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# Hvery Notes and Queries.

A Quarterly Magazine devoted to the History of the Groton Averys.

No. 1.

"Honor thy Father and thy Mother."

February, 1898.

Notes and Queries will be sent to every member of the Groton Avery History Club. Some of the subsequent issues may contain only eight pages each instead of sixteen.

The question is often asked, Who are the "Groton Averys?" Christopher Avery and his only son, later known as Captain James Avery, came from England with Winthrop and landed at Salem, Mass., in 1630. They subsequently settled at Groton (pronounced Graw-tun), across the river from New London, Conn., and there lived until they died. Their descendants are known as the Groton Averys.

The descendants of Dr. William Avery of Dedham, Mass., are known as "Dedham Averys." The Dedham tribe is not nearly so numerous as the Groton tribe. The founders of the two tribes lived at the same time in Massachusetts, but the relationship between them is not yet known.

Mr. Sweet's history of the Averys of Groton was indexed in many different parts, making search very difficult. Probably fewer than two-thirds of the names were indexed at all. The present family historian has had made, at considerable cost, a card index of every name in the book and of every name reported to him. New names are indexed as fast as received.

Once in a while I receive a letter from an Avery whom I can not yet "hitch" to the Groton or the Dedham line. Such letters are put on file as "Unidentified Averys." Further information from their authors, or some new addition to the card index, may take the letter out of that list, and enroll another member of the tribe any day.

The page and number references used in this magazine are to Sweet's History of "The Averys of Groton."

Sweet's his ory of "The Averys of Groton" is out of print, and can be secured only as a stray copy is picked up. A clean copy readily sells now for fifteen dollars, three times the subscription price.

Many persons are now trying to get copies of Mr. Sweet's history of the Groton Averys at prices much greater than the subscription price. And yet Mr. Sweet was not able to get four hundred subscribers to his work!

The family historian has a few pamphlets containing the appendix to Sweet's "The Averys of Groton," and relating to "Avery Coats of Arms" (with illustrations of four coats) and to "The Avery Family in England and France." These pamphlets will be furnished, as long as the supply lasts, at fifty cents per copy.

#### A GENEALOGICAL METHOD ILLUSTRATED.

Last October, I received a letter from a lady in Michigan who had heard from Groton, Conn., that I was the historian of the Avery family. She desired to trace the connection of her family with the Groton Averys, if such a connection existed. We, therefore, entered into correspondence for that purpose. They knew little of their ancestry; their grandfather's name was Benjamin Perkins Avery; they had a cousin by the name of Bissell, descended from Benjamin P. Avery's sister; their people came from Vermont by way of Palmyra, N. Y.

Search of the records in my possession revealed several things: Mr. Sweet's history of "The Averys of Groton," page 434, showed that a Nathan Avery had gone from Connecticut to Vermont, and thence to Palmyra, N. Y., where he applied for a pension. He had a son by the name of Benjamin Pearson Avery, and a daughter "Betsey who married a Mr. Russell." After Nathan's death, his widow went back to Vermont and there died, after applying for a pension. This removal from Vermont to Palmyra, N. Y., was common to both parts of the broken chain for which we were seeking the connecting link, and suggested careful study on both sides of the break. In a case like this, Mrs. Avery has a faculty of "observation and inference" worthy of Sherlock Holmes. Study of the applications for a pension showed that Nathan's widow returned to Vermont "to be with some of her other children, among whom was Betsey Bissell."

Evidently, the family record had been printed wrong, and the daughter Betsey had married a Mr. Bissell, and not "a Mr. Russell." This made stronger the probability that "the missing link" had been found; but "Benjamin Pearson" was not "Benjamin Perkins."

Further correspondence with the parties in Michigan brought out the fact that the name of the father of Benjamin Perkins Avery was Nathan. The probability now was very strong. Still further correspondence and study established the fact that Benjamin Perkins Avery and the alleged "Benjamin Pearson Avery" were identical. Nathan Avery, the father, had married a Miss Pearson, and it would have been natural for Mr. Sweet to assume that the name of a son reported to him as Benjamin P. Avery should be amplified into "Benjamin Pearson Avery." The information at his hand was scanty enough. However the error arose, it was detected; and the claim of these Michigan Averys to a descent from Captain James Avery of Groton was definitely established.

### HELP FROM THE GENEALOGIES OF OTHER FAMILIES.

In looking hurriedly over the Burhans' Genealogy in a library at Buffalo, N. Y., I noticed the record of a Louise Snyder, daughter of Richard and Blandine (Burhans) Snyder, born October 14, 1834, who married January 15, 1860, a Hezekiah Avery, who was born January 30, 1830. They had a daughter Carrie, born October 27, 1860. Mr. Sweet's history of the Groton Averys does not record a Hezekiah Avery who married a Louise Snyder, but it does mention a Hezekiah Avery who married a Louise Burnham, time and place not given, her birth and parentage not given, and who had a daughter Carrie, birth not given. Mr. Sweet had not given the date or place of birth of this Hezekiah Avery, but careful study of the record of Hezekiah's father showed that the son must have been born not far from 1830.

The following facts suggested, in spite of Mr. Sweet's record,

that this was the Hezekiah who married Louise Snyder:

He was born about the right time.

- (2.) His parents lived in the right neighborhood.
- (3.) His wife's name was Louise.
- (4.) His daughter's name was Carrie.

(5.) Hezekiah's brothers married wives with Dutch names; Burhans and Snyder are also Dutch names; family environment counts for something.

(6.) It was very easy for Mr. Sweet, or some copyist, or compositor, to charge a carelessly written "Burhans" into "Burnham," and to use the maiden name of the mother (Burhans) instead of the maiden name of the daughter (Snyder), and that is just what was done.

Thus we gain the date of Hezekiah's birth, the date of his marriage, the real name of his wife, the names of her parents, and the date of the birth of the daughter, Carrie.

If, in some family genealogy, you find an Avery connection, please copy the record, making reference to page and title of the book, and send it to the historian of the Avery family. The club treasury should be full enough to enable the employment of copyists to make such transcripts at the congressional and other great American libraries. See page eight.

Judge Edward Avery (page 132) was a member of the supreme court of Ohio from 1846 to 1851, when he resigned. A biographical sketch of him, written by U. S. District Judge Martin Welker, may be found in Proceedings of Ohio State Bar Association, July, 1889.

In the seventeenth century, the name Avery was often written Averill. For instance, the letter that Joanna Greenslade took from the church at Boston to the church at Gloucester, speaks of her as "now the wife of James Averill."

Please send to the family historian for a supply of his little circular, "Are You an Avery?" and then hand one to every Avery you meet.

Be sure to read the article printed on the eighth page of this magazine.

Please send to the family historian the name and address of every living Avery or Avery descendant that you know. Send him a marked copy of any newspaper that contains a notice of an Avery. Marriage and obitnary notices are especially desirable.

If a change by birth, marriage or death occurs in your family, report it promptly to the family historian.

The opening chapter of Sweet's "The Averys of Groton" contains all that is known of Christopher and James, he founders of the Groton Averys. There are a few pamphlets containing this chapter, and a view of the "Hive of the Averys." These pamphlets (20 pages) will be furnished by the family historian, as long as the supply lasts, at one dollar per copy.

Many corrections reported show errors in dates as printed in the family history. Most of these errors are in giving January for June, or June for January. Of course, the source of the error lies in the similar appearance of the written abbreviations, Jan, and Jun. It is safer to write the words out in full, or, at least, to write Jan'y.



THE HIVE OF THE AVERYS.

The house that Captain James Avery built at Groton in 1656 was occupied by eight successive generations of Averys. It was burned to the ground on the night of July 20, 1894. It was often called "The Hive of the Averys," and never passed out of the possession of a member of the family. The "Avery Memorial Association" was incorporated by the Connecticut Legislature, and has built a beautiful granite and bronze memorial on the site of "The Hive." I hope to give other pictures of the old house and of the present memorial in later numbers of Notes and Queries.

#### QUERIES.

Captain James Avery, the founder of the family known as the Groton Averys, married Joanna Greenslade of Boston, November 10, 1643. Nothing is known of her ancestry. If you find anything that you think may throw any light upon her ancestry, please communicate it to the family historian.

Sarah Avery, daughter of James and Deborah (Stallyon) Avery, was born May 10, 1688. She married a Mr. Latham (No. 19, page 29). What were the dates of her death and marriage? What was the full name of Mr. Latham? When and where was he born? When and where did he die? Who were his parents?

Benajah Avery, son of Edward and Joanna (Rose) Avery, was born October 12, 1710 (No. 36, page 30). What is his further record?

Sarah, daughter of Benjamin and Thankful (Avery) Avery was born July 29, 1742; married Captain Hubbard Burrows (No. 78, page 32). What was the date of her marriage? When and where was each of her ten children born?

Dorothy Parke, daughter of John Parke of Preston, Conn., married Ebenezer Avery, June 19, 1708 (No. 14, page 30). Her sister Abigail married Christopher Avery, December 19, 1704 (No. 15, page 31). When and where were Dorothy and Abigail born? What was the maiden name of their mother?

If you have not access to a copy of Mr. Sweet's book, I will send you a brief, type-written copy of your line back to the founders (Christopher and his son James Avery, A. D. 1630), for fifty cents, or a fuller record, giving the names of the children in each generation, for one dollar; provided I can ascertain just where you come into the line. The profits of this "business" will be used in pushing the investigations of the Groton Avery History Club. See page eight.

I am under great obligations to many correspondents who have taken pains to hunt up the information for which I have asked. Some have very kindly undertaken to secure the records of a grandfather and of all his descendants. They soon learn something of the trials of a family historian, and are led into helpful sympathy with one who has to secure the records of hundreds of grandfathers and their thousands of descendants. To all who have thus given help, or are now giving it, I tender my most sincere thanks.

"There may be, and there often is, a regard for ancestry which nourishes a weak pride, but there is also a moral and philosophical respect for our ancestors which elevates the character and improves the heart."—Daniel Webster.

Many families of Averys and Avery descendants have expressed surprise and regret at the omission of their names, and the names of their parents, from Mr. Sweet's book, while the records and letters sent to me by Mr. Sweet's executor show that the omission was due to the refusal or neglect on the part of parents to answer the inquiries of the family historian. Every genealogist finds his most discouraging experience in unanswered letters. Some persons thought that Mr. Sweet's self-sacrificing efforts were part of a money-making scheme! I have, similarly, been offered a copy of a family record in a Bible for a money consideration.

"These sought their register among those that were reckoned by genealogy, but it was not found; therefore were they, as polluted, put from the priesthood."—Nchemiah vii., 64. Join the History Club.

It is desirable that search be made in England for the connection between the Groton Averys in America and the Avery family in the mother country. It is hoped that an expert genealogist will be put at this work this year. Many searches ought to be made on this side of the Atlantic for items relating to members of the tribe, such as examinations of the records of colonial, revolutionary and other wars, including the civil war (in which many Averys fought honestly and bravely on both sides), pension lists, town histories, family histories, city directories and the records of hereditary societies, such as the Society of the Colonial Wars, the Colonial Dames, the Sons and the Daughters of the American Revolution, etc., etc. But such mining enterprises require a considerable outlay of money—for which the Groton Avery History Club is waiting. See page eight.

Notes and Queries ought to bring every Groton Avery, and every Avery descendant who does not know that he belongs to some other Avery branch, into direct communication with the historian of the Groton Averys. This means you, unless you have already written to him, giving your post-office address and what you know of your ancestry in the Avery line.

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Published at Cleveland, Ohio, by Elroy M. Avery.

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#### TO THE GROTON AVERYS-GREETING.

Since the death of Mr. Homer De Lois Sweet of Syracuse, N. Y., I have become, by common consent, the family historian. No one else seemed willing to do the work and bear the expense without any possibility of pecuniary compensation. I entered upon the work with enthusiastic zeal, and have already secured much in the way of corrections and additions to the printed record that was the result of Mr. Sweet's thirty years' labor. Methods of collecting, arranging and utilizing genealogical material that Mr. Sweet did not employ, largely because of the pecuniary losses that came to him in his later years, have been adopted by me for the reason that you are not willing to wait another thirty years for a second edition of the family history. In the year 1897, I put more than a thousand dollars into the undertaking; I do not regret it, but two things I do regret:

I. I can not afford such an outlay every year.

2. I see ways in which I could advantageously spend a larger sum. Some of these are mentioned in other columns of this paper.

I shall keep right on, doing the best that I can without any help. I would not take a cent for my labor; it is a labor of love. But if you feel, as I know that some of you do feel, that the burden ought not to be borne by one, and that the work should go forward as rapidly as possible. I would respectfully call your attention to the following suggestions:

Let us organize the Groton Avery History Club, with annual dues ranging from one to ten dollars, each member to fix the exact amount for himself or herself. All dues shall be payable to the family historian, to be used by him for the sole purpose of defraying the cost of collecting and arranging for publication all available material for a complete and satisfactory family history. The historian shall record in a book kept for that purpose each payment of dues, giving the name of the member, and the date and amount of the payment; said record for each quarter year shall be printed in Notes and Queries, a copy

of which shall be mailed to each member of the club. At the end of each year, the account of receipts and expenditures shall be examined by an auditing committee of three, to be chosen by the members of the club, or, if that shall not be practicable, to be appointed by the probate judge of Cuyahoga county, Ohio. The report of said auditing committee shall be printed in Notes and Queries.

I agree not to take as compensation for my services any of the money sent to the club. If, with this understanding, you are willing to join the club, please make your remittances for dues, as above in-

dicated, to the self-appointed treasurer of the club,

ELROY MCKENDREE AVERY, 657 Woodland Hills Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

It will be noticed that the "Club" plan outlined on page eight is little more than a device for sparing the feelings of the family historian, who really holds all the club offices. It does what seems practicable in the way of business checks, but, after all, it implies confidence in his honesty. If you do not know him personally or by reputation, you may make inquiry of any bank in Cleveland; of any judge or other magistrate at Cleveland; of any official of the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce; of any Cleveland daily paper; or of his publishers, Sheldon & Company, 43–45 East 12th street, New York City (please enclose stamped and addressed envelope for reply). If you cannot remove every doubt that all moneys paid in as dues to the club will be spent honestly for the purposes above indicated, of course, you ought not to pay such dues.

Will you not copy from your city directory the names and addresses of the Averys that appear therein and send them to the family historian, Elroy McKendree Avery, 657 Woodland Hills Avenue,

Cleveland, Ohio.

The portrait of James Avery facing page 14 is out of its proper place. It is not a picture of Captain James Avery, the founder of the family. I do not know what James it represents. The picture of Samuel Avery that faces page 558 should face page 598. The picture of William Avery that faces page 609 should face page 458. These mistakes of the binder probably would not have been made had it not been for the death of Mr. Sweet just before the completion of his thirty years' work.

Not every modest man can maintain a personal "organ" like Notes and Queries.

#### COLONIAL ROSTER.

Lineal descent from any person mentioned under this heading constitutes eligibility for membership in the "Colonial Dames" or in the "Society of Colonial Wars." Brief records like those below, with citations of authorities, are desired.

- 1. Captain James Avery, the founder of the tribe known as the Groton Averys. See the opening chapter of Sweet's "The Averys of Groton."
- 2. Christopher Avery (No. 15, page 31), commissioned lieutenant in 1714; captain in October, 1730; deputy to the general court of Connecticut, 1724 and 1725; justice; town clerk in 1730. See Colonial Records of Connecticut (printed). His colonial record does not appear in "The Averys of Groton."
- 3. Christopher Avery (No. 53, page 39, son of No. 15, above given), commissioned captain of the eighth Connecticut regiment, October, 1735: lieutenant-colonel, same regiment. October, 1739; colonel, same regiment, October, 1746; deputy to the general court of Connecticut, 1732, 1734, 1736, 1738 to 1764 inclusive; speaker of the house, 1751; justice, 1732 to 1768; town clerk of Groton for many years, the last term being in 1768. See Colonial Records of Connecticut (printed). His colonial record does not appear in "The Averys of Groton."
- 4. Theophilus Avery (No. 35, page 35), commissioned ensign of first company, fifth Connecticut regiment, October, 1746, by the general assembly; lieutenant of the second Groton company, 1749. See Colonial Records of Connecticut (printed). His colonial record does not appear in the "Averys of Groton."
- 5. Charles Avery, private in 1756 in Ebenezer Billings' company; sergeant in 1758 in Captain Benadam Gallup's company; commissioned ensign by the general assembly of Connecticut in 1758, in the eighth company (John Stanton's), second regiment; lieutenant, 1759, in the second company (Israel Putnam's), fourth regiment; lieutenant, 1760, in Captain John Tyler's company. The fourth regiment was raised in 1759 to invade Canada by way of Crown Point. See Colonial Records of Connecticut (printed). Was not this Charles Avery, No. 61, page 42?

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### REVOLUTIONARY ROSTER.

Lineal descent from any person mentioned under this heading constitutes eligibility for membership in the "Daughters of the American Revolution," "Sons of the American Revolution, "Children of the American Revolution," and similar societies. Brief records of Revolutionary service, with citations of authorities, are desired.

## FROM U. S. CENSUS OF PENSIONERS, 1840.

	FROM C. S. CERTES
NAM	E. AGE. RESIDENCE. "THE AVERYS OF GROTON."
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	- 1 Charlemont Mass
	c 1 \ 95 Southampton Mass
	- a . O1 Croton Conti
~	71 Groton, Coull
-	78 Preston, Conn(No. 135, page 5x)
	Stonington, Continuo (No. 165, page 16)
	75 Lebanon Count.
	70 Cornwall Conn
	78 Coventry, Conn
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	7 1 77 A 70 Preston, N. V
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	77 Auburn Pa
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0.1	Williams Avery 76 Cairo, N. Y.
0.0	Te Hamilton N V
0.0	75 Montz N V
0.4	S1 Rarnstead, N. H
0=	76 Groton Coull(No. 200, page 00)
26	Stephen Every

The surnames given for the twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth in the above list are misspellings for Avery. They have been fully identified.

It is possible that the ninth in the above list is identical with David, No. 212, page 447; that the eleventh is identical with Daniel, No. 175, page 437; and that the twenty-first is identical with William, No. 82, page 423. If you can identify any of the above, please send the information to the family historian.

The next issue of Notes and Queries will give a list of other Avery pensioners taken from the census rolls of 1832. It is thought that these rosters, continued from quarter to quarter, will be very valuable to the readers of Notes and Queries.

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#### ENGLISH RECORDS.

The name Avere appears in the Domesday Book, Vol. I., pp. 44 and 46. The Domesday Book was completed about A. D. 1084. From Salisbury Church Records:

"1591 Buriel, Mary, wife to Christopher Aveyre."

Mr. H. Hatcher, the antiquarian who copied the record in 1842, wrote: "There were Averys in the town within my recollection." See Mass, Hist, Collections, 3d, series, Vol. X., p. 139.

#### From London Marriage Licenses:

"Dudley Avery of St. Michael, Bassishaw, citizen and merchant-taylor, of London, bachelor, 23, with consent of his father, the right worshipful Samuel Avery, alderman of London, and Jane Large of Camberwell, Surrey, spinster, above 16, dau. of Thomas Large, late of the same, Esq., deceased, with consent of her mother, Elizabeth Whorwood, at Camberwell or St. Mary, Newington, Surrey, or St. Peter, Paul's wharf, London, 28 Feb. 1647-8."

"St. Michael's, Cornhill, William Avery and Elizabeth Harbye,

Dec. 13, 1573."

"St. James', Clerkenwell, Nov. 1, 1635, William Avery and Joane Cooper."

"St. James', Clerkenwell, July 3, 1603, Richard Avery and Katharine Harmon,"

#### From Parish Register of St. Thomas, the Apostle:

Jane, daughter of Edward Avery, christened Jan. 6, 1560. Margaret, daughter of Edward Avery, died Jan. 16, 1561. Jane, daughter of Edward Avery, buried Sept. 6, 1561. Mary, daughter of Edward Avery, buried Sept. 14, 1561. Garret, daughter of Edward Avery, buried Sept. 29, 1561. John, son of Edward Avery, buried Oct. 1, 1561. Edward Avery, cloth maker, buried March 30, 1580.

Robert Brinklow and Elizabeth Avery, married, Nov. 17, 1588. Thomas Fletcher and Luce Avery, married Dec. 8, 1567.

From Gray's Inn Admission Register:

"Admitted, April 6, 1657, Robert Avery, son of Robert Avery of Witheredge, County Devon, gent." (Page 281.)

"May 6, 1647, William Avery, son of Samuel Avery, citizen and alderman of London." (Page 244.)

"William Avery, son of — Avery, late of Itchington Bishops, County Warwick, gent." (Page 245.)

From the Register of the University of Oxford, England, Vol. I., Page 200, A. D. 1541—"Avery, William, chap., sup. for B. A. 1541,—1 adm. 12 March, Sup. for M. A., 14 June, 1544."

Page 598—"Avery, Thomas, supplicated for B. A., 31 March, 1452. Anstay, 521." (Note—"Anstay, 521" is a book-reference.) In Index—"Avery, John, Fasti, 6. 20." (Note—"Fasti" is a letter-book, containing names of undergraduates from A. D. 1422 to 1503.)

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

#### A SUGGESTIVE ANACHRONISM.

MR. ELROY M. AVERY,

657 Woodland Hills Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio,

Yours truly,

CHRISTOPHER AVERY.

Salem, Massachusetts Bay,

June 12, 1630.

The best time to forward corrections or new matter is at the earliest possible moment. Many corrections may be made by persons now living; the data should be secured and put on my record before these persons die. If you know of such a case, please "lend a hand," and do so now. In this way, I have connected several families that Mr. Sweet necessarily dropped several generations back. These families alone have added hundreds of names to the record.

The family historian takes pleasure in introducing to the Groton tribe, one of their blood who was lost from the fold several generations ago, and who has recently worked his way back, bringing an



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cestors and descendants with him. Dr. Aaron B. Avery of Pontiac. Michigan, and his wife, Lillian (Drake) Avery, have been very efficient and kind in the aid given to the family historian. His portrait is given herewith.

I intend to make the records of the daughters of the tribe somewhat more complete than Mr. Sweet did. In every case, when the daughter marries, I desire to "carry her forward," just as Mr. Sweet did with the married sons, giving the record of her marriage, of her husband's birth and parentage, and the records of their children. As these children do not bear the Avery name, and as the line must be drawn somewhere, I desire to tell when and where each was born and died, and whom each married. This will make it much more easy for their descendants to "catch on" to the Avery line. For instance, on page 135, Mr. Sweet gives as the only record of No. 1179, the following:

"Mary Minerva Avery, born June 27, 1825; died May 8, 1890." From a letter written in 1868, and sent to me by Mr. Sweet's executor, I learn that she married Willard J Deacock, February 11, 1845. I should like to learn (so that I may complete the record) where they were married, the date and place of his birth and death, his parentage, the names of their children, with date and place of birth and death of

each, and the name of the person whom each married.

As an illustration of the work of completing the printed record left by Mr. Sweet, the case of No. 561, on page 142, may be cited. Calvin, the son of Gardner and Amy (Newell) Avery, was born April 27, 1785; died February 12, 1859. He married, time and place unknown, a woman, whose name even was unknown. They had two children; names, dates and places of birth not given. It is not stated when and where this first wife died. Calvin Avery married a second wife, time, place and name unknown. They had three children, names, dates and places of birth not given. Could a record be more unsatisfactory?

Chiefly through the instrumentality of Mr. Trueman Gardiner Avery of Buffalo, the record of this family has been completed to the present time, thus adding scores of names to the roll of the tribe.

No family historian can write a satisfactory family history. Such a work is necessarily co-operative. The family historian may do his best in the way of direction and persuasion, but, in the last analysis, he is much more like a clearing house than a bank of issue.

Undoubtedly you would like to see a history of the Groton Averys that is complete. Then do your share; see that your own family is properly recorded; then look up "your sisters, your cousins and your aunts," ct al., to the best of your ability.

I have numerous requests for an immediate publication of the second edition of the "Averys of Groton." They who make such request probably do not realize the magnitude of the work involved in the revision, and the importance of the time element in the solution of the many problems. Even if I could devote myself to this work exclusively, time is needed for research in many fields. The work is going on rapidly, but, at the very best and with abundant means (see page eight), it will require a few years to get the records into shape that would justify printing them. In the meantime, I shall try to make Notes and Oueries as valuable as possible.

In the preparation of a second edition, I shall have the advantage of Mr. Sweet's work; I shall be able to begin where he stopped. I shall correct as many of the errors and omissions of the first edition as possible. I shall try to give the date and place of birth of every member of the family; the date and place of death of each who has died; the post-office address of each who is living. I shall try to extend the record of female members of the family, giving at least one generation of their descendants after the change from the Avery name. I want only one index, that to contain every name in the book. I shall modify the form of arrangement, and adhere closely to the form recommended by the New England Historical and Genealogical Society and generally adopted by genealogists.

Have you seen "Singing Verses for Children," written by Mrs. Lydia Avery Coonley Ward, and published by the Macmillan Company? Every Avery child has a right to the joys wrapped up in these nursery songs, set to music, and illustrated in colors.

Decidedly the best Physical Science Text-Books (Physics and Chemistry) are those written by the Hon. Elroy M. Avery, Ph. D., LL. D., and published by Sheldon & Company, 43 and 45 East 12th street, New York, and 262 and 264 Wabash avenue, Chicago, to whom all inquiries should be addressed.

Newspapers that receive copies of Notes and Queries are respectfully requested to state that:

All Averys, and Averys descendants, are requested to send their names and addresses to Dr. Elroy M. Avery of Cleveland, Ohio. He is writing a history of the Avery family.

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The portrait of Sidney S. Avery facing p. 531, should face p. 244. This error in binding Mr. Sweet's book illustrates the dangers that attend the use of mere initials in a genealogical work.

I have received lists of Averys and their addresses, copied from the directories of Chicago, Cincinnati, District of Columbia, Hartford, Holyoke, Kansas City, Philadelphia, Providence, San Francisco and Washington. If you live in some other town, will you not send me a list of all the Averys living in your town?

If you have any family, bible, grave-stone, town or army records, or wills, marriage or obituary notices, or any other information relating to any of the Groton Averys or any of their descendants, in your possession or know the location of such, please send them or copies thereof to the family historian. Unless you know that complete records of your family and of your father's family are in the possession of the family historian, please write to him in regard to the matter. He will be glad to send you printed blanks for making such records.

If you have sent in your family record, be careful to report every change by birth, marriage or death.

I intend to send at least one copy of Notes and Quertes to every member of the tribe who sends me his or her family report, so that there may be a full understanding and an opportunity for further co-operation. On page 414 of his history of "The Averys of Groton," Mr. Sweet says that Sarah, dau. of Richardson and Sarah (Plumb) Avery, m. Stephen Hyde. On the other hand, the descendants of one Jabez Fish say that his wife was Sarah, the dau. of Richardson Avery, and much correspondence was the result. Most of the genealogical papers of the country have published queries on the subject. As Sarah was born more than a hundred and fifty years ago, the solution of the problem proved difficult. Early in the present year, Mrs. Avery put on record the following: "Reasons for thinking that the wife of Jabez Fish was Sarah, dau, of Richardson Avery:"

- I Richardson Avery had a daughter Sarah not otherwise accounted for. She was of the right age and lived in the right part of the country to have married Jabez Fish. She died before her father made his will in 1784, and Jabez Fish's wife died before that time.
- Richardson Avery and all his family went to the Wyoming Valley; so did Jabez Fish and his wife.
- 3. The records show that the first name of the wife of Jabez Fish was Sarah, and all the traditions say that she was a daughter of Richardson Avery.
- 4. Anna, daughter of Richardson Avery married Obadiah Gore, and her descendants say that she had a sister who married a Fish. The Gores and Jabez Fish were closely associated in the Wyoming Valley.
- 5. The names in Jabez Fish's family are such as would naturally be given if his wife was Sarah Avery, daughter of Richardson.
- 6. Tradition says that Sarah, the wife of Jabez Fish, had a brother Christopher; and Richardson Avery had a son Christopher. This made a pretty strong case but it was not conclusive.

The matter has at last been settled. The David Avery manuscript mentioned elsewhere in this issue of Notes and Queries, gives a record of the family of Lieutenant William Avery, including his son Richardson. It then gives a record of Richardson's family, part of which is as follows: "Anna, m. Obadiah Gore, son of Obadiah Gore of Preston; Sarah, m. Jabez Fish, son of Captain Thomas Fish of Groton; Catherine, m. David Brown, son of Comfort Brown of Groton; Elizabeth, m. Asa Gore, son of Obadiah Gore of Preston; Christopher—bachelor." As these persons were cousins of the writer and probably personal acquaintances, the account, written more than ninety years ago, is authoritative.

#### QUERIES.

Hannah Avery (No. 1, page 27), daughter of James and Joanna (Greenslade) Avery, was born October 12, 1644. She married Ephraim Minor and had ten children. I have the marriage of only one of these children, that of Hannah, who married Samuel Frink. To whom was each of the other children married?

Mary Avery (No. 3, page 27), daughter of James and Joanna (Greenslade) Avery, was born February 19, 1648. She married Joseph Minor and had seven children. To whom was each of these children married?

Deborah Avery (No. 10, page 29), daughter of James and Deborah (Stallyon) Avery, was born August 1, 1671. She married Robert Allyn and had ten children. To whom was each of the following children married: Elizabeth, John, Ebenezer, Christopher, Lucy and Nathan?

What became of Prudence Avery (No. 29, page 29), daughter of James and Mary (Griswold) Avery, born March 21, 1715?

I should like the further record of Mary Avery (No. 44, page 30). She was the daughter of Ebenezer and Dorothy (Parke) Avery; she was born February 17, 1716, and married a Mr. Latham.

Elizabeth, daughter of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Waterman) Avery, was born January 7, 1725. What is her further record? Hannah, her sister, was born October 7, 1727. What is her further record?

Joseph L. Avery has four children, Elizabeth, Jonathan, Eunice Ann, and Louisa, baptized at Westfield, Mass., between 1820 and 1826. Wanted: His parentage, and the names and addresses of his living descendants.

I have a few pamphlets containing the appendix to Sweet's "The Averys of Groton," and relating to "Avery Coats of Arms" (with illustrations of four coats) and to the "The Avery Family in England and France." These pamphlets will be furnished, as long as the supply lasts, at fifty cents per copy.

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#### ENGLISH RECORDS.

(Continued from page 13.)

From the Register of St. Peters, London:-

Roger Avery, buried February 18, 1556.

Edward Avery, buried July 12, 1557.

Alice Avery, buried July 16, 1557.

Richard Avery, buried August 20, 1544.

From the Register of St. James, Clerckenwell:-

Thomas, son of John and Alice Avery, christened November 30, 1642. Elizabeth, daughter of Arthur and Alice Avery, christened May 11,

Mary, daughter of Arthur and Alice Avery, christened October 24, 1630.

Arthur, daughter of Arthur and Alice Avery, christened November 10, 1639.

Elizabeth, daughter of Arthur and Alice Avery, christened March 15, 1643.

Katharine, wife of Richard Avery, buried December S, 1615.

From the Kensington Parish Register :-

Margaret Avery of Hillindon and John Goborne married May 6, 1560.

Thomas Avery, buried January 18, 1573.

(To be continued.)

#### COLONIAL ROSTER.

Lineal descent from any person mentioned under this heading constitutes eligibility for membership in the "Colonial Dames" or in the "Society of Colonial Wars." Brief records like those below, with citations of authorities, are desired.

#### (Continued from page 10.)

6. James Avery (No. 2, page 28), commissioned lieutenant, May, 1690; captain, May, 1692; deputy to the general court of Connecticut from New London, October, 1689; April, 1690; May, 1692; May, 1694; May, 1695; October, 1697; May, 1702; deputy from Groton, April, 1707; May, 1708; October, 1708; May, August and October, 1710; May and June, 1711; May, 1712; justice in 1712; commissioner of the peace, May, 1693; May, 1694; May, 1695. He

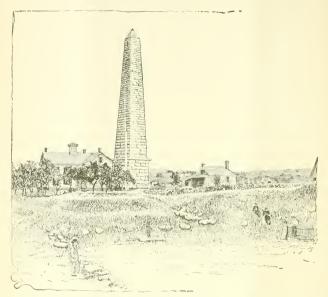
was one of the guardians of the Pequot Indians from 1694 to his death, and several times appealed to the courts in their behalf. In 1700, he was one of a committee to find a tract of land for the Narragansett volunteers; that land is now Voluntown. (For additional record, see page 28 of the "Averys of Groton.")

- 7. James Avery (No. 11, page 29), deputy to the general court of Connecticut from Groton, 1715 to 1718, 1724, 1725, 1726 to 1731, and 1735; commissioned ensign in 1716; lieutenant in 1721, and captain of the first Groton company, 1728; justice for New London county from 1726 to 1735 inclusive. After his father's death, he was appointed guardian of the Pequot Indians. His record does not appear in the "Averys of Groton."
- 8. Humphrey Avery (No. 15, page 560), deputy from Groton from 1732 to 1735, 1738, 1740, 1741, 1743; justice for New London county from 1735 to 1750. He was ordered to act in conjunction with a committee from Rhode Island and "to perambulate the dividend boundary" and set the monuments, in 1737; also in 1740 and in 1742. He was judge of probate in 1750. See Colonial Records of Connecticut (printed). His colonial record does not appear in the "Averys of Groton."

#### (To be Continued.)

The family historian is under great obligation to many members of the tribe for assistance rendered, to all of whom he desires to tender his grateful acknowledgements. It is, however, due that special mention should be made of the work done by several who have kindly undertaken to secure complete records of the descendants of some one who died several generations ago, as a grandfather or great-grandfather. By reason of personal acquaintance with many of these descendants, it often happens that another can do such work more successfully than the family historian. Moreover, it takes so much of the burden from over-loaded shoulders, and gives a fairer distribution of the total. Among those who have done or are doing such generous work for "The Tribe" are Charles Hedding Avery and Trueman Gardner Avery of Buffalo, N. Y., Major George Smith Avery of Ga-Jena, Ill., Mrs. Aaron B. Avery of Pontiac, Mich., and Edwin Leslie Avery of Indianapolis, Ind., the last of whom has already sent me fifty complete family records, besides valuable information helping to fill out other records.

The accompanying cut represents the battle monument on Groton Heights, across the river from New London, Conn. It is built of



granite and is a hundred and thirty-five feet high. It was dedicated on the sixth of September, 1830. Over the entrance is a marble slab with the following inscription:

#### "This Monument

was erected under the patronage of the State of Connecticut, A. D. 1830 and in the 55th year of the Independence of the U. S. A.

In Memory of the Brave Patriots
who fell in the massacre at Fort Griswold near this spot on the 6th of September, A. D. 1781.

when the British under the command of the traitor Benedict Arnold, burnt the towns of New London & Groton, and spread

desolation and woe throughout this region."

Of the one hundred and seventy persons in the fort at the time of the attack, eighty-eight were killed, thirty-five were wounded and paroled, and twenty-eight were carried off as prisoners. The remaining few escaped. Among them were the following:

#### KILLED.

David Avery (No. 89, page 50).
Elijah Avery (No. 98, page 51).
Christopher Avery (No 81, page 412).
Jasper Avery (No. 142, page 37).
Daniel Avery (No. 77, page 48).
Elisha Avery (No. 147, page 37).
Ebenezer Avery, Jr., (No. 108, page 53).
Solomon Avery (No. 80, page 32).
Thomas Avery (No. 352, page 59).

#### WOUNDED AND PAROLED.

Ebenezer Avery (No. 144, page 37). Parke Avery (No. 141, page 37). Amos Avery (No. 103, page 33).

#### PRISONERS.

Caleb Avery (No. 262, page 95). Rufus Avery (No. 261, page 86). Peter Avery (No. 280, page 50).

#### ESCAPEI

Nathan Avery (No. 158, page 65).

Perhaps the most discouraging feature of the work of a family historian is the large number of unanswered letters. Sometimes the failure to reply is due to the non-delivery of inquiries, but, in the great majority of cases, it is due to the carelessness or the indifference of those addressed. The postoffice authorities return to me all letters that they do not deliver. Many of these letters are of so much importance to the family history that I keep a record of the dates of sending, the names of the persons addressed, and the subject matter of the inquiry. My record shows that between January 1, 1898, and May 1, 1898, I sent one hundred and eighty-three such letters to which answers have not been received up to the time of printing this magazine. If you find that this paragraph hints at one of your delinquencies, please hunt up and promptly answer the inquiry that I sent to you, or, at least, ask me to renew it.

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#### THE GROTON AVERY HISTORY CLUB.

In the February issue of Notes and Queries, I stated that in the year 1897 I had spent more than a thousand dollars in gathering material for a more complete history of the Groton Averys. This expenditure was in addition to the work done by Mrs. Avery and myself. I also stated that I could not afford to spend that much money every year, that even more could be used advantageously, and suggested the formation of "The Groton Avery History Club, with annual dues ranging from one to ten dollars, each member to fix the exact amount for himself or herself." I promised not to take any of the money as compensation for my services, to make quarterly acknowledgement through Notes and Queries of all moneys received, and to publish annually the report of an auditing committee to be appointed by the judge of probate of Cuyahoga county, Ohio. To this proposition, the persons herein named have responded, sending as dues for the year 1808, the amounts severally indicated:

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Edwin Jaquett Sellers, Philadelphia, Pa	1.00
Mrs. M. A. Stockwell, Painesville, O	2.00
Trueman G. Avery, Buffalo, N. Y.	5,00
Mrs. Louise Avery Kellogg, Kansas City, Mo	1.00
William Randall Avery, Cincinnati, O	5.00
William H. Avery, Los Angeles, California	1.00
John D. Rocketeller, New York City	10.50
Brainard Avery, Washington, D. C.	2.00
Dr. Aaron B. Avery, Pontiac, Mich	5.00
Mrs. Helen Avery Pope, Norwood, Hamilton Co., O	1.00
Charles B. Gilbert, New Haven, Conn	5 00
A. L. Avery, Charlemont, Mass	2.00
Mrs. Sarah E. S. Xighman, Canton, O	1.50
Mrs. Mary E. Mathewson, Wakefield, Nebraska	1.00
Paniel H. Treadway, West Mystic, Conn	1.00
Thomas P. Kernan, Utica, N. Y	1.00

William H. Castle, Philadelphia, Pa	1.00
Miss Sibyl Howe Avery, Providence, R. I	1.00
Mrs. Elizabeth Avery Talmadge, Westfield, Mass	1.00
Mrs. Frances Avery Haggard, Lincoln, Nebraska	2.00
Major Cyrus Avery, Camptown, Pa	2.00
Mrs. Phebe A. Ely Avery, Chicago, Ill	1.00
Dr. Otis Avery, Honesdale, Pa	5.50
Mrs. George Kingsley, Paola, Kansas	3.00
Mrs. Delia Avery Southworth, New York City	1.00
Miss Jenny E. Williams, New Lordon, Conn	5.00
Miss Antoinette A. Williams, New London, Conn	5.00
Total receipts for the first quarter of 1898\$	72.50

Many others have expressed warm approval of the plan, and given assurance of financial support to the club at a later date. While some of these responses have been unexpectedly liberal, and while the accompanying letters express an appreciation of my work that is highly gratifying, the number of such responses is not as great as I had hoped for. There are many members of the tribe who can ill afford to join the club; there are some who by their active and direct assistance in the gathering of historical matter have richly earned honorary life memberships in the club; there are others who are going to join the club or to help in the gathering of information; there are some who ought to help in some way but have manifested no disposition to do so. If you are in this fourth class, will you not, my dear kinsman, please move up a station?

Perhaps you can not afford to pay the annual dues; perhaps you cannot afford an annual subscription to the magazine; but you can write to me; you can see that I get the record of your family; you can show some family pride and manifest some loyalty to the memory of your ancestors. I would rather have your active sympathy and personal assistance than your money. Most of those who have joined the club have given all of these. You must decide for yourself in what way you can best afford to help. The widow and the orphan and those poor in this world's goods can help as truly, and, in some cases, just as much as the millionaire. Lend a hand; please lend a hand.

Yours fraternally,

Thoy M. Gvery,

#### REVOLUTIONARY ROSTER.

Lineal descent from any person mentioned under this heading constitutes eligibility for membership in the "Daughters of the American Revolution," "Sons of the American Revolution," "Children of the American Revolution," and similar societies. Brief records of Revolutionary service, with citations of authorities, are desired.

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			Merrimack Co., N. H	
3 George Avery	Priv	75	Sullivan Co., N. H	
4 Joshua Avery	Priv	68	Barnstable Co., Mass	
			Berkshire Co., MassNo	. 95, page 577
6 Amos Avery	Serg	72	Berkshire Co., Mass	
7 Thomas Avery	Lieut		Franklin Co., MassN	o. 181, page 69
S Jonathan Avery	Serg	81	Franklin Co., MassNo	o. 92, page 337
9 John Avery	Matross.	76	Franklin Co., Mass	
10 Nathaniel Avery	Serg	82	.Franklin Co., MassNe	o. 54, page 415
12 Abner Avery	Priv	86	Hampshire Co., Mass No	o. 129, page 431
13 Ebenezer Avery	Corp	71	New London Co , Conn No	o. 144. page 60
14 Park Avery	Lient	79	.New London Co., Conn Ne	o, 144, page 58
15 Amos Avery	Priv	63	New London Co., ConnNo	o. 103, page 51
16 Daniel Avery	Priv		.Tolland Co., Conn Prob. No	o. 175, page 437
17 David Avery	Matross	69	New London, Co., Conn No	o. 212, page 447
18 Rufus Avery	Priv	75,	New London Co., ConnNe	o. 261, page 86
19 Oliver Avery	Priv	77	.New London, Co., ConnNo	o. 185, page 70
20 Christopher Avery.	Priv	69	New London, Co., Conn	
21 Caleb Avery	Priv	75,	New London Co., Conn No	o. 262, page 95
22 Ebenezer Avery	Priv	73	New London, Co., ConnN	o. 153, page 64
23 Denison Avery	Priv	87	ToHand, co., ConnNo	o. 82, page 48
24 Samuel Avery	Priv	80	Windsor Co., Vt	
25 Nathan Avery	Priv	75	Orange Co., VtN	o. 158, page 65
26 Nathaniel Avery	Priv	70	Orange Co., Vt	
27 Richard Avery	Fifer	72	Cayuga Co., N. Y	
28 Roger Avery	Priv	72	. Genesee Co., N. Y No	o. 231, page 78
29 Gardiner Avery	Priv	79	Oneida Co., N. YN	o. 229, page 76
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			Herkimer Co., N. YN	o. 96, page 578
			. Madison Co., N. Y	
			Bradford Co., Penn	
			Chowan Co., N. C	
			Wilson Co., Tenn	
41 Amos Avery	Priv		.Opelousas Parish, La	

The David Avery of Lebanon, Conn., whose name appears as No. 9 in the Revolutionary Roster printed in the February number of

"Notes and Queries," has been identified as No. 212, page 447, of Sweet's "The Averys of Groton." The Abel Avery, whose name appears as No. 10, in the same list, has been identified as No. 162, (To be Continued.) page 421.

The next edition of the "Averys of Groton" ought to record the the military service of every member of the tribe who had one. If you was a soldier please inform the family historian of that fact, stating, at least, the regiment and company of which you was a member, thus: Daniel Webster Martin (No. 508, page 650) enlisted at the beginning of the war (exact date preferable) in the 3d New York Cavalry (company should be stated). Owing to failing health, he was detailed as clerk at the headquarters of General B. F. Butler, and remained with him to the end of the war. Fuller details are desirable. If you can help perfect someone's else record in this respect, please do so.

#### THE LAST ROLL CALL.

William C. Avery, (No. 1418, page 258,) died at Stafford Springs, Conn., March 26, 1897.

Col. Isaac Wheeler Avery, (No. 1854, page 289,) died at Atlanta, Ga , Sept. 8, 1897.

Dr. Charles Hudson Avery, (No. 541, page 492.) died at New York City, Nov. 2, 1897.

Oliver Perry Avery, (No. 1048, page 224,) died at Norwich, Conn, Dec. 29, 1897.

Albert Ira Avery, (eldest son of No. 284, page 428,) died at East Galena, Ill., March 5, 1898.

John Barber Avery, (No. 615, page 154,) died at Aurora, N. Y., March 13, 1898.

Harriet Ann (Avery) Rollins (No. 1171, page 234,) died at Pittsville. Wis, March 24, 1898.

I have had sent to me for sale, a clean copy of Sweet's "The Avery's of Groton;" price, \$15. Another volume may be had at the same price, by addressing Dr. Alonzo M. Avery, Maquoketa, Iowa, or Phineas O. Avery, Humboldt, Neb.

For amounts less than a dollar, please send one or two cent postage stamps in preference to coin.

Notes and Queries: Have you subscribed for it?



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Dr. Otis Avery (No. 230, page 452) of Honesdale, Pa., whose portrait is given herewith, is probably the oldest practicing dentist in the world. His certificate is dated December 6, 1833, at which time there was not a dental college on either continent, and when teeth were pulled by physicians, barbers and blacksmiths. Long may be live.

#### STRUCK OIL.

Of the many new sources of information concerning Avery genealogy that have been opened to me, the richest "find" is the "Manuscript of the Rev. David Avery," written in the first years of the present century. This good minister "rode the circuit" from Long Island Sound to Vermont, staying over night with different members of the Avery clan, preaching in their homes, burying their dead, "supping with the mourners," and writing down their family records. So far as I know, he was the first genealogist of the family. His record appears on page 422 of Sweet's "The Averys of Groton." The document is in the possession of Mrs. Hannah Chaplin (Avery) Partridge, of Jewett City, Conn., a grand daughter of the author, and was copied and forwarded to me by Miss Helen Morgan Avery of Groton, Conn. It adds hundreds of items and is of untold value. It fills gaps, corrects errors and solves riddles, in a way that would delight any genealogist. For instance, on page 421 of his book, Mr. Sweet gives the date of birth of a Rhoda Avery, of whom he gives no further record. From this newly found manuscript, we learn that she married Levi, the son of Jonathan Jones. On the same page of the book, we find the date of birth of her brother John, with no further record. The manuscript shows that he married Abigail, the daughter of Nathan Marcan of Enfield, and had four children, Nathan, Wealthy, Rhoda, and Buell, The next record in the book is that of Lydia, a sister of the above, who is recorded as marrying Joseph Denison, and having by him ten children. This is certainly wrong, for the manuscript says that Lydia married, first, Abner, the son of Dr. Seth Johnson, and, second, Nathan, the son of Robert Jennings. The ten Denison children above mentioned are thus left motherless. The next record in the book is that of Abel, a brother of the above, "born Aug. 30, 1760; a soldier and a pensioner;" no further record, The manuscript shows that he married Elizabeth, the daughter of Robert Jennings, and has six children, Persis, Abel, Polly, John, Betsey and Lyman. The book next gives the date of the birth of Jabez, a brother of the above; "nothing farther" The monuscript shows that Jabez married Sally, the daughter of John Gilmore of Providence, and had five daughters. The book next states that Elizabeth, a sister of the above, married Martin Mudge, and became the mother of seven children. Evidently Mr. Sweet had found the record of the family of a Martin Mudge, who married an Elizabeth Avery, and assumed that

that wife was this Elizabeth, for he naively adds the remark that she "is supposed to be this Elizabeth, although the births do not exactly correspond. I could find no other." This assumption was unfortunate, for the David Avery manuscript says that this Elizabeth married Amos Jones. This leaves seven little Mudges, none of whom were born later than 1809, without any known connection with the Groton Averys. I hope that some philanthropic person will help me provide for these semi-orphans. The book next gives the record of Asa, a brother of the above. He married Sarah Green: "children, none reported." The manuscript confirms the marriage and blesses the union with four children. It also magnifies the merit of the parents of the above mentioned from Rhoda to Asa, another sister, Charlotte, who married John Hyde. I can not doubt the accuracy of the manuscript for these were the children of John Avery, the brother of the author of the manuscript.

Again on page 565, Mr. Sweet says that William Avery married Abigail Williams. On page 414 is the record of another William Avery who married an Abigail Williams. The latter marriage record is undoubtedly correct. Mrs. Avery had long been convinced that the other was an error. She had also found at Preston, Conn. the record of the marriage of William Avery and Hannah Meech in 1749, and the date of the birth of their child. Cynthia, but was not able to prove that this was the William recorded on page 565. The newly found manuscript proves this definitely and shows that the children of the two Williams must be re-distributed. Evidently, the "mixing up" of babies is not confined to comic opera.

Miss Maude N. Roadstrand, an Avery descendant living at Fitchburg, Mass., while sending the record of her own family, also sent many items, such as dates of births, marriages and deaths that she had obtained from the records of Westfield, Mass., and from the genealogist of the Dewey family. Some of these were very valuable and enabled the family historian to fill several gaps in records and to make connections that had long puzzled him. It is hoped that others will copy similar records and send them to the historian.

I have a few pamphlets containing the appendix to Sweet's "The Avery's of Groton," and relating to "Avery Coats of Arms" (with illustrations of four coats) and to "The Avery Family in England and France," These pamphlets will be furnished, as long as the supply lasts, at fifty cents per copy.

