

GENEALOGY  
OF THE  
DESCENDANTS  
OF  
RICHARD SANGER,  
THE PURITAN,

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"He alone deserves to be remembered by posterity, who treasures up and preserves the history of his ancestors."—*Burke*.

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## RICHARD SANGER.

Richard Sanger,<sup>1</sup> of Hingham, was early with the planters of that town, who came originally from Hingham, in Norfolk, England. He was doubtless a follower of Rev. Robert Peck, of whom Bloomfield says in his History of Norfolk, "he was a man of a very violent schismatical spirit, he pulled down the rails and levelled the altar and the whole chancel a foot below the church, but being prosecuted for it by Bp. Wren, he fled the km. and went over into New England with many of his parishoners, who sold their estates for half their value, and conveyed them to that new Plantation; erected a Towne and Colonie by the name of Hingham where many of their posterity are still remaining. He promised never to desert them, but hearing that the Bishops were deposed, he left them all to shift for themselves and came back to Hingham in 1646; \* and after ten years of voluntary banishment, he resumed his rectory."

Richard Sanger<sup>1</sup> must have been a true Puritan. If betrayed and deserted, he had the firmness and self-denial to abide by the principles which he had espoused; and he remained in New England to inculcate these upon his race; no one of whom for 215 years has to my knowledge been seen squinting towards Rome, or manifesting any peculiar disposition to think in leading-lines. Though himself a humble man, circumstances ascribe to him a moral greatness which ought to render his memory conspicuous and grateful to his latest posterity.

The first planters of Hingham arrived in 1634. Richard Sanger,<sup>1</sup> with others, had lands formally assigned him in 1636 and 1637; and in April, 1638, "his servant embarked for New England at South Hampton." He subsequently drew lands, as other allotments were made, and he evidently lived respected and fraternized by that vigilant and devoted colony until his death, Jan. 25, 1661. He is supposed to have left only one son, 1. Richard.<sup>2</sup>

1. Richard Sanger,<sup>2</sup> having with his father, been "left to shift for himself," settled as a blacksmith at Sudbury, 1646, took the oath of fidelity 1647, † removed 8, (9mo.) 1649, to Watertown, where he died Aug. 20, 1690, leaving an estate, the inventory of which, though humble in amount, shows that he had, for his day, the ordinary comforts and conveniences of life. To him and his two adult sons, with three others, was intrusted, during Philip's war, the charge of guarding the mill at Watertown.

\* He left New Hingham Oct. 27, 1641.

† Barry's History of Framingham.

- 1 | 1 Richard,<sup>2</sup> w. Mary Rannals: 2d. w. Sarah — r. Watertown had  
 — id. 1. Mary,<sup>3</sup> Sep. 26, 1650, at Watertown, m. John Harris at W. 1670.  
 id. 2. Nath'l,<sup>3</sup> Feb. 14, '51-2, d. ab. 1735, m. 1st, Mary, 2d. Ruth.  
 id. 3. John,<sup>3</sup> Sep. 6, '57, m. Rebecca Park, r. a blacksmith in W.  
 id. 4. Sary, by 2d wf. 5. & d. '61. 5. Sary, Mar. 31, '63, no further reported.  
 id. 6. Richard,<sup>3</sup> Feb. 22, '66-7, d. April 1, 1731, m. Elizabeth Morse, of Sh.  
 id. 2. Elizabeth,<sup>3</sup> July 23, '68. 8. David,<sup>3</sup> Dec. 21, '70—d. 1695, pr. um.  
 id. 2. Nath'l,<sup>2</sup> 1st w. Mary—2d w. Ruth—r. Sh., Roxb., Ms., Woodstock, Ct.  
 1. Mehetabel, 1680, at Sherborn, and baptized at Roxbury, 1684.  
 2. Mary,<sup>4</sup> 1681, at Roxb. and bap. 1684. 3. Jane, 1683, bp. '84. 4.  
 a son, baptized 1684 at Roxbury.  
 5. Nath'l,<sup>4</sup> 1685. 6. Benj., 1688, bp. 1688 at R., besides whom he had  
 at his death, 1735: 7. David,<sup>4</sup> 8. Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> 9. Jona.,<sup>4</sup> 10. Elea-  
 zar,<sup>4</sup> who r. Hardwick, Petersham, and d. at Keene, N. H., Mar. 1765,  
 a. 66, leaving a wid. Mary, who d. 1783, a. 80.†  
 id. 3. John,<sup>3</sup> w. Rebeca Park, r. a blacksmith at Watertown.  
 1. John,<sup>4</sup> Dec. 19, 1685. 2. Rebecca, Mar. 7, '88-9, m. Tho. Flagg.  
 11 3. David,<sup>4</sup> Mar. 21, '97, m. Patience Benjamin, 1720, and had, besides  
 three dgs. who d. young: 1. John,<sup>5</sup> 2. David,<sup>5</sup> 3. Wm.,<sup>5</sup> 4. Nath'l,<sup>5</sup> 5.  
 Solomon,<sup>5</sup> and 6. Sam'l,<sup>5</sup> who m. Mary Fairbanks, 1757: 2d. Grace.  
 4. Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> born June 2, 1703, at Watertown, and no further reported.  
 id. 6. Richard<sup>3</sup> came to Sherborn at the age of 21, with his brother  
 Nath'l, to establish the business of blacksmithing. He is believed  
 to have built his house on the north side of the common, a  
 few rods from the monument, of which vanity, without sense or  
 taste, has robbed the identified grave of the humble tailor, Henry  
 Leland. A few rods further north, cinders reveal the site of his  
 shop. After passing the customary year of probation, he was  
 approved as a good and wholesome inhabitant, and presented, by a  
 vote of the proprietors July 1, 1689, with "20 acres of land and  
 town rights in future with themselves; he to bear proportionable  
 charges with, them in the town, having no power to sell, let, or give  
 said land for the space of 7 years." He subsequently, and at  
 different times, drew other lots. July 5, 1690, Edward West gave  
 him a deed of 31 acres, i. e. 12 of meadow received by his wife from  
 her father Daniel Morse, (jun.,) and 19 of upland received from the  
 town. This tract was bounded N. by West's land which separated it  
 from Rev. D. Gookin's; "W. by the road (from the plain), to the  
 Meeting house in part: S. by Jon<sup>a</sup>. and Nath'l. Morse's, and by  
 common lands on all other parts." This includes the site of Elbridge  
 Sanger's buildings. By common lands must be included for  
 burying-ground which formed a part of the West boundary; for  
 Eleazar Morse in 1722 deeded to "Richard Sanger<sup>3</sup> 3½ acres bounded  
 E. by Richard's own land," and "N. with the common land reserved  
 or set apart for the burying place,"\* (see Mid Reg. of Deeds, Lib.

