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OF  
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OF  
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*"There is also a moral and philosophical respect for our ancestors,  
which elevates the character and improves the heart."*—DANIEL WEBSTER.

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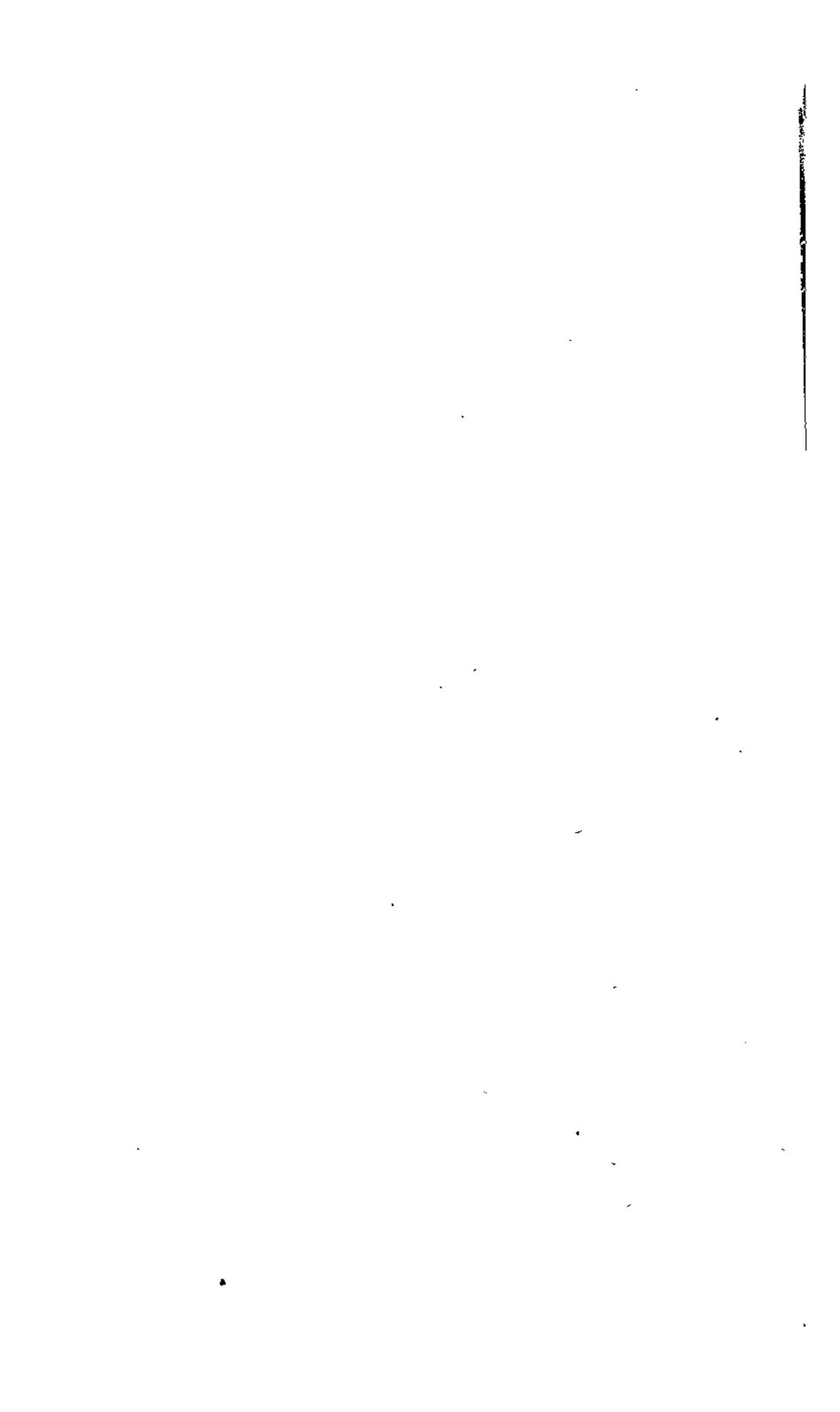
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## PREFACE.

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To learn something of the origin and history of one's family would appear to be a natural and almost universal desire of mankind. The same curiosity which leads us to peer into the hidden future prompts us to travel back to the early days of our ancestors, to inquire from whence they came, where were their homes, and what were their names and deeds. And he who collects and preserves from oblivion the names and history of individuals and families performs a service worthy of general recognition. The value of biography and of the history of nations, governments, and institutions is universally acknowledged, and the carefully preserved records of families often possess an interest and value similar in kind, if not equal in degree.

In our own country, the pressure of business interests absorbs so much of the time and energy of the people that until within a recent period these matters have received much less attention than in the Old World. There all records of births, marriages, and deaths have for ages been carefully preserved, and are always easy of access. The advantages of this custom are many and obvious; ancestry may be more easily traced, inheritance claims readily established, statistics of great value may be easily collected, and the interests of coming generations in many ways subserved.

The origin of this volume is due to a circumstance which may be worthy of narration. Up to three-score years the compiler knew comparatively nothing of his

father's family except that it was of Welsh descent, and that his grandfather lived in Massachusetts. Azariah Thomas, his father, having emigrated from Massachusetts to the northern part of New York State early in the century (about 1804), where he died in 1831, the writer, at that time but 5 years of age, was thus left isolated from his father's family, with little inclination and less opportunity for making their acquaintance. While in after years the desire for learning something of the family became strongly developed, but for the following circumstance it would probably never have been gratified. In the summer of 1887, while overhauling some old books and papers, he came across a letter addressed to an elder brother, written in March, 1852, thirty-nine years ago, by the late Sarah N. Thomas (Gage), daughter of Alpheus Thomas, of Prescott, Mass. Here was a name and an address, a sufficient clue for attempting to discover the long-lost family. A letter addressed "To any Descendant of the late Alpheus Thomas," and directed to Prescott, Mass., soon brought a reply from Judge E. A. Thomas, of Amherst, Mass., brother of the writer of the above-mentioned letter, and with whom a correspondence was immediately opened. The information thus acquired served only to increase the desire for more knowledge of the family, and finally led to the conception of the present volume. A circular was sent to all known addresses of members of the family and replies received of such a character as to encourage in the prosecution of the work. The result of the effort is now placed before the members of the family.

The arrangement adopted in this record is one that will be easily understood and that will permit of a ready tracing of families. Following each name in *large type*

will be found, in brackets, the descent of the individual from William<sup>1</sup>, the number above the right of each name indicating the generation to which he belonged. The children in each family are given in *small type* and are numbered. If these children died unmarried or without issue the name does not again appear, while if they married and left issue it will re-appear under the same number but in large type and in its numerical order, but perhaps a number of pages further on in the book. Thus, on page 74 will be found the name of Beals Thomas in large type (No. 72). Following the biographical sketch will be found the number and names of his several children. Nancy Bigelow Thomas and Edwin Egery Thomas not having married and left issue, their names do not again appear; while the others, having had children, each will again be found in the next generation, under the same number, in large type. Should it be desired to trace back Beals Thomas to his parents, by turning to No. 74 in small type his name will be found, with those of his brothers and sisters, following a sketch of his parents.

The labor of collecting and arranging the material for this work has been pre-eminently a labor of love. No discoverer of a new continent ever pursued his explorations with greater interest than has been experienced by the compiler in the prosecution of his self-imposed task. Every newly discovered family, name, or fact, has only added to his interest in the work and stimulated him to further efforts toward the accomplishment of his purpose. Had all to whom application has been made for information felt an equal interest, the record would have been more complete and the biographical sketches more full. Over 1100 names have been collected and recorded in this volume; yet this large number probably does not include

more than half the descendants of William Thomas of Hardwick. Nearly all are from his oldest son, Amos<sup>2</sup>. Of his remaining children very few descendants have been found, and of three of his sons none whatever.

Acknowledgment should here be made of valuable assistance in the collection of material for this work and in the preparation of sketches by Hon. E. A. Thomas, of Amherst; A. O. Thomas, of Waltham, Mass.; by the Rev. Clark O. Maltby, of Philadelphia; by Mrs. Hattie E. Knowlton, of Westboro, Mass.; by Charles D. Thomas, of Boston, Mass.; by Mrs. L. R. Hills, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; and Miss Emma Josephine T. Gale, of Montvale, Mass.

That errors will be found in these records is more than probable, notwithstanding the great care that has been taken to prevent the same.

Blank pages have been placed at the end of the volume for convenience in making additional records.

A few abbreviations have been employed, which will be readily understood, thus: *b.* born, *d.* died, *m.* married, *unm.* unmarried, *da.* daughter, *nfr.* no further records.

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## SOURCES OF INFORMATION.

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Relating to the Thomas family of Hardwick: Paige's "History of Hardwick, Mass.;" Jackson's "History of Newton," "History of Brookfield," "History of Worcester;" Court Records at Cambridge and at Worcester, Mass.; Records of Baptist Church of Prescott; Benj. Franklin Thomas's "Memoir of Isaiah Thomas;" Isaiah Thomas's "History of Printing;" numerous family records, etc.



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# THE THOMAS FAMILY.

## INTRODUCTION.

### ORIGIN OF THE NAME.

THE name of Thomas came originally from the Hebrew language, and signifies a twin.\* In its earliest use the name was confined to male twins, the feminine form, Thomasène, having been applied to girls. In the lapse of time, however, the origin and significance of the name being overlooked, it gradually came to be applied to others, and thus finally came into general use. Adopted by the Greeks and Latins, the name became thus more widely distributed. It was taken into Great Britain at the time of the introduction of Christianity by Pope Gregory I, about 600 A.D. With some slight variations in spelling, the name is now found in all modern European languages.†

### WELSH HISTORY.

The Welsh claim for the family of Thomas great antiquity, and give it a prominent place in the early history of that country. The Rev. Lawrence Buckley Thomas, who has given the subject much attention, in his "Genealogical Notes of the Thomas Family of Maryland," states that the best and latest authorities on the

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\* Many of the common names in use at the present time, both of males and females, have had a Hebrew origin, and are quite significant in their meaning. Thus, Albert, in original Hebrew, signifies bright; David, beloved; Eli, foster-son; Heman, faithful; Israel, a soldier of God; John, a gift of God; Abigail, father's joy; Ann, grace; Elizabeth, worshiper of God; Sarah, a rose; Susan, a lily.

† English, French, and German, Thomas; Italian, Tomaso; Spanish, Tomas; Portuguese, Thomaz.

history of Wales confirm the traditions that the authentic history of this family in that country commences with Uryan or Urian Rheged, a son of Cynvarch Oer ap Mierchion Gul (ap in Welsh signifying son of \*), a prince of North Britain in the sixth century after Christ, who was expelled from his principality by the Saxons and took refuge with his family in Wales. The name of Prince Mierchion Gul, it is said, appears on an ancient pillar or monument near Llangollen. Urian, the grandson, probably born in Wales, soon became a leader among these people, and, surrounded by a large body of retainers, for many years carried on a fierce war with the Saxon king of Northumberland. Slain while conducting a siege in the year 575, his sons and their descendants became powerful leaders in the struggle that was prolonged, with occasional interruptions, for many centuries.

For many generations after Urian, but little more than the bare names of the descendants is given in Welsh history. The line of descendants runs as follows:—

1st. MIERCHION GUL. 2d. CYNVARCH OER. 3d. URIEN (d. 515). 4th. PASGEN. 5th. MOR. 6th. LLURCH. 7th. RHYNE. 8th. EYSSYLT. 9th. GURWARD. 10th. KYMBATHWYE. 11th. LLOARCH. 12th. EINION. 13th. GORONWY. 14th. RHYS, cotemporary with William the Conqueror, and m. Margaret, granddaughter of Lord Gwynvey. 15th. ELIDER. 16th. SIR ELIDER DDU, Knight

\* The employment of fixed family names or *surnames* originated in France during the latter part of the tenth century. The custom was introduced into England by the Normans at the time of the Conquest, in 1066. Slowly adopted by the English, surnames did not come into use in Scotland until the twelfth century; while in Wales they were much later in their adoption, and in some of the wilder districts of that country surnames can hardly be said to be generally employed, even at the present time.

of the Holy Sepulchre. 17th. PHILIP. 18th. PHILIP. 19th. NICHOLAS, who m. Janet, dau. and heiress of Gruffyd ap Llewellyn.

20th. GRUFFYD, son of Nicholas, was a turbulent character, rich and influential, yet in continual strife with his neighbors and with the English authorities. At last King Henry sent Lord Whitney to Wales to effect his arrest. Gruffyd, informed of their approach and aware of their purpose, received him, with his accompanying officers, with great pomp at the Castle of Abermarlais. A sumptuous feast had been prepared, at which Lord Whitney was so overcome with drink that Owen, a son of Gruffyd, succeeded in abstracting his commission from his pocket, and thus defeated his purpose.

Later, Gruffyd joined the Yorkists in their war with the Lancastrians, and was mortally wounded at the battle of Mortimer's Cross, Feb., 1461.

21st. THOMAS AP GRUFFYD was a different man from his father; mild in his disposition and gentlemanly in manner. To avoid taking part in the contests between the Houses of York and Lancaster, he crossed over to France and joined the court of the Duke of Burgundy. Returning later to England, he engaged in a duel with one David Gough, whom he killed. He was immediately treacherously killed by one of Gough's retainers. He had one dau. and three sons. Morgan and David, the eldest, espoused opposite sides in the wars of the Roses, and both perished in that desperate struggle. Rhys, or Rees, his third son, succeeded to his large estate after his death.

22d. SIR RHYS AP THOMAS, K.G., was b. in 1451. He was educated at the court of Burgundy, where he held

a place of honor in the duke's household. He relinquished this position and returned to England with his father. He m., for his first wife, a dau. of Sir John Ellis. His second wife was Eva, only dau. of Henry ap Gwilym, who was connected with the court of Henry VII. He acquired vast estates with her, and became one of the most opulent men of his times. It is said that he had nineteen hundred tenants, and, upon brief warning, could bring into the field five thousand armed men. He built Emlyn Castle, and enlarged Carew Castle, which was his favorite residence. During the reign of Richard III, he espoused the cause of Henry, Earl of Richmond, an aspirant for the throne. Raising a large force in Wales, he joined the latter, whose army met that of King Richard on the field of Bosworth, Aug. 23, 1485. Richard, in the heat of battle, made a desperate plunge at the Earl of Richmond. Rhys ap Thomas, seeing the danger of his chief, mounted his favorite charger, and, with Sir William Stanley, bore down between the contestants and, Welsh tradition claims, slew Richard in a hand to hand contest. However that may have been, Rhys was knighted upon the field, and many honors were subsequently placed upon him by Richmond when established on the throne as Henry VII. He was a member of the king's council and commissioner of the king's mines. In 1492 he accompanied the king to France, and was frequently employed in important negotiations on the Continent. He d. sometime in 1527, his will having been published July 5, 1527. He was bu. first in the Church of the Gray Friars, at Cærmarthen, but his body was later removed to St. Peter's Church, in the

same town, over which is placed a richly sculptured marble monument, surmounted by a recumbent figure of Sir Rhys and his third wife, Elizabeth, dau. of Sir William Thomas, of Raglan Castle. By his second wife, Eva, he had one son, Griffith.

23d. GRIFFITH AP RHYS was b. in 1478. He was made Knight of the Order of Bath in 1501. He m., about 1504, Katherine, dau. of Sir John St. John. He d. in 1557, leaving one son, Rice.

24th. RICE AP GRIFFITH was b. in 1508, and m. a dau. of the Duke of Norfolk. He inherited the vast estate of his family. Arrogant and proud, he made many dangerous enemies. He was induced to join the great papal movement of that time, was arrested, charged with fostering a conspiracy involving the assassination of the king, tried, convicted, and executed, Oct. 3, 1531. His estate was confiscated, and thus the downfall of the family was complete.

25th. THOMAS AP RICE,\* youngest son of Rice ap Griffith, was a child at the time of the fall of his father. He was taken back to Wales, where he grew up and occupied lands in the parish of Ebbernant, in Cærmarchenshire. He m. a dau. of Philip Scidamore, and had, with perhaps other children, a son.

26th. JOHN PHILIP THOMAS,† who inherited the lands of his father, and left a son.

27th. EVAN THOMAS, b. about 1580. He d. in 1650. leaving three sons,—Captain Evan Thomas, Philip, and

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\* In a communication from Rev. Lawrence Buckley Thomas, received after the publication of his volume, he expresses some doubt as to the proof of connection of Thomas, the father of John Philip, with Rice ap Griffith, yet still feels certain of the descent of Philip, the first emigrant to Maryland from Sir Rhys ap Thomas.

† With John Philip the name of Thomas became a fixed family name. Previous to him every man was known as ap (son of) his father.

Rice. Philip Thomas came to the Province of Maryland in 1651, with his wife, Sarah Harrison, and three children. Captain Evan may have been the same Evan Thomas who came to Boston, in 1635, as master of the ship "William and Francis," and settled in that place in 1639 or 1640, with a wife and four children, and is believed to have been the ancestor of William of Hardwick. Any claim that might be made for the identity of these two persons rests, however, solely upon the correspondence in names and dates.

That the numerous families of Thomas of the present day have all sprung from this line of descent is extremely improbable, inasmuch as there may have been, and undoubtedly were, many of the name of Thomas of no relation to one another upon the adoption of surnames, each of whom would have become the head of a family of that name.

#### THOMAS FAMILY IN AMERICA.

The name of Thomas appears very early in the history of this country. Nathaniel Thomas was the first of whom we can find any record. He came to Virginia in the ship "Temperance," in 1621, but fourteen years after the first settlement of Jamestown in that State. Robert and William came to the same State in the ship "America," in June, 1635. Another William Thomas arrived in July of the same year.

Philip Thomas, the progenitor of the Maryland branch of the family, came from Wales in 1651. Soon after arriving in the country he joined the Friends, and many of his descendants are still members of that body. He was a man of much influence in the colonies, and his descendants are not only numerous, but have been

influential in the State, and by intermarriage have become related to many prominent families in that and adjoining States.

The first Thomas of whom we find records in New England was William Thomas, who came to this country about 1630,—ten years after the landing of the Pilgrims,—and settled at Plymouth.

Thomas Thomas arrived in Boston on the ship "William and Francis," June, 1632. John Thomas came on the "Hopewell," in 1635. William Thomas, of Newbury, came on the "Mary Ann," in 1637; and Evan Thomas, the claimed progenitor of the family of Hardwick, in 1639 or 1640. Others of this name must have migrated to New England about this time, as, from Savage's "Genealogical Dictionary" and other sources, records of some thirty different families have been collected who lived in New England previous to 1692. (See Appendix.)

While many of the families of Thomas of the present day have descended from these early emigrants, large numbers have since arrived in the country at various dates down to recent times.

The Thomas family in this country has become exceedingly numerous and widely distributed. An examination of the Directories of the principal cities of the country shows that few names are more frequently repeated than that of Thomas. The "Philadelphia City Directory" for 1888 contains 747 entries under this head; New York, 337; Boston, 224; Baltimore, 538; Washington, 360; Chicago, 330;—giving thus a total of 2536. From these figures we have data upon which may be made at least an approximate estimate of the num-

ber of Thomases in the United States. If the aforementioned cities, with a population of 3,396,000, give 2536 individuals of this name, assuming that the name occurs with equal frequency in the remaining portion of the population, then the estimated 60,000,000 of the United States should give 44,806. Again, while a certain number of the names in these Directories represent single individuals, on the other hand, a large proportion represent the heads of families, in which there may be a number of children. We may safely assume, therefore, that the above number may be multiplied by three, which would give 134,418 as the living representatives of the family in the male line.

The Thomas family has furnished many who have become distinguished in the army, church, and State, as well as in the several professions, both in this country and in the old.

WILLIAM THOMAS, D.D., b. in Wales in 1613, was Chaplain to the Earl of Northumberland and Duke of York, and finally Bishop of Worcester. He was a writer of distinction, and died in 1689, one of the most prominent men in the church of his day.

WILLIAM THOMAS, grandson of the latter, b. in 1670, also entered the church and became distinguished as a man of letters and as an antiquarian.

— ELIZABETH THOMAS, b. in 1675, was distinguished as a poetess. Incurring the displeasure of Pope, she was conspicuously placed in his satirical poem, the *Dunciad*.

ANTHONY LEONARD THOMAS, b. in France in 1702, was a distinguished member of the French Academy, a college professor, and a voluminous writer of both poetry and prose.

ISAIAH THOMAS, b. in 1760, educated at Cambridge, Eng., became prominent as a churchman and writer.

Among those in our own country who have acquired distinction may be mentioned:—

WILLIAM THOMAS, who settled in Plymouth in 1630, became a man of much influence in the colony, and for nine years before his death, in 1651, was assistant to Governor Bradford.

JOHN THOMAS, soldier, of Marshfield, b. in 1724. He served as lieutenant, captain, and colonel in the French war; had a command as brigadier-general at the battle of Bunker Hill; held Dorchester Heights in the siege of Boston, and after the evacuation of that city was made major-general and sent to take charge of military affairs in Canada, where he d. of small-pox, June, 1776.

PHILEMON THOMAS, soldier, b. in North Carolina in 1764; served in war of Revolution; was major-general of militia in 1814; member of Congress from 1831 to 1835; d. Nov., 1847.

THOMAS THOMAS, soldier, b. in New York State in 1755; had command of a regiment in Revolutionary War; was prisoner at one time in hands of the British; member of Legislature; d. May, 1824.

JOHN ADDISON THOMAS, soldier, b. in Tennessee in 1811; graduated at West Point in 1833; assistant professor at West Point; resigned and studied and practiced law in New York City; Assistant Secretary of State under Pierce in 1855; d. March, 1858.

STEPHEN THOMAS, soldier, b. in Vermont, Dec., 1809; member of Legislature; colonel and, later, brigadier-general of volunteers in late war; lieutenant-governor of Vermont in 1867.

CHARLES THOMAS, soldier, b. in Pennsylvania in 1800; entered regular army in 1819; served in Mexican War and was promoted to coloneley; assistant quartermaster-general in 1856 and major-general in 1865; d. in Washington, 1878.

CYRUS THOMAS, b. in Tennessee, 1825; studied law and practiced, 1865; entered ministry of Lutheran Church same year. In 1869 joined scientific corps of Geological Survey; elected professor of natural sciences in Southern Illinois University in 1873; member of scientific societies and contributor of numerous papers on ethnology, entomology, etc.

JOHN J. THOMAS, b. in New York, 1810; agriculturist, horticulturist, and botanist; voluminous writer on all these subjects; associate editor of *Genesee Farmer*, *Country Gentleman*, and *Albany Cultivator*.

JOSEPH THOMAS, M.D., b. in New York in 1811; brother of latter; educated in Yale; professor of Latin and Greek in Haverford College, Pa.; author of "Gazetteer of the United States," "Medical Dictionary," and "Biographical Dictionary."

DAVID THOMAS, manufacturer, b. in Wales in 1794; came to United States in 1839, and engaged in iron manufacture in Pennsylvania and became the head of the largest anthracite blast-furnaces in the country. He was the first person in the world to employ powerful blowing engines in working of blast-furnaces; d. 1882.

GEORGE H. THOMAS, major-general, b. in Virginia in 1816; educated at West Point; served in Indian War in Florida, in Mexican War, and was the hero of many battles in the war of the Rebellion; d. and bur. at Troy N. Y., April, 1870.

HENRY GODDARD THOMAS, soldier, b. in Portland, Me., April, 1837; enlisted as private at outbreak of war of the Rebellion; rose to captain and colonel; organized and commanded first colored regiment put in service; brevetted brigadier- and major-general of volunteers for services during the war.

WILLIAM WIDGERY THOMAS, diplomatist, brother of the latter, b. in Portland, Me., Aug., 1839; graduated at Bowdoin College; studied law; vice-consul at Galatz, Moldavia, in 1862; United States Consul to Gottenburg, Sweden, to 1865; member of both houses of legislature of Maine; United States Minister to Sweden and Norway, 1883; re-appointed by President Harrison, 1889.

SIR GEORGE THOMAS, b. in England; governor of Pennsylvania from 1738 to 1747; afterward governor of Carribee Islands; d. in London in 1775.

JAMES THOMAS, M.D., governor of Maryland, b. March, 1785; graduated in medicine in 1807; member of State Senate, and governor 1833-6; d. Dec., 1845.

FRANCIS THOMAS, governor of Maryland, b. Feb., 1799; graduate of St. John's College; studied and practiced law; member of State Legislature and of Congress from 1831-41 and from 1861-69; elected governor in 1841; minister to Peru in 1872; killed by locomotive, while walking on the track, Jan., 1876.

PHILIP FRANCIS THOMAS, governor of Maryland, b. Sept., 1810; admitted to the bar in 1831; member of State Legislature in 1838; member of Congress, 1839; governor of Maryland 1848-51; Secretary of Treasury under Buchanan, following Howell Cobb, in 1860; d. Oct. 2, 1890.

JOHN THOMAS, M.D., b. in Plymouth, Mass., April,

1758; served as surgeon during whole of Revolutionary War; after the war, removed to Poughkeepsie, N. Y., where he d. in 1818; was distinguished as a physician and for his wit and social qualities.

ELISHA SMITH THOMAS, D.D., b. in Massachusetts, March, 1834; assistant bishop in P. E. Church for Kansas.

ROBERT HARPER THOMAS, journalist, b. in Philadelphia, Jan., 1834; editor of *Independent Journal*, Mechanicsburg, Pa.; commissioner from Pennsylvania to New Orleans Exhibition in 1884-5 and to exposition in London in 1887.

ROBERT BAILY THOMAS, editor, b. in West Boylston, Mass., in 1766; especially distinguished for his *Farmer's Almanac* (Boston, 1793 to present time), which from its popularity attained circulation of 225,000; d. May, 1844.

HENRY W. THOMAS, jurist, b. in Virginia, about 1812; was a leading lawyer of Northern Virginia for half a century; was a member of the commission that visited President Lincoln in 1861 with the view of averting hostilities; during the war was second auditor of the State; after the war he was a member of the Court of Conciliation; later, judge of Circuit Court, and still later lieutenant-governor; he d. Jan. 22, 1890.

THEODORE GAILLARD THOMAS, M.D., b. in South Carolina, Nov., 1831; distinguished specialist in diseases of women and author of standard medical works.

SETH THOMAS, clock-maker, b. in Connecticut, Dec., 1816; continued the business of his father (Seth Thomas, b. 1786, d. 1859); distributed his clocks to all parts of the world, including China and Japan; d. April, 1888.

ABEL C. THOMAS, b. in Pennsylvania, 1807; noted Universalist preacher and author of numerous controversial and other works; d. in 1880.

EDITH MATILDA THOMAS, author, b. in Chatham, O., Aug., 1854. She has been a large contributor of poetry to periodicals, and has published several volumes of poetry.

ISAIAH THOMAS, LL.D., printer, patriot, editor, author, philanthropist, b. in Boston, Mass., Jan. 19, 1749; published the *Massachusetts Spy*, started in Boston, 1770, and removed to Worcester a few days before the battle of Lexington, where it is still published; had a bookstore and publishing house in Boston; founded the Antiquarian Society of Worcester; published the *Massachusetts Magazine* and *New England Almanac*; author of "History of Printing," in two volumes; d. in Worcester, April 4, 1831.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN THOMAS, LL.D., jurist, grandson of Isaiah, b. in Boston, Feb. 12, 1813; studied law; member of the Legislature in 1842; presidential elector in 1848; he was Judge of Supreme Court of Massachusetts from 1853 to 1859; member of Congress in 1861; d. in Salem, Mass., Sept. 27, 1878.

EBENEZER SMITH THOMAS, journalist, nephew of Isaiah, with whom he learned printing, b. in Lancaster, Mass., Jan., 1780; settled in Charleston, N. C., in 1795; edited the *City Gazette* from 1810 to 1816, when he moved to Baltimore; member of Legislature in 1818; moved to Cincinnati, O., in 1829, where he edited the *Daily Advertiser* until 1835, and then the *Evening Post* till 1839; author of "Reminiscences of the Last Sixty Years, with Sketch of His Own Life and Times," two

volumes, and "Reminiscences of South Carolina," two volumes; d. in Cincinnati, Aug., 1844.

FREDERICK WILLIAM THOMAS, journalist, son of latter, b. in Charleston, S. C., in 1811; studied law in Baltimore; admitted to the bar in 1828; removed to Cincinnati in 1830, and assisted his father in editing the *Advertiser* and *Evening Post*; in 1850 entered the ministry of the M. E. Church; later, professor of rhetoric and literature in the University of Alabama; in 1860 took charge of the literary department of the *Richmond Inquirer*; was a successful lecturer, and took part in politics; was author of many magazine articles in prose and verse, and of several novels, and of sketches of prominent historical characters; d. in Washington, Sept., 1866.

LEWIS FOULKE THOMAS, poet, brother of latter, b. in Baltimore in 1815; studied law and assisted his brother in editorial work; he edited the *Daily Herald*, of Louisville, Ky.; was author of "Inda" and other poems, and of two tragedies, "Osceola" and "Cortez, the Conqueror;" d. in Washington, Sept., 1868.

MARTHA McCANNON THOMAS, author, sister of latter, b. in Maryland, Nov., 1823; author of "Life's Lessons," 1846, and "Captain Phil, a Story of the Civil War," 1882.

MARY VON EDEN THOMAS, author, sister of the latter, b. in Charleston, Dec., 1825; has been a computer in the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey in Washington, D. C., since 1854; author of a novel, "Winning the Battle."

JESSE BURGESS THOMAS, senator, b. in Hagerstown, Md., 1777; studied law and settled in Indiana in 1803;

member of the Territorial Legislature and Speaker of the House in 1805-8; delegate to Congress 1808-9; Judge of U. S. Court in 1809; was president of the convention that framed the State Constitution, 1818; elected U. S. Senator same year; in 1820 introduced the "Missouri Compromise" and secured its adoption; about 1840 moved to Mount Vernon, O., where he committed suicide.

JESSE BURGESS THOMAS, D.D., grand-nephew of the former, clergyman, b. in Illinois, July, 1832; studied theology in Rochester Theological Seminary; entered the Baptist ministry in 1862; pastor, at different times, of Baptist churches in Illinois, Brooklyn, N. Y., and San Francisco, Cal.; professor in Theological Seminary of Newton Centre, Mass., 1887.

The Thomas family has furnished four governors to States, besides many State legislators and members of Congress and one foreign minister. Two hundred and twenty-eight of this name are now members of the medical profession in the United States;\* about 100 are members of the bar,† and 152 are clergymen in different denominations.‡

It would appear that the members of the Thomas family in their church connections are largely Baptist. This fact may be attributed, partly at least, to the circumstance of their Welsh origin. The rigorous persecutions of the early Baptists in England drove many of them into Wales, where the doctrine took a strong hold upon the people, and where, from their isolated

\* Polk's Directory of the Physicians of the United States for 1889.

† Martindale's American Law Directory for 1888.

‡ Baptist clergymen, 65; Methodist, 47; Presbyterian, 17; Congregational, 15; Episcopalian, 8. These figures have been obtained from the several denominational year books.

position, they were less annoyed by persecution. Here Baptist churches began to spring up soon after the Reformation. Rev. William Thomas, educated at Oxford, organized a Baptist church at Llanfranches, and commenced to preach as early as 1631. Several Baptist clergymen of this name appeared soon after. Howell Thomas and Joshua Thomas commenced to preach in 1646, and Lewis Thomas in 1660. Between this date and the early part of the following century, appeared the names of Revs. David Thomas, Timothy Thomas, Griffith Thomas, John Thomas, Zecharias Thomas, George Thomas, and Morgan Thomas,—all Baptist clergymen. Rev. John Thomas came to America and settled in Pennsylvania early in the last century, and the Rev. David Thomas settled in Virginia in 1762.\*

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\* History of Welsh Baptists, by J. Davis.

## THE THOMAS FAMILY OF HARDWICK.

### TRADITIONAL HISTORY.

“——I trace thy tale  
To the dim past, where records fail.”

WHILE the parentage and early history of William Thomas of Hardwick cannot be authoritatively given, there are certain facts and traditions throwing much light upon the subject which must here receive full consideration.

The Rev. Lucius R. Paige, the historian of Hardwick, says, in a communication to the writer: “I feel there is a strong probability that William of Hardwick was the son of William of Newton.”

We are told in Jackson's “History of Newton, Mass.,” that a William Thomas settled in that town as early as 1687; but from whence he came or who were his parents no mention is made. From a deposition, dated Apr. 24, 1690, record of which was found in the court-house of Cambridge, William Thomas is described as 34 years old at that time; and, having d. in Dec., 1697, aged 41, he must have been b. in 1656. He m. for his 1st wife Elizabeth (date of mar. unknown), widow 1st of Mark Woods and 2d of —— Stratton. Thus it appears that she had been twice m. before she became Mrs. Thomas. To them a son, William, was b. Aug. 31, 1687.

A strong point in establishing the identity of William, Jr., of Newton and William of Hardwick is the correspondence in their ages. William of Hardwick

d. May 22, 1747, aged 60. This would have made the date of his birth in 1687,—the year of birth of William, Jr., of Newton. Then, again, the records of some thirty New England families of the name of Thomas, previous to 1692, found in Savage's "Genealogical Dictionary of New England," give no other William b. in that year.

Elizabeth, the wife of William Thomas of Newton, must have died previous to 1695, as in that year he m. his second wife, Ann Lovering, widow of Samuel Lovering, of Watertown, Mass., and by whom he had one child, Joanna, b. Oct. 28, 1697, and who d. in infancy.

The will of William Thomas, on record in Cambridge, bears the date of Dec. 13, 1697, the month in which he died. It provides that the whole of his estate should go to his wife during her life-time, after which his son William was to have the whole.

The records further show that on "Apr. 11, 1698, before Hon. James Russell, Esq., Thomas Prentice, Sr., and James Trowbridge, then appearing, satisfied the Judge of Probate, the said James Russell, Esq., that the widow, Ann Thomas, doth refuse to administer on her late husband's, William Thomas, estate, and also testified that there is but one child, a son of about 9 or 10 years of age, and that they judge there will be little or no estate left when the debts and necessary expenses are discharged. Whereupon Nathaniel Hancock was appointed guardian of William Thomas, son of William Thomas deceased."\*

Again, traditions in the family of Dr. William Thomas, of West Brookfield, Mass., a descendant of William of Hardwick, point unmistakably to a relationship between his family and that of Isaiah Thomas, LL.D., the patriot, printer, author, publisher, and philanthropist. It has

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\* Copy of above records was furnished by Rev. L. E. Paige, of Cambridge.

been handed down that there were prominent and wealthy relatives in Boston whom the doctor was accustomed to visit, and that these relations made annual visits during the hunting season to Brookfield. It was on the occasion of one of these visits of relatives that the site for the doctor's new home, erected in 1783, was suggested. (See sketch of Dr. William Thomas.) These traditions are common among all the descendants of Dr. William.

Finally, in Aug., 1890, the writer met Mrs. Pauline Gale, of Montvale, Mass., a granddaughter of Dr. William, aged 79, who related to him that she could distinctly remember, when a child, listening to the recital by Isaiah Thomas of the relationship of his family with hers. This occurred in the family of Samuel Beals Thomas, then keeper of the Exchange Hotel in Worcester, where Isaiah Thomas then resided. It has been impossible, however, to confirm these traditions by any authentic records.\*

Benjamin Franklin Thomas, in his memoir of his grandfather, Isaiah, tells us that it is a tradition of the family that Evan Thomas, who first came to Boston in 1635 as master of the ship "William and Francis," and in 1639 or 1640 brought his family over and settled in this place, was the progenitor of their family in America. Evan Thomas was a successful wine-merchant, and evidently did a profitable business in his line. He brought with him to Boston a wife and four children, and at least two more were born in this country. Evan d. Aug. 25,

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\* Mrs. Gale, in her recollections of Isaiah Thomas, says: "Isaiah Thomas was of a very decided disposition, and, like many others, fond of his own way. His opinions were always given promptly and to the point, an instance of which I recall. At the time we commenced the study of French at the finishing school of the Misses Earle, at Leicester, his granddaughter, who was also a member of the school, desired to join us in that study, and wrote to ask his consent. He replied, 'No; one tongue is enough for a woman.'"

1661, at what age is unknown. One of his sons, George, by his wife Rebecca, had three sons,—Peter, b. Feb. 1, 1682; George, b. March 6, 1685; and Maverick, b. March 19, 1694. Peter, the eldest son, m. Elizabeth Burroughs, a dau. of the Rev. George Burroughs, who, on Aug. 19, 1692, was hung at Salem as a witch. The only evidence of his guilt consisted in the fact that, though of rather small stature and frame, he had remarkable physical strength. The thorough research of Mr. Upton, however, leaves him, as a man and Christian minister, without stain or reproach.

Peter was a merchant, and successful in business. He had four sons,—George, Peter, Elias, and Moses.

Moses, the youngest, was at various times a soldier, mariner, trader, farmer, and school-teacher. He m. Fidelity Grant at Hamstead, L. I., where he was teaching school. Two children were b. there, and three more after their return to Boston. Not succeeding there in business, leaving his family in Boston, he went to North Carolina, where he d. in 1752.

Isaiah Thomas, LL.D., the youngest son of Moses and Fidelity, was b. in Boston, Jan. 19, 1749, five years after the birth of Dr. William, grandson of William of Hardwick, and with whom Isaiah claimed relationship.

The line of descent of Isaiah Thomas is, therefore, as follows: Evan, d. 1661; George, b. about 1640; Peter, b. 1682; Moses, b. 1712; Isaiah, b. 1749.

Accepting the tradition that the Thomas family of Hardwick was related to that of Isaiah, the problem then becomes: When traced back, where do the two families unite? The problem is in no way changed, nor the difficulty lessened or increased, by accepting at the same time the view of Mr. Paige, that William of Hardwick was the son of William of Newton.

By referring again to George, the son of Evan, we observe an interval of nine years between the births of his sons George and Maverick. It will be admitted that during that period—1685 to 1694—another son *might* have been b., and that son *might* have been William of Hardwick, b. 1687. In this case William of Newton is thrown out entirely. But it appears to us that the probabilities of William of Newton having been the father of William of Hardwick are too strong to be thrown aside. Accepting his right to a position in the line, then it would seem more probable that William of Newton was a brother of the first George and a son of Evan,—not an unreasonable supposition, as the latter is known to have had other children. This will be made more plain by placing the two families in parallel lines. Thus, on the first theory:—

b. 1600,	} Peter, <sup>3</sup> b. 1682; Moses, <sup>4</sup> b. 1712; Isaiah, <sup>5</sup> b. 1749.
Evan, <sup>1</sup> Geo., <sup>2</sup> b. 1640,	
d. 1661.	

This scheme leaves William of Newton out of consideration, and his son, William, b. the same year as William of Hardwick, unaccounted for. On this plan also the grandparents of Isaiah and Dr. William would have been brothers.

On the other hand, admitting the claims of William of Newton, then we have:—

b. 1600,	} George, <sup>2</sup> b. 1640; Peter, <sup>3</sup> b. 1682; Moses, <sup>4</sup> b. 1702; Isaiah, <sup>5</sup> b. 1749.
Evan, <sup>1</sup>	
d. 1661.	

In this case William of Hardwick and Peter would have been cousins instead of brothers, as in the former. In either case Evan Thomas would have been the progenitor of the families of both William of Hardwick and Isaiah Thomas. Should authentic records ever be discovered, we believe they will substantiate one or the other of these theories.

## THE THOMAS FAMILY OF HARDWICK.

### AUTHENTIC HISTORY.

#### FIRST GENERATION.

"That life is long which answers life's great end."—YOUNG.

WILLIAM THOMAS,<sup>1</sup> the progenitor of the family of Hardwick, accepting the claim of the previous chapter, was a son of William Thomas and grandson of Evan Thomas, who came from Wales in 1639 or '40, and was b. in Newton, Mass., Aug. 31, 1687. His father, William Thomas, having d. in 1697, when William, Jr., was about 11 years old, Nathaniel Hancock was appointed his guardian. Nothing is known of his history from that time until his settlement in Hardwick, some time previous to Dec., 1732, at which date he is known to have had a house erected and to have been living therein with his family. He is considered by Mr. Paige as one of the earliest, if not the very earliest, white inhabitant of Hardwick.

The town of Hardwick, Mass., was formed from a portion of a tract of land 8 by 12 miles square, purchased from the Indians in 1686 for the sum of £20. No effort was made to settle this tract for many years. In 1726 the heirs of the original proprietors petitioned the courts for a legal recognition of their claims. After five years' delay, in June, 1732, they succeeded in acquiring a title to a tract 6 miles square, including but about one-third of the original purchase. Immediately following this, inducements were offered by the proprietors for

settlers to enter, and as early as Dec. 13, 1732, William Thomas had erected a house and was living in the town.

In Dec., 1733, the proprietors and first settlers made a division among themselves by lot of certain tracts into which a portion of the town had been divided, William Thomas drawing 104 acres, located between the present villages of Gilbertville and Furnace. On this farm he lived until his death, in May, 1747.

The town thus formed was first known as Lambstown, from Joshua Lamb, one of the original purchasers from the Indians. Upon its incorporation, in 1738, the name was changed to Hardwick, in compliment to Lord Hardwick, an English nobleman.\*

William Thomas was at this time elected one of the first Board of Selectmen.

The first church in Hardwick was organized in 1736; but previous to that time, there being no public place of worship, the house of William Thomas was used for that purpose. On his farm, also, was located the first place of burial.† As this was only a private burial place for the family and probably a few of the earlier settlers, after the sale of the farm in 1749 and its passing out of the possession of the Thomas family, all trace of graves became gradually effaced and all knowledge of the matter became mere tradition. However, in 1871, during the construction of the Ware River Railroad, which passed through this farm, the original site of the grounds was discovered by the exposure of a number of skeletons, of both children and adults. The coffins of some of these were sufficiently preserved to show that

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\* Philip York Hardwick was born at Dover, England, Dec. 1, 1690. He was an eminent lawyer, and made Attorney-General in 1724. In 1733 he was made Chief Justice of the King's Bench, and Lord Chancellor in 1736.

† This place of burial was on a gravelly knoll, but a few rods to the southeast of the buildings, and was largely cut away in the excavations for the railroad.

they had been made of slabs or plank split out of logs, indicating that the burial had been made at a time when saw-mills and lumber were necessarily scarce. After due inspection by the town authorities, the remains were placed together in a box and re-buried in the same grounds.

William Thomas was undoubtedly bur. in these grounds, and his remains, very likely, were included in those exhumed at this time.\*

William Thomas m. 1st Patience. Date of mar. unknown, but probably not later than the early part of 1707, and before he was 21. But one of his children—Israel, the youngest—could have been b. in Hardwick, as Mary, next to the youngest, was b. in 1731, the year before he is supposed to have come to the latter place. Patience, his wife, d. Oct., 1746, and he m. 2d Susanna Stow, published April 11, 1747.†

At his death, William Thomas, for those times, left a comparatively large estate, as indicated by the following documents, found on record at the court-house at Worcester‡:—

WORCESTER, July 7, 1747.

Amos Thomas, Administrator, presented an appraisement, and made oath that it contained a full inventory of the estate of William Thomas, late of Hardwick, so far as hath come to his knowledge; and, if anything more should appear, he will add the same.

Sworn before

J. CHANDLER,

*Judge of Probate.*

\* Mrs. Moses Smith, the present owner, and for many years resident on this place, relates that, in 1844, upon tearing down the chimney of a house that was burned on the place in 1810, in removing a flat stone, forming a portion of the kitchen-hearth, the under side revealed the initial letters, W. T., cut in the stone. It is quite probable that this stone was from the old graveyard, and, very possibly, from the grave of William Thomas.

† Mr. Paige says that, as he died May 22, 1747, the marriage was probably not consummated; but good evidence that it was is found in the fact that his son Amos, in his bill of charges for settling the estate, enters the following:—“To cash paid to E. G. Whitman for taking the acknowledgement of my mother’s quit claim, 4s.”

‡ These documents were copied from records on file at the court-house in Worcester by Mrs. Hattie E. Knowlton, of Westboro, Mass.

This inventory, as recorded, runs as follows:—

A true inventory of all and singular, the goods, chattels, and credits of William Thomas of Hardwick, aforesaid, June 19, 1747, made by Messrs. Joseph Allen, Constant Merrick, and Jonathan Warner, as follows:—

IMPRINTS.	£	s.	d.
To his wearing-apparel . . . . .	14	08	00
" Beds and bedding . . . . .	24	17	00
" Cloth and yarn . . . . .	11	04	09
" Powder and lead . . . . .		14	00
" Gunpowder-horns and belts . . . . .	06	10	00
" Sickle . . . . .		01	00
" Razor, brass warming-pan, and kettle . . . . .	9	15	00
" Iron ware, cart-wheels, and tire . . . . .	18	16	00
" Spectacles, 5s., horn combs, 2s. 6d. . . . .		07	06
" Foot-wheel . . . . .		15	00
" Wooden ware . . . . .	1	14	00
" Pewter . . . . .	2	01	00
" Flax . . . . .	2	14	00
" Sheep's wool . . . . .	11	01	00
" Hetched tow . . . . .		08	00
" Live-stock . . . . .	84	03	00
" Sundry books . . . . .	2	02	00
" Saddle and bridle . . . . .	3	14	00
" Knives and forks . . . . .		18	00
" Grain and meal . . . . .	6	18	03
" Plow and irons . . . . .	3	10	00
" Bags . . . . .		04	00
" Geese-feathers . . . . .	5	12	06
" Wool-cards . . . . .		03	00
" House and homestead . . . . .	1400	00	00
Total . . . . .	£1606	01	00

JOSEPH ALLEN,  
CONSTANT MERRICK, } Appraisers.  
JONATHAN WARNER, }

This appraisement of the real estate was evidently not satisfactory to Amos, the eldest son and administrator, who desired to arrange with the rest of the heirs and become possessor of the farm; and, as £1400 would be at the rate of about \$70 per acre, this was certainly a high valuation for the rough and stony hills of Hardwick at that early day. In evidence of this dissatisfaction, we find on record that by a decree of court a new

appraisement was ordered, the<sup>1</sup> same to be made by "Benjamin Ruggles and Samuel Robinson, *gentlemen*; and Christopher Paige, Joseph Warner, and Samuel Whitcomb, *yeomen*." This decree bears date of "Feb. 9th, in the 22d year of His Majesty's reign, A.D. 1748."

On the 15th of Feb. following, these "*gentlemen*" and "*yeomen*" re-appraised the real estate at £425, being at the rate of about \$21 per acre. On the 19th of Apr., 1748, the same "made oath to the just and impartial appraisement of the real estate of William Thomas, late of Hardwick, deceased," before Josiah Converse, Justice of Peace. The recorded deed given to Amos Thomas recites, as a condition, that he should pay to each of the heirs the sum of £42 10s.

In the absence of other sources of information, from this inventory and from the few facts given us by Mr. Paige, we may make a reasonable estimate of the character of William Thomas. From his position on the Board of Selectmen, with the circumstance of his house having been for four years a place of public worship, we may conclude that he was a man of position and influence in the town. He was manifestly a man of energy, industry, and thrift. The shiftless, careless farmer of those times, with so large a family, could scarcely have accumulated what this inventory reveals. He was evidently well clad, and the £24 17s. in beds and bedding, with the *brass warming-pan*, are suggestive items in the list of household goods.

Had we been given the titles of the volumes contained in the item of "sundry books," it would have made an interesting revelation of the character of his reading. We may imagine the collection to have included, in addition to the Bible and Psalm-book, a copy, perhaps, of "Pilgrim's Progress," Foxe's "Book of Martyrs," and

possibly some of the works of Increase and Cotton Mather on "Witchcraft," which were published during his day. Of works of fiction, there were at that time practically none, as both Richardson and Fielding, the earliest English novelists, did not commence to publish until about the time of or after the death of William Thomas. Of newspapers, also, those potent factors in the education of the people of the present day, he could have seen but very little.\*

It is not, however, reading alone that forms the character and develops the man; and, whatever may have been the scholastic training of William Thomas, his courage in seeking a home for himself and family in the primeval forest, scarcely yet forsaken by the treacherous savage;† his overcoming the numerous obstacles of the pioneer in an unbroken wilderness, and his success in surrounding himself and family with so many of the comforts as well as the essentials of life, evinces an amount of self-reliance, of enterprise and force of character that would have been but little aided by the study of algebraic equations or the construction of dead languages.

The life of William Thomas commenced far back in the early history of this country. He was born (1687)

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\* The first newspaper in America, *The Boston News Letter*, did not appear until 1704, and, at the time of William Thomas's death, in 1747, but six were in existence in the entire country: *The Boston Gazette*, started in 1719; *The Pennsylvania Gazette*, Philadelphia, 1729, by Benjamin Franklin; *The Evening Post*, Boston, 1731; *The Weekly Journal*, N. Y., 1733; *The Virginia Gazette*, 1736, and *The Maryland Gazette*, 1745.—History of Printing, by Isaiah Thomas.

† The last molestation of the whites in that section of the country by the Indians occurred near Hardwick, about 1731 or 1732. Captain Warner had incurred the displeasure of an Indian. One day, while in the forest with his musket, he discovered this Indian, who, with his gun in hand, stepped behind a tree. The captain dropped behind a log, and, resorting to a common stratagem, placed his hat on a stick and cautiously raised it above the log as if to reconnoitre. Almost instantly a bullet passed through it. Springing to his feet, the Indian was seen rushing forward with scalping-knife in hand; but his race was soon ended, and his body consigned to a pond near by.—Paige's History of Hardwick.

during the reign of William and Mary, sovereigns of England, and his life extended through the reign of Queen Ann and twenty-two years into the reign of George I. Milton died but a few years before his birth, and John Bunyan the year following. He was contemporary with Cowper, Dryden, Pope, Sir Isaac Newton, Steele, Addison, Fielding, and Smollett,—that galaxy of literary worthies that distinguished the reign of Queen Ann. Franklin, Washington, Lafayette, Samuel Johnson, and Oliver Goldsmith were not born until many years after William Thomas. Indeed, he was old enough to have been the father of each of these, and might have been the grandfather of Napoleon Bonaparte. New York City was but a small village, and had just passed from the control of the Dutch to that of the English. Philadelphia was but six years old at his birth, and, with the exception of a few scattering settlements along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts, our whole country was one unbroken wilderness.

