

JOHN WOOD

OF

ATTERCLIFFE, YORKSHIRE, ENGLAND
AND FALLS, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

AND

His Descendants

in the
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LITTLE HISTORY
OF THE WOOD FAMILY
IS DEDICATED

P R E F A C E

The following genealogy has been compiled from records collected during the past few years, and while family tradition was the original foundation for investigations, yet nothing has been recorded herein which has not been verified and proved, either by old wills or records on file at Doylestown, where most of the material has been found, and other places. I have been unable to trace some of the Wood descendants handed down by tradition, and have accordingly omitted them. If such omissions are found, it should, therefore, be understood that is because of insufficient evidence of their authenticity to warrant including them, and I shall be very grateful for such evidence if brought to my attention. The chapter on "Falls Township" is taken, with a few changes and additions, from Battle's "History of Bucks County," and parts of the chapter on "Early English Settlers by the Name of Wood" from "Sketches of the First Emigrant Settlers in Newtown Township, West New Jersey," and Mulford's "History of New Jersey." As to the general plan of the work, it is that usually adopted by American genealogists, and notably that of the McKean Family by Roberdeau Buchanan, who says in his preface: "Therefore, the plan adopted by the best genealogists

in this country, and which is decidedly the clearest and simplest, is to classify each generation by itself, and the members thereof in strict order of primogeniture. Upon this system the work proceeds chronologically, the eldest generation first, the latest at the end. Names of persons appear first as children under the biography of their parents, and subsequently as parents of the next generation. Names thus repeated are accompanied by a running Arabic number for convenience of identification. A little examination will readily show how a line of descent may, by these numbers, be traced upward to find the ancestor, or downward to find the descendant."

Most genealogists in this country include in their histories only an account of those bearing the surname of which they write, and omit the descendants of females bearing other surnames. In many cases this is undoubtedly due to the magnitude of a family, but it seems to me that a genealogy, to be complete, should include all the descendants of one person, whether bearing the original surname or not, and it is on these lines that I have endeavored to carry out this genealogy.

Finally, I wish to thank those members of the family who have given their hearty co-operation in assisting me and in furnishing valuable data and information, without which this book could never have been compiled.

HISTORY

OF THE

EARLY SETTLERS BY THE NAME OF

WOOD

IN WEST JERSEY

In the year 1677 a commission, composed of nine men, appointed by the proprietors to take charge of affairs in the province of West Jersey, left England in company with a large number of settlers, most of them members of the Society of Friends. The company of settlers arrived at New Castle (Delaware) on the 16th of August, while the commission went on to New York to wait on Governor Andros. These settlers, shortly after their arrival at New Castle, encamped at the mouth of the Narriticon or Raccoon Creek, where a few Swedes had previously settled. After many difficulties with Governor Andros, the commission rejoined these settlers and proceeded in the discharge of a part of their trust. They purchased from the natives three several portions of land upon the Delaware River, the whole reaching from the Assunpink, on the north, to Oldman's Creek, on the south. The West Jersey proprietors had entered into a contract or agreement with five individuals of the County of York, England, directing this commission to grant to the five persons in question the privilege of

choosing any one of the tenth parts' or shares into which the land they had purchased should be divided. The representatives of the Yorkshire interests chose the land extending from Rankokus to the falls of the Delaware, and this portion was accordingly assigned to them by the commission as the first tenth, sometimes called the "Yorkshire tenth."

This was the first tenth disposed of, and was naturally settled largely by Yorkshire families. The order of apportioning land to the several settlers was determined by the date of the applicant's arrival, advantages being allowed to early applicants, and also according to the number, age and condition of the persons that were brought to the provinces.

Among these early English settlers who came to West Jersey there were more persons of the name of Wood than of any other.¹ They must have been pleased with the scheme of settlement as laid down by the commissioners and proprietors, and must have made its success certain from the beginning. They were men of some estate, as they purchased their property rights before leaving their native land; they were men of education, for they at once took part in the management and control of the new government. Most of them were Quakers, and a perusal of Besse's history of that sect will show the reason why they were so anxious to break up their homes in England and brave the wilds

and hardships of America. From 1654 to 1683 persons of the name of Wood were imprisoned in the Hartfordshire, Lancashire, Yorkshire, Durham and Cumberland jails for attending Quaker meetings for worship, and from these sections came most of the Woods who settled in West Jersey.

William Wood was the first to arrive in this new colony. He landed at Burlington in 1677, having come in the "Willing Mind" (John Newcomb, commander), and in 1680 he located thirty-six acres in the town of Burlington. He was followed in eleven months by John Wood, of Yorkshire, who arrived in the Delaware in the tenth month, 1678, in the ship "Shield," of Hull, commanded by Daniel Tods.² In 1682 another John Wood, of Lancashire, a Quaker, came to West Jersey and settled at Burlington on three hundred acres of land at the mouth of the Woodbury Creek. He married and had five children. This family always remained at Burlington. We can consider, then, that these three men were the first of their name to settle in this part of the province. Later, a Henry Wood, of Rhode Island, moved to West Jersey and settled at Burlington, in 1687. He was the son of William Wood, author of "New England Prospect," published in London in 1634. Most of the literature on the early English settlers of West Jersey confuses the above two John Woods and their families, and as a number of their

respective children bore the same Christian name the confusion has increased, until it is only after long and exhaustive search that we are able to distinguish at all accurately their respective places in the history of this early colony. I think it safe to assume that these two John Woods in question were in no way related, and especially as they came from different parts of England. John Wood, of Yorkshire, was the only known English settler in the county of Bucks, Pa., in 1678, and some historians state that he was one of the first Quaker settlers in this county, but I mean to show that he was not of the Quaker faith. The "Shield" was the first English vessel to pass up the Delaware as far as Burlington,³ and, arriving in the night, tied up to a tree to await the morning. During the night the weather became extremely cold, and by morning the river was frozen so solid that the passengers walked ashore on the ice.

FALLS TOWNSHIP

Falls is pre-eminently rich in historic associations. The circumstances of its settlement possess an interest not merely local, but important in the history of the county. It has been claimed that the first settlement of Europeans in the state was made by the Dutch from New York, in the early part of the seventeenth century, on an island (afterwards owned by John Wood) at the present site of Morrisville, and, while it lacks confirmation, the fact is well authenticated that there was an overland route from the falls of the Delaware to New York at an early period of colonial history. It was recognized as the "King's Path" in 1675, and its course was nearly identical with that of the turn-pike from Morrisville to Philadelphia. It thus happened that the English crossed over the Delaware to the region above Falls several years before Penn's arrival. And when the Proprietor, in the first enthusiasm of his plans, looked about in quest of a site for his manorial residence, he decided in favor of the wide extended level lands between the "path" and the river as the location for "Pennsbury." In close proximity to the manor was the triangular district of Crookham, the earliest seat of justice of the county. In writing to Col. Henry Sidney, Penn says of Falls: "I find the country wholesome; land, air

and water good; divers good sorts of fruits that grow wild, of which plums, peaches and grapes are three; also cedar, cypress, chestnut, black walnut and poplar, with five sorts of oaks—black, white, Spanish, red and swamp oak, the most desirable of all, the leaf like the English willows.”

In 1679, Governor Andros ordered a survey of the land at Falls, and at the time of Holmes's survey (1682) it appears that Falls Township was apportioned among no less than thirty landholders. Of the tract adjoining the river, the land of John Wood was farthest north, and consisted of 478 acres, together with an island lying opposite in the Delaware River, and then in regular order were the lands of Daniel Brinsley, John Acreman, Richard Ridgeway, William Biles, Joshua Boare, Robert Lucas, Gilbert Wheeler, William Biles, Samuel Darte, Daniel Gardner, John Luffe, Lionel Brittan, George Brown, James Harrison and George Heathcote. In the second tier of farms, beginning at the Wakefield line (which is the line bounding the western end of John Wood's land), were those of Jeffery Hawks, Ann Milcomb, James Hill, John and Thomas Rowland, Thomas Wolfe, and Ralph Smith, while the westerly row comprised the lands of William Darte, John Haycock, John Wheeler, Jonathan Witscard, Thomas Atkinson, and Thomas Rowland. These lands constituted the township of Falls as erected in 1692, when, as

will be seen by the map, its shape was nearly rectangular, and the area less than half what it is at present. Falls is now one of the most thickly populated sections of the county. The census of 1880 shows a population of 2,385 in the township, and in the borough of Morrisville, 968. The latter is the largest town in the southeastern part of the county. Its site was originally owned by John Wood, and in later years it was known as "Colvin's Ferry," Patrick Colvin being the proprietor of the landing on the Pennsylvania shore in 1772. There was once some prospect of the national capital being located within the limits of Falls Township. The federal district would have included the site of Morrisville, which location was decided upon by resolutions of Congress in 1783. This was intended as a compromise between the claims of New York and Philadelphia. In 1784 commissioners were appointed and empowered to lay out the proposed district and take means for the erection of public buildings. Washington was asked for his advice, which was not favorable to this action on the part of Congress, and the matter was dropped.

ALL OF THE FAMILIES IN FALLS OF ANY NOTE PRIOR TO PENN'S ARRIVAL.*

Joshua Boare	Daniel Brinsley	John Wood
William Biles	Lionel Brittan	Samuel Darte
William Darte	Joseph Kirkbride	Robert Lucas
Gilbert Wheeler	Richard Ridgeway	John Haycock
James Hill	John Acreman	George Brown

* Barrie's History of Bucks County.

GENEALOGY OF THE WOOD FAMILY

FIRST GENERATION

John Wood

1. JOHN WOOD, of Attercliffe, in the parish of Sheffield, Yorkshire, in 1677 purchased of George Hutchinson, of Sheffield, a quantity of proprietary rights, including a sixty-fourth share in the province of West Jersey, to be enjoyed by him upon his arrival there.⁴ The ship-book of the "Shield" shows that he was a passenger on that boat with his five children—John, Joseph, Ester, Mary and Sarah. Nothing is said as to his wife, so I think it may fairly be assumed that she died prior to his departure for America, otherwise there would surely have been some reference to her in the ship's book. It might be of interest to note that Thomas Wood, a brother of John Wood, came on the same ship, and settled at Burlington, N. J.⁵ John Wood settled temporarily on lands purchased from Richard Randall and John Champion, on Creswick Creek, but shortly after moved across the Delaware to Falls, in Crookhorn District, Bucks County, and settled on a tract of 478 acres, together with an island lying opposite the same in the Delaware River.⁶

John Wood was, with Richard Noble and William Ridgeway, a representative of the extreme eastern end of the county, before what was called the "Upland Court,"⁷ held September 13, 1681, William Biles and Robert Lucas on the bench. William Biles was the first constable at Falls, April 19, 1693. In 1680 Thomas Loyd was informed by Benjamin Fletcher, of New York, "We have received their Majesties' commission for the government of Pennsylvania," and on May 31, 1684, John Wood received a patent from William Penn confirming the previous grant of his 478 acres of land and the island, made to him by Governor Andros, in 1679. John Wood's lands comprised a part of the present site of Morrisville, Pa., and had a river-front of one mile.⁸ His estates must have been rather extensive, because a report of the jury laying out the townships of Bucks County, in 1692, bounds the towns both of Wakefield and Falls by lands of John Wood.⁹ He also owned large tracts of land in West Jersey.¹⁰ The original Indian title of his land in Bucks County was extinguished by private purchase on July 15, 1682, at which time the name "Grey Stone" was applied to his tract.¹¹ We know that he raised cattle, for in 1684 the records show that "John Wood had cattle in Bucks County ;"¹² he was also a carpenter.

John Wood was the only known English settler in the County of Bucks in 1678. He was a member of

Assembly in 1682-3.¹³ His eldest son, John Wood, died prior to 1687, for in a deed on that date his father refers to his "only son, Joseph Wood."¹⁴ His will* is dated March 20, 1692, and was proved on September 12, 1692. His executors were his son Joseph and his son-in-law Isaac Smalley, but as the latter did not qualify,* the duty of settling the estate fell entirely upon Joseph Wood. The land which he, John Wood, had received from William Penn, he deeded to Joseph Wood on January 26, 1687. I hardly think John Wood could have been a Quaker, as he is supposed to have been, for the following reason: In his will he names his son Joseph as his executor, and in deeds on record of the same year he refers to him in the most loving and endearing terms. Now, as Joseph Wood was *baptized* in 1691, and is known to have entered the Baptist ministry a few years later, it is hardly probable that his father, if a Friend, would have so referred to him, because of the very positive views held by Friends on these subjects.