† Barry.

\*Richard Sanger<sup>3</sup> having become the proprietor on three sides of this  
 Reservation, probably inclosed it with his own land, as in it few interments  
 had yet been made. The town being interested in two older grave yards, and  
 having no record of the reservation, neglected to fence it, until it came to be  
 regarded as private property. The late Capt. Samuel Sanger so regarded it,

32), "W. by the highway leading from the Plain to the S. part of Sher. and S. by Wm. Barron's, the said land being near the Meeting house." Richard's<sup>3</sup> estate at his death was inventoried at £706, not including town rights and allotments at Douglas. He seems to have been a useful and respected citizen and an exemplary member of society. To him was committed the sacred charge of taking care of the Meeting house, to which his was much the nearest dwelling. His children were:—

1. Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> Ap. 2 or 16, 1693, d. 1775, um., at Sherborn.
2. Mary, Ap. 11, '95, m. And. Morse, 1745, d. without issue.
3. Hannah, Feb. 7, '97, m. Eph'm Twitchell, of Sherborn, Feb. 9, 1726-7.
4. Esther, Oct. 20, '98, d. 1732, m. John Twitchell, of S., Feb. 2, '20-21, had David and Moses.
5. Deborah, Aug. 5, 1701, d. Jan. 16, '27-8.
6. Sarah, Feb. 10, '05, m. Nath'l Holbrook, Aug. 20, '28, r. Sherborn.
7. Richard,<sup>4</sup> Nov. 4, 1706, d. May 14, '86, red. to chh. Jan. 23, '85.
8. Abigail, July 3, 1709, received to full communion in chh. Aug. 8, '36, pr. d. um.
9. David,<sup>4</sup> Feb. 22, 1712, (yeoman) m. Bathsheba Pratt, r. Framingham.

*id.* 7 Richard<sup>4</sup> was a remarkable man. He inherited the combative, mirthful, acquisitive, and persevering characteristics of his mother's race, and excelled them in enterprize. He was brought up to the business of his father, and continued to be styled blacksmith until thirty years of age. Soon after attaining his majority, he purchased of Rev. Daniel Baker, two acres on the west side of the road, opposite his father's land, bounded south and west by Baker, and north by James Coolidge; and the next year commenced building the north two story half of the *Old Sanger House*, now occupied by Joseph Sanger. At the age of 23 he m. Deborah, dg. of Hn. William Rider, by wf. Deborah Morse, (see "Mem. of Morses," p. 3,) and at the next town meeting received a certificate of his marriage in the customary form of an election to the office of hogreeve. About this time he seems to have come into possession of the five acre building lot of Rev. Daniel Gookin, now in the first lot on the east side of the way upon the plain north of the meetinghouse, and for some time to have lived in the Gookin house. This house stood upon an eminence near the north side of the lot, and about twenty rods east of the road. His shop stood between the house and highway. On the death of his father, two thirds of his real estate was assigned to him and his brother David, whom he, in 1735, bought out. He soon after took down the Gookin house, and reerected and adjoined it to the south end of the tenement he commenced in 1729. This part of the house was built in 1679, and is 171 years old. Near it may still be seen in the rear of Eldridge Sanger's house, the Old Gookin Barn, having by repeated demands for sound tenants to new sills, lost half of its lower story.

and repeatedly offered to give the land, if the town would inclose it. But they disregarded the offer, and he, for the sake of decency, inclosed the portion containing monuments, and used it as a private burying place; and it has since, in opposition to the wishes and efforts of his heirs, been sold and subjected to profane trespass.

In 1733, he purchased, for £63, of Edmond Quincy and William Brattell, commissioners for the sale of lands formerly given by the town to Rev. D. Baker, seven acres south of his own land, east of the road from the meetinghouse to the south end, north of the farm road, and Nathaniel Holbrook's land, and west of N. Holbrook's.

In 1734-5, he bought, of Rev. Wm. Cooper and Judith his wife, (pr. the dg. of Chief Justice Sewall), 200 acres, or one half of the Hull Farm; Capt. Joseph Ware purchasing at the same time the other half.

In 1737, he opened a store, which he seems to have left in the hands of another in 1747, when he removed to Boston, and for a short time did a large and lucrative business. The climate disagreeing with the health of his lady, he returned the next year to S., purchased the Phipps' farm and mansion, and there traded extensively in merchandize, lumber, and real estate. He was at that day concerned in land speculations in Maine. He accumulated a large fortune, which he divided among seven children, without reserving enough for protracted old age.

Between 1740 and '67, he served the town ten years as selectman, and often acted as moderator at town meetings. He was a good whig, served on committees to provide for the poor of Boston, in the time of the war, and to report on the services of soldiers employed by S. In 1776, he was the first man placed on the committee of safety with President Locke.

His wife, the daughter of the accomplished surveyor and clerk, William Rider, and the neice of Rev. Joseph Morse of Stoughton, was a lady of uncommon dignity and excellence. Her library consisted of such works as Willard's Divinity, Flavel's and Tillotson's works, &c.

From the markings in these volumes, I infer that she kept a theological school in the nursery, doubtless from the conviction that doctrine is the only foundation of correct practice. She died Aug. 15, 1789, aged 79, but her influence survives to this day.

