

# SHERMAN GENEALOGY

*In the Direct Line*

FROM THOMAS SHERMAN, I  
(c1443-1493)

THROUGH REV. JOHN SHERMAN, VII  
(1613-1685)

TO JOHN SHERMAN, XII (1796-1869)

*and*

ALL HIS DESCENDANTS:

*Also*

ALL CHILDREN OF THE DIRECT LINE  
WHO CAME TO OR WERE BORN IN  
NEW ENGLAND, AND MANY OF THEIR  
DESCENDANTS:

*Also*

MENTION OF OTHER SHERMAN LINES

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To  
My Cousin  
JULIUS SHERMAN POMEROY  
*Financier of this Book*



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# FOREWORD

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## THE SHERMAN TRADE AND NAME

In olden times the *shearman* sheared the long nap from the new-made woollen cloth (made from the wool sheared from the sheep by the *shearer*) and the name of his trade became the surname of the man.

In common speech, *shearman* was often clipped to *sherman*.

Therefore the surname was sometimes spelled *Shearman*, and sometimes *Sherman*, among our ancestors. I have adhered to SHERMAN, to avoid confusion.

The *shearman*, by industry, rose to be a *cloth-maker*; then, with greater capital, to be a *cloth manufacturer*—in old times called a *clothier*.

As to the trade and name, the Century Dictionary says: "*shearman*; plural shear-men [Formerly also sheerman, sherman: From old English scherman, scharman: From shear plus man: Hence the name Shearman, Sherman.] One whose occupation it is to shear cloth."

Henry Sherman, in his will dated 1590 (p. 14) bequeathed to his son his "*shearman's crafte*"; and Edmund Sherman, in his will dated 1599 (p. 15) bequeathed to his son his "*sherman's occupation.*"

## THE LOCALITY OF ORIGIN

*Dedham* is a village and parish in the Hundred of Lexden, in the Northern part of Essex County, England, near the river Stour. It took its name from Robert de Dedham, who held land there, and who died in 1288. Says Morant, in his "History of Essex" (1768), "This was antiently a famous cloathing Town even as early as King Richard the Second's reign (1377-1399), and the Bay (baize) trade extended into it afterwards. \* \* \* Michael de la Pole, Earle of Suffolk, had here a Fulling Mill about the year 1382." Fleming weavers, fleeing into England to escape religious persecution, established here Bay (baize) and Say (serge) weaving. (When I visited Dedham on August 10, 1904, the buildings occupied by them were still standing.—C. P. S.)

*Yaxley* is a village and parish in the Hundred of Hartesmere, in the Northern part of Suffolk County, England.

*Diss* is in the Hundred of Diss, in the Southern part of Norfolk County, England, near the river Waverly.

## THE SHERMAN ARMS AND MOTTO

*Shield:* Or, a Lion rampant sable between three oak leaves vert.

*Crest* (Yaxley): A Sea Lion sejant per pale or and argent, gutte de poix, finned of the first.

*Crest* (Dedham): A demi-lion rampant sable.

*Motto:* Virtute mortem vincere (conquer death by bravery).

## SHERMAN LINES IN AMERICA Prior to 1700

1634:1: *Rev. John* (p. 19): many descendants, set forth in this Genealogy.

1634: 2: *Hon. Samuel* (p. 7) *Rev. John's* brother: many descendants; among them Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman.

1634: 3: *Capt. John* (p. 7) *Rev. John's* cousin: many descendants; among them Roger Sherman, a signer of the Declaration of Independence.

1634: 4: *Phillipp* (p. 9) Rev. John's cousin: many descendants.

1634: 5: *Samuel* (p. 9) Phillipp's brother: many descendants.

All the above five men were great-grandsons of *Henry* (p. 12).

1632: 6: *William*, probably of Northamptonshire, England. Came to Plymouth, Mass., about 1632; settled at Marshfield; buried there October 25, 1679; left descendants.

The ancestors and descendants of the following are unknown:

1634?: 7: *Richard*, of Dedham, uncle of Rev. John; died May 20, 1660, at Boston (p. 16).

1634: 8: *Thomas*, who sailed February 17, 1634, in ship "Hopewell," from London for New England.

1636: 9: *Joseph*, settled at Wethersfield, Conn.

1643: 10: *James*, settled in Virginia.

1650: 11: *Edmund*, settled in Virginia.

1651: 12: *Thomas*, settled at Fairfield, Conn., and afterwards on Long Island, N. Y.

1652: 13: *William*, settled in Virginia.

1700?: 14: *William*, settled in New Jersey.

1700?: 15: *Thomas*, settled in New Jersey.

As to 2: *Hon. Samuel*, above: He was the son of *Edmund* (p. 16) and was baptized July 12, 1618, at Dedham; went, with his father, to New England in 1634; was at Watertown, Mass., and Wethersfield, Conn., with his father; was afterwards at Stratford, Stamford and Fairfield, Conn.; married Mary Mitchell (daughter of Matthew Mitchell and Sarah Butterfield and sister of Jonathan Mitchell, of Cambridge, a Fellow of Harvard College: she was baptized October 14, 1621, at South Oworm, Halifax, Yorkshire, England); was a leading man in the New Haven Colony, and a conspicuous member in the church, being Assistant from 1662 to 1665; in 1665 was a member of the committee to assist in putting the Colony in a position of defense against the enemy (the Dutch) from Stratford to Rye; died April 5, 1700, at Fairfield, Conn.; General William Tecumseh Sherman was one of his descendants.

As to 3: *Capt. John*, above: He was baptized September 3, 1612, at Great

Horkesley, near Dedham; was son of *John*, baptized August 17, 1585, at Dedham, buried January 24, 1616, at Great Horkesley; who was son of *Henry*, born about 1547 at, probably, Dedham, buried August 28, 1610, at Dedham; who was son of *Henry* (p. 12). Soon after his father's death his mother married Thomas Rogers, with whom, and his half-sister Elizabeth Rogers, he came to Water-town, Mass., in 1634, with his cousin *John* (p. 19), where he was made Freeman May 17, 1637, and held many town offices, and was appointed Captain by the General Court June 11, 1680; Steward of Harvard College 1660; Deputy to General Court 1651, 1653, 1663: married, about 1637, Martha Palmer, daughter of William Palmer; died intestate January 25, 1690, at Water-town; seven children. He was the ancestor of Roger Sherman, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, and of Thomas Townsend Sherman Esq., of New York, author of *Sherman Genealogy* (1920) the most complete yet published of the Sherman ancestry in England and of the Sherman lines of descent through Captain John and Hon. Samuel (from which he has very kindly allowed me to make extracts.—C. P. S.)

As to 4: *Phillipp*, above: He was baptized February 15, 1611, at Dedham; was son of *Samuel*, baptized January 11, 1573, at Dedham, died 1616 at Ardleigh, Essex County; who was son of *Henry*, born about 1547 at, probably, Dedham, buried August 28, 1610, at Dedham; who was son of *Henry* (p. 12): married Sarah Odding; went to New England in 1634; settled at Roxbury, Mass.; went to Rhode Island, and was one of the purchasers of Aquidneck on March 24, 1638; was Secretary of a regular government which the settlers established there July, 1639; died at Portsmouth March, 1687; thirteen children; ancestor of Prof. Frank Dempster Sherman, of Columbia University, New York, who died September 19, 1916, "and was the supreme authority on the genealogy of the various branches of the Sherman Family in America," (and who aided me with advice and facts during his lifetime.—C. P. S.)

