

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH  
AND  
GENEALOGICAL RECORD  
OF THE  
DESCENDANTS OF  
MELANCHTHON HILL,  
OF CONNECTICUT.  
1610 TO 1895.

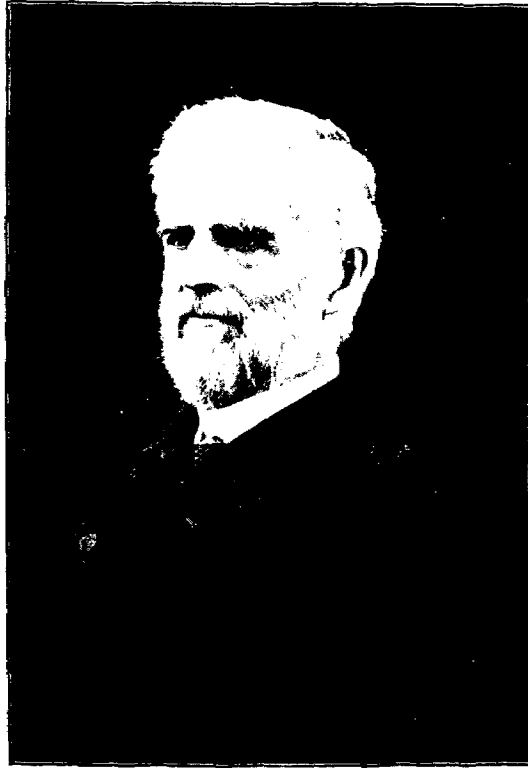
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*Very Truly Yours*  
*Francis C. Hill*



TO THE HILL BROTHERS  
WHO HAVE TAKEN SO DEEP AN INTEREST IN THE  
WIDELY SCATTERED, YET NUMEROUS  
"HILL FAMILY,"  
IS THIS GENEALOGICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL RECORD  
DEDICATED BY  
THE AUTHOR AND COMPILER.



TO THE HILL BROTHERS :

WILLIAM H. HILL,  
SYLVESTER C. HILL,  
STANLEY B. HILL,

*Dear Nephews :*

Your desire, as recently expressed, to know more of the Genealogy of the Hill Family and that I should make such a record, strongly appeals to my earnest consideration.

Being now, as I suppose, the oldest living member of our branch of the family, I am admonished, that if done by myself, it should be undertaken as quickly as possible. Hence I have attempted to do, what has not been an unpleasant task.

The present generation know but little of their ancestry. Since corresponding with different ones, of the various branches of the family, there has come to me a very strongly expressed desire to become better acquainted with their ancestry, and also to know more of and to trace relationship ; but without success. By searching old Town Records in Farmington, and Harwinton, Conn., there has opened to me quite unexpectedly, information that gives us an ancestry of at least 289 years, until we come to the landing of two brothers at Boston, or what is quite as probable, father and son.

While our genealogical record embraces all names, dates, marriages, and deaths, so far as I have been able to gather them, our biographical sketches must of necessity embrace a smaller number.

I call to mind with pleasure the interest taken by the Hill Brothers, a few years since, by whose invitation, the Hill Family gathered at River-Head, Long Island, where they were so pleasantly entertained. This, I believe, was the *first* and *only* re-union of the family that has ever taken place.

My object has been to embrace more than names, and dates — to give a little history, as to when and where they lived, what sort of people they were, and if possible to ascertain what place, and position they occupied in society.

When I commenced my task, I felt not a little regret, that we could trace our ancestry back no farther than the birth of our paternal grand-

father in 1719. I supposed other sources of information were lost, owing to the decease of those who lived before us. Especially have I been desirous to establish our connection with the large and influential family of Hills that sprang from Fairfield and Reading, Ct.

I believed if I could pick up one lost link, it would be accomplished. This would have greatly enlarged the number of our ancestral family, as well as to bring us into kinship with them.

Efforts have been made, in past years by both branches of the family, to accomplish this, but in vain. But quite unexpectedly, the old Town Records of Farmington, Hartford and Harwinton, Ct., have been unlocked and what was supposed to be irrecoverably lost, have opened to us their secrets, and lo! we have it. We go quite back to the root of the *Family Tree*. We discover a posterity, wonderfully scattered, but so numerous, that one writes me concerning one branch of the family, "I cannot give you the names of my cousins, except I call them LEGION."

Your desire, and purpose, to put into the hands of the present generation of the family a genealogical and biographical record will be very gratefully received and entitle you to the sincere thanks of those now living.

Affectionately,

Your Uncle,

FRANCIS C. HILL.

*Hollis, Long Island, March 1, 1895.*



# BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

OF THE

## HILL FAMILY.

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**A**MONG the earliest records in the Town Clerk's Office of Farmington, Ct., one of the first towns settled in the State, may be found the following :

**"EBENEZER HILL,** son of Lank Hill, was *borne* March 20th, One Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty and Six."

"Lank Hill," was undoubtedly an abbreviation of Melanchthon, as we find in those ancient records, that such abbreviations exist ; for instance, Daniel Hill, whose name appears in the early records, in some places is written Dan Hill, and other names, perhaps for the convenience of the Recording Clerk, are thus shortened.

Ebenezer, whose birth occurred in 1656, as here recorded, was one of the first born of the early settlers of the Town.

No mention is made of the time when, or the place where, his father Melanchthon Hill was born. He undoubtedly was married before he settled in Farmington. This record of Ebenezer I found written with a clear, distinct, bold hand, the paper was thick, and coarse, and yellow with age. Whence did his father come, and when ? I have a clew I think to his earlier history. In 1879 I received a book from Dr. Moses Hill, of Norwalk, Ct., containing the "Genealogy of the Hill Family from 1632, down to 1879." It was that particular branch of the family from which he came, the most of whom settled in Fairfield and Redding, Ct. In this I find the following : "It appears from several old works and documents on early colonial history, in the library of the Legislature of Hartford, that the name of the earliest ancestor of our Hill family, in this country was William Hill, who on his arrival here, about 1632, twelve

years after the Mayflower, settled for awhile at Dorchester, Mass., and then after a time removed to Windsor on the Connecticut River, above Hartford, where he bought land and set out an orchard; from here he very early removed to Fairfield, where he lived and died." I find also, the following in a book entitled "Founders of New England," page 11, "William, with others, arrived in Boston, in the ship 'William and Frances,' June 5th, 1632." In another extract, in the "Genealogical History of New England," vol. from D. to J., page 420, is this record: "William, a man of note, among the first settlers, came in 'Mary and John,' Nov. 5, 1633." From the above records, it is quite reasonable to suppose that William Hill and Melanchthon Hill came over about the same time, either in the "William and Frances," in 1632, or the "Mary and John," in 1633, and the strong inference is that William and Melanchthon may have been brothers. Indeed it is not beyond the reach of probabilities that the said William was Melanchthon's father. That they were closely related, and that from them the various branches and numerous family of the Hills in this country sprang, there can be little doubt.

William settled soon after his arrival in Windsor, Ct., while Melanchthon made Farmington, distant from Windsor, about eight miles, his home. Moreover, the identity of names running through both families for 257 years, could not have been by mere coincidence. A comparison of many of these family names will be suggestive, as well as interesting.

In William Hill's branch the same name occurs the following number of times:

William, . . .	six.
Joseph, . . .	six.
James, . . .	two.
John, . . .	three.
Eliphalet, . .	one.
David, . . .	four.
Abigail, . . .	one.
Ebenezer, . .	four.
Moses, . . .	three.
Horace, . . .	one.
Edward, . . .	one.

In Melanchthon Hill's branch the same name occurs the following number of times:

William, . . .	ten.
Joseph, . . .	three.
James, . . .	one.
John, . . .	three.
Eliphalet, . .	one.
David, . . .	one.
Abigail, . . .	one.
Ebenezer, . .	one.
Moses, . . .	one.
Horace, . . .	two.
Edward, . . .	four.