Their children were: —

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|   | 1. Zedekiah, Nov. 27, 1730, d. Jan. 23, '35-6.   |
|   | 2. Deborah, Mar. 4, '32-3, d. Feb. 2, '35-6.   |
| 5 | 3. Samuel, <sup>s</sup> Capt., July 7, '35, bap. Apl. 4, '36, red. to the chh. Aug. 2, 1818, d. Oct. 6, '22; m. 1st, Mary Fairbanks, of S., Jan. 6, '57, 2d, Abigail Whiting, of Dover, Ap. 7, '62, 3d, Wid. Sarah Clark, of Medf. |
|   | 4. Deborah, <sup>s</sup> Nov. 12, '37, m. — Fasset; 2d, Joseph Twitchell, Esq., Jan. 5, 1786; 3d, Dea. Gideon Haven, of Fram., Sept. 25, 1792; and died without issue.   |
| 6 | 5. Daniel, <sup>s</sup> Feb. 13, '39-40, d. Sep. 27, 1807, m. Olive Hooker, of S.  |
|   | 6. Mary, September 30, 1742, bap. Oct. 10, '42, and d. Dec. 14, '52.   |
| 6 | 7. John, <sup>s</sup> July 24, '46, bap. July 27, '46, red. to chh. Nov. 27, '74, d. Oct. 1, 1819, m. Anna Leland, July 23, '68. <i>2-15-7-24 Rocku</i>  |
| 6 | 8. Zedekiah, <sup>s</sup> Rev. D. D., Oct. 4, '48, bap. Oct. 16, '48, d. Nov. 17, 1820, m. Irene Freeman, r. Duxbury & S. Bridgewater.   |
| 6 | 9. Jedediah, <sup>s</sup> (judge) Feb. 17, '50, bap. Feb. 24, '50, d. 1820, m. Sarah Eames, r. Sherborn, Jeffery, N. H., New Hartford, N. Y.   |
| 7 | 10. Asa, <sup>s</sup> May 19, '53, bap. May 27, '53, d. Feb. 14, 1839, m. Joanna Dana, of Natick. r. Sh.   |

4.13. | Capt. Samuel Sanger,<sup>5</sup> sen<sup>r</sup>, was distinguished for his athletic frame, personal dignity, moral integrity, courage, independence, and energy. During a long period of active life, he bore a conspicuous part in the civil transactions of Sherborn, and was eminently serviceable during the great conflicts for our liberties and the maintainance of the constitution against the rebellion of '87. Then it was, that his appeals, from the moderator's chair, were wont to rouse his townsmen to enthusiasm in their country's cause; so that no town of its size in this patriotic commonwealth, went before S. in the number of volunteers for the public service, or in promptness in furnishing supplies. To him Pomologists owe the discovery and first cultivation of the incomparable Porter apple. He inherited the ancient Sanger house, kept a small store and tavern, and once entertained Gen. Washington. As a landlord he did much to discourage idleness and excess. No man dared roll at his ninepins between one holiday and another. Gross offenders against decency and good order would hide from his presence, and feel more terror at his rebuke, than at all the fulminations of the pulpit. On the sabbath his bar was locked, and a key of gold could not open it; yet his rooms were open and fires free during the interim of divine service, while a solemnity befitting the day, reigned throughout the house, and no discourse was entered upon which could interrupt him in his uniform practice of reading the Bible.

Whether his double share of Morse blood secured him an innate propensity to mirthfulness, is unknown. If so, he probably suppressed it, as incompatible with dignity; for his gravity was marked and uniform, and his presence produced in common minds a feeling of awe. Of this he was sensible and often turned it to a good account.

Once the town was thrown into great excitement; the citizens assembled in town meeting, became tumultuous, so that reason could not utter her voice. Hearing of the disgraceful scene, the first perhaps, of the kind, that had ever *then* occurred in S., he, though more than 80 years old, hastened to the right of the moderator, where his act of uncovering himself to speak, like a magician's wand, hushed the tumult of voices into breathless and attentive silence.

But never, in a life of 87 years, did this patriarch ever appear in such true dignity, as when, at the age of 3, with a mind scarcely impaired, and with joyous, yet solemn steps, he came forth from the world to testify his faith in a crucified Redeemer.

✓ Capt. Samuel's<sup>5</sup> children, all by his 2d wife, Abigail Whiting, a lady of eminent piety, were:

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|   | 1. Mary, <sup>6</sup> Nov. 6, 1757, bap. June 11, '58, d. Dec. 17, 1819, m. Moses Perry, 3d, of S., and had Nathaniel, of Boston.   |
| 7 | 2. Samuel, <sup>6</sup> Capt., Oct. 23, '64, bap. Oct. 28, '64, m. 1st. Mary Hart; 2d, Margaret (Smith) Wyer; and 3d, Elizabeth (Richardson) Coolidge, from Medway, and for 20 years a merchant in Boston.  |
| 7 | 3. Calvin, <sup>6</sup> Esq., Oct. 10, '68, d. Nov. 5, 1835, m. Anna Phipps, dg. Jed. P., (gr. grd. nephew of Sir Wm. P.) by w. Sarah Learned, dg. of Capt. Edward L. by w. Sarah Leland, dg. of Ens. Henry L. by w. Mary Morse, (p. 41, "Memorial.") |