CHILDREN:

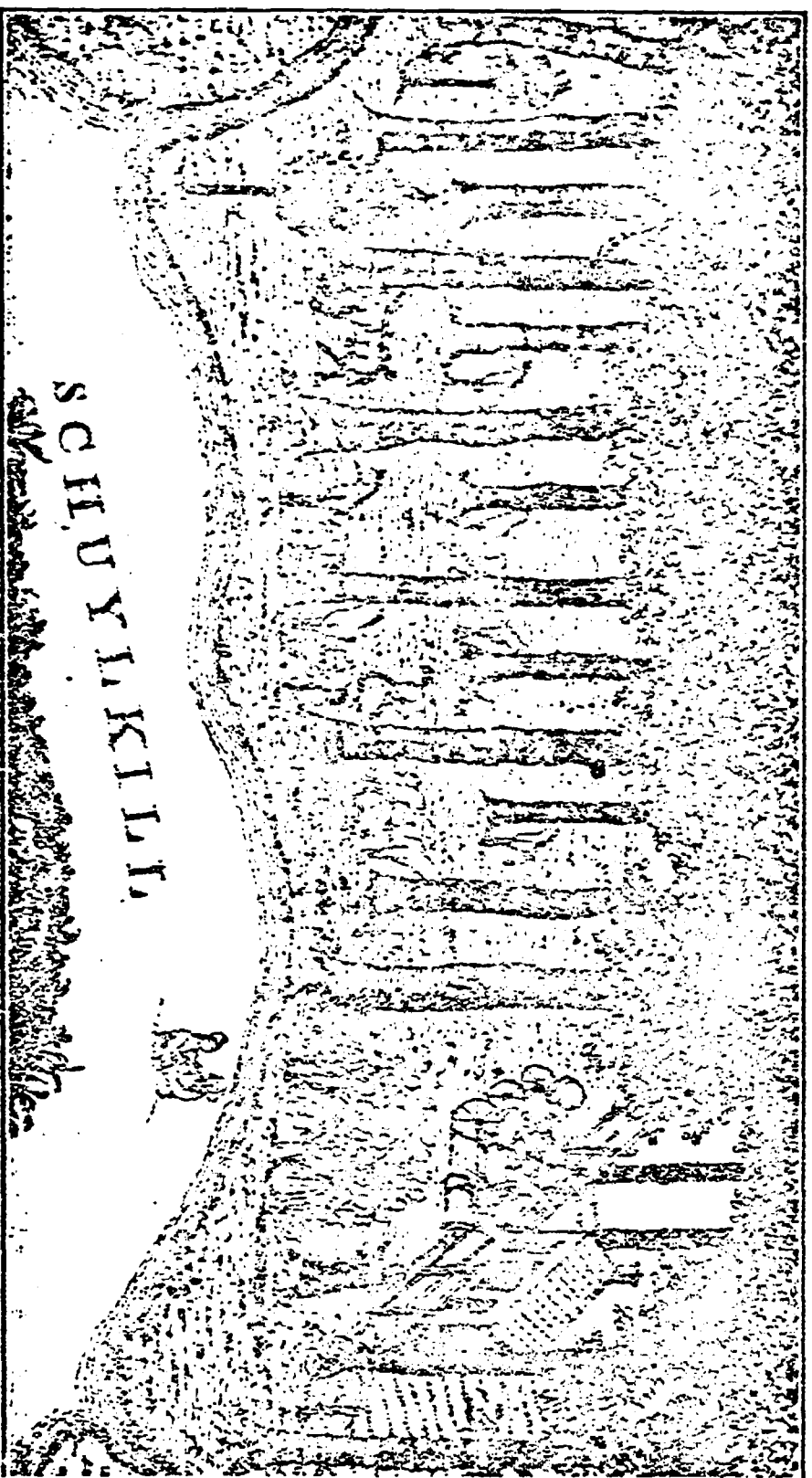
	I.	JOHN	d. prior to 1687.
3	II.	JOSEPH	b. 1659; d. Sept. 15, 1747.
4	III.	ESTER	(Mrs. Smalley).
5	IV.	SARAH	(Mrs. Biles).
6	VI.	MARY	(Mrs. Coleman).

* See RECORDS.

2. THOMAS WOOD, of Yorkshire, England, arrived with his brother, John Wood, in the "Shield" in 1678, and settled at Burlington, N. J., where he married Mary Howli in 1685, by whom he had two sons and three daughters. He owned large tracts of land bordering on Allowaynes Creek, which he willed to his wife and children. He died between 1709 and 1713, his will having been proved in the latter year, and he appointed his son Thomas his sole executor. I am unable to trace the descendants of Thomas Wood, as this branch of the family seems to have died out by 1750.

CHILDREN:

- I. THOMAS
- II. ELIZABETH (Mrs. Peter Groome).
- III. JOSEPH
- IV. SARAH
- V. MARTHA



PENNEPEK BAPTIST CHURCH

(From an old print in "Some Materials Toward a History of American Baptists," Morgan Edwards: Philadelphia, 1770)

SECOND GENERATION

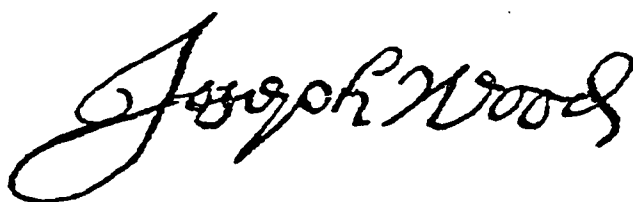
Children of John Wood [1]

3. JOSEPH WOOD, the son of John Wood, was born at Hull, in Yorkshire, in the year 1659.¹⁵ He came to this country with his father in 1678¹⁶ and settled with him at Falls, Bucks County, Pa. He was baptized by Mr. Keach at Burlington, N. J., on April 2, 1691; and was ordained a minister of the Baptist Church on September 25, 1708.¹⁷ Prior to this time he had attended a little church at Cold Spring, near Falls, founded by Thomas Dungan, of Rhode Island, in 1684.¹⁸ This church broke up in 1702. Joseph Wood also attended a church at Burlington, which broke up in 1699. On October 9, 1699, he joined Pennepek church, of which church he was elected a deacon on October 6th of the same year. This was the first Baptist church of any note and permanency in the province. The name Pennepek was formerly written "Pemmepeka," which is the name of a little stream running near the place of worship. The house was a stone building, thirty-three feet by thirty feet, with pews, galleries and a stove. In one corner of it stood the pulpit, and the galleries in the opposite angles. The house was erected in 1707 on a lot of one acre, given by the Rev. Samuel Jones, in the township of Lowerdublin, in the county of Philadelphia, eleven miles north of that city. The first preacher of this church was Elias Keach; then John Watts; then Samuel Jones; and in 1708, Joseph Wood.

Joseph Wood was reckoned a good preacher, but in the latter part of his life his influence was much lessened by some family and personal unhappiness.¹⁹ His successor was Abel Morgan, appointed in 1711. Joseph Wood died on September 15, 1747, in his eighty-ninth year.²⁰ He seems to have been associated in some way with Mr. Keith in 1691, when Keith and his followers, known as "Keithian Quakers," broke away from the Quaker church.²¹ This separation, according to the Rev. Morgan Edwards, was owing to a difference of opinion touching on "the sufficiency of what every man naturally has within himself for the purpose of his own salvation." (Some denied that sufficiency, and consequently magnified the external word, Christ, etc., above Barclay's measure. These were headed by George Keith, hence the name Keithian Quakers.) When this order broke up the majority of the members became Baptists, and were known as Keithian Baptists, or Quaker Baptists. Eventually, Mr. Edwards says, they became Seventh Day Baptists. Joseph Wood was a carpenter by trade. In 1684 he received from his father 470 acres of land, together with an island.²² On June 21, 1703, a patent was issued to him for 664 acres across the falls, by commissioners of William Penn.²³ The original land which he had received from his father he deeded in part to his sons Jabez, Josiah and Benjamin. Benjamin, by will, dated October 25,

1725, divided his share of land between his brothers Jabez and Josiah. This land, all or in part, remained in the family until 1764,²⁴ when the last seventy acres and the island were sold to Adam Hooper. Joseph Wood was justice of the peace, Bucks County, July 13, 1693,²⁵ and in 1717 petitioned for leave to start a ferry across the Delaware at the falls.²⁶ Joseph Wood married three times,²⁷ and had, altogether, nine children. He married first Elizabeth, in 1687, who was baptized at Burlington March 16, 1700, died May 26, 1704, and was buried at Falls. On March 5, 1706, he married Katherine Godfrey, who died about 1729. About the year 1733 he married Katherine Siverts, daughter of Cornelius Siverts, of Philadelphia (evidently Dutch). We know little of his children, except of his son, John Wood, who, for some reason, impossible to discover, left his home and settled at Hempstead, Queens County, Long Island.²⁸ It is possible that the family trouble above referred to had something to do with it, and this trouble may have been superinduced by one of Joseph Wood's latter marriages. I have been unable to find the will of Joseph Wood on record, and, as I have found all the other wills of the family, I am inclined to believe he died intestate, and that he deeded away his real estate prior to his death. Otherwise, I think deeds would have turned up made by his oldest son, Jabez Wood, as the colonial laws relating to the

inheritance of real estate were the same as those of England, and Joseph Wood's property would all have gone to his eldest son. I can think of no other explanation of the absence of any deeds on file made by Jabez Wood, and his will disposes of practically no real estate.



SIGNATURE OF JOSEPH WOOD
(From an old bond)

CHILDREN BY FIRST WIFE, ELIZABETH:

	I.	JOSEPH	b. \pm 1688; d. young.
7	II.	JABEZ	b. \pm 1690; d. 1763.
8	III.	JOSIAH	b. \pm 1691; d. 1764.
	IV.	TABITHA	b. \pm 1692; d. young.
9	V.	BENJAMIN	b. \pm 1694; d. \pm 1729.
10	VI.	JOHN *	b. \pm 1695; d. 1765.

CHILDREN BY SECOND WIFE, KATHERINE GODFREY:

- VII. SAMUEL
- VIII. WILLIAM
- IX. HANNAH

* As John Wood was married in 1728, he could hardly have been a child by Joseph Wood's second wife, whom he married in 1706, for it would have made him barely twenty-one years old at the time of his (John's) marriage. Therefore, I think we may safely conclude that he was by Joseph's first wife.

4. ESTER (WOOD) SMALLEY, eldest daughter of John Wood, married Isaac Smalley, of Piscataway, N. J., and had a son Isaac, who married and had a number of children. He died in 1724. Isaac Smalley, Sr., was named by John Wood as one of his executors, but declined to qualify. Ester Wood Smalley received 300 acres of land in West Jersey, besides the first land which John Wood had, upon his arrival, purchased of Richard Ramsdal and John Champeon, near Burlington, N. J.

5. SARAH (WOOD) BILES, second daughter of John Wood, married Charles Biles, a prominent farmer of Falls, Pa. Sarah Wood Biles received no land from her father, but this was presumably due to the fact that her husband was a large land-owner, while her sisters, who did receive his real estate, had married men who were not so fortunate. Mr. Biles died prior to 1692.

The Biles Family

William Biles, with his wife Jane, children, William, George, John, Elizabeth, Johanna, Rebecca and Mary, and three servants, came from Dorchester, England, in the "Elizabeth and Sarah," landing the fourth of April, 1679. He was accompanied by his younger brother Charles, and both were extensive landed proprietors. Their titles were derived from Governor Andros,

of New York. William was an active citizen, a man of talent, and a distinguished preacher among the Friends, of which faith the family had been for a number of years. William Biles was sued by Governor Evans for £300 for publicly saying of him: "He is but a boy; he is not fit to be a governor, we'll kick him out; we'll kick him out." Although Evans obtained a judgment, he failed to collect, but, seeing Mr. Biles shortly after in Philadelphia, he caused his arrest and imprisoned him for one month. The first monthly meeting of Friends in the State of Pennsylvania was held in his house, and it was there that his brother Charles married Sarah Wood. It is probable that she joined the Quaker Church prior to her marriage, as all the Biles were prominent among that sect.

CHILDREN:

- I. Son
- II. ALEXANDER (See Records).

6. MARY (WOOD) COLEMAN, youngest daughter of John Wood, married Thomas Coleman, of Burlington. I can find no record of any children. She received from her father one hundred acres of land near Burlington, on Cresswick Creek.

THIRD GENERATION

Children of Joseph Wood [3]

7. JABEZ WOOD, second son of Joseph Wood by his first wife, Elizabeth, was born about 1690, and died in 1763 at Falls, where he is buried. He married Amy, and had three children. By his will, dated November 16, 1759, he appointed his son Benjamin sole executor and left his property to his children—Benjamin and Susannah, with instructions that they turn over to their sister Elizabeth a certain sum. Evidently Jabez Wood disapproved of her husband, Mr. Carman, and of her marriage, and showed it in this way.

