



Prentice



DESCENDANTS  
of  
REV. AMOS PRENTICE  
(1804 - 1849)

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WHY YOU HAVE A FAMILY NAME  
and  
WHAT IT MEANS TO YOU

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Primitive personal names doubtless originated soon after the invention of spoken language, although the date of their first use is lost in the darkness of ages preceding recorded history. For thousands of years thereafter, first or given names were the only designations that men and women bore; and in the dawn of historic times, when the world was less crowded than it is today and every man knew his neighbor, only one title of address was necessary. Only gradually, with the passing centuries and the increasing complexity of civilized society, did a need arise for more specific designations. While the roots of our system of family names may be traced back to early civilized times, actually the hereditary surname as we know it today is a comparatively recent development in human history, dating from a time scarcely earlier than nine hundred years ago.

A surname is a name added to a baptismal or Christian name for the purposes of making it more specific and of indicating family relationship or descent. Classified according to origin, most surnames fall into four general categories: (1) those formed from the given name of the sire; (2) those arising from bodily or personal characteristics; (3) those derived from locality or place of residence; and (4) those derived from occupation. It is easier to understand the story of the development of our institution of surnames if these classifications are borne in mind.

As early as biblical times, certain distinguishing appellations were occasionally employed in addition to the given name, as, for instance, Joshua the son of Nun, Simon the son of Jonas, Judas of Galilee, and Simon the Zealot. In ancient Greece, daughters were scrupulously named after their fathers, as Chryseis, the daughter of Chryses; and sons' names were usually an enlarged form of the father's, as Hieronymus, son of Hiero. The Romans, with the rise of their civilization, felt the need for some hereditary title; and to meet this need they invented a complex system whereby every patrician traced his descent by taking several names. None of these, however, exactly corresponded to surnames as we know them, for the "clan name," though hereditary, was given

also to slaves and other dependents. Excellent as this system was, it proved to be but a temporary innovation, for the overthrow of the Western Empire by barbarian invaders brought about its end and a reversion to the primitive custom of a single name.

The ancient Scandinavians and for the most part the Germans had only individual names, and there were no family names, strictly speaking, among the Celts. But as family and tribal groups grew in size, individual names proved inadequate and the need for supplementary designations began to be felt. Among the first employed were such terms as "the Strong," "the Hardy," "the Stern," "the Dreadful-in-battle"; and the nations of northern Europe soon adopted the practice of adding the father's name to the son's, as Oscar son of Ossian, Oscar son of Carnuth, and Dermid son of Duthno.

True surnames, in the sense of hereditary designations, date in England from about the year 1000. Largely, they were introduced from Normandy, although there are interesting records of Saxon surnames prior to the Norman Conquest. Perhaps the oldest known surname in England is that borne by Hwita Hatte, a keeper of bees, whose daughter was Tate Hatte. During the reign of Edward the Confessor (1042-1066), there were Saxon tenants in Suffolk bearing such names as Suert Magno, Stigand Soror, Siuward Rufus, and Leuric Hobbesune (Hobson); and the Domesday record of 1085-1086, which exhibits some curious combinations of Saxon forenames with Norman family names, shows surnames in still more general use.

By the end of the twelfth century, hereditary names had become common in England. But even by 1465 they were not universal. During the reign of Edward V a law was passed to compel certain Irish outlaws to adopt surnames: "They shall take unto them a Surname, either of some Town, or some Colour, as Blacke or Brown, or some Art or Science, as Smyth or Carpenter, or some Office, as Cooke or Butler." And as late as the beginning of the nineteenth century, a somewhat similar decree compelled Jews in Germany and Austria to add a German surname to the single names which they had previously used.

As stated above, family names may be divided into four general classes according to their origin. One of the largest of these classes is that comprising surnames derived from the given name of the father of those who first bore the surname. Such names were formed by means of an added prefix or suffix de-

noting either "son of" or a diminutive. English names terminating in son, ing, and kin (from the Norse sonr, ingr, kyn) are of this type, as are also the hosts of names prefixed with the Gaelic Mac, the Norman Fitz, the Welsh ap, and the Irish O' (literally "a descendant of"). Thus John's sons became Johnsons; William's sons, Williamsons or Wilsons; Richard's sons, Richardsons or Richardses (the final "s" of "Richards" being a contraction of "son"); Neill's sons, MacNeills; Herbert's sons, FitzHerberts; Thomas's sons, ap Thomases (ap has been dropped from many names of which it was formerly a part); and Reilly's sons, O'Reillys. Names of this type are common not only in the British Isles, but also in Germany, the Netherlands, the Scandinavian countries, and throughout many other parts of the world.

Another class of surnames, those arising from some bodily or personal characteristic of their first bearer, apparently grew out of what were in the first instance nicknames. Thus Peter the strong became Peter Strong, Roger of small stature became Roger Little or Roger Small, and black-haired William or blond Alfred became William Black and Alfred White. From among the many names of this type, only a few need be mentioned: Long, Hardy, Wise, Gladman, Lover, Youngman, and Legrand. Such names as Fox and Wolfe perhaps also belong in this group, although some writers suggest that they may be of an ancient totemistic origin instead.

A third class of family names, and perhaps the largest of all, is that comprising local surnames-- names derived from and originally designating the place of residence or habitat of the bearer. Such names were popular in France at an early date and were introduced into England by the Normans, many of whom were known by the titles of their estates on the Continent and later by the titles of their English possessions. The surnames adopted by the nobility were mainly of this type, being used with the particles de, de la, or del (meaning "of" or "of the"). The Saxon equivalent was the word atte ("at the"), employed in such names as John atte Brook, Edmund atte Lane, Godwin atte Brigg, and William atte Bourne. A vestige of this usage survives in the names Atwell, Atwood, and Atwater; in other cases the Norman de was substituted; and in still others, such as Wood, Briggs, and Lane, the particle was dropped. The surnames of some of the Pilgrim fathers illustrate place designations: for instance, Winthrop means "from the friendly village"; Endicott, "an end cottage"; Bradford, "at the broad ford"; and Standish, "a stony park." The suffixes "ford," "ham," "ley," and "ton," denoting locality, are of frequent occurrence in such names as Ashford, Bingham, Burley or Burleigh, and Norton.

While England enjoyed a period of comparative peace under Edward the Confessor, a fourth class of surnames arose--names derived from occupation. The earliest of these seem to have been official names, such as Bishop, Mayor, Fawcett (judge), Alderman, Reeve, Sheriff, Chamberlain, Chancellor, Chaplain, Deacon, Latimer (interpreter), Marshall, Sumner (summoner), and Parker (park-keeper). Trade and craft names, although of the same general type, were of somewhat later origin. Currier was a dresser of skins, Webster a weaver, Wainwright a wagon builder, and Baxter a baker. Such names as Smith, Taylor, Barber, Shepherd, Carter, Mason, and Miller are self-explanatory.

Many surnames of today which seem to defy classification or explanation are corruptions of ancient forms which have become disguised almost beyond recognition. Longfellow, for instance, was originally Longueville, Longshanks was Longchamps, Troublefield was Tuberville, Wrinch was Renshaw, Diggles was Douglas, and Snooks was Sevenoaks. Such corruptions of family names, resulting from ignorance of spelling, variations in pronunciation, or merely from the preference of the bearer, tend to baffle both the genealogist and the etymologist. Shakespeare's name is to be found in some twenty-seven different forms, and the majority of English and Anglo-American surnames have, in their history, appeared in four to a dozen or more variant spellings.

In America, the melting pot of all nations, a greater variety of family names exists than any where else in the world. Surnames of every race and nation are represented. While the greater number are of English, Scotch, Irish, or Welsh origin, brought to this country by scions of families which had borne these names for generations prior to emigration, many others, from central and southern Europe and from the Slavic countries, where the use of surnames is generally a more recently established practice, present considerable difficulty to the student of etymology and family history.

Those Americans who bear old and honored names-- who trace the history of their surnames back to sturdy emigrant ancestors, or even beyond, across the seas, and into the dim mists of antiquity--may be rightfully proud of their heritage. While the name, in its origin, may seem ingenious, humble, surprising, or matter-of-fact, its significance today lies not in a literal interpretation of its original meaning but in the many things that have happened to it since it first came into use. In the beginning it was only a word, a convenient label to distinguish one John from his neighbor John who lived across the field. But soon it established itself as a part of the bearer's individuality; and as it passed to



his children, his children's children, and their children, it became the symbol not of one man but of a family and all that that family stood for. Handed down from generation to generation, it grew inseparably associated with the achievement, the tradition, and the glory of the family. Like the coat of arms, that vivid pictorial symbolization of the name which warrior ancestors bore in battle, the name itself, borne through every event of life and through the lives of scores of one's progenitors, became the badge of family honor-- the "good name" to be proud of, to protect, and to fight for if need be. As the valiant deeds of the marching generations have clothed it in glory, it has become an institution, a family rallying cry, and the most treasured possession of those who bear it.

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## THE PRENTICE COAT-OF-ARMS

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The late Ezra P. Prentice of "Mt. Hope," Albany, while in England procured from the Herald Office, London, the Prentice arms as he was assured as represented on p. 249 of the First Edition, and reproduced in this Edition - a gyron of eight ar. and or. on a chief ar. A fleur-de-lis between two crescents gules; crest, an eagle displayed, in his dexter claw a dagger, in his sinister claw a pistol. Motto: Droit en Avant (Right and forward). Burke has the same. These arms are used by the Prentice family of Leeds, Stowmarket, etc.

Prentys, Norfolk County, England, chev. or. and sa. Three greyhounds courant, counter changed, collared, crest a demi-greyhound rampant or. collared, ringed and lined sa.; the line coiled in a knot at the ends.

Nathaniel Appleton Prentiss, Esq., 59 Liberty Street, New York City, has a stamp made of these arms for note paper and the crest with this motto under the latter "Droit et en avant," which he thinks more appropriate. This could not be used for this book. He says these arms were worked on a satin sampler by his great-aunt Elizabeth, dau. of Rev. Joshua Prentiss of Holliston, Mass., which is now owned by his aunt Mrs. Henry Prentiss, 16 Bulfinch Street, Boston. This sampler was mentioned in the First Edition. It was formerly owned by his father Nathaniel Appleton Prentiss of South Andover, Mass. Burke has these arms.

Prentis, Scotland, ar. a chev. between three greyhounds courant sa. Crest, a leopard's face gu., spotted or. (per Burke), who also gives

Prentisse, az. a chev. between three roses ar.