As to 5: *Samuel*, above: He was baptized October 20, 1601, at Dedham; was brother of *Phillipp*, above; married Grace ———; died at Boston, Mass., about 1643; four children.

## READ AND REFLECT

Read the will of *Henry IV* (p. 13); the will of *Edmund V* (p. 15); the sacrifice for conscience sake of *Edmund VI* (p. 16); the life of *John VII* (p. 19); the enterprise of *John IX* (p. 25); the patriotism of *Thomas X* (p. 27), and reflect upon what manner of men your ancestors were.

Dryden says:

“Do then as your progenitors have done,  
And by their virtues prove yourself their  
son.”

## TO THE READER

If you find an error, please notify me at once, addressing me at *P. O. Box 4914, Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, Pa.*

If you need help in tracing your lineage, write to me.

The numbers before a name show relationship. For instance: XII: 1: 1: (p. 46) indicates the first child of the first child of the twelfth man in the Direct Line.

C. P. S.

March 16, 1922.



## DIRECT LINE IN ENGLAND

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I: THOMAS SHERMAN, Cloth Mfr.,  
BORN about 1443 at, probably, Diss (p.  
5).

MARRIED AGNES \_\_\_\_\_

CHILDREN: 1: *John* (II p. 11): 2:  
*Agnes*.

DIED 1492 or 1493: Will, in Latin,  
dated November 4, 1492; proved April  
4, 1493.

HE lived at Diss, and then at Yaxley  
(p. 4) and was one of the notable men  
of both places.

(Lineage is, of course, traced back-  
wards. The present tracing stopped at  
Thomas.—C. P. S.)

II: JOHN SHERMAN, Cloth Mfr.,

Son of *Thomas I* (p. 11):

BORN \_\_\_\_\_

MARRIED AGNES FULLER, daughter of  
*Thomas Fuller*.

CHILDREN: 1: *Thomas* (III p. 12): 2:  
*Margery*.

DIED 1504: Will dated August 10,  
1504; proved December 12, 1504.

HE lived at Yaxley (p. 4).

III: THOMAS SHERMAN,  
Gentleman,

Son of *John II* (p. 11) :

BORN about 1490 at, probably, Yaxley (p. 4).

MARRIED, about 1512, JANE WALLER, daughter of *John Waller*, of Wortham, and *Margaret Thorolde*, of Thornham, Suffolk County.

CHILDREN: 4: *Henry* (IV p. 12) and eight others.

DIED in 1551, after May 5; Will, dated January 20, 1550-1, proved at London November 16, 1551.

HE was "a man forceful and interesting, of ability and influence"; was Church Warden of Yaxley Parish; Deputy Sheriff of Suffolk County; Attorney at Law of the Courts of Common Pleas and of Kings Bench; was Lord of the Manors of Royden, Presingham and Diss in Norfolk, and Eye and Eye Hall in Suffolk.

IV: HENRY SHERMAN,  
"shearman's crafte,"

Son of *Thomas III* (p. 12) :

BORN about 1520 at, probably, Yaxley (p. 4).

MARRIED (1) AGNES (probably) BUTTER, who was buried October 14, 1580, at Dedham (p. 4).

MARRIED (2) June 5, 1581, at Dedham, MARION SMYTH WILLSON, widow of Edmund Willson: no children.

MARRIED (3) MARGERY ———: no children.

CHILDREN, by first wife: 3: *Henry* (pp. 8 and 9): 4: *Edmund* (V p. 14) and seven others.

DIED 1590: Will dated January 20, 1589-90, "in the twoe and thirtieth yere of the raigne of oure soveraigne Ladie Quene Elizabeth"; proved July 25, 1590.

HE lived at Dedham (p. 4) and then at Colchester. His Will contains the following:

"Ffirste: I bequeathe my soule into the hands of Almightye God my maker, acknowledging Jesus the sonne of the lyvinge God my only Savyoure and Redeemer by whose pretious blood shedding all my synnes are washed awaye, which hath satisfied the wrathe of God the father, and I by his merittes and by noe other means shall enherite the Kingdome prepared for the faithfull. I acknowledge the holie ghost the god of comforte which hath

sealed me up to the everlastinge covenante of eternall joyes.

“My Bodie I commit to the earthe from whence yt came to be buried in the parishe church of Dedham.”

“Item: I will to the poore of Dedham twentie pounce to be a contynewall stocke for the poore to the worlde’s ende and the use and benefit of it to go to the poore.”

“Item: I will and bequeathe unto Henry Shearman my sonne my shearman’s crafte to hym and his heires for ever.”

His Will was signed “Henry Shearman.”

He was the great-grandfather of *Rev. John* and *Samuel* his brother, *Captain John*, *Phillipp* and *Samuel* his brother, ancestors of most of the Shermans in the United States (p. 5).

## V: EDMUND SHERMAN,

“sherman’s occupation,”

Son of *Henry, IV* (p. 12):

BORN about 1548, at, probably, Dedham (p. 4).

MARRIED (1) April 25, 1570, at Dedham, ANNE PELATTE; buried June 8, 1584, at Dedham.

MARRIED (2) September 11, 1584, at Dedham, ANNE CLERE, daughter of *Nicholas Clere*, of Colchester, Essex County, cloth manufacturer, Alderman, elected Member of Parliament March 23, 1576, and again in 1578.

Fourteen children (p. 16).

BURIED December 22, 1600, at Dedham.

By his Will, dated August 1, 1599, codicil dated December 20, 1600, proved April 30, 1601, he gave to his son *Edmund* certain houses and lands, "and my sherman's occupation": also, "after my sister's death, I give the field and tenement before given unto her during life, unto the Governors of the Public Grammar School in Dedham, to be improved for a dwelling house for a schoolmaster": also authorized his son *Edmund*, and his heirs forever, to appoint a poor child to be freely taught by the Schoolmaster of the Public Grammar School in Dedham.

(When I saw it on August 10, 1904, that "dwelling house for a schoolmaster" was still occupied by the schoolmaster; was called Sherman Hall; had a sun dial on its front wall; was in excellent repair, and was situate in the centre of Dedham on the principal street.—C. P. S.)

CHILDREN OF EDMUND SHERMAN (p. 14) by first wife, 2: *Edmund* (VI p. 16): 4: *Richard* (p. 6), and *five* others: By second wife, 14: *Mary*, baptized March 20, 1599, at Dedham; married 1619 *Andrew Bacon*; went to New England: and *six* others.

## VI: EDMUND SHERMAN,

Cloth Manufacturer,

Son of *Edmund V* (p. 14):

BORN about 1572 at Dedham.

MARRIED, about 1597, JOAN MACKIN, daughter of *Tobias Mackin*, of Fingringhoe.

Ten children (p. 17):

DIED, 1641, at New Haven, Conn. "3'd Mo. 1641: An Inventory and Will of Olde Father Shirman was delivered into Court." (New Haven Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 52): Will and Inventory cannot be found.

HE inherited from his father lands, property and the cloth manufactory; and sent his son *John* to Immanuel College, Cambridge: but, being a Puritan, he was so persecuted by the Established Church, that he left all, and fled, with some towns-

men, to New England, where he could worship according to the dictates of his conscience, taking with him his sons *Edmund*, *John* and *Samuel*, and his daughters *Hester* and *Grace*, and *John* the grandson of his uncle Henry.

They sailed from Ipswich, in the ship "Elizabeth," "the last of April, 1634," for New England, and arrived at Watertown, Mass., in June. He went from there to Wethersfield, Conn., and then to New Haven, Conn., where he died. As his wife is not mentioned, it is probable that she died at Dedham before 1634, as her last child was born in 1620.