CHILDREN :

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| | I. BENJAMIN | m. Margaret. |
| | II. SUSANNAH | (Mrs. John Roberts). |
| 11 | III. ELIZABETH | (Mrs. Carman). |

8. JOSIAH WOOD, third son of Joseph Wood and his first wife, Elizabeth, was born about 1691 and died in 1764. He married Elizabeth, by whom he had four children. In his will, dated March 24, 1764, he leaves all of his estate to his wife and children, and names as executors William Yardly and Henry Baker.

CHILDREN :

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| 12 | I. JOSIAH | m. Amy. |
| | II. SARAH | (Mrs. Morgan). |
| | III. WILLIAM | |
| | IV. JOHN | m. Abigail. |

9. BENJAMIN WOOD, fifth child of Joseph Wood, was born about 1694 at Falls, where he always lived. He never married. By his will, dated October 15, 1725, he left to two of his brothers, Jabez and Josiah, the land which he had received from his father in 1723. He died about 1729.

10. JOHN WOOD, sixth child of Joseph Wood by his first wife, was born at Falls about 1695, and later moved to Hempstead, L. I., where he married, on August 24, 1728,²⁹ Mary Carman, daughter of Benjamin Carman. He had four children, the first three of whom were all baptized together at St. George's Church, Hempstead, L. I., on February 22, 1736.³⁰ From this it would seem that John Wood did not join the Episcopal Church until eight years after his marriage, as the Church would not baptize the children unless at least one of the parents was a church-member. Thus, in many cases, none of the children of a family were baptized until one or both of the parents had joined the Church. Then the whole family of children were baptized on the same day. John Wood registered his earmark in 1729. In 1748 he was appointed justice of the peace, and in 1754 commissioner of highways.³¹ John Wood was a farmer by occupation, besides acting in many public offices, and was a man of some prominence. He seems to have entirely broken away from the other

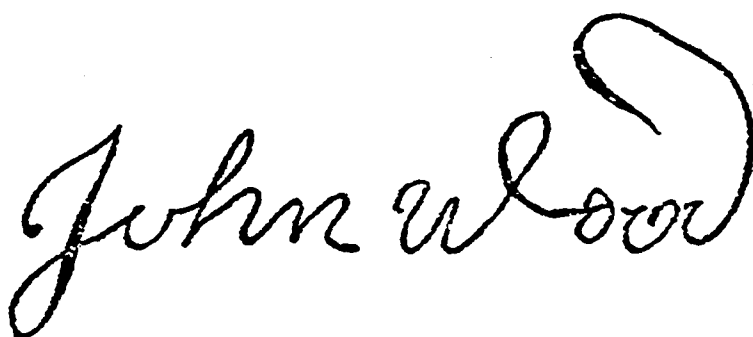
members of his family in Pennsylvania, for there are no records on file to show that there was any family intercourse, as there was between his other brothers. He died at Hempstead, between April and October, 1765, and is buried there. His personal estate he divided, by will dated April 26, 1765, among his three surviving children, Hannah, Mary and Catherine, with a small remembrance to his grand-son Samuel Wood, and appointed as executors Patrick Mott and his brothers-in-law, Samuel and Adam Carman.³²

The Carman Family*

John Carman came from Roxbury to Lynn, Mass., in 1631; moved to Stamford, Conn., in 1641, and in 1644 settled at Hempstead, L. I., where he died prior to 1658. He married Florence, and had three children, John, Joshua and Caleb. John, born 1633, died 1684, married Hannah and had several children, among them Caleb, who died in 1746, who married Margaret, and had Mary, who married John Wood. About 1700 a number of the Carmans moved to Monmouth County, N. J., but Adam Carman, a brother of Mary, probably remained at Hempstead, as there are records showing that he was a land-holder there about that time. Whether Mary Carman was

* The Carman family has proved a difficult one to trace, but after exhaustive search, I believe the above descent of Mary Carman to be correct.

living at Hempstead or in Monmouth County when she met John Wood, I am unable to say, but it would seem as though she had met him in New Jersey while staying with her relatives in Monmouth County,—probably at her uncle's, who lived there. Mary Carman was married at Hempstead, L. I., where, I believe, was the home of her parents.

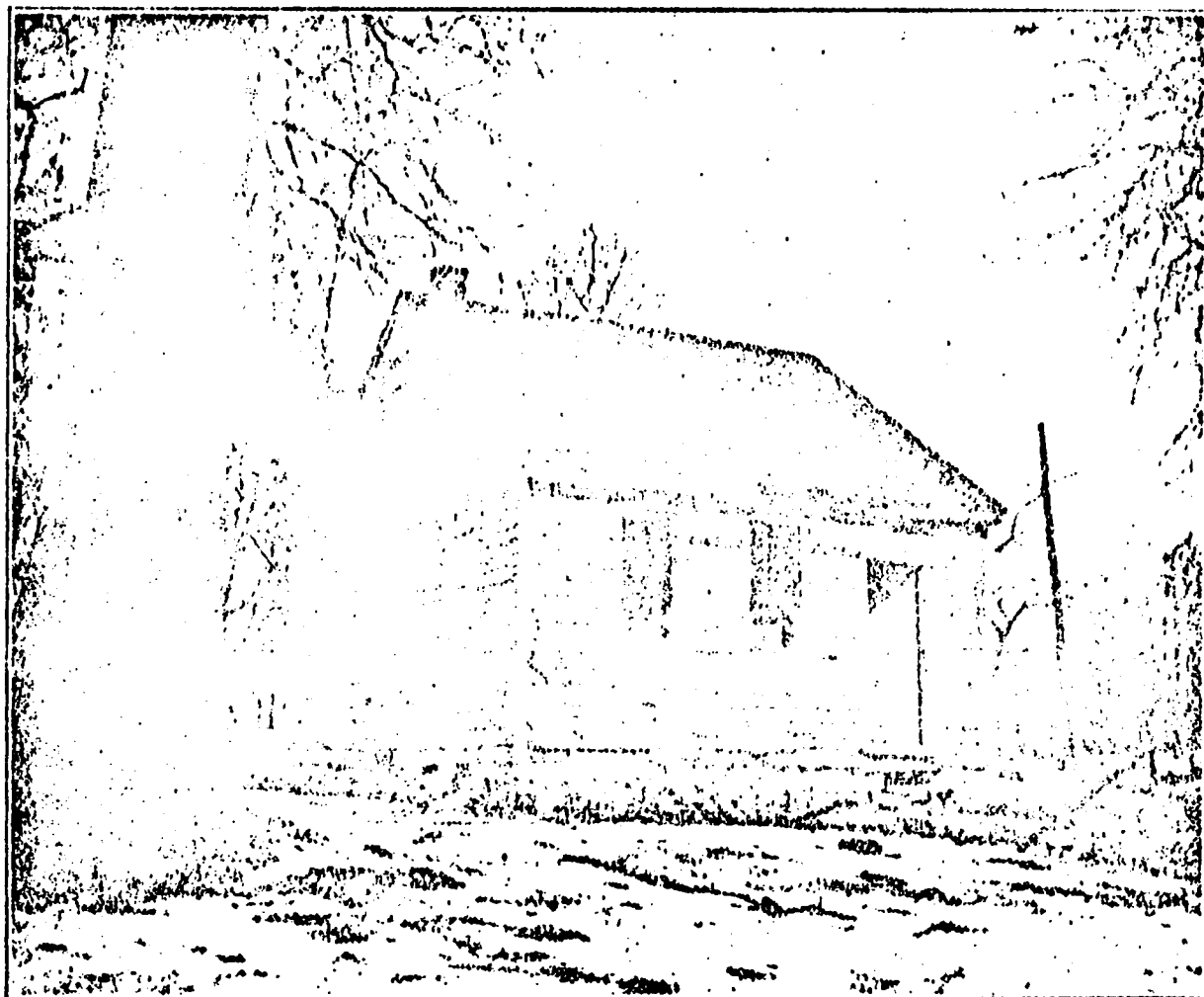


SIGNATURE OF JOHN WOOD

(From his will)

CHILDREN :

- 13 I. HANNAH b. Sept. 7, 1729 (Mrs. Barker & De Mott).
- 14 II. MARY b. 1733; d. Nov. 13, 1772 (Mrs. Ward).
- 15 III. SAMUEL b. May 6, 1735; d. 1762.
- 16 IV. CATHERINE b. May 4, 1738 (Mrs. Skidmore).



FIRST SCHOOLHOUSE IN MORRISVILLE, BUCKS COUNTY, PA. BUILT IN 1762,
BY JOSIAH WOOD, JR., BENJAMIN WOOD AND LANGHORN BILES.

(From a photograph taken in 1902.)

FOURTH GENERATION

Children of Jabez Wood [7]

11. ELIZABETH (WOOD) CARMAN, youngest child of Jabez Wood, married a Carman, probably a son of the Rev. James Carman, of Monmouth County, N. J., who died in 1756. In her father's will, his other two children are directed to give her a certain sum out of his estate. There seems to be something very significant about this, for her uncle John Wood also married a Carman, and apparently was disinherited by his father for so doing. Whether John Wood's wife Mary Carman was any relation to the Carman who married Elizabeth Wood, I am unable positively to say, but I think she was, as the New Jersey Carmans originally came from Long Island. At any rate, there was some kind of a feud between the Carmans and Woods, the particulars of which, if we knew them, would probably explain many of the strange events which occurred in those early days between these families, and which to us seem otherwise unaccountable.

Children of Josiah Wood [8]

12. JOSIAH WOOD married Amy, and there are no records to show that they had any children. Josiah Wood, together with his cousin Benjamin Wood and Langhorn Biles, purchased from Josiah Wood, Sr., and Elizabeth, his wife, one-half an acre of the original Wood land at Falls for a schoolhouse. This was the first schoolhouse in the township, built in 1762.*

* See RECORDS.

Children of John Wood [10]

13. HANNAH (WOOD) BARKER and DE MOTT, eldest child of John Wood, was born at Hempstead, L. I., on August 7, 1729, baptized February 22, 1736, and married Benjamin Barker on February 2, 1763. She married second a De Mott; no issue.

CHILDREN BY FIRST HUSBAND:

- I. JOHN
- II. WILLIAM

14. MARY (WOOD) WARD, second child of John Wood, was born (circa) 1733, at Hempstead, L. I., baptized on February 22, 1736, and married on May 1, 1775, to Daniel Ward. They had no children. She died on November 13, 1772.

15. SAMUEL WOOD, third child of John Wood, was born at Hempstead, L. I., on May 6, 1735, and married Frelove Wright on October 8, 1759. They had but one child, William, born July 17, 1760, whose name, after his father's death, was changed to Samuel. Samuel Wood was but little known, and there is practically nothing on record about him, as he died very young, in 1762, in his twenty-seventh year. Family tradition says that he was drowned in Hempstead Bay, but this is not substantiated.

The Wright Family

We know little of the Wright family beyond the fact that Elijah Wright came from Holland and settled near Hempstead, L. I., where he married Ann, who also came from Holland, and that Freelove, who married Samuel Wood, was probably their daughter.

CHILDREN:

- 17 I. WILLIAM (afterwards christened SAMUEL)
b. July 17, 1760; d. May 5, 1844.

16. CATHARINE (WOOD) SKIDMORE, youngest child of John Wood, of Hempstead, was born at Hempstead, L. I., on May 4, 1738, and married, on February 3, 1770, Walter Skidmore. They had no children.



Samuel Wood

(SIGNATURE FROM MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE)

(From a copy of an old daguerreotype in the possession of the New York Blind Asylum.)

FIFTH GENERATION

Children of Samuel Wood [15]

17. SAMUEL WOOD* was born at Oyster Bay, Queens County, N. Y., on the 17th of July, 1760. He was the only son of Samuel and Freelove Wood (Wright), and was originally christened William, but on the death of his father in 1762 his name was changed to Samuel. Owing to his father's early death he was thrown on his own resources for the acquirement of an education. His thirst for knowledge and love for books were ever ardent, and his first choice of an occupation, school-keeping, as well as his final choice, book-selling, were doubtless influenced by his tastes.

Samuel Wood was married at the age of twenty-two, and finding the profits of a country school inadequate to his needs, he tried several callings, living successively at Clinton Town, Ninepartners, N. Y. (1794), New Rochelle (1796), and finally moving to New York City in December, 1803. In 1804 he opened a book-store in a small two-story brick building at 362 Pearl Street. His business at the first consisted of the sale of miscellaneous books, many of them second-hand. He also sold paper, and cotton goods consigned by Almy & Brown, Providence, R. I. These two lines proved not profitable, and were before long discarded. He soon added a printing plant, in charge of his two sons, and commenced the publication of books on his own account.

* This biography by William C. Wood, from William Wood's notes.

Observing that what little literature was produced for children was uninteresting, if not in some cases even improper, from a strict religious standpoint, he began the preparation and reprinting of books and leaflets for youthful readers. His first publication is said to have been "The Young Child's A B C, or First Book," a little affair of sixteen pages, about three inches square, and written by himself. This was followed by numerous others in similar style, most of them illustrated by copper-plate engravings, often colored by hand. Many of these little books seem to have been made for free distribution, as Samuel Wood is known to have been in the habit of going about with his pockets full of them, and of giving them freely to the children whom he met. His purpose in this was plainly philanthropic, and the little books abound in moral prose and verse.