- 9 4. Joseph,<sup>6</sup> June 24, '81, bap. July 1, '81, m. Sally Phipps, b. Jul. 7, 1783, grd. dg. of Jed. Phipps & Sarah Learned, & dg. of John P. by w. Hanh. Coolidge, dg. of Jo. C. by Elizth. Frost; & grd. dg. of Isaac C. Esq. & Hannah Morse, (p. 41, Memo.)
- 4 5 Daniel,<sup>5</sup> kept a tavern N. of the Depot in Fram., was Selectman 6 y's, had by 2d w. Esther Goodnow, fr. Sud., m. Nov. 4, 1761 :—
  1. Deborah,<sup>6</sup> Jan. 7, 1762, m. Joseph Brown, and rm. to Petersham.
  2. Daniel,<sup>6</sup> July 3, '65, d. Dec. 1839, m., 1st, Persis Phipps of Sh.; 2d, Elizabeth Goodnow; 3d, Clarissa Johnson, r. Framingham.
  3. Olive, March 26, '67, and died unmarried 1829 at Framingham.
  4. Betty,<sup>6</sup> Ap. 6, '68, m. Samuel Bigelow, of Waltham.
  5. Richard,<sup>6</sup> Dec. 26, '69, d. Aug., 1843, m. Rachel Butler from E. Hartford, Ct., r. Whitestown & Utica, N. Y.
  6. Zedekiah,<sup>6</sup> July 27, '71, m. Polly Dench of Hopk., r. Boston.
  7. Rebecca,<sup>6</sup> bap. Mar. 13, '74, m., 1st, John Stone of Holl.; 2d, Doct.
  8. Benj.,<sup>6</sup> bp. Oct. 13, '76, and died young. [Walker of Barre.
  - 4 7 John,<sup>5</sup> Lt., s. with his father in the ancient Phipps House, kept a store and tavern; sold that place to Samuel Sanger, the present occupant, rm. to N. part of S., where he d. He was a man of integrity, a member of the chh., and often one of the selectmen of Sh. He had by 1st. w.
    1. Anne,<sup>6</sup> Dec. 17, 1769, bap. Dec. 25, '74, m. Josiah Perry.
    2. Abigail,<sup>6</sup> Aug. 6, '72, bap. Dec. 25, '74. 3. John, Ap. 5, '77, d. '89.
    4. Benj.,<sup>6</sup> Dec. 6, '81, m. ———, had Thankful,<sup>7</sup> w. of Lowell Babcock.
    5. Louisa,<sup>6</sup> Mar. 24, 1800, (by his 2d wife,) m. Noyse Mann, of Sh.
    6. Evalina,<sup>6</sup> Feb. 20, '02, m. Joseph Sanger of Sherborn. (p. 10.)
    7. Jedediah, June 27, '05, d. Oct. 13, '25, um., at Sherborn.
    - 4 8 Zedekiah,<sup>5</sup> Rev. D. D. grad. H. U., 1771, settled in the ministry at Duxbury. From D. he rm. 1788 to S. Bridgewater, where he performed the laborious duties of pastor until about 1820; & instructed a private classical School. He was highly esteemed for genius and learning, revered as a minister, and sought for as a counsellor. He had
      1. Richard, March 25th, 1778; d. Jan. 1st, 1831. He grad. at H. U. 1800, where he became tutor; m. Sally Tisdale, 1807.
      2. Deborah, Sept. 26, 1779; m. John Ames, jun., of Easton. 1799.
      3. Jos., Mar. 17, 1781; m. Hannah Marcy, of Plymo., r. Sullivan, N. Y.
      4. Caroline, Sept. 5, 1782; m. Rev. Samuel Clark; 2d, Hon. Alvah Foot, of Burlington, Vt.
      5. Zedekiah, June 5, 1784; grad. at B. U., m. Sarah Kissam, r. merchant, Oneida Co., N. Y. [Bridgewater.
      - 4 10 6. Ralph, Rev., A. M., June 22, 1786; m. Charlotte Kingman, of East
      7. Samuel F., Feb. 3, 1788; m. Susan Alden, r. S. Bridgewater.
      8. Irene, Oct. 19, 1789; died Oct. 2, 1789, at South Bridgewater.
      9. Olivia, Oct. 8, 1790; m. George Moore, of Burlington, Vt., 1815.
      10. George P., Sept. 30, 1792; d. Aug. 24, 1818.
      11. Sarah, Nov. 22, 1795, m. Wm. Henry Allen, of Providence, R. I., Nov. 3, 1833, and had Franklin Sterling, Apl. 4, '36.
      12. Eliza, March 16, 1797, d. um. Jan. 23, 1847.
      13. John and 14. Martin, (twins) Nov. 22, 1798, d. April 25, 1799.
      15. John M., June 3, 1800; m. Mary Fuller, who d. Oct. '48, r. Sharon.
      - 4 9 Jedediah<sup>5</sup> learned the saddler's trade, set up at the Old Phipps House, rm. to Jaffrey, N. H., ab. 1783, where, 10 yrs. after, he lost all his property by fire. He next rm. to New Hartford, then Whitestown, N. Y., was agent for a land company, traded in real estate, accumulated a large property, was appointed Judge, and became one of the leading citizens of western N. Y.





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- He had : — Sarah,<sup>6</sup> May 2, 1772 and died May 12, '77.
- 4 10 2. Sarah,<sup>6</sup> Mar. 8, '78, m. — Eames, and r. a Wid. at N. Hartford.
3. Walter,<sup>6</sup> March 1, '81, at Sherborn, and d. unm. ab. 1810, in N. Y. Asa<sup>2</sup> received a deed of half his father's home farm, and in 1775, commenced the house in which his s. David resides, and had : —
1. Deborah,<sup>6</sup> Oct. 16, '73, m. Willard Hart, of Sherborn.
- 10 2. Rebecca,<sup>6</sup> Feb. 18, '76, m. Eli Leland, of S.
- ✓ 3. David,<sup>6</sup> Feb. 19, '78, b. in Old Phipps House, m. Susannah Johnson of S.
- 11 4. Polly,<sup>6</sup> May 26, '80, m. Alpheus Ware of S.
5. Calvin,<sup>6</sup> Sep. 2, '82, d. Aug. 9, 1831, m. Mary Goulding.
6. Nancy,<sup>6</sup> Ap. 27, '85, m. Col. Alpheus Ware for 2d wife, r. Sherborn.
7. Richard,<sup>6</sup> May 23, '90, m. Ruth Wood, had no children, r. Sherborn.
8. Experience,<sup>6</sup> June 20, '92, m. Tho. Brick, of S.
- 5 2 9. Sally,<sup>6</sup> Feb. 27, '95, m. Lewis Brick, of S.
- Samuel,<sup>6</sup> Capt., formerly a merchant in Boston ; r. Sherborn ; had : —
1. Avery,<sup>7</sup> Jan. 1, 1788, became master of a vessel and d. at sea without issue.
2. Ambrose,<sup>7</sup> Oct. 31, '89, died at sea, unmarried, aged 26 years.
3. Lucy,<sup>7</sup> May 28, '92, d. June 22, 1843, m. Joshua Crane, resided in Boston, had : 1. Joshua,<sup>8</sup> 2. Daniel W.,<sup>8</sup> 3. Mary S.,<sup>8</sup> m. James Dennie ; 4. Chas. H.,<sup>8</sup> 5. Lucy A.,<sup>8</sup> m. Joseph Greeley ; all r. in Boston.
4. Abigail,<sup>7</sup> Dec. 17, '94, m. Geo. Howard of S., has only Chas. Henry<sup>8</sup>, b. Jan. 6, '40.
5. Mary,<sup>7</sup> Mar. 23, '97, m. John Park of Boston, had : 1. Mary C.,<sup>8</sup> d. ; 2. Abigail S.,<sup>8</sup> 3. John B.,<sup>8</sup> 4. Lydia Ann.,<sup>8</sup> 5. Mary C.,<sup>8</sup> all r. in Boston.
6. Samuel Heart,<sup>7</sup> Jan. 16, 1800, m. Eliza Weston, r. Sh., has Samuel A.,<sup>8</sup> Ann M.,<sup>8</sup> Ambrose,<sup>8</sup> Abigail,<sup>8</sup> Wm. H.,<sup>8</sup> Eliza,<sup>8</sup> Mary.<sup>8</sup>
7. Elizabeth,<sup>7</sup> Aug. 19, 1804, m. Joel Powers, r. Lowell, has Ellen M.,<sup>8</sup> Mary A.,<sup>8</sup> Wm.,<sup>8</sup> Grant.<sup>8</sup>
8. Wm. P. S.,<sup>7</sup> May, 26, 1810, m. Martha Webb, Feb. 20, '34, r. Washingtoncity, had, 1. Wm. Alex.,<sup>8</sup> Nov. 3, '34 ; 2. Geo. D.,<sup>8</sup> Feb. 9, '37.
9. Sarah C.,<sup>7</sup> Oct., 1808, at Boston, and d. Aug. 1848, unm., at Sh.
- 5 3 Hon. Calvin Sanger,<sup>6</sup> of Sherborn, one of the most distinguished citizens who ever lived in this ancient town, was not born to an independency, nor favored with academical advantages above the youth of his day in the country. His constitution was naturally feeble, and his health too precarious to justify hopes of success in the toilsome pursuits of agriculture, then the only pursuit towards which the emulation of his associates was directed. Under circumstances thus adverse, he passed his minority without any regular initiation for either mechanical, mercantile, or professional employments. But not more wisely adapted to beneficent ends, are nature's irregularities in the physical world, than are the dispensations of Providence to develope talent when and where it is needed. Sherborn would soon want a leader. Her aged counsellor and guide, Daniel Whitney, Esq., was advanced in years. Her social and civil order, which had been preserved with scarcely a temporary interruption, from the arrival of Nicholas Wood and his colony in 1652, would be in danger. Her inhabitants, being an intelligent, strong-minded, and independent yeomanry, would furnish numerous aspirants, with equal claims to office ; the political sophistries, and base appeals of Jefferson's pen, to the vilest passions and prejudices, were being circulated ; men