#### ON TO HAVANA.

During the "Seven Years' War," England sent a fleet and army under command of the Earl of Albemarle to reduce Havana. Fort Moro, the chief defense of the place, was beseiged on the sixth of June, 1762, made a stubborn resistance, and was captured on the thirtieth of July. The "incident" was considered one of the military glories of English history. By the terms of the treaty of Paris, England as recompense. The English army evacuated Havana in July, 1763. Among the troops that took part in the expedition to Havana were many New England men. In Captain John Wheatley's company from Connecticut were the following:

David Avery, (No. 49, page 410,) serg., died at Havana, Nov. 10, 1762.

Benoni Avery, (No. 51, page 410,) priv., died at Havana, Nov. 7, 1762.

On account of this victory, the Earl of Albemarle became an admiral.

Letters sent by me to the following addresses have been returned by the postal authorities. If you can give information as to the present whereabouts of any of these persons, or of any one who can do so, please let me have it:

John Murphy, Asheville, N. C. Isaac Snook, Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. Lucien Larned, Blackstone, Mass. Mrs. F. F. Williamson, Waynesville, Ohio.

The Rev. John Howard Avery, El Monte, Calif.

Nelson W. French, Hartford, Conn.

Mary Jane Avery, Rochester, N. Y. Harry C. Avery, Des Moines, Iowa.

Mrs. Lurancy Angel, Caledonia, Minn.

John Mackay Avery, Troy, N. Y. Robert Allyn Avery, Ledyard, Conn.

Mrs. Robert Henderson, Greenville, Conn.

Mrs. Frank H. Gardeer, Groton, Conn.

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Mrs. Mary T. A Mrs. Hopkins, aang , Los Angeles, Calif. 1ph Geer, Newark, O

Mrs. Lucy Davis, Lac

William C. Avery, Hur Greene Co., N. Y.

H. H. Avery, Spokane Palls, Wash.

The use of initials instead of names is convenient and proper in many cases, but in genealogical work it is very unsafe. By way of illustration: The C. H. Averys with whom I have to deal may be counted by the score, and the Charles H. Averys by the dozen. I have not counted the W. H. Averys; I do not know how many William H. Averys there are on my lists, but I do know that said William H. Avery is as difficult to corner as a Spanish fleet. I have heard from him at Brooklyn, N. Y.; Los Angeles, Cal.; St. Albans, Vt.; Holland, Mich.; Kansas City, Mo.: Groton, Conn., and elsewhere. He actually lives at all these places. It is, therefore, plain that there is good reason for writing names in full in genealogical work; that it is not a mere fad.

Notes and Queries acknowledges with thanks the receipt of the "Record of the Descendants of Samuel Denison," from C. M. Denison, of Whitesboro, N. Y., and of "Genealogical Notes of the Williams and Gallup Families" from the author, Charles Fish Williams, of Thomaston, Conn.

That a real value attaches to "Notes and Queries" is shown by the numerous requests from historical and similiar societies, libraries, etc., for copies. Such requests are always gladly complied with.

The opening chapter of Sweet's "The Averys of Groton' contains all that is known of Christopher and James, the founders of the Groton Averys. I have a few pamphlets containing this chapter, and a view of the "Hive of the Averys," and will furnish them as long as the supply lasts, at one dollar per copy.

If you have not access to a copy of Mr. Sweet's book, I will send you a brief, type-written copy of your line back to the founders (Christopher and his son James Avery, A. D., 1630), for fifty cents, or a fuller record, giving the names of the children in each generation, for one dollar; provided I can ascertain just where you come into the line. The profits of this "business" will be used in pushing the investigations of the Groton Avery History Club. See page twenty-four.

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The number and page references used in this magazine are to Sweet's History of "The Averys of Groton."

The portrait facing page 606 in Sweet's "The Averys of Groton" should face page 634.

Edwin Avery (No. 1670, page 279) was a soldier in the civil war. He was mustered in as a private in the 116th New York regiment of volunteers, September 4, 1862, and discharged June 8, 1865.

George Silas Avery (No. 886, page 491), a graduate of Syracuse university, has enlisted as a soldier in Co. C., 3d New York regiment of volunteers.

Ralph Washburn Avery (No. 2433 a, page 289) has gone to the Philippines as a soldier in Co. C., 7th California regiment of volunteers.

At the last annual meeting of the Florida Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Hon. John Campbell Avery of Pensacola (No. 2145, page 255) was re-elected president.

I am under great obligations to Morris and Smith, attorneys and counselors at law, Lockport, N. Y., for information concerning the descendants of Roger Avery, No. 231, page 78.

If you are a Groton Avery, I want the corrected and complete record of your family. If you have not sent it to me, please write for one of the blanks that I have prepared for that purpose. If you know of any other Groton Avery who has not sent me his or her record, please urge such person to correspond with me. Even if your record was printed without error in Mr. Sweet's book, you may be sure that it lacks some item that I want, and that you would like to have included. If you have sent your record, keep it correct by reporting changes as they occur.

If you have not access to a copy of Mr. Sweet's book, I will send you a brief, type-written copy of your line back to the founders (Christopher Avery and his son James), for fifty cents, or a fuller record, giving the names of the children in each generation, for one dollar; provided I can ascertain just where you come into the line. The profits of this "business" will be used in pushing the investigations of the Groton Avery History Club.

The opening chapter of Sweet's "The Averys of Groton" contains all that is known of Christopher and James, the founders of the Groton Averys. I have a very few pamphlets containing this chapter and a view of the "Hive of the Averys," and will furnish them as long as the supply lasts, at one dollar per copy.

I have a few pamphlets containing the appendix to Sweet's "The Averys of Groton," and relating to "Avery Coats of Arms" (with illustrations of four coats) and to "The Avery Family in England and France." These pamphlets will be furnished, as long as the supply lasts, at fifty cents per copy.

Anyone desiring a copy of Sweet's History of the Groton Averys at the price of \$15.00 may address William B. Avery, Morganton, N. C., or Dr. Alida C. Avery, San Jose, Cal.

The best bicycle saddle on the market is that made by Avery and Jenness, 297 Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Ill. (See No. 1120, page 538.) "It bends down."

The "On to Havana" article printed in the May issue of NOTES AND QUERIES was reprinted (without credit) in the August issue of a certain spirited and patriotic magazine. But that is "sincere flattery."

# THE LAST ROLL CALL.

James Harvey Avery (No. 398, page 355) died at Painesville, Ohio, May 20, 1898.

David Austin Avery (No. 808, page 478) died at Willimantic, Conn., June 5, 1898. His brother,

George Washington Avery (No. 809, page 478) died at Ottawa, Canada, July 28, 1898.

Winnifred Walter Booth Avery (No. 703, page 396) died at Holyoke, Mass., June 10, 1898.

The next to the last sentence in the first paragraph on page 30 of the May issue of this magazine was spoiled by the omission of four words. After the word "Asa" in the twelfth line on that page should appear the words. "by the addition of."



EUGENE HENRY AVERY, D. D.

This quarter's addition to the portrait gallery of Notes and Queries shows the fine features of the Rev. Eugene Henry Avery, D. D., (No. 1535, page 266). For seventeen years Dr. Avery has been pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Vinton, Iowa: for sixteen years he has also been president of the board of trustees of Coe college, at Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

## QUERIES.

Nathan Avery (No. 257, page 363) was a physician, and served (probably as surgeon) in the war of 1812. He went to Tennessee about 1817 and died at Memphis. The record of his descendants is very incomplete. I think that some of his descendants (Averys, Merriweathers, Trezevants, Lambs, etc.) live at Memphis. I should be glad to hear from them.

Robert Hanneman Avery (No. 511, page 389) served three years in the civil war and was a prisoner at Andersonville. I should like to hear from some of his descendants.

Lydia Avery (No. 42a, page 36) married Deacon Medina Fitch. Wanted, the places and dates of her birth and death, the parentage, dates and places of birth and death of Medina Fitch, and a list of their children.

Joanna Avery (No. 31, page 34) married Mark Stoddard. Wanted, the date of Joanna's death, the parentage, dates of birth and death of Mark Stoddard, and a list of their children.

Aliff Pearson of Lyme married Nathan Avery (No. 141, page 434). Wanted, the names of her parents and the date of her birth.

Nathaniel Avery (No. 22, page 411) married Abigail, whose last name is unknown. Wanted, her maiden name, names of her parents, and dates of her birth and death. Also wanted, information concerning Desire, Mary, Amy and Abigail, the daughters of the abovementioned Nathaniel and Abigail Avery.

Nathaniel Avery (No. 54, page 415) married Amy, whose last name is unknown. Wanted, information concerning her and their children, Keziah, Daniel, Sarah, Josiah and Nathaniel.

Wanted, information concerning Anna Edgerton, wife of Amos Avery (No. 73, page 421). It is known that her father's name was Hezekiah, and that he was a cornet

Very few answers have been made to inquiries previously published in this department. It is very important that those who have the information asked for send it to me, thus enabling the publication of the revised edition of the family history at a date earlier than would otherwise be possible.

# COLONIAL ROSTER.

Lineal descent from any person mentioned under this heading constitutes eligibility for membership in the "Colonial Dames" or in the "Society of Colonial Wars." Brief records like those below, with citations of authorities, are desired.

# (Continued from page 21.)

- 9. Asa Avery (No. 41, page 35), commissioned captain of 5th company, 8th regiment, Groton, October, 1765.
- 10. William Avery (No. -, page -), deputy to the general court of Connecticut from Groton, May, 1773; justice, May, 1768 to May, 1774, inclusive.
- John Avery (No. —, page —), deputy to the general court of Connecticut from Preston, October, 1771.
- 12. Simeon Avery (No. —, page —), deputy to the general court of Connecticut from Groton, October, 1769.

(To be continued.)

### ENGLISH RECORDS.

(Continued from page 20.)

London Marriage Licenses:

Edward Avery, of St. Peter, Paul's Wharf, London, dyer, and Mary Edgley, of St. Bartholomew-the less, West Smithfield, London, widow of John Edgley, late of same, cheesemonger, at Horsney, Middlesex, 9 Sept., 1626.

Henry Avery, of St. Michael, Cornhill, upholsterer, bachelor, about 20, and Frances Waith, of Camberwell, Surrey, spinster, about 20, consent of father, Robert Waith, gent, at St. Olave, Southwick, Surrey, 12 May, 1674.

William Avery, silk weaver, and Christian Slater, widow, of city of London, at St. Alphage, London, 18 Jan., 1580-1.

William Avery, of Gray's Inn, gent, bachelor, about 29, and Elizabeth Hothersall, of Lewisham, Kent, spinster, about 18, consent of her mother, Elizabeth Freeman, widow, at St. Mary Savoy, or St. Catharine near the Tower, London, 22 Feb., 1667-8.

Thomas Avery of St. Olive's in Silver street, and Anne Goodricke, of St. Peter's in Cheape, 16 June. 1583.

William Smith. Westminster, joiner, and Joyce Avery, spinster, 3 July, 1620.

(To be continued.)

# REVOLUTIONARY ROSTER.

Lineal descent from any person mentioned under this heading constitutes eligibility for membership in the "Daughters of the American Revolution," "Sons of the American Revolution," "Children of the American Revolution." and similar societies. Brief records of Revolutionary service, with citations of authorities, are desired.

(Continued from page 27.)

MASSACHUSETTS SOLDIERS AND SAILORS IN THE WAR OF THE REVOLUTION.

The following names are here printed as they appear in the state document entitled "Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors in the American Revolution." Some of them appear more than once, each entry giving some part of the record of service. They are arranged, as far as possible, as they appear in that publication. It will be noticed that but few of them have been fully identified as members of the Groton clan. Please report any identification that you can.

Abel Avery, corporal, Capt. Ambrose Hill's company. Lieut-col. Miles Powell's (Berkshire Co.) regiment; enlisted July 18, 1779; dis charged Aug. 22, 1779 at New London.

Amos Avery, private, Northfield; enlisted July 22, 1779; discharged Aug. 27, 1779; also enlisted March 29, 1781 for three years; 22 years old, 5 ft. 9 in. tall, light complexion, light hair, farmer.

Amos Avery, private, Capt. John Mills' company, Col. Joseph Vose's regiment, on muster roll for April, 1781; enlisted April 8, 1781, for three years; reported deserted same date.

Benjamin Avery, private, Capt. Nicholas Crosby's company, Col. John Allen's regiment; enlisted Oct. 8, 1777; discharged Dec. 31, 1777; company raised for defense of Machias.

Benjamin Avery, seaman, Brigantine "Massachusetts," engaged Jan. 20, 1778.

Benjamin Avery, private, Capt. Mark Poole's company, Col. Jacob's regiment of guards; pay for services from Nov. 12, 1777 to Feb. 3, 1778 at Charleston; also from Feb. 3 to April 5, 1778 at Cambridge; reported sick and absent March, 1778 at Winter Hill.

Benjamin Avery, Ipswich; descriptive list of men raised to reinforce the continental army for six months; age 32, 5 ft. 7 in.; light complexion, arrived at Springfield July 6, 1780; under Lieut. Taylor, 2d Massachusetts line; also at Camp Totoway, Oct. 25, 1780.

David Avery, Pepperill, private, Capt. John Nutting, Col. William Prescot; marched on the Lexington Alarm.

David Avery, New Ipswich, Capt. Ezra Towne's company, Col. Reid's regiment; enlisted May 4, 1775.

David Avery, Gageborough (Winsor), chaplain, Col. John Patterson's regiment; engaged April 22, 1775; also pay roll from May 7 to Aug. 1, 1775; also Oct. 6, 1775; also Col. John Bailey's regiment; in need of clothing at Dorchester, Oct. 22, 1778; also return of officers in Lieut.-col. Ezra Badlam's 2d regiment, Sept. 24, 1779; also Col. Sherburne's regiment, continental army, pay accounts from Feb. 15, 1777 to March 5, 1780; reported as chaplain of the 4th Mass, brigade. (No. 78, page 422.)

David Avery, jun., receipted for bounty for three years' enlistment, dated at York, May 8, 1781.

David Avrey, New Ipswich, Capt. Ezra Towne's company, Col. James Reid's regiment; enlisted May 4, 1775; age 18 years, stature 5 ft., 3 in., brown complexion, dark eyes, farmer, birthplace Townsend, residence New Ipswich; mustered out July 11, 1775.

Edward Avery, Cape Elizabeth, private, Capt. Samuel Dunn's company, Col. Edmund Phinney's regiment; billiting roll from date of enlistment May 17, 1775 to date of marching to headquarters July 11, 1775; also company returns; also order for bounty coat or its equivalent in money, dated Cambridge Nov. 1, 1775.

Edward Avery, matross, Capt. Abner Lowell's company; marched July 11, 1776; rolls made up to Dec. 31, 1776 at Falmouth, Cumberland county.

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#### THE GROTON AVERY HISTORY CLUB.

In February, I began the publication of this quarterly magazine, and proposed the organization of a club with annual dues ranging from one to ten dollars, each member to fix the exact amount for himself or herself. In the May issue of Notes and Queries, I acknowledged the receipt of membership dues aggregating seventy-two dollars and a half. Since that time, dues have been received as follows:

Andrew J. Avery, Dunkirk, N. Y	\$10.00
Mrs. Clara Avery Miller, Keokuk, Ia	I.00
Mrs. Helen Josephine Yeamans, Westfield, Mass.	1.00
Edward Perry Avery, New Haven, Conn	3.00
Mrs. F. W. Goddard, Colorado Springs, Colo	3.00
D. H. Treadway, West Mystic, Conn	4 00
James W. Eldridge, Hartford, Conn	1.00
Frederick Christopher Avery, Toledo, O	5.00
Mrs. Harriet A, Jewell, Dunkirk, N. Y.	1.00
Mrs. Edmund C. Cooley, Dunkirk, N. Y.	1.00
Edward Emmett Avery, San Francisco, Cal	1.00
Lucius Evans Avery, Ferrisburg, Vt	1.50
Frank Milton Avery, Denver, Col	1.50
Mrs. Adaline Avery Shepard, Westfield, Mass	1,00
Irving J. Avery, New London, Conn	I.00
Charles B. Chapman, Norwich, Conn	1.00
Florello P. Avery, Tunkhannock, Pa	5.00
Mrs. Sarah Avery Barnum, Buffalo, N. Y	1.00
Mrs. Fred Egelhoff, Dallas, Texas	1.00
Mrs. R. Y. Mitchell, Findlay, O	2,00
John Fletcher Avery, Ann Arbor, Mich	3.50
Total receipts for the second quarter of 1898	\$49.50

Since the issue of the first number of the magazine, I have also received nineteen subscriptions at fifty cents each, so that the total revenue of the "Club" and of its official organ for the first half of the

year is just a hundred and thirty-one dollars and a half. This amount is sufficient to pay for printing the three numbers of Notes and Queries now issued, and perhaps a quarter of my postage account for the corresponding period. Of the thousand members of the family to whom the magazine has been sent, just sixty-seven have become subscribers—for all club members are considered subscribers.

The magazine has proved itself an efficient aid in my work as family historian, bringing me many items of valuable information that I otherwise would not have received. It has also carried information to the readers of its pages that many of them have found valuable. I hereby return my sincere thanks to those who by their contributions and subscriptions have enabled me to publish it so far, and made it necessary for me to continue its publication at least to the end of the year.

Yours fraternally,

ELROY M. AVERY.

Some of my correspondents seem interested in "Avery Coats of Arms." There are perhaps half a dozen such coats, but there is no evidence that the Groton Averys have any claim to any of them—even if they would care to urge such a claim if they had one. Evidently, no such claim can be set up until the English ancestry of our

emigrant, Christopher Avery, is ascertained. It would cost money to make search in England for the missing link, and none of the rich members of the clan has yet offered to pay the bill. Simply as a matter of general genealogical interest, I give herewith a picture of the coat of arms granted in 1579 to William Avery of Filongley, County of Warwick, England. The scroll-work and tassels constitute no part of the coat, and may be used, modified, or omitted at pleasure. A description of this and other Avery coats, with a glossary of heraldic terms



used, is contained in the pamphlet mentioned on page 34 of Notes and Queries.

# REVOLUTIONARY ROSTER (Continued from page 39.)

Edward Avery, jun., Cape Elizabeth, return of men enlisted into continental army from Capt. Joshua Jordan's (2d company), Col. Peter Noyse's (Cumberland county) regiment, dated Nov. 20, 1778; joined Capt. George Smith's company, Col. Joseph Vose's regiment; enlistment for three years; reported enlisted in 1777.

Ephraim Avery, private, Capt. Joseph Cook's company, Col. Elisha Porter's (Hampshire county) regiment; enlisted July 20, 1779; discharged Aug. 27, 1779 at New London, Conn.

Ephraim Avery, Palmer, return of men enlisted into continental army, from Capt. Aaron Graves' company, Col. Pyncheon's regiment, dated Feb. 9, 1778; joined Capt. Bull's company, Col. Sheldon's regiment, enlistment for three years.

Ephraim Avery, private, Capt. Joseph Pride's company. Col. Nathaniel Jordon's (Cumberland county) regiment; enlisted Oct. 1, 1779; discharged Oct. 23, 1779.

Ephraim Avery, private, Capt. Isaac Parson's company, Col. Prime's regiment; enlisted May 4, 1780; discharged Dec. 19, 1780; roll dated at North Yarmouth.

Frederick Avery, order for wages dated North Winsor, June 16, 1783; service in Capt. Jackson's company, Col. Nixon's (6th) regiment; and Capt. Bowman's company, 5th regiment; served in place of Mathew Wyman.

Gideon Avery, Capt. John Poppin's company, Col. Richard Gridley's (artillery) regiment; order for bounty coat or its equivalent dated Winter Hill, Jan. 13, 1776.

Gideon Avery, seaman, brigantine "Massachusetts," commanded by Capt. John Foster Williams; engaged Jan. 20, 1777; discharged Feb. 17, 1777.

Gideon Avery, on the list of prisoners sent on shore at Sheepscott river and Townsend, from the British ship "Rainbow," dated Sept. 12, 1777; certified Nov. 10, 1777 that said Avery was released by Sir George Collin without receipt.

James Avery, Machias, quartermaster, Capt. Jabez West's company, Col. Jonathan Eddy's regiment: enlisted Nov. 14. 1776; discharged Dec. 16, 1776; regiment raised in Cumberland county, N. S.;

also lieutenant in Capt. John Prebble's company, Col. John Allen's regiment; on continental army pay accounts from July 4, 1777 to June 1, 1779 at Machias; also on pay roll for service from June 1, 1779 to May 1, 1781, Indian department, Machias; also petition sent by said Avery asking for discharge from his commission as lieutenant in Col. John Allen's regiment; allowed in council March 27, 1781.

John Avery, private, list of men returned as serving on main guard under Lieut.-col. Laommi Baldwin, July 3, 1775.

John Avery, first lieutenant, schooner "Washington" (privateer), commanded by Capt. William Preston, Sept. 6, 1777.

John Avery, private, Capt. Abel Richard's company, Col. Mc-Intosh's regiment; enlisted March 23, 1778; discharged April 6, 1778, Roxbury.

John Avery, Gloucester, private, Capt. Jonathan Roby's company, Col. Moses Little's regiment; muster roll dated Aug 1, 1775, enlisted May 29, 1775; also corporal, age 30 years; also order for bounty coat or its equivalent in money dated Dec. 11, 1775; also private in Capt. Amos Cogswell's company, Col. James Wesson's regiment, Jan. 25, 1778, residence, Charleston; enlisted for town of Gloucester; mustered by Col. Barber; continental army pay accounts for service Jan. 8, 1777 to May 20, 1778; reported died May 20, 1778.

John Avery, description of enlisted men, dated Medway, July 24, 1779; age 18 years, stature 5 ft. 7 in., complexion light, enlistment nine months

John Avery, Attleborough, descriptive list of men enlisted by James Leonard, muster master, dated Oct. 29, 1779, first company, Col. Dean's regiment; age 19 years, stature 5 ft. 4 in., complexion light, hair brown, eyes blue, residence Attleborough; enlisted for nine months.

John Avery, Brookfield, private, Capt. William H.'s company, Worcester county regiment; enlisted Oct. 2, 1779; discharged Nov. 10, 1779; service at Castle and Governor's Islands.

John Avery, Dedham, private, Capt. Aaron Fuller's company, which marched on the Lexington Alarm, April 19, 1775, from Dedham; also Capt. Joseph Lewis' first company, Col. William McIntosh's regiment; marched to Dorchester on alarm from Suffolk county, March

4. 1776, service four days; also descriptive list of men from Suffolk county in 1779, Capt. Battles' company; age 20 years, stature 5 ft. 7 in, complexion light; delivered to Ensign Edward White; also list of men received by Justin Ely, commissioner, from Major Stephen Badlam, superintendent of Suffolk county, dated Springfield, Sept. 20, 1779; also on pay roll for six months' men raised by Dedham for service in the continental army, 1780; marched July 15, 1780; discharged Dec. 24, 1780.

John Avery, private, Capt. Noah Allen's company. Col. Joseph Vose's regiment, muster roll for February and March, 1782, dated York Hutts; enlisted Jan. 8, 1782 for three years.

Jonathan Avery, Dedham, ensign, Capt. Aaron Fuller's company, Lexington Alarm, April 19, 1775, service nine days; also Capt. Joseph Lewis' first company, Col. William McIntosh's regiment; on alarm of March 4, 1776, service four days.

Joseph Avery, private, Capt. Stephen Smith's company; enlisted Sept. 15, 1775; discharged Sept. 27, 1775 at Machias.

Joshua Avery, Gloucester, private, Capt. Barnabas Dodge's (first) company, Col. Gerrish's thirty-eighth regiment, muster roll dated Aug. 1, 1775; enlisted May 2, 1775, service thirteen weeks; also company return dated Chelsea, Oct. 2, 1775; also order for bounty coat or equivalent in money, dated Chelsea, Dec. 27, 1775; also recruits for new establishment, dated Cambridge, Dec. 30, 1775; also return of men enlisted for one year from last Dec, 1775, age seventeen years; also pay abstracts Jan., April, 1776; also pay abstracts for May and June dated New York; also Capt. Dodge's company, commanded by Lieut. Cheever; also list of men in Col. Laommi Baldwin's twenty-sixth regiment to serve six weeks from Dec. 31, 1776, dated Trenton; also Capt. Mark Pool's company, Col. Jonathan Titcomb's regiment; on alarm at Rhode Island, stationed at Bristol, roll dated June 18, 1777.

Oliver Avery, Charlemont, captain of a company which marched, April 21, 1775, on the Lexington Alarm, service seventeen days. (No. 82, page 334)

Oliver Avery, jun... Charlemont, private, Capt. Oliver Avery's company, which murched April 21, 1775, on the Lexington Alarm, service seven days; company raised in Sherburne, Charlemont and Meryfield; reported enlisted under Capt. H. Maxwell, April 27, 1775; also Capt.

Maxwell's company, Col. Prescott's regiment, muster roll dated August 1. 1775; enlisted April 28, 1775; also company return (probably Oct., 1775), reported at Quebec; also Capt. Lawrence Kemp's company. Col. Leonard's regiment, enlisted Feb. 23, 1777, discharged April 11, 1777, at Ticonderoga; also Captain Samuel Taylor's company, Col. Porter's regiment, enlisted July 10, 1777, marched to reinforce the northern army after the evacuation of Ticonderoga. (No. 183, page 336.)

Ransford Avery, Southampton, private, Capt. Lemuel Pomeroy's company, Col. John Dickerson's regiment; enlisted Sept. 20, 1777; discharged Oct. 14, 1777; marched on an expedition to Saratoga, under command of Col. Ezra May.

Richard Avery, on account of bounty paid by selectmen of Wells to said Avery for service in continental army, March 22, 1782; also return of men enlisted in continental army, 1781, 1782, reported unfit for service; enlisted for the town of Wells for three years; reported disabled.

Richard Avery, New Marlborough, private, Capt Joseph Bates' company, Lieut-col. John Brooks' (7th) regiment, muster rolls for April and May, 1781, dated West Point; enlisted March 12, 1781, for three years; promoted fifer, May 20, 1781; also descriptive list of enlisted men, Capt. Collar's company, Col. Ashley's regiment; age 16 years, stature 5 ft. 3 in., complexion light, hair dark, occupation laborer and clothier, rank fifer, birthplace Oblong, N. Y., residence New Marlborough; enlisted May 20, 1781; joined Capt. Bates' company, Lieut-col. Brooks' regiment, enlisted for three years; on the muster rolls June, July, Aug., Sept., Oct., 1781; also Feb. 1782, York Hutts.

Roswell Avery, Gageborough (Windsor), private, Captain Nathan Watkins' company; marched April 22, 1775, in response to Lexington Alarm, from Gageborough and Partridgefield, service fourteen days; reported enlisted into army May 5, 1775; also Capt. Watkins' company, Col. John Patterson's regiment, muster roll Aug. 1, 1775; also company returns (probably Oct. 1775); also receipt for bounty coat or equivalent, Nov. 13, 1775. (No. 79, page 423.)

Roswell Avery, sergeant, Capt. William Clark's company, Col. Benjamin Simond's regiment; marched on alarm from Gageborough to Manchester, July 9, 1777, by order of Gen. Schuyler. (No. 79, page 423.)

Robert Avery, hand on the schooner "Plymouth," Capt. Isaac Bartlet; engaged Dec. 31, 1776; discharged April 16, 1777; sailed to the West Indies and back.

Samuel Avery, private, Capt. William Pearson's (3d) company; enlisted Feb. 20, 1776, rolls made up to May 31, 1776, at Gloucester.

Samuel Avery, private, Capt, William Pearson's (3d) company; pay roll for services from June 1, 1776, to Nov. 18, 1776, Gloucester.

Samuel Avery, Cape Ann, corporal, Capt. Mark Poole's company, Col. Titcomb's regiment, service two months on alarm at Rhode Island, stationed at Bristol, roll dated June 28, 1777.

Samuel Avery, Lincoln, descriptive list of men from Middlesex, age 40 years, stature 5 ft. 3 in., complexion dark, eyes blue, occupation farmer and wheelwright, residence Lincoln; enlisted March 10, 1781, for three years.

Samuel Avery, Weston, pay roll for six months' men raised by Weston for continental army during 1780: reported discharged.

Samuel Avery. Milton, petition dated Boston, May 9, 1777, signed by Paul Dudley Sargent and John Winthrop, jun., and asking that said Avery be commissioned commander of schooner "Eagle" (privateer), designed to sail in the fleet commanded by Commodore Manley; allowed in council, May 10, 1777; also petition dated May 26, 1778, signed by Samuel Jackson, asking that said Avery be commissioned commander of sloop "America" (privateer); allowed in council, May 26, 1778; also petition dated Boston, April 18, 1781, signed by William Foster, asking that said Avery be commissioned commander of the sloop "Twin Sisters" (privateer); allowed in council, April 19, 1781,

Thomas Avery, private, Capt. Simon Adams' company, Col. John Coller's regiment; enlisted Oct. 13, 1781; discharged Oct. 20, 1781.

Tob'h Avery, private, Capt. Joseph Smith's company; enlisted July 19, 1775; discharged Dec. 31, 1775.

Timothy Avery, Temple, descriptive list, Capt. Ezra Towne's company, Col. James Read's regiment; age 21, stature 5 ft. 6 in., complexion brown, eyes gray, occupation farmer, birthplace Townsend, residence Temple, private; enlisted May 15, 1775; mustered July 11, 1775; died Aug. 7, 1775. (No. 194, page 337.)

Walter Avery, Charlemont, private, Capt. Naham Ward's company, Col. David Wells' (Hampshire) regiment; enlisted Sept. 22, 1777; discharged Oct. 18, 1777; service at the capture of Burgoyne. (No. 185, page 336.)

William Avery, Capt. Warham Park's company, Col. Timothy Danielson's regiment; order for bounty coat or equivalent, dated Roxbury, Dec. 23, 1775.

William Avery, private, Capt. Elijah Clapp's company, Col. John Dickinson's regiment; marched on the Bennington Alarm to New Providence, Aug. 17, 1777.

William Avery, private, Capt. John Kirkland's company, Col. Ruggles Woodbridge's regiment; enlisted Aug. 16, 1777; discharged Nov. 29, 1777; raised to reinforce the northern army.

William Avory, Westfield, private, Capt. Warham Park's company, Col. Danielson's regiment, muster roll dated Aug. 1, 1775; enlisted May 4, 1775; service three months, four days.

William Averey, Westfield, private, Captain Park's company, Col. Danielson's regiment, company returns Oct., 1775.

# ( To be continued.)

Letters sent by me to the following addresses have been returned by the postal authorities. If you can give information as to the present whereabouts of any of these persons, or of any one who can do so, please let me have it:

John Murphy, Asheville, N. C.

Mrs. Lucien Larned, Blackstone, Mass.

Mrs. F. F. Williamson, Waynesville, Ohio.

Mary Jane Avery, Rochester, N. Y.

Harry C. Avery, Des Moines, Iowa.

Mrs. Lurancy Angel, Caledonia, Minn.

Robert Allyn Avery, Ledyard, Conn.

Mrs. Frank H. Gardner, Groton, Conn.

Mrs. Mary T. Avery-Sawtelle, M. D., Los Angeles, Calif.

Mrs. Hopkins, daughter of Ralph Geer, Newark, O.

Mrs. Lucy Davis, Laurel, Md.

William C. Avery, Hunter, Greene Co., N. Y.

H. H. Avery, Spokane Falls, Wash.

The February issue of Notes And Queries contained a picture of the "Hive of the Averys," built by Capt. James Avery in 1656, and occupied by eight successive generations of Averys. The "Hive" was burned on the night of July 20, 1804. The cut herewith given



represents the ruins immediately after the fire. The photographic negative from which the cut was engraved for Notes and Queries was kindly furnished by Miss Williams of New London, Conn. It is hoped that a future issue of the magazine may picture the fine memorial now standing on the site.

Newspapers that receive this copy of Notes and Queries are respectfully requested to state that:

All Averys and Avery descendants are requested to send their names and addresses to Dr. Elroy M. Avery, Cleveland, Ohio. He is writing a history of the Avery family.

# Hvery Notes and Queries.

A Quarterly Magazine devoted to the History of the Groton Averys.

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"Honor thy Father and thy Mother."

November, 1898.

The number and page references used in this magazine are to Sweet's History of the "Averys of Groton."

Gurdon Chappell Avery (No. 2234, page 268) married August 31, 1898, at North Lyme, Conn, Miss Elsie B. Bebee of North Lyme.

Miss Alexandra Avery (No. 941, page 496) was married September 14, 1898, at Galena, Ill., to Lewis Hunt Tompkins.

Miss Bertha Glen Avery, daughter of Herbert Glen Avery (No. 441, page 625), was married October 1, 1898, at Albany, N. Y., to John Toleman Bulkley.

George Griswold Avery (No. 2232, page 268) married October 5, 1898, at New London, Conn., Miss Jennie Elizabeth Crosbie of New London.

If you see, in a newspaper or magazine, any advertisement, marriage, obituary, or other notice of an Avery, please send it to me with the name and date of the periodical. It will not be much trouble for you, and may give me long-sought information.

A meeting of the Averett family will be held December 20, 1898, at Halifax Court House, Va., "to organize for the purpose of giving strength and system to the work of investigating the genealogy and history of the family." An invitation to attend is extended to all Averetts, Aviretts, Averitts, Avritts, and Averys. The signers of the circular think it probable that the different branches of the family now spelling the name in various ways, but all terminating with the letter "t," are descendants of common ancestors who settled in Virginia. The further idea that the "Virginia branch of Averys is of the same American origin," should go hand in hand with the firmly established fact that at least most of the Virginia and North Carolina Averys belong to the Groton branch. Correspondence concerning the meeting in December should be addressed to E. C. Averett, Danville, Va.

A recent number of the "Wayne Independent," published at Honesdale, Pa., gave an interesting account of the ninetieth birthday of Dr. Otis Avery (No. 230, page 452), whose portrait may be found on page 28 of the Notes and Queries. The article closes with this paragraph:

"Dr. Avery has been a man of strong character. He has lived in harmony with the principles of a true nobleman; he has cultivated the graces of patience, forbearance, love and self-sacrifice; socially his life has been one of meekness and purity, and in all of his business relations and professional duties he has been actuated by liberality, justice and the staunchest integrity. He has ever been and now in the evening of his life is still cheerful and sunny. There is certainly beauty in his old age and we can of him truthfully say with Wordsworth:

> 'Old age, serene and bright. And lovely as a Lapland night. Shall lead thee to thy grave."

Such testimony from witnesses who have had such opportunities for exact knowledge is truly a crown of glory.

> Long life and sound health, and great joy, For our nonogenarian man; Golden sunsets wholly free from alloy-Is the wish of our Avery clan. (Apologetically but conscientiously.)

I am under great obligation to Mr. and Mrs. Elisha S. Allyn of Ledvard, Conn., for careful and extensive researches among the early records of the Groton Averys and of families who inter-married with them. The records that they have found, transcribed and sent to me, have enabled me to fill many gaps and correct many errors in my records. Mr. and Mrs. Allyn are both descendants of the founder of the Groton Averys. I also wish to thank Mrs. A. H. Simmons of Mystic, Conn., for the loan of valuable documents, and Mrs. L. R. Southworth of New York City, for carefully compiled records. Miss Helen Morgan Avery of New London, and Miss Mary A. C. Avery of Norwich have been faithful helpers and deserve the gratitude of the whole clan.

Judge William Ledyard Avery (No. 901, page 1991) died recently at Cincinnati, where he had long lived. I have not yet received any further information.



WILLIAM RANDALL AVERY.

William Randall Avery, whose portrait is herewith given, is auditor of the Cincinnati Street Railway Company, which operates all the street cars in that city. He is a knight templar, and a member of the much coveted thirty-third degree, and one of the best known masons in the country. Mr. Sweet put his record on page 232 of "The Averys of Groton."

# QUERIES.

Wanted.—Information concerning Juderthan Avery (No. 178, page 422).

Wanted.—Information concerning Edgar Charles Avery (No. 555, page 141,) who in 1889 was manager of the Accommodation Banking Company at 51 Eighth Street, South Minneapolis, and in 1892-4 was president of a Loan Company doing business in the Manhattan Office Building on Dearborn Street, Chicago; or any of his descendants.

Jeremiah Avery (No. 272, page 643), the son of Jeremiah, married July 4, 1824, Ruth, the daughter of Nehemiah and Elizabeth (Sawyer) Chandler. She was born February 26, 1804, at Alstead, N. H. They had six children.

Eliza was born August 8, 1825 and married Charles F. Lincoln. Loyal D. was born August 15, 1826.

Edwin E. was born August 1, 1827, probably at Potsdam, N. Y. Nathan C. was born November 25, 1829.

William II. was born April 5, 1832, probably at Potsdam, and died August 7, 1878.

Charles Nehemiah was born August 31, 1836, married Sally Hurst, and probably lived in Cincinnati.

I should like to get into correspondence with any of these or with any of their descendants.

Guerdon Fnller Avery (No. 552, page 141) married Maria Lumbard. He died in 1855. It was reported to me that his widow lives at Waterville, N. Y., but my letter to her was returned by the postmaster, unclaimed. Information wanted.

Desire, daughter of John and Abigail (Cheseborough) Avery, baptized May 2, 1697, married Jeremiah Burrows. The further record of this family is desired.

Very few answers have been made to inquiries previously published in this department. It is very important that those who have the information asked for send it to me, thus enabling the publication of the revised edition of the family history at a date earlier than would otherwise be possible,

## COLONIAL ROSTER.

Lineal descent from any person mentioned under this heading contitutes eligibility for membership in the "Colonial Dames" or in "Society of Colonial Wars." Brief records like those below, with citations of authorities, are desired.

# (Continued from page 37.)

- 13. Ebenezer Avery (No. 14, page 30), deputy to the general court of Connecticut from Groton, May, 1720; October, 1726.
- 14. Ebenezer Avery (No. 25, page 33), commissioned lieutenant, 1st Groton company, May, 1728; captain. Oct. 1733; colonel, October, 1739; deputy to the general court of Connecticut from Groton, May, 1738; October, 1738.
- 15. Ebenezer Avery (No. 47, page 37), commissioned ensign, 1st Groton company, May, 1741; lieutenant, October, 1748; captain, May, 1749; major, 8th regiment, May, 1768; lieutenant-colonel, October, 1770; deputy to the general court of Connecticut, May, 1746; October, 1746; October, 1748; October, 1750; October, 1752; October, 1754; October 1763; March, 1764; October 1764; May, 1768; justice from May, 1754 to May, 1759 inclusive. He probably was justice from May, 1762 to May, 1772, though it is possible that it was his son (No. 108, page 53) who held that office during that time.
- 16. Ebenezer Avery (No 108, page 53), commissioned ensign. 1st Groton company, May, 1769.

# (To be continued.)

Is it not possible for some of the Connecticut members of the family to identify for me Nos. 10, 11, and 12 of this roster, as printed in the last number of this magazine? William and Simeon Avery were deputies in the general court from Groton, the former in 1773, and the latter in 1769. John Avery was deputy from Preston in 1771. It is evident that they were Groton Averys; it is equally evident that some one ought to tell me who they were.

"Why, Jennie, your cheeks are blue with cold,"

"No; I'm blushing," said Jennie; "that's my blue blood,"

# THE COLONIAL JONATHANS.

In 1739, Great Britain declared war against Spain. In February, 1741, Vice-admiral Vernon was sent on an expedition against Cartagena, on the Spanish Main, on the north coast of South America. The fever almost destroyed the troops while they were unsuccessfully besieging that place, and in May the expedition sailed for Jamaica. In July, the vice-admiral and his remaining forces sailed for St. Iago (Santiago), Cuba. Many of the troops were debarked and went into camp. The climate was so bad that many died, and the difficulties at the mouth of the harbor were so great that the fleet could not co-operate. In November, the troops re-embarked and sailed for Jamaica. For this unfortunate expedition. Connecticut sent five hundred troops, of whom only about fifty lived to return. History repeats itself.

The David Avery manuscript says: "Jonathan Avery and his son Jonathan went in ye expedition to take Carthagena and Cuba and they both died in ye expedition at Cuba." David Avery says that the older of these Jonathans was the son of James, jr., and that he married Elizabeth Bill. According to Mr. Sweet, the Jonathan who was the son of James, jr. (No. 16, pages 29 and 31), married Elizabeth Waterman, while the Jonathan who married Elizabeth Bill was the son of Thomas (No. 13, page 325). Baker, in his History of Montville, page 521, says that Jonathan, the son of Thomas, married Elizabeth Waterman, thus supporting David Avery and contradicting Mr. Sweet. Still another person says that the Jonathan who married Elizabeth Bill was the son of Samuel (No. 11, page 559). Who can settle the matter?

According to the testimony now before us we must conclude:

- 1. Jonathan, son of James, married Elizabeth Bill and not Elizabeth Waterman. Their children are correctly given on page 325. This Jonathan (No. 16, page 31.) and his son Jonathan (No. 38, page 325.) are the ones who went on the expedition to Cartagena.
- 2. Jonathan, son of Thomas, married Elizabeth Waterman. Their children are correctly given on page 31.
- 3. The wives and children of the Jonathans on pages 31 and 325 and all of their descendants, should change places.

If you are interested in the matter, let me hear from you.

### WRECKED BY A MISSIONARY.

The Rev. David Avery (see Notes AND QUERIES, pages 29 and 63.) went as a missionary to Maine in 1802. His diary during that period is very interesting. Among the many items is found the following:

September 22, Wednesday, 1802,—"Visited at Mr McCnrdy's— N. B. I find by Mrs. McCurdy, that her father, Mr. Robert Avery, was a brother of the Rev. Ephraim Avery late of Brooklyn in Connecticut, and of John Avery, esq., late of Boston. Soon after the French war, when many, from N. E. moved to the farms of the Neutral French, he moved from Lebanon in Connecticut, to Horton, at the Bason of Menus, on Windsor River, in Novascotia. He married Miss Anna Cushman, near Plymouth. His children are Robert, John, Josiah, James, Anna, Susanna, Sarah, Ruth. Anna married Capt. Geo. Hallyburton of Exeter, New Hampshire; Susa married Major Lem'l Trescott of Soward's Neck, opposite Moose Island at the mouth of the Passamaquoddy Bay; Sarah married Mr. John Burnet of Scotland Society in Windham, C.; Ruth married Mr. Neal McCurdy of St. Andrews on the Schoodick, Newbrunswick. I was urged vehemently to tarry and preach at this settlement, which is 3 m. N. by W. of the town of St. Andrews. Here are many families as needy of missionary charity as any people on the continent. N. B. Mrs. Anna Avery now lives at Scotland with Mr. Burnet, Capt. Samuel Avery, son of Rev. Ephraim Avery, now lives at Horton on the Avery place, Bason of Menus."

I have long tried to identify a numerous family of Maine Averys, descendants of Robert, with the Groton clan, but the above extract definitely shows that they belong to the Dedham Averys. See page 215 of the Avery Family Record, Dedham Branch. It also robs our Jonathan Avery (No. 11, page 559 of the Averys of Groton,) of his grandchildren by his son Robert, allotted to him by Mr. Sweet. It had previously been proved that his wife, Preserved, married not him but another Jonathan Avery. It is also probable that the Susanna who married Ralph Stoddard was not his daughter, as stated by Mr. Sweet, but some widow Susanna Avery. Will not some philanthropic genealogist do something for this trebly afflicted Jonathan?

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# THE GROTON AVERY HISTORY CLUB.

For the benefit of those who now see the Notes and Queries for the first time, it is stated that this "club" consists of persons who, being interested in the preparation and publication of a correct history of the Groton Averys, have made a certain contribution in aid of such a project. These contributions are called annual dues. Each member fixes the amount of his or her dues at pleasure between the limits of one dollar and ten dollars. Dues are payable to the undersigned, who reports all payments on this page, and accounts for his expenditures annually. Members assume no obligations other than for the payment of dues; there are no salaries or perquisites. In short, the club is a device for helping the family historian pay the expenses necessary to his work and without making him ask for such help. The sole test of eligibility for membership is a desire and an ability to pay the dues. If you are eligible, you are invited to join.

In the May number of this magazine, acknowledgement of twenty-seven payments, aggregating seventy-two dollars and fifty cents, was made. In the August number, twenty-one payments, aggregating forty-nine dollars and fifty cents, were acknowledged. Since that report, dues have been received as follows:

Mrs. George R. Stetson, Washington, D. C.	\$ 1	50
Christopher Lester Avery, Groton, Conn.		
George M. Buck, Kalamazoo, Mich		
Mrs. Hannah C. Partridge, Jewett City, Conn		
Charles L. Gillette, Sayville, N. Y.		
Mrs. Helen Avery Robinson, Anchorage, Ky		
Total receipts for the third quarter of 1868	200	===

All members of the club receive the AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES without charge. The receipts of the club to date are a little more

than enough to pay the expense of publishing the magazine. The report of the auditing committee will be printed in the next issue, as announced last February. All moneys received in November or December of 1898, will be entered as payment of dues for 1899.

With thanks to all members of the club, all subscribers to the magazine, and all who have sent me genealogical information and thus helped me in my self-assumed labor, and with all the cordial greetings that add to the joys of the holiday season, I remain,

Yours fraternally.

ELROY M. AVERY.

No one thing, except my inability to get answers to some of my letters of genealogical inquiry, has been more disappointing to me than the small number of subscribers to the AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES. If you do not feel able to join the club, ask yourself if you are not able to become a subscriber to the magazine. That costs fifty cents a year. If I can get you to subscribe, I shall feel pretty sure that you will answer my letters about your sisters and your cousins and your aunts. Perhaps we can then get some of them to become subscribers to the magazine, and, in turn, to interest others of the family.

# ENGLISH RECORDS.

(Continued from page 38.)

London Marriage Licenses:

St. Michael, Cornhill, Richard Avery and Ann Barber, by bans, October 22, 1626.

St. Mildreds, Mary Avery, daughter of John Avery of Ipswich, Co. Suffolk, gent., and John Burley. September 11, 1621.

Visitation of Dorset, 1623:

Jacobus 3 filius of Robertus Ryeres (married) Francesca, fil. Thome Auerie, Co. Wiltes.

Visitation of Warwick:

William Avery (married) Margaret, daughter of William Belcher. William Belcher died April 5, 1609.

(To be Continued.)

#### REVOLUTIONARY ROSTER.

Lineal descent from any person mentioned under this heading constitutes eligibility for membership in the "Daughters of the American Revolution," "Sons of the American Revolution," "Children of the American Revolution," and similar societies. Brief records of Revolutionary service, with citations of authorities, are desired.

# (Continued from page 47.)

A statement from the Bureau of Pensions at Washington shows that Stephen Avery (No. 96, page 578,) enlisted in May, 1780, and served about six months as a private in Captain Clifft's company, Colonel Durkee's Connecticut regiment. During this time he was one of the soldiers who guarded Major Andre shortly before his execution; he was also present and witnessed the execution of Andre. In the years 1778 and 1779, he was residing in the town of Groton, Conn., and was a member of the company of minute men, commanded by Captain Joseph Lewis, and was frequently called out on alarms to render short tours of duty as occasion demanded. In 1780, he again became a member of the company last named and, during the year 1781, rendered a number of short terms of service. He was at New London when it was destroyed by the British. No other details of his services are given. His pension was allowed for eight months and six days actual service. His application for pension was dated October 11, 1832, at which time his residence was at Salisbury, N. Y. In 1840, his residence was at Manheim, N. Y. (See AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES, page 11.) He died in October, 1842.

#### REVOLUTIONARY WAR ROLLS OF NEW HAMPSHIRE,

Daniel Avery receipted on the pay roll of Captain Eliphalet Daniel's company at Fort Sullivan, March 18, 1776.

Daniel Avery, private, July 6 to Oct. 22, 1780, Captain William Barrow's company, Colonel Nichol's regiment.

David Avery, on pay roll of Captain Ezra Towne's company, Colonel James Reed's regiment, Aug. 1, 1775.

David Avery receipted for coat promised by New Hampshire, in the same company.

David Avery, mentioned in Jaffrey town account of bounties paid to soldiers.

Elijah Avery, on the list of those supplied with blankets at Winter Hill, Sept. 13, 1775, Benjamin Mann, captain.

Elisha Avery, deputy commissary-general at Winter Hill, Dec. 14, 1775.

Jeremiah Avery enlisted for Nottingham, under Colonel John McCleary (no date).

Jeremiah Avery, in Captain Benjamin Sias's company, Colonel John Wentworth, Sept. 5 to Sept. 27, 1779, from Deerfield; in the forts at Pisquataque Harbour; also private, 1st regiment of militia raised for three months, Sept. 11, 1781, Colonel Wentworth; Sept. 29, 1781, received \$20 for enlisting for Portsmouth; his father, John Avery, receipts for his son, Jeremiah Avery's wages, Feb. 1782; also private from Portsmouth, Sept. 29 to Oct. 4, 1781, Captain Joseph Parson's company, Colonel Runnel's regiment of militia. (No. 120, page 575).