In the foregoing comparison, I find eleven given names recorded of each branch of the two families, and the most of them several times over. Thus I think by following this clew, the families of the original William Hill, and that of Melanchthon Hill meet and merge. I am quite confident, if I could more fully consult all the old records, I should be able to demonstrate the fact. It may be asked, "Suppose you should be able to establish the connection of the two families? What good would be accomplished?" I answer, possibly not much in any direction. Neither branch will have an acquisition of wealth or honor thereby. It was not for this purpose that I have pursued this investigation. I started out in the undertaking to get all the information possible, relating to our ancestry. I am free to confess, I have succeeded beyond my expectations. The field has widened, as I have advanced, the vein has become richer and more prolific, as I have followed the lead.

Let us suppose Melanchthon Hill to have been forty years of age at the time of his son Ebenezer's birth, in 1656. This would make him a youth of but sixteen years, when he landed upon these shores, increasing the probability that William was Melanchthon's father. At the time Melanchthon Hill took up his abode in Farmington, there were but few families of whites. The Tunxis tribe of Indians, occupied and owned the territory of the town. From these Indians the settlers purchased their lands.

Some of the deeds of conveyance, now on record in the Clerk's Office, at Farmington, may be seen. As I looked them over they excited my curiosity. Near the center of the village is a tall hill, shaped like a bowl; it was then, and is yet, called "Round Hill." That to the Tunxis tribe was the center of their domain, and conveyances started from that point. On the deed there is a ring representing this central point thus:  $(\oplus)$ . If the land was one mile east of the center, or one half or less, it was so declared in the deed. In certain directions the lands extended, and were declared to be five miles from Round Hill, east or west, as the case might be. Some years subsequent to the settlement of the whites, the Stockbridge tribe on the north, being more numerous and powerful than their neighbors, came down, and slaughtered nearly all of the Tunxis tribe. The place of this battle was a little to the north of the present village. When the people were excavating for the Northampton and New Haven Canal, they came upon heaps of skulls and bones of the extinct tribe. They were carefully removed and

placed in the Southwest part of the village cemetery, where a tall freestone monument now marks the spot.

In the Biographical sketch that follows, I shall be able to give but little of the history of the immediate descendants of Melanchthon Hill. That they were prominent in all the early affairs of the town, I do not doubt. But, as to anything special, the records are silent, and as they date so far back, even traditional history is lost.

The children of Ebenezer were two, Joseph and George ; if more I fail to find their names. Joseph had a large family of eight sons and one daughter. Abraham, son of Joseph, had two sons and one daughter. Jonathan, another son of Joseph, had seven sons (see record.) Undoubtedly other sons of Joseph were married and had families, and removed to other parts of the State, where their posterity is doubtless recorded. I find some went to Goshen, Ct., and as I now do not doubt, some settled in the town of Redding, Ct., and became the ancestors of the large family of Hills living in that town. The family names are too nearly alike to doubt the fact : Thus, the names of Ebenezer, Moses, William, John, David, Abigail, and others, have been family names, handed down through the families of Joseph and George Hill, for more than 200 years.

We come now to the second son of Ebenezer Hill, George Hill. This break in the long list of scriptural names occurs, and is accounted for, from the fact, that the family were loyal to the English Sovereignty, and loved their king. This is seen and emphasized, even in some of their deeds of property conveyance.

**GEORGE HILL**, from whom our own branch of the family descended, was born in 1688, and died in 1763, at the age of seventy-five years. He had two sons, Asa and Daniel, (see record.) Asa was born December, 3d, 1719, Daniel, about 1730. Although Daniel was the youngest, I prefer to trace his posterity first.

He had two children, a son and daughter. Gaius, his son, married, and had three children, (see record.) Mary died in infancy. Adeline married Rudolphus Lawson, to whom were born two children, Clara and Rudolphus. Some of this branch of the family yet remain, and live in Bristol, Ct. Asa Hill, eldest son of George Hill, was born in Farmington, Ct., where he married Chlorana Wheeler, and where he appears to have spent fifty-seven

years of his life. Here a part of his children were born. Martha, Asa, Jr., and Ithuel. That this ancient couple were well mated I have no doubt, although there was a difference of nineteen years in their ages. From the town records, I find he was an active business man, a large dealer in real estate. He bought much landed property, both in Farmington and also Harwinton, where he removed with his family, about the year 1777. Many pieces of property he sold as I find in the record of deeds, (see record.)

How long he remained in Harwinton, I cannot tell, but from certain dates and circumstances, I judge about eighteen years. Here were born four children; Asa 2nd, Phineas, Uriah and an infant who died, Feb. 25, 1792 (see record). In less than six weeks from the birth of Asa 2nd, whom we suppose was yet unnamed, Asa, Jr., the first born son of the family, died. The father desiring to perpetuate the name, called the infant Asa 2nd.

For reasons now unknown, he removed to Norwalk, Ct., where he lived about eighteen years, and died at the ripe age of ninety. He was buried in the old cemetery on Town Hill. A humble headstone marks the spot where reposes his mortal remains, containing name, age and date of death. Underneath are these significant words

“The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.”

As to his vocation in life, I cannot write with certainty; from what I have learned, he appears to have been quite a dealer in real estate, and without doubt cultivated the soil to a certain extent; but from a tradition handed down, and current in the family, to wit:—“For more than 150 years two things have existed; 1st, ‘The name of Asa, and 2nd, A Stone Monument Cutter.’” The conclusion appears to be, that he heads the long list of marble workers, as well as the honorable name.

I cannot dismiss the name of this our own paternal Grandparent without referring especially to the names of his children. Each one receives a scriptural name. I judge he must have been a student of the Bible, as well as a lover of its truths. Indeed, it opens up quite an insight to his moral character. There was something in those Biblical names that challenged his respect and admiration; hence he desired that his daughter and sons should also bear them. This appears to have run through all the original branches of the family, (see record.)

**CHLORANA**, OUR MATERNAL GRANDMOTHER, survived her husband's death a number of years. Returning to Harwinton, in the family of her only daughter, Martha, she passed her closing years.

During her illness she was visited by William W., eldest son of Phineas Hill, who did what he could to cheer and comfort his aged grandmother in her closing life. She lived to a good old age. She died about 1830, being nearly 92 years of age.

The children of Asa Hill and Chlorana his wife, were seven in number (see record).

**MARTHA** was the eldest, and first born. She appears to have been much older than her brothers, as there is an interval of seven years between her birth, and that of Asa, Jr., the second child, creating a question, whether she might not have been a child of a first wife. That Chlorana, of whom we have written, was nineteen years younger than her husband, would seem to strengthen this supposition; and from the fact that no such space occurs between the other children, quite inclines me to the opinion, that Martha was a half-sister to the boys that followed nine years after.

She was born at Farmington, Ct., in 1758. By the old town records of Harwinton, I find she was married to Calvin Wooden of that place, Jan. 7, 1782. Calvin Wooden and wife, spent all their married life in Harwinton, Ct. Their residence, the old Homestead, still remains in the south part of the town, about two and a half miles from the center of the village. Here were born to them five children (see record.) They all lived, died and were buried there. Some years since a son visited Sag Harbor, L. I., and called upon Edward B. Hill.

Calvin Wooden was a farmer. From the old town chronicles, I find he owned considerable real estate, and appeared to be in comfortable circumstances.

When a child, I remember he visited our home in Huntington, Long Island, New York. To pay the expenses of travelling, as I suppose, he brought with him a wooden clock which he sold my father. That cheap clock was in the family, a household institution, for many years following. Its hands pointed off the hours and minutes in our home, while its peculiar sharp, ringing bell, announced the hours of day and night, during all my childhood.