In 1810 he moved his store to larger quarters at 357 Pearl Street. In this year was brought out his first important publication. This was an edition of Fox's "Book of Martyrs." It was a full octavo, of 611 pages, with engraved frontispiece and a list of over four thousand subscribers, and is the first American edition of the work. At about this time he published a series of readers, following the general plan of "The Young Child's A B C," which headed the list, and entitled respectively, "The New York Primer," "The New York Preceptor," "The New York Spelling-book," and "The

New York Expositor." Numerous books of a religious or devotional character, such as books of sermons, memoirs of famous Quakers, "Instances of Early Piety," etc., were published. About this time Alexander Anderson, the "father of American wood-engraving," was just becoming known and appreciated. Samuel Wood employed his art to embellish most of his books, and in some of the old advertisements it is mentioned that these are "adorned with cuts by the ingenious Anderson."

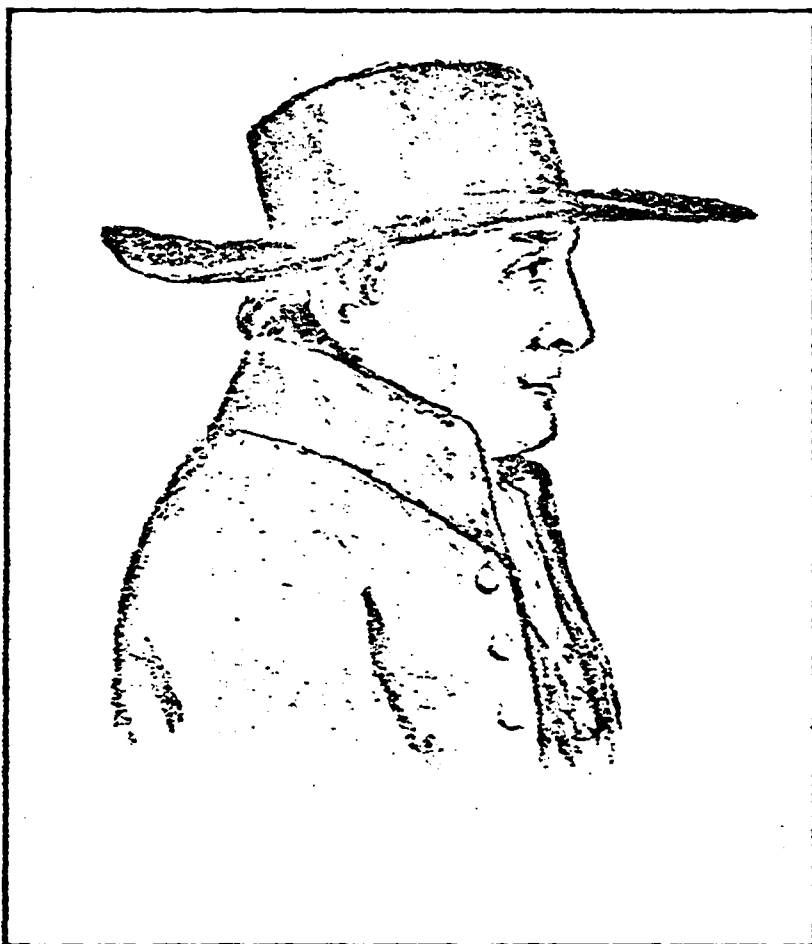
About 1811 was commenced the publication of "Wood's Almanac," compiled by Joshua Sharp, and this was continued until 1834. In 1815 Samuel Wood took into partnership two of his sons, Samuel S. and John Wood, and the firm name became Samuel Wood & Sons. In 1818 Samuel S. Wood opened a store in Baltimore, which was kept for about two years, but finally closed. In 1822 Samuel Wood & Sons moved again, to 261 Pearl Street, a property belonging to Samuel Wood. At this time another son, William Wood, was admitted to the firm, John Wood retiring. The business was increased considerably, and had become to a large extent wholesale, all kinds of books, as well as stationery, being dealt in.

The business still increasing, they moved temporarily to a store in Fulton Street, tore down the building at 261 Pearl Street and erected the substantial five-story building still standing (1903) at that place. It was con-

sidered at the time a large building to be devoted exclusively to the book business.

In 1836 Samuel Wood sold his interest in the book business to his sons Samuel S. and William Wood. The remaining years of his life were devoted to the philanthropic and charitable labors he loved.

Samuel Wood was christened in the Church of England, but in early life joined the "Society of Friends," or Quakers, of which religious body he remained an active and influential member until his death. In company with many of the philanthropists of his day, he took part in the founding of the Savings Bank, the House of Refuge, and the Society for the Prevention of Pauperism. He was an active member of these societies as well as of the Manumission Society, the Society of the New York Hospital and other benevolent institutions. As a trustee of the public schools, he was untiring in his efforts to better the condition, physical as well as educational, of the children of the city. About 1827 or 1828 he observed that ophthalmia was extremely prevalent among the pupils of the school at Bellevue, and that some of them became totally and incurably blind. Touched with their forlorn and helpless condition, he appealed to the public through the newspapers, urging the adoption of speedy measures for the relief of the sightless children of poverty. Dr. Samuel Akerly also espoused the cause, and to the exertions of these two



SAMUEL WOOD

(From an original India ink drawing by Dr. Alexander Anderson)

IN THE POSSESSION OF ARNOLD WOOD

men the city is indebted for the Institution for the Blind. (See Tenth Annual Report of the Managers.)

Samuel Wood married, on August 8, 1782, Mary, daughter of John and Mary Searing, by whom he had seven sons and six daughters. She was born at Searing Town, L. I., on December 12, 1764, and died in Brooklyn, on June 19, 1855.

Samuel Wood died on May 5, 1844. He had been partially paralyzed since 1839, and his death came as a welcome end to a life full of activity and good works. His grave is in the Friends' Burying Ground in Brooklyn, now a part of Prospect Park.

The Searing Family

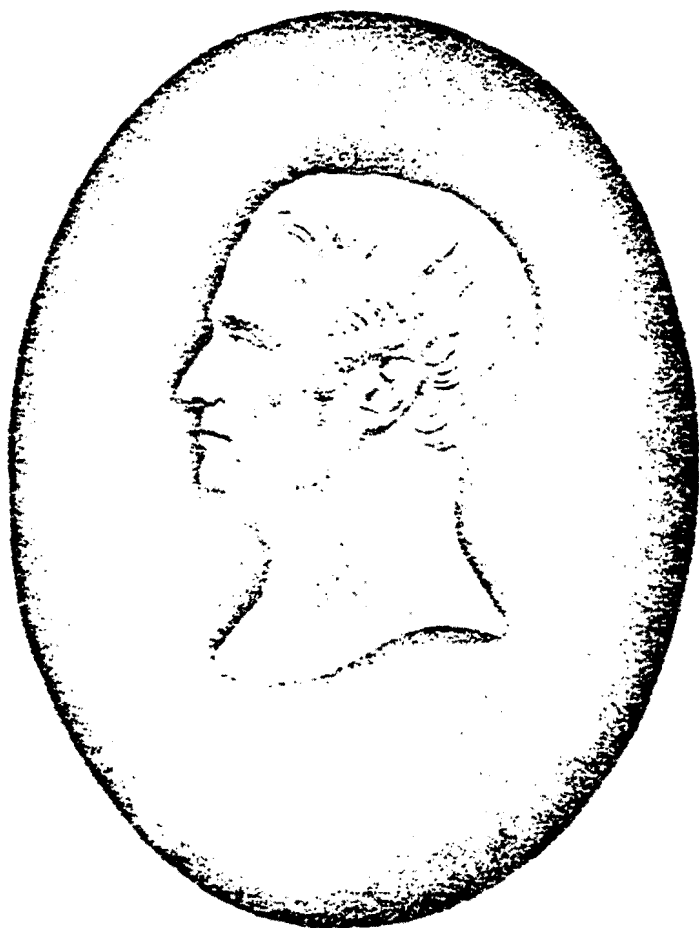
John Searing settled on Long Island in the latter part of the seventeenth century, and married Ann Pearson. They had one son—John, who married Elizabeth Rayner and had five children: John, Amy, Jacob, Sarah and May. John was born in 1737, died in 1822; married Mary Prior, born in 1738 (daughter of Samuel and Mary Powell, granddaughter of John and Elizabeth Bowne, the latter a daughter of John Bowne, who was the son of Thomas Bowne, born in 1595, and great granddaughter of Matthew Prior and Mary, who settled at Matinnicock prior to 1670), and had seven children—Mary, who married Samuel Wood; John, who married Mary Merritt; Amy, who married Daniel Mott; Phebe,

Fifth Generation

who married Thomas Willis in 1795; Elizabeth, Adam and Elizabeth.

CHILDREN:

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| 18 | I. | PHEBE | b. July 20, 1783; d. Feb. 21, 1864.
(Mrs. Hatch). |
| | II. | SARAH | b. July 2, 1785; d. April 22, 1867. |
| 19 | III. | SILAS | b. May 16, 1787; d. June 30, 1852. |
| 20 | IV. | SAMUEL S. | b. May 9, 1789; d. Sept. 24, 1861. |
| 21 | V. | JOHN | b. April 20, 1791; d. July 25, 1850. |
| 22 | VI. | ISAAC | b. Aug. 21, 1793; d. March 25, 1868. |
| 23 | VII. | MARY | b. July 7, 1795; d. May 17, 1878.
(Mrs. Seymour). |
| 24 | VIII. | WILLIAM | b. May 6, 1797; d. April 9, 1877. |
| | IX. | ANN | b. March 21, 1799; d. 1879. |
| 25 | X. | RICHARD | b. Jan. 9, 1801; d. Jan. 19, 1861. |
| 26 | XI. | GEORGE S. | b. Aug. 28, 1802; d. March 16, 1865. |
| | XII. | LYDIA | b. Aug. 18, 1803; d. ———. |
| | XIII. | HANNAH | b. Dec. 15, 1804; d. Sept. 29, 1805. |



SILAS WOOD

(*From a sketch made after his death*)

SIXTH GENERATION

Children of Samuel Wood [17]

18. PHEBE (WOOD) HATCH, eldest child of Samuel Wood, was born at Searing Town, L. I., on July 20, 1783. She married Isaac Hatch on July 14, 1819, and had three children. She died on February 21, 1864, and he on December 11, 1841.

CHILDREN:

- I. SAMUEL b. June 20, 1820; d. Oct. 17, 1821.
- II. ISAAC SHERWOOD b. Jan. 28, 1822; d. Nov. 24, 1895.
 m. April 19, 1849, Mary Jane Merritt.
 (Seven children.)
- III. MARY WOOD b. Aug. 10, 1824; d. May 10, 1845.

19. SILAS WOOD, third child of Samuel Wood, was born at Cow Neck, Queens County, L. I., on May 16, 1787. He married Julia Ann Chew Brock, daughter of Joseph and Ann Brock (*nee* Chew), on April 17, 1816, at Fredericksburg, Va., at the home of Mrs. Ann Chew. They had eleven children. Though born a Quaker, Silas Wood joined the Episcopal Church shortly after his marriage. He was for a long time in the wholesale flour business, residing for several years near Fredericksburg. His large acquaintance in Virginia, then the greatest wheat- and flour-producing section of the United States, influenced enormous consignments to his house in New York City. The firm was then styled Byrnes, Trimble & Co. About 1825 to 1830, Mr. Byrnes retired, and the firm name was changed to

Wood & Trimble. The manner in which Silas Wood laid the foundation of his large fortune was somewhat romantic. He was in England at the time when Napoleon escaped from Elba, and all Europe was alarmed at the possibility of a renewal of war. It was apparent that the price of all sorts of provisions would rise, and Silas Wood, together with several other merchants then in London, took the first ship sailing for America, each thinking to be the first to arrive and take advantage of the circumstances. There being no steamers, and no cable, their ship would bring to America the first information of impending disaster in Europe. They had a favorable passage, and, upon arrival at Sandy Hook, the ship anchored in the lower bay for the night. After dark, Silas Wood lowered himself over the ship's side, and, being a powerful swimmer, reached the shore safely, where he immediately went to a farmer's house, and, buying a horse, set off on a long race against time for Fredericksburg. No one knows how many horses he killed in his mad ride. Long before his fellow voyagers appeared in Virginia, he had bought up every bushel of grain in the state. The price of all foodstuffs rose tremendously, and he realized several hundred thousand dollars' profit by the transaction. Silas Wood afterwards became the head of the large house of Wood, Johnson & Burritt, where he remained until his death, on June 30, 1852.