John Avery, on pay roll of men raised for Canada, under Captain Badger, Aug. 29, 1776; also July 23, 1776.

John Avery, Captain Wetherbee's company, Colonel Isaac Wyman's regiment, Nov. 5, 1776, at Mount Independence.

John Avery, pay roll of Captain Nathaniel Wilson's company, Colonel Thomas Stickney's regiment, July 22, 1777.

John Avery, on pay roll of Simon Maston's company, Colonel Joseph Senter's regiment, raised for defense of Rhode Island, July 15, 1777; also on pay roll from June 29, 1777, to Feb. 7, 1778; also receipted for bounty, July 15, 1777; also for traveling expenses, Sept. 8, 1777.

John Avery, private, July 4, to Oct. 28, 1780, Captain Sinclair's company, Colonel Thomas Bartlet's regiment; also on pay roll, Jan. 1781.

Jonathan Avery, Captain Francis Towne's company, Colonel David Gilman's regiment, Dec. 5, 1776, to March 12, 1777.

Joseph Avery, in list of men recruited by Henry Dearborn in 1780.

Joseph Avery, in Captain Isaac Frye's company, Colonel Scammel's regiment. Jan. 1, 1780, to Jan. 1, 1781; also on pay roll, Feb.

13, 1781; also on state pay rolls for 1780; also in same regiment in 1781.

Joseph Avery, on town returns for North Hampton, mentioned twice.

Joseph Avery enlisted for Nottingham in 1780.

Joshua Avery, sergeant, Aug. 4, 1778, to Aug. 28, 1778, on pay roll of Captain John Folsom's company, Colonel Moses Kelly's regiment, raised for defense of Rhode Island; also commissioned lieutenant, June 23, 1779, from Durham, in Colonel Hercules Mooney's regiment, raised for defense of Rhode Island. (No. 55, page 575).

Moses Avery, private from Barnsted, July 4 to Dec. 5, 1780;

also on pay roll for July 12, 1780; age given as 18.

Samuel Avery, private, Barnsted, July 4 to Dec. 13, 1780; on

pay roll July 12, 1780; age given as 20 years.

Timothy Avery marched from Temple to Cambridge, April 19, 1775, enlisted for eight months, and was at Bunker Hill; on pay roll of Captain Ezra Towne's company, Colonel James Reed's regiment, Aug. 1, 1775. (No. 194, page 337.)

If you can identify, as Groton Averys, any of these Revolution-

ary soldiers whom I have not identified, please notify me.

(To be Continued).

### ROSTER OF THE CIVIL WAR.

From "Revised Roster of Vermont Volunteers and Lists of Vermonters who served in the Army and Navy of the United States, 1861-1865." Compiled by order of the General Assembly.

1. Abner S. Avery, private, 12th regiment, Co H; residence Corinth; enlisted September 6, 1862; discharged July 7, 1863. (No. 667.

page 467.)

2. Park Avery, private, 12th regiment, Co. H: residence, Newbury; enlisted August 15, 1862; discharged July 14, 1863. (No. 985, page 200 )

3. Albert S. Avery, sergeant, 15th regiment, Co. A; residence, Vershire; enlisted July 29, 1862; made 2d lieutenant, May 2, 1863, 15th regiment, Co K.; mustered out August 5, 1863.

4. Alfred G. Avery, private, 9th regiment, Co. H; residence, Hardwick; enlisted December 12, 1863; died October 27, 1864; buried at City Point, Virginia.

5. Charles Avery, private, 1st Cavalry, Co. C; residence, Bakersfield; enlisted July 26, 1863; discharged July 26, 1864.

6. Cortie H. Avery, private, 9th regiment, Co. G; residence, Corinth; enlisted, December 21, 1863; discharged June 17, 1865.

7. George S. Avery, private, 9th regiment, Co. G; residence Corinth; enlisted December 21, 1863; transferred to Co. D. June 12, 1865; mustered out December 7, 1865.

8. John II. Avery, private, 9th regiment, Co. G; residence.

Orange; enlisted July 10, 1864; discharged June 13, 1865.

o. Frederick B. Avery, private, 3d regiment, Co. C; residence. Newbury: enlisted June 1, 1861; taken prisoner October 14, 1863; died at Andersonville, March 13, 1865. (No. 998, page 119.)

10. George W. Avery, private, Sth regiment, Co. D; residence. Topsham; enlisted December 13, 1861; died of disease, June 28, 1862.

(No. 658, page 466.)

II. Sylvester II. Avery, private, 8th regiment, Co. D; residence, Topsham; enlisted December 11, 1861; died of disease, June

3, 1863. (No. 655, page 466.)

12. Gideon H. Avery, private, 9th regiment, Co. D; residence, Strafford; enlisted June 9, 1862; discharged January 15, 1863 for enlistment in regular army, 17 U.S. Infantry; discharged July 30, 1863.

13. John W. Avery, private, 9th regiment, Co. D; residence, Strafford; enlisted May 29, 1862; discharged for disability, Novem-

ber 6, 1862.

14. Hiram Avery, private, Frontier Cavalry, Co. F; residence. Corinth; enlisted January 3, 1865; discharged June 27, 1865. (No. 690, page 468.)

15. Lorenzo B. Avery, private, 3d Bat. Light Infantry; residence. Northfield; enlisted August 19, 1864; discharged June 15, 1864.

16. Nathan A. Avery, private, 1st regiment, Co. D; residence, Newbury; enlisted June 2, 1861; discharged August 15, 1861. (No. 983, page 118.)

17. N. Ayers Avery corporal, 4th regiment, Co. II; residence. Newbury; enlisted Aug. 25, 1861; died of disease March 23, 1863.

(No. 983, page 118.)

18. Peter Avery, private 10th regiment, Co. C; residence, Clarenden; enlisted July 16, 1862; wounded October 19, 1864; wounded April 2, 1865 and died same day.

19. Samuel Avery, private, 7th regiment, Co. H; residence, Sharon; enlisted December 23, 1861; died of disease October 19,

1862.

20. Seymour Avery, private, 1st cavalry, Co. L; residence, Fairfield; enlisted September 18, 1862; discharged June 21, 1865.

(To be continued.)

#### SUPPLEMENT TO THE ROSTER OF THE CIVIL WAR.

It will be noticed that a number of the Averys mentioned above have been identified as Groton Averys. It is requested that any one who is able to identify any of the others will do so and send the information to me. There surely are, among the Vermont readers of Notes and Queries, those who are able to do this. You may not be able to refer to Sweet's "The Averys of Groton." In that case, tell me what you can of the person, the name of his father and mother, his brothers and sisters, everything, anything, that you can to help me place his military service to his proper credit.

By means of this roster and the identifications above recorded, valuable information concerning these persons has been secured, such as residence, military service and date of death. This illustrates one of the many ways in which the family records are being perfected. Similar records in other states, and records for the war with Mexico, and the war of 1812, ought to be searched with care. The archives of the national government contain information that might be dug out. The records of hereditary societies like the Cincinnati, the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution, the Colonial Dames, the Society of Colonial Wars, etc., are veritable mines of genealogical information. Town histories and published genealogies of families that have intermarried with the Avery family hide facts that would help complete the records of the Groton Averys. Many other sources of information are open to diligent search.

Do you imagine that your family historian, who, without this work, is a very busy man, can carry on the enormous correspondence connected with his self-assumed task, and make all of these researches in person, or even with the help of his wife and stenographer? The simple truth is that most of these researches, if made at all, must be paid for. Very largely with a view to such researches, the Groton Avery History Club was organized and the publication of Notes and Queries was begun. After nine months of effort, these agencies have not netted enough to pay my postage for the corresponding period. Of course, the magazine has been of great help, worth more than the work and money it has cost, but these researches have not yet been made possible. What shall we do about it? Let the work drag along until I die, and trust that you may then find a historian with the financial ability to work for love and pay all the necessary bills?

Through the kindness of his granddaughter, Mrs. Hannah C. Partridge of Jewett City, Conn., I am able to give herewith a portrait of the Rev. David Avery (No. 78, page 422), the first genealogist of the Groton Averys. He was born at Norwich, Conn., April 5, 1746.



THE REV. DAVID AVERY.

He entered Yale College in 1765 and, in his junior year, served as missionary to the Indians of central New York. After his graduation in 1769, he took a course in theology at Hanover, N. H. He was ordained in 1771, and again went to the Indians of New York. In 1773, he became pastor of the Congregational Church at Windsor, Mass. In 1775, three days after the initial fight at Lexington, he en-

listed twenty of his parishoners and, as their captain, marched to Cambridge. He served during the war, and in 1780 was chaplain of the 4th Massachusetts brigade. In 1800, he was sent by the Massachusetts Missionary Society to the wilds of western New York. In 1802, he went as a missionary to Maine. He died in 1818. A spirited sketch of his revolutionary service appears in Headley's "Chaplains and Clergy of the Revolution." See Avery Notes and Queries, page 29.

Letters sent by me to the following addresses have been returned by the postal authorities. If you can give information as to the present whereabouts of any of these persons, or of any one who can do so, please let me have it:

Mrs. Mary T. C. Avery-Sawtelle, M. D., Los Angeles, Calif.

William C. Avery, Hunter, Greene Co., N. Y.

Henry H. Avery, Spokane Falls, Wash.

Mrs. Henry Grover, Ann Arbor, Mich.

The opening chapter of Sweet's "The Avery's of Groton," written by me, contains, I think, all that is known about Christopher and James, the founders of the family now known as the Groton Averys. I have a few pamphlets containing this chapter, and a fine picture of the "Hive of the Averys," built by James and occupied by himself and seven generations of his descendants. Price, one dollar per copy.

If you have not access to a copy of Mr. Sweet's book, I will send you a brief, type-written copy of your line back to the founders (Christopher and his son James Avery, A. D. 1630), for fifty cents, or a fuller record, giving the names of the children in each generation, for one dollar; provided I can ascertain just where you come into the line.

I have a few pamphlets containing the appendix to Sweet's "The Averys of Groton," and relating to "Avery Coats of Arms" (with illustrations of four coats) and to "The Avery Family in England and France." These pamphlets will be furnished, as long as the supply lasts, at fifty cents per copy.

Newpapers that receive this copy of Notes and Queries are respectfully requested to state that:

All Averys and Avery descendants are requested to send their names and addresses to Dr. Elroy M. Avery, Cleveland, Ohio. He is writing a history of the Avery family.

# Hvery Notes and Queries.

A Quarterly Magazine devoted to the History of the Groton Averys.

No. 5.

"Honor thy Father and thy Mother."

February, 1899.

The number and page references used in this magazine are to Sweet's History of the "Averys of Groton."

If you are a descendant of Captain James Avery of Groton, the family historian wants your full address whether you bear the Avery name or not.

The John Avery mentioned as No. 11 in the colonial roster on page 37 of NOTES AND QUERIES has been identified as the John Avery who appears in the family history as No. 167, page 66. According to "Connecticut Men in the Revolution," the same John Avery was a lieutenant of Connecticut militia in 1776.

On page 191, Mr. Sweet says that Jeremiah George Harris was the pioneer Avery genealogist. As Mr. Harris was not born until 1809, he must fall into place behind the Rev. David Avery (No. 78, page 422). See NOTES AND QUERIES, page 63.

If you served in any of the wars of your country, please report to me the name of the military organization (company and regiment) or of the naval vessel, date and place of enlistment, engagements, casualties, and other leading incidents of service, rank, promotions, date of discharge, etc. If you can send such a report of another member of the clan please do so, remembering the importance of the date and place of death in cases where the soldier died.

If you are a member of "The Groton Avery History Club," remember that dues for 1899 are payable now.

William Edwin Hurlbut, son of Mrs. Apphia Hurlbut (No. 2397, page 286) was a soldier in the 33d Michigan Infantry, and served in Cuba during the recent war with Spain.

I have a few sets of the AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES for 1898 (four numbers) that I will send in an envelope, by mail, to any address, for fifty cents per set.

The beautiful geyser fountain in the public square, Cleveland, O., was designed and built by Herbert Glenn Avery, of Albany, N. Y., (No. 441, page 625).

Mrs. Eva J. Hopkins Hamilton, 702 N. Park avenue, Chicago, is prepared to make genealogical researches for coats of arms, family histories, ancestral lines for membership in societies of American Revolution, Colonial Dames and Mayflower Descendants. Mrs. Hamilton is a descendant of Captain James Avery and numbers several Mayflower pilgrims among her ancestors.

If you see, in a newspaper, or magazine, any advertisement, marriage, obituary, or other notice of an Avery, please send it to me with the name and date of the periodical. It will not be much trouble for you, and may give me long-sought information.

#### ORANGE BLOSSOMS.

As an illustration of the work that I am doing in the line of completing the family history left by Mr. Sweet, I would call attention to No. 418, page 444, for whom the only record given is:

"Christopher, birth unknown."

I now know that he was born December 10, 1817, at Granville, O., that he had one child (the Rev. William H. H. Avery, D. D., of Saint Albans, Vermont) by his first wife, and eight children by his second wife. I have the names, etc., of all these children. The son by the first wife had four children, the eldest of whom is the person mentioned in the following notice:

John Waite Avery, M. D., of Proctor, Vermont, married June 2, 1898, at Burlington, Vermont, Miss Anna Roberts.

Miss Mabelle Avery (No. 866, page 488) was married September 14, 1898, at Le Roy, Minn., to Milan John Hart, M. D. of Le Roy, Minn.

Edward Dewain Avery (No. 865, page 678) married September 1, 1898, of Ridgway, Pa., Miss Ella May Gardner.

Miss Bertha Jane Avery (No. 863, page 678) was married October 26, 1898, at Southwest City, Mo., to Dr. Walter Ernest Smith.

George Pettigrew Avery (page 132) married October 13, 1898, (probably at Groton, Conn.) Miss Nancy E. Randal.

#### AMERICAN AVERY CLANS.

The Groton Branch (descendants of Christopher Avery and his son, James):

Christopher Avery, weaver, came from England in 1630, in Winthrop's fleet, bringing with him his only son James. He went first to Gloucester, Mass., and later was a resident of Boston. James removed to New London about 1650, where his father joined him later. About 1656 James built a house across the river at the head of Poquonnock Plain, where he died in 1700. This house was long known as "The Hive of the Averys;" from it went forth swarms to settle in every state of the Union. James Avery married Joanna Greenslade; four of their sons and three of their daughters married and left descendants. This is the largest of the Avery clans. The history of the Groton Averys was published by Homer De Lois Sweet of Syracuse, N. Y., in 1894. A more complete record is now being prepared by Elroy M. Avery, 657 Woodland Hills avenue, Cleveland, O.

The Dedham Branch (descendants of Dr. William Avery):

Dr. William Avery of Barkham, Berkshire, England, came to New England about 1650. He brought with him his wife and three children and had four more born at Dedham, Mass. His descendants are to be found especially in Massachusetts and Maine. His record has been traced back for four generations into England. The history of this family was published by Winslow W. Avery of Plymouth, Mass., in 1893.

The Portsmouth Branch (descendants of Thomas Avery):

Thomas Avery, blacksmith, came to America in the "John and Mary" in 1633. He was first at Salem, Mass., and afterwards at Portsmouth, N. H. His descendants are numerous in New Hampshire. Some of his descendants are supposed to have been at Townsend. Mass. One of these, Robert, left a large family. No history of this family has been written, though much material has been collected in searching for records of other Averys. Miss Clara A. Avery, 47 Eliot street, Detroit, Mich., has much information relating to this clan.

The Ipswich Branch (descendants of William Avery):

William Avery first appears in Ipswich, Mass., in 1637. His will is dated 1653. His wife's name was Abigail; they had seven child-

ren. His son William had ten sons. Much difficulty has been experienced in tracing this family owing to the various spellings of the name by descendants. The Averills of Maine are descendants of this William. There has been a tradition in the family of Groton Averys that Christopher of Groton had a brother William in Massachusetts. It was easily proved that William Avery of Dedham could not have been a brother, but fuller investigation may show that Christopher of Groton and William of Ipswich were akin. Miss Clara A. Avery. 47 Eliot street, Detroit, Mich., is preparing a history of this clan. She would like to hear from the Averills, Averells, and Averitts, as well as from Ipswich Averys.

The Delaware Averys (descendants of Captain John Avery):

Captain John Avery was in Maryland in 1665. Later he was at the Whorekill, Delaware Bay, where he was president judge. His wife's name was Sarah. His only son died without issue. The record of the descendants in the female line may be found in the genealogy of the Kollock family by Edwin Jaquett Sellers of Philadelphia. The history of Captain John Avery, president-judge of the Whorekill, has been prepared by Mr. Sellers for private circulation.

The Virginia Averys, Averetts, Aviretts, Averitts, Avritts:

It is believed that many of the Virginia families under the above names had a common origin. The Maryland and Virginia records show that the following Averys were in that region before 1700: Jacob, Edward, Henry, William, Arthur. Robert and Joseph. E. C. Averett, Danville, Virginia, is investigating the genealogy and history of these families.

Dorchester, Maryland, John Avery:

One John Avery was at Dorchester, Maryland, as early as 1658. From his will and other sources, it would appear that he had a wife Anne and a daughter of the same name; also a grandchild, John Granger. He seems not to have left any descendants of his name.

Dorchester, Mass., John Avery:

Another John Avery appeared at Dorchester, Massachusetts, as early as 1642, and his will was proved in 1654. He seems to have had a brother Lawrence and a wife Anne in England. There is no record of any descendants in this country.

Avery-Everett:

The descendants of Josiah Avered, who was the son of Israel and Abigail (Morse) Everett, spell their names in various ways. One branch, the descendants of Abner Avered, now spell the name Avery. This spelling has been followed for more than a hundred and fifty years. Much difficulty has been experienced in separating these twigs from the Groton branch. Edward F. Everett, Box 1423, Boston, Mass., is preparing a history of the Everett family which will include this Avery branch.

The first annual report of the treasurer of the club and the report of the auditing committee appear on another page of this number of the magazine. Dues for 1899 are now payable. If you are a member, please send your dues to the treasurer. If you have not joined the club, please give careful consideration to the question of joining. Each member fixes the amount of his or her annual dues between the limits of one dollar and ten dollars. Every member of the club is entitled to the Notes and Queries without additional payment. If you decide that you cannot afford to pay a dollar or more per year, see if you cannot afford to become a subscriber to the magazine, which costs fifty cents a year. If you cannot afford that (and will make that fact known confidentially) I will gladly send you the magazine each quarter. Several of the clan have written to me that they could not afford the money, but that they were interested in the work, and would help in the gathering of records and information in their vicinity and among their near relatives. I count them as among the best paying subscribers. Please help as best you can. You can, at least, be sure that I have your address and the record of your family correct to date. Working together, we shall secure a history with which we may be almost satisfied.

In 1897, I paid out more than a thousand dollars in addition to the time given by my wife and myself. I felt that I could not afford to continue such a cash outlay, and "The Groton Avery History Club" was organized for the sake of distributing the burden. The success achieved by that device is told elsewhere in this issue. In 1898, I paid out several hundred dollars more than I received, in addition to "working for nothing and boarding myself." What have you done? What are you going to do? Yes: I mean you.

The sixth portrait hung on the walls of the Groton Avery History Club is that of Courtney Chandos Avery (No. 756, page 665), the genial and "hustling" manager of the advertising department of D. M. Osborne & Co., manufacturers of farm implements at Auburn,



COURTNEY CHANDOS AVERY.

N. Y. His numerous "ads" are ingenious, artistic and incomparable. They rivet the attention of even the careless reader and win the approval of the judicious. Being wide-awake in every fiber, he takes an active interest in the new family history, and makes that interest manifest by his works.

## POOR JONATHAN.

On page 55 of the AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES it is stated that recent discoveries rob "Jonathan Avery (No. 11, page 559 of the Averys of Groton), of the grandchildren by his son Robert, allotted to him by Mr. Sweet. It had previously been proved that his wife, Preserved, married not him but another Jonathan Avery. It is also probable that the Susanna who married Ralph Stoddard was not his daughter, but some widow Susanna Avery. Will not some philanthropic genealogist do something for this trebly afflicted Jonathan?" It now appears that this ill-starred son of Groton must be deprived of his only remaining child, John, who, in the printed family history, is said to have been born in 1729, to have died June 5, 1772, and to have married Sarah Bishnell (No. 25, page 562). According to the record of the Averys of Dedham, John Avery, son of Jonathan and Lydia (Healey) Avery, was born April 21, 1731, and died June 5, 1772, at Ashford, Conn. He married December 11, 1751, Sarah Bicknell, who died December, 1771. The list of their children is the same as that given by the compiler of the "Averys of Groton" to our Jonathan. This Dedham John was the son of Jonathan, the son of Robert, the son of Dr. William Avery, the emigrant and the founder of the Dedham branch. It looks therefore as if this entire Jonathan line must be given up to the Averys of Dedham. Can any one throw any furthur light on the subject? What are we to do with our Jonathan, now deprived of his wife and all his children?

A correspondent in Indiana informed me that John Avery (No. 1764, page 285) was a private in the 182nd Ohio Volunteer Infantry. Taking from a shelf in my library, the "Roster of Ohio Soldiers" in the civil war, I found that he was a member of Co. K, that he entered the service October 24, 1864, and died April 28, 1865, at Nashville, Tenn—It would have been impossible to identify the soldier from the roster without the information given, for John Avery is a very common name, and the Ohio roster is in twelve large volumes. If you can not tell all, tell me what you know about any of the Groton Averys. It may be the key to fuller information, as in this case.

If you belong to the Groton Avery History Club, remember that the dues for 1899 have matured. If you did not join last year, please do so now.

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Club dues for 1899 have been received as follows:

Mrs. Lillian Walden Moon, New London, Conn	.\$1.00
Edwin L. Avery, Indianapolis, Ind	2.00
Miss Clara A. Avery, Detroit, Mich	. 5.00
Mrs. Kate Avery Hallock, Cromwell, Conn	
Mrs. Elizabeth Avery Talmadge, Westfield, Mass	1.00
Irving J. Avery, New London, Conn	1.00
Dr. Alida C. Avery, San Jose, Calif	. 1.00
Mrs. Hannah C. Partridge, Jewett City, Conn	., 1.00
Joseph Dixon Avery, Chicago, Ill	1.00
Joseph A. Hyde, Deer Lodge, Mont	5.00
Gates Avery, Alva, Oklahoma	1,00
Albert D. Allen, Pittsburg, Pa	1.00
James Carrington Avery, Auburn, N. Y	1.00
Mrs. Zipporah F. Blake, Yorkville, Ill	1.00
The Rev. Frederick Bart Avery, Painesville, Ohio.	1.00
Charles Daniel Avery, Concordia, Kas	1,00
Total receipts for the first quarter of 1899	\$25.00

Each member of the club fixes the amount of his or her dues at pleasure between the limits of one dollar and ten dollars per year. Dues are payable to the undersigned, who reports all payments on this page, and accounts for his expenditures annually. Members assume no obligations other than for the payment of dues; there are no salaries or perquisites. All members of the club receive the Avery Notes and Queries without further charge. The first annual report of the treasurer, and the report of the auditing committee are given on other pages of this issue. If you desire to help pay the expenses of preparing a new history of the Groton Averys, you are invited to join the club.

Yours fraternally,

ELROY M. AVERY.

### TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

To the Members of the Groton Avery History Club:

Dr. Agron P. August

I hereby submit my first annual report as treasurer. Dues for the year 1898 were received from the persons named below, as reported in successive issues of the AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES:

Dr. Aaron B. Avery	5 00
A. L. Avery	2.00
Andrew J. Avery	10 00
Brainard Avery	2 00
Christopher Lester Avery	10 00
Major Cyrus Avery	2.00
Edward Emmett Avery	1.00
Edward Perry Avery	3.00
Florillo P. Avery.	5.00
Frank Milton Avery	1.50
Frederick Christopher Avery	5 00
Irving J. Avery.	1.00
John Fletcher Avery	3 50
Lucius Evans Avery	1.50
Dr. Otis Avery	5 50
Mrs Phebe A. Ely Avery	1 00
Miss Sibyl Howe Avery	1.00
Trueman G. Avery	5 00
William H. Avery	1 00
William Randall Avery.	5.00
Mrs. Sarah Avery Barnum	1 00
George M. Buck	2 00
William H. Castle	1 00
Charles B. Chapman	1.00
Mrs. Edmund C. Cooley	1.00
Mrs. Fred Egelhoff	1 00
James W. Eldridge	1 00
Charles B, Gilbert	5 00
Charles I. Gillette	1 60
Mrs. F. W. Goddard	3.00
Mrs. Frances Avery Haggard	2.00
Mrs, Harriet A. Jewell	1 00
Mrs. Louise Avery Kellogg	1 00
Thomas P. Kernan	1 00
Mrs. George Kingsley	3 00
Mrs. Mary E. Mathewson.	1.00
Mrs. Clara Avery Miller	1 00
Mr. R. Y. Mitchell	2 00
Mrs. Sarah E. S. Nighman	1.50
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John D. Rockefeller.		10	50
Edwin Jaquett Sellers		1	00
Mrs. Adaline Avery Shepard		1	00
Mrs. Delia Avery Southworth		1	00
Mrs. George R. Stetson		1	50
Mrs. M. A. Stockwell		2	00
Mrs. Elizabeth Avery Talmadge		1	00
Daniel H. Treadway		5	00
Miss Antoinette A. Williams		- 5	00
Miss Jenny E Williams		5	00
Miss Helen Josephine Yeamans		1	00
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Total of the fifty-three subscriptions	\$	142	50
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ELROY M. AVERY.

Treasurer of Groton Avery History Club.

Cleveland, (), December 31, 1898.

# APPOINTMENT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

To the Members of the Groton Avery History Club:

At the request of Mr. Elroy M. Avery, I hereby appoint a committee to audit his accounts as treasurer of said club, and to report to the members thereof according to the agreement made in the Avery Notes and Queries for February, 1898. The committee will consist of Colonel O. J. Hodge and Mrs. X. X. Crum of Cleveland, and the Rev. Frederick B. Avery of Painesville, Ohio.

Attest.

#### HENRY C. WHITE,

Probate Judge, Cuyahoga County. Ohio.

Colonel Hodge was formerly speaker of the Ohio house of representatives, and is the historian of the Hodge family. Mrs. Crum is a descendant of Mary (Avery) Ledyard (No. 107, page 52). The Rev. Mr. Avery is the rector of St. James' parish. Painesville, Ohio.

He is recorded in the family history as No. 523, page 391. The wife of Judge White is a descendant of Sabra (Avery) Capron, No. 383, page 64.

#### REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

To the Members of the Groton Avery History Club:

The undersigned, a committee appointed by the probate judge of Cuyahoga county, Ohio, to examine the report of the treasurer of the club respectfully submit the following report:

The dues for 1898 received by the treasurer and reported by him in the AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES aggregate \$1,42.50. Other receipts, as shown by his annual report, increases this amount to \$153.50, which is the amount for which he is accountable to the club.

Your treasurer has submitted to us receipted bills against the club in excess of this amount. These receipts show payments on account of the club to

The Williams Publishing and Electric Company...........\$109 00
The Publishing House of the Evangelical Association.............45 05

\$154.05

As it thus appears that the printing and stationery bills paid by the treasurer exceed the total amount of cash receipts, the work of auditing has been very simple. It, however, seems proper that the committee should call attention to the palpable fact that, with things as above reported, all expenditures on account of the club for postage, expressage, engraving, mailing, cash paid to town clerks, postmasters and others for copying records, etc., stenographer, and the many necessary incidentals, have been paid from the private purse of the treasurer. When to this is added the cash value of the service rendered by him and his wife, it clearly appears that his promise "not to take as compensation for my services any of the money sent to the club" has been fulfilled. Your committee does not feel that any comment they might make would add anything to the force of the facts as herein reported.

(Signed.)

O. J. HODGE,
MARCIA PHELPS CRUM,
FREDERICK BURT AVERY,
Auditing Committee.

Cleveland, Ohio, February 6, 1899.

#### THE FAMILY HISTORY.

In 1894, Mr. Homer D. L. Sweet of Syracuse, published a history of the Averys of Groton, a work of 698 pages. In spite of great disadvantages and frequent discouragement, his work had been continued for thirty years. The work was not satisfactory even to himself; such a work never is satisfactory to its compiler and, almost in the nature of events, never can be. While the book was in press, Mr. Sweet died. Only 400 copies were printed; he was not able to get even that number of subscribers. The surplus copies were soon in active demand. Members of the family who would not subscribe for the book in advance were glad to pay three times the subscription price for a copy within three years from the date of issue.

I had taken an active part in helping Mr. Sweet in various ways, for which he made generous acknowledgement in the book. After his death, there was a growing demand for a revision of the history; a persistent call for an edition that should be more complete, and that should avoid as many as possible of the errors that inevitably creep into a first edition of a work of this kind. No one seemed willing to take up the work that Mr. Sweet had laid down. This is not to be wondered at, for it necessarily involved much labor without any possibility of pecuniary remuneration. It is generally understood by those experienced in genealogical matters that it is very difficult to dispose of enough books to pay the cost of printing and binding, without giving any consideration at all to compensation for the long continued labor and expenses of the compiler. Mr. Sweet would not have been able to complete his work had he not received the financial aid that is acknowledged on page 4 of his history.

In some way, I scarcely know why. I began the work. The material accumulated by Mr. Sweet was sent to me. There were hundreds of letters to be classified, indexed, put on file, and examined. By comparative study of many published genealogies, and after conferences with genealogists, plans were formulated and methods devised. Among the things first determined upon was the adoption of the "Register Plan:" a fuller record for the families of Avery daughters; the giving of the postoffice addresses of living members of the family; and a single index to contain the name of every person mentioned in the book. Blanks were prepared, and an active correspondence was begun. A year ago, the "Groton Avery History Club" was formed, and the first number of the Avery Notes and

Queries was issued. While these agencies have not borne as abundant fruit as had been hoped, their value has been established and their possibilities made evident. The number of persons who have given help is not as great as had been expected, but unanswered letters are becoming fewer, and the interest in the work is becoming more general. Such considerations, far more than the cash receipts, encourage a continuance of the work. I can not doubt that a quarterly reminder to each of a thousand Averys will, before long, arouse the interest of many, and lead them to that active co-operation without which the best efforts of even an ideal family historian would be fruitless.

#### THE LAST ROLL CALL.

Dr. Henry Newell Avery (No. 1258, page 240), the health commissioner of Minneapolis, died April 17, 1898, at Forman, North Dakota.

Judge William Ledyard Avery (No. 901, page 199) died May 12, 1898, at Cincinnati, Ohio.

Freda Avery, the infant grandchild of Oscar Avery (No. 1371, page 159), died August 21, 1898, at Waldron, Ind.

Dr. Amos Geer Avery (No. 1102, page 229), died September 18, 1898, near Great Bend, Jefferson county, N. Y.

Edward Ely Avery (No. 1367, page 159) died November 10, 1898, at St. Louis, Mo.

William Alonzo Avery (No. 436, page 663) died January 6, 1899, at Chicago, Ill.

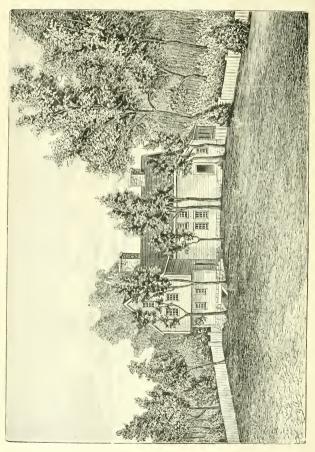
Mrs. Elizabeth Avery Hannahs (No. 1688, page 280), died January 18, 1899, at Watertown, N. Y.

#### APPRECIATION.

Mrs. JANE DOE.

Perhaps a writ of mandamus would be the proper remedy.

A picture of the "Hive of the Averys," built in 1656 and burned in 1894, appeared on page 5 of the Notes and Queries. Herewith



is given another picture showing the old house as viewed from the other side. Its site is now marked by a beautiful memorial, of which I hope soon to give a picture.

#### AN ENGLISH NOTE.

(From the Boston Registry of Deeds, 1643.)

Anne Avery of Wapping, Co. Mid. [England] widdowe, does app't Wm. Haddock of Wapping mariner and master of the good ship or vessel called the Salutation of London (now bound out to sea on a voyage to New Eng.) her attorney to recover from Capt. Gibbons of New E. etc. of Boston, all and every debt, duties, goods, cattle, merchandises oweing or belonging to s'd Anne from s'd Capt. Gibbon and also to receive from all or any tenants in New E. rents, arrearage of rents due her for or on any of her messuages lands or tenants whatsoever in New Eng.

(Signed) Anne Avery.

May 12, 1642.

Wits. Wm. Burrdock.
Orex Dowish.
John Goodlove.

I am anxious for records of military service by Groton Averys in the Confederate army. If you can send me lists corresponding to the Union lists that I have published, or if you can send me individual records, please do so.

There are many Averys still living who served the Confederacy. As one who wore "the blue," I tender to all such a fraternal greeting. We were not comrades, but we are cousins, and "blood is thicker than water." I know that you were as true to your convictions as I was to mine. The war of '61 is over, and the war of '98 has, I trust, rubbed out all lingering traces of sectional enmity.

"Johnny"-"Yank"-Shake!

Here's my haversack; lend me your canteen.

Of course, the signature to the letter on page 77 is a fiction, used to conceal the identity of the writer who really is a Groton Avery. Fortunately there are not many such. On the other hand, I receive scores of encouraging letters. For instance, a lady in Detroit (not a Groton Avery) joins our history club, speaks enthusiastically of the Notes and Queries, and expresses a regret that the descendants of James Avery "do not rally around you with the enthusiasm which such efforts as yours merit." Well, they are a little slow about it, but they will get there after a while.

The Hon, Richard Anson Wheeler of North Stonington, Conn., is about to publish a history of Stonington. For many years he was probate judge. No other man is so well qualified for the work. The book will contain much genealogical information concerning the early families, and will certainly be of great assistance to the historian of the Groton Averys. Of course, the Groton Avery History Club has subscribed for the book

Letters sent by me to the following addresses have been returned by the postal authorities. If you can give information as to the present whereabouts of any of these persons, or of any one who can do so, please let me have it:

Mrs. Mary T. Avery-Sawtelle, M. D., Los Angeles, Calif.

William C. Avery, Hunter, Greene Co., N. Y.

Mrs. Henry Grover, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Mrs. Guerdon Avery, Jr., Waterville, N. Y.

Cyrus Avery, New Haven, Conn.

Austin Avery. Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Mrs. Clark Hill, Keene, N. H.

The opening chapter of Sweet's "The Averys of Groton," written by me, contains, I think, all that is known about Christopher and James, the founders of the family now known as the Groton Averys. I have a few pan phlets containing this chapter, and a fine picture of the "Hive of the Averys" built by James and occupied by himself and seven generations of his descendants. Price, one dollar per copy.

If you have not access to a copy of Mr. Sweet's book, I will send you a brief, type-written copy of your line back to the founders (Christopher and his son James Avery, A. D. 1630), for a dollar, or a fuller record, giving the names of the children in each generation, for two dollars; provided I can ascertain just where you come into the line.

I have a few pamphlets containing the appendix to Sweet's "The Averys of Groton," and relating to "Avery Coars of Arms" (with illustrations of four coats) and to "The Avery Family in England and France." These pamphlets will be furnished, as long as the supply lasts, at fifty cents per copy.

Newspapers that receive this copy of the Avery Notes and Queries are respectfully requested to state that:

All Averys and Avery descendants are requested to send their names and addresses to Dr. Elroy M. Avery, Cleveland, Ohio. He is writing a history of the Avery family.

# Hvery Notes and Queries.

A Quarterly Magazine devoted to the History of the Groton Averys.

No. 6.

"Honor thy Father and thy Mother."

May, 1899.

The number and page references used in this magazine are to Sweet's History of the "Averys of Groton."

If you are a member of the Groton Avery History Club, be sure that your dues for 1899 are paid.

If you are a subscriber to the AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES, be sure that your subscription for 1899 is paid.

If you see in any newspaper an obituary notice of an Avery or a descendant of an Avery, send a marked copy of the paper to the historian of the Groton Averys. This will be easy for you and of very great help to him.

Lee Meriwether, another of "The Tramp at Home," and "A Tramp Trip; How to see Europe on Fifty Cents a Day," (both published by Harper & Brothers) and of "Afloat and Ashore on the Mediterranean" (published by Charles Scribner's Sons) is the third child of Elizabeth Edmunds Avery Meriwether (No. 506, page 364).

John Bishop, Jr., the oldest child of Fanny Fitch Avery Bishop (No. 208, page 446) was, as provost marshal of Richmond, Va., the first Union officer to take charge of the famous Libby Prison. He was a first lieutenant in the 29th Conn, Volunteers, provost marshal of the Army of the James, and an aide to Major-general Giles A. Smith. He now lives at New London, Conn., where he has served as a member of the city council and as U. S. inspector of customs.

David Rossiter Avery, whose death is recorded on another page, was much interested in the history of the Avery family and gave valuable assistance in making it more nearly complete. For cheerful and valuable help rendered along the same line, the thanks of the family historian are also due and are hereby tendered to Miss Nancy Jane Avery of Fenton, Erie county, N. Y.

It would often be a great help to me to know whether a correspondent has a copy of Mr. Sweet's History of the Averys of Groton

or not, or whether there is a copy of the book in a certain town. If you own a copy of the book, please report the fact to me so that I may make a record of it for my own convenience.

Mr. William A. Eardeley-Thomas, of Middletown, Conn., recently sent me the postoffice addresses of a hundred and three Connecticut Averys, only three of which were on my lists. I hardly thought that there were a hundred living Averys in the Nutmeg State with whom I had not corresponded. It is not probable that the list is complete even now. If you would send me what Avery addresses you can collect, in your own vicinity or elsewhere, you would render me valuable help. If you chance to include the address of some one who has written to me it will do no harm, for my lists are so arranged that the new are easily separated from the old. If you know of any one whose mother was an Avery, please remember that I want that address also. The families of Avery-born daughters (as well as sons) are to be given a fair representation in the forthcoming history of the clan.

Some of the Groton Averys seem not to realize what work is involved in preparing the family history and wonder why the book can not be printed this summer. The fact is that the members of the clan are just beginning to find out what I am seeking. At the moment of writing this (May 16), I have before me a letter from an Avery in Texas, asking why I want information concerning his family. Another letter from Vermont gives the first information that I have received concerning the family of Simeon Avery (No. 396, page 119). This Simeon was married in 1814, had three wives, and at least eight children. Concerning ten of the eleven, the printed history gave nothing but the names, and some of those were wrong. My last mail brought me a full report for one of the children who had seven children, four of whom had families. This whole family record will probably be well worked up soon. I have fired a good many paper broadsides in the last four years but a good many of the clan have never heard the sound of my guns or even heard of me. It would not be wise to print what I have collected while new reports are coming in rapidly and while there are so many more from whom I ought to hear. Then there is the English ancestry of the founders of the family, of finding which I have not ceased to dream



Dry M. Grang



Daniel Arthur Newman, son of Lucy Ann Avery Newman (No. 420, page 622), was mustered into the U. S. service, May 10, 1898, as a member of Co. F., 3rd U. S. Volunteer Cavalry (Montana Rough Riders). He was mustered out of the service, September 9, at Camp Thomas, Chickamauga.

Brainard Avery, son of the Rev. William Henry Harrison Avery, D. D., of Saint Albans, Vt., and grandson of Christopher Avery (No. 418, page 444) married, September 14, 1898, Miss Josephine Baker Gray of Middletown Springs, Vt. The marriage of his brother was reported in the February issue of this magazine.

If you are not a member of the Groton Avery History Club, it is probable that you ought to be. You can join now. Then you can see to it that some one else who ought to join does his duty. There is opportunity for all, and there is no good reason why I should do so much more than you.

#### AVERY COATS OF ARMS.

Not long ago an Avery descendant told me that she had a copy of the coat of arms belonging to the Averys of Groton; that it was copied from the original which belonged to Erasmus Avery of Groton; and that she had been familiar with it from childhood, "Her copy was made some twenty-five or thirty years ago and the original had come down to Erasmus Avery from his ancestors." I expected to see the Fillongly coat of arms (No. 3 on the plate facing page 690 of Sweet's "The Averys of Groton" or the Dedham Avery coat of arms (No. 4 of the same plate), neither of which belongs to the Groton Averys. To my surprise she showed me something entirely different, a coat that I had never before known to be claimed by an American Avery. The description is "Argent, six annulets gules, three, two and one," It belonged to the Averys of Hadden, County of Warwick, England, and is identical with No. 1 on the plate above mentioned. I had long heard of a coat of arms that had been for many generations in Groton, but I had never seen it or a copy of it. Who can tell where this Erasmus Avery coat of arms is and who can give its history? It may help to determine the identity of Christopher, the father of Captain James Avery.

#### THE LAST ROLL CALL.

Mrs. Harriet Elizabeth Avery (No. 756b, page 102), wife of Charles Denison Avery (No. 1505, page 262), died June 21, 1898, at Ledyard, N. Y., in the house in which she was born.

Spence Hall Lamb, the husband of Cornelia Estelle Avery Lamb (No. 364, p. 509), and secretary and treasurer of the Mississippi and Tennessee Railroad, died August 18, 1898, at Laurence Harbor, N. J.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Avery Green (No 1137, page 231) died October 2, 1898, at Springfield, Mass.

Ruth Champlin Avery, the widow of George Washington Avery (No. 809, page 478), died Oct. 17, 1898, at Ottawa, Canada.

Filmore Rogers, son of Sally Ann. Avery Rogers (No. 894, page 197), died Nov. 10. 1897, at North Collins, Eric county, N. Y.

Mrs. Carrie Newman Gess, daughter of Morris and Lucy Avery Newman (No. 420, page 622), died December 25, 1898, at Maple Creek Farm near Spokane, Wash.

Mrs. Lydia Avery Adams (No. 293, page 371) died Dec. 28, 1898, at Somers, Conn.

Sanford Avery (No. 404, page 376) died January 4, 1899, at Wilmington, N. Y.

Charles Warner, husband of Annette (?) the fifth child of Mrs. Salacia Avery Stiles (No. 795. page 105), died January 5, 1899, at Meriden, Conn.

Dorns Artemas Stiles, the third of the eight children of Mrs. Salacia Avery Stiles (No. 795, page 105), died January 15, 1899, at Durham, Conn.

Mrs. Elizabeth Avery Hannahs (No. 1688, page 280) died January 18, 1899, at Watertown, N. Y.

Stephen Taber Davol, son of Eliza Avery Davol (No. 891, page 197), died Jan. 24, 1899, at Madison, South Dakota.

Mrs. Sarah Lombard Avery, widow of Richardson Avery (No. 480, page 448), died January 28, 1899, at Paw Paw, Mich.

Frank Sidney Avery, son of George Sidney Avery (page 132), died January 29, 1899, at Des Moines, Iowa.

Egbert Hamilton Avery (No. 1515, page 263) died January 31, 1899, at Rock Island, Ill.; buried at Belvidere, Ill.

Mrs. Frances Elizabeth Avery Morgan (No. 1654, page 278) died February 13, 1899, at Los Angeles, California.

John H. Pixley, who married Ruby Robinson Sherman, the daughter of Deborah Avery Sherman (No. 890, page 197), died Feb. 16, 1899, at Grand Rapids, Mich.

Mrs. Rosa Pringle Avery, wife of Jerome Avery (No. 771, page 679), died February 19, 1899, at San Francisco, Cal.

Mrs. Elizabeth Silvernail Avery, widow of Henry Cyrus Avery (No. 197, page 624), died February 27, 1899, aged 94, at Hudson N. Y.

David Rossiter Avery (No. 1663, page 195) died March 1, 1899, at North Collins, Erie Co., N. Y.

Judge Charles W. Avery (No. 1062, page 536) died March 12, 1899, at Phænix, N. Y.

Moses Rogers Avery (No. 1632, page 275) died March 13, 1899, at Syracuse, N. Y.

Mrs. Alma Sherman Avery Russell (No. 1669, page 196) died March 30, 1899, at Brant, Erie Co., N. Y.

The record of No. 381, page 435, of Mr. Sweet's History of the Groton Averys, reads as follows:

"Amos, birth unknown and no farther record,"

This Amos Avery was born near Duanesburg, Schenectady county, N. Y., Oct. 15, 1790. He married Olive Gavitt, February 11, 1813; I have the full record of her birth, death and parentage. They had nine children; I have the complete records of their births and deaths. Seven of these nine children married, and I have records of all of their families. I have the records of 27 grandchildren and of 37 great-grandchildren, some of them born this year. These descendants are scattered from the Atlantic to the Pacific. In this work I have been greatly helped by Edward Emmet Avery of San Francisco. Amos Avery died Oct. 8, 1833, at Broome, Schoharie county, N. Y. This is a somewhat extreme case of working up these old records, but it admirably illustrates much of the work that I am doing.

Mrs. Amelia Avery Fisher (No. 243, page 456), whose portrait is herewith given, was born in Morrisville, New York, July 16, 1802. She was the seventh of the nine children of Robert and Lydia (White) Avery. She was a school teacher until her marriage with John



MRS, AMELIA AVERY FISHER.

Millard, March 24, 1829. After his death in 1846, leaving her with six children, she again taught school until 1851. In that year she emigrated to Oregon, crossing the plains with an ox team and occupying five months in the journey. The train was attacked by the Indians but none of the party were killed. In 1854 she married the Rev. Ezra Fisher and, since his death in 1874, has lived in Albany, Oregon,

with her children. She has given much valuable information relating to the Avery family. Although she will be 97 years old in July, her health is good and she enjoys company. She still reads fine print without glasses, crochets fine linen lace, and writes four-page letters easily legible and full of interesting information.

#### BIRTHS.

William Eugene Avery, son of John Simeon and Cora (Doremus) Avery (No. 2404,page 287), was born at Litchfield, N. Y., December 17, 1898.

Edward Carrington Avery, son of Charles Irving and Lillias (Pomeroy) Avery (No. 2210, page 299), was born at Auburn, N. Y., February 16, 1899.

Henry Thomas Avery, son of John Henry and Mary Eliza (Cartwright) Avery (No. 1551, page 183), was born near Ozark, Ark., March 4, 1899.

Erwin Emerson, son of Erwin Francis and Susan Elizabeth (Avery) Mather (No. 2376, page 301), was born October 11, 1898; place not reported.

Carrie Edna, fourth child of Lucius Evans and Cora (Baker) Avery (No. 591, page 376), was born at Ferrisburg, Vt., November 11, 1898.

Elizabeth Baldwin, third child of Prof. Wilbur Lucius and Helen Mar (Avery) Cross (No. 2224a, page 267), was born at New Haven, Conn., April 15, 1899.

Irene Dewey Avery, the third child of Myron Lyman Avery, the fifth child of Alonzo Bailey Avery (No. 648, page 466), was born at Sac City, Iowa, October 24, 1898.

Velma Estelle Avery, the third child of Fremont Avery, the oldest son of Amplius Blake Avery (No. 649, page 466), was born at West Point, Wis., November 25, 1898.

Comparison of the last two statements with the records, as printed in Mr. Sweet's book, will give a good illustration of the work that is being done in completing the family history.

# Hvery Notes and Queries.

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### THE GROTON AVERY HISTORY CLUB.

Since the last report, club dues for 1899 have been received as follows: Mrs. Frances Avery Haggard, Lincoln, Nebraska.....\$2.00 William R. Avery, Cincinnati, O...... 5.∞ Maj. Cyrus Avery, Camptown, Pa...... 1.00 Brainard Avery, Washington, D. C..... 2.00 Mrs. Harriet K. Nickerson, Lander, Wyoming...... 1.00 Phineas O. Avery, Humboldt, Neb...... 2.co Mrs. Clara Avery Miller, Keokuk, Iowa...... 1.00 Mrs. Delia Avery Southworth, New York City...... 2.50 Mrs. Lucy A. Newman, Spokane, Wash...... 1.50 James W. Eldridge, Hartford, Conn ...... 1.00 

The dues reported in May, 1898, aggregated \$72.50. The total amount received as dues in 1898 was \$142.50.

Total for the quarter......\$53.00

Of the fifty three members who joined last year, only seventeen have, so far, paid their dues for 1899. If you are one of the other thirty-six, will you please pay prompt attention to the matter? As the payment is wholly voluntary, I feel sure that this reminder will not be construed as a dun.

Each member of the club fixes the amount of his or her dues at pleasure between the limits of one dollar and tendollars per year. Dues are payable to the undersigned, who reports all payments on this page and accounts for his expenditures annually. Members assume no obligations other than for the payment of dues; there are no salaries or perquisites. All members of the club receive the AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES without further charge. If you desire to help pay the expenses of preparing a new history of the Groton Averys, you are invited to join the club.

Yours fraternally,

ELROY M. AVERY.

By way of variation from the unappreciative letter printed on page 77, I venture to quote the following from a letter recently received from the great West:

"I have just received No. 5. of "Avery Notes and Queries," and I believe I had received all of the previous numbers. I am thus reminded that none of them have been paid for; so I send you herewith——dollars. I hope you will continue to send me "Notes and Queries," for I read them with much interest. I wish you success in your laudable undertaking."