Faithful it was according to its ability. If its tick and bell could have intoned a language, it would have said, "See ! I am doing the best I can." For many years it has been retired from service, and now finds a place of deposit in the garret of Leister S. Hill's house, in River Head, Long Island.

The Wooden posterity have been quite numerous, though largely scattered. Some of the descendants still reside at Harwinton, occupying the original homestead of a hundred years past. (See record.)

Calvin Wooden, died, July 7, 1831, aged 73 years.

Martha Hill Wooden, died in 1834, aged 76 years.

**ASA, JR.**, the second child, and eldest son of Asa Hill, was born in Farmington, Ct., and died in Harwinton, aged about seven years.

**ITHUEL**, son of Asa Hill, was born in Farmington, Ct. From the best information I have, he spent the most of his early life at home, and perhaps learned his trade, stone monument cutting, of his father. Removing to Norwalk, Ct., he commenced business in that village for himself, where in 1789 he married Isabel Cornwall.

They had seven children, probably all of them were born in Sag Harbor, L. I., where they moved soon after their marriage. He was fairly successful in his business. Quite a number of years since, I was told by Augustus Griffin, living at Orient, L. I., an aged and honorable man, and an historian, that he was intimately acquainted with Ithuel Hill, and spoke of him as a man of high character and social standing.

His seven children (see record), mostly died in youth or infancy, but one branch of his family now exists, in the two living daughters of John Hill, his son, of whom I shall speak further on. (See record.)

He did not reach old age, as did many of his ancestors. His health declining he made a short voyage to Tarpaulin Cove, now Martha's Vineyard, hoping to receive benefit therefrom ; but sickened and died, and was buried there, July 28, 1821. His widow, familiarly known as "Aunt Isabel," survived him a number of years.

I remember her in her old age and decline. She was much respected and died in Sag Harbor, L. I., October, 1831, aged 70 years.

Their children died young, except John C. and Samuel W.

John C. had four children (see record), of whom two still live ; Sarah Warner and Isabella Cornwall.

**SARAH W.** married Isaac A. Brooks, April 25, 1846, to whom six children were born, of whom three still live. In early life she gave evidence of poetic genius, and has to a considerable extent cultivated the muse. She has been a contributor to many of the popular magazines of the day, and is the author of a volume of published poems, justly claiming merit. She resides in West Medford, Mass. Isabella C. still lives and is a resident of New Bedford, Mass.

**SAMUEL W.** son of Ithuel and Isabel Hill. By trade he was also a stone cutter, having learned his trade of his brother John C., at Sag Harbor. He married Eliza Lockwood, who was a daughter of David and Sarah Lockwood. This is the second link that unites the Hill and Lockwood family, the first and principal one will appear hereafter, in the marriage of Phineas Hill and Sarah Lockwood. Samuel and Eliza Hill had one child (see record.) She survived her father and mother, a number of years as the record shows.

**URIAH.**—Born in Harwinton, Ct., removed with his father to Norwalk, where it is supposed he married. I was told by my father that this younger brother emigrated westward about the first of the present century. His destination was the western part of the State of New York. At that time it was thought to be a great undertaking; it was "Going West." The journey was performed by the slow travel of team, with family carrying children and household goods in the same wagon, camping at night, by the wayside. He settled about six miles south of the present city of Rome. At that time the country was but sparsely settled, being largely occupied by the Oneida Indians. Here the family made their home. Soon the population around them increased, and grew to the importance of a village, the name of which became Hillsborough, in honor of its founder. Here a number of children were born; some yet remain.

Some years since, William W. Hill, eldest son of Phineas Hill, was in correspondence with one of the daughters of Uriah Hill, from whom he received some information concerning the family, which was lost when William died. A little item received from my brother Edward says: "One daughter married a man named Babcock, who was an officer in a bank at Batavia, N. Y. Two sons lived, and doing business at Pittsburg, Pa."



Judging from such knowledge as we have, we conclude the family had not a little social distinction. The honor accorded in naming the village or town Hillsborough, would seem to place this branch of the "Hill Family" fairly up on the scale of surrounding society.

I come now to one in whom more than any of our progenitors a deep interest centers.

**PHINEAS.**—I do not know, that in character or ability, he was superior to many of those who lived before him ; but by ties of blood and relationship, he comes closer to us than those who preceded him. For twenty-one years, he went out and in before us; we saw his life, heard his words, and knew much of his kind and loving spirit. It would be pleasant to enter more into the details of his life, than our space will allow. He was born at Harwinton, Ct., June 24, 1778. His birth took place in the most trying period of our nation's history. Two years previous, our colonies had asserted their independence, by the famous declaration, the pivot upon which turned our national history.

The day that gave him birth, was one in which this country was passing through the throes of the Revolution. At his birth his father was fifty-nine years of age, with a family of children too small and dependent, to allow of his taking part in the heroic struggle, that brought victory and independence to our country. Ithuel was but nine years of age, Asa 2nd but two, and Phineas just born—Martha the daughter was twenty years old.

We cannot boast that our direct ancestry took any active part in the war of the revolution. Our grandfather was precluded for reasons given above. George Hill, his father, had died twelve years previous to its commencement. If therefore, our immediate ancestry furnished no soldiers, there was not wanting true loyalty to the uprising against oppression.

By trade and occupation, Phineas came along in the true succession. He also, was a stone monument cutter. We believe he learned the art and mystery of the trade of his brother Ithuel, at Norwalk, Ct., going from thence to Sag Harbor, L. I., where he continued with him a year. A year since in company with Edward B. Hill, I saw a solid block of freestone, nicely hewn and wrought, with this inscribed upon it: "Phineas Hill, 1800." Very soon after this he went to Danbury, Ct., where he commenced business for himself. when like his ancestors before him, he thought it not "good for man

to be alone," he courted, and won the heart and hand of Mary Stone, whom he married, December 3, 1801, and who was said to be at the time of his marriage, the most beautiful girl of the Burrough.

Six children came to their home ; two, Myra and William, were born in Danbury. Removing to Norwalk, four more were born. In the year 1818, on the 3d day of August, this beautiful wife and devoted mother, died. I judge it was a great bereavement to the husband, and a serious loss to the children ; the youngest, Asa, being but three years old. She was but 39 years of age when she died. The sadness of her husband is expressed by what he engraved upon her tablet, in the old burying-ground on Town Hill, Norwalk.

" My weeping friends remember me,  
And you my children dear,  
And live to God, that when you die,  
You may with Him appear.  
O take these tears, to mortal eyes, relief,  
These little rites, a stone—a verse receive,  
'Tis all a Father, all a friend can give."

Two years after the death of his wife Mary, he married Sarah Lockwood, concerning whom a fuller account is given on another page. Soon after this marriage, the family removed across the Sound to Huntington, L. I., where were born five children (see record.) In 1839, eighteen years later, the family removed to Hempstead, L. I., where he engaged in his marble business ; here he remained four years. In 1843, he removed to River Head, L. I., where, in January, 1844, he closed his earthly existence, respected in society, and beloved by friends and children.

He was an honest-hearted man, and a sincere Christian. His memory is lovingly cherished by those related to him.

**MYRA**, the first born of Phineas and Mary Hill, was born in Danbury, Ct. She was both a light and joy to her father's home. It is said she much resembled her mother in grace of manner, and beauty of person.

She was betrothed to a young man of excellent character, by the name of Scofield, and fondly anticipated her bridal day which was near at hand, but the robes prepared for that occasion, gave place to the sable drapery of death. Twenty-two beautiful summers only had passed, when she was summoned to her permanent home. Her death caused great sorrow in

her home, and among a wide circle of friends. This is emphasized by the lines we find upon her monument.

“ Thy virtues, and my tears  
No tongue can tell,  
Adieu, dear girl, I faintly sigh farewell.  
This consolation, may my grief restrain  
Congenial hearts but part  
To meet again.”

