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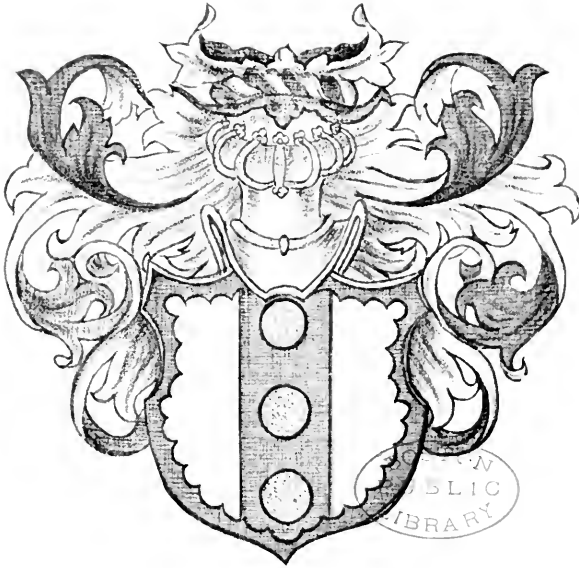


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THE BAXTER FAMILY

DESCENDANTS OF

GEORGE AND THOMAS BAXTER

OF WESTCHESTER COUNTY, NEW YORK, AS WELL AS
SOME WEST VIRGINIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA LINES

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FOREWORD

In preparing this book for the press, I only regret that more of the members of the Baxter family are not represented in its pages. The family are now scattered far and wide over the United States; none of the name now live in North Salem although a number of the blood do. In Westchester village are a few Baxters, the descendants of Augustine Baxter. The Baxters of Central New York are many of them the descendants of Roger Baxter. Many others are settled along the Hudson River. Most of them are descended from Thomas and Rebecca Baxter. Many other Baxters whom I looked up proved to be of the Scotch-Irish family, of whom I have tried to give a brief account in these pages. But the Baxters were neither Scot nor Celt, but Anglo-Saxon, and are such wherever found. They are not found in the pages of Burke or Debrett, nor even among the great landed gentry. They were the small landed gentry or merchants and they all have many characteristics in common. Love of books and a strong attachment to their own blood. The name of Yeoman is the one most often applied to themselves. The eight daughters of Thomas and Rebecca Baxter intermarried among many of the old Westchester families. I have carried out their lines far enough to indicate their direction. A good deal of their records come from Bolton's "Westchester." In the disputes of George and Thomas Baxter with Gov. Stuyvesant, I have no remarks to make. I give the plain facts. All three, no doubt, thought they were right. They acted as any strong-willed and high-tempered men would have done, and in assisting the English against the Dutch I think their motive was not so much revenge as to regain possession of their property. To all tender-hearted persons, who shudder at the name of Pirate as applied to their ancestor, I can only say, according to the best authorities, there is no pretension made even by the worst enemies

of Thomas Baxter, that he ever killed anybody. So we may consider him as a sort of comic opera pirate. But, say some, did these people surrender their property without striking a blow for its defence? Even so; they chose the safe side, saved their skins and carried their grievances to court, where they certainly got the best of the argument.

What became of Thomas Baxter? Did he remain in England or did he return, and finally settle on Cape Cod? If so, did he have two sons of the name of Thomas?

The descendants of John Baxter, of North Salem, had the old tradition of the three brothers, one of whom settled at Greenwich, Conn., one somewhere on the Hudson and the third at Cow Bay on Long Island. They took no note of the three younger sons of John and Mary (Honeywell) Baxter.

The Baxter Memorial speaks of a Gregory Baxter who settled at Roxbury, Mass., 1630. His daughter Abigail married Joseph Adams and they were the grandparents of John Adams, second President of the United States. It has long been a tradition in our family that our first ancestor on American soil, married Mary Adams, but whether of the Braintree family remains to be seen.

I believe the two Thomas Baxters married wives from Hartford. As to the divorce of Bridget Baxter, I can only say we cannot judge our ancestors. They did what they thought for the best.

The date of Thomas Baxter's birth was probably 1628, and his marriage took place about 1651, as the first mention of his wife was in that year. His son was probably born about 1653-4, after he left New Amsterdam.

After the divorce, Bridget Baxter lived in or near Hartford; then she married John Palmer and came to Westchester where her husband was a Justice of the Peace. His name appears first in the Indian deed of Westchester, May 27, 1692, as one of the trustees of Westchester, along with that of Thomas Baxter, his stepson.

The divorce of Bridget Baxter was recorded at White Plains in 1686. It took place in 1662.

In the wills I have received of Baxters living in England, 1600-1664, there are many Baxters of the names of George and Thomas, more than any other name.

In the account of John Baxter I have followed the stories told of him by my father, who was brought up in the same family, and also the data gathered in the libraries of New York City.

The traditions are to a certain extent verified. I have studied the history with great care and may say that I have left no stone unturned to get the truth of our Baxter history. There were several Baxter families in Massachusetts in early times, whether related to Thomas and George is not certain.

The records of some of the family at North Salem was taken from Pettit Baxter's family Bible, printed in London in 1776. My father copied the records in 1873, when he was at North Salem. In 1911 the Bible was in the possession of Richard Baxter's granddaughter, Mrs. J. A. Braden, but the old records had disappeared.

Among the numbers of those who left England during the period of unrest following the suspension of the sittings of Parliament (1629-1640), there is the record of but few. Of those who came over in Winthrop's fleet in 1630 and of the Lists of the "Arbella," we know nothing positively. During those eventful years scarcely a day passed but some vessel set sail for the shores of the New World from some English port, for the most part as secretly as possible, simply because the emigrants did not wish to take the oaths of supremacy and allegiance. The lists of the year 1635 alone are complete. Of course, this makes it much more difficult to trace our ancestors.

The Baxter tradition is this:—The ancestor of the Baxter family in America, Captain John Baxter, came from England at the time of the English occupation in 1664, in command of a company of Irish volunteers, and for his services received a grant of land on Throgg's Neck, in Westchester County. This tradition is generally current in the so-called Westchester line. The Baxter who comes nearest to filling this description is Captain George Baxter, who certainly came with the English fleet in 1664, but who as certainly

spent many years here previously, most of them in the service of the Dutch West India Company.

Some of the Baxter family also refer to the mysterious ancestor as the Baxter who helped take New Netherland from the Dutch.

Another account, written by Henry Baxter in 1873, says that in 1630 several families of Baxters, in order to better their condition in life and for the further purpose of enjoying that religious freedom that was denied them in England, emigrated from Shropshire, England, to Massachusetts. He further adds that they were relatives of Richard Baxter the famous Non-conformist divine. At Salem they fell in with John Throckmorton and his followers, were excommunicated with him, and accompanied him to Rhode Island, and from thence to New Netherland.

There is some truth in both theories, but the Westchester line certainly descended from either George or Thomas Baxter.

The Baxter families who settled in Massachusetts and elsewhere came over in Winthrop's fleet in 1630. About a thousand emigrants came that year; England was fast becoming unbearable to men who had any independence of feeling; seeing no hope at home they turned their eyes to the new land across the sea. Most of these emigrants were from the east of England. There was no Parliament convened in England from March, 1629, until April, 1640. So many fled from the wrath to come. During those years it is estimated that twenty thousand emigrants from England crossed the seas. These are the ancestors of one-third of the American people.

The first land-brief of Westchester was dated July 6, 1643, by William Keift to Jan Throckmorton, and was called Vredeland or the land of peace, and included Throckmorton's Point or Neck, and extending from the point for half a mile. The name was afterwards shortened to Throgg's Neck, and still further corrupted into Frogg's Neck. A neck is Westchester parlance for a small peninsula. Among those who settled at Westchester with Throckmorton it is pretty certain there were none of the name of Baxter. At that time

(1643) the only Baxters in the province, whose names are to be found, were George and Thomas Baxter at New Amsterdam. I will endeavor to relate the facts gathered relating to these two Baxters in a connected manner.

George Baxter probably came over in Winthrop's fleet in 1630. His acquaintance with many of the leading men of Massachusetts would seem to denote an early beginning. He may have come in the "Arbella," in which Gov. Coddington came, as they were old friends, or so seemed. Probably George Baxter was from a Norfolk family.

In 1635 Thomas Willett, George Baxter and divers other families from Massachusetts settle with the Dutch on Manhattan. They probably returned to Massachusetts often, for William Paddy was treasurer of Plymouth Colony from 1640 to 1653. Many deeds were signed by him as witness, on which appear also as witnesses the names of Capt. Thomas Willett and Ensign George Baxter. His wife's name is not given, but tradition gives her the name of Mary Adams. He probably married her in Massachusetts.

In 1635 the fur-trade was the only industry of New Netherland. Farming was scarcely attempted; in fact, the soil of Manhattan was not well adapted for tillage. A profitable intercourse was carried on with New England, especially with Newport, by means of small coasting vessels, which were constantly passing between them.

Dutch vessels early brought tobacco, salt, horses, oxen and sheep from Holland to Boston. An old account says, "They came from the Texal in five weeks and lost not one beast or sheep." Potatoes from Bermuda were worth two-pence a pound; a good cow, twenty-five or thirty pounds; while a yoke of oxen readily brought forty pounds (about two hundred dollars). Thus a settler's cattle were by far the most valuable of his possessions. The Indians knew this and generally began hostilities by slaughtering the cattle.

In 1638, Manhattan Island was almost a wilderness, and excepting the Indians it was inhabited only by a few traders and clerks in the service of the Dutch West India Company. The soil remained almost entirely uncultivated, and the bow-eries or farms only numbered half-a-dozen.

The first street laid out was Pearl Street, in 1633, it was then on the bank of the river.

Aug. 20, 1641. Deed. Jan Schepmoes to George Baxter and Walter Harfoot, of his house and plantation.

Aug. 29, 1641. Patent. George Baxter and Walter Harfoot, land on Manhattan Island. George Baxter was for many years in the service of the Dutch West India Company. He also held a commission under the celebrated Captain John Underhill. As early as 1641 he farmed a tract of land on Manhattan Island, on the site of the Bellevue hospital, and forming a part of what was afterwards known as the Kip's Bay farm. His success in farming was not very good. The English on Manhattan had about that time formed a settlement called Hopton, just opposite the lower end of Blackwell's Island, and on Manhattan.

1642. The increasing number of Englishmen at New Amsterdam made it necessary to have a more regular means of communication with them, as Keift and his councillors were quite ignorant of the English language. George Baxter, an English gentleman of education, was appointed English secretary by Gov. Keift at an annual salary of two hundred and fifty guilders (\$200). This was the first official recognition of the English language at New Amsterdam.

In the spring of 1643 an Indian war broke out, brought on by the cruelty and stupidity of Kieft. Eleven tribes of Indians, numbering it is said some two thousand warriors, declared war against the Dutch settlers. The war cry rang from the Raritan to Connecticut. It resulted in the complete destruction of most of the boweries, even those lying within a stone's throw of Fort Amsterdam. The frightened settlers—or what was left of them—fled to the fort; but there not being room for them all within the enclosure they built their huts as closely as possible to the protecting ramparts. Thus it was that two or three new streets were formed around the southern and eastern walls of the fort. After the danger had passed these houses were permitted to remain and grants of the land were made to the possessors. Thus were formed that portion of the present Pearl Street west of Whitehall and also a portion of Whitehall Street. On Pearl Street, near

its junction with Whitehall, was the house of George Baxter, and at the junction of Whitehall and State Streets was the house of Thomas Baxter. These two Baxters were brothers, according to J. F. Innes, in his "People of New Netherland."

While the English were still lingering under the walls of Fort Amsterdam there were some new arrivals at Manhattan. One of these was a lady who took a prominent part in the settlement of Long Island. Deborah, Lady Moody, was the widow of Sir Henry Moody of Garsden in Wiltshire, a baronet of King James' creation in 1622. She was the daughter of Walter Dunch of Avesbury, a member of Parliament in Queen Elizabeth's time; as was also her uncle at a later date. Lady Moody was a dissenter, and as such she came under the penal laws, by remaining in London for a longer time than was permitted by the laws regarding dissenters. So she, together with her son, the second Sir Henry Moody, left England. At just what time she reached Massachusetts is not known.

May 13, 1640, she was allowed 400 acres of land at Lynn.

In May, 1641, she bought the Swampscott farm of John Humphrey for 1100 pounds.

April 5, 1642, she became a member of the Congregational Church at Salem, Mass.

The same year, 1642, Lady Moody fell under the displeasure of the church by expressing her disbelief in infant baptism.

Dec. 14, 1642. Lady Moody was arraigned by the Quarterly Court for opposing infant baptism.

June 12, 1643. Admonished by the court.

The same month Lady Moody with her son, Sir Henry Moody, John Tilton and a few close friends, bade farewell to Massachusetts and sought refuge among the strangers of New Amsterdam.

There had been a treaty of peace signed between Keift and the Indians, but there were still the mutterings of the storm. The Indians were dissatisfied with the treaty, and threatened to break out again. Lady Moody found a number of her countrymen at New Amsterdam. Their property was destroyed by the Indians, and they were undecided what

to do. Lady Moody at once took the leadership of the little party, and they consulted together concerning a new and more secure place of refuge. They decided on Long Island, and Governor Keift gave them permission to settle on the southwestern part. They went thither immediately. They named their settlement Gravesend. For security, their houses were built close together in a quadrangle with an open space in the middle, where their cattle were driven at night. Fields were also cleared around them, and other improvements were made.