CHILDREN OF EDMUND SHERMAN (p. 16):

1: *Edmund*, baptized October 23, 1599; married (1) ———; went with his father to New England; was admitted Freeman at Watertown May 25, 1636; Selectman 1636; returned to Dedham; married (2) as a widower, December 8, 1656, at Bilston, *Grace Stevens*, of Stratford, Essex County; three children; was a cloth manufacturer; died 1673; Will dated April 11, 1673, proved May 28, 1673.

4: *Hester*, baptized April 1, 1606, at Dedham; married, either in England or

New England, *Andrew Warde*, who was admitted Freeman at Watertown, Mass., May 14, 1634, and was a Magistrate in Wethersfield, Conn., in 1636, and was in Stamford, Conn., in 1642, and in Fairfield, Conn., 1651, where he died in 1659: in 1636 he was appointed by the General Court of Massachusetts one of eight men to govern the Colony of Connecticut for one year: she died in Fairfield, her Will being dated December 27, 1665, and proved February 28, 1666.

7: *John* (VII p. 19).

8: *Grace*, baptized June 18, 1616, at Dedham; married *John Livermore*; died January 14, 1690, at Chelmsford, Mass.

9: *Samuel* (p. 7).

*Five* other children, who were all baptized at Dedham and probably died there.



## DIRECT LINE IN AMERICA

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VII: JOHN SHERMAN, Minister,  
Son of *Edmund VI* (p. 16).

BORN December 26, 1613, at Dedham  
(p. 4).

MARRIED (1) MARY ———, who  
*died* September 8, 1644, at Milford, Conn.  
(Records of First Church, Milford, pp. 3  
and 5) :

MARRIED (2) MARY LAUNCE, who *died*  
March 9, 1710, at Watertown, Mass.  
(Bond's Watertown, p. 432). Cotton  
Mather says, in his *Magnalia* (1702),  
that she was the daughter of the daughter  
of "Lord Darcy, who was Earl of Riv-  
ers," and that her father, "a Puritan  
gentleman" of Cornwall, England, was  
murdered in a dispute "against the Eng-  
lish Episcopacy."

CHILDREN: four by first wife and ten  
by second (p. 23) :

DIED August 8, 1685, at Watertown,  
Mass. His Will was dated August 6,  
1685, and proved October 6, 1685.

HE was educated at Immanuel College,  
Cambridge, England; but, being, like his

father, Edmund Sherman, a Puritan, "when his turn came to graduate, he seriously considered the subscription required of him," and refused, and "went away under the persecuted character of a College Puritan." (My father, Byron Sherman, told me that he saw his name, as a student, on the Rolls of Immanuel College.—C. P. S.)

With his father and family (p. 17) he sailed from Ipswich, England, in the ship "Elizabeth," "the last of April, 1634," for New England, arriving at Watertown, Mass., in June, being then but twenty years old.

There, "under a tree," he "preached his first sermon, as an assistant unto Mr. Phillips, there being present many other divines, who wondered exceedingly to hear a subject so accurately and excellently handled by one that had never performed any such public exercise."

He was dismissed, May 29, 1635, from the church at Watertown to Wethersfield, in the New Haven Colony, to form there, with others, a new church. He remained there until May 7, 1640, when he was "freed from watching"; after which he was called to the church at Milford,

Conn., and was installed there November 8, 1640.

The General Court of New Haven Colony, on November 24, 1640, designated him as one of five men chosen by it to be Magistrates of the Colony.

He was dismissed from the church at Milford November 8, 1647, and, Mr. Phillips having died, was called to the church at Watertown, Mass., becoming its third pastor; and was admitted Freeman of that town May 19, 1669.

He was chosen a Fellow of Harvard College, at Cambridge, Mass., lecturing "for more than thirty years."

He was a mathematician and an astronomer, and published, from time to time, an Almanac, which went "into almost every cottage of the wilderness."

Cotton Mather, in his *Magnalia*, (1702), besides the above quotations, says of him: "He was witty and yet wise, and grave, carrying a majesty in his very countenance; and much visited for counsel, in weighty cases; and when he delivered his judgment in any matter, there was little or nothing to be spoken by others after him. \* \* \* Such keenness of wit, such soundness of judgment, such fullness of matter, and such vigor of lan-

guage, is rarely seen in old age, as was to be seen in him, when he was old. \* \* \* The last sermon which he ever preached was at Sudbury, from Eph. II, 8: 'By grace ye are saved': wherein he so displayed the riches of the free grace expressed in our salvation, as to fill his hearers with admiration. Being thus at Sudbury, he was taken sick of an intermitting but malignant fever; which yet abated, that he found opportunity to return unto his own house at Water Town. But his fever then renewing upon him, it prevailed so far, that he soon *expired his holy soul*; which he did with expressions of abundant faith, joy and resignation, on a Saturday evening, entering on his eternal Sabbath, August 8, 1685, aged seventy-two."

He was buried at East Watertown, Mass.: the following is a translation of the Latin inscription on his tomb:

"Sacred to the memory of JOHN SHERMAN, a man distinguished for his piety, character and truth; a profound theologian; as a preacher a veritable Chrysostom; unsurpassed in his knowledge of the liberal arts, particularly mathematics; a faithful pastor of the church of Water Town in New England; an Overseer and

Fellow of Harvard College. After a life of faithful service to Christ in the church for upwards of 45 years, in the fullness of time he passed away and received from Christ the palm of victory. In the 72nd year of his age, August 8, A. D. 1685."

CHILDREN OF REV. JOHN SHERMAN (p. 19) : By first wife:

1: *Mary*: married (1) November 27, 1656, *Henry Freeman*, of Watertown; (2) *Lewis Allen*.

2: *Bezaleel*: born 1640; B. A. Harvard 1661; Merchant in Madras, where he died 1685, leaving a *widow* and a daughter.

3: *Daniel*: born March 16, 1642; sea captain; married September, 1664, *Abijah Street*; eight children; died 1716.

4: *Samuel*: born April 14, 1644.

5: *Abigail*: born February 1, 1648; married August 8, 1664, *Rev. Samuel Willard*; six children; died 1685.

By second wife:

6: *James* (VIII p. 24).

7: *Joanna*: born September 3, 1652; died young.

8: *Abijah*: died prior to 1702.

9: *Elizabeth*: married July 20, 1687, at Concord, *Samuel Gaskill*.

10: *Mary*: born March 5, 1657; married May 27, 1679, *Ellis Barron, Jr.*

11: *Grace*: born March 10, 1659; died after 1712.

12: *John*: born March 17, 1660.

13: *Hester*: died August 25, 1688.

14: *Mercy*: married April 4, 1700, *Samuel Barnard*; four children.

VIII: JAMES SHERMAN, Minister,  
Son of *Rev. John VII* (p. 19):

BORN 1651, probably at Watertown, Mass.

MARRIED May 13, 1680, MARY WALKER.

Two children (p. 24).

DIED March 3, 1718, at Salem, Mass.

HE was Pastor of the following churches: at Sudbury, Mass., 1677 to 1705; at Elizabethtown, N. J., 1706; at Salem, Mass., 1708 to 1718.

CHILDREN OF REV. JAMES SHERMAN (p. 24):

1: *John* (IX p. 25).

2: *Thomas*, born April 1, 1688, at, probably, Sudbury, Mass.; Doctor of Medicine; died September 24, 1744.

IX: JOHN SHERMAN,

Doctor, Magistrate, etc.,

Son of *Rev. James VIII* (p. 24) :

BORN November 20, 1683, at Sudbury, Mass.