Frederick Prentice, Esq., sheriff of Norwich, Ct., said his father had a coat-of-arms, but it disappeared.

Mrs. Stetson, a granddaughter of Rev. Thomas Prentice of Charlestown, Mass., had in Dorchester, Mass. the Prentice and Kettell coat-of-arms united, as named on p. 250 of First Edition (painted by Doyle in Boston, who painted them to suit.) On the left half of the shield, divided by a perpendicular line, is the Kettell arms, viz., upper and lower part sa. chev. with three female figures in white, kneeling. The Prentiss half has the upper and lower part of the shield ar., divided by a bar gu., two greyhounds in the upper part and one in the lower part, all sa., in the bar a demi-lion rampant az.

Caleb Prentiss of Danvers, Mass. had a coat-of-arms (probably one by Doyle) and said to be Prentiss. Crest, a huntsman with a gun by his side and a greyhound, sa., below him a helmet, visor closed, shield ar., with a chev. gu., a demi-lion rampant az. in the middle of the chev.; above the lion a greyhound on the left and one on the right side and one greyhound on the lower part of the shield below the chev.; the greyhounds sa. Motto below the shield, "By the name of Prentiss." This is said once to have belonged to Elizabeth dau. of Rev. Joshua Prentiss of Holliston, Mass.

A coat-of-arms worked on satin and framed was owned by Nathaniel Appleton Prentiss of South Andover, Mass. Crest, a greyhound couchant; shield three lozenges, two upper sa., lower one ar., three greyhounds couchant in the shield (two above and one below) sa.

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The following, taken from Compton's Pictured Encyclopedia, makes for a clearer understanding of the Coat-of-arms:

"**HERALDRY.** In the Middle Ages, when knights wore armor that completely covered their heads and bodies, there grew up the custom of emblazoning devices on shields and surcoats so that the wearers could be distinguished. By slow degrees an elaborate science of heraldry developed. Strict rules were laid down regulating the assumption and design of armorial bearings, and colleges of heralds were founded to enforce observance of the rules. Most of the terms used in heraldry are French, because that language prevailed while the science was growing up.

"Several coats of arms are often arranged or "marshalled" on the same shield or "escutcheon" to show descent, marriage, alliance, etc. To enable this to be done the shield is divided into halves by a single line extending across it vertically, diagonally, or horizontally; or it is divided into "quarters" by a cross-shaped arrangement of lines, and these quarters may be further subdivided. The colors or "tinctures" are called OR (gold), ARGENT (silver), GULES (red), AZURE (Blue), SABLE (black), VERT (green), and PURPURE (purple).

"The "charges" or devices are of infinite variety. Some are wide bands, variously named according to the direction in which they cross the shield. Thus the "pale" extends from top to bottom, the "fess" is a horizontal band in the middle, and the "bend" crosses diagonally from the upper left-hand corner (dexter chief) to the lower right-hand corner (sinister base). The "bend sinister," crossing from upper right to lower left, is popularly but erroneously considered a mark of illegitimacy. Other common charges are simple geometrical designs, and others are conventionalized representations of animals, flowers, trees, leaves, etc. The animal most frequently used is the lion, which may have several positions: rampant (erect on the hind legs), passant (walking), couchant (lying with the head raised), dormant (asleep), etc.

"Heraldry gets its name from the heralds of the Middle Ages, who were the official representatives of kings and lords. The heralds were also the court chroniclers, and it was their duty to keep track of family relationships and of the intricate etiquette governing coats-of-arms."

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PREFACE  
of C.J.F.Binney's Prentice-Prentiss Family  
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The editor of the first edition of the "Prentice-Prentiss Genealogy" of 1852, which is long since exhausted, had sent to him in 1882 the letters, MSS., etc. received and collected by the late E. C. Prentiss of Brighton, Mass., with a request to arrange them for the press for an enlarged, revised and corrected second edition; to which he has added much material collected by himself. After various plans were tried without result, printed circulars were issued to some 2000 of the name and connections, for further records and for subscriptions for copies of the work to cover the cost of publication, etc., intending to have illustrations in it if possible, but so little interest was manifest and so few copies subscribed for, that they had to be dispensed with unless the expense was defrayed by the senders, and reducing the proposed edition from 500 to 350 copies, and that after much expenditure of time, trouble and money.

The plan Mr. Prentiss adopted is followed. The first known ancestor in the United States is No. 1, and of the first generation. The small figure over a name is the generation from the ancestor. The branches from Scotland, Ireland or England are separate, and one branch whose name was changed to Prentiss by act of the New Hampshire Legislature.

Henry Prentice, "planter" of Cambridge, Mass. is the ancestor of that branch. Valentine of Roxbury, and his son John, the "smith", of New London, Ct., who with his descendants there spelt Prentis, is the ancestor of that branch. Robert of Roxbury, and (probably) his sons James and Thomas the 2nd, of Newton, and his (supposed) brother Capt. Thomas "the trooper" of Newton, Mass., especially the latter, is the ancestor of the Newton branch, and extending into Connecticut. All these are supposed to have been related to each other. Several families could not tell who their grandparents were, or neglected to send that information to trace them to a known branch.

The writer would express his thanks to those who have sent many records in their line. Especially to L. H. Prentice of Chicago for his valuable aid and interest in the work, without which he would have abandoned it as a thankless task, in trying to preserve information valuable to the name. Though there appear to be no millionaires of the name, the stock is good, and each pursues his individual calling in comfortable circumstances, as believed, and respected by neighbors and friends. A number follow Franklin's profession. Should a gathering of the whole clan be had at any time, with those connected it would bring a small army together, and be a pleasant re-union, as a few separate branches have had heretofore. The writer now introduces the present to the past.

C. J. F. Binney

Boston, March 1883.

## THE PRENTICE - PRENTISS FAMILIES

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This is an old English name. Rymer's "Foedera" Vol.III, p 730, mentions Thomas Prentiz, A.D. 1318, An.12, Edward II. See also English branches for William de Prentice de Leak, England 1341. Pelkinton's "Derbyshire", London 1789, Vol.II, speaks of Peter Prentiz, member of the House of Commons from Derby, 34 and 35 Edward III, about 1361-2, and John Prentiz, a member from Derby, An.6, Henry IV, and of Elizabeth Prentise (variously spelled) who m. the Earl of Ferran, A.D. 1778, and Richard Prentiz, Vol. VIII, p 294, A.D. 1403, An.4, Henry IV. John Prentys was Rector of Winterborn, Bradston, Aug. 22, 1713, and Prebendary of York, North Newbold, which he resigned Aug. 22, 1723. A few other early names are in the Great Britain branches.

The name in America is believed to have been originally spelled PRENTICE. (On old records in New England names of individuals were often written by town clerks, etc. from their mode of spelling, from the sound of a name. The original Roxbury and Cambridge branches spelled Prentice. Valentine of Roxbury, name was spelled there on the records tice; but after his son John, "the smith", went to New London, Ct., that name there is spelled Prentis and is so continued in that branch, though some of the subsequent families of it have since spelled tiss and tice.) Some branches since spell it Prentiss and some Prentis. In the following pages the names of the different branches are spelled as found, or written by themselves, when known; otherwise written Prentice. Capt. Thomas Prentice of Newton, Mass. wrote tice, as did Henry the Planter, of Cambridge, Mass. Some branches in Great Britain yet spell Prentis and Prentiss; the most of them spell Prentice. Many of the younger American branches have changed the name from tis to tiss or tice, or vice versa; and it is often necessary in tracing one to look at the index spelled each way.

The first one of the name yet found recorded in America was Valentine Prentice, who came over from Nazing, Essex County, England, with the apostle "Eliot" in 1631, with his wife Alice and son John Prentice (another child died on the passage), and settled in Roxbury, Mass. It is supposed that Valentine of Roxbury, Robert of Roxbury, Henry of Cambridge, and Capt. Thomas of Cambridge and Newton, were in some way connected.



## FIRST NEWTON BRANCH

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CAPT. THOMAS PRENTICE, "trooper", of Newton, Mass., son of \_\_\_\_\_; b. in England in 1621 (per age at death); m. in England about 1643, Grace \_\_\_\_\_. "Their dau. Grace bapt. in England and was about four years old at her parents joining" the First Church in Cambridge, Mass., which church was formed in 1636. Capt. Prentice lived in Newton, Mass., where "he d. July 6, 1710 on Sunday in consequence of a fall from his horse on returning from church and was buried under arms by the company of troop July 8, 1710 in the old burying ground in Newton", where is yet to be seen his large, thick gravestone bearing in capital letters this inscription: HERE LIES Y<sup>e</sup> BODY OF CAPT. THOMAS PRENTICE, DECEASED JULY Y<sup>e</sup> 7th, 1709 IN THE 89<sup>th</sup> YEAR OF HIS AGE".

On the footstone is CAPT. THOMAS PRENTICE. The year 1709 on it is wrong - it should be 1710. His wife Grace died in Newton Oct. 9, 1692 soon after Samuel Sewall's visit to Newton, whose diary says: "Oct. 1, 1692 went to Newton and dined with Mr. Hobart and wife, Mrs. Prentice and others".

Capt. Prentice came to Cambridge, Mass. with his wife Grace and dau. Grace. He may have been in the family of Lieut-Col. Roger Harlakenden, the patron and protector of Rev. Mr. Thomas Shepard in England, and who came with Mr. Shepard of the First Church, Cambridge, Mass. in 1636 from Earls Colne, a small parish in Essex County, England. Harlakenden d. of smallpox in Cambridge, Mass. in 1638, and in his will of that date gives 30/ each to his maid servant and to Goldwinge and to Thomas Prentice. The latter is supposed to have learned the art of war with Harlakenden in Cromwell's army.

The earliest notice of Capt. Prentice in America is on the records of the First Church (now the Shepard Church) in Cambridge, Mass., under Mr. Shepard, which was organized Feb. 1, 1636, O.S., as the "First Church in Cambridge"; the church previously there under Rev. Thomas Hooker, about one hundred in number, having in 1636 emigrated with him through the wilderness to Hartford, Ct., and the party who came with Rev. Mr. Shepard, about sixty in number, purchased the houses of Hooker's congregation on their leaving. Cambridge was then called New Town and was settled in 1636. The first meeting-house was erected in 1632. The First Church formed in 1631. The Cambridge platform adopted in 1648. The First Church united with the Shepard Congregationalist Society in 1829. The present handsome stone church dedicated in 1872 under Rev. Dr. A. McKenzie as pastor. Mr. Shepard d. in 1649.