They were none too soon with their arrangements. War again broke out with redoubled fury. Ann Hutchinson, who with her family had been banished from New England and had taken up her residence on what is now Pelham Neck, then called Ann's Hook, Oct. 6, 1643, and her household to the number of eighteen, were slain and their bodies were thrown into barns, and burned, together with the cattle. They next attacked Throckmorton's Neck, just west, and murdered the settlers. Then Gravesend was the next point to stand a siege. Lady Moody, with her forty followers, here held their ground against a furious onslaught of invading Indians, "the same band who a month before had murdered Ann Hutchinson and her household."

Dec. 19, 1643. For their brave defence the patent of the land at Gravesend was granted Lady Moody, Sir Henry Moody, Ensign George Baxter and Sergeant Hubbard. Lady Moody, who had so bravely repelled the attacks of the Indians during the war was now complimented by Kieft with a patent granting to herself, Sir Henry Moody, her son, Ensign George Baxter and Sergeant Hubbard, that portion of Long Island, adjoining Coney Island, on which they lived, named by the Dutch "Gravesande."

Dec. 19, 1643. However, we anticipate a little.

Nov., 1693. Counsellor Montagne was dispatched to Staten Island with a force of three companies, forty Dutch burghers, under Captain Kuyter, and thirty-five Englishmen, under Lieut. Baxter, and several regular soldiers under Sergeant Cock, against the Indians.

Soon after the first of Jan., 1644, a privateer, with two smaller vessels, having been well armed and fitted out, left New Amsterdam with a force of a hundred and twenty men. They were under the command of Captain Blauvelt, Capt. Joachim Pieterse Kuyter, Lieutenant Baxter and Sergeant Pieter Cock. On Saturday afternoon they landed at Greenwich Point, and so great was their haste to march against the Indians that their commander thought it advisable to march immediately against the encampment. Accordingly, having received directions as to their route from Captain Patrick (Patroon of Greenwich), the whole body set out. But after proceeding for some distance, it became evident that they had missed their way and wandered too far back into the country. Thus they wandered about all night, and became wearied and dispirited and they returned to Greenwich without having found a clue to the whereabouts of the Indian castles, and they had doubtless given to the scouts of the enemy a knowledge of their approach. They encamped the next day (Sunday) near the house of Capt. John Underhill, highly enraged at their want of success. The Dutch Commander—Blauvelt—accused Captain Patrick of treachery and in the altercation that ensued, killed him. In a day or two the soldiers went off on another expedition into the country, but with no better success, and disappointed and vexed, they soon went back to New Amsterdam.

The next month, Capt. John Underhill went to New Amsterdam and offered his services, which were at once accepted. He led another expedition in February which destroyed about six hundred Indians and their castles, with about a hundred dwellings of the Indians. The remaining Indians soon came suing for peace, which was concluded in 1645 for the time being.

In 1645 the Dutch Governor's Council of eight men at New Amsterdam was arranged to be half Dutch and half English. The English were Captain Underhill, George Baxter, Rev. Mr. Doughty and Richard Smith. Soon after, 160 Dutch settlers arrived from Curacoa, where they had been dispossessed by the Portuguese, and the Englishmen were dismissed. During the war, Keift had taken all the settlers

into the pay of the Company, to serve as soldiers, but had now no further need of the English.

Among other Englishmen in the Company's service or settled at New Amsterdam were George Woolsey, Capt. Bryan Newton, Charles Bridges, Thomas Willett and Thomas Hall. After the English occupation these settled either on Long Island or in Westchester. Capt. Underhill settled at Flushing.

Father Jogues, the Jesuit missionary, writes of New Amsterdam in 1644:

"The fort, which is at the point of the island (Manhattan), about five or six leagues from the mouth (of the bay) is called Fort Amsterdam. It has four regular bastians mounted with several pieces of artillery. All these bastians and the curtains were in 1643 but ramparts of earth, most of which had crumbled away so that the fort could be entered on all sides. There were no ditches. There were sixty soldiers to garrison the said fort and another which they had built still further up the river, against the incursions of the savages. They were beginning to face the gates and bastians with stone. Within this fort stood a pretty large church, built of stone; the house of the governor whom they call the Director-General, quite neatly built of brick, with the store-houses and barracks. On this Island of Manhattan there may well be four or five hundred men of different sects and nations; the Director-General told me that there were persons there of eighteen different languages, and of many different sects, all tolerated, though the Calvinist was the prevailing religion."

New York even at that time was a cosmopolitan city.

Aug. 3, 1646. Some of the New Haven people now purchased a tract of land from the Indians and built a trading house on the Naugatuck river. On learning this, Keift dispatched Lieut. George Baxter with a letter in Latin to Gov. Eaton, complaining of the insatiable desire of the English to usurp Dutch territory.

In 1644 George Baxter wrote to John Winthrop the younger, from Manhattan Island, "I have some interest in

a place not yet settled, on Long Island, and so commodious that I have not seen or known a better."

June 28, 1647, Stuyvesant's Inauguration. Stuyvesant's first care was to organize his council, which consisted of Van Dincklagen, the vice-director; Van Dyck, the fiscal commissary; Keyser, and Capt. Bryan Newton, besides the experienced La Montagne, who was retained as a counsellor, and Van Tienhoven as provincial secretary. Paulus Leendertsen Vandergrist was appointed equipage master, and Baxter, who had served as English secretary since 1642, was continued in that post, as none of the Company's officers "could tolerably read or write the English language."

Governor Stuyvesant and his wife visited Lady Moody soon after his arrival at New Amsterdam, and were much pleased with her. Her home was reported as comfortable, but also adapted for defence, with a fine library, for those days. Lady Moody died some time between the autumn of 1658 and the spring of 1659. Her burial place is unknown. Her son, Sir Henry Moody, went to Virginia and died there.

Another place, says, "George Baxter, an English gentleman of good education, was appointed English secretary and interpreter to Stuyvesant."

Another version:—June 28, 1647: Appointment, George Baxter to be English secretary and Ensign.

Aug., 1649. A letter was sent to the Amsterdam Chamber from the magistrates of the English settlement at Gravesend, who under the influence of Baxter, declared their confidence in Stuyvesant.

Aug., 1650. The English on Long Island, who the year before had expressed their confidence in Stuyvesant, again endorsed his administration in a letter signed by Baxter and the other Gravesend magistrates.

Sept. 17, 1650. Gov. Stuyvesant embarked at Manhattan, accompanied by George Baxter, his English secretary, and a large suite. In four days he arrived at Hartford to meet the Commissioners of the United Colonies. It was finally agreed to by them that all differences should be referred to two delegates on each side. On their part, the English Commissioners appointed Simon Bradstreet of Massachusetts,

and Thomas Prence of Plymouth; and Stuyvesant on his part appointed Capt. Thomas Willett and Ensign George Baxter.

1651, Newton and Baxter, with a file of soldiers, arrested Von Dincklagen (on Gov. Stuyvesant's orders) and conveyed him to the guardroom, where he was confined for several days.

In July, 1651, Capt. Newton was with a military force under Stuyvesant on the Delaware, on Raccoon Creek, near Fort Christina, opposing the Swedish settlers under Jan Printz. A conference was held with the Indians, who pretended they had sold no land to the Swedes except the mere site of Fort Christina. This was reduced to writing, dated July 9, 1651, and certified to by Wilhelmus Grasmere, a cleric, Cornelius De Potter, Isaac Allerton, Bryan Newton, George Baxter and others.

This resulted in a military bargain, dated July 30, 1651, reduced to writing and signed by Bryan Newton, George Baxter and others.

1652. George Baxter, Ensign, sends a letter by Heermans to Governor Coddington of Rhode Island.

1653. A spirit of disaffection was spreading amongst the English on Long Island. They were in a measure excluded from the government, Stuyvesant being anxious to employ only the Dutch settlers. Gravesend, under the influence of Baxter and Hubbard, was now foremost in opposing the Provincial government.

During the summer of this year (1653), the numerous losses which the Long Island colonists had suffered from Indians and pirates induced them to take some measures for their safety, and Stuyvesant was forced to call a popular convention at New Amsterdam, Nov. 23, 1653. It was held in the City Hall. Four Dutch and four English towns were represented in this convention by ten Dutch and nine English delegates. Baxter and Hubbard were the delegates from Gravesend. A remonstrance to the States-General was drawn up, Dec. 1, 1653, by George Baxter, and adopted by the convention. It grouped the grievances of the people under six heads: 1, "Our apprehension of the establishment of

an arbitrary government amongst us; 2, The protection afforded by government against the Indians is grossly inadequate; 3, Officers and Magistrates are appointed without the nomination and consent of the people, and contrary to the laws of the Netherlands; 4, Long-forgotten orders and decrees of the Director and council are raked up for the confusion and punishment of persons who could not be supposed to know them; 5, Promised grants, on the faith of which large tracts of land had been improved, have been withheld; 6, Immense estates have been granted to favorites, whereby sundry villages and towns have suffered detriment."

Though drawn up by Baxter, it was signed by every delegate. At this time England and Holland were at war. The convention received no satisfaction from Stuyvesant, who promptly turned them out of doors. They had sat four days. Baxter and Hubbard were dismissed from the magistracy.

1654. Baxter retired into New England. A Mr. Baxter is mentioned as being a planter in Connecticut in that year. It was probably George Baxter. Early in 1655 Baxter returned, and on March 9, 1655, Baxter, Hubbard and Groves raised the English flag and claimed Long Island for the Republic of England. George Baxter read this declaration:

"We, as individuals of the English nation, here present, do for divers reasons and motives, claim and assume to ourselves, as free-born English subjects, the laws of our nation, the Republic of England, over the place as to our persons and property, in love and harmony, according to the general peace between the two states in this country. God Almighty preserve the Republic of England, the Lord Protector, and also the continuance of peace between the two countries. Amen."

Nov. 14, 1654. Thomas Pell purchased a tract of land from the Sachem Wampage and some other Indians. It was called Westchester by the English, and Oestdorp by the Dutch, and was twelve miles from Fort Amsterdam.

In 1655 George Baxter, who had had some difficulty with the Dutch (probably the flag-raising), came from Gravesend with some English families, and started a settlement under

a claim hostile to the Dutch (Pell's claim). They were joined by some other Englishmen. It was not long in reaching Stuyvesant's knowledge.

March 6, 1656. An expedition was sent from Manhattan by Stuyvesant, led by Capt. Frederick de Coninck, Capt. Lieut. Brian Newton and Cornelius Tienhoven, in the ship "Weigh-scales." They went up Westchester Creek, and succeeded in arresting the English thieves, as Stuyvesant called them, to the number of twenty-three. They left several at Westchester to guard the women and children. These twenty-three were kept in the hold of the "Weigh-scales" for thirteen days and fed on mouldy provisions. They were then taken to Fort Amsterdam, and imprisoned in the dungeons of Fort Amsterdam, at which bitter complaints were made. Gov. Stuyvesant was a tyrant of the middle ages kind, and honestly believed that any one who differed from him must be wrong. Baxter and Hubbard were arrested, whether at Westchester or Gravesend, it is hard to tell, and were also confined in Fort Amsterdam for a year. At the intercession of the Gravesend magistrates, and Sir Henry Moody, Stuyvesant then released Hubbard and transferred Baxter to the debtors' room in the Court House. A few weeks later he escaped to Gravesend, and went from thence into New England. He had been found guilty of adhering to the English in 1654, and was declared guilty of high treason. His property was seized and forfeited; among the rest his house and lot on Pearl Street, between Whitehall and State Streets.

Dec. 27, 1658. Order to the magistrates of Gravesend to sell all the property there belonging to George Baxter.

In Colonial papers, April 22, 1658, there is a petition of Nathaniel Brewster, William Washburne and George Baxter on behalf of several inhabitants of Fairfield and Long Island in New England, to be referred to a Committee for Foreign Plantations, for their report. On May 6, 1658, this petition was re-committed to the same committee to speak with Major Bowne and Capt. Willoughby thereon. This was George Baxter, Commissioner of the Dutch. This record is from *Interregnum Entry Book*, Vol. CVI, pp. 573-600. Baxter Memorial.

Long Island in New England was the eastern half of the Island which was settled by English from Massachusetts; the western part was claimed by the Dutch.

After the Restoration, which occurred May, 1660, George Baxter returned to England, where he with John Scott and Samuel Maverick were called before the Committee of Foreign Plantations to give an account of the title of England to the Colony of New Netherland.

1663. Capt. George Baxter brought the Royal Charter of King Charles II to the General Court of Commissioners of Rhode Island, assembled for the last time under the Parliamentary patent. He received twenty-five pounds for bringing and reading the same.

1664. George Baxter returned to New Amsterdam with the English fleet and presented a claim of 1275 guilders to the Company for the indemnification of his losses. He also attached the five stone houses of the Company. It is not recorded if he received anything. "Brodhead's History" says: "He arranged his affairs, and some time after, removed to Nevis in the West Indies." If so, he must have returned and settled in Westchester County, for in the Westchester Deeds Book, Jan. 4, 1677, the names of George Baxter and John Richbell are signed as witnesses to a deed of Robert Pennoyer to Ann Richbell.

