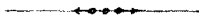


GENEALOGY
OF THE
ANCESTORS AND POSTERITY
OF
ISAAC LAWRENCE.

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EXPLANATION OF THE PLAN OF THIS MEMOIR.

The numbers inserted in the parentheses on the left, indicate the families.

The Roman numbers immediately after, indicate the generation of the person first named.

The descendants are first numbered in consecutive order, and secondly by each family separately.

The figures in brackets after the name, refer back to these numbers of the descendants, indicating the family and connections to which the individual belongs.

The numbers in the parentheses on the right, against the name of a child, show the subsequent paragraph where a notice of the family of such child may be found.

The following heads of families have been among the inhabitants of Canaan during the last hundred years, whose names are found on the Groton records as published in Butler's History, viz: Nehemiah Lawrence, David Lawrence, Joseph Lawrence, and Asa Lawrence, which were never supposed to be relations of the family of Isaac.

GENEALOGY.

First Generation.

(1) I. JOHN LAWRENCE, progenitor of Isaac Lawrence, probably came from England in the company which came over with Gov. Winthrop in 1630.

The place of his birth is not known; but as Gov. Winthrop was from the county of Suffolk, it may be that Mr. Lawrence was from the same county.

The first account of him that can be relied upon as certain, is, that he was an inhabitant of Watertown, Mass., as early as 1635.

The name of his wife was Elizabeth. Whether they were married in England or not, has not been ascertained. They had twelve children born at Watertown.

He afterwards removed to Groton, Mass., at an early period of its settlement, his name being found in the records there in 1663. His wife died in Groton in 1663. He then married a widow, — Susanna Batchelder, of Boston — the ceremony of which took place at Charlestown Nov. 2, 1664. By her he had two children. He died at Groton July 11, 1667. He left children,

- 1 — 1. John, born 14d. 1mo., 1635.
 - 2 — 2. Nathaniel, born 15d. 8mo., 1639.
 - 3 — 3. Joseph, born 30d. 3mo., 1643.
 - 4 — 4. Jonathan, died young.
 - 5 — 5. Mary, born 16d. 5mo., 1645.
 - 6 — 6. Peleg, born 10d. 11mo., 1647.
 - 7 — 7. Enosh, born 5d. 1mo., 1648–9. (2)
 - 8 — 8. Samuel.
 - 9 — 9. Isaac.
 - 10 — 10. Elizabeth, born May 9, 1665.
 - 11 — 11. Jonathan.
 - 12 — 12. Zachariah, born 9d. 1mo., 1658.
- By his second wife,
- 13 — 13. Abigail, born January 11, 1666.
 - 14 — 14. Susanna, born July 3, 1667.

Second Generation.

(2) II. ENOSH LAWRENCE, [7-7] was married March 6, 1676-7, to Ruth, the widow of John Shattuck. Her maiden name was Ruth Whitney. Her husband was drowned in crossing Charlestown ferry, Sept. 14, 1675. He died Sept. 28, 1744. He left children,

15 - 1. Nathaniel, born Feb. 21, 1678.

16 - 2. Daniel, born March 7, 1681. (3)

17 - 3. Zachariah, born 16d. 5mo., 1683.

18 - 4. Jeremiah, born May 1, 1686.

Third Generation.

(3) III. DANIEL LAWRENCE,* [16-2] married Sarah ——. He left children,

* Daniel Lawrence, father of Isaac and Daniel, lived and died in Canaan, about seventy years ago. It is supposed that at the time of his death, he was with a son John, who has since died in Norfolk.

Isaac gave the use of a farm to his half-brother John, as compensation for taking care of their father.

19 - 1. Daniel,* born April 22, 1702.

20 - 2. Isaac, born Feb. 25, 1704-5. (4)

The foregoing facts in relation to the ancestors of Isaac Lawrence, have been chiefly derived from Butler's History of Groton, recently published, and which is a highly valuable work, giving an account of about thirty families of the name of Lawrence which have lived in Groton.