The Brock Family

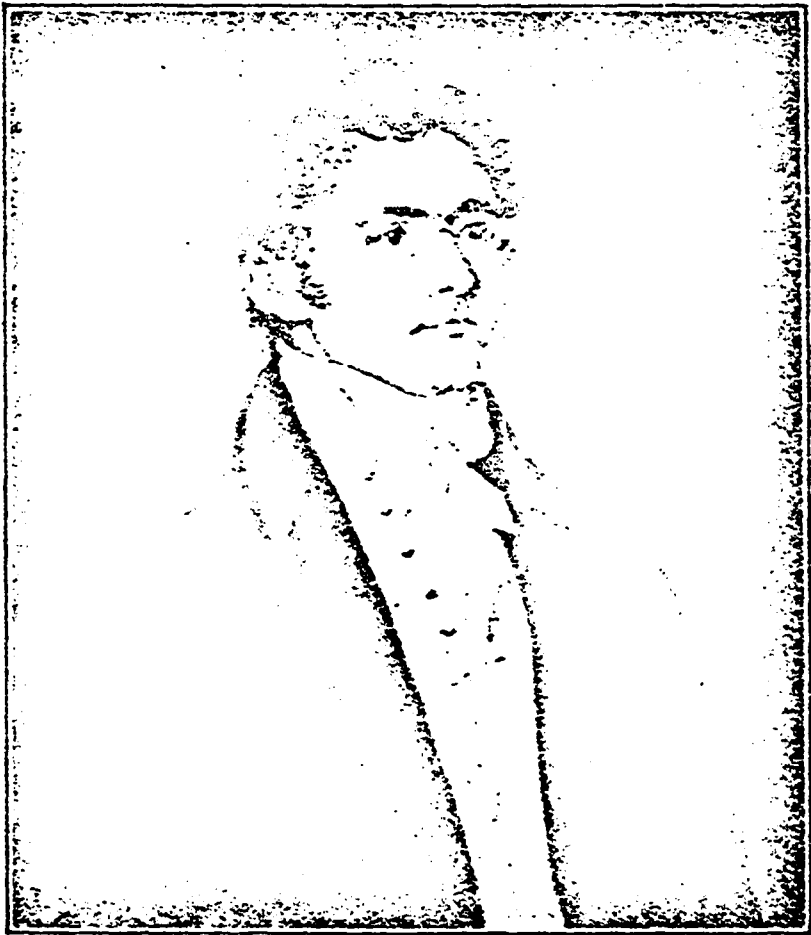
Julia Ann Chew Brock was the daughter of Joseph and Ann Brock (*nee* Chew). She was born in Spotsylvania County, near Fredericksburg, Va., on November 11, 1798. She died on February 16, 1863, in New York. Her mother died in New York on April 1, 1842, at the house of Silas Wood, in Houston Street.

CHILDREN:

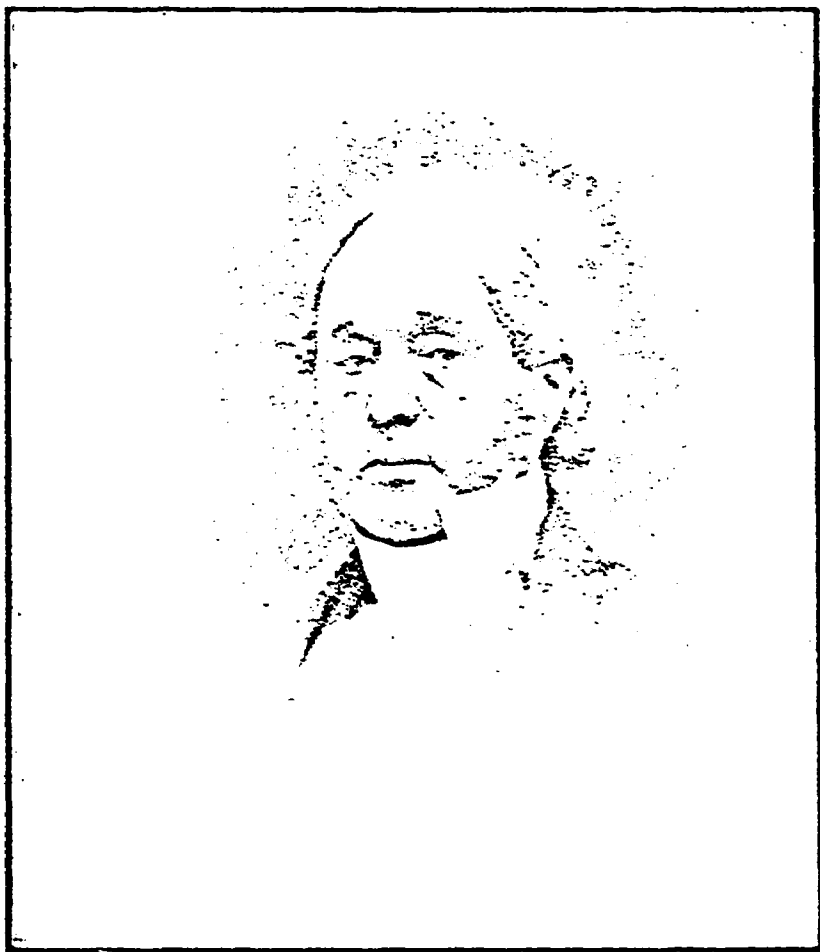
27	I. THOMAS BYRNES	b. Sept. 11, 1817; d. July 24, 1847.
	II. BEVERLEY CHEW	b. Sept. 19, 1819; d. July 27, 1820.
28	III. SAMUEL CHEW	b. Sept. 13, 1822; d. July 24, 1826.
	IV. VIRGINIA	b. April 22, 1825; d. Aug. 29, 1826.
29	V. VIRGINIA BEVERLEY (Mrs. Rogers)	b. Mar. 27, 1827; d. April 30, 1900.
30	VI. SAMUEL CHEW	b. Oct. 11, 1828; d. July 24, 1847.
31	VII. BEVERLEY CHEW	b. Nov. 16, 1830; d. Sept. 27, 1854.
	VIII. JULIA	b. Dec. 3, 1832; d. Jan. 1, 1884.
	IX. WILMER PITTS	b. Jan. 10, 1835; d. Dec. 28, 1835.
	X. WILMER CADWALLADER	b. May 23, 1837; d. Sept. 27, 1839.
32	XI. WILMER STANARD	b. Feb. 24, 1840.

20. SAMUEL S. WOOD, fourth child of Samuel Wood, was born at Cow Neck, L. I., on May 9, 1789. He was always a member of the Society of Friends. In 1818 he went to Baltimore and opened a branch of the firm of Samuel Wood & Sons, at 212 Market Street, under the name of S. S. Wood & Co. He did a fairly successful business for a few years, when his services were required at home, and he was recalled (the Baltimore house being discontinued) and taken into partnership with his father and brother, William. Previous to 1810 he was in charge, for some time, of his father's printing plant. Samuel S. Wood never married, and died on September 24, 1861.

21. JOHN WOOD, fifth child of Samuel Wood, was born at Cow Neck, L. I., on April 20, 1791. He was always a member of the Society of Friends. On September 10, 1816, he married Sarah Mott. In 1815 he was taken into business with his father, but in 1822 he retired from the book business and became a member of the house of William F. & Samuel Mott, the firm name then changing to Mott, Wood & Merritt. John Wood was one of the managers of the Blind Asylum of New York City. He was also one of the early trustees of the Bowery Savings Bank, of New York. He died on July 25, 1850. There is no portrait of John Wood known to be in existence.



SAMUEL S. WOOD



ISAAC WOOD

The Mott Family

In 1646 Governor Keift granted land at Green Point, L. I., to Adam Mott. He married on July 28, 1647, Jane Hewlett. "Adam Mott jin uyt Graefschaps Esseck en Jenne Hulet jd uyt Graefschap Buckingham."—From Dutch Church records. Adam and Jane settled in Hempstead in 1656. Jane died and he married, second, in 1667, Elizabeth Richbell, daughter of John and Ann. Their son William married, in 1704, Hannah Ferris, daughter of John and Mary. She died in 1759; he died in 1740; a son—William, born in 1709, died in 1786, married Elizabeth Valentine and had Samuel, born in 1750, died in 1791, who married Sarah Franklin and had Sarah, born September 25, 1791, who married John Wood. She died on April 16, 1875.

CHILDREN:

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| I. | MARY H. | b. July 12, 1817; d. March 7, 1824. |
| II. | LOUISA | b. July 17, 1818. |
| III. | ANN M. | b. Jan. 24, 1822; d. Nov. 11, 1894. |
| 33 IV. | MARGARET | b. Aug. 20, 1823 (Mrs. Birdsall). |
| 34 V. | CAROLINE | b. Nov. 9, 1824 (Mrs. Birdsall). |
| 35 VI. | EDWARD | b. Jan. 25, 1827; d. Feb. 3, 1894. |
| VII. | WALTER | b. Oct. 28, 1828; d. Jan. 7, 1832. |
| VIII. | SARAH | b. Sept. 17, 1832; d. Mar. 17, 1849. |
| IX. | EMILY | b. Sept. 17, 1832; d. Oct. 13, 1832. |

22. ISAAC WOOD, sixth child of Samuel Wood, was born at Clinton Town, Dutchess County, N. Y., on

August 21, 1793. He married, on April 20, 1818, Nancy, daughter of Andrew and Lucretia Morrell, of New York, by whom he had two children. She was born on April 20, 1798, and died on December 23, 1820. He married, second, on August 25, 1829, Mary, daughter of Isaac and Mary Bennett, of St. Johns, N. S., by whom he had no issue. She was born in Annapolis, N. S., on May 30, 1802, and died at Bellevue, N. Y., on July 2, 1830. On May 10, 1840, he married, third, Margaret Morrell, widow of Harvey Street and daughter of John and Phebe Hicks, by whom he had one child. She was born in New Rochelle, N. Y., on July 2, 1798, and died in Norwalk, Conn., on August 9, 1873. Isaac Wood remained a Quaker until his death. He was a prominent physician, and in 1843 was a manager of and visiting physician to the New York Blind Asylum. He was also visiting physician to the Bellevue and New York Hospitals. He died on March 25, 1868.

CHILDREN BY FIRST WIFE:

- I. ANN AUGUSTA b. Apr. 7, 1819; d. Mar. 19, 1820.
36 II. ANN AUGUSTA b. Sept. 28, 1820; d. April 7, 1863.
(Mrs. Cock.)

CHILDREN BY THIRD WIFE:

- 37 III. ISAAC FRANCIS b. July 15, 1841; d. Sept. 24, 1895.



WILLIAM WOOD

23. MARY (WOOD) SEYMOUR, seventh child of Samuel Wood, was born on July 7, 1795, at Clinton Town, Dutchess County, N. Y. She joined the Episcopal Church and on June 5, 1823, married Manning L. Seymour, a physician. He was born on November 14, 1791, and died February 16, 1826. They had but one child, William Wood, who became an Episcopal clergyman, and who married Mary Alice Ives, born on October 21, 1837, by whom he had two children — an infant, born October 17, 1856, and died the same day, and Edward Manning Seymour, born August 18, 1860, and died August 5, 1864. Mary Wood Seymour died May 17, 1878.

CHILDREN:

I. WILLIAM WOOD b. Aug. 21, 1824; d. Jan. 5, 1874.

24. WILLIAM WOOD, eighth child of Samuel Wood, was born at New Rochelle, N. Y., on May 6, 1797. On November 11, 1834, he married Mary S., daughter of Joshua and Mary Underhill, in the Cherry Street Meeting House, New York. They had three children. When Samuel Wood & Sons removed to 261 Pearl Street he was admitted into the firm. William Wood was always much interested in medicine and medical books, and first developed that department of their business. He was one of the young men who, in 1819, made the first movement toward establishing a mercantile library, and was one of the founders of the New

York Mercantile Library. He was always a very prominent Friend—clerk of meetings, including the New York Yearly Meeting, for over thirty years, the latter position equivalent to that of bishop in other denominations. To a kindly, genial disposition was added a conservative soundness of judgment and an intellect of no mean order. Unselfish, generous and self-denying, he was the member of the family to whom all turned for advice or assistance. He died on April 9, 1877.