The First Church records say "Thomas Prentice and Grace, his wife, both in full communion, their children (Grace, bapt. in England and about four years old at her parents joining), Thomas, Elizabeth, Mary and John, all born and bapt. in this church". Thomas Prentice was made a freeman May 23, 1652, in Cambridge. In 1656 the inhabitants of Cambridge on the south side of the river wanted a church by themselves, and a few years later were so numerous there that they formed a distinct congregation for worship and were allowed one-half the proportion of the minister's money, and in 1664 the New Church in Cambridge village, so-called until the church established in 1692, and then called Newton, and the Apostle Eliot's son John was their pastor.

Capt. Thomas Prentice and family removed from Cambridge to Newton and he there lived and died. His residence was in the easterly part of Newton where the Boston water works tunnel passes, and near where Harbeck's house stood in 1855. Capt. Prentice's old well remains but his house is down. In 1653 Mr. Prentice hired Mr. Haynes' farm - probably John Haynes, lieutenant-governor of Massachusetts, who m. Mabel, sister of Roger Harlakenden. He removed to Connecticut 1657 and was the governor of that colony.

In 1656 at the age of 35 he was chosen lieutenant of the troop of horse, and its captain in 1662. In 1661 Thomas Day deeds Thomas Prentice 300 acres of land in the "Pequod country". In the General Court records of Massachusetts this land (south by the Sound, west by Capt. Gooker, northeast by the college lands) is ordered laid out to Lieut. Thomas Prentice, a part of which is probably the land on which his grandson Samuel Prentice, Sr. settled in Stonington, Ct. about 1710. In 1667 Capt. Prentice was sent to lay out and settle Quinsagamonk (Worcester, Mass.) and had 50 or 60 acres of land, and had one of the first 58 houses there. He also had grants of land in Woburn in 1684, and had land in Billerica and other places. He was a representative to the General Court in 1672-74. In 1675 300 acres of land were granted to him by the General Assembly of Connecticut. (See Connecticut Colonial Records 1675-77, Vol. IX, pp 43-46). In 1675 he and his troop of horse are mentioned 19 times on books of the treasurer of Massachusetts colony. (Capt. Thomas Prentice's credit for the Narragansett Campaign was £18.) "He and his troop of horse were a terror to the Indians by his sudden attacks and impetuous charges". In a desperate one in 1675 he rescued Vincent Druce, one of the troop badly wounded, and witnessed his will when he died Nov. 29, 1677. He was appointed Captain of the troop of horse in the Indian War June 24, 1675, and was in the Narragansett fight and aided to its success, and that year was one of the commissioners to put the captive Indian children to service.

Thomas Prentice of Newton, probably son of the "trooper" Thomas, had a Narragansett grant of land. June 26, 1675, Capt. Prentice marched with his troop to Swansea, and Dec. 29, 1675 with 75 men went to Narragansett, and in 1676 with a "ply" of horse was sent to Sudbury, and April 27 of that year "horse under Capt. Prentice to Hasanamisco" (Grafton, Mass.). He was often employed by the General Court in special services of trust, both civil and military, for many years. In 1689 he and troop were ordered to Rhode Island to arrest and bring back Sir Edmund Andros. In 1675 Capt. Prentice bought of Edward Frost and wife Thomasin 85 acres of land on the south side of Charles River in Cambridge, bounded by the two brothers James and Thomas Prentice, the second. In 1675 he was a commissioner to rebuild Lancaster, Mass., vacant three years after it was burnt by the Indians in Philip's War. Capt. Prentice was a friend and counsellor of the converted Indians, who in 1691 petitioned the General Court "that Capt. Thomas Prentice may be appointed their overseer and magistrate." In 1705 Capt. Prentice settled his estate himself by gift deeds, one to his grandson Thomas Prentice of a house and land in Newton, and one to his grandson Samuel Prentiss (since of Stonington, Ct.) of his mansion house and 100 acres of land in the southerly part of Newton; therefore no will or inventory was made or found. He spelled his name ice. As there are so many of Capt. Thomas Prentice's descendants at this time, proud of their descent from so famous a man and anxious to know as much of him as possible, the writer has taken pains to collect much that will be of interest to them.

Children of Capt. Thomas and Grace Prentice:

- I - Grace<sup>2</sup>, b. 1648 in England and bapt. there, and about four years old when her parents joined the Cambridge, Mass. church.
- II - Thomas<sup>2</sup> )
- III - Elizabeth<sup>2</sup> ) twins. Thomas b. Jan. 22, 1649. Elizabeth m. May 4, 1675  
Thomas Aldridge of Dedham, Mass. She d. Feb. 5, 1676
- IV - Mary<sup>2</sup>, b. - - - -
- V - Henry<sup>2</sup>, b. - - - ; d. 1654.
- VI - John<sup>2</sup>, b. Feb. 2, 1653; d. March 10, 1654.
- VII - John<sup>2</sup>, b. July 10, 1655; m. June 28, 1677 Elizabeth, dau. of Edward Jackson, Sr. of Newton, and d. March 14, 1689, leaving no children. She b. April 28, 1658 and m. 2nd, Nov. 24, 1699 or 1700 Col. Jonas Bond of Watertown, Mass., great-grandfather of the late Henry Bond of Philadelphia, Pa., whose first wife Grace d. April 11, 1699 (gravestone and town records). Noah Wiswall deeded land to John Prentice, both of Cambridge. The widow Elizabeth (Jackson) Prentice was executrix of her husband John Prentice, she to have all the property for life and liberty to dispose of one-half of his estate at her death. The other half Mr. Prentice willed (at her death), with a legacy of £10. to "my cousin John, son of my deceased brother Thomas Prentice, on his marriage." Inventory of John Prentice: £316. including musket, 2 guns, swords, belt, etc. and books £2. Witness to his will, James Prentice. Mrs. Elizabeth (Jackson)(Prentice) Bond d. Jan. 25, 1749, ae. 83, and willed property to her cousin, her first husband's brother's son, Rev. John Prentice of Lancaster, Mass., and also to Elizabeth, widow of Capt. Thomas Prentice the 2nd, the dau. of Edward Jackson, Jr., of Newton, Mass.
- VIII - Hannah<sup>2</sup>, b. 1661; d. April 28, 1738, ae. 77.

Thomas Prentice, the 2nd, of Newton, Mass., was a joint purchaser of land with James Prentice in 1650 and 1657. They were probably brothers. "When he came into this village (Newton) he was called Thomas, Jr. When Capt. Thomas Prentice's son Thomas was grown up he was called Thomas 2nd. When his own son Thomas was grown up he was called Thomas Prentice, while Capt. Thomas "the trooper" was called and widely known by his military title." Mr. Edward Jackson by his will makes bequests to both these Prentices; the one he styles "Capt. Thomas Prentice", the other Thomas Prentice. Towards the latter part of his life he was called Thomas Prentice, Sen. He appears to have had a great horror of records; nowhere does his name appear except when he could not help it. He was a selectman four years, 1686, 1690, 1699 and 1700, and his son Ebenezer was constable in 1687. The town clerk was obliged to record these notices. So also of the register of deeds. There is not a scrap of record about him among the births, marriages or deaths, nor in the probate office. Had it not been for the deeds he could not have been penetrated. By Edward Jackson, Sen.'s, will (1686) we learn that he m. his (Jackson's) dau. Rebecca, by his first wife, and that he gave her a gold ring with this motto "Memento Morex", and that he bequeathed to her husband Thomas Prentice 100 acres land at the south part of the town near "Baldpate meadow" (where he built a house and resided during the latter part of his life), and two other tracts of land. In 1688 Thomas Prentice, Sen., son-in-law to Edward Jackson, consented that Jonathan Jackson of Boston might sell the lands bequeathed to him by his father (Edward Jackson, Sen.'s, will). In 1694 Thomas Prentice, Sen., and Rebecca, his wife, conveyed land to Rev. N. Hobart. In 1706 he conveyed land to his grandsons Thomas and Samuel. In 1714 Thomas Prentice, Sen., conveyed by deed of gift to his son Thomas P., Jr. (after his decease), his homestead at "Burnt Hill" in Newton, adjoining to the new dwelling-house of said Thomas (except what he had allowed to his son-in-law John Hyde, and reserving one-third of the cedar swamp to his sons John and Edward.) This deed was acknowledged May 1714 and recorded June 24, 1724, probably the year he died. He also conveyed land to his loving son John, a "cordwainer", in 1714. He lived to a great age, near one hundred, but the time of his death is unknown. His heirs, however, sold his dwelling-house and farm in June 1728, and said "of Thomas Prentice late of Newton". His wife Rebecca was bapt. in London Oct. 10, 1638 (per the parish register of Whitechapel.) The time of her death is also unknown.

DESCENDANTS  
of  
REV. AMOS PRENTICE

The descendants of Rev. Amos<sup>7</sup> Prentice derive from  
Capt. Thomas Prentice "the trooper" through the following line -

Capt. Thomas <sup>1</sup> Prentice "The Trooper"	1621-1710
Thomas <sup>2</sup> Prentice, Jr.	1649-1685
Samuel <sup>3</sup> Prentice, Sr.	1680-1728
(Deacon) Samuel <sup>4</sup> Prentice, Jr.	1702-1773
Dr. Amos <sup>5</sup> Prentice	1748-1805
John Owen <sup>6</sup> Prentice	1776-1838
Rev. Amos <sup>7</sup> Prentice	1804-1849

The history of Capt. Thomas<sup>1</sup> occupies pages 11 and 12 -  
that of Thomas<sup>2</sup> on page 14 and below. The genealogical data on  
pages 15, 16 and 17 is copied from:

"The History and Genealogy of the Prentice or Prentiss  
Family in New England from 1631 to 1883, by C.J.F. Birney,  
Second Edition, published by the Editor, Boston, 1883."