ISAAC LAWRENCE AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

Fourth Generation.

(4) IV. ISAAC LAWRENCE. [20-2] It has always been said by his descendants, that he came from Plainfield, Ct., to Canaan; but as there are no records in Plainfield to show that he or any of his family were ever there, the following facts are produced in proof of the assertion.

Groton was a frontier town, and much exposed to Indian depredations. The suf-

* Daniel Lawrence jun., was the grandfather of Mr. Isaac Fellows, on the maternal side. He was great-grandfather of deacon Anson Lawrence and Nathaniel Lawrence.

fering was so extreme that the inhabitants became discouraged, and many of them removed from the town. Several families went to Plainfield, Ct., and others *contemplated* going to the same place. Among the latter were Daniel Lawrence, Joseph Lawrence uncle of Daniel, and Zachariah Lawrence, who was uncle or brother of Daniel. This took place in 1707, while Daniel jun. and Isaac, sons of Daniel, were young children. As no record of them can be found in Groton after this event, it may be taken as conclusive corroboration of the general belief on this point.

While he and his family were on their way to Canaan with a team composed of a yoke of oxen and a horse, they left the last house in New Hartford, about twenty-five miles from the place of their destination. The greater part of this distance, they were obliged to cut their way through a heavily timbered forest.

For several days after their arrival, the family took up their quarters under a large oak tree, and slept in their wagon. Near

this tree, which was on the south side of the river, near where the saw mill now stands (1848), and a few rods east of the house where Mr. Silas Beckley now lives, he built the house that he first occupied. He also built the house on the north side of the river, long known as the Lawrence tavern stand, where he died in the year 1751.

There is in the Dunham family a loom which was made of the identical oak tree under which Isaac Lawrence and his family took up their temporary residence on their first arrival. He arrived on the 2d of June, 1738, and was one of the first settlers of the town.

He married Lydia Hewitt. The date of his death was Dec. 2, 1793. His wife died Nov. 14, 1765. His children were,

21—1. Jonas, born 1728; married Tryphena Lawrence, of Littleton, Mass., who died Jan. 31, 1795, at West Stockbridge. (5)

22—2. Stephen, born —; died in infancy.

23—3. Isaac jun.; married Mary Brown, March 18, 1760. (6)

- 24-4. Asa, died in infancy, July 24, 1750.
- 25-5. William, died young, Jan. 5, 1750.
- 26-6. Elijah, died young.
- 27-7. Solomon, died young, July 21, 1750.
- 28-8. Azubah, married Samuel Hyde of
Norwich, Ct., Oct. 25, 1750.
- 29-9. Lydia, born Dec. 2, 1747; died Aug.
4, 1750.
- 30-10. Amy, married Elijah Cobb, March
30, 1760.
- 31-11. Hannah, born May 25, 1750; mar-
ried Willard Kingsbury.

Fifth Generation.

(⁵) V. JONAS LAWRENCE, [21-1] married Tryphena Lawrence of Littleton,* Mass., Sept. 3, 1754. He died May 22, 1793. Their children were.

* This town was taken from Groton, which was at first very large. Shirley and Pepperell were also taken from Groton. In all these towns there are many families of the name of Lawrence, and descendants of John.

32 - 1. Lydia.

33 - 2. William Solomon. (7)

34 - 3. Abiah, born Nov. 30, 1760; married
Stephen Brown, of West Stock-
bridge.

 Their children were,
Hannah, who married a Southwick. She
afterwards joined the Shakers, and now,
(1848), resides at Geneseo, N. Y.
Lydia, who married David Brinsmade, and
now lives at Le Roy, N. Y.

35 - 4. Abel, born Sept. 22, 1763. (8)

36 - 5. Josiah, born Oct. 16, 1765. (9)

37 - 6. Tryphena, born July 4, 1768; mar-
ried Hugh White, of Whitesboro'
New York.