It is a curious and interesting fact that, notwithstanding this long lapse of time, one intervening personal link connected William Thomas of the dead past with the living present; Amos Thomas,<sup>3</sup> “the Patriarch,” many of the grandchildren of whom are still living and who remember him well, had seen William, *his* grandfather, thus uniting that distant point with the present,—a period of over two hundred years.

William Thomas<sup>1</sup> d. May 22, 1747. He had ten children—five sons and five daughters:—

2. AMOS THOMAS, b. 1707; m. Abigail ———; d. July 31, 1754, and had issue.
3. ZERVIAH THOMAS, b. 1709; m. 1st Samuel Marsh, 2d Isaiah Pratt, and had issue.
4. TEMPERANCE THOMAS, b. ———; m. Edmund Jordan Mar. 12, 1734, and had issue.

5. HANNAH THOMAS, b. —; m. Josiah Glazier Nov. 8, 1733, and had issue.
6. ELIZABETH THOMAS, b. —; m. Edmund Grover; nfr.
7. DANIEL THOMAS, b. —.
8. NATHAN THOMAS, b. —; m. Hepzibah — and had issue.
9. AARON THOMAS, b. 1728; m. Elizabeth Marvill Jan. 27, 1749 or '50; nfr.
10. MARY THOMAS, b. Mar. 3, 1731; probably d. young.
11. ISRAEL THOMAS, b. Aug. 17, 1735; d. at Dana, Mass., 1821, aged 86, and had issue.

## SECOND GENERATION.

“——All that tread  
The globe are but a handful to the tribes  
That slumber in its bosom.”—BRYANT.

2. AMOS THOMAS<sup>2</sup> (son of William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in 1707. Place of birth unknown. He probably came to Hardwick with his father, William Thomas, in 1732 or soon after. He m. Abigail —— about 1736. He was made administrator of his father's estate at his death in 1747, and, having paid the other heirs each £42 10s., the old homestead came into his possession in 1748. In the following year, however, he sold this place. He lived on a farm about half a mile south of his father's place on the road to Gilbertville, where he d. July 31, 1754, aged 47. He was probably buried on the old homestead, and his remains disinterred with those of others in 1871 in the construction of the Ware River Railroad.

He had ten children:—

12. ELIZABETH THOMAS, b. July 4, 1738.
13. WILLIAM THOMAS, b. Sept. 18, 1739; d. young. \*
14. ABIGAIL THOMAS, b. Mar. 3, 1741; m. Major Samuel Beals July 31, 1767. He was Deputy Quartermaster-General in General Warren's division in 1787, with the rank of Major. He adopted Beals Thomas, a nephew of his wife and son of Amos,<sup>3</sup> who inherited the greater part of his estate. She d. May 6, 1813, aged 72. He d. Nov. 21, 1827, aged 81, having m. a second time. No issue.
15. OLIVE THOMAS, b. Dec. 1, 1742; d. young.
16. WILLIAM THOMAS, M.D., b. Aug. 6, 1743; m. Abiel Collins; d. Mar. 2, 1805, and had nine children.
17. AMOS THOMAS, b. Apr. 6, 1746; m. Eunice Bangs; d. Apr. 29, 1831, aged 85, and had fifteen children.
18. JOSEPH THOMAS, b. May 24, 1748; m. Mary Billings Mar. 17, 1774; d. Mar. 9, 1841, aged 93; had five children.
19. DANIEL THOMAS, b. May 5, 1750; m. Mercy Bartlett ——; d. after 1824; had seven children.
20. MERCY THOMAS, b. Apr. 6, 1752; m. Luke Bonney Nov. 5, 1772; nfr.
21. ISAAC THOMAS, b. July 13, 1754; d. Dec. 18, 1755.

3. ZERVIAH THOMAS<sup>2</sup> (dau. of William<sup>1</sup>) was b. 1709. She m. 1st Samuel Marsh, son of Samuel Marsh and Mary Trumbull, Jan. 18, 1731-32.

They had nine children :—

22. EUNICE MARSH, b. Jan. 15, 1733; d. young; probably the first white child b. in Hardwick.
23. AMOS MARSH, b. Nov. 15, 1733; m. Beulah Leonard, probably July 16, 1757, and had two children.
24. MARY MARSH, b. June 13, 1735; m. Solomon Emmons Jan. 31, 1754; nfr.
25. EUNICE MARSH, b. Nov. 20, 1737.
26. PATIENCE MARSH, b. July 20, 1740; m. Henry Gilbert Apr. 5, 1764; nfr.
27. THANKFUL and
28. SUBMIT MARSH (twins), b. Feb. 1, 1741.
29. MIRIAM MARSH, b. Jan. 18, 1743.
30. SAMUEL MARSH, b. Feb. 18, 1744.

Samuel Marsh, the father, d. in 1745, and his wife Zerviah m. 2d Isaiah Pratt Mar. 2, 1746. He was a soldier in the French War, and d. while in service, Oct. 20, 1756. His wife d. April 18, 1798, aged 89.

They had two children :—

31. BATHSHEBA PRATT, b. Jan. 30, 1747.
32. TEMPERANCE PRATT, b. Aug. 7, 1750; d. unm. Dec. 17, 1814.

4. TEMPERANCE THOMAS<sup>2</sup> (dau. of William<sup>1</sup>), date of birth unknown; m. Edmund Jordan, Mar. 12, 1734, who was a corporal in the army in the French War, and d. while on a campaign, Nov. 18, 1756, aged 45.

They had eight children :—

33. ELIZABETH JORDAN, b. April 27, 1735; m. John Mellard, pub. April 19, 1761; nfr.
34. WILLIAM JORDAN, b. Dec. 13, 1737.
35. SUBMIT JORDAN, b. April 19, 1740; m. David Hastings, pub. July 22, 1746, and had issue.
36. MARY JORDAN, b. Dec. 23, 1743.
37. SARAH JORDAN, b. Aug. 13, 1746; d. Oct. 25, 1746.
38. SARAH JORDAN, b. July 24, 1748; d. unm. March 24, 1771.
39. ELEAZAR JORDAN, b. March 2, 1750.
40. MEITES (a son) JORDAN, b. May 1, 1752.

5. HANNAH THOMAS<sup>2</sup> (dau. of William<sup>1</sup>), date of birth

unknown; m. Isaiah Glazier Nov. 8, 1738, and d. Jan. 20, 1759.

They had ten children:—

41. THANKFUL GLAZIER (twin), b. Aug. 8, 1739; d. young.
42. SUBMIT GLAZIER (twin), b. Aug. 8, 1739; m. Elisha Gilbert, of Oakham, Nov. 26, 1768; nfr.
43. DAVID GLAZIER, b. March 1, 1741; m. Sarah Pratt, relict of Ezekiel Pratt, Feb. 6, 1766; had two children.
44. OLIVE GLAZIER, b. March 16, 1744.
45. JOSEPH and
46. BENJAMIN GLAZIER (twins), b. Jan. 31, 1745.
47. THANKFUL GLAZIER, b. March 10, 1747; m. Stephen Rice Oct. 23, 1770; nfr.
48. JONATHAN GLAZIER, b. May 13, 1751; m. Azubah Nye June 23, 1774;
49. WILLIAM GLAZIER, b. Sept. 1, 1753.
50. BENJAMIN GLAZIER, b. June 20, 1757.

8. NATHAN THOMAS<sup>2</sup> (son of William<sup>1</sup>) was b. —, and m. Hepziba —, 1741.

They had three children:—

52. MARY THOMAS, b. Jan. 11, 1743.
53. NATHAN THOMAS, b. Nov. 12, 1745.
54. PATIENCE THOMAS, b. Jan. 31, 1747.

11. ISRAEL THOMAS<sup>2</sup> (youngest son of William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., Aug. 7, 1735. At the death of his father in 1747, being a minor, Constant Merrick was appointed his guardian. May 9, 1751, his brother Amos was appointed in place of the former. Amos Thomas having d. in Aug. 1754, on petition of the boy, Nathaniel Whitcomb was appointed guardian. He removed to the town of Dana, Mass., where he d. Oct., 1821, aged 86. It is not known who he m., but he had at least two children b. in Dana:—

55. ISRAEL THOMAS, b. in 1797; m. Gracia Cobb, and had issue.
56. FANNY THOMAS, b. in 1801.

### THIRD GENERATION.

"Time is hastening on, and we  
What our fathers are shall be—  
Shadow-shapes of memory."—WHITTIER.

16. DR. WILLIAM THOMAS<sup>3</sup> (son of Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick Aug. 6, 1743. Of his early life nothing is known. His father having d. in 1754, he was left an orphan at 11 years of age, with two older sisters, and with four brothers and one sister younger. Having relations in Boston, it is very likely that he spent some time with these, and there, probably, studied his profession. At least, it is known that, after settling in Brookfield, he was accustomed to make visits to that city and to receive visits from relatives from the same place,—a circumstance much less likely to have occurred had he never lived in Boston. As there were no medical schools in New England at that early day, he, like all others entering the profession, must have served a term of pupilage with some physician, and would most naturally have sought one in the city of Boston.\*

Dr. Thomas was a man of marked ability, and his practice covered a radius of twenty miles from his home, giving him prominence among the successful men of his time and profession. In an epidemic of small-pox which occurred in Brookfield in 1776, on the 30th of September of that year, William Thomas and Jacob Kittridge were placed in charge of the same. He served in the Continental Army as surgeon in Colonel Keyes's regiment. He not only gave his time, but used his means also, to further

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\* The oldest medical school in the country—the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania—was opened in 1765. No William Thomas appears, however, among the list of graduates of the last century. The Medical Department of Harvard was organized in 1782.

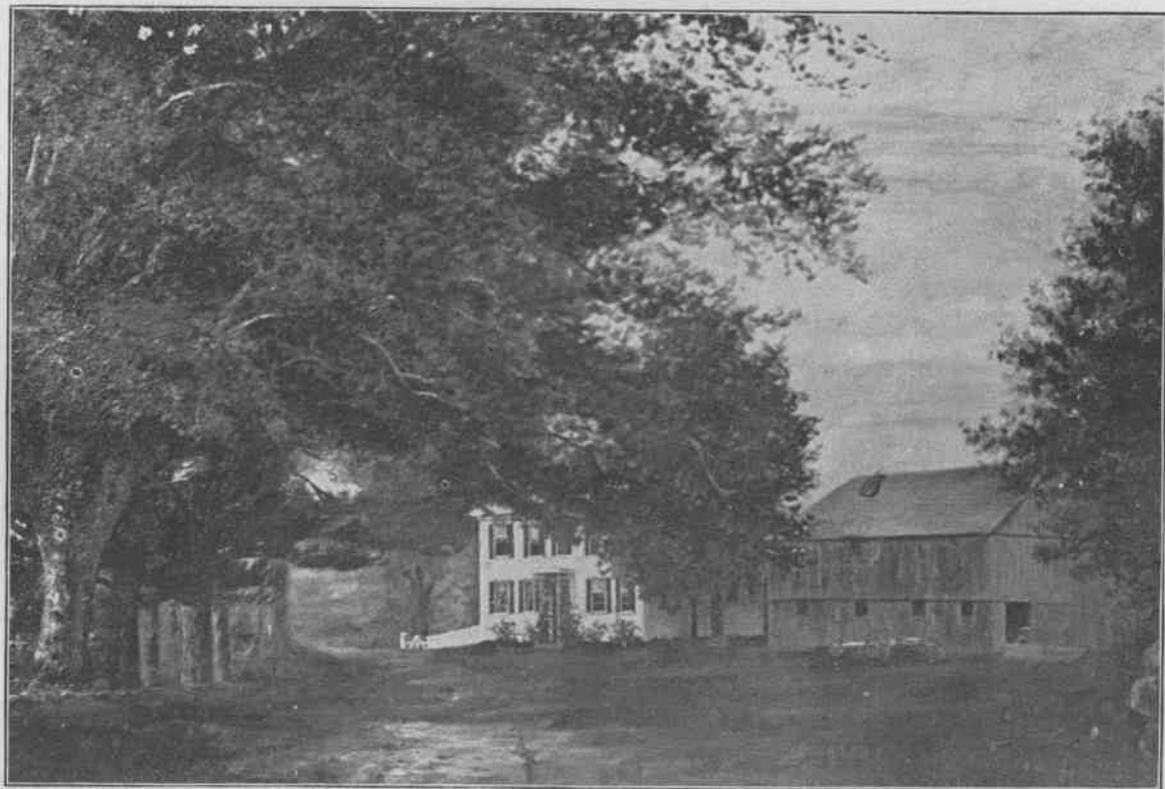
the cause he espoused, and, in consequence of the financial condition of the country, lost much of his property.

Aug. 23, 1765, when 22 years of age, he m. Abiel Collins, of Cape Cod. She was a woman of unusual ability and energy, and found time, besides attending to her family duties, to accompany her husband frequently and assist him in his professional work. She outlived the doctor twelve years, and after his death practiced medicine considerably among women and children. It was supposed that the disease which caused her death was produced by being so much in the saddle.

In a narrow valley, extending about three miles in a northwesterly and southeasterly direction between Coy's Hill and Ragged Hill, in the town of West Brookfield, stands the house, which for more than a century has been retained in the family, and has been a shelter and "city of refuge" for the descendants of William Thomas.

Very soon after the close of the Revolutionary struggle, Dr. William, impressed with the necessity of having a larger and permanent place, which would furnish a home and occupation for his family of active boys, began looking for a spot on which to locate his family hearthstone. After his marriage, and before the war, it appears that he lived on the plain of West Brookfield, where all of his children were b. and baptized, who were b. previous to 1777. At about the latter date they moved on to a small place on Coy's Hill, although he already owned a large tract of land in the valley.

The selection of a site for a home in the valley is related to have occurred in the following manner: A relative from the vicinity of Boston, who came annually to visit the doctor and hunt the game, which was then abundant, was attracted during his strolls by the beauty of a sunny spot, lying on a little eminence at the foot of



HOME OF DR. WILLIAM THOMAS, WEST BROOKFIELD, MASS.  
ERECTED IN 1783.



the hill, with a tiny sheet of water in front, and, calling the doctor's attention to the place, remarked: "There is the spot for your new home." Equally impressed with the possibilities of the place, the doctor adopted his relative's suggestion, and began to clear the land and build the house, which was first occupied as a family residence in 1783. Various improvements have since been made, as the needs of the family required or the gratification of their tastes suggested; but the original structure still stands, with its sunny windows looking southward and its roof shaded by the boughs of elms and maples planted by members of the family in different generations. Its hospitable doors are still quick to respond, as in all previous years of its existence, to the timid knock of the stranger and the needy, wayfaring man. The farm, however, has been changed by the sale of several tracts of land, sufficient for other smaller homesteads and the construction of a road through it, which was for many years the direct highway between Boston and Albany. The place still comprises 160 acres of hill and dale adjoining the house, and though rocky and rough, like most New England farms, it yet retains unchanged the beauty of location which first claimed the admiration of the sportsman.

After the death of the doctor the property was held by Argalus and Sylvanus, his two younger sons. About 1820 Argalus sold his interest to Sylvanus. At the death of the latter, in 1863, the title passed to Mandley Pierce, who m. Emily Thomas, dau. of Sylvanus, and by whom it is still held.

Dr. William Thomas d. March 2, 1805, aged 62. His wife d. Nov. 17, 1817, aged 76. His remains lie in the old cemetery at West Brookfield, and on the headstone of his grave is found the following:—

## THIS STONE

IS ERECTED TO THE BLESSED MEMORY OF

DR. WILLIAM THOMAS,

WHO DIED MARCH 2, 1805, IN HIS 62D YEAR.

HE WAS BORN IN HARDWICK, AND WAS IN THE PRACTICE  
OF PHYSIC UPWARDS OF 40 YEARS, TO THE SATIS-  
FACTION OF HIS EMPLOYEES, AND DIED  
LAMENTED BY NUMEROUS FRIENDS  
AND ACQUAINTANCES.

Within the sacred honors of the tomb,  
In awful silence and majestic gloom,  
The man of mercy here conceals his head,  
Amid the silent mansions of the dead.

No more his liberal hand shall help the poor,  
Relieve distress and scatter joy no more;  
While he from death did others seek to save,  
Death threw a dart and plunged him in the grave.

Dr. William Thomas had nine children,—seven sons  
and two daughters:—

57. NAAMAN THOMAS, b. Dec. 12, 1765; m. Sally Allen; d. Dec. 23, 1844, aged 79, and left issue.
58. CYNTHIA THOMAS, b. May 20, 1768; m. John Phipps; d. Oct. 12, 1823, aged 55, and had issue.
59. ARGALUS THOMAS, b. March 7, 1770; d. Oct. 13, 1776.
60. ORSAMUS THOMAS, b. May 18, 1772; m. Thankful Nickerson; d. Oct. 22, 1822, aged 50, and left issue.
61. SENECA THOMAS, b. Feb. 24, 1774; m. 1st Asenett Gibbs, 2d Hannah Gibbs; d. April 2, 1860, aged 86, and left issue.
62. WILLIAM THOMAS, b. May 2, 1775; m. Jerusha Rich Jan. 20, 1798; d. April 15, 1857, aged 82, and left issue.
63. RUTH THOMAS, b. May 25, 1777; m. Thomas Brown Cutler; d. Jan. 28, 1856, aged 79, and had issue.
64. ARGALUS THOMAS (Samuel Beals), b. Aug. 28, 1779; m. Sarah Kellogg; d. Aug. 21, 1840, aged 61, and had one child.
65. SYLVANUS THOMAS, b. Oct. 26, 1781; m. 1st Rachel Robinson, 2d Bertha Collins, 3d Sarah Dunbar; d. July 31, 1863, aged 82, and left issue.

17. AMOS THOMAS<sup>3</sup> (son of Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) I have de-  
nominated the *Patriarch* of the family, and his numer-  
ous progeny, with his great age at the time of his death,  
fairly entitles him to that designation. With 15 children,



AMOS THOMAS.



85 grandchildren, and not less than 250 great-grandchildren, he stands at the head of a family rarely equaled in size, and one seldom excelled in all the qualities essential for establishing a hardy, intelligent, and enduring race. He was b. in Hardwick April 6, 1746. On the 20th Dec., 1770, he m. Eunice Bangs, dau. of Adnah Bangs,\* who removed to Hardwick, in 1768, from Falmouth, Casco Bay. In 1774, soon after the birth of his third son, they removed from Hardwick to New Salem, Franklin County. Here he purchased a farm near the present village of North Prescott. All his remaining children, twelve in number, were born on this farm. In 1810 he sold this place (the recorded deed bears the date of Nov. 12, 1810) and purchased another about two miles away, a place since known as the "Poor Farm," it having been subsequently purchased by the town, and since then used for the benefit of the town's poor.

During the month of Aug., 1888, the writer made a trip to Prescott, in company with Judge E. A. Thomas, of Amherst, and A. O. Thomas, of Waltham, visiting, among other places, the old farm near North Prescott, now owned by Milo Abbott. The present dwelling is a large, double, two-story house, built probably thirty or forty years ago, and presenting a better appearance than the majority of farm-houses of the present day. In the rear, and forming a back-kitchen to the present house, stands a portion of the original building occupied by Amos Thomas, consisting of a single large room with low ceiling, and a wood-shed,—all in excellent condition.

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\* The mother of Eunice Bangs lived to the age of nearly 104 years. On the anniversary of her 100th birthday, a sermon for the occasion was preached in the church of which she was a member. Her hearing being much impaired, she took a seat, with her son, in the pulpit, that she might hear the sermon. It is related that when 100 years old she could spin a day's work. She died in Wilmington, Vt.

Evidences of the antiquity of this portion of the building were seen most notably in the heavy outside door, with massive hand-made wrought-iron hinges, thumb-latch, and handle.

This room was undoubtedly the common living-room of the family. It is not likely, however, that the whole fifteen children were often here assembled, as some of the older children left home before the younger came on the stage. Isaac, the oldest, was m. about the time



VIEW OF THE HOME OF ANOS, THE "PATRIARCH," FROM 1774 TO 1810, AND BIRTHPLACE OF TWELVE OF HIS FIFTEEN CHILDREN.

of the birth of Alpheus, the youngest. Nathaniel and Beals both left home some time before the birth of the younger children, the former to live with his grandparents (Bangs) in Vermont, and the latter to live with his uncle, Major Samuel Beals of Hardwick, by whom he was adopted. Still, the family must always have been large, and when assembled around the family-table must have presented a spectacle rarely seen at the present day.

The house and farm-buildings stand at the foot of a hill, at the junction of two roads and upon the banks of a small stream, which shows evidence in the ruined dam and old shop of having at one time afforded power for running some kind of machinery. The view from the house up and down the stream, and across the valley to the Pelham Hills in the distance, is not only interesting but quite picturesque. About 100 rods southwest of the house—

"Beside yon straggling fence that skirts the way,"



THE SAME FROM THE EAST, LOOKING TO THE WEST, PELHAM'S HILLS IN THE DISTANCE.

stands the old school-house where the children of the Patriarch acquired at least the rudiments of their education. The heavy frame of the building has stood the wear of over 100 years. The roof and weather-boarding have been, perhaps, more than once renewed, while the floor at the present time is composed of four thicknesses of boards, each renewal having been placed over that previously in position.

Here were spent the youthful days of our fathers. With the landscape and surrounding objects, so new to

us, they were once familiar. Upon the boulders in the adjoining fields and in the water of the passing stream they had often played. From the well in the yard they had quenched their thirst, and their hands had often grasped the same iron door-handle that we were now permitted to touch. But their voices and footsteps are heard no more. They have acted their parts and passed off the stage. Others now fill their places, and the drama of life still moves on.

Upon a naturally terraced portion of the hillside east of the house is the burying-ground, where were found not only the graves of our grandparents, but those of several members of the family. Upon the headstone of Amos, the Patriarch, in addition to the usual inscription, were found the following lines:—

“Here in the ground my body lies,  
Till Christ the Lord shall bid it rise;  
Then shall it leave this mortal dust,  
And sing in Glory with the just.”

Amos Thomas was an earnest and active member of the Baptist Church of New Salem. The church was organized in 1771, three years before he settled in the place, and for more than half a century was large and prosperous, being the only church in the town.\* After the organization of the Methodist and Congregational Churches, however, the Baptist Church gradually declined, and has now for some years been extinct.

During the visit above referred to, Judge Thomas secured the records of the old church, an examination of which brought to light many interesting facts. It would appear from these that this church, like many others in those early days, was not exempt from difficulties grow-

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\* At a sale of church-pews, held Feb. 15, 1786, pew No. 1 was sold to Amos Thomas for £8 6s, being nearly £2 more than was paid for any other pew.—Church Records.

ing out of conflicting interests, doctrinal disputes, neighborhood gossip, etc., and that the Thomas family came in for their full share of these experiences.

The first indication of difficulty appears under date of Sept. 25, 1807, when, at a church-meeting, Amos and Eunice Thomas, and their son, Heman Thomas,—who, it would seem, had some difficulty with Elder Davis, the nature of which does not appear,—were called upon “to support their accusations, or dismiss the same and travel with the church.” After some consideration of the subject, the records state, “The Lord (as we trust) drew near and melted our hearts into contrition, and all confessed their faults one to another with weeping, and a spirit of forgiveness seemed to run through the whole body.” At this meeting Amos and Heman Thomas were liberated from an admonition under which they were laid by a vote of the church, 16th June, 1807.

Again, Oct. 14, 1809, at a church-meeting held at the house of Amos Thomas, it was “voted not to receive into the church, as a matter of labor, allegations brought against Amos Thomas by sister Sampson.” What these allegations were does not appear in the records. Notwithstanding this action, in May, 1810, a committee was appointed to “converse with brother Amos Thomas” upon this same difficulty. The trouble, it appears, was not adjusted, and Amos Thomas discontinued his walk with the church. In Nov. of the same year, a letter of admonition was sent to him, urging his return to the fellowship of the church. Feeling, evidently, that he was right in the position he had taken, he declined to heed the admonition and refused to resume his church relations. On Jan. 17, 1811, it was “voted that a letter of excommunication be sent to brother Amos Thomas.” A copy of this letter was found in the records. It alludes

in general terms only to the trouble with Elder Davis and sister Sampson, and alleges that, as he was disposed to continue "in a course of non-subjection to the body, it is our indispensable duty to exclude you from our fellowship. Signed: Tristram Aldrich, Clerk."

From this time until 1821, a period of ten years, Amos Thomas had no church connections. On July 1, 1821, it was voted at a church-meeting that he be re-instated unconditionally. This, it seems, was not satisfactory to him, and at a subsequent meeting the vote was reconsidered and the resolution so modified as to admit that the church in its original action had done him injustice. A vote was taken upon this, and Amos Thomas "was cheerfully taken back into the church in full fellowship."\*

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\* The following additional extracts from these records may be of interest to many members of the family at the present day:—

April 18, 1811. Isaac Thomas chosen one of committee on church business. (First appearance of his name.)

Thursday, Nov. 28, 1811. Committee chosen to visit sister Eunice Thomas, on account of her not walking with the church.

March 22, 1817. Committee appointed to inquire into reports against sister Eunice Bigelow (formerly Eunice Thomas).

Sept., 1818. Voted to invite brethren from other churches to discuss the case of sister Bigelow.

Aug. 19, 1819. Voted to receive sister Bigelow into fellowship, believing we had no sufficient evidence to proceed in laboring with her.

Aug. 23, 1821. Isaac Thomas chosen deacon.

Sunday, Jan. 27, 1822. Ellis Thayer (m. Eunice Thomas, dau. of Nathaniel) was admitted to church by baptism.

July 30, 1826. Eunice Thayer joined the church.

Nov. 11, 1827. Received sister Lydia Ann Thomas, by baptism.

May 1, 1830. Received Hannah Thomas and Mary Thomas, by baptism.

Aug. 28, 1831. Received Martin Thomas and Stillman Thomas, by baptism.

March 27, 1833. Voted to build a new meeting-house. Chose Alpheus Thomas clerk.

April 8, 1834. Met and sold the pews of the new church. Isaac Thomas bought two; Winslow Packard, one; Ellis Thayer, two; Ardon Thomas, one; Heman Thomas, one; Alpheus Thomas, two.

Oct. 24, 1835. Ellis Thayer chosen one of the deacons of the church.

Sept. 29, 1836. Received Winslow Packard, Samantha Thomas, and Caroline Bigelow, by baptism.

Of the fifteen children of Amos Thomas but two d. in early life,—one in infancy and one at the age of 19. Thirteen—nine sons and four daughters—lived to marry and have children. Inheriting vigorous constitutions, they lived to remarkable ages. Several became octogenarians. The average age of the thirteen that married was 72, and their combined ages amounted to 945 years.

While Amos Thomas may not have left fortunes to his children nor been able to have secured them many of the advantages of the young of the present day, he was enabled to transmit to each what was, perhaps, of more value, viz., *mens sana in corpore sano*, and such a regard for honor and principle as to have enabled them to become useful members of society and to win the confidence and respect of the communities in which they lived. Of his nine sons all were at some period engaged in agricultural pursuits. Some acquired trades which they pursued in connection with farming. Thus, Amos

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Sept. 2, 1837. Martin Thomas chosen clerk. —

May 21, 1840. Voted letter to sister Lucy Thomas, recommending her to First Baptist Church, in Wilmington, Vt.

July 3, 1842. Received Electa Bigelow, by baptism.

Nov. 27, 1842. Gave letter of dismissal to Amos Thomas (son of Nathaniel), and recommendation to Baptist Church in Wilmington, Vt.

Dec. 24, 1842. Received Henry Thomas, he having been baptized in State of New York.

Dec. 25, 1842. Received Hannah Thomas, by baptism.

June 18, 1843. Received by baptism Ardon Thomas, Sarepta Thomas, and Sarepta R. Thomas.

Jan. 21, 1844. Voted letter to sister Mary Bailey (formerly Bigelow).

March 3, 1844. Received Sylvia A. Thayer, by baptism.

Aug. 24, 1844. Voted letter to Ardon Thomas.

Sept. 10, 1846. Heard report of committee appointed to visit sisters Bigelow and Parkhurst, which was that the report was not sustained.

Saturday, —, 1847. Voted letters to Ardon Thomas, his wife, Sarepta, and daughter, Sarepta R., to church in Burre.

April 21, 1847. Voted letter of dismissal to Ann Thomas.

Nov. 5, 1847. Voted letters to Eunice Bigelow and her daughters, Carolina Kenney and Electa Bigelow, to Baptist Church in Wendell.

April 6, 1848. Voted letters to Stillman Thomas and Hannah Thomas.

was a shoemaker, David and Azariah were carpenters. The younger sons, Ardon and Alpheus, enjoying, perhaps, better educational advantages than the elder brothers, were for several years school-teachers. Later in life they engaged successfully in mercantile pursuits, while Heman became a cattle dealer and drover.

Amos Thomas, the Patriarch, formed a connecting-link between the early history of this country and the present time. With one hand he could grasp, as it were, the early pioneers of our country and with the other reach down to those of the present time. Many of his grandchildren still living remember him distinctly, and from him have heard the interesting and exciting story of events leading to the war of the Revolution, while he at the same time could repeat to them, as related to him by his father and grandfather, the events of the French and Indian Wars.

The marvelous development of our country since 1746, the increase of population from probably less than 1,000,000 to over 60,000,000 at the present time, the wonderful accomplishments of steam and electricity, with the almost endless discoveries and inventions calculated to benefit and improve the condition of mankind, are scarcely less astonishing to us than they would have been to Amos, the Patriarch, could the veil have been lifted and he been permitted to view the condition of things at the present time.

Amos Thomas was manifestly a man of strong will and indomitable purpose, persistent in his opinions on all questions of right and wrong, and not easily diverted by the views of either individuals or church from what he may have considered the right,—traits of character more or less conspicuous in many of his numerous descendants.

Amos Thomas d. at the house of his daughter, Eunice

Bigelow, with whom he lived for some years, on April 29, 1831, aged 85 years. His wife, Eunice, d. June 26, 1880, aged 78.

They had fifteen children,—nine sons and six daughters:—

66. ISAAC THOMAS, b. July 13, 1771; m. 1st Patience Pearce, 2d Martha Whipple; d. April 19, 1842, aged 71; had eleven children.
67. NATHANIEL THOMAS, b. Feb. 13, 1773; m. Hannah Cummings; d. Dec. 8, 1851, aged 78; had eight children.
68. AMOS THOMAS, b. Oct. 24, 1774; m. 1st Sally Hudson, 2d Mrs. Patty Miller (Jones); d. July 29, 1853, aged 79; had eight children.
69. ABIGAIL THOMAS, b. March 13, 1776; m. Nathan Bangs; d. Sept. 11, 1862, aged 86; had seven children.
70. EUNICE THOMAS, b. Feb. 11, 1778; m. Artemus Bigelow; d. April 8, 1852, aged 74; had four children.
71. DAVID THOMAS, b. Oct. 24, 1779; m. Mary Kinney; d. May 22, 1865, aged 86; had eleven children.
72. BEALS THOMAS, b. June 29, 1781; m. 1st Nancy Bigelow, 2d Dolly Washburn, 3d Sarah Weston Gorham; d. Aug. 24, 1854, aged 73; had five children.
73. AZARIAH THOMAS, b. Dec. 15, 1782; m. Sarah Avery; d. Sept. 14, 1831, aged 49; had eight children.
74. HEMAN THOMAS, b. June 21, 1785; m. Anna Martin; d. June 29, 1843, aged 58; had four children.
75. MARY THOMAS, b. Aug. 9, 1786; m. James Ludden; d. Nov. 9, 1840, aged 54; had four children.
76. RHODA THOMAS, b. Dec. 29, 1788; d. July 25, 1789.
77. RHODA THOMAS 2d, b. Dec. 22, 1790; m. Benj. Phillips; d. Oct. 21, 1865, aged 75; had four children.
78. ARDON THOMAS, b. Sept. 24, 1793; m. Sarepta Holmes; d. Nov. 4, 1874, aged 81; had five children.
79. RHODA THOMAS, b. Aug. 7, 1795; d. Sept. 1, 1814, aged 19; unm.
80. ALPHEUS THOMAS, b. April 2, 1797; m. Electa Bangs; d. May 17, 1879, aged 82; had seven children.

18. JOSEPH THOMAS<sup>3</sup> (son of Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., May 24, 1748; m. Mary Billings (b. Oct. 1, 1754, daughter of Elisha Billings and Dorothy Billings) March 17, 1774. Joseph Thomas did service in the war of the Revolution. He is described in the muster-roll (1779) as 31 years old, 5 feet 8 inches high, and of dark complexion. In what campaign or how long he served is unknown. In February, 1806,

he removed to Hardwick, Vt., where he died March 9, 1841, aged 93. His wife, Mary, died September 11, 1819, aged 65. He was a farmer, as were his sons.

They had ten children:—

81. ISAAC THOMAS, b. Dec. 20, —; d. Feb. 23, 1778.
82. POLLY THOMAS, b. Oct. 9, —.
83. ISAAC THOMAS 2d, b. July 2, —; m. Cynthia Washburne Nov. 27, 1805; mfr.
84. SARRA THOMAS, b. Aug. 29, 1780; m. Levi Goodrich Nov. 27, 1803; d. May 28, 1856.
85. JOSEPH THOMAS, b. —; went into western States early in the century, and has not been heard from since.
86. SUSAN THOMAS, b. —; m. Jesse Goodrich; had twelve children.
87. DOLLY THOMAS, b. —, 1785; m. 1st Jonathan French, 2d Daniel French; two children; d. Sept. 16, 1871, aged 86.
88. DIANTHA THOMAS, b. —, 1778; d. May 22, 1838; nm.
89. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN THOMAS, b. —, 1791; m. Ella Curtis; d. Oct. 3, 1858, aged 67; had eight children.
90. ELISHA BILLINGS THOMAS, b. June 1, 1792; m. Temperance Lucas, d. Jan. 31, 1874, aged 82; left issue.

19. DANIEL THOMAS<sup>3</sup> (son of Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was born in Hardwick, Mass., May 5, 1750. Daniel Thomas enlisted in the army immediately after the battle of Lexington (April 19, 1775), to serve for eight months from May 4, 1775. He was at this time 25 years old. He enlisted a second time in August, 1777, and with his company marched for Bennington, Vt. Before their arrival, Gen. Burgoyne had been defeated by Gen. Stark, when his company returned home. Daniel Thomas was somewhat noted as a practical joker. Some of his pranks have been handed down to the present day. The Rev. Lucius R. Paige, of Cambridge, a native of Hardwick (born March 8, 1802), remembers Daniel Thomas well, and related to the writer the following story: At one time Daniel Thomas lived with his brother-in-law, Maj. Samuel Beals. The latter offered to wager that he could wear a pair of shoes longer than Daniel. The wager was taken, and both got a pair of new shoes the same day.

The major one day going from home left his new shoes behind. Daniel, putting them on, went down into the field away from the house and spent the day dancing on a flat rock. The major's shoes wore out first, much to his surprise and disgust, and Daniel won the wager.

Another story handed down in the family is to the effect that on one occasion Daniel was at the house of a neighbor. A daughter was making a hasty pudding over the fire. After salting and stirring the pudding carefully, she left the room. Soon the mother came in, commenced to stir the pudding, and inquired if Mary had salted it. Daniel said "No, I think not." The mother then gave it a dose of salt and left the room. The grandmother next came in and "wondered if the pudding had been salted." Daniel was sure it had not. After giving it a third salting she retired, leaving Daniel alone. To make sure the pudding was sufficiently seasoned, he now gave it a fourth handful of salt, but did not remain to learn what was thought of it when served at the meal.

He m. Mercy Bartlett, who died April 24, 1824. Daniel died not many years later (about 1827).

They had seven children:—

91. SAMUEL BEALS THOMAS, b. Feb. 2, 1771.

92. BETTY THOMAS, b. Sept. 9, 1772.

93. PERTHENIA THOMAS, b. May 31, 1774; m. Joseph Crowell Oct. 24, 1793; had eight children.

94. DANIEL THOMAS, b. Jan. 23, 1776; m. Mary Ruggles Sept. 3, 1796; mfr.

95. LUCINDA THOMAS, b. —, 1778; m. Abel Ruggles May 8, 1799, and had issue.

96. MERCY THOMAS, b. —, 1780; m. Isaac Warner Oct. 19, 1800; had eight children.

97. ABIGAIL THOMAS, b. —, 1781; m. 1st. Gersham Cobb May 2, 1811; 2d David Blackmer, Oct. 13, 1823; d. — 22, 1832, aged 51; no issue.

23. AMOS MARSH<sup>2</sup> (son of Zerviah [Thomas] Marsh,<sup>2</sup>

William<sup>1</sup>), b. in Hardwick Nov. 15, 1733; m. Beulah Leonard, pub. July 16, 1757. Date of death unknown.

They had two children:—

98. SAMUEL MARSH, bap. Sept. 24, 1758.

99. MERCY MARSH, bap. Oct. 5, 1760.

35. SUBMIT JORDAN,<sup>3</sup> (dau. of Temperance [Thomas] Jordan,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. in Hardwick, Mass., April 19, 1740; m. Daniel Hastings, pub. July 22, 1764. Date of death unknown.

They had four children:—

100. THEOPHILUS HASTINGS, b. Dec. 25, 1764; m. Betsy Prince Ames, and had issue.

101. JACOB HASTINGS, b. July 17, 1767.

102. STEPHEN HASTINGS, b. Feb. 7, 1771.

103. LUCINDA HASTINGS, b. May 19, 1773.

43. DAVID GLAZIER<sup>3</sup> (son of Hannah [Thomas] Glazier,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. in Hardwick, Mass., March 1, 1741; m. Sarah, dau. of Ezekiel Pratt, Feb. 6, 1766.

They had two children:—

104. HANNAH GLAZIER, b. Sept. 20, 1766.

105. EZEKIEL GLAZIER, b. April 12, 1769.

55. ISRAEL THOMAS<sup>3</sup> (son of Israel,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Dana, Mass., in 1797. He m. Gracia Cobb March 11, 1827. She was b. in Colerain, Mass., in 1800; d. in Greenwich Sept. 25, 1877. Israel d. in Greenwich May 3, 1879, aged 82.

They had two children:—

106. CHARLES HENRY THOMAS, b. in Hardwick May 10, 1832; m. Harriet A. Spodder, and had issue.

107. SUSAN CORDELLA THOMAS, b. in Greenwich June 6, 1834; m. Andrew C. Record Nov. 23, 1852, and had several children; mfr.

## FOURTH GENERATION.

"Swiftly our pleasures glide away,  
Our hearts recall the distant day  
With many sighs;  
The moments that are speeding fast  
We heed not, but the past—the past  
More highly prize."

—*From the Spanish, by LONGFELLOW.*

57. NAAMAN THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (eldest son of William, M.D.,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in West Brookfield, Mass, Dec. 22, 1765; m. Sally Allen Dec. 10, 1794; she d. May 13, 1802; he m. 2d Nancy Gilbert, who d. Dec. 8, 1846.

Mr. Thomas was a man of precise business habits, of dignified, courteous bearing, of refined and gentle manners, a great lover of flowers and successful cultivator of the same. He d. in W. Brookfield, where he had spent his life, Dec. 21, 1844, aged 79.

He had four children:—

108. ALLEN THOMAS, b. Dec. 20, 1795; m. March 14, 1820, Eliza W. Young, of Newport, R. I. After the birth of several children they removed from W. Brookfield to Newport, R. I., since which time nothing can be learned of them.
109. LUKE THOMAS, b. May 20, 1798; d. in New York, of small-pox, in 1825. His occupation was that of printer.
110. SYLVANUS THOMAS, b. Aug. 23, 1800; d. Sept. 5, 1805.
111. SALLY ALLEN THOMAS (by 2d wife), b. Dec. 2, 1815; d. about 1886; unm.

58. CYNTHIA THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (dau. of William, M.D.,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. May 20, 1768; m. John Phipps Jan. 10, 1790. After residing several years on a farm adjoining those of their parents, they removed to the State of Vermont, where he died. She returned to Mass., where she d. at the homestead Oct. 12, 1823, of cancer.

They had five children, two of whom lived some time at the old home in W. Brookfield. After their mother's

death they removed with the father's family to Illinois, and nothing has been learned of their subsequent career.

112. THOMAS PHIPPS, b. 1792.

113. SAMUEL PHIPPS, b. 1794.

114. RACHEL PHIPPS, b. 1796; d. Feb. 24, 1872; m. Leonard Upham, of Brookfield, Mass., when she was 72 years old; no issue.

115. SOLON PHIPPS, b. Nov. 9, 1798; d. Dec. 20, 1862. He was so crippled and deformed that he was never able to support himself, yet of such eminent piety, cheerfulness, and courage that his pastor said he was to be envied.

116. RUTH PHIPPS, b. —; m. John Colby, of Rochester, N. Y., a man of influence and wealth. They had children, two sons and a dau., but nothing is known of them at present.

60. ORSAMUS THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (SON OF Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in West Brookfield, Mass., May 18, 1772. He studied with his father to be a physician, but his mother was so opposed to his adopting that profession that he exchanged it for that of law. He went to Boston from W. Brookfield, where he spent several years, afterward removing to Provincetown (about 1803), where he m. Miss Thankful Nickerson, dau. of Seth and Isabella (Eldridge) Nickerson.

He became the principal man of the place, holding the office of Justice of the Peace under commission from Gov. Caleb Strong, said commission bearing date Feb. 24, 1813. He held, also, the offices of postmaster, selectman for five years, and town clerk eight years. He belonged to King Hiram's Lodge of the Masonic order in Provincetown, and received the degree of Master Mason Jan. 2, 1806.

He attended every term of Court at Barnstable in the interests of his clients, and acted as referee in any dispute arising among the townspeople, who were always content to abide by his wise and impartial decision; among them his word was law, and "Squire Thomas said so" was enough to silence the strongest objection to any measure he approved. During the war of 1812 he was

constantly called upon by American captains who had vessels in the harbor, to visit the British vessels anchored there and learn the intentions of their commanders concerning the American vessels as well as the town, much alarm being felt by the inhabitants on that score, a dozen at a time sometimes besieging him for assurance that their houses would not be burned. Provincetown and its harbor being neutral ground did not prevent a band of British soldiers or sailors from appropriating certain movable property, such as cows and calves, and to Squire Thomas's tact and legal ability the despoiled and frightened owners looked for redress, and, owing to his prompt and pacific measures, never in vain. His house was in the centre of the town, and the British men-of-war obtained their supplies of water from his well, the neighbors being afraid to have the British soldiers and sailors on their premises, and it was no unusual sight to see his yard well filled with the war-like invaders in a state of the most perfect neutrality and good humor.

After the war he continued his busy, useful life, always enacting the part of a peace-maker when right and justice would permit him to do so.

He d. of consumption, Nov. 22, 1822, in his fifty-first year.

Orsamus Thomas was of a most affectionate disposition in his home-circle, and had that far-reaching and rare gift of good will to his fellow-men which made them all his brothers. In person, he was tall and portly, with dark-brown hair, blue eyes, and remarkably fine teeth, only one of which had been removed at the time of his death.

A most pathetic and significant index to his lovable character was the devotion of his little dog Embargo, so named for the famous embargo of 1807. The dog

was his constant companion, sharing his visits to the British men-of-war, and in his long walks to Truro, where he obtained the horse that carried him to the court sessions at Barnstable, Embargo still bearing him company. After his death, the faithful four-footed friend could not be induced to leave his master's grave, and when taken away returned to it and there mourned away his life.

The grave of Orsamus is on the slope of a wind-swept hill, where the western sunbeams touch it lovingly with their golden fingers and the voice of the Atlantic chants its ceaseless requiem.

Orsamus Thomas had nine children, all b. in Provincetown, Mass.:—

117. RUTH CUTLER THOMAS, b. Dec. 17, 1804; m. William Allerton, of Birmingham, Eng., and had issue.
118. ORSAMUS THOMAS, b. June 17, 1807. He was a sea-captain and d. unm. June 10, 1841, at Port-au-Prince, W. I.
119. ABIGAIL BEALS THOMAS, b. May 28, 1809; m. Phineas Warner Walt; d. Sept. 24, 1879, and had issue.
120. PAULINE NICKERSON THOMAS, b. Dec. 11, 1811; m. George Gale, and had issue.
121. ISABELLA NICKERSON THOMAS, b. Feb. 9, 1814; m. 1st John Stone, 2d Nathan Stone, and had issue.
122. ANJAH THOMAS, b. May 12, 1816; m. Reuben Collins. She d. July 31, 1871, and left issue.
123. WILLIAM ARGALUS THOMAS, b. Feb. 23, 1819; d. Nov. 18, 1819.
124. JOHN ELDRIDGE THOMAS, b. March 10, 1820; m. Emma Josephina Pemberton; d. June 24, 1868, and left issue.
125. SARAH KELLOGG THOMAS, b. Sept. 10, 1822; m. John F. Locke, and had issue.

61. SENECA THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (son of Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. at West Brookfield, Mass., Feb. 24, 1774, and was the fifth son of Dr. William. He first m. Aseneth Gibbs, of Greenwich, Mass. When first m. he removed to Northern Vermont, where he remained a few years. When the war of 1812 broke out, we find that his family was living in Queenstown, Ont., and that

he was doing mason-work on the English fortifications at that place. He fled into the State of New York and joined the American forces; was wounded and taken prisoner at Queenstown, Oct. 12, 1812, on the morning of which day his wife, Aseneth Gibbs, d., leaving four children, the oldest less than 10, the youngest a babe. Mr. Thomas attended the funeral under guard. The British army officers claimed that, inasmuch as he was working on the fortifications, he was either a deserter or a spy. He managed to escape, either by the connivance of his captors or by his own shrewdness, ever after giving Canada a wide berth. His family was broken up, the two oldest boys remaining together till the second boy, Charles A., came to Eastern Mass., in his sixteenth year.

Mr. Thomas afterward m. Hannah Gibbs, a maiden sister of his first wife, and settled in Worcester, Mass., where she d. without issue. It was this second wife who, after the honeymoon, was asked by her husband where all the money was that she had boasted of, and who replied: "Oh! that was courting talk. Where are all the houses and canal-boats that you were possessed of?" He said: "Well, Hannah, that was courting talk, too."

He married a third wife, who outlived him. In his latter days he spent much of his time with his son in Boston. He seems to have been a pioneer until the death of his first wife. He was a man of great independence of character, caring little for others' opinions of his doings, and was inclined to be sarcastic in his own defense. To illustrate this, we will mention that, on an occasion soon after the building of the Boston and Albany Railroad, he was visited by a nephew who had been down to Boston. Seneca asked whether he came up first or second class, and was answered "first class."

“ Well,” he said, “ when I go on the cars I go second class ; it is cheaper ; and I don't care what people think about me ; besides, I would rather be the head of a mouse than the tail of a rat.” He was pensioned by the United States for services rendered during the war of 1812. He d. in Worcester, Mass., April 2, 1860, aged 86 years.

Seneca Thomas had four children, all by his first wife :—

126. MERRICK THOMAS, b. at St. Albans, Vt., May 23, 1803 ; m. Esther Silverthorn ; d. Aug. 25, 1856, and left issue.
127. CHARLES AUGUSTUS THOMAS, b. Sept. 14, 1809, at Irasburg, Vt. ; m. Adrienne Josephine Charrier ; d. March 9, 1864, and left issue.
128. EMERSON GIBBS THOMAS, b. ——. He was a colonel in the Texan army during their war of Independence. Was awarded land, but the Texan records were burned and he cannot be traced.
129. ABIGAIL THOMAS, b. —— ; m. Samuel Liscome, of Tonawanda, N. Y. ; removed to the Upper Mississippi ; residence unknown ; had issue ; nfr.

62. WILLIAM THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (son of Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in West Brookfield, Mass., May 2, 1775. In his youth he desired to follow his father's profession, especially the practice of surgery, but his mother would not consent. He showed an interest and inclination that way all his life. It is said that he made himself generally useful while at home, being a sort of genius, which is a family trait bordering on “ Jack at all trades ;” however, pretty good at all. He was generally liked by the brothers, and was their leader in doing those things for which the busy doctor had no time. What “ Bill ” proposed or did was right with the boys, and with the father, too, for that matter. Long lines of wall now standing, superannuated fruit-trees, and grand old elms, planted by them a century ago around their old home and still known by their names, attest to their activity. Before the subject of this sketch was 21 he was teaching a



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school at Ware, Mass. Undoubtedly, the adventurous spirit of his race had begun to possess him, for "Ho for the Northward!" was a voice from the frontier to which he listened, and New Hardwick, Vt., where his uncles Joseph and Daniel had settled as pioneers, became his home, and where, I believe, he was the first teacher.

Jan. 20, 1798, he m. Jerusha Rich, of Ware, Mass., b. at Truro, on the Cape, Jan. 23, 1778. She was the dau. of Apollon Rich and Abigail Collins of Truro, who, soon after the war of the Revolution, removed from that place to Ware. In Feb., 1800, Mrs. Thomas joined her husband at Hardwick, Vt., where he had prepared a home and commenced the life of a farmer. Here, in Sept. of that year, was b. their first child, Dwight; here they lived, subject to all the vicissitudes and trials of pioneer life, until March, 1819, when they removed from what they thought an inhospitable climate to Pownal, the southwestern town of the same State, where two other children, Mary and Martha, were born. In 1821, they removed to the Noble Place, in Williamstown, Mass., where their twelfth child, Lucy, was born. In April, 1825, they purchased the Seeley farm, in the same town, where they spent the remainder of their days; he dying in 1857, from injuries received some time previous.

Soon after the last removal, the oldest son, Dwight, who had grown to manhood, and who, after the manner of the times, had been selected to remain at home and interweave his life with theirs, purchased a saw-mill, with appurtenances and lands attached. These joined his father's lands, and were, by mutual consent, merged with them in one property. These conditions and the want of a more extended market for their lumber led to the manufacturing by them of water-proof dry-goods boxes out of the abundant pine growing on the farm. These

boxes were used at the neighboring mills in shipping calico, for the most part by open conveyance, to New York and Philadelphia. Naturally, too, they conceived the idea of making a home market for their hay and grain, by going into the carrying trade between North Adams and the Hudson River and North Adams and New Haven. Of course, this meant both freighting and expressing by horse-power. Thus, a combination of interests—the forest, the mill, the workshop, the farm, and the road—were to aid one another and form a harmonious whole; a business employing much labor, and one which required for success energy, tact, and strict attention to details.