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THOMAS<sup>2</sup> PRENTICE, JR., son on Capt. Thomas "the trooper" and  
wife Grace; m. March 20, 1675 Sarah, b. about 1655, dau. of Capt.  
Thomas Stanton, the famous Indian interpreter. (Capt. Stanton m.  
Ann, dau. of Thomas Lord). Thomas Prentice, Jr. was probably a  
trooper in his father's troop of horse. He d. April 19, 1685,  
ae 36. Inventory: house, barn, etc. £120; pistols, carbine, cut-  
lass, belt, saddle, boots, etc. £6; one hundred acres land in the  
King's Province £15; two hundred and thirty acres in Stonington, Ct.  
£109 5s 0d; total £354 5s 0d. Appraised by Thomas Prentice the  
second, and John Ward. Widow Sarah, administratrix, who soon  
after her husband's death m. 2nd, Capt. William Denison, and d. 1713,  
ae 59. (By him she had William Denison, bapt. 1686; Sarah Denison,  
bapt. 1689, and George Denison, bapt. 1692). Children of Thomas  
and Sarah (Stanton)Prentice:

III - Samuel<sup>3</sup>, b. about 1680; m. Esther Hammond.

(The N.E. Historic Genealogical Register of October 1883 says  
Capt. Thomas Prentice, captain of a foot company from Cambridge, Mass.  
was in Philip's War. This was probably Thomas Prentice, Jr., son of  
the trooper Thomas.)

## THE STONINGTON (Ct.) BRANCH

Is from Samuel<sup>3</sup> Prentice, Sr. son of Thomas and Sarah (Stanton) who was b. in Newton, Mass. He went to Stonington about 1709. He was head of that branch and was of the third generation from Capt. Thomas Prentice "the trooper," of Newton, Mass., but the first generation and ancestor of the Stonington branch.

SAMUEL<sup>3</sup> PRENTICE, SR., son of Thomas and Sarah; m. Esther, dau. of Nathaniel Hammond of Newton, Mass. Mr. Prentice owned a large tract of land in Stonington, (now North Stonington) before 1700, and removed there from Newton about 1709; most of the land remains in the family, handed down by inheritance from one generation to another.

In 1852 there were twelve males of the Prentice name living in North Stonington and vicinity. The old house in which Samuel Prentice, Sr. lived, a substantial two-story building 28 x 42 feet, is standing. One part of it is over 130 years old (so writes Henry Prentice in 1850, who owned it then). A view of it is on p. 185 of first edition of this work. Samuel Prentice, Sr. was grandfather of Judge Samuel Prentiss of Montpelier, Vt. Samuel Prentice, Sr. d. April 24, 1728, ae 48. Children:

I - Samuel<sup>4</sup>, b. Nov. 25, 1702; deacon.

(DEA.) SAMUEL<sup>4</sup> PRENTICE, son of Samuel and Esther, b. in Newton, Mass.; m. Abigail Billings, who d. Oct. 30, 1789. He was town clerk of Stonington, Ct. for over 30 years and d. there Oct. 11, 1773. Children:

XII - Amos<sup>5</sup>, b. April 24, 1748; M.D.

DR. AMOS<sup>5</sup> PRENTICE, son of Dea. Samuel and Abigail; m. 1769 Anna, dau. of Rev. Mr. Owen of Groton, Ct. Mr. Prentice was an educated man and a physician; practiced previous to and during the Revolutionary War in New London, Ct., and served as surgeon in the Revolutionary Army. He suffered a great loss by the burning of New London by the traitor Arnold in 1781, losing his house, furniture, drug store and its contents. He removed to Milltown, Pa. on the Susquehanna River in 1797. Mrs. George A. Perkin's book in 1870 of "Early Times on the Susquehanna" says: "There was no place of resort that afforded so much pleasure as the house of Dr. Prentice. Visitors were entertained with books, interesting stories and ancient curiosities. Among the latter were bed curtains painted by Mrs. Prentice on pure Irish linen, much scorched and damaged when New London was burned by Arnold, and an elegant toilet cover stitched by her needle, and the 'antique silver cup' and elegant china punch bowls saved from the same depredation; some of them are yet in possession of children's children." A part of his house in Milltown is still standing, where he d. July 19, 1805. Children:

IV - John Owen<sup>6</sup>, b. in Groton, Ct. Dec. 17, 1776.

JOHN OWEN<sup>6</sup> PRENTICE, son of Dr. Amos and Anna; m. 1798 Rachael Swain. Removed to Illinois 1816. "A merchant of sound sense, general intelligence and sterling integrity." He d. at Cold Spring, Ill., Jan. 1, 1838. Children:

IV - Amos<sup>7</sup>, b. Sept. 4, 1804 in Batavia, New York.

REV. AMOS<sup>7</sup> PRENTICE, son of John O. and Rachael S.; m. Jan. 8, 1829 for his 1st wife Louisiana Jenkins, who d. August 1830. He m. 2nd. Oct. 12, 1831 Hope Henderson. She b. Feb. 22, 1810 near Circleville, O. In 1829 he was a Methodist Episcopal minister; retired from the ministry after a few years on account of health but continued as a local minister. "A popular minister, an earnest Christian and dignified gentleman." He afterward engaged in mercantile pursuits, and d. in Shelbyville, Ill. August 17, 1849. Children by Hope H.: (per Mrs. Kaser to Rev. Wm. S. Prentiss)

I - William Marion<sup>8</sup> )  
 II - Mary Henderson<sup>8</sup> ) twins; b. July 30, 1832 in Whitehall  
 Green Co., Ill. Wm. M. d. Dec. 29, 1832.  
 (p. 18)

III - Martha<sup>8</sup>, b. April 10, 1834 in Shelbyville, Ill, where she d. Jan. 28, 1838.

IV - Harriet Maria<sup>8</sup>, b. Nov. 19, 1836 in Shelbyville, Ill., d. March 5, 1838.

V - John Owen<sup>8</sup>, b. Oct. 13, 1839 in Shelbyville, Ill., and is in 1882 of Coles Station, Coles or Moultrie Co., Ill. (p. 19)

VI - Caroline Mitchell<sup>8</sup>, b. March 4, 1842. (p. 19)

VII - George Robbins<sup>8</sup>, b. Aug. 25, 1844 in Shelbyville, Ill. (p. 20)

VIII - James Keller<sup>8</sup> )  
 IX - Charles Henderson<sup>8</sup> ) twins; b. Jan. 19, 1847 in Sullivan,  
 Moultrie Co., Ill. James K. d. July  
 26, 1847. (p. 21)

X - Ann Julia or Julia Ann<sup>8</sup>, b. Jan. 6, 1849. (p. 22)

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Here endeth the Binney record in 1883.

On the following pages is recorded the subsequent genealogical changes to the date of this compilation - about August 1942 - to the extent obtainable, and continuing into the eleventh generation from Capt. Thomas Prentice "the trooper."





MARY HENDERSON<sup>8</sup> PRENTICE (Sears)

Second child and first dau. of Rev. Amos and Hope Henderson P.; b. July 30, 1832 at Whitehall, Ill. Twin of William Marion who died Dec. 29, 1832. m. May 25, 1851 Rev. Hiram Sears, at Whitehall, Ill., a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church of East St. Louis, Ill. in 1882. She d. Oct. 10, 1898 at Berea, Ohio. Interment Vandalia, Ill. Her children:

- I - Emily Jane<sup>9</sup> Sears; b. Feb. 14, 1852 at Benton, Ill.  
d. Sept. 13, 1852 in Franklin Co. Ill.
- II - Rosa Maria<sup>9</sup> Sears; b. June 19, 1853 at Fairfield, Ill.  
m. May 25, 1874 Erastus M. Rinehart,  
an attorney, at Carbondale, Ill.  
Resided Effingham, Ill. He was b.  
March 1, 1847 near Effingham, and d.  
Oct. 4, 1904. She d. Nov. 27, 1936  
in Cleveland, Ohio. Interment Vandalia,  
Ill. No children.
- III - Lizzie Ann<sup>9</sup> Sears; b. Sept. 21, 1855 at Sullivan, Ill.  
d. June 22, 1876 at Carbondale, Ill.  
Interment Vandalia, Ill. Unm.
- IV - Willard Prentice<sup>9</sup> Sears; b. Nov. 4, 1859 near Godfrey, Ill.  
d. July 2, 1927 in Cleveland, Ohio.  
Interment Vandalia, Ill. Unm.
- V - Carrie Belle<sup>9</sup> Sears; b. March 4, 1866 at Cairo, Ill.  
d. April 3, 1867 at Vandalia, Ill.
- VI - Nellie Powers<sup>9</sup> Sears; b. Nov. 24, 1870 at Effingham, Ill.  
d. Feb. 1, 1918 in Cleveland, Ohio.  
Interment Vandalia, Ill. Unm.

The Mary Henderson Prentice (Sears) family terminated in the 9th generation upon the death of Rosa M. Rinehart in 1936.

JOHN OWEN<sup>8</sup> PRENTICE

Fifth child and second son of Rev. Amos and Hope Henderson P.;  
b. Oct. 13, 1839 at Shelbyville, Ill. m. Nov. 29, 1882 Jeannettie  
Fry Pierce at Coles, Ill. She d. July 16, 1883 at Mattoon, Ill.,  
interment Windsor, Ill. In 1862 with his brothers Charles H. and  
George R. he enlisted (in Co. F. 144th Illinois Volunteer Infantry)  
and served during remainder of the Civil War, afterward becoming a  
member of Bartlett-Logan Post, G.A.R., at Carrollton, Ill. d. Feb. 8,  
1923 at Sawtelle, Calif., and buried with military honors, Grave 14,  
Row H, Sec. 43, Sawtelle Military Cemetery. Children:

I - John Kaser<sup>9</sup> - b. July 15, 1883 at Mattoon, Ill. (p. 23)

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CAROLINE MITCHELL<sup>8</sup> PRENTICE (Kaser)

Sixth child and fourth dau. of Rev. Amos and Hope Henderson P.;  
b. March 4, 1842 at Shelbyville, Ill. m. Sept. 20, 1876 John Kaser  
of Carrollton, Ill. at Coles, Ill. d. March 13, 1893 at Carrollton.  
He d. Feb. 8, 1913 at Whitehall, Ill. Interment of both, Carrollton.  
Methodist. No children.

Upon the death of the wife of her brother John O. Prentice in  
1883, Mrs. Kaser provided a home and a mother's care for his child,  
John K. Prentice, until her death in 1893.