 Their children were,
Robert, lives in Missouri.
Canvass, died in Florida.
Charlotte, married Isaac Walcott, and
removed to Walnut Hills, Mississippi,
where she died.
Sophia, lives in Missouri.
Hugh, at present (1848) a member of
congress from Saratoga county, N. Y.

38 - 7. Charlotte, born Oct. 13, 1770; mar-
ried Isaac Dunham, Nov. 23, 1786

who was born in 1764, and died
October 20, 1821, aged 57 years.

Their children were,

William, born March 20, 1787.

James, born Feb. 20, 1789.

Harvey, born April 10, 1791.

Jonathan, born May 31, 1794; died in
Sheffield, April 27, 1835.

Tryphena, born Jan. 27, 1797; married
Ephraim Dickson.

Charlotte, born Oct. 21, 1799; married
Stephen Crittenden, and resides in St.
Lawrence co. She has three children,
namely, Isaac, Arselia, and James.

Harvey Dunham, son of Isaac and Charlotte, was
born 10th of April, 1791; married Lydia Loveland,
of Sandisfield, Dec. 31, 1812, who was born Jan. 29,
1791. Their children were,

Pamelia, born Nov. 11, 1813; died July 24,
1838.

Isaac, born Sept. 7, 1815; married Elizabeth
Snyder, of Taghkanic, Columbia co., N.Y.,
Sept. 1, 1840, who was born Feb. 1, 1821.
They have two children: 1. Pamelia, born
March 3, 1842; 2. Sarah, born March 31,
1847.

Asahel, born Nov. 26, 1819.

Harvey, born July 9, 1825.

Lydia, born July 12, 1828.

Charlotte, born Feb. 15, 1831.

39 - 8. Consider, born Sept. 1777. (10)

40 - 9. Billy, (who had his name changed
to William) born Jan. 31, 1779 (11)

(6) V. ISAAC LAWRENCE, JUN., [23-3] married Mary Brown, March 18, 1760. He removed from Canaan to Vermont, near Onion River, about sixty-five years since, (1848). He had, before he left Canaan, four or five sons, namely, Elijah, Samuel, Isaac and Henry. Also several daughters, one of whom was named Lydia. Elijah, Samuel and Isaac, removed from Vermont to Lower Canada, forty or fifty years ago, (1848), where it is supposed their families now reside.

Their children were,

41 - 1. Lydia, born Sept. 2, 1761.

42 - 2. Elijah, born Oct. 17, 1763.

43 - 3. Samuel, born Nov. 19, 1765.

44 - 4. Isaac, 3d, born Nov. 22, 1767; married Debby Root.

- 45-5. Mary, born May 4, 1770.
 - 46.-6. Apame, born Dec. 7, 1772.
 - 47-7. Henry, born Feb. 25, 1778.
 - 48-8. Erastus, born March 11, 1780.
 - 49-9. Pamela, born May 17, 1782.
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Sixth Generation.

(7) VI. WILLIAM SOLOMON LAWRENCE,—
[33-2] married Esther Dutton Oct. 12, 1780.
He died 1797. Left children, as far as
known,

- 50-1. Experience.
- 51-2. Erastus, died at Natches about 1839
- 52-3. Rebecca.
- 53-4. Cyrus.
- 54-5. Sophia.
- 55-6. Betsey, settled in Upper Canada.
- 56-7. Charlotte, do do
- 57-8. Orange, do do

(8) VI. ABEL LAWRENCE [35-4] born Sept.
22, 1763; married Abigail Rockwell, Oct.
6, 1783. They removed to Berkshire,

Tioga county, N. Y. Their children were,
 58-1. Jonas.
 59-2. Tryphena.
 60-3. Abigail.

(9) VI. JOSIAH LAWRENCE, [36-5] born Oct. 16, 1765; married Amy Rockwell Feb. 7, 1788, for his first wife, who was born May 4, 1762, and died May 17, 1812. His second wife was Phebe, widow of William Faxon; she was born Aug. 8, 1780, and is still living. The children by his first wife were,

61-1. Abiah, born Nov. 28, 1788; married Dr. Ovid Plumb, in 1825.