The Underbill Family

Capt. John Underhill, born in Warwickshire, England, about 1596, came to Boston, in 1630, with Gov. John Winthrop and his nine hundred emigrants. His wife Helena was a member of the "Old South Church" in 1633. She was the mother of John, born April 11, 1642, and Elizabeth, unmarried. Helena died at Southold, L. I., 1658. Capt. John Underhill married, second, Elizabeth, daughter of Henry Winthrop, who was a son of Henry and Elizabeth (Fones). Henry Winthrop was drowned on July 3, 1630, in attempting to swim a small river. The young widow came to Massachusetts Bay and subsequently married Robert Feaks. Elizabeth Underhill is generally supposed to have been his daughter, having grown up with the Feaks children, of whom there were five. After Capt. John Underhill's successful campaign against the Indians in New England, the

Dutch government invited him to come to New Amsterdam, in 1649, and bring to their aid his proven prowess. He accepted their call. Again, in 1653, the Massachusetts government allowed him and Capt. Edward Hull to attack the Indians on Long Island, who had presumably proved troublesome to the Dutch, who occupied the western end of the island, the English having nominal control of the rest. In 1657, he bought a place in Southold and moved his family there in 1658, but, losing his wife soon, he sold his home in 1659 to Thomas Moore. He then moved west, and settled upon a grant of land in Oyster Bay, naming the place Kenilworth, joined the Society of Friends, and died on July 21, 1672. He was one of the eight men to assist the governor of New Netherlands in 1648-9. Their son Nathaniel, born February 22, 1663, died 1710, married Mary Ferris in December, 1685, and had eight children, including Abraham, who married Hannah Cromwell. They had six children, and their son Isaac, born in 1725, died December 28, 1814, married Sarah Field, and had ten children, including Joshua, born July 7, 1765, died February 14, 1839, who married October 13, 1789, Mary, born March 7, 1767, died December 12, 1820 (daughter of Richard Sutton and Elizabeth Quimby, granddaughter of Joseph and Mary Sands); and their daughter Mary, born September 8, 1805, died April 10, 1894, married William Wood.

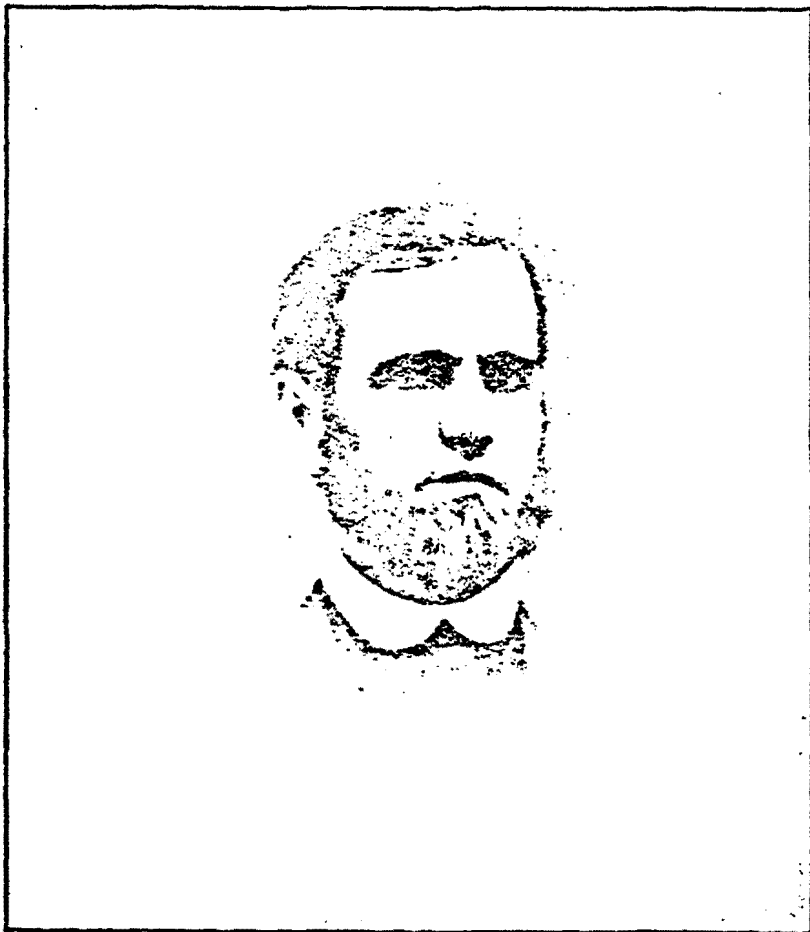
CHILDREN:

- 38 I. FREDERICK b. Sept. 9, 1837; d. Sept. 25, 1839.
39 II. WILLIAM H. S. b. April 13, 1840.
III. ELISABETH b. April 7, 1842 (Mrs. Taber).

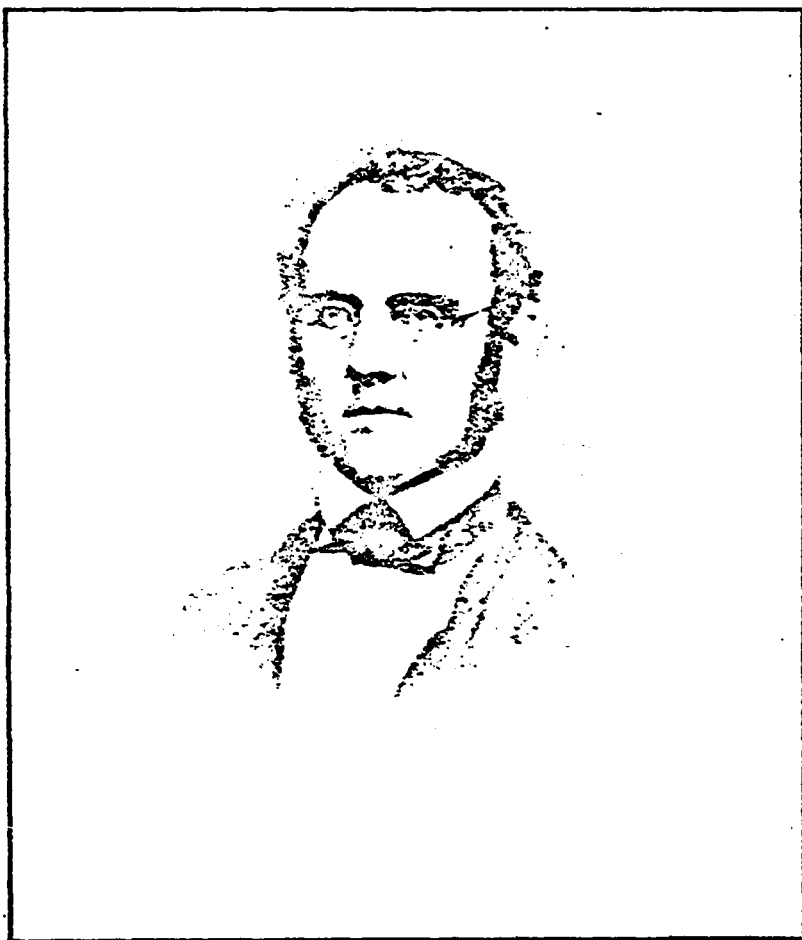
25. RICHARD WOOD, tenth child of Samuel Wood, was born at New Rochelle, N. Y., on January 9, 1801. He joined the Episcopal Church and filled many lay positions in that church. On June 12, 1837, he married Evelina Bridges, daughter of Kitchel and Phebe (Miller) Bridges, of Morristown, N. J., and Basking Ridge, N. J., respectively, and had three children, none of whom ever married. He, with his brother George S. Wood, entered into partnership in the printing business, under the firm name of Richard & George S. Wood, and had their establishment at Morristown, N. J., where they ran their presses by water-power. The press was known as the "Woodvale Water-Power Press." In 1825 they had a New York office at 265 Pearl Street. Richard Wood was much interested in a wood-planing machine, which in latter years was universally used. He died on January 19, 1861.

CHILDREN:

- I. MARY CAROLINE BRAITHWAITE b. Aug. 17, 1838;
d. Feb. 5, 1842.
- II. MARIA LAING b. Aug. 7, 1841.
- III. MARY EVELINA b. Sept. 11, 1843.



RICHARD WOOD



GEORGE S. WOOD

26. GEORGE S. WOOD, eleventh child of Samuel Wood, was born at New Rochelle, N. Y., on August 28, 1802. He joined the Episcopal Church, and on May 22, 1845, he married Eliza Harris, of Virginia, but had no children. He was in partnership with his brother Richard Wood in the printing business, as previously recorded in the biography of Richard Wood. A number of the publications of Samuel Wood bear the imprint of Richard & George S. Wood as printers. George S. Wood died March 16, 1865.

SEVENTH GENERATION

Children of Silas Wood [19]

27. THOMAS BYRNES WOOD, eldest son of Silas Wood, was born in Fredericksburg, Va., on September 11, 1817, and died on July 24, 1847. He was drowned in the Ohio River, off Flint's Island, where his body was interred. His death was caused by the sinking or overturning of a skiff. His brother Samuel Chew Wood, who was with him, was also drowned. Their bodies were removed to Greenwood Cemetery and re-interred on April 2, 1853, by Robert Chew.

28. SAMUEL CHEW WOOD, third child of Silas Wood, was born in New York, on September 13, 1822, during a visit of his mother to that city, and died there on July 24, 1826.

29. VIRGINIA BEVERLEY (WOOD) ROGERS, fifth child of Silas Wood, was born in New York on March 27, 1827, and was married by the Rev. Francis L. Hawks, at Calvary Church, New York, to John L. Rogers, son of Daniel and Elizabeth Rogers, of Ipswich, Mass., on March 25, 1852. She died on April 30, 1900, and he on September 2, 1869, at the St. Nicholas Hotel, New York, aged sixty-one.

30. SAMUEL CHEW WOOD, sixth child of Silas Wood, was born in New York on October 11, 1828, and

died on July 24, 1847. He was drowned in the Ohio River, with his brother Thomas Byrnes Wood, as previously recorded.

31. BEVERLEY CHEW WOOD, seventh child of Silas Wood, was born on November 16, 1830, and died on September 27, 1854. He was a passenger on the steamship "Arctic," which was sunk off the banks of Newfoundland on that date.

32. WILMER STANARD WOOD, eleventh child of Silas Wood, was born on February 24, 1840. He was married on November 12, 1891, by the Rev. Thomas H. Sills, in St. Chrysostom's Chapel, New York, to Mary Ryder Palmer, daughter of Edgar and Mary Ryder. Since 1892 Stanard Wood has resided in Paris, France.

Children of John Wood [21]

33. MARGARET (WOOD) BIRDSALL, fourth child of John Wood, was born on August 20, 1823, and on December 13, 1848, married Thomas W. Birdsall. He was born on May 21, 1824, and died on May 23, 1866.

CHILDREN:

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| I. LOUISA W. | b. Dec. 23, 1849. |
| II. ANNIE W. | b. Feb. 4, 1852. |
| (Mrs. William S. Baldwin; four children.) | |
| III. ELIZABETH | b. Jan. 9, 1854; d. Feb. 26, 1856. |

- IV. THOMAS HENRY b. Oct. 8, 1860; d. Nov. 17, 1861.
- V. MARY W. b. April 2, 1863; d. Sept. 24, 1891.
- VI. MARGARET W. b. Sept. 5, 1865; d. Sept. 8, 1866.

34. CAROLINE (WOOD) BIRDSALL, fifth child of John Wood, was born on November 9, 1824, and on December 9, 1849, married William Birdsall, Jr., brother of Thomas W. Birdsall, who married Margaret Wood, her sister. William Birdsall was born in 1823, and died on December 1, 1873, in Brooklyn, N. Y..

CHILDREN:

- I. JOHN W. b. June 27, 1850; d. March 17, 1856.
- II. ERNEST W. b. Jan. 29, 1852;
 m. Elizabeth Hastings; four children.
- III. SARAH W. b. June 9, 1853; d. Sept. 27, 1854.
- IV. CAROLINE W. b. Nov. 20, 1855.
- V. ARTHUR W. b. Dec. 11, 1860; m.; two children.

35. EDWARD WOOD, eldest son of John and Sarah Mott Wood, was born on January 25, 1827. Before he became of age, he entered first the employ of Christopher Spencer. From that he next went to the house of Wood & Merritt, dry-goods commission merchants. He was admitted to partnership on coming of age. After the death of John Wood, he and Nathaniel Merritt formed the firm of Merritt & Wood, which failed during the financial crisis of 1857, but subsequently paid their creditors in full. Edward Wood was later

engaged for a short time in the real estate business. In 1880 he was elected president of the Bowery Savings Bank, and held that position until his death. He was an active member of the Volunteer Fire Department in his youth. He was a trustee of the Institution for the Blind, and of the Bowery Savings Bank, and a director of the Oriental Bank. He was unmarried. He died on February 3, 1894, and is buried in Greenwood Cemetery.

Children of Isaac Wood [22]

36. ANN AUGUSTA (WOOD) COCK, second child of Isaac Wood, was born in New York on September 28, 1820, and on May 17, 1842, married Dr. Thomas F. Cock, born July 1, 1819, son of Dr. Thomas Cock, by whom she had three children. She died on April 7, 1863. Dr. Cook married, second, Mrs. Louise (de Forest) Woodruff on February 6, 1866. She died on January 21, 1887, and he on June 10, 1896, at Laurelton, L. I.; no issue.