Additional deeds to George Baxter:

July 8, 1643. Twenty-five morgans of land in the rear of Derick the Normans at Williamsburg, L. I.

July 21, 1643. George Baxter and others, Canarsie, now Jamaica, L. I.

After the English Occupation, Capt. Bryan Newton and his wife, Alice, settled on Long Island. So did George Woolsey and wife Rebecca.

July, 1663. George Baxter ordered by the Council of Foreign Plantations to draw up a brief narrative of the King's right and title to Manhattan and Long Island.

The first mention of Thomas Baxter in the Records of New Amsterdam that we have been able to find was in

Oct. 3, 1642. Thomas Baxter went security for John Brent.

Nov. 24, 1642. Note, Thomas Baxter in favor of Richard, for the sum of eight pounds sterling.

Oct. 2, 1646. Receipt, for 29 lbs. of beaver of Joseph Brewster, by Thomas Baxter.

Sept. 21, 1647. Transfer, Thomas Baxter to Isaac Allerton, of his share in a certain sloop.

1652. Egbert Van Bornum was living in a house belonging to Thomas Baxter, and was ordered by the court "to pay rent to Baxter as long as he lived in the house."

1656. Thomas Baxter, a freeholder at Gravesend, Long Island.

Thomas Baxter seems to have been a member of the Dutch Reformed Church, and at that time to have been on very good terms with his neighbors.

From the Baptismal Records of the Dutch Reformed Church at New Amsterdam: June 28, 1647. Ambrose London had son Thomas baptised. Witnesses, Georgie Orzy, Thomas Baxter, Agniete Arents, Sara Willett. March 6, 1650. Thomas Baxter and Susanna Lies, sponsors at the baptism of Hendrick, son of Gillies Pieteron.

July 17, 1650. Thomas Baxter, sponsor for Thomas, son of Carol Morgans.

July 9, 1651. Thomas Baxter sponsor for Francois Wicks' children, Annetje and Thomas.

Dec. 24, 1651. Britsie Backster, sponsor for Augustyn, son of Ritz Willemson.

Aug. 17, 1652. Elsje, a daughter of Thomas Baxter, was baptised. Sponsors: Elsje Nuytings, Elsje Hendricks, Carol Van Brugger and Govert Lookermans. An expert says that was Elsie or Alice Newton, wife of Capt. Bryan Newton. Carol Van Brugger was Dutch for Charles Bridges. Govert Loockermans was a prominent figure in the early history of New Netherland. His daughter married Oloff Stevenson Van Cortlandt

Nov. 24, 1652. Thomas and Britset Baxter, Johannes De Peyster, Cornelia Lubbocks, sponsors for Jacobus, son of Francois Weeks.

Jan. 19, 1653. Sunday, John Hageman had son Marcus baptised. Witnesses, Bryan Newton, Thomas Baxter and wife.

April 20, 1653. Rundel Huestis, child. Witnesses, Britsie Baxter, Elsjje Nuton, Thomas Hall and Joris (or George) Woolsey.

May 26, 1653. Santje Baxter. Witness for Sara Pue.

March 17, 1653. The city government raised six thousand guilders to construct a palisade for the defence of New Amsterdam. A contract was made with Thomas Baxter to provide the palisades; they were to be of oak twelve feet long and eighteen inches in girth; there were to be from 300 to 350 oak posts, also 300 split rails, 11 feet long, to be delivered in fourteen days, at twenty stivers per post and rail. To be paid in wampum. "And the inhabitants, without exception, were required to work at the fortifications, under penalty of fine, loss of citizenship and banishment." The wall was built, 180 rods in length, just north of the present line of Wall Street. The western end terminated in a high bluff on the North River. The eastern at a water gate and block house, on the East River. The wall was finished May-day, 1653.

This was the summer when the coast was harassed by pirates from the West Indies. An Indian war also threatened, but did not materialize. England and Holland were also at war. War had been declared in 1652 between England and Holland. To prepare for hostilities Gov. Stuyvesant cleared the city and neighborhood of the English.

Capt. Underhill, Thomas Baxter, and some others, were treated as enemies, were arrested and finally expelled from the city. They in return declared against the Dutch. Cromwell's Government in England, by letter, authorized hostilities against the Dutch, and also authorized commissions to be issued in Rhode Island for the war.

One was issued to Capt. Underhill as a commander on land, and another to Thomas Baxter for the sea. Baxter sailed on Long Island Sound and captured one English vessel for trading with the Dutch, or for breaking his attempted blockade. Capt. Underhill captured an old Dutch Fort near

Hartford (Fort Good Hope). This stirred up a world of excitement here.

Brodhead's "History of New York" says: "Sept., 1653. Thomas Baxter, a former resident of New Amsterdam, inflamed with zeal for the Parliamentary cause, turned pirate and committed various outrages on Long Island Sound, and the neighborhood. Under a commission from Rhode Island he seized in Heemstede harbor a vessel belonging to New Plymouth, and also captured a Dutch vessel near Manhattan. Stuyvesant promptly dispatched two vessels with a hundred men to blockade Baxter in Fairfield Roads. Stuyvesant's vessels were ordered to retire by the authorities of the Eastern Colonies, and did so. Baxter was afterwards arrested by the authorities of New Haven and Hartford. He was surrendered to Stuyvesant's requisition, but, escaping from prison, his house and vessel in New Amsterdam were seized and sold." He fared much as George Baxter, his brother, did.

According to J. L. Innes, in "The People of New Amsterdam," "Schreyers" Hook, the Weeper's Point, the site of which is now in the Battery Park, a short distance north of the Staten Island Ferry, the southernmost point of Manhattan Island. Upon this point of land, a short time prior to 1656, could be seen a deserted home, and near it on the beach was drawn up a warped and decaying cat-boat. These were the property of Thomas Baxter, an Englishman, who, falling out with the Dutch authorities, had abandoned his possessions here and taken refuge in New England, where upon war being declared between the English Commonwealth and the Netherlands, had in 1653, taken out letters-of-marque from the Colony of Rhode Island. With a small armed vessel he pestered the Dutch greatly, and captured two or three of their vessels. His property on Schreyer's Hook was confiscated, and upon its site, greatly raised by filling in, was built the Director-General's residence, afterwards nick-named Whitehall, at the corner of Whitehall and State Streets.

The Baxter Memorial says, Sept. 12, 1653, Thomas Baxter seized the vessel called the "Desire," of Samuel Mayo, of Barnstable, Plymouth Colony. Mayo presented "petition

upon oath" concerning the seizure by Baxter under color of a commission from Rhode Island. Mayo was transporting goods for one Leverich of Sandwich, in reference to a new plantation he intended to settle at Oyster Bay, on Long Island, "within limits," that is, within the limits of the blockade Baxter had instituted.

The seizure was made in Hempstead harbor, to prevent the carrying on of trade with the "Duch." Lieutenant William Hudson was sent on this complaint to the proper authorities in "Road Island," and to find out the date and particulars of the Commission to "offend the Duch," which Baxter claimed to hold.

Thomas Baxter, not at all frightened, persisted in his work, and under the same commission seized a Dutch boat near "Fayrefield harbor," and the "Duch" immediately fitted out two more vessels to attack Baxter, a proclamation was issued by the commissioners of the United Colonies, for the "Duch" to keep out of the harbors, bays, etc., within the United Colonies' jurisdiction.

Lieut. Hudson returned from Rhode Island, Sept. 20, 1653, bringing a letter to the commissioners from Mr. Estone of Newport, dated Sept. 16, 1653, to the effect that the Council were not present but that Baxter had been authorized by them to offend the enemies of England; as according to their instructions, Baxter was bound to bring his prizes into Newport for Tryall, that the Colony may get its share. The letter was signed "Nicholas Estone, Newport."

Samuel Mayo went with Hudson, but on receiving no satisfaction, he asked that his marque be "found" in Connecticut or New Haven, to be held for "tryall." So Baxter really held a commission.

The court ordered Baxter to pay Mayo 150 pounds, for the unjust seizure of the vessel and cargo, only (provided Baxter returned the vessel to Mayo, with the sails and ropes, two swords and four guns, taken from the vessel) 18 pounds were to be deducted from the 150.

In 1654, the General Court ordered that the estate attached by the constable of Fairfield, Conn., for the forfeiture of the recognizance of Capt. Baxter be remitted. Captain

Baxter is described as being of Wethersfield, Conn., at that time.

In 1655, a special warrant was ordered by the General Court of Connecticut to arrest Thomas Baxter, for several misdemeanors, which was done, and he was soon after handed over to the Dutch authorities.

May, 1662. William Hill, N. Gold, and Mr. Sherman of Fairfield County, were ordered to examine a letter which had been sent to Bridget Baxter from her husband Thomas Baxter, then in England (she having petitioned for a divorce from him), and if they found a strong similarity in the handwriting, then to declare to the said Bridget, that the Court freed her from her matrimonial bond with the said Baxter.—From the Deeds book at White Plains, N. Y.

Extracted out of the Records and examined P. Daniell, Clerk and Secretary, Hartford, May 15, 1662; Bridget Baxter by the authority of this Court, upon consideration and solid reasons and evidence is freed from her Conjugal bond to the said Baxter. The parties are described as being of New London, Conn. Entered and compared with the original, 25th day of January, in the first year of the reign of King William and Mary, 1689.

Bridget Baxter married, second, John Palmer. They lived in Westchester. They had three daughters:—

Mary Palmer married, about 1686, Francis Doughty.

Abigail Palmer married Thomas Farrington.

Bridget Palmer married Roger Barton and lived in Westchester.

Daughters of John and Bridget B. Palmer, Westchester, N. Y.

The compiler of the Baxter Memorial says it is thought that Thomas Baxter, the so-called pirate, finally settled at Yarmouth or Barnstable, Mass.

A Thomas Baxter married, Jan. 27, 1679, Temperance (Gorham) Sturgis, born May 5, 1646, widow of Edward Sturgis, at Marshfield, Mass.; died March 12, 1714-5. Thomas Baxter died June 22, 1713.

Thomas Baxter could not have been born later than 1626.

They had three sons, John, Thomas and Shubael.—From “Thacher-Thatcher Genealogy.”

In a document addressed to “The Justices of the Peace, and Ministers in the Province of New Jersey, or to either of them,” dated June 15, 1670: “Alicce Baxter and John Hunt, the latter described as of Westchester, were licensed to marry at Perth Amboy. Signed by Carteret with the seal of the Province. They were married June 16, 1670, by James Ballen, Justice. New Jersey Grantees.” This was probably Elsje, daughter of Thomas Baxter, baptised Aug., 1652.

The following account of the arrest of Thomas Baxter is taken from the “History of Stamford, Conn.”:

“In the following March (1654) the marshall of the Connecticut Colony with a posse had been sent down to Fairfield to arrest Thomas Baxter, whose high-handed measures had outraged the government and imperiled the peace of both the Connecticut and New Haven jurisdictions. On the way they call at New Haven to get aid from the government there. Two men are here added to their number, with instructions for Richard Law, the constable at Stamford, and proceed to Greenwich if Baxter should have escaped from Fairfield, and “if Baxter’s strength be not too great for them to seize him and bring him to New Haven.” Thus commissioned the arresting party proceeded. They found the offender and arrested him, when Robert Basset, who seemed to have been a confederate with the offender, attempted by force to release him. They disarm him, and the marshall orders him to assist in guarding the prisoner. He seemed to consent to do so, but soon stole away. Soon, as if under his instigation, the party were attacked by a gang of the citizens, who made a desperate effort to liberate their prisoner. In the skirmish, one of the Baxter party was killed and one of the arresting party was wounded. Soon after, Basset again appeared, and began to expostulate with the marshall for arresting Baxter, when the marshall took him into custody. Arresting two other of Baxter’s accomplices, the marshall takes them safely to New Haven. Baxter and the Fairfield accomplices are dismissed at their trial before

the Connecticut court in Hartford; but Basset is arraigned before the court of his jurisdiction at New Haven."

We should like to hear the other side of the story.

Baxter was handed over to Stuyvesant, who confined him in the dungeons of Fort Amsterdam, for a year, when he made his escape.

In 1658, Thomas Baxter was living in Fairfield, Conn.

In 1662, he was in England. His wife, Bridget Baxter, obtained a divorce May 15, 1662. On what grounds is not stated, but a divorce could be obtained if the husband absented himself for three years. (Rebecca Smith, in 1667, was divorced from Samuel Smith by the General Court for his three years wilful absence from her. This law is yet on our statute book, with little alteration.)—"Puritan Settlers," Hartford, Conn., 1846.

Thomas Baxter was probably one of the forty followers of Lady Moody, who "withstood the furious onslaught of the invading Indians" in the autumn of 1643. He was a freeholder of Gravesend in 1656. His property there was not sold by order of Stuyvesant, though his property on Manhattan was forfeited.

Order to arrest Thomas Baxter for misdemeanor in 1653. Called Captain Baxter estate to be attached by constable of Fairfield.—Colonial Records, Vol. I.

Thomas Baxter had liberty to order his family occasions at Fairfield, 1654.—New Haven Colonial Records, Vol. II, page 77.

THE BAXTER FAMILY

FIRST GENERATION

1

THOMAS¹ BAXTER, b. about 1626; m. Bridget ——. They had:

2. Elsje or Alice, bap. Aug., 1652; m. John Hunt; probably d. young.
- +3. Thomas.

John Hunt was the fourth son of Thomas Hunt of the Grove farm, Westchester. The only one of the name of John Hunt at that time.

