

77. John Lawrence,⁷ b. 2 July, 1832. He went to California in 1853, and after being in that State in the mines and at other employments, returned to Norridgewock in 1863—having been absent just ten years. He at once engaged in business in that town, and married L. Marinda Pinkham of Newmarket, N. H., 5 Jan. 1865. In 1866 he removed to Newmarket and engaged in business at that place in September of that year. He is a merchant.

78. James Augustus,⁷ b. 19 Dec. 1847.

79. Maria Eliza,⁷ b. 3 Jan. 1843.

Mr. Boardman was known as "Captain" Boardman, having been captain of the Bloomfield company in the old militia times, when May "trainings" and autumn "musters" were among the great holidays of the people. He had much genuine military spirit, and being a man of fine physical make-up, presented a commanding appearance, when in full uniform. In early life he resided in Bloomfield, owning a farm adjoining the old "home farm" of his father, where he was engaged in farming and followed his trade of shoemaker; but removed to South Norridgewock village about 1849, where he ever after resided. He carried on a successful business in the manufacture of boots and shoes, accumulating a handsome property. He was Postmaster for many years, a prominent member of the Baptist church, and universally loved. On the breaking out of the Rebellion, his old military spirit was at once awakened, and he took the field as a recruiting officer for the Thirteenth Maine Regiment, and enlisted nearly all the men who originally formed Company D of that regiment. In this company were forty-two men who were residents of Norridgewock, Skowhegan, Smithfield, Mercer and adjoining towns in Somerset county, a very large number of whom knew Capt. Boardman personally,