were taking sides ; the political conflict was coming on ; and some man of master spirit would soon be needed for the good of all. Such a man could not be expected from abroad. There was nothing to allure him. One must be raised up among them,—a man of patriotism, honesty, and responsibility, of intelligence, modesty, and good address ; and above all, one who could give the strongest reasons.

Young Sanger was endowed with the natural gifts, and, in consequence of feeble health, subjected to the right discipline, to fit him for the service which his fellow citizens would require. Besides possessing the rare gift of an uncommon share of common sense, he had an active and discriminating mind, a tenacious memory, and a remarkably sound judgment. He was fond of books. He treasured up facts in history and political economy, and investigated the political questions of the day, which enabled him to form and defend correct opinions. He acquired so much knowledge of law, as made him the Lawyer and draftsman of his community ; and had he devoted himself to the legal profession, his judgement was so good, and his memory so capacious and ready, he could hardly have failed of eminence.

As his health was improved by travelling, he was much abroad in distant states, and often in cultivated society, to which he owed, among other acquisitions, easy and polished manners, and the use of happy colloquial terms. By intercourse with senior and maturer minds, he escaped every symptom of that vanity, which, is so liable to sprout in situations admitting few comparisons. Thus was he formed ; and in 1806, as soon as Sherborn had need, they almost by acclamation placed him at the head of her public affairs.

When a company of cavalry was first raised in S. and vicinity, he was elected Capt. and subsequently Col. of cavalry.

In 1806, he was chosen to represent S. in the General Court, and for 30 years after, re-elected almost without opposition, as often as he would consent to be a candidate, until he was advanced to the Senate ; and the records of the Legislature attest the high and continued confidence of that body in his wisdom and fidelity.

He was appointed a magistrate about 1806, and acted in that capacity until his death.

For more than 40 years he served the town in various minor offices, freely devoting a large amount of time and labor. He was Town Clerk in 1800, and for 25 years he kept her books in a model style. The plainness of his chirography, considering its range, will enroll him as a favorite with antiquarians. In his care for the public, he was vigilant, selfdenying, and persevering, consulting the interest of the future as well as of the present. His earliest efforts at trade were directed to the purchase of soldiers' rights, choice tracts of land in Western N. Y. and the township of Sangerville, and a part of Garland in Maine. In 1805, he opened a store in Sherborn, and for a series of years, did an extensive business, and established a high reputation for honesty, fairness, and responsibility. During this period, above 30 farms in S. beside others in conterminous towns, passed through his hands ; and never, during this time,



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nor, on inquiry, since, have I been able to hear of those who ever charged him with fraud, or any act inconsistent with fair and honorable traffic.

With him originated the first cotton manufactory in Framingham; and other enterprises, in the benefits of which, individuals and the public have largely participated. In all business transactions his honesty and judgment were universally acknowledged. Such confidence was reposed in him, that he was wont to be the first chosen to arbitrate differences at home and abroad, and he was sometimes associated in such courts with the most eminent lawyers in Mass., where immense sums were in dispute.

Col. Sanger possessed a large and liberal spirit; he never forgot the imperfect rights of the unfortunate, nor waited for their cries to pain him to action. He anticipated their wants, sympathized with their feelings, and gave without ostentation, not in stinted measures, but heaped, and in proportion at least to his ample means. His history supplies no argument for agrarianism. All had reason to rejoice that he was rich, and all, honorably dismissed from his employ, were his fast friends. The old adage that familiarity breeds disgust is founded in the fact, that human nature is so corrupt, that it loses more than it gains by inspection. But in reference to Col. Sanger, it is evident that those who knew him best, esteemed him most; and none but an envious man can deny him great benevolence and extensive usefulness. In his domestic relations, he was true, affectionate, indulgent, and kind. He left a widow, still living, and eight children, six of whom survive in honorable prosperity, testifying by their refinement and beneficence to the wisdom and care of a father in their nurture and education. He had