Feb. 11, 1680. There was sprinkled with water by Morgan Jones, priest (what they call baptising), William Hunt, son of John Hunt of Westchester. Witnesses present, Joseph Hunt and Bridget Waters.

Alice Baxter Hunt probably died young, for in 1698 John Hunt lived in Westchester with his wife Grace and several children. He married for his second wife Grace Fowler of Eastchester.

The census of Westchester village was taken in 1698. Among the settlers were: Thomas Baxter, wife Rebecca, children Rebekah, Mary, Abigail, John, Darcas, Elizabeth, Keziah, Mereum. Servants, Joseph, Peter, Briant.

Thomas Baxter, Jr., wife Abigail; no children at that time.

Israel Honeywell, wife Mary; children, Israel, Mary Samuel, Richard. Servants, John Hessones, Charity. One slave, Jake.

Roger Barton, wife Bridget. Children, Palmer, Bridget, Roger, Abigail, Elisha.

John Hunt, wife Grace. Children, William, Joshua, Jonathan, Mary, Jeremiah, Israel, James.

Edward Waters, wife Bridget. Children, John, Edward, Robert, Sarah, Susannah. Slave, William.

And others to the number of five hundred and seventeen.

Another Baxter. Aug. 14, 1682, Gervis Baxter appointed commandant at Albany.

Aug. 17, 1684. Lieut. Jervis Baxter sent to London with dispatches.

April 21, 1685. Returns. Proclaims James II.

Sept., 1685. Captain Baxter made a counsellor.

May 29, 1686. Oath of allegiance administered to Counsellor Baxter.

Jan., 1687. Major Baxter sent to England with dispatches.

March 13, 1688. Baxter sent down to New York with instructions.

Aug. 2, 1688. Last meeting of Council, Councillors Baxter, Brockholls, Philipse and others.

1688. Baxter in command at Albany.

Aug. 30, 1688. Andros goes to Albany accompanied by Counsellors Baxter, Brockholls, Mason, Van Courtlandt and others.

Aug. 27, 1689 Baxter suspended from his command, joins Gov. Dongan in New Jersey, at the house of Captain Barre, at Neversincks.

May 19, 1690. Capt. Baxter again at Albany.

1698. Thomas Baxter of Westchester advances money to Capt. Baxter's Company at Albany. Was Gervis Baxter a relation of Thomas Baxter?

Morgan Baxter was one of the chiefest inhabitants of New York in 1702, and as such signed a petition to Lord Cornbury in that year.

Protest of the Protestants of New York to King William III, signed by Morgin Baxter, Dec. 30, 1701.

Address of the Inhabitants of the Province of New York to Lord Cornbury. Signed by the Chiefest inhabitants, and freeholders of the city and county of New York, 1702. Signed by Morgan Baxter, among others.

March 20, 1656. Femmetje or Sophronia Baxter bought and drew the buttons, silk and pasteboard, and paid one beaver-skin for them.

Throg's Neck or Frog's Neck, as it has been further corrupted, extends into Long Island opposite Little Neck Bay. It is noted as being the place where the tides meet in the Sound. From the extremity extend what are known as the stepping stones, towards Long Island. It was included in Throckmorton's land brief in 1643. Several of Throckmorton's family perished in the Indian massacre of Oct., 1643. In 1652, Throckmorton conveyed it to Augustine Heermans, and it became owned by different parties. Spicers' and Brockett's Neck extends from the southeastern part; there is also a small neck called Satanstoe, and one called Horseneck, extending from it. From the southern extremity the arch-fiend is supposed to have made his retreat to Long Island, when driven from the mainland.—See Cooper's novel, "Satanstoe."

Fort Schuyler stands on the southern extremity now and near it is a small stream called Baxter's Creek. Mineford's or City Island is east of the Neck.

Nov. 14, 1654. Thomas Pell obtained a grant of land in this vicinity from Ann Hoek, or Wampage, an Indian sachem, and other Indians. The original grant comprised over nine thousand acres. Pell held his grant, although warned off by Stuyvesant, until the English occupation. This grant was known as the Manor of Pelham. Thomas Pell dying without heirs, his nephew, John Pell of England, became the second proprietor, or the first lord of the manor of Pelham.

Frog's Neck was near Westchester village.

On the 12th day of January, 1686, Spicers' and Brockett's Necks (commonly known as the Grove Farm) were confirmed by letters patent under the Great Seal of the Province, to Thomas Hunt.

The second patent of Westchester was granted by Governor Dongan in 1686. It ran to Wm. Richardson, John Hunt, Edward Waters, Robert Huestis, Richard Benton, William Barnes, John Beybe, John Baily, John Tudor, John Ferris, Joseph Palmer and Thomas Baxter, freeholders of the town of Westchester, January 6, 1686.

May 27, 1692. The Indians deeded the same to John Palmer, William Richardson, William Barnes, Joseph Palmer, Samuel Palmer, Robert Huestis, John Ferris, John Hunt, Joseph Hunt, Josiah Hunt, Thomas Baxter and Edward Collier, trustees of the freehold and commonalty of the town of Westchester, aforesaid. Towards the purchase of this land from the Indians, William Barnes gave a kettle, John Hunt 1 coat, William Richardson 2 shirts, John Ferris 1 coat, Thomas Baxter 1 gun, Joseph Hunt 1 barrel of cider, Robert Huestis and Thomas Baxter 1 gun, £1.2s.

April 16, 1696, was issued the Royal Charter, incorporating the Mayor, Aldermen (of which Thomas Baxter was one), and Council of the Borough of Westchester.

In 1702, Thomas Baxter was a vestryman of St. Peter's Church (Episcopal) in the Borough of Westchester.

The village of Westchester is situated on Westchester Creek, at the head of navigation. Frog's Neck is two miles away.

Westchester village is twelve miles distant from New York.

Sept. 12, 1675. "Tom" Baxter is mentioned as having eight taxable animals.

1683. He has twenty-four acres, one horse, twenty cows, sheep and hogs.

1686. Thomas Baxter mentioned in Governor Dongan's second patent.

April 20, 1686. Thomas Baxter and Rebecca, his wife, sold to Josiah Quinby three acres of land.

In the Deeds Book at White Plains, N. Y.: The Records of Thomas Baxter:—

"To all Christian people to whom this present deed of sale shall come, Greeting. Know ye that I, Nathan Bayley, of Westchester, in the Province of New York (yeoman), for a valuable consideration, to me in hand, already received of Thomas Baxter (yeoman) of the same place, to receipt thereof I do hereby acknowledge, therewith, to be fully satisfied or paid, and thereof do acquit and discharge the said Thomas Baxter, etc.

All that my dwelling house upon Frogg's Neck, with six acres of upland that the house stands upon, and was formerly Joseph Taylor's, with two three-acre lots, the one was Wm. Collard's, the other Henry Gardner's, and six acres that was Miles Oakley's, and six acres more that was John Quinby, Sr.'s, and seven acres that was my division, situate on the west side of the six acres before mentioned that was Joseph Taylor's, with five acres of pasture land, more or less, lying and being between the house and meadow, with the said meadow being eight acres, formerly Justice Pell's, adjoining Thomas Hunt, Sr.'s, ditch, and six acres more of meadow land, that was formerly Justice Palmer's; adjoining to the said meadow as also a twelve-pound, ten-shilling privilege in the sheep pasture.

To have and to hold, Dec. 7, 1691, Nathan Bayley, John Palmer, J. P.

To Thomas Baxter, one home lot in the town of Westchester, being two and one-half acres, more or less. As also nine acres of land, lying in the planting ground on Frogg's Neck. As also nine acres of land lying on Frogg's neck, in the planting field. As also three acres of land in the planting field. As also twenty acres of land, be it more or less, lying on the East side of the Bronx River, in the "range of Lotts commonly called the Long Reach," and is a division of land given me by my father, Nicholas Bayley, and is the seventeenth lot in number."

Signed by Nathan Bayley, Dec. 7, 1691.

Also a fourth right in Nathan Bayley's fifty-pound privilege, Dec. 7, 1691.

To Thomas Baxter, nine acres of land belonging to John Palmer, May 7, 1689.

Signed by John Palmer and Bridget B. Palmer, his wife, Dec. 7, 1691.

Francis Doughty married about 1686, Mary Palmer, eldest daughter of John and Bridget Palmer of Westchester County, N. Y. (A deed on record at White Plains shows that Bridget Palmer, widow of John, late of Westchester, Francis Doughty and Mary, his wife, eldest daughter of John

Palmer, Thomas Farrington of Flushing and Abigail his wife, second daughter of John Palmer, and Bridget Palmer, Jr., youngest daughter of John Palmer, all unite in a deed, November 30, 1692, of land in Westchester from Frogg's Neck on the Sound to the Bronx River to Thomas Baxter.

In all, about 108 and one-half acres, with fifty acres on the "Long Reach," with a dwelling house, orchard, etc.

Thomas Baxter seems to have come into possession of considerable money about 1689 judging from the purchases he made of land and houses.

1692. Thomas Baxter, in the Indian deed of Westchester, gave one gun, in payment.

Jan. 14, 1691-2. Thomas Baxter witnessed deed of Leah J. Barrett.

Jan. 30, 1692. Thomas Baxter witness in a deed of George Tippetts, Yonkers.

1694. Examined as to methods of tax-collecting.

1696. An alderman of Westchester, by the charter, and a juror in the Richbell case.

1696-7. Called Thomas Baxter, Sr., for the first time, in a deed of 250 acres of land on Frogg's Neck.

Aug. 14, 1696. Thomas Baxter and Rebecca, his wife, give to son Thomas Baxter a dwelling house on Frogg's Neck, together with fifty-two acres of land.

May 22, 1693. Sold house and lot in Westchester to Israel Honeywell.

1698. Money advanced Captain Baxter's Company at Albany.

May 11, 1700. Thomas Baxter and wife Rebecca, give to son John, one-half of farm lands and meadows on Frogg's Neck; house and orchard, four acres.

1701. Mr. Justice Baxter.

1702. A vestryman of St. Peter's Church (Episcopal) in Westchester. Also in 1709.

1703-4. A trustee of Westchester.

May 9, 1710. In a deed called Captain.

July 1, 1714. Makes his will. Proved at Westchester, July 21, 1715.

"In the name of God, Amen. I, Thomas Baxter, Esquire, of Westchester, being weak of body, I leave to my wife Rebecca one-third of all my movables, except my Indian man Jeffrey. Also, the use of all houses, lands and meadows for life, provided she shall live and continue a widow, until my son James shall arrive at the age of nineteen years and four months, which will be May 1, 1721, and then he is to have two-thirds of all houses, lands and meadows, also a 50-pound right of commonage. The said lands lying on Throgg's Neck, in said town of Westchester, and he is to pay certain legacies to my four daughters, Elizabeth, Keziah, Glover, Miriam and Phebe. If my son James does not pay the same, then the lands are to go to my sons John and Thomas. Mentions daughters Palmer, Mary Kimison, Abigail Betts, Dorcas Tippet. His son John is to have six acres adjoining his ten-acre lot, next to David Huestis, and ten acres by John Stevenson, to be taken on the west side of his lot from the water-side, to the highway, and two acres of salt meadow, at a place called Pritchett's Neck.

"I make my wife Rebecca, and sons-in-law John Palmer and Joseph Betts, Executors.

"Dated July 1, 1714. Proved at Westchester, before Col. Caleb Heathcote, Jan. 18, 1715."

The legacies to his daughters were:—

May 1, 1724, to Elizabeth £60; May 1, 1726, Keziah Glover £30; May 1, 1728, "Merriam" £50; May 1, 1730, Phebe £50. Total £190.

If James died without heirs or before he was twenty-one, Thomas and John were to have his share, subject to the following legacies:—

May 1, 1724, Elizabeth £70; May 1, 1726, Merriam £60; May 1, 1728, Phebe £60; May 1, 1730, Mrs. Palmer, Mary Kimison, Abigail Betts, Dorkas Tippet, and Keziah Glover each £50. Total, £440.

Rebecca Baxter's will, widow of Thomas Baxter, Eastchester, leaves daughter Keziah Glover use of dwelling house

for life, then to son Thomas Baxter. To Charity Baxter £5. Makes grand-daughter, Charity Stevenson Baxter, and son-in-law, Underhill Barnes, Executors. Dated July 21, 1732. Proved Dec. 22, 1736.

Who Rebecca Baxter was is not positively known, but think she was the daughter of John and Dorcas (Watson) Adams, of Hartford, Conn.

Jeremy Adams came to Hartford from Braintree, Mass., were from the County of Essex, England, in 1632. He came with Captain Mason to purchase corn of the Indians in 1638. A juror and a deputy, of Hartford, in 1639. His son, John Adams, died in 1670, leaving Rebecca, Abigail, Sarah, Jeremy, John and Jonathan, and an expected child.

Thomas and Rebecca Baxter were probably married young, their oldest child was nearly twenty-seven years older than the youngest.