**WILLIAM WHEELER**, the second in the family, was born, in Danbury, Ct., thence removing to Norwalk, where the most of his early life was spent. By trade he was a tailor, acquiring the knowledge of his business in New York, where becoming acquainted with Miss Sopha R. Brown; they were married, January 19, 1829. This marriage was the link that united the Hill with the Brown family, of Huntington, L. I. Very soon after, he removed to Danbury, Ct., where for a number of years he conducted his business, as a merchant tailor. In the year 1847 he removed with his family to River Head, L. I., engaging for a few years in the marble business; then for a time in the merchandise of dry goods. Disposing of this interest, he removed to Northwest, six miles east of Sag Harbor, where occupying a beautiful home, overlooking the harbor and bay, he devoted his time to farming, having many acres of land to cultivate. Not being brought up to this occupation, he did not remain long, but returned again to River Head, where, surrounded by children and friends, he peacefully closed his life. His remains repose in the beautiful cemetery at that place.

If I were to attempt an analysis of his character and endowments, I should say they were much above the average. He was a careful observer of passing events, and for one employed in business pursuits, a diligent student in all the great questions of his time. Had his birth taken place in later years when an education became more important, and the opportunities afforded young men greatly multiplied, I believe he would have availed himself of them to their fullest extent.

This, no doubt, would have placed him in the front of some of the leading professions of the day. If of the law, his analytical mind, his power of reasoning, his gift of discussion, would have fitted him for prominence in the legal profession. He was, for a time, Justice of the Peace in Danbury, Ct.

There are instances, not a few, where in estimating the life of an individual, great mistakes have been made. Nature in the bestowal of her endowments, meant them for a higher career of influence and usefulness.

This I believe to have been the case with the subject of this brief biography. Missing the opportunities he never rose to the higher possibilities of his life.

Nevertheless, the various callings he pursued were honorable ones. He was much esteemed and respected. A true and earnest Christian, his memory is enshrined in the loving hearts of his children and friends.

**MARY LOUISA**, the second daughter, and next to William in age, grew to womanhood. She married Samuel Baldwin. Three children were born to them. (See record.)

Her life was brief. Consumption, that dread destroyer, early marked her for his prey. Her sun went down before it was yet high noon. I remember her as one possessed of beautiful womanhood, many virtues, and rare excellences. In stature, not tall, a nose slightly aquiline, a large, black, sparkling eye, and voice, peculiar, yet striking and musical.

She lies in the old burying ground on Town Hill, Norwalk. The few lines upon her monument are beautiful and suggestive.

" Redeemed by the blood of Jesus,  
Saved by his grace  
She rejoices in his presence.

**HORACE**, whom I call to remembrance, whose memory cannot be too dearly cherished, or whose character too highly admired, was born in Norwalk, Ct. He was an apprentice to Charles Lockwood, and served several years, learning the business of a tailor. After his time of apprenticeship had expired, he went to Sag Harbor, L. I., and commenced business for himself. Not a very long time elapsed, before it became evident, that a serious pulmonary disease was upon him. He was obliged to close a prosperous business. He went to Colchester, Ct., putting himself under the treatment of Dr. Rogers, a skillful, and celebrated physician ; but this was of no avail. He died while yet in the morning of life.

There is in the family a miniature painting of him, which exhibits features, that might have been formed in a classic mould. As he impresses

my memory, there is something almost superhuman in his appearance. It was but the outward manifestation of a pure, noble manhood within. I leave him, where God's record of sanctified humanity places him ; "Of such is the kingdom of God." In the old burial place on Town Hill, Norwalk, Ct., all that was mortal sleeps, until it shall wake to put on immortality.

**ANSON** was more closely identified with my early childhood, than any other of the family mentioned. He learned the art and mystery of stone cutting of his father. Born in Norwalk, Ct., when seven years of age, he removed with his father to Huntington, L. I.

He remained at home until 24 years of age, when, by reason of failing health, he made a sea voyage to the coast of Labrador, hoping to arrest the insidious tendency to consumption, but in vain. Upon his return he went to Danbury, Ct., where in the family of his brother William, he died at the early age of 25 years, and was buried in the village cemetery in that place. He was betrothed to an estimable young lady, in Huntington, L. I., but deaths claims were the most urgent, and the strongest. He was the third of the family that inherited the tendency to consumption from their mother, and was thus early called.

**ASA 3rd**, the youngest, and in some important characteristics, the most remarkable of the whole. A short biography of him was written soon after his death, but in his life, there was sufficient material to fill a volume. Born in Norwalk, Ct., whence he, with his father, removed, when 5 years of age to Huntington, L. I., where he lived until he was fifteen. In his boyhood experiences there was nothing prophetic of his future career. In his boyish sports, he attracted the attention of his friends, by the heartiness with which he engaged in them, thus early developing to some degree the personality, and force of character, that distinguished him in his maturer years. At one time he wished to become a shoemaker, and desired to learn the trade. His father thought this might become his life work, and bought him a kit of tools ; but a higher and an unseen hand designed his life should run in another direction.

When but fourteen years of age, a very important event occurred, that gave a shaping to his future life. I refer to his religious experience, that took place at Cow Harbor, L. I., in the year 1829. From that time new am-

bitions were awakened within him, which never slumbered, though held in abeyance for some years, but eventually developed, bringing him into large prominence and usefulness. At the age of fifteen years he was apprenticed to his brother William to learn the trade of a tailor, where he continued for five years. Those years were not wholly lost, though for the purposes of a higher education, they accomplished but little. It was during these years he gave himself to study, using all his spare hours in the acquisition of knowledge from the limited sources at his command. In religious exercises he early developed a gift, that was recognized as being of a superior order, and evoked the admiration of those who heard him.

At the age of 20 years, he left Danbury, and went to Colchester, Ct., called to care for his brother Horace, who was there under the professional treatment of Dr. Rogers, as before stated, there becoming acquainted with the doctor, he made known to him his desires for a professional life. The doctor encouraged his wishes, and offered to receive him as a student of medicine in his office. This was a large step in the order of Providence, in the direction of his lifework. I do not know how long he remained, but it was sufficiently long to get a fair knowledge of medicine. It was judged by many of his friends, who believed that Providence had marked out for him a call to the ministry, that in this calling he was making a mistake.

That such was the case he in later life acknowledged with regret, and did what he could to remedy it.

From the tuition of Dr. Rogers, he gave himself to the study of dentistry. Graduating in due time in this profession, he located himself in Norwalk, Ct., the place of his birth, where, for nearly forty years he continued his practice until his death. Here, in the early part of his professional life, he became acquainted with Miss Susan Isaacs, to whom he was married. A happy married life of more than 30 years followed. One child, a daughter, came to bless their home. During these intervening years, he was often called upon to address public assemblies throughout the County and State in which he lived, upon the subjects of Religion, Temperance and other prominent questions of the day. He was twice elected to the Legislature and served out both terms.

Twenty years before his death he was urged by the church of his choice, Methodist, to receive a license as a local preacher. A few years later, he was ordained a deacon by a bishop of the M. E. Church. This opened for

him a wider and more extended field of usefulness. His pulpit and platform labors were warmly appreciated, much sought for, and were wonderfully successful. In his dental profession he arose to prominence, and from which he received the bestowal of honors, which were almost national, and the fame of which survived his death. But his work and labor in the ministry, which he came to love above his dental profession, will live after earthly praise and honors shall perish. At his funeral, which was held in the Second M. E. Church, of Norwalk, a Presbyterian minister, one of the speakers of the occasion, made the expressive utterance, "Do you desire to see a monument of his own rearing? Look at this beautiful temple, and you will behold it."