MARRIED November 9, 1701, ABIGAIL WOOD STONE, who died March 9, 1772, at Brimfield, Mass.

Eight children (p. 26).

DIED November 28, 1774, at Brimfield, Mass.

HE taught school at Springfield, Mass., during which time he studied medicine, and graduated as a Doctor of Medicine.

About 1722 he and other men took up land to the East of the Town of Springfield, and organized the Town of Brimfield, and there he and his family settled.

The settlers organized the "First Committee of Brimfield," which set apart to each head of a family a grant of 120 acres and to one son in each family a grant of 120 acres additional, which lands were called "First Grant Lands," and which grants were confirmed by "The Great and General Court of the Province of Massachusetts Bay" June, 1731. ("Proprietors Records," at Brimfield, pages 19 and 20.)

(The lands set apart to John Sherman and his son Bezaleel are still owned by the Sherman family at Brimfield.—C. P. S.)

He was Proprietor's Clerk for many years; was Town Clerk from 1732 to 1761; was Doctor, Surveyor, Captain of Militia, and Magistrate.

CHILDREN OF DR. JOHN SHERMAN (p. 25) :

1: *Bezaleel*, born March 31, 1703; married February 4, 1732, *Abigail Graves*.

2: *Beriah*, born September 15, 1705; died April 1, 1792.

3: *John, Jr.*, born December 3, 1708; died August 20, 1735.

4: *Daniel*, born June 28, 1711; died January 9, 1741.

5: *Mary*, born July 24, 1713; married July 13, 1732, *Adonijah Russell*.

6: *James*, born August 12, 1716; married July 18, 1749, *Mrs. Mary Stebbins*.

7: *Phineas*, born November 10, 1719; married (1) December 12, 1738, *Elizabeth Morgan*; (2) *Rachael Ellis Marsh*.

8: *Thomas* (X p. 27).



X: THOMAS SHERMAN,

Farmer, Soldier,

Son of *John IX* (p. 25) :

BORN September 6, 1722, at Springfield, Mass.

MARRIED September 12, 1751, ANNA BLODGETT, *born* April 10, 1724; *died* December 10, 1808.

Seven children (p. 28) :

DIED November 22, 1803, at Brimfield, Mass.

HE was an infant when his father moved from Springfield to Brimfield.

He was a farmer; and was a private, under Capt. Thompson and Col. Danielson, in the "Lexington Alarm" in April, 1775, and marched with his company, recruited in Brimfield and the surrounding country, to Boston, where he fought against the British. At the expiration of his enlistment he re-enlisted, in the same company, under the same officers, with the "Eight Months' Men," serving, as a private, from May, 1775, to January, 1776.

CHILDREN OF THOMAS SHERMAN (p. 27) :

1: *Abigail*, born January 11, 1753; married November 26, 1772, *Aaron Morgan*.

2: *Samuel*, born March 14, 1754; married September 18, 1778, *Betty Hitchcock*; died May 30, 1800. Their son *Caleb* settled at East River, N. Y., and his daughter *Kate* married *F. E. Williams*, of Homer, N. Y.

3: *Luce*, born September 30, 1756; married June 1, 1775, *Dr. Daniel Ellinwood*.

4: *Joseph*, born March 16, 1759; married December 18, 1782, *Elizabeth Blodgett*.

5: *Abel*, born October 9, 1761; married June 14, 1784, *Orinda Bicknell*; they settled at Watertown, N. Y.; he died November 23, 1834. Their son *Horace*, born June 4, 1793, married September 5, 1816, *Lucippa Harris* (born April, 1793, died April, 1886) and settled at Delaware, Ohio, where he founded a school. Their daughter *Jane E.* (born June 12, 1825, died June 30, 1904) married October 1, 1850, *Lewis A. Brunner* (born July 23, 1823, died June 21, 1886) of Frederick, Md. They had three daughters, *Mary*, *Ada* and *Grace*. *Ada* married *Benjamin W. Holman*, of Washington, D. C.

6: *Sarah*, born March 28, 1765; married January 23, 1783, *William Carpenter*.

7: *Thomas, Jr.* (XI p. 29).

## XI: THOMAS SHERMAN,

Farmer, Captain,

Son of *Thomas X* (p. 27):

BORN December 28, 1766, at Brimfield, Mass.

MARRIED (1) July 9, 1789, *SARAH TOWNSLEY*, born November 23, 1769; died June 13, 1811; daughter of *Reuben Townsley* and *Abigail Morgan*.

MARRIED (2) May 4, 1815, *MARCY MORGAN*, died November 12, 1857.

Five children (p. 29):

DIED January 14, 1844, at Brimfield.

HE was a farmer, and was Captain of the Town Militia.

CHILDREN OF THOMAS SHERMAN (p. 29) by first wife:

1: *Harris*, born February 22, 1790, at Brimfield; married April 28, 1814, *Sallie Morgan*; they settled at Brimfield, Ohio, of which he was one of the founders.

2: *William*, born March 17, 1793, at Brimfield; married *Nancy Andrews*, born

1796 at East Hartford, Conn.; they settled at Homer, N. Y., about 1820, where he became the leading merchant of the town and vicinity: he died there March 19, 1873, where she also died February 28, 1892: two children (p. 30).

3: *John* (XII p. 32).

4: *Orson*, born May 20, 1801, at Brimfield; married (1) December 18, 1823, *Sarah R. Tarbell*; (2) April 27, 1848, *Mrs. Hannah Davis*; (3) April 16, 1850, *Catharine Morse*; died April 8, 1870, at Brimfield. His son *Elijah* (p. 30).

5: (By second wife) *Enoch*, born at Brimfield March 19, 1816; died September 13, 1857.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM SHERMAN (p. 29):

1: *William*, born 1820 at Homer; died there November 13, 1855, unmarried.

2: *Sarah*, born July 5, 1826, at Homer; married October 7, 1858, *Albert Sherman*, born 1817, son of Eli Sherman and Flavia Bliss; they lived at Homer; she died May 17, 1890, at Cambridge, Mass. (where she was visiting) and he died November 2, 1895, at Homer: no children.

SON OF ORSON (p. 30):

*Elijah Tarbell Sherman*: born June 26, 1829, at Brimfield; went to New York and

became a partner of Silas C. Herring, who was born at Brimfield and was the inventor of Herring's Fire Proof Safes; remodeled, for his summer home, the house built by his great-grandfather *John* (p. 25), which was burned in 1875; built a large mansion on the same site in 1876; married May 9, 1855, at Boston, Mass., *Catharine Maria Roberts*, born May 2, 1836, at Boston, daughter of John Levering Roberts and Catharine Maria Winneberger, who died November 6, 1911, at Brimfield. He died October 8, 1886, in New York.

CHILDREN OF ELIJAH T. SHERMAN (p. 30):

1: *Ella Maria*, born November 21, 1858, at New York; married December 31, 1885, at New York, *William Spring Haynes*; she died August 25, 1893, at New York: no children.

2: *Everett*, born July 18, 1862, at New York; married October, 1894, at Brimfield, *Bessie F. Brown*, daughter of James Reed and Sarah Brown; he died March 1, 1901, at Brimfield: no children.

3: *Florence*, born July 10, 1864, at New York; married May 9, 1894, at New York, *Dr. William Smith Pearsall*, son of Dr. Samuel J. Pearsall and Carrie E.

Smith, of Saratoga, N. Y.; he died February 18, 1916, at Brimfield; she is living at Brimfield: no children.