SECOND GENERATION

3

THOMAS² BAXTER (Thomas¹ Baxter), and wife Rebecca had:

- +4 Thomas, b. Aug. 14, 1675; m. Abigail —, about 169—.
- 5 Mary, b. 1677; m. — Kinison.
- +6 John, b. May 11, 1679; m. Mary Honeywell, about 1705.
- +7 Rebecca, b. 1682; m. John Palmer.
- +8 Dorcas, b. 1685; m. George Tippet of Yonkers.
- +9 Abigail, b. May 14, 1687; m. (1) Joseph Betts; (2) Abraham Emmons, both of Yonkers. Was given land by her father, May 14, 1708. She was then a married woman.
- +10 Keziah, b. 1690; m. Charles Glover.
- +11 Elizabeth, b. July 1, 1693; m. Samuel Sands, son of Samuel and Mary (Pell) Sands. Was deeded a negro boy, July 1, 1714.
- +12 Miriam, b. 1696; m. Underhill Barnes.

- +13 Phebe, b. 1698; m. — Drake. In 1719 she was given the negress Diana by her widowed mother.
- +14 James, b. Jan. 1, 1702; m. Anne Gillian.

THIRD GENERATION

4

THOMAS³ BAXTER (Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Aug. 14, 1675; m. Abigail —, about 1698. They had:

- +15 Thomas, b. about 1699; m. Deborah Hunt.
- +16 Marcus, b. about 1701; m. a French girl.
- +17 Augustine, b. about 1703; m. Sarah Quinby.
- +18 George, b. about 1707? Mentioned in Mrs. Elizabeth Sands' will.
- +19 Elizabeth, b. about 1718; m. (1) June 12, 1736, William Barnet of Westchester; (2) Cornelius Willett.

Ealsie Baxter married Amos Browner, Nov. 10, 1736. Rebecca Baxter married William Ramsey, Nov. 19, 1737. These may have been daughters of Thomas and Abigail Baxter.

Thomas Baxter (4) in August, 1796-7, was given fifty acres of land at Westchester by his father, with the privilege of commonage.

1705. In Daniel Turner's will for the first time called junior. Oct. 18, 1713. Thomas Baxter, Jr's, bond for 600 pounds, cancelled. Witnesses, Elizabeth Baxter, Roger Barton.

1715. Of the Westchester militia, and became Sr. on the death of his father.

April 23, 1723. Caleb Horton bought of Thomas Baxter and wife a right in the White Plains purchase.

1741. When deeding land to his son Augustine, of Westchester, of Dutchess County, his father's will gave him a cane and a great chest.

6

JOHN³ BAXTER (Thomas,² Thomas¹), yeoman, of Westchester, was deeded property, one-half of farm lands and meadows on "Frogg's Neck." Also, house and orchard, four acres, by his father Thomas Baxter and wife Rebecca, May 11, 1700. He married Mary Honeywell, daughter of Israel and Mary Honeywell. Her mother's name is not known. A Mary Pell married a Honeywell, but it was later. John and Mary (Honeywell) Baxter had:

- +20 John, b. about 1706; m. Martha Close.
- +21 Roger, b. about 1708; m. Applonia Eckerson.
- 22 Charity Stevenson, b. about 1710. Mentioned in Rebecca Baxter's will, 1732. She was unm. in 1732 when her grandmother made a will that was probated in New York in 1736.
- +23 Oliver, b. about 1712; m. Elizabeth Mitchell.
- 24 Israel, b. about 1714; think he lived at Fishkill.
- 25 Peracholus, b. about 1716.
- +26 Stevenson, b. about 1718; m. Margareta Bassett, at Sleepy Hollow church, 1741. Called also Stevens or Stephen Baxter. The name may have come from the Van Cortlandt family as also that of Oliver. Roger may have been named for Roger Barton.

John Baxter (6), Sept. 10, 1717, deeded land to Thomas Baxter and Abigail, his wife; consideration, 600 pounds.

April 20, 1718. Sells land to Thomas Baxter.

Sells to Thomas Barnes, mariner, ten acres on Throgg's Neck.

John Baxter's (6), will was dated April 18, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. This 18th day of April, 1727, I, John Baxter, of the Burroughtown of Westchester, yeoman, being sick, I leave to my son John, all my lands, meadows and privileges, "on a certain tract of land called the Long Reach," and one-fourth of my crops growing now, and my Indian-negro boy, Bohenhah. I leave to my wife Mary one-half my personal estate in such things as she shall choose.

My executors are to sell all the remainder of my personal estate, and also lands and meadows enough to pay all debts. I leave to my wife the use of all lands not sold, in consideration of her bringing up my children, and during the time she remains my widow and no longer. After her death my executors are to sell all lands, meadows and privileges, and the proceeds are to be paid to my sons Roger, Oliver, Israel, Peracholus and Stevenson Baxter, and to my daughter Charity. My executors are to put my five younger sons out to trades. I make Israel Honeywell and John Foster, Executors." The will was witnessed by John Stevenson, a Quaker, and by Thomas Baxter and Paul Dubois. Proved May 9, 1727.

April 9, 1755. By the slave census of Weschester, Underhill Barnes was the owner of the slave, Bohaneo.

The will of Israel Honeywell, Sr., was dated Dec. 14, 1710. Proved May 17, 1720. Leaves to wife Mary, use of house and lands, which after her death are to go to daughter Sarah. Mentions sons Israel and Samuel and daughter Mary Baxter.

7

REBECCA³ BAXTER (Thomas,² Thomas¹), born 1682; m. John Palmer (Sylvanus Samuel of Mangopson Neck, William), John Palmer's will, dated Dec. 30, 1747, leaves to wife Rebecca, "my lot on the west side of Throgg's Neck, known by the name of the two houses, I bought of one Baily." To sons Philip and Marcus "all my salt meadow that lies within the bounds of their deed from me, except two lots of meadow that lie on the lower end of the cove on the south side of the brook." To sons Lewis and Benjamin, "my dwelling house and all other lands and £25 Privilege in the Sheep pasture at Westchester." Mentions sons John, Thomas and Jeremiah, and daughters Esther and Martha.

Rebecca Palmer, widow. Advanced in years. Will dated Oct. 18, 1771.

Leaves legacies to son John and granddaughters Rebecca, Esther and Rachel, daughters of my son John; to Sarah,

daughter of Joshua Pell; to daughter Martha, wife of Benjamin Merrell, house and lots on Mineford's Island (now City Island) "which I bought of Enoch Hunt and Joseph Mullinex, for life," then to her daughter Mary. Mentions Anne, daughter of Benjamin Palmer.

Executors, sons Philip and Benjamin, and grandson, Joshua Pell.

Witnesses, Samuel Gedney, James Lewis, Enoch Hunt.

John and Rebecca Baxter Palmer had:

- 27 Joseph.
- 27a Philip.
- 28 Marcus.
- 29 Lewis.
- 30 Benjamin, m. Jan. 5, 1758; Sarah Barnes (62), a cousin.
- 31 John.
- 32 Thomas, m. Susannah Hunt, July 21, 1738.
- 33 Israel.
- +34 Phebe, m. Joshua Pell (Thomas,³ John,² John¹).
He was son of the third proprietor of the Manor of Pelham. The within Joseph and Benjamin Palmer were the proprietors of Mineford's or City Island. Benjamin was the owner during the Revolution.
- 35 Martha, m. Benjamin Merrell.
- 36 Esther.

8

DORCAS³ BAXTER (Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. 1685; m. George Tippet of Yonkers, b. about 1675, son of George and Mehitable (Betts) Tippet. He had a sister who married Joseph Hadley, also named Mehitable. So the three families of Betts, Tippet and Hadley were closely related. The will of George Tippet, Jr., was dated May 3, 1761. Proved June 24, 1761.

George and Dorcas (Baxter) Tippet had:

- +37 George.

- +38 James, m. Martha Hunt, daughter of Thomas Hunt and granddaughter of Joseph Hunt of the Grove Farm.
- +39 Thomas.
- +40 William, m. Martha Hunt, daughter of Moses Hunt, and granddaughter of Josiah Hunt of the Grove Farm.
- +41 Jane, m. Charles Warner. Mentioned in Mrs. Elizabeth Baxter Sands' will, 1759.
- +42 Phebe, m. George Hadley, a first cousin.
- +43 Dorcas, m. Samuel Berrian, fourth son of Nicholas Berrian, a Huguenot emigrant. Mentioned in Mrs. Sands' will, 1759.

9

ABIGAIL³ BAXTER (Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. (1) Joseph Betts of Yonkers, son of William Betts. They had:

- 51 Joseph.
- 52 John.
- 53 Baxter.
- 54 Susannah, m. a Delancey. Mentioned in Mrs. Sands' will, 1759.
- 55 Rebecca.
- 56 Mary.

The will of Joseph Betts, Sr., was dated Dec. 10, 1715. Proved Dec., 1746.

Abigail Baxter Betts m. (2) Abraham Emmons of Yonkers, and she was his widow at the time her first husband's will was probated, and the only surviving executor.

The will of Abraham Emmons was dated Jan. 31, 1738. Probated April 19, 1742.

Abraham Emmons and wife, Abigail Baxter, had:

- +57 Stillwell.
- 58 Isaac.
- +59 Thomas.

May 15, 1677. Elias Doughty was invested with the sole ownership of Yonkers. From Elias Doughty, the old or lower Yonkers passed to William Boltz or Betts, George Tippet and Joseph Hadley. These three families as we have seen were all related. The younger generation of Tippetts were Tories during the Revolution and afterwards went to Nova Scotia.

Tippet's Neck is located in lower Yonkers, and forms the northern bank of Spuyten Duyvil Kil, or channel. Later a bridge was built across the Spuyten Duyvil, called Kingsbridge. Near it Tippet's brook flows into the Kil. After the Revolution the Tippet property was confiscated and was bought by Samuel Berrian. His wife was a Tippet. The name of the neck was changed to Berrian's neck. Bolton says, "The second daughter married Col. James De Lancey, one of the boldest foragers of the Neutral ground." This must be a mistake. The Martha Tippet who married James De Lancey, was born in 1764.

She was probably the daughter of William and Martha (Hunt) Tippet. In 1796, Samuel Berrian sold the neck to Abraham Berrian, his nephew.

The Neutral ground extended from the Spuyten Duyvil Kil as far north as the Croton River.

Bolton says in 1848, "The Berrian mansion, a fine structure of stone, is situated on rising ground near the extreme point; its beautiful situation claims notice. The old Tippet mansion is located on the eastern side of the neck, embosomed in the bank and shaded with tall poplars. It possesses a desolate and antiquated appearance, in perfect keeping with the strange stories that are told of its still being haunted by ghosts of the old Tories. There are the remains of three distinct forts on Tippet's or Berrian's Neck."

10

KEZIAH³ BAXTER (Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. Charles Glover. The first schoolmaster at Westchester was Charles Glover, who was appointed by the Propagation Society in 1713; he

being recommended under the character of a person sober and diligent, well affected to the Church of England, and competently skilled in reading, writing, arithmetic, psalmody and the Latin tongue. The Society paid him a salary of eighteen pounds annually. It is very likely he m. Keziah Baxter soon after his arrival as she was a married woman in 1714.

Keziah Glover, Yonkers, widow. Will dated Aug. 10, 1770. Probated June 18, 1772. Legacies to granddaughter "Elizabeth, wife of Capt John North, my great-grandson Peter, eldest son of my granddaughter Susannah Tippett." Makes Miles Oakley, weaver, executor.

11

ELIZABETH³ BAXTER (Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. Samuel Sands, son of Samuel and Mary (Pell) Sands. They had no children.

The will of Elizabeth Baxter Sands, was dated June 4, 1759.

"By and with the advice and consent of my husband, Samuel Sands, and my trustee, Elisha Barton, Sr., I do make this my last will and testament." Leaves house and lot to her sister, Keziah Glover, and her daughter, Elizabeth Lynch, and to the survivor of them. Leaves legacies to the following persons; My niece, Rebecca Barnes, and her sister Sarah. Rebecca Barnes forty pounds, and in case of the death of Rebecca Barnes, one-half of this is to go to her sister Sarah, wife of Benjamin Palmer, and the other half to my three sisters, Miriam, Dorcas and Abigail. In case of the death of my sister Keziah Glover, then to her daughter Elizabeth, I leave the house and lot, and she shall pay my two nieces, Susannah DeLancey and Elizabeth Cleeves, thirty-five pounds.

I leave to my sister Keziah Glover, two negro women, and a negro boy, and the bed that was formerly in the Parlor, and a blue and white calico quilt, and my cow and swine.

I leave to my niece, Elizabeth Lynch, a negro girl, and to my niece, Elizabeth Cleeves, my gold chain and a bed. To

Elisha Barton £10. To Thomas, son of Augustine Baxter, £5. To Charles Warner's wife, Jane, £5. To Dorcas, wife of Samuel Berrian, £5. To William Tippet, £5. To Marcus, son of Thomas Baxter, £5. To Ann, daughter of Benjamin Palmer, £5. To Joseph Palmer, £5. To Mitchell Baxter, son of Oliver Baxter, £5.

"To Bathsheba, daughter of Thomas Palmer, a set of gold buttons to the value of a Pistole. To Mary, daughter of Oliver Baxter, one-half dozen spoons, and the same to Catharine, daughter of Benjamin Baxter. Small legacies to Sarah, daughter of Theophilus Wood. Elizabeth, daughter of Edward Penny; To Edward Penny's wife; to Edward Penny a pair of silver shoebuckles, about 30 shillings price. To Sarah Downing, daughter of George Baxter. To Benjamin Baxter's wife. To my brother, Thomas Baxter, my looking-glass. To my sister, Kaziah Glover, my riding chair, and she is to pay to Phebe, wife of Arnot Cannon, £5. To Elizabeth, daughter of Cornelius Willett.