That they were fairly successful is shown by the fact that they supported a large and somewhat expensive family and met their obligations. We must take into consideration that this venture was made before railroads were thought of, and that when they were built and had come into competition with the old order of things, cheapening transportation and rendering their kind of manufactures no longer necessary, Mr. Thomas and his associate, like the country inn-keepers, kept up a fight against conditions they did not as yet comprehend, with continual losses and with constantly depreciating investments on their hands. The last years of his life were spent in the care of bees, wintering one season as many as a hundred swarms. He not only enjoyed the profits of their labor, but was interested in studying their habits. They seemed to know him, and would allow almost any familiarity on his part. When he d. they dwindled away.

Mr. Thomas was six feet in height and very erect, with broad, square shoulders, and, though not spare, never a fleshy man. His head was very large, his

features large but attractive, his lips firmly closed, and his teeth, all double, were without the sign of decay. Even at 80 his face, though showing strong lines, was fair, and his darkish hazel eyes were full of intelligence and inquiry. He was slow, deliberate, and methodical; a good reasoner, never given to speech without weighing his words, but too precise to be called a good talker. However, he was generally listened to with respect and made many good hits, one of which is well remembered. There was a question before his town of discontinuing, over a hill, a part of a principal road, and of building a new one around the base. After much sentimental speech-making about the road of the fathers and the grand views to be had from that hill, of which they were to be deprived forever, a learned opponent made this telling point: that the distance was much greater by the proposed road. Mr. Thomas replied by saying that he came prepared to make a speech, but saw no necessity, since the petitioners were practical men who knew what they wanted, and would not be influenced by sentiment; but, before a vote was taken, he would like to propound to his learned friend this question: "How much further is it around the bail of a kettle when lying down than over it when standing up?" When the laugh, in which his opponents joined, had subsided, the question was put to a vote and carried by a sufficient majority.

He was a temperance man; not so much by talk and pretense, as by precept and example. Nothing intoxicating was used in his family or in his fields, unless prescribed by a physician, even when to take "a little for the stomach's sake" was thought to be in the form of a command. He was a member of the Congregational Church, and in doctrine, like his wife, a Calvinist.

He was a Whig; his political gods, George Washing-

ton, the Adamases, Henry Clay, and Daniel Webster until his "seventh of March speech." He was conservative; but was an anti-slavery man, joining the Republican party when it was organized.

There was a dignity in his manner and a reserve, above easy approach, that distinguished him. Perhaps this was somewhat owing to the times, when, to the worthy parent, was conceded a lofty position now essentially eliminated from American life. The father no longer fills the rôle of "patriarch," "fountain of wisdom," and "ruler over all." The democratic idea, as expressed by the Irishman, that one man is as good as another, if not a little better; also the rapid advance of scientific discovery and the wide dissemination of knowledge by the press, have bridged the gulf of a life's experience and advanced the young and vigorous to the forefront. The gray-haired sire seems, in most cases, to have accepted the situation gracefully, and now occupies a place more honorable than commanding.

This sketch would be incomplete without something more than a mere mention of Mrs. Thomas, who was a typical New England woman of superior ability. However much she may have differed from her husband in temperament, they were harmonious in their lives, working together for the good of their family, the needs of society, and God's kingdom as they believed it was set up in the world. With them this kingdom was an intellectual one of great respectability, in which there was no piety in forms, no rant, nor any construing of the King's laws to suit men's purposes. In their last place of residence, the faculty and students of Williams College worshipped with the Congregational people, and gave them not only the productions of such minds as those of Griffin and the Hopkinses, but also the efforts of noted

clergymen from all parts of the country. So their pulpit was an educating and an elevating one, from which came the best thoughts of that time. They and their family were attendants, and after their return from the services discussed the sermons, and sometimes dissected the ministers.

Her early reading was confined to the Bible, "Pilgrim's Progress," Fox's "Book of Martyrs," and the sermons of Jonathan Edwards. After her husband's death, her reading became more general, including history, biography, travel, and popular scientific works, especially those of Dr. Dick. She was familiar with most of the facts of astronomy, in which she was interested, and by which her mental vision was broadened. She was well informed—"keeping up with the times" she expressed it—by reading the current news of the day. For some years before the war of 1861 she entered into politics with all the earnestness of a voter. If she could not act herself, she could influence others. Nothing could exceed her hatred for the institution of slavery or her scorn for the Northern men who, from selfish motives, apologized for it. Yet she was full of sympathy for those kind masters who, finding themselves in the midst of such environments, knew not how to free their bondmen, much less themselves. She was 83 years of age at the breaking out of the Southern Rebellion, but entered into the defense of the Union and into the war upon slavery with the enthusiasm of youth; in spirit, going with the boys to the front, fighting with them, sympathizing and sorrowing with them. Woe to the man who, in her presence, apologized for the leaders in the Rebellion, or had any sympathy with their cause. So earnest was her patriotism, and so severe her denunciations, that one of her facetious Democratic friends said that, without any

other aid than the *New York Tribune*, she took charge of the management of the war, and, being in harmony with Lincoln and Grant, carried it to a successful conclusion.

Mrs. Thomas was unlike her husband in her build and in her intense activity. She was only of medium height, quite stout, but of pleasing form; was handsome in her youth and fine looking in her womanhood. She had soft, beautiful hands, a strong but fair face, expressive gray eyes, and a mouth showing great determination. She was a ready and interesting talker, the life of any company of which she was a part. Coming from a hardy race inured to severe toil, made necessary by the struggle for existence upon the inhospitable shores of the Cape, and by the hardships and dangers of the ocean, she inherited great energy and great endurance, with a fund of resources which enabled her to rear to maturity twelve children, performing herself all the duties of mother, housekeeper, spinner, weaver, and dairy-maid.

Of course, as these children became capable they were installed as aids in her busy life. When she was almost 54 years of age the wife of her oldest son died, leaving a sickly, puny boy, three days old, in her promised care, to rear, through sleepless nights and weary days, to consciousness and manhood; making the thirteenth child who called her mother. That she was true to her charge in untiring devotion, in loving kindness, in precept and by example, the writer can testify, as he was that unfortunate and fortunate boy. In her seventy-fourth year, her son brought home a second wife, when, after a struggle, and through the influence of her children, she abdicated first place, and for a while, I fear, assumed that of critic; but gradually accepted the situation, and, when not making herself useful, gave herself to her books, her thoughts, and the entertainment of others.

A few weeks before her death, which occurred in her ninety-sixth year, she was visited by a granddaughter by marriage, who had never seen her before, and who was astonished to find her so strong, and with a face so fair, making for herself a dress. After much talk and many surprises, she said to her grandmother: "I shall next expect to hear that you have been getting married." "Well," she said, "there is an old gentleman of 84, somewhat younger than I, with lots of money, who comes to see me often; if he should propose, there might be some danger."

The day before she died, she ate of some vegetable food which caused her to complain of feeling weak and tired. Desiring rest, she laid herself down for a short nap before dinner. When called, she did not respond, and when approached she seemed in a sweet sleep. But, with all her senses unimpaired, she had reached the "Pearly Gates" she had so long talked about. Hers was a useful life and a peaceful death, in which there was no "King of Terrors"—only the angel of repose.

William Thomas d. April 15, 1857, aged 82. He had twelve children, as follow:—

130. DWIGHT THOMAS, b. Sept. 17, 1800; m. 1st Mabel Townsend, 2d Dorcas Brimmer; d. Oct. 27, 1878, and left issue.

131. ABIGAIL THOMAS, b. April 3, 1802; d. Nov. 20, 1881, unm., aged 79.

She had a very good education for a woman of those days; was early a member of the Congregational Church, and was engaged to go out as the wife of a young missionary to some far-off and savage land, but, failing to convince her parents that she should make such a sacrifice, she remained behind: while he went, unmarried, to his field of labor. Sometime after this she was engaged in millinery and dressmaking at Troy and at Buffalo, N. Y. After a few years she retired from business and ever after was housekeeper where most needed, in one or another of her brothers' or sisters' families. She aspired to more than she realized, but her life was a useful one.

132. WILLIAM B. THOMAS, b. Jan. 24, 1804.

He early showed a taste for mechanical work, and, after the removal of his father and family to Williamstown, Mass., apprenticed himself to Amassa Shattuck, the leading cabinetmaker in that place. After serving his time and

winning the reputation of best in his trade, he worked as a journeyman at Ware and Worcester, Mass. → New Haven, Conn.; and Albany, N. Y.; finally settling down at Buffalo, N. Y., where he resided during his active business-life. It appears that he was ambitious to get ahead in the world, was industrious and saving. After accumulating a considerable property, which he had invested in the low lands which are now the business part of Buffalo, he met with reverses, caused by a decision of the courts in favor of the Holland Land Company, by which he lost title to his lands. He has said that at the end even his watch was gone; nothing but his jack-knife was left. Commencing work again at the bench, he pushed to the front, and out of the picture-frame business and his connection with the manufacture of mowing-machines he retrieved his fortune.

In Nov., 1859, the harvested crops, together with the uninsured buildings of the old homestead at Williamstown, occupied by his brother Dwight, with whom his mother was living, was burned. He immediately came to the rescue, which action, in connection with the bad faith of men in whom he trusted, resulted in his retiring from business and Buffalo. The balance of his life, since about 1860, has been spent at Williamstown, where he now (1891) lives at the ripe age of 87 years. Though a man born to command, and positive in his conclusions, he possesses a kind heart; and though, from dear-bought experience, looking with suspicion upon the motives of men, he has been quick to respond to the cry of distress from those who had his confidence. He is a Unitarian; was a Whig in politics; has been a Republican since the organization of the party; unmarried.

133. SYLVANUS THOMAS, b. Oct. 28, 1805; m. Sophia J. Kent; not heard from since 1851; left two children.

134. LEWIS AVERY THOMAS, b. May 22, 1807; m. Jane Farrington Sept. 8, 1848; d. Aug. 6, 1882, aged 76. (See 134, next generation.)

135. JERUSHA R. THOMAS, b. Jan. 10, 1809; d. April 15, 1886.

She was a very earnest Christian, and placed her religion before all other duties, and was called a "crank" upon that subject. She was first a Congregationalist, then a Baptist; afterward she joined the Oneida Perfectionists. After living in that faith for thirty years, she died April 15, 1886, in her 77th year, unmarried, but believing that she had reached perfection.

136. FRANCES THOMAS, b. Nov. 15, 1810; m. Timothy Graves, of Hoosick Falls, N. Y., and d. there March 4, 1847; left issue.

137. ANDREW COLLINS THOMAS, b. March 19, 1812; m. Minerva Smedley (then widow Norton); he now (Oct., 1890) lives at South Williamstown, Mass.; had issue.

138. SERAPH THOMAS, b. at Hardwick, Vt., Nov. 25, 1818; m. Harvey D. Penniman April 29, 1845; he d. Oct. 21, 1866; she d. Jan. 4, 1889, at their home in Williamstown, Mass.

They left no children of their own, but she reared to manhood the baby-boy of a dear friend, who, when dying, had given him into her charge with her blessing. This boy, Charles Sanderson, of New York City, is now editor and manager of the *Gastlight*, a journal devoted to the interests which its name implies. She also reared another, an orphan, Miss Jennie Kane, who graduated from a normal school, was a teacher, and is now the wife of Rev. H. W.

Winkley, Episcopal clergyman at Saco, Me. For some years, beginning about 1850, she carried on millinery and dressmaking at Williamstown, doing quite a large business. Afterward was engaged in boarding students.

She was a woman of high character, and endeavored to govern all her actions by Christian principles. It has been said that she first received the name of Sarah, but that her father, on account of her sweet, childish disposition and his love for her, insisted on calling her Seraph.

She was rather tall and slight in form, well poised, with very dark brown hair and eyes. She was "the friend of those in need, and a friend in deed." She was somewhat of an invalid in the last years of her life, but kept the harness on until a few weeks before her death. The doors of her ample house were ever open to relatives and friends. It was the resting-place of returning kin, who came to breathe the pure air of Berkshire and feast upon the beauty of the hills and mountains about them. Who of them will forget Aunt Sarah?

139. MARY THOMAS, b. May 14, 1819; m. Edgar M. Brown, of Williamstown, and d. at Reading, Mass., Sept. 9, 1885; left issue.

140. MARTHA THOMAS, b. Jan. 30, 1821, at Williamstown, Mass.; d. there, unm., Dec. 25, 1839, much lamented.

141. LUCY THOMAS, b. June 12, 1824; m. John M. Shattuck, of Williamstown, Mass., and d. at Manchester, Vt., Jan. 18, 1879; left issue.

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63. RUTH THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (youngest dau. of William, M.D.,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. May 24, 1777; m., about 1797, Thomas Brown Cutler, of West Brookfield, Mass., son of Dea. Joseph Cutler and Martha Brown, who d. May 3, 1826. She d. Jan. 28, 1856, aged 79.

Their children were nine in number:—

142. WILLIAM THOMAS CUTLER, b. Oct. 1, 1799; d. April 8, 1801.

143. WILLIAM THOMAS CUTLER, b. April 13, 1801; d. May, 1823.

144. LUCY CUTLER, b. April 18, 1803; d. Jan. 27, 1830; m. M. Waterman Wood, of West Brookfield, Mass.; no children.

145. CHARLES CUTLER, b. July 15, 1805; d. April 25, 1869; unm.

146. THOMAS BROWN CUTLER, b. July 23, 1803; m. April 19, 1839, Harriet Sophia Judd, of West Hampton, Mass., dau. of David Judd and Sarah Cook, b. Oct. 1807, d. Feb. 19, 1889. His present residence is at West Brookfield, Mass. They had no children.

147. GEORGE CUTLER, b. April 2, 1811; m. 1st Sarah Venica, 2d Amelia B. Howe, 3d Harriet Lears, of Barre, Mass.; had issue.

148. ORSAMUS CUTLER, b. Dec. 1, 1813; m. 1st Abbie E. Wood, 2d (Feb. 5, 1857) Lydia H. Russell, and had issue.

149. MARTHA COLLINS CUTLER, b. Aug. 17, 1816; d. March 1, 1856; m. Elijah Chapp, of West Brookfield; no issue.

150. PHEBE CUTLER, b. Feb. 8, 1821; d. Aug. 5, 1856; m. Luther Stone, of West Brookfield, brother of Lucy Stone, the noted woman's rights advocate. They had no children.

64. ARGALUS THOMAS (Samuel Beals)<sup>4</sup> (son of Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Aug. 28, 1779, in West Brookfield, Mass. He resembled his brother Orsamus very closely, with the exception of his eyes, which were black. Visiting Provincetown after the death of Orsamus, this similarity of looks excited much interest among the people there who so missed and mourned their friend. In disposition they were also alike, with charity and kindness for all, yet with that strong, clear sense of justice that made right right and wrong wrong, without one thought of compromise. The same habits of thought and expression and the same gentle yet dignified bearing belonged to both.

Argalus Thomas taught school before his marriage, and remained on his father's farm for several years after that event. After the latter's death, he shared the farm with his brother Sylvanus for some time, but finally sold out his interest in it to Sylvanus and became proprietor of the hotel in West Brookfield, on the Plain.

Before leaving the farm, his name was changed by act of Legislature from Argalus to Samuel Beals. This was done at the request of Major Samuel Beals, of Hardwick, with whom he was a great favorite. Major Beals m. Abby, sister of Dr. William Thomas and aunt of Argalus, and had no children.

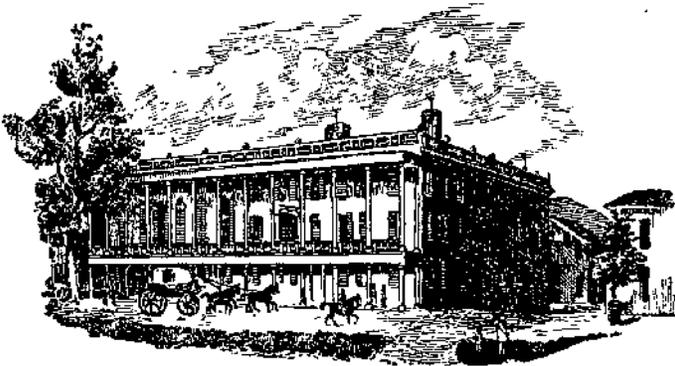
After remaining at West Brookfield a year or two, he removed to Western, afterward Warren, at the solicitation of friends. He next took charge of the hotel in South Brookfield, and a few years later settled permanently in Worcester.

Colonel Sykes, proprietor of the hotel in Sheffield, Conn., at which Miss Sarah Kellogg boarded, and at which her marriage with Argalus Thomas took place, afterward removed to Worcester, Mass., and purchased

the Exchange Coffee-House. About 1823 he sent for Samuel Beals Thomas and proposed that he should purchase the hotel, to which the latter at once agreed.

His family at that time consisted of himself and wife, and his niece, Abby Beals Thomas, the second dau. of Orsamus, whom, with the consent of her parents, he had adopted the previous year. The next year he adopted Pauline Nickerson Thomas, the third dau. of Orsamus.

Samuel Beals and Sarah Kellogg Thomas had but one child, a son, Argalus, who died at birth, in 1801. This was a great grief to the parents, but in the faithful care



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of their adopted daughters, upon whose education they spared no expense, they found much consolation and pleasure. The genial disposition of Samuel Beals Thomas, the grace and beauty of his wife, and the thorough education of his adopted daughters, made them much sought for in Worcester society and rendered their house a very popular place of resort.

The Exchange Coffee-House was nearly opposite the Court-House, and judges and jurors, lawyers and clients, all found hospitable entertainment there. Next to the Court-House was the Unitarian Church which Samuel

B. Thomas attended, and of which Dr. Aaron Bancroft, father of the historian, was pastor.

The Exchange Coffee-House was conducted on temperance principles, and the favorite argument of Samuel B. Thomas in support of this doctrine was of a peculiarly practical nature, viz., an offer to every confirmed inebriate who came in his way to provide food for his family for one year on condition that such inebriate would renounce the vice that was ruining him and become a sober, self-supporting man.

He served several terms as representative in the State Legislature, was one of the Selectmen of Worcester, and had the first piece of brick sidewalk in that place laid in front of his hotel. He belonged to the Masonic order, being a member of Mount Zion Lodge, of Hardwick, of which he was elected Right Worshipful Master 9th Sept., 1807.

He was one of the largest real-estate owners in Worcester, but the financial panic of 1837 greatly depreciated its value and seriously affected his already failing health.

He died of consumption, in 1840, and was buried in Rural Cemetery, Worcester. His wife survived him about eleven years, dying also of consumption on the night of the terrible storm that carried away the lighthouse on Minot's Ledge.

Samuel Beals Thomas had one child:—

151. ARGALUS THOMAS, born and died in 1801.

65. SYLVANUS THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (youngest son of William,<sup>3</sup> M.D., Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Western (now Warren) Massachusetts, Oct. 26, 1781; d. July 31, 1863, aged 82. He m. 1st (in 1806) Rachel Robinson, dau. of Isaac Robinson and Hannah Collins, of Pownal, Vt., who was b. 1778; she d. Oct. 4, 1832. Her father was a descendant of John Robinson, the famous



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preacher to the Pilgrims at Leyden. Sylvanus m. 2d, April 9, 1834, Bethia Collins, of Eastham, Mass., who was b. 1794 and d. April 18, 1837; m. 3d, May 29, 1839, Sarah Dunbar, of Hingham, Mass., who was b. Jan., 1794, and d. Aug. 26, 1867.

Sylvanus Thomas, the youngest son of Dr. William, was 2 years old when he came with his parents to the home where he spent the remainder of his life. Possessing a mild, affable disposition, he was a favorite among the brothers and sisters, and the youthful "Venie" became "Uncle Venie" to those with whom he afterward came in contact. Unaffected simplicity and courtesy of manner, with dignity and gentleness of bearing toward all, won for him the respect of his townsmen, who honored him with positions of trust in the town and sent him to represent their interests in the Massachusetts Legislature of 1837. In 1824 he opened his house as "a tavern" for the accommodation of travelers between Boston and Albany. In the capacity of host his genial nature served him well, gaining for him many friends.

Men of note were thus brought to his door. When General Lafayette was on his way to Boston to lay the corner-stone of Bunker Hill Monument, he was entertained by Mr. Thomas, whose descendants look with some pride upon the room and chair in which he sat. John Quincy Adams is also known to have been a guest at the old "Thomas Tavern."

In 1840 his business as innkeeper was discontinued, but for many years his old patrons continued to call on him for shelter and entertainment; and when with memories of "Lang Syne" they made the walls resound, it was pleasant to watch his smiling face, and the involuntary exclamation of all was, "The right man in the right place."

His father's skill in medicine had brought to the house young Isaac Robinson, who studied for a time with Dr. Thomas. He afterward established himself in Hardwick, but removed thence to Vermont, where he continued the practice of medicine.

In later years his daughter, Rachel, became the wife of Sylvanus Thomas. Though having had but limited educational advantages, even for those times, Rachel Robinson was, before her marriage, a successful teacher in Adams, Mass., and in several towns in Vermont. She brought no small amount of energy and cultivation to her husband's home, over which she presided with dignity and helpfulness between the years 1806 and 1832, when her death occurred. Five children came to the household during that time, all of whom lived to mature years.

Sylvanus Thomas was married twice afterward, the third wife, Sarah Dunbar, surviving him.

In the last years of his life all his beautiful traits of character seemed intensified, and the writer can testify that to none were these words of the poet more applicable:—

"None knew thee but to love thee,  
Nor named thee but to praise."

Sylvanus Thomas d. July 31, 1863; aged 82.

He had five children, all by 1st wife, and all born on the old homestead in West Brookfield:—

152. CAROLINE THOMAS, b. Dec. 22, 1806; m. Carlton Cushman and had issue.

153. ELIZA DOTY THOMAS, b. June 27, 1809; m. William Balcom and had issue.

154. WILLIAM ROBINSON THOMAS, b. May 10, 1811; d. April 13, 1890; m. Orpha Bartlett, dau. of John and Sarah Bartlett, Oct. 3, 1842. She was b. in Granby, Mass., Sept. 28, 1816; d. April 22, 1889. They had no children.

William Robinson, the only son of Sylvanus and Rachel Thomas, inherited from both families of his ancestors a desire and taste for study and imparting



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knowledge to others. This led him in early life to adopt the profession of teaching, which he continued successfully till nearly 80 years of age in his own and adjoining towns, on Cape Cod, and in the then far Western States of Michigan and Minnesota. His original methods of instruction were far in advance of those employed by the educators of the time, and his manner of imparting ideas so pleasing and impressive that his pupils, in after years, would refer to the time spent with him as the happiest days of their lives. He was a proficient mathematician and surveyor, an easy extemporaneous speaker, and a pleasing social companion, being a ready story-teller. He served his town in the various offices of Justice of the Peace, Assessor, and School Committee for many years, his State in the Legislature of 1855, and his country in the Civil War.

Though over 50 years of age when the call for more men came, in 1862, he thought himself not too old to follow the example of his grandfather and take up arms in defense of his country and principles. He enlisted in Company F., Fifty-first Regiment Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, in which he was familiarly known as "Father Thomas." At the end of his term of service he was honorably discharged, and reached home only in time to receive his father's last words and parting blessing.

Orpha Bartlett, his wife, was a woman of rare and noble qualities of heart and mind. She combined with patience and kindness such industry, perseverance, and executive ability as furnished the necessary complement to the qualities of the teacher and scholar. His life was incomplete without hers, and he survived her death less than a year. His last years were spent on a small farm adjoining that of his grandfather, Dr. William.

155. ARMINDA ROBINSON THOMAS, b. Sept. 2, 1814; d. Oct. 20, 1865; unm.

156. EMILY THOMAS, b. Feb. 23, 1816; m. Mandy Pierce, of Hardwick, Mass., and had issue.

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66. ISAAC THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (oldest son of Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., July 13, 1771. When but 5 years old he moved with his brother to New Salem. He m. for his 1st wife Patience Pierce, who was b. in New Salem Nov. 22, 1776. The marriage took place in 1799. She d. June 6, 1806, at birth of youngest child. They had four children. He m. 2d Martha Whipple about 1807, by whom he had six children. He was a member of the Baptist Church, and was appointed deacon Aug. 23, 1821. He was a man of devoted piety, loved and respected by all. He d. April 10, 1842, aged 71. Farmer.

His ten children were as follow. By first wife:—

157. CHESTER THOMAS, M.D., b. May 31, 1800; m. Lucy Sanderson; d. Jan. 16, 1852, and had issue.  
 158. WILLIAM THOMAS, b. in 1802; d. in infancy.  
 159. HENRY THOMAS, b. in 1804; d. in infancy.  
 160. PATIENCE THOMAS, b. Jan. 6, 1806; m. David Reed Wait; d. Oct. 16, 1881, aged 75, and had issue.

By second wife:—

161. FREEMAN THOMAS, b. Feb. 6, 1808; m. Louisa Lee; d. April 30, 1834, and had issue.  
 162. MARY THOMAS, b. in 1810; d., unm., April 2, 1834.  
 163. HENRY THOMAS, b. March 20, 1812; m. 1st Mary Shaw, 2d Hannah Norton, and had issue.  
 164. WILLIAM THOMAS, b. in 1814; d. young.  
 165. SAMANTHA THOMAS, b. Dec. 1, 1817; m. Rev. Thomas Rand; had issue.  
 166. STILLMAN THOMAS, b. March 27, 1820; m. Elizabeth Alma Burnham and had issue.

67. NATHANIEL THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (son of Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., Feb. 13, 1773. When quite young he went to live with his grandfather, Bangs, in Wilmington, Vt. Here he m. Hannah Cummings, dau. of Moses Cummings, May 1, 1800. She was b. at Wilmington, Aug. 22, 1774. It was for a long time a common remark in Wilmington that Nathaniel Thomas and Hannah Cummings were the best-looking couple that had ever stood up to be married in that place. He kept a hotel for a number of years, but finally engaged in farming, which he followed for the remainder of his days. He d. in Wilmington Dec. 8, 1857, aged nearly 79. His wife d. in Orange, Mass., Aug. 3, 1866, aged 93.

They had eight children, all b. in Wilmington, Vt.:—

167. RUHAMA THOMAS, b. at Wilmington, Vt., March 5, 1802; d., unm., Nov. 4, 1880, at same place.  
 168. EUNICE THOMAS, b. Aug. 7, 1803; m. Ellis Thayer and had issue.  
 169. HANNAH THOMAS, b. July 14, 1803; d., unm., May 8, 1831.  
 170. SAMANTHA THOMAS, b. May 20, 1803; d. Oct. 5, 1812.  
 171. REUBEN CUMMINGS THOMAS, b. Sept. 20, 1808; m. Mary Ann Bassett, of Wilmington, Vt., and had issue.  
 172. LUCY THOMAS, b. July 17, 1812; m. Ornan Prescott; d. Jan. 5, 1844, and had issue.

173. AMOS B. THOMAS, b. Oct. 1, 1815; m. Letitia H. Merchant; d. Jan. 20, 1883; no issue.  
 174. ARDON HARRISON THOMAS, b. Dec. 23, 1822; m. Sabra B. Dickinson, and had issue.

68. AMOS THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (son of Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., Oct. 24, 1774; m. 1st Sally Hudson July 8, 1798, in New Salem, who d. Oct. 19, 1841, aged 69; m. 2d Mrs. Patty Miller (maiden name Patty Jones), in 1843, of Pike, N. Y.

Soon after his birth, his father moved from Hardwick to New Salem, Mass. About 1804 he, with probably his younger brother David, moved to Nelson, Madison Co., N. Y.; about 1836, he moved to Pike, Allegheny Co., N. Y., where he spent the balance of his days. In his younger days he carried on shoemaking in connection with farming. He was a member of the Baptist Church, and a Whig. He d. July 25, 1853, aged 79.

He had eight children, all by his first wife, and born in Nelson, N. Y.:—

175. ALVIN HUNSON THOMAS, b. Nov. 30, 1800; m. 1st Sarepta Wheeler April 17, 1826, 2d Chicea Wilder, and had issue.  
 176. EDMUND WEST THOMAS, b. Nov. 6, 1803; m. Feb. 17, 1725, Polly Bacon, of Nelson, Madison Co., N. Y., and had issue.  
 177. HERAGE THOMAS, b. July 26, 1805; m. 1st Amy C. Irish (May 31, 1827), 2d Mary Ann Redman, and had issue.  
 178. LEWIS AUGUSTUS THOMAS, b. Aug. 5, 1808; m. Mary Johnson Oct. 14, 1834; d. Dec. 11, 1898, and had issue.  
 179. DRUSILLA AMELIA THOMAS, b. Sept. 28, 1810; d. Sept. 27, 1841; no children.  
 180. CLIMENA THOMAS, b. Nov. 10, 1812; m. Edward Kendall. He d. —. She lives in Hume, N. Y.; no issue.  
 181. EMBELINE THOMAS, b. April 2, 1815; m. Wm. Loomis Jan. 6, 1835, and had issue.  
 182. SARAH ARVILLA THOMAS, b. Sept. 30, 1820; m. Jefferson Metcalf July 4, 1843; d. Feb. 10, 1867, and had issue.

69. ABIGAIL THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (dau. of Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. March 5, 1776, in New Salem, Mass.; m. Nathan Bangs May 27, 1799. He was b. Aug. 1, 1778, and d. Feb. 12, 1862, aged 87. Soon after their marriage

they moved to Herkimer Co., N. Y., where he engaged in milling and manufacturing of agricultural implements. About 1834-35 they moved to Brooklyn, Jackson Co., Mich., where he again engaged in milling and farming. In 1847 they moved to Napoleon, Mich., where they spent the remainder of their days. Both were members of the Baptist Church, and greatly loved and respected by all who knew them. Abigail (Thomas) Bangs d. Sept. 8, 1862, aged 86.

They had six children:—

183. IRA N. BANGS, b. Aug. 27, 1800; d. Aug. 8, 1803.

184. ORA B. BANGS, b. March 1, 1803; m. Phoebe D. Beebe; d. Aug. 24, 1843, and had issue.

185. IRA N. BANGS 2d, b. Dec. 22, 1804; d. April 6, 1810.

186. LOUISA BANGS, b. April 27, 1807; m. 1st Dexter Slack, 2d Seth Case; d. Feb. 2, 1885, and had issue.

187. EMILY BANGS, b. Jan. 6, 1810; d. Jan. 8, 1867; unm.

188. SOPHRONIA W. BANGS, b. June 9, 1819; d. Oct. 1, 1900; unm.

70. EUNICE THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (dau. of Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. in New Salem, Mass., Feb. 11, 1778, was the second dau. and fifth child of Amos and Eunice Thomas. A short term of six weeks was the limit of her school-days, but she made the most of her opportunity. In early life she united with the Baptist Church at New Salem. A devout Bible student, it was to her the book of books, a great deal of which she could repeat. At one time, being in a family in Hadley where they kept Saturday night, she was requested to bring out her spinning-wheel at sunset on Sabbath evening. This was contrary to her early training, and she replied: "I am willing to work from Monday morning till Saturday night, but will go home to-morrow morning rather than work on Sunday." She did not go home.

Dec. 23, 1810, she m. Artemas Bigelow, of Brookfield, son of Asa Bigelow, and b. Oct. 14, 1781. They lived at her father's about a year, when they removed to



MRS. EUNICE (THOMAS) BIGELOW.



Greenwich; there they remained till April, 1820. At Dana they lived three years, then two years in Peter-sham, and then again at New Salem. Wherever she lived she had many friends. She was ever ready to go among the sick or afflicted, and aid by deeds or words of comfort. A natural peace-maker, her kind words and wise counsels were calculated to calm the troubled waters. She was a kind, affectionate wife and mother, managing her family with Christian principle and firmness, ever setting before them a godly example. Of a sunny disposition, always looking on the bright side, believing that all things were wisely ordered, she never murmured or complained of the trials and hardships of her lot, but often said she had great cause for thankfulness that she had so many blessings. She was a woman whom the world honored, whom Christians loved, and whose piety, tastes, and moral worth rendered worthy for walking in a higher sphere. In 1848 they moved to Wendell. Two years before her death she was thrown from a carriage and badly hurt. From this injury she never fully recovered. In 1852 she had a paralytic shock, from which she d. April 8, 1852, aged 74. He d. Feb. 8, 1860.

They had four children:—

189. MARY BIGELOW, b. at Greenwich, Mass., April 9, 1813; m. Eber Oshea Bailey and had issue.
190. CAROLINE BIGELOW, b. at Greenwich, Mass., May 23, 1817; m. 1st Bernard Kenney and 2d Benjamin Badger; d. Aug. 23, 1886, and had issue.
191. ELEGIA ROSAMOND BIGELOW, b. in Dana, Mass., Sept. 3, 1820; m. 1st Abner Sykes and 2d Hezekiah Stratton, and had issue.
192. NANCY BIGELOW, b. in Dana, Mass., April 8, 1822; m. David Kenney, Jr., of Northfield, who d. Aug. 13, 1886. She d. March 17, 1888, without issue. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

71. DAVID THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (son of Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Oct. 24, 1779. As early as 1802-03 he migrated to what was then considered the

“far West,” the Mohawk country in New York State, settling first in Madison Co., where he worked at his trade, that of carpenter. On Jan. 15, 1804, he m. Mary Kinney, who was b. in Dutchess Co., N. Y., Jan. 7, 1784. Soon afterward he moved to the town of Rutland, Jefferson Co., N. Y., where, on his farm, he spent the remainder of his life. David Thomas was the only uncle known by the writer, he having spent the summer of 1838 in his family. As a farmer he was tidy and thrifty. He had a place for everything and kept everything in its place. His barns and fences were always in good repair, his fields were well tilled, and his crops of the best. He was a member of the Baptist Church and an earnest, sincere Christian. He d. May 22, 1865, aged 86. His wife d. Dec. 15, 1853, aged 66.

They had eleven children:—

193. HIRAM THOMAS, b. Dec. 12, 1804; m. Caroline Perkins; d. Dec. 18, 1856, and had issue.
194. ALPHEUS THOMAS, b. March 5, 1807; m. Olive Ralph and had issue.
195. MARIA THOMAS, b. Dec. 11, 1808; m. Rev. Sherman Malby and had issue.
196. MARIETTA THOMAS, b. Sept. 10, 1810; m. 1st Bosworth Scovil and had issue; d. Jan. 26, 1884, aged 74.
197. ALMERION THOMAS, b. June 25, 1812; m. 1st Joanna Wilder, 2d Lois Paine and had issue.
198. MARINDA THOMAS, b. July 22, 1814; d. in infancy.
199. EBENEZER K. THOMAS, b. June 2, 1816; m. Isabel Boyd and had issue.
200. ALMANSON THOMAS, b. Dec. 23, 1821; d. in infancy.
201. NANCY BIGELOW THOMAS, b. Jan. 30, 1823; m. Isaac Clements and had issue.
202. SAREPTA THOMAS, b. July 23, 1827; m. Darwin C. Bates; d. Oct. 22, 1851, and left issue.
203. PLATT THOMAS, b. March 24, 1829; m. Lenora Remington and had issue.

72. BEALS THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (son of Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., June 29, 1781. At the age of 12 or 14 he went to Hardwick to reside with his uncle, Major Samuel Beals (15), who adopted him and



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made him heir of his estate. When Major Beals died, in 1827, he left Beals Thomas in possession of one of the best farms in the southern part of the town, near the village of Gilbertville. He remained upon this place until 1835, when the failing health of his second wife induced him to sell. He then purchased a beautiful home near the centre of the town, where he spent the remainder of his days. In 1831 Beals Thomas was appointed one of the Selectmen of the town. He was also one of the Prudential Committee of the School Board and one of the Assessors of the parish, and Clerk of the Board for many years. He was a strong temperance advocate and an earnest supporter of educational interests. Beals Thomas was married three times. He m. 1st Nancy Bigelow, Jan. 19, 1815, who d. May 12, 1821; 2d, Dolly W. Egery, April 10, 1824, who d. June 23, 1836; and, 3d, Sarah Weston Gorham, Nov. 28, 1837, who d. Dec. 18, 1857. He d. in Hardwick, Aug. 24, 1854, aged 73. He was a member of the Congregational Church, and a Republican.

He had five children. By first wife:—

204. JASON BIGELOW THOMAS, M.D., b. Aug. 6, 1817; m. Phyllis Mendell; d. Nov. 26, 1860, and had issue.

By second wife:—

205. NANCY BIGELOW THOMAS, b. Dec. 15, 1825; m. Geo. J. Newton, M.D., Feb. 8, 1855; d. at Gloversville, N. Y., June 29, 1858, aged 32; no issue.

206. CLARA EGERY THOMAS, b. July 21, 1828; m. Addison Augustus Hunt and had issue.

207. EDWIN EGERY THOMAS, b. Jan. 24, 1831; d. unm. at Saratoga Springs, Jan. 10, 1898; druggist.

By third wife:—

208. SARAH JANE THOMAS, b. Sept. 21, 1840; m. Franklin Wait; d. Feb. 5, 1878, and had issue.

- 73. COLONEL AZARIAH THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (son of Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Dec. 15, 1782.

While a young man, about the year 1804, he followed his older brothers, Amos and David, to New York State. He first settled in Madison Co., where, in Brookfield, he m. Sarah Avery, Jan. 18, 1812. She was b. in Stonington, Conn., Sept. 27, 1794; dau. of Joseph Avery and Ann Leffingwell, his wife.\*

Soon after he removed to Perch River, Jefferson Co., N. Y., where he purchased a large farm, and where he

\* The pedigree of Sarah Avery has been traced back to Christopher Avery, who came from England in 1640, locating first in Gloucester, Mass.; later living in Boston; finally settling in New London, Conn., in 1665, and dying in Groton in 1687.

JAMES AVERY,<sup>2</sup> only son of Christopher, was b. in England about 1620. He came to New England with his father in 1640, and settled with him in New London. He m. Joanna Greenstead, Nov. 10, 1643, and had ten children.

JOHN AVERY,<sup>3</sup> third son of James,<sup>2</sup> was b. Feb. 10, 1654. He m. Abigail Chosborough and had thirteen children,—seven sons and six daughters.

WILLIAM AVERY,<sup>4</sup> son of John,<sup>3</sup> was b. in 1687. He m. 1st Anna Richardson, by whom he had four children; 2d, Mary Walker, by whom he had ten children.

RICHARDSON AVERY,<sup>5</sup> son of William,<sup>4</sup> was b. Jan. 25, 1717. He m. Sarah Plumb, by whom he had seven children,—Samuel, Richardson, Anna, Sarah, Prudence, Hoshena, and Christopher. The latter was killed at the massacre of Wyoming, July, 1778.

RICHARDSON AVERY,<sup>6</sup> son of Richardson,<sup>5</sup> was b. Oct. 6, 1742. He m. Louis Maxon and had seven children,—Joseph and Joel, twins; Frederick, Richardson, Emma, Sally, and Lydia.

JOSEPH AVERY,<sup>7</sup> son of Richardson,<sup>6</sup> was b. in Stonington, Conn., in 1768. Soon after his birth, his father, with his family, moved to the Wyoming Valley in Pennsylvania. At the massacre, in July, 1778, he was 8 years old. The whole family were prisoners in Fort Mifflin. After their release by the Tories and Indians, they, with nearly two hundred others, returned to Connecticut, walking the whole distance, over 200 miles. Joseph Avery m. Lydia Ann Leffingwell and had eight children,—Sarah, b. in Stonington, Conn., Jan. 26, 1794; Mary (Mrs. Green), b. Jan. 28, 1796; Joseph, b. in Paris, Oneida Co., N. Y., April 7, 1798; Annis (Mrs. Kingsley), b. in Paris, N. Y., Jan. 9, 1801; Joel, b. in Brookfield, Madison Co., N. Y., March 8, 1803; Amos Read, M.D., b. in same place, May 8, 1805; Joel Handy, b. Oct. 24, 1808; Melora, b. March 28, 1811.

SARAH AVERY,<sup>8</sup> oldest child of Joseph,<sup>7</sup> was m. to Azariah Thomas Jan. 18, 1812.

Nine Averys, descendants of Christopher, fell at the massacre of Fort Griswold, at Groton Heights, Conn., Sept. 6, 1781.

resided until the fall of 1821, when he moved to Watertown, in the same county, and engaged in building and manufacturing of wooden ware by machinery.

During the war of 1812, at the time of the invasion of the northern frontier, he entered the service as a volunteer, and at the battle of Sackett's Harbor, May 29, 1813, he had command of a company. In evidence of his coolness in battle, it was related by an eye-witness to an elder brother of the writer, in 1853, that, during the engagement, and while the bullets were thickly flying, his men were ordered to protect themselves behind trees, fences, etc., which they proceeded to do; while he, apparently unconscious of danger, remained exposed to the fire of the enemy until reminded of his duty to protect himself.

After the war he was promoted to the colonelcy of his regiment, which position he retained until some years before his death. It was generally understood that had he not resigned he would have been made general of his brigade, he having been a very popular officer and in the direct line of promotion. A contemporary met by the writer in the summer of 1886 related that he never saw a finer looking officer on horseback than Colonel Thomas. That he was imbued with something of the military spirit would appear from the fact that on the night of his death, in his delirium, his mind apparently wandering back to the exciting scenes of battle, he suddenly exclaimed, with considerable force: "Stand by your posts; let every man do his duty,"—forcibly reminding one of the last words of Lord Nelson at the battle of Trafalgar, "England expects every man to do his duty;" or of those of Napoleon, "Tête de l'armée."

Possessing some argumentative ability, in the early days of the country, when lawyers were few, Colonel

Thomas was accustomed to plead before a Justice in some simple suits among his neighbors. He was of a generous, whole-souled disposition, ever ready to assist those in need. This trait of character finally cost him dearly, as, by indorsing for a neighboring country storekeeper, he finally lost his farm.

Colonel Thomas d. at Watertown, N. Y., Sept. 14, 1831, aged 49. His wife d. in Sheridan, Chaut. Co., N. Y., April 21, 1846. They were both members of the Baptist Church.

They had eight children,—four born at Perch River and four in Watertown, N. Y. :—

- 209. LOUISA THOMAS, b. 1814-15; d. 1819.
- 210. AVERY THOMAS, b. Jan. 3, 1817; m. Lovina D. Bacon and had issue.
- 211. HARRIET THOMAS, b. June 1, 1819; m. Wm. Barnes and had issue.
- 212. MELINDA THOMAS, b. June 3, 1821; m. Horace Ottoway and left issue.
- 213. CHARLES THOMAS, b. 1823; d. in infancy.
- 214. AMOS RUSSELL THOMAS, M.D., b. Oct. 3, 1826; m. Elizabeth M. Bacon and had issue.
- 215. JANE M. THOMAS, b. Feb. 3, 1829; m. Kendrick Scovil; d. in Monroe Wis., May 19, 1855, aged 26; no issue. K. Scovil d. Jan. 23, 1885.
- 216. CHARLES AZABIAH THOMAS, b. April 1, 1831; d. in Oswego, N. Y., Aug. 18, 1848, aged 17.

74. HEMAN THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (son of Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., June 21, 1785; m. Jan. 21, 1808, Anna Martin, who was b. in Norton, Mass., July 7, 1774. He remained at the old homestead even after he reached manhood, and to this place, at the age of 22, he brought his bride. Here the same room in which he was born served as birthplace for each of his four children, and the same physician officiated.

In 1818 he removed to Hardwick, where he lived six years. After three years' residence in New Braintree, he returned to his native town, this time making a home in the same house where his wife had lived and at which

they were married. Here he spent the remainder of his earthly life.

His occupation was farming, like that of most of the inhabitants in the region where he resided; at times, also, he added to it that of drover and cattle dealer.

He was a man of stern exterior, but those who knew him intimately found him remarkably kindly in feeling and generous and noble in heart—a true Christian. He was a member of the Baptist Church, and in politics a Whig. He d. June 29, 1843, aged 58.

They had four children, all born in New Salem:—

217. MARTIN THOMAS, b. Dec. 18, 1809; d. Sept. 30, 1813.  
 218. LYDIA ANN THOMAS, b. Dec. 29, 1810; m. 1st Winslow Packard and had issue, 2d M. Deacon Perley Howard, of Barre, Mass., May 30, 1858. He d. Dec. 5, 1871; no issue.  
 219. ALMIRA THOMAS, b. May 25, 1812; m. Daniel Freeman Oct. 7, 1851, who d. April 18, 1887; no issue.  
 220. MARTIN THOMAS, b. Dec. 8, 1815; m. Ann Fisher, of Colerain, Mass.; d. May 8, 1871; had issue.

75. MARY THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (dau. of Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Aug. 9, 1786; m. James Luddon, Oct., 1808. Soon after their marriage they moved to Rutland, Jefferson Co., N. Y., where their first two children were born. Some time in 1814–15, they, with the family of Rhoda Phillips (77), moved to Henrietta, Monroe Co., N. Y. In 1838 they moved to Murray, in same county, where she d. Nov. 9, 1840, aged 53. James Luddon d. Aug. 14, 1849.

They had four children:—

221. AMOS LUDDON, b. in Rutland, Jefferson Co., N. Y., July 25, 1809; d. Feb., 1867; unm.  
 222. EUNICE LUDDON, b. in Rutland Feb. 23, 1812; d. Feb. 14, 1859; unm.; was a teacher.  
 223. MARY ANN LUDDON, b. in Henrietta, N. Y., April 5, 1816; m. James M. Curtis Oct. 13, 1839; had nine children.  
 224. RHODA SAREPTA LUDDON, b. in Henrietta, N. Y., Aug. 10, 1831; m. George L. Stone and had five children.

77. RHODA THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (dau. of Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 22, 1790, at New Salem, Mass.; m. 1st Benjamin Phillips in 1813 or '14. Soon after settled in Rutland, Jefferson Co., N. Y., where her sister, Mary Luddon (75), was then living. After remaining in Rutland for a short time, they removed with the Luddons to Henrietta, Monroe Co., N. Y. Benjamin Phillips was killed at the raising of a barn in Henrietta, N. Y., April 23, 1831; and she m. 2d Samuel Whitcomb, a very popular hotel-keeper of Parma Corners, N. Y., early in 1833. Samuel Whitcomb d. in 1843, and she m. 3d Miner Brown, of Henrietta, N. Y., in 1848, whom she survived. Miner Brown d. in 1860. She d. Oct. 21, 1865, in Henrietta, N. Y., aged 75.

Rhoda Thomas was a woman of marked traits of character, gentle and loving in her disposition, and highly esteemed by all who knew her. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

She had the following children. By Benjamin Phillips, her first husband:—

- 225. RHODA PHILLIPS, b. in Henrietta, N. Y., Nov. 3, 1815; m. George W. Brown and had issue.
- 226. LURA EMILY PHILLIPS, b. in Henrietta, N. Y., 1817; m. Sereno Stone and had issue.
- 227. HARVEY THOMAS PHILLIPS, b. in Henrietta, N. Y., Feb. 5, 1824; m. 1st Bettie Brackner, 2d Kate Dyson, 3d Bettie Wharton, and had issue.

By Samuel Whitcomb, her second husband:—

- 228. DWIGHT WHITCOMB, b. Nov. 30, 1833; d. July 9, 1852, aged 19.

78. ARDON THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (son of Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem (now Prescott), Mass., Sept. 24, 1795. He m. Sarepta Holmes, dau. of James and Damaris Holmes, of New Braintree, Mass., June 12, 1822. In his younger days he taught school. After his marriage he moved to Western New York, where a brother

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and three married sisters had previously settled. At the end of about two years he returned to Massachusetts, and with his younger brother, Alphcus, settled upon the old homestead with the view of caring for their aged parents. Later, the old people went to live with their daughter, Eunice Bigelow, with whom they spent the residue of their days; and Ardon engaged in mercantile pursuits, opening a general country store in Prescott. Selling out to his brother, Alphcus, he again engaged in farming about 1840. In 1846 he sold his farm in Prescott and purchased another in Barre, Mass., where he lived until the death of his wife, in 1865. After this he lived with his oldest son, Alphcus O. Thomas, at Waltham. For ten years before his death he was afflicted with blindness, which he bore with Christian fortitude. He was a member of the Baptist Church and an honored and respected citizen wherever he lived.

Ardon Thomas met with such a number of remarkable escapes from violent death as to have led to the claim of his possessing a charmed life. On one occasion, a pair of young colts running away with him, he was thrown with great violence against a stone gate-post, escaping with but a fractured rib. Again, while at the bottom of a deep well, which he was stoning up, the "boat," by means of which the stones were being lowered by the aid of a windlass, from some cause upset, the contents falling around him; yet he escaped uninjured. On another occasion, in attempting to cross a stream in a boat, the strong current swept him to the edge of a dam thrown across the stream, and he was saved from being carried over by catching the branches of an overhanging tree. At another time he fell into a saw-mill race in the winter, breaking through the ice. Fortunately, the mill-gate was closed, otherwise the current would at least

have carried him under the ice, if not to the wheel. Coming up at the opening in the ice made by the fall he was safely rescued. Again, in hauling a load of hay into the barn with an ox-team, by accident he fell beneath one of the cart-wheels. The wheel, instead of rolling over him, slid upon the floor, pushing his body in advance, and thus he again escaped what might have been a fatal injury. He d. in Waltham, Nov. 4, 1874, aged 81.

He had five children:—

- 229. ALPHEUS ORLANDO THOMAS, b. at Prescott, Mass., Jan. 29, 1826; m. Elizabeth Ocford Hill and has issue.
- 230. JAMES HOLMES THOMAS, b. at Prescott Feb. 6, 1827; m. Lucy A. Wellington and has issue.
- 231. ROSANNAH SAREPTA THOMAS, b. at New Salem Nov. 29, 1829; m. Chas Webb and has issue.
- 232. RUFINA FINEtta THOMAS, b. at New Salem May 20, 1834; m. Alden B. Woodis and has issue.
- 233. CHARLES MARSHMAN WADE THOMAS, b. at New Salem Nov. 29, 1837; m. Mary E. Howard, of Sutton, Mass., March 22, 1870; no issue. He is a carpenter and builder, and resides at Brocton, Mass.

80. ALPHEUS THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (ninth and youngest son of Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., April 2, 1797; m. Electa Bangs, dau. of Nathaniel Bangs, in 1820. She was b. Dec. 6, 1795, and d. Sept. 21, 1867.

Alpheus Thomas taught school twenty winters and was regarded an excellent disciplinarian as well as teacher. He had the reputation of always succeeding as "master," and was sought for by committees for the most difficult places. He became extensively engaged in farming, often possessing large tracts of land and was the owner of several farms at a time. He was, also, a merchant at North Prescott for many years, and, though never rich, he acquired a comparatively large estate. He held at different times various town offices, and was frequently called upon in the settlement of disputes and difficulties so often arising among neighbors. He died



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at the residence of his son, Charles U. Thomas, in Boston, May 17, 1878, aged 81, and was buried at North Prescott.\* He was a member of the Methodist Church, and a Republican in politics.