CHILDREN:

- I. AUGUSTA b. July 14, 1843 (Mrs. Joseph Chapin).
- II. MARY LOGAN b. July 19, 1850; d. Oct. 24, 1854.
- III. (Female Infant) b. May 21, 1854; d. May 21, 1854.

37. ISAAC FRANCIS WOOD, son of Isaac Wood by his third wife, Margaret, was born on July 15, 1841. He graduated at Haverford College in the class of '60. He married on April 20, 1869, in New York, Sarah C.

Bowne, daughter of Richard V. and Emily Bowne, of Rahway, N. J. In 1868 he was admitted to partnership in the firm of William Wood & Co., retiring in 1871. He died on September 24, 1895; no issue.

Children of William Wood [24]

38. WILLIAM H. S. WOOD, second son of William and Mary Underhill Wood, was born at 37 Vandewater Street, New York, on April 13, 1840. He was educated at the University of the City of New York and at Haverford College, and entered his father's business in 1859. He was admitted to partnership in 1865, the firm then adopting the style it has since retained, of William Wood & Co. On September 5, 1865, he married Emma Congdon, daughter of Gilbert Congdon, of Providence, R. I. Following the policy inaugurated by his father, who retired from active business in 1870, he steadily built up the medical publishing business until the concern became the first in its line in this country. He was elected trustee of the Bowery Savings Bank in 1872, a manager of the New York Bible Society in 1878, and a director of the Young Men's Christian Association in 1871. On January 15, 1903, he was elected president of the Bowery Savings Bank.

The Congdon Family

Benjamin Congdon, of Rhode Island, the ancestor of this family, died about 1695. He married Elizabeth

Albro, by whom he had six children, including James, born April 19, 1686; he married and had eleven children. His son Joseph, born February 20, 1733, married Susannah Cross and had fifteen children, including Jonathan, born December 16, 1763, who married, December 1, 1787, at Smithfield, R. I., Elizabeth Arnold, of Rhode Island. They had nine children, and their son Gilbert married, first, December 14, 1842, Mary Hopkins, of Baltimore, Md., a sister of Johns Hopkins. Gilbert Congdon was a Quaker minister. They had five children. He married, second, February 14, 1856, Elizabeth Crenshaw, and had one son. He married, third, Ellen L. Smith; no issue. His daughter Emma, by his first wife, born January 10, 1844, married William H. S. Wood.

CHILDREN:

- 40 I. WILLIAM CONGDON b. July 22, 1866.
- 41 II. GILBERT CONGDON b. June 21, 1869.
- 42 III. ARNOLD b. Sept. 23, 1872. [1882.
- IV. PHILIP HOPKINS b. May 22, 1876; d. May 10,
- V. MARY UNDERHILL b. July 19, 1881.

39. ELISABETH U. (WOOD) TABER, third child of William and Mary Underhill Wood, was born in New York City, at 37 Vandewater Street, on April 7, 1842, and on October 21, 1869, she married David S. Taber, by whom she had four children.

The Taber Family

Philip Taber, born 1605, died 1672, took the Freeman's oath in Boston in 1634, and in Plymouth in 1639. He married Lydia Masters, of Watertown, Mass. They had five children—John, Philip, Thomas, Joseph and Lydia. Thomas Taber, born 1644, died 1730, had ten children by his second wife, Mary Thompson, daughter of John Thompson and granddaughter of Francis Cooke, of the "Mayflower." Their son Joseph, born 1679, married Elizabeth Spooner in 1701, and had ten children. Their son Benjamin, born 1706, married Susannah Lewis in 1729. They had thirteen children. Their son Benjamin, Jr., born 1733, died 1820, had by his second wife, Eunice (Worth) Gardner, three children. Their eldest child, Barnabas, born 1768, died 1853, married Mary Congdon, and had eight children. Their eldest child, William C., born 1797, died 1886, married Hannah Shearman, and had thirteen children. Their son David S., born 1840, married Elisabeth U. Wood. The Taber family have long been identified with the history of New Bedford, Mass.

CHILDREN:

- I. AUGUSTUS FREDERICK b. Jan. 16, 1871; d. June 26, 1872.
- II. DAVID SHEARMAN b. June 6, 1873.
- III. WILLIAM WOOD b. Aug. 19, 1878; d. Jan. 22, 1879.
- IV. ELEANOR WOOD b. April 30, 1884.

EIGHTH GENERATION

Children of William H. S. Wood [38]

40. WILLIAM CONGDON WOOD, eldest child of William H. S. Wood, was born at Mt. Kisco, Westchester County, N. Y., on July 22, 1866. He graduated from Haverford College in 1887, and in 1890 was admitted into partnership with his father in the publishing house of William Wood & Co.

41. GILBERT CONGDON WOOD, second child of William H. S. Wood, was born at 129 East 61st Street, New York City, on June 21, 1869. He graduated from Haverford College in 1889, and in 1891 was admitted into partnership in the publishing house of William Wood & Co. On April 11, 1896, he was married to Ethel Hunt, daughter of Seth Hunt, by the Rev. David H. Greer, in St. Bartholomew's Church, New York.

42. ARNOLD WOOD, third child of William H. S. Wood, first named Edward Arnold, but later changed to Arnold, was born at 129 East 61st Street, New York City, on September 23, 1872. In 1896 he was admitted into partnership in the publishing house of William Wood & Co. On November 11, 1896, he was married to Ethel Hartshorne, daughter of James Mott Hartshorne, of New York City, by the Rev. D. Parker Morgan.

The Bartsborne Family

Richard Hartshorne, ancestor of the Hartshornes of Old Monmouth, was a Quaker of good reputation and benevolent disposition. He came to this country in September, 1669, and soon located at the Highlands, where his descendants have since lived. The celebrated George Fox visited him in the spring of 1672, on his way to Friends' Meeting at Oyster Bay, L. I., In the latter part of June of the same year, Fox again visited him. Richard Hartshorne says he was then seventy-five years old, by which it would seem he was born about 1641, and was twenty-eight years old when he came to this country. He was named for High Sheriff of Monmouth in 1683, but declined the office. He held various positions of trust: was Town Clerk of Middletown, 1675-7; Member of the Provincial Assembly, 1683 and in other years; in Council, 1684, 1698-9; was Speaker of the Assembly, 1686, etc. In 1670, William Golding sold all his claims for land in Monmouth to Richard Hartshorne. He also owned a large tract of land at the Highlands. In the year 1703, Richard Hartshorne made a deed of gift of the Highlands estate, including Sandy Hook, to his son William. The will of Richard Hartshorne, founder of the family, was dated at Middletown, May 14, 1722, and proved May 22, 1722. He was born in Heatherne, in the northern part of Leicestershire, England. He married Margaret Carr, and had

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a son, William, who had by his third wife, Elizabeth Lawrence, Esek, who married Elizabeth Salter and had Richard, who married Hannah Stevenson and had James Mott. He married Jane A. Bowne and had James Mott, Jr., who married Sarah L. Taylor and had Ethel, who married Arnold Wood.

CHILDREN:

- | | | |
|----|--------------------|-------------------|
| 43 | I. ARNOLD WOOD | b. Aug. 27, 1899. |
| 44 | II. CONGDON WOOD | b. April 3, 1903. |

NINTH GENERATION

Children of Arnold Wood [42]

43. ARNOLD WOOD was born at Winter Harbor, Hancock County, Maine, on August 27, 1899.

44. CONGDON WOOD was born at 40 East 35th Street, New York City, on April 3, 1903.

*Surnames mentioned in the Wood
Pedigree :*

BALDWIN	HUNT
BARKER	IVES
BENNETT	MERRITT
BILES	MORGAN
BIRDSALL	MORRELL
BOWNE	MOTT
BRIDGES	ROBERTS
BROCK	ROGERS
CARMAN	RYDER
CHAPIN	SEARING
COLEMAN	SEYMOUR
COCK	SIVERTS
CONGDON	SKIDMORE
De MOTT	SMALLEY
GODFREY	TABER
HARTSHORNE	UNDERHILL
HASTINGS	WARD
HATCH	WATSON
HICKS	WOODRUFF
WRIGHT	

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RECORDS

Whereas I am nominated Joynt executor my my
Brother in law Joseph Wood by my father in law
Jon: Wood in his last will and testament These are
therefore to Certifye to the Registers office for
probal of wills that for some reasons I thinke it not
convenient at present for me to stand executor
I therefore desire my brother in law Joseph Wood
may be admitted to prove the will wityout me
Certified under my hand this 17th day of the
8th month 1692

Isaac Smalley

To all Christian People unto Whome these may Come-Greeting Know You that I John Wood
of Crook Home in the County of Bucks, in the Province of Pennsylvania, German; being at this time
Wearer of Body, but of good and perfect memory (Blessed be God) do make this my last Will and
Testament, (revoking all former Wills and Testaments) in manner and form following: That is to say

I give unto my Son Joseph Wood one full half part of all the Copartnership upon the Ground and six pounds
out of the Estate of Manby - And all the reversions, and remainders of my Lands in West Jersey, having one Hundred Acres
upon Cuswicks Creek. And three hundred Given to my daughter Esther, together with the Land Purchase of Remondal and Champson.

I give unto Esther Smalley my eldest daughter the Sum of Ten Pounds, to be first paid out of my Personal
Estate - before any Division be shewed made, And three hundred Acres of lying in West Jersey yet Unsold or up

And also the Land Purchase of Richard Remondal and John Champson.
I give to Charles Diles the Sum of Twenty pounds and Ten shillings, to pay for one hundred Acres of Land Bought of

John Tatham, and this to be paid out of my Personal Estate before Division.
I give to Mary the Wife of Thomas Roman and her heirs for ever, one hundred Acres of Land lying in West Jersey

upon Cuswicks Creek -
And the residue of my Personal Estate (my last debts and funeral expences discharged) to be it in whatsoever kind, as Cattle Horses Hogs,
Lime or Beards, Joynts Ware, and all Utensils both for House and Husbandry, within and without doors, with all Bills Bonds Debts
Reckonings and Accounts whatsoever Justly due unto me, I give to be equally divided amongst my three daughters, wit.
Esther Smalley Mary the Wife of Thomas Roman, and Sarah the Wife of Charles Diles.

And lastly I give to my Son Joseph Wood, and my Son in Law Isaac Smalley each and either of them Twenty shillings
Whom I make Executors of this my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have subscribed my
hand and Seal the seven and twentieth day of May Anno 1692

Acknowledged in the Presence of us
at Witnesses

Roger Park

William Taylor

William Emley

John Wood
mark

(FACSIMILE OF WILL OF JOHN WOOD REDUCED ONE-HALF)

WILL OF JOHN WOOD

To all Christian People unto Whome these may Come Greeting Know Yee that I John Wood of Crookhorne in the County of Bucks, in the Province of Pensilvania, Yeoman, being at this time weake of Body, but of good and perfect memory (Blessed be God) do make this my last Will and Testament, (revoking all fformer Wills and Testaments) in mannor and fform ffollowing. That is to say

Imprimis I give unto my sonn Joseph Wood one ffull half part of all the Crop now upon the ground and Six pounds out of the Estate of Manby—And all the reversions, and remainders of my Lands in West Jersey Saving one hundred Acres upon Cresswicks Creek. And three hundred Given to my daughter Hester, togeather with the Land Purchased of Remsdall and Champeon.

Item I give unto Hester Smalley my Eldest daughter the Sum of Tenn pounds, to bee first paid out of my Personal Estate—before any division bee thereof made, And three hundred Acres of lying in West Jersey yet untaken up And also the Lands Purchased of Richard Remsdal and John Champeon.

Item I give to Charles Biles the Sum of Twenty pounds and Tenn shillings, to pay for one hundred Acres of Land Bought of John Tatham, and this to bee paid out of my personal Estate before division.

Item I give to Mary the Wife of Thomas Coleman and her heirs for ever, one hundred Acres of Land lying in West Jersey upon Cresswick Creek—


And the Residue of my Personal Estate (my Just debts and funeral Expenses discharged) bee if in Whatsoever kind,

Will of John Wood

As Cattle Horses hoggs. Timber boards, Joyner Ware,
 And all utensils both for House and Husbandry Within
 and Without dores, with all Bills Bonds, Credits Reckon-
 ings and Accounts Whatsoever Justly due unto mee, I
 give to bee Equally divided Amongst my three daughters,
 to wit, Ester Smalley Mary the Wife of Thomas Coleman,
 And Sarah the Wife of Charles Biles.

And lastly I give to my Sonn Joseph Wood, and my Sonn in
 Law Isaac Smalley each and either of them Twenty shil-
 lings Whome I make Executors of this my Last Will and
 Testament. In Wittness whereof I have hereunto Set my
 hand and Seale the Seven and Twentieth day of May
 Anno 1692.