4: *Gertrude*, born September 1, 1867, at Brimfield; married November 9, 1893, at New York, *Dr. Frederick William Hamlin*, son of Wolcott Hamlin and Susan Westman, of Amherst, Mass.; both living at New York: no children.

5: *Robert Grant*, born October 30, 1869, at New York; married June, 1906, *Josephine Mangels*, daughter of Henry and Anna M. Mangels, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; he died November 25, 1918, at Brooklyn: no children.

6: *Irving Prescott*, born December 10, 1872, at New York; married August 26, 1919, at New York, *Alice Mills Decker*, daughter of David H. and Laura Cecelia Decker, of New York: he is a Doctor of Medicine: both living at Brimfield, where, as did his great-great-grandfather, he practices medicine.

## XII: JOHN SHERMAN, Merchant,

Son of *Thomas XI* (p. 29):

BORN June 16, 1796, at Brimfield, Mass.

MARRIED (1) May 28, 1823, at Otisco, N. Y., LUCY POMEROY KING, *born* November 30, 1796, at Northampton, Mass.; daughter of *Joseph King* and *Lucy Pomeroy* (p. 33); *died* September 24, 1841, at Homer, N. Y.

MARRIED (2) 1847, MRS. EMELINE PECK FIELD, *born* 1800 at Onondaga Valley, N. Y.; *died* 1880 at Howell, Mich.: no children.

Five children, by first wife (p. 37).

DIED July 11, 1869, at Homer, N. Y.

HE was educated at the Brimfield School, and helped his father on the farm. About 1822 he followed his brother *William* (p. 29) to Homer, N. Y., which was settled in 1791 by people from New Haven, Conn., and became his partner in general merchandise, the firm becoming the leading one of the town and vicinity. In 1836 he bought a house and store; dissolved partnership with his brother, and continued business alone, retiring from business about 1852. He was a member of the Congregational Church at Homer, and was one of the influential citizens of the town.

*Lucy Pomeroy*, the mother of *Lucy Pomeroy King Sherman*, was the daugh-

ter of *Ebenezer Pomeroy*, and was born at Easthampton, Mass., in 1773. September 23, 1792, she married *Joseph King*, of Northampton, Mass. They both died there, he first, and she January 1, 1805, leaving their only daughter *Lucy*, who was then sent to Otisco, N. Y., to the home of her uncle *Ira Pomeroy* (who had married her mother's sister *Experience* in 1787 and had moved from Massachusetts to Otisco) by whom she was brought up, and there she met and married *John Sherman*.

*Eltweed Pomeroy*, the fourth great-grandfather of *Lucy Pomeroy King Sherman*, was baptized July 4, 1585, at Beaminster, Dorsetshire, England. He there married May 4, 1617, *Johannah Keech*, who died there November 27, 1620. He married May 7, 1629, at Crewkerne, Somersetshire, *Margery Rockett* (christened Mary, but called Margery). They were both Puritans, and joined a company emigrating to New England to escape persecution. They sailed from Plymouth, Devonshire, March 30, 1630, in the ship "Mary and John," 400 tons, Captain Squeb, 140 persons on board. June 9, 1630, they entered the harbor called Nantasket (now Boston Harbor)



and landed at a high point called by the Indians Matapan, where they settled, calling their settlement Dorchester (now South Boston—Boston was settled in August, 1630, by John Winthrop and his company: it was then called Shawmut and Trimountain, but they named it Boston on September 7, 1630). He took the oath as Freeman March 4, 1632; was chosen First Selectman in 1633, and presided at the Town Meeting held in August, 1633.

He was, in England and in New England, a gunsmith and worker in iron, the most important craft in a new colony. (His anvil was, January 5, 1912, in the possession of Mrs. Edward Pomeroy, of Pittsfield, Mass.). The Province granted him 1,000 acres on the Connecticut River on condition that he would settle there—which he did, at Windsor, in 1636. There five sons were born, and there his wife died July 5, 1655. He married November 30, 1661, *Lydia Brown*, widow of Thomas Parsons. In 1659 the settlers of Northampton, a little further up the river, offered land and a shop to his sons, who were also gunsmiths, if they would settle there, which they did. He followed his sons to Northampton, and died in the house of his son *Medad* in March, 1673.

His fifth son, *Caleb*, baptized March 6, 1641; helped to settle Southampton, Mass., in 1686; died there November 18, 1691. He was the third great-grandfather of *Lucy Pomeroy King Sherman* (p. 32).

Eltweed's fourth son, *Medad*, baptized August 19, 1638, died at Northampton December 30, 1716. (I saw his monument in the cemetery there.—C. P. S.) He was the fourth great-grandfather of *Mary Pomeroy Sherman* (p. 39) and of *Julius Rowley Pomeroy* (p. 44).

*Raoul de la Pomeraiie*, the fifteenth great-grandfather of *Eltweed Pomeroy* (p. 34) and the twenty-first great-grandfather of *Lucy Pomeroy King Sherman* (p. 32) and the twenty-second great-grandfather of *Mary Pomeroy Sherman* (p. 39) and of *Julius Rowley Pomeroy* (p. 44), was born about 1030 at the Chateau de la Pomeraiie, Province la Manche, Normandy; was a Knight under William, Duke of Normandy (afterwards called William the Conqueror); fought with him at the Battle of Hastings October 14, 1066; by him was created a Baron; was given fifty-eight manors in Devonshire, England

(taken from the Saxon owners); built there, about 1100, his castle "Berry Pomeroy"; in England he was known as *Ralph, Baron Pomeroy*; the date of his death is unknown.

His descendant *Sir Thomas Pomeroy*, inheritor of the castle, took part in the unsuccessful rising in Devonshire, in the summer of 1549, against the rule of Edward Seymour, Duke of Somerset, Lord Protector under Edward VI, and, although his life was spared, his estates were confiscated, and the castle and its estate were seized by Somerset and given to his son Edward Seymour, Knight, who died in 1593. The castle "was captured, plundered and burnt by the Roundheads in the time of the third Baronet Seymour." (It stands on the top of a high bluff overlooking a small stream running into the river Dart, and is about three miles from Totnes, Devonshire, and is one of the show ruins of England. When I visited it July 18, 1904, the massive walls were in excellent preservation, as were the ruins of the great stone mansion built by the Seymours within the walls.—C. P. S.)

CHILDREN OF JOHN SHERMAN (p. 32)  
by first wife:

1: *Byron* (p. 39).

2: *Porter* (p. 43).

3: *Edward*, born March 23, 1828, at Homer; died, unmarried, December 17, 1864, at Natchez, Miss.; was clerk in his father's store at Homer, and afterwards junior partner of Sherman Brothers (p. 41) in New York, until his death.

4: *Mary Louise*, born November 30, 1830, at Homer; died there May 17, 1845.

5: *Frances Elvena* (p. 44).

## DESCENDANTS OF JOHN SHERMAN XII

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XII: 1: BYRON SHERMAN,

Merchant and General Agent,

Son of *John XII* (p. 32):

BORN June 3, 1824, at Homer, N. Y.