I make John Oakley and Cornelius Willett, Executors." Witnesses, Israel Honeywell, Henry Charlick, Thomas Allen, Schoolmaster.

The house and lot of Elizabeth Sands was in the village of Westchester, on the south side of the road to the bridge over Westchester Creek, and very near the creek.

12

MIRIAM³ BAXTER (Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. Underhill Barnes, b. 1795, son of William and Hannah (Underhill) Barnes.

Underhill Barnes, May 5, 1712, chose for his guardians, his step-father, Daniel Clarke, and his uncle Joseph Budd of Rye. He was then seventeen years of age. His will was dated Dec. 6, 1750. Proved Sept. 21, 1757.

Underhill Barnes, Gentleman. Wife Miriam. Leaves to son William "all rights I have made in a farm in the Manor of Philipsburg." Legacies to children, Miriam, Sarah, "my daughter Jane and her son Marmaduke." Rebecca, Phebe, John, Isaac, Gilbert. Executors are to sell real estate. Makes wife and Marcus Palmer and Anthony Barton executors.

Witnesses, Daniel Barton, Stephen Honeywell, Henry Charlich. Children:

- 60 William, m. Aug. 8, 1759, Catharine Storm.
- 61 Isaac, m. Feb. 2, 1759, Lucretia Brested.
- 62 Rebecca, m. Nov. 8, 1759, Joseph Mullinex.
- 63 Sarah, m. Jan. 5, 1758, Benjamin Palmer (30).
- 64 Phebe.
- 65 John, m. Sept. 13, 1761, Statia Ramsey.
- 66 Miriam, m. Feb. 21, 1764, Minor Hillard.
- 67 Gilbert, m. Sept. 23, 1761, Mary Bates.
- 68 Jane, m. ——. Had son, Marmaduke.

13

PHEBE³ BAXTER (Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. — Drake (perhaps John Drake). They had:

- 69 Augustine Drake, cousin to Augustine Baxter; m. Jan. 29, 1761, Anna Catharine.

14

JAMES³ BAXTER (Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Jan. 1, 1702; m. Anne Gillian, daughter of Henry and Anne Gillian. They had:

- 76 Charles, b. Dec. 30, 1727.
- 77 George, b. 1729.

By request, the clerk of Westchester County, registered in the deeds book the birth of their son, Charles, Dec. 30, 1727.

This son and another named George are remembered in Henry Gillians' will, Dec. 11, 1730.

In 1726, James Baxter was a freeholder and trustee of Westchester.

April, 1726. Bought real estate of Marcus Baxter.

April 2, 1734. In a real estate transfer to Thomas Barnes of Westchester, calls himself of South Carolina, late of Westchester.

Dec. 20, 1733. Deeds to Thomas and Cornelius Willett, 210 acres of land in Westchester, with houses, barns, orchards and meadows, for the sum of nine hundred pounds.

May 24, 1734. In a power of attorney to Thomas Barnes, is of South Carolina, Charlestown.

Henry Gillians' will leave legacies to James Baxter and wife, Annie Gillian, also legacies to James Baxter's sons Charles and George.

These Baxters were all Episcopalians. Unfortunately, all the records of St. Peter's Church, Westchester, prior to 1841, were destroyed.

Bolton's History of Westchester County says that memorials to the earlier settlers of Westchester, were erected in the churchyard of St. Peter's Church, and among them he mentions the Baxter family. If so, it is gone now. Mr. Augustus Baxter of Westchester, informed me that the Baxters had a private burying-ground a short distance from Westchester, but that there were no headstones. If there had been any, they were destroyed during the Revolution.

Those of the later generations were buried in the cemetery, and a few are buried in the churchyard. There is no doubt but that Thomas Baxter was buried there, with such of his sons and daughters as died in Westchester village.

Thomas Baxter, Sr., was probably one of the wealthiest men in the village.

FOURTH GENERATION

15

THOMAS⁴ BAXTER (Thomas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), born about 1699; m. Deborah Hunt, daughter of John and Grace (Fowler) Hunt. He was married prior to 1723.

March, 1721. He is called Jr. when deeded land by his father.

Sept. 26, 1723. Thomas and Deborah Baxter sell land to Jonathan Harris.

May 4, 1726. Thomas Baxter, Jr., and Deborah Baxter deed land to his father—13 acres on Frogg's Neck.

Feb. 13, 1727. Thomas Baxter, Jr., deeds land to Obadiah Hunt, house and eight acres of land. Thomas and Deborah Baxter had:

- +78 Thomas, b. about 1735, on Throggs' Neck.
- +79 James, b. 1739. In 1758 he enlisted in Verplanck's Company of a New York regiment. Is described as being nineteen years of age, five feet nine inches in height. Re-enlisted in 1759. Then living at Cortlandt Manor. April, 1760, witnessed Gilbert Hunt's will.
- 80 Phebe, a legatee of Gilbert Hunt in April, 1760; m. Machael Croos of Westchester, Sept. 13, 1765.

Deborah Hunt Baxter was also a legatee of Gilbert Hunt in April, 1760.

A Deborah Baxter was living on Minneford's Island (now City Island) in 1779.

There may have been other children.

16

MARCUS⁴ BAXTER (Thomas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), born about 1701. Bought land from Hunt in 1724.

June 3, 1726. Sold 40 acres of land to James Baxter, together with dwelling house, thereon, fruit trees, fences, pastures, etc., and receipted its payment in Newport, R. I.

1737. Registered at Westchester a cattle ear-mark, giving his home as Cortlandt Manor.

1759. Mentioned in Mrs. Elizabeth Baxter Sands' will, 1759. He is said to have lived ninety years, and his wife, who was French, ninety-eight. They had:

- +81 Marcus, b. Westchester, March 9, 1762.
- +82 Gideon.

17

AUGUSTINE⁴ BAXTER (Thomas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), yeoman, of Westchester, b. about 1703; cousin to Augustine Drake; m. Sarah Quinby.

1724. Took title to real estate.

1726. A road to the ferry ran through his land.

1741. Deeded land on Throgg's Neck by his father, Thomas Baxter, about two and one-fourth acres (joining other lands of Augustine Baxter. Also of Thomas Baxter).

1742. John Baxter of Greenwich, and Augustine or Augustus Baxter of Westchester, went bonds or bail for the release of one William Baxter, aged sixteen, from jail, in Hartford, Conn., where he was imprisoned for some minor offence. This William was supposed to be a son of Simon Baxter of Hebron, Conn., and was born in Hebron, Conn., Aug. 15, 1725. Simon was born about 1697, died about 1778, at Hebron, Conn. This may have been a descendant of Thomas Baxter, the "pirate," as he was of Cape Cod origin.

1755. In the slave census of Westchester County, Augustine Baxter has a slave, Dick.

Augustine Baxter's (17) will, dated March 24, 1760, mentions wife Sarah, and the following children, who appear to be minors:

- +83 Thomas, mentioned in Mrs. Elizabeth Baxter Sands' will, June 4, 1759.
- 83a Phebe.
- 84 Elizabeth.
- 85 James, mentioned in Mrs. Sands' will.
- 86 Frederick.
- 87 Augustus.
- 88 George, also mentioned in Mrs. Sands' will.

Executors, Daniel Quinby, and "my cousin Augustine Drake."

Some of these Baxters became Tories and left with the British army at the Peace, 1784.

Aug. 4, 1784. Frederick Baxter, Augustine Baxter and Phebe Baxter, of Amherst, Cumberland County, Nova Scotia, appoint our friends, Thomas and George Baxter of Westchester, N. Y., yeomen, our true and lawful attorneys to recover, etc., the remainder of our legacies from Daniel Quinby and Augustine Drake.

1787. Frederick and Augustine Baxter were again in Westchester and witnessed a deed.

April 13, 1775. A James Baxter, of Westchester, signed a protest against the action of Congress. His signature was objected to, as he was a minor.

Feb. 20, 1784. The Digby grant gave James Baxter 496 acres in Nova Scotia.

At the time of Augustine Baxter's will, his five sons were all under fourteen years of age.

Thomas and George Baxter were the only sons who remained in Westchester after the Revolution. In 1790, Thomas Baxter lived in Westchester, with his wife, three sons, six daughters and three slaves.

18

GEORGE⁴ BAXTER (Thomas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. about 1707; mentioned in Mrs. Sands' will. Had daughter, Sarah; m. ——— Downing.

April 18, 1741. Thomas Baxter's deed to his son Augustine. Thomas Baxter of Dutchess County, Augustine Baxter of the town of Westchester. "For ye affection he bears his said son, and for a consideration of £200, his lands and salt meadows, situated on Throckmorton's Neck, on the west side of the highway or road to ye ferry, at Frog's point (commonly called). With ye buildings, orchards, fruit-trees, timber-woods, under-woods, fences, etc."

19

ELIZABETH⁴ BAXTER (Thomas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. about 1718; m. (1) June 12, 1736, William Barnet; he d. March 1742; m. (2) Cornelius Willett (William, Thomas, Col. Thomas of New York, Capt. Thomas Willett of Plymouth, Mass., 1629 m. Mary Brown, 1636). Cornelius and Elizabeth Willett had:

89 Elizabeth, d. 1772; mentioned in Mrs. Elizabeth Sands' will, 1759.

- 90 Hannah, m. Frederick Stephens.
- 91 Mille, m. Rev. George Ogilby.
- 92 Mary, m. (1) — De Ranst; (2) Augustine Graham.
- 93 Rachel, m. (1) — Lecraft; (2) Samuel Haviland.
- 94 Martha, m. — Hatfield, after 1781, father's death.
- 95 Sarah, m. Mr. Berrian.

20

JOHN⁴ BAXTER (John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. about 1706. Inherited the Long Reach, on the death of his father in the spring of 1727.

Dec. 15, 1727. John Baxter deeded land to Nathaniel C. Underhill.

April 24, 1728. Sells to Thomas Barnes, ten acres of land on Throgg's Neck.

In the Deeds Book at White Plains, N. Y., is an entry dated Westchester, June 1, 1742, signed John Baxter, receipting for nineteen pounds received from Israel Honeywell, in settlement of the latter's promissory note, which had been mislaid or lost, Dec. 24, 1744. Witnesses, Basil Bartow, Nehemiah Hunt.

About 1730, John Baxter went to Greenwich, Conn.

Jan. 25, 1732. John Baxter was married to Martha Close, born Oct. 26, 1714. She was a daughter of Benjamin Close. They were married at Greenwich, by Joshua Knapp, Justice of the Peace.

The Close family were formerly seated at Langley, near Macclesfield, England. Thomas Close, in 1665, removed from England to Greenwich, Conn., where he died July 26, 1683. His sons were: I. Thomas; II. Joseph, who removed to North Salem in 1749, and died in 1760; III. Benjamin; IV. John.

Benjamin Close had:

- 1 Benjamin, Jr., who removed to North Salem; b. March 6, 1712.

- 2 Martha, b. Oct. 26, 1714.
- 3 Elizabeth, b. Sept. 19, 1716.
- 4 Reuben, b. Feb. 9, 1718.
- 5 Jonathan, b. Feb. 3, 1719.
- 6 Nathaniel, b. May 5, 1722.
- 7 Samuel, b. July 31, 1724.

April 24, 1759. Benjamin Close of North Salem appointed Adm'r of the estate of Benjamin Close of Greenwich, Conn.

Feb. 2, 1741-2. Joseph Close, Jr., chosen guardian by his nephew, Richard Brush, of Greenwich, Conn.

After their marriage John and Martha (Close) Baxter settled at Horseneck, Conn., and began buying property there in 1734. There were no Baxters there before them, nor since. No will of his has been found in New York or Westchester, nor is there any record of his death or that of his wife. He died at North Salem, it is quite certain, and lies buried in the burial-ground, back of St. James' Church, where four of his sons were laid, but no stone marks his grave, nor is it known. The names of John and Martha (Close) Baxter's children were:

- +98 Pettit, b. at Horseneck, Conn., Dec. 16, 1732; d. at North Salem, Feb. 5, 1809; named from an old family at Stamford, related to the Closes.
- +99 Mary, b. March 11, 1734; d. June, 1802; m. Abraham Smith.
- +100 Samuel, b. 1736. The Tory of the family.
- +101 Thomas, b. Horseneck, Conn., April 22, 1739; d. at North Salem, Feb. 20, 1809.
- 102 Benjamin, b. about 1741?
- 103 Ann Jane, b. about 1743?
- +104 Martha, b. at Horseneck, 1745; m. Abner Gilbert at St. James' Church, then called the Church of Christ, at Salem, Nov. 14, 1771; d. 1808; lived Ridgefield, Conn.
- +105 Austin or Augustine, b. 1747? Lived Fairfield, Conn.
- +106 John, b. at Horseneck, 1749; d. Feb. 27, 1777.

- +107 Nathaniel, b. at North Salem, 1751-2; d. at North Salem, June 27, 1807.
- +108 Stebbins, b. at North Salem, 1754; d. at North Salem, Feb. 28, 1820.
- 109 Rebecca, b. at North Salem, 1756.

Baptisms at the Church of Christ, North Salem, now St. James Episcopal Church, June 24, 1752, Nathaniel, son of John Baxter. May 16, 1756, Stebbins and Rebecca, children of the "widow" Baxter.