GEORGE ROBBINS<sup>8</sup> PRENTICE

Seventh child and third son of Rev. Amos and Hope Henderson P.; b. Aug. 25, 1844 at Shelbyville, Ill. In 1878 he moved to Kansas and m. Aug. 5, 1880 Ellen Margaret Smith, (dau. of Daniel Tarry Smith and Elizabeth Betsy Mawhinney S., who were m. in Sterling, Ill., and moved to Kansas in 1858) at Ottawa, Kansas. d. May 11, 1935 at Coffeyville, Kans. ae 91. She b. Dec. 16, 1862 at Norwood, Kans., d. June 4, 1933 at Wichita, Kans. Interment of both at Princeton, Kans. In 1862 he, with his brothers John O. and Charles H. enlisted, he in 117th Illinois Volunteer Infantry, and served during remainder of the Civil War, becoming a member of Eggleston Post G.A.R., Wichita, and its Commander. He returned to Illinois for a time, as in 1892 he was appointed the first Postmaster at Pegram, Illinois. Children (per LaVerne P. Franks to John K. Prentice):

- I - William Smith<sup>9</sup>, b. June 18, 1881, near Ottawa, Kans. (p.24)
- II - Morse<sup>9</sup>, b. Feb. 26, 1883, near Ottawa, Kans. d. Jan.15,1941, at Coffeyville, Kans. Interment Princeton, Kans. Engaged in farming and floriculture. Unm.
- III - Blanche<sup>9</sup>, b. March 15, 1884, near Ottawa, Kans. (p.25)
- IV - Unnamed girl - b. and d. in 1885, near Ottawa, Kans.
- V - Mary Elizabeth<sup>9</sup>, b. Oct. 28, 1886, near Ottawa, Kans. d. Nov. 20, 1888.
- VI - Charles Warden<sup>9</sup>, b. July 11, 1888, at Ottawa, Kans. d. Nov. 22, 1888.
- VII - Hope Maroa<sup>9</sup>, b. June 22, 1889, at Ottawa, Kans. d. Feb. 5, 1892.
- VIII - Noble Henderson<sup>9</sup>, b. Oct. 12, 1892, at Happyville (now Pegram) Ill. d. Dec. 17, 1918. Interment Princeton Kans. Unm.
- IX - John Owen<sup>9</sup>, b. Sept. 5, 1894 at Ottawa, Kans. (p. 26)
- X - George Elmer<sup>9</sup>, b. May 17, 1896, at Ottawa, Kans. (p. 27)
- XI - Paul Robbins<sup>9</sup>, b. July 25, 1898 at Princeton, Kans. (p. 28)
- XII - Delbert Tell<sup>9</sup>, b. Feb. 7, 1900 at Princeton, Kans. d. Dec. 26, 1902. Interment Princeton, Kans.
- XIII - Safety True<sup>9</sup>, b. July 12, 1902 at Princeton, Kans. In 1942 employed in State Hospital, Larned, Kans. Unm.
- XIV - Harley Sears<sup>9</sup>, b. April 14, 1904, at Princeton, Kans. (p.29)
- XV - LaVerne<sup>9</sup>, b. March 15, 1906 at Princeton, Kans. (p. 30)

CHARLES HENDERSON PRENTICE

Ninth child and fifth son of Rev. Amos and Hope Henderson P.; b. Jan. 19, 1847 at Sullivan, Ill. Twin of James Keller, who d. July 26, 1847. m. June 2, 1869 Sarah Emily Andrews at Pana, Ill. She b. April 6, 1848 at Brighton, Ill. After his marriage he lived near Mattoon, Ill. until 1875, when "he moved to Pana, Ill. where he was a well-known teacher for several years, later engaging in farming in that vicinity." In 1862, with his brothers John O. and George R., he enlisted in the 142nd Illinois Volunteer Infantry, Co. H., though underage at the time, and served during remainder of the Civil War, afterward becoming a member of Pope Post #411, G.A.R., at Pana. d. Dec. 26, 1918 at Pana. Mrs. Prentice resides in 1942 in Pana, at the advanced age of 94. Children:

- I - John Amos<sup>9</sup>, b. May 3, 1870, near Mattoon, Ill.  
(p. 31)
- II - Charles Ellis<sup>9</sup>, b. Jan. 19, 1874, near Mattoon, Ill.  
(p. 32)
- III - Grace Hurwood<sup>9</sup>, b. Dec. 3, 1876 at Pana, Ill.  
d. Jan. 2, 1879.
- IV - George Randle<sup>9</sup>, b. Aug. 14, 1880 at Pana, Ill.  
d. July 15, 1881.
- V - Caroline Emily<sup>9</sup>, b. Nov. 7, 1884 at Pana, Ill.  
(p. 33)
- VI - Mary Julia<sup>9</sup>, b. Nov. 2, 1887 in Cold Spring Twp.,  
Shelby Co., Ill. (p. 34)

ANN JULIA PRENTICE (Warden)

Tenth child and fifth dau. of Rev. Amos and Hope Henderson P.; b. Jan. 6, 1849 at Sullivan, Ill. Her public school education was supplemented by a course at Lee's Academy, and completed at Illinois Female College at Jacksonville, Ill. m. May 22, 1878 Dr. Charles D. Warden at Coles, Ill. He b. Nov. 24, 1852 in Clermont Co., Ohio. Following graduation in 1878 from Hahnemann Medical College, Chicago, Ill. he practiced in Windsor, Ill. until 1884; thereafter in Carthage, Ill., Marshall, Mo., Mt. Vernon, Ill. and Effingham, Ill. On account of his health a time was passed in Colorado, from where they moved to Terre Haute, Ind. in 1896. In 1902 he retired and moved to California, where he d. March 4, 1933. She d. Nov. 21, 1926. Interment of both South Pasadena, Calif. Her children:

I - Charles Prentice<sup>9</sup> Warden; b. Sept. 29, 1880 at Windsor, Ill. (p. 35)

II - Carrie May<sup>9</sup> Warden; b. Feb. 18, 1882 at Windsor, Ill. (p. 36)

Note - There is uncertainty whether Mrs. Warden was christened Ann Julia or Julia Ann.

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JOHN KASER PRENTICE

Only child of John Owen and Jeannettie Pierce P.; b. July 15, 1883 at Mattoon, Ill. Until age 10 was cared for by paternal aunt Caroline Mitchell Prentice (Kaser), residing Carrollton, Ill. For several years thereafter by maternal grandparents, Alonzo Pierce, in Mt. Zion, Ill. In 1902 removed to Chicago, Ill. for business schooling, entering employ of Crane Co. in same year, where he is presently engaged as Co-Trustee of Estate of Richard T. Crane, Jr. m. Oct. 17, 1906 Jennie Virden Sawyer at Chicago, Ill. Resided in Chicago 1902-1925, thereafter in Barrington, Ill. at 540 South Hough Street.

Interests - Y M C A Hotel and Ravenswood Hospital, Chicago. Past Master (1927) of Ravenswood Lodge #777 A F & A M, Chicago. Methodist. No children.

WILLIAM SMITH<sup>9</sup> PRENTICE

First child of George R. and Ellen M. Smith P.; b. June 18, 1881, near Ottawa, Franklin Co., Kansas. m. Feb. 20, 1900 Margaret Ann Blair of Williamsburg, Kansas. He engaged in general farming, specializing in dairying and herd building. In 1942 is engaged in the realty business at 5911 Troost, Kansas City, Mo. Children:

I - Edna Faye<sup>10</sup>, b. Oct. 10, 1901 in Franklin Co., Kansas.  
(p. 37)

II - Ray Blair<sup>10</sup>, b. Aug. 7, 1903 at Ottawa, Kansas.  
(p. 38)

III - William Clifford<sup>10</sup>, b. Sept. 4, 1906 at Princeton,  
Kansas. (p. 39)

BLANCHE PRENTICE (Stewart)

Third child and first dau. of George R. and Ella M. Smith P.;  
b. March 15, 1884 in Franklin County, Kansas. m. Aug. 10, 1904 LeRoy  
James Stewart at Chicago, Ill. He b. March 26, 1885 at Cleveland,  
Ohio. She d. Oct. 22, 1928 at Portland, Oregon. Her children:

I - Prentice LeRoy<sup>10</sup> Stewart; b. Oct. 3, 1905 at Chicago, Ill.  
(p. 40)

II - Volner Fawcett<sup>10</sup> Stewart; b. Jan. 5, 1908 at Albion, Calif.  
(p. 41)

III - Morse Thomas<sup>10</sup> Stewart; b. Aug. 3, 1914 at Wichita, Kans.  
(p. 42)

In August 1942 Volner F. Stewart writes as follows concerning  
the Stewart family:

"Mother was educated in the grammar school and Teachers Normal  
School; taught in Kansas public schools. Through her elocu-  
tionary work she received a scholarship in Northwestern  
University. She was active in church work, and after her  
children were in their 'teens she resumed her education by  
private tutor and attendance at business college. At the  
time of her death, which occurred when she was struck by an  
automobile driven by a drunken driver, she was intending  
to continue her studies until she obtained a college degree.  
Being interested in literary work, she was engaged in writing  
a novel. She was a very loving, high principled and practi-  
cal woman, and led a very active useful life. She was  
actively interested in the practical but not "popular" pub-  
lic welfare. Her activities, both in and out of her home,  
were marked by their loving warmth and intelligence."

Mr. Stewart m. 2nd May 18, 1929 at Kelso, Washington, Myrtle  
Kolbe. She b. July 22, 1904 at Minot, North Dakota. In 1942 resides  
in Salem, Oregon, employed by Valley Motor Co. as Office Manager. Past  
Master of Harbor Lodge, No. 183, A.F.&A.M., Astoria, Oregon. Children  
by 2nd m.:

I - James Kolbe Stewart; b. June 4, 1932 at Salem, Oregon.

JOHN OWEN<sup>9</sup> PRENTICE

Ninth child and fifth son of George R. and Ella M. Smith P.;  
b. Sept. 5, 1894 at Ottawa, Kansas. m. March 20, 1915 Hester  
Gladys Tucker at Olathe, Kans. Principal residence in Kansas City,  
Missouri, but in 1942 residing in Chicago, Illinois, at 4833 North  
Keystone Avenue, and employed in the manufacture of paper products.  
Children:

I - John Owen<sup>10</sup>, Jr., b. Jan. 27, 1918 at Kansas City,  
Mo. (p. 43)

II - George Robbins<sup>10</sup>, b. Jan. 10, 1922 at Kansas City,  
Mo. (p. 44)

GEORGE ELMER PRENTICE

Tenth child and sixth son of George R. and Ella M. Smith P.;  
b. May 17, 1896 at Ottawa, Kansas. m. October 8, 1938 Jewel M.  
Calhoon Prentice at Wichita, Kansas. Is engaged in greenhouse  
work and floriculture. Resides at 405 N. Willow Street, Coffey-  
ville, Kans. No children.