Another correspondent writes to me from Wisconsin, thus:

"Dear Sir:—My father copied from his book all about our branch of the Averys, as far back as 1600, and sent me. So you need not send me "Notes and Queries" any more, as there has been nothing in them I do not already know. Still I fully appreciate your efforts and think you have done remarkably well, and if I can ever help you in any way will be glad to do so."

I am glad to find some one who knows all about our branch of the Averys as far back as 1600. The little that I know falls thirty years short of that date. Whence came the founders of our family to Salem in 1630? Just for a starter, you know.

I can supply a few complete sets of Avery Notes and Queries for 1898. Price, fifty cents per set, postage prepaid.

#### QUERIES.

Sibyl Avery (No. 533, page 74) was born January 18, 1780. She was a daughter of Elisha and Sibyl (Sanger) Avery. She married John Silsby, May 16, 1824. In 1868, Mrs. Emeline Cady of South Woodstock, Conn., wrote that her stepmother, Sibyl Silsby, was living and in good health. I should like information concerning this family, and especially the addresses of living descendants.

Sarah Avery (No. 532, page 74) was born January 28. 1778. She was a sister of the Sibyl mentioned above. She married (first) an Eliphalet Thomas, and (second) a person whose name I do not know. She left six sons one of whom wrote from Aurelius, N. Y., mentioning her death. Information wanted as in the case of her sister.

Abigal Avery (No. 536, page 74) was born January 9, 1789. She was a sister of Sibyl and Sarah mentioned above. She married George Franklin. Her descendants are supposed to live in or near Killingley. Windham county, Connecticut. I should be very glad to hear from some of them.

Jabez Avery (No. 163. page 421) was born January 29, 1764. He was the son of John and Mehitabel (Buell) Avery. He married Sally, the daughter of John Gilmore, of Providence, R. I. They had children: Lovinia, Charlotte, Sally, Betsey and Abigail. I am told that their home was at Stafford, Conn. I should like information of this family.

In preparing his History of the Groton Averys, Mr. Sweet sent out, not blanks as I am doing, but a printed list of numbered questions. His correspondents were expected to give corresponding numbers to their answers without otherwise indicating what the questions were. I have quite a number of such answers which, for want of the list of questions, are only partly intelligible to me. Unfortunately Mr. Sweet did not print all the information that he thus received. If I could interpret the answers with certainty, some of them would give me valuable information. For instance, one of these letters records:

## 35. New Haven.

Does this mean that the grandparents were married at New Haven or does it mean something else? If any reader of Notes and Queries has one of these old lists of numbered questions sent out by Mr. Sweet, I hope that he will send it to me. I will return it if desired to do so.

Olive Avery, born in the latter part of the last century, married Asahel Adams; who was she?

Mrs. Frederick B. Egelhoff, of Weatherford, Texas, is the daughter of William Dudley Knowles, the son of Emily Avery Knowles (No. 784, page 105). On the occasion of her recent removal from



MRS, FRED, B, EGELHOFF.

Dallas, Texas, one of the papers of that city spoke of her as one of "our most delighful young society matrons," who possesses "that happy adaptability that always keeps her thoroughly attuned to her company and surroundings. She is a charming hostess and, best of all, a woman who delights in carrying the roses of life to her friends rather than the thorus."

#### THE GRAND ARMY.

Names of those bearing the name of Avery who died in the Union Army during the Civil War and are buried in National Cemeteries.

> "On Fame's eternal camping ground Their silent tents are spread And Glory guards with solumn round, The bivouac of the dead."

Maine: Charles S. Avery, private, 31st Inf., Co. C. died Dec. 7. 1864; buried at Camp Parole, Maryland.

George W. Avery, corporal, 9th Inf., Co D, died Feb. 10, 1865; buried at Hampton, Va

John Avery, private, 8th Inf., Co. H. died Aug. 1, 1863; buried in National Cemetery, Beaufort, S. C.

Stephen Avery, private, 12th Inf., Co.-, died Feb. 24, 1865; buried in New York, Department of the East.

New Hampshire: E. Avery, private, 12th Inf., Co. I, died Oct. 30,1863; buried in U. S. General Hospital, Division No. 1, Annapolis, Maryland,

J. Avery, private, 9th Inf., Co. H, died January 9, 1863; buried in Military Asylum Cemetery, D. C.

J. Avery, private, 1st Cav., Co. M, died Nov. 3, 1864; buried in Andersonville Cemetery, Georgia.

Lyman A. Avery, private, 9th Inf., Co. A, died Aug. 10, 1863; buried in the National Cemetery. Loudon Park. Baltimore. Maryland.

Alfred A. Avery, private, 9th Inf., Co. D. died Oct. 20, 1863; buried in National Cemetery, Lexington, Ky.

Vermont: A. C. Avery, private, 9th Inf., died Dec. 4, 1864: buried in the National Cemetery, City Point, Virginia. (See AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES, page 60).

S. Avery, private, 7th Inf., Co. C, died Oct. 19, 1862; buried in the National Cemetery, Chalmette, La. (See Avery Notes and Queries, page 61).

Massachusetts: C. Avery, 1st serg., 36 Inf., Co. K, died July 2, 1864: buried in the National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia.

Edward Avery, private, 2d Artillery, Co. A, died June 28, 1865; buried in New Cemetery, Newbern, N. C.

John W. Avery, private, 1st Heavy Artillery, Co. G, died July 27, 864: buried in Andersonville Cemetery, Georgia.

Connecticut: Charles A. Avery, private, 21st Inf., Co. H, died May 22, 1864; buried at Richmond, Virginia.

Charles G. Avery, private, 21st Inf., Co. E, died July 21, 1864; buried at New Haven, Conn.

George F. Avery, private, 18th Inf., Co. B. died March 7, 1864; buried at New Haven.

New York: Arthur M. Avery, private, 64th Inf., Co. C, died July 12, 1862; buried at New Haven, Conn.

D. Avery, private, 4th Artillery, Co. E, died May 14, 1863; buried in Military Asylum Cemetery, D. C

Edwin Avery, private, 16; Inf., Co. I, died Dec. 5, 1862; buried in New York, Department of the East.

George R. Avery, corporal, 100 Inf., Co. H, died June 15, 1864; buried in National Cemetery, Hampton, Virginia.

George W. Avery, private, 11 Inf., Co.—, died April 18, 1866; buried in the National Cemetery, Chalmette, La.

G. R. Avery, private, 1st Battery, Co. B. died May 5, 1862; buried in National Cemetery, Hampton, Virginia.

Joel Avery, private, 116 Inf., Co. B, died Sept. 9, 1864; buried in Camp Parole hospital, Annapolis, Maryland.

John A. Avery, private, 161st Inf., Co. I, died Jan. 3, 1864; buried in New York, Department of the East.

Warren Avera, private, 97 Inf., Co. I. died Sept. 19, 1862; buried in the National Cemetery, Alexandria, Virginia.

William Avery, private, 97 Inf., Co. G, died Oct. 25, 1862; buried at Antietam, Maryland.

Michigan. B. M. Avery, private, 7th Inf., Co. G, died December 29, 1861; buried in the Military Asylum Cemetery, D. C.

Charles Avery, private, 26th Inf., Co. K. died March 5, 1863; buried in the National Cemetery, Alexandria, Virginia.

Alonzo A. Avery, private, 3d Cav., Co. E, died June 24, 1862; buried at Spring Grove Cemetery, Cincinnati, Ohio.

George H. Avery, private, 9th Inf., Co. I, died April 1, 1865; buried in the National Cemetery, Chattanooga, Tenn.

James Avery, serg., 17 Inf., Co. I, found on the battlefield of the Wilderness; buried at Hampton, Virginia.

Ohio: J. Avery, private, 11th Inf., Co. B, died April 26, 1864; buried at Danville, Virginia.

J. C. Avery, private, 163 Inf., Co. B. died at———; buried at Fort Pocahontas, Wilson's Landing, Virginia.

L. H. Avery, serg., 34th Inf., Co. A; buried in National Cemetery, Winchester, Virginia.

Sylvester Avery, corp., 133d Inf., Co. I, died August 12, 1864;

buried at Hampton, Virginia.

W. H. Avery, private, 9th Inf., Co. H, died June 19, 1865;

buried in National Cemetery, New Albany, Ind.

Indiana: Henry Avery, private, 35th Inf., Co. G, died April 26, 1865; buried in National Cemetery, Nashville, Tenn.

Miron E. Avery, private, 6th Inf., Co. K. died Feb. 26, 1864; buried in National Cemetery, Knoxville, Tenn.

Illinois: Charles W. Avery, private, 21st Inf., Co. D, died May

4, 1864; buried at Richmond, Virginia.

Wisconsin: Amos Avery, corp., 20th Inf., Co. B, died October 17, 1863; buried in National Cemetery, Ky.

Thomas Avery, private, 22d Inf., Co. D., died Dec. 5, 1862:

buried in National Cemetery, Camp Nelson, Ky.

Kentucky: Henry H. Avery, private, 21st Inf., Co. A, died May 1, 1865; buried in National Cemetery, Nashville, Ky.

William C. Avery, private, 1st Cav., Co. C, died Nov. 25, 1862;

buried in National Cemetery, Nashville, Ky.

William L. Avery, private, 5th Cav., Co. F, died Feb. 15, 1864; buried in National Cemetery, Nashville, Ky.

Missouri: H. O. Avery, private, 25th Inf., Co. C, died May 29,

1862; buried in Spring Grove Cemetery, Cincinnati, O.

Luther Avery, private, Fremont Hussars, Co. G, died Jan. 6, 1862; buried at St. Louis, Missouri.

S. S. Avery, private, 7th Cav., Co. B, died May 26, 1862; buried

at St. Louis, Missouri,

Louisiana: Amos B. Avery, private, 1st Scouts, Co. B, died August 6, 1864; buried at Jefferson Barracks, near St. Louis, Missouri.

District of Columbia: T. W. Avery, corp., 2nd Inf., Co. E, died July 4, 1864; buried in National Cemetery, Alexandria, Va.

U. S. Army and Navy: Jacob Avery, private, S1st Inf., Co. C, died August 8, 1866.

Philow Avery, buried at Mill Spring, National Cemetery, Ky.

Squire Avery, private, 1st Chasseurs, Co. D, died January 1, 1862; buried in Military Asylum Cemetery, D. C.

M. Avery, seaman, navy, died January 2, 1841; buried National Cemetery, Barrancas, Florida.

Miscellaneous: J. Avery, private, buried at Ironton, Missouri.

The main object in publishing lists like those given above is to secure identification of as many as possible of those who were Groton Averys. I hope that some reader of Notes and Queries in each of the states here represented will take pains to aid in this work. Many of the states have published rosters of their troops in the revolutionary and civil wars. Examination of such rosters may yield identifications. If the roster has not been published, the state archives are open to examination. Personal knowledge and inquiry will, in many cases, be all that is necessary. You may not be able to refer to Sweet's "The Avery's of Groton." In that case, tell me what you can of the dead soldier, the name of his father and mother, his brothers and sisters, everything, anything, that you can to help me place his military service to his proper credit.

#### THE ALLEGED THREE BROTHERS.

We have been often told of three Avery brothers who early migrated to America. One settled in Connecticut and was the ancestor of the Groton Averys, another went south and was never heard of more, while the third settled in Massachusetts and was the ancestor of a numerous family. Sometimes the story varies; only two brothers came, one to Massachusetts and one to Connecticut. From various sources we learned that the name of the Massachusetts one was William, Abraham Avery (No. 55, page 416) gave such a written statement to his nephew, John, son of his half brother John, at least a hundred and ten years ago. In it he states that his ancestor had a brother William who settled in Massachusetts and left a numerous family. We paid little heed to the tradition as we knew that William Avery of Dedham, the only such Avery of whom we had any record, was not a brother of our Christopher. Is it possible that there is some truth in the story and that William Avery or Averill of Ipswich was that brother? Or was there still another William Avery? Investigations show that numerous Averys came over before 1700 Who can throw light on the subject?

When will the new family history be ready?
I don't know.
How much will it cost?
I don't know.

Letters sent by me to the following addresses have been returned by the postal authorities. If you can give information as to the present whereabouts of any of these persons, or of any one who can do so, please let me have it:

Mrs. Mary T. Avery-Sawtelle, M. D., Los Angeles, Calif.

William C. Avery, Hunter, Greene Co., N. Y.

Mrs. Henry (Lucyetta) Grover, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Mrs. Guerdon Avery, Jr., Waterville, N. Y. Austin Avery, Cedar Rapids, Iowa,

Mrs. Clark Hill, Keene, N. H.

Joseph Osborne, New London, N. C.

Mrs. Emory Cady. South Woodstock, Conn.

James Garner Avery, Titusville, Pa.

Addison Avery, Denver, Colo.

Edward Allyn Avery, Grand Junction, Ia.

Mrs. Francis O. Ogle, Albany, Ore.

Miss Ella M. Avery, Washington, D. C.

Benjamin F. Avery, Albany, N. Y.

The opening chapter of Sweet's "The Avery's of Groton," written by me, contains, I think, all that is known about Christopher and James, the founders of the family now known as the Groton Averys. I have a few pamphlets containing this chapter, and a fine picture of the "Hive of the Averys" built by James and occupied by himself and seven generations of his descendants. Price \$1.00 per copy.

If you have not access to a copy of Mr. Sweet's book, I will send you a brief, type-written copy of your line back to the founders (Christopher and his son James Avery, A. D. 1630), for a dollar, or a fuller record, giving the names of the children in each generation, for two dollars; provided I can ascertain just where you come into the

line.

I have a few pamphlets containing the appendix to Sweet's "The Avery's of Groton, and relating to "Avery Coats of Arms" (with illustrations of four coats) and to "The Avery Family in England and France." These pamphlets will be furnished, as long as the supply lasts, at fifty cents per copy.

Newspapers that receive this copy of the AVERY NOTES AND

QUERIES are respectfully requested to state that:

All Averys and Avery descendants are requested to send their names and addresses to Dr. Elroy M. Avery. Cleveland, Ohio. He is writing a history of the Avery family.

# Hvery Notes and Queries.

A Quarterly Magazine devoted to the History of the Groton Averys.

No. 7. "Honor thy Father and thy Mother."

August, 1899.

The number and page references used in this magazine are to Sweet's History of "The Averys of Groton."

If you see in any newspaper an obituary notice of an Avery or a descendant of an Avery, send a marked copy of the paper to the historian of the Groton Averys. This will be easy for you and of very great help to him.

On page 81 of Notes and Queries mention is made of "Lee Meriwether, another of 'The Tramp at Home.'" Of course, this is a typographical error for *author* of "The Tramp at Home."

Joseph Waightstill Avery (No. 547, page 642), late quartermastersergeant of the Second North Carolina Volunteers, was appointed a first lieutenant in the U. S. Volunteers by President McKinley on July 11, 1899.

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Roy Simeon Avery, a son of Henry Martindale Avery of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and a grandson of Simeon Avery (No. 994, page 119), served as a sergeant in Troop B., Third U. S. Cavalry, from May to September, 1898.

Alexander Sydleman Avery (No. 1210, page 140) was a sergeant in Co. I, 5th Connecticut Volunteers. He was killed in battle at Cedar Mountain, Va., Aug. 9, 1862.

Florence Elizabeth Avery (No. 940, page 495), daughter of the present postmaster of Galena, Ill., received the degree of Ph. B. from Chicago University, July 1, 1899.

I am under obligation to Mr. Irving J. Avery of New London, Conn., for several fine photographic views of the Avery memorial at Poquonock Plain.

For intelligent, persistent and systematic help, I am much indebted to Miss Edith Virginia Avery of Seneca Falls, N. Y

Have you returned those genealogical blanks that you received from Elroy M. Avery?

It seems strange that a man should not know the name of his own grandfather, but I am finding such men at the rate of about one a month.

Newspapers that receive this copy of the Avery Notes and Queries are respectfully requested to state that:

All Averys and Avery descendants are requested to send their names and addresses to Dr. Elroy M. Avery, Cleveland, Ohio. He is writing a history of the Avery family.

#### ORANGE BLOSSOMS.

Dr. Amos Avery of Brocklyn, N. Y. (No. 1792, page 224), married, June 6, 1899, at Northampton, Mass., Miss Harriet E. Bryne.

Mr. Chancy Avery of Pleasant Lake, Ind. (No. 2387, page 285), married, April 25, 1899, at Angola, Ind., Mrs. Arkabel Butts.

Mr. Charles Clement Avery (No. 2429, page 288), married, June 28, 1899, at Oakfield, Genesee County, N. Y., Miss Edith M. Pardee.

#### COMPLETING THE RECORDS.

On page 334 of Sweet's "The Averys of Groton" appears the very defective family record of Abel and Jerusha (Sackett) Avery. The names of ten children are given, but not a date or place of birth or death. Only four of the ten are given any further mention, and in their cases the records are similarly fragmentary. Of the sixth child. nothing was recorded except that his name was Isaac. I now know that this Isaac was born about 1708, probably at Westfield, Mass.: that he married, November 6, 1823, at Watson, N. Y., Mary Ann Beach, the record of whose birth, death and parentage I have. They had three children: Irene (who died single), Sydney John and Jerusha. Sydney John was born January 24, 1827; married, February 21, 1853. Arvilla Whitney, and had five children, the records of whom I have. Three of the children are married and I have the records of their families. Sydney John Avery died January 18, 1889, at Erie, Pa. I am under obligations to his daughter, Miss Jessie V. Avery, for valuable assistance.

Jerusha Avery, the daughter of Isaac, was born March 25, 1820. She was married December 29, 1857, to Leonard Davenport. He died in 1885; she is living at Lowville, N. Y. Their three children are married and living.

This is a fair sample of the work that the family historian is doing in the way of completing the records of the clan. There are many items of information still needed to complete the records of Abel Avery and his other nine children, of several of whom I know nothing but their names.

#### SOLDIERS IN THE CIVIL WAR.

Nathan F. Avery, Co. I, 26 Conn. Volunteers.

Nathan F. D. Avery, Co. F, 18 Conn. Volunteers. (No. 1542, page 164.)

Giles W. Avery, Co. K, 26 Conn. Volunteers. (No.1413, page 258.)

The first of the above named is buried in Sec. 12 of the Cedar Grove cemetery, New London: the other two are buried in the Groton cemetery at Groton, Conn. Can anyone identify the first as a Groton Avery?

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#### THE GROTON AVERY HISTORY CLUB.

Since the last report, club dues for 1899 have been received as follows:

Theodore S. Blakesley, Rock Island, Ill\$1.00
Trueman G. Avery, Buffalo, N. Y 5.00
Maj. George S. Avery, Galena, Ill
Mrs. Helen S. Stetson, Washington, D. C 2.00
Miss Emily R. Samaine, Roxbury, Mass
Charles I. Avery, Auburn, N. Y 5.00
Mrs. Mary E. Mathewson, Wakefield, Neb
Maj. Cyrus Avery, Camptown, Pa.*
Mrs. Mary A. Stockwell, Painesville, O
Mrs. Gertrude Avery Shields, Detroit, Mich
Miss Jennie E. Williams, New London, Conn 5.00
Miss Antoinette Allyn Williams, New London, Conn 5.00
Mrs. Rufus Lord Avery, Mansfield, O
Dr. Alida C. Avery, San Jose, Calif
Henry M. Avery, Sioux Falls, S. D
Mrs. E. C. Cooley, Dunkirk, N. Y
Mrs. Helen Avery Pope, Norwood, O
Total for the quarter\$40.50

\*To correct error in report printed on page 88 of Notes and Queries.

### THE AVERY REUNION.

It is probable that next summer the Avery memorial at Poquonock Plain (see picture on the opposite page) will be dedicated. It is proposed to make this dedication the occasion of a grand reunion of the Groton Avery clan. No matter where you live or how busy you are, begin to get ready to go; begin now. When the time for the dedication draws near, buy tickets for the whole family and start for the Nutmeg State. The Paris exposition will be a small thing in comparison with this.

### THE AVERY MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.

In the year 1656, Captain James Avery built, at the head of Poquonoc Plain, in what is now the town of Groton, Connecticut, the house known for many years as "The Hive of the Averys." This historic home never passed into alien hands, being continuously occupied by him or some of his descendants until it was destroyed by fire on the night of the twentieth of July, 1894. The "Hive" as it appeared betore the fire was pictured on pages 5 and 78 of Notes and Queries. The ruins as they appeared immediately after the fire were pictured on page 48.



Soon after the burning of "The Hive," members of the family organized and incorporated "The Avery Memorial Association." Mr. James Denison Avery, the last occupant of the house, deeded the site of his late home to the association. Additional land was bought by Mr. William Rockefeller and given to the association. The association then secured funds and built a suitable memorial on the site of the old house. The accompanying picture represents the memorial in its pres-

ent condition. The die and shaft are of polished Westerly granite. Inscriptions on the die briefly tell the story of "The Hive" and the names of its successive owners. The front of the die bears a bronze tablet that gives a good representation of the old building. This tablet is the gift of Mr. John D. Rockefeller.

On the fifth anniversary of the fire (i. e., July 20, 1899), the association held its annual meeting. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

Allen Avery, Mystic, Conn., president.

Cyrus Avery, Poquonoc Bridge; Elroy M. Avery, Cleveland, O.; Christopher L. Avery, Groton; John O. Spicer, Groton, and Mrs. Francis M. Manning, Mystic, vice-presidents.

Miss Helen Morgan Avery, New London, secretary.

Miss Addie Avery Thomas, Poquonoc Bridge, treasurer.

Allen Avery, Helen M. Avery, Addie A. Thomas, William S. Thomas, Dr. Elroy M. Avery, Christopher L. Avery, Mrs. John O. Spicer, Mrs. Francis M. Manning, executive committee.

At this meeting, it was decided to substitute a bronze bust of Captain James Avery, the distinguished founder of the clan, for the cone at the top of the shaft. The contract for the bust was awarded to the eminent sculptor, Bela L. Pratt of Boston, an Avery descendant. Plans for the dedication of the memorial were also discussed. It is intended at this dedication to assemble Avery descendants from every state in the Union.

### A BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY.

There seems to be a persistent notion that in some way I am eventually to make money out of the genealogical work that I have undertaken for the family. Some folks can not appreciate the motive that has led me to do so much work without hope or possibility of pecuniary reward. Some think that the book when printed will yield profits that will amply compensate me for my expenditure of labor and money. The truth is that few family histories yield enough to pay the printer and binder. I have spent a great deal of time and, probably two thou-

sand dollars more than I have received. I have about two thousand letters and records filed and classified, and a card index of several thousand names of descendants of James Avery and of persons allied to the family by marriage. I will gladly and freely give my material to any one who will furnish satisfactory assurance of ability and determination to complete the work in a manner that will be worthy of the family. I will agree to subscribe for twenty-five copies of the book at the regular subscription price. I will also gladly pay twenty dollars a year for five years to any one who will take the work off my hands as above indicated, if the work of completing the family records is that long continued. This offer is made in good faith and is unequivocal. If you have some literary ability and some money you can do me a favor by quickly opening a correspondence with me on the subject. You will be less likely to lose the chance if you telegraph or telephone. I have a long-distance Bell telephone right in my house. "There is a tide in the affairs of men," etc.

## TIME IS MONEY.

Thomas Morris Avery (No. 544, page 492) went to Chicago about 1851 and, at once, went into the lumber business. In 1867, when the Elgin Watch Company was in its infancy, Mr. Avery became its president. At that time, the company employed nine men who had lately left the works of the American Watch Company at Waltham, Massachusetts. The development of the watch industry at the West, under the direction of Mr. Avery, was almost phenomenal, for today Elgin watches are well known the wide world over. After a thirty-one years' period of progress and prosperity for the organization, Mr. Avery gave up the presidency last December. The company then employed 2,400 operatives.

Mr. Avery is much interested in the history of the Groton Averys and, although he is nearly eighty years old and is still president of the Chicago Brass Company, vice-president of the Equitable Trust Company, and treasurer of the firm of Hulburd, Warren & Company, will soon find time to get the records of himself, his immediate ancestors and his children into proper form for preservation and publication. This is the duty of every member of the clan, and especially of every one who has secured as honorable a success as has the subject of this brief sketch.

# QUERIES.

Jacob Avery of Groton (No. 57, page 41) married a second wife in 1753, and had at least ten children, Jacob, Polly, Solomon, Prudence, Frederick, Constant, Sally, Cyrus, Olive and Russel. My records concerning this family are very defective. I want dates and places of birth, death, and marriage, and other information relating to them. I know scarcely anything about any of the children except Jacob, Polly and Prudence. Constant was living near Eaton, N. Y., in 1840, a revolutionary pensioner. Russel married a Wells.

Joseph Avery (No. 20, page 410) married about 1720. He is supposed to have had a son, Amos, and a daughter, Jerusha, who married Ezekiel Yarrington of Stonington. Who was Joseph Avery's wife? When was he married? What became of his children? Who can give some information relating to this family?

Jeremiah Burrows, who was baptized June 22, 1690, married Desire Avery (No. 19, page 405). Wanted, date and place of marriage; date and place of death of each: names of children, with dates and places of their births and deaths, and the names of those whom they married.

Nathaniel Avery (No. 22, page 411) is said to have married Abigail or Desire Yeomans, about 1724, and to have settled on Walnut Hill, Lyme, Conn. Wanted, information concerning him and his descendants.

Wanted, information concerning Elisha Avery (No. 126, page 419), born January 7, 1743, son of Elisha and Rebecca (Minor) Avery. He married Sarah Gallop and had Mary, Joseph and Elisha. He was a revolutionary soldier.

Who were the parents of Frederick Avery who married Charity Davis of Lee, Mass., about 1784? He was born in Groton, Conn., and had a brother Waitstill, a sister Lucy who married a Strickland, and a sister Esther who married a Mr. Orton.

Who were the parents of Enoch Avery who married a Miss Woolsey and lived in Westchester county, N. Y.? His third child, Elisha, was born in 1761.

Wanted, information concerning the descendants of the following children of William Avery (No. 144, page 435), who married Lucy Everett in Sharon, Conn., in 1771: Whitfield: Sluman; Anna who married Stephen Smith of Chatham, N. Y.: Amy, who married Henry Fairchild of Conneaut, O.: and Lucy, who married Jonathan Hatch.

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The number and page references used in this magazine are to Sweet's History of "The Averys of Groton."

The "Groton Averys" are the descendants of Captain James Avery, who came to America with his father, Christopher Avery, in 1630, and subsequently settled at Groton, Conn., just across the River Thames from New London.

Samuel Avery (No. 588, page 376) is professor of chemistry in the University of Idaho. He is a graduate of Heidelberg, the oldest university in Germany. In conjunction with Prof. Nicholson, of the University of Nebraska, he has written "Laboratory Exercises in Chemistry," published (1899) by Henry Holt and Co., of New York.

The Jacob Avery (No. 57, p. 41) who married Sylvia Eddy, June 4, 1753, at Swansea, Mass., had ten children. His son, Frederick, married in 1802, at North Broadalbin, Fulton county, N. Y., Eliza Stoddard, by whom he had four children, Solomon, Alanson, Frederick, and Dolly. Who can tell me anything more of this Eliza Stoddard, or of her children, especially Solomon and Dolly?

The Rev. Eugene H. Avery, D. D., (No. 1535, page 266) whose portrait was given on page 35 of Notes and Queries, has moved from Vinton, Iowa, to San Francisco. The action of the Cedar Rapids (Iowa) presbytery and of his late congregation at Vinton, marked by evidences of harmony and affectionate regret, must have gladdened the heart of our friend as he laid down his eighteen years' pastorate to begin another in a larger field.

David Avery (No. 224, page 358) and his wife, Prudence Denison (Dean) Avery celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of their marriage, May 23, 1899, in the old homestead at Charlemont, Mass. In this old house, built in 1780, Mr. Avery was born January 19, 1805, and in it he has lived most of his life. The rare event of a diamond jubilee was made happy for the venerable couple by the presence, love and gifts of numerous descendants, neighbors and friends,

Nathan Avery Hunter, son of Sally Avery Hunter (No. 982, page 208), was a member of Co. D, 15th Vermont Volunteers. He enlisted in September, 1862, and was discharged, in August, 1863, on account of sickness from which he never fully recovered. His son, William Hunter, enlisted in May, 1898, and was assigned to the hospital corps.

## THE EDWARD AVERY ASSOCIATION.

For several years the descendants of Theophilus Avery (No. 1570, page 270) have held an annual family reunion at the old Avery homestead in Ledyard, Conn. The northern part of the farm, it is thought, has always been in the Avery family, being part of the original grant to Captain James Avery in 1653 called the "Packetannack" grant. Edward (No. 13, page 30) and Christopher (No. 15, page 31), grandsons of Captain James Avery, settled in this section, and the district has always been called "Avery Hill." The homestead has belonged successively to Theophilus Avery (No. 35, page 35), James (No. 119, page 54), Theophilus (No. 309, page 105), Billings (No. 801, page 185), Theophilus (No. 1570, page 270), and Billings Theophilus (No. 2245, page 300).

A permanent organization, called the "Edward Avery Association," was formed at the reunion in 1896. The constitution states that the object is "to preserve the history, genealogy and traditions of this, our branch of the Avery family, and by our annual reunions to bind ourselves closer together as a family." All descendants of Edward Avery (No. 13, page 30), with their families, are eligible for membership. The annual meetings are held the last Wednesday in September. At the last meeting seventeen members were present. The officers are Billings T. Avery (No. 2245, page 300), president; Mrs. Helen Norman (No. 2246, page 270), vice-president; Irving J. Avery (No. 2248, page 270), secretary. The address of the secretary is New London, Conn.

The new organization has a good field for genealogical research, for many items are needed to complete the records of the descendants of Edward Avery. Its members are the ones who best can fill the gaps and who have the most direct interest in doing so. It is needless to say that the family historian will render any assistance to the association that he can, and that he holds the movement to be one worthy of extensive imitation.

The Rev. Daniel Avery Whedon, D. D., whose portrait is herewith given, is the son of Hiram and Margaret (Avery) Whedon (No. 242, page 427). He was born at Rome, N. Y., Dec. 16, 1823; he has long lived at East Greenwich, R. I. For eighteen years he was editor of the Northern Christian Advocate and has long been regarded as one of



THE REV. DANIEL AVERY WHEDON, D. D.

the ablest theological writers of Methodism. He was a delegate to the London ecumenical conference in 1880, and has been a member of nine general conferences. A recent writer in Zion's Herald (Boston) says that a characteristic picture of him "should have him standing, with his Discipline in hand, bringing round a conference to his point of view."

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### THE GROTON AVERY HISTORY CLUB.

Since the last report, club dues for 1899 have been received as follows:

Mrs. George Kingsley, Paola, Kansas\$	1.00
Edward Emmet Avery, San Francisco	1.00
Mrs. R. Y. Mitchell, Findlay, Ohio	2.00
Mrs. Harriet Jewell, Dunkirk, N. Y.	1.00
Florillo P. Avery, Tunkhannock, Pa.	5.00
A friend (in Michigan)	5.00
Ida F. Richardson, Southport, Ind	1.00
Mrs. Adaline A. Shepard, Westfield, Mass	1.00
Total for the fourth overton	
Total for the fourth quarter\$	
	40.50
Total for the second quarter (previously reported)	53.00
Total for the first quarter (previously reported)	25.00
Total for the year 1899	25.50
Total for the year 1898	42.50

Dues received after the issue of the November number of this magazine will be credited as for the year 1900 unless otherwise directed by the sender.

### A FIRESIDE CHAT.

In the August number of the Notes and Queries (page 102) I made an unequivocal offer of my genealogical material, and of a cash contribution (at least thirty times as large as any one has yet made to the Groton Avery History Club) to any competent person who would take them and complete the history in a manner worthy of the family. No one has yet manifested any inclination to accept the "business opportunity" thus presented. The offer is hereby continued.

It is evident that no other member of the Groton Avery clan is willing to do for it what I am doing, although many of them have more leisure and money than I have. The feeble success of the Groton Avery History Club seems to indicate either that most of the members of the clan have little or no interest in the work that I have undertaken, or that they count on my doing their share as well as my own. The dues so far received do not much more than pay the cost of publishing Notes and Queries. A recent genealogical quest cost me more than the total receipts of the club for the year. Some of the largest contributors to the club in 1898 have so far failed to forward their dues for 1899. Perhaps this was due to forgetfulness; perhaps it was due to a lapse of interest in the enterprise. In either event, the failure is not very full of encouragement to the family historian who knows that the work before him needs a dollar for every dime that it is getting.

For a time I intended to suspend the publication of Notes and Queries with this issue, to give up the club scheme, to continue the work as well as possible, paying from my own resources all the bills that I authorized, and when I got tired of that (if I should get tired), to quit. But I have concluded to stick to the trial and to continue the club and the magazine for another year.

The family historian fully realizes the fact that one's interest may not be fairly measured by the size of one's contribution. Some who have not given a dollar have been more helpful than some who have given, and in one or two cases the cash dues voluntarily sent were larger than the senders could well afford. To all who have lent a helping hand, the historian returns his thanks—as befits this Thanksgiving season. To every member of the clan, wherever he or she may be, go the hearty greetings, "Merry Christmas!" and "Happy New Year!"

### A PILGRIMAGE AWHEEL.

One pleasant day last September, Mrs. Avery and I arrived in Groton, not on pleasure bent but on an ancestral search. The following is a brief outline of the work accomplished:

We studied the Groton records of births, marriages and deaths at Poquonnock, searching especially for the Avery girls who had married into another name and their children. The Groton books are admirably indexed and with due regard for women and children, all of whom are important in the scheme of life as well as full grown men. In many towns, page after page of ill-written records must be scanned line by line, and therefore wearily, in search for the names of women and children; not so in Groton.

We copied all the inscriptions in the Starr cemetery that relate not only to those who bore the name of Avery, but to the married daughters and their children. Much desired information relating to the Lathams and Lesters was thus secured.

Many items were secured from the books of the Congregational church at Groton Bank.

The New London records of births, marriages and deaths, the first four books of probate records, and the inscriptions in the ancient burying-ground took all the time that we could spare in that city.

One day was spent at Hamburg, where are kept the records of Lyme. We reached this place after much difficulty and made a copy of the births, marriages and deaths.

At Stonington, much valuable information was secured from the records of births, marriages and deaths, particularly with regard to the wives of Averys and to girls who had married out of the name. The Avery wills were scanned and all the inscriptions copied from the ancient "Plain" burying-ground.

In Norwich, a systematic search was made for the parentage of those who married Averys; many children whose mothers bore the name of Avery were traced. The inscriptions of the ancient burial-ground which had been copied were placed at our disposal. We were surprised and pleased to find on the books of the first Congregational church of Norwich Town many items of great importance that had escaped the notice of others.

In Canterbury, births, marriages and deaths were copied.

The records of the strict Congregational church of Preston solved many vexed questions.

Many Bible records in private hands, and much information by word of mouth added to our store of knowledge.

Miss Benjamin of the New London Historical Society, Miss Helen Morgan Avery and Mrs. Crandall of New London, Mr. George S. Porter of Norwich, and Mrs. Belton Avery Copp of Groton are particularly entitled to thanks for assistance. Much remains to be done in the towns that we visited:

In Groton, the deeds, the wills, the six or seven other cemeteries, and the records of the other churches should be examined.

In New London, the probate records (except the first four volumes), the deeds, and the cemeteries except the "ancientest" one, have not been examined; nor have any of the church records except those of the first Congregational.

In Lyme, the church records, wills, deeds, and cemeteries should be examined.

In Norwich, the wills, deeds, cemeteries (except the old cemetery), and the church records (except the first Congregational) await examination.

In Stonington, all the cemeteries (except the "Plain" burying-ground), the probate records (except the Avery wills), and the church records (except the two old Congregational church records), should be examined.

We much regretted our inability to visit several towns, particularly Mystic and Ledyard.

Cannot members of the Avery clan who live near cemeteries not yet examined procure the inscriptions for us; and cannot other members take a little time to look up the records?

We wish not only all that relates to the Avery name, but the parentage of those who married Averys, the children of the Avery girls, and the marriages of these children. This involves research in other families. It means the studying of other wills besides the Avery wills. Some of the most important information already obtained has come from reading over a will that we had no reason to think had any relation to the Avery family. There is much of this work to be done in and near New London county.

I have an inquiry for the heirs of one George W. Avery, who lived in Columbia county, Wis., about 1859. He owned some property in Missouri which my correspondent wants to buy.

Ashbel George Avery (No. 1148, page 527), corporation counsel for the city of Spokane, Wash., was recently elected president of the Country Club of that place, one of the most successful and popular of such organizations in the Northwest.

### BIRTHS.

Florence Naomi Avery, daughter of Isaac Dudley and Isa (Slocum) Avery, and grand-daughter of Milton Herman Avery (No. 1369, page 159), was born, Dec. 14, 1898, at Hebron, Ohio.

Mildred Beatrice Avery Smith, daughter of Dr. Walter Ernest and Bertha Jane (Avery) Smith (No. 863, page 678), was born, Sept. 26, 1899, at Fairland, Indian Territory.

Emily Avery Egelhoff, great-granddaughter of David and Emily (Avery) Knowles, (No. 784, page 105), was born, Oct. 18, 1899, at Weatherford, Texas. A picture of the mother was given in NOTES AND QUERIES for last May, page 91.

### ORANGE BLOSSOMS.

Esther Maria Avery, daughter of Amos William Avery (No. 574a, page 458), was married, July 30, 1899, at Missoula, Montana, to Henry K. Rouzer.

Elfie Dell Avery, daughter of Edwin Leslie Avery and grand-daughter of Oscar Avery (No. 1371, page 159), was married, October 18, 1899, at Indianapolis, Ind., to Reese Wysong.

## THE LAST ROLL CALL.

Mary Cecilue Avery, the widow of Milton Herman Avery (No. 1369, page 159), died, April 18, 1899, at Hebron, Ohio.

Mrs. Indiana (Abbott) Rose, a granddaughter of Milton Herman Avery (No. 1369, page 159), died, Sept. 12, 1899, at Columbus, Ohio.

Mrs. Fanny Maria (Avery) Corwin (No. 1514, page 172), died, July 21, 1899, at Scranton, Pa.

Andrew Gillespie, the husband of Mary Esther (Avery) Gillespie (No. 1510, page 262), died, June 29, 1899, at Binghamton, N. Y. I am informed that the record of her marriage to Lewis Benedict, given by Mr. Sweet, is wholly wrong.

Mrs. Helen Mar (Brower) Avery, the wife of William Osborne Avery (No. 956, page 208), died, Feb'y. 28, 1899, at Detroit, Mich.

Elisha Avery (No. 351, page 348), died, Oct. 31, 1899, at Montgomery, Mass.

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Miss Elizabeth Wilson, instructor in English Literature at Lawrence University, Appleton, Wisconsin, is a great-grand-daughter of Annis (Avery) Hill, No. 207, page 338. She has traveled extensively and studied successfully, and is an instructive and entertaining lecturer.

Julia Marian Avery (No. 2156, page 258), daughter of Dean Richmond Avery of San Francisco, was married August 9, 1899, to Alfred Walter White, of Oakland, California.

Sidney Morgan Avery (No. 2070, page 245), married October 16, 1899, at Grace Church, New York City, Miss Blanche Margaret Parker.

Robert Lincoln Avery (No. 1032, page 515), married December 6 1899, at Superior, Nebraska, Ora G. Woolsey.

Mrs. Amelia Avery Fisher (No. 243, page 456), whose portrait appeared in Notes and Queries for last May (page 86), died November 29, 1899, at Albany, Oregon, in the ninety-eighth year of her age. It was the calm, triumphant ending of an eventful and useful life.

Frank Morris Avery (No. 898, page 532), died December 12, 1899, probably at Chicago.

On page 107 of Notes And Queries it was erroneously stated that the Rev. Dr. Daniel Avery Whedon was for eighteen years editor of the Northern Christian Advocate.

I can supply a few complete sets of AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES for 1898 and 1900. Price, one dollar per set, postage prepaid,

#### MINOR'S DIARY.

Lieutenant Thomas Minor of Stonington, Connecticut, faithfully kept a diary from 1653 to 1684. It has long been a great source of information to genealogists, and has recently been printed. It contains many items relating to the Avery family. Three of Thomas Minor's children married children of the first James Avery. His son Ephraim married Hannah Avery; his son Joseph married Mary Avery; and his daughter Hannah married Thomas Avery. The folloging extract from the diary will show the esteem in which Thomas Minor was held by his townsmen and the colony:

"This .24th. of Aprill. 1669. I Thomas Minor am by my accounts sixtie one yeares ould I was by the Towne & this yeare Chosen to be a select man the Townes Tresurer The Townes Recorder The brander of horses by the generale Courte Recorded the head officer of the Traine band by the same Courte one of the flouer that have the Charge of the milishcia of the whole Countie and Chossen and sworne Commission and one to assist in keeping the Countie Courte."

### THE FOUNDERS OF THE FAMILY.

I give herewith a brief account of Christopher and James, the founders of the clan known as the Averys of Groton, and of the daughters of the latter. My chief objects in so doing are to show what has been ascertained since the publication of Mr. Sweet's book, and to indicate the probable arrangement that will be adopted for the new edition. The first chapter of the book will contain information concerning the Avery family before the coming of Christopherland James² to Salem, Massachusetts, in 1630, biographical sketches of Christopherland James², and the genealogical records herewith printed. The second, third, fourth, and fifth chapters will contain, respectively, the records of James³, Thomas³, John³, and Samuel³, the sons of Captain James² Avery.

The plan of numbering names and generations will appear from what follows. Blank spaces are left for the entry of the now unknown dates, and names of places and persons. The following abbreviations are used:

b. - born, m.—married, d.—died.

s.—son,

bu.-buried,

s. p.—sine prole—without children,

unni.—unmarried, d. y.—died young,

dau.—daughter,

bap,-baptised.

The sequence and true relation of events of this early period are often confused for us by the difference between the "old style" and the "new style" calendars. For instance, the registry entitled "Births in New London" indicates that Capt. James and Joanna (Greenslade) Avery had born unto them a son on December 15, 1646, and a daughter on February 19, 1647. In fact, the interval between the two births was fourteen months instead of two, as at first glance appears. The calendar-amendment act, an English statute of 1751, established the first day of January as the beginning of each year (instead of Lady-day, March 25), adopted the Gregorian or "new style" in place of the Julian or "old style" calendar, and cancelled the then existing excess of eleven days by making the third day of September, 1752, the fourteenth Hence the double writing of the year in dates falling in January, February and March, so frequently met with in the following century. The last date in the registry record above quoted might be written February 19, 1647 (O S) or February 29, 1648 (N. S.), or February 19, 1647-'48.

1. Christopher<sup>1</sup> Avery, the emigrant, was born in England. For a sketch of his life, see Sweet's "Avery's of Groton," pp. 9-14. I give the following additional items: "30:5:55 Christopher Avery is admitted an inhabitant." (Boston Town Records, page 119, printed). An entry in the London Marriage Licenses for 1584 (published by the Harleian Society) indicates (page 132) that Christopher Everye of St. James, London, and Mary Harryson, spinster, of St. Mary, Woolworth [Woolwich?], dan, of William Harryson, late of St. Magnus, London, were m, at or about that date. This may possibly help to determine the parentage of Christopher, the emigrant. He was born about 1590, and it has long been conjectured that his mother's name was Mary. It is hoped that, before the publication of the new edition of the family history, the English home and the parentage of Christopher<sup>1</sup> Avery will be ascertained.

A statement in Sweet's "Avery's of Groton," page 14, makes it appear that Minor, in his diary, records that Christopher Avery died March 12, 1679. The exact record in Minor's diary is as follows: "it was in the .5, day of march 78-79 mrs. bruster was buried the 12. day ffather avery was buried."

2. i. James<sup>2</sup>, b. about 1620 in England.

2. Captain James<sup>2</sup> Avery (*Christopher*<sup>1</sup>) was b. about 1620, in England; m. 1st, November 10, 1643, at Boston, Joanna Greenslade, dau, of...........; m. 2d., July 4, 1698, Abigail, widow of Joshua Holmes. Abigail Holmes had previously been the widow of Samuel Cheeseboro; according to Judge Richard A. Wheeler, her maiden name was Abigail Ingraham. Her daughter, Abigail Cheeseboro, married John<sup>3</sup> Avery, son of Capt. James<sup>2</sup> Avery.

For a biographical sketch of James<sup>2</sup> Avery see Sweet's "Avery's of Groton," pp. 14-27. The sketches of Christopher<sup>1</sup> and James<sup>2</sup> Avery have also been printed in pamphlet form, and will be given in

the revised edition of the family history.

Minor, in his diary, records, August, 1682: "24 day Captayn Averie and his wife was heare." It is supposed that Joanna was alive as late as 1693. Her ancestry is not known. It has been suggested by some that she might have been the daughter of an Edward Greenslade, while others incline to the opinion that her father was Thomas Greenslade, who came over in 1658. Again, this Thomas might have been her brother, but no relationship has been proved.

Children of James and Joanna (Greenslade) Avery:

3. i. Hannah<sup>3</sup>, b. Oct. 11, 1644, at Gloucester, Mass.

4. ii. James³, b. Dec. 16, 1646, at Gloucester, Mass. (See Chapter 2.)

iii. MARY<sup>3</sup>, b. Feb. 29, 1647-8, at Gloucester, Mass.

6. iv. Thomas³, b. May 6, 1651, at New London, Conn. (See Chapter 3.)

7. v. John<sup>3</sup>, b. Feb. 10, 1653-4, at New London, Conn. (See Chapter 4.)

S. vi. REBECCA3, b. Oct. 6, 1656, at New London, Conn.

vii. JONATHAN3, b. Jan. 5, 1658, at New London; bu. Sept. 15, 1681, at New London; unm.

viii. Christopher3, b. April 30, 1661, at New London; d. Dec. 8, 1683, at New London; unm.

9. ix. Samuel3, b. Aug. 14, 1664, at New London, Conn. (See Chapter 5.)

3. Hannah<sup>3</sup> Avery (James<sup>2</sup>, Christopher<sup>1</sup>) was b. Oct. 11, 1644, at Gloucester, Mass.; m. June 20, 1666, at New Lendon, Conn., Mr. Ephraim Minor, s. of Thomas and Grace (Palmer) Minor of Stonington, Conn. He was b. May 1, 1642, at Hingham, Mass.; farmer; lived at Stonington, Conn.; freeman, 1669; deputy to the general court several terms; justice of the peace many years; lieutenant of

the train band. She d. Aug. 12, 1721, at Stonington; he d. May 19, 1724, at Stonington.

Thomas Minor, the father of Ephraim, in his famous diary, records: April, 1666: "The 11th day wensday The macth was made up between Ephraim and hanah Averie I gave the 2 horses to Ephraim and Joseph to buy Their weding suts sabath day the 15th Sabath day 22 Ephraim and hanah Averie was put over the meeting house dore" In June of the same year, he writes: "wensday the 20. our Ephraim was maried"

Children of Ephraim and Hannah (Avery) Minor (all born at Stonington):

- i. HANNAH<sup>4</sup>, b. April 5, 1667; d. May 25, 1667, at Stonington.
- iii. THOMAS+, b. Dec. 17, 1669; d. Sept. 8, 1688, at Stonington, unm.
- iv. Hannah<sup>4</sup>, b. April 20, 1671; m. Jan'y 6, 1691-2. at Stonington, Samuel Frink; d....., at ....., at ......
- v. Rebecca<sup>4</sup>, b. Sept. 17, 1672; m. July 8, 1696, at Stonington, Josiah Grant; d. Jan'y 15, 1746-7, at Stonington.
- vi. Elizabeth<sup>‡</sup>, b. April 30, 1674; m. ...., at ....., John Brown; d....., at ....., at .....
- vii. Samuel, b. Dec. 9, 1676; d. y., at Stonington.
- viii. Deboraht, b. April 15, 1678; d. Aug. ..., 1678, at Stonington.
- ix. Deborah<sup>4</sup>, b. April ..., 1679; m. July 8, 1696, at Stonington, Joseph Pendleton; d. Sept. 8, 1698, at Stonington. Joseph Pendleton subsequently m. her cousin, Patience Potts (No. 8, iii), as recorded below.
  - X. Samuel<sup>4</sup>, b. Aug. 28, 1681; m. April 7, 1702, at Stonington, Ann Denison; ensign in train band; d. before 1718, at Stonington, s. p.
- xi. James\*, b. Nov. ..., 1682; m. 1st., Feb. 2, 1704-5, at Stonington, Abigail Eldridge; m. 2d., May 1, 1721, at Stonington, Sarah Ayer; deputy to the general court; lieutenant of the train band; d. June 3, 1726, at Stonington.
- xii. Grace<sup>‡</sup>, b. Sept. ..., 1683 ; m. ...., at ....., William Palmer; d....., at .....
- xiv. Sons<sup>4</sup>, twins, b. May 22, 1687, d. May 22, 1687, at Stonington.

