

ELIZABETH⁶ DUDLEY (*William,⁴ Benjamin,³ Joseph,² Francis¹*),

BORN at East Sudbury, Mass. (now called Wayland); a lady of intelligence, culture and noble qualities of heart. She belonged to the Presbyterian Church, and was friendly to the poor and afflicted. Refined and educated people sought her acquaintance. There were in her deportment devotion, grace and dignity, and a spirit of toleration and serenity in her family. She ever retained her respect and allegiance for her native State, and her memory is dear to all her descendants. Her death occurred April 22, 1841, at the age of 65 years, in the home of her son-in-law Hon. John Lakin, Memphis, N. Y.

She was married Jan. 29, 1795, to Sherebiah Evans of Milton, Mass. He was a widower with one child, a daughter, who married a sea captain and was drowned in Boston Harbor. Mr. Evans was of Welsh origin and came of an honorable family. He was a ship-carpenter and miller for some time and resided in Boston; but removed with his family to Castleton, Vt., where he engaged in buying and selling stock in Vermont and Canada. From there he removed to Camillus, Onondaga County, N. Y., and conducted the business of a grist mill. Afterwards he removed to Van Buren in the same county, and established a flouring mill, which was the only one in that vicinity at that time. His business there was prosperous the rest of his life. He maintained the character of an upright and useful citizen of influence in the town and church, being of the Presbyterian denomination. He had served in the Revolutionary army and received an honorable discharge. His education and manners were excellent, as well as his personal appearance. He died at his home in 1822, aged 65 years.

By this union seven children were born, viz.:

- i. SHEREBIAH⁶, b. in Boston, 1795; m. Charicy Scribner of Poultney, Vt.
- ii. WILLIAM, b. Oct. 23, 1800; d. 1836; m. Miss Symonds of Geddes, N. Y., 1821, and they had a son *George W.*,⁷ of Wallingford, Ill., b. 1822, m. Louise Robinson, Jan. 1, 1844.
- iii. CATHERINE, b. Oct. 23, 1800; m. June 28, 1818, John Lakin, who was born at West Hebron, N. Y., 1792. She d. Oct. 6, 1867, in her 67th year. She was twin to William.
- iv. THOMAS J., b. 1802; m. Letitia Britton.
- v. FRANKLIN, b. 1803; d. 1858; m. Diana Cunningham in 1834. She was of Van Buren, N. Y. They had: 1, *Oliver*,⁷ of St. Louis, Mo., b. 1835; m. Constantia, and had George B.⁸; 2, *Sophronia*, b.