They had eight children:—

234. A son, b. May 6, 1821; d. May 8, 1821.  
 235. ELIZA ANN THOMAS, b. Oct. 5, 1822; m. Rev. Rodney Gage; she d. Oct. 25, 1852, and left issue.  
 236. SARAH NEWCOMB THOMAS, b. Dec. 4, 1825; m. Rev. Rodney Gage; she d. April 13, 1880, and left issue.  
 237. ALPHEUS C. W. THOMAS, b. Nov. 15, 1827; d. Feb. 1, 1843, aged 15.  
 238. EDWARD AUGUSTUS THOMAS, b. April 10, 1829; m. Betsy Maria Bacon and has issue.  
 239. REV. CHAUNCEY BOARDMAN THOMAS, b. Sept. 7, 1834; m. Catharina Storm; d. Jan. 20, 1881, and left issue.  
 240. CHARLES URLEY THOMAS, b. Feb. 10, 1838; m. Harriet F. Fifield and has issue.  
 241. EDWIN AUGUSTINE THOMAS, b. Aug. 13, 1841; m. Lucy A. Parkhurst and has issue.

84. SABRA THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (daugh. of Joseph,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., Aug. 29, 1780; m. Levi Goodrich Nov. 27, 1803. She moved to Hardwick, Vt., early in the century. She d. in Hardwick, Vt., May 28, 1856, aged 76. She had five children:—

242. LOUISA GOODRICH.  
 243. SUSAN GOODRICH.  
 244. AUGUSTUS GOODRICH.  
 245. FREDERICK GOODRICH.  
 246. ARSENETH GOODRICH.

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\* The following notice appeared in an Amherst paper: "Mr. Alpheus Thomas, whose remains were brought to this town on Saturday last, was known to many of the people of Amherst as the aged gentleman who has spent a number of summers with his son, Hon. E. A. Thomas, on Prospect Street. He died of pneumonia, May 17, at the age of 81, at the residence of his son, Mr. C. U. Thomas, in Boston. Mr. Thomas was the youngest of fifteen children, none of whom to-day survive him. Brief services were held Sabbath morning in this town, and his remains then carried to his old home at North Prescott, where he had lived for seventy years. Rev. Mr. Hatch, pastor of the M. E. Church of which Mr. Thomas was a member, and Rev. N. B. Jones, of the Baptist Church, an acquaintance of forty-five years, conducted the services in that place. A large assemblage of people, many coming from a long distance, met his sons at the old home, and mingled with them their sympathy and their tears, and assisted in the burial of their dead."

86. SUSAN THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (dau. of<sup>3</sup> Joseph,<sup>2</sup> Amos,<sup>1</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., March 23, 1787. She m. March 1, 1808, Jesse Goodrich, b. June 5, 1781. She d. in Hardwick, Vt., June 19, 186—.

She had twelve children:—

247. IRA T. GOODRICH, b. April 4, 1809; d. Jan. 6, 1889. He m. Rosette Wells Feb. 8, 1843, who d. June 22, 1852; m. 2d Mary Thompson April 4, 1854.
248. NOAH L. GOODRICH, b. May 15, 1810; m. M. Davis Sept. 30, 1847.
249. MARY B. GOODRICH, b. Nov. 18, 1811; m. Adams Amsden June 10, 1835; d. Nov. 27, 1877.
250. JUVENUS J. GOODRICH, b. Jan. 18, 1814; d. Oct. 11, 1815.
251. JUVENUS J. GOODRICH, b. Nov. 25, 1815; m. Mary C. Jennison June 11, 1840.
252. HARRIET L. GOODRICH, b. Aug. 9, 1817; m. Bernard Powers, Jr., Feb. 9, 1816; d. Aug. 28, 1858.
253. LEVI R. GOODRICH, b. Feb. 9, 1819.
254. FREDERICK A. GOODRICH, b. Jan. 10, 1822.
255. SUSAN A. GOODRICH, b. July 11, 1824; m. James Nelson June 26, 1835.
256. HIRSH A. GOODRICH, b. Aug. 25, 1826.
257. EDWIN GOODRICH, b. June 27, 1828.
258. CORDELLA E. GOODRICH, b. May 13, 1830; m. Geo. B. Bush Jan. 1, 1848.

87. DOLLY THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (dau. of Joseph,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., ———, 1785; m. 1st Jonathan French, 2d Daniel French; d. in Hardwick, Vt., Sept. 16, 1871, aged 86.

She had two children:—

259. JONATHAN FRENCH.
260. ——— FRENCH.

88. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (son of Joseph,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., ———, 1791; m. Ella Curtis; d. in Hardwick, Vt., Oct. 8, 1858, aged 67.

He had eight children:—

261. SALLY THOMAS.
262. B. FRANKLIN THOMAS.
263. ELISHA BILLINGS THOMAS.
264. FANNY THOMAS.
265. ELIZABETH THOMAS.
266. ELISE THOMAS.
267. ——— died young; no name.
268. ——— died young; no name.

90. ELISHA BILLINGS THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (son of Joseph,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., June 1, 1792; m. Temperance Lucas; date of marriage unknown. He lived and died upon the farm that had been cleared up by his father, Joseph Thomas, one of the earliest settlers in Hardwick, Vt. He d. June 31, 1874, aged 82. His wife d. May 4, 1881.

They had seven children:—

209. JOSEPH WARREN THOMAS, b. in Hardwick, Vt., Jan. 4, 1820; m. Cordelia Gilman Nov. 25, 1845, and d. in Hardwick, Vt., Oct. 11, 1888, aged 68, from injuries received by falling from and being run over by a load of lumber; no issue.
270. CORDELIA EMBELINE THOMAS, b. in Hardwick, Vt., April 17, 1821; d. July 3, 1844; unm.
271. MARY BILLINGS THOMAS, b. in Hardwick, Vt., Jan. 1, 1824; m. Orrin B. Hall Jan. 1, 1860, and had issue; *nfr.*
272. ANDREW JACKSON THOMAS, b. in Hardwick, Vt., Nov. 9, 1827; m. Miranda P. Thurber March 31, 1851, and had issue.
273. A son died in infancy.
274. " " "
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93. PERTHENIA THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (dau. of Daniel,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., May 31, 1774; m. Joseph Crowell Oct. 24, 1793. They had the care of an insane brother of Joseph, her husband, who set fire to the house Jan. 22, 1812, and Thomas Crowell, the insane brother, perished in the flames. Some years later the family moved to Broome, N. Y. Date of death unknown.

They had eight children, born in Hardwick, Mass.:—

276. PAULINE CROWELL, b. Dec. 3, 1794; m. Jesse Shaw Dec. 19, 1813.
277. ADOLPHUS CROWELL, b. Feb. 3, 1797.
278. MAURICE CROWELL, b. March 25, 1798.
279. BRASLUS CROWELL, b. May 10, 1799; m. Rebecca Botherell.
280. SAPHRONIA CROWELL, b. April 14, 1801.
281. JERUSA CROWELL, b. April 13, 1803.
282. HARVEY CROWELL, b. Dec. 15, 1804.
283. PLINY THOMAS CROWELL, baptised Sept. 13, 1810.

95. LUCINDA THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (dau. of Daniel,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was born in Hardwick, Mass., —, 1778; m. Abel Ruggles May 8, 1799, son of Edward Ruggles, and b. March 26, 1776. They moved to Carmel, Me. He was a member of the convention for framing the constitution of Maine.

She had eight children:—

- 284. DANIEL RUGGLES, b. March 9, 1800; m. Sarah Mayo, of Hampden, Mo., and d. Sept., 1862, aged 62, and had issue.
- 285. LUCINDA RUGGLES, b. —; m. Enoch Mayo and had issue.
- 286. ASA RUGGLES, b. —; unm.; was drowned April, 1827.
- 287. MERCY RUGGLES, b. —; m. Elisha Mayo and had issue.
- 288. BETTY N. RUGGLES, b. —; m. Prince Gorham.
- 289. ABEL RUGGLES, b. —; m. Jane — and had issue.
- 290. LUTHERIA RUGGLES, b. —; d. July, 1844 or '45.
- 291. ANNA D. RUGGLES, b. —; m. Joseph Gatchell; d. in 1850 and had issue.

96. MERCY THOMAS<sup>4</sup> (dau. of Daniel,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in 1780; m. Isaac Warner Oct. 19, 1800. He was a mechanic, and lived near Gilbertville, Mass., but removed to Weathersfield, Vt., about 1817. Date of death unknown.

They had eight children:—

- 292. MINERVA WARNER, b. July 6, 1801.
- 293. ANSON WARNER, b. Sept. 20, 1802.
- 294. CYRUS WARNER, b. in 1804.
- 295. WILLIAM WARNER, b. Nov. 1, 1805; d. Sept. 8, 1814.
- 296. LUCINDA WARNER, b. Feb. 25, 1807.
- 297. MARIE WARNER, b. March 29, 1809.
- 298. HENRY WARNER, b. March 9, 1812.
- 299. MARIE EMELINE WARNER, b. July 4, 1814.

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100. THEOPHILUS HASTINGS<sup>4</sup> (son of Submit Jordan,<sup>3</sup> Temperance [Thomas] Jordan,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., Dec. 25, 1764. He m. Betsy Prince Ames, of Barre, Mass., Dec. 22, 1785. He d. Oct. 31, 1842, aged 78. She d. Aug. 14, 1844, aged 76.

They had eight children :—

300. **BESSY HASTINGS**, b. 1786 ; m. Timothy P. Anderson Oct. 17, 1811, and d. Nov. 25, 1868, aged 82, and had issue.
301. **ANNIE HASTINGS**, b. — ; m. Sewell Marsh, of Ware, May 11, 1815 ; nfr.
302. **WALTER HASTINGS**, b. — ; m. Mary Babbell, of Barre, Mass., pub. May 22, 1822 ; nfr.
303. **JOHN AMES HASTINGS**, b. 1798 ; d. June 9, 1801.
304. **HIRAM HASTINGS**, b. 1801 ; d. Dec. 27, 1831.
305. **HARRIET HASTINGS**, b. 1805 ; m. William Frost Feb. 5, 1843, and d. June 20, 1845, aged 40 ; had issue.
306. **BARNABUS HASTINGS**, b. 1807 ; d. May 9, 1807.
307. **HENRIETTA HASTINGS**, b. 1810 ; m. William Frost (whose first wife was Harriet Hastings), Sept. 22, 1848.

106. **CHARLES HENRY THOMAS**<sup>4</sup> (son of Israel,<sup>3</sup> Israel,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., May 10, 1832 ; m. Harriet A. Spooner, of Dana, Feb. 8, 1855.

They had two children, both b. in Greenwich :—

308. **WILLIAM HENRY THOMAS**, b. Jan. 3, 1856.
309. **CLARA SARA THOMAS**, b. Oct. 8, 1857 ; d. May 11, 1858.

## FIFTH GENERATION.

"How loved, how honored once, avails thee not;  
To whom related or by whom begot;  
A heap of dust alone remains of thee;  
'Tis all thou art, and all the proud shall be."—POPE.

117. RUTH CUTLER THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Orsamus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Provincetown Dec. 17, 1804; m. June 15, 1823, to William Allerton, b. in Birmingham, Eng., June 8, 1801. He d. at Gloucester, Mass., April 13, 1880. She d. at Gloucester Sept. 4, 1874.

They had twelve children, all born in Provincetown:—

310. CAROLINE ALLESTON, b. Nov. 7, 1824; d., unm., 1844.
311. ORSAMUS THOMAS ALLESTON, b. Aug. 17, 1825. He m. 1st Louisa L. Perham July 17, 1863; she d. Feb. 15, 1867. He m. 2d Louisa Wanson, still living. He d. at Gloucester in the fall of 1868. He had two children; nfr.
312. HELEN ALLESTON, b. Oct. 6, 1828; m. David Sanford Hopkins, of Orleans, Mass., where she now lives; has four children; nfr.
313. ABBIE BEALS ALLESTON, b. Dec. 4, 1830; m. Joseph M. Caton Nov. 24, 1823; his parents were b. in Lisbon, Portugal; both now living in Provincetown; had one child; nfr.
314. RUTH HINGCLEY ALLESTON, b. Aug. 20, 1833; d. Dec. 12, 1841.
315. ELIZABETH SCOTT ALLESTON, b. June 25, 1836; m. Benjamin Wanson; she d. —; had five or six children; nfr.
316. WILLIAM JAMES ALLESTON, b. July 10, 1838; d. Nov. 12, 1838.
317. CAROLINE ALLESTON (twin), b. same date; d. Dec. 1, 1838.
318. MARY CAROLINE ALLESTON, b. June 20, 1839; m. at Beverly, Mass., to Addison Allen; she d. at Gloucester.
319. WILLIAM ALLESTON, b. April 26, 1842; d. Jan. 4, 1845.
320. RUTH ALLESTON, b. Feb. 14, 1845; m. George Douglass Sept. 10, 1872; she d. at Gloucester April 10, 1887; had three children; nfr.
321. WILLIAM ALLESTON, b. July 27, 1848; d. Aug. 14, 1849.

119. ABIGAIL BEALS THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Orsamus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Provincetown, Mass., May 28, 1809. After the death of her father, Nov. 22, 1822, she, with her sister, Pauline, was adopted

by her uncle, Samuel Beals Thomas, hotel-keeper, of Worcester, Mass. She m. Phineas Warner Wait May 21, 1838, son of Elmer Wait and Betsy Warner. After the death of Samuel B. Thomas, Mr. Wait became proprietor of the Exchange Hotel. Later, they moved to Zanesville, O., where he d. in the same business. She d. Sept. 24, 1878, having had three children:—

322. WILLIAM THOMAS WAIT, b. May 13, 1839, in Worcester, Mass. In 1858 he went to New Orleans to take a position as book-keeper in the business house of his uncle, John E. Thomas. A painful mystery surrounds the circumstances of his death. In 1863 he was sent on a business trip to Mexico by his employers. Here he found many men who had left New Orleans to escape the Confederate draft. Knowing his trustworthy character, these men took advantage of the opportunity for sending money to their families on his return to New Orleans. He was never seen after. Strong suspicions were felt that he had been murdered for this money. A detective was sent to investigate the matter. Some of his personal effects were recovered and sent to his mother, but no clue was ever obtained as to his fate.

323. SARAH THOMAS WAIT, b. at Worcester, Mass., Sept. 21, 1842; m. Daniel Crowell Nov. 10, 1869, and had one dau., Willietta Crowell.

324. CHARLES ARTHUR WAIT, b. in Boston, Mass., Sept. 2, 1854; d. March 11, 1874, at Fannell, Mass. He was a young man of unusual ability, manifesting such business capacity and such traits of character as to have promised much for his future.

120. PAULINE NICKERSON THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Orsamus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Provincetown Dec. 11, 1811. She was adopted by her uncle, Samuel Beals Thomas, with her older sister, Abigail, upon the death of her father, in 1822. She m. April 12, 1848, Geo. Gale, of Roxbury, son of Isaac Gale and Anna Norcross. Geo. Gale held the office of Registrar in the city of Worcester, Mass. He d. in 1855. She is now living with her niece, Mrs. Crowell, at Montvale, Mass. She forms one of the connecting-links between the present and the early part of the century, and gives many reminiscences of old times and of family connections. She has one child:—

325. EMMA JOSEPHINE THOMAS GALE, b. March 14, 1849, at Boston, Mass. She resides with her mother at Montvale, Mass. Miss Gale is a writer of ability, of both prose and verse.

121. ISABELLA NICKERSON THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Orsamus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. at Provincetown, Mass., Feb. 9, 1814; m. 1st John Stone, a merchant at Provincetown, about 1837. He d. about 1842. She m. 2d Nathan Stone, a carpenter, about 1845. He d. Feb. 18, 1881. She is still living at Dennis, Mass. She had two children, b. in Dennis:—

By first husband:

326. JOHN MURRY STONE, b. Sept., 1839; m. Cynthia Crowell; had two children; nfr.

By second husband:

327. SARAH EMELINE STONE, b. May 1850; m. Sept., 1870, James Howes a farmer of Dennis, Mass.; had four children; nfr.

122. ABIAH NICKERSON THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Orsamus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Provincetown, Mass., July 12, 1816; m. Reuben Collins, a sea-captain, son of Richard Collins, of Truro, Mass., in 1836. He d. Aug. 12, 1883. She d. at Provincetown July 31, 1871. She had three children:—

328. RICHARD FREEMAN COLLINS, b. March 2, 1837; a mariner; unm.  
 329. MINNIE THOMAS COLLINS, b. Sept. 15, 1839; unm.; residence, Provincetown.  
 330. JOHN ELDRIDGE COLLINS, b. Feb. 24, 1847; m. Sept. 6, 1868, Ella Frances Sholes, dau. of Henry Sholes, of Truro, Mass.; mariner; he d. May 3, 1882. She resides at Provincetown.

124. JOHN ELDRIDGE THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of Orsamus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Provincetown March 20, 1820. In 1849 he m. Emma Josephine Pemberton, dau. of Captain Henry Pemberton, of Liverpool, England, and Elizabeth O. Pye, his wife. He went to New Orleans, La., about 1850, and engaged in the shipping business; was of the firm of Thomas & Foley. He was drowned June 24, 1868, by the foundering of one

of their vessels at the mouth of the Brazos River while on a trial trip. A New Orleans paper contains the following account of this disaster:—

"We are pained to hear of the death of our esteemed friend, Captain John Eldridge Thomas, of this city, who lost his life by the foundering of the steamer "Selma" off Velasco, near the mouth of the Brazos River, Texas, on the morning of the 24th inst. (June 24, 1868). The "Selma" was formerly—before the war—one of the mail-boats running between this port and Mobile. During the war she was converted into a Confederate gun-boat. Recently, a number of enterprising citizens, among whom was Captain Thomas, purchased the "Selma" and fitted her out for a cattle transport to run between Indianola and New Orleans. Saturday morning a dispatch was received from Captain McLean, at Galveston, stating that the "Selma" had foundered in the Gulf, and that his son, with Captain Thomas, two cooks, the steward, and a passenger, were lost. Captain Thomas's body had been recovered and buried.

"Captain Thomas was a member of the firm of Thomas & Foley, well-known shippers of this city. As a merchant, he was high-toned and honest in his dealings with his fellow-men. He was brimful of energy and enterprise, and a most useful and valuable member of our commercial community. In private life he was remarkable for his geniality of manner and liberality of sentiment. All of his associates and acquaintances esteemed him highly, and there are many in this city and elsewhere who will sincerely lament his loss."

John Eldridge Thomas had four children:—

331. EMMA LOUISA THOMAS, b. Aug., 1852.

332. ELIZABETH PEMBERTON THOMAS, b. March, 1854; d. in New Orleans.

333. HENRIETTA PEMBERTON THOMAS, b. Jan., 1856; d. in New Orleans.

334. IDA JOSEPHINE THOMAS, b. 1858; d. in New Orleans.

125. SARAH KELLOGG THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Orsamus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Provincetown, Mass., Sept. 10, 1822. She m. John F. Locke, son of Ward Locke, of Ashby, N. H., in 1845. Mr. Locke was an architect. About 1849 he moved to New Orleans, and later to Mexico. Lost sight of since.

They had five children:—

335. SAMUEL THOMAS LOCKE, b. Sept., 1846, in Boston.

336. EMMA LOCKE, b. Sept., 1848, in Boston.

337. IDA ISABELLA LOCKE, b. Nov. 19, 1851, in New Orleans.

338. ADA ELIZABETH LOCKE, b. same date; twins.

339. FRANK MONROE LOCKE, b. Feb., 1859.

126. MERRICK THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of Seneca,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. at what is now called St. Albans, Vt., May 26, 1803, was the oldest son of Seneca, and, it is said, was the first white child b. in that place. When his father was taken prisoner of war, and when his mother d., he was less than 10 years of age.

From that time forward he had to do battle for himself. In after years, among his earliest recollections was that of driving an army cart in the rear of the British forces on their way to Burlington Heights. About this time he commenced living with, and was employed by, a Mr. William Kent, who lived at a place at the head of Lake Ontario, called Saltfleet, where he had a store, salt-works, and a saw-mill. He also owned vessels on the lake. Here the boy worked his way as a sawyer, sailor, and clerk to the position of general manager.

When he left Mr. Kent he became general manager for William Chisholm, who was engaged in a very extensive mercantile and lumber business at Nelson, Ont., rafting timber and staves down the St. Lawrence to Quebec, also running a line of vessels over the same route. Mr. Chisholm purchased what is now the town of Oakville, Ont., and put Mr. Thomas in charge of the settlement. He became main mover in the enterprise, clearing up the forest, erecting buildings, improving the harbor, building piers, also vessels, and freighting them to other ports. Here, it is claimed, was built the first steam-boat on Lake Ontario. A very extensive business was carried on at Oakville for many years. Mr. Thomas purchased lands adjoining the town site, where he erected buildings and made such improvements as his tastes dictated. To this place he retired about 1834. He was a Justice of the Peace for the united counties of Wentworth and Halton, District of Gore. He held a com-

mission as captain of artillery, and was a Government Commissioner of Light-houses and Harbors. He was a man of much influence, and, had his tastes led him into politics, would have been successful as a popular leader. His wife was Esther Silverthorn, of Lundy's Lane, who, in 1890, still lives with the youngest son on the old place called Mulberry Hill.

They had seven children:—

340. CHARLES WILLIAM THOMAS, b. Sept. 23, 1830; m. 1st Mary Ann Smith, of Blockey, Worcestershire, Eng.; 2d m. Martha E., widow of Thomas Q. Mears, of Buffalo, N. Y.; has issue.
341. ESTHER THOMAS (twin), b. Nov. 8, 1832; d. Nov. 23, 1832.
342. ASENETH THOMAS (twin), b. Nov. 8, 1832; d. Nov. 21, 1832.
343. GEORGE CHISHOLM THOMAS, b. Jan. 28, 1834; m. Sarah Elizabeth Hollis, of Boston, Mass; has issue.
344. REBECCA ELIZABETH THOMAS, b. Feb. 28, 1838; d. April 28, 1840.
345. JOHN ALEXANDER THOMAS, b. Feb. 25, 1841; m. Caroline Augusta Boynton, who d. May 7, 1889; he is a plumber, living at 71 Chapman St., Boston; no issue.
346. ROBERT MURRAY THOMAS, b. Nov. 12, 1846. He had the misfortune, at the age of 3 or 4 years, to become deaf and dumb; he was educated at Hartford, Conn., is a good farmer, and lives, unmarried, with his mother on the old homestead at Oakville, Ont.

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127. CHARLES AUGUSTUS THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of Seneca,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Sept. 14, 1809, at Irasburg, Vt. He was less than three years old at the death of his mother, and, we think, lived with his brother Merrick, at Mr. Kent's, until his fifteenth year, when he tramped for the home of his ancestors, in Eastern Massachusetts. Stopping at Williamstown a few weeks with his uncle William, he left a reputation for studiousness impelled by earnest motives. He stopped a while at the old homestead at Brookfield, again at Worcester, but finally went into Boston and into the employ of a grocer, with whom he remained as clerk and afterward partner till his associate's death, when he continued the business

in his own name. He was located in Chickering Building when it was burned, about 1850; losing everything, he started in again at the corner of Beech and Washington Streets, taking his head clerk as partner, under the name of Thomas & Merriam. Here he did a successful business until a little before his death, which occurred March 9, 1864, when he sold his interest to his partner. He managed, somehow, to get an excellent business education, and was a man of note among business men in his day. His credit among merchants was unlimited, because of his good judgment and his absolute integrity.

His correspondence shows that he was actuated by the highest motives, and, though at times an irascible man, was very companionable with those who understood him. He was self-reliant and original. At the burial of his father, the sexton asked if he wished to bury the plate with the casket. He replied: "I don't know. What is the custom? I never buried my father before." When, still at his business, his physician told him that his life was limited and the bounds only a little way off, he seemed unmoved; wanted the limits of his business possibilities fixed, and settled up his affairs; then—not till then—laying himself down for the last time, telling his family what he had done and what the fates had in store for him.

May 12, 1839, he m. Adrienne Josephine Charrier, of Paris, France, a woman of good education and great personal beauty and worth. She d. Dec. 27, 1884, outliving Mr. Thomas nearly twenty years.

They had seven children:—

347. ADRIENNE JOSEPHINE THOMAS, b. May 23, 1840; m. James Whitney, foreign buyer for Arnold Constable & Co., of New York. She d. Dec. 3, 1864, leaving one son, George, a stock-broker in New York, who has since d. unm.

348. CHARLES JOHN THOMAS, b. Feb. 2, 1843; d. April 11, 1843.

349. EMMA THOMAS, b. March 4, 1845, and d., unm., Jan. 25, 1869.

She had a fine education, marked abilities, and moved in literary circles; was speechless for nearly a year before her death.

350. GEORGE GIBBS THOMAS, b. Oct. 11, 1848; was killed while playing with the cars, about 1861 or '62. He was a fine scholar and was intending to enter Harvard.

351. CHARLES CHARLIER THOMAS, b. Nov. 5, 1851.

He was educated in the schools of Boston and of Berlin, Prussia. He was a fine English scholar, and spoke German and French with ease. After his return to Boston he went into a wool-store to learn the business, where he remained about two years. Possessed by inheritance of a love of adventure, and having a desire to establish himself in the wholesale wool business, he conceived the idea of going to Cape Town to open up a trade with Boston. He could not be persuaded nor reasoned out of this venture; and so, pecuniarily equipped by his mother, he went out to Africa only to find that the business was controlled by English monopoly, and that he would not even be tolerated. Smarting under the anticipated "I told you so" awaiting him at home, he joined a trading party going into Central Africa, and was with them in the interior for a year. After his return to Cape Town he fitted out an expedition of his own, which, I think, was not altogether successful, as he was prostrated with a fever, from which he got up with partially paralyzed lower limbs, and on account of which he returned to Boston. Not getting help here, he went to England to consult an eminent surgeon who had practiced in Africa, and who told him that he could do him no good; that to get help he must go back into the African climate. On account of this advice he concluded to return to Africa. Some merchants, associating themselves with him, took a venture, and, chartering a vessel, loaded it with such goods as he thought most profitable for trading on the coast of Africa. He went out as supercargo, but to remain and establish a trading-post on the west coast. Arriving off St. Helena, he was taken with coast fever and was carried to the hospital. The English authorities reported his death to the captain, who, having no one aboard acquainted with trade, weighed anchor and returned to Foston. Charles, however, got well, and, finding that his vessel had returned, proceeded in disgust to the Continent in perfect health, having recovered the use of his limbs. There, on the west coast, about latitude 22° south, he went into the employ of a noted Dane by the name, I think, of Erickson, who controlled things in that region, and was a trader with the interior through the medium of expeditions, differing from the caravans of the East in having oxen instead of camels for beasts of burden. Charles, on account of his abilities, his education, especially the linguistic part (since he already spoke two or three of the native languages), and his winning address, was put in charge of the most important expedition into Central Africa, to be gone two or more years. He was so successful that, after his return, his employer took him and his capital in company with him. At this time he attracted the attention of the British Geographical Society, who became interested in him, and who, after his death, applied for, and had for some time in London, his very full and interesting journals, since, unfortunately, destroyed by fire.

After this partnership was established, they fitted out an extensive trading expedition, which was through the Damara, Ovampo, and Mokololo countries into the regions beyond. Charles again went out in charge of it. In the second year of the expedition he was invited by a chieftain in the country somewhere to the northeast of Lake Ngami to visit and hunt with him. Having trade in view, he accepted the invitation; but, on arriving at the boundary, which at this point was a river, he met the tribe in hostile array, who, instigated by a rival (Portuguese) expedition, refused to allow them to enter their country under the plea that their big Elohphant guns would frighten away the game. As has been related by associate Americans in his employ, and by his younger brother who was with him at this time, he not only had tact in managing the natives, but was possessed of unflinching nerve when circumstances called for decisive action. It had been a custom with him, when danger presented itself in the form of threatening by the natives, to march directly up to and overawe them. It had served him well through all the years of his contact with the negro race; but it failed him on the following day, when, alone and unarmed, he rode into the river and into the face of his now hostile friends, horse and rider going down under a shower of assegais,\* while his well-armed friends stood paralyzed upon the opposite shore.

352. MARY THOMAS, b. May 14, 1854; d. June 9, 1854.

353. JOHN LOUIS THOMAS, b. June 13, 1855.

He graduated at the Boston schools; was for a time in the Agricultural College at Amherst, Mass., but left and went to Central Africa in pursuit of his brother, Charles Charrier, who had not been heard from for more than two years. He was successful, and remained with him until Charles's death, which occurred two or three years later. Returning to America, he remained for awhile in Boston, but the force of new habits made city life intolerable to him; so, having promised his mother that he would not leave this continent while she lived, he went out to Colorado, where he remained until her death. Afterward he went to California, and when he left Boston expressed the intention of going either to Africa or Australia.

C. D. T.

130. DWIGHT THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of William,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. at Hardwick, Vt., Sept. 17, 1800; removed with his parents to Pownal, Vt.; afterward to Williamstown, Mass., where he was associated with them during the remainder of their lives.

Born and reared to manhood on a frontier farm, his young life was a struggle with adverse conditions, which, though stimulating self-reliance, were little calculated to make him a scholar. However, through the aid and

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\* Darts used in warfare among the Kaffirs.

influence of his parents, he received a fair rudimentary education; yet not enough to keep him from saying to his boys, when in after life he felt the need of a higher education, that he hoped they would not grow up such big blockheads as he.

Having never left the family nest, his actions were somewhat circumscribed; at least, until the introduction of steam as a motive power had displaced old conditions and presented to the people new problems for the solution of which there was no key. To tell the story of his business life previous to this event would be to repeat what has already been said in the sketch of his father's doings in Williamstown.

He was tall (about 6 feet) and well proportioned; had dark-brown hair, blue eyes, high forehead, straight and prominent nose, and a pretty strong mouth and chin. He was an enterprising man, full of energy, of quick perceptions, rapid in action, industrious; finding no time in the last half of his adult life for recreation, or even the civilities of social life. He was glad to have his friends visit him; wanted them pleasantly entertained by the family; but he, himself, must be excused—he was always too busy. And this was true. He had so many irons in the fire that, for all his vigilance, some were burned. Whoever visited with him must follow after in the routine of his business.

He was m. in Sept., 1830, to Mabel N., daughter of Martin Townsend, of Hancock, Mass., and Mabel Norton, of Worthington, Mass. After completing her education, and until her marriage, she taught in the public schools of Williamstown. After she became Mrs. Thomas, she fell, receiving injuries from which she finally died, four days after the birth of a son, Charles Dwight Thomas, who was named by her and committed

to the care of the paternal grandmother, in the faith that he would grow up to manhood and make their hearts glad. The boy is now writing these lines; but they who were to be made glad, where are they? It has been said that she was a plain woman, but of brilliant parts, pleasing manners, and very companionable. Thirty years after her death her memory was still cherished in that part of the country.

Not many years after these events came the transition period before referred to; when it was ended, business methods had changed and everywhere were strewn the wrecks of a certain class of enterprises, among them those in which he and his father had been engaged. From this time they seem to have traveled opposite ways; the father in a quiet and conservative path; the son, giving loose reins to his pent-up tendencies, bought more land and, among other things, went into wool-growing, feeding his sheep off the mountain pastures in summer and from his well-filled barns in the winter. For several years he followed this up with varying fortune, having some success but more disappointments, arising from cheap wool, predatory dogs, and all the diseases in succession to which sheep are liable. When he went out of the business he was more of a sheep-doctor than a capitalist. During this period he gained much knowledge of fine wools, and was employed as an expert during the buying season by one of the (Harris) wool manufacturers of Rhode Island.

At this time Mr. Thomas was frequently employed by his neighbors in the adjustment of their accounts, and often acted as arbiter in those cases of disagreement now usually settled by the courts. If these tribunals of mutual consent did not administer much law, they were inexpensive, and a just verdict was as often arrived at as when the case was mystified by paid attorneys.

He was guardian for Toussaint Louis, an old French soldier who came over with Lafayette and served with him during the Revolution. Louis was a pensioner, and lived opposite Mr. Thomas, in a house built by Colonel Simonds, of Indian-War fame. This old Frenchman was a good story-teller, and was never so happy as when his neighbors were gathered around his big, open fireplace, blazing from front to back, listening to his tales of what he had seen and knew of La belle France.

One dark evening Mr. Thomas went to visit his ward. Arriving at the gate, which was attached to the open curb of a well, he was unable to open it; so he attempted to climb over. Being tired, he balanced himself for a while, as he supposed, upon the gate; then leisurely jumped down—into the well, 22 feet deep, with 4 feet of cold water at the bottom.

He was early interested in horticulture, introducing many new fruits into the orchards; and by the distribution of grafts spread the Baldwin apple through the Hoosick Valley, in which lay his lands. He was generally at the front in procuring new and improved seeds, and was one of the so-called "Immortal Three," who, in that first American tuber craze, paid \$30 for a barrel of worthless Rohan potatoes.

He was called a *particular* farmer,—too much so to make money out of the soil; in fact, his tastes were artistic without his knowing it. Perhaps this had something to do with his next venture, which was market-gardening on quite an extensive scale. In this he had a better opportunity for displaying his taste, and his fields, in their season, were as attractive as if they were for beauty instead of utility. A few years after entering upon this last business, he commenced shipping fruit and farm products to Boston, which he continued for several years,

making, on the whole, but little money; the market-men made that.

In Nov., 1859, Mr. Thomas had the misfortune to have his house burned, with the buildings attached. The insurance was in a bankrupt company; the loss was heavy, as it included all the grain and winter vegetables grown upon the farm that year. He never recovered financially, nor did he rebuild, but occupied the house opposite, which was formerly the home of his ward. Here he lived until his death, which occurred Oct. 22, 1878, a few hours after receiving a blow upon the back of the head, while returning from market, in the evening, upon an unfrequented highway.

He was first a Whig, then a Republican, of the strictest schools; was a member of the Congregational Church, and had a reputation second to no man's for virtue and integrity; yet he seems to have given offense in his latter days by neglect of church duties. He was strictly a business man, and gave employment to a large number of laboring men in that vicinity. He was so kind-hearted that he was continually overpaying them, out of sympathy. He had lots of friends, not the least among them his old mother, who never entirely weaned him from her side.

After the death of his first wife he remained a widower for more than twenty years, marrying, in May, 1852, Dorcas E. Brimmer, dau. of John Brimmer and Elizabeth Moon, of Petersburg, N. Y. She d. in April, 1858, having been a good wife and faithful mother.

By his first wife, Mabel N. Townsend, Mr. Thomas had one child:—

354. CHARLES DWIGHT THOMAS, b. at Williamstown, Mass., Nov. 16, 1831; m. Emma Josephine Temple and has issue.

By his second wife, Dorcas E. Brimmer, he had four children:—



355. CLARK ROGER THOMAS, b. at Petersburg, N. Y., Feb. 13, 1853.

He graduated from the commercial college at Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; was in a store at North Adams, Mass.; afterward was a clerk in Boston, where he d. March 22, 1876, from injuries received at his place of employment. It was said of him that he undoubtedly had faults like other men, but managed to conceal them; was a Unitarian and Republican; unm.

356. WILLIAM JACOB THOMAS, b. at Williamstown, Mass., May 1, 1854.

He received his education, after leaving the public schools, at Graylock Institute. He was a successful clerk in Boston, but, after four years, his health failed, when he went to the Azores and England. Soon after his return he went into the employ of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad, and was killed by Greasers a few years after. He was an amateur painter, a pupil of John Johnson; was a Republican and was unm.

357. JOHN EDGAR THOMAS, b. at Williamstown, Mass., Oct. 24, 1855.

He was educated in the public schools of his native town and afterward received a mercantile education in the store of B. F. Mather, in the same place; was for some time in business in Buffalo, N. Y.; is now connected (1890) with a hardware store in Troy, N. Y.; is at present in Europe, where he is introducing a new American type-writing machine; unm.

358. ROBERT BRIMMER THOMAS, b. at Williamstown, Mass., April 21, 1858;  
d. Aug. 29, 1895, from being thrown into the river when he was  
overheated. C. D. T.

133. SYLVANUS THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of William,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. at Hardwick, Vt., Oct. 28, 1805. He removed, with his father's family, to Williamstown, where he finished his education. He commenced active life in Boston, and was, for a time, Assistant Keeper of the House of Correction. While in that capacity he m., on the 30th day of Oct., 1837, Sophia Johnson Kent, b. at Charlestown, Mass., Nov. 8, 1808; and who d., a faithful wife and mother, April 23, 1860. She was the dau. of Samuel Kent, of Charlestown, and Lucy Johnson, of Burlington, Mass.

After leaving his public position he was, for a time, in the market business in Boston, but soon engaged unsuccessfully with some cousins in the cattle business, with headquarters at Albany, N. Y. He finally went to the Mississippi Valley, which was at that time the Western frontier, where, in the bluffs west of Dubuque, he undertook prospecting for lead ore. The mining season

of 1848-49 brought him success in the discovery of what afterward proved to be only a small deposit of lead.

At this time the California gold craze was sweeping over this country. He sold his mine, and, having invested the money in teams, tools, clothing, and provisions suitable for frontier and mining life, collected around him a company of adventurers who were willing to work their passage, and, turning his face toward the golden Eldorado, and his back upon family and friends, dared, for wealth and adventure, the almost insurmountable obstacles that confronted the overland pioneers to the Pacific.

It is known that his journey was successfully completed, but with food-stores mostly consumed by the starving column of adventurers who had started out, some on horseback, others on foot, trusting to their rifles and fishing-tackle for their sustenance. It is known, too, that his tarry in the diggings was short; and that having sold, for the fabulous prices of those California days, his teams and remaining goods, he invested in certain fishing rights on the Sacramento, where, it is in evidence, he made much money. After the sale of these rights and the withdrawing of money from bank, he mysteriously disappeared.

In 1857 there lived, in the Northwest, a man who went out with Mr. Thomas, and was with him in California. It was not known that he was ever other than rather hard up; but, at the disappearance of Mr. Thomas, he returned to Wisconsin, bringing a good deal of money, and, it was thought, knew more about the mystery than any one else, and more than he cared to have others know.

They had two children :—

359. MARY SOPHIA THOMAS, b. at Charlestown, Mass., June 15, 1839. She is a teacher in the Boston schools, where she has taught for thirty years; umm.
300. CHARLES WARREN THOMAS, b. at Boston July 26, 1849; m. Ophelia Bolton; lives at Jefferson City, Mo., and has issue. c. D. T.

134. LEWIS AVERY THOMAS<sup>o</sup> (son of William,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>5</sup> Amon,<sup>6</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. at Hardwick, Vt., May 22, 1807. He was a graduate of Williams College and was also a student in the Yale Law School.

His course in life was so erratic and so many of those contemporary with him are dead or lost sight of, that it would be impossible to give a concise biography without investigating the early records of Iowa, where, after receiving his education, and a short sojourn in Troy, N. Y., he made his home the rest of his days. Some time in the last half of the "thirties" he commenced the practice of law at Dubuque, on the Upper Mississippi, and was prominent in the affairs of that region and of that territory after it was organized. He was early District Attorney for Dubuque and State's Attorney for Iowa. Although from an unbroken line of Whig stock, he early advocated Democratic doctrines as best for that western world. He established a newspaper which was called the *Miners' Express*, of which he was the editor and ran it in the interest of the Democratic party.

After Iowa became a State he was a candidate for Congress, and, starting a campaign paper called the *Spike*, facetiously remarked in the prospectus that it was given that name because it was intended to spike the big guns of Whiggery. However, he was not elected, and was never an M.C.; but spent many winters in Washington, advocating Western enterprises—among them a railroad to the Pacific. A company was finally organized, composed of wealthy and influential men in all parts of the country, North and South, many of them members

of Congress; Stephen A. Douglas was President. The object the influencing of the largest number of the Northern people in their scheme and to overcome the opposition of the South and the slave power to such a railway. Congress was to be asked to aid, by land-grants and money, in building one road north of  $40^{\circ}$  to the Pacific and another south of that point through Southern California to the Pacific. It was concluded to make a preliminary survey to determine the feasibility of the Northern route, and in the spring of 1857 this association sent out a party, fully equipped, to make an examination of the country west as far as the mountains, with instructions to keep as close as possible to latitude  $42^{\circ}$  and  $42\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  North. This line passed westward across the State of Iowa to a point about 20 miles north of the mouth of the Big Sioux River, crossing what is now South Dakota and the Missouri at the mouth of the Neobrara, following up that stream toward the Rockies. Mr. Thomas was in charge of this expedition.

There was another company organized, and going along with this; not responsible to it, yet overlapping and feeding upon it,—“a wheel within a wheel,”—a land and building company, composed of the same parties as the railroad incorporators, whose intention was to gobble all and leave nothing to outsiders; neither eligible town-sites, forests, water-powers, mines of coal, or quarries of stone. This was the inception of the celebrated American Credit Mobilier, which was afterward adopted, in principle, by the builders of the Union Pacific Railroad. This survey was partially completed and a report made by Mr. Thomas; but further work was delayed by the financial panic of that year and the political struggle going on between the institution of slavery and its opposers.

After the beginning of the war and the withdrawal of the power and influence of the extreme South from the National Legislature, two roads were no more thought of. However, as a war and defensive measure, Congress soon passed what is known as the Pacific Railroad Bill, and the different interests compromised on the Platt Valley route, leaving the association of which Mr. Thomas was a member up North, and without patronage. He believed in this route, that it would be built, and, having kept their franchise alive, clung to his stock to the last.

He became an ardent Republican on the organization of that party, and when the war broke out enlisted and served until the expiration of his term of enlistment.

Sept. 8, 1848, he m. Jane Farrington. After his return from the war they both went South, he some way in the service of the Christian Commission, where he remained until the surrender of Lee; she into the kitchen department of the Adams Hospital, at Memphis, Tenn. She was pensioned by Congress, and is now living in the Old Ladies' Home, at Dubuque, and is remembered with gratitude for her generosity in the days of her prosperity, and for her self-sacrifice to the soldiers of the Union.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas were at one time the possessors of considerable wealth, and, besides their homestead, built and rented a large block in Dubuque. But the speculative fever of the "fifties" got hold of them, and they invested from St. Paul to Omaha, hiring money at a large interest and giving security on what they actually possessed. We need not relate the result, when we consider that speculative city site property collapsed from a fabulous inflation to nothing, and that interest on good securities went on.

After the war was over Mr. Thomas became interested in the building of a ship-canal from the Lakes to the Mississippi, by the way of the Fox and Wisconsin rivers.

He spent two winters in Washington fruitlessly, urging this project upon members of Congress, and spent much time and money lecturing upon the subject before the boards of trade in the sea-port as well as inland cities.

Partly from opinion, and partly from fear that it would divert trade from Eastern channels down the Mississippi, it was called visionary. Its value to the commerce of the Lakes is now generally conceded, and the accomplishment of this enterprise seems to be in the near future. He left Washington discouraged, and, having met with further reverses and failing health, returned to Dubuque, and accepted the first thing that offered to give the old couple their daily bread—the position of a locomotive engineer. This was his last effort. After a lingering illness he d. Aug. 6, 1882, in his seventy-sixth year. He was a man possessed of great resources; could do anything and talk well upon almost any subject; was generally considered to be a good speaker,—always an interesting one. He won first prize in declamation at college. He was pretty large, with black hair, black or brown eyes, and a rather dark skin; was a handsome and commanding man; great in an emergency; bold, knowing no fear, and submitting to no indignities. He was a member all his life of the Congregational Church. He had no children. C. D. T.

136. FRANCES THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of William,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was born Nov. 15, 1810, at Hardwick, Vt. She was very tall and erect; had reddish dark-brown eyes, and brown hair which, when left free, trailed upon the floor. Her face, though dignified and benign, was considered handsome. She left a void when she went out of her father's house, but entered a broader field, where, by her goodness and her kindness, she conquered all. She m. Timothy Graves in 1837 or 1838, and d. March 4, 1847. Mr. Graves was

a successful farmer at Hoosick Falls, N. Y. After the death of his wife, Frances Thomas, he m. again; he d. May 31, 1881, leaving the second wife a widow, with two children.

By the first wife, Frances Thomas, he had two children:—

361. WARREN HENRY GRAVES, b. Oct. 29, 1839; served in the Union Army during the Rebellion; m. Clara A. Farnsworth, and is a successful farmer at Rockton, Winebago County, Ill., and has two children:—
362. WALTER T. GRAVES, b. July 24, 1871.
363. NETTIE C. GRAVES, b. Oct. 27, 1874.
364. ELIZABETH FRANCES GRAVES, b. March 24, 1842; m. Charles M. Platt, who d. May 24, 1880, at Wichita, Kan., where his widow now lives. They had five children:—
365. ALBERT HEYWOOD PLATT, b. in York, Pa., Oct. 27, 1865; is m. and (1890) living at Wichita, Kan.
366. ELEANOR PLATT, b. in Germantown, Pa., Feb. 8, 1867.
367. WILLIAM THOMAS PLATT, b. in Beverly, N. J., Jan. 5, 1870; d. there Jan. 13, 1890.
368. JULIA PLATT, b. in Beverly, N. J., Sept. 27, 1871; d. at Wichita, Kan., July 5, 1880.
369. TIMOTHY GRAVES PLATT, b. at Wichita, Kan., Feb. 9, 1879.

137. ANDREW COLLINS THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of William,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. at Hardwick, Vt., March 19, 1812. Being only 9 years old when his father removed to Williamstown, Mass., he received most of his education in that place, working on the farm in the summer and attending the district school in the winter. It is said that he had the opportunity of going through Williams College, but chose the life of a farmer.

Having m. Aug. 22, 1836, Minerva Smedley (then widow Norton, with one dau., Emily), he removed to Medina, Ohio, where he remained two years. Returning on account of the ill health of his wife, he took, upon shares, the Bingham farm, at Bennington, Vt., where he remained three years. Rather discouraged at results, he went into the employ of a shoe concern at Williamstown, doing piece-work in some department,

where he remained and was successful until the failure of the firm, in 1850. He then purchased a farm in the town of Florida, Mass., directly over the Hoosick Tunnel, since constructed through the mountain. Selling this farm in 1861, he again returned to Williamstown, where he purchased lands and is now living. He has grayish eyes, and, when young, had light, flaxen hair, but was bald at thirty,—an unusual thing, it is said, among the descendants of Dr. William.

He was early a member of the Congregational Church, and is a Republican.

He had one child, a daughter:—

370. MARTHA ADELINE THOMAS, b. at Williamstown May 22, 1845; was for a while a teacher in the public schools; m. James Monros Cole, May 18, 1867, and d. Feb. 8, 1871, at South Williamstown, leaving a son, Albert Thomas Cole, b. June 3, 1869, and who d. Feb. 11, 1871, three days after the mother's death. c. D. T.

139. MARY THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (da. of William,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. at Pownal, Vt., May 14, 1819; was graduated from the Academy at Williamstown, Mass.; afterward was a teacher until she m. (Sept. 10, 1844) Edgar M. Brown, a graduate of Williams College, who also taught school. About 1847 they removed to Nunda, N. Y., and engaged in mercantile business. About 1855, at the urgent solicitation of Mr. Brown's parents, he removed, with his family, to South Adams, Mass., where his father was engaged in the manufacture of cotton cloth. There he opened a store in connection with the factory, and not long after entered into the weaving of cotton with his father under the name of Caleb Brown & Son. Failing in business during the National bankruptcy of 1857, he entered the Massachusetts Legislature in the capacity of Door-keeper of the House, where he remained until his appointment, in 1861, to a position in the Boston Custom House. There he continued in the service of the govern-

ment until his death, which occurred at Reading, Mass., Dec. 18, 1870.

Mrs. Brown was tall and slim when a girl, but became stout in after life. Was a woman of much ability, undemonstrative, and well balanced, but underneath it all there was a proud spirit. When the great change in their circumstances came, produced by the loss of their property, the annihilation of their business, and the death of their eldest daughter, she seemed to lose her poise, and was never quite herself again. She d. Sept. 9, 1885.

They had five children:—

371. MARY FRANCES BROWN, b. at Williamstown, Mass., July 25, 1846; d. at South Adams, Sept., 1860.

372. ALICE SOPHIA BROWN, b. at Nunda, N. Y., Aug. 10, 1850.

She was educated at the Girls' High and Normal School, in Boston, and was a teacher; m. Albert M. Isbell and has one child, Vera Belle Isbell.

373. KATHERINE LOUISE BROWN, b. at South Adams, Mass., May 9, 1857.

She graduated from the State Normal School at Bridgewater, Mass., is a teacher in the schools of Milton, Mass., and is a writer of some note. She has also published some juvenile text-books.

374. FREDERICK EDGAR BROWN, b. at South Adams, Mass., Aug. 8, 1860.

After leaving the public schools he completed his education in printing-offices. He is now (1880) on the *New York Sun*; unm.

375. HELEN GRACE BROWN, b. at Reading, Mass., Jun. 20, 1864.

She graduated from the High School in Reading, Mass., and is by profession a book-keeper. C. D. T.

141. LUCY THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of William,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. at Williamstown, Mass., June 12, 1824; m. John M. Shattuck, of Williamstown. He was a daguerrian artist, and practiced his profession first in his native town, then for some time in Troy, N. Y. In 1860 he removed, with his family, to Manchester, Vt., where he d. Oct. 15, 1884.

Mrs. Shattuck, the subject of this sketch, was a tall, well-formed woman, decidedly a brunette, having black hair, black eyes, and a not very light, but ruddy skin. She was of the nervous temperament, proud-spirited, and

quick to take offense; but resourceful, energetic, and enduring. She was very entertaining, as her conversation was well spiced with wit and mimicry. She was not only a noted housekeeper, but she was unsurpassed in the sick-room, where her special talents and sympathetic nature had full play. She d. Jan. 18, 1879. She and her husband were members of the Congregational Church.

They had three children:—

376. CHARLES ASHLEY SHATTUCK, b. at Williamstown, Mass., April 30, 1847; has been for more than twenty years connected with the publication of the *Manchester (Vt.) Journal*; unm.