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All dues received since the November issue of Notes and Queries are credited as for the year 1900, whether dues were paid for 1899 or not. All persons paying club dues are entitled to the magazine without other payment. Dues are paid simply for the purpose of helping carry on the work of the family historian. Each member determines what his annual payment shall be—within the limits on one and ten dollars. You are eligible to membership, and your remittance will be gladly received and acknowledged in this magazine.

This is a good time for you and your friends to subscribe for Notes and Queries.

There are, in the homes of many who will receive this magazine, blanks headed "Biographical and Genealogical Memoranda," and sent out by me. The number of such unreturned blanks charged to the year 1899 exceeds three hundred. Occasionally one such dove returns to the ark. In the month of January, 1900, two that were sent out in 1897 came back in safety and with their long-waited-for messages. But if I have to wait that long for answers to my inquiries, I shall surely die before the new edition of the family history is ready for the printer. Please let me whisper in your ear (for I have loudly called in vain) my earnest request that you fill out those blanks and send them to me at once—before you forget it again.

Attention is called to the genealogical records printed in this magazine. They show that many additions and corrections have been made since the publication of Mr. Sweet's book. They also show that many desired facts are still unknown. If you can supply information that will fill any of these gaps, please do so at your earliest convenience.

### APPRECIATION.

A recent correspondent says: "I have been looking all summer for a stray five dollars to add to your small fund. They are none too plenty and I have two uses for every dollar. But this is mine and I cheerfully give it to help on a work which ought to be done. I am glad that your heart is in it and hope that you may live to push it to completion."

Another correspondent writes from Kansas City thus: "There must be some expense in getting up this history, and I should like to pay my share. If you will let me know what others are paying, I will send you draft for the same. I should also like to buy one of the books."

I have a few pamphlets containing the appendix to Sweet's "The Avery's of Groton," and relating to "Avery Coats of Arms" (with illustrations of four coats) and to "The Avery Family in England and France." These pamphlets will be furnished, as long as the supply lasts, at fifty cents per copy.

### (Continued from page 11%.)

5. Mary<sup>3</sup> Avery (James<sup>2</sup>, Christopher<sup>1</sup>) was b. Feb. 29, 1648, (n. s.) at Gloucester, Mass.; m. Oct. 28, 1668, at New London, Conn. Mr. Joseph Minor, s. of Thomas and Grace (Palmer) Minor of Stonington, Conn. He was b. Aug. 25, 1644, at Hingham, Mass.; farmer; lived at Stonington; freeman, 1669; deputy to the general court. She d. Feb. 2, 1708, at Stonington; he d. Feb. 1, 1711, at Stonington.

Thomas Minor, in his diary, records, March, 1667-8: "wensday the 18, we made an End between Jossepth & Marie Averie."

On the Stonington town books is the following: "Joseph, son of Thomas Minor and Marie, daughter of James Averie of New London, married the 28th of October, 1668, by Lient, James Averie."

Children of Joseph and Mary (Avery) Minor (all born in Stonington):

- i. Joseph<sup>4</sup>, b. Sept. 19, 1669; m. June 18, 1700, at Stonington, Sarah Tracy; deputy to the general court; d. ......, at
- MARJE<sup>‡</sup>, b. Oct. 6, 1671; m. ...., at ...., Elisha Cheeseboro; d. before 1711.
- iii. MERCIE<sup>4</sup>, b. Aug. 21,1673; m. ...., at ....., west; d. ...., at .....
- iv. Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, bap. June 26, 1676; m. Nov. 15, 1697, at Stonington, Mary Saxton; d. Feb. 28, 1710-11, at Stonington.
- v. Sarah<sup>4</sup>, bap. March 30, 1679; m. ....., at ....., Nathaniel Tracy, brother of the Sarah who m. Joseph Minor as above recorded; d. ....., at .....
- vii. Christopher<sup>4</sup>, bap. June 13, 1684; m....., at ....., Mary Laye; d. ....., at .....,
- viii. PRUDENCE<sup>4</sup>, bap. May 6, 1688; m. Feb. 17, 1707, at Stonington,
  Joseph Denison; d. May 26, 1726, at Stonington.

Joseph Minor, sr., m. 2d., Oct. 7, 1709. Bridget, widow of William Thompson, by whom he had a daughter, Bridget, bap. March ..., 1711. This daughter, Bridget, m. May 26, 1726, at Stonington, Oliver Grant, son of Josiah and Rebecca (Minor) Grant, and grandson of Hannah (Avery) Minor, No. 3. She died before March 18, 1729-30, at which time Oliver Grant m. a second time.

Children of William and Rebecca (Avery) Potts:

- i. Joanna<sup>4</sup>, b. May 10, 1679, at ......; d. y. at .....
- ii. WILLIAM<sup>4</sup>, b. March 13, 1680, at ......; no further information.
- - iv. HANNAH<sup>4</sup>, v. ABIGAIL<sup>4</sup>, } twins, bap. May 5, 1695, at New London.

William and Rebecca Potts probably had two other children, as follows:

Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, b. ....., at ...... ; m. Nov. 10, 1713, at Groton, Conn., Mary Geer; d. ....., at ....., at ......

Mary<sup>4</sup>, b. ..... , at .....; m. Jan. 1, 1718, at New London, Conn., Jonathan Daniels; d. ....., at ..........

(To be continued.)

In his "Old Virginia and Her Neighbors," Mr. John Fiske, the eminent historian, says that the importance of ancestry is better appreciated in America now than it was a few generations ago. He adds: "The pedigrees of horses, dogs, and fancy pigeons have a value that is quotable in terms of hard cash. Far more important, for the student of human affairs, are the pedigrees of men. By no possible ingenuity of constitution-making or of legislation can a society made up of ruffians and boors be raised to the intellectual and moral level of a society made up of well-bred merchants and yeoman, parsons and lawyers. One might as well expect to see a dray horse win the Derby. Without genealogy the study of history is comparatively lifeless."

# CONNECTICUT MEN IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR.

(From records printed by the state.)

Aaron Avery, 8th militia, under Captain Burrows: Sept. 8 to November 17, 1776, at New York.

Abel Avery (No. 162, page 421,) pensioner, Chatham, Middlesex Co., Conn., 1840.

Abraham Avery (No. 55, page 416) Stonington, corporal, 7th Conn. regiment, Col. Charles Webb, Capt. Jonathan Lattimer and Capt. Nathan Hale, July 1, 1775 to Dec. 18, 1775; re-enlisted Jan. 1, 1776; orderly sergeant, Capt. James Eldridge, Col. S. H. Parsons; transferred to the artificers under Capt. Bacon; at the evacuation of Boston; at New York as armorer under Capt. John Hilliard; at Long Island and White Plains; discharged at end of service; Dec., 1778. enlisted as gunsmith on board the brig "Eagle," a privateer under Captain Elijah Luce; May 1, 1779, they were captured by a British man-of-war under Admiral Young, taken to Antigua and placed on the "Renown" and forced to work the ship. They convoyed a sugar fleet to the British Channel and then sailed for New York where Abraham Avery and ten of his companions petitioned to be placed on the prison ship, preferring confinement to enforced service against their country. After much suffering in the prison hulk, they were finally released. Abraham Avery reached home at Stonington in a starving state and without enough clothes to cover his nakedness.

Amos Avery (probably No. 73, page 421). sergeant, Coventry. Lexington Alarm under Major Thomas Brown.

Amos Avery, private, New London, Lexington Alarm under Captain William Coit.

Amos Avery (probably No. 73, page 421), lieutenant, Coventry, commissioned May 1, 1775, discharged December, 1775, 3d regiment, Col. Israel Putnam, 9th company.

Amos Avery was in Capt. Jonathan Brewster's company, Col. Huntington's regiment, 1776, a pensioner.

Amos Avery, sergeant, Col. Sherbone's regiment, May 20, 1777. Reduced to the ranks. Jan. 1, 1779.

Amos Avery, second lieutenant, 1776 to 1777, Capt. Josiah Hammond, Col. Enos. 3d Bat.; served in Rhode Island and Connecticut.

Amos Avery, Capt. Stoddard's company, Col. Oliver Smith's regiment of militia, 1776.

Amos Avery, private, pensioner; residing in New Haven, Conn.,

in 1833-4.

If you can identify as Groton Averys any of the above-mentioned Revolutionary soldiers who are not identified by number and page, please communicate with me on the subject.

I am indebted to Mr. Frank M. Avery, of New York City, for the following extract from the "New London Gazette, Friday, August 4, 1780. Printed by Timothy Green, near the Court House."

Groton, July 25, 1780.

Mr. Green,

Please to give the following a Place in your next Paper:

On Tuesday the 11th Instant departed this Life, Col. Ebenezer Avery, in the 77th Year of his Age. A Gentleman possessed of a sensible and judicious Mind which furnished him for ancommon Usefulness in his Day and early introduced him to public Employments. For many Years he served the Town in various Capacities, frequently representing it to the general Assembly, from which he received a Commission for the Peace, which he executed to suppress Vice, and promote Peace and good Order. His Genius so peculiarly fitted him for the service of his Country, that he was employed in Military Offices 'till he was honored with the rank of Colonel in the Regiment to which he belonged; all which he filled up with Integrity and Honor; his Wisdom, Fidelity and Generosity procuring him universal Veneration and Esteem. Yet he excelled in the devout and religious Life, being a faithful Servant of God, a cordial Friend to Christ and Mankind, and honoring Religion.

The record of this Colonel Avery appears as No 25, page 33, in Mr. Sweet's "The Averys of Groton."

If you see in any newspaper an obituary notice of an Avery or a descendant of an Avery, please send a marked copy of the paper to the historian of the Groton Averys. This will be easy for you and of very great help to him.

The Hon, Edward Avery (No. 340, page 654), s. of Gen, Samuel and Mary A. W. (Candler) Avery, was born March 12, 1828, at Marblehead, Mass. He was educated at Marblehead and Boston; studied at the Harvard law school, and became one of the leading members of the Boston bar. He was a stalwart and consistent Democrat; many years a member of the Democratic state committee, and several times its chairman; a member of the national Democratic conventions of 1868 and 1876, and, in each case, a member of the committee on



THE HON. EDWARD AVERY,

resolutions; a member of the lower house of the Massachusetts legislature in 1868, one of the eight who, that year, constituted the full strength of his party in that body. For more than twenty years he was senior warden in his parish church. He was a freemason and filled many of the highest offices in that order. He possessed rare oratorical powers. He was versatile, modest, courteous and genial, a loving friend, a generous and indulgent father, and a faithful and patriotic citizen. He died Dec. 29, 1896, at Boston, Mass.

# Hvery Notes and Queries.

A Quarterly Magazine devoted to the History of the Groton Averys.

No. 10.

"Honor thy Father and thy Mother."

May, 1900.

The number and page references used in this magazine are to Sweet's History of "The Averys of Groton."

I desire the address of the Robert Lincoln Avery who m. Ora G. Woolsey at Superior, Neb., Dec. 6, 1899.

Have you sent your family record to the family historian, Elroy M. Avery, 657 Woodland Hills Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio? If so, have you reported to him all changes in your family since that time?

I am under obligation to Mr. Frank G. Miner of Parma, Mich., for information that enables the filling of two blank dates in the family record printed on page 120 of Notes and Queries. Marie<sup>4</sup> Minor was married January 27, 1692, and died November 24, 1704. If you have information that will enable the filling of any such blank spaces, please send it to the family historian.

According to Mr. Sweet, Joshua Avery (No. 58, page 332), son of Joshua and Jerusha (Rockwell) Avery, married Hannah Clark, and another Joshua Avery (No. 55, page 575), son of John and Bridget (Higgins) Avery, married the same Hannah Clark within four days. One of these records is wrong. Information wanted.

Ralph W. Haggard, youngest son of Dr. James R. and Frances Helen (Avery) Haggard (No. 1375, page 252), was a sergeant in Company K, 2d Nebraska Regiment, during the late war with Spain.

Born, Sunday, February 11, 1900, at Avondale, a suburb of Chicago, Ill., Marjory Grace Dada, a granddaughter of Mrs. Eva J. Hamilton, who is a great-great-granddaughter of Sylvester and Elizabeth (Avery) Baldwin (No. 19, page 327). Miss Marjory is of the eleventh generation in descent from Christopher Avery, and of the twelfth generation from Elder William Brewster of Plymouth. Her sister, Dorothy Prince Dada, was born March 21, 1898.

James Virgil Blair, son of Benjamin Vance and Mary (Avery) Blair and grandson of Cyrus Avery (No. 471, p. 627), was born Nov. 15, 1899, at Elmira, Ill., the youngest of four children.

Sarah Eastman Avery (No. 1053, page 519) married June 7, 1899, at Moville, Iowa, Lester A. McCarter of Moville,

Alfred Avery, son of Edwin Allen and Mary (Stark) Avery (No. 1271, page 243), married Jennie Cornelia Drake at Old Forge, Pa., recently. I should like the date, and their place of residence.

### THE SEARCH FOR OUR ENGLISH ANCESTRY.

From time to time I have had bright hopes that some one who had an interest in the matter and could afford to pay the bill would authorize me to employ a competent genealogist to make a thorough and, if necessary, a persistent search for the ancestors of Christopher Avery and his son, Captain James Avery, the founders of the clan known as the Averys of Groton. The last of these dreams came to naught because of the unwillingness of a certain Avery descendant to assume any obligation for payment without knowing in advance the extent of such obligation. Unfortunately, no genealogist can tell beforehand how much effort the search will involve or assure success in any event. No reputable genealogist will undertake the search except upon the basis of fair pay for fair work. I understand that good business men sometimes send prospecting parties into mining regions at considerable expense, with nothing but a hope that something of value will be found. The genealogical quest seems to me to be strictly analogous to such an enterprise, and if one is legitimate I cannot see why the other is not equally so; still I am a competent witness to the fact that Jasons of both kinds sometimes come back without the golden fleece.

I now have, however, for consideration a proposition that is not so wholly of a speculative character, one in which something definite is assured. Many facts seem to point to Salisbury, England, as the English home of Christopher¹ Avery. Most persons who have given the subject much study are of the opinion that in 1630 our founder came thence to Salem, Massachusetts. It is worth something definitely to establish or to disprove this hypothesis. I can have it done for a hundred dollars. If our genealogist finds there what we want, we shall have struck "pay dirt" at a very small expenditure. If he does not find it, we shall have eliminated that unknown quantity of the problem, and shall have possession of all notes made in the search.

My correspondent says: "I might even, in the event of such a show ing on your part, feel like going further than such a sum would pay for (if it were expended before the sought information was found), with the confident belief that if I did succeed eventually in finding the immigrant you would agree (tacitly) to take the discovery off my hands at a reasonable price."

I feel full confidence in the professional ability and in the integrity of the genealogist who makes the offer. Will any one become responsible for the payment of the hundred dollars in question on the terms herein outlined?

#### MARKED PAPERS.

If you see in a newspaper a marriage, obituary, or other notice of an Avery, or of a descendant of an Avery, please send a marked copy of the paper to the historian of the Groton Averys. If the notice is not plainly marked it may be missed and, at the best, a careful search is made necessary. It is better to send a marked copy of the paper than it is to clip the article and then send it in a letter, unless the name and date of the paper, and the place of its publication are with the clipping. For illustration, the clipped notice may state that Henry Avery and Jenny Raleigh were married at the M. E. Church by the Rev. Robert Reidy of Madison, N. I., at 6:30 o'clock last evening. Not knowing the date of the paper that contained the notice, I do not know the date of the marriage, an item very much more important to the genealogist than the description of the gowns. Sometimes the clipping states that the marriage was performed at the residence of the bride's parents at No. 87 Main Street, but I can only guess whether it was in Dansville, Cincinnati, New London, or Oshkosh

Mrs, Frances Avery Haggard, of Lincoln, Neb., recently sent me a pamphlet entitled "Narrative of the Rise and Progress of the Difficulties which have issued in a Separation between the Minister and the People of Bennington [Vermont], 1783, with a Valedictory Address," by the Rev. David Avery (No. 78, page 422). It was printed by Haswell & Russel, Bennington, 1783, and an inscription shows that this copy was given by the Rev. David Avery to I. Badlam. For a portrait of this David Avery, see Notes and Queries, page 63.

### DEDICATION OF THE AVERY MEMORIAL.

The bronze bust of Captain James<sup>2</sup> Avery, designed by Bela L. Pratt under order from the Avery Memorial Association, is so nearly completed that I amable to give herewith a picture that conveys a good



idea of what it is to be. The bust is to take the place of the conical apex of the shaft (see picture on page 101 of NOTES AND QUERIES)

which will be cut off for that purpose. The association has designated Friday, July 20, 1900, the anniversary of the burning of "The Hive of the Averys" built by Capt. James Avery in 1656, as the day for the formal dedication of the completed memorial. The exercises will, of course, be held on the site of the old home. There will be an address of welcome, a brief oration, a poem, music, prayer, etc. Ample provision for the transportation and accommodation of the assembled members of the clan will be made by the association. But better than all else, there will be the glow and enthusiasm that come from the personal contact of men and women who have something in common: from standing face to face with hundreds in whose veins runs the ancestral blood that runs in yours; of feeling the warm hand-clasp of cousins from all parts of the Dominion and of the States-all suffused with reverent affection for noble sires and blended into an harmonious and delightful whole. I do not know, for certain, that Groton Averys will be there from Greenland's icy mountains and India's coral strand, but I do know that they will be there from the borders of the tepid Gulf and the shining sands of the Golden Gate. Of course, you will be there

Bela Lyon Pratt, the sculptor, was born at Norwich, Connecticut, in 1867. He entered the Yale School of Fine Arts in 1885, and subsequently studied under St. Gaudens at Boston, and at the Ecole des Beaux Arts at Paris. Among his first works of importance were two large groups in the peristyle at the Columbian Exposition at Chicago. Among his later works are the six 7-foot figures for the spandrels over the front entrance of the Library of Congress, one 12-foot figure of "Philosophy" inside the dome of the library, and a series of bas reliefs. He designed the life-size figure, "Winged Victory" in bronze, that adorns the forward turret of the United States battleship "Massachusetts." This emblematic piece was the gift, 1897, of the commonwealth of that name. Speaking of Mr. Pratt's bronze bust of the late Phillips Brooks, the Boston Herald (April 23, 1899), pronounces it "by far the most satisfying and most thoroughly truthful of all the liknesses of the famous divine that has as yet appeared." Mr. Pratt is a descendant of Samuel and Hannah (Avery) Morgan (No 18, page 32). His portrait will appear in the next number of NOTES AND QUERIES.

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Franklin C. Avery, Fort Coliins, Colo	5.00
Dr. A. D. Thomas, Little Rock, Ark	5.00
Lew J. Avery, Seneca Falls, N. Y	1.00
Mrs. L. R. Southworth, New York City	2.50
Phineas O Avery, Humboldt, Neb	1.00
Mrs. W. H. Carrier, Phœnix, N. Y	00.1
Albert D. Allen, Pittsburg, Pa	00.1
Miss Jessie V. Avery, Erie, Pa.	1,00
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Do not forget the time and place: July 20, 1900; Groton, Conn.

### THE AVERYS OF GROTON.

In the last number of Notes and Queries, I gave genealogical accounts of Christopher Avery, and his only son, James Avery (the founders of what is known as the family or clan of Groton Averys), and of Hannah, Mary, and Rebecca, the three daughters of the latter. The record of the descendants of each of the four married sons of James<sup>2</sup> Avery will constitute a separate chapter in the revised family history now in preparation. The printing of these sample records is continued in this issue. Blank spaces are left for the entry of the now unknown dates, and names of places and persons. The following abbreviations are used:

b.—born, s. p.—sine prole—without children,
m.—married, unm—unmarried,
d.—died, d. y.—died young,
s.—son, dau.—daughter,
bu.—buried, bap.—baptized.

In the list of the children of Capt. James Avery, printed on page 116 of Notes and Queries, may be found this entry:

4. ii. James<sup>3</sup>, b. Dec. 16, 1646, at Gloucester, Mass.

The figure 4 at the beginning of the line indicates that the record is to be continued in a subsequent paragraph bearing that number. The Roman numeral, ii. signifies that this James was the second child born unto his parents. The figure 3 following the name indicates that this James was of the third generation in descent from Christopher, the Emigrant. The line of descent (printed in parentheses) follows the name at the beginning of each paragraph. Of course, the number at the beginning of each paragraph will lead the searcher back to the record of the nearest ancestor. Thus James Avery will be the only name in the whole book that has the number 4. Whether the first entry of the name, as on page 116 of Notes and Queries, or the fuller record as it appears on page 132, is under observation, this figure 4 easily leads to the other entry. If such a name-number is wanting in any case, its absence indicates that the individual record is not continued in a later paragraph. Having only a single series of name-numbers for the clan (instead of such a series for each of the four sons of James<sup>2</sup> Avery who became the heads of families, as appear in the now existing family history), it will be possible to include all the names in a single index.

# CHAPTER II.

The New London town records for 1669, contain the following entry: "James Avery jun. sonn of James Avery was marryed unto Deborah ye daughter of Edward Stallyon — 20 of February." The earlier date above given is that recorded by Mr. Sweet.

Like his father, James Avery, ir took an important part in the affairs of the colony. He was deputy to the general court seven times from New London (1689-1702), and nine times from Groton (1707-1712); he was commissioned lieutenant in May, 1690, and captain in May, 1692; he was made commissioner in May, 1693 and held the office until May, 1695; he was counselor and advisor of the Pequot tribe and became their guardian in 1720; in 1723 be instituted suits to recover lands of which they had been deprived; he several times acted as an interpreter to the council; in 1700, he was made one of a committee to find a tract of land for the Narragansett volunteers, which tract is now called Voluntown; in this tract he received arable land and many acres of cedar swamp; he was often on committees to settle boundary disputes and the location of public lands; he and his wife joined the First Church of New London in 1672; he, with Mr. Crary, appeared before the general court at its May session, 1696, in behalf of the inhabitants on the east side of the New London river for liberty to embody themselves into a church, which application was refused; they again applied in 1697 and were again refused; because of this application, he came under the discipline of the church; about 1704, the application was granted and the Church of Christ of Groton was formed: the first names on the list of those in full communion in this church are those of Captain James3 Avery and his wife; they lived in the red house, the "Hive of the Averys" at the head of Poquonnoc Plain in the town of Groton. He is generally spoken of as James Avery, jr.

James Avery, jr. died Aug. 22, 1728 at Groton. His widow, Deborah (Stallyon) Avery, died March 27, 1729, at Groton. Their gravestones stand near the center of the West burying-ground at Poquonnoc, and are still in good condition. Children of James and Deborah (Stallyon) Avery (all born in Groton):

- i. Deborah<sup>4</sup>, b. August 1, 1671.
   ii. James<sup>4</sup>, b. April 20, 1673.
- ii. James<sup>4</sup>, b. April 20, 1673.
   iii. Margaret<sup>4</sup>, b. Feb. 5, 1674.
- iv. Edward<sup>4</sup>, b. March 20, 1676.
   v. Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, b. May 1, 1678.
- 15. vi. Christopher<sup>4</sup>, b. Jan. 23, 1679.
- vii. Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, b. Nov. 9, 1681.
   viii. Mary<sup>4</sup>, b. Aug. 4, 1683; d. y.
- 17. ix. Hannah<sup>4</sup>, b. March 24, 1685.
- 18. x. SARAH<sup>4</sup>, b. May 10, 1688.

the youngest daughter.

- 19. xi. Joseph<sup>4</sup>, b. August 9, 1691.
- 20. xii. Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, b.....

These birth-dates are given as they appear in Sweet's "Averys of Groton" The New London town records state that James was born Feb. 29, 1673; Margaret Feb. 4, 1674; Jonathan Nov. 9, 1680; Mary Feb. 4, 1683; and Hannah March 4, 1685. Mr. Sweet also says that Mary born Aug. 4, 1683, died young, and that a second Mary was born. The authority for the statement is not known, but James Avery, in a document executed June 10, 1717, mentions daughters, Deborah Allyn, Margaret Morgan, Hannah Mor-

gan, Sarah Latham, and Mary Morgan, thus indicating that Mary was

10. Deborah<sup>4</sup> Avery (James<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Christopher<sup>4</sup>) was born August 1, 1671, at Groton, Conn.; m. June 29, 1691, at New London, Conn., Robert Allyn, son of John and Elizabeth (Gager) Allyn. According to the New London records, "Robert Allyn ye sonn of John and Elizabeth Allyn was borne about ye middle of September [1671]." He lived at Allyn's Point, about six miles below Norwich, was a man of property, and was held in high esteem in the colony. He made his will December 27, 1729, and it was probated January 27, 1730, at New London. His widow, Deborah (Avery) Allyn, made her will May 22, 1734, and it was probated Dec. 17, 1739, at New London. She mentions all her sons and her daughters, Elizabeth Williams, and Deborah Lester.

Children of Robert and Deborah (Avery) Allyn (all born in Groton):

i.	ELIZABETH <sup>5</sup> , b Nov 20, 1694; ni, at, Jonathan Williams; d, at
ii.	Joнх <sup>5</sup> , b. January 11, 1696; m. July 28, 1726, at,
	Joanna Minor ; d, at
iii.	ROBERT <sup>5</sup> , b. January 25, 1697-8; m. May 25, 1725, atGroton,
	Abigail Avery, (see No); d. April 1, 1760, at Groton
iv.	JAMES <sup>5</sup> , b. February 29, 1699-1700; m. Dec 17, 1729, at Groton,
	Alithea Avery, (see No); d. Nov, 1776, at Groton
ν.	EBENEZER <sup>5</sup> , twin with James; m. April 27, 1726, at Groton,
	Mary Thurber; d, at
vi.	CHRISTOPHER <sup>5</sup> , b. April 12, 1702; d. March 26, 1703 at Groton.
vii.	Samuel <sup>5</sup> , b. May 26, 1704; m. May 27, 1731, at Groton, Hannah
	Avery, (see No); d Feb, 1762, at Groton.
viii.	Christopher <sup>5</sup> , b. July 21, 1706; mat
	Ann, at, at
ix.	LUCY5, b. July 29, 1708; d at, unm.
Χ.	Nathan <sup>5</sup> , b. Oct 5, 1711; m, at,
,,,,	Jane Pearl; d, at
xi.	
	than Lester: d at
	than Lester : d at

Deborah (Avery) Allyn mentions her daughter, Deborah Lester, in her will. The Groton records give the marriage of Deborah Allyn to Jonathan Lester. Probably this Deborah Allyn was born before her brother Nathan; otherwise she could not have been more than twelve years old at the time of her marriage to Jonathan Lester. He was born July 28, 1706, and was, therefore, but eighteen years old when he married.

John Griswold, in his will, made January 6, 1713 and on file in the probate court at New London, mentions his daughter, Mary Avery. He was the son of Edward Griswold who married for his second wife the widow Mary Bemis. She had a daughter, Mary Bemis who is supposed to have married her mother's stepson, John Griswold, John and Mary Griswold had a daughter, Mary, born Feb....., 1673, and John Griswold's daughter married an Avery. Hence the supposition above recorded.

James<sup>4</sup> Avery was deputy to the Connecticut general court fifteen terms(1715-1735); justice for New London county from 1726 to 1735; guardian of the Pequot Indians after his father's death; commissioned ensign of the first Groton train band in May, 1716; its lieutenant, October....., 1721; its captain, May....., 1728. He is often spoken of as James Avery, 3d.

He died Sept. 18, 1754, at Groton, His wife died Nov. 26, 1750,

at Groton, aged 76. Her gravestone is still standing.

Children of James and Mary (Griswold) Avery (all born in Groton):

22. i. JAMES<sup>5</sup>, b. May 27, 1697.

23. ii. John<sup>5</sup>, b. Feb. 4, 1700.

24. iii. EBENEZER<sup>5</sup>, b. March 29, 1704.

iv. ELIHU5, b. July 29, 1707; d. about 1748, unm.

25. v. MARY<sup>5</sup>, b. Feb. 23, 1710.

26. vi. HANNAH<sup>5</sup>, b. April 12, 1712.

27. vii. PRUDENCE<sup>5</sup>, b. March 21, 1715.

In this list of children, as printed in Sweet's "Averys of Groton," appears the name of a "Thomas, born as is supposed in 1717, but no further record." Careful search has revealed no trace of this apocryphal Thomas. The Rev. David Avery gives the names of the other children but makes no mention of one by the name of Thomas. From the evidence at hand, it seems that there was no such child.

12. Margaret Avery (James James Christopher) was born February 5, 1674, at Groton; m. July 7, 1696, at New London, William Morgan, the son of James and Mary (Vine) Morgan. He was born March 4, 1669, at Groton. He was first deacon of the First Church of Groton, which was organized in 1704. He died Dec. 25, 1750, at Groton. She died about 1755 and her estate was settled that year.

Children of William and Hannah (Avery) Morgan (all born in Groton):

 WILLIAM<sup>5</sup>, b. April 7, 1697, at Groton; m. (1st.) Sept. 21, 1721, at Groton, Hannah Stanton; m. (2d.) Sept. 24, 1747, at Groton, Sarah Seabury; d. May 14, 1778, at Groton.

ii. MARGARET<sup>5</sup>, b. Sept. 10, 1698; m. January 29, 1719, at Groton, Samuel Davis; d. August 15, 1724, at Groton.

iii. Deborah<sup>5</sup>, b. July 14, 1700.

iv. HANNAH<sup>5</sup>, b. ....., 1702.

v. Jerusha<sup>5</sup>, b. July 14, 1704; m. Feb. 5, 1724, at Groton, Humphrey Avery, (No. .......); d. Sept. 20, 1763, at Groton.

vi. Joseph<sup>5</sup>, b. Aug. 10; 1706; m. Dec. 4, 1735, at Groton, Dorothy Avery, (No......); d. Dec. 1, 1785, at Groton.

- vii. SOLOMON<sup>5</sup>, b. Oct. 5, 1708; m. July 1, 1742, at Groton, Mary Wadsworth; d. Nov. 22, 1791, at Groton.
- viii. ELIZABETH<sup>5</sup>, b. July 10, 1710; in....., at...., at...., John Avery, (No.......); d. before 1751, at Groton.
  - ix. Mary<sup>5</sup>, b. January 5, 1714; m. Aug. 7, 1937, at Groton, Jonas Belton.

### THE LAST ROLL CALL.

Mrs. Ida Celeste (Perry) Avery, wife of Herbert Dalton Avery, the son of Alonzo Bailey Avery (No. 648, page 466), died December 4, 1899, at Denver, Colo.

Mrs. Sarah (Avery) Brown (No. 1242, page 142), daughter of Calvin and Lilly (Gilbert) Avery, and widow of Michael Sweetman Brown, died Dec. 21, 1899, at Albion, Mich.

Nelson Willard French, son of John Calvin and Margaret (Avery) French (No. 1110d, page 127) died January 31, 1900, at Norwich, Conn., aged 42. His home was at Willimantic.

Marion Frances Avery (No. 1324, page 153) died February 20, 1900, at Danville, Va.

Mrs. Julia Ann (Taylor) Sheffield, daughter of John Braman and Prudence (Avery) Taylor (No. 452, page 447), died Feb'y 22, 1900, at Lebanon. Conn.

Frank K. Avery (No. 1224, page 536) died March 9, 1900, at Phœnix, N. Y., of which village he was the president.

Henry Clay Avery (No. 405, page 377) died March 30, 1900, at Wadham's Mills, Essex County, N. Y.

Mrs. Mary Eliza (Avery) Ferguson, daughter of Charles Avery (No. 514, page 453), died April 4, 1900, at Seelyville, Wayne Co., Pa.

Warren Leroy Ferguson, son of the above, died Feb'y 26, 1900, at Seelyville, Pa.

Howard William Ferguson, brother of the above, died March 24, 1900, at Seelyville, Pa.

Mrs. Adeline Elizabeth (Lester) Warner, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth (Avery) Lester (No. 283, page 51), died April 21, 1900, at Norwich, Conn. She was born May 14, 1809, at Groton.

# Hvery Notes and Queries.

A Quarterly Magazine devoted to the History of the Groton Averys.

No. 11.

"Honor thy Father and thy Mother,"

August, 1900.

The number and page references used in this magazine are to Sweet's "The Averys of Groton," published at Syracuse, N. Y., in 1894.

If this magazine reaches you who have not paid for it, please consider it an invitation to become a subscriber.

The First Church of Christ at New London, Conn., will celebrate its 250th anniversary early next year. The first names upon the roll of members of this church are "James Avery and Wite." Why not place a memorial tablet for James and Joanna in that church prior to its quarter-millenial celebration? Make up your mind how much you are willing to give for that purpose and let me know. If the responses are satisfactory, the work will be undertaken. More anon.

In the article entitled "The Search for Our English Ancestry" (see May number of Notes and Queries), I asked: "Will anyone become responsible for the payment of the hundred dollars in question?" Very promptly came a hundred-dollar draft, sent by Miss Carrie M. Powers, of Decatur, Ill. Remittance to England was made and, on July 20, our genealogist wrote to me from London: "Yours at hand and I will at once attend to the matter." This "matter" is the definite determination of the accuracy of the supposition that Christopher Avery came in 1630 from Salisbury, England.

The plaster cast of the bust of Capt. James Avery that surmounts the shaftof the recently dedicated memorial at Groton has been presented by the sculptor to the Avery Memorial Association and is now in Groton. It will probably be placed in the monument house between Fort Griswold and the battle monument. This house has so many interesting objects that the Daughters of the American Revolution have undertaken the task of enlarging it.

On page 135 of Notes and Queries appear the name and date of birth of Prudence 5 Avery, the seventh child of James and Mary (Griswold) Avery. Further search for her descendants is made unnecessary by the fact that a few weeks ago Mrs. Elroy M. Avery and Miss Addie A. Thomas found her gravestone in the old Avery-Morgan burying-ground at Poquonoc and from it learned that she died at the age of seventeen.

### THE NEW FAMILY HISTORY.

As the revision of Mr. Sweet's "The Averys of Groton" has advanced, I have given much thought to the serious problem of how it should be published. The problem is serious because very few such works bring in enough money to pay for printing and binding. I have gladly done a great deal of work and have spent, in the gathering of material for revision, at least two thousand dollars more than I have received. Much more work must be done and more money spent before "copy" can be sent to the printer. In addition to this and that, I cannot afford the risk of a deficit of several thousand dollars in publication. Two plans have been chiefly considered:

r. To provide a guaranty fund by subscription; the loss in publication to be met by the subscribers in proportion to their several subscriptions.

2. To ask for advance subscriptions for a sufficient number of volumes at a sufficient price to meet the cost of publication.

Both of these plans disregard the labor and money involved in the gathering of the material and its preparation for the printer. Most of these are the contributions made by my wife and myself. Both plans are open to serious objections. A third plan is to give the prepared manuscript to a publisher and let him print and bind the book and sell the copies for what he can get. With due regard to mechanical and artistic excellence and moderate cost, the objections to this plan seem insuperable. Mr Sweet printed only four hundred copies of his edition and was unable to dispose of them at five dollars each. We want for the new edition, better paper, better illustration, better printing and better binding than we got in the first edition, and we do not want to pay any more than is necessary to secure them. A year ago I offered to give all of my genealogical material to any one who would carry out my plans, to subscribe for twenty-five copies of the book at the regular subscription price, and to pay twenty dollars a year for not more than five years to help defray the expenses of completing the family records. See AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES, page 102. No one has yet accepted the offer which is still open.

I now submit to all persons interested the following proposition:

The revised edition of the history of the Groton Avery clan will
be published by me in two volumes. The changes from the first edition are radical and numerous. I shall make the work as nearly ac-

curate and complete as I can. In mechanical execution it will be much superior to the existing edition. I am ready to receive subscriptions and will begin printing as soon as orders for five hundred copies are received. The terms are as follows:

The price of the completed work will be ten dollars.

Each order must be accompanied by an advance payment of five dollars for each copy ordered, the remaining five dollars to be paid upon receipt of notice that the two volumes are ready for delivery. If the prescribed five hundred subscriptions are not received within a reasonable period, the advance payments will be refunded by me. As to my pecuniary responsibility, etc., you may inquire (enclosing return postage, of course) of any Cleveland bank.

If this proposition meets your approval, send in your order and money. If you do not like it, please suggest a better plan. At all events, let me hear from you.

### DEDICATION OF THE AVERY MEMORIAL.

In 1630, Christopher Avery and his only son, James, came from England to America. In 1649, James Avery became a resident of New London, Connecticut. In 1650, he and his wife became members of the First Church of New London, their names being first on the roll of members. In 1656, he built a house on his farm at the head of Poquonoc Plain, in the present town of Groton, a mile and a half from the River Thames. In 1684, he bought the old Blinman meeting-house at New London, "the unadorned church and watchtower of the wilderness," moved its material to Poquonoc, and rebuilt it as the completion of what was his home and that of his descendants for eight successive generations. This "Hive of the Averys" is pictured on pages 5 and 78 of this magazine. On the night of July 20, 1894, the historic home was burned. It ruins are pictured on page 48 of this magazine. Then The Avery Memorial Association was incorporated by special act of the Connecticut legislature, received the old homestead site by deed of gift from its owner, James Denison Avery, and there erected a granite memorial in what is now known as Avery Memorial Park. The memorial and lot are pictured on page 101 of this magazine. In the last year, the granite shaft was surmounted by a bronze bust of the builder of the "Old Hive," Capt. James Avery, founder of the Groton Avery clan. The

bust is pictured on page 128 of this magazine. It was designed by the distinguished sculptor, Bela Lyon Pratt, an Avery descendant, and was cast by the Gorham company of Providence, R. I. It is of heroic size and represents the founder as a typical Puritan Indianfighter and magistrate. The Puritan hat, expressive face, broad collar, the twelve buttons of the coat typifying twelve terms in the Connecticut general court, the crossed tomahawks and the staté seal



BELA LYON PRATT.

make a picture good to look upon. It might be risky for one of Avery blood to speak of it as he would, but the descriptions given-by disinterested reporters speak of the face as ''grand.'' showing ''high resolution, sternness of endeavor, and mighty will,'' while ''in the mouth is a suspicion of tenderness and deep feeling.'' Again, ''one can see in the fine brow, the noble cheek. and the grand chin, the idealization of a stern, resolute, straightforward character, slow to anger and able to feel mercy.'' To another, it tells ''the story of that

tenderness of heart, mingled with strict regard for the right which distinguished James Avery on the bench as a law giver and a law interpreter, as well as of the mercy that made him and Captain Denison entreat the general court to be more merciful to the conquered Pequots." That strangers read in the bronze these veritable characteristics of our great ancestor is complimentary to the sculptor, for he had no portrait to give shape to his concept. A brief sketch of Mr. Pratt and his work appears on page 129 of this magazine. His portrait is herewith given.

The exercises dedicatory of the completed memorial were held at the Avery Memorial Park on the afternoon of July 20, 1900, the sixth anniversary of the burning of "The Hive." The weather was delightful, the local arrangements were complete, and the exercises were equally simple and interesting. A large flag-decorated tent, with a platform for the speakers and chairs for the ladies, did its duty, while the trees furnished grateful shade for many. By special arrangement, railway trains going in each direction stopped at the park, where probably six hundred persons gathered, most of them members of the clan. The "Standard" band of New London filled the park and near-by woods with sweet sound. The floral decorations were provided and lemonade was served by the members of the Thomas Avery society of the Children of the American Revolution. This patriotic organization was named in honor of the seventeen-year old hero who fell nobly doing his duty in the memorable defense of Fort Griswold in 1781. Under the guidance of Mrs. Cuthbert H. Slocum, state director of the Children of the American Revolution, and of Miss Addie Avery Thomas, president of the Poquonoc Bridge society, these coming citizens are being trained in reverent regard for the heroic dead and a corresponding recognition of their own obligation and duty to country. The work already done by them is notable and worthy of emulation by many of the hereditary, patriotic societies composed of "grown-ups."

The reception committee consisted of the officers of the association, assisted by Mrs. Elisha S. Thomas of Poquonoc Bridge, Mrs. Abel H. Simmons of Mystic, Mrs. Joseph G. Cavarly of New London, Miss M. Jane Avery of Groton, Miss Cora Adriana Marsh of New London, Miss Cassie Holman of Saybrook, and Mrs. Daniel S. Marsh of New London.

About half past three o'clock, Dr. Elroy McKendree Avery, of (Continued on page 143)

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Reuben N. Avery, Aurora, O	1,00
Mrs. Adaline A. Shepard, Torrington, Conn	1.00
Miss Mary L. Avery, New York City	1,00
Mrs. Frances K. Hallock, Cromwell, Conn	1.00
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This issue of the AVERV NOTES AND QUERIES is largely given up to an account of the doings at the dedication of the Avery memorial at Poquonoc, in the town of Groton, Conn., on the twentieth of July. The usual edition of the magazine consists of a thousand copies; this edition, two thousand. I hope that each Avery descendant who receives a copy will find it interesting enough to induce him or her to become a regular subscriber or a member of the Groton Avery History Club.

(Continued from page 141)

Cleveland, rapped for order with a gavel made from wood which was saved from the old house at the time of its destruction, introduced himself, announced that for the rest of the day formal, personal introductions were out of order, and called upon the Rev. S. Leroy Blake, D. D., of New London to invoke the divine blessing. Dr. Blake told the people that he was pastor of the church of which Capt. James Avery was a member as early as 1650, and that Captain Avery's name headed the original list of members. He reminded the audience that the old Avery house had been first of all the building in which the First Church of Christ worshipped in New London and that when it became too small for the church it was sold to Captain Avery who removed it to the lot on which they were standing. also showed an old Bible which had been the property of Parke Avery, a Separatist minister, who about 100 years ago conducted religious services in the old house. He then asked the blessing of Almighty God upon the assembly.

The address of welcome was then delivered by the Hon. Charles A. Russell of Killingly, the member of congress from the New Lon-

don district. Mr. Russell said, in part:

#### The Welcome.

"In the absence of the governor of the commonwealth of Connecticut it has been given to me to welcome this assembly. I do so right gladly regretting of course that the executive of this state, so rich in the relics and memories of the history of localities and of the strong personalities who laid the foundation and built the structure of our grand commonwealth, is not able to be present and to express the satisfaction I am sure he feels, for himself and the state, that today a memorial is added to the long line of tributes which mark the birth and development of the commonwealth. Any association that preserves the record of great deeds and strong personalities is doing good work. Memorials are the milestones for the guidance of futurity along the road of duty and of progress. Memorials, tablets and statues of great deeds and strong men are to cheer and instruct in future generations.

"I but express for the county and state pride and gratitude that this Avery association, heirs of a noble lineage, have added and are now dedicating a tribute to one of our founders. To me it seems droper that this memorial is placed on the home hearthstone, on the spot where dwelt the character commemorated. The man and the deed are associated with the locality and the home. It is not my part in the program to speak of James Avery, of that life and character which did so much for the power and influence of those early days of Connecticut settlement. We all know that James Avery was a stalwart in his generation, that from the home he built went forth power and influence. Your ancestor was one of the strong pillars on which New England was reared—a character which has been engrafted into the national tree. I am glad that in this spot you place a memorial which sheds honor on all the worthy dames and the worthy fathers who built up this grand old commonwealth. It is an incentive for patriotism and for sturdy lives.

"Mr. President and friends, speaking in behalf of the governor, I welcome this assembly and express for him thanks to the people and thanks to the association which has carried forward to completion this memorial."

Mr. Russell's address was a happy combination of dignity and ease. It was thoughtful and thought-begetting and was heartily applauded.

### The Response.

In his response to the address of welcome, the chairman said:

"To Mr. Russell, to the governor and to all of the people of Connecticut who are not members of the Avery clan, in behalf of the Avery Memorial Association I receive the welcome that has been so kindly given in the spirit in which it was extended. We thank you for your tribute to our grand ancestor and for your words of praise for his descendants.

"Twenty years ago as one of eighteen hundred soldiers of the civil war, I went from Cleveland to Mentor, Ohio, to pay my respects to James A. Garfield. On that occasion Garfield said: "It is a great honor for any man eighteen years after the war to see eighteen hundred survivors of that war gathered in his dooryard. After that, it matters little what happens or what does not happen." In the same spirit, the idea comes to me that two hundred years after his warfare was ended, he, whose life we commemorate, if he were here (and who may say that he is not here) might feel and express a gratification to see here these hundreds gathered from the remotest bounds of our giant country—a giant that holds an ocean in either hand, bathes his brow in the cool waters of our northern lakes, and with his feet splashes the tepid waters of the gulf.

"We speak often of James Avery. It is strange that we know so little of Joanna Greenslade Avery, his wife. We know little of her character, her ancestry or her death, but it is safe to say that in the seventeenth century no one called here to see the head of the house and was told that it was impossible because she was away attending a meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution. But of one thing we may be sure, the woman who had the intellectual, moral and physical strength to be the mother of the family gathered here today was no ordinary woman." Dr. Avery then asked the descendants of Joanna Greenslade Avery to rise, and when his request was complied with, said: "I dedicate this moment to the memory of the wife and mother."

The report of the New London "Morning Telegraph" states that "Dr. Avery spoke well and modestly and was well received." "If you see it in the *Telegraph*, it's true." The chairman announced that the audience would seek relief in music, and the band played "The Red, White and Blue."



FRANK MONTGOMERY AVERY.

The chairman then announced the orator of the day, Mr. Frank Montgomery Avery, of New York City (No. 2211, page 299), with the assuring affirmation that "Frank's all right." The orator then verified the chairman's statement in the following words:

#### The Oration.

We have assembled here today to join in the dedication of a memorial; not of a monument erected to the memory of any one man; not of a shaft or tablet to commemorate the happening of a great historical event or the accomplishment of some illustrious personal achievement; but of a memorial designed to designate the spot where the roots of a family tree struck deep and strong enough to take permanent hold in the soil of New England, and whence its branches have spread out far and wide and lusty with the strength of the parent stock. It is to honor the place of our forefathers' refuge and abode, of their struggles and triumpts, their birth place and their death place through the early generations, that this shaft has been erected on the site of the first of their homesteads, and that we are here today.

We have not come to indulge in the unprofitable rites of ancestor worship, but we are here to show that we are not lacking in respect and reverence for our ancestors. We have no wish, in the poverty of pride, to try to gild our lesser lives in the reflected light of some real or fancied glory of theirs; but this we will do—here today on this hallowed spot—we shall renew to them and to each other the pledge of our acceptance of the heritage they left to us in trust, the responsibility of worthily bearing an honest and an honored name, of doing each of us his daily duty as they did theirs, and of passing on to those who follow us an unblemished record which, though it may not be embellished with the story of any great and glorious deed of our doing, shall at least have no blank spaces to hint of actions better left untold.

Before making what must necessarily be only a brief reference to the family or clan known as the "Groton Averys," it may not be unprofitable to speak for a moment of the class of men by whom the New England colonies were settled. In the first place these men were not, as was the case in some of the other settlements in America. the younger sons of the lesser or greater nobility; they were not greedy or unscrupulous adventurers come on flying visits in search of booty or gain; they were not men shipped over the sea for the good of the community which rid itself of them; they were, almost exclusively, men of the middle class or yeomanry of England; men of some substance, of much intelligence, and of strong will and sturdy

character. They came bringing with them in many cases their wives and families, and in some instances their domestic servants; they came voluntarily and with the intention of taking up their permanent abode in the New World, and of founding communities where they and their children might live in that condition of civil and religious liberty which they desired. It is important to remember that it was not alone "freedom to worship God," but also freedom to manage their temporal affairs as to them seemed best that our forefathers braved the passage of the seas. If we would understand the character of the times and of the people, we must not lose sight of the fact that there were in England large numbers of political as well as religious Puritans. Even the Pilgrim Fathers, in forsaking the home country, were actuated some by the one motive, some by the other, and some by both. Among these colonists were a few men of higher position, gentry, such as Winthropforexample, and with each community were a church organization and a minister. The clergymen were generally men of good education and strong character, and were well fitted to be political and intellectual as well as spiritual leaders of men.

The early settlers of Connecticut were republican in a very full meaning of the term. While other English colonies in the New World were governed by lords and royal governors, and were under more or less direct control of the crown, the colony of Connecticut early adopted what is the first example of a written constitution, and organized a complete, practical, working government, with executive, legislative and military departments; with governors and officials elected by the people, and with powers defined by the constitution. The elections were by the vote of all who had been made "Freemen." These elected from their number deputies to the general assembly, and by this legislative body laws were made and repealed and levies were granted. This constitution was adopted in 1639; not until 1818 was a more modern constitution found necessary or desirable.

The oath of office of the governor and other state officials contained no reference to the king of England, or mention of allegiance to him—onlytothe commonwealth. It was no longer "Godsave the King," but "God protect the people." With the exception of Winthrop and Sir Edmund Andros—the former named in the charter for one year, and the latter a usurper whom the people never recognized—Connecticut has always chosen her own governors, legislators and judges; has collected her own taxes and expended them for her own purposes;

and has commissioned her own military officers. So you see that from the very earliest days Connecticut was a republic until she became part of a greater republic. The military company was an important factor in each colonial community of New England. Its leaders were the most prominent men in the colony, often combining with their military duties those of legislative and judicial office. The Connecticut colonist was not burdened with any chivalric or fantastic idea of personal honor; he was no ruffler; but he had a severe, dominating and unyielding sense of duty. He made stringent laws, and when made he suffered no breach of them to go unpunished. He had few amusements and there was little light-hearted gayety. Life was a stern and solemn duty in all things, great and small.