1. Calvin Phipps,<sup>7</sup> Jan. 8, 1799, m. Mary H. Ingersoll, of Charlestown, N. H., had Geo. T.,<sup>8</sup> Chs. F.,<sup>8</sup> Edmond P.,<sup>8</sup> James H.,<sup>8</sup> Wm. H. M., Calvin P. and r. a merchant, New York.
  2. Mary Ann,<sup>7</sup> Nov. 7, 1805, m. 1st, Eugene Bell, 2d, James Lord r. Kennebunk, Me., had Emily F.,<sup>8</sup> and Henry G.<sup>8</sup> Bell: Chs. L.,<sup>8</sup> and Mary Agnes,<sup>8</sup> and Isaac Sanger<sup>8</sup> Lord.
  3. Maria, Oct. 2, '07, d. Oct. 14, '07; 4. Hamlet,<sup>7</sup> Nov. 13, '08, m. Sarah Ann Paul, had: 1. George Henry,<sup>8</sup> who r. New York; 2. Anna, r. Sherborn.
  5. Hellen,<sup>7</sup> July 14, 1810, m. Wm. Mellen, merchant, r. New York, and had Hellen d. agd 2 years.
  6. Ophelia,<sup>7</sup> Jan. 7, '13, m. Elbridge Sanger, of S. but gone to California.
  7. Agnes,<sup>7</sup> April 9, '15, m. Horace B. Claffin, merchant, r. New York, and had Horace B., Wm. B., and John Claffin.
  8. Anna Phipps,<sup>7</sup> Sept 8, '17, d. 1847, at Sherb.
  9. Whiting Phipps,<sup>7</sup> Aug. 14, '19, m. Lucy Tomlinson, had Anna P. S., Francis W., r. California.
  10. Infant son b. Mar. 4, '23, and died unnamed.
- Joseph,<sup>6</sup> long and honorably associated with his brothers in trade, r. Sh., had
1. Elbridge,<sup>7</sup> June 8, 1805, m. Ophelia Sanger, had Agnes C., (d.) John Francis,<sup>8</sup> Frederick Whiting,<sup>8</sup> Agnes Claffin r. Sherborn.
  2. William Whiting, November 19, 1807, resides unnm, in Sherborn.
  3. Maria,<sup>7</sup> May 9, '09, m. Oliver Everett, A. M., M. D., of S., had Edw. H.,<sup>8</sup> Rufus S.,<sup>8</sup> Helen M.,<sup>8</sup> Maria C.,<sup>8</sup> Abby S.,<sup>8</sup> Francis Oliver,<sup>8</sup> descended, in five lines, fm. Sam'l Morse<sup>1</sup>, thro' John<sup>2</sup>, Daniel<sup>2</sup>, & Joseph<sup>2</sup>.

4. Rufus,<sup>7</sup> June 14, '12, m. Marie Louise Debost, had Eugene, Orlando, Rufus, r. New York.
5. Eleanor,<sup>7</sup> June 11, '15, m. Samuel O. Daniels, of Framingham, and had: 1. Albert;<sup>8</sup> 2. Eleanor S.;<sup>8</sup> 3. Samuel Olney; 4. Infant son.
6. Sarah Eliza, Mar. 3, '18, m. Geo. F. Sanford, of Med., r. Calif., had Martha F., Geo. S., Edna J.
7. Abigail Whiting, July 16, 23, d. Sept. 19, '45; 8. Joseph Eugene, Feb. 18, '27, gone unm. to California.
- 6 3 Daniel,<sup>6</sup> by w. Persis, dg. of Jed. Phipps, and gr. grd. dg. of Henry Leland,<sup>8</sup> and Mary Morse, had
  1. Richard,<sup>7</sup> r. landlord, at Salina, N. Y.; 2. Polly,<sup>7</sup> m. Mr. Goodnow, Fram.;
  3. Rebecca,<sup>7</sup> m. Chs. Clark, & had 4 chn.<sup>8</sup>; 4. Olivia,<sup>7</sup> m. John McCumber.

By 2d w. he had 4 dgs: and by 3d w. he had

  - 9 George<sup>7</sup>; and 10, Joanna, r. Fram.
- 6 5 Richard,<sup>6</sup> w. Rachel Butler, m. Dec. 31, 1797, r. Whitestown, N. Y., had
 *id.* 1. Gerry,<sup>7</sup> Nov. 11, 1798, m. Lucetta A. Stewart, Dec. 26, 1822, r. merch. Utica; 2. Henry Kirkland, Nov. 17, '99, r. Detroit; 3. Eliza, May 28, 1802, m. Freedom Tibbets r. Oswego, N. Y.; 4. Jedediah, Aug. 26, '05, r. Oswego, N. Y.; 5. Richard, Sept. 10, '08, d. June 6, 1842.
- id.* 1 Gerry,<sup>7</sup> had: 1. Alex'r S.,<sup>8</sup> April 2, 1824, d. Aug., 1824; 2. Frances E., June 25, '25, d. Aug., '26; 3. Helen A., Nov. 14, '27, d. '28; 4. Frances A., Oct. 9, '31; 5. Helen C., Dec. 26, '33; 6. Mary E., June 28, '37; 7. Emma L. Dec. 17, '39.; 8. Henry B., Oct. 13, '41, d. Nov. 41; 9. Eliza J., Dec. 10, '43; 10. Julia F., Nov. 8, 47.
- 6 6 Zedekiah,<sup>6</sup> r. Fram., Bos., had 1. Nancy, m. Job Tower, of Bos.:
 *id.* 2. Zedekiah,<sup>7</sup> July 20, 1802; 3. Gilbert D., July 20, '08, m. Mary McFarland, r. Hopk.; 4. Mary,<sup>7</sup> Sept. '10, m. Josiah Sawyer, r. Cambridge, has a daughter.
- id.* 2 Zedekiah,<sup>7</sup> w. Harriet Hall, r. Bos., had 1. Wm. Augustus, Apl. 11, '26; 2. Harriet, Sept. 16, '28; 3. Milton Hall, Sept. 16, '36.
- 6 6 Ralph, Rev., grad. at H. U., 1808, where he became tutor, '11, studied divinity with his revered father, was ordained at Dover, 1813, where he has served as pastor until the present time, and repeatedly represented D. in the Legislature of Mass. By w. Charlotte Kingman, b. July 5, 1792, m. 1817, he had: 1. Ralph,<sup>7</sup> March 31, 1818, m. Mary Maywood, r. trader, at New Orleans, where he d. without issue, March 31, '50; 2. Geo. Partridge,<sup>7</sup> Nov. 27, '19, grad. H. U., 1840, m. Elizabeth S. Thompson, of Portsmouth, N. H., Sept. 15, '46, has 2 sons,<sup>8</sup> and r. a lawyer, in Boston; 3. Charlotte K.,<sup>7</sup> Aug. 17, '22, m. Wm. W. Gannett, of Natick, has one son, Thomas Brattle; 4. John W.,<sup>7</sup> Mar. 14, '24, is a mariner; 5. Simon Greenleaf,<sup>7</sup> Mar. 9, '27, grad. at H. U., and is a teacher; 6. Irene F.,<sup>7</sup> Aug. 13, '30.
- 7 3 David<sup>6</sup> inherits the homestead, a part of the Phipps farm in Sh. He had:
  1. Rebecca,<sup>7</sup> Feb. 8, 1799, m. Benj. Capen, had Benj.,<sup>8</sup> m. Ephemia Willis, r. Holl. had Wm.,<sup>9</sup> Mary R.,<sup>9</sup> and dg.<sup>9</sup>; Ellen,<sup>8</sup> m. Jona. Morse of Ashland, had Sarah,<sup>9</sup> Curtis,<sup>9</sup> Lizzie<sup>9</sup>; Elizabeth,<sup>8</sup> m. Ben. Ware, of S.
  2. Joseph,<sup>7</sup> Feb. 25, 1801, d. ab. 1837, m. Evalina Sanger, had a son (dec.)
  3. David,<sup>7</sup> Jan. 13, '03, m. Anna Sawin, r. S., had Geo.,<sup>8</sup> Sarah, Mary, (d.) Maria, Fanny, Justin, Horatio, Mary.<sup>8</sup>
  4. Nathl.,<sup>7</sup> Apl. 1, '05, r. unm. in Sherborn.
  5. Horatio,<sup>7</sup> Mar. 12, '07, m. Sophia Harrison, had Ann M., Susan E., Sophia, Horatio. r. New York.
  6. Joan,<sup>7</sup> Aug. 17, '09, m. Ira Mann, had Eliza J., Sept. 6, '32, r. Sher.
  7. Susan,<sup>7</sup> Oct. 26, '20, m. Charles Whitney, had Isabel C.,<sup>8</sup> Susan E.