He was the principal factor in the erection of that church, which called forth his work, talent, time and means, for its accomplishment. For the three subsequent years after its completion, he was, by the church authorities, appointed its pastor, until it had grown to sufficient strength to support one appointed by the annual Conference.

Thus he lived, beloved by a widening circle of friends, honored and respected by the community, laboring on up to the time of his decease, which occurred on the evening of Thanksgiving, Nov. 26, 1874. His sickness was very brief, only a few hours duration, when this loved and useful man exchanged death for life, and "Was not, for God had taken him."

**SUSAN ISAACS HILL**, the beloved Relict of Dr. Asa Hill, born March 28, 1819, died May 11, 1890.

Our biographical department would hardly be complete without a brief testimonial to her worth and character. She was the only child of respected and wealthy parents, by whom nothing was withheld to give her an education, the best the schools could impart. How her acquaintance and subsequent marriage came to pass, presents facts stranger than fiction.

It was one of the quaint sayings of a celebrated Divine, that "Matches were made in heaven; at least, some of them." If that be true, we conclude this was one of them.

Dr. Hill, a young man, had just established himself as a dentist in Norwalk. When riding through the village upon horseback, his horse stumbled and fell, and he was thrown with violence to the ground. He was taken up and carried to the house of Charles Isaacs, Esq., that being

nearest, in an unconscious state. The daughter was often with him, and by her tender and loving ministries, nursed him back to health again. A strong, mutual affection sprang up between them, not by any means encouraged by her father, who sought to break the growing attachment, already apparent; but in vain. A private marriage took place, resulting in her leaving her home, with the serious displeasure of the father.

Time, however, brought a reconciliation; the daughter and her husband were invited home again, where nearly all their happy wedded life was spent. One child, a daughter, was added to the family, who still lives, the mother of an interesting family.

During their long wedded life of thirty years, she ever exhibited a devoted attachment to her husband, and in the fullest sense shared with him in all its struggles and joys. It was a happy union of heart and purpose, that to life's end knew no break; even when, for a time, death divided, love's pure stream continued to flow on until those loving hearts met, over the River.

Quite early in her married life she became a Christian; her fidelity to her Saviour suffered no abatement, even in old age and declining years. Her mortal remains repose by the side of her husband in the beautiful cemetery at South Norwalk, Ct.

Thus I have gone through with this most interesting branch of the "Hill Family," concerning which much more might be said.

Personally acquainted with them all, except Myra, the eldest, as I pass from these, I feel justified in saying, as a family, physically, mentally and morally, they took a high place among the families of this world. Father, mother, four sons and two daughters, all gone! Death's empire complete! May we not believe they, ere this, have effected a perpetual union in the better life.

As the record shows, Phineas Hill and Sarah Lockwood were married, April 14, 1820. Five children were born to them; four sons and one daughter. Two have died; George, the eldest, and Julia O., the next. My feelings would prompt me to say more of these than my limited space will permit. They were worthy to take their place beside those of whom I have written.



**GEORGE.** He was born in Huntington, Long Island, where he spent his early years; thence, removing with his parents to Hempstead, L. I. Here he resided four years. The family removing to River Head, L. I., George went with them, where he spent the larger portion of his life and where he died. At the time of his death, it was the unanimous feeling of the community that each had lost a friend; and it was declared "No man will be so much missed in this community as George Hill." It was not because he excelled in education, or possessed large wealth; but because he was a public benefactor. This was seen along the lines of every day life. If any thing was needed to improve the material or social interests of the village, his council and assistance were sought. Though not possessed of large means himself, no person ever applied to him for help and met a refusal. No one needing sympathy and encouragement, but found in him, so far as his ability would allow, a friend. For nearly fifty years he was a prominent member of the M. E. Church, and those, whose opinion is to be respected, have declared that the success and prosperity of the same, was not a little indebted to the moral and financial help of George Hill.

For a number of years prior to his death, the church gave him authority to preach the Gospel, as a local preacher.

In this higher calling, he was devoted and faithful. He regarded not, labor or sacrifice, if he might fulfil the mission committed to him. He became a missionary to the Shinnecock Indians, at Shinnecock, in the town of South Hampton, L. I. They had a church, but owing to their isolated condition, had no pastor. To this remote place, and humble people, George Hill went, and in the true spirit of his Master, broke to them the bread of life. For a number of years he rode through the long stretch of pine woods, and over the cold and dreary Shinnecock Hills, not allowing either heat, or cold, or storm to turn him aside from his chosen work. This he did without compensation, but for the love of the work, his only reward being the moral betterment and uplifting of the people to whom he ministered. Nor did he labor in vain; for many were turned to righteousness, because of which, he, the humble laborer, will "shine as a star in the firmament forever."

I miss him, the companion and playmate of my childhood; the affectionate brother of my riper years.

The following I take from the village paper: "The funeral of George Hill, on Friday of last week, was the largest seen in River Head for a long

time. The services were held in the Methodist Church. Mr. Hill was the most active and useful man in the town. He acted as pastor of the Methodist Church, at Flanders, a near-by village. He carried on the business of an undertaker, and would conduct a funeral service and preach the sermon in the absence of the pastor of any Evangelical Church. To these duties, he added those of stone cutter, wood carver, cabinet maker, sign painter and temperance lecturer. He was a brother of the Rev. Francis C. Hill, a prominent preacher of the Methodist Conference."

**JULIA OPHELIA**, the only daughter of this second family of Phineas Hill, deserves more than a passing tribute. A loving and sweet girl, she ripened into beautiful womanhood, and was a cherished idol of the home and family circle.

She married Silas J. Vail, a composer of some of the sweetest of Sunday school melodies of these times. He survived her a few years. An interesting family of children still live, (see record), to whom the memory of this now sainted mother is as fragrant as precious ointment poured forth. She rests in the family plot at River Head, L. I. Of her it may be truly said

"None knew her but to love,  
None named her but to praise."

**MARGARET M. HILL**, wife of Edward B. Hill, died at the family residence in Sag Harbor, L. I., March 9, 1888. She was born at Sag Harbor, where she was married and where she spent all her life. In her youth she was admired and loved by her many friends. In her married life of forty years, she was an affectionate wife, a loving mother, and a true friend.

The high encomium pronounced by holy writ, may well be spoken of her:

"Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies."  
 "The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her."  
 "She will do him good, and not evil, all the days of her life."  
 "She openeth her mouth with wisdom, and in her tongue is the law of kindness."  
 "Her children arise up and call her blessed."  
 "Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all."

There have been deaths in the different families, of the later generation mentioned, the most of them dying in early childhood. I mention but two.

**CAROLINE E.**, second daughter of William W. and Sopha R. Hill. She grew to womanhood, beloved by family and friends. On the 27th day of February, 1867, she was united in marriage to Prof. L. W. Hallock. They settled in Bridgehampton, L. I., where in the literary institute of her husband, she was assistant principal. She died comparatively young, beloved and lamented.

**NETTIE**, eldest daughter of Francis C. and Sarah Hill. She was born in Hempstead Village, Feb. 15, 1844, and died in Jamaica, L. I., October 2nd, 1889. It would be very pleasant to dwell at length upon the remarkable life of this person. She inherited many of the excellences and traits of her ancestors. She gave to the world, a rare exhibition of a holy life and saintly womanhood.

An evangel of good tidings. A reaper as well as sower in the world's harvest field. With a poetic mind, with a strong and vivid imagination, that hung its pictures around the chambers of her soul, she spoke them out, in verse and song. She was one of God's sweet singers. At her funeral it was said in an address by one of the principal clergymen, "No woman in Long Island Methodism has been her peer for the last fifty years, since the great baptism came upon her. Hundreds have been saved through her word. She was on fire of the love of Jesus. A blazing heart that made her a power wherever she went."