To the settlement at New London, first called the Pequot Plantation, came in 1648, the Reverend Richard Blinman, who was to become the clergyman of the community. With him from Gloucester, Mass., came James Avery, who in 1630 had come as a lad in company with his father. Christopher Avery, from England. James Avery at once became prominent in the civil and military affairs of the colony. Most of you are familiar with his life. It will be enough therefore to say that he was successively ensign, lieutenant and captain in the military organization, serving at one time as second in command under Governor Winthrop. He was twelve times elected deputy to the general assembly; for years he was upon the bench. During his life there were few important matters in the colony with which he was not connected. Serving throughout King Philip's war in command of a pany of English and Indian allies, and afterwards commanding a company to protect the frontier, he was one of those "able Gentlemen and resolute Soldiers" spoken of by Hubbard, the contemporaneous historian. From him through his four sons, James, Jr., Thomas, John, and Samuel, the Groton Averys descend. It is right that special mention be made of him today, and it is peculiarly fitting that this memorial should bear in lasting bronze the likeness of him from whom all of the Groton Avery descendants trace their line.

It would be impossible within the limits of any reasonable address even to refer to others of the family name who have taken an important part in affairs, but of the one great tragic and perhaps unparalleled event in which we all have a common interest, and from the participators in which most of you descend, I will speak briefly,

not to laud individuals, but for the honor of the name. On the sixth day of September, 1781, a British expeditionary force under command of Benedict Arnold, major-general by rank and traitor by profession, and by the way a native of these parts, sacked and burned the towns of New London and Groton. Fort Griswold was defended by a garrison of one hundred and fifty men. Some of them were officers belonging to the military detachment stationed there, others were officers of the Continental army at home on leave of absence or by reason of the expiration of term of service, and some were volunteers. The British numbered about sixteen hundred men of all arms, and about half of them engaged in the storming of the fort on this side of the river. More than once the garrison was called upon to surrender. and more than once it refused. Again and again the fort's defenders repulsed the determined assault. Time does not serve to tell the whole story of that day. It is enough to say that finally yielding to overpowering numbers the fort surrendered, but not until eighty-eight of the garrison lay dead, with the remainder more or less severely wounded. Among the defenders of the fort were sixteen who bore the name of Avery. Of these nine were killed, three were wounded, and four were taken prisoners. Such are the bald facts.

There was once a man who simply did his duty; who declined all rank: who refused even the title of "First Grenadier of France." When he came to die they enshrined his heart in a silver urn (which, by the way, the French Government within the last few days has asked of nis heirs, so that it may be placed in the Pantheon, that building in Paris dedicated "To the Memory of Men who have served France") and for years whenever upon dress parade or review the roll of his regiment was called, the soldier who bore the casket answered to the name of Tour d'Auvergne: "Dead on the Field of Glory." In some such spirit as this we have enshrined in our hearts the memory of these heroes and martyrs of our name whose names may be read inscribed on the monument vonder by the Fort. It is in their honor that we read the roll: Captain Elijah Avery, killed in action; Captain Elisha Avery, killed in action; Lieutenant Ebenezer Avery, Ir., killed in action; Ensign Daniel Avery, killed in action; Sergeant Christopher Avery, killed in action; Sergeant Jasper Avery, killed in action; Sergeant Solomon Avery, killed in action; David Avery, killed in action; Thomas Avery (aged 17), killed in action; Lieutenant Parke Avery, wounded; Ensign Ebenezer Avery, wounded;

Amos Avery, wounded: Caleb Avery, Peter Avery, Nathan Avery and Rufus Avery, prisoners of war, and it was only by some strange good fortune of war that we are not called upon to answer to their names as well, "Killed in action! Dead on the Field of Glory!" For there are battle-fields of glory as there are battle-fields of shame; just as there are battles of conquest, of oppression, of hatred and of greed, and battles for freedom, for mankind, for the right. It was indeed glorious to fight as these men fought, to die as these men died.

Such were our ancestors. This was the part they bore in colonial and revolutionary days. They were not great men as the world knows greatness. Those whose names and deeds are recorded at all in history have but a modest page in the annals of a town, of a county, of at most a single state. The great world knows nothing of them. But they were good men and true-they were honest and faithful and trustable men throughout all the long line; "able Gentlemen and resolute Soldiers;" men who simply did their duty; faithful; faithful in success; faithful in failure; faithful unto death. It is an ancestry of which we are proud; of which we have a right to be proud; of which it is our duty to be proud. The name they left us carries no story of dishonor; the blood they gave us bears no taint. We are descended from no titled pander; from no wanton butcher of men; from no fantastic courtier; from no swaggering dicer or blustering bully; from no king's bastard; such as cumber the pages of history with their notorious names and still more notorious deeds; but from honest men of sturdy stock, such as peopled all New England and from whose loins sprang a race of freemen, sons of the soil and lords in the realm of labor; who struck the plains and reaped their bounty; who struck the hills and made them yield their treasure; who struck the forests, and lo! upon the waters sailed forth their ships to traverse the distant seas

Now what does all this amount to? Are we doing what we have just disclaimed? Have we after all been indulging in a sort of left-handed self-glorification—a kind of Chinese ancestor worship? If so, there is no good in it. But I think there is nothing in this of so mean a quality. The Chinese worships his ancestors, oblivious of all the progress that is going on about him, with his face toward the past and his back to the future, making his ancestors his gods. We contemplate the lives and actions and characteristics of our forefathers as a source of inspiration, and for the hope and promise and lesson that we may gain.

Why do we care to recall the story of our ancestors' lives? Why do we care to recount how some of them died? Merely to live, and to do one's duty, and to die is nothing. It is the cause, the motive, the example that we seek. From the lives and struggles and sacrifices, even from the deaths of these who have gone before, we learn the lesson of Americanism; we find running through the whole story the motive, the principle which, originating in New England, has become part of our national life, and which even in our wars has animated the heart of the nation and has kept awake its conscience. When we have had to fight, we have fought not for greed, not for revenge, not for conquest, not for power, not for dominion, but for the right, for duty, for the betterment of conditions, for the uplifting of the down-trodden, for enlightenment, for liberty, for equality, for enfranchisement.

It is this spirit and this motive that should be ours as it was our ancestors'; and it is with this spirit and from this motive and for this principle that we are in Cuba and in Porto Rico; that our men are enduring hardships in the wildernesses of the Philippines; it is this sentiment that will make us shrink from no duty however hard; and if, in the providence of God, such shall be the destiny of this nation and the heavenly mission of the "starry flag," it is this spirit and this motive and this principle that we shall take with us into wider fields, even though the path of duty lies through the open door, beyond the confines of the China seas. (Mr. Avery here spoke of the Avery Memorial Association, which was incorporated shortly after the destruction of the old Avery homestead by fire on the night of July 20th, 1894, which house was built by Captain James Avery in 1656, and was occupied by eight successive generations of Averys, passing by inheritance from father to son, of the objects of the association, and the erection of the memorial.)

Such then is the memorial which we dedicate today. In an important sense it is a monument—a monument to the memory of an old house. For those who have dwelt in it, for those who have passed from its doors to make homes for themselves and who have long since gone the way of all that is mortal, we make no lamentation; but for the old house there is regret; there is sorrow; there is a sense of loss. For the old "Hive," not for those who lived and died therein, have we inscribed on the memorial *Hinc illee lacrymee*—"hence these tears." For years it was a place of pilgrimage; it seemed to have

taken on a peculiar charm during its long life. The old homestead reached the age of nearly two hundred and fifty years, venerable indeed for this continent. Eight generations lived beneath its roof. Around it where once had extended miles upon miles of untraversed forest had grown a busy state, with all the bustle and hurry of modern life, and yet in the quiet place where it stood its rooms were full of memories. It bore its age with dignity and it was revered. Now, above its ashes this memorial shall stand to keep the old house in memory. It belongs to us, to each of us. No matter where we may make our homes, whether near or far, it shall be to us a place of pilgrimage. We shall stand alone on this spot dedicated to its memory, and if we will but attune our ears to listen, the whisper of the wind will bring to us the echoes of olden times; we may hear the patter of little feet over the old floors; in the rooms the voice of love and the word of prayer shall sound again; or in the hush and silence of the place we shall seem to hear the laughter and tears of childhood and the tears and laughter of age; and the spirit of the old "Hive," gained only by a house wherein men have been born and have lived and loved and wrought and died through generations, shall be about the place.

They tell a story of the olden time, how building to God's glory across the sea a chapel in a little village, there came a time of drought and all the wells and streams ran nearly dry and there was scarcely water to keep the folk from perishing, and not a droptomix themortar for the church. And that this work, destined to God's service, should not stop, the villagers came, each man bringing his store of wine—this one a whole cellar full, and this a few precious flasks hoarded against some festal day, the marriage of a daughter, or to make merry on the home-coming of a son from the wars—each came and brought all that he had and poured it freely out. And so the mortar was mixed with wine, and so the work went on, and so the church was built. And the legend says that even to this day, toward evening when the soft bells chime, there breathe sweet odors from the church which all the day the loving sun has kissed, as though the wine poured forth in sacrifice could never lose its fragrance.

And thus the lives and the sacrifices of those who have gone before shall sanctify this place, and whenever we shall come in pilgrimage, in person or in thought, shall be a loving and a fragrant memory to each of us who shares their blood; to every one of us who bears the name.

### Unveiling the Bust.

Dr. Avery then announced that the time had arrived for the unveiling of the bust. When the question was asked as to who should unveil the memorial, all, with the exception of herself, had agreed that the honor belonged to her who had planned and built the memorial—Miss Helen Morgan Avery. While Miss Avery removed the flag



THE MEMORIAL.

Miss Bessie Hancox of Stonington sang "America," to the accompaniment of the band. As hundreds stood with bared heads and reverent gaze, and the starry banner fell revealing the idealized features of the Founder, the words of "My country tis of thee" took on new meaning. The song, lifted by a voice of wondrous purity and power, was like a prayer of trustful hope and triumph. In that solemn moment, few eyes were undimmed.

#### Election of Officers.

Then came the annual meeting of the association. The only business to be transacted was the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows:

President-Dr. Elroy McKendree Avery of Cleveland, O.

Vice Presidents-Frank Montgomery Avery of New York, Allen Avery of Mystic, Trueman G. Avery of Buffalo, Christopher L. Avery of Groton, Gen. Robert Avery of Brooklyn, John O. Spicer of Groton, Edgar M. Warner of Putnam.

Secretary-Miss Helen Morgan Avery of New London.

Treasurer-Miss Addie Avery Thomas of Groton.

Executive Committee—Elroy M. Avery, Helen M. Avery, Addie A. Thomas, William S. Thomas, Cyrus Avery, Allen Avery, Christopher L. Avery, Mrs. John O. Spicer, Mrs. Francis M. Manning.

After the election the business meeting was speedily adjourned.

At this point Gen. Robert Avery attempted a quiet withdrawal, but the chairman made an innocent-looking and effective rearward movement that cut off his retreat and forced him to face the audience. Gen. Avery was equal to the emergency and in a few earnest words won the admiration of the audience. After one leg and a crutch had carried the veteran from the platform, Dr. Avery informed the people that the general was a survivor of the civil war who had won his title by service. He is now on the retired list of the army.

When the chairman attempted to introduce the next speaker, one of the clan who noticed the word "Poem" on the printed program, interrupted with an inquiry as to whether "the poet is to be turned down?" The chair promptly answered, "No, the poet has not turned up." After the consequent laughter, the Hon. Edgar M. Warner, of Putnam, Conn., an Avery descendant, was announced. Judge Warner spoke as follows:

### The Closing Address.

After all that has been said, you hardly need a single "closing word." I should however be recreant to the memory of a beloved and sainted mother and grandmother if I refused to add my tribute of praise to the noble men of early generations whose virtues we celebrate today.

In considering the life of Capt, James Avery, founder of our family, extending as it did from 1620 to 1700, we are transported into one of the most illustrious and glorious periods of the world's history. He must have been familiar with the great life and thoughts of John Milton, and the struggle for free government in England successful under Cromwell and his contemporaries. The great discussion of human rights, the unparalelled agitation which led to the settlement of Plymouth and the founding of the Massachusetts Bay colony may well have been the inspirations of his early manhood. He was distinctively a pioneer. He surely believed in the right of the individual man to work out his own destiny. Building his home here in the then wilderness in 1656, his only neighbors the Indians, and the nearest white settlement New London, he showed that courage and fearlessness that characterized the early settlers of New England. He seems to have been early prominent in public life, presumably knew the original settlers at Hartford, and doubtless listened to the logical and powerful preaching of Thomas Hooker, the founder of Connecticut and thereby one of the greatest leaders of free government in the whole world.

I am glad that our young kinsman, Mr. Pratt, whom I am proud to remember as a bright-eyed lad who used to come into his father's office in Norwich where I was reading law, has placed on this statue the state seal with its three vines. Those three vines, I know, are supposed by some to represent the three original towns of Hartford, Wethersfield and Windsor, but I better like the significance given them later, Knowledge, Liberty, and Religion: Knowledge, that ripened wisdom which guides men in the right way in relation to the facts in the history of the past, and the rights and duties of mankind; Liberty, that freedom of action, public and private, which permits the highest development of the individual; Religion, that Vision Splendid which, revealing the brotherhood of man, links him with the Divine Father and raises him into relations with the Infinite. These three must not be separated, for knowledge without liberty and religion becomes a torment and leaves man a prisoner chafing against his bars: liberty without knowledge and religion degenerates into license and anarchy; religion without knowledge and liberty becomes bigotry and superstition. Verily, this state has always illustrated these qualities, for it is founded upon them.

One of the most precious heirlooms of this family is the Bible of the Founder, handed down as it has been to successive generations. Herein we have a suggestion of that splendid religious faith and trust, that firm and steadfast belief in God and reliance upon Him, one of the chief characteristics of our forefathers. Earthly help and assistance were denied them; their own strong right arm, sustained by faith in the unseen God, the Almighty Helper, was their only support, but even so, they walked unharmed amid dangers seen and unseen. Boldly and yet modestly they proclaimed their religious faith. They believed that they were fighting for the Almighty as well as for the rights of man. Like the Israelites of old whom they emulated, they did not fear although a host encamped against them. In our state motto we find that trust and confidence exhibited as in that of no other colony: Qui transtulit sustinct.

We of the present reap what our fathers have sown. They builded better than they knew, and millions from all nations of the earth rise up and call them blessed. The little state founded in the wilderness has grown to be a world empire, glorious in the hearts and hopes of all mankind and destined to decide the fate of nations. The present owes a large debt of gratitude to the past. What we have received from our forefathers we must hand down unsullied to our children. The descendant of noble sires does not quite fulfil his mission in life unless he too does noble deeds. Will anybody know or care who we were or what we did after 250 years shall have grown moss over our graves? There are yet noble lives to be lived, ave, noble lives to be given up in the cause of freedom and justice. There are yet noble sacrifices to be made, battles to be fought, victories to be won. What shall be the verdict of the grand assize as to each one of us? Surely only that which shall come to every true-hearted, selfsacrificing man. If we are, in our day and generation, faithful to the call of duty and follow the Inner Light of the Soul, whether in humble or exalted station, each shall hear the welcome greeting: "Thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord."

#### The Finish.

The Rev. John Avery of Norwich, Conn., spoke in his characteristic brief and interesting manner, after which the chairman announced that formality would give way for handshaking. Until the

arrival of the railway trains, the time was spent in getting better acquainted. The only regret felt by any was the forced brevity of the afternoon, which made impossible the presentation of many venerable and distinguished visitors whom the clan desired to see and hear. There was an universal desire to hear from Judge Richard A. Wheel er of Stonington, Conn, and Maj. Cyrus Avery of Camptown, Pa., but altho everyone had seemed to keep in mind the injunction—

"From June until September, Barbers, preachers, and that sort Of fellows should remember To cut it very short,"

railway schedules and inexorable Time said nay.

Everything connected with the affair was a success. The local members of the association received well-merited commendation, and congratulations upon the results of their labor. All in all, it was a day long to be remembered. It is possible that the general desire for more frequent gatherings of the clan may be realized.

The report of the New London "Day" closed with this paragraph: "It's a long day since Poquonoc saw so many people gathered in a family reunion. The sterling quality of the Avery blood needs no better demonstration than the appearance of so many intelligent and prosperous looking descendants to do honor to the memory of the founder of the family," and everybody knows that "if you see it in the Day it's true."

### BIRTHS.

Ouelee Stowell Avery, daughter of Dr. Robert Burns and Nina Belle (Stowell) Avery (No. 758, page 665), was born June 2, 1900, at Auburn, N. Y.

William Avery Raymond Webb, son of William Griffith and Mabel Esther (Raymond) Webb, and grandson of Francis William and Alice Iowa (Avery) Webb (No. 2133, page 297), was born at South Norwalk, Conn, Feb. 3, 1900.

Louisa Randall Avery, daughter of George Pettigrew and Nancy Eliza (Randall) Avery (page 132), was born at Groton, Conn., Feb'y 13, 1900.

Priscilla Irene Avery, daughter of Lewis Burtis and Marie (Tolman) Avery (No. 1611, page 273) was born at Redlands, California, June 12, 1900.

### ORANGE BLOSSOMS.

Maggie Belle Avery (No. 782, page 666) married January 22, 1900, at Plains, Missoula County, Mont., Tom J. Sullivan of Plains, Mont.

Alyce May Avery (No. 2452, page 297) married April 12, 1900, at Stamford, Conn., Thomas R. Whitney of New Canaan, Conn.

George Hoffman Avery (No. 1031, page 515) married March 1. 1900, at Edgar, Neb., Grace May Saxton of that place.

Arthur Ernest Strong, son of Amasa Myron and Eva Rosalind (Avery) Strong (No. 667, page 676), married October 26, 1899, at Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Jessie May Mains of that place.

Albert R. Avery (No. 2428, page 288) married June 5, 1900, at Westbarre, N. Y., Bertha A. Allis of that place.

### THE LAST ROLL CALL.

Mrs Phebe Tillinghast Lord, daughter of the Rev. John and Susan Caroline (Avery) Tillinghast (No. 1191, page 139), died May 21, 1900, at Providence, R. I.

Mrs. Martha E. (Jones) Avery, wife of the late Judge Owen Miner Avery (No. 1402, page 255). died June 6, 1900, at Pensacola, Fla.

Mrs. Kathleen Evangeline (Kinmouth) Avery, wife of Amos Geer Avery, Jr. (No. 2251, page 270), died April 27, 1900, at Ledyard, Conn.

Mrs. Eva Rosalind (Avery) Strong (No. 667, page 676) died August 26, 1899, at Syracuse, N. Y.

Photographs of the "Old Hive" and of the Avery Memorial, plain or colored, and suitable for framing, are now on sale. For further particulars, address the secretary of the Avery Memorial Association, Miss Helen M. Avery, No. 6, North Main Street, New London, Conn.

Charles Earle Avery, son of Amos William and Sarah (Baldwin) Avery (No. 474a, page 458), was graduated Ph. B. by the Montana University in June. He intends to enter the law department of Michigan University in the fall.

Dr. William Paul Moore, grandson of Elizabeth (Avery) Allyn (No. 178, p. 350), was recently elected mayor of Jackson, N. C.

I have a few pamphlets containing the appendix to Sweet's "The Avery's of Groton." and relating to "Avery Coats of Arms" (with illustrations of four coats) and to "The Avery Family in England and France." These pamphlets will be furnished, as long as the supply lasts, at fifty cents per copy.

In 1665, certain residents of Portsmouth and Strawberry Bank. New Hampshire, sent their petition to the king's commissioners for New England (Nicolls, Carr. Cartwright and Mayerick) stating that for several years past they had been kept under the Massachusetts government by an usurped power, whose laws were derogatory to the laws of England, under which power five or six of the richest men of their parish ruled and ordered all officers, both civil and military, at their pleasure, and none dared make opposition for fear of great fines or long imprisonment. They had been denied in their public meeting the common prayer, sacraments, and decent burial of the dead, and also the benefit of freemen. They asked the commissioners to rectify these miscarriages. Among the thirty-two names subscribed is that of Thomas Avery. (Calendar of English State Papers, Colonial, America and West Indies, No. 1015) In July of that year, the commissioners sent to Lord Arlington, a member of the famous "cabal" cabinet, the petition of sixty-one inhabitants of Portsmouth and Strawberry Bank, Dover, Exeter, and Hampton to the king asking that they be taken into his royal protection and government and joined to the province of Maine The last of the names signed to the petition is that of Thomas Avery. (Calendar of English State Papers, Colonial, America and West Indies, No. 1024,1.) He did not belong to the clan now known as Groton Averys.

In 1661, certain merchant adventurers sent their petition to the English council for foreign plantations, stating that about ten years previously they had erected sundry iron works in New England at a cost of fifteen thousand pounds and left John Gifford and William Avery to manage the same. For supposed debts the petitioners estates were seized and their agents imprisoned. About three years before, the petitioners had despatched an agent to implore the common justice of the country, which they were so far from obtaining that their estates were still withheld even by some of the judges themselves so that the petitioners were without hope of remedy. They therefore prayed for relief. (Calendar of English State Papers, Colonial Series, America and West Indies, No. 50.)

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"Honor thy Father and thy Mother."

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The number and page references used in this magazine are to Sweet's "The Averys of Groton," published at Syracuse, N. Y., in 1894.

Wanted, the parentage of Hannah Avery of Groton, Conn., who married Joshua Johnson of Lancaster, Mass., Jan. 20, 1761.

Wanted, the parentage of Temperance Avery, who married Jonathan Leffingwell, Dec. 25, 1792. They moved to western New York. The names of their children seem to indicate that she belonged to the Groton Averys.

Wanted, the parentage of Horatio Avery, who married Irene Andrus, at Coventry, Conn., April 25, 1822.

Wanted, the parentage of Sarah Avery, who married John Burnap in Scotland, Conn., March 30, 1789.

Wanted, the parentage of Thomas Avery of Goshen, who married Lydia Brown of Colchester, Conn., Oct. 11, 1754.

Who was Mehitable Avery of Boston, who administered on the estate of Gideon Avery, the son of Edward Avery, b. June 1, 1715? He left New London on a voyage in 1763 and never returned. His estate was administered in 1770.

Who was Abigail Avery, who married Elisha Lothrop of Norwich, Conn., May 28, 1745? They had Elisha, Deborah, Anna, Solomon and Mary.

Wanted, the parentage of Sylvanus Avery, who married Mary Luther, June 6, 1782, at Lyme, Conn. They had Benjamin, Betsey, Olive, Sylvanus, Nancy and Lucy.

Any one desiring a copy of the Denison Genealogy would do well to correspond concerning the subject with Mrs. George D. Clift, White Plains, N. Y. She can also supply a few 8-page pamphlets relating to the Denison Genealogy, at 50 cents each. The old house in Groton, Conn., occupied in Revolutionary times by Ebenezer Avery (No. 144, page 60) is still in good condition, and occupied by the Misses Meech. It now bears, over its front door, the following inscription:

"This tablet was placed by the
Thomas Starr Society, C. A. R., Sept. 6, 1896,
In Memory of
the Shelter afforded our wounded and dying soldiers
within this house after the massacre at

Fort Griswold, Sept. 6, 1781."

The letters C. A. R., signify Children of the American Revolution. The house is at the foot of the hill that is crowned by the battle monument, pictured on page 22 of AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES.

The careless or thoughtless reader of the lists of births, marriages and deaths printed in this magazine might easily jump to the conclusion that the Groton Averys will soon be an extinct clan. The births and marriages, doubtless, are more numerous than the deaths, but the reports to the family historian are not so promptly made.

### THE MEMORIAL TABLET.

The authorities of the First Church of Christ of New London, Conn., has voted consent for the Avery Memorial Association to place in their house of worship a tablet in memory of Capt. James Avery and his wife, Joanna. This church will celebrate its 250th anniversary next year. The first names upon its roll of members are "James Avery and Wife," The tablet will cost four or five hundred dollars. The subscription list for this purpose is now opened thus:

Frank Montgomery Avery, New York. \$10.00
Elroy M. Avery, Cleveland. 10.00
Mrs. Fred B. Egelhoff, Weatherford, Tex. 1.00

No money will be called for until the necessary amount is subscribed. If a good showing can not be made by the time of printing the next number of this magazine (February, 1901), the plan will probably be given up.

I can supply six complete sets of AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES. Price, one dollar and a half a set, postage prepaid.

### THE AVERY MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.

Report of the Treasurer for the year ending July 20, 1900.

Moneys received prior to annual meeting of July 20,

1899	\$1,	802,50
	since July 20, 1899	
Interest s	ince organized	65.34
	prior to annual meeting of July 20,	
1899		\$1,356.77

Expenses since July 20, 1899......

Balance on hand July 20, 1900.....

658.45

18.62

\$2,033.84 \$2,033.84

Since the annual meeting of last July, the bronze bust of Capt. James Avery has been paid for. This expenditure, with others, has left very little money in the hands of the treasurer, Miss Addie Avery Thomas, of Groton, Conn.

### BIRTHS.

Frank Rockafellow Little, son of Dr. Wilbur Taylor Little and great grandson of Lydia Ann (Avery) Taylor (No. 453, page 626), was born, September 10, 1900, at Canon City, Colorado.

Frederick Guy Avery, son of Guy Leonard Avery and grandson of Lorenzo Erastus Avery (No. 2327, page 279), was born, May 19, 1900, at Bradford. Pa.

Marjory Lucia Van der Veer, granddaughter of Mrs. Lucia Elizabeth (Avery) Mitchell (No. 523, page 453), was born, May 27, 1900, at Springfield Center, Otsego county, N. Y.

John Stuart Coonley, Jr., grandson of Mrs. Lydia Avery Coonley Ward (No. 1313, page 245), was born, February 3, 1900, at Chicago.

John Avery Mulroy, son of Anthony B. and Henrietta (Avery) Mulroy (No. 2098, page 252), was born, January 1, 1899, at St. Paul, Ind. The report to the family historian was not made very promptly, but that was not John's fault.

Howard Coonley Hollis, son of Thomas and Mary (Coonley) Hollis (No. 1313 a, page 245), was born, October 7, 1899, at Concord, Mass.

### ORANGE BLOSSOMS.

Arthur Ross Avery (No. 2229, page 268) married, May 2, 1900,

at Humboldt, Neb., Miss Grace Dennis. Lulu Belle Fulmer, only daughter of Mrs. Rosalind (Avery) Fulmer (No. 1546, page 181), was married, October 16, 1900, to Joseph

Catherine Armena Avery (No. 962, page 507) was married, June 20, 1900, at Coldwater, N. Y., to Wilmer Everett Nelson, of Adams

Basin, N. Y.

Vaughan.

### THE LAST ROLL CALL.

The Rev. Thomas Rogers, husband of Martha (Avery) Rogers (No. 1092, page 522), died, March 20, 1900, at

Mrs. Eunice Latham (Avery) Morgan (No. 1624, page 275) died,

September 15, 1900, at Willets, Calif.

Henry Ward Avery, the youngest child of Charles Austin Avery (No. 396, page 355), died, June 21, 1900, at Painesville, Ohio.

Mrs. Mary Abby Avery (No. 848, page 187, and No. 874, page

110) died, Oct. 8, 1900, at New London, Conn.

Mrs. Minnie Florence (Avery) Corwin (No. 2089, page 247) died, Oct. 25, 1900, at Dunkirk, N. Y.

Uriah Hunt Painter (No. 2129, page 296) died, Oct. 20, 1900, at

West End, N. J.

Mrs. Mary Melissa (Pence) Avery, wife of Daniel Wilson Avery (No. 1353, page 252), died, Oct. 26, 1900, at St. Paul, Ind.

William Luther Mack, third child of Mrs. Alwilda (Avery) Mack (No. 768, page 679), died, Feb'y 28, 1899, at Wewahitchka, Florida. William Luther Mack, husband of Mrs. Alwilda (Avery) Mack

(No. 768, page 679), died, July 12, 1899, at Fort Mill, South Carolina. The Hon. Charles M. Denison, a grandson of Daniel and Katha-

rine (Avery) Denison (No. 110, page 53), died, Nov. 5, 1900, at Whitesboro, N. Y.

Mrs. Lizzie Esther (Avery) Snow, wife of Herbert Timothy Snow, and daughter of Adnah Avery, Jr. (No. 358, page 374), died, Oct. 26, 1900, at Westfield, Mass.

Mrs. Sarah Hills (Taylor) Avery, wife of Henry Avery (No.

1752, page 284), died, Sept. 9, 1900, at Springfield, Mass.

The Bill Memorial Library shown on page 175 was given to Groton, Conn., by Mr. Frederick Bill, the husband of Mrs. Julia Owen (Avery) Bill (No. 2138, page 255).



CHARLES HEDDING AVERY.

Charles Hedding Avery (No. 569, p. 503) is a lawyer living at Buffalo, N. Y. At the present time he is a member of the city board of aldermen, and hopes to live to see Buffalo as large a city as Cleveland. He's all right.

## Hvery Notes and Queries.

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### THE NEW FAMILY HISTORY AGAIN.

In Avery Notes and Queries for August last, I explained that I had done a great deal of work and spent several thousand dollars in the gathering of material for a revision of Mr. Sweet's "The Averys of Groton," and that more work must be done and more money spent before the manuscript could be sent to the printer. The additional serious problem of publication was discussed, and my long-standing offer to give all of my genealogical material to any one who would carry out my plans, and to add a liberal cash bonus to the gift, was renewed. In conclusion, I submitted to the members of the clan the following proposition:

"The revised edition of the history of the Groton Avery clan will be published by me in two volumes. The changes from the first edition are radical and numerous. I shall make the work as nearly accurate and complete as I can. In mechanical execution it will be much superior to the existing edition. I am ready to receive subscriptions, and will begin printing as soon as orders for five hundred copies are received. The terms are as follows:

"The price of the completed work will be ten dollars.

"Each order must be accompanied by an advance payment of five dollars for each copy ordered, the remaining five dollars to be paid upon receipt of notice that the two volumes are ready for delivery. If the prescribed five hundred subscriptions are not received within a reasonable period, the advance payments will be refunded by me."

I had had so many disappointments in the work that I hardly

expected any considerable response to the proposition. But the remittances soon began to arrive, and I now (November 20, 1900,) have received the prescribed advance payments for ninety-six copies, as follows:

Frank M. Avery, New York City	0	copies
Trueman G. Avery, Buffalo, N. Y	5	6.6
Walter H. Beebe, New York City	I	6.
Ozro T. Love, Plainfield, N. J	I	6.6
William H. Avery, Los Angeles, Calif	I	4.4
Ellery Denison, New York City	I	44
Charles M. Denison, Whitesboro, N. Y	I	44
Dr. Otis Avery, Honesdale, Pa	I	66
Mrs. Ann A. Randall, Cedar Rapids, Ia	Ι	+ 4
Mrs. E. J. Wolcott, Utica, N. Y	2	44
Dr. H. H. Avery, Chelsea, Mich.	I	4.6
Mrs. Susan Look Avery, Anchorage, Ky		66
Mrs. Lydia Avery Coonley Ward, Chicago, Ill	2	4.6
Avery Coonley, Chicago, Ill.	I	6.6
John S. Coonley, Chicago, Ill.	I	66
Miss Sarah Coonley, Chicago, Ill		
Howard Coonley, Chicago, Ill		4+
Prentiss Coonley, Chicago, Ill		b 6
Mrs. Helen A. Pope, Norwood, O		44
The Hon. Ben. H. Avery, Jefferson, N. Y		4.4
Mrs. Rufus Lord Avery, Mansfield, O		66
Charles I. Avery, Auburn, N. Y		44
Waite Gerry, Ventura, Calif		4.6
Frank Rockefeller, Cleveland, O	I	4.4
Miss Amelia Morey, Potsdam, N. Y	I	64
Mrs. Louisa A. Avery, Groton, Conn		
Dr. Aaron B. Avery, Pontiac, Mich		66
Phineas O. Avery, Humboldt, Neb		6.6
Mrs. F. W. Goddard, Colorado Springs, Colo		h h
Mrs. Mary A. Stockwell, Painesville, O		» "
Mrs. Frances Haggard, Lincoln, Neb		4.4
Mrs. Kate A. Hallock, Cromwell, Conn		
David C. Avery, Baltimore, Md.		
Franklin C. Avery, Fort Collins, Colo		6.6
Amos L. Avery, Charlemont, Mass		
George A. Clark, Utica, N. Y		
Mrs. Helen Avery Robinson, Louisville, Ky		4.4
John D. Rockefeller, New York City		4.6
Mrs. Lucy A. Newman, Spokane, Wash		6.6
George S. Avery, Galena, Ill		6 6
Charles W. Avery, Patchogue, N. Y		6.6

Dr. Alida C. Avery, San Jose, Calif	copies
Mrs. Mary Hazard Avery Hine, Newark, N. J	
Mrs. George W. Powers, Decatur, Ill	
Mrs. Frances Lester W. Robinson, Norwich, Conn	
Mrs. Mary Coonley Hollis, Concord, Mass	
Charles H. Avery, Buffalo, N. Y	
Mrs. Cornelia C. Avery, New London, Conn	
Mrs. Olive L. Dietrich Arlington Heights III	

In addition to this, I have received many letters with promises something like these: "I want to be counted a subscriber to your History of the Groton Averys, and you can count on me," or "I shall want one or two copies and will send the money soon." Of course, these letters are encouraging, but I can not "count" promises that do not comply with the conditions above printed. I have prepared blank orders, copies of which I shall be glad to send to any one asking for them. They are in the following form:

### ELROY M. AVERY,

657 Woodland Hills Avenue,

CLEVELAND, OHIO:—Enclosed herewith find Five Dollars, advance payment on my subscription for a copy of your History of the Averys of Groton. I hereby agree to pay an additional five dollars upon notice that the second volume of said history is ready for delivery. It is mutually agreed that the ten dollars above provided for is to be in full payment for one complete copy of said History of the Averys of Groton, and that if the requisite number of subscriptions is not secured within a reasonable period the full advance payment now made shall be returned to the subscriber.

Na	me :	
	Street and Number:	
	Town and State:	
Date :		••••••••••

This revised edition will be strictly limited. The names and addresses of subscribers will be printed in an appendix to the second volume. Each such subscriber will be sent a type-written copy of his or her family record so that it may be corrected (if necessary or desirable) before printing. Of course, every reasonable precaution will be

taken to make all of the records correct, but it would be obviously impracticable to send out copies of all of them in advance of publication.

It is probable that many members of the clan who desire to subscribe for the book had no more confidence in the success of the plan proposed by me than I did, and that they therefore have held back their subscriptions. Now that the success of the plan seems assured, it is reasonable to suppose that the subscriptions of such persons will be promptly forwarded. It may be well to renew the statement that accompanied my proposition: "As to my pecuniary responsibility, etc., you may inquire (enclosing return postage, of course) of any Cleveland bank." To this, it may be proper to add the suggestion that the list of subscribers above printed is really a testimonial of confidence from persons some of whom are generally supposed to be wholly capable of taking good care of as large investments as are involved in their advance payments on the family history in question.

### NEW YORK AVERYS IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR.

Abel Avery, the Levies, Marinus Willets, colonel.

Abel Avery, 4th regiment of militia, Killian Van Rensselaer, colonel.

Abel Avery, Associated Exempts, Zephaniah Platt, colonel.

Daniel Avery, Dutchess county militia.

Ebenezer Avery, 3rd regiment of Westchester county militia, Pierre Van Courtland, colonel.

· Ebenezer Avery, 4th regiment of Westchester county militia, Thaddeus Crane, colonel.

Ebenezer Avery, lieutenant, 4th regiment Westchester county militia, Thaddeus Crane, colonel.

Elisha Avery, 4th regiment of Westchester county militia, Thaddeus Crane, colonel.

Enoch Avery, 4th regiment of Westchester county militia, Thaddeus Crane, colonel.

Enoch Avery, 4th regiment of Westchester county militia, Thaddeus Crane, colonel.

Henry Avery, the Levies, Albert Pawling, colonel.

Humphrey Avery, 3rd regiment of the line, James Clinton, colonel.

James Avery, 4th regiment of Westchester county militia, Thaddeus Crane, colonel.

John Avery, 4th regiment of Westchester county militia, Thaddeus Crane, colonel.

John Avery, 4th regiment of Westchester county militia, Thaddeus Crane, colonel.

John Avery, 2d regiment Dutchess county militia, Abraham Brinkerhoff, colonel.

(To be continued.)

### THEY LOST THE NAME.

The readers of this magazine may be interested in scanning the following hastily prepared, and therefore incomplete, list of prominent Avery descendants who do not bear the Avery name, and of persons to whom they were related:—

Edwin D. Morgan, governor of New York and United States senator, grandson of William and Temperance (Avery) Morgan (No. 58, page 41) and great grandson of William and Mary (Avery) Morgan (No. 22, page 33).

Schuyler Colfax, vice-president of the United States, grandson of

George and Lucy (Avery) Colfax (No. 106, page 52).

Horatio Seymour, United States senator and Democratic candidate for presidency of the United States, great grandson of Youngs and Mary (Avery) Ledyard (No. 107, page 52).

Julia S. Seymour, great granddaughter of Youngs and Mary (Avery) Ledyard (No. 107, page 52) and wife of the Hon. Roscoe

Conkling, United States senator from New York.

John D. Baldwin, editor of "Worcester (Mass.) Spy," author and member of congress from Massachusetts, grandson of Nathaniel and Amy (Avery) Stanton (No. 152, page 63).

The Right Reverend Thomas Augustus Jaggar, D.D., grandson of Paul Frederick and Sabra (Avery) Niles (No. 322, page 106), and

Protestant Episcopal bishop of southern Ohio.

Jeremiah George Harris, paymaster in the United States navy, son of Richard and Mary (Avery) Harris (No. 861, page 190).

The Rev. William Clift, son of William and Nancy (Avery) Clift (No. 190, page 439).

The Rev. David Avery Whedon, D.D., son of Hiram and Margaret (Avery) Whedon (No. 242, page 427).

John D. Rockefeller, grandson of Godfrey and Lucy (Avery)

Rockefeller (No. 164, page 604).

John Henry Camp, congressman from New York, grandson of

Nathan and Susan (Avery) Camp (No. 106, page 584).

Hannah Avery Devereaux, granddaughter of Benjamin and Hannah (Avery) Butler (No. 79, page 562), and wife of the Hon. Francis Kernan, United States senator from New York.

Harriet Amelia Pumpelly, daughter of Charles and Frances (Avery) Pumpelly (No. 105, page 583), and wife of Theodore Fre-

linghuysen, president of Princeton college.

Elizabeth Lenoir, granddaughter of William Ballard and Elizabeth (Avery) Lenoir (No. 112, page 587), and wife of David McKen-

dree Key, postmaster-general under President Hayes.

Alphonso Calhoun Avery (No. 254, page 640), a justice of the supreme court of North Carolina, married Susan Washington Morrison, daughter of the Rev. Robert Hall Morrison, D.D., founder and president of Davidson college. Her mother was Mary Eugenia Graham, daughter of William Alexander Graham, governor of North Carolina, United States senator, secretary of the navy under President Fillmore, and candidate for the vice-presidency on the ticket with General Scott. Her sister married "Stonewall" Jackson.

Sybil Noyes Avery (No. 101, page 581), married Ezra Stiles, Jr.,

son of Ezra Stiles, president of Yale college.

### THE AVERYS OF GROTON.

(Continued from page 136. See page 133).

Children of Edward and Joanna (Rose) Avery (all born in Groton):

28. i. Joanna<sup>5</sup>, b. Nov. 1700.

ii. Thomas<sup>5</sup>, b. June 15, 1702; d. May 3, 1703, at Groton. iii. Edward<sup>5</sup>, b. May 22, 1704; d. June 7, 1705, at Groton.

29. iv. Deborah<sup>5</sup>, b. May 6, 1706.

30. v. Theophilas<sup>5</sup>, b. Sept. 6, 1708.

31. vi. Benajah<sup>5</sup>, b. Oct. 12, 1710.

vii. James<sup>5</sup>, b. Oct. 27, 1712; d. Nov. 25, 1715, at Groton.

32. viii. Gideon<sup>5</sup>, b. June 1, 1715; d. before 1770.

33. ix. Hannah<sup>5</sup>, b. June 30, 1717.

34. x. Ichabod<sup>5</sup>, b. May 7, 1719.

35. xi. Asa<sup>5</sup>, b. July 21, 1721.

36. xii. Mary<sup>5</sup>, b. Nov. 3, 1723.

Lydia, who is mentioned in Sweet's "Averys of Groton," page 30, as born about 1725, was not the daughter of Edward Avery. She was the daughter of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Lane) Avery, and belonged to the Dedham family of Averys. (See Genealogical Record of the Dedham Branch of the Avery family, page 82, and Avery Notes and Queries, page 67).

Children of Ebenezer and Dorothy (Parke) Avery (all born in Groton):

37. i. Parke<sup>5</sup>, b. December 9, 1710.

38. ii. Mary<sup>5</sup>, b. Feb. 17, 1713. 39. iii. Dorothy<sup>5</sup>, b. Jan. 10, 1716.

iv. Lucy5, b. Oct. 14, 1718; d. Jan. 9, 1719, at Groton.

40. v. Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, b. April 3, 1724.

41. vi. Amy<sup>5</sup>, b. Feb. 17, 1724.

42. vii. Eunice<sup>5</sup>, b. March 2, 1725.

43. viii. Simeon<sup>5</sup>, b. April 25, 1730.

In his "Averys of Groton," page 31, Mr. Sweet states that Ebenezer Avery had a second wife, Lucy Morgan. This is a mistake; he

was not married a second time. William Morgan, in his will, states that his granddaughter, Lucy, married Ebenezer Avery, but this granddaughter was Lucy Davis, the daughter of his daughter Margaret. This Lucy Davis married Ebenezer<sup>5</sup> Avery, No. 40, above mentioned.

# OUR ENGLISH ANCESTRY.

In June, Miss Carrie M. Powers, of Decatur, Ill., sent one hundred dollars to be used in searching for the English ancestry of Christopher Avery, particularly in Salisbury. Mr. W. I. Brigham Tyler, of Chicago, a genealogist of repute who was in England, was employed to make the search. Mr. Tyler reports a careful search of the records of the various parishes of Salisbury, notably, The Close, St. Edmunds, St. Martins, and Fisherton, the four oldest. Nothing has been found, and it seems useless to follow further the Salisbury hypothesis.

Mr. Tyler also examined thoroughly the records of the Exchequer and Prerogative Court of York, which has a general jurisdiction over the north of England as Canterbury has over the south. Avery does not seem to have been a common north-county name, though a few records were found in Nottinghamshire. It may be worth while to search that county thoroughly. The York court records need never be searched again for our purpose, as everything relating to the family has been noted and no trace found of Christopher.

The above is a report of progress to the present time. The next work will be to search the Canterbury wills, and the parish records of Cornwall. Many think that Christopher Avery came from Cornwall; there certainly was, in 1669, a Christopher Avery in Tintagel, Cornwall, as well as many others of the name,

The money has not all been used and it may be that the missing link will be found before that happens. If not, perhaps some other member of the family may lend a hand. Many thanks are due to Miss Powers for enabling us to settle definitely the Salisbury hypothesis.

Please look over the "Want ads" on the first page of this magazine, and see if you cannot lend a helping hand.

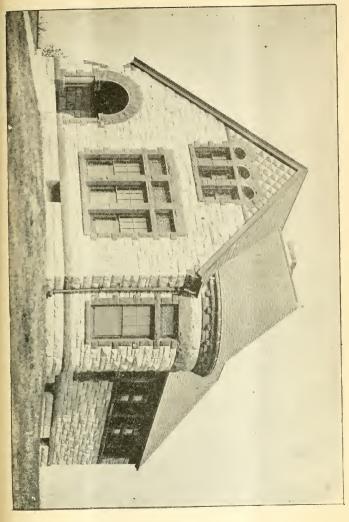
#### THE GROTON AVERY HISTORY CLUB.

Since the last report, club dues have been received as follows:

Edward E. Avery, San Francisco, Calif	\$ 1.00
Mrs. Allen H. Tyler, Collinwood, O	1.00
Howard Giles, Forest Hill, N. J.	2.00
Charles M. Denison, Whitesboro, N. Y	1.00
Dr. Otis Avery, Honesdale, Pa	1.00
Trueman G. Avery, Buffalo, N. Y	5.00
W. Paul Moore, Jackson, N. C.	1.00
Walter H. Beebe, New York City	5.00
Mrs. Adelaide L. Cavarly, New London, Conn	1.00
Mrs. Annie Avery Chadsey, Wickford, R. I	1.00
C. C. Baldwin, Worcester, Mass	1.00
Dr. Ellery Denison, New York City	1.00
Mrs. Sarah L. Hall, Westerly, R. I.	1.00
Waite Gerry, Ventura, Calif	1,00
Miss Emily Avery Egelhoff, Weatherford, Tex. *	1.00
Mrs. Ann Avery Randall, Cedar Rapids, Ia	1.00
Mrs. E. J. Wolcott, Utica, N. Y	1.00
Dr. H. H. Avery, Chelsea, Mich	1.00
Mrs. Helen A. Pope, Norwood, O	1,00
Mrs. Frances A. Avery, Norwood, O	1,00
The Hon. Ben. H. Avery, Jefferson, N. Y	1.00
Mrs. Lucy A. Newman, Spokane, Wash	2.00
Mrs. Rufus Lord Avery, Mansfield, O	1.00
Mrs. Laura A. Holman, Saybrook, Conn	1.00
John S. Coonley, Chicago, Ill	2.50
Mrs. Curtis Lord Avery, Wayne, Pa	2.00
David C. Avery, Baltimore	1.00
Mrs. W. A. Burt Jones, Minneapolis	1,00
Mrs. Mary Coonley Hollis, Concord, Mass	1.00
Total for the quarter	41.50

All persons paying club dues are entitled to the magazine without other payment. Dues are paid simply for the purpose of helping carry on the work of the family historian. Each member determines what his annual payment shall be—within the limits of one and ten dollars. You are eligible to membership, and your remittance will be gladly received and acknowledged in this magazine.

<sup>\*</sup>The youngest member of the club. See Notes and Queries, p. 112.



# Do You Want

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If you do, you would better read the article on pages 166-169 of this magazine.

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to see the succeeding numbers of

# AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES?

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ASTOR, LENOX AND TILDEN FOUNDATIONS

# Hvery Notes and Queries.

A Quarterly Magazine devoted to the History of the Groton Averys.

No. 13.

"Honor thy Father and thy Mother."

February, 1901.

The number and page references used in this magazine are to Sweet's History of "The Averys of Groton."

You have been receiving occasional copies of this magazine for a long time. Do you not desire to subscribe for it and thus help pay the cost of publication? See terms on page 182.

Bulletin 32, of the Home Education Department of the University of New York (Dec., 1900,) is a very valuable document relating to traveling libraries, traveling pictures, and schoolroom decoration. It was prepared by Miss Myrtilla Avery. She is one of the many descendants of an Enoch Avery whom I am very anxious to identify. I have little if any doubt that he was a Groton Avery.

The Rev. Eugene Henry Avery (No. 1535, page 266), late of Vinton, Iowa, is now pastor of the Westminster church, Webster and Page streets, at San Francisco, Calif. His portrait may be found on page 35 of Avery Notes and Queries.

If you cannot afford to buy a copy of the new History of the Groton Averys, remember that the next best thing is to have one in an easily accessible library. It would be well, in many cases, for several members of the tribe to club together for the purchase of a copy to be given to the public or other library where it may be consulted by all parties interested, including the donors.

Prior to the announcement of a forthcoming new edition of the History of the Averys of Groton, copies of Mr. Sweets' book sold readily for fifteen dollars each, three times the original price. A copy of the Denison Genealogy is valued at twenty-five dollars, five times the original price. Do you see the point?

The project of placing a memorial tablet in the First Church of Christ of New London, Conn., (see Notes and Queries, page 162) has been abandoned in favor of the later plan for placing a memorial window in the new church to be built at Groton, almost under the

shadow of the battle monument (see Notes and Queries, page 22). The treasurer of this memorial window fund is Miss Elizabeth Miner Avery, of Groton, Conn., to whom contributions should be sent. She will gladly answer any inquiry on the subject.

Lee Meriwether, son of Minor and Elizabeth Edmunds (Avery) Meriwether (No. 506, page 364), has been nominated for mayor of St. Louis on a platform of municipal ownership of street railways and other public utilities. As a third party candidate at the last municipal election in St. Louis, Mr. Meriwether polled nearly twenty thousand votes.

If this paragraph is marked, your subscription to the Groton Avery History Club or to Notes and Queries has expired, and you are requested to renew it. See page 182.

#### BIRTHS.

Ralph Willis Crandall, son of Dr. Willis Augustine and Carrie (Avery) Crandall (No. 1849, page 229), was born April 20, 1900, at Buffalo, N. Y.

