Jan. 14, 1746; d. June 11, 1752.
- 611 Isaac, b. Jan. 19, 1748; m. — Gillette.
- 612 James, b. Sept. 25, 1751; d. Mar. 16, 1807.

Children of second marriage:

- 613 Rhoda, b. Dec. 8, 1758; m. Reuben Gillette.
- 614 Jonathan, b. Nov. 28, 1760; d. Aug. 21, 1836.
- 615 Ashbel, b. Sept. 7, 1762.
- 616 Lucy, b. Dec. 20, 1763.
- 617 Ruby, b. Nov. 25, 1765; m. Darius Woodruff.
- 618 Enos, b. Nov. 1, 1768; d. Aug. 9, 1858.

Farmington, Conn., town and church records; Merrill Mem., 239.

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WILLIAM⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Jan. 14, 1735 (*Caleb*³, *Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, Oct. 18, 1759, ELIZABETH McCloud, b. 1737, whose parentage could not be ascertained, who died Oct. 28, 1771, age 34. He died Nov. 14, 1776, age 41.

There is a record, Samuel Buck married Elizabeth McCloud about 1751/52. He died Oct. 17, 1758.

The estate of William, Hartford Probate records, mentions Elizabeth, William, and James.

Their children:

- *619 ELIZABETH, b. Feb. 7, bapt. Apr. 20, 1760.
- *620 CALEB, b. Nov. 25, 1762.

*621 WILLIAM, b. May 1, bapt. 11th, 1766.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; Wethersfield First Church records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield.

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TIMOTHY⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Oct. 28, 1744 (*Ebenezer*³, *Jacob*², *Michael*¹); m. in Farmington, Conn., Mar. 18, 1771, MARY NEWELL, descendant of Thomas Newell, first of the name to settle in Farmington. His wife was Rebecca Olmstead.

Timothy removed to Otsego county, N. Y. from Litchfield, Conn., where he first resided. About 1812 removed to Italy, Yates county, N. Y. where he purchased a farm from the Land Office at Canandaigua, N. Y. of 160 acres. Appears on the census of 1790 of Litchfield Conn. with wife, or son, and two daughters. He is buried at Italy, N. Y.

Their children:

*622 WILLIAM, b. 1772.

*623 SALLY.

*624 BETSEY.

Wethersfield and Farmington, Conn., records; Early Conn., marriages, Bailey; Litchfield, Conn., records.

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ELIZABETH⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., June 12, 1746/7 (*Caleb*³, *Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, July 14, 1774, WILLIAM DEMING, JR., s. of William and Prudence (Churchill) Deming, b. 1732, who d. Aug. 1, 1811. Elizabeth d. Apr. 24, 1831, ae 84.

The Demings settled in Wethersfield about 1635; John served as juror and deputy and his name appears on the famous Charter of Connecticut given by King Charles. He was the ancestor of

the family and was known as a staunch citizen and a man of substance.

Their children:

- 625 William, b. Sept. 19, 1777; d. June 19, 1798, unm.
- 626 Elizabeth, b. May 1, 1780; d. Nov. 13, 1814, unm.
- 627 Caleb, b. July 31, 1785; d. 1817, unm.
- 628 Sarah, b. Apr. 22, 1789.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; Deming Fam., 57.

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SARAH⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., May 11, 1749 (*Caleb³, Michael², Michael¹*); m. in East Haddam, Conn., Apr. 8, 1767, AMOS WHITE. s. of Captain Elijah and Abigail (Hurlburt) White, b. Nov. 20, 1745, who died in Meriden, Conn., Aug. 2, 1825. She died Feb. 15, 1791, age 41.

He was engaged in foreign trade.

Their children:

- 629 Abigail, b. Oct. 16, 1769; m. (1) Sylvanus Linsley; m. (2) Samuel Tibbals.
- 630 Amos, b. Oct. 13, 1772; m. Hannah White.
- 631 Sarah, b. May 31, 1776; m. Sylvester Pratt.
- 632 William, b. Oct. 16, 1778; d. July 19, 1783.
- 633 George, b. Feb. 11, 1781; d. Apr. 27, 1782.
- 634 Elizabeth, b. May 29, 1784; m. Eleazer Scoville.
- 635 Charles, b. Aug. 6, 1785; d. Nov. 27, 1824, unm.
- 636 George, b. Sept. 28, 1787.
- 637 Sophia, b. July 16, d. Nov. 23, 1789.

Wethersfield and East Haddam, Conn., records; Hurlbut Gen., 407; Scoville Fam., 510.

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ABIGAIL⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Mar. 26, 1736 (*Elisha³, Michael², Michael¹*); m. in Wethersfield, Oct. 8, 1854, ASHBEL RILEY (*Isaac, Lieut. Isaac*), b. 1733/34.

William Riley first of the name in Wethersfield; appointed captain of trainband organized in Stepney. The Riley family were among the most noted mariners of Wethersfield. Abigail died July 29, 1772, age 37. He m. (2) July 27, 1773, JANE AYRAULT, b. Mar. 6, 1741/42, daughter of Captain Nicholas and Jane (Stocking) Ayrault.