She was married to David J. Weeden, Feb. 13, 1874, who still survives her. It is believed by those who knew her life and work, that more than a thousand souls will greet her, upon the bright immortal shore, brought there through the loving labor of this holy woman. A memorial volume of her has been written, to which we refer the family and friends, entitled "Robed and Crowned." A memorial of Mrs. Nettie Hill Weeden, by the Rev. Francis C. Hill, and published by Hunt & Eaton, 150 Fifth Ave., New York. "If you would know more of her character, follow her to heaven and the angels will tell it you."

**SARAH HILL.** Our biographical sketches would not be complete without special reference made to her. She was the second wife of Phineas Hill. By a former marriage to David Lockwood of Norwalk, Ct., she became the mother of eight children, viz., Charles, Clark, David, Ann, Eliza,

Amelia, John F. and Jane, two of whom, David and John, are still living.

By the second marriage, as above, five children were born, viz., George, Julia O., Francis C., Edward B. and Leister C. (see record.) By this second marriage, the union of the Hill and Lockwood families, came to pass, and a most pleasant blending has been the result. Since that time the two families have intermarried, making the union already existing, stronger and more interesting.

This woman that gave to the world so large a family of sons and daughters, was no ordinary person. She was the daughter of Hezekiah and Catherine Lockwood, of Norwalk, Ct. Her ancestry were among the first settlers of the town, and can be traced back in an unbroken record for 250 years. They embrace all the strong and sterling traits of character, that were brought over in the historic "Mayflower." But, more than that, she possessed qualities of mind and heart, that made their impress upon, and that now live in her children, and grandchildren, and will descend to other generations following. After an eventful life of 71 years, she closed her eyes sweetly in death, June 3, 1856. She, our mother, and our father, sleep side by side in the family plot at River Head, L. I.

All the children, yet remaining, will join in saying

" Our boast is not that we derive our birth  
From loins enthroned, and rulers of the earth,  
But higher far our proud pretensions rise,  
The children of parents, gone to the skies."

Of those now living, I have said but little. There are some of whom I should love to speak. A short biography would be pleasant and desirable. But that work will have to be done by some member of a later generation. I do not feel satisfied to close without making mention of one other name, viz., Sopha R. Hill, the surviving widow of William W. Hill, of the VI Generation. She is one of six children of Dr. Oliver and Mary Thompson Brown, of Huntington, L. I., viz.: Emeline, Derwin, Jane, Sopha, Oliver E. and Henrietta. Emeline was married to Charles Lockwood, eldest son of David and Sarah Lockwood, thus uniting the Lockwood and Brown families. Jane was married to Ezra Conklin, of Huntington, L. I. Sopha is now the only surviving member of that family, and lives at the advanced age of four score and seven

years. One half of her children have preceeded her to the better land. Three sons and one daughter remain to comfort and bless the aged mother. She lives to exhibit to her friends and children, that remarkable mildness and sweetness of character, that has ever been characteristic of her long and loving life. Full well has she fulfilled her high duties, as wife, mother and friend, and now awaits with hope and anticipation, the joyful word that shall summon her to the presence of her Lord, and companionship of those already gone.

This record brings us down to 1895. I do not doubt many of the Hill family now living, will read the genealogical history here given, with interest, and will thereby have a better knowledge of their ancestry than before. In the future years, some descendant of the Hills, yet unborn, will perhaps be moved to become the scribe and take up the record where I leave it.

Happy, if the later names recorded, may fill equally well their places and stations in life, as former generations have done. Eight generations embracing a period of 285 years, have come and gone.

For one hundred and seventy-five years the scriptural name of Asa has held its place in the family, and equally as long, perhaps longer, has the inevitable, and irrepressible stone cutter come to the front.

Among the recent members, a poetic strain crops out, and there may be seen sufficient talent, when developed by circumstances, to accomplish success in business, or prominence in the leading professions of the times.

For many years the ministry has been quite largely represented. The professions of the law and medicine are also coming to the front, by some of the younger scions of the family-tree, having already commenced their life work along these lines. These, undoubtedly, in time to come, will receive their due reward. Mechanical genius, in different periods, and in the various branches of the family has been seen, commanding recognition and a fair measure of success. Business intelligence and sagacity, have been developed, bringing to some of the Hill family wealth, and placing them side by side with the successful merchants of the times. As a whole, the Hill family during all these years, have filled a creditable place in society, and it is hoped the standard will be maintained by the generations following.

I believe the blood that now flows through the arteries of the "Hill Family," is as strong and pure, as that which coursed through the veins of

our progenitor, Melanchthon Hill, 285 years ago, while yet on English soil, or that of his son Ebenezer, the first Hill of this family born in America.

There is at present quite a possibility however, that the "Hill" name may, in a few generations, be lost to our branch of the family.

In the eighth generation, there are but *three* that bear the name ; William Stanley Hill, son of Sylvester C. Hill, Asa the fifth, and Frank H., Jr., sons of Frank H. Hill.

"Multiply, and replenish the earth," is a maxim not neglected by previous generations, as seen by single families having from four to eight boys each. (See record.)

A kindly word of advice and my work is done. Do not fail to keep alive and true the tradition of the past 175 years. Let there not be wanting in the family an Asa, and whatever occupation or profession may be represented, keep alive and perpetuate to the latest generation the always-present "Stone Monument Cutter."

FRANCIS C. HILL.



*yours Affectionately*

*P. Hill ~*





RECORD



# GENEALOGICAL RECORD

OF THE

## HILL FAMILY.

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**I**  
Generation { MELANCHTHON HILL, born in England.  
**1610.**

**II**  
Generation { EBENEZER HILL, born in Farmington, Ct., March 20,  
**1656.** 1656.

CHILDREN.

**III**  
Generation { Joseph, b. 1686.  
**1686.** George, b. 1688, d. 1763.

JOSEPH, son of EBENEZER HILL, married ———

CHILDREN.

**IV**  
Generation { Abraham, b. March 28, 1711.  
**1711.** James, b. Jan. 2, 1712.  
Gideon, b. June, 1714.  
David, b. Sept. 15, 1716.  
Jonathan, b. Feb. 29, 1720.  
Moses, b. June 20, 1723.  
Abigail, b. July 19, 1725.  
William, b. Jan. 20, 1726.  
Joseph, b. Jan. 16, 1728.

ABRAHAM, son of JOSEPH HILL, married ———

CHILDREN.

<b>V</b> Generation <b>1738.</b>	{	Mercy, b. April 7, 1738.
		Josiah, b. Sept. 15, 1750.
		Joshua, b. (date not given).

JONATHAN, son of JOSEPH HILL, married ———

CHILDREN.

<b>V</b> Generation <b>1745.</b>	{	John D.
		Sylvester.
		Lucien.
		Don.
		Rueben L.
		Samuel D.
		Axell.
		Stephen.

CHAUNCY HILL married ———

CHILDREN.

<b>VI</b> Generation	{	Andrew.
		John D.
		Amos.
		Chauncey.
		Rachel.
		Marianne.
		Margaret.
		Reuben Lewis.
		Lucien.
		Stephen.

RUEBEN LEWIS HILL married ———

CHILDREN.

**VII**  
Generation { Edgar B., b. Oct. 27, 1819.  
**1819.** { John Craig, d. aged 9 years.

GEORGE, son of EBENEZER HILL, married ———

CHILDREN.

**IV**  
Generation { Asa, b. Dec. 3, 1719, d. Sept. 4, 1809.  
**1719.** { Daniel, b. about 1730.

DANIEL, son of GEORGE HILL, married HANNAH\* ———

CHILDREN.

**V**  
Generation { Rhoda, b. Feb. 6, 1757.  
**1757.** { Gaius, b. April 24, 1759.

GAIUS HILL married CLARRISSA HUMMISTON, Oct. 6, 1822.

CHILDREN.

**VI**  
Generation { Adeline, b. Nov. 8, 1829.  
**1822.** { Mary A., d. In infancy, Sept. 8, 1831.  
{ Hannah, d. Sept. 30, 1865.