62-2. Harvey, b. March 19, 1791; married Betsey Dunning, Nov. 22, 1812. (12)

63-3. Abigail, born Jan. 29, 1793; died June 5, 1816; married Sereno B. Gillett Dec. 30, 1812; had one son, Lawrence, b. June 5, 1816.

64-4. Betsey, born Feb. 25, 1799; married John Franklin, Nov. 4, 1825.

They have three children, namely:

Charlotte L., born March 11, 1827.

Edward, born March 11, 1831.

Hugh White, born May 22, 1834.

65-5. Charlotte, b. May 4, 1802; married
William Adam, Sept. 15, 1824.

Their children are,

Robert W., born Sept. 28, 1825.

Frances C., born Aug. 31, 1830.

Sarah W., born April 28, 1835.

The children by his second wife, are,

66-6. Isaac, born Nov. 28, 1814.

67-7. George K., born Feb. 9, 1817. (13)

(10) VI. CONSIDER LAWRENCE, [39-8] was
born Feb. 8, 1777; married Wealthy Peck.

Their children were,

68-1. Maria.

69-2. Isaac.

70-3. William.

71-4. Betsey.

72-5. Josiah.

(11) VI. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, [40-9] was
born Jan. 31, 1779; married Lotte Rood,
Oct. 7, 1801, who was born Nov. 30, 1783.

Their children are,

73-1. Laura, born Nov. 5, 1802; married
Daniel Norton, October 13, 1825.

Their children are,

Julia L., born Dec. 17, 1826.

Susan P., born Dec. 20, 1829.

Jane E., born May 19, 1832.

Loania V., born July 3, 1835.

William P., born Jan. 11, 1839.

Edward D., born May 16, 1841.

74-2. Julia, born Sept. 18, 1804; married

Frederick S. Pease, Sept. 18, 1832.

75-3. William, jr., born July 22, 1806, (14)

76-4. Jane, born July 29, 1808; married

Charles W. Franklin, Nov. 1833.

77-5. Maria, born March 21, 1811.

78-6. Frederick, born Aug. 15, 1813. (15)

79-7. Lorenzo, born Nov. 29, 1816.

80-8. Abigail, b. March 11, 1819; married

Lawrence Gillett, Jan. 2, 1839.

Their children are,

Harriet E., born Dec. 29, 1839.

Josiah L., born Feb. 14, 1843.

Ellen J., born April 19, 1846.

81-9. Harriet, born June 6, 1823.

Seventh Generation.

(¹²) VII. HARVEY LAWRENCE, [62-2] was born 19, March 19, 1791; married Betsey Dunning Nov. 22, 1812. Their children are,

82-1. Amy, born June 10, 1815; married Hiram Andrews.

83-2. Edmund D., born Jan. 20, 1820.

84-3. Catharine C., born June 30, 1822,

(¹³) VII. GEORGE K. LAWRENCE, [67-7] was born Feb. 9, 1817; married Huldah Tuckerman, March 26, 1840, who was born April 9, 1816. Their children are,

85-1. George F., born Dec. 24, 1840.

86-2. Josiah B., born Jan. 15, 1844.

(¹⁴) VII. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, JUN., [75-3] was born July 22, 1806; married Chloe Beecher. Their children are,

87-1. William H., born July 29, 1831.

88-2. George J., born Oct., 1834.

(¹⁵) VII. FREDERICK LAWRENCE, [78-6] was born Aug. 15, 1813; married for his first

wife Elizabeth A. Pease, Jan. 1, 1838; she died May 1, 1840. His second wife was Helen M. Pease. He had children,

89 - 1. Elizabeth F., born May 1, 1840, by his first wife.

90 - 2. Helen A., born March 29, 1846, by his second wife.