Acknowledged in the Presence
 of us as Wittnesses

his
 JOHN  WOOD
 mark

ROGER PARKE WILLIAM EMLEY

WILLIAM TAYLOR

Knowall men & their heirs that we Joseph Wood Executor of
 William Taylor Taylor & Robert Coo Inheritance all of the County of
 Bucks & Province of Pennsylvania are here and firmly bound unto
 William Penn Proprietary & Governor of the aforesaid Province
 in the Sum of two hundred & Sixty pounds Lawfull
 money of the said Province to be paid to the said William Penn
 his heirs Executors or Administrators to the whole payment well
 and truly to be made and done according to our rights & duties
 and Administrators firmly by these presents dated with our seals
 dated the 12th day of the ninth month 1692 being the 4th year
 of the reign of William & Mary King & Queen of England &
 12 years of the Proprietary Government.

The Condition of this obligation is such that if the above named
 Joseph Wood Executor of all and singular the goods rights & debts
 and Estate of John Wood late of the said Province of the aforesaid
 County deceased his Executors Administrators or Assigns do perform
 fulfill and keep all and every the Contents of his will of John Wood
 aforesaid viz to pay all funeral expenses debts and legacies
 according to the Contents and true intent of the said will and bring
 into the Registry office on this day or before the last day of the
 tenth month next ensuing the date hereof a true & perfect
 Inventory of all the debts and legacies rights and duties of the said
 John Wood as also to bring into the said Registry office on this
 day or before the last day of the eighth month next ensuing
 the date hereof all accounts reckonings and demands due
 owing by the said John Wood at his decease that then this
 obligation be void and of none effect els the same to stand
 remaine and be in full force and virtue

Sealed and Delivered
 in the presence of us
 William Coker
 Phineas Denton

Joseph Wood.

William Taylor

Robert Coo

INVENTORY OF JOHN WOOD'S PERSONAL ESTATE

A TRUE and perfect inventorys of the Goods Chattels & Credits of John Wood late deceased, valued and appraised the 17th day of the 8th month 1692 by Thomas Tunncliffe, Richard Hough, Thomas Wood and Wm Emley, Appraisers—

IN THE HOUSE.

1 large chest at	00 : 06 : 00
1 small at	00 : 04 : 00
5 pewter dishes & one basin	00 : 08 : 00
1 smooth iron and heater. 15 p	00 : 01 : 03
1 Skillet	00 : 01 : 06
1 Candle Stick, 1 Salt Sellar	00 : 01 : 00
1 Iron Pot, one Iron Kettle, and hangers	01 : 00 : 00
1 Frying Pan	00 : 04 : 00
1 Small Iron Kettle	00 : 02 : 00
1 Churne and Staff	00 : 02 : 00
1 Small Pale	00 : 01 : 00
1 Half Bushel	00 : 01 : 06
4 p house chains, 30 lb in weight	01 : 00 : 00
2 Sheres, 2 Coutters, 2 p plough Buckles	00 : 15 : 00
2 Hows at 2 sh	00 : 02 : 00
1 Cross cut Saw	00 : 02 : 00
1 Pad-zs, 6d	00 : 02 : 06
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	04 : 13 : 09

IN THE CHAMBER.

Bareley 8 Bushalls at 2/6	01 : 00 : 00
Oats 12 Bushalls at 18d	00 : 18 : 00
Leather, 8 pds at 12d	00 : 07 : 04
1 Bed & Bedstead, 2 Pillows, 1 Rugg	03 : 06 : 00
1 Large Wimble, 1 hand Saw, 3/4 Wimble }	00 : 03 : 00
1 Ax, 1 drawing Knife, 1 Syth	
2 Push Plows	00 : 03 : 00

Inventory

IN THE CHAMBER—*continued*

3 p Bands and Hooks for Doors	00 : 03 : 00
1 Square	00 : 01 : 00
1 Share Mould	00 : 04 : 06
1 Old Stone Ax	00 : 01 : 00
1 Sling for Yokes	00 : 01 : 00
3 Horse Collares	00 : 07 : 06
3 Blind Halters, 1 Bridle	00 : 04 : 00
1 Coard	00 : 00 : 06
2 Door Locks	00 : 02 : 00
1 Cart Saddle Pannel	00 : 01 : 00
1 Chest	00 : 05 : 00

07 : 13 : 10

IN THE BARN.

Oats 8 Bushals at 18d per B	00 : 12 : 00
Chest	00 : 04 : 00
7 Bushals Oats at 18d per b	00 : 10 : 06
1 Ox Chain	00 : 05 : 00
In Timber Hewen & Sawen	04 : 00 : 00
In old Lumber	00 : 10 : 00

06 : 01 : 06

QUICK GOODS.

2 Steers }	10 : 15 : 00
2 Cows }	
6 Cows	12 : 00 : 00
2 Yearlings	02 : 00 : 00
2 Calves	01 : 00 : 00

26 : 05 : 00

2 Barrels	00 : 03 : 00
1 Bolster of Bed	00 : 08 : 00
1 Pr Oxen, 1 Wain Buckles, 2 Yokes, 1 Plough & Chain for which Charles Biles is debtor to Executor	09 : 10 : 00

10 : 01 : 00

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DEBTS DUE THE DECEASED UPON SPECIALTY.

Due from Samuel Burges, Remaining on Bills	01 : 10 : 00
Due from Wm Taylor on Bill under hand .	07 : 00 : 00
ffrom Andrew Heath on Bill	02 : 08 : 00
ffrom Thomas Tunniscliffe on Bill	02 : 12 : 00
ffrom Henry Crabb remain-on Bill	06 : 06 : 00
ffrom James Sutton on Bill	03 : 10 : 00
ffrom Charles Pickering on Bond remaining .	27 : 00 : 06
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	44 : 06 : 06

This wee subscribed under our hands to bee
efferted fo ye best of our Understanding

THOMAS TUNNISCLIFFE
RICHARD HOUGH
THOMAS WOOD
WILL'M EMLEY

More from Henry Huddeston upon Bond

the Sum of	06 : 04 : 04
ffrom William Dahke upon Bill	04 : 00 : 00
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	10 : 04 : 04

George Stevens—debtor in Goods at the ffirst cost	08 : 00 : 00
William Shirley	01 : 14 : 00
Thomas Hutchinson	16 : 00 : 00
Executor	<hr/>
	25 : 14 : 00

This Amount comes in after the
Appraisement

In the House	04 : 13 : 09
In the Chamber	07 : 13 : 10
In the Barn	06 : 01 : 06
Quick Goods	26 : 05 : 00
More Goods	10 : 01 : 00
Credits	44 : 06 : 06
Credits	10 : 04 : 04
Credits	25 : 14 : 00
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<i>The Total Sum Is</i>	134 : 19 : 11

(Copied from Inventory on file at Doylestown, Pa.)

RECORDS

“John Wood of Attercliffe, in the Parish of Sheffield, in the County of York, husbandman, arrived in the Delaware River in the Shield, the Master, Daniel Tods, in the 10th month, 1678. With children John, Joseph, Esther, Mary, and Sarah Wood.”

—*Book of Arrivals in Register's Office of Wills, Doylestown, Pa.*

EXTRACTS FROM THE RECORDS IN OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, TRENTON, N. J.

“George Hutchinson of Sheffield, England, to John Wood of Attercliffe Parish, husbandman, for 1/64th share in Province of West Jersey.”—*West Jersey Deeds. Liber B, Part I., folio 98.*

“George Hutchinson of Sheffield, England, Distiller, to John Wood of neare the ffalls Meadow on Dellaware River, Yeoman, for 1/64th part of 3/90th part of West Jersey,—the first a Yorkshire Tenth. Consideration being certain improvements made by the sd John Wood and his brother Thomas Wood upon a tract of land neare the ffalls sold to ye sd George Hutchinson this day.”—*West Jersey Deeds. Liber B, Part I., folio 123. Dated Oct. 21, 1681.*

“Thomas Coleman of Bucks County Pensilvania, Taylor, and Mary his wife to Robert Murfin of Burlington County, West Jersey, Yeoman, for 100 acres on Cresswick Creek, lying between ye land of ye sd Robert Murfin and a small run. Same tract bequeathed to sd Mary Coleman by her father John Wood, late of Crookhorn, in the County of Bucks and Province of Pensilvania, deceased.”—*West Jersey Deeds. Liber B, Part II., folio 402.*

“Isaac Smally of Piscataway, East Jersey, Yeoman, and Hester, his wife, to Robert Pearson, for 240 acres, in the First Tenth, of which 40 acres was conveyed to sd Isaac Smally by Godfrey Hancock of Assiscunch and 200 acres being the tract bequeathed to sd Isaac Smally by John Wood of Bucks County, Pa., deceased.”—*West Jersey Deeds. Liber B, Part II., folio 506.*

“Joseph Wood of Bucks County, Province of Pensylvania, in America, Yeoman, (Son and Heir of John Wood, formerly of Attercliffe, Parish of Sheffield, County of York, England, but late of the county of Bucks, in the Province of Pensylvania, husbandman, deceased,) to John Rogers of Burlington County, West Jersey, Yeoman, for one town lotte in Burlington being part of the 1/64th share of West Jersey purchased by ye said John Wood of George Hutchinson &c. and part of tract purchased by ye said John Wood of one John Carter and Alice his wife of Hopewell, Burlington Co.”—*West Jersey Deeds. Liber W, folio 498. Deed dated Feb. 22, 1695.*

Deed, dated June 10, 1692—“Daniel Coxe, of London, by his Atty., John Tatham, Esq., of Burlington, to Joseph Wood, of the County of Bucks and Province of Pensilvania, yeoman, for 100 acres in West Jersey.”—*West Jersey Deeds, Liber B, Part II., folio 563.*

Deed, dated March 9, 1697-8—“Joseph Wood, of Bucks County, Pa., yeoman, to Sarah, widow of Charles Biles, of Maidenhead, and Alexander Biles, their second son, for 100 acres bought of Daniel Coxe.”—*West Jersey Deeds, Liber B, Part II., folio 658.*

1694—"Survey by Dan'l Leeds, for Joseph Wood, of 100 Acres in Dr. Cox's purchase on Little Shalbacunch Creek, next to Joseph English, including 10 acres of meadow adjoining Th. Greene."—*Revell's Book of Surveys. Folio 124.*

"Survey of tract of land for John Wood, 100 Acres on the North side of and along Cresswick Creek, adjoining Robert Murfin. This sd Tract being on a point, therefore roome for but one Settlement. This tract was given by will of sd John Wood to his daughter Mary (ye wife of Tho. Coleman) and was by them surveyed to Robert Murfin as per deed recorded."—*Revell's Book of Surveys. Page 79. Oct. 18, 1691.*

RECORDS OF PENNEPEK BAPTIST CHURCH RELATING TO JOSEPH WOOD

"Elizabeth, wife of Joseph Wood Baptised at Burlington, 3 mo 16 1700."

"Joseph Wood baptised at Burlington 4 mo 2d 1691."

"5 mo 26th 1704, Elizabeth wife of Joseph Wood died and was buried at the Falls."

"3 mo 5th 1706, Joseph Wood married Katherine Godfrey."

"Katherine Wood buried," no date, but date just preceding 1729.

Will of Cornelis Siverts, of the city of Philadelphia, says:
"And I doe give and bequeath unto the said Edward Warner

and Nicholas Ashmead, my executors, one other fourth part of my estate, In Trust and to and for the sole use and benefit of my daughter Katherine, the wife of Joseph Wood of the Falls, and not for any use or benefit of him the said Joseph Wood, to be paid into the hands of her ye said Katherine Wood, without her husband, or to the hands of such other person or persons as the said Katherine shall direct and appoint. And I doe will that her receipt in writing under her own hand shall be sufficient discharge for any moneys aforesaid recd. by her or her order, notwithstanding her coverture, and whether she shall be covert or sole."

Deed—Josiah Wood and Elizabeth Wood, to Langhorne Biles, Joseph Wood, Jr., Benjamin Wood and Joseph Milnor, dated December 27, 1762, for one-half acre of the 274-acre tract for a school house.—*Deed Book No. 16, page 54, Doylestown, Pa.*

"**John Wood** of Hempstead Esqre, and Mary his wife sold for 260 pds land to Frederick Simonson of Oyster Bay, purchased originally by John Wood of Joseph Carman son of Caleb Carman deceased. Situated at South Side of the plains near the town spot of Hempstead.

(Signed) **JOHN WOOD**
MARY WOOD "

—*Town Records of Hempstead at Jamaica, L. I.*

Vol. IV., page 281. Dated March 26, 1756.

"**John Wood** of Oyster Bay sells for 200 pds land to Samuel Wood of Oyster Bay. Land in Oyster Bay on East side of highway where crosses the brook, adjoining Widow Parish.

(Signed) **JOHN WOOD**
her
MARY X WOOD "
mark

—*Town Records of Oyster Bay at Jamaica, L. I.*

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