John Baxter, June 19, 1733. Bought land of Jabez Sherwood.

March 2, 1734. John Baxter bought of Jabez Lockwood. D. 21.

July 22, 1739. Bought of Joseph Marshall, Jr., in qr. $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile on Samuel Marshall's right. £11.

Aug. 22, 1739. Bought of Major Bouton in qr. $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile on his father's right. £22.

April 18, 1737. Bought of William Palmer. D. 197—3.

Aug. 29, 1740. Bought in qr. mile and $\frac{1}{2}$ of James Knapp on his father, Benjamin Knapp's right. 3.

Bought of Joseph Marshall his 22 pounds right in quarter $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile of Samuel Marshall.

Dec. 7, 1748. Bought of Nathaniel Finch. Division land in qr. $1\frac{1}{2}$ G. 217—6.

Jan. 17, 1737. John Baxter has laid out. D. 27. 4. 2.

March 3, 1736. Laid out on Samuel Marshall's right. D. 119 9.0.3.

June 19, 1740. Laid out on Benjamin Knapp's right. D. 276. 3.

Dec. 8. 1748. Laid out on qr. $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile G. 226. 4.0.9.

July 27, 1750. Re-surveyed and laid out in qr. $1\frac{1}{2}$. H. 80, 40 pounds.

Nov. 16, 1750. Sold to James Brevelot in qr. H. 87.

Nov. 16, 1750. James Brevelot bought of John Baxter qr. $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile H. 8. H. 88. 40 pounds.

The names of John and Martha (Close) Baxter's children do not get upon the Greenwich town or church records, though their marriage is recorded there. Mr. Titus writes in 1906,

"This Greenwich home is just east of, and not more than a quarter of a mile from the famous Horseneck, made so by the perilous ride of Israel Putnam. The Baxter home was only a short distance from the famous declivity, and street cars pass the same between Greenwich and Stamford. There is an old house and mill standing there, and I infer it is the same house."

John Baxter (20) sold his Greenwich estate, wife Martha joining in the deed, Nov. 15, 1750, and removed to North Salem, where their three youngest children were baptised in the Church of Christ (Episcopal).

A Stephen Baxter married Silva Sears, at Church of Christ, Salem, Feb. 4, 1779; may have been a nephew of John Baxter. Think it was a son of Stephen and Margaret (Basset) Baxter.

21

ROGER⁴ BAXTER (John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. about 1708; settled in Schoharie County, N. Y., as early as 1730. 1732.

The Church register of Schoharie records this marriage with Applenia Eckerson, and in 1735 the birth of their son Thomas.

They had:

110 Eckerson, b. 1733; d. before 1788.

111 Thomas, b. 1735; m. Margarethe Zimmerman, 1767.

+112 John, b. 1737; m. Mary Schuyler, daughter of Pieter Schuyler, Sr.

Feb. 9, 1746-7. At Schoharie, Roger Baxter witnessed Peter Useley's will.

Nov. 1761. Sold land on Fox Creek, the deed of which was not recorded until Feb. 20, 1771.

April, 1763. There was an Indian alarm at Burnet's ford, German Flats. Mohawk Valley. Eckerson and Thomas Baxter responded to the call to arms, April 24-28, with Captain Jacob Klock's Company. Roger and John Baxter and Pieter Schuyler, Junior, did not, but were subsequently lawfully excused.

In 1768, Roger Baxter lived in Schoharie, and in the same year he leased land on Canada Creek, near Fort Hendrick, to Thomas Baxter.

23

OLIVER⁴ BAXTER (John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. about 1712; migrated to Hempstead, Queens County, N. Y.

April 24, 1748. Oliver Baxter bought land on Cow Neck, from Robert Betts, six acres.

In 1748, he had a leather fulling mill there.

May 10, 1760. Bought land on Cow Neck from John Betts, 60 acres for 300 pounds.

His will was dated Sept. 23, 1761. Proved June 10, 1768. Witnessed by Thomas Dodge, William Baker, and John Mitchell. Executors, wife Elizabeth, Adam Mott, and John Mitchell. His will gave son Mitchell ten acres, Mary £40. Keziah and Elizabeth when twenty years old, £40 each. Sarah, when Elizabeth was twenty, £20. Israel, when twenty, the house, etc. John, when twenty-five, £60. If John was not able to earn his own living, "it would be given him as long as he liveth." The widow was well provided for, and if she married again, was to have £60, instead of any other property. She was directed to bring up John and Sarah carefully. If she did not, Israel should. The Indian-negro girl was to be sold, when she would bring £60.

The children of Oliver and Elizabeth Baxter were:—

- 113 Robert Mitchell, b. June 20, 1738; he was a schoolmaster; he m. Feb. 19, 1762, Hannah Frost, b. Oct. 10, 1740; d. April 2, 1807, daughter of William and Hannah (Prior) Frost of Oyster Bay. March 28, 1781. William Frost's will was witnessed by Robert Mitchell Baxter. He lived at the entrance of Frost lane. Robert Mitchell Baxter was mentioned in Mrs. Elizabeth Baxter Sands' will. In 1790, Mitchell lived at Oyster Bay with his wife and two sons over sixteen.

- 114 Mary, also mentioned in Mrs. Sands' will.
- 115 Keziah, mentioned in Mrs. Sands' will, 1759; m. May 26, 1777, William Nichols.
- 116 Elizabeth.
- +117 Israel, b. about 1751; d. in Queens County, N. Y., 1834; m. Patty Lawrence; in 1790 he lived at North Hempstead with his wife and six children; four sons and two daughters.
- 118 John, d. 1812.
- 119 Sarah.

26

STEPHEN⁴ or STEVENS BAXTER (John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. about 1718. Feb. 11, 1744, at Sleepy Hollow church, Tarrytown, Stevens Baxter b. Westchester, m. Margareta Bassett, b. Rye; living Bedford, Westchester County.

1769. Samuel Honeywell to Stephen Baxter, 3 acres of land, 6 pounds. In Bedford, Westchester County. Bounded east by Muscote Path, west by the highway that goeth to Crotons' River.

May 22, 1769. Stephen Baxter witness of the will of Daniel Smith, Bedford.

April 22, 1775. Capt. Stephen Baxter executor of the will of Hezekiah Roberts.

Dec., 1775. Stephen Baxter, of Bedford, recanted Tory principles at Stamford, Conn.

1776. Stephen Baxter was a vestryman at Christ Church, Rye.

Aug. 19, 1777. Stephen Baxter, of Bedford, and Margaret, his wife, sold real estate to John Seaman. Deed not recorded until Aug. 26, 1802.

May 28, 1780. Stephen Baxter witness to Mercy Honeywell's will, Westchester.

A Capt. Stephen Baxter was a leader of the refugees during the Revolution.

June, 1783. Stephen Baxter embarked for Nova Scotia, and is probably the Stephen Baxter who obtained a grant of land at Parrtown, St. Johns, N. S., the same year.

On the list of New Brunswick loyalists of the Revolution, are the names of Stephen Baxter, formerly of Bedford, N. Y., now of St. Johns, N. B., and another Stephen Baxter of the same place, probably a son.

34

PHEBE⁴ PALMER (Rebecca,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. Joshua Pell, son of the third proprietor of the Manor of Pelham.

Will dated March 1, 1758; proved Aug. 14, 1781. Sons Philip and Benjamin, Gilbert, Joshua, Jr., Edward Pell.

Ex. Son Joshua and son-in-law Joseph Latham of New York, shipwright.

Witnesses, Charles Vincent, Peter Odell, Robert Rolp. (The descendants of Joshua Pell are the Pells of New York and of Pelham, Ulster County.—Bolton.)

37

GEORGE⁴ TIPPETT (Dorcas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. —; had:

- 120 George.
- 121 Henry.
- 122 Thomas.

38

JAMES⁴ TIPPETT (Dorcas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. Martha Hunt, daughter of Thomas Hunt (Josiah of the Grove Farm, Thomas). They had:

- 123 Stephen, m. Sept. 6, 1761, Christina Provoost, bap. April 10, 1748. Their son James Tippet, b. May 8, 1765. Lived in New York City.
- 124 Gilbert, m. Aug. 11, 1759, Susannah Glover (granddaughter of Keziah Baxter Glover). They had a son, Peter Tippet.

39

THOMAS⁴ TIPPETT (Dorcas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. —, had:

- 125 Jane.
- 126 Rachel.

40

WILLIAM⁴ TIPPETT (Dorcas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. Martha Hunt, daughter of Moses Hunt (Josiah of the Grove Farm, Thomas). They had:

- +127 William, proprietor of Tippet's Neck at the time of the Revolution. He fled to Nova Scotia after the Revolution, with his family. His estate was forfeited, and passed to the Berrian family.
- 128 Abigail.
- 129 Lavina.
- 130 Jean.
- 131 Dorcas, m. Harmon Rutgers, July 19, 1763.
- 132 Philena, m. Ezekial Archer, great-grandson of John Archer, second lord of the Manor of Fordham. They were married June 9, 1763.
- 133 Ann, m. Michael Ryett.
- 134 Martha, m. Anthony Gleave, March 30, 1770.

The will of William Tippet, of Yonkers, husband of Martha, was dated July 22, 1769. Proved Nov. 22, 1769. One son, William. Seven daughters, as above.

41

JANE⁴ TIPPETT (Dorcas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. Charles Warner, mentioned in Mrs. Elizabeth Baxter Sands' will, 1759. Charles Warner's will dated June 4, 1761. Proved June 19, 1775. They had:

- 135 Jane, m. Cornelius Berrian.
- +136 Elizabeth, m. William Hadley, a cousin (146).

- 137 Phebe, m. Joseph Jadwin.
- 138 Dorcas, m. Moses Oakley, also a cousin.
- 139 William, m. Phebe Post, b. Oct. 20, 1764. He was left the farm and improvements at Yonkers.
- 140 Jesse Warner.

42

PHEBE⁴ TIPPETT (Dorcas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. George Hadley, a cousin, son of Joseph and Mehitable (Tippett) Hadley. They had:

- 141 Isaac.
- 142 Frederick.
- 143 George.
- 144 Abraham.
- 145 Stephen.
- 146 William.
- 147 Elizabeth.

43

DORCAS⁴ TIPPETT (Dorcas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. Samuel Berrian, fourth son of Nicholas Berrian, the Huguenot. Dorcas Berrian was mentioned in Mrs. Sands' will. Samuel Berrian became owner of Tippett's Neck, afterwards called Berrian's Neck, when it was confiscated after the Revolution, in consequence of its owner, William Tippett being a Tory and going to Nova Scotia. Samuel Berrian sold the 200 acres of which the estate then consisted, in 1794, to his nephew, Abraham Berrian. Samuel and Dorcas (Tippett) Berrian had:

- 148 Samuel.
- 149 Richard, whose son was the Rev. William(6) Berrian, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, New York City, many years ago. (See Bolton's *Westchester*.) A mile or two north of Berrian's Neck is the old Hadley property. In 1848 the stone residence of the Hadleys stood beside the old turnpike.

57

STILLWELL⁴ EMMONS, of Yonkers (Abigail,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), will dated April 25, 1764. Proved July 16, 1764. Leaves legacies to brother Thomas Emmons. To Sarah Emmons, daughter of "my brother Thomas Emmons; lands in Westchester and my right in the sheep-pastures in Westchester, to be sold and the money paid to Sarah when of age." To Fanny Emmons, sister of Sarah Emmons, 70 pounds. To Abraham Emmons 70 pounds. Ten pounds to defend will. Executors: My friends Augustus Van Courtlandt and David Oakley.

59

THOMAS⁴ EMMONS, of the "little or lower Yonkers," (Abigail,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), will dated Sept. 6, 1781. Proved April 29, 1782.

- 150 Abraham was left 1000 pounds.
- 151 Elizabeth, widow of James Henderson, 500 pounds.
- 152 Frances, wife of Isaac Green, 300 pounds.
- 153 Sarah, wife of Joshua Vermillie, 300 pounds.

FIFTH GENERATION.

78

THOMAS⁵ BAXTER (Thomas,⁴ Thomas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. about 1735, on Frogg's Neck; m. Phebe Mabie. They had:

- +154 Solomon, b. Feb. 10, 1763; m. June 23, 1788, and had eleven children. In 1790, a Solomon Baxter was a Pew Holder in the Westchester Episcopal Church.
- 155 Jemima, b. March 17, 1767; m. Marcus Baxter (81). In 1790, Phebe Baxter lived in Bedford, N. Y., with her daughters, two in number. In 1790 Solomon Baxter lived in Westchester, with his wife and one daughter. Marcus Baxter, wife, two sons under sixteen, and one daughter.

79

JAMES⁶ BAXTER (Thomas,⁴ Thomas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. 1739. Had a son James, and in 1790 lived in Westchester, with his wife and one daughter.

81

MARCUS⁵ BAXTER (Marcus,⁴ Thomas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Westchester, March 9, 1762. Afterwards lived in Putnam County; m. Jemima Baxter (155). Will dated Aug. 13, 1825. Proved May 8, 1828. Marcus Baxter of Philipstown, N. Y., wife Jemima. Children mentioned:

- 156 Abraham. Had son William Baxter.
- 157 William.
- 158 Isaac.
- 159 Jacob.
- 160 John.
- 161 James C.
- +162 Marcus.
- 163 Gideon.
- 164 Nancy.
- 165 Anar.