MARRIED (1) February 24, 1847, at Brooklyn, N. Y., MARY POMEROY, *born* April 17, 1827, on Stone Street (so called because it was the first street in New York paved with stone) near the Bowling Green, New York; daughter of *Daniel Pomeroy* and *Clarissa Stedman Clark*; *died* March 23, 1849, at Brooklyn. *Daniel Pomeroy*, son of *Daniel Pomeroy* and *Charlotte Rhodes*, was born March 17, 1799, at Brandon, Vt.; was an importer of teas in New York; resided at the Southwest corner of Henry and Remsen Streets, "on the Heights," Brooklyn; married (2) *Elizabeth Tufts*; *died* at Brooklyn August 7, 1866. *Clarissa Stedman Clark* was born at Newburg, N. Y., July 30, 1803; *died* at Orange, N. J., June 26, 1856. *Raoul de la Pomeraie* (p. 36) was *Mary Pomeroy's* twenty-second great-grandfather.

MARRIED (2) November 30, 1852, at "The Homestead," Morristown, N. J., JULIA ANTOINETTE BURNHAM, *born* July 31, 1828, on White Street, near Broadway, New York; daughter of *Gordon Burnham* and *Marcia Condict*; died September 22, 1915, at "The Homestead," Morristown: she possessed great social charm and power, and was widely charitable. *Gordon Burnham*, born August 22, 1796, at Franklin, Conn.; son of *Samuel* and *Hannah Burnham*; was a merchant in New York; died September 7, 1882, at "The Homestead," Morristown. *Marcia Condict*, born August 29, 1802, at Littleton, N. J.; daughter of *Silas Condict* and *Charlotte Ford*; died November 30, 1884, at "The Homestead," Morristown, which was her father's house, and where both her father and mother had died.

CHILDREN: two by first wife; four by second wife (p. 43).

DIED February 27, 1899, at "The Homestead," Morristown, N. J.

This is his Biography:

HE was educated at Homer Academy, graduating with honors in 1840.

In 1841, at the request of Mrs. William Way, of New York, who was his cousin on his mother's side, he entered the em-

ploy of Barry & Way, in New York, wholesale hardware, selling exclusively in the South. In 1844 he purchased a partnership, with capital loaned him by his father, and the firm became Barry, Way & Sherman. He then brought his brothers, *Porter* and *Edward*, into the employ of the firm.

In 1850 he dissolved that partnership, and organized, with his brothers, the firm of Sherman Brothers, in which he was senior, financial and controlling partner, his brothers managing the merchandise and sales. The firm became one of the largest in New York in the Southern wholesale trade in hardware, cutlery and guns. It was dissolved in 1872.

In 1873, The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York offered him the position of its General Agent for the territory comprising Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Texas, Colorado, Nebraska and New Mexico, with headquarters at St. Louis, Mo., which offer he accepted. In a few years he brought his Agency to the first rank among the Company's Agencies. He retired from business in 1892.

From 1847 to 1850 he resided on Henry Street, "on the Heights," Brooklyn. In 1854 he purchased 43 West 37th Street,

on "Murray Hill," New York, where he lived until 1859, when he moved to Morristown, N. J., where he had built a house on an estate he called "Ridgewood." From 1873 until 1892 he resided at St. Louis, spending the summers at Morristown or in travel. Having sold "Ridgewood" during his residence in St. Louis, in 1892 he moved into "The Homestead," Morristown, which had been inherited by his wife from her mother.

He then became active in the betterment of that estate, and in philanthropic work at Morristown and its vicinity; was a Trustee of the South Street Presbyterian Church, and was one of the founders of the Memorial Hospital. He was a Republican.

He traveled extensively—in the United States, Canada, Europe, Egypt, Palestine, China and Japan—and was widely read in all best literature. His whole life was an exemplification of the highest ideals of American manhood.

*Raoul de la Pomeraie* (p. 36) was his twenty-second great-grandfather, and *Caleb Pomeroy* (p. 35) was his fourth great-grandfather, on his mother's side.

CHILDREN OF BYRON SHERMAN:

By first wife:



1: *Charles Pomeroy* (p. 46).

2: *Byron Pomeroy*, born March 17, 1849, at Brooklyn, N. Y.; died October 9, 1861, at "Ridgewood," Morristown, N. J.

By second wife:

3: *Gordon Edward* (p. 52).

4: *Julia Frances* (p. 55).

5: *Gordon Burnham*, born June 7, 1858, at New York; died April 30, 1860, at "Ridgewood," Morristown, N. J.

6: *Edith Byron* (p. 55).

## XII: 2: PORTER SHERMAN,

Merchant,

Son of *John XII* (p. 32):

BORN January 2, 1826, at Homer, N. Y.

MARRIED September 26, 1849, at Norwich, N. Y., CATHARINE BEDFORD GRIF-  
FING, *born* November 20, 1831, at Nor-  
wich, N. Y.; daughter of *David Griffing*  
and *Nancy Bedford*; died March 1, 1902,  
at Brooklyn, N. Y.

CHILDREN: 1: *Arthur Griffing* (p. 56):  
2: *Florence Virginia* (p. 57).

DIED May 28, 1901, at Brooklyn, N. Y.

HE was educated at the Academy,  
Homer; was clerk in his father's store  
there; about 1844 entered the employ of

Barry, Way & Sherman, in New York (p. 41), and was second partner in the firm of Sherman Brothers (p. 41) until its dissolution in 1872.

XII: 5: FRANCES ELVENA SHERMAN,

Daughter of *John XII* (p. 32):

BORN November 14, 1833, at Homer, N. Y.

MARRIED, October 7, 1858, at Homer, JULIUS ROWLEY POMEROY, lawyer, *born* July 4, 1825, at Sharon, N. Y.; son of Rev. Charles Pomeroy and Weltha Sexton; *died* April 10, 1877, at Brooklyn, N. Y. He graduated at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., in 1847; then was Principal of Rensselaerville, N. Y., Academy; from 1850 to 1855 taught a select school at Brooklyn, N. Y., meantime studying law; was admitted to the New York Bar in 1855; was a member of the law firm of Chambers, Pomeroy and Boughton, with offices on Broadway, near Fulton Street, and practiced law until his death. His residence was in Brooklyn. *Medad Pomeroy* (p. 36) was his fourth great-grandfather.

Six children (p. 45).

SHE DIED May 7, 1913, at Homer, in her father's house, which she and her brothers had inherited, having moved from Brooklyn after her husband's death.

She gave her children an excellent education; was a loyal friend to those whom she loved, and was a power in the community. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

CHILDREN OF F. ELVENA S. POMEROY:

1: *Edward Sherman Pomeroy*, born November 27, 1859, at Brooklyn; died there August 18, 1877.

2: *Nina Pomeroy*, born October 1, 1861, at Orange, N. J.; died March 27, 1863, at Brooklyn.

3: *Charles Sherman Pomeroy*, born September 4, 1865, at Brooklyn; entered the employ of the Homer National Bank in 1887 as Bookkeeper; was Cashier from 1904 to 1917, when he retired from business; married July 25, 1919, at Troy, N. Y., *Maude Houghton Whitney*, born February 24, 1871, at Spragueville, N. Y., daughter of John Whitney and Mary Ann Houghton, living: no children: he died March 3, 1920, at Syracuse, N. Y.

4: *Julius Sherman Pomeroy* (p. 59).

5: *Mary Sherman Pomeroy*, born January 7, 1870, at Brooklyn; married July

2, 1895, at Homer, Lewis H. Tuthill; no children: she died June 15, 1908, at Wayzata, near Minneapolis, Minn.

6: *Sarah Sherman Pomeroy* (p. 60).

XII: 1: 1: CHARLES POMEROY  
SHERMAN, Lawyer,

Son of *Byron* (p. 39):

BORN December 6, 1847, at 217 (now 269) Henry Street, "on the Heights," Brooklyn, N. Y.