Jane was descendant of Dr. Nicholas Ayrault, a French Huguenot, and founder of the family in Wethersfield and a man of substance and good standing.

Ashbel died Feb. 9, 1794, ae 60. Jane died Dec. 7, 1810.

He was a sea captain; commanded the Brig Ranger, 14 guns, 20 men, 1776; the Snake, 4 guns, 20 men, 1780; Brig Nancy. When nearly sixty years of age was captured by a British privateer. Ashbel rallied his men and recaptured his vessel. A man of decided force and intelligence.

Children first marriage:

- 638 William, b. Dec. 31, 1754.
- 639 Abigail, b. Oct. 28, 1759; d. Nov. 23, 1765.
- 640 Goodrich, b. 1763; d. Jan. 14, 1790.
- 641 Abigail, b. 1766; d. Oct. 8, 1775.

Children credited to Ashbel, second marriage:

- 642 Nancy, bapt. Nov. 10, 1776.
- 643 Betsey, bapt. Aug. 15, 1779.
- 644 Jennette, bapt. Dec. 31, 1780.
- 645 Selah, bapt. July 29, 1787.
- 646 Emory, bapt. July 12, 1789.

Wethersfield, Conn. records; Stiles Ancient Wethersfield, II, 43, 546.

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SIMEON⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., Aug. 9, 1742 (*Elisha*³, *Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, May 4, 1769, MARY ANN AYRAULT, b. 1745, daughter of Peter and Mary (Francis) Ayrault, who died Sept. 14, 1824, age 79. He died Nov. 21, 1785. T.S.R. Wethersfield cemetery.

Captain and navigator; mate of the Brig Two Brothers 1767-70. Engaged in West Indies trade.

Their children:

- 647 LOIS, b. Apr. 27, 1771; d. Sept. 14, 1840.
 *648 SIMEON, b. Mar. 13, 1773.
 649 GEORGE, b. Apr. 1, bapt. 28th, 1775; d. Jan. 22, 1851, unm.
 650 NABBY, b. May 5, bapt. July 6, 1777; d. Feb. 26, 1802.
 *651 WEALTHY, b. Aug. 14, bapt. Oct. 31, 1779.
 652 MARY, b. Aug. 9, 1783; d. May 26, 1794.

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LOIS⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., June 8, 1745 (*Elisha*³, *Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. Mar. 28, 1765, DAVID RILEY, b. Mar. 12, 1743, s. of Stephen and Abigail. Lois died May 4, 1767.

David m. (2) Apr. 12, 1770, RACHEL CURTIS, daughter of Thomas and Dorothea (Buckley) Curtis, b. Apr. 9, 1748, who died Feb. 11, 1772. She was descendant of Thomas Curtis, an early settler of Wethersfield, man of good reputation and large estate.

Children of first marriage:

- 653 David, b. —; wounded at Port Royal, Oct. 1710.
 654 Thomas.

Children of second marriage:

- 655 Lois, bapt. Jan. 20, 1771.
 656 Rachel, bapt. 1772.

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ELISHA⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., June 11, 1753 (*Elisha*³, *Michael*², *Michael*¹).

His wife's name or parentage has not been determined and no record of a family has been found. Census records of the years 1790 and 1800 state Elisha and wife only.

Served as private in the Revolution, defense of Boston; buried Feb. 2, 1821.

Wethersfield, Conn., records; records of Conn. Men in the Revolution; Conn. Revol. Archives.

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RHODA⁴, b. Wethersfield, Conn., June 4, 1757 (*Elisha*³, *Michael*², *Michael*¹); m. in Wethersfield, Jan. 18, 1781, FRANCIS BUCKLEY, s. of John and Honor, b. 1757.

Descendant of Rev. Gershom Buckley.

Rhoda d. Mar. 6, 1795, and Francis m. (2) ELIZABETH FOSDICK, daughter of Ezekiel and widow Anna (Wells) Fosdick, b. June 15, 1772.

Francis was a sea captain and noted navigator. Master schooner Betsey and Brig Fortune. Captured by the French 1800. He d. on board the Brig Ontario, Apr. 26, 1813.

Children of first marriage:

- 657 William, b. Nov. 11, 1781; d. on board Brig Ontario, 1802, age 21.
- 658 Clarissa, b. Mar. 20, 1784; m. Charles Noyes.
- 659 Harriet, b. Apr. 13, d. Oct. 7, 1786.
- 660 Francis, b. Nov. 6, 1788; m. Content Mix. Lost at sea, Brig Regent, 1817, age 29.
- 661 Chauncey, b. and d. May 13, 1790.
- 662 Harriet, b. Feb. 3, d. 13th, 1795.

Children of second marriage:

- 663 Chauncey, b. Jan. 16, 1798.
- 664 James Henry, b. July 23, 1799; m. Adeline Alexander; served as paymaster Civil War; U. S. Navy.
- 665 Charles, b. Apr. 27, 1801.

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