377. MARTHA FRANCIS SHATTUCK, b. at Williamstown, April 5, 1849. Lives (1890) at Manchester, Vt., and is housekeeper for herself and brother, Charles; unm.

378. ROLLIN MATHEWSON SHATTUCK, b. at Manchester, Vt., Dec. 6, 1864; m. Jennie S. Rigney June 27, 1888, and lives in Buffalo, N. Y., where he is engaged in the sale of type-writing machines. Has one child.

C. D. T.

147. GEORGE CUTLER<sup>5</sup> (son of Ruth [Thomas] Cutler,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. April 2, 1811; m. 1st Sarah Venica, of Hardwick, Mass.; 2d Amelia B. Howe, of Barre, Mass., dau. of Artemus and Sophia Howe. She d. Sept. 30, 1824. He m. 3d Harriet Sears, of Barre, Mass., where he now resides. She d. March 19, 1874.

He has had four children:—

By his first wife:

379. WILLIAM THOMAS CUTLER, b. Oct. 15, 1843; m. April 12, 1864, Miss Anna Morse.

He enlisted July 12, 1864, from his native town, West Brookfield, Mass.; went out in the Forty-second Regiment Volunteer Infantry, Company K, and d. at Alexandria Oct. 21, 1864; no issue.

380. CHARLES EDWIN CUTLER, b. June 8, 1845; enlisted in Thirty-fourth Regiment Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, Company I, March 14, 1864, and d. in service July 30, 1864; unm.

381. ELBRIDGE PRATT CUTLER, b. 1847; d. young.

By his second wife :

382. HENRY MILTON CUTLER, b. Oct. 1, 1849; m. twice and has issue.

383. NETTIE S. CUTLER, b. Jan. 24, 1856; m. at Warren, Mass., June 12, 1876, to Edwin F. Livermore; had no issue; present residence, Worcester, Mass.

148. ORSAMUS CUTLER<sup>5</sup> (son of Ruth [Thomas] Cutler,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in West Brookfield, Mass., Dec. 1, 1813; m. 1st Abbie E. Wood Nov. 28, 1850; she was b. May 28, 1817, and d. Jan. 9, 1855; m. 2d Lydia H. Russell, b. in North Hadley July 18, 1831; d. Oct. 29, 1876. He d. Oct. 27, 1876.

He had one child by first wife :—

384. ABBIE ELIZABETH CUTLER, b. Dec. 29, 1854; m. George W. Tyler and had issue.

152. CAROLINE THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Sylvanus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. in West Brookfield Dec. 22, 1806; m. Nov. 23, 1835, Carlton Cushman, of Pawtucket, R. I., son of Jacob Cushman and Mary Tiffany, an aunt of the widely-known jewelers of New York City. He was b. June 22, 1803; was a wheelwright and cabinet-maker by trade; a Republican, Methodist, and fine singer. He d. Jan. 30, 1886. She d. June 20, 1883.

They had four children :—

385. OSMOND TIFFANY CUSHMAN, b. Feb. 24, 1837; d. Sept. 26, 1837.

386. THOMAS CARLTON CUSHMAN, b. July 22, 1839; d. Aug. 8, 1840.

387. MARY FRANCES CUSHMAN, b. March 16, 1842; m. Warren O. Cooper, in Flatbush, L. I., June 28, 1884. They reside at New Haven, Conn., and have no children.

388. OSCAR RICHARDS ROBINSON CUSHMAN, b. Jan. 11, 1844; m. Julia Rice Wood March 25, 1868, dau. of Waterman Wood, at Springfield, Mass.

They reside at West Brookfield, Mass., where they keep the West Brookfield House, one of the oldest hotels in the vicinity, having stood a century and more. They have no children.

153. ELIZA DOTY THOMAS,<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Sylvanus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. June 27, 1809; d. May 28, 1885; m. William Balcom, of Cumberland, R. I.

They had six children :—

389. CHARLOTTE JANE BALCOM, b. Sept. 17, 1826; m. David E. Holman, of Attleboro, Mass., and had four children.  
 390. AMELIA ANN BALCOM, b. March 17, 1828; m. Lucius Reed, of West Brookfield, Mass. Had children.  
 391. ORVILLE BALCOM, b. Feb. 16, 1840. Had four children.  
 392. MARIA BALCOM, b. June, 1841; d. 1844.  
 393. BAYLIS GREENWOOD BALCOM, b. Aug. 31, 1847; had four children; nfr.  
 394. MARIA ELIZABETH BALCOM, b. Oct. 2, 1850; m. S. M. Sheldon April 1884; residence, Chicago, Ill. No children.

156. EMILY THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (daul. of Sylvanus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 23, 1816; d. June 20, 1889; m. Mandly Pierce, of Hardwick, Mass., son of Samuel Pierce and Persis Billings, May 3, 1842. He is a farmer and miller, a Republican, and Methodist. Present residence, West Brookfield, Mass.

Emily Thomas, youngest child of Sylvanus and Rachel Thomas, was timid and shy, as a child, and shrank from intercourse with outside associates. She found in the family circle occupation for heart and hands during the younger years of her life. She lost her mother at an early age, which necessarily brought care and responsibility to her. Educational advantages, for which she had a great desire, were few, the district school near her home being the only available assistance to her mental development; supplementing this with a short term at Hadley, she commenced to teach school, the taste for which she evidently possessed in common with other members of her own and preceding generations. She possessed, in mature years, courage, resolution, and perseverance in a marked degree. Her life, though unpretending and quiet, was one of rare beauty in its devotion to family and friends, its entire self-forgetfulness, and its sunny cheerfulness in the midst of perplexing cares.

Although of a retiring disposition and scarcely known outside her native town, her influence was far-reaching.



EMILY (THOMAS) PIERCE.



These few words of tribute do scanty justice to the memory of a life and qualities so beautiful and rare, which would scarce find a place in history, yet which human nature can still appreciate and delight to honor.

She was m. in 1842 to Mandly Pierce, of Hardwick, Mass., who was of such a generous nature and pleasing social qualities that he was pre-eminently the one to sustain the prestige the old house had gained for hospitality and good cheer. He remained upon the farm at the earnest request of the father, with whom he always lived in relations as loving, respectful, and helpful as an own son. The succeeding years have been passed in the same pleasant home till the death of the wife and mother, June 20, 1889, when she left the husband and five daughters to mourn their loss and recall her noble life.

They had five children, all b. on the old homestead at West Brookfield:—

395. RACHEL JANE PIERCE, b. April 23, 1843; m. William A. Sturdy, of Attleboro, Mass., and has six children.

396. ELLA VELONA PIERCE, b. April 27, 1845.

Following the example and inclination of her ancestors and family, she taught school with ability and success, until obliged by ill health to refrain from all kinds of mental and manual labor. While taking daily walks to benefit her health, she acquired by observation (being unable to read or write five consecutive minutes) a knowledge of the birds, insects, and reptiles of that section of country possessed by few.

By accident she was led to attempt taxidermy, in which she became proficient, giving to birds the delicacy of finish, with life-like gracefulness and accuracy of position, unequalled by most taxidermists.

Her health restored in great measure by persistent personal effort, she was especially fitted to help others to do the same, and has had peculiar success in nursing chronic cases.

397. EMMA FRANCES PIERCE, b. Dec. 10, 1847; m. Watson E. Rice, M.D., of Grafton, Mass.; has three children.

398. LEUTHERIA ROBINSON PIERCE, b. Dec. 2, 1850; m. James E. Hills, of New York; has one child.

399. LOUISE THOMAS PIERCE, b. Feb. 18, 1852; m. Charles A. Wetherill, of Attleboro, Mass.; has three children.

157. CHESTER THOMAS, M.D.,<sup>5</sup> (son of Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., May 31, 1800. He studied medicine, and graduated about 1825. He located and practiced his profession in Thorndyke, Mass., Oct. 20, 1828; he m. Lucy Sanderson, who was b. Oct. 3, 1801, and d. May 3, 1870. He d. Jan. 16, 1852, aged 52.

They had six children, all born in Thorndyke:—

400. CHARLES MASON TULLY THOMAS, b. Nov. 30, 1829; m. Sarah E. Ramsdell and had issue.  
 401. JOSEPHINE THOMAS, b. Dec. 1, 1831; d. Oct. 13, 1834.  
 402. HELEN MARIA THOMAS, b. Nov. 5, 1834; m. Charles Isaac Fuller and had issue.  
 403. MARION SOPHIA THOMAS, b. Sept. 13, 1836; d. Sept. 8, 1840.  
 404. LAURA JOSEPHINE THOMAS, b. Dec. 10, 1839; m. Joseph T. Lovering, of Andover, Mass., May 25, 1865; d. March 3, 1866; no issue.  
 405. MARTHA ANN THOMAS, b. Aug. 11, 1843; m. Thomas Bryer, Jr., Jan. 3, 1867; present residence, Manchester, England; no issue.

160. PATIENCE THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Jan. 6, 1806. Her mother, first wife of Isaac Thomas, d. at her birth. She m. (May 22, 1827) David Reed Wait, of Greenfield, Mass. At the time of their marriage he was engaged in running a freight express, with teams, from Greenfield to Boston. After the railroad was built, he purchased an extensive and valuable farm, on the Connecticut River, near Deerfield, which he carried on until his death. He was a man of great energy and force of character, and accumulated a considerable fortune. He d. Oct. 28, 1875, aged 76.\*

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\* A local newspaper contained the following notice of his death: "David R. Watt, the well-known Cheapside farmer, died on Thursday morning, after an illness of some twelve days. He took a bad cold at first, when about his work, which finally took the form of bronchial pneumonia. He was unconscious during much of his illness. Mr. Watt has been an industrious, hard-working man. Before the days of railroads he was a teamster to Boston, and on one occasion, in crossing the Connecticut, on the ice, his six-horse team went to the bottom and Mr. Watt narrowly escaped. He was afterward a drover to the Brighton market for some twenty years. Of late years he has kept to his farm work, and it has

Patience Thomas, his wife, was a woman of great loveliness of character and sweetness of disposition. One of her daughters writes: "I have no remembrance of ever seeing her angry. I never heard her speak unkindly or thoughtlessly to or of any one. She was loved by all who knew her, and mourned at her death by young and old." She d. at Deerfield Oct. 16, 1881, aged 75.

They were both Methodists, and he a Republican in politics.

They had five children, all born in Greenfield except the youngest, who was born in Deerfield, Mass.:—

406. **MARTRA ABIGAIL WAIT**, b. Feb. 15, 1828; m. Charles Richmond and has issue.

407. **HENRY WAIT**, b. Dec. 13, 1829; m. Marion Elizabeth Wright and has issue.

408. **FRANKLIN WAIT**, b. Dec. 17, 1833; m. Sarah Jane Thomas, dau. of Beals Thomas, and had issue.

409. **JULIA T. WAIT**, b. Feb. 13, 1835; m. 1st C. Augustus White Dec. 24, 1856, a dry-goods merchant of Worcester, Mass.; she m. 2d Hobart D. Mann, a dry-goods merchant of Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 10, 1868.

Mrs. Mann is an earnest student of art, working in both water-colors and oil. With natural talent and great love for the profession, she has enjoyed the advantages of two years of study in Paris under the best instructors in figure and landscape painting and portraiture, and has received high commendations for work in all these specialties. Present address, Los Angeles, Cal. No issue.

410. **MARY ANN WAIT**, b. in Deerfield, Mass., May 25, 1837; m. F. Leon Stebbins and has issue.

161. **FREEMAN THOMAS**<sup>5</sup> (son of Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Feb. 6, 1808; m. Louisa Lee, b. in Stamford, Vt., Feb. 26, 1809. Date of marriage unknown, probably in 1830. She d. Jan. 30, 1886. Freeman Thomas was a farmer, and d. in Barre Plains, Mass., April 30, 1864, aged 56.

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been said that he accomplished more before breakfast than ordinary men could in a day. His farm is one of the finest in the Connecticut Valley. His funeral was from his late residence, Sunday, and was largely attended. He was 76 years of age."

They had three children:—

411. LOUISA ABIGAIL THOMAS, b. in Deerfield Aug. 21, 1831; m. Frederick L. Baggs and had issue.  
 412. SAMANTHA JANE THOMAS, b. in Deerfield Sept. 6, 1842; unm.; resides in Deerfield with her sister, Mrs. Baggs.  
 413. JOHN EMORY LEE THOMAS, b. in Deerfield June 16, 1844; m. 1st Nancy F. Shepard, 2d Ida May Kidder, 3d Mary Evelyn Blanchard, and has issue.

163. HENRY THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., March 20, 1812. He is a carpenter and builder. For fifteen years he carried on that business in New Salem and Greenfield; was five years in New York; moved to Sterling, Ill., in 1855, where he continued the same business for twenty-five years. In 1882 he moved to Tampico, Ill., where he still resides. He m. for his first wife Mary Shaw, of New Salem, Mass., April 5, 1836. She d. June 6, 1838, leaving one child. He m. 2d Hannah Norton Oct. 20, 1840, by whom he had four children. He is a member of the Baptist Church, and a Republican in politics.

The five children of Henry Thomas are:—

By first wife:

414. MARY THOMAS, b. Dec. 25, 1837, in New Salem, Mass.; m. John Wad- elton and had issue.

By second wife:

415. NORMAN THOMAS, b. in Greenfield, Mass., April 15, 1842; m. Elizabeth Lennox and had issue.  
 416. ANTOINETTE THOMAS, b. in Greenfield, Mass., June 18, 1846; m. Justus Reynolds; d. Nov. 26, 1876, and left issue.  
 417. ROGER HENRY THOMAS, b. in Greenfield, Mass., July 28, 1849; m. Sarah Jane Deyo and has issue.  
 418. FRANK THOMAS, b. in Sterling, Ill., May 20, 1858; m. Ida Black May 29, 1879, and has issue.

165. SAMANTHA THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Dec. 1, 1817. She m. Rev. Thomas Rand Aug. 13, 1838. He was b. in West Springfield, Mass., July 10, 1813. He graduated

at Hamilton Theological Seminary in 1838; was ordained July 4, 1841, at Bayou Chicot, La., where he had located the year before. He was for many years engaged in teaching in the Spring Hill Academy and other schools, preaching at the same time on the Sabbath, and was deeply interested in the cause of education. He d. Jan. 29, 1869. She resides at Lafayette, La. Baptist.

They had eight children:—

419. ISAAC THOMAS RAND, M.D., b. in New Salem June 13, 1839; m. Louisa Young; d. April 29, 1866, and left issue.
420. HENRY RAND, b. at New Salem, Mass., May 16, 1841; d. July 7, 1843, in Spring Hill, La.
421. JOHN STILLMAN RAND, b. in Spring Hill, La., March 27, 1843; m. Ellen Saul, of Lafayette, La., Aug. 27, 1873; no issue.
422. ROBERT HENRY RAND, b. Dec. 28, 1846, at Bayou Chicot, La.; m. Celestine Duga and has issue.
423. MARY THOMAS RAND, b. March 2, 1849, at Bayou Chicot, La.; unm.; teacher at Lafayette, La.; Baptist.
424. WILLIAM ALBERT RAND, b. May 20, 1851, at Opelousas, La.; d. Feb. 27, 1853.
425. MARTHA SALOME RAND, b. March 5, 1854; m. 1st Rufus Stevens, 2d Isham Vest, and has issue.
426. KATE NYDIA RAND, b. June 4, 1859, at Lafayette, La.; unm.; teacher at Rayne, La.; Methodist.

166. STILLMAN THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (youngest son of Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., March 17, 1820. He m. Elizabeth Alma Burnham, of Deerfield, Mass., Sept. 25, 1844; b. Oct. 6, 1821. She d. at San Jose, Cal., Aug. 16, 1868. He moved to California about 1852 or '53. Mechanic; Baptist. Present address, Santa Barbara, Cal.

He has had eight children:—

427. WILLIAM WALLACE THOMAS, b. Oct. 15, 1845; m. Mary Lesley McGrew and has issue.
428. CLARABELL THOMAS, b. Aug. 24, 1847; m. 1st James N. Pratt and had issue, 2d — Handscom and has issue.
429. EDWIN S. THOMAS, b. Aug. 17, 1849; d. April 11, 1850.
430. FRANKLIN MINER THOMAS, b. July 15, 1851; m. Ella Burdett May 15, 1875; she d. July 3, 1876; m. 2d Elizabeth Woodward Feb. 9, 1880; no issue.

431. ELLA STONE THOMAS, b. July 14, 1857; m. Joseph Hollis Joaselyn and has issue.  
 432. FREDERICK STILLMAN THOMAS, b. Feb. 9, 1860; m. Miss Nancy Ella Finley and has issue.  
 433. JULIA ELIZABETH THOMAS, b. Oct. 21, 1861; m. William J. Street 1890. Present address, San Francisco, Cal.

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168. EUNICE THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Nathaniel,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Wilmington, Vt., Aug. 7, 1803. When about 13 years old she came to New Salem, Mass., to live with her grandfather, Amos the Patriarch. There she met Ellis Thayer, to whom she was m. Jan. 28, 1824. Ellis Thayer was a prominent member and for many years a deacon in the Baptist Church in New Salem. He was killed by falling from the frame of a new building, Dec. 7, 1866. He is spoken of as a model deacon, an earnest Christian, devoted to his family, and with a kind word for all in trouble or distress, rich or poor and of whatever denomination. Eunice Thayer, the widow, is still living (Jan., 1891) at Prescott, Mass., in her eighty-eighth year, in good health, and one of the oldest living descendants of Amos the Patriarch.

They had four children :—

434. SYLVIA AUGUSTA THAYER, b. in Prescott, Mass., March 27, 1829; m. Frederick Ebenezer Chamberlain; d. May 15, 1882, at Orange, Mass., aged 53; no issue.

Both Mr. Chamberlain and his wife died from blood-poisoning. Their cases were unusual and remarkable. In the month of May, 1882, Mr. Chamberlain, after having been engaged in applying to his lands some commercial form of fertilizer (probably bone-dust which may have contained some form of animal poison), was taken with pain and inflammation in one of his hands. This rapidly extended up the arm, and in a few days he died with every symptom of blood-poisoning. Before his death his wife, who nursed him through his illness, was taken with similar symptoms and died in a few days in the same manner.

435. ADDISON THAYER, b. in Prescott, Mass., Sept. 4, 1833; m. Salinda Martha Vaughan Nov. 18, 1856, and has issue.  
 436. ANGELINE FREEMAN THAYER, b. in Prescott, Mass., June 20, 1838; m. Frederick N. Pierce Jan. 10, 1856, and has issue.

437. CEPHAS MARTIN THAYER, b. in Prescott, Mass., Jan. 29, 1840; m. 1st Mary Annetta Putnam Dec. 3, 1864, 2d Mary L. Howe, and has issue.

171. REUBEN C. THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of Nathaniel,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Wilmington, Vt., Sept. 20, 1809. He m. Mary Ann Bassett April 6, 1835, also of Wilmington. He moved to Iowa. He d. at Hardin, Pottowatamie Co., Iowa, July 10, 1886. He was a farmer, Baptist, and Republican.

They had six children:—

438. HENRY B. THOMAS.

439. SAREPTA THOMAS.

440. SAMANTHA THOMAS.

441. CHARLES THOMAS.

442. HANNAH THOMAS.

443. HERBERT THOMAS.

172. LUCY THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Nathaniel,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Wilmington, Vt., July 17, 1812; m. Ornan Prescott, of Dummerston, Vt., April 7, 1842. She d. Jan. 5, 1844, aged 32, leaving one son:—

444. ORNAN PRESCOTT, JR., of Brattleboro, Vt.

174. ARDON HARRISON THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of Nathaniel,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Wilmington, Vt., Dec. 23, 1822. He m. Sabra B. Dickinson, of Hadley, Mass., Nov. 24, 1846. He is a carpenter by trade, and still lives in Hadley, Mass.

Has had five children:—

445. A daughter, d. soon after birth.

446. HENRY ARDON THOMAS, b. April 15, 1849; unm.; residence, Hadley, Mass.

447. ELLEN ESTELLA THOMAS, b. June 19, 1851; m. Lonan A. Ware and has issue.

448. CHARLES DAVENPORT THOMAS, b. March 10, 1854; m. Nelly Roome and has issue.

449. WILLIAM ESLAE THOMAS, b. Jan. 3, 1857; m. Hannah Barstow and has issue.

175. ALVIN HUDSON THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (oldest son of Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Nov. 30, 1800. He m. 1st Sarepta Wheeler April 17, 1826; she d. in Pike, N. Y., Aug. 21, 1849. He m. 2d Mrs. Chloe Wilder (maiden name Hutchinson), who d. in 1883. He moved from Madison County to Pike, Wyoming County, N. Y., about 1838. Alvin H. Thomas was a farmer, and held for some years the positions of postmaster and town assessor. He d. April 9, 1881, aged 81.

He had four children, all by first wife:—

450. PERLEYETTE THOMAS, b. Dec. 26, 1827; m. 1st Marcus D. Tiffany Feb. 12, 1852; he d. Dec. 5, 1858; she m. 2d Jefferson Metcalf Jan. 23, 1868; he d. Jan. 23, 1882; no issue. Present address, Pike, N. Y.
451. COOLEY HUDSON THOMAS, b. in Nelson, N. Y., June 23, 1829; m. Elmira Trall and had issue.
452. COLLINS WHEELER THOMAS, b. March 26, 1838; m. Ann Slusson and had issue.
453. CORBIN JAMES THOMAS, b. in Pike, N. Y., July 10, 1840; m. Eliza A. Merville and has issue.

176. EDWARD WEST THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Nov. 6, 1802. In 1804, when 2 years old, his father moved to Nelson, Madison Co., N. Y. He learned the trade of wagon- and carriage-making, and carried on that business in Nelson until 1836, when he moved to Pike, Wyoming Co., N. Y., and engaged in farming. In 1845 he moved to Haycsville, Ohio, where he again resumed his business of carriage-making. In 1851 he moved to Platteville, Wis., where he purchased a farm and still resides. Feb. 17, 1825, he m. Polly Bacon, who was b. in Nelson, N. Y., Oct. 22, 1803, and d. in Platteville, Wis., Sept. 10, 1884. He is the oldest living descendant of Amos Thomas the Patriarch, being in his eighty-ninth year. He is a member of the Baptist Church, and for

many years was leader of the choir, playing the bass viol, an instrument of his own make. Republican.

They had seven children:—

454. MARY THOMAS, b. in Nelson, Madison Co., N. Y., March 28, 1828; m. Titus Hayes and had twelve children.  
 455. HUDSON THOMAS, b. in Nelson June 5, 1829; m. Fanny Daggett and has two children.  
 456. HURON LEWIS THOMAS, b. in Nelson March 4, 1831; m. Eunice Gorham and had four children.  
 457. HOMER AMOS THOMAS, b. in Pike, N. Y., Dec. 7, 1836; m. Sarah Jane Daggett, sister of Fanny Daggett, wife of Hudson Thomas; present address, Genessee, Idaho; no issue.  
 458. MARTHA THOMAS, b. in Pike Nov. 26, 1838; d. Feb. 26, 1839.  
 459. MARTHA S. THOMAS, b. in Pike April 7, 1842; Congregationalist; unm.  
 460. HADLEY THOMAS, b. in Pike Dec. 12, 1843; m. Sarah Bastine and has two children.

177. HORACE THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of Amos,<sup>2</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Nelson, Madison Co., N. Y., July 26, 1805. He m. 1st Amy C. Irish, of Madison Co., N. Y., May 31, 1827, by whom he had four children; she d. May 23, 1845. He m. 2d Mary Ann Redman, of Nelson, Madison Co., N. Y., May 3, 1846, by whom he had three children. He moved from Nelson to Pike, N. Y., about 1844, to Michigan in 1866, and to Pine Flat, Sonora Co., Cal., in 1876, where he still resides.

His children were as follow:—

By first wife:

461. MARY ANN THOMAS, b. May 18, 1828; m. Roswell Percival Clement, a lawyer, May 7, 1853; d. June 22, 1883; no issue.  
 462. EDWARD WESLEY THOMAS, b. Dec. 14, 1831; d. Nov. 10, 1858; unm.  
 463. CLIMENA LOVINA THOMAS, b. Feb. 28, 1834; m. Lucian Gridley Clement and had issue.  
 464. EARLE BEAN THOMAS, b. July 16, 1843; d. Sept. 25, 1845.

By second wife:

465. EARLE F. THOMAS, b. Feb. 21, 1847; d. Sept. 30, 1864.  
 466. EUGENIA ESTELLA THOMAS, b. March 2, 1853; m. Frank Barton and had issue; d. Aug. 10, 1882.  
 467. CHARLES C. THOMAS, b. Dec. 14, 1867, in Michigan; unm.

178. LEWIS AUGUSTUS THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (fourth son of Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Nelson, Madison Co.,

N. Y., Aug. 5, 1808. He m. Mary Johnson, dau. of William Johnson, of Nelson, Oct. 14, 1835. In 1837 he moved to Pike, Wyoming Co., N. Y., where he has since resided. He d. Dec. 11, 1888, aged 80. He was a farmer, a member and deacon in the Baptist Church, and in politics a Republican.

He had three children:—

468. WILLIAM THOMAS, b. Aug. 29, 1838; d. Oct. 17, 1850.

469. JOHN THOMAS, b. Aug. 7, 1840; m. 1st Ennice F. Felch, 2d Annie P. Felch, and had issue.

470. MARY THOMAS, b. Sept. 28, 1851; m. Frank A. Curtiss and has issue.

181. EMELINE THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Nelson, Madison Co., N. Y., April 2, 1815; m. Wm. Loomis, son of George and Rhoda Loomis, July 6, 1835; he was b. in Lennox, N. Y., July 24, 1811. They moved to Hartwellville, Mich., where he still lives. She d. July 5, 1889, aged 74.

They have had eleven children:—

471. LEWIS W. LOOMIS, b. Jan. 11, 1836, in Lennox, N. Y.; m. Jane Curtiss and has issue.

472. SARAH A. LOOMIS, b. April 12, 1838; m. Geo. Parks and has issue.

473. HORACE E. LOOMIS, b. March 21, 1840; m. Hulda Parks and has issue.

474. ISAAC NEWTON LOOMIS, b. June 10, 1842; m. Emma — and has issue.

475. B. FRANK LOOMIS, b. Jan. 17, 1845, at Pike, N. Y.; d. May 28, 1884, at Woodland, Cal., unm., aged 39.

He was in the fruit-growing business; an earnest temperance worker; State Deputy of the I. O. of G. T., and a Prohibitionist.

476. DRUSILLA A. LOOMIS, b. Nov. 8, 1847; m. Gideon Whitney, of Hartwellville and has issue.

477. LOVICA E. LOOMIS, b. Sept. 2, 1850; m. George Crane and has issue.

478. GEORGE W. LOOMIS, b. Jan. 21, 1853; d. at Hartwellville, Mich., Sept. 17, 1867, aged 14.

479. MARY E. LOOMIS, b. Aug. 10, 1855; member of Methodist Church; present address, Hartwellville, Mich.; unm.

480. FLORA A. LOOMIS, b. Aug. 25, 1859; member of Methodist Church; present address, Hartwellville, Mich.; unm.

481. ANSELL F. LOOMIS, b. March 17, 1862; member of Methodist Church; Prohibitionist; farmer; present address, Hartwellville, Mich.; unm.

182. SARAH ARVILLA THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Nelson, Madison Co., N. Y.,

Sept. 30, 1820; m. Jefferson Metcalf, of Pike, N. Y., July 4, 1843, and had six children. She d. Feb. 10, 1867.

482. MILLARD FILLMORE METCALF, b. June 12, 1844; m. Maggie K. Mearns and has issue.

483. MILTON F. METCALF, b. Sept. 5, 1846; d. Aug. 31, 1866.

484. THEODORE FREELINGHUYSEN METCALF, b. July 8, 1848; m. Minerva Beade and has issue.

485. DELETT METCALF, b. Jan. 14, 1851; m. Lucius Ford and has issue.

486. ELLA METCALF, b. March 2, 1854; m. Henry Sharp and has issue.

487. DARWIN METCALF, b. July 26, 1857; m. Ella Nelson and has issue.

184. ORA B. BANGS<sup>5</sup> (son of Abigail [Thomas] Bangs,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. probably in Prescott, Mass., March 1, 1803; went with his parents to Herkimer Co., N. Y.; m. Phœbe D. Beebe, of Oswego Co., N. Y., Aug. 29, 1830. In 1833 he moved to Brooklyn, Mich. Is a Baptist and Republican, and is still living with his son, Chester H. Bangs, at Jackson, Mich., in his eighty-eighth year. His wife d. Aug. 24, 1843.

They had four children:—

488. NATHAN W. BANGS, b. March 25, 1833; d. Sept. 5, 1853.

489. ALBERT M. BANGS, b. Dec. 12, 1835; d. Dec. 12, 1858.

490. LEVANT BANGS, b. March 25, 1838.

491. CHESTER H. BANGS, b. July 3, 1840; m. and has issue.

186. LOUISA BANGS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Abigail [Thomas] Bangs,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Herkimer Co., N. Y., April 27, 1807; m. Dexter Slack Sept. 30, 1830, by whom she had five children; he d. Sept. 24, 1843. She m. 2d Seth Case, by whom she had one child. She d. Feb. 2, 1885, aged 78. Baptist.

The following are her children:—

By Dexter Slack, her first husband:

492. ELLEN C. SLACK, b. Oct. 30, 1831; m. 1st William D. Moulton, 2d John R. Chessman, and had issue.

493. ARMENIA ABIGAIL SLACK, b. Feb. 16, 1833; m. Rev. George Ransom and had issue.

494. DELEVAN D. SLACK, b. June 16, 1834; m. Jane Bentley.

495. DWIGHT C. SLACK, b. April 30, 1838. He enlisted in 7th Reg. Mich. Vol. and was killed at battle of Antietam Sept. 17, 1862.

496. MARIETTA JOSEPHINE SLACK, b. June 24, 1843; m. Samuel Gordon and has issue.

By her second husband, Seth Case :

497. PRESTON MANNING CASE, b. June 7, 1848; m. Eda Plummer April 4, 1877, and had issue.

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189. MARY BIGELOW<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Eunice [Thomas] Bigelow,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Greenwich, Mass., April 9, 1813. She m. Ebor O'Shea Bailey, b. in Greenwich July 12, 1812, son of Ebor William Bailey and Elizabeth Powers, his wife. E. O. Bailey d. at Westboro Aug. 17, 1883. Mrs. Bigelow is a woman of much force of character, greatly interested in the preparation of this volume of family records, and has rendered valuable assistance in tracing some of the lost branches. She resides with her daughter, Mrs. H. E. Knowlton, at Westboro, Mass.

They had two children:—

498. HARRIETTE EMILY BAILEY, b. Aug. 11, 1837; m. Nathan Maynard Knowlton and has issue.

499. HENRY WILLARD BAILEY, b. at Ewing, Mass., Jan. 1, 1839; d. at Port Townsend, Washington Territory, Dec. 9, 1861; unm.

190. CAROLINE BIGELOW<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Eunice [Thomas] Bigelow,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Greenwich, Mass., May 23, 1817; m. 1st, in New Salem, Mass., Jan. 4, 1842, to Bernard Kenney, who was b. Aug. 23, 1809, and d. Oct. 28, 1844. She m. 2d, in 1847, Benjamin Badger, of Wendell, who was b. in Natick Dec. 22, 1806, and d. at Templeton Jan. 15, 1883. Caroline Badger was a Baptist, and d. at Westboro Aug. 23, 1886, aged 69.

She had one child only, by her second husband:—

500. CAROLINE ELLA BADGER, b. Sept. 5, 1848; m. James H. Parkhurst and had issue.

191. ELECTA ROSAMOND BIGELOW<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Eunice [Thomas] Bigelow,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Dana, Mass., Sept. 5, 1820; m. 1st, Oct. 5, 1852, to Abner Sykes, of Pelham, who d. Aug. 7, 1864; m. 2d, at Northfield, April 15, 1865, to Hezekiah Stratton, who was b. June, 1804, and d. at Hinsdale, N. H., February, 1884. Mrs. Stratton is a Baptist. Present home with her sister, Mary Bailey, of Westboro, Mass.

She had two children, both by her first husband:—

501. JENNIE EUNICE SYKES, b. at Pelham Jan. 2, 1854. Present address, Worcester, Mass.

502. JULIUS HAMILTON SYKES, b. in Pelham Sept. 27, 1855; d. at Northfield, Mass., Jan. 29, 1880, aged 25.

193. HIRAM THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (oldest son of David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in South Rutland, Jefferson Co., N. Y., Dec. 12, 1804. He m. Caroline Perkins Sept. 12, 1830. She was b. Mar. 25, 1806. In 1834 he removed with his family to Canada West, 50 miles from Toronto, where he lived at the time of the Canadian Rebellion. In May, 1837, he moved to Cleveland, O., and soon after settled in Lorraine Co., O. In 1843 he moved to DeCalb Co., Ind., and in 1853 again moved to Fairview, Jones Co., Ia., where he d. Dec. 18, 1856, aged 52. Farmer and Free-Will Baptist. She d. in Lincoln, Neb., May 8, 1887, aged 81.

He had three children:—

503. ORREN E. THOMAS, b. Sept. 25, 1832; was m. three times and had issue.

504. ALBERT H. THOMAS, b. April 17, 1835; m. Catherine Kayton and has issue.

505. HARRIET M. THOMAS, b. Oct. 23, 1837; m. Samuel Gonser and has issue.

194. ALPHEUS THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. in South Rutland, N. Y., March 5, 1807; m. Olive Ralph in 1828. She was b. Feb. 12, 1804. For several years he lived in the town of Pinckney,

Jefferson Co., N. Y., not far from the old homestead. At that time the country was sparsely settled, and his chief occupation was that of manufacturing potash from wood-ashes. He was a member of and a deacon in the Baptist Church. He moved to the West, where he d. Feb. 28, 1875, aged 68. His wife d. Jan. 31, 1887, aged 83.

They had five children, all born in Pinckney, N. Y.:—

506. ALMANSON D. THOMAS, b. Jan. 18, 1829; m. Helen Green and has issue.

507. EZEELDA THOMAS, b. Jan. 27, 1830; m. Ainer Spencer, and d. July 10, 1855; had one dau., Aura Spencer, b. 1853, m. Joseph Tait.

508. CORNELIA THOMAS, b. Sept. 27, 1831; m. Charles Chapin; d. Feb. 1, 1876; had one son, Eugene, b. 1862, unm.

509. GEORGE GEARY THOMAS, b. July 27, 1833.

He enlisted in the 3d Wisconsin Cavalry Feb., 1865, and d. while in service at Nashville, Tenn. He m. Louis Odel; had two children, Emeline and Ervin Thomas.

510. DENNING THOMAS b. Feb. 22, 1835.

He enlisted in the 3d Wisconsin Cavalry and was shot, while on picket duty, by a "bush-whacker," April 13, 1865. He m. Augusta Wicks and had two children: Frank Thomas, b. Sept., 1831, and d. in 1868; and Josephine Olive Thomas, b. Aug. 19, 1863, m. Nov. 12, 1887, and d. Dec. 21, 1888, leaving one child, a daughter.

195. MARIA THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in South Rutland, N. Y., Dec. 11, 1808; m. the Rev. Sherman Maltby Oct. 5, 1826. Her husband was a Baptist minister, but in those times country pastors were obliged to earn their own living to a large extent, and he was often found in the field caring for the growing crops or helping to gather in the harvest. He d. at Watertown, N. Y., Dec. 26, 1874, having been a faithful minister of the gospel over forty years. She is still living with one of her daughters at the age of four-score years.

They had six children:—

511. BEALS MALTBY, b. March 14, 1829; m. twice and has issue.

512. CALVIN MALTBY, b. Aug. 15, 1831; d. 1845.

513. ALBERT F. MALTBY, b. Feb. 14, 1834; twice m. and had issue.

514. REV. CLARK O. MALTBY, b. July 19, 1836, in South Rutland, N. Y.; m. Fannie E. Clark, dau. of Milton Clark, of Watertown, N. Y., Sept. 22, 1859; she was b. April 23, 1838.

He graduated at the Normal School, Albany, N. Y., and taught one year in the Polytechnic Institute, at Brooklyn, N. Y. After his marriage he entered the employment of his father-in-law, who was engaged in the leather and wool business. In the spring of 1864 he became a member of the firm of Milton Clark & Co. He continued in business until the spring of 1874, when he sold his interest and commenced the study of theology at the Rochester Theological Seminary. After graduating, in 1877, he accepted a call from the Baptist Church in Madison, Wis., where he remained until May, 1883. He has since been pastor at Millard Ave., Chicago; Batavia, Ill.; and of the Nicetown Church, Philadelphia. Having had no children of their own, they adopted first a boy, who d. at the age of 12 years, and second a girl, Cora Evelyn Maltby, b. Oct. 18, 1870, and m. H. C. Howell, of Philadelphia, Dec., 1890; present residence, Philadelphia, Pa. Rev. C. O. Maltby has manifested much mechanical ingenuity, having invented a type-writer, in which new principles are brought out; also a combination door-lock, dispensing with the use of a key. Republican.

515. MARYETTE MALTBY, b. May 9, 1838; m. Charles V. Harmon and has issue.

516. HORATIO S. MALTBY, b. Sept. 14, 1841; he enlisted in the army, Sept. 1861, and was killed in battle near Winchester, W. Va., Sept., 1864.

196. MARIETTA THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in South Rutland, N. Y., Sept. 10, 1810; m. Feb. 26, 1834, to J. Harvey Bosworth, who was b. Nov. 10, 1810, and d. Jan. 25, 1840, leaving three children; she m. 2d Nathaniel C. Scovil May 27, 1843, who was b. June 6, 1800, and d. Aug. 29, 1856, leaving three children. She d. Jan. 16, 1884.

Her six children were as follow:—

By first husband:

517. MARINDA W. BOSWORTH, b. Dec. 22, 1834; m. Henry F. Clements and had issue.

518. GEORGE D. BOSWORTH, b. Jan. 5, 1837; m. Mary Ford and had issue.

519. MARY B. BOSWORTH, b. March 6, 1840; m. John Van Dusen and had issue.

By second husband:

520. NANCY JANE SCOVIL, b. April 18, 1843; m. 1st Benjamin Wicks, and 2d Henry Pearsons, and had issue.

521. LAURA ANN SCOVIL, b. Jan. 30, 1847; m. Denison W. Tenney and had issue.

522. FRANK B. SCOVIL, b. Dec. 20, 1850; m. Eunice C. Rogers and had issue.

197. ALMERON THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in South Rutland, N. Y., June 25,

1812; m. 1st Joanna Wilder Oct. 18, 1832 (b. Jan. 1, 1813, and d. March 14, 1848, having been the mother of six children); he m. 2d Lois Payne May 18, 1848 (b. March 1, 1831). She has had two children. Almeron Thomas has been the architect of his own fortune and has achieved success. A large portion of his early married life was spent in St. Lawrence Co., N. Y., where he owned a large tract of timbered land, which he cleared, converting the logs into lumber. He also kept a grist-mill and general country store. About 1850 he sold his property in St. Lawrence Co. and located at Pulaski, Oswego Co., where he engaged in the milling business. He soon after moved to Mexico, Oswego Co., where he has resided the past thirty-four years. Here he has been engaged in milling, farming, and, for a time, in merchandize. He has owned fifteen different flour-mills in different parts of the country. For several years past he has left the care of the mills to his oldest son, Amos. He has been shrewd, industrious, enterprising, and frugal, and now, in his old age, has no lack of material good to minister to his comfort. He is an earnest advocate of temperance and a Republican.

He has had eight children:—

By first wife:

523. ANOS CLARK THOMAS, b. Feb. 1, 1836; twice m. and has issue.  
 524. JANETTE LOUISA THOMAS, b. May 26, 1838; m. Rufus Calkins March 10, 1857; no issue. Residence, Mexico, N. Y.  
 525. AVERY A. THOMAS, b. Jan. 2, 1840; d. March 18, 1841.  
 526. DEXTER WILDER THOMAS, b. May 19, 1842; unm.  
 527. MARY ELIZABETH THOMAS, b. June 11, 1845; m. Milton T. Parsons and has issue.  
 528. MARIA MALTBY THOMAS, b. July 21, 1847; m. Dr. H. H. Dobson and has issue.

By second wife:

529. EMMA LOUISA THOMAS, b. May 23, 1856; m. Dr. E. M. Manwaren and has issue.  
 530. FREDERICK ALMERON THOMAS, b. Sept. 10, 1867; m. Anna Taylor Nov. 6, 1888. She was b. July 28, 1867. No issue.



ALMERON THOMAS.



Frederick A. Thomas is a graduate of the Mexico Academy and proprietor of a weekly newspaper, *The Mexican*. He is also a dealer in stationery and fancy articles. He is a young man of enterprise, and possesses much of his father's capacity for business. Residence, Mexico, N. Y. Republican.

199. EBENEZER K. THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in South Rutland, N. Y., June 2, 1816. He m. 1st Lois Brown, of same place, June 7, 1841; she d. Feb. 10, 1855, leaving one son. He m. 2d Isabel Boyd, of Blackberry, Ill., June 7, 1855, who was b. Nov. 6, 1825. He has lived in Wisconsin and Illinois. Present residence, Le Mars, Ia. Farmer. Republican.

He had six children:—

By first wife:

531. JAMES B. THOMAS, b. July 28, 1843; m. Elizabeth H. Vinz and has issue.

By second wife:

532. ELSIE M. THOMAS, b. Dec. 12, 1856; m. M. Henry Calhoun and has issue.

533. PLATT THOMAS, b. Aug. 24, 1858; unm. Residence, Le Mars, Ia. Traveling salesman. Republican.

534. AL THOMAS, b. May 18, 1861; d. Sept. 30, 1862.

535. ESTHER M. THOMAS, b. Sept. 24, 1863; d. Feb. 10, 1865.

536. MAY A. THOMAS, b. Sept. 2, 1869.

201. NANCY BIGELOW THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in South Rutland, N. Y., Jan. 30, 1823; m. Isaac Clements Sept. 19, 1845. He was b. in Stillwater, Saratoga Co., N. Y., Feb. 1, 1811; mechanic, and resides in Tylerville, N. Y.

They have two children:—

537. HARRIET CLEMENTS, b. Aug. 31, 1846; m. 1st John Snyder, and 2d Hiram C. Oatman, and has issue.

538. ANN S. CLEMENTS, b. Sept. 28, 1851; m. D. L. Cornwell and has issue.

202 SAREPTA THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in South Rutland, N. Y., July 23, 1827; m. to Darwin H. Bates, of same place, Jan. 14, 1846. He was b. Dec. 23, 1820, and d. at Suspension Bridge Sept. 3, 1862. She d. Oct. 22, 1851.

They had one child:—

539. JULIA BATES, b. July 18, 1847. She is reported to have married and settled somewhere in the West.

203. PLATT THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in South Rutland, N. Y., March 4, 1829; m. Caroline Macomber in 1851; she d. May 20, 1857. He m. 2d Leonora Remington Jan. 9, 1859; she was b. Oct. 22, 1836. They reside on a farm near Mexico, N. Y. Republican.

They have two children:—

By first wife:

540. CARRIE E. THOMAS, b. Nov. 21, 1861.

By second wife:

541. HERBERT H. THOMAS, b. Oct. 18, 1872.

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204. JASON BIGELOW THOMAS, M.D.<sup>5</sup> (son of Beals,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., Aug. 6, 1817. His mother was Nancy Bigelow, first wife of Beals Thomas. He commenced the study of medicine with Dr. Joseph N. Bates, of Barre, Mass.; attended his first course of lectures at Pittsfield, Mass., and his second in Philadelphia, Pa., at the University of Pennsylvania, where he graduated in 1843. He commenced practice in Warren, Mass., but removed to Thorndike, Mass., before his marriage. He m. Phila Mandell, dau. of Capt. Martin Mandell, of Hardwick, Mass., April 17, 1850; she was b. April 5, 1824. Dr. J. B. Thomas combined dentistry with medicine and was reputed a man of skill and judgment in both branches of his profession. He d. in Thorndike, Nov. 25, 1880, aged 63. His widow and only living son still reside in Thorndike.

He had three children:—

542. A son, b. Aug. 31, 1855; d. Sept. 20, 1855.

543. A daughter, b. April 21, 1860; d. Aug. 14, 1860.

544. MARTIN MANDELL THOMAS, b. June 28, 1861; m. Eva Johnson Jan. 24, 1889. Residence, Thorndike, Mass.

206. CLARA EGERY THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Beals,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., July 21, 1828. She was educated in Mt. Holyoke Seminary, having been a pupil in that institution during the life of Miss Mary Lyon, the founder, and whose successful management made it one of the most celebrated educational institutions in the country. She m. Addison Augustus Hunt, A.M., March 16, 1852. He was b. in Hardwick, Mass., June 20, 1822; graduated at Amherst College in 1853; Principal of Ware High School four years, from 1851; Principal of Worcester Grammar School from 1855 to '74. In 1867, on account of his health, he purchased a farm at Barre Plains, Mass., where he spent his vacations and where he now resides. Congregationalists.

They have had six children:—

545. FREDERICK ADDISON HUNT, b. in Ware, Mass., July 26, 1853; d. Feb. 25, 1856.

546. FRANK THOMAS HUNT, b. in Worcester, Mass., Aug. 16, 1855; present address, Barre Plains; unm.

547. CARRIE WASHBURN HUNT, b. in Worcester, Mass., Sept. 2, 1857.

For several years she has been a teacher. In 1884, she went to Salt Lake City, Utah, to take charge of a school in that city. After three years' service, she was appointed by the New West Educational Commission (a society of the Congregational Church) to travel in California and the East, lecturing in the churches, and in various ways interesting the people in and raising funds for the cause of education in Utah. She possesses decided talent as speaker, holds her audience in rapt attention, and has met with marked success in her mission. She spent the summer and fall of 1890 in making a general tour of Great Britain and Europe with her sister and husband, Rev. George P. Knapp. Congregationalist.

548. EDWIN NEWTON HUNT, b. in Worcester, Mass., Feb. 17, 1860; d. Feb. 12, 1862.

549. ANNA JANE HUNT, b. in Worcester, Mass., Oct. 30, 1862.

She graduated at Mt. Holyoke Seminary June 26, 1886. In 1887 she went to Salt Lake City, Utah, where her sister had preceded her, and took charge, as principal of the Plymouth School, returning to Mass. in 1889. She m., July 2, 1890, Rev. George Perkins Knapp, son of Rev. George C. Knapp, missionary at Bitlis, Turkey, where Geo. P. was born; he graduated at Harvard College and Hartford Theological Seminary, and was ordained at Farmington, Conn., May

28, 1890. They sailed for Europe July 19, 1890; he locates as missionary at Bitlis, Turkey; Congregationalist.

550. WILLIAM ADDISON HUNT, b. June 13, 1865. Resides with his parents, at Barre Plains, Mass.

208. SARAH JANE THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Beals,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hardwick, Mass., Sept. 21, 1840; m. Franklin Wait, her cousin, son of David Wait and Patience Thomas, his wife, Feb. 18, 1862. He is a farmer in Deerfield, Mass.; Republican and Episcopalian. She d. in Deerfield Feb. 5, 1878.

They had four children, all born in Deerfield:—

551. AGNES THOMAS WAIT, b. April 24, 1863; m. Wyman Smith Clapp Nov. 28, 1888, of Greenfield Mass.

552. ELIZABETH JONES WAIT, b. July 10, 1865.

553. EDITH WYMAN WAIT, b. June, 18, 1872,

554. IDA PATIENCE WAIT, b. Feb. 6, 1874.

210. AVERY THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of Azariah,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Perch River, Jeff. Co., N. Y., Jan. 3, 1817. When at the age of about 4 years his father moved to Watertown, same county. He received his education in the common school, and in the Black River Institute. It was his purpose at one time to prepare himself for the ministry, but the impaired state of his health led him to abandon the idea. He learned the drug, paint, and oil business, and for a number of years carried on a general painting business in Watertown. In 1859 he moved to Dayton, Ohio, and engaged in the same business; in 1866 he moved to New Jersey, purchased a fruit-farm at Hammonton, and engaged in fruit-raising, greatly to the benefit of his health; in 1867 he returned to Dayton, Ohio, to take charge of one of the largest varnish manufactories in the United States, which position he still holds. He is a member and deacon of the Baptist Church; he has always been an earnest Sunday-school worker, and was, for a time, superin-





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tendent of the school in the church of which he is a member. He is a man of extensive reading, of wide information, and has an unusually retentive memory. He m. Lovina Dolly Bacon, dau. of Deacon Isaac Bacon and Eleanor Schull, his wife, at Watertown, N. Y., Aug. 30, 1842. Republican.

They have had five children, all born in Watertown, N. Y. :—

555. ISAAC BACON THOMAS, b. Aug. 19, 1843.

He enlisted for three months upon the call for troops at the breaking out of the Rebellion; he was in the first battle of Bull Run; later in the war he again enlisted in the 124th Regiment of Ohio, while still a minor, and was with Sherman in Tenn., where he contracted camp fever. His mother, with much difficulty, procured passes through the lines and succeeded in getting him home, where he d. July 9, 1863, aged 19.

556. ELEANOR BACON THOMAS, b. Jan. 10, 1845; m. Judge James Linden and has issue.

557. FRANK WILLIAM THOMAS, M.D., b. Dec. 29, 1846.

In 1864 he came to Philadelphia and served an apprenticeship with a druggist; he entered the College of Pharmacy in the fall of 1866 and graduated in the spring of 1868; in 1869 he commenced the study of medicine with his uncle, Dr. A. R. Thomas; he matriculated at the Hahnemann Medical College in Oct., 1869, and graduated March, 1871. The following year he was Resident Physician of the Albany (N. Y.) Homoeopathic Hospital; in 1872 he located in Dayton, Ohio., where he acquired a very large and lucrative professional business. He was for two years a member of the Board of Health, of Dayton.

Dr. Thomas d. Sept. 16, 1890, aged 44, from the effects of burns received from an explosion of gasoline. Stopping at the house of one of his patients, while waiting to be announced he stepped into the parlor, where the father of his patient was engaged in saturating the carpet and upholstered furniture with gasoline for the purpose of destroying moths. In an adjoining room, separated by a closed door, was an open-grate fire. Just at this moment, the gas having reached the fire, an explosion took place. Blinded by the flames with which he was surrounded, and with the flesh of his face and hands burned to a crisp, and with clothing on fire, he groped his way to the door and fell to the ground. Assistance was immediately at hand, the burning clothing extinguished, and he taken into the nearest house, where, in great suffering, he expired in eight hours.