ADELINE HILL married RUDOLPHUS LAWSON, 1854.

CHILDREN.

**VII**  
Generation { Clara.  
**1884.** { Rudolphus.

\* Hannah Hill, wife of Daniel Hill, died Feb. 13, 1766.

ASA HILL married CHLORANA WHEELER, 1757.

CHILDREN.

<b>V</b> Generation <b>1758.</b>	{	Martha, b. 1758, d. 1834. Asa, Jr., b. 1765, d. March 13, 1776. Ithuel, b. Nov. 15, 1778, d. July 29, 1821. Asa 2nd., b. Jan. 31, 1776, d. April 11, 1815 (unmarried). Phineas, b. June 24, 1778, d. Jan. 6, 1844. Uriah, b. about 1780. A child, b. in Harwinton, Feb. 25, 1792.
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MARTHA HILL married CALVIN WOODEN,\* Jan. 2, 1782.

CHILDREN.

<b>VI</b> Generation <b>1784.</b>	{	Calvin Jr., b. Dec. 16, 1784, d. Sept. 13, 1806. Horace, b. May 6, 1788. Worcester, b. 1801, d. March 24, 1819. Joseph, b. Feb. 7, 1815, d. aged 4 months. A daughter, b. Sept. 10, 1840, d. aged 15 years. Newton.
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JOSEPH, son of CALVIN and MARTHA HILL WOODEN, married —

CHILD.

<b>VII</b> Generation	{	Lawson J.†
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LAWSON J. WOODEN† married CAROLINE STONE.

CHILDREN.

<b>VIII</b> Generation	{	Jessie. Mary. Charles.
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\* Calvin Wooden, Sen., died July 7, 1837, aged 73 years.

† In the record there is no date of his birth.

‡ Some of the heirs of Lawson J. Wooden are still living at Bristol, Ct.

ITHUEL HILL married ISABEL CORNWALL,\* June 9, 1789.

CHILDREN.

<p><b>VI</b> Generation <b>1790.</b></p>	{	<p>Mary Jane, d. Jan. 19, 1817.              Anson, b. March 4, 1790, d. May 25, 1812.              John Cotton, b. Nov. 8, 1795, d. March 12, 1831.              Samuel Wainwright, b. Sept. 7, 1798, d. Oct. 2, 1800.              Sarah, b. Feb. 10, 1801, d. March 1, 1819.              Louisa, b. November 18, 1803, d. Sept. 12, 1805.              Samuel Wainwright, b. Sept. 22, 1808.</p>
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JOHN COTTON HILL married TABITHA ELDRIDGE, Nov. 25, 1821.

CHILDREN.

<p><b>VII</b> Generation <b>1818.</b></p>	{	<p>Mary Jane, b. Nov. 21, 1818, d. 1859.              Sarah Warner, b. Sept. 22, 1822.              Isabella Cornwall, b. June 18, 1824.              Caroline Augusta, b. Dec. 16, 1826, d. 1857.</p>
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SARAH WARNER HILL married ISAAC A. BROOKS, April 25, 1846,  
 who died Feb. 19, 1888.

CHILDREN.

<p><b>VIII</b> Generation <b>1847.</b></p>	{	<p>Frederick Cornwell, b. Feb. 16, 1847, d. Jan. 6, 1881.              Alfred Austin, b. Sept. 1, 1848.              Mary Isabel, b. April 21, 1852, d. March 4, 1883.              Caroline Mays, { b. Jan. 21, 1854, } d. August 3, 1854.              Edward Corless, {              Herbert Hinkley, b. June 19, 1856.</p>
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SAMUEL W. HILL married ELIZA LOCKWOOD.

CHILD.

<p><b>VII</b> Generation <b>1844.</b></p>	{	<p>Elbertena Louisa, b. Nov. 7, 1844, d. 1863.</p>
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\* Isabel Cornwall Hill died Oct., 1839, aged 70 years.

PHINEAS HILL married MARY STONE, Dec. 3, 1801, who died Aug. 3, 1818.

## CHILDREN.

<b>VI</b> Generation <b>1803.</b>	{	Myra, b. Dec. 11, 1803, d. Nov. 21, 1826.
		William Wheeler, b. July 24, 1805, d. Sept. 22, 1876.
		Mary Louisa, b. June 15, 1807, d. Aug. 4, 1841.
		Horace, b. April 7, 1811, d. Jan. 21, 1836.
		Anson, b. July 4, 1813, d. Aug. 20, 1838 (unmarried).
		Asa, 3rd, b. Nov. 20, 1815, d. Nov. 26, 1874.

PHINEAS HILL married SARAH LOCKWOOD, April 14, 1820, who died June 3, 1856.

## CHILDREN.

<b>VI</b> Generation <b>1821.</b>	{	George, b. Jan. 15, 1821, d. Feb. 7, 1888.
		Julia Ophelia, b. March 4, 1822, d. Sept. 8, 1872.
		Francis Constantine, b. April 14, 1823.
		Edward Bingly, b. May 18, 1825.
		Leister Seymour, b. March 24, 1825.

WILLIAM W. HILL married SOPHA R. BROWN, Jan. 19, 1829.

## CHILDREN.

<b>VII</b> Generation <b>1831.</b>	{	Mary Louisa, b. Nov. 19, 1831.
		Horace B., b. March 12, 1834, d. March 26, 1835.
		William H., b. March 26, 1836.
		Caroline E., b. Aug. 14, 1838, d. Nov. 17, 1879.
		Julia A., b. Dec. 8, 1840, d. July 7, 1842.
		Sylvester Clark, b. March 24, 1843.
		Stanley B., b. April 6, 1845.
	{	Susan J., b. March 29, 1848, d. Jan. 17, 1851.



MARY LOUISA HILL married SAMUEL BALDWIN, 1831.

CHILDREN.

<b>VII</b> Generation <b>1835.</b>	{	William Stanley, d. aged 6 years.
		William Sandford, b. 1836, d. 1863.
		Samuel Hill, b. Dec. 9, 1838, d. Sept. 1, 1893.

ASA HILL, 4th, married SUSAN ISAACS, 1844, who died May 11, 1890.

CHILD.

<b>VII</b> Generation <b>1847.</b>	{	Rebecca Isaacs, b. Oct. 3, 1847.
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GEORGE HILL married BETSEY ANN ALBERTSON, Dec. 30, 1843.

CHILDREN.

<b>VII</b> Generation <b>1844.</b>	{	Isabella, b. Oct. 6, 1844.
		Frank Howard, b. Nov. 16, 1846.
		Sarah Ann, Nov. 23, 1848.
		Infant daughter, d. Oct. 19, 1852.
		Asa Edward, 5th, b. March 3, 1854, d. Feb. 24, 1863.
		Jessie Fremont, b. Sept. 21, 1856, d. April 18, 1889.
		Frederick Stanley, b. Sept. 30, 1860.

JULIA O. HILL married SILAS J. VAIL, Jan. 24, 1844, who died May 20, 1883 ; Julia O. Hill died Sept. 8, 1872.

CHILDREN.

<b>VII</b> Generation <b>1845.</b>	{	Albert Goldsmith, b. Feb. 13, 1845, d. July 11, 1846.
		Caroline Minerva, b. Sept. 11, 1846, d. Jan. 12, 1852.
		Julia Adalaide, b. April 30, 1849.
		Emma Frances, b. March 22, 1852.
		Frederick Harriott, b. Sept. 11, 1854.
		William Stanley, b. Oct. 29, 1866 (unmarried).

FRANCIS C. HILL married SARAH BAKER, Jan. 19, 1843.

CHILDREN.