MARRIED, April 9, 1891, at Philadelphia, LAURA MIDDLETON ALEXANDER; born February 17, 1860, at Philadelphia; daughter of *Thomas Whiteman Alexander* and *Emeline Middleton*; living. Her father, born September 9, 1819, at Philadelphia, was the son of *William Alexander* and *Hester Whiteman*; married, May 10, 1853, at Philadelphia, her mother, born December 3, 1831, at Philadelphia, daughter of *John Middleton* and *Rebecca Tolan Whiteman*; was a commission merchant in Chicago, and owned a grain elevator there; died there July 27, 1859. Her mother returned to Philadelphia after her husband's death, and there she died August 21, 1870.

No children.

LIVING, with wife, at Philadelphia, Pa.

This is his Autobiography:

HE was educated at the Morristown Academy, Morristown, N. J.; and at Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass., in the Class of '67.

He was with his father's firm of Sherman Brothers (p. 41) rising from office boy, through all the successive grades of the business, to cashier in 1872, when the firm was dissolved.

In May, 1874, he sailed, one of two passengers, in the brig-schooner "A. G. Jewett," 361 tons, Captain Joseph B. Reed, of Bucksport, Maine, from New York to Marseilles, seven weeks on the voyage, during which the Captain instructed him in navigation, steering, handling the sails, and in climbing aloft, even to the fore truck ninety-one feet from the deck; and he became used to those heights.

He walked through the greater part of Switzerland, and, being aided by his experience aboard ship, climbed the Dent de Morcle, 9,775 feet, alone, because an Englishman at the hotel in Bex, near the foot of the mountain, said that it could not be done without a guide.

He left the hotel soon after noon, and reached a herdsman's chalet, on the high pastures, before dark. He spent the night there, and, starting early in the morning, reached the summit, a sharp peak of rock, about noon. Coming down, he missed the way by which he had climbed up, and found himself on a steep slope with precipices apparently on every side. Holding himself by his alpenstock and spiked shoes, he anxiously searched for a way down.

Just then a great cloud, which had lain in the valley below all day, rose up the mountain and enveloped him in its dense mist, rendering advance impossible. He prayed for help. Soon a strong wind came down the mountain, cutting a lane through the mist, and along that lane he saw, what he had not seen before, a clear way down. He thankfully hastened to climb down through that lane, and found a cow-path at its end. Then the mist closed in, but the cow-path led him to safety. He reached the hotel at Bex before dark.

Afterwards, with a guide and a companion, he climbed the Dent du Midi, 10,696 feet, and, later, the Mont Blanc as far as the Grands Mulets, 10,010 feet,

being there turned back by a sudden descent of dense cloud.

He returned in November, 1874, by steamer from Glasgow to New York.

On January 23, 1875, the East River, between New York and Brooklyn, was frozen over, and he walked across on the ice. This is mentioned in order to record the date of that remarkable freezing.

On March 6, 1875, at Niagara, his training aboard ship and on the Swiss glaciers enabled him to grasp the opportunity to stand on top of the brink of the Canadian Fall, where, perhaps, no one else has stood. A huge cake of ice, floating down the river, stranded on the very brink of the Fall, its shore end touching the ice at the foot of Terrapin Rock. Walking carefully out from the Rock to the middle of the cake, and looking up stream, he saw the mighty mass of water come rushing at him; felt it sweep under the trembling cake, and, turning, saw it leap over the brink and disappear. Then he regained the Rock. The cake went over the Fall.

He began the study of law in 1875 in the office of Frederick G. Burnham Esq., his step-mother's brother, at Morristown; was sent, in 1876, to Pennsylvania to ex-

amine some titles for a New York client; continued his studies in the office of Cyrus G. Derr Esq., at Reading, Pa.; was admitted to practice in the Courts of Berks County in 1879; of Philadelphia County in 1881; Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in 1882; United States Courts at Philadelphia in 1882; Circuit Court of West Virginia in 1885; Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia in 1887; Supreme Court of the United States in 1904: and was a member of the Philadelphia Law Association, the Pennsylvania State Bar Association, and the American Bar Association. Practiced law in Philadelphia from 1881 until he retired from practice in 1918.

He was the author of the Pennsylvania Statute of 25 June, 1885, P. L. 179, enabling corporations of other States to acquire land for offices, etc.; of 23 May, 1887, P. L. 176, and of 9 June, 1891, P. L. 252, enabling such corporations to purchase lands upon which they held liens at judicial sales, thus bringing an immense amount of capital into Pennsylvania; and was the author of a portion of the Practice Act of 25 May, 1887, P. L. 271, which revolutionized practice in Pennsylvania.



He was of Counsel for the defendant in the case of Ritter, Executor of Runk, vs. The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, 169 U. S., 139, which was a case of first impression, in which the Supreme Court U. S., affirming the Court below, decided that, "Intentional self-destruction by the assured when of sound mind is itself a defense to an action on a life policy, even if the policy does not expressly declare that it shall be void in such a case."

He was the author of *A Bachelor's Wedding Trip*, 1888.

He collaborated with Owen Wister, S. Wier Mitchell and others in the authorship of *The Pegasus Year Book*, 1889.

In April, 1917, immediately after we entered the World War, he wrote, composed and published, for free distribution, not sale, a war hymn entitled *Our Fight for Right*, which was sung at church services and patriotic celebrations, and at camps, and on warships, in this country and England, France, Australia and New Zealand.

He is the author of this Genealogy.

In 1904 he and his wife visited Dedham (pp. 4, 15) and the castle of Berry Pomeroy (p. 37).

*Raoul de la Pomerai* (p. 36) the builder of the castle, was his twenty-third great-grandfather on both his father's and his mother's sides; and *Caleb Pomeroy* (p. 35) and *Medad Pomeroy* (p. 36) were his fifth great-grandfathers on his father's and mother's sides respectively.

He was a member of the (Philadelphia) Cecilian Oratorio Society, Historical Society, Penn Club, Pegasus Club (literary), Art Club (of which two latter he was one of the founders), Germantown Cricket Club, New England Society of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania Society Sons of the Revolution, and Pennsylvania Society of the Order of Founders and Patriots of America; and is a Presbyterian and a Republican.

XII: 1: 3: GORDON EDWARD  
SHERMAN, Lawyer,

Son of *Byron* (p. 39):

BORN August 11, 1854, at "The Homestead," Morristown, N. J.

MARRIED June 12, 1894, at Morristown, HARRIET EMMONS SHELTON, born May 5, 1869, at New York; *living*; daughter of *William Henry Shelton* and *Charlotte Kirtland*; her great-great-

grandfather, Timothy Johnes, was Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown during the Revolution.

No children.

LIVING, with wife, at Morristown.

HE was sent by his father, for his health, as a passenger on the fast clipper ship "N. B. Palmer," Captain Low, on a voyage from New York to China and return, leaving New York April 25, 1871, and returning there January 21, 1872—a remarkably quick voyage for those days.

He graduated at the Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University, New Haven, Conn., in the Class of '76, and at the Law School of Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., in May, 1878.

He was a delegate from Connecticut and an official Reporter at the International Prison Congress at Washington in October, 1910; was Assistant Professor of Comparative and International Law at Yale University from June, 1911, to June, 1916; was a Yale University delegate to the Conference of Teachers of International Law at Washington in April, 1914; was a Yale University delegate at the Second Pan-American Scientific Congress at Washington in December, 1915, and has recently been appointed by the Ameri-

can Society of International Law a member of Committee No. 1 to restate the rules of international law in the light of the World War.