Mildred Louise Rouzer, daughter of Henry K. and Esther Maria (Avery) Rouzer, and granddaughter of Amos William and Sarah Elenor (Baldwin) Avery (No. 574a, page 458), was born April 25, 1900, at Missoula, Mont.

H. Nason Avery, son of Morris H. and Idella May (Nason) Avery, and great-great-grandson of James and Margaret (Shook) Avery (No. 823, page 107), was born May 4, 1900, at Woonsocket, R. I.

William Ellery Denison, son of Dr. Charles Ellery Denison and great-great-grandson of Daniel and Katherine (Avery) Denison (No. 110, page 53), was born November 29, 1900, at New York City.

Delia Stanton Avery, daughter of Amos and Harriet Elizabeth (Byrne) Avery (No. 1792, page 224), was born April 16, 1900, at Hampton, Conn.

Adams Bertrand Avery, son of Almeron Myron and Gertrude Clifton (Adams) Avery (No. 787, page 680), was born Dec. 18, 1900, at Mason City, Iowa.

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#### MARRIAGES.

Mercedes Louise Avery (No. 621, page 380) married September 20, 1900, at Forest House, Pa., Fred Jasper Cooper.

Roy Gerald Fitzgerald, son of Mrs. Cornelia Maria (Avery) Fitzgerald (No. 2338, page 279), married September 5, 1900, at Dayton. Ohio, Caroline Louise Wetekamp.

Phebe Alice Avery, daughter of Amos William Avery (No. 574*a*, page 458). married October 9, 1900, at San Francisco, California, Claus Buttman, of Coulterville, California.

William A. Clift, grandson of the Rev. William and Harriet Adeline (Peters) Clift (page 439), married November 29, 1900, at Spokane, Wash., Jessie M. Winslow.

Abbie Fay Durfee, a granddaughter of Mrs. Almira Avery Giles (No. 205, page 338), married January 15, 1901, at Decatur, Ill., George Chandler Kinsman.

Millard Fowler Avery, the fifth child of Hislop Latham Avery (No. 1682, page 279), married November 8, 1900, at Gowanda, Eric county, N. Y., Ella Fidelia Goodell.

Frank Hiram Avery, son of William Hiram Avery (page 132), married December 19, 1900, at Providence, R. I., Mary Shackford, of Providence

Lorrance Avery, youngest son of Humphrey and Emma Jane (Davison) Avery (No. 459, page 665), married July 4, 1900, at Augusta, Kansas, Edith May Baughman.

Sarah Oliphant Coonley, the younger daughter of Mrs. Lydia (Avery) Coonley Ward (No. 1313, page 245), married November 29, 1900, at Chicago, Mr. William Walkins Davies, of Louisville, Ky.

Walter Giles Avery (No. 848, page 675) married June 5, 1900, at Council Bluffs, Iowa, Emily Lucile Williams of that city.

From a newspaper clipping, I learn that a Herbert L. Avery married January 9, 1901, at New London, Conn., Lillian Everts. I cannot identify him as one of the Groton tribe, which he probably is.

If you see in any newspaper an obituary or a marriage notice of an Avery or of a descendant of an Avery, please send a marked copy of the paper to the historian of the Groton Averys. This will be easy for you and of very great help to him.

#### DEATHS.

Benjamin Lathrop Avery (No. 779, page 527) died March 29, 1900, at Genoa, N. Y.

Mrs. Charlotte Ann (Avery) Jones (No. 1352, page 158) died

April 19, 1900, near Waldron, Ind.

Guy Carleton Avery, Jr., (No. 1366, page 158) died September 4, 1900, at Indianapolis, Ind.

Mrs. Mary (Sweet) Avery, wife of Benjamin Franklin Avery (No. 968, page 508), died January 14, 1900, at Greenbush, Wis.

The Hon, Amos Avery (No. 225, page 358) died October 21, 1899.

at Evans Center, Erie county, N. Y.

Frank Avery Shepard, second son of Charles W. and Adeline (Avery) Shepard (No. 368, page 349), died January 25, 1901, at Torrington, Conn.

#### THE SEARCH IN ENGLAND.

The following list of Avery wills proved in the prerogative court of Canterbury between the years 1383 and 1604 is kindly furnished by Frank M. Avery, of New York City, for whom a search was recently made. The jurisdiction of this court includes the south of England.

(1)	1496.	Thomas Averey, St. Thos. the martyr, Southwark Horne
(2)	1572.	Alice Averey, Yatton, Somerset
(3)	1571.	John Averey, Westhuyake, Yatton, Somerset31 Holney
(4)	1563.	Richard Avery, Gent. Town of New Haven, France;
		d. at New Haven
(5)	1571.	Richard Averey, Newton St. Cyres, Devon31 Holney
(6)	1576.	Thomas Avery, Berden, Essex
(7)	1576.	William Averey, St. Sepulchres, London23 Carew
(8)	1580.	William Avery, Congresbury, Barnwell and Tatton,
		Co. Somerset
(9)	1568.	John Every. Donyett, Somerset34 Holney
lo)	1593.	Richard Averye, the Pallant within the citye of Chi-
		chester, Sussex42 Nevell
(11)	1598.	Thomas Averye, Yeoman, Shenyngton, Gloucester;
		to be buried at Ichington38 Lewyn
(12)	1589.	Alexander Every, Citizen and Clothworker of Lon-
		don, Bradwaye. Somerset; Axminster, Devon:
		St. Michaell, Cornwall; Bredsteete, London34 Leicester

		rome, Somerset	
(15)	1585.	Richard Every, the elder, Totnes, Devon38 Brudenell	
(16)	1587.	Richard Everye, Pitminster, Somerset25 Spencer	
(17)	1592.	Thomas Everie, Hatche beacham, Somerset74 Harrington	
(18)	1587.	William Every, Chard, Somerset: Devon	

Editorial notes on some of the above mentioned wills:

(14) 1585. John Every Gent and Serieaunt at Armes, Chaff-

(8) William Avery, of Congresbury, county Somerset, had six sons, Thomas, Richard, William, John, Giles and Jacob. He married Ann Irish, of Congresbury. From his brother, Robert, are descended the Averys of Dedham, Massachusetts. Their coat-of-arms is the last of the four given in the appendix to Sweet's "The Averys of Groton."

(12) Alexander Avery, of London; will made December 25, 1588; proved March 27, 1589, by his brother William; mentions brothers

John, Thomas and William.

(14) John Every, of Chaffcombe, Somerset; will made January 31, 1584; proved May 1, 1585; mentions wife, Madelen, daughters Elizabeth, Ellenor, Madelene, Agnes, and Mary; sons Thomas and John; and cousins William Avery of Chard (18) and Alexander Avery (12).

(16) Richard Avery, of Pitminster, Somerset; will made January

14, 1586; proved May 3, 1586, by his brother William.

(17) Thomas Everie, of Hatch Beauchamp, Essex; will made August 31, 1592; proved October 27, 1592; mentions sons Richard and Thomas; daughters Katharine, Alice, Freeseed, Elizabeth, Mary; and wife Joanne.

(18) William Avery, of Chard, merchant; will made January 10, 1587; proved March 7, 1587, by Alexander Avery (12?); mentions John, Thomas of Hatch Beaumont (17?), Katharine, Elizabeth, Wil-

liam.

The following entry also appears in the abstracts of Somerset wills from which the foregoing notes were made:

John Every, of Broadway, Somerset; will made March 21, 1576;

mentions son Alexander.

If you are not a member of the Groton Avery History Club, it is probable that you ought to be. You can join now. Then you can see to it that some one else who ought to join does his duty. There is opportunity for all. Turn this leaf and read.

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All persons paying club dues are entitled to the magazine without other payment. Dues are paid simply for the purpose of helping carry on the work of the family historian. Each member deter-

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mines what his annual payment shall be—within the limits of one and ten dollars. You are eligible to membership, and your remittance will be gladly received and acknowledged in this magazine.

#### THE NEW FAMILY HISTORY.

In the Notes and Queries for last November, I explained my present plan for the publication of the new edition of the family history at the price of ten dollars for the two volumes, and gave the list of subscribers for the first ninety-six copies. Since then, subscriptions have been received from the persons named below. No subscription is counted that does not comply with all the conditions of my proposition, including advance payment of five dollars.

Florillo P. Avery, Tunkhannock, Pa	CODV
William Randall Avery, Cincinnati, O	
Miss Carrie M. Powers, Decatur, Ill	
Miss Clara A. Avery, Detroit, Mich	
Joseph A. Hyde, Deer Lodge, Mont	
A. J. Avery, Dunkirk, N. Y.	
Morris H. Avery, Woonsocket, R. I	2 "
Maj. Cyrus Avery, Camptown, Pa	+ 6
Bertrand C. Avery, Lamar, Mo	
Miss Susan B. Meech, San Augustine, Fla	
S. F. Avery, West Taghkanic, N. Y.	
W. Avery Sweet, Syracuse, N. Y.	
Edwin B. Avery, Los Angeles, Calif	+ 6
Mrs. Elsie C. Avery Allen, Cattaraugus, N. Y	
Mrs. George R. Stetson, Washington, D. C.	
Miss Ida F. Richardson, Southport, Ind	
Mrs. Richard Morgan, Aurora, N. Y	
Cyrus Avery, Poquonnoc Bridge, Conn	
Irving J. Avery, New London, Conn	
Mrs. L. R. Southworth, New York City	
Myron Pease Avery, Somers, Conn	
James Carrington Avery, Auburn, N. Y	44
James D. Avery, Shelburne Falls, Mass	
George H. Avery, Richmond Borough, New York City	
Elizabeth R. Avery, Ilion, N. Y	
Frederic Bill, Groton, Conn.	
Mrs. F. B. Egelhoff, Weatherford, Texas	+ 6

If you desire to subscribe for the book, I shall be glad to send you (upon request) a blank for that purpose.

#### THE TINTAGEL RECORDS.

A recent letter from the vicar of Tintagel, in North Cornwall, informs me that Averys have been numerous in that parish since 1310. I already knew that the name Christopher occurred among the Avery names there in 1679. It is believed by several who have given the subject much study that Cornwall is the county in which to look for our Christopher Avery. As the money generously given by Miss Powers was not all expended in searching the Salisbury records and solving that problem, some of it will be expended in searching the records of Tintagel. The vicar has signified his willingness to do the work, and arrangements have been made with him for it. Possibly the result may be published in the next Notes and Queries, together with the list of Avery wills in the Canterbury prerogative court from 1604 to 1640.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

Among the hundreds who gathered at the old homestead at Groton last July was Major Cyrus Avery, of Camptown, Pa., who had made the pilgrimage from the rugged hills of his native state that he might look upon the faces and press the hands of his assembled kinsmen. Few have given more assistance to the family historian than Major Avery (No. 457, page 664). He was born March 8, 1821, at Falls township, in Wyoming (then Luzerne) county, Pennsylvania. His ancestral line runs thus: Cyrus<sup>8</sup>, Miles<sup>7</sup>, Cyrus<sup>6</sup>, Solomon<sup>5</sup>, Humphrey<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Christopher<sup>1</sup>. It is with great pleasure that I am able to give the following communication from him:

I will ask you to journey with me in imagination up the Pocono mountain, south of Wilkes-Barre; not in the old stage coach that laboriously jolted up the rocky steeps, but in comfort we will wind our way through the defiles in the palatial car of a modern railway train, catching scenic glimpses here and there that rival those of the famous Swiss land. Then, standing at the summit, as we turn our faces to the north and west, we behold the magnificent panorama of the historic Wyoming Valley. We see the river Susquehanna (Indian name for long and crooked) as it winds its snakelike form along the banks on which stand the city of Wilkes-Barre and a dozen towns of smaller proportions. Myriad columns of smoke and clouds of steam betoken the action of

mighty engines employed in heaving anthracite coal from the bowels of the earth, where an army of miners are employed in blasting it from its fastnesses and another army of men are handling it upon the surface.

Two or three miles below Wilkes-Barre, on the opposite bank of the river, is the town of Plymouth, on whose site my mother was born. The fuel value of anthracite coal was unheard of, and the vapors that often shimmered at night were regarded as ghosts by superstitious people.

I point out the Wyoming Monument at Forty Fort, a few miles further north, where on the third day of July. 1778, the great Indian massacre occurred. On that monument is carved the name of our kinsman, Christopher Avery, whose bones rest beneath its shaft. Still a little further north we see Queen Esther's Rock—the bloody rock, as it is called—the execution block on which many prisoners gave up their lives at the hands of their murderous captors. I am in possession of fragments that I cut from it forty years ago. It is now guarded by an iron fence, erected by the Daughters of the American Revolution, who have taken much interest in preserving historic relics, marking the sites of ancient forts and other places of interest. In the valley near the monument is the birthplace of Martha Marsh, who married the Hon. Joseph Conant Avery (No. 219, page 632), and who now lives as the widow and mother of a distinguished family in Corvallis, Oregon.

About twenty-five miles north of this point Tunkhannock Creek, a stream of considerable proportions, joins its waters to those of the Susquehanna, and at this point is situated the farm of my grandfather. Cyrus Avery, with his family burying place, where rest his remains and those of his father and my father and mother, brothers, sisters and nucles

I had the family records from my grandfather's Bible and my own, reaching back to Humphrey Avery, of Groton, Conn., and took great pride in them. Knowing so well the six valiant sons of my grandfather, my father being the eldest—as grand men as ever trod Pennsylvania soil—I was anxious to know still more of the family genealogy.

In 1862, Thomas W. Palmer, of Connecticut, who was getting up a map of Pennsylvania, put up at our house. He asked me if I were any connection of the Averys of Connecticut. I unrolled my long list of names on foolscap paper, the sheets fastened together with the old-

fashioned wafers then in use. He said: "Sure you are, as here are the family names and family burying places." He told me that Richard Wheeler, of Connecticut, who married an Avery, was making up a genealogy with the view of having it printed. He made me promise to send a copy of what I had to Mr. Wheeler, and promised on his part that Mr. Wheeler should send the information he had to me. This arrangement was carried out, and I received from Mr. Wheeler the grand old record from Christopher and his son, Capt. James, who came over from England in 1630, down to Humphrey, with the proud history of the Averys that has been grafted to mine. This inspired in me a desire to see it put into book form.

I sent written copies to others, uncles and cousins, in Illinois, Oregon, California and Iowa, which were highly appreciated. In 1890 I took my record to Gen. Robert Avery, of 98 Second place, Brooklyn, N. Y., and he was more interested in it than I had supposed he would be. He said if I would get it arranged he would bear the expense of

having it printed.

I heard of a Cyrus Avery, at Syracuse, N. Y., and wrote to him, asking for such family records as he might have. He referred me to Homer D. L. Sweet. When I learned from Mr. Sweet the great extent to which he had engaged in the same line of work, of his researches in Connecticut, I turned my work over to him and assisted him from that time until his death, which occurred while his book was in the bindery. Since then I have rendered such assistance as I could to Elroy M. Avery, of Cleveland, Ohio, who is working on a second edition of the book.

My personal pride in the grand result and the contemplation of the satisfaction it must give to posterity are a double reward for the part I

have taken in preserving the record of our great family.

I am the only living member of my father's immediate family, which was a large one. As I am now nearly 80 years of age, I may never have the pleasure of meeting with you again in your general gatherings, but I hope they will be continued, for the promotion of

good fellowship and mutual interests.

I trust that other hands will carry on the work, thus auspiciously begun, of preserving the records, that this great family, of which I am proud to be but an humble member, may not lose its individuality in the nation's growth. Many of its members have already given good account of themselves and I have no fear that any descendant will ever blush to acknowledge relationship.

#### THE AVERYS OF GROTON.

(Continued from page 173).

On page 171 of AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES it was stated that "Edward Avery (No. 13) died April 14, 1759, at ................"

His wife died January 3, 1761, at ......................."

Owing to information furnished by Mr. Billings T. Avery, of Ledyard, Connecticut, I have been able to amend this part of the record to read as follows:

Edward\* Avery lived in the northwest part of Groton (now Ledyard) on land that his father bought, January 6, 1694, of the heirs of John Coit. On March 18, 1728, the father, James³ Avery, deeded this land to his sons, Edward\* and Christopher\*. On January 4, 1731, the sons divided the land, Edward taking the west side adjoining Thames river and Poquotannock cove. Here he lived and died. He was buried on his own land and not far from his house. His wife and several of their descendants are buried on the same lot. His plainly-lettered grave-stone bears this inscription:

"Mr. Edward Avery of Groton, who died March 14, 1759, aged 84 years and 24 days."

The age at time of death does not correspond to the date of death thus noted, but does agree with the date of death as recorded by Mr. Sweet, April 14, 1759. This reconciliation involves the use of the old-style date of birth, March 20, 1675-'76. The wife, Joanna, died January 3, 1761.

Christopher<sup>4</sup> Avery was successively ensign, lieutenant (1714), and captain (Oct., 1730). He was church clerk of the North Groton society. In 1724 and 1725, he was a deputy from Groton to the general court of Connecticut. Probably he was town clerk of Groton (1730), and served as one of the justices for New London county. In the division of the land in the northwest part of Groton (now Ledyard), given in 1728 by James<sup>3</sup> Avery to his sons, Edward<sup>4</sup> and Christopher<sup>4</sup>, as described in my record of Edward<sup>4</sup> Avery (No. 13), Christopher took the eastern part, and there he lived, died and was buried. He died January 20, 1753. His property was thus appraised:

Homestead farm	£10	0,000 (old tenor)
Brewster's Neck	farm	2,500
Negroes—Jube .		500
Jeune		260
		4.0
Lydia		260
Sarah		240
Tom.		210

In 1888, some of his descendants set up a brown stone obelisk on the east side of Avery Hill in Ledyard, Connecticut (formerly the North Parish of Groton), and not far from his former home. The front bears this inscription:

#### CHRISTOPHER AVERY.

1680-1753.

His Four Wives.

His daughter, Temperance<sup>5</sup>, and her husband, William Morgan, were buried in the same lot.

The children of Christopher+ and Abigail (Parke) Avery were:

44.	i.	John 5, b. Oct. 26, 1705, at
45.	ii.	ABIGAIL <sup>5</sup> , b. July 16, 1707, at
16	:::	Christophers, b. Nov. 16, 1709, at
47.	iv.	NATHAN <sup>5</sup> , b. March 10, 1712, at

The children of Christopher<sup>4</sup> and Prudence (Payson-Wheeler) Avery were:

48.	V.	Priscilla <sup>5</sup> , b. April 29, 1715, at
49.	vi.	Isaac <sup>5</sup> , b. March 26, 1717 at
50.	vii.	Hannah <sup>5</sup> , b. Feb. 10, 1719, at
51.	viii.	Jacob <sup>5</sup> , b. Aug. 25, 1721, at
52.	ix.	Temperance <sup>5</sup> , b. Sept. 14, 1725, at

Probably all of the children were born at Groton, but I have not found such a record.

(To be continued).

# JULIA CATHERINE (SEYMOUR) CONKLING.

Julia Catherine Seymour was the youngest child of Henry and Mary Ledyard (Forman) Seymour. Her father, Henry Seymour, was the son of Major Moes Seymour, of Litchfield, Conn., who was present at the surrender of Burgoyne. Her mother was the daughter of General Jonathan Forman, who served during the entire Revolutionary war and retired with the rank of major-general. General Forman's wife was Mary Ledyard; born Sept. 3, 1758, at Groton, Connecticut; died May 30, 1806.

Mary Ledyard was the daughter of Youngs and Mary (Avery) Ledyard (No. 107, page 52). Youngs Ledyard was the brother of Col. William Ledyard, who fell at Fort Griswold, and of Dr. Nathaniel Ledyard, who lost his life in a premature explosion of gunpowder while

joyfully celebrating the repeal of the stamp act.

Mary Avery, the wife of Youngs Ledyard, was the daughter of Col. Ebenezer Avery, of the Eighth Connecticut militia, who, though born in 1704, continued in the service of his country till October, 1776. Her brother Ebenezer fell at Fort Griswold. She was the cousin of Gen. William Colfax, the father of Schuyler Colfax.

Youngs and Mary (Avery) Ledyard had eight children. Deborah, the oldest, married Col. Christopher Avery, of the Revolutionary war: Youngs fell at Fort Griswold: Benjamin was captain of the First regi-



MRS. ROSCOE CONKLING.

ment of New York infantry, was at White Plains and Monmouth, and was one of the founders of the Order of the Cincinnati; Isaac was also in the First New York infantry as surgeon and was one of the founders of the Cincinnati; Mary, as stated above, married Gen. Forman; Lucy married Capt. Seth Phelps, of the Revolutionary war; Caleb died on the ship "Trumbull" while serving as ensign during the Revolutionary war; William died young. What family can show a more patriotic record?

Miss Seymour married Roscoe Conkling in June, 1855. She was considered one of the most graceful and refined women of the administrations of Lincoln and Grant. Her home was the scene of many brilliant gatherings of distinguished men. Governor Horatio Seymour, of New York, was her brother. See Avery Notes and Queries, page 170.

With such patriotic ancestral connections, it was not strange that she early became interested in the Daughters of the American Revolution. She was the founder of the Utica Chapter. She died at Utica, N. Y., October 18, 1893.

The old Avery Bible, brought to America in 1630 by the founders of the Groton Averys, and described in Sweet's History of the Groton Averys, pages 256, and 689, is offered for sale by its owner. Price, \$2,000.

Photographs of the "Old Hive" and of the Avery Memorial, plain or colored, and suitable for framing, are now on sale. For further particulars, address the secretary of the Avery Memorial Association, Miss Helen M. Avery, No. 6, North Main Street, New London, Conn.

This is a good time for you and your friends to subscribe for AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES. See page 182.

Now turn back to the last paragraph on the first page of this magazine.

#### THE AVERY MEMORIAL.

BY MARY L. BOLLES BRANCH.

Here once an ancient homestead stood, Gray with long years, of fashion old, From stately oak, from hallowed wood, Were hewn its beams, and strong and good Uprose its walls, a race to hold.

Here round the hearth sat sires and sons, Mothers and babes, a charming throng; Eight times renewed the long line runs, The youths became the aged ones, The children grew to manhood strong.

Honor and virtue here held sway,
And courage high in word and deed,
Forth went the statesman on his way,
Forth marched the soldier to his fray,
A sturdy race from sturdy seed.

Gone are the walls that stood so long, Mossed roof and chimney, all are gone, Where sheltered happy lives were passed Now blows at will the winter blast, There is no home, the spot is lone.

Yet stay, what wonders love hath wrought!
Here is the hearthstone of a race,
The threshold that their feet have sought,
Here to our view the bounds are brought,
And ivies the old chimneys grace.

Oh! rooms unseen by mortal eyes,
Wherein may move the friendly guest,
Oh! walls invisible that rise
With household gods in unknown guise,
What is there to meet our quest?

Behold, the vanished home uprears
This granite shaft whereon today
Wrought in enduring bronze appears
One who shall greet the coming years,
Chief of his race, who seems to say:

Here once an ancient homestead stood, Gray with long years, of fashion old, From stately oak, from hallowed wood Were hewn its beams, and strong and good Uprose its walls, a race to hold.

# Hvery Notes and Queries.

A Quarterly Magazine devoted to the History of the Groton Averys.

No. 14.

"Honor thy Father and thy Mother."

May, 1901.

The number and page references used in this magazine are to Sweet's History of "The Averys of Groton."

#### THE NEW FAMILY HISTORY.

The number of subscriptions reported in February was 128. Since then subscriptions have been received as follows:

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Mrs. R. Y. Mitchell, Findlay, O	cop
Charles C. Baldwin, Worcester, Mass	
Frank Slosson, Kenosha, Wis	* *
Noyes Fred'k Avery, Grand Rapids, Mich	6.6
Sidney S. Avery, Rochester, N. Y	
Miss Janette C. Avery, Easton, Md	
Wm. N. Avery, Metuchen, N. J	* *
Joseph Dixon Avery, Chicago, Ill	4.5
Mrs. Mary H. Johnston, Humboldt, Ia	
A. A. Grinnell, Oakfield, N. Y.	* *
Lewis B. Avery, Redlands, Calif	
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The subscription price for the two volumes of the history is ten dollars. Five dollars must accompany the order; this rule is invariable. If you desire to subscribe for the book, I shall be glad to send you (upon request) a blank for that purpose.

The small number of subscriptions received in the last quarter is not very encouraging. I am to begin printing when I get subscriptions for five hundred copies; if that number is not reached within a reasonable period, I am to return the full amount received from subscribers. All such moneys are deposited by me as a separate fund. The next few months must determine whether I print or you get your money back. Perhaps some of your friends who ought to subscribe for one or more copies each have not done so. Remember that the whole scheme of the new family history is hanging in the air. Whether it goes up or down depends upon the action of those who are able to subscribe for copies and have not yet done so.

#### BIRTHS.

Helen Laurene Merwin, daughter of the Rev. Milton K. and Lillian Fairchild (Avery) Merwin (No. 2067, page 244), was born April 6, 1900, at Pompey, N. Y.

Avis Colburn, granddaughter of Alonzo Bailey Avery (No. 648,

page 466), was born May 23, 1900, at Sac City, Iowa.

Baby Curtis, granddaughter of Alonzo Bailey Avery (No. 648,

page 466), was born February 4, 1901, at Sac City, Iowa.

Olive Virginia Van Tuyl, daughter of Miles Avery Van Tuyl, and granddaughter of Esther (Avery) Van Tuyl, (No. 456, page 626), was born January 10, 1901, at South Eaton, Pa.

Dudley Avery McCauley, son of Ora Allen and Sylvia Leone (Avery) McCauley, and grandson of Oscar Avery (No. 1371, page 159), was born January 31, 1901, at Waldron, Ind.

#### MARRIAGES.

Nora Edith Avery (No. 2441, page 294) married April 11, 1900, at Shelbyyille, Indiana, William Wilson Rickets.

Horace Weston Avery, the oldest child of George Benjamin and Frances Gertrude (Stark) Avery (No. 1279, page 243), married February 12, 1901, at Denver, Colorado, Edith Plested.

Charles Franklin Innis, son of Amanda Maria (Avery) Innis (No. 1667, page 196, married Nov. 14, 1900, at Port Carbon, Pa., Maude Margaret Bailey.

Emily Avery Wheeler, daughter of Judge Richard A, and Frances Mary (Avery) Wheeler (No. 495, page 130), married December 5, 1900, Seth Noyes Williams.

Glenn Wood, M. D., of Chicago, great-great-grandson of Alithea (Avery) Allyn (page 328), Temperance (Avery) Morgan (page 41), and Katherine (Avery) Dennison (page 53); and great-great-grandson of Deborah (Avery) Allyn (page 29), and Mary (Avery) Morgan (page 33), married January 1, 1901, Dorothy Groves, at Evansville, Indiana.

In the notice of the marriage of Abbie Fay Durfee and George Chandler Kinsman (Notes and Queries, page 179), it was errone-

ously stated that the bride is a granddaughter instead of a great-granddaughter of Mrs. Almira Avery Giles.

Edna Florine Avery, daughter of Edwin Leslie Avery, the oldest son of Oscar Avery (No. 1371, page 159), married February 6, 1901, at Waldron, Ind., Horace Robert Furnas.

#### DEATHS.

Mrs. Phebe Augusta (Ely) Avery (No. 728, page 170) died February 12, 1901, at Chicago, Ill.

Otis Alonzo Avery (No. 519a page 453) was killed on the Erie Railway, February 13, 1901.

Solomon Avery (No. 202, page 626) died February 9, 1901, at West Taghkanic, Columbia county, N. Y.

James Oliver Avery (No. 2152, page 255) died March 17, 1901, at San Francisco, California.

Dean Richmond Avery (No. 1416, page 258) died April 2, 1901, at Alameda, California.

Francis M. Avery, son of Daniel Avery (No. 116, page 415), died December 30, 1900, at Providence, R. I.

Mrs. Almira Virginia (Bestor) Avery (No. 1346, page 247) died April 5, 1901, at Chardon, Ohio.

Mrs. Mary Perry (Ingham) Avery (No. 457, page 664) died April 11, 1901, at Camptown, Pa.

Mrs. Bertha (Francis) Avery (No. 539, page 392) died May 1, 1901, at Somers, Conn.

The Rev. Albert Franklin Park, son of Benjamin Franklin and Hannah (Avery) Park (No. 449, page 478), died October 8, 1900.

I recently received a complaint from a "regular reader" of AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES, a much-grieved member of the Groton Avery clan. He had not received his magazine for February. Upon investigation I found that he had never paid a cent as a subscriber to the magazine or for dues to the Groton Avery History Club. He had been getting the magazine so regularly that he felt wronged when the free supply was interrupted! And he had "the gall" to grumble. Some folks are very queer, are they not?

#### THE SEARCH IN ENGLAND.

Below is given the result of the search made in the parish of Tintagel, Cornwall, England. As will be seen, the name Christopher occurs in the list of baptisms. It, however, comes too late to be the name of our emigrant. Whether the name appears in any of the neighboring parishes has not been determined. The search was made possible by the generosity of Miss Carrie M. Powers, of Decatur, Illinois.

Year	. Name.	Parent's name.	When baptized.
1583	William	Richard Avery	Octr. 7
1583	Thomsin	John Avery	Feb. 7
1584	Jane (base)	Annie Avery	Octr. 18
1586	Willmot	Richard Avery	August 7
1587	John	John Avery of ——(?)	Sept. 10
1588	Francis	Richard Avery	Decr. 9
1589	Parcew	. Parcew Avery	Mar. 29
1589	Elizabeth	William Avery	Nov. 26
1590	Lawrence	John Avery	May 8
1591	Ann	William Avery	Octr. 30
1591	Jane	Richard Avery	Nov. 8
1592	Theophilus	Pascew Avery	May 25
1592	Elizabet <b>h</b>	John Avery	Nov. 17
1594	John	Pascew Avery	Nov. 8
1595	John	Thomas Avery	May 6
1596	Theophilus	Theophilus Avery	Sept. 7
1605	Edward	Thomas Avery	Octr. 12
1606	Argent (?)	Edward Avery	Nov. 18
1611	John	Francis Avery	Aug. 20
1616	Ellinor	Clement Avery	Sept. 18
1619	Robert	Clement Avery	Decr. 8
1622	Christopher	Clement Avery	

Miss Ida F. Richardson, a descendant of No. 821, page 107, has painted a picture of the Harrison homestead at North Bend, Ohio. The sketch from which the painting is taken was submitted to the Hon. J. Scott Harrison, and received his approval. Here President Benjamin Harrison was born. The painting has been highly commended. Miss Richardson is prepared to furnish photographs. Address her at Southport, Indiana, Rural Route, No. 1.

#### AT THE CATTLE SHOW.

Part of this aggregation is of the Groton Avery clan, and the other part is owned by a member of it. On the rocking chair is



Francis Deane, the son of James Deane Avery (No. 452, page 380), of Shelburne Falls, Mass. Under the chair is Mr. Avery's "Jerry"—claimed to be the largest and handsomest ox in the world. "Jerry" is a nine-year old Holstein, weighs 4365 pounds, is 15 feet, 11 inches long, and is described as "a marvel

of gigantic grace and beauty."

As everybody is going to take his family to the Pan-American exposition this summer, it has become necessary for nearly every householder in Buffalo to unbar his gates and make room for coming guests. If you want to provide a resting place in advance (and it would be unwise to go without doing so), you will be good to yourself if you write to Charles H. Avery, 475 Ashland Avenue, or to Mrs. Franklyn T. Avery, 52 Leroy street. Both of these places are on pleasant residence streets. From either of them the exposition grounds are easily accessible on foot. From Ashland avenue the Elmwood street cars give direct transportation to the grounds or to the business part of the city. From Leroy street, like service is afforded by the belt line.

If you see in any newspaper an obituary or a marriage notice of an Avery or of a descendant of an Avery, please send a marked copy of the paper to the historian of the Groton Averys. This will be easy for you and of very great help to him.

There is something interesting and important to you on the last page of this magazine.

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#### THE GROTON AVERY HISTORY CLUB.

Since the last report, club dues have been received as follows: Mrs. R. Y. Mitchell, Findlay, O. . . . . . . . . . \$2.00 Mrs. E. J. Wolcott, Utica, N. Y.... 1.00 Mrs. Charles J. Barnard, Syracuse, N. Y..... Dr. Otis Avery, Honesdale, Pa..... 1.00 Mrs. Hannah C. Partridge, Jewett City, Conn..... 1.00 Wm. H. Avery, Los Angeles, Calif..... Mrs. Eliza G. Weir, Norwich Town, Conn..... Mrs. Kate A. Hallock, Cromwell, Conn..... 1.00 Mrs. Geo. Kingsley, Paola, Kas..... 1.00 Miss Sibyl Howe Avery, Providence, R. I..... 1.00 Mrs. Mary H. Johnston, Humboldt, Iowa..... Miss Jessie V. Avery, Erie, Pa..... A. D. Allen, Pittsburg, Pa..... A. A. Grinnell, Oakfield, N. Y..... 1.00

All persons paying club dues are entitled to the magazine without further payment. Dues are paid simply for the purpose of helping carry on the work of the family historian. Each member determines what his annual payment shall be—within the limits of one and ten dollars. You are eligible to membership, and your remittance will be gladly received and acknowledged in this magazine.

Total for the quarter.....\$16.00

If you know of a birth, marriage, or death in the Groton Avery clan, please report it promptly to the family historian.

#### THE AVERYS OF GROTON.

(Continued From Page 189.)

Children of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Bill) Avery (all born in Gro-

ton):

- 53. i. Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, b. Dec. 30, 1703.
- 54. ii. Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, b. Jan. 18, 1705.
- 55. iii. Mary 5, b. Dec. 3, 1707.
- 56. iv. Lucy5, b. March 20, 1700.
- 57. v. Abner 5, b. May 28, 1712.
- 58. vi. Samuel<sup>5</sup>, b. July 7, 1715.
- 59. vii. Abel 5, b. Sept. 17, 1717.
- 60. viii. Temperance5, b. Feb. 3, 1719.
- 61. ix. FreeLove<sup>5</sup>, b. March 16, 1722.
- 62. X. Experience<sup>5</sup>, b. Nov. 6, 1724.

The above differs greatly from the record as given in "The Averys of Groton" by Homer D. L. Sweet, page 31. The following reasons have forced the change:

- (1) The Rev. David Avery in his diary says that Jonathan, the son of James Avery, and his son Jonathan "went in the expedition to take Carthagena and Cuba and they both died in the expedition at Cuba," Jonathan Avery, son of Abner (No. 57 above) says in his diary that his grandfather, Jonathan Avery, traded in horses to the West Indies and died there of the yellow fever. Evidently both of these records refer to the same Jonathan, and so the father of Abner must have been Jonathan, the son of James.
- (2) The date of the birth of Jonathan (No. 13, page 325 of Mr. Sweet's Record) son of Thomas Avery, has been found. He was born at Montville, Conn., Dec. 9, 1691, altogether too late to have married Elizabeth Bill in 1703. He was, however, old enough to have married Elizabeth Waterman in 1724.

- (3) Jonathan Avery, the son of James, was born in 1681 and was therefore of the proper age to marry Elizabeth Bill in 1703. If, as Mr. Sweet has it, he did not marry till 1724, he was then 41 years old, older than the men of those days usually were when they married the first time.
- (4 Jonathan Avery, the son of James, lived at Groton and so did the Bills: Jonathan Avery, the son of Thomas, lived at Norwich and so did the Watermans.
- (5) In addition to the three children assigned by Mr. Sweet to Jonathan Avery and his wife Dorothy (Denison) Copp (page 32) was a fourth child, Olive, who was baptized at Norwich, May 29, 1763. If the father of this Olive was Jonathan the son of James, he must have been 82 years old at the time of her baptism, and could not have died in Cuba about 1741, as stated by David Avery, an unimpeached and wholly trustworthy witness.

There seems to be no room for doubt that Jonathan Avery, the son of James, married Elizabeth Bill, and that Jonathan Avery, the son of Thomas, married Elizabeth Waterman and Mrs. Dorothy (Denison) Copp. The two wives and families, as recorded by Mr. Sweet, must change their Jonathans.

## (To be Continued.)

Miss Clara Avery of 47 Eliot Street, Detroit, is preparing a history of the Ipswich (Mass.) line of Averys or Averills. She has had the Avery and Averill entries copied from the records of Barnstaple, Devonshire, England. They will appear in some future number of this magazine.

Wanted The address of some descendant of Constant Avery, son of Jacob and Sylvia (Eddy) Avery. He was born about 1755, was in the Revolutionary war, and subsequently settled in New York state. He was living in Eaton, N. Y., in 1840.

Wanted The ancestry of Peter Avery, who was born in the vicinity of New York city about 1740. He has many descendants now living in the southern and western states.

Wanted The names of the children of Charles Avery who married Mercy Thurston at Westerly, R. l., in 1753.

Nehemiah Avery (No. 77, page 422) was the son of John and Lydia (Smith) Avery. He was born about 1744 and died Aug. 26, 1789, at Norwich, Conn. He married April 23, 1766, Anna Denison, the daughter of John and Abigail (Avery) Denison (No. 27, page 411), and his own cousin. After the death of Nehemiah Avery, the widow, Anna Denison Avery, married, in November, 1799, Amos Clift.



In June, 1813, her daughter, Nancy Avery, b. Sept. 12, 1785, married

William Clift, her stepson. William Clift and Nancy Avery were the parents of the Rev. William Clift, one of the historians of the Avery family—a sketch of whose life appears on page 439 of Sweet's "The Averys of Groton."

Photographs of "The Old Hive" that housed eight successive generations of Groton Averys, built in 1656 and burned in 1894, and of the memorial now standing on the site thereof, plain or colored and suitable for framing, are now on sale. For further particulars, write to the secretary of the Avery Memorial Association, Miss Helen M. Avery, No. 6 North Main Street, New London, Conn.

### BREAKING HOME TIES.

In his "Connecticut," one of the most brilliant state histories yet written, Professor Alexander Johnston says (page 127) that there have been four main channels of emigration from the old commonwealth: "In early years to Vermont and so over the border into New York; later to Pennsylvania (Wyoming) and to central New York; later still to the Western Reserve of Ohio and so throughout that state and the West; and of recent years to New York city and thence in every direction. In addition to these main channels, isolated routes of migration have been innumerable, so that Connecticut names are now to be found in every part of the Union. Such a steady stream of migration could not but have hastened the alienation of family property." It may properly be noticed, in passing, that the homestead of the founder of the Groton Averys is a marked exception to such alienation of family property.

Although the ownership of the "Hive of the Averys" still inheres in the Avery name, the migrations mentioned have spread that name as described. Some of these routes have been so marked in the history of the Avery family as to merit consideration in the pages of this magazine. The charter granted by Charles II, to Connecticut in 1662 conveyed title to a territory bounded on the north by the line of the Massachusetts Plantation, and extending from the Narraganset River or bay westward to the South Sea, i. e., to the Pacific Ocean. This western domain was cut in twain by the later gift of what we call the Empire State to the duke of York. In 1642, the Massachusetts authorities sent two surveyors to run the southern line of that colony. They began operations by finding what seemed to them a point "three English Myles on the South Parte of the Charles River, or of any, or everie Parte thereof," as was proper under the Massachusetts charter of 1629. Instead of running the line thence westward to the Pacific, "the mathematicians" sailed around Cape Cod and up the Connecticut River and found a second point that they said was in the same latitude as the first. This second point was, in fact, eight miles too far south, but the surveyors perhaps thought that it was a part of their duty to show beyond doubt that Agawam (Springfield) was in Massachusetts. Of course, Connecticut refused to recognize the survey, and both colonies appealed to the crown. In 1714, a compromise line was agreed upon. In return for concessions then made, Massachusetts gave Connecticut certain of her western lands, about sixty thousand acres of which were found to be in the territory later known as Vermont. These Vermont lands were sold by Connecticut to private parties, and a considerable northward migration of Connecticut settlers was thus developed.

Under the grant of the English king to his brother, the duke of York, it was claimed that New York extended eastward to the Connecticut River. So far as Massachusetts and Connecticut were concerned, this claim was given up by the duke, but north of the Massachusetts line the claim was insisted upon. At the same time Governor Wentworth of New Hampshire insisted that his colony extended westward as far as did Massachusetts and Connecticut, and the "Hampshire grants" became the bone of bitter contention. Thus there were two claimants to the jurisdiction of the Green Mountain region. Not only was Connecticut strongly represented there but some of the towns in the "Hampshire grants" actually held their first town meetings in Connecticut before the northward migration of their settlers. In 1777, a convention of these settlers adopted a declaration of the independence of the New Hampshire grants, and petitioned that New Connecticut might be ranked "among the free and independent American states, and delegates therefrom admitted to seats in the great Continental Congress." Within a year, the name Vermont was substituted for New New York took energetic measures to enforce her claims and sought congressional interference in her behalf. Thus sprang up two factions, the "Vermonters" and the "Yorkers." In the end, the state of Vermont was established, and, in 1786, the legislature of New York granted "a quantity of vacant land equivalent to a township of eight miles square" to the Vermont settlers who "by their attachment, zeal, and activity in endeavoring to support the just and lawful authority of New York" had brought upon themselves confiscations and imprisonments, and "exquisite tortures." See Sweet's "History of the Groton Averys," page 417. The cause of the Connecticut migrations to the Wyoming region of Pennsylvania and the Western Reserve of Ohio may be discussed in future numbers of AVERY NOTES AND OUERIES.

The price of this magazine is only fifty cents a year.

#### THE MEMORIAL WINDOW.

The movement for placing in the new building of the First Church of Christ in Groton a window memorial to the founders of the Groton Averys has the warm approval of that organization. The church and society have constituted Mr. Frederic Bill and Miss Elizabeth Miner Avery of Groton, Mr. Frank Montgomery Avery of New York City, and Elroy M. Avery of Cleveland a committee to determine plans for the window and to have general charge of the memorial.

The new building is to be of stone, old English in style, and will stand almost under the shadow of the battle monument that marks the heroic deeds and deaths of so many of the Avery clan. The building was made possible by the generous gift of Mr. Bill, the chairman of the committee above mentioned and the founder of the Groton memorial library mentioned on page 165 of Notes and Oueries.

The estimated cost of the window is two thousand dollars. Of this amount, several hundred dollars have aiready been subscribed. The project appeals strongly to every Groton Avery who has any adequate recognition of the noble heritage that he received from a noble ancestry. All such should contribute according to their ability to do so. Remittances should be sent to the treasurer of the memorial window fund, Miss Elizabeth Miner Avery, Box 177, Groton, Conn. She will gladly give, upon application, any information desired.

At the time of going to press, the subscriptions reported are as follows:

John D. Rockefeller	1000,00
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Mrs. Frederic Bill	50.00
Frank Montgomery Avery	50.00
Latham Fish	50.00
Trueman G. Avery	25.00
Elroy M. Avery.	25.00
Mrs. Hannah Eldridge	10.00
Henry W. Avery	5.00

Pick your own place and fall into line. He gives twice who gives quickly.

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"Honor thy Father and thy Mother."

August, 1901.

The number and page references used in this magazine are to Sweet's History of "The Averys of Groton."

### THE NEW FAMILY HISTORY.

The number of subscriptions reported in May was 139. Since then, subscriptions have been received as follows:

Clarence L. Avery, Herkimer, N. Y co	ру
Mrs. Harriet A. Jewell, Dunkirk, N. Y	
William H. Avery, Los Angeles, Cal2	ī
Mrs. George D. Clift, White Plains, N. Y	í
Alphonso C. Avery, Morganton, N. C	
Daniel H. Treadway, Groton, Conn	i .
Mrs. Nancy E. Munson, Huntington, Mass	
Mrs. Emily A. Wheeler Williams, Stonington, Conn	
Miss Charity A. Samaine, Rochester, N. Y	à
Mrs. Albert Babcock, Ravenna, O	
Alonzo B. Avery, Sac City, Iowa	

The subscription price for the two volumes of the history is ten dollars. Five dollars must accompany the order; *this rule is invariable*. If you desire to subscribe for the book, I shall be glad to send you (upon request) a blank for that purpose.

I am to begin printing when I get subscriptions for five hundred copies; if that number is not reached within a reasonable period, I am to return the full amount received from subscribers. The next few months must determine whether I print or you get your money back. Perhaps some of your friends who ought to subscribe for one or more copies each have not done so. Perhaps several of you can join in ordering a copy for your public library, where it will be accessible to all of you. Remember that the whole scheme of the new family history is hanging in the air. Whether it goes up or down depends upon the action of those who are able to subscribe for copies and have not yet done so.

#### BIRTHS.

Clarence Lucius Avery, son of Charles Porter Avery and grandson of Clarence Lucius Avery (No. 511, page 452), was born March 8, 1901, at Herkimer, N. Y.

Alice Angeline Avery, daughter of Arthur Ross and Grace (Denis) Avery (No. 2229, page 268), was born March 9, 1901, at Humboldt, Neb.

#### MARRIAGES.

Amelia Smith Avery, daughter of Lyman Ralph Avery and grand-daughter of Daniel Brewster and Harriet Eliza (Smith) Avery (No. 836, page 108), married June 5, 1901, Guy E. Jackson.

Florence Mary Stockwell, daughter of Norris P. and Mary Augusta (Avery) Stockwell (No. 396, page 355), married April 30, 1901, at Painesville, Ohio, Percy Kendall Smith.

Margaret Experience Avery (No. 1192, page 532) married June 5, 1901, at Kenosha, Wis., Andrew Bonner MacCaughey, of Saint Paul, Minn.

Avery Coonley, son of Mrs. Lydia (Avery) Coonley Ward (No. 1313, page 245), married June 8, 1901, at Unadilla Center, New York, Queene Ferry, of Detroit.

Theodore Seward Blakesley, son of Capt. Alpheus Miles and Mary Ann (Avery) Blakesley (No. 2196, page 298), married June 24, 1901, at Rock Island, Ill., Calista May Carl.

### DEATHS.

Benedict Wells Morgan (No. 1630, page 275) died May 15, 1901, at Mystic, Conn.

Thomas Morris Avery (No. 544, page 492) died May 26, 1901, at Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Jane (Avery) Fish (No. 1301, page 147) died June 27, 1901, at East Norwood, Hamilton county, Ohio.

#### HUMANE SOCIETY OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Testimonial.

Granted June 6, 1856.

It was voted, That this certificate be presented to James Augustus Avery, of the bark "Mustang," as a testimonial of the humanity and good management displayed by him, on the second day of December, 1855, when, in boisterous weather, in a rough, dangerous sea, he rescued, with his boat, Capt. David B. Eldridge, his father, and the crew of the schooner "Heury," of Bucksport, the schooner being waterlogged and in a sinking condition.

DAV. SEARS, Pres., G. Hooper, Rec. Sec'y.

This James Augustus Avery (No. 1408, page 255) followed the sea the greater part of his life, sailing in command of various merchant vessels from New York to various parts of the world. In 1860, he sailed the schooner "Florence" around Cape Horn to San Francisco. About 1865, ill health forced him to give up the sea. He was born at New London, Conn., in 1816, and died at San Francisco in 1870.

The illustrated poem printed on the last page of this magazine was originally printed in "The Christian Herald," of which Dr. T. DeWitt Talmadge is editor. It is republished now by the kind courtesy of that paper. The author of the poem is the wife of a Groton Avery—that is to say, I think that he is a Groton Avery, although I can't prove it yet.

If this paragraph is checked in blue pencil, you may know that your subscription ought to be renewed.

The Hon. Richard A. Wheeler, of Stonington, Conn., is authority for the statement that Capt. John Parke m. Mary Witter. See AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES, p. 172.

I recently received from Walter Sanford Avery, of Wellington, Ohio, the records of forty married descendants of Charles Avery (No. 57, page 561), with about as many more unmarried children. This Charles Avery was born in Groton in 1731, and married at Westerly, R. I., in 1753. I had no record of any of his descendants.

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#### THE AVERYS OF GROTON.

(Continued From Page 200. See page 133.)

17. Hannah Avery (James<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Christopher<sup>1</sup>) was born March 24, 1685, at Groton, Conn.; m. Dec. 30, 1708, at Groton, Conn., Samuel Morgan, son of John and Rachel (Dymond) Morgan of Groton, Conn. He was born Sept. 9, 1669 at Groton, Conn. Neither the date of his death nor that of his wife has been ascertained.

Children of Samuel and Hannah (Avery) Morgan (all born in Groton):

- SAMUEL<sup>5</sup>, b. March 9, 1711; m. Sept. 30, 1741 at Groton. Abigail Heath.
- ii. Elijah<sup>5</sup>, b. April 13, 1712, m November 13, 1735, at Groton, Eunice Williams.
- iii. Hannah<sup>5</sup>, b. Feb. 14, 1714.
- iv. ABIJAH5, b. July 6, 1715.
- v. Lucy5, b. March 9, 1717.
- vi. Theophilus5, b.....
- vii. Experience<sup>5</sup>, b......