<b>VII</b> Generation <b>1844.</b>	{	Sarah Louisa (Nettie), b. Feb. 15, 1844, d. Oct. 2, 1889. Anna Landon, b. March 27, 1846, d. Sept. 19, 1849. Frances Eva, b. Feb. 21, 1861. Clinton Fisk, b. May 12, 1867.
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EDWARD B. HILL married MARGARET M. SQUIRES, who died March 9, 1887; married 2d, MARY E. HAWKINS, Jan. 3, 1888.

CHILDREN.

<b>VII</b> Generation <b>1849.</b>	{	Julia Lockwood, b. March 11, 1849. Geo. M. Dallas, b. Dec. 29, 1853 (unmarried). Ed Buchanan, b. July 27, 1857.
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LEISTER S. HILL married URSULA WELLS, Sept., 11, 1851.

CHILDREN.

<b>VII</b> Generation <b>1853.</b>	{	Susan Isaacs, b. July 1, 1853, d. Oct. 8, 1854. Carrie Louise, b. Feb. 11, 1858.
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MARY LOUESA HILL married BENJAMIN F. HOMAN, Sept. 1, 1857, who died April 22, 1880.

CHILDREN.

<b>VIII</b> Generation <b>1863.</b>	{	William Franklin, b. Sept. 17, 1863. Edward Stanley, b. May 8, 1872, d. Dec. 23, 1874.
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WILLIAM H. HILL married MARY E. WELWOOD, Oct. 25, 1865.

CHILD.

<b>VIII</b> Generation <b>1867.</b>	{	Ada Louise, b. May 10, 1867.
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CAROLINE E. HILL married L. W. HALLOCK, Feb. 27, 1867 (no children).

SYLVESTER C. HILL married ADDIE S. FOSTER, June 5, 1866, who died June 10, 1890.

CHILDREN.

**VIII** { Florence, b. Sept. 16, 1871, d. Nov. 8, 1878.  
Generation { Carrie Louise, b. March 14, 1874.  
**1871.** { William Stanley, b. Sept. 14, 1877.

STANLEY B. HILL married ELIZABETH EDSALL, Nov. 22, 1871.

CHILDREN.

**VIII** { Alice Edsall, b. July 31, 1873, d. May 4, 1877.  
Generation { Edith Stanley, b. Dec. 23, 1879.  
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SAMUEL HILL BALDWIN married ABBY HENRIETTA PIERSON.

CHILD.

**VIII** {  
Generation { Edward Hill, b. Dec. 25, 1871.  
**1871.**

REBECCA ISAACS HILL married IRA COLE, Nov. 3, 1868.

CHILDREN.

**VIII** { Edalena, b. March 21, 1870.  
Generation { Anna Louise, b. March 20, 1872.  
{ Alice Isaacs, b. Feb. 23, 1881.

ISABELLA HILL married WALTER E. GERRARD, Jan. 11, 1870.

CHILD.

**VIII** {  
Generation { Jessie Isabelle, b. July 16, 1880.  
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FRANK HOWARD HILL married EMMA S. ELTON, Oct. 27, 1867.

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<b>VIII</b>	{	George (died in infancy).
		Bertha, b. May 11, 1870.
Generation		Florence, b. Sept. 24, 1873.
<b>1870.</b>		Asa, 6th, b. March 24, 1876.
		Frank Howard, Jr., b. Feb. 8, 1880.

SARAH ANN HILL married CORNELIUS V. MAZURIE, Dec. 13, 1871.

CHILDREN.

<b>VIII</b>	{	Edith, b. March 6, 1873, d. March 24, 1873.
		William, b. Dec. 1, 1874, d. Feb. 17, 1875.
Generation		Besse Hill, b. April 6, 1877.
<b>1873.</b>		Helen Tuthill, b. Aug. 6, 1881.

JESSIE FREMONT HILL married FREDERICK MOORE, March 9, 1880.

CHILDREN.

<b>VIII</b>	{	Edith Gerrard, b. June 9, 1881.
		Lena Fremont, b. Jan. 28, 1883.
Generation		George Hill, Feb. 23, 1885.
<b>1881.</b>		

FREDERICK STANLEY HILL married RUTH TYLER, Dec. 18, 1888  
(no children).

JULIA A. VAIL married HARVEY C. CAMP, May 24, 1870.

CHILD.

<b>VIII</b>	{	
Generation		Frederick Stanley, b. March 15, 1871.
<b>1871.</b>		

EMMA FRANCES VAIL married FRANKLIN W. PARKER, April  
23, 1873.

CHILD.

**VIII**  
Generation { Irene, b. 1881, d. 1881.  
**1881.**

FREDERICK HARRIOTT VAIL married MARY ELIZABETH TYLER,  
Aug. 10, 1881.

CHILD.

**VIII**  
Generation { Florence, b. Aug. 2, 1887.  
**1887.**

SARAH LOUISA HILL (NETTIE) married DAVID J. WEEDEN (no  
children).

FRANCES EVA HILL married ELLSWORTH J. JOHNSON, March  
24, 1881.

CHILDREN.

**VIII**  
Generation { Francis Constantine Hill, b. Jan. 31, 1882.  
**1882.** { Eva Ellsworth, b. Nov. 27, 1887.  
Ellsworth J., b. Oct. 17, 1894.

CLINTON F. HILL married LOUESA PLACE, June 26, 1889.

CHILD.

**VIII**  
Generation { Mildred, b. Oct. 27, 1891.  
**1891.**

JULIA LOCKWOOD HILL married GEO. W. ALLING (no children.)

ED BUCHANAN HILL married ADA H. NICKERSON, Nov. 15, 1887.

## CHILD.

**VIII** } Margaret Louise, b. Oct. 29, 1893.  
Generation

CARRIE LOUISE HILL married LEVI L. HOWELL, Jan. 5, 1882.

## CHILDREN.

**IX** } Jerome Hill, b. Feb. 3, 1883, d. June 22, 1885.  
Generation } Legrand Whipple, b. April 28, 1887.  
**1885.** } Francis Edward, b. Oct. 5, 1894.

We produce a few of the many ancient deeds from the records of Harwinton :

## "ASA HILL AND CO."

*Nov. 30, 1774.*—"Know ye that Asa Hill of Harwinton, Ct, and Samuel Smith and William Wheeler, deed property lying in Harwinton, to another, executed on the 9th day of January, in the 16th year of the reign of our sovereign Lord George the Third."

*Jan. 11, 1776.*—"Asa Hill of Harwinton, for the consideration of fifteen pounds conveys to Daniel Hill of Farmington 10 acres of land."

*Sept. 4, 1780.*—"Know all men by these presents that I, Daniel Hill, of Farmington in the State of Ct., for the consideration of love and good will, and natural affection for my son, Gaius Hill, \*\*\* ten acres in the Town of Harwinton, and is *butted* and bounded as follows: South on Asa Hill, with a pass away *across said Asa Hill.*"

DANIEL HILL [seal].

*March 7, 1792.*—"Asa Hill for the consideration of 80 pounds conveys to Asa Smith 4 acres of land."

*April 18, 1792.*—"Asa Hill for the consideration of 100 pounds conveys to Curtis Hall 20 acres of land.

FARMINGTON RECORDS.

*April 5, 1787.*—"David Hill of Farmington conveys lands to Moses Hill—consideration 60 pounds. Done in the 29th year of His Majesty's Reign, King George the Third."

*June 30, 1759.*—"William Hill conveys land to Joseph Hopkins."

*1758.*—"William Porter conveys land to Moses Hill in the 32nd year of the reign of our sovereign Lord George 2nd King of Great Britain."

*Jan. 13, 1760.*—"Asa Hill conveys land to Eliphalet Hill of Goshen, Ct., 16 acres—consideration 40 pounds, on the 2nd day of our Sovereign Lord George the Third."

*1768.*—"Abraham Hill to Jonathan Pond—consideration £60, 10s.





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