Dr. Thomas was undoubtedly the most popular and best-known physician in the city of Dayton. His skill and success in his profession, with his devotion to his patients, gave him a reputation acquired by few, while the shocking manner of his death produced a profound sensation in that community, and rarely has one been more deeply or more sincerely mourned.

The following is copied from a New York paper, the editor of which was at one time a patient of Dr. Thomas:—

"Southern Ohio and the medical profession meet with an irreparable loss in the tragic death of Dr. Thomas, of Dayton. Though his practice was in the most aristocratic circles, no one was more kind to the poor. They were always with him and he blessed them. He was not only a thoroughly educated but a natural-born physician. He had at once the logical and intuitive mind, the keen power of analysis, and the perceptive faculties so essential to one of his profession. As a symptomatologist the writer has yet to meet his equal. His was a well-formed, symmetrically-rounded character. To the writer and his family he was more than the words 'physician and friend' express, and those who with us mourn his loss may well do so, for 'we ne'er shall look upon his like again.'"

He was unmarried, and lived with his parents and unmarried sisters, to all of whom he was deeply devoted. He was a member of the Baptist Church and Republican.

558. MARIE SARAH THOMAS, b. Aug. 1, 1849; unm.

559. HATTIE ELIZABETH THOMAS, b. Sept. 29, 1852; unm.

Both these daughters of Avery Thomas have exhibited high artistic talent, the former in water-coloring, the latter in wood-carving; her work in this line has been much admired, some pieces showing a high degree of taste and skill in execution.

211. HARRIET THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Azariah,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Perch River, N. Y., June 1, 1819. She m. William Barnes, of Sheridan, Chautauqua Co., N. Y., Oct. 11, 1843, who was b. in Chautauqua Co. Aug. 7, 1819. He is a carpenter and builder. They moved to Kane Co., Ill., immediately after their marriage, where they now reside at Kaneville, Kane Co. He was a Methodist and Republican.

They have had seven children, all born in Black-bury, Ill.:—

560. SARAH BARNES, b. March 25, 1846; m. Henry Hibbard and has issue.

561. FLORENCE BARNES, b. March 24, 1846; d. Sept., 1854.

562. PAULINE BARNES, b. Sept. 3, 1850; d. June, 1852.

563. MARY BARNES, b. Sept. 7, 1852; d. Sept., 1854.

564. CHARLES BARNES, b. Feb. 3, 1854. Stenographer.

565. WILLIAM HENRY BARNES, M.D., b. Jan. 11, 1856, in Kane Co., Ill.

He studied medicine with Dr. A. R. Thomas, and graduated at Hahnemann Medical College March, 1881. Now settled in practice in Philadelphia, Penna.

566. GEORGE BARNES, b. Oct. 8, 1864; m. Miss — Stevens, Dec. 31, 1890. Address, Kaneville, Ill. Runs a creamery.

212. MELINDA THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Azariah,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Perch River, Jefferson Co.,

N. Y., June 3, 1821. In 1839 she moved to Chautauqua Co., N. Y., where she m. Horace Ottoway, of Illinois, Oct. 3, 1844. Horace Ottoway, son of James Ottoway and Elizabeth Wood, his wife, was b. April 21, 1815, in the county of Kent, England. He came to America with his father when 8 years of age, and settled in Chautauqua Co., N. Y. In 1836 he went West and settled in Illinois, and has lived in Kane, McHenry, and Whiteside Cos. in that State. In 1883 he moved to Kirkman, Shelby Co., Ia., where he now resides. He has always been engaged in farming and land speculating. Melinda Thomas Ottoway d. Oct. 3, 1858, aged 37.

They had five children:—

567. ALBERT HORACE OTTOWAY, b. in Blackbury, Kane Co., Ill., Sept. 27, 1846; m. Adelia Adelaide Hanes and had issue.

568. CHARLES THOMAS OTTOWAY, b. in Blackbury Nov. 21, 1849; m. Nannie Been and had issue.

569. HERBERT JAMES OTTOWAY, b. Feb. 26, 1852, in Algonquin, McHenry Co., Ill.; m. Celeste Sutherland and has issue.

570. EDGAR RUSSELL OTTOWAY, b. in Erie, Whiteside Co., Ill., April 5, 1854. In July, 1887, he left his home for the purpose of looking up a location for starting the hardware business in Nebraska. He has never been seen or heard from since. It is generally supposed that he was murdered for his money.

571. IDA JANE OTTOWAY, b. in Blackbury, Kane Co., Ill., Aug. 3, 1856; m. Newton I. Snow and has issue.

214. AMOS RUSSELL THOMAS, M.D.<sup>5</sup> (son of Azariah,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. at Watertown, N. Y., Oct. 3, 1826. He received his education in the common schools and in the Jefferson County Institute. He engaged in mercantile pursuits in the village of Ogdensburgh, N. Y., in 1850. Finding this employment ungenial, and having a strong predilection for the medical profession, he commenced the study of medicine in 1852, matriculating at the Syracuse Medical College in the fall of the same year and graduating in the spring of 1854. Coming to Philadelphia in the same year, he took another course of lectures and graduated at the Penn Medical

University. Being offered the position of Demonstrator of Anatomy in that institution, he accepted the same, and made Philadelphia his future home. In 1856 he was appointed to the chair of Anatomy, which position he held for ten years.

In 1856 he was appointed Professor of Artistic Anatomy in the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts. He held this position for fourteen years. In 1863 he was appointed Professor of Artistic Anatomy in the School of Design for Women, which position he held for eight years.

He served as volunteer surgeon during the late war, and was placed in charge of one of the wards in the Armory Square Hospital at Washington.

Becoming interested in the examination of the merits of homœopathy soon after settling in Philadelphia, he was led to adopt that system of practice. In 1867 he was appointed Professor of Anatomy in the Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia, which position he still holds. He has also been Dean of the Faculty since 1874. During this time, and largely through his personal efforts, new college and hospital buildings have been erected at a cost of nearly a half-million of dollars, the curriculum of study has been extended, the term of study prolonged, and the college brought to a degree of prosperity never before attained.

He has published a work on "Post-Mortem Examinations and Morbid Anatomy" (1872), besides various addresses and numerous contributions to medical journals, and for five years served as general editor of the *American Journal of Homœopathic Materia Medica*. He is a member of various medical societies, and has been President of the Pennsylvania State and Philadelphia County Medical Societies. He is a life-member of



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*Country Seat of Dr. A. R. Thomas, (that of Dr. C. M. Thomas in the distance)*

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the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia, member of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania; honorary member of the Historical Society of Dallas, Texas; member of the Horticultural Society of Pennsylvania and of the Fairmount Park Art Association.

Sept. 26, 1847, he m. Elizabeth M. Bacon, of Watertown, N. Y., dau. of Isaac Bacon and Eleanor Schull, his wife. Republican.

They have had two children:—

572. CHARLES MONROE THOMAS, M.D., b. in Watertown, N. Y., May 3, 1849; m. Marion E. Turnbull and has issue.

573. FLORENCE L. THOMAS, b. in Syracuse, N. Y., Nov. 16, 1853; m. to J. Nicholas Mitchell, M.D., Oct. 3, 1877; d. May 17, 1880, leaving issue.

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218. LYDIA ANN THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Heman,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Dec. 29, 1810. She m. 1st Winslow Packard and had issue. He d. April 10, 1852, and she m. 2d Deacon Perley Howard, of Barre, Mass., March 30, 1858, in New Salem, Mass. He d. Dec. 5, 1871; she d. Jan. 16, 1889, at New Salem, Mass., aged 78. Baptist.

She had one child, by first husband:—

574. MARY J. PACKARD, b. Nov. 7, 1848, in New Salem.

Miss Packard has for several years been Secretary of the Spelman Seminary at Atlanta, Ga., of which her half-sister, Sophia B. Packard, is Principal. The Spelman Seminary was organized and successfully established by Miss Packard in 1881. It is probably the largest and most successful institution for the education of colored girls in the South. It has over seven hundred pupils and thirty teachers. The course of study, of four or six years' duration, embraces various industrial pursuits, as well as a thorough English education, including the higher mathematics, astronomy, and the sciences generally, and music. The Normal Department graduates a large class every year.

Miss Sophia B. Packard, the originator of the Spelman Seminary at Atlanta, Ga., is a woman of wonderful energy and executive ability, and is still at the head of the Institution.

220. MARTIN THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of Heman,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Dec. 8, 1815;

m. ANN FISHER, of Colerain, Feb. 12, 1839. He d. in New Salem June 26, 1846. He was a farmer, Baptist, and Republican.

He had two children:—

575. ESTHER ANN THOMAS, b. Jan. 27, 1840; d. in Wauwatosa, Wis., in 1863, aged 22.

576. MARY JANE THOMAS, b. Nov. 1, 1844; m. Charles Dwight Watson and has issue.

223. MARY ANN LUDDON<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Mary [Thomas] Luddon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Henrietta, Monroe Co., N. Y., April 5, 1816. She m. James M. Curtis Oct. 13, 1839, who was b. April 12, 1817; d. July 16, 1880. Lived in Murray when first married; later, settled in Kendall, N. Y., where most of the children were born. J. M. Curtis was a farmer and Republican. Both Methodists.

They had nine children:—

577. JAMES HENRY CURTIS, b. April 23, 1841; m. Amanda Cook and has issue.

578. MARY ARVILLA CURTIS, b. March 11, 1843; m. Allen Spencer and has issue.

579. RHODA EMELINE CURTIS, b. Nov. 4, 1844; m. Wallace Buell and had issue.

580. ELLEN KATE CURTIS, b. Jan. 20, 1847; m. Fayette J. Carrington and has issue.

581. GEORGE HARVEY CURTIS, b. Feb. 21, 1850.

582. AMELIA JANE CURTIS, b. April 12, 1852.

583. DOLLIE ELIZABETH CURTIS, b. Oct. 2, 1854; m. William Fletcher; no issue.

584. WILLIAM ANDREW CURTIS, b. Aug. 14, 1857; m. Ida Slater and has issue.

585. JESSIE NORA CURTIS, b. July 22, 1860; m. Sylvester Case and has issue.

224. RHODA SAREPTA LUDDON<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Mary [Thomas] Luddon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Henrietta, Monroe Co., N. Y., Aug. 10, 1831; m. George L. Stone in Murray, Monroe Co., N. Y., Jan. 19, 1851. He was b. Oct. 3, 1828. G. L. Stone is a farmer.

They had five children :—

586. EMMA STONE, b. March 13, 1852; m. Sanford Hinckley and has issue.  
 587. GEORGE FENN STONE, b. Sept. 12, 1856; m. Ella Lockwood; no issue  
 Gardener. Rochester, N. Y.  
 588. LEWIS FERDINAND STONE, b. Sept. 23, 1862, in Darlington, C. W.; m.  
 Lillie Coons, of Naples, N. Y., Dec., 1888. Farmer. Address,  
 Canandaigua, N. Y.  
 589. HARRIET SYBIL STONE, b. in Murray, N. Y., March 22, 1860; d. March  
 29, 1864.  
 590. EDWIN JAMES STONE, b. Sept. 26, 1867; unm. Farmer. Address,  
 Canandaigua, N. Y.

225. RHODA PHILLIPS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Rhoda [Thomas] Phillips,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Henrietta, Monroe Co., N. Y., Nov. 3, 1815. She m., March 4, 1835, George W. Brown (son of Miner Brown, 3d husband of Rhoda Thomas), who was b. in Lenox, Madison Co., N. Y., June 18, 1813. He was a farmer and Republican and both were Congregationalists. Rhoda Phillips Brown d. Nov. 21, 1881; he d. May 7, 1882.

They had five children, all b. in Henrietta :—

591. GEORGE HENRY BROWN, b. Aug. 18, 1837; m. Martha Ann Collar; no  
 issue; address, Rochester, N. Y.; ticket-agent in railroad-office.  
 592. ELLEN MALISSA BROWN, b. March 24, 1840; m. Wirt Matthews Oct. 2,  
 1861, and had issue.  
 593. WILLIAM JAY BROWN, b. May 6, 1843; m. Ella Pierce April, 1869,  
 and had issue.  
 594. FRANCES ADELINE BROWN, b. June 1, 1846; m. Gurdon E. Pendleton  
 Feb. 13, 1868, and has issue.  
 595. HARVEY CLARENCE BROWN, b. July 3, 1849; d. June 28, 1867.

226. LURA EMILY PHILLIPS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Rhoda [Thomas] Phillips,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Henrietta, Monroe Co., N. Y., Oct. 26, 1817; she m. Sereno Stone (brother of George L. Stone) Aug. 28, 1834; he d. Nov. 23, 1889, aged 76 years. Present address, Holley, Orleans Co., N. Y.

They had nine children :—

596. BENJAMIN HARVEY STONE, b. Sept. 23, 1835; m. Jan. 15, 1865, to Sarah  
 J. Darling, and had issue.

597. WILLIAM FENN STONE, b. Dec. 30, 1837; m. Oct., 1865, to Marion E. Stone; no issue; Michigan.
598. FRANKLIN MYRON STONE, b. July 22, 1840; d. Dec. 28, 1864.
599. MARY EMILY STONE, b. July 13, 1842; m. Jeremiah West Dec., 1880; no issue.
600. CHARLES SERENO STONE, b. Dec. 12, 1844; m. Annie M. Morse Nov. 18, 1867, and has issue.
601. ELBERT EARL STONE, b. Sept. 12, 1846; m. Adell Friese July, 1872, and has issue.
602. JOSEPHINE ARABELLA STONE, b. March 29, 1849; m. Willard H. Hawkins and has issue.
603. AELIE DWIGHT STONE, b. April 6, 1852; m. Hannah Burdick, in 1879, and has issue.
604. ADELBERT DEWITT STONE, b. July 14, 1855; m. Carrie Daisy Buell Jan. 9, 1889; she was b. June 9, 1867.

227. HARVEY THOMAS PHILLIPS<sup>5</sup> (son of Rhoda [Thomas] Phillips,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Henrietta, Monroe Co., N. Y., Feb. 5, 1824. His father, Benjamin Phillips, dying in 1831, his mother, in 1833, married her second husband, Samuel Whitcomb, after which time Harvey T. Phillips lived with his eldest sister, Mrs. George W. Brown, working on the farm in the summer and going to school in the winter. At 18 years of age he commenced the study of medicine and attended a full course of lectures at the Geneva Medical College, Geneva, N. Y. Not satisfied with his general education, he fitted himself for college and entered Dartmouth College, Dartmouth, N. H., in 1845. Here he spent four years, teaching some portion of each year, and graduating in 1849. Having abandoned the idea of continuing the study of medicine and having exhausted his resources, he at once accepted an offer of a position as tutor in a private family in Mississippi; here he remained for one year, when he settled in Chattanooga, Tenn., taking a position as teacher in an academy. Resigning this position, he next took editorial charge of a Democratic newspaper for a year or two, when he received the appointment of postmaster of the city of Chattanooga;



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ALPHEUS O. THOMAS.

this position he held until the evacuation of the city by the Confederates, in 1863; then, as Postmaster of the Army of Tennessee, he moved with the headquarters of the army until the surrender at Greensboro, N. C. At the close of the war he visited his relatives in New York State, after which he returned to the South and located at Atlanta, Ga., where he still resides; here he at first engaged in newspaper editorial work, but soon started the book and stationery business, under the firm of Phillips & Crew, later adding music and musical instruments; in 1883 they sold out the book and stationery department, continuing as dealers in pianos, organs, and music generally.

Harvey T. Phillips has been married three times. The first marriage was in 1854, to Bettie Bruckner, of La., by whom he had two children; she d. in 1861. He m. 2d Katic Dyson, of Va., July 20, 1865; she d. in June, 1866, leaving no issue. He m. 3d Bettie Wharton, of Huntsville, Ala., Jan. 20, 1869, by whom he has had three children.

The five children of Harvey T. Phillips are:—

By first wife:

605. FANNY SARA PHILLIPS, b. April 15, 1856; d. Nov. 19, 1857.

606. JAMES BRUCKNER PHILLIPS, b. Nov. 29, 1858; m. Carrie Richards and has issue.

By third wife:

607. HENRY WHEARTON PHILLIPS, b. June 9, 1872; d. Jan. 19, 1874.

608. HARVEY HUDNUT PHILLIPS, b. March 7, 1874.

609. NELLIE WHEARTON PHILLIPS, b. June 30, 1876.

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229. ALPHEUS ORLANDO THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of Ardon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Prescott, Mass., Jan. 29, 1826. When about 2½ years old his father moved to New Salem, Mass. At the age of 18 he entered the woolen-mills of Barre Plains, Mass., where he learned the

dyeing branch of the woolen business; becoming an expert in that branch of the business, he was placed at its head and ultimately made superintendent of the mills. After having held this position for several years, he moved to Waltham, Mass., where he engaged in the express business, under the firm name of Weeks & Thomas; he continued in this business for ten years, when he sold out and engaged in the nursery business, which he has followed for the past thirteen years. He m. Elizabeth Ocford Hill July 28, 1847, by whom he has had four children. Methodist and Republican.

610. JOHN BRADFORD THOMAS, b. Sept. 11, 1850, in Barre, Mass.; m. Ruth Etta Wellington Sept. 28, 1882, and has issue.

611. JANE ELIZABETH THOMAS, b. Nov. 8, 1853, in Barre, Mass.; m. Frederick K. Hurxthal Oct. 7, 1880, and has issue.

612. RUFINA FINETTA THOMAS, b. Aug. 25, 1855; d. Aug. 20, 1860.

613. FRANCIS HARVEY THOMAS, b. Oct. 21, 1857; d. March 18, 1861.

230. JAMES HOLMES THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of Ardon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Feb. 8, 1827, in Prescott, Mass.; m. Lucy A. Wellington, at Rutland, April 20, 1851; she was b. Oct. 17, 1833, at West Boylston, Mass. He is a photographer, and now resides in North Grafton, Mass.; Methodist and Republican.

They have one child:—

614. CARRIE M. THOMAS, b. Jan. 15, 1864, at North Grafton, Mass.; unm.

231. ROSANNAH SAREPTA THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Ardon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Nov. 29, 1829, at New Salem, Mass.; m. Charles Webb, of Hardwick, Mass., March 15, 1849, at Barre, Mass. Charles Webb was b. April 6, 1822, and d. April 20, 1887, in Worcester, Mass. He was an earnest worker in the cause of temperance. Present address, Charlestown, Mass. Methodist.

They had six children:—

615. EMMA FRANCES WEBB, b. Jan. 30, 1850, at Barre, Mass.; m. Benjamin Nourse July 27, 1874, and had issue.

616. JONATHAN WEBB, b. June 2, 1852, at New Braintree, Mass.; m. Ida Frances Hodgkiss and had issue.

617. GEORGE DALAND WEBB, b. April 16, 1854; m. Abbie Holman and had issue.
618. ANNA ESTELLA WEBB, b. July 29, 1859; m. Henry Willard Watkins and has issue.
619. ARDON ALBERTO WEBB, b. Dec. 25, 1867, at Barre, Mass.; d. March 30, 1869, at Petersham, Mass.
620. ROSSIE MAUD WEBB, b. June 2, 1872, at Worcester, Mass.

232. RUFINA FINETTA THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Ardon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., May 20, 1832. She m. Alden B. Woodis March 24, 1862, at West Brookfield, Mass. He was b. in New Braintree, Mass., Oct. 6, 1836. Baptist. Present address, Danvers, Mass.

They have one child:—

621. ALLIE ARTHUR WOODIS, b. April 7, 1869, at New Salem, Mass.

235. ELIZA ANN THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Alpheus,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Oct. 5, 1822. \* She m. Rev. Rodney Gage, son of Asahel Gage, of Hadley, Mass., April 23, 1849. He was b. in Hadley Aug. 7, 1821. She d. at Concord, N. H., Oct. 25, 1852, while her husband was a student of the Methodist Theological Institute in that city.

They had one child, a daughter:—

622. MARY REBECCA GAGE, b. in New Salem, Mass., April 17, 1851; m. Jason T. Owen, of Orion, Mich., and has issue.

236. SARAH NEWCOMB THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (2d dau. of Alpheus,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Dec. 4, 1825; m. Rev. Rodney Gage, whose 1st wife was Eliza A. Thomas, an older sister, at New Salem, Mass., June 6, 1853. While living in Massachusetts Mr. Gage was stationed at the following places: North Prescott, South Hadley Falls, Holyoke, Sutton, North Andover, Chicopee Falls, and Hubbardstown. In Aug., 1862, he was appointed Chaplain in the Army at Alex-

andria, Va., and served until June, 1867. After his discharge from the United States Service he resumed his pastoral work in the State of Michigan, and was stationed in Augusta, Washington, Orion, Dryden, Almont, Utica, Grand Blanc, Seymore Lake, and Ruby. Present residence, with his daughter, Mrs. Owen, at Orion, Mich. Mrs. Gage d. at Seymore, Lake Michigan, April 13, 1880. She was an excellent scholar and, previous to her marriage, a successful teacher, an earnest, devoted Christian woman, and a rare model for a minister's wife.

They had two children :—

623. CHANNING THOMAS GAGE, b. at Sutton, Mass., Feb. 1, 1858; m., Oct. 18, 1887, Ida Early, of Detroit.

624. LILIAN ELIZA GAGE, b. in Chicopee Falls, Mass., June 12, 1863.

238. EDWARD AUGUSTUS THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of Alpheus,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., April 10, 1829. He was educated at the New Salem and Wilbraham Academies. He taught school for several winters, and for five years was Principal of one of the grammar schools in the city of Lynn, Mass. In 1855 he removed to North Prescott, where for fifteen years he was engaged in mercantile pursuits. In 1864 he was elected a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, and was appointed by its Speaker, the late Governor Bullock, a member of the State Valuation Committee for 1865. In 1869 he was elected to the Massachusetts Senate, and in the fall of that year moved to Amherst, Mass., where he now resides. During the following year he was commissioned a Trial Justice, and for more than a dozen years was magistrate for that part of the county. At present he is engaged in insurance and real estate business.

Edward A. Thomas was for many years a member of the Methodist Church, but on removing to Amherst con-



HON. EDWARD A. THOMAS.



nected himself with the First Congregational Church, and for four years was one of its deacons.

Feb. 22, 1852, he m. Betsy Maria Bacon, dau. of Henry and Julia Bacon, of Barre, Mass. She was b. Jan. 13, 1834.

They have two children:—

625. MINER RAYMOND THOMAS, b. at North Prescott Aug. 2, 1856.

He fitted for college at the New Salem Academy and the Amherst High School, and graduated at Amherst College in the class of 1878. He afterward studied law at the Boston University for three years, and is now practicing law in the city of Boston in the firm of Johnson & Thomas; unm.

626. MARION MARIA THOMAS, b. at Amherst Aug. 1, 1873.

239. REV. CHAUNCY BOARDMAN THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (3d son of Alpheus,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Sept. 7, 1834. He fitted for college at the New Salem and Amherst Academies, and entered Amherst College in 1851. After graduating, he taught one year in a boarding-school in Ellington, Conn., and one year in a select school in Westfield, Mass. In Sept., 1857, he entered the Theological Seminary at Andover. The summer of 1859 he spent in traveling in Europe for his health. He graduated at Andover in Aug., 1860. In Oct. of the same year he accepted an appointment as City Missionary in Poughkeepsie, N. Y. June 6, 1862, he was appointed by President Lincoln Hospital Chaplain in the United States Army. He served one and a half years at Alexandria, Va., and two and a half years at New Orleans, La. After the close of the war he was chosen acting pastor of the Congregational Church of Chicago. Subsequently, for three and a half years, he served as acting pastor of the Congregational Church in Peru, Ill. In 1872, owing to ill health, he resigned his pastorate in Peru and removed to Amherst, Mass., where he remained about four years. In 1876 he settled as pastor of the Congregational

Church in Glover, Vt. In the summer of 1880 he gave up his pastoral work entirely, and spent the last six months of his life with his brother at Amherst, where he d. on the 20th day of Jan., 1881. He was a man of fine culture, and, as a preacher, much above the average. He m. Catherine Storm, dau. of Jacob and Maria R. Storm, Jan. 28, 1863.

He left one son:—

627. CHAUNCEY R. THOMAS, b. Aug. 21, 1876.

240. CHARLES UTLEY THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of Alpheus,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Feb. 10, 1836. He taught school for a number of years in the towns of Hardwick, Barre, and Leverett. In 1856 he commenced mercantile life in Boston, Mass. In 1870 he became a partner in the firm of Taylor, Thomas & Co., wholesale dry-goods merchants. Upon the death of Mr. Taylor, in 1881, the firm became that of Bradford, Thomas & Co., and still so exists. Their business amounts to several million dollars a year, and their annual sales are said to be in excess of any other dry-goods jobbing-house in the city of Boston. Feb. 5, 1868, Mr. Thomas was m. to Harriet F. Fifield, who was b. in Monroe, Mich., March 28, 1843, dau. of Major Benjamin F. and Harriet M. Fifield. They are members of the Congregational Church. Republican.

They have one son:—

628. PAUL FIFIELD THOMAS, b. May 5, 1881.

241. EDWIN AUGUSTINE THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (youngest son of Alpheus,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Aug. 13, 1841. He received his education at the Salem Academy, Wilbraham Academy, and Phillips Academy, at Andover, Mass. He received his early business training in his father's store, at North Prescott.



CHARLES UTLEY THOMAS.



In 1877 he removed to Amherst, Mass., where he engaged in the dry-goods business; in the spring of 1887 he removed to Milford, Mass., where he is doing business under the firm name of Thomas & Woolcott, continuing his business at the same time in Amherst. He was a member of the First Congregational Church in Amherst and, at the time of his removal to Milford, was one of the deacons of that church. March 29, 1865, he m. Miss Lucy A. Parkhurst, of Templeton, Mass., dau. of Paul K. and Almira J. Parkhurst.

They have had three children :—

629. HERBERT EDWIN THOMAS, b. April 13, 1872; d. Dec. 6, 1874.

630. GRACE THOMAS, b. Dec. 6, 1875.

631. HARRY P. THOMAS, b. March 4, 1878.

284. DANIEL RUGGLES<sup>5</sup> (son of Lucinda [Thomas] Ruggles,<sup>4</sup> Daniel,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. March 9, 1800; m. Sarah Mayo, of Hampden, Me.; d. Sept., 1862.

He had three children :—

632. SARAH B. RUGGLES, d. in infancy.

633. MARY L. RUGGLES, b. Dec. 2, 1827, in Carmel, Me.; m. J. G. Croxford Jan. 1, 1849, and had issue.

634. SARAH D. RUGGLES, d. young.

285. LUCINDA RUGGLES<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Lucinda [Thomas] Ruggles,<sup>4</sup> Daniel,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Carmel, Me.; m. 1st Enoch Mayo, 2d John Gillison, of Orano, Me., by whom she had one child.

She had by her first husband nine children, three of whom died in infancy :—

635. ENOCH MAYO.

636. DANIEL T. MAYO.

637. LUCINDA A. MAYO.

638. MELINDA MAYO.

639. GEORGE A. MAYO.

640. ALMIRA MAYO.

By second husband :

641. KATE GILLISON.

287. MERCY RUGGLES<sup>5</sup> (dau of Lucinda [Thomas] Ruggles,<sup>4</sup> Daniel,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Carmel, Me.; m. Elisha Mayo, of Hampden, Me.

They had two children:—

642. EDWARD E. MAYO, b. Dec. 16, 1827; m. Lizzie Rounds and had issue.

643. ANGIE ESTER MAYO, d. young.

291. ANNA D. RUGGLES<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Lucinda [Thomas] Ruggles,<sup>4</sup> Daniel,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Carmel, Me.; m. Joseph Getchell; she d. in 1859; her husband was killed in the mills.

They had one child:—

644. FRANK HERBERT GETCHELL.

300. BETSY HASTINGS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Theophilus Hastings,<sup>4</sup> Submit [Jordan] Hastings,<sup>3</sup> Temperance [Thomas] Jordan,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in 1786; m. Timothy P. Anderson Oct. 17, 1811; d. Nov. 25, 1868.

They had four children:—

645. ELVIEA ANDERSON, b. in 1813; m. 1st Charles Alexander, of Winchester, N. H., Sept. 21, 1834, and 2d John Severance, of same place, Nov. 24, 1844.

646. ELIZA ANDERSON, b. in 1820; d. unm. May 24, 1841.

647. ALMEDA ANDERSON, b. in 1825; m. Joseph D. Dexter, Jr., March 8, 1846.

648. MARIA ANDERSON, m. Festus Spooner, of Jericho, Vt., May 25, 1836.

305. HARRIET HASTINGS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Theophilus Hastings,<sup>4</sup> Submit [Jordan] Hastings,<sup>3</sup> Temperance [Thomas] Jordan,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in 1805; m. William Frost Feb. 5, 1843; d. June 29, 1845.

They had one child:—

649. HENRIETTA FROST, b. Dec. 15, 1843; m. Alonzo L. Alden April 15, 1868, and had issue.

Alonzo L. Alden was a direct descendant of John Alden, who came over in the "Mayflower" with the Pilgrim Fathers.

## SIXTH GENERATION.

"Catch! then oh! catch the transient hour;  
Improve each moment as it flies;  
Life's a short summer—man a flower,  
He dies—alas! how soon he dies."—DR. JOHNSON.

340. CHARLES WILLIAM THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (eldest son of Merrick,<sup>5</sup> Seneca,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Oakville, Ont., Canada, Sept. 23, 1830. At the age of 18 he entered the employ of Melancton Sampson, ship-builder, at Oakville. He later went to New York City for the purpose of perfecting himself in draughting, and there became foreman of the steam-frigate "Niagara," then being built; also foreman of the yacht "America." Returning to Oakville, he there made his first venture as ship-builder and owner, in 1855, by building the schooner "Crescent," which was afterward lost, with all hands, on Lake Ontario. He afterward built and was owner of the schooners "Mary," "Chieftain," and "Junius." In 1859 he sold out his shipping interest and settled as one of the pioneers at his present residence, Anderdon Mills, Gordon P. O., Essex Co., Ont. Here he built a lumber- and flour- mill, which he still operates. In 1866-7 he built a lumber- and flour- mill in the town of Amherstburg, Essex Co.; these were burned in 1868, at a loss of \$20,000; he rebuilt in 1869, and in 1876 they were again burned; in Dec., 1877, he again rebuilt the flour-mill and then sold out. In 1878 he built a lumber-mill at Texas Landing, on the Detroit River, which he operated one year and then sold. He has since operated his lumber- and flour- mills at Anderdon

Mills. He is one of the oldest magistrates in Essex Co., and has been Reeve and Co. Councillor for town of Anderdon for four years and Deputy for town of Amherstburg for three years.

Charles William Thomas m. 1st Mary Ann Smith, b. in Blockley, Worcestershire, Eng.; she d. May 14, 1868, and left issue. He m. 2d the widow of Thomas O. Mears, of Buffalo, N. Y., whose maiden name was Salmoni; she d. March 4, 1879; no issue. Episcopalian.

Mr. Thomas had six children, all by his first wife:—

- 650. CHARLES MERRICK SMITH THOMAS, b. at Oakville, Ont., Aug. 31, 1855; m. Margaret Heard and has issue.
- 651. REBECCA ELIZABETH THOMAS, b. at Oakville, Ont., Aug. 11, 1857; d. April 23, 1859.
- 652. SAMUEL SMITH THOMAS, b. Aug. 30, 1859, near Amherstburg, Ont.; d. Jan. 29, 1864.
- 653. AARON SILVERTHORN THOMAS, b. Sept. 5, 1862, near Amherstburg, Ont.; is now a scholar in the Mercantile School at Detroit, Mich.
- 654. MARY JANE THOMAS, b. Sept., 1864, near Amherstburg, Ont.; d. Sept., 1864.
- 655. ALFRED THOMAS, b. July 8, 1868, at Amherstburg, Ont.; d. Aug. 20, 1868.

343. GEORGE CHISHOLM THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Merrick,<sup>5</sup> Seneca,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. at Oakville, Ont., Canada, Jan. 28, 1834. When about 16 he entered the employ of Thomas & Merriam, West India grocers, at Boston, Mass.; he remained with them for several years and then started business for himself in Boston. About 1869 he removed to Chicago and engaged in the sewing-machine business; he was burned out in the great fire of Oct., 1871, losing everything; now in the real-estate business at Mayfair, near Chicago, and has charge of stereotype-works in Chicago.

The children by this union have been four:—

- 656. ESTHER CREASE THOMAS, b. Jan. 1, 1856; d. Jan. 1, 1856.
- 657. SUSIE TORRY THOMAS, b. July 10, 1857; d. May 25, 1863.
- 658. ADDIE LOUISE THOMAS, b. July 19, 1865; d. March 12, 1868.
- 659. GEORGIANNA THOMAS, b. Sept. 15, 1872.

354. CHARLES DWIGHT THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Dwight,<sup>5</sup> William,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. at Williamstown, Mass., Nov. 16, 1831.

His mother was Mabel N. Townsend, dau. of Martin Townsend, of Hancock, Mass., and Mabel Norton, of Worthington, Mass., who had removed to Dunham, Can., where, in 1802, this dau. was born. She d. Nov. 20, 1831, four days after the birth of the subject of this sketch, whose prospects, it was then thought, favored a short voyage to a near shore. However, in spite of physic and indulgent young aunts, he grew up a happy but rather obstinate youth.

Like all farmers' boys at that time, he found plenty of hard work at hand; but the kind father was lenient, and, among other things, the boy's gun and fishing-rod came into frequent use, making his world a very attractive one. At 17 he entered the Mills School at South Williamstown, Mass., where, and afterward at Wright's, in Easthampton, Mass., he received an education preparatory for college. However, his course was diverted into other channels. After some time spent in his father's interests, failing health and an offer of employment caused him to go into the Missouri Valley and the Indian country West, where he was engaged both in land and railroad surveying until the beginning of 1858, when, on account of the financial crisis, all engineering work ceased in the West.

He soon after returned to the East, having regained his health and increased his weight from less than 100 to 200 pounds. He then took charge of the mill at Williamstown, furnishing it and selling the products until 1861, when, having received an injury which called for the aid of a specialist, he went to Boston. While under treatment he was offered a situation in the Boston Custom

House, which he accepted, and in which service he has remained continuously for nearly thirty years.

Charles D. Thomas is a man of marked ability, a vigorous writer, and, with his ready pen, had he given his attention to literature, would undoubtedly have made for himself an enviable reputation. He is an ardent lover of nature, takes great pleasure in floriculture and horticulture, and the tasteful grounds of his home at Reading, Mass.,—visited by the writer in August, 1890,—present many rare and beautiful specimens of shrubbery, fruit, and ornamental shade-trees. He is a Republican and took part in the organization of that party; is nominally a Congregationalist.

He m. May 31, 1865, Emma Josephine Temple, dau. of Roswell N. Temple, of Reading, Mass., and Zibiah Fisher, of Francestown, N. H.; Mrs. Thomas was b. in the latter town Oct. 23, 1842.

The children by this marriage are:—

660. MARK IRVING THOMAS, b. at Reading, Mass., Jan. 17, 1868.

After leaving the schools of his native town, was for some time employed in the engineers' department of the B. & M. R. R.; afterward graduated from the Bryant & Stratton Commercial College, at Boston.

661. ARTHUR FISHER THOMAS, b. at Reading, Mass., Dec. 19, 1869.

Graduated from the High School; was two years in Phillips Academy, at Andover, Mass.; afterward graduated from Bryant & Stratton Commercial College, Boston; now book-keeper for Carter, Rice & Co., Boston, Mass.

662. MABEL THOMAS, b. at Reading, Mass., Oct. 10, 1871.

Graduated from the High School in 1888, and is now (1890) living at home.

663. PERCY THOMAS, b. at Reading, Mass., Oct. 12, 1873; d. June 13, 1874.

664. ADRIENNE JOSEPHINE THOMAS, b. at Reading, Mass., April 9, 1878.

Is still in the public schools of her native town.

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360. CHARLES WARREN THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Sylvanus,<sup>5</sup> William,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>). The subject of this sketch was b. in Boston July 26, 1841. His early life was mostly spent in that city, where he attended school. At the age of 15 he entered the employ of his uncle,

Edgar M. Brown, of South Adams, Mass., who was at that time running a store in connection with the cotton manufactory of Caleb Brown & Sons. On account of the failure of that concern, in 1857, Charles returned to Boston and took a position in the dry-goods jobbing house of Jewetts, Tebbetts & Co., on Franklin St. Here he remained till July, 1862, when, on the 25th of that month, he enlisted as a private for three years, and was assigned to the 2d Mass. Infantry, a regiment which had already gained an enviable reputation in the short year it had been in the field.

Private Thomas joined his regiment in September, 1862, after the battle of Antietam, and afterward participated in the engagements at Fredericksburg and Chancellorville. In May, 1863, after the last battle, he was promoted on the field to a lieutenancy for services rendered in that fight. At the battle of Gettysburg the 2d Mass. rendered valuable service in holding the extreme right of the Union line, and, with the 3d Wisconsin and the 22d Indiana, met and repelled the terrible assaults of the Rebel Gen. D. H. Hill's division; Captain Robeson, of Co. E, was killed early in the action and Lieutenant Thomas commanded the company through the battle. After this engagement his regiment was ordered, with others, to New York, to enforce order in that city, a part of whose citizens were arraying themselves against the execution of the draft then going on; here they remained two weeks, patrolling the city and restoring order, after which they returned to the Army of the Potomac and joined their corps, the 12th, then under General Slocum; soon after, this corps, to which Mr. Thomas belonged, was transferred to the Army of the West, under Gen. W. T. Sherman, where they rendered valuable services up to the close of the war. In

1865 Mr. Thomas went West and settled at Jefferson City, Mo., where he entered into mercantile business and is now one of the leading merchants.

He m. Ophelia Bolton, dau. of Dr. William Bolton, of Jefferson City, Mo., who was b. at Milton, N. C., and Sarah Lansdown, of Danville, Va. He is a Unitarian and Republican.

They have had four children, all born at Jefferson City:—

665. CHARLES KEET THOMAS, b. July 27, 1867; d. Nov. 8, 1868.

666. WILLIAM EDGAR THOMAS, b. Jan. 26, 1869.

Graduated from the public schools of his native city, and is now (Oct., 1890) in the Citizens' National Bank of Kansas City, Mo.

667. CECIL THOMAS, b. May 18, 1871.

He also graduated from the public schools of Jefferson City and afterward entered a real-estate office at St. Louis, Mo. (713 Chestnut St.), where (Oct., 1890) he now is.

668. THEODORE BOLTON THOMAS, b. Nov. 2, 1878.

Is with his parents and is an undergraduate of the schools. C. D. T.

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382. HENRY MILTON CUTLER<sup>6</sup> (son of George Cutler,<sup>5</sup> Ruth [Thomas] Cutler,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 1, 1849; m. July 17, 1875, Sarah Louise Slayton, of Brookfield, Mass.; she d. Aug. 28, 1877; m. 2d Amelia M. Lewis, of Springfield, Mass. He is editor of the *Electro-Mechanic*, a journal printed at Kansas City, Mo., where he resides.

He has had four children:—

669. LEWIS HOWE CUTLER, b. April 19, 1882; d. July 16, 1886.

670. MAY LOUISE CUTLER, b. March 25, 1884; d. July 21, 1886.

671. HENRY MILTON CUTLER, b. Nov. 16, 1885; d. Dec. 10, 1886.

672. ARCHIE BRYCE CUTLER, b. Sept. 7, 1887.

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384. ABBIE ELIZABETH CUTLER<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Orsamus Cutler,<sup>5</sup> Ruth [Thomas] Cutler,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 29, 1854; m. Nov. 20, 1875, George Warren Tyler, son of George Tyler and Caroline Pepper, b. Oct. 10, 1853. Residence, West Brookfield.

## Children:—

673. FLORA ISABELLA TYLER, b. Dec. 18, 1873; d. Dec. 21, 1879.

674. CORA M. TYLER, b. 1879.

675. ANNA B. TYLER, b. 1881.

676. ARTHUR W. TYLER, b. 1883.

677. HERBERT F. TYLER, b. 1886.

389. CHARLOTTE JANE BALCOM<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Eliza Doty [Thomas] Balcom,<sup>5</sup> Sylvanus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 17, 1826; m. July 27, 1848, David Emory Holman, son of Rev. Nathan and Letitia Morey Holman, of Attleboro, Mass., who was b. Oct. 12, 1805; d. Dec. 10, 1883.

With the brief space at our command, we can best illustrate the characteristics of Mr. Holman by quoting a few extracts from the *Chronicle*, a paper published in his native town:—

"Another honest soul, filled with love for all things human and reverence for the divine, has returned to the Author of its being. . . He was educated at Wrentham Academy and entered upon a successful career as teacher. . . While still young he established a store in Providence, R. I., and was interested in the manufacture of straw goods. . . He represented his district in General Court in 1835 and '36. . . June 15, 1861, he was commissioned Major of the 7th Regt. Mass. Vol., but was soon compelled to resign, from a sun-stroke. . . The climate of England proving beneficial to his health, he removed his business there and continued it till 1873. . . In person Major Holman was of commanding presence, being tall and vigorous in frame, with marked military bearing. . . He was a most courteous gentleman of the old school of etiquette, his manners being informal, yet genial and hearty."

His death was caused by heart disease and took place in the house where he was born and spent the most of his life.

Mrs. Holman is a woman of pleasing manners and marked ability. Since her return from England and France, in 1868, she has devoted much time and attention to the cultivation of a talent apparent in childhood, and has acquired a reputation for painting, especially

flowers. The following is from the *Providence Journal* of April 7, 1889, in notice of a piece she painted while in Paris a year ago:—

“Among the pictures accepted at the Exposition des Femmes Peintres, in Paris, opened at the Palais de l’Industrie, by President Carnot, Feb. 15, was a painting by Mrs. C. J. Holman, of New York, who is well known in this city, where she formerly lived. The picture was a study of red and tea roses carelessly thrown on a richly-carved table; the background of gray plush. It was much remarked and received highly complimentary notices from the Parisian press.”

The view of the home of Dr. William Thomas found in this volume was reproduced from a painting by Mrs. Holman. Residence, New York City. Congregationalist.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Holman are:—

678. NATHAN EMORY HOLMAN, b. May 29, 1849; d. April 12, 1851.

679. DAVID EMORY HOLMAN, M.D., was b. April 17, 1852.

Inheriting with his father’s name his stately form and courteous bearing, this gentleman is making a brilliant career and wresting from fortune everything called success in life. Gifted by nature in feature and physique, he has added to his acquisitions by every opportunity of education, travel, and social life, until he stands a prominent figure among a large circle of musical and literary people in New York City, where he has been established as a physician for several years. He graduated from the Attleboro, Mass., High School, Mowery & Goff’s Preparatory School, in Providence, and Brown University, in Providence, from which he has received the degrees A.B. and A.M. He taught school two years in Wisconsin and California. He then returned to New York and studied medicine at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, receiving his M.D. from Long Island College Hospital. He was Deputy Health Officer in Lower Bay in 1880, and on the Board of Health of New York City in 1884. Dec. 29, 1885, he m. Sarah Palmer Round, dau. of Dr. B. M. Round, of Norton, Mass., a gifted and noble woman, who d. in Oct. of the following year. No issue.

680. MARY AMELIA HOLMAN, b. May 6, 1855; d. Nov. 23, 1857.

681. SAMUEL FRANCIS HOLMAN, b. Jan. 15, 1859.

This, her youngest child, inherits from the mother his love and ability for art, and is already on a brilliant career as a painter. The following is quoted from the *Indianapolis News*: “Mr. Holman is a young man of great talents; added to that of painting, he plays the piano, sings, is an excellent swordsman, a fascinating conversationalist, quick at repartee, and a noted wit. He is distinguished looking, generous, and willing to extend a helping hand to all who come to him. He studied three years at the Ecole des Beaux Artes and was a pupil of the celebrated Cabanel. His chosen line in painting is the figure. He paints with breadth and vigor and is remarkable for his color. His piece

entitled 'Morocco,' a brilliantly-painted African exhibited in New York, was disposed of before the close of the exhibition." A later work, the "Rose of the Alhambra," has received flattering commendation from Messonier; unim. Residence, Paris.

390. AMELIA ANN BALCOM<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Eliza [Thomas] Balcom,<sup>5</sup> Sylvanus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. March 17, 1828; m. Lucius C. Reed, of West Brookfield, where they resided a few years, then removed to Illinois. He d. in Bloomington, Ill., June, 1888.

There are five children:—

682. LILA REED, b. June 31, 1850; m. Chauncey Hamilton and has issue.

683. FLORENCE A. REED, b. July 23, 1853; m. Edward L. Poole and has issue.

684. ESTELLA THOMAS REED, b. Nov. 13, 1860; m. Hubert A. Heath and has issue.

685. EMILY LOU REED, b. Oct. 1, 1862.

686. GEORGE BURT REED, b. Sept. 25, 1869; m. Dora Hodge Dec. 18, 1889.

391. ORVILLE BALCOM<sup>6</sup> (son of Eliza [Thomas] Balcom,<sup>5</sup> Sylvanus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Feb. 16, 1840; m. Jan. 23, 1873, to Emma H. Groves. He went out in the Civil War for three years in the 1st Rhode Island Light Artillery. He is a jeweler by trade and resides in Attleboro, Mass.

They have four children:—

687. AGNES LEONARD BALCOM, b. Jan. 21, 1876.

688. GRACE ETHEL BALCOM, b. Jan. 8, 1878.

689. FRED. ORVILLE BALCOM, b. Oct. 21, 1879.

690. CHESTER THOMAS BALCOM, b. June 8, 1884.

393. BAYLIS GREENWOOD BALCOM<sup>6</sup> (son of Eliza [Thomas] Balcom,<sup>5</sup> Sylvanus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Aug. 31, 1847; m. Sept. 3, 1876, at San Francisco, Cal., Elizabeth, dau. of Edward Leedham and Elizabeth Sættler, b. Oct. 9, 1854, at Brierly Hill, Staffordshire, England. When but 18 years old he went out for one hundred days with the 42d Regt. Mass. Vol. Infantry, Co. B. He has been in the West

for many years and now resides in Santa Anna, Cal. He is cashier of the Bank of Orange, in that State.

Names of children :—

691. EDWARD EMORY BALCOM, b. Nov. 29, 1877, at Williams, Cal.  
 692. MARIA ESTELLE BALCOM, b. Jan. 6, 1880, at Williams, Cal.  
 693. HOMER RAY BALCOM, b. April 9, 1882, at Santa Anna, Cal.  
 694. IRENE ELIZABETH BALCOM, b. Feb. 21, 1884, at Santa Anna, Cal.

395. RACHEL JANE PIERCE<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Emily [Thomas] Pierce,<sup>5</sup> Sylvanus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. April 23, 1843; m. May 1, 1867, to William Allen Sturdy, b. in Blackstone, Mass., Jan. 7, 1840, son of William Sturdy and Mercy Ann Keach. He enlisted July 27, 1861, in 18th Regt. Mass. Vol. Infantry, was wounded in second battle of Bull Run and confined in hospital until discharged, Aug. 16, 1863. He was a successful jewelry manufacturer and amassed quite a property; he is now retired on account of health. Their residence is Chartley, Mass.

They have had seven children :—

695. WILLIAM MANDLY STURDY, b. April 5, 1868; d. Sept., 1868.  
 696. EMILY VELONA STURDY, b. July 26, 1869.  
 697. ALICE WINIFRED STURDY, b. Aug. 16, 1871.  
 698. WILLIAM MANDLY STURDY, b. Sept. 27, 1873.  
 699. ARTHUR THOMAS STURDY, b. Nov. 28, 1875.  
 700. LOUIS ALLEN STURDY, b. April 4, 1877.  
 701. HARRY PIERCE STURDY, b. Dec. 31, 1879.

397. EMMA FRANCES PIERCE<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Emily [Thomas] Pierce,<sup>5</sup> Sylvanus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Dec. 10, 1847; m. June 23, 1875, Watson Emmons Rice, M.D., son of Gardner and Sarah Rice, of Shrewsbury, Mass. (b. Dec. 15, 1847). He graduated from Ann Arbor University and is a successful physician in the vicinity of Worcester, Mass. He is a person of varied and pleasing attainments; his magnetic influence, soothing presence, and ready sympathy indicate his pre-

eminent fitness for the profession he has chosen, while his cultivated intellect, fine musical ability, and charming social manners make him a leader in every place. His residence is North Grafton.

Names of children:—

702. WINTHROP MERTON RICE, b. Aug. 25, 1878.

703. PHILIP BERNARD RICE, b. July 22, 1880.

704. ROWLAND GREENVILLE RICE, b. March 17, 1882.

398. LEUTHERIA ROBINSON PIERCE<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Emily [Thomas] Pierce,<sup>5</sup> Sylvanus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Dec. 2, 1850; m. July 1, 1874, James Edwin Hills, son of James M. Hills and Nancy Stauley, of Orange, Mass. (b. Oct. 3, 1841). He was an enthusiastic student and teacher and such a proficient mathematician that he would undoubtedly have engaged in scientific work had not his career been changed by the Civil War. After passing his examinations for entrance to Amherst College he enlisted Aug. 4, 1862, while under age, in Co. H, 36th Regt. Mass. Vol. Infantry, and served to the close of the war. Being of frail physique and delicate health, his life was probably saved by his removal to the Commissary Department, where he served most of this time. After his return he did not resume the studies which had been interrupted three years, but entered business. He is manager of a jewelry office at 237 Broadway, New York.

They have one child:—

705. JAMES MANDLY HILLS, b. April 28, 1875.

399. LOUISE THOMAS PIERCE<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Emily [Thomas] Pierce,<sup>5</sup> Sylvanus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Feb. 18, 1852; m. Charles Abner Wetherell, son of Abner and Emily Wetherell, of Attleboro, Mass. (b. April 17, 1851). Mr. Wetherell possessed an inclination and ability for scientific pursuits, being especially

interested in chemistry. Circumstances, however, led him to adopt a business career. He is a student and great reader, having a memory remarkable for the accuracy with which it stores the abundant matter which he scans. His business is the manufacture of jewelry. Residence, Attleboro, Mass.