Children of Cary and Sarah (Avery) Latham (all born in Groton):

- i. Joseph<sup>5</sup>, b. April 8, 1714; m. Rebecca Green of Groton; d....., at ......
- SUSANNAH<sup>5</sup>, b. Sept. 1, 1717, at Groton; m. John Williams, son of Peter Williams; d. July 23, 1799, at Groton.
- iii. Emblem<sup>5</sup>, b. March 14, 1720; d. ....., at ......
- iv. Sarah<sup>5</sup>, b. Sept. 25, 1723; d. ....., at .....

The above record of the family of Sarah Avery does not appear in Sweet's "Averys of Groton". It is possible that it is not correct. The reasons for thinking that it is correct are as follows:

James Avery, the father of this Sarah Avery, referred to her in 1717 as Sarah Latham; he wrote of her again in 1727 or 1728 as Sarah Latham. From this it is evident that his daughter was married to a Mr. Latham as early as 1717 and that she was alive in

A careful search among the Latham records reveals only one Latham married to a Sarah at that period. Earlier than 1714, Cary Latham married Sarah ................... The last name has not been ascertained. Mrs. Sarah Latham's tombstone shows that she died in 1732, aged 44; Sarah Avery was born in 1688; the age agrees with the dates.

The two families lived not far apart, and an intermarriage was very probable.

It is hoped that some one may be able to add to the above and to prove or disprove the record as herein printed.

19. Joseph Avery (James3, James2, Christopher1) was born at Groton, Conn., August 9, 1691; m. .. ..... "The Averys of Groton" says that they were married in South Kingston and that her father's name was William. A search in the South Kingston records shows no William who had a daughter Tabitha. It is probable that her father's name was George. A George and Tabitha (Tifft) Gardner of South Kingston, R. I., had a daughter Tabitha, b. abt. 1696. The date of the death of Joseph Avery has not been ascertained. He lived at Norwich, Conn. Jabez Fitch, a young man of Norwich, Conn., whose diary has been printed in the "Mayflower Descendants", wrote that old Joseph Avery was drowned June 27, 1753. The entry probably refers to this Joseph Avery.

Children of Joseph and Tabitha (Gardner) Avery (all born in

Norwich):

63 ii. iii. ELIZABETH<sup>5</sup>, b. Aug. 24, 1719; d. at Norwich, Conn., Ang 6,

61 iv.

BENJAMIN<sup>5</sup>, b. Sept. 4, 1721. LUCV<sup>5</sup>, b. May 2, 1723; d..., it is supposed in 1743 v. (To be Continued.)

#### THE AVERY MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.

The seventh annual meeting of the Avery Memorial Association was held at the Avery Memorial Park, Groton, Conn., on the afternoon of July 19, 1901. Vice-president Allen Avery, of Mystic, presided, and wielded the gavel made from a beam taken from the ruins of the old Avery homestead built in 1656 and burned in 1894. A local report says that the afternoon was fine and balmy, cool breezes wafting the sweet perfume of new mown hay during the entire session. The place of meeting is ideal in every particular and it never looked more lovely than on this occasion.

Interesting letters written to his young wife in 1778 and 1780 by Simeon Avery, an aide to General Jedediah Huntington, of New London, were read by his great-granddaughter, Miss Annie Miner Avery, of Memphis, Tennessee.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President—Elroy M. Avery, Cleveland, Ohio.

Vice-presidents—Frank Montgomery Avery, of New York; Allen Avery, of Mystic; Trueman G. Avery, of Buffalo, N.Y.; Christopher L. Avery, of Groton; Cyrus Avery, of Poquonoc Bridge; John O. Spicer, of Groton; Edgar M. Warner, of Putnam.

Secretary—Miss Helen Morgan Avery, of New London.

Treasurer—Miss Addie Avery Thomas, of Groton.

Executive Committee—Elroy M. Avery, Helen M. Avery, Cyrus Avery, Allen Avery, Christopher L. Avery, Mrs. John O. Spicer, Mrs. Francis M. Manwarring, Miss Addie A. Thomas, and William S. Thomas.

It is proposed by the descendants of Solomon Avery to erect a monument on the family burial plot of Silas Avery, at Tunkhannock, Pennsylvania. Solomon Avery was born June 7, 1729, and is buried in this plot. Many of his descendants also rest near by. It is proposed to inscribe upon the monument the names of the ancestors of Solomon Avery and also of his descendants. The monument will be of polished granite, and the work will be commenced as soon as sufficient funds are subscribed to justify the movement. As there are several hundred living descendants of Solomon Avery, the effort to build the monument will undoubtedly be crowned with success.

#### THE MEMORIAL WINDOW.

The movement for placing in the new building of the First Church of Christ in Groton a window memorial to the founders of the Groton Averys has the warm approval of the church organization, and seems destined to meet with the complete success that it deserves. The estimated cost of the window is two thousand dollars. Every member of the Groton Avery clan ought to contribute according to his ability. Remittances should be sent to the treasurer of the memorial window fund, Miss Elizabeth Miner Avery, Box 177, Groton, Conn. She will gladly give, upon application, any information desired.

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Thus, nearly three-fourths of the money needed has been pledged. The rest should be subscribed before the next number of "AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES" is printed. It will help if you do what you can and do it at once.

As everybody is going to take his family to the Pan-American exposition this summer, it has become necessary for nearly every householder in Buffalo to unbar his gates and make room for coming guests. If you want to provide a resting place in advance (and it would be unwise to go without doing so), you will be good to yourself if you write to Charles H. Avery, 475 Ashland Avenue, or to Mrs. Franklyn T. Avery, 52 Leroy street. Both of these places are on pleasant residence streets. From either of them the exposition grounds are easily accessible on foot. From Ashland Avenue the Elmwood street cars give direct transportation to the grounds or to the business part of the city. From Leroy street, like service is afforded by the belt line.

If you see in any newspaper an obituary or a marriage notice of an Avery or of a descendant of an Avery, please send a marked copy of the paper to the historian of the Groton Averys. This will be easy for you and of very great help to him.

Photographs of "The Old Hive" that housed eight successive generations of Groton Averys, built in 1656 and burned in 1894, and of the memorial now standing on the site thereof, plain or colored and suitable for framing, are now on sale. For further particulars, write to the secretary of the Avery Memorial Association, Miss Helen M. Avery, No. 6 North Main Street, New London, Conn.

The price of this magazine is only fifty cents a year.

There is something interesting and important to you on page 212 of this magazine.

### Do You Want

a copy of the new

### HISTORY OF THE GROTON AVERYS?

If you do, please read the article on page 205 of this magazine.



#### OUR LITTLE "NORTH" AND "SOUTH"

WE'RE glad we are Americans— Upon the glorious Fourth. I am a little Southern girl, My cousin's from the North,

"We play that we are children

Of a-many years ago,
To call on General Washington,
Right merrily we go."

Then, lo! they mix their history up, And talk of Grant and Lee— "They were such nice, fine gentlemen, And good friends, don't you see."

He wouldn't take it, though."

"We'll call on General Washington, And then on Grant and Lee— And then, O dear! we'd most forgot— Our Lincoln we must see.

"'Twould never do to leave him out— He was so great and good." And so, they trip to make play-calls

Ah, could the spirits of the past Receive them as they come, And see how faith and love survive, And all discords are dumb.

Says South, "Lee gave his sword to How generals and presidents Grant—He must have loved him so." Would greet this North and South-He must have loved him so." Would greet this North and South-And love-words in the mouth.

MYRTA L. AVARY.

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The number and page references used in this magazine are to Sweet's History of "The Averys of Groton."

#### THE NEW FAMILY HISTORY.

The number of subscriptions reported in August was 152. Since then, subscriptions have been received as follows:

	Cyrus M. Avery, Peoria, Ill	сору
	Henry Benton Avery, Springfield, Mass	6.6
	William Wallace Avery, Silver City, Idaho	6.6
	Minor M. Avery, Dixon, Ill	66
	Wm. C. Amsden, Garner, Iowa	44
	The Rev. F. B. Avery, Painesville, Ohio	66
	Minnesota State Historical Society	6.6
	Van Brunt Avery, Savannah, Ga	66
	Christopher L. Avery, Groton, Conn	4.6
	Ward S. Brown, Albion, Mich	6.6
	Orrin W. Avery, Colchester, Conn	6.6
	Joseph Satterlee, Highlandville, Mass	6.6
	Miss Emma Van Pelt, Camp Dennison, Ohio	6.6
	Wm. Y. Avery, Philadelphia, Pa	4.6
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The subscription price for the two volumes of the history is ten dollars. Five dollars must accompany the order; this rule is invariable. If you desire to subscribe for the book, I shall be glad to send you (upon request) a blank for that purpose.

I am to begin printing when I get subscriptions for five hundred copies; if that number is not reached within a reasonable period, I am to return the full amount received from subscribers. The next few months must determine whether I print or you get your money back. Perhaps some of your friends who ought to subscribe for one or more copies each have not done so. Perhaps several of you can join in ordering a copy for your public library, where it will be accessible to all of you. Remember that the whole scheme of the new family history

is hanging in the air. Whether it goes up or down depends upon the action of those who are able to subscribe for copies and have not yet done so. See the article entitled "Heart to Heart," printed on page 222.

#### BIRTHS.

William Johnston Avery, son of Alphonso Calhoun and Mary (Johnston) Avery (No. 533, page 641), was born May 12, 1901, at Morganton, N. C.

Ada Frances Robinson, daughter of Dr. Richard Francis and Jennie (Brennan) Robinson, and gran daughter of Roger and Ada Olivia (Avery) Brennan (No. 507, page 491), was born June 15, 1901, at Egan, S. D.

Gail Amsden, daughter of William Cummings and Cora (Cruise) Amsden, and granddaughter of the Rev. Benjamin Monroe and Reliance (Avery) Amsden (No. 478, page 628), was born July 14, 1901, at Garner, Iowa.

Kenneth Banning Avery, son of Gurdon Chappell and Elsie Banning (Beebe) Avery (No. 2234, page 268), was born June 19, 1899, at New London, Conn.

Cornelia Louise Avery, daughter of Gurdon Chappell and Elsie Banning (Beebe) Avery (No. 2234, page 268), was born June 16, 1901, at New London, Conn.

Griswold George Avery, son of George Griswold and Jennie Elizabeth (Crosbie) Avery (No. 2232, page 268), was born June 13, 1901, at New London, Conn.

Helen Avery, daughter of Homer Marshall and Rhoda Kirkwood (Cranor) Avery (No. 2109, page 294), was born January 23, 1900, at Sycamore, Ind.

Harry Wilson Rickets, son of William Wilson and Nora Edith (Avery) Rickets (No. 2441, page 294), was born June 14, 1901, at Shelbyville, Ind.

Irma Hoisington, daughter of Elmer Lincoln and Bessie May (Newman) and granddaughter of Morris Roberts and Lucy Ann (Avery) Newman (No. 420, page 622), was born February 9, 1901, at Maple Creek Farm near Spokane, Wash.

#### MARRIAGES.

David Avery Haggard, son of Dr. James R. and Frances Helen (Avery) Haggard (No. 1375, page 252), married August 21, 1901, at Lincoln, Neb., Anna Broady.

Sidney Avery (No. 2219, page 266) married August 15, 1901, at Chicago, Ill., Nellie Eloise Naylor.

Albert Avery (No. 2100, page 252) married July 14, 1901, at Saint Paul, Ind., Mary Maude Leffler.

Daniel Arthur Newman, son of Morris Roberts and Lucy Ann (Avery) Newman (No. 420, page 622), married July 4, 1901, at Syracuse, N. Y., Mary.....

#### DEATHS.

David Wesley Evans, husband of Cynthia Helen (Avery) Evans, daughter of Christopher Avery (No. 418, page 444), died April 8, 1901, at Granville, Ohio.

Jonas Edward Avery (No. 1506, page 262) died September 4,

Mary Ann (Benson) Avery, wife of Julian Morgan Avery (No. 2289, page 274), died August 22, 1901, at Harman, a suburb of Denver, Colorado.

Clarence Wright Bailey, elder son of Alvin Leslie and Mary Helen (Avery) Bailey (No. 2110, page 294), died June 30, 1901, at Indianapolis, Ind.

Mrs. Elizabeth Fernald (Avery) Sherburne (No. 579a, page 673) died September 15, 1901, at North Wolfboro, N. H. Her inclusion by Mr. Sweet among the Groton Averys was an error; she was of the Portsmouth clan. See Avery Notes and Queries, page 67.

The Rev. Holly Hunt Avery (No. 585, page 376) died September 2, 1901, at Unadilla, Neb.

If this paragraph is checked in blue pencil, you may know that your subscription ought to be renewed.

## Hvery Notes and Queries.

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Since the last report, club dues have been received as follows:
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All persons paying club dues are entitled to the magazine without further payment. Dues are paid simply for the purpose of helping carry on the work of the family historian. Each member determines what his annual payment shall be—within the limits of one and ten dollars. You are eligible to membership, and your remittance will be gladly received and acknowledged in this magazine.

If you know of a birth, marriage, or death in the Groton Avery clan, please report it promptly to the family historian.

#### CONVENIENT COMFORT.

If you do not live in New York, the lately raided lair of the Tammany Tiger, you expect to live long enough to go there again. One of the most delightful things about New York is the Upper Bay. Starting from the lower end of the city, a few minutes' ride by boat takes you to Staten Island. As you approach the wharf, your attention is attracted by the handsome Hotel Castleton. You needn't look for it—you can't



help seeing it. By stage or street car you ride from the ferry wharf to the hotel. The proprietor of the Castleton is George H. Avery, son of Hiram Avery (No. 825, page 107). If you turn to the record in Mr. Sweet's History of the Averys of Goton, you will see at a glance what a "find" on both sides was made when George H. Avery ran up against the family historian at the great gathering at Avery Memorial Park in Groton in July, 1900.

The front of the Castleton shown in the picture overlooks the Bay. Picture of pictures! Hemmed in by that wondrous are made by Brooklyn, New York and Jersey City is the matchless harbor furrowed by ocean steamers and vessels of every kind from every part of the world—an ever-changing panorama of interest and beauty. It is worth a trip to New York to look at this from the Castleton.

I just spoke of "The front of the Castleton shown in the picture." The limitation is necessary, for both sides of the hotel are front—I don't know where the back door is. The second front overlooks a park as beautiful in its way as one could wish. In short, if you want a good hotel with easy access from the city and with freedom from the whirl and uproar of the city, take the Staten Island ferry and find it.

#### THE MEMORIAL WINDOW.

As announced in the August number of Notes and Queries, the proposal to put an Avery memorial window in the new church now building at Groton, Conn., has met with warm approval from the church organization and the Avery clan.

The First Church of Christ of Groton, as this Congregational organization is officially called, was separated from the First Church of



THE NEW CHURCH AT GROTON.

New London by action of the Connecticut general court in 1702. The first names in the record of the First Church of Christ of New London that Mr. Bradstreet began on the day of his ordination, in 1670 are those of Captain James Avery and his wife Joanna who lived on the Groton side of the river. About a dozen years later, Parson Bradstreet died

and Mr. Avery and his neighbors began to think about a church on Groton bank. The New London church made opposition, but Captain Avery and his sons and their neighbors kept pounding away until New London Christian patience broke down. And so it happened that about two hundred and thirteen years ago Capt. James Avery was put under censure of the church, and when some of his sons presented children for baptism the rite was administered only "on account of their wives." But their purpose was firm and, in the end, their hearts' desire was gratified. The names of the second James Avery and his wife stand first on the list of members of the First Church in Groton. For two hundred years, descendants of Captain James Avery have been among the active members of this church. In this period, three buildings have housed the organization, each for a period of between sixty and seventy years. The corner-stone of the fourth was laid on the twenty-seventh of September, 1901. Addresses were delivered by the Rev. F. S. Hyde, the pastor of the church, the Rev. L. B. Sears, pastor of the Baptist church in Groton, and Dr. Elroy M. Avery of Cleveland.

The walls are built of field stone gathered from the many Avery and other farms in Groton; few of them have felt the hammer. The dressed stone around the windows and doorways and the coping on the walls and buttresses are of pink granite. The outlines of the building may be discerned in the accompanying cut. Many fine specimens of this old-time architecture are still standing in England. The building is at the corner of Monument and Meridian streets on the hill and not far from the old front, the battle monument, and the Bill Memorial Library.

The Avery Memorial will occupy the large front window, just at the left of the tower. Its estimated cost is two thousand dollars or more—as much more as the members of the clan pay in for the purpose; the more money the richer the window. The committee in charge of the memorial consists of Frederic Bill and Miss Elizabeth Miner Avery of Groton, Frank M. Avery of New York, and Elroy M. Avery of Cleveland. Remittances should be sent to the treasurer, Miss Elizabeth Miner Avery, Box 177, Groton, Conn. She will gladly give, upon application, any information desired.

At the time of going to press, the subscriptions reported are as follows:

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#### HEART TO HEART.

I know a lady living in Cleveland who is gathering material for a history of the family into which she was born. I may call her Mrs. X. Not long ago I met the wife of a distant relative of my friend. The latter lives in a good sized city at a considerable distance from Cleveland. I may call her Mrs. Y. Knowing that I was from Cleveland, Mrs. Y. mentioned the facts that her husband had received from Mrs. X. a request for genealogical information concerning himself and his immediate family, and that the information had not been sent, and added: "I suppose it is the only way that the poor woman has of making a few dollars." I had to give her some information on the subject.

I told her that no one would write a family history for the sake of making dollars, few or many; that such an enterprise involves years of patient toil, long-continued drain upon the bank account, irritation caused by unanswered inquiries, the drudgery of delving in dusty libraries and more dusty town and state archives, the weariness of railway travel, the fatigue of grave-yard investigation, with the possible accompaniment of harmless snakes and more dangerous poison-ivy, the indifference of the many, and the rebuffs of an occasional uncultured Newrich who has taken too seriously Saxe's warning:

> "Depend upon it, my snobbish friend, Your family line you can't ascend, Without good reason to apprehend You may find it waxed at the other end By some plebeian vocation."

I told her further that after all of this and more in the way of investment, the author finds that the sale of the books is so small that the product often fails to pay the cost of printing and binding.

I have known many to make the trial but none who made any profit. One of my friends, a lawyer-judge, prepared and printed three family histories at an average net loss of \$3,000 each. Another of my friends, a successful editor, politician and legislator, has just printed the history of his family, and his subscriptions do not equal ten per cent, of his printer's bills. Fortunately, both of these friends are financially able to pocket the losses that they clearly foresaw. My friend, Mrs. X., "the poor woman" aforementioned, falls into the same class of those who, having "money to burn," can afford to work for nothing and pay their own bills. Mrs. X. can put a dollar on every one of Mrs. Y.'s dimes.

But there are some family historians who cannot do all of this; they are willing to work without pay, but have to balk at the payment of publication bills. One of these whom I know had the good fortune to be told by one of his clan, a wealthy member of the United States senate, substantially this: "Go ahead, write as good a history as you can, publish it in a style that will be creditable to the family, sell as many copies as possible, keep an accurate account of expenditures and receipts, and I will remit the amount of the deficit." I have not found such a saccharine senator.

With a full knowledge of the general facts above set forth, I have the particular knowledge that comes from my own attempts to get subscribers for the new edition of the history of the Groton Averys. My first subscription was received nearly fourteen months ago, and fewer than 200 of the 500 contemplated sets have been spoken for. I have spent several thousand dollars in the preliminary work of authorship and neither expect nor desire to have it returned to me; but I cannot afford to add to this the loss of a like amount for printers' bills. Hence, I must wait until the subscriptions received justify contracts for publication, or I must give up the project and return the money that I have received from subscribers. It begins to look as though the latter course would have to be followed.

The accompanying autograph of John Avery (No. 5, page 404), is copied from the will of the second James Avery. The will was acknowledged June 10, 1717, before William Clarke, a justice of the peace in New London, witnessed by John Avery and Samuel Avery, and en-

John Avery

tered on the Groton records, August 27, 1728, by Christopher Avery, recorder. The document is now in the possession of Miss Elizabeth Miner Avery of Groton.

### THE AVERYS OF GROTON.

(Continued from Page 210. See Page 133.)

was the daughter of Joseph<sup>4</sup> Avery, the marriage record strengthens the theory that her mother, the wife of Joseph<sup>4</sup> Avery, came from Kingston. There were also Gardiners or Gardners residing in Norwich where Joseph Avery lived and died. A story has been handed down in the Skilton family to the effect that Joseph<sup>4</sup> Avery owned an outlying farm, where he had cattle and hav. This farm he offered to his eldest son if he would occupy the small house upon it during the coming winter, and feed and care for the stock. When the son declined the offer, the sister, Tabitha, accepted it. It was during this winter on the farm that she met Henry Skilton whom she soon married. Possibly this farm was in North Kingston and came to Joseph<sup>4</sup> Avery through his wife. If this is so, old deeds may reveal the parentage of the wife of Joseph<sup>4</sup> Avery. It has also been suggested that it was Benjamin, the son of Joseph<sup>4</sup> Avery who married a Gardiner. In his will, dated Feb. 13, 1776, Benjamin Gardiner mentions a daughter Desire Avery. If the above suggestion is correct, Benjamin<sup>5</sup> Avery had two wives, for, in his will, dated May 27, 1776, he calls his wife Elizabeth. More light is wanted on the subject of the wives of Joseph<sup>4</sup> Avery and of his son Benjamin.

June 27, 1753, at Norwich, Conn., "Old Joseph Avery was drowned" is an entry in Jabez Fitch's diary, published in "Mayflower Descendants," vol. 1, page 38. His estate was inventoried at Norwich, Nov. 6, 1753, but was not wholly divided until May 5, 1755. The heirs were the widow, sons Joseph and Benjamin, daughter Tabitha (Avery) Skilton, and the heirs of daughter Lucy, deceased, wife of Jonathan Tracy. (Norwich probate records, vol. 1, page 454.)

Children of Joseph and ......(.....) Avery (all born in Norwich, Conn.):

- 63. i. Joseph<sup>5</sup>, b. Sept. 26, 1715; d. later than 1755, at.....
- 64. ii. Tabitha<sup>5</sup>, b. Feb. 25, 1717.
  - iii. ELIZABETH<sup>5</sup>, b. Aug. 24, 1719; d. Aug. 6, 1743, at Norwich.
- 65. iv. BENJAMIN<sup>5</sup>, b. Sept. 4, 1721.
- 66. v. Lucy<sup>5</sup>, b. May 2, 1723.

Note.—The above record is corrected from the one printed on p. 210, and should be substituted for it. The differences between the two illustrate one of the purposes of printing these old records in Avery Notes and Queries.

20. Benjamin<sup>4</sup> Avery, (James<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Christopher<sup>1</sup>) was b. ..... at Groton, Conn.; m......at...., Thankful Avery. dau. of John and Sarah (Denison) Avery. She was born April 25, 1718, at Groton, Conn., and died January ....., 1813, at the same place. She is recorded as No. 28 on page 406 of Sweet's "The Averys of Groton." Mr. Sweet said that this Thankful Avery was born in 1712, the daughter of Benjamin Avery, whose record appears as No. 14 on page 406 of his book. But careful search has failed to show that there was any such Benjamin, son of John<sup>3</sup> Avery. The whole record that appears under No. 14 on the page in question should be cancelled. The family historian has taken care of the children; the alleged father is a myth. According to the Rev. David Avery (see page 63 of Avery Notes and Queries), this Thankful Avery was a daugther of John, the son of John<sup>3</sup>. He calls her "Aunt Thankful," and visited her frequently to learn of family matters. Benjamin<sup>4</sup> Avery made his will in January, 1769; he died Dec. 3, 1772, at...... ......; the will was probated at Stonington, Conn., Feb. 1, 1773.

Children of Benjamin and Thankful (Avery) Avery (all born in Groton, Conn.):

67. i. BENJAMIN<sup>5</sup>, b Sept. 9, 1735.

68. ii. Abigail<sup>5</sup>, b. Dec. 12, 1737.

iii. Deborah<sup>5</sup>, b. Oct. 6, 1738; d. Oct. 29, 1738, at Groton.

69. iv. DANIEL<sup>5</sup>, b. Nov. 14, 1740.

70. v. SARAH<sup>5</sup>, b. July 29, 1742.

71. vi. Anna<sup>5</sup>, b. Jan. 15, 1743-4.

vii. Solomon<sup>5</sup>, bap. June 4, 1749, First Church of Christ of Groton; d. Sept. 6, 1781, at Fort Griswold, Groton, unmarried. He was a sergeant of militia.

72. viii. MARY<sup>5</sup>, b. January ..., 1748.

73. ix. DENISON<sup>5</sup>, b. June 11, 1749.
74. x. Lucy<sup>5</sup>, b. ......

75. xi. Thankful<sup>5</sup>, bap. Aug. 1, 1755.

xii. MERCY5, bap. July 3, 1757; d. ...., at..... unm.

76. xiii. Deborah<sup>5</sup>, b. Oct. 2, 1758.

77. xiv. HANNAH<sup>5</sup>, bap. May 30, 1762.

Most of the children were baptised in the First Church of Christ of Groton (Congregational). At the time Benjamin<sup>4</sup> Avery made his will, Sarah, Mary, Lucy, and Thankful were unmarried. Mercy, also unmarried, was to be cared for during her natural life. According to the Rev. David Avery she was tongue-tied.

(To be continued.)

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If this paragraph is checked in blue pencil, you may know that your subscription ought to be renewed.

The editorial article entitled "Heart to Heart," that appeared in the last issue of this magazine (p. 222) was reprinted with commendatory comment in the *Boston Transcript* of December 11.

The New England Historical and Genealogical Register for January speaks of Avery Notes and Queries as a periodical that "well merits the patronage of the family in whose behalf it is issued."

A great many Groton Averys married into the Parke family. Their descendants will be glad to know that a genealogy of the Parke family (Park—Parke—Parkes—Parks) is in preparation by Frank S. Parks, 2104 H street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

The Rev. Frederick Denison Avery (No. 1528, page 265) was born at Groton, Oct. 30, 1818. He was graduated at Yale in 1844. From 1850 to 1895, he was pastor of the Congregational church at Columbia, Tolland county, Connecticut. His parish then made him pastor emeritus, and placed in the church a memorial tablet in his honor. Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity.

With this issue, Avery Notes and Queries begins its fifth year.

#### THE NEW FAMILY HISTORY.

The number of subscriptions reported last November was 166. In August, 1900, I submitted a proposition to print, in two volumes, the revised history of the Groton Averys when I had received five hundred actual subscribers. As will be seen from the above report, the result so far is very discouraging, and fully justifies my caution in asking for

advance subscriptions. I have written and printed so much on the subject that I am beginning to feel guilty of persistent mendicancy. I am assured that there are about one hundred libraries and societies that will take the history and pay for it when they get it, but that are prevented by their rules from making any advance payment. I am willing to accept that assurance and to add one hundred to the number of subscriptions actually received. Since the last report, I have received twelve subscriptions. This is at the rate of one a week, a rate that would require more than four years more to secure the four hundred advance subscriptions necessary. Of course, it would not be fair to those who have made advance payments for me to hold their money so long, even if there was any certainty of getting the necessary number at all. Nor would such a course be fair to myself. If there is no demand for a revised history, I shall save much time and money by finding the fact promptly. I am beginning to fear that I was mistaken in accepting the expressed eager desire of a few as indicative of real desire on the part of many.

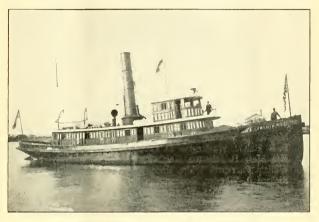
If by the first of August next, the four hundred copies (additional to the one hundred that I am willing to reserve for libraries, societies, etc.) have not been subscribed for, I shall promptly return all moneys received by me on account of subscriptions to the proposed family history. It probably will be many years before another is found willing to attempt success where I have failed. I do not want anyone to take a copy for the sake of pleasing me, but I would advise all persons who want a copy of such a family history as I have proposed to send in their names and money before the next Fourth of July. I will gladly send a subscription-blank to any would-be subscriber upon request.

Since the last report, subscriptions have been received as follows:

William Pierrepont White, Utica, N. Y	ру
Mrs. Jane Treat Arnold Albany, N. Y.	
Miss Lora S. Avery, Niagara Falls, N. Y	
Amos W. Avery, Greenwich, Conn	
W. J. Frisbie, Camden. N. J	
Urbane Avery, Noank, Conn "	
Miss Ellen F. Whedon, Lincoln, Neb	
H. C. Avery, Pittsburg, Pa	
Osmar H. Morgan, Fort Flagler, Wash	
John Avery Carter, Geneva, U	
Charles C. Hopkins, Rome, N. Y '	

If a change by birth, marriage or death occurs in your family, please report it promptly to the family historian.

The tug "Cynthia II," represented herewith, was the Associated Press dispatch boat in the Cuban campaign of the late American-Spanish war. Her master was Captain Van Brunt Avery (No. 1154, page 528), of Savannah. During the siege of Santiago and battles San Juan Hill, El Caney, etc., she was kept busy carrying press dis-



patches to the nearest cable. She was often under fire, and on one occasion was attacked by the U. S. steamer "Potomac," she being mistaken for a Spanish boat. Captain Avery writes: "I missed the battle of Santiago and Schley's victory by about two hours. I was about as near as Sampson, only in another direction. I was on my way back from Jamaica to the fleet. The ships were all smoking hot." He still has the steam siren (whistle) of the "Almirante Oquendo." Another trophy from the same ship, captured at the same time, a small cannon, is now in the New York office of the Associated Press at 195 Broadway. "Here's lookin' at ye, Captain."

If you see in any newspaper an obituary or a marriage notice of an Avery or of a descendant of an Avery, please send a marked copy of the paper to the historian of the Groton Averys, This will be easy for you and of very great help to him.

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#### THE GROTON AVERY HISTORY CLUB.

Since the last report, club dues have been received as follows:

Mrs. M. E. Mowbray, Brookline, Mass\$1.00
E. R. Haight, Washington, D. C 2.00
Mrs. Mary H. Johnston, Humboldt, Iowa 2.00
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Richard A. Wheeler, Stonington, Conn
Miss Susie Hannahs, Watertown, N. Y
Mrs. Frederic Bill. Groton, Conn 2.00
Mrs. Adelaide Avery Billings, Norwich, Conn 1.00
Mrs. Elisha S. Allyn, Hartford, Conn
H. C. Avery, Pittsburg, Pa
Miss Charity A. Samaine, Rochester, N. Y
Mrs. Frances Avery Haggard, Lincoln, Neb 2.00
Miss Emily R. Samaine, Dorchester, Mass
Mrs. Richard Morgan, Aurora, N. Y 1.00
Mrs. Edna A. Buckingham, Camp Denison, O 1.00
Mrs. L. R. Southworth, New York City 2.50
Frank M. Avery, New York City 5.00
Maj. Cyrus Avery, Camptown, Pa 2.00
Total for the quarter\$29.50

All persons paying club dues are entitled to the magazine without further payment. Dues are paid simply for the purpose of helping carry on the work of the family historian. Each member determines what his annual payment shall be—within the limits of one and ten dollars. You are eligible to membership, and your remittance will be gladly received and acknowledged in this magazine.

#### THE MEMORIAL WINDOW.

In the November issue of this magazine (page 222) were reported subscriptions to the amount of sixteen hundred dollars for the Avery memorial window in the church now building at Groton, Conn. The church is now under roof. The window must be put in place by next June, at the latest. Of the estimated cost (\$2,000), two hundred and fifty dollars remain to be raised. They who intend to have a share in this altogether commendable project must act promptly. Make checks payable to the treasurer of the committee, Miss Elizabeth Miner Avery, Groton, Conn.

I was in Groton in January and saw the designs for the window received from competing firms in Boston, New Haven, New York, St. Louis and elsewhere. Members of the clan may be assured that the window will be artistically worthy of its purpose. The architecture of the church "grows on" the visitor. The coming Mekka of the Groton Averys will be a good thing to behold.

The local members of the committee have made personal visits to various art concerns, given much study to the subject, and paid their own expenses. Printing, postage, and stationery bills have also been paid in full by the same persons, so that every dollar subscribed for the window will go into the window. The thanks of the clan are due to Mr. Frederic Bill and Miss Elizabeth M. Avery, of Groton, for thus supplementing their work and their subscriptions.

The subscriptions received since the last report are as follows:

Mabel L. and Frederick W. Avery\$5.00	Mary Jane Avery 1.00 Mrs. M. Louise Avery Schel-
Alice Turner 5.00	lens 25.00
Mrs. James Allyn 10.00	William P. Cook 10.90
Mrs. J. R. Carter 2.00	Mrs. Frances Avery Haggard. 2.00
Jenny E. Williams 25.00	Mrs. Frances B. A. Ward 1.00
Benjamin L. Armstrong 2.00	James Avery 1.00
Mrs. Mary E. A. Dobson 5.00	Charles C. Hopkins 1.00
Mrs. Mary T. Allyn Henry 10.00	Mrs. R. J. Depew 10.00
Mrs. Belton A. Copp 5.00	Mrs. Nancy E. Munson 1.00
Owen Stewart Miner, aged 7 yrs. 5.00	Mrs. Thomas Hollis 5.00
John Avery Carter 5.00	Mrs. Ameret McCall Robinson 1.00
Mrs. James B. Avery 2.50	Mrs. Richard Morgan 5.00
Mrs. Ella Avery Durbin 2.50	

If you are going to help, now is the time.

#### FAITHFUL AND TRUE.

STONINGTON, CONN., Dec. 3, 1901.

Dear Sir:

I have received your November AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES, and all of the same that you have issued, and I send you payment for the same.

In looking back over my ancestral lines through thirty families I do not find a trace of Avery blood in my veins. But she who received and reciprocated the affections of my young manhood was an Avery, a direct descendant of Capt. James Avery, the emigrant ancestor of her family name. And though the grasses on her "green, low tent whose curtain never outward swings," have been growing for forty-six years,

Fond memory to her duty true Brings back her faded form to view. How life-like through the mist of years Her bright and lovely face appears;

and when she died

Earth had a Christian less, Heaven an angel more.

With high regard, I remain,

Yours very truly,

RICHARD A. WHEELER, (No. 495, page 130.)

To Dr. E. M. Avery.

#### BIRTHS.

Catherine Ann Avery, daughter of John Henry and Mary Eliza (Cartwright) Avery (No. 1551, p. 183), was born August 29, 1901, near Ozark, Ark.

Leon Witter Billings, the second son of Charles William Frederick and Addie Luella (Avery) Billings (No. 2322, page 278), was born August 18, 1901, at Preston, Conn.

#### MARRIAGES.

Richard Paulison Hawes, oldest son of William H. H. and Mary Louise (Avery) Hawes (No. 1568, page 269), married May 29, 1901, at Washington, D. C., Miss Edith Markle Smith.

Mabel Eva Mitchell, daughter of Ransom Young and Lydia Ann (Avery) Mitchell (No. 494, page 450), married November 26, 1901, at Findlay, Ohio, Eugene Goldsborough Palmer.

Harry Hamilton Avery (No. 2228, page 268) married November 28, 1901, at Westerville, Neb., Nellie Leech.

Ethel Avery, daughter of James Warren and Annie E. (Irvin) Avery (No. 1865, page 233), married January 20, 1902, at Webster Groves, Mo., Hans W. E. Glatte.

Thomas P. Kernan, son of Francis and Hannah Avery (Devereux) Kernan, and a descendant of Dr. Benjamin and Hannah (Avery) Butler (No. 79, page 562), married May 29, 1899, Mrs. Regina Paul Cornelius. As stated on page 171 of AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES, his father, Francis Kernan, was United States senator from New York.

Ralph Whitledge Haggard, son of Dr. James R. and Frances Helen (Avery) Haggard (No. 1375, page 252), married February 12, 1902, at McCook, Neb., Selma Constance Noren.

#### DEATHS.

William Henry Harrison Hawes (No. 1568, page 269) died June 23, 1901, at Philadelphia.

William Chester Avery, son of Samuel Baldwin and Sabrina (Root) Avery (No. 626, page 464), died November 1, 1901, at Washington, D. C.

James Babcock Avery (No. 1101, page 228) died November 14, 1901, at Denver, Colo.

Mrs. Zipporah Fidelia (Spoor) Blake, daughter of Asahel and Anna (Avery) Spoor (No. 224, page 450), died November 15, 1901, at Yorkville, Ill.

Mrs. Cornelia Maria (Avery) Whitlock (No. 499, page 489) died August 27, 1901, at Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Abigail (Avery) Leech (No. 606, page 153) died May 4, 1901, at Aurora, N. Y.

Samuel Look Avery, Jr., (No. 2071, page 245) died November 21, 1901, at Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Lucy Ann Avery (No. 1458, page 261, and No. 1621, page 274) died September 10, 1901, at South Glastonbury, Conn.

William Cuyler Avery (No. 937, page 532) died January 14, 1902,

at New Orleans, La.

Mrs. Hannah (Benedict) Avery (No. 1399, page 254) died February 4, 1902, at New Canaan, Conn.

#### HOW NOT TO DO IT.

In December, I received from Peoria (which you may imagine to be in Spain), the following encouraging letter:

Elroy M. Avery, Dear Sir—I don't see what good it will do to have half of the money paid in before you are sure you are going to need it.

Yours truly,

The letter was accompanied by one of my subscription blanks for the family history—returned unsigned. The letter was signed. I have no doubt that the statement in the letter is strictly true—more's the pity.

#### BY WAY OF CONTRAST.

About the same time that I was struck by the letter printed above, came balm from a prominent lawyer of Columbia county, New York:

Elroy M. Avery.

My Dear Sir—I notice from the last number of AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES that the subscriptions for the new AVERY history come in slowly, so slowly as possibly to defeat the plan. I sincerely hope that the work will be published, and would suggest that if the number of subscriptions does not reach far enough to warrant publication at ten dollars each, you put the price higher and print fewer. I for one would be willing to double the price rather than to let the scheme fall through. You have done an enormous amount of work in this matter and it would be a very great misfortune to the family not to have the work printed now. Trusting that you will get the necessary support and encouragement to finish your self-imposed task, and that the family will appreciate your great service to them, I remain,

Yours very sincerely, S. F. Avery.

If you know of a birth, marraige, or death in the Groton Avery clan, please report it promptly to the family historian.

# Hvery Notes and Queries.

A Quarterly Magazine devoted to the History of the Groton Averys.

No. 18.

"Honor thy Father and thy Mother."

May, 1902.

The number and page references used in this magazine are to Sweet's History of "The Averys of Groton."

If you know of a birth, marriage, or death in the Groton Avery clan, please report it promptly to the family historian. He will record the facts thus reported as he has done heretofore.

The annual meeting of the Avery Memorial Association will be held on the afternoon of Friday, July 18, 1902, at Avery Memorial Park, Groton, Conn.

I need a few copies of Numbers 5 and 17 of Avery Notes and Queries. If you have a copy of either number and are willing to send it to me, I shall be very glad to receive it.

The Rev. F. B. Avery (No. 523, page 391), late the rector of St. James' parish, Painesville, Ohio, is now vice-president and managing director of Lincoln Memorial University at Cumberland Gap, Tenn. Gen. O. O. Howard is president of the board of directors.

Pages 239 to 242 of this magazine are specimen pages taken from the first volume of "A HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES AND ITS PEOPLE, by Elroy M. Avery, Ph. D., LL. D." The work, which will be completed in twelve volumes, is now in press. The Burrows Brothers Company, of Cleveland, Ohio, are the publishers.

Once in a while, some one writes to me saying, in substance: "I do not care very much for a copy of your book, as I have a copy of Mr. Sweet's;" no one has really expressed the fact with that bluntness. Mr. Sweet did a great work for the family; a work for which the Groton Averys must always hold him in grateful remembrance. But his work was done under great disadvantages, the effects of which are evident in the book. Because of these defects, the revision now in progress was begun. Of course, the revision never will be complete, never can be. But the additions and corrections are so numerous and important that the old edition will have little value after the new edition has been printed—if it ever is printed. See article on page 245.

#### MARRIAGES.

William Yale Avery, son of William Bailey and Annie Brown (Osborne) Avery (No. 2007, page 237), married, October 4, 1901, at New York City, Adele Margaret Garlicks.

Anne Briscoe Clark, daughter of Cleaveland Briscoe and Julia Tracy (Avery) Clark (No. 1707, page 281), married, November 30, 1901, at Memphis, Tenn., Robert Grattan Brown.

#### DEATHS.

Mrs. Hannah (Benedict) Avery (No. 1399, p. 254) died February 8, 1902, at New Canaan, Conn.

Audubon Arms, son of Charles Jessup and Alice (Avery) Arms (No. 1698, page 198), died February 21, 1902, at Providence, R. I.

Frank Avery, the sixth child of Samuel Thomas Avery, the third child of Samuel and Chloe (Elmer) Avery (No. 137, page 347), died February 11, 1902, at Manchester, Conn.

Edna Avery (No. 634, page 84) died November 28, 1901, at Indianapolis, Ind.

Milton Brus, the husband of Eunice Almera (Avery) Brus (No. 1589, page 187), died December 19, 1901, at Wyoming, Ill.

Mrs. Edith Elizabeth (Avery) Lane (No. 570, page 673) died March 3, 1902, at Rockford, Ill.

David Jackson Shaw, husband of Lottie Artalissa (Avery) Shaw, daughter of Jeremiah M. and Rowena (Morley) Avery (No. 298, page 650), died February 19, 1902; at Alexis, Ill.

Mrs. Phoebe (Reed) Avery (No. 277, page 458) died March 22, 1902, at East Galena, Ill.

Harry Alphonso Rowland, son of Charles Henry and Anna May (Avery) Rowland (No. 1744, page 209), died February 15, 1902, at Broughton, Kans.

The Rev. John Avery (No. 1040, page 222), died April 23, 1902, at Norwich, Conn.

The Rev. Walter Edmund Avery, son of Josiah Smith Avery, the son of William Avery, the son of Humphrey Avery (No. 84, page 565), died April 22, 1902, at Wilmington, Del.

Mrs. Hannah Minor Niles, daughter of Samuel Holman and Anna (Avery) Minor (No. 447, page 69), died March 13, 1902, at Burlingame, Kans. See portrait on another page of this magazine.

Mrs. Hannah (Minor) Niles, whose portrait we give herewith, was born at Coleraine, Mass., February 7, 1802. She married Samuel Niles at Halifax, Vt., May 8, 1827. As recorded elsewhere in this magazine she died March 13, 1902, at Burlingame, Kans., aged more than a hundred years. She was the mother of ten children.



After being a member of the Baptist church for nearly sixty years she went before a covenant meeting and announced a change of views. A statement of her belief "that the Good Shepherd will finally bring the last wandering sheep into the fold," signed by her in 1891, was, at her expressed desire, read at her funeral. In many ways she was a remarkable woman. The local papers gave many columns to notices of her hundredth anniversary and her soon succeeding death.

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	t, R. I 2.0	
L. B. Avery, Clinton, Mich.	I.0	00

In the first number of AVERY NOTES AND QUERIES (page 8) I proposed the organization of "The Groton Avery History Club, with annual dues ranging from one to ten dollars, each member to fix the exact amount for himself or herself. All dues shall be payable to the family historian, to be used by him for the sole purpose of defraying the cost of collecting and arranging for publication all available material for a complete and satisfactory family history." That was in February, 1898. The responses during the next quarter were encouraging, but it now appears that I made the mistake of accepting the zeal of a few as evidence of a real interest on the part of many. As the Groton Avery History Club has not accomplished the thing for which it was organized, and as there is no reason to think that it will or can do so, it is hereby disbanded. Any one who has paid dues in the club and regrets having done so, is requested to report that fact to me.

The meaning of the next four pages is explained on the first page of this number of this magazine. They correctly represent the type and the paper of the book to which they relate. The margins are, however, somewhat reduced by trimming to the size of the page of this magazine.

#### THE NEW FAMILY HISTORY.

The number of subscriptions reported in February was 178. Since then, subscriptions have been received as follows:

Amy Avery Munger, Geneva, Ohio	сору
Emma Buckbee Croft, Peekskill, N. Y	- 66
Albert Brewster Avery, Fort Scott, Kas	"
Christina Avery Weaver, Gallatinville, N. Y	
Reuben N. Avery, Aurora, Ohio	6.6
Charles C. Avery, Oakfield, N. Y	6.6
Albert R. Avery, Oakfield, N. Y	66
Gilbert Lafavette Avery, Marengo, Ill	

The subscription price for the two volumes of the history is ten dollars. Five dollars must accompany the order; this rule is invariable. If you desire to subscribe for the book, I shall be glad to send you (upon request) a blank for that purpose.

Three months ago I stated (Notes and Queries, page 228) that unless a certain number of subscriptions was received by the first of August next, I should return all moneys received on account of subscriptions to the proposed family history. The present situation is that unless two hundred subscriptions are received in June and July, I shall return such moneys and abandon my long continued effort to secure the publication of a family history worthy of the Groton Averys.

#### HE DEMANDS PAY.

Not long ago I sent some genealogical blanks to a lady whom I supposed to be living at Great Barrington, Mass. I received a reply from her son saying: "Now I can give you a good lot of information and a sort of history of the Averys, as my father's mother was an Avery and my mother a connection of the Rockefellers. \* \* \* But I should expect to be compensated for the same. If you wish me to aid you please write me at once and I will at once go about it." There seems to be no doubt that this man has descended from a worthy ancestor. His name is ——

#### THE MEMORIAL WINDOW.

As explained in previous issues of this magazine, the first names on the membership roll of the First Church of Christ in Groton, Conn., are those of James Avery and wife. The church was organized in 1702. A new building will be dedicated in 1902. The large window in the front of this new building is to be an Avery memorial, costing \$2,000 or more. The design for the window has been accepted, and the contract has been let. The treasurer of the memorial window fund, Miss Elizabeth M. Avery, of Groton, Conn., reports the receipt of additional subscriptious as follows:

David C. Avery\$	10.00	Willie H. H. Treadway 1.00
Ozro T. Love	1.00	Frank Horatio Treadway 1,00
Mrs. Joseph Caverly	5.00	James Tyler Treadway 1.00
John Coit Avery	2.00	Norris Montgomery Treadway 1.00
Walter A. Peterson	1.00	Mrs. Elizabeth Cass Ledyard 10.00
Mrs. Uriah H. Painter	25.00	Mrs. Helen A. Pope 1.00
Sarah A. Stoddard	I.00	Mrs. Charles H. Pope 1.00
Charity A. Samaine	I.00	Mrs. Jennie P. Meader 1.00
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Elisha Miner	5.00	Mrs. Elizabeth A. Von Nostrand 1.00
Mrs. Adaline A. Shepard	1.00	George S. Avery 5.00
Mrs. Frances L. W. Robinson.	I.00	
C. F. Williams	2.00	\$ 102.00
Mrs. Deborah A. Kendall	2.00	Previously reported 1,744.00
Daniel H. Treadway	1.00	
		Total \$2.6 an
		Total\$1,846.00

Please notice that you still have an opportunity of securing a share in this altogether commendable enterprise.

### THE AVERYS OF GROTON.

(Continued from Page 226.)

Governor Theophilus Eaton of New Haven. He died October....., 1729; she died April....., 1780, both at Groton, Conn.

Children of William and Mary (Avery) Morgan (all born in Groton):

- i. Mary<sup>5</sup>, b. May 9, 1717; m. Joseph Allen; d.....at.....at....
  - ii. Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, b. Feb. 1, 1719; d......at.....at.....
- iii. WILLIAM5, b. June 17, 1723; m. Temperance Avery (Number 58, page 41 of Sweet's "Averys of Groton"); d. April 11, 1777, at......
- iv. Margaret<sup>3</sup>, b. Feb. 26, 1721; d.....at....
- v. Deborah<sup>5</sup>, b. June 26, 1726; m. Samuel Killam; d.....at.....
- vi. PRUDENCE<sup>5</sup>, b. Feb. 29, 1728; ni. John Morgan; d. April 16, 1815, at Groton.

#### THE OLD AND THE NEW.

One of the death notices printed on another page of this magazine gives a hint of the work that I have been doing in the way of correction and completion of the record of the Groton Averys as printed by Mr. Sweet. On page 347 of that book appears the record of Samuel Avery, No. 137. His mother's name is printed as Clarence instead of Candace. The book says that he married in 1806; he married November 28, 1804. It says that he married "Betsy Avery, born 1788, dau. of Samuel of Groton;" he married Chloe Elmer, born November 28, 1782, at East Windsor, Conn. She was eighteen years old on her wedding-day. As to children, the book gives "grace-numbers," but no names, and the remark, "Of whom I have learned nothing." Samuel and Chloe (Elmer) Avery had a large family; I have the names, etc., of nine of their children. At least eight of them were married, and I have the records of the eight families.

The third son was Samuel Thomas Avery, born April 7, 1809, at South Windsor, Conn. He married Amelia Bunce, October 3, 1832. They had eight children; I have their names, etc. Six of these married; I have the records of their families. The records of the descendants of the brothers and sisters of Samuel Thomas Avery are also pretty well worked up.

The Moving Finger writes; and having writ Moves on; nor all your Piety nor Wit Shall lure it back to cancel half a Line, Nor all your Tears wash out a word of it. —Omar Khavyam.

I have five complete sets of the Avery Notes and Queries that I am willing to sell at five dollars a set.

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