PAUL ROBBINS<sup>9</sup> PRENTICE

Eleventh child and seventh son of George R. and Ella M. Smith P., b. July 25, 1898 at Princeton, Kansas. m. March 17, 1917 Lily G. Shepley at Leavenworth, Kansas. She b. April 15, 1900 at Tiffin, Missouri. In 1942 is engaged in the wholesale greenhouse and nursery business, and the operation of a trucking line, and residing in Sedan, Kansas. Children:

I - Audrey Ella<sup>10</sup>, b. Nov. 4, 1917 at Augusta, Kans. After teaching school two years she received appointment to a civil service position in the Navy Dept. in 1939, from which she resigned to m. Otis Christopher Beazer Dec. 2, 1939 at Sedan, Kans. He b. June 8, 1919 at Sedan, and in 1942 is a stock farmer and cattle raiser in Chautauqua County, Kansas. Her children:

1 - Bonnie Marie<sup>11</sup> Beazer, b. Dec. 5, 1941, at Sedan, Kansas.

II - Mary Bernice<sup>10</sup>, b. June 6, 1919 at Kansas City, Mo. d. June 8, 1919.

III - Norma Pauline<sup>10</sup>, b. June 21, 1920 at Kansas City, Mo. m. Jan. 16, 1935 Everett Houser at Eldorado, Kans. He b. Aug. 25, 1913 at Wichita, Kans. and in 1942 is living there, employed on a Government Defense Housing project. Her children:

1 - Everett Eugene<sup>11</sup> Houser, b. March 2, 1936, at Wichita, Kans.

2 - Gerald Walter<sup>11</sup> Houser, b. Aug. 29, 1939, at Wichita, Kans.

IV - Paul Robbins<sup>10</sup>, Jr., b. Mar. 25, 1928 at Salina, Kansas.

HARLEY SEARS PRENTICE

Fourteenth child and tenth son of George R. and Ella M. Smith P.; b. April 14, 1904 at Princeton, Kansas. m. May 25, 1924 Jewel May Calhoon at Wichita, Kans. She b. Jan. 7, 1906 in Johnson County, Illinois. Divorced Oct. 3, 1933. He follows the baker's trade, and in 1942 was employed as Bakery Superintendent in Guthrie, Okla. Address: 412 S. Division Avenue. His children:

- I - Wilbur G.R.<sup>10</sup>, b. May 25, 1925 at Wichita, Kans.  
m. Aug. 22, 1942 Rose Mary Smith  
at Coffeyville, Kans. Residing in  
Indianapolis, Ind.
- II - Leland True<sup>10</sup>, b. May 6, 1927 at Wichita, Kans.  
In 1942 attending school in  
Coffeyville, Kans.
- III - Noma Lorene<sup>10</sup>, b. Sept. 1, 1928 at Wichita, Kans.  
In 1942 attending school in  
Coffeyville, Kans.

LA VERNE PRENTICE (Franks)

Fifteenth child and fifth dau. of George R. and Ellen M. Smith P., b. March 15, 1906 at Princeton, Kansas. m. Jan. 17, 1926 Thomas Jefferson Franks at Wichita, Kansas. He b. May 20, 1904 at Wichita, and in 1942 is pastor of Wesley Methodist Church of that city. Residence, 2303 N. Waco Street. Her children:

- I - Thomas Jarvis<sup>10</sup> Franks, b. June 30, 1936 at Hutchinson, Kansas.
- II - Wesley Ann<sup>10</sup> Franks, b. Nov. 7, 1941 at Wichita, Kansas.



JOHN AMOS PRENTICE

First child of Charles H. and Sarah Andrews P.; b. May 3, 1870, near Mattoon, Ill. m. May 24, 1900 Dicey Busby, dau. of William Wallace and Jerusha Ann Busby, at Pana, Ill. She b. Nov. 19, 1868 near Nokomis, Ill. He moved to Los Angeles, Calif. in 1906, and has successively been a farmer, craftsman and accountant. In 1942 resides at 320 East Fifty-second Street, Los Angeles. Children:

I - Earle Courtland<sup>10</sup>, b. May 28, 1901 at Pana, Ill.  
d. Sept. 9, 1928 at Los Angeles,  
Calif. Unm.

II - Leland Busby<sup>10</sup>, b. Dec. 21, 1903 at Pana, Ill.  
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III - Donald Marion<sup>10</sup>, b. Nov. 15, 1905 at Pana, Ill.  
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CHARLES ELLIS PRENTICE

Second child and second son of Charles H. and Sarah Andrews P.: b. Jan. 19, 1874 near Mattoon, Ill. m. Feb. 1, 1898 Leona Perry, dau. of Moses Perry, in Oconee Township, Shelby Co., Ill. She b. April 8, 1879, d. July 24, 1938 in Champaign, Ill., "after a life of loving domesticity and service, beloved by all who knew her." He has lived and engaged in business in Champaign for many years, in the hardware and contracting trades, and in 1942 resides at 607 South Neil Street. Children:

I - Harold Perry<sup>10</sup>, b. Aug. 25, 1900 in Pana, Ill.  
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CAROLINE EMILY<sup>9</sup> PRENTICE (Ueable)

Fifth child and second dau, of Charles H. and Sarah Andrews P.; b. Nov. 7, 1884 at Pana, Ill. m. Aug. 31, 1918 William Louis Ueable in Farmington, Mo. He b. June 6, 1872 in New York State and d. Jan. 21, 1927 in Girard, Ill. She was educated in Pana public school and in Valparaiso, Ind. For some years she taught in the public schools, and in 1942 resides, with her sons, at 522 West Lewis Street, Girard, Ill. Her children;

I - Weltmer Marion<sup>10</sup> Ueable; b. May 24, 1919 at  
St. Louis, Mo.

II - Barbara Jewell<sup>10</sup> Ueable; b. Aug. 16, 1922  
d. March 10, 1923 at  
Girard, Ill.

III - William Louis<sup>10</sup> Ueable; b. Nov. 11, 1923 at  
Girard, Ill.

MARY JULIA<sup>9</sup> PRENTICE

Sixth child and third dau. of Charles H. and Sarah Andrews P.; b. Nov. 2, 1887 in Cold Spring Township, Shelby Co., Ill. m. Aug. 25, 1919 Morton E. Jester at Hillsboro, Ill. Divorced March 1921. She was educated in Pana, Ill. public school and at Valparaiso, Ind. In 1942, and for several years past, a secretarial assistant with the St. Louis, Mo. Chamber of Commerce. Resides at 4056 Washington Blvd., St. Louis. No children.

CHARLES PRENTICE<sup>9</sup> WARDEN

First child and son of Ann Julia Prentice and Charles D. Warden, M.D.; b. Sept. 29, 1880 at Windsor, Ill. m. Sept. 24, 1902 Grace Penn in Sigel, Ill. She b. Feb. 16, 1884 at Sigel. In 1942 resides at 625 Prospect Blvd., Pasadena, Calif.  
Children:

I - Charles Penn<sup>10</sup> Warden; b. Aug. 14, 1904 at Los Angeles, Calif. d. June 21, 1929 in an airplane crash. Unm.

II - Robert Prentice<sup>10</sup> Warden; b. Oct. 12, 1910 at Sigel, Ill. m. April 20, 1934 Lee Miller in Pasadena, Calif. She was b. Sept. 29, 1915 at Hartford, Conn. In 1941 he was a radio man on U S Navy Transport HENDERSON.  
Children:

1 - Barbara Lee<sup>11</sup> Warden; b. Jan. 22, 1936.

III - Grace Helen<sup>10</sup> Warden; b. Aug. 11, 1913 at South Pasadena, Calif. m. Sept. 7, 1935 Charles Robert Henger in Pasadena, Calif., a manufacturers' representative. He was b. July 6, 1910 at Chicago, Ill.  
Children:

1 - Mary Helen<sup>11</sup> Henger; b. Oct. 29, 1940 at Pasadena, Calif.

IV - William Howard<sup>10</sup> Warden; b. Sept. 15, 1917 at Pasadena, Calif. In 1941 he was Chief Hydraulic Mechanic, Aircraft Division, U S Navy Aircraft Carrier WASP. Unm.

CARRIE MAY<sup>9</sup> WARDEN (Peterson)

Second child and first dau. of Ann Julia Prentice and Charles D. Warden, M.D.; b. Feb. 18, 1882 at Windsor, Ill. m. Sept. 5, 1912 William Arnold Peterson in South Pasadena, Calif. He b. May 11, 1881 at Olivia, Minn.; graduate of University of Minnesota 1906; member Agricultural Fraternity Alpha Zeta, honorary scientific fraternity Sigma Xi; employed U S Department of Agriculture 1906-1920; in 1942 in business as Landscape Architect. She graduated Los Angeles State Normal School; member Chapter G.Q., P.E.O. Sisterhood. In 1942 resides 239 Olive Street, Inglewood, Calif. Methodists. Her children:

- I - Ruth Caroline<sup>10</sup> Peterson; b. Feb. 27, 1915 at Mandan, North Dakota. m. Feb. 10, 1940 George Leslie Woodriff in Inglewood, Calif. He b. April 26, 1910 at Quanah, Texas. Business - a plant hybridist specializing in begonias and lilies. She is a graduate of Los Angeles City College as a dental nurse; member Chapter G.Q., P.E.O. Sisterhood, and of Methodist Church. In 1942 reside in Harbor, Oregon.
- II - Mildred Marie<sup>10</sup> Peterson; b. June 28, 1919 at Mandan, North Dakota. m. Aug. 18, 1940 Charles Norton Gregory, Jr., in Los Angeles, Calif. He b. Oct. 2, 1913 in Bridgeport, Conn.; graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 1936. A Cathodic Engineer with Southern Counties Gas Co., Los Angeles. She is a graduate of Santa Barbara (Calif.) State College, 1941; member Kappa Delta Pi, Crown and Sceptre, Kappa Omicron Phi, and Chapter G.Q., P.E.O. Sisterhood; a Methodist. In 1941 their temporary address is 239 Olive Street, Inglewood, Calif.
- III - Mary Julia<sup>10</sup> Peterson; b. Feb. 23, 1922 at Pasadena, Calif. Student Santa Barbara (Calif.) State College; member Kappa Omicron Phi, Phrateres, and of Methodist Church.