They have three children:—

706. ROBERT PIERCE WETHERELL, b. Dec. 1, 1883.

707. ALICE MILDRED WETHERELL, b. Aug. 12, 1885.

708. HERMON THOMAS WETHERELL, b. Aug. 24, 1887.

400. CHARLES MASON TULLY THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Chester, M.D.,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Thorn-  
dyke, Mass., Nov. 30, 1829; m. Sarah E. Ramsdell, dau.  
of Anson and Roxanna Ramsdell, of Hardwick, Mass.,  
June 11, 1850.

They have had three children:—

709. HATTIE ISABEL THOMAS, b. Sept. 27, 1852; d. Feb. 4, 1855.

710. CHARLES HOMER THOMAS, b. May 4, 1857.

711. HATTIE EMMA THOMAS, b. March 10, 1863; m. Delbert N. Haskell and  
has issue.

402. HELEN MARIA THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Chester, M.D.,<sup>5</sup>  
Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Thorndyke,  
Mass., Nov. 5, 1834; m. Charles Isaac Fuller, of Palmer,  
Mass., Nov. 6, 1856. He d. Oct. 26, 1860. She now  
resides in Minneapolis, Minn.

They had one child:—

712. CHARLES ISAAC FULLER, JR., b. Aug. 16, 1860.

He is engaged in the real-estate business in Minneapolis, Minn.; unm.

406. MARTHA ABIGAIL WAIT<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Patience  
[Thomas] Wait,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. in  
Greenfield, Mass., Feb. 15, 1828. She m. in Deerfield,  
Mass., Oct. 16, 1848, Charles Richmond, of Springfield,  
Mass. Present residence, Greenfield, Mass.

They have had two children:—

713. CLARA LOUISE RICHMOND, b. Oct. 1, 1850; m. T. Henry Morgan and has issue.
714. ANNIE DALE RICHMOND, b. in Worcester, Mass., March 5, 1860; unm.
407. HENRY WAIT<sup>6</sup> (son of Patience [Thomas] Wait,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Greenfield, Mass., Dec. 13, 1829; m. Marion Elizabeth Wright, dau. of Darustus and Jane Wright, of Sterling, Ill., Jan. 1, 1859. He is employed in the freight depot of the Fitchburg Railroad at Greenfield, Mass. He is a Democrat and an Episcopalian.

They have had six children, all born in Deerfield, Mass.:—

715. WILLIAM WAIT, b. —; d. 1860.
716. DAVID REED WAIT, b. Jan. 3, 1861.
717. ANNIE STEBBINS WAIT, b. Jan. 22, 1865; m. Thomas N. Buddington, of Greenfield, Jan. 20, 1886, and has issue.
718. HARRY WALLACE WAIT, b. Jan. 31, 1867; m. Aug. 28, 1888, Jennie Barclay, of North Adams, Mass., dau. of Robert and Margaret Barclay, of Manchester, Eng. Residence, North Adams, Mass. Book-keeper.
719. BERNARD FARREN WAIT, b. Oct. 13, 1869. In employ of Fitchburg Railroad.
720. WALTER SHERMAN WAIT, b. Dec. 23, 1874.
408. FRANKLIN WAIT<sup>6</sup> (son of Patience [Thomas] Wait,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Greenfield, Mass., Dec. 17, 1833; m. his cousin, Sarah Jane Thomas, dau. of Beals and Sarah Thomas, of Hardwick, Mass., Feb. 18, 1862. She d. in Deerfield, Mass., Feb. 5, 1878. He is a farmer in Deerfield, a Republican, and an Episcopalian.

They had four children, all born in Deerfield:—

721. AGNES THOMAS WAIT, b. April 24, 1863; m. Wyman Smith Clapp, of Deerfield, Mass., Nov. 28, 1888; residence, Kearney, Neb.; book-keeper.
722. ELIZABETH JONES WAIT, b. July 10, 1865.  
Has charge of Telephone Exchange in Greenfield.
723. EDITH WYMAN WAIT, b. June 18, 1872.
724. IDA PATIENCE WAIT, b. Feb. 6, 1874.

410. MARY ANN WAIT<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Patience [Thomas] Wait,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Deerfield, Mass., May 25, 1837; m. Sept. 3, 1856, F. Leon Stebbins, of Conway, Mass., agent of American Express Co. at Greenfield. She d. in Deerfield, Aug. 11, 1869.

They had one child:—

725. LOVELL WAIT STEBBINS, b. Dec. 28, 1857; m. Bertha Elizabeth Kehlror and has issue.

411. LOUISA ABIGAIL THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Freeman,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Aug. 21, 1831; m. Frederick L. Baggs, at New Salem, Nov. 25, 1857, who was b. in Bernardston, Mass., Nov. 17, 1835. He enlisted in the 37th Regt. Mass. Volunteers and served through the war. Present address, South Deerfield, Mass.

They had one child:—

726. JESSIE VIOLA BAGGS, b. in New Salem Sept. 19, 1858; m. Henry D. Brayman and has issue.

413. JOHN EMORY LEE THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Freeman,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Deerfield, Mass., June 16, 1844; m. 1st, Oct. 3, 1863, Nancy F. Shepard, of Barre, Mass., dau. of Charles and Nancy Shepard; she d. May 5, 1876, aged 31, leaving one child. He m. 2d Ida May Kidder Dec. 23, 1880, dau. of John and Hannah Kidder; she d. July 5, 1833, aged 22, and left one child. He m. 3d Mary Evelyn Blanchard July 11, 1885, dau. of Edward and Amanda Blanchard, of Hinsdale, N. H.; she has one child.

The three children of John Emory Lee Thomas are:—

By first wife:

727. CHARLES HENRY CLAY THOMAS, b. May 8, 1864; d. Aug. 17, 1864.

By second wife:

728. FRANK TRACY THOMAS, b. Sept. 15, 1882.

By third wife:

729. CHARLES EDWARD THOMAS, b. March 21, 1887.

414. MARY THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Henry,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Dec. 25, 1837, in New Salem, Mass. In 1855 she moved, with her father, to Sterling, Ill. She m. John Wadelton June 24, 1855.

They have six children, all born in Sterling, Ill. :—

730. JOSEPH HENRY WADELTON, b. Sept. 13, 1852; m. Lillian Lynch Feb. 12, 1885, and has issue.

731. MARY FRANCES WADELTON, b. April 8, 1861.

732. SOPHIA LOUISA WADELTON, b. Feb. 27, 1863; d. May 8, 1863.

733. ANNIE WADELTON, b. Oct. 5, 1864.

734. ELIZABETH WADELTON, b. May 3, 1869.

735. FRANK WADELTON, b. Feb. 27, 1872.

415. NORMAN THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Henry,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Greenfield, Mass., April 15, 1842; moved to Sterling, Ill., with his father, in 1855, where he still resides. He is a carpenter and builder by occupation; was one year in the gunboat service during the late war; has been a member of the city council for eight years and at present time is a member of the school board of directors. He m. Sept. 7, 1865, Elizabeth Lenox, of Sterling, Ill., dau. of George and Sarah Lenox, who were both born in Ireland. Republican.

They have nine children :—

736. BURTON ROGER THOMAS, b. June 26, 1868.

Graduate of the Sterling Business College.

737. EMMA MAY THOMAS, b. May 7, 1870; d. Aug. 18, 1870.

738. FRANK LEON THOMAS, b. Aug. 4, 1871.

739. WILLIAM HENRY THOMAS, b. Aug. 28, 1873.

740. GEORGE HARRY THOMAS (twin), b. April 9, 1876.

741. HARRY GEORGE THOMAS (twin), b. April 9, 1876.

742. RALPH THOMAS, b. Feb. 18, 1878.

743. MARY FRANCES THOMAS, b. April 7, 1883.

744. MELVINA THOMAS, b. July 17, 1886.

416. ANTOINETTE THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Henry,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Greenfield, Mass., June 18, 1846. In 1855 she moved to Sterling, Ill., with her father. She m. Justus Reynolds Jan. 17, 1870. She d. Nov. 26, 1876, leaving one child :—

745. — REYNOLDS; now living in Oregon.

417. ROGER HENRY THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Henry,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Greenfield, Mass., July 28, 1849. He moved to Sterling, Ill., with his father, in 1855. He m. Sarah Jane Deyo Sept. 10, 1872; she was b. in Ogle Co., Ill., June 28, 1853. Present address, Pasadena, Cal.

They have five children:—

746. CAREY NORTON THOMAS, b. Aug. 31, 1873.

747. HENRY ALEXANDER THOMAS, b. Aug. 9, 1875.

748. JAMES ROBERT THOMAS, b. Nov. 18, 1876.

749. ELIZABETH ANTOINETTE THOMAS, b. Sept. 10, 1878.

750. NETTIE MABEL THOMAS, b. April 23, 1880.

418. FRANK B. THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Henry,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Sterling, Ill., May 20, 1858. He m. Ida M. Bullock May 29, 1879. Present address, Tampico, Ill. Farmer, deacon in Baptist Church, and Republican.

They have three children:—

751. MABEL THOMAS, b. Aug. 3, 1881.

752. ALFRED MONROE THOMAS, b. Dec. 18, 1882.

753. ASCHEL CLARENCE THOMAS, b. March 17, 1883.

419. ISAAC THOMAS RAND, M.D.<sup>6</sup> (son of Sementha [Thomas] Rand,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., June 13, 1839. He moved to Spring Hill, La., with his parents, about 1842. He studied medicine and graduated at Tulane Medical College, New Orleans, in 1861. He m. Louisa Young Nov. 7, 1865, of Abbeville, La. He d. April 29, 1866, at Perry's Bridge, La.

He left one child:—

754. ISAAC THOMAS RAND, JR., M.D., b. Oct., 1866.

He studied medicine and graduated at Tulane Medical College, New Orleans, in 1885, and is now practicing near Rayville, La.

422. ROBERT HENRY RAND<sup>6</sup> (son of Sementha [Thomas] Rand,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b.

at Bayou Chicot, La., Dec. 28, 18— . He m. Celestine Duga Jan. 10, 1882.

They have two children :—

755. WILLIAM CLEVELAND RAND, b. June 8, 1884.

756. NATHANIEL JUDSON RAND, b. April 27, 1887.

757. MABEL IRENE RAND, b. June 8, 1889; d. June 27, 1890.

425. MARTHA SALOME RAND<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Sementha [Thomas] Rand,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. at Opelousas, La., March 5, 1854. She m. 1st Rufus Stevens, of La Fayette, La., in 1881; he d. April 14, 1884, leaving two children. She m. 2d Isham Vest April 20, 1887, by whom she has one child. She is a member of the Baptist Church.

Her three children are as follow :—

By first husband :

758. AUBREY STEVENS, b. 1882.

759. MAY STEVENS, b. 1884.

By second husband :

760. ISHAM VEST, b. 1888.

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427. WILLIAM WALLACE THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Stillman,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Greenfield, Mass., Oct. 15, 1845. He moved West, with his father, about 1852. He m. Mary Lesley McGrew, of San Jose, Cal., Feb. 11, 1868. Present address, Fresno Flats, Cal.; business, lumbering; Republican.

They have had eight children :—

761. COBA THOMAS (twin), b. and d. Jan. 31, 1869.

762. ALMA THOMAS (twin), b. and d. Jan. 31, 1869.

763. MABEL ELIZABETH THOMAS, b. May 15, 1871.

764. LELA THOMAS, b. Jan. 27, 1872; d. July 4, 1876.

765. MARY EDITH THOMAS, b. Oct. 23, 1876; d. June 19, 1880.

766. CLARABELLE THOMAS, b. Feb. 26, 1883.

767. EMMA WURMAN THOMAS, b. July 4, 1885.

768. WILLIAM WALLACE THOMAS, b. Aug. 29, 1887.

428. CLARABELL THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Stillman,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Greenfield, Mass.,

Aug. 24, 1847. She moved to California, with her father, about 1852, and m. 1st James M. Pratt May 1, 1865, by whom she had two children; he d. —, and she m. 2d — Handscom. Her children are by first husband. Residence, Santa Barbara, Cal.

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431. ELLA STONE THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Stillman,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in California, July 14, 1857. She m., Jan. 18, 1875, Joseph Hollis Josselyn, Jr., of San Francisco (son of Joseph Hollis Josselyn, M.D., of that city), b. April 27, 1849; Mr. Josselyn is a chemist by profession. Present address, San Francisco, Cal.

They have five children:—

772. WALTER THOMAS JOSSELYN, b. Oct. 11, 1875.

773. ALMA ELIZABETH JOSSELYN, b. Jan. 31, 1877.

774. JULIA MAY JOSSELYN, b. May 5, 1879.

775. LULU MABEL JOSSELYN, b. Oct. 5, 1880.

776. WILLIAM FREDERICK JOSSELYN, b. Aug. 1, 1883.

432. FREDERICK STILLMAN THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Stillman,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in San Jose, Cal., Feb. 9, 1860. He m. Nancy Ellen Finley, in Tucson, Arizona Ter., April 30, 1882; she was b. in Santa Rosa, Cal., Dec. 8, 1863. He is a mechanic and in politics a Republican. Present address, San Jose, Cal.

They have one child:—

777. PEARL JENNIEVIVE THOMAS, b. in Tombstone, Arizona Ter., Feb. 9, 1883.

435. ADDISON THAYER<sup>6</sup> (son of Eunice [Thomas] Thayer,<sup>5</sup> Nathaniel,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Prescott, Mass., Sept. 4, 1833. He m. Salinda Martha Vaughan Nov. 18, 1856. Farmer. Republican. Residence, N. Prescott.

They had seven children, all born in Prescott:—

778. WILFRED THAYER, b. July 26, 1858; d. Aug. 2, 1858.

779. MILFORD D. THAYER, b. Dec. 1, 1859; d. Jan. 18, 1884.

780. MARTHA J. THAYER (twin), b. Jan. 9, 1863; m. C. P. Harrington and has issue.

781. MILTON D. THAYER (twin), b. Jan. 9, 1863; d. Oct. 23, 1873.

782. MINNIE E. THAYER, b. Feb. 18, 1868.

783. ELLIS A. THAYER, b. Dec. 9, 1869.

784. GRACE B. THAYER, b. Nov. 10, 1876.

436. ANGELINE FREEMAN THAYER<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Eunice [Thomas] Thayer,<sup>5</sup> Nathaniel,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Prescott, Mass., June 20, 1838. She m. Frederick Pierce Jan. 10, 1856. Address, Cooleyville, Mass. He is a farmer.

They have two children:—

785. LULA A. BRACH PIERCE, b. Aug. 2, 1856.

786. HERBERT E. PIERCE, b. June 28, 1861.

437. CEPHAS MARTIN THAYER<sup>6</sup> (son of Eunice [Thomas] Thayer,<sup>5</sup> Nathaniel,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Prescott, Mass., Jan. 29, 1840. He m. 1st Mary Anita Putnam Dec. 3, 1864; she d. May 9, 1873, at Council Bluffs, Iowa, and he m. 2d Mary L. Howe, of Orange, Mass., Nov. 26, 1874. Present address, North Adams, Mass. Carpenter, Baptist, and Republican.

One child, by second wife:—

787. LEWIS E. THAYER, b. Jan. 5, 1877.

447. ELLEN ESTELLA THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Ardon Harrison,<sup>5</sup> Nathaniel,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hadley, Mass., June 19, 1851. She m. Loren Adelbert Ware, son of Schuyler and Harriet Ware, of Wilmington, Vt., Oct., 1873. They now reside in Providence, Rhode Island.

They have one child:—

788. EDITH E. WARE, b. July 12, 1882.

448. CHARLES DAVENPORT THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Ardon Harrison,<sup>5</sup> Nathaniel,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hadley, Mass., March 10, 1854. He m. Nellie Roome, of New York City, May, 1876. He is engaged in the baking business in the above city.

They have two children:—

789. WILLIAM ARDON THOMAS, b. in New York City March 25, 1877.

790. CHARLES DAVENPORT THOMAS, b. in New York City May, 1879.

449. WILLIAM ESLAR THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Ardon Harrison,<sup>5</sup> Nathaniel,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Hadley, Mass., Jan. 3, 1857. He m. Hannah Barstow, dau. of Luther and Elizabeth Barstow, of Hadley, Mass., Aug. 12, 1880; she was b. Nov. 3, 1857. He was engaged in the baking business in New York City for six years, when he moved to Chelsea, Mass., where he still resides and continues the same business. He is a Congregationalist and Republican.

They have had one child:—

791. FLORENCE ADELLE THOMAS, b. Oct. 6, 1881; d. Sept. 7, 1882.

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451. COOLEY HUDSON THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Alvin H.,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Nelson, N. Y., June 23, 1829. He m. Almira Trall, of Hume, Allegany Co., N. Y., Sept. 7, 1854; she was b. Dec. 4, 1831. In his young days he learned the harness-making trade and followed that business about eleven years. In Dec., 1861, he enlisted in Co. F, 144th New York Volunteers, for three years; at the expiration of his term of service he re-enlisted in the field and was discharged at the close of the war, July 17, 1865. In June, 1866, he moved from Pike, Wyoming Co., N. Y., to Bennington, Shiawassee Co., Mich., where he engaged in farming. He has held the office of Justice of the Peace for the past

four years (March, 1889). Republican. Present address, Hartwellville, Mich.

They have three children:—

792. FRANK E. THOMAS, b. in Pike, Wyoming Co., N. Y., July 20, 1853; d. Oct. 9, 1880.

793. ROSA L. THOMAS, b. in Freedom, Cattaraugus Co., N. Y., Oct. 14, 1858. Has been a teacher for the past ten years.

794. NINA M. THOMAS, b. in Bennington, Mich., March 4, 1870.

452. COLLINS WHEELER THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Alvin H.,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Pike, Wyoming Co., N. Y., March 26, 1838. He m. Ann Slusson Nov. 6, 1861; she was b. Dec. 13, 1839. He was a mechanic, and was accidentally killed in a saw-mill by a blow on his head from a board. He d. May 25, 1883, aged 45. Republican. She d. July 13, 1889.

He had four children:—

795. ELMER C. THOMAS, b. in Pike, N. Y., Oct. 8, 1863; m. Addie Skiff Sept. 22, 1887, and has issue.

796. CHARLES THOMAS, b. in Pike, N. Y., March 25, 1867; d. Aug. 23, 1870.

797. ABB. M. THOMAS, b. in Pike, N. Y., Sept. 3, 1871.

798. FERLEY I. THOMAS, b. Feb. 2, 1879.

453. CORBIN JAMES THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Alvin H.,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Pike, Wyoming Co., N. Y., July 10, 1840. He m. Eliza A. Merville Jan. 20, 1875. He enlisted in Co. D of 130th New York Volunteers Aug. 6, 1862; after one year the regiment was transferred to the cavalry service and was afterward known as the 1st New York Dragoons, commanded by Col. Alfred Gibbs; the regiment was sent into the Shenandoah Valley and formed a portion of the division commanded by General Sheridan. Corbin J. Thomas saw General Sheridan on the battle-field after his memorable ride of 20 miles, from Winchester. Mechanic and Prohibitionist. Present address, Pike, N. Y.

He has one child:—

799. SMITH THOMAS, b. June 18, 1878.

454. MARY THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Edward W.,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Nelson, Madison Co., N. Y., March 28, 1828; m. to Titus Hayes, in Hayesville, Ohio, April 28, 1846. Baptist.

They had twelve children:—

800. SCOTT HAYES, b. at Sciota, Wis., April 1, 1847. Address, Chamberlain, Dak.

801. IRENE HAYES, b. Aug. 14, 1848, in Wyota, Wis.; m. Aug. 6, 1887, to Ira Northway. Address, Chamberlain, Dak.

802. EDWARD HAYES, b. Aug. 28, 1850, at Platteville, Wis.; m. Oct. 25, 1877, to Nellie Eldridge, of Iowa. Address, Caldwell, Kansas.

803. JAY HAYES, b. April 15, 1852, at Platteville, Wis.; d. Sept. 18, 1858.

804. LEE HAYES, b. Oct. 13, 1854, at Platteville, Wis.; m. Aug. 8, 1884, to Jennie Russel, of Columbia, Mo.

805. IDA HAYES, b. Dec. 2, 1856.

At present teacher in the Female College at Lexington, Mo.

806. KATE HAYES, b. March 11, 1859, at Minnehaha Falls, Minn.

At present teacher in the Hawthorne Institute, Liberty, Mo.

807. FRANK HAYES, b. May 2, 1861, at Minnehaha Falls, Minn.; m. May 1, 1887, at Caldwell, Kan., to Jennie Mead. Address, Wichita, Kan.

808. GRETTA HAYES, b. June 13, 1863, at Minnehaha Falls, Minn.; m. May 2, 1887, to Judge Robert G. Withers, at Aspen, Col., where they now reside.

809. EMMA HAYES, b. July 19, 1866, at Greenleaf, Minn.; m. June 21, 1888, at Salina, Kan., to Dr. Ewing Guthrie. Address, Camden, Mo.

810. HENRY HAYES, b. Feb. 20, 1869, at Springfield, Mo.; d. April 24, 1879.

811. LESTER EVERETT HAYES, b. in Springfield, Mo.; d. Nov. 8, 1878.

Of the above children Scott, Irene, Edward, Lee, Ida, Kate, and Gretta all graduated at the State University, at Columbia, Mo.

455. HUDSON THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Edward W.,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Nelson, Madison Co., N. Y., June 5, 1829. He moved to Platteville, Wis., with his father, in 1851, where he m. Fanny Daggett, in 1854. He served in 33d Wisconsin Volunteers during the late war. Republican and Congregationalist.

They have had two children:—

812. — THOMAS, b. in Platteville, Wis.

813. — THOMAS, b. in Platteville, Wis.

456. HURON LEWIS THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Edward W.,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Nelson,

Madison Co., N. Y., March 4, 1831. He moved to Platteville, Wis., with his father, in 1851, and m. Eunice Goreham Oct. 18, 1854, and d. in Platteville, Wis., Feb. 4, 1887. He served in 25th Wisconsin Volunteers for three years during the late war. He was engaged in the following battles: Resaca, Ga., May 13 and 14, 1864; Dallas, Ga., May 28, 29, 30, 1864; Kenesaw Mountain, June 22, 1864; Decatur, Ga., July 22, 1864, and was in several skirmishes in front of Atlanta and Savannah, and marched with Sherman through the Confederacy to the sea. He was a Republican and Congregationalist.

They had four children:—

814. WALTER THOMAS, b. Aug. 28, 1856, at Platteville, Wis.; m. Dec. 20, 1886, to Kate Golden. Address, Des Moines, Iowa.  
 815. ELMER WILTON THOMAS, b. June 4, 1858, at Shakopee, Minn.; m. to Hattie Caldwell, of Platteville, Wis., 1884.  
 816. ANNIE ADELL THOMAS, b. March 19, 1860, at Henderson, Minn. Graduated at the State Normal School, 1885; teacher in Platteville, Wis.  
 817. EDWARD LEWIS THOMAS, b. Jan. 28, 1873, in Platteville, Wis.

460. HADLEY THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Edward W.,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Pike, N. Y., Dec. 12, 1843; m. in Spring Lake, Mich., Oct. 6, 1869, to Sarah Bastine. Merchant, Republican, and Congregationalist. Residence, Doronsville, Wis.

They have two children:—

818. CLARA PEARL THOMAS, b. Sept. 28, 1871.  
 819. EULA MAY THOMAS, b. July 9, 1874.

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463. CLIMENA LOVINA THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Horace,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New York State Feb. 28, 1834. She was m. to Lucian Gridley Clement, Superintendent of Mines in Alameda Co., Cal. (brother to Roswell Percival Clement), April 9, 1865.

She has five children :—

820. MARY ELIZABETH CLEMENT, b. Oct. 24, 1866; d. May 9, 1876.

821. JABISH THOMAS CLEMENT, b. June 29, 1868.

822. AMY BELLE CLEMENT, b. Dec. 13, 1872; d. in infancy.

823. MINNIE ELIZABETH CLEMENT, b. April 15, 1874.

824. LUCIUS WESLEY CLEMENT, b. Feb. 24, 1876; d. in infancy.

466. EUGENIE ESTELLA THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (dau. of Horace,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New York State March 2, 1853. She was m. to Frank Barton, an engineer, in Bennington, Mich., Sept. 9, 1871.

She has five children :—

825. MARY BELLE BARTON, b. June 1, 1872.

826. AMY DELL BARTON, b. March 10, 1874.

827. GUY BARTON, b. Feb. 8, 1876.

828. MINA L. BARTON, b. Sept. 15, 1878.

829. ARCHER EARLE BARTON, b. Jan. 12, 1881.

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469. JOHN THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Lewis A.,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Aug. 7, 1840, in Pike, N. Y. He m. 1st Eunice F. Felch, dau. of Nelson Felch, March 7, 1866, by whom he had four children (she d. Jan. 16, 1879); m. 2d Anna P. Felch, sister of his first wife, Sept. 3, 1879, by whom he had three children. John Thomas is a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Pike, N. Y., a farmer and Prohibitionist.

His children are :—

By first wife :

830. CLARENCE H. THOMAS, b. June 6, 1868.

831. GRACE THOMAS, b. Oct. 6, 1870.

832. EDWARD THOMAS, b. July 13, 1873.

833. MARY E. THOMAS, b. Feb. 13, 1876.

By second wife :

834. RUTH F. THOMAS, b. July 25, 1880.

835. ADEA THOMAS, b. May 5, 1882.

836. ALBERT NELSON THOMAS, b. March 22, 1885.

470. MARY THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Lewis A.,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Sept. 28, 1851, in Pike, N. Y.;

m. Frank A. Curtiss, son of A. I. Curtiss, of Pike, N. Y., Sept. 11, 1872. Address, Pike, N. Y. Baptist.

They have one child:—

837. MARY E. CURTISS, b. Feb. 20, 1883.

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471. LEWIS W. LOOMIS<sup>6</sup> (son of Emeline [Thomas] Loomis,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Lenox, N. Y., Jan. 11, 1836; m. Jane Curtiss, of Canandaigua, N. Y., June 3, 1863. He served for nearly two years in the late civil war, and has been for twenty years engaged in mercantile business at Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. Republican.

They have five children:—

838. LILIAN M. LOOMIS, b. March 21, 1865.

839. BYRON H. LOOMIS, b. Sept. 18, 1868.

840. IRVING L. LOOMIS, b. Aug. 21, 1871.

841. MELVIN C. LOOMIS, b. July 4, 1873; d. Nov. 4, 1880.

842. ARTHUR N. LOOMIS, b. Sept. 1, 1876; d. Oct. 30, 1880.

472. SARAH A. LOOMIS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Emeline [Thomas] Loomis,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. April 12, 1838, in Lenox, N. Y.; m. George Parks, of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, Dec. 14, 1876. He is Justice of the Peace at that place. They are members of the Episcopal Church.

They have one child:—

843. LAURA LOUISE PARKS, b. July 27, 1880.

473. HORACE E. LOOMIS<sup>6</sup> (son of Emeline, [Thomas] Loomis,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. March 21, 1840, at Lenox, N. Y.; m. Hulda Parks, of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, in 1865. He d. Nov. 17, 1878, at Piqua, Ohio. He was owner of a paper-mill at that place and also engaged in mercantile business. Republican.

He had four children:—

844. JULIUS LOOMIS, b. March, 1866, at Piqua, Ohio.

At present a student in Cornell University.

845. GEORGE P. LOOMIS, b. Oct., 1868; d. 1872.  
 846. MARY E. LOOMIS, b. 1872; d. Sept. 28, 1881.  
 847. NELLIE LOOMIS, b. 1874; d. Sept. 22, 1881.

474. ISAAC NEWTON LOOMIS<sup>6</sup> (son of Emeline [Thomas] Loomis,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. June 10, 1842, at LENOX, N. Y.; m. Emma Frain, of Hartwellville, Mich., Feb. 2, 1868; d. Oct. 20, 1883, at Woodland, Cal. He served for four years in the war of the Rebellion and for about ten years before his death was traveling salesman for a paper firm of Cincinnati, Ohio. He was a member of the Baptist Church and a Republican.

He had four children:—

848. MERLIN A. LOOMIS, b. Jan. 17, 1869, at Hamilton, Ohio; d. Oct. 1886, in Woodland, Cal.  
 849. HATTIE E. LOOMIS, b. April 16, 1871, at Hamilton, Ohio.  
 850. GRACE ISOLINE LOOMIS, b. March 6, 1874, at Piqua, Ohio.  
 851. FLORENCE LOUISA LOOMIS, b. Nov. 3, 1876, at Piqua, Ohio.

476. DRUSILLA A. LOOMIS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Emeline [Thomas] Loomis,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Nov. 28, 1847, at Pike, N. Y.; m. Gideon Whiting, of Hartwellville, Mich., April 2, 1873. They reside at Bennington, Mich. She is a member of the M. E. Church.

They have three children:—

852. MYRON WHITING, b. Jan. 25, 1874; d. Sept. 7, 1874.  
 853. BERTHA E. WHITING, b. Sept. 8, 1879, at Bennington, Mich.  
 854. EARL C. WHITING, b. Oct. 15, 1880, at Cedar Springs, Mich.

477. LOVICA E. LOOMIS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Emeline [Thomas] Loomis,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Sept. 2, 1850, at Pike, N. Y.; m. George H. Crane, of Hartwellville, Mich., March 2, 1870. Residence, at the latter place. He is a farmer. Both are members of the Baptist Church.

They have five children:—

855. HIRAM A. CRANE, b. Feb. 17, 1871; d. March, 1877.  
 856. HANNAH A. CRANE, b. Feb. 3, 1873.  
 857. BERTHA E. CRANE, b. Dec. 23, 1875.  
 858. ANNA LOIS CRANE, b. Aug. 18, 1878.  
 859. RAYMOND G. CRANE, b. Sept. 10, 1880.

482. MILLARD FILLMORE METCALF<sup>6</sup> (son of Sarah A. [Thomas] Metcalf,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Pike, N. Y., June 12, 1844; m. Maggie K. Mearns March 14, 1866. Residence, Pike, N. Y.

They have three children:—

860. LILLIAN B. METCALF, b. Nov. 2, 1870.

861. LELAND M. METCALF, b. April 2, 1872.

862. LULA METCALF, b. March 5, 1879.

484. THEODORE FRELINGHUYSEN METCALF<sup>6</sup> (son of Sarah A. [Thomas] Metcalf,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Pike, N. Y., July 8, 1848; m. Minerva Beede June 30, 1869. Residence, Wolcott, Wayne Co., Ohio.

They have two children:—

863. MABEL ESTELLE METCALF, b. Sept. 5, 1871.

864. CLAUDE THEODORE METCALF, b. June 22, 1874.

485. DELETT METCALF<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Sarah A. [Thomas] Metcalf,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Pike, N. Y., Jan. 14, 1851; m. Lucius Ford Oct., 1871. She d. at Berkley, Lucas Co., Ohio, April 24, 1889, where he, with the children, still resides.

They have had twelve children:—

865. MARIA LUCINDA FORD, b. Dec. 1, 1872.

866. Son (no name), b. Jan. 10, 1875; d. March 3, 1875.

867. SARAE ARVILLA FORD, b. Feb. 23, 1876.

868. Daughter (no name), b. July 19, 1878; d. Sept. 6, 1878.

869. LYMAN H. FORD, b. June 13, 1879.

870. GARFIELD FORD, b. Nov. 6, 1880; d. Jan. 25, 1881.

871. AMOS JEFFERSON FORD, b. Nov. 26, 1881.

872. Son (no name), b. Jan. 6, 1883; d. Jan. 15, 1883.

873. Son (no name), b. Jan. 29, 1884; d. Sept. 28, 1884.

874. MARY DELBIT FORD, b. Nov. 11, 1885.

875. Son (no name), b. April 14, 1887; d. Aug. 14, 1887.

876. ELLA FORD, b. Oct. 9, 1888.

486. ELLA METCALF<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Sarah A. [Thomas] Metcalf,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Pike, N. Y., March 2, 1854; m. Henry Sharp, April, 1876. Residence, Sylvanus, Lucas Co., Ohio.

They have four children :—

877. FLOYD ELWIN SHARP, b. May 1, 1877.  
 878. ROY D. SHARP, b. April 12, 1879.  
 879. MABEL ESTELLE SHARP, b. Sept. 5, 1882.  
 880. CLYDE T. SHARP, b. March 19, 1886.

487. DARWIN METCALF<sup>6</sup> (son of Sarah A. [Thomas] Metcalf,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Pike, N. Y., July 26, 1857; m. Ella Nelson Oct. 24, 1879.

They have three children :—

881. ELIZABETH METCALF, b. June 29, 1882.  
 882. BLANCHE METCALF, b. Dec. 21, 1884.  
 883. LEO METCALF, b. March 6, 1887.  
 884. MAX METCALF, b. Nov. 26, 1888.

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491. CHESTER H. BANGS<sup>6</sup> (son of Ora B. Bangs,<sup>5</sup> Abigail [Thomas] Bangs,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. July 3, 1840, in Brooklyn, Mich. He enlisted in the army (7th Regt. Mich. Vol.) at the beginning of the late war (Aug. 22, 1861) and served three years. He was severely wounded at the battle of Antietam, Sept. 17, 1862; he was six months in bed and six on crutches before he fully recovered. He m. Rhoda L. Harvey, of Napoleon, Mich., Nov. 1, 1866; she was b. Nov. 22, 1846. Present address, Jackson, Mich. Baptists and Republican.

He has three children :—

885. BERTHA BANGS, b. Jan. 25, 1869, at Napoleon, Mich.  
 886. NELLIE BANGS, b. Nov. 22, 1870, at Jackson, Mich.  
 887. FLORA BANGS, b. March 9, 1874, at Jackson, Mich.

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492. ELLEN C. SLACK<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Louisa [Bangs] Slack,<sup>5</sup> Abigail [Thomas] Bangs,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Oct. 30, 1831, in Mexico, N. Y. She m. 1st William D. Moulton (who was b. March 6, 1824) July 26, 1851, in Napoleon, Mich.; he d. May 31, 1853. She m. 2d

John Rowling Cheesman, M.D. (b. in Cazenovia, N. Y., March 10, 1820), Sept. 26, 1858. Dr. John R. Cheesman was first Probate Judge of Gratiot Co., Mich. His father, Joseph B. Cheesman, b. in New York City Feb. 4, 1788, d. in Orange, N. J., July 29, 1869; his wife, Sarah Rowling, b. in England Sept. 24, 1799, d. in New York City Aug. 17, 1826. Residence, St. Louis, Mich. Baptist.

She had two children:—

By first husband:

888. DANA NELSON MOULTON, b. in Napoleon, Mich., March 2, 1853; d. March 5, 1854.

By second husband:

889. MINNIE MAY CHEESMAN, b. in St. Louis, Mich., May 20, 1862. Baptist.

493. ARMENIA ABIGAIL SLACK<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Louisa [Bangs] Slack,<sup>5</sup> Abigail [Thomas] Bangs,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Feb. 16, 1833, in Mexico, N. Y. She m. Rev. George Ransom June 27, 1860, at Mexico, N. Y.; he was b. in Clinton Co., N. Y.; graduated at the Auburn Theological Seminary in 1860; preached in Redford, N. Y., from 1860 to '64, and at Muir, Mich., since the latter date. Presbyterian and Republican.

They have four children:—

890. CARRIE LOUISA RANSOM, b. in Redford, N. Y., July 9, 1861; unm.

891. ELLEN SOPHIA RANSOM, b. in Redford, N. Y., May 21, 1864; unm.

892. CHARLES DWIGHT RANSOM, b. in Muir, Mich., Sept. 26, 1865; m. Carrie A. O'Keefe Dec. 23, 1886.

893. HERRICK JOHNSON RANSOM, b. in Muir, Mich., May 15, 1870.

496. MARIETTA J. SLACK<sup>9</sup> (dau. of Louisa [Bangs] Slack,<sup>5</sup> Abigail [Thomas] Bangs,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. June 24, 1843, in Brooklyn, Mich. She m. Samuel Gordon (dealer in coal, lime, and hides) April 17, 1865. Residence, St. Louis, Mich. Presbyterian.

They had five children :—

894. FRANK WALTER GORDON, b. April 9, 1866; d. Sept. 25, 1873.

895. CHARLES HENRY GORDON, b. Dec. 6, 1868; d. Sept. 22, 1873.

896. FERLEY WILLETT GORDON, b. Sept. 26, 1870; d. Sept. 23, 1873.

897. WILLIAM JOHN GORDON, b. Jan. 26, 1872.

898. ROBERT HILTON GORDON, b. Aug. 7, 1883.

497. PRESTON M. CASE<sup>6</sup> (son of Louisa [Bangs] Case<sup>5</sup> [2d husband], Abigail [Thomas] Bangs,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. June 7, 1848; m. Eda Plummer April 4, 1877. He is a hardware merchant in Brainerd, Neb. Presbyterian.

They have three children :—

899. FRANK DWIGHT CASE, b. Oct. 24, 1878.

900. LOUIE CASE (daughter), b. Dec. 3, 1882.

901. DELL CASE (son), b. Oct. 7, 1884.

498. HARRIETTE EMILY BAILEY<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Mary [Bigelow] Bailey,<sup>5</sup> Eunice [Thomas] Bigelow,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 11, 1837, in Ewing, Mass. She m. Nathan Maynard Knowlton (son of Swan Knowlton and Sarah Eddy Beard, his wife) in Westboro, Mass., Nov. 22, 1862; he was b. in Auburn, Mass., Dec. 5, 1836. Mrs. Knowlton has devoted much time to searching court records and to the collection of family histories, thus rendering valuable aid in the preparation of this volume, in which she has been greatly interested. He is a farmer and Republican. Both are Congregationalists. Residence, Westboro, Mass.

They have had three children :—

902. HENRY WILLARD KNOWLTON, b. April 28, 1864, in Worcester, Mass.; d. Aug. 6, 1884.

903. MARY BIGELOW KNOWLTON, b. Dec. 23, 1865, in Westboro, Mass.

904. STEPHEN BAILEY KNOWLTON, b. Nov. 24, 1867.

500. CAROLINE ELLA BADGER<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Caroline [Bigelow] Badger,<sup>5</sup> Eunice [Thomas] Bigelow,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup>

William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Sept. 5, 1848, in Wendell, Mass.; m. James H. Parkhurst, of Templeton, Mass., Nov., 1877; Mr. Parkhurst is brother of Mrs. Edwin A. Thomas, of Milford, Mass. She d. at Templeton Aug. 11, 1880. Unitarian.

They had two children:—

905. CHARLES HENRY PARKHURST, b. in Templeton Oct. 10, 1878.

906. CAROLINE ELLA PARKHURST, b. in Templeton July 27, 1880.

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503. ORREN E. THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (son of Hiram,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in South Rutland, Jefferson Co., N. Y., April 25, 1832. He went to Canada West, with his parents, when 2 years old. In 1837 he moved, with his parents, to Cleveland, Ohio. In 1854 he settled in Linn Co., Iowa, where he m. Irone Nickols Nov. 29, 1854, by whom he had two sons. In 1862 he enlisted for three years in the 37th Iowa Volunteers; he served in the Mississippi campaign and was at the siege of Vicksburg; he was discharged for disability Sept., 1864. He was divorced from his first wife April, 1866, and m. 2d Eleanor Scott Nov., 1866, at Cedar Rapids, Iowa; she d. June 8, 1882, leaving one child. He m. 3d Mrs. A. M. Willing, at Fayette, Iowa, Dec. 26, 1887. Engaged at present as a temperance lecturer. Address, Fayette, Iowa. Methodist; Prohibitionist.

He has had three children:—

By first wife:

907. GEORGE W. THOMAS, b. Feb. 22, 1857; unm.

908. FRANK E. THOMAS, b. Oct. 9, 1860; unm.

By second wife:

909. MAREHA THOMAS, b. June 28, 1870.

504. ALBERT H. THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Hiram,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Canada West April 17, 1835; m. Catharine Kayton, in Glenwood, Mills Co., Iowa, Sept. 18, 1864. Residence, Butler Co., Neb.

They have had eight children:—

910. GEORGE H. THOMAS, b. Sept. 3, 1865; drowned June 29, 1877.  
 911. NORA M. THOMAS, b. Oct. 3, 1866.  
 912. EMMA E. THOMAS, b. July 11, 1868.  
 913. CHARLES A. THOMAS, b. Jan. 3, 1871.  
 914. HARRIET M. THOMAS, b. March 5, 1873.  
 915. ARTHUR F. THOMAS, b. Aug. 4, 1875.  
 916. CHRISTIE THOMAS, b. Dec. 25, 1877.  
 917. MABEL THOMAS, b. July 21, 1888.

505. HARRIET M. THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (daur. of Hiram,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Canada West Oct. 23, 1837; m. Sept., 1857, at Fairview, Jones Co., Iowa, to Samuel Gonser. She d. Dec. 8, 1872, leaving four children:—

918. A son.  
 919. A son.  
 920. A daughter.  
 921. A daughter.

506. ALMANSON D. THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Alpheus,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Pinckney, Lewis Co., N. Y., Jan. 18, 1829. He m. Helen Green, of same place; she was b. April 29, 1832. In 1854 they moved, with his father's family, to Marquette, Wis.; in 1886 he again moved to Bookings, Bookings Co., Dakota, where he now resides. Mechanic and Democrat.

They have had five children:—

922. RUSSELL THOMAS, b. Sept. 4, 1851; d. May 4, 1863.  
 923. FRANK THOMAS, b. July 12, 1853; d. Nov. 20, 1854.  
 924. LESTER THOMAS, b. Feb. 26, 1855; m. Olive Cooper and has issue.  
 925. MABEL THOMAS, b. Jan. 27, 1858; d. Oct. 16, 1860.  
 926. ESTELLE THOMAS, b. March 6, 1862; m. Ole J. Larsen and has issue.

511. BEALS MALTBY<sup>6</sup> (son of Maria [Thomas] Maltby,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Jefferson Co., N. Y., March 14, 1829; m. Laura Huson July 2, 1851; she d. Sept. 14, 1865, having had three children. He m. 2d Mrs. Pamela A. Robinson Dec. 31, 1866; she

was b. Oct. 18, 1829, and has no children. He practiced dentistry for several years, but is now engaged in life-insurance business. Present address, Chicago, Illinois. Baptist and Republican.

Had three children by first wife:—

927. A son (twin), b. May 9, 1865; d. in infancy.

928. A son (twin), b. May 9, 1865; d. in infancy.

929. HELEN MARION MALTBY, b. in Denmark, Lewis Co., N. Y., Nov. 8, 1858; m. John F. Tate and had issue.

513. ALBERT F. MALTBY<sup>6</sup> (son of Maria [Thomas] Maltby,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Feb. 14, 1834; m. Feb. 23, 1858, to Mary Noble, who was b. Dec. 10, 1836, d. May 22, 1867, having had one child. He m. 2d Carrie Jones Jan. 2, 1868; she was a school-teacher, b. March 3, 1837. He is engaged in the furniture business at Plymouth, Ind. Republican.

Had one child by first wife:—

930. FANNIE A. MALTBY, b. May 5, 1862; d. June 30, 1863.

515. MARYETTE MALTBY<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Maria [Thomas] Maltby,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. May 9, 1838; m. Jan. 1, 1861, to Charles V. Harmon, son of Eben Harmon; he was b. April 19, 1835. He lives on the old homestead, in Edwards, N. Y., and is a frugal, industrious farmer. Baptist.

They have had four children:—

931. ERWIN C. HARMON, b. May 20, 1864.

He is a student in Madison University and is preparing for the ministry; Baptist.

932. BEETIE C. HARMON, b. Sept. 16, 187—; d. in infancy.

933. ALICE C. HARMON, b. Oct. 23, 1873.

934. ROLLA C. HARMON, b. Nov. 15, 1876.

517. MARINDA W. BOSWORTH<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Marietta [Thomas] Bosworth,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Lowville, Lewis Co., N. Y., Dec. 22, 1834. She m. Henry F. Clements Jan. 23, 1855; he was b. May 18, 1825, and d. Jan. 28, 1887.

They had four children:—

935. FRANK J. CLEMENTS, b. Feb. 26, 1856; m. Dec. 14, 1879, Eunice Todd who was b. Jan. 1, 1856; no issue living.

Has a store and grist-mill at Tylerville, N. Y.

936. FRED. W. CLEMENTS, b. Aug. 24, 1859; m. Mary Jacobs and has issue.

937. NETTIE M. CLEMENTS, b. Dec. 4, 1866; m. Otis Waldo and had issue.

938. NELLIE L. CLEMENTS, b. Nov. 19, 1870; m. Warren Day Nov. 21, 1888. He was b. in South Rutland, N. Y., Oct. 25, 1867; farmer no issue.

518. GEORGE D. BOSWORTH<sup>6</sup> (son of Marietta [Thomas] Bosworth,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Jan. 5, 1837; m. Mary Ford Feb. 2, 1862. She was b. Nov. 2, 1842.

They have two children:—

939. MATTIE BOSWORTH, b. Jan. 26, 1864; m. Joel North Jan. 26, 1884.

940. HARVEY BOSWORTH, b. June 2, 1867.

519. MARY B. BOSWORTH<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Marietta [Thomas] Bosworth,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. March 6, 1840; m. Sept. 6, 1860, to John Van Dusen, who was b. May 14, 1838.

They have three children:—

941. WATSON VAN DUSEN, b. Jan. 30, 1863.

942. JULIAN VAN DUSEN, b. March 19, 1865; m. Josie Sineser.

943. MARINDA M. VAN DUSEN, b. July 29, 1867; m. Hiram C. Cross.

520. NANCY JANE SCOVIL<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Marietta [Thomas] Scovil,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Pitcairn, St. Lawrence Co., N. Y., April 18, 1843; she m. 1st Benjamin Wicks; he died, leaving one child. She m. 2d Henry Pearsons. She d. May 29, 1881, leaving one child by last husband.

By first husband:

944. THOMAS S. WICKS, b. Sept. 8, 1866.

By second husband:

945. WARD PEARSONS.

521. LAURA ANN SCOVIL<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Marietta [Thomas] Scovil,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Pit-

cairn, N. Y., Jan. 30, 1847; m. Denison W. Tenney  
Nov. 14, 1867.

They have two children:—

946. SAMUEL C. TENNEY, b. Sept. 12, 1872.

947. FRED. J. TENNEY, b. Dec. 23, 1877.

522. FRANK B. SCOVIL<sup>6</sup> (son of Marietta [Thomas] Scovil,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Pitcairn, N. Y., Dec. 20, 1850; m. Eunice C. Rogers Dec. 29, 1870. She was b. in Champion, N. Y., Oct. 29, 1851. Present address, Sioux City, Iowa.

They have had eleven children:—

948. FRANK ALBERT SCOVIL, b. March 21, 1872.

949. JAMES DOW SCOVIL, b. July 2, 1874.

950. EVA MAUDE SCOVIL, b. Sept. 24, 1876; d. in infancy.

951. LENA BLANCHE SCOVIL, b. Oct. 18, 1878; d. in infancy.

952. OLA PAGE SCOVIL, d. in infancy.

953. EDNA EAWALT SCOVIL, b. Jan. 9, 1883.

954. MARION IDA SCOVIL, b. Dec. 4, 1884.

955. LESTER EUGENE SCOVIL (twin), b. Jan. 9, 1887; d. in infancy.

956. ESTHER MARY SCOVIL (twin), b. Jan. 9, 1887; d. in infancy.

957. DANIEL WASHINGTON SCOVIL (twin), b. Feb. 22, 1888; d. in infancy.

958. NATHANIEL CURTIS SCOVIL (twin), b. Feb. 22, 1888.

523. AMOS CLARK THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Almeron,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in St. Lawrence Co., N. Y., Feb. 1, 1836; m. Delia M. Snell Dec. 29, 1863. She was b. Oct. 30, 1844, and d. Dec. 9, 1866, leaving one child. He m. 2d Mary C. Crosby Sept. 9, 1868; she was b. April 16, 1844. Residence, Mexico, N. Y. Republican.

He has two children:—

By first wife:

959. FANNY L. THOMAS, b. Nov. 22, 1864.

By second wife:

960. RALPH CROSBY THOMAS, b. March 15, 1873.

527. MARY ELIZABETH THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Almeron,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. June 11, 1845;

m. William T. Parsons June 4, 1865. He was b. Dec. 26, 1845. Residence, Mexico, N. Y.

They have four children:—

961. CLARK T. PARSONS, b. June 7, 1867; m. Eva R. Benson Aug. 7, 1887. She was b. Nov. 27, 1867.

962. JOHN N. PARSONS, b. Aug. 17, 1868; m. Mattie F. Gardner June 6, 1888. She was b. June 10, 1871.

963. FRANK A. PARSONS, b. Dec. 26, 1870; m. Carrie M. Holden and has issue.

964. MATTIE L. PARSONS, b. Aug. 24, 1875.

528. MARIA MALTBY THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Almeron,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Edwards, N. Y., July 21, 1847; she m. Dr. Herbert H. Dobson (dentist) Dec. 18, 1867. He was b. Nov. 25, 1840. Residence, Mexico, N. Y.

They have one child:—

965. FLORENCE LOIS DOBSON, b. Sept. 1, 1869.

529. EMMA LOUISA THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Almeron,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Mexico, N. Y., May 23, 1856; m. Dr. E. M. Manwren May 14, 1879. He was b. Sept. 20, 1851. They reside in Oswego, N. Y.

They have two children:—

966. LOIS HATTIE MANWREN, b. in New Haven, Oswego Co., N. Y., Aug. 4, 1885.

967. RALPH JAMES MANWREN, b. in Mexico, N. Y., June 4, 1887.

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531. JAMES BROWN THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Ebenezer K.,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in South Rutland, Jefferson Co., N. Y., July 28, 1843; m. Elizabeth H. Vinz Dec. 27, 1866. She was b. June 5, 1850. He enlisted and served nearly four years during the late war, and was wounded and discharged for disability. Residence, Sheldon, O'Brien Co., Iowa. Congregationalist, Republican, and farmer.

They have had nine children:—

968. LILLIE M. THOMAS, b. March 22, 1868; m. Jesse W. Waters June 25, 1888. He was b. Dec. 6, 1864.  
 969. LANA E. THOMAS, b. July 1, 1869. Congregationalist.  
 970. CLARA E. THOMAS, b. March 26, 1872. Congregationalist.  
 971. GEORGE K. THOMAS, b. May 26, 1874; d. Feb. 14, 1879.  
 972. CORA A. THOMAS, b. Sept. 15, 1877.  
 973. JAMES THOMAS, b. Aug. 24, 1880; d. Feb. 1, 1882.  
 974. WILLIAM A. THOMAS, b. Oct. 23, 1882; d. Nov. 28, 1885.  
 975. MYRTLE E. THOMAS, b. Sept. 10, 1886.  
 976. MAUD B. THOMAS, b. Dec. 19, 1888.