- 7 5 Calvin,<sup>6</sup> had : 1. Curtis,<sup>7</sup> Feb. 19, '07, d. Aug. 1, '37, unm. ; 3. Henry L., Jan 31, '13, r. Bos.
- 3 9 2. Fanny,<sup>7</sup> May 15, '10, m. Sylvester Whitney, had John and Mary.
- 3 9 David,<sup>4</sup> w. Bathsheba Pratt, m. May 27, 1736, d. Nov 20, '83, r. Fram. ;
- id.* 1. Joseph,<sup>5</sup> Apl. 19, '37, d. March 13, 1805, m. Patience Greenwood.
2. Mary, Dec., 19, '38, m. David Rice, 1759 ;
3. Esther, Dec. 17, '40, d. Dec. 2, '41 ;
4. Esther, Nov. 22, '42, m. David Morse (p. 40 of memorial.)
5. Sarah, Dec. 25, '45, d. unm., æ. 25.
6. Hannah, June 23, 47, m. Nathan Damon.
- 12 7. David,<sup>5</sup> May 9, '51, d. 1820, m. Rheuhama Nutt, r. Hopk., and Littleton.
- id.* 1 Joseph<sup>5</sup> had : 1. Jennison,<sup>6</sup> April 13, 1780 ; 3. Lydia,<sup>6</sup> Oct. 15, '83 ;
- id.* 2. Joseph,<sup>6</sup> Nov. 23, '81, d. 1820, m. Abigail Eames, r. Fram. ;
- id.* 4. Adonijah,<sup>6</sup> Oct. 4, '85, m. Lucy Onthank, r. Westboro' ;
- id.* 5. Obadiah,<sup>6</sup> May 7, '88, m. Betsey Belknap ; 6. Nabby,<sup>6</sup> Sept. 1, '90.
- id.* 2 Joseph,<sup>6</sup> w. Abigail Eames, b. July 3. 1786, had : 1. Edwin,<sup>7</sup> Oct. 7, '11, m. Harriet Boyenton, Nov. 25, '32, r. Fram., has Lucy,<sup>8</sup> John, Augustus, and Anna.<sup>8</sup>
2. Joseph,<sup>7</sup> Feb. 8, '13, m. Mary Taylor, r. F., had Ellen,<sup>8</sup> April 10, '45.
3. Henry,<sup>7</sup> Sept. 16, '16, m. Elizth. Sanger, had : Mary E.,<sup>8</sup> Nov. 6, '42 ;
2. Henry F.,<sup>8</sup> April 26, '47 ; 3. Charles W.,<sup>8</sup> Oct. 31, '48, r. F.
4. Susan B.,<sup>7</sup> Oct. 25, '18, m. Joseph B. Boyenton, r. Southboro, had :
1. Susan M.,<sup>8</sup> Nov. 7, '39 ; 2. Abby A.,<sup>8</sup> Jan. 30, '45 ; 3. Althea A.,<sup>8</sup> March 11, '47 ; 4. Wilbur J.,<sup>8</sup> July 14, '49.
- id.* 4 Adonijah<sup>6</sup> had Joseph,<sup>7</sup> m. Miss Stone, r. W. boro', and had Lydia.
- id.* 5 Obadiah<sup>6</sup> r. Templeton, had Elizth.<sup>7</sup> Jan. 18, '18.
- 2 3 David,<sup>4</sup> w. Patience Benjamin, d. Dec. 22, 1761, r. Watertown, had :
1. Patience, b. & d. Nov. 5, '21 ; 2. Lydia, Nov. 14, '23, d. Dec. 7, '39 ;
3. John, Jan. 14, '24, & d. Oct. 9, '55 at D'rfd ; 4. David, May 23, '27 ;
- id.* 5. Wm.,<sup>5</sup> Jan. 20, '30, d. April 21, '98 ; 6. Nathaniel, Nov. 1, '33 ;
- id.* 7. Saml.,<sup>5</sup> Jue. 1, '36 ; 8. Solomon, Jul. 28, '40, d. Sep. 3, '65, at Worcest.
- id.* 5 Wm.,<sup>5</sup> w. Abigail Jennison, d. Aug 22. 1813, r. W., had :
1. John,<sup>6</sup> May 6, '56, m. Amy Trask, r. W., had John, d. unm., Mary and Catherine, both r. single, in Boston.
2. Abigl. Feb. 2, '58, m. C'nelius Park, r. Bos. ; 3. Lydia, 1760, d. a. 86.
- 12 4. Wm.<sup>6</sup> Apl. 11, '63, m. r. Templeton : 5. Mary<sup>6</sup> m. David Moulton ;
- 12 6. Richard,<sup>6</sup> Nov. 17, '68, m. Elizabeth Sanger, his cousin ;
7. Abraham,<sup>6</sup> Mar. 31, '72, m. Catherine Goodnow ;
8. Aaron<sup>6</sup> died 1847, m. July 12, 1801, Abigail Jackson, r. B., had : 1. Adaline,<sup>7</sup> Mar. 11, '02, m. Calvin W. Haven, of B., had Geo. W.,<sup>8</sup> m. Mary Churchill, r. mercht., Boston, has Albert, Francis J. & Chs. C. ;
2. Albert G.,<sup>7</sup> Aug. 6, '03, r. B. ; 3. Ahner W.,<sup>7</sup> Jan. 23, '06, r. mer. Bos. ; 4. Alexander H.,<sup>7</sup> Sep. 22, '07, d. Jul. 14, '36, r. mercht. B. ;
5. Isaac B.,<sup>7</sup> April 6, '12, r. Natick ; 6. Elizabeth,<sup>7</sup> May 28, '14.
- id.* 7 Samuel,<sup>5</sup> w. Grace Harrington, r. W., had : 1. Lydia, Jan. 8, 59, d. um. ;
2. Samuel,<sup>6</sup> Feb. 21, 61, m. had Martha,<sup>7</sup> m. Wm. Horn ; 3. Grace,<sup>6</sup> Jan. 20, 63, m. J. Learned ; 4. Anna,<sup>6</sup> Feb. 12, 69, m. P. Learned
5. Elizth.,<sup>6</sup> Ap. 13, '71, m. Richd. Sanger ; 7. Patience,<sup>6</sup> Dec. 5, '75.
6. Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Mar. 12, 73, m. Sally Jones, 2d, Wid. Fuller, 3d, Emma Carter, had : 1. Daniel,<sup>7</sup> 2. Sarah<sup>7</sup> m. C. Whitney, 2d. J. Crosby ; 3. Samuel<sup>7</sup> m. Sally Upham, r. Brighton, had Saml. J.,<sup>8</sup> Nov. 3, '26, r. clerk, Bos., Sarah U.,<sup>8</sup> m. David B. Shillaber, Oct. 9, '50, Warren,<sup>8</sup> Lucy C.,<sup>8</sup> Daniel O.,<sup>8</sup> Mary L.,<sup>8</sup> Bertha<sup>8</sup> ; 4. Joseph,<sup>7</sup> m. Mary Stone, 2d, Mary Stow, r. W. ; 5. Lucy<sup>7</sup> ; 6. Charles D.,<sup>7</sup> m. Maria Stearns, r. Roxbury ; 7. Geo.,<sup>7</sup> r. N. York ; 8. Edwd. H.,<sup>7</sup> r. Salem ; 9. Nathl. C.,<sup>7</sup> r. Wat'n.