10TH GENERATION





EDNA FAYE<sup>10</sup> PRENTICE (Warren)

First child and dau. of William S. and Margaret Blair P.;  
b. Oct. 10, 1901 in Franklin County, Kansas. m. Nov. 16, 1921  
Ottimer Keith Warren, a farmer of Lees Summit, Missouri. She  
taught school for a time. Her children:

- I - William Keith<sup>11</sup> Warren, b. Aug. 29, 1923 at  
Lees Summit, Mo.
- II - Shirley Ann<sup>11</sup> Warren, b. April 11, 1925 at  
Lees Summit, Mo.
- III - Leonard Calvin<sup>11</sup> Warren, b. Nov. 15, 1929 in  
Clay County, Mo.

RAY BLAIR<sup>10</sup> PRENTICE

Second child and first son of William S. and Margaret Blair P.; b. Aug. 7, 1903 at Ottawa, Kansas. m. June 26, 1927 Wilhelmina M. Bolton of Wichita, Kansas. He graduated from the public schools of Lees Summit, Missouri, and attended Fairmount College, Wichita, Kansas. He has engaged in the hardware and heating equipment business, and in 1942 is employed by Montgomery Ward & Company in these lines in Topeka, Kansas, residing at 522 Washburn. Children:

I - Melba Ann<sup>11</sup>, b. April 11, 1928 at Wichita, Kans.  
d. Jan. 4, 1929.

II - Wesley Ray<sup>11</sup>, adopted son, b. April 14, 1941 at  
Kansas City, Mo.

WILLIAM CLIFFORD<sup>10</sup> PRENTICE

Third child and second son of William S. and Margaret Blair P.; b. Sept. 4, 1906 in Princeton, Kansas. m. Feb. 18, 1930 Francis Leona Clay of Wichita, Kansas. He attended the schools of Lees Summit, Missouri. In 1942 is employed in the paint manufacturing business by Davis Paint Co., North Kansas City, Mo. Children:

I - William Clifford<sup>11</sup>, Jr., b. Oct. 4, 1931 at  
Kansas City, Mo.

II - Francis Margaret<sup>11</sup>, b. Nov. 8, 1938 at North  
Kansas City, Mo.

III - Judy Leona<sup>11</sup>, b. Dec. 19, 1941 at North Kansas  
City, Mo.

PRENTICE LE ROY<sup>10</sup> STEWART

First child and son of Blanche Prentice and LeRoy James Stewart; b. Oct. 3, 1905 at Chicago, Ill. m. Jan. 18, 1924 Valeria Frederikka Langkilde in Kelso, Washington. She b. Feb. 27, 1903 at Oakland, Calif. Children:

- I - Richard LeRoy<sup>11</sup> Stewart; b. Feb. 7, 1926 at  
Portland, Oregon.
- II - Valerie Andrea<sup>11</sup> Stewart; b. Nov. 16, 1927  
at Astoria, Oregon.
- III - Carey Gertrude<sup>11</sup> Stewart; b. June 25, 1935 at  
Portland, Oregon.
- IV - Audrey Blanche<sup>11</sup> Stewart; b. Jan. 14, 1940 at  
Spokane, Wash.

In 1942 he resides at S 4103 Pittsburg, Spokane, Wash.; employed as Inspector by Transcontinental Freight Bureau. Member of Washington State Guard and of Railroad Brotherhood.

VOLNER FAWCETT<sup>10</sup> STEWART

Second child and second son of Blanche Prentice and LeRoy James Stewart; b. Jan. 5, 1908 at Albion, Calif.; m. Aug. 5, 1928 Hazel Theresa Nordquist in Astoria, Oregon. She b. March 15, 1908 at Black Cloud, Idaho. Children.

I - Carolyn Blanche<sup>11</sup> Stewart; b. Oct. 19, 1932 at  
Astoria, Oregon.

In 1942 he resides at 654 Eighth St., Astoria, Oregon; employed by The Austin Company. Member of Harbor Lodge No. 183, A.F. & A.M. Interested and active in local civic affairs - Chairman of Community Chest; research in marine history of the Columbia River.

MORSE THOMAS<sup>10</sup> STEWART

Third child and third son of Blanche Prentice and LeRoy James Stewart; b. Aug. 3, 1914 at Wichita, Kans. m. Dec. 29, 1935 Dorothy Ida Tucker at Salem, Oregon. She b. Oct. 23, 1912 at Pitt, Minnesota. Children:

I - Gilbert Donald<sup>11</sup> Stewart; b. Dec. 4, 1936,  
at Salem, Oregon.

II - Roger Lee<sup>11</sup> Stewart; b. June 14, 1939, at  
Salem, Oregon.

In 1942 resides Route 3, Box 624, Salem, Oregon. Employed as electrician with Four Builders Co., Camp Adair, Oregon. Active in the school and civic activities of his community.

JOHN OWEN<sup>10</sup> PRENTICE, JR.

First child and first son of John Owen and Hester G. Tucker P.; b. Jan. 27, 1918 at Kansas City, Mo., m. Aug. 7, 1937 Alleene Elizabeth Morris at St. Louis, Mo. In 1941 he was employed as Dental Technician in Chicago. In February 1942 he enlisted in the U.S. Navy, Company 84. After a few months service at Great Lakes Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill., he was transferred to the Medical Corps, U. S. Naval Pre-Flight School, Iowa City, Iowa. No children.

GEORGE ROBBINS<sup>10</sup> PRENTICE

Second child and second son of John Owen and Hester G. Tucker P.; b. Jan. 10, 1922 at Kansas City, Mo. In May 1942 he enlisted in the U. S. Navy. After "boot training" at Great Lakes Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill. he was transferred to Norfolk, Va. In August 1942 his address was U.S.S. "Leonard Wood," c/o Postmaster, New York City. Unm.



LELAND BUSBY<sup>10</sup> PRENTICE

Second child and second son of John Amos and Dicey Busby P.; b. Dec. 21, 1903 at Pana, Ill. m. May 3, 1938 (Mrs.) Elise Kerckhoff Wright, dau. of Mrs. Anton Phillip Kerckhoff, in Los Angeles, Calif. She b. July 26, 1902 at Covina, Calif. He was educated in Los Angeles schools and is a graduate of California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, Calif. class of 1925, receiving his B.S. in chemical engineering. Engaged as Research Engineer in sugar and steel manufacture and in color photography. For twelve years past as Plant Engineer of Technicolor Motion Picture Corp., Hollywood, Calif. In 1941 resides at 1540 North Santa Anita Ave., Arcadia, Calif. His wife and the wife of his brother Donald M. are first cousins on their maternal and paternal sides respectively. No children.

DONALD MARION<sup>10</sup> PRENTICE

Third child and third son of John Amos and Dicey Busby P.; b. Nov. 15, 1905 at Pana, Ill. m. Nov. 30, 1936 Elizabeth Ann Porter in Ensenada, Mexico. She b. Aug. 25, 1900 at Santa Maria, Calif.; an alumna of Mills College, Oakland, Calif. He was educated in Los Angeles, Calif. schools and California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, Calif. For several years engaged in oil production and refining. In 1941 is Superintendent of Five C's Refining Co., Santa Maria, Calif., residing at 1106 South Broadway. A Rotarian and active in community affairs. His wife and the wife of his brother Leland B. are first cousins on their paternal and maternal sides respectively. Her father, Isaac Porter, and her mother, nee Anastasia Adam, were pioneer California families. Children:

I - Mary Katherine<sup>11</sup>, b. Dec. 23, 1937 at Santa Maria, Calif.

II - John Anthony<sup>11</sup>, b. May 29, 1941 at Los Angeles, Calif.

HAROLD PERRY<sup>10</sup> PRENTICE

Only child of Charles Ellis and Leona Perry P.;  
b. Aug. 25, 1900 at Pana, Ill. m. Dec. 26, 1941 Roberta  
Josephine Buckley in St. Louis, Mo. She b. Jan. 29, 1906  
at Jacksonville, Ill. He is a graduate of Missouri  
Chiropractic Institute, and in 1942 resides at 3136 Lafayette  
St., St. Louis, Mo. Mrs. Prentice was Secretary and Super-  
visor of the Office of the Department of Dairy Husbandry,  
University of Illinois. No children.

MEMOIR OF REV. AMOS PRENTICE  
(Written at Georgetown, Ill., Nov. 26, 1849 by Hiram Buck)

Amos Prentice was born at Batavia, New York, September 4, 1804. He emigrated with his father to Illinois in 1816. At a camp-meeting, held at Union Grove, St. Clair county, Ill., in 1825, he embraced religion, and joined the Methodist Episcopal church. In 1827 he was employed by the Rev. Jesse Walker as an assistant in the missionary work among the Potawatamie Indians, whose principal place of residence was then at what is now the town of Ottawa, Ill. Here he served in the capacity of school teacher to the Indians one year. In January, 1829, he was married in Hillsboro, Ill., to Miss Louisiana Jenkins. In March following he was licensed to exhort by the Rev. Samuel Thompson. In the fall of 1829 he was employed by Rev. P. Cartwright to travel the Jacksonville circuit, where he traveled one year. In July, 1830, he was licensed to preach - joined the traveling connection, and was appointed to the McLeansboro circuit. Here he traveled one year. In October, 1831, he was married to Miss Hope Henderson, in Green county, Ill. This year he was appointed to the Salt Creek (now Decatur) circuit; but his health having failed him, he was unable to work. At the close of this year he located, but joined the conference again in the fall of 1833, and was appointed to the Shelbyville circuit, where he traveled one year, and then located, and settled himself in business.

At the conference held in Springfield, in 1835, he was ordained deacon by Bishop Roberts; and at the conference held at Jacksonville, in 1841, he was ordained elder by Bishop Morris. In 1843 he was employed by the Rev. G. W. Robbins to travel with the Rev. James B. Wollard, preacher in charge, which was his last regular itinerant work. In March, 1846, he removed from Shelbyville to Sullivan, and engaged in business.

Though feeble in health, he was enabled not only to prosecute his business, but to preach occasionally the words of eternal life, until April of the present year, when his health entirely failed, and he was confined to his room. Here he remained about two months, when, at the earnest solicitation of his friends, he was induced to remove to Shelbyville, and place himself under the professional care of G. W. Soolly, M. D., a skillful and experienced physician. After remaining here for two months, notwithstanding the prayers and attention of friends, and the unwearied efforts of a sympathizing physician, he expired on Saturday, the 17th of August, 1849, at twelve o'clock, at the residence of his brother, the Rev. W. S. Prentice, aged forty-four years, eleven months and thirteen days. He was a member of the church of Christ twenty-four years, nineteen years of which he was a minister of the gospel, and for two and a half years of which he was engaged in the itinerant work.