532. ELSIE M. THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Ebenezer K.,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Wisconsin Dec. 12, 1856; m. Henry Calhoun July 18, 1875. He was b. Jan. 25, 1842. He is a farmer and stock-raiser in Plymouth Co., Iowa.

They have had five children:—

977. NETTIE ESTELLA CALHOUN, b. April 12, 1876.  
 978. ANDREW HOMER CALHOUN, b. July 15, 1877.  
 979. LAURA ELIZABETH CALHOUN, b. March 2, 1883.  
 980. ESTHER CALHOUN, b. Jan. 24, 1885; d. July 9, 1885.  
 981. BESSIE JANE CALHOUN, b. June 24, 1887.

537. HARRIET CLEMENTS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Nancy B. [Thomas] Clements,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in South Rutland Aug. 31, 1846. She m. 1st John R. Snyder May 16, 1864, in Lowville, N. Y.; he d. Dec. 7, 1867. She m. 2d Hiram C. Oatman May 1, 1873. Mr. Oatman is a hotel and livery-stable keeper at Lowville, N. Y. Methodist.

She has two children, both born in Lowville:—

By first husband:

982. JAY C. SNYDER, b. Jan. 18, 1867.

By second husband:

983. FRED. FOWLER OATMAN, b. May 6, 1874.

538. ANN S. CLEMENTS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Nancy B. [Thomas] Clements,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in

South Rutland, N. Y., Sept. 28, 1851; m. Demestis L. Cornwell July 17, 1872. Mr. Cornwell served in the 186th Regiment New York Volunteers during the late war; he was in several battles, and was present at the surrender of Lee at Appomattox April 9, 1865; he is at present commander of a post of the G. A. R. at Watertown, N. Y.

They have two children:—

984. FAY D. CORNWELL, b. April 4, 1873.

985. ALMA H. CORNWELL, b. April 8, 1877.

556. ELEANOR BACON THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Avery,<sup>5</sup> Azariah,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Watertown, N. Y., Jan. 10, 1845; m. Judge James Linden, of Dayton, O., Nov. 19, 1874. He was b. in New York City Aug. 5, 1844; he studied law and entered into practice in Dayton, O. He moved to Dakota and was appointed Probate Judge of Ramsay County, where he had settled in practice. They moved to St. Paul, Minn., in 1883, and in 1890 to Chicago, where they now reside. Mrs. Linden, like her sisters, possesses a high degree of artistic ability, her landscapes and flowers, in oil, having received high commendation. Baptists.

They have had four children:—

986. THOMAS BACON LINDEN, b. May 30, 1876.

987. FRANK WILLIAM LINDEN, b. Feb. 13, 1878.

988. FLORENCE M. LINDEN, b. July 30, 1880; d. April 30, 1882, from burns received from clothing taking fire.

989. ELEANOR ELIZABETH LINDEN, b. Feb. 4, 1884, in St. Paul, Minn.

560. SARAH BARNES<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Harriet [Thomas] Barnes,<sup>5</sup> Azariah,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. March 25, 1846. She m. Henry Hibbard, who was b. in Massachusetts Oct. 26, 1836. He was in the army

during the war and now receives a pension. Residence, Lohrville, Iowa. Photographer.

They have had seven children:—

990. HATTIE MAY HIBBARD, b. Oct. 6, 1870; d. Jan. 6, 1877.

991. GERTRUDE F. HIBBARD, b. Aug. 15, 1872.

992. ALBERT HIBBARD, b. Dec. 15, 1874; d. Jan. 4, 1877.

993. MAUDE HIBBARD, b. July 20, 1877; d. Dec. 26, 1879.

994. FLORA BELLE HIBBARD, b. May 26, 1880.

995. DAISY MAY HIBBARD, b. May 20, 1883.

996. MAEY LOUISA HIBBARD, b. Jan. 26, 1886.

567. ALBERT HORACE OTTOWAY<sup>6</sup> (son of Melinda [Thomas] Ottoway,<sup>5</sup> Azariah,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Sept. 27, 1846, in Kane Co., Illinois; m. Sept. 10, 1870, at Olathe, Johnson Co., Kansas, to Adelia Adelaide Hanes (b. April 26, 1851), dau. of James Hanes and Margaret McKinley, his wife. Farmer and Republican. Residence, Umque, Iowa.

They have three children:—

997. ALFRED ALBERT OTTOWAY, b. Dec. 22, 1871, at Marion, Douglas Co., Kansas.

998. LESTER A. OTTOWAY, b. Dec. 18, 1873, at same place.

999. CLARA LYDIA OTTOWAY, b. April 9, 1888.

568. CHARLES THOMAS OTTOWAY<sup>6</sup> (son of Melinda [Thomas] Ottoway,<sup>5</sup> Azariah,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Kane Co., Illinois, Nov. 21, 1849; m. Nannie Bear June 15, 1874, at Kansas City, Mo. She was b. in Douglass Co., Mo., May 10, 1857, and d. at Olathe, Kansas, June 14, 1877. Residence, Olathe, Kansas. Merchant and Republican.

He has one child:—

1000. IDA MELINDA OTTOWAY, b. at Olathe, Kansas, March 30, 1875.

569. HERBERT JAMES OTTOWAY<sup>6</sup> (son of Melinda [Thomas] Ottoway,<sup>5</sup> Azariah,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. at Algonquin, McHenry Co., Illinois, Feb. 26,

1852; m. March 2, 1881, Celeste Sutherland. Farmer. Residence, Kirkman, Iowa.

They have had one child:—

1001. EDNA M. OTTOWAY, b. March 18, 1883; d. May 16, 1883.

571. IDA JANE OTTOWAY<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Melinda [Thomas] Ottoway,<sup>5</sup> Azariah,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Aug. 3, 1856, in Kane Co., Illinois; m. Norton I. Snow, at Maple Park, Illinois, Oct. 16, 1877. He was b. at Sodus, N. Y., Oct. 17, 1843. Dairyman and Republican. Residence, Maple Park, Illinois.

They have one child:—

1002. MARGARET FRANCES SNOW, b. at Maple Park, Ill., April 21, 1883.

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572. CHARLES MONROE THOMAS, M.D.<sup>6</sup> (son of Amos R., M.D.,<sup>5</sup> Azariah,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Watertown, N. Y., May 3, 1849. He came to Philadelphia, with his father, in 1854, where he has since resided. He received his education in the public schools, graduating at the High School and receiving his degree of A.B. in June, 1869, and A.M. in 1874. Having won the first honor of his class, he was made valedictorian at the public commencement. After taking a course at a commercial college, he commenced the study of medicine, with his father, in 1869, and graduated at the Hahnemann Medical College in March, 1871. After a post-graduate course in the University of Pennsylvania, he went abroad in March, 1872, spending two years and a half in pursuing his professional studies in Heidelberg, Vienna, and Edinburgh, and in making a general tour of Europe and Great Britain. He returned to Philadelphia in the summer of 1874 and engaged in practice. He received the position of Demonstrator of Surgery in his Alma Mater in 1875, and the Professorship of Oper-



CHARLES M. THOMAS, M. D.



ative Surgery, Ophthalmology, and Otology in 1877, which position he still holds. He made a second trip to Europe in the summer of 1886, mainly for rest and the benefit of his health.

Dr. C. M. Thomas devotes himself exclusively to surgery, with diseases of the eye and ear as specialties. His skill in his profession has given him a wide reputation, with a very large and remunerative practice. He has made numerous contributions to medical literature; his report of cases of Supra-Pubic Lithotomy attracted much attention both at home and abroad, having been copied into the English and German medical journals. April 18, 1876, he m. Marion Elmslie Turnbull, dau. of Laurence Turnbull, M.D., of Philadelphia.\* His country-seat (Llangollen) is beautifully located at Devon, Chester Co., Pa., sixteen miles from Philadelphia. Here, with his family, he spends six months of the year. Republican.

They have six children:—

- 1003. RUSSELL ELSLIE THOMAS, b. July 18, 1878.
- 1004. FLORENCE PALESKE THOMAS, b. May 23, 1880.
- 1005. CHRISTINE LAURENCE THOMAS, b. June 2, 1882.
- 1006. ALICE LOUISE THOMAS, b. June 1, 1884.
- 1007. LAURENCE AVERY THOMAS, b. Feb. 6, 1886.
- 1008. CARL BACON THOMAS, b. July 16, 1890.

573. FLORENCE LOVINA THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Amos R., M.D.,<sup>5</sup> Azariah,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Syracuse, N. Y., Nov. 16, 1853. She was educated in the Chégaray Institute of Philadelphia, and acquired a high grade of scholarship and great proficiency in music. Oct. 3, 1877, she m. J. Nicholas Mitchell, M.D., of Philadelphia, son of John C. Mitchell, Esq., of the Philadelphia bar. Dr. Mitchell studied his profession with Dr. A. R. Thomas and graduated March, 1873, at the

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\* Dr. Laurence Turnbull is of Scotch birth, and brother of the late Robert Turnbull, D.D., a Baptist clergyman of Hartford, Conn.

Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia, in which institution he now holds the position of Professor of Obstetrics. In a high degree Mrs. Mitchell possessed all the traits of character calculated to qualify her for the position of wife and mother and to endear her to all with whom she came in relation. She died, after a brief illness, from pneumonia, May 17, 1880, deeply lamented by her family and a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. Episcopalian.

She left one child:—

1009. CHARLES THOMAS MITCHELL, b. Aug. 4, 1878, who has since lived with his grand-parents (Thomas).

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576. MARY JANE THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (da. of Martin,<sup>5</sup> Heman,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Nov. 1, 1844, in Prescott, Mass. She moved West, with her mother, in 1846. She m. Capt. Charles Dwight Watson Oct. 14, 1869; he was b. in 1841 in Granville, Wis. He served three years in the late war, in the 24th Wisconsin Regiment; was wounded at the battle of Chicamauga. Residence, Wauwatosa, Wis. Farmer, Baptist, Republican.

They have three children:—

1010. ROBERT INGRAHAM WATSON, b. July 17, 1870.

Student in University of Wisconsin, Madison.

1011. STANLEY EDWARD WATSON, b. April 3, 1880.

1012. RALPH DWIGHT WATSON, b. March 24, 1883.

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577. JAMES HENRY CURTIS<sup>6</sup> (son of Mary Ann [Lud-  
don] Curtis,<sup>5</sup> Mary [Thomas] Luddon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup>  
William<sup>1</sup>) was b. April 23, 1841, in Murray, N. Y.; he  
m. Amanda L. Cook May 5, 1865. She was b. Feb. 2,  
1847. Address, Kendall, N. Y.

They have had ten children:—

1013. HATTIE E. CURTIS, b. Oct. 22, 1866; d. Aug. 31, 1881.

1014. CORA L. CURTIS, b. Sept. 25, 1869; d. May 22, 1884.

1015. FRED. M. CURTIS, b. Dec. 19, 1871.  
 1016. WILLIE A. CURTIS, b. Feb. 12, 1878; d. Aug. 25, 1881.  
 1017. MARY E. CURTIS, b. Dec. 7, 1876; d. May 10, 1878.  
 1018. FRANK CURTIS, b. March 17, 1880; d. July 5, 1880.  
 1019. JAMES A. CURTIS, b. Aug. 10, 1881.  
 1020. BERTIE P. CURTIS, b. March 11, 1884.  
 1021. GRACE B. CURTIS, b. Oct. 13, 1886.  
 1022. PEARL P. CURTIS, b. July 5, 1889.

578. MARY ARVILLA CURTIS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Mary Ann [Luddon] Curtis,<sup>5</sup> Mary [Thomas] Luddon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. March 11, 1843; was m. to Allen Spencer.

They have one child:—

1023. MINNIE SPENCER.

579. RHOBA EMELINE CURTIS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Mary Ann [Luddon] Curtis,<sup>5</sup> Mary [Thomas] Luddon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Nov. 4, 1844; m. Wallace Buell; d. Dec. 31, 1873.

They have three children:—

1024. IDA M. BUELL, b. Feb. 7, 1864; m. William H. G. Hill and has issue.  
 1025. CARRIE DAISEY BUELL, b. June 9, 1867; m. Adelbert D. Stone, of Mt. Holly, N. J., Jan. 9, 1889.  
 1026. ADA BUELL, b. March 28, 1871; d. Feb. 6, 1877.

580. ELLEN KATE CURTIS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Mary Ann [Luddon] Curtis,<sup>5</sup> Mary [Thomas] Luddon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Jan. 20, 1847; m. to Fayette J. Carrington Oct. 1, 1874. Residence, Rochester, N. Y.

They have had two children:—

1027. A SON, b. Oct. 9, 1876; d. Nov. 8, 1876.  
 1028. MARY FANNIE CARRINGTON, b. Jan. 10, 1879.

584. WILLIAM ANDREW CURTIS<sup>6</sup> (son of Mary Ann [Luddon] Curtis,<sup>5</sup> Mary [Thomas] Luddon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Aug. 14, 1857, in Carlton, N. Y.; m. Ida Slater, of Hulburton, Orleans Co., N. Y., Dec. 25, 1878. Farmer and Republican. Address, Kendall, N. Y.

They have five children, all born in Kendall:—

1029. GEORGE HENRY CURTIS, b. May 1, 1879.

1030. ELLA LOUISA CURTIS, b. June 28, 1881.

1031. WALTER EARL CURTIS, b. April 7, 1883.

1032. RUBY ELLA EBENE CURTIS, b. Aug. 17, 1885.

1033. FAYETTE CARRINGTON CURTIS, b. June 26, 1887.

585. JESSIE NORA CURTIS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Mary Ann [Luddon] Curtis,<sup>5</sup> Mary [Thomas] Luddon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. July 22, 1860; m. Sylvester Case Nov. 25, 1881.

They have one child:—

1034. MAUDE ELIZABETH CASE, b. Nov. 3, 1882.

586. EMMA STONE<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Rhoda S. [Luddon] Stone,<sup>5</sup> Mary [Thomas] Luddon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. March 13, 1852, in Murray, N. Y.; m. Sanford Richard Hinkley, of Naples, Ont. Co., N. Y. Fruit-grower. Residence, Naples, N. Y.

They have three children:—

1035. MAUD ELLA HINGCLEY, b. Aug. 19, 1875.

1036. FREDERICK SANFORD HINGCLEY, b. June 24, 1877.

1037. GERTRUDE LYDIA HINGCLEY, March 6, 1881.

592. ELLEN MALISSA BROWN<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Rhoda [Phillips] Brown,<sup>5</sup> Rhoda [Thomas] Phillips,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Henrietta, N. Y., March 24, 1840; m. Oct. 2, 1861, to Wirt Matthews, of Pittsford, N. Y., who was b. Feb. 27, 1838. Presbyterian and Republican.

They have one child:—

1038. IRVING ELLSWORTH MATTHEWS, b. in Pittsford, N. Y., Jan. 3, 1865; m. Harriet Hodges Dec. 28, 1887, and has issue.

593. WILLIAM JAY BROWN<sup>6</sup> (son of Rhoda [Phillips] Brown,<sup>5</sup> Rhoda [Thomas] Phillips,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. May 6, 1843, in Henrietta, N. Y.; m.

April, 1869, Ella Penn, at Hopewell, N. Y. Residence, Flint, Mich. Farmer.

They have three children :—

1039. GEORGE WILLIAM BROWN, b. in Henrietta Sept. 19, 1870.

1040. FRANK ALFRED BROWN, b. in Pittsford Nov. 8, 1876.

1041. HARRIET BROWN, b. in Pittsford Jan. 28, 1879.

594. FRANCES ADALINE BROWN<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Rhoda [Phillips] Brown,<sup>5</sup> Rhoda [Thomas] Phillips,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Henrietta, N. Y., June 1, 1846; m. Feb. 13, 1868, in Henrietta, to Guerdon E. Pendleton, who was b. Feb. 13, 1844. Merchant, Methodist, and Republican. Residence, New York City.

They have three children :—

1042. NELLIE MAY PENDLETON, b. at Oswego, N. Y., Sept. 19, 1873.

1043. ARTHUR G. PENDLETON, b. at Pittsford, N. Y., July 19, 1878.

1044. HOWARD M. PENDLETON, b. at Pittsford, N. Y., Sept. 25, 1883.

596. BENJAMIN HARVEY STONE<sup>6</sup> (son of Lura E. [Phillips] Stone,<sup>5</sup> Rhoda [Thomas] Phillips,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Sept. 23, 1835; m. Jan. 15, 1865, to Sarah J. Darling, who was b. in New York State March 18, 1847. Mechanic. Republican. Residence, Sioux Falls, Dakota.

They have had six children :—

1045. S. FRANKLIN STONE, b. in Rushford, Wis., Nov. 15, 1865.

1046. CHARLES EMORY STONE, b. in Rushford, Wis., April 16, 1869.

1047. LEWIS D. STONE, b. in Rushford, Wis., May 12, 1871; d. Feb. 22, 1879.

1048. BERTIE SERENO STONE, b. in Murray, N. Y., Feb. 11, 1876.

1049. ARLIE WILLIAM STONE, b. in Minnehaha July 22, 1878.

1050. FLORENCE PEARL STONE, b. in Minnehaha Jan. 5, 1886.

1051. NORTON A. STONE, b. in Sioux Falls June 27, 1888.

600. CHARLES SERENO STONE<sup>6</sup> (son of Lura E. [Phillips] Stone,<sup>5</sup> Rhoda [Thomas] Phillips,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Murray, N. Y., Dec. 12, 1844; m. Anna Miranda Morse Nov. 18, 1867 (b. Dec. 5, 1847).

Republican. Residence, Kendall Corners, Orleans Co., New York.

They have two children living :—

1052. FERRA B. STONE, b. Sept. 5, 1876.

1053. FRANKLIN M. STONE, b. Feb., 1878.

601. ELBERT EARL STONE<sup>6</sup> (son of Lura E. [Phillips] Stone,<sup>5</sup> Rhoda [Thomas] Phillips,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Sept. 12, 1846, in Murray, N. Y.; m. Adell Fries July, 1872. Farmer and Republican. Residence, Kendall Mills, Orleans Co., N. Y.

They have had six children, two of whom are living :—

1054. MARY J. STONE, b. Feb. 24, 1874.

1055. ARTHUR STONE, b. Feb., 1880.

602. JOSEPHINE ARABELLA STONE<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Lura E. [Phillips] Stone,<sup>5</sup> Rhoda [Thomas] Phillips,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. March 29, 1849; m. Willard H. Hawkins Feb. 18, 1866. Residence, North Parma, Monroe Co., N. Y.

They have four children :—

1056. MYRA F. HAWKINS, b. Sept. 17, 1866; m. Wygand Corman and has issue.

1057. WILLIAM H. HAWKINS, b. June 15, 1870.

1058. CHARLES S. HAWKINS, b. Aug. 16, 1872.

1059. EVA L. HAWKINS, b. June 29, 1884.

603. ATLIE DWIGHT STONE<sup>6</sup> (son of Lura E. [Phillips] Stone,<sup>5</sup> Rhoda [Thomas] Phillips,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. April 6, 1852; m. Hannah Burdick 1879. Farmer, Republican. Residence, Sioux Falls, Dakota.

They have one child :—

1060. LURA E. STONE, b. Oct., 1881.

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606. JAMES BRUCKNER PHILLIPS<sup>6</sup> (son of Harvey T.,<sup>5</sup> Rhoda [Thomas] Phillips,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was

b. Nov. 29, 1858; m. Carrie Richards, of Fort Scott, Kan., Dec. 29, 1885.

They have one child:—

1061. HELEN ELIZABETH PHILLIPS, b. June 2, 1887.

610. JOHN BRADFORD THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (son of Alpheus O.,<sup>5</sup> Ardon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Barre, Mass., Sept. 11, 1850; m. Ruth Etta Wellington Sept. 28, 1882. He is a member of the firm of Durgin & Thomas, grocers, in Waltham, Mass. Methodist and Republican.

They have three children, all born in Waltham:—

1062. BERTHA ELIZABETH THOMAS, b. Aug. 7, 1884.

1063. WILLIAM ALPHEUS THOMAS, b. Oct. 27, 1885.

1064. EDITH FRANCES THOMAS, b. July 25, 1887.

611. JANE ELIZABETH THOMAS<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Alpheus O.,<sup>5</sup> Ardon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Nov. 8, 1853, in Barre, Mass.; m. Frederick K. Hurxthal, of West Virginia, Oct. 7, 1880. She is an artist of considerable merit, her paintings having taken the first premium at an exhibition of art in West Virginia. She was at one time teacher of penmanship in the Bryant & Stratton Business College of Boston. Her husband is a merchant in Ronceverte, West Virginia.

They have had five children, all born in Ronceverte:—

1065. JOHN FINLEY HURXTHAL, b. Feb. 13, 1882.

1066. FERDINAND THOMAS HURXTHAL, b. May 25, 1884.

1067. NATALIE MARY HURXTHAL, b. Nov. 17, 1886; d. Sept. 11, 1887.

1068. ALPHEUS ORLANDO HURXTHAL, b. Oct. 17, 1887.

1069. ARLINE MARGUERITE HURXTHAL, b. Dec. 6, 1889.

615. EMMA FRANCES WEBB<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Rosannah S. [Thomas] Webb,<sup>5</sup> Ardon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Barre, Mass., Jan. 30, 1850; m. Benjamin Nourse,

of Oakham, Mass., May 2, 1868. She d. July 27, 1874, in Worcester, Mass.

She left one child:—

1070. ADDIE MABEL NOURSE, b. Feb. 2, 1869, at Oakham, Mass.

616. JONATHAN WEBB<sup>6</sup> (son of Rosannah S. [Thomas] Webb,<sup>5</sup> Ardon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. June 2, 1852, at New Braintree, Mass.; m. Ida Frances Hodgkins, of Worcester, Mass., May 26, 1877.

They have three children:—

1071. ARDIE DANIEL WEBB, b. in Worcester March 8, 1878.

1072. GEORGE GARFIELD WEBB, b. in Worcester Sept. 24, 1881.

1073. CHARLES EDWARD WEBB, b. at Marlboro, N. H., May 21, 1887.

617. GEORGE DALAND WEBB<sup>8</sup> (son of Rosannah S. [Thomas] Webb,<sup>5</sup> Ardon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Barre, Mass., April 16, 1854; m. Abbie Holman Barnard, of New York, July 27, 1875, at Worcester, Mass. He is one of the largest granite dealers in New England; he has quarries in Worcester, Mass., and Fitzwilliam and Marlboro, N. H.; he employs from 600 to 800 men, and his pay-roll amounts to \$200,000 a year; he has erected monuments of granite in many of the cities of the United States, and furnished granite for building purposes in nearly all of the cities from Maine to Texas and California. Residence, Worcester, Mass.

They have five children, all born in Worcester:—

1074. CHARLES FREDERICK WEBB, b. May 30, 1876.

1075. JOHN WEBB, b. July 27, 1878.

1076. JULIET JANE WEBB, b. Oct. 30, 1880.

1077. MARIE GALE WEBB, b. Nov. 19, 1882.

1078. ROSSIE MAUDE WEBB, b. Sept. 27, 1884.

618. ANNA ESTELLA WEBB<sup>9</sup> (dau. of Rosannah S. [Thomas] Webb,<sup>5</sup> Ardon,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Barre, Mass., July 29, 1859; m. Henry Willard Watkins (dentist), of Worcester, Mass., Dec. 23, 1876. Residence, Worcester, Mass.

They have had three children, all born in Worcester :—

1079. HENRY EUGENE WATKINS, b. April 6, 1878.  
 1080. ARTHUR OSGOOD WATKINS, b. June 20, 1879.  
 1081. DORA MAY WATKINS, b. May 1, 1882; d. April 21, 1888.
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622. MARY REBECCA GAGE<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Eliza Ann [Thomas] Gage,<sup>5</sup> Alpheus,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., April 17, 1851; m. Jason T. Owen, of Orien, Mich.

They have one child :—

1082. LUCIEN H. OWEN.
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633. MARY L. RUGGLES<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Daniel Ruggles,<sup>5</sup> Lucinda [Thomas] Ruggles,<sup>4</sup> Daniel,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Dec. 2, 1827, in Carmel, Me.; m. J. G. Croxford Jan. 1, 1849.

They have two children :—

1083. CORA ESTELLA CROXFORD; m. James M. Robinson March 1, 1870, and has issue.  
 1084. WILBUR PRESTON CROXFORD; m. Lois Farrington Lamb Jan. 1, 1881, and has issue.
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649. HENRIETTA FROST<sup>6</sup> (dau. of Harriet [Hastings] Frost,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus Hastings,<sup>4</sup> Submit [Jordan] Hastings,<sup>3</sup> Temperance [Thomas] Jordan,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Dec. 15, 1843; m. Alonzo L. Alden April 15, 1868. Alonzo L. Alden is a descendant of John Alden, one of the "Mayflower" pilgrims.

They had one child :—

1085. LILLIAN MARIA ALDEN, b. Nov. 6, 1870.

## SEVENTH GENERATION.\*

"One generation passes away, and another generation cometh."—ECCLES.

650. CHARLES MERRICK SMITH THOMAS<sup>7</sup> (son of Charles William,<sup>6</sup> Merrick,<sup>5</sup> Seneca,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Oakville, Ont., Can., Aug. 31, 1855. He is a druggist at Amherstburg, Ont. He m. Margaret Heard, of Lambeth, Ont., Aug. 17, 1881, and has four children :—

1086. CHARLES MERRICK SMITH THOMAS, JR., b. Jan. 25, 1883.

1087. FRANK CORWIN HEARD THOMAS, b. Aug. 7, 1884.

1088. CHARLES WILLIAM THOMAS, b. Jan. 14, 1887.

1089. LLEWELLYN MURRAY THOMAS, b. Aug. 1, 1888.

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682. LILA REED<sup>7</sup> (dau. of Amelia A. [Balcom] Reed,<sup>6</sup> Eliza [Thomas] Balcom,<sup>5</sup> Sylvanus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in West Brookfield, Mass., June 31, 1850; m. Chauncey Hamilton March 31, 1874. Residence, Bloomington, Illinois.

They have two children :—

1090. INA ESTELLE HAMILTON, b. July 7, 1878.

1091. EVERETT R. HAMILTON, b. Aug. 18, 1884.

683. FLORENCE A. REED<sup>7</sup> (dau. of Amelia A. [Balcom] Reed,<sup>6</sup> Eliza [Thomas] Balcom,<sup>5</sup> Sylvanus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in North Brookfield, Mass., Feb. 25, 1853; m. Edmund L. Poole Sept. 9, 1885. Resides in St. Paul, Minn.

They have one child :—

1092. LUCIUS GORDON POOLE, b. Nov. 26, 1889.

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\* The children of this generation constitute the eighth generation from William Thomas of Hardwick.

684. ESTELLA THOMAS REED<sup>7</sup> (dau. of Amelia A. [Balcom] Reed,<sup>5</sup> Eliza [Thomas] Balcom,<sup>5</sup> Sylvanus,<sup>4</sup> Dr. William,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>), b. in North Brookfield, Mass., Nov. 13, 1860; m. Hubert A. Heath, editor of *Kansas Farmer*, Dec. 23, 1886. Resides at Topeka, Kansas.

They have two children:—

1093. ISADEL R. HEATH, b. Feb. 20, 1888.

1094. LOUISE R. HEATH, b. Nov. 2, 1890.

711. HATTIE EMMA THOMAS<sup>7</sup> (dau. of Charles M. Tully Thomas,<sup>6</sup> Chester, M.D.,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. March 10, 1863; m. Delbert N. Haskel, son of Whiner and Miranda Haskel, of Winterport, Me., July 16, 1883.

They have one child:—

1095. EDWIN NEWELL HASKEL, b. March 16, 1884.

713. CLARA LOUISE RICHMOND<sup>7</sup> (dau. of Martha A. [Wait] Richmond,<sup>6</sup> Patience [Thomas] Wait,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Oct. 1, 1850, in Greenfield, Mass. She m. T. Henry Morgan, April 18, 1876, a commission merchant of St. Louis, Mo. She d. at St. Louis, Mo., April 5, 1878, having had one child:—

1096. HARRY RICHMOND MORGAN, b. and d. March 31, 1878.

717. ANNIE STEBBINS WAIT<sup>7</sup> (dau. of Henry Wait,<sup>6</sup> Patience [Thomas] Wait,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Greenfield, Mass., Jan. 22, 1865; m. Thomas M. Buddington, of Greenfield, Jan. 20, 1886.

They have one child, a son:—

1097. RALPH WELLS BUDDINGTON, b. May 20, 1889.

725. LOVELL WAIT STEBBINS<sup>7</sup> (son of Mary Ann [Wait] Stebbins,<sup>6</sup> Patience [Thomas] Wait,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Greenfield, Mass., Dec. 28, 1859; m. Bertha Elizabeth Kehlor, of Kenosha, Wis., Jan. 28, 1886. Is of the firm of Cochran & Stebbins, provision and grain brokers, St. Louis, Mo. Episcopalian and Republican.

They have two children, both born in St. Louis:—

1098. LOULIE RICHMOND STEBBINS, b. Nov. 21, 1886.

1099. JOHN KEHLOR STEBBINS, b. Nov. 10, 1890.

This is the youngest descendant of William of Hardwick of whom I have record.

A. B. T.

726. JESSIE VIOLA BAGGS<sup>7</sup> (dau. of Louisa Abigail [Thomas] Baggs,<sup>6</sup> Freeman,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New Salem, Mass., Sept. 19, 1858; m. Henry David Brayman June 21, 1881. He was b. in Vermont Nov. 30, 1853. Residence, Vernon, Vt.

They have one child:—

1100. GUY EDWARD BRAYMAN, b. in Vernon, Vt., Sept. 24, 1884.

730. JOSEPH HENRY WADELTON<sup>7</sup> (son of Mary [Thomas] Wadeldon,<sup>6</sup> Henry,<sup>5</sup> Isaac,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Sept. 13, 1852, in Sterling, Illinois; m. Lilian Lynch Feb. 12, 1885.

They have one child:—

1101. — WADELTON.

780. MARTHA J. THAYER<sup>7</sup> (dau. of Addison Thayer,<sup>6</sup> Eunice [Thomas] Thayer,<sup>5</sup> Nathaniel,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Oct. 23, 1873, in Prescott, Mass.; m. Clinton P. Harrington April 15, 1885.

They have one child:—

1102. ROBERT A. HARRINGTON, b. in Prescott, June 14, 1886.

795. ELMER C. THOMAS<sup>7</sup> (son of Collins Wheeler,<sup>6</sup> Alvin H.,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Pike, N. Y., Oct. 8, 1863; m. Addie Skiff Sept. 22, 1887.

They have one child:—

1103. MILDBED THOMAS, b. in Pike, N. Y., July 10, 1888.

924. LESTER THOMAS<sup>7</sup> (son of Almanson D.,<sup>6</sup> Alpheus,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. Feb. 26, 1855, in Marquette, Wis.; m. Alice Cooper 1878. Present address, Doland, Spink Co., Dakota. Farmer and Democrat.

They have five children:—

1104. LILIAN MAY THOMAS, b. April 13, 1879.

1105. VERNON CLYDE THOMAS, b. Aug. 29, 1883.

1106. LEON THOMAS, b. Sept. 3, 1887.

1107. GUY THOMAS, b. May, 1888.

1108. A son, b. Oct. 21, 1890.

926. ESTELLE THOMAS<sup>7</sup> (dau. of Almanson D.,<sup>6</sup> Alpheus,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. March 6, 1862, in Marquette, Wis.; m. Feb. 27, 1884, to Ole J. Larson, a Norwegian by descent. He was b. Oct. 13, 1857. Farmer and Republican. Both Methodists. Residence, Brookings, Dakota.

They have four children:—

1109. LLOYD SHIRLEY LARSON, b. Oct. 14, 1885.

1110. MAUDE MABEL LARSON, b. March 8, 1887.

1111. LYNNE CECIL LARSON, b. Dec. 2, 1888.

1112. VINTON LARSON, b. Oct. 14, 1890.

929. HELEN MARION MALTBY<sup>7</sup> (dau. of Beals Maltby,<sup>6</sup> Maria [Thomas] Maltby,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Denmark, N. Y., Nov. 8, 1858; she m. John F. Tate Dec. 1, 1881. He was b. Oct. 11, 1849. He is a hardware merchant, and resides in Winterset, Iowa. Both members of Baptist Church.

They have four children:—

1113. GLENN BEALS TATE, b. Oct. 29, 1882.  
 1114. LAURA ELIZABETH TATE, b. Aug. 28, 1884.  
 1115. DEAN CLARK TATE, b. June 30, 1886.  
 1116. JOHN MORTIMER TATE, b. Jan. 6, 1889.
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936. FRED. WARD CLEMENTS<sup>7</sup> (son of Marinda W. [Bosworth] Clements,<sup>6</sup> Marietta [Thomas] Bosworth,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in —, N. Y., Aug. 24, 1859; he m. Mary Jacobs, of Watertown, N. Y., Dec. 17, 1882. She was b. Oct. 6, 1860. Farmer. Residence, East Rodman, N. Y.

They have two children:—

1117. MABEL CLEMENTS, b. March 9, 1883; d. July 22, 1887.  
 1118. GUY CLEMENTS, b. March 23, 1888.

937. NETTIE M. CLEMENTS<sup>7</sup> (dau. of Marinda W. [Bosworth] Clements,<sup>6</sup> Marietta [Thomas] Bosworth,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Pinckney, Lewis Co., N. Y., Dec. 4, 1866; m. Otis Waldo, of Champion, N. Y., Sept. 22, 1886. He was b. Aug. 1, 1863.

They have one child:—

1119. ETHEL WALDO, b. in Copenhagen, N. Y., Sept. 19, 1887.
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963. FRANK A. PARSONS<sup>7</sup> (son of Mary E. [Thomas] Parsons,<sup>6</sup> Almeron,<sup>5</sup> David,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Mexico, N. Y., Dec. 26, 1870; m. Carrie M. Holden July 25, 1886. She was b. Dec. 1, 1868.

They have two children:—

1120. ELLA M. PARSONS, b. Nov. 24, 1887.  
 1121. LULU M. PARSONS, b. Oct. 22, 1888.
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1024. IDA M. BUELL<sup>7</sup> (dau. of Rhoba E. [Curtis] Buell,<sup>6</sup> Mary Ann [Ludden] Curtis,<sup>5</sup> Mary [Thomas] Ludden,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in New York

State, Feb. 7, 1864; m. William H. Goodwin Hill  
Jan. 18, 1888.

They have one child:—

1122. HARRISON ALBERT HILL, b. March 17, 1889.

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1038. IRVING ELLSWORTH MATTHEWS<sup>7</sup> (son of Ellen M. [Brown] Matthews,<sup>6</sup> Rhoba [Phillips] Brown,<sup>5</sup> Rhoda [Thomas] Phillips,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Pittsford, N. Y., Jan. 3, 1865; m. Harriet Hodges Dec. 28, 1887. She was b. in Raisin, Mich., Nov. 14, 1865. He is a graduate of the Troy Polytechnic College, and resides in Indianapolis, Indiana.

They have one child:—

1123. STANLEY WIRT MATTHEWS, b. Oct. 2, 1888.

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1056. MYRA F. HAWKINS<sup>7</sup> (dau. of Josephine A. [Stone] Hawkins,<sup>6</sup> Lura E. [Phillips] Stone,<sup>5</sup> Rhoda [Thomas] Phillips,<sup>4</sup> Amos,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Monroe Co., N. Y., Sept. 17, 1866; m. Wygand Corman in November, 1885.

They have one child:—

1124. GRACE CORMAN, b. Sept. 13, 1887.

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1083. CORA ESTELLA CROXFORD<sup>7</sup> (dau. of Mary L. [Ruggles] Croxford,<sup>6</sup> Daniel Ruggles,<sup>5</sup> Lucinda [Thomas] Ruggles,<sup>4</sup> Daniel,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Carmel, Maine; m. James M. Robinson March 1, 1870. Residence, Carmel, Maine.

They have one child:—

1125. EVERETTE FRANKLIN ROBINSON, b. June 4, 1874.

1084. WILBUR PRESTON CROXFORD<sup>7</sup> (son of Mary L. [Ruggles] Croxford,<sup>6</sup> Daniel Ruggles,<sup>5</sup> Lucinda [Thomas] Ruggles,<sup>4</sup> Daniel,<sup>3</sup> Amos,<sup>2</sup> William<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Carmel, Maine; he m. Lois Farrington Lamb Jan. 1, 1881.

They have one child:—

1126. WILBUR L. CROXFORD, b. in Carmel, Maine, Jan. 17, 1884.

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#### SUMMARY OF GENERATIONS.

The number of individuals in the several generations as recorded in this volume are as follow:—

First Generation, . . . . .	1
Second Generation, . . . . .	10
Third Generation, . . . . .	45
Fourth Generation, . . . . .	52
Fifth Generation, . . . . .	202
Sixth Generation, . . . . .	340
Seventh Generation, . . . . .	436
Eighth Generation, . . . . .	40
Total, . . . . .	<u>1126</u>

## APPENDIX A.

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### ROLL OF HONOR.

The following list contains the names of those descendants of William Thomas of Hardwick—with their number in this volume—who have served their country in the several wars:—

#### *War of the Revolution.*

- 16. DR. WILLIAM THOMAS.<sup>3</sup>
- 18. JOSEPH THOMAS.<sup>3</sup>
- 19. DANIEL THOMAS.<sup>3</sup>

#### *War of 1812-14.*

- 61. SENECA THOMAS.<sup>4</sup>
- 73. COL. AZARIAH THOMAS.<sup>4</sup>

#### *War of the Rebellion.*

- 134. LOUIS AVERY THOMAS.<sup>5</sup>
- 154. WILLIAM R. THOMAS.<sup>5</sup>
- 214. DR. A. R. THOMAS.<sup>5</sup>
- 227. HARVEY T. PHILLIPS.<sup>5</sup>
- 239. REV. CHAUNCEY BOARDMAN THOMAS.<sup>5</sup>
- 360. CHARLES WARREN THOMAS.<sup>6</sup>
- 379. WILLIAM THOMAS CUTTER.<sup>6</sup>
- 380. CHARLES EDWIN CUTTER.<sup>6</sup>
- 391. ORVILLE BALCOM.<sup>6</sup>

393. BAYLES G. BALCOM.<sup>6</sup>  
 415. NORMAN THOMAS.<sup>6</sup>  
 451. COOLEY HUDSON THOMAS.<sup>6</sup>  
 453. CORBIN JAMES THOMAS.<sup>6</sup>  
 455. HUDSON THOMAS.<sup>6</sup>  
 456. HURON LEWIS THOMAS.<sup>6</sup>  
 471. LEWIS W. LOOMIS.<sup>6</sup>  
 474. ISAAC N. LOOMIS.<sup>6</sup>  
 491. CHESTER H. BANGS.<sup>6</sup>  
 503. ORBEN E. THOMAS.<sup>6</sup>  
 509. GEO. GEARY THOMAS.<sup>6</sup>  
 510. DENNING THOMAS.<sup>6</sup>  
 516. HORATIO S. MALTBY.<sup>6</sup>  
 531. JAMES BROWN THOMAS.<sup>6</sup>  
 555. ISAAC BACON THOMAS.<sup>6</sup>

## NOTES.

On page 33, fifth line from the bottom of the page, between "1776" and "on," insert: a hospital was opened in West Brookfield, and,

As this page is about to go to press, we learn that ARDON HARRISON THOMAS<sup>5</sup> (174) d. of pneumonia at Hadley, Mass., March 18, 1891, and that his wife d. the week before; also, that HENRY WAIT (407) of Greenfield, Mass., was struck by a train on the Fitchburg Road, on Thursday, the 19th, and probably fatally injured.

## APPENDIX B.

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List of members of the Thomas family who came to or were born in New England previous to the year 1699, arranged alphabetically. The dates following many of the names indicate the year of their arrival or of which first information is had, and not date of birth. Mainly from Savage's Genealogical Dictionary of New England.

**BENJAMIN THOMAS**, of Springfield, son of Rowland, b. May 23, 1653; m. Ann Belding, of Hartford, 1688. Had Sarah, b. Sept. 2, 1690; Mary, Dec. 26, 1692; a son, Dec. 20, 1694; Ann, Nov. 2, 1696; Samuel, Jan. 7, 1699. Removed soon afterward and the name became extinct at Springfield.

**DANIEL THOMAS**, of New Haven, eldest son of John, of the same place, was propounded for freeman 1670; m. Rebecca Thompson Feb. 3, 1670. Had Dorothy, b. 1672(?); John, 1674; Daniel, Feb. 14, 1677; Dinah, Dec. 26, 1678; Samuel B., Jan., 1681 (died young); Recompense, March 27, 1683; Israel, 1689. He d. Feb., 1694, and his widow married a Perkins.

**DAVID THOMAS**, of Marblehead, 1648 to '68.

**EDWARD THOMAS**, Boston, 1685, agent of Joseph Thompson, of London, merchant.

**EVAN THOMAS**, Boston, 1640, came from Wales, bringing his wife, Jane, and four children, among whom

was believed to have been George, b. about 1640. Admitted to the church April 4, 1641, and freeman June 2d following. Had dau., Jane, baptized May 16, 1641; Dorcas, baptized Feb. 5, 1643 (d. 28th of same month); and probably William (William of Newton), b. in 1656. The wife joined the church March 7, 1646, and d. Jan. 12, 1659. Had another wife, Alicé, widow of Philip Kirkland or Catlin, of Lynn, whom he married 1659 or '60. Joined artillery company, 1653. He was a wine dealer and left a good estate; d. Aug. 25, 1661. His dau. Jane m. John Jackson Nov. 14, 1657. The widow seems to have been less acceptable in her control at the Kings Arms, public hotel, for she was warned to leave town as late as 1672, and was not restored before 1676. But she had a stout heart; relieved the tavern in May, 1680, from mortgage of £300, and lived on till 1697; her will of June 26th, proved Oct. 21st of that year, names plenty of children and grandchildren; of the latter class one, Abigail, was then wife of Rev. Joseph Belcher.

FRANCIS THOMAS, of Boston; m. Rebecca, dau. of Matthew Lyons. Had John, b. 1665. Was living, with wife, in 1674.

GEORGE THOMAS, of Salem, 1668.

GEORGE THOMAS, of Boston, supposed to have been son of Evan. By wife, Rebecca, had Peter, b. Feb. 5, 1683 (grandfather of Isaiah, LL.D.); George, March 16, 1685; Mavarick, March 19, 1694.

HUGH THOMAS, of Roxbury, of whom I can find no more than that he was admitted freeman 1651; probably had no children, as he gave his estate to strangers in

blood, for the good of Roxbury schools. He d. May 6, 1683, aged 76 years.

**JAMES THOMAS**, of Salem, 1646-49.

**JEREMIAH THOMAS**, of Marshfield, son of the first Nathaniel. Had Nathaniel, b. Jan. 2, 1686; Sarah, Dec. 25, 1687; Jeremiah, Feb. 14, 1689; Eliza, Nov. 19, 1690; Mary, June 5, 1692; Lydia, March 26, 1694; Thankful, June 30, 1695; Jedediah, Aug. 19, 1698; Bethiah, March 27, 1701; Ebenezer, Nov. 1, 1703; Priscilla, Oct. 13, 1705; Sophia, 1707.

**JOHN THOMAS**, of Marshfield, came in the ship "Hopewell," September, 1635. He was then only 14 years old. He was reared in the family of Gov. Edward Winslow. He m. Sarah Pitney Dec. 21, 1648. He had John, b. 1648; Elizabeth, Sept. 12, 1652; Samuel, Nov. 6, 1655; Daniel, Nov. 20, 1659; Sarah, Sept. 20, 1661; James, Nov. 30, 1663; Ephraim, Oct., 1667; Israel, in 1670.

**JOHN THOMAS**, of New Haven. By wife, Tabitha, had Elizabeth, b. March 15, 1649; Samuel, Sept. 5, 1651; Tabitha, Dec. 18, 1653; Joseph, Nov. 10, 1661. He was freeman, 1669; a proprietor, 1685; and father also of Daniel, John, and Sarah, all named with the other four children in his will of 1670. He d. Dec. 15, 1671. Sarah m. William Wilmot Oct. 14, 1658, and Elizabeth m. John Holt Jan., 1674.

**JOHN THOMAS**, New Haven, son of the preceding; m. Lydia, dau. of Edward Parker, of the same place, 1671. Had Sarah, b. Dec. 13, 1672; Abigail, Nov. 21, 1674; John, March 4, 1676; Hannah, April 26, 1678; Isaiah, Jan. 15, 1680; Rebecca, Sept. 20, 1681 or '82; Jeremiah, Feb. 16, 1685; and perhaps others.

JOHN THOMAS, Stratford, 1665.

JOHN THOMAS, Woodbury, 1690; possibly, but not probably, son of the preceding. Had John, baptized Aug. 30, 1695; Samuel, Sept. 10, 1699; Thomas, March 5, 1701.

JOHN THOMAS, from Wales, settled in Boston, where he m. Elizabeth —, March 30, 1667. Had, with perhaps others, John, who m. Elizabeth Viall, of Providence, 1695. John Thomas, grandson of the latter, moved to Eden, Maine, about 1750; from him has descended a very large family, now scattered through the State of Maine.

JOSEPH THOMAS, of Springfield, son of Rowland. By wife, Mary, had Mary, b. 1674; a child, 1675; another, 1676 (who all died young); Samuel, 1677. The preceding were all born at Hatfield, whence he removed probably to Springfield, and lastly to Lebanon, but at Springfield may have been born most of the other children: Mary, Dec. 29, 1679; Joseph, June 14, 1682; Rowland, March 29, 1685; Sarah, Feb. 5, 1687; Ebenezer, Nov. 24, 1688; Josiah, Oct. 7, 1690; Mercy, Dec. 12, 1692. Swore allegiance Feb. 8, 1679, and was admitted freeman 1690.

NATHANIEL THOMAS, of Marshfield, 1643, son of William, b. in England, 1606; probably came with his father, 1640; may have brought wife and child, William, b. 1638, d. unm.; Nathaniel, b. 1643; and daughters, certainly Mary, Elizabeth (b. 1646), and Dorothy; also Jeremiah. He d. Feb. 13, 1675.

NATHANIEL THOMAS, of Marshfield, son of the preceding; m. Deborah, youngest dau. of Nicholas Jacobs, of

Hingham, Jan. 19, 1664. Had Nathaniel, Joseph, Deborah, Dorothy (b. Nov. 6, 1670), William (b. 1672?), Elisha, Joshua, Caleb, Isaac, Mary; of whom Dorothy, b. Nov. 6, 1670, m. Joseph Otis Nov. 20, 1688. His wife d. June 17, 1696, and he took, Nov. 3d following, second wife, at Boston, Eliza, widow of Capt. William Condy (married by Cotton Mather). She d. Oct. 11, 1713. Served in King Philip's War as a captain, on the first outbreak, and was of the Massachusetts Council; d. Oct. 22, 1718, in his seventy-sixth year, by the grave-stone. His dau. Deborah m. John Croad Dec. 1, 1692.

PETER THOMAS, of Boston, son of George; m. Elizabeth, dau. of Rev. George Burroughs (who had on Aug. 19, 1692, suffered by judicial murder under Stoughton, at which Cotton Mather assisted). Had George, Elias, Peter, William, Moses. This last was father of Isaiah, LL.D., and head of a numerous and distinguished progeny.

RICE OR RISE THOMAS, of Kittery, Me., 1647; was of Boston, 1654; then 38 years old.

ROWLAND THOMAS, of Springfield, 1646; m. Sarah, dau. of Samuel Chapin, April 14, 1647. Had Joseph, b. Jan 6, 1648, d. next year; Samuel, March 2, 1649, d. in few days; Mary, March 25, 1650, d. in few days; Joseph again, March 25, 1651; Benjamin, May 23, 1653; Josiah, April 4, 1655, d. soon; Josiah again, Oct. 28, 1657, d. in few days; Samuel again, May 6, 1662, d. at 39 years, unmarried; another daughter, Sept. 14, 1666, who m. James Warriner 1692; the second Mary, Jan. 9, 1669, d. next year; and Mercy, May 15, 1671, who m. John Bagg, March 30, 1689; besides two others, of whom neither lived long enough to find a name; so that of thirteen, only five children lived to adult age. He took

oath of allegiance Dec. 31, 1678; had been at Hadley 1669 and at Westfield 1670. His wife d. Aug. 5, 1684, and he d. at Springfield Feb. 21, 1698.

SAMUEL THOMAS, of Marshfield, son of John, b. Nov. 6, 1655; m. Mercy, dau. of Deacon William Ford, May 27, 1680. They had Bethiah, b. Jan. 25, 1681; John, Nov. 8, 1683; Samuel, Dec. 7, 1685; Nathan, Nov. 21, 1688; Joseph, in 1690; Gideon, 1692; and Josiah, 1694(?).

WILLIAM THOMAS, of Newbury, came in the "Mary Ann," of Yarmouth, 1637; embarked in May, aged 26; unmarried; husbandman of Great Comberton, in County Worcester; m. March 8, 1666, Susanna, widow of Robert Rogers, who by this marriage had no children and d. March 29, 1677. He d. Sept. 30, 1690.

WILLIAM THOMAS, of Marshfield, about 1640; made freeman of the colonies March 17, 1642. He was chosen assistant to Gov. Bradford in 1642, and so continued to his death; d. Aug., 1651, aged 78, nearly.

WILLIAM THOMAS, of Marshfield, son of the first Nathaniel, b. in England in 1638, of whom we know only that he d. unmarried March 30, 1718, aged 80 years.

WILLIAM THOMAS, of Newton, probably son of Evan, of Boston, by wife, Elizabeth, had William, b. Aug. 31, 1687 (William of Hardwick); and by second wife, Ann, widow of Thomas Lovering, of Watertown (m. Aug. 29, 1695), had Joanna, b. Oct. 28th following (d. young). He d. Dec. 24, 1697.

Seventeen of this name at Harvard, three at Yale, and seventeen at other New England colleges, are found by Farmer as graduates, in 1834.

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