He was the author of the 1916 Revision of "The Elements of International Law" by George B. Davis, and of articles on international and constitutional law and on Swiss jurisprudence in the American Journal of International Law, the Yale Law Journal, and the Journal of the American Bar Association; and was one of the revisers of the English Translation from the German Text of the Swiss Civil Code of 1912, published by the Comparative Law Bureau of the American Bar Association.

He is a member of the New York City Bar Association; Morris County Bar Association; American Bar Association, and Editor for Switzerland in its Comparative Law Bureau; American Society of International Law; International Law Association (London); Grotius Society (London); American Political Science Association; Academy of Political Science (New York); American Historical Association; and Connecticut Academy of Arts and Sciences.

He is a Trustee of the South Street Presbyterian Church; a Director of the Morristown Library, and of the Memorial Hospital of Morristown; and a Republican.

XII: 1: 4: JULIA FRANCES SHERMAN,

Daughter of *Byron* (p. 39):

BORN March 10, 1856, at 43 West 37th Street, New York.

LIVING at "The Homestead," Morristown, N. J.

XII: 1: 6: EDITH BYRON SHERMAN,

Daughter of *Byron* (p. 39):

BORN August 28, 1861, at "Ridgewood," Morristown, N. J.

MARRIED June 15, 1887, at "The Homestead," Morristown, CHARLES GORDON KNOX, *born* January 27, 1852, in New York; son of *Isaac Henry Knox* and *Augusta Havens*; was educated at the University of Bonn, Germany; learned banking in the office of Brown Brothers & Co., in New York; went to St. Louis, Mo.; was President of the University

Club; was Trustee of the Second Presbyterian Church; was Trustee of the Young Men's Christian Association; was a Director of the Commonwealth Trust Co., and of the Mechanics-American National Bank; and was President of the Stock Yards Bank, of East St. Louis. He was actively interested in religious, charitable and philanthropic work, and his name was a synonym for all that is honorable among men. He and his wife lived in St. Louis from the time of their marriage until his death, March 11, 1907.

She is LIVING at "The Homestead," Morristown, N. J.

XII: 2: 1: ARTHUR GRIFFING  
SHERMAN, Merchant,

Son of *Porter* (p. 43):

BORN June 27, 1853, at Norwich, N. Y.

MARRIED June 12, 1878, at Newark, N. J., MARY TINDAL WOODRUFF, *born* May 4, 1851; daughter of *John* and *Frances B. Woodruff*; *living*.

No children.

DIED July 21, 1918, at Allenhurst, N. J.

HE was, for many years and until his death, the New York representative of the Ames Shovel & Tool Company.

He was elected Vestryman of Trinity Cathedral, Newark, N. J., April 2, 1888; elected its Delegate to Diocesan Convention April 11, 1898; appointed by its Rector Clerk of the Parish and Secretary of the Vestry April 17, 1911, and was elected and appointed to the above offices continuously every year until his death.

He lived in Newark, N. J.

XII: 2: 2: FLORENCE VIRGINIA  
SHERMAN,

Daughter of *Porter* (p. 43):

BORN October 26, 1864, at Norfolk, Va.

MARRIED April 4, 1890, at Millstone, N. J., ISAAC BADEAU ROGERS, *born* July 8, 1862, at Brooklyn, N. Y.; son of *Edgar H. Rogers* and *Adeline Badeau*; *died* July 24, 1906, at Brooklyn, N. Y.

Two children (p. 58).

LIVING, with her daughters, at San Rafael, California.

After the sudden death of her husband at the beginning of his business career, she engaged in business on her own account, first in Brooklyn, then in San Rafael, and then in Berkeley, Cal.; supported herself and her children, and gave

them both a college education; retired from business in 1918.

*Raoul de la Pomerai* (p. 36) was her twenty-third great-grandfather, and *Caleb Pomeroy* (p. 35) was her fifth great-grandfather.

CHILDREN OF FLORENCE V. S. ROGERS:

1: *Dorothy Sherman Rogers*, born October 20, 1891, at New Rochelle, N. Y.; married August 15, 1917, at Berkeley, Cal., *Walter Amberson Barnes*, born February 13, 1888, at Corning, Iowa; son of William Smith Barnes and Mary Agnes Bigham; graduated at Lafayette College, 1912, honorary oration, degree Engineer of Mines; is a Consulting Mining Engineer, and Mine Operator; is a member of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, American Mining Congress, Sigma Nu Fraternity, University Club of Salt Lake City, and University Club of Honolulu. *Both living* at San Rafael, Cal. One child, *Virginia Rogers Barnes*, born August 28, 1921, at San Francisco, Cal.; living.

2: *Katharine Badeau Rogers*, born February 12, 1893, at Brooklyn, N. Y.; living at San Rafael; is head of the Biology Department of the San Rafael High School.



XII: 5: 4: JULIUS SHERMAN POMEROY, Banker,

Son of *Frances Elvena* (p. 44):

BORN October 3, 1867, at Brooklyn, N. Y.

MARRIED July 25, 1892, at Hornell, N. Y., BESSIE LOUISE PHILLIPS; *born* December 24, 1868, at Washington, D. C.; daughter of *Asa E. Phillips* and *Sophie Aikens*; *living*.

Three children (p. 60).

LIVING, with family, at Minneapolis, Minn.

HE was: Bookkeeper, Homer National Bank, Homer, N. Y., 1884 to 1887; Teller, First National Bank, Cortland, N. Y., 1887 to 1892; Assistant Cashier, First National Bank, Winona, Minn., 1892 to 1902; Cashier, National Bank of North America, Chicago, Ill., 1902 to 1905; Cashier, Security National Bank, Minneapolis, Minn., 1905 to 1915; Vice-President, First National Bank, Minneapolis, Minn., 1915 to date.

*Raoul de la Pomerai* (p. 36) was his twenty-third great-grandfather on both his father's and mother's sides; and *Medad Pomeroy* (p. 36) and *Caleb Pomeroy* (p.

35) were his fifth great-grandfathers on his father's and mother's sides respectively.

CHILDREN OF JULIUS S. POMEROY: all living.

1: *Philip Pomeroy*, born October 13, 1893, at Winona, Minn.

2: *Virginia Sherman Pomeroy*, born September 27, 1896, at Winona, Minn.

3: *Margery Phillips Pomeroy*, born February 3, 1907, at Minneapolis, Minn.

## XII: 5: 6: SARAH SHERMAN POMEROY,

Daughter of *Frances Elvena* (p. 44):

BORN June 7, 1876, at Brooklyn, N. Y.

MARRIED September 28, 1909, at Homer, N. Y., *HUGH SHIRLEY ALLEN*, born August 12, 1875, at Homer; son of *William Allen* and *Clara Shirley*; living.

Two children (p. 61).

LIVING, with husband and children, at Homer, in her grandfather's house, which she and her brothers inherited from their mother. She is a member of the Congregational Church at Homer, and of the Homer Leisure Hour Club. Her hus-

band is First Assistant Cashier of the Homer National Bank, and is a member of the Cortland County Club, the Columbia Club, and the Masons.

*Raoul de la Pomeraiie* (p. 36) was her twenty-third great-grandfather on both her father's and mother's sides; and *Medad Pomeroy* (p. 36) and *Caleb Pomeroy* (p. 35) were her fifth great-grandfathers on her father's and mother's sides respectively.

CHILDREN OF SARAH S. P. ALLEN:

1: *Katharine Pomeroy Allen*, born August 17, 1911, at Cortland, N. Y.; living.

2: *Arthur Pomeroy Allen*, born January 12, 1914, at Homer; living.

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