During the entire scene of his affliction, he exhibited a marked degree of patience, and an entire resignation to the Divine will. In his death he was triumphant. His last words were: "I am going home. I hear the blessed spirits on the other shore." Brother Prentice was truly one of the excellent of the earth. In his natural disposition he was modest and unassuming. As a Christian he was deeply pious, and devoted to the service of God. His labors in the pulpit were universally acceptable. He always presented the great truths of the gospel in the most touching and moving strains. In the death of brother Prentice, the church has lost one of her most useful and devoted ministers - society one of her brightest ornaments - his bereaved wife a kind and devoted husband - his children a beloved and affectionate parent - and his relatives the object of their most tender regards; but they "sorrow not as those who have no hope."

## HOPE HENDERSON PRENTICE

By Mary H. Sears

(From I. P. Allen's - Genealogy of Mercy Shreve's Descendants - 1642-1897)

Hope Henderson, second daughter of James and Mary White Henderson, was born on Paint Creek, near Circleville, O., Feb. 22, 1810. At the age of 8 years she came with the family to Illinois. They settled near Whitehall. Her educational advantages were limited, as were those of other pioneers; yet she improved them to the fullest extent; rising with her sister at three or four o'clock to complete the daily task of carding, spinning or weaving before time for school. Many specimens of her skill with distaff, wheel or loom are held and prized by her children. She was converted in 1826, at a camp meeting held near Whitehall, by Peter Cartwright. She was married to Rev. Amos Prentice, of the Illinois Conference, Oct. 12, 1831, and had by him ten children, five of whom are still living. She shared with her husband the privations and hardships of the pioneer itinerancy; famous for her activity and zeal in the service of the church, a woman of marked ability and intellectual force, her counsel was often sought in private and public affairs. Her ear was ever open to the cry of the distressed, and her hand never withheld from the needy. Mr. Prentice dying in 1849, she moved, in 1855, to Lebanon, Ill., to educate her children. Here, too, the strength of her Christian character won for her a high place in the esteem of all with whom she came in contact. Here during the dark days of the Civil war she labored with patriotic zeal to sustain and encourage the Boys in Blue, among whom were her three sons. At the close of the war, on the return of her sons, she returned with them to her farm in Coles County, where, in 1874, she married Rev. Braxton Parrish, one of the pioneer statesmen of Illinois, and a popular local preacher in the Southern Illinois Conference. Father Parrish dying in a few months, she remained on the farm with her eldest son, until her death, Nov. 12, 1878, her life a benediction, her death a triumph of a Christian faith.

Amos Prentice was born in the State of New York Sept. 4, 1804. When 12 years old he removed with his parents to Illinois, and in 1825 was converted and united with the M. E. Church. In 1829 he was licensed to preach, and then spent one year as teacher at the Pottowattomie Mission, at Ottawa, Ill., the Rev. Jesse Walker being missionary. The next year, having married, he moved to Decatur, and engaged in mercantile business. But his wife dying, he settled his secular affairs and entered the itinerancy. His first appointment was the Apple Creek Circuit, in the fall of 1829, in company with James Bankson. They received for their year's work a suit of homespun clothes apiece, which the good sisters cut out and made up for them and a quantity of socks. As father had the most

socks he divided with Bankson, at the home of Father Saxton, near Jacksonville, the evening before starting for conference. The circuit was three hundred miles around it. In 1830 he was appointed to McLainsboro Mission, where in the fall of 1851, on my husband's first circuit, I found several persons who remembered him. One, an old German preacher, said: "Your father has slept in my cabin many a night on the floor, with a bear skin for a bed, and I have piloted him on his long way to other appointments, for we had only blazed trees to go by for roads. The circuit was three hundred miles around it." I was glad to find that they lovingly cherished his memory, as a fragrant ointment, which had not lost its perfume.

On Oct. 12, 1831, he was married to Miss Hope Henderson, the second daughter of James and Mary White Henderson. Their wedding trip was a ride on horseback of over a hundred miles, to visit Father Prentice. This year he was appointed to Salt Creek Circuit, but his health having failed, he retired from the work and settled in Greenfield, and went into partnership with his brother-in-law, G. W. Allen, in mercantile business. In 1834 he removed to Shelbyville, Ill., where he opened up a dry goods and grocery store. He was a good financier, and was prospered in business. In an evil hour he was prevailed on to go security for a friend, and when the mercantile distress of 1839 swept over the country he was compelled to wind up his affairs, but was the only merchant that settled up his own business. The rest took the benefit of the bankruptcy act. In politics he was identified with the Whig party, and was one of the early Abolitionists. In 1840 he was chosen by his party as a delegate to represent them in the State convention, which was held in Springfield, Ill., and resulted in the nomination of W. H. Harrison for President. Some of the family have the white satin badge worn on that occasion. In 1844, on hearing of the division of the M. E. Church on slavery, he said, this is the entering wedge for the freedom of the slave, and will never cease until the work is accomplished. I shall not live to see it, but I would love to come back 50 years hence and see how the battle wages, for it will end in civil war. In the spring of 1846 he settled in Sullivan, where he partially retrieved his losses, and labored as a local preacher as his strength would permit, until his death.

He was a man of a remarkably sweet spirit, modest, gentle, sympathetic, loving every one, and universally beloved. He always presented the great truths of the Gospel in the most touching and moving strains, and was much in demand for funeral sermons, and at the sick bed.

Brother Prentice was truly one of the excellent of earth. He died in Shelbyville, Ill., at the home of his brother Rev. W. S. Prentice, Aug. 17, 1849, aged 44 years, 11 months, and 13 days. In his death he was triumphant. His last words were, "I am going home. I hear the blest spirits on the other shore."

LETTER OF CAPT. THOMAS PRENTICE  
("The Trooper", of Newton, Mass.)

From Binney's Prentice-Prentiss Family  
Second Edition - 1883

Aug. 8, 1689

To the Hon<sup>ed</sup> Governor and Counsell:

And please your Honors, having received orders from you with my Troop to Bristoll to move, in order to receive Sir Edmond Andros from the Gentlemen at Rhod. Island, from Roxbury, about 3 of the clock, we moved away to Mr. Woodcock's, on Wednesday, to Bristoll, just after noon; coming to Rhod. Island same day; the counsell being discoursed with much civilitie, they delivered Sir Edmond, and with a passag boate, sent us to Bristoll. And Sir Edmond complaining of indisposition of body to ride, either swift or far together, our return will not be as your Honors may expect. The Gentlemen of Bristoll favored us with their advise and company to Rhoad Island. Please your Honors, it is requested by Sir Edmond, and requested by the forenamed Gentlemen, that Sir Edmond may be conveyed by Dorchester to the Castle, if your Honors please there to secure him, and upon our approach towards Boston we will give you an account thereof for suitable opportunitie for our guarding him to foresaid place. This being in hast. for opportunitie of sending.

I subscribe, Your Honors, humble servant,

THOMAS PRENTICE, Capt.



Any of the men of the 9th generation who may desire to establish their qualification for membership in the SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION will find the following essential:

- Son of - (according to your good fortune)
- Grandson of - Rev. Amos Prentice, b. Sept. 4, 1804 in Batavia, New York; d. Aug. 17, 1849 in Shelbyville, Ill., and Hope Henderson, b. Feb. 22, 1810; m. Oct. 12, 1831, d. Nov. 12, 1878.
- Great-Grandson of - John Owen Prentice, b. Dec. 17, 1776 in Groton, Conn; d. Jan. 1, 1838 at Cold Spring, Ill., and Rachel Swain, b. Nov. 20, 1779; m. 1798.
- Gt-Gt-Grandson of - Dr. Amos Prentice, b. April 24, 1748 in Stonington, Conn; d. July 19, 1805 in Milltown, Penn. and Anna Owen. m. in 1769.
- G-G-G-Grandson of - Deacon Samuel Prentice, b. Nov. 25, 1702 in Newton, Mass. d. Oct. 11, 1773 in Stonington, Conn. and Abigail Billings, d. Oct. 30, 1789. m. in 1726.
- G-G-G-G-Grandson of - Samuel Prentice, b. 1680 in Newton, Mass. d. April 24, 1728, and Esther Hammond. m. in 1702.

The service of Dr. Amos Prentice as a Surgeon in the Revolutionary Army is the basis of qualification.

Under date of September 29, 1927, the Adjutant General's Office of the War Department, Washington, D.C. wrote John K. Prentice as follows:

"The name Amos Prentice M.D. is signed to a certificate of men unfit for duty in Capt. Holmes' Company, Col. Ely's Regiment, 8 (1776) Connecticut Militia. This certificate is dated North Castle, November 14, 1776.

"No further record relative to a man named Amos Prentice has been found on the records on file in this office of soldiers of the Revolutionary War from Connecticut or any other state.

"The collection of Revolutionary War records in this office is far from complete, and it is suggested as a possibility that additional information may be obtained from the Adjutant General of Connecticut, Hartford, or from the Commissioner of Pensions, Washington, D.C."

The maternal line of descent must be established in similar manner as far as possible, but the Society is primarily interested in the paternal lineage and proof of Revolutionary service. Although several vital dates are unknown, the above sufficed for my entrance into the Illinois Society. (J.K.P.)

Those of the 10th and subsequent generations will, of course, alter their sequence of descent according to the circumstances.

- M I S C E L L A N Y -

	G e n e r a t i o n						
	<u>1st/5th</u>	<u>6th</u>	<u>7th</u>	<u>8th</u>	<u>9th</u>	<u>10th</u>	<u>11th</u>
First born		Amos Prentice	Harry Wm. Prentice	Mary P. Sears	Emily J. Sears	Harold P. Prentice	Wm. K. Warren
Date of birth		9/28/1770	1799	7/30/1832	2/14/1852	8/25/1900	8/29/1923
Last death				5/11/1935			
Name				Geo. R. Prentice			
Span				103			
Longest lived				91			
Average adult span		48	46	73½			
Children born		31	39	30	30	31	21 to date
Died in infancy				13	9	2	1
Eldest - 7/1/42				Emily A. Prentice	John A. Prentice		
Census - 7/1/42 - Living				1	14	27	20 - 62
7/1/42 - Deceased				10	16	4	1