- 11 4 Wm.<sup>6</sup> r. at Templeton, had 1. Joshua,<sup>7</sup> m. r. Warwick; 2. Abel,<sup>7</sup> um.; 3. Wm. B.,<sup>7</sup> died um.
- 11 6 Richard,<sup>6</sup> r. W., had 1. Grace: 2. Joseph, (d.): 3. Betsey, (d.): 4. Elizth., Dec. 20, '93: 5. Wm.,<sup>7</sup> Feb. 3, 1801, m. Eliza B. Knowlton, r. Waltham, has Wm. H.: 6. Richard Elliot,<sup>7</sup> m. Susan Southwick, r. Danvers: 7. Anna,<sup>7</sup> Jan. 14, 1806: 8. Edward, (d.): 9. George W.,<sup>7</sup> July 12, 1811, d. Dec. 25, 1840, m. Lucy Gould, had Lucy Ann,<sup>8</sup> and r. Danvers: 10. Samuel E.,<sup>7</sup> Aug. 9, 1813, m. Martha E. Ober, had Martha E.,<sup>8</sup> Mary E. (d.), 3. George E.,<sup>8</sup> 4. Charles E.,<sup>8</sup> 5. Sarah L.<sup>8</sup>
- 11 7 David,<sup>6</sup> w. Rheuhama Nutt, r. Framingham and Littleton.
1. James,<sup>6</sup> b. ab. 1776, d. ab. 1801, and no further reported.
  2. Sarah,<sup>6</sup> b. ab. 1778, m. Phineas S. Bennett, r. Troy, Me.
  3. David,<sup>6</sup> b. ab. 1780, m. Mary Palmer ab. 1804, r. Ottawa, Ill., a merchant, has several sons, and a daughter the wife of Doct. Hendricks, of South Bend, Ind.
  4. Mary,<sup>6</sup> 1789, m. James Applebee, ab. 1805, and d. 1847, r. Franconia, N. H.
  5. Increase Sumner,<sup>6</sup> Oct. 26, '88, d. Oct. 14, 1848, m. Ann Fales, ab. 1827, r. Hampden, Me.
  6. Zebulon,<sup>6</sup> Oct. 26, 1794, wife Mary Farrar, m. Jan. 27, 1823, d. Jan. 10, 1824; 2d wife Charlotte Wayne, b. Dec. 31, 1803, m. Jan. 3, '28, daughter of Edward Wayne, of Vassalboro', by wife Ann Robinson, and granddaughter of Edward Wayne, of Boston; r. Newport and Waterville, Me., and had 1. Mary Farrar, Nov. 3, '28, d. Oct. 5, '48, m. Wm. C. Dow, of W., Oct. 27, '47; 2. Eugene Francis, Oct. 18, '29, graduated at Dartmouth College, '49, r. a teacher, Westmoreland Co., Va.; 3. George Henry, March 8, '32, a member of the College at Waterville, 1850; 4. Charles Wayne, July 25, '36, at Waterville, Me.