82

GIDEON⁵ BAXTER (Marcus,⁴ Thomas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. Ann —; lived at East Fishkill. They had:

- 166 Harriet, b. in 1800; d. unm., 1864.
- 167 George W., b. in 1806; d. unm., 1863.
- 168 Norris, m. widow (Hasbrouck) Brackett.

1813. Gideon witnessed the will of Nicholas Bogart. All are buried at Fishkill.

83

THOMAS⁵ BAXTER (Augustine,⁴ Thomas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. Feb. 23, 1776, Mary Palmer, at Westchester.

In 1790 Thomas Baxter was living at Westchester, with his wife, three sons and six daughters, and three slaves.

+169 George, b. Dec. 4, 1793; d. April 4, 1868; was the son of Thomas and Mary (Palmer) Baxter. Most of the family went West.

WILL OF PETTIT BAXTER, RECORDED AT WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.

In the name of God. Amen.

I, Pettit Baxter of North Salem, in the County of Westchester, and State of New York. Yeoman. Being in perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God. Calling into mind the mortality of my body, and it is appointed unto all men to die. So make and ordain this, my last will and testament, that is to say, principally and first of all, I give and recommend my soul unto the hands of Almighty God, who gave it, and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial, at the discretion of my Executors, nothing doubting at the general Resurrection, I shall receive the same again, by the Almighty power of God, and touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life.—I give, devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form, First, that all my just debts be paid, together with my funeral charges, secondly, that my wife Sarah shall have the use of one-third of my real estate, during her natural life, or as long as she remains my widow. I give and bequeath to my son David Baxter, the North part of my farm the south line to be as follows—beginning at a stake and stones, on the west side of the lane opposite the north-west corner of a piece of land, which David bought of his brother John Baxter, then west as the fence now stands to the west side of my farm, with privilege of the lane, and all north of the line. Estimated at fifty acres, be the same more or less.

I give and bequeath to my son Richard Baxter, all my farm south of the line above mentioned, with all the appurtenances thereto belonging, except such reserve as I shall now make, that is to say, I give my daughter, Rhoda Baxter the use of seventeen acres and seventy rods of land, lying on the east side of the lane, which lands I purchased of the trustees of the estate of Benjamin Close, deceased, which land, with the rest given to my son Richard Baxter, is estimated at

fifty acres, be the same more or less. I give and bequeath unto my three daughters, Mary Keeler, Joanna Close, and Phebe Hunt, £50 each, including what I have already given, as my book will certify.

I give and bequeath unto my grandson, Pettit Baxter, twenty dollars, to be paid him by my executors, at my decease, out of my movable estate. I likewise constitute and appoint my trusty friend, Philetus Phillips and my son David Baxter, Executors to this, my last will and testament. Ratifying this and no other, to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 17th day of July, in the year of our Lord, 1807.

Pettit Baxter. Proved Feb. 25, 1809.

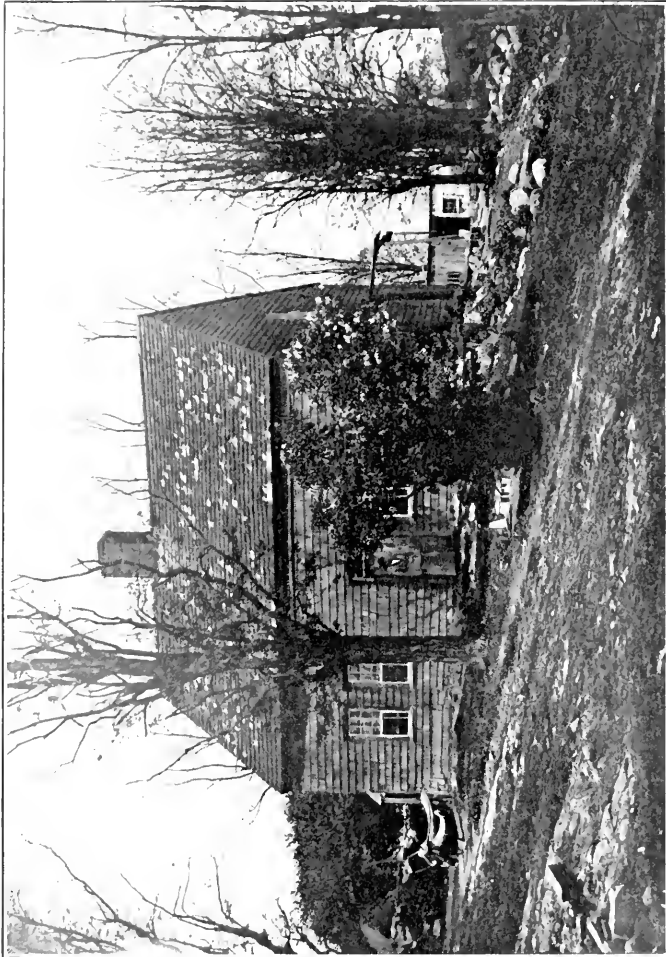
Witnesses, Samuel Rundle, Nehemiah Smith, Jesse Birchard.

STEBBINS BAXTER'S WILL.

I, Stebbins Baxter of North Salem, in Westchester County and State of New York, do make this my last will and testament, that is to say. It is my will and pleasure that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid out of my estate in a convenient time. Also I give to Stebbins Baxter Quick and Stebbins Baxter June. Fifty dollars apiece, to be kept at interest, with sufficient security until they arrive at the age of twenty-one years. The remainder of my estate after paying the necessary expenses of settling my estate, I give and bequeath unto the wardings and vestry of St. James Church, North Salem, and their successors forever, to be kept at interest, with sufficient security, by way of mortgages on real property, the interest to be applied to the use and benefit of the Clergyman who officiates at St. James, North Salem, from time to time, and no other purpose. Finally, I appoint Zabud June, and Epenetus Wallace, of Salem aforesaid, to be the said Executors of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof, I have set my hand and seal this 28th day of March, 1815.

STEBBINS BAXTER.

Witnesses, Lewis June, Daniel R. June, Ira Smith.
Proved Feb., 1820.



THE PETTIT BAXTER HOUSE, NORTH SALEM, N. Y.



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PETTIT⁵ BAXTER (John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Horseneck, Conn., Dec. 16, 1732; d. at North Salem, Feb. 5, 1809; m. Feb. 3, 1760, at St James' Church, then called the Church of Christ, Salem, Sarah Brush, b. Nov. 9, 1738; d. at North Salem Feb. 5, 1823. She was probably the daughter of Stephen Brush and his wife Mary, who were two of the original members of the Church of Christ when it was organized in 1752. There is the record of the marriage of Richard Brush and Hannah Tyler Feb. 19, 1767. Also the record of the marriage of Joanna Brush and Ephraim Gilbert Oct. 5, 1769; these were probably the brother and sister of Sarah Brush, as two of her children were of the same name. The family of Brush were numerous in Greenwich and Westchester County. Bolton says, in speaking of the Sleepy Hollow Church, Tarrytown: "In the churchyard are vaults belonging to the Pauling, Brown, Beeckman and Brush families." Pettit and Sarah (Brush) Baxter had:

- +170 John, b. at North Salem Sept. 24, 1760; d. at Friendship, N. Y., Nov. 28, 1841.
- +171 David, b. North Salem, Nov. 4, 1763; d. at North Salem, Nov. 21, 1825. He was named for some of the Mead family, probably.
- 172 Rhoda, b. at North Salem, Dec. 3, 1766; d. at North Salem, Aug. 12, 1813.
- 173 Mary, b. at North Salem, July 28, 1769. She was married to Joel Keeler and removed to Milton, Saratoga County, N. Y., where she died, well advanced in years.
- 174 Joanna, b. at North Salem, Nov. 13, 1771; m. Stephen Close and went to Milton, Saratoga County, N. Y., to live. Then to Cayuga County, N. Y.
- 175 Hardy, b. at North Salem, April 11, 1774; d. Sept. 28, 1777.
- 176 Pettit, b. Sept. 16, 1776, at North Salem; d. July 15, 1805, in Cayuga County.

- +177 Richard, b. at North Salem, Sept. 8, 1779; d. June 27, 1849, at North Salem.
- +178 Phebe, b. at North Salem, July 28, 1782; m. Samuel Hunt; d. at North Salem, Nov. 1, 1847.

The will of Pettit Baxter is recorded at White Plains, N. Y. Mentions wife Sarah, and sons John, David and Richard, and daughters Rhoda Baxter, Mary Keeler, Joanna Close and Phebe Hunt.

The old house belonging to Pettit Baxter is still standing, and is inhabited. It must be near two hundred years old. The farm is still called the Baxter Farm. John Baxter's old farm adjoins his father's, but the old house was burned down many years ago. Pettit Baxter was a lame man who rode about his farm on horseback. Nevertheless, he enlisted in the 4th Westchester Militia (Land Bounty Rights) see Roberts' "N. Y. in the Revolution," page 268. Descendants eligible to D. A. R. or S. A. R.

99

MARY⁵ BAXTER (John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. March 11, 1734; d. June, 1802; m. Abraham Smith, b. Jan. 9, 1733; d. March, 1784; both of North Salem. They had:

- 179 Abraham, b. Aug. 15, 1754; d. March, 1808; m. Nov. 19, 1778, Sarah Crane.
- 180 Mary, b. Aug. 10, 1756; d. June, 1803.
- 181 Abigail, b. Dec. 15, 1758; d. March 20, 1788; m. Sept. 9, 1779, Jabez Close.
- 182 Reuben, b. July 12, 1762; d. July 7, 1836.
- 183 Nathaniel, b. April 4, 1764; d. Sept., 1840.
- +184 Abel, b. Sept. 2, 1766; d. Sept. 28, 1850.
- 185 Pettit, b. March 8, 1770; d. Aug. 31, 1837.
- 186 Thomas, b. Aug. 20, 1772; d. June 29, 1838.

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SAMUEL⁵ BAXTER (John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. about 1736, a Tory, Dec., 1776. Samuel Baxter of Salem, West-

chester County, abandoned his house, cattle and farm of twenty-five acres, and "joined the ministerial army." A Whig committee appraised his property at £51. He went to Shelburne, Nova Scotia, in 1783, but none of his name live there now. His nephew John Baxter (170) being a Whig, obtained the property. There were twenty-eight acres in the farm.

We find Jonathan(6) Baxter witness of the will of John Thomson, mariner, Shelburne, N. S. Dated Dec. 2, 1789. Proved Oct. 22, 1790.

John Baxter witness of the will of John Lee, mariner, March 18, 1793.

These were probably the sons of Samuel Baxter, of Shelburne, Nova Scotia.

101

THOMAS⁵ BAXTER (John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Horseneck, April 22, 1739; d. at North Salem, Feb. 20, 1809; m. Aug. 7, 1765, Hannah Barnum, daughter of Thomas Barnum and granddaughter of Samuel Barnum, one of the original settlers of Danbury, Conn. Hannah Barnum was born at Danbury March 10, 1743; d. March 10, 1826. Their children were:

- 187 Hannah, b. at North Salem, July 6, 1766; m. Daniel G. Beatty.
- +188 Thomas, b. at North Salem, Dec. 24, 1767; m. (1) Adah Benedict; (2) Sarah (Stone) Wildman; (3) Sally Stalker.
- +189 Abigail, b. at North Salem, Nov. 22, 1769; m. Isaac Keeler.
- 190 Martha, b. at North Salem, Dec. 21, 1771; m. Jesse Blanchard.
- +191 Rebecca, b. at North Salem, Oct. 10, 1774; m. Jonah Keeler.
- 192 Betsey, b. at North Salem, Oct. 28, 1776; d. unm., March 2, 1814.
- 193 Samuel Barnum, b. at North Salem, Aug. 16, 1779; m. Hannah Smith; she d. Feb. 24, 1854;

- b. Dec. 18, 1775. Samuel Barnum Baxter d. May 1, 1845. They had no children.
- +194 Ezra, b. at North Salem, Feb. 6, 1782; m. Mary A. Peck.
- 195 Esther, b. at North Salem, Oct. 23, 1784; m. Uriah Griffen.

During the Revolution, Thomas Baxter served in the 4th Westchester as private, or the 4th Westchester County Militia, Major Thaddeus Crane. Capt. Truesdale, Company 41. (See "New York in the Revolution," page 214.)

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MARTHA⁵ BAXTER (John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. 1745; m. Abner Gilbert of Ridgefield, at the church of Christ, Salem, Nov. 14, 1771; d. 1808.

105

AUSTIN⁵ or AUGUSTINE BAXTER (John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. about 1747; m. Martha Darling, a direct descendant of the Mr. Darling who married the daughter of Governor Berkeley, Colonial Governor of Virginia. They had:

- +196 Stephen, b. at Fairfield, Conn., and perhaps other children. They also lived at Redding, Conn.; they went West before 1800.

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JOHN⁵ BAXTER (John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. 1749; m. Lydia Bell Reed, daughter of Daniel and Mary (Bell) Reed, b. May 15, 1751. They were married March 4, 1771. Their children were:

- +197 Mary Bell, b. Oct. 6, 1772; bapt. in the Church of Christ, Dec. 13, 1772; m. Zabud June.
- +198 Daniel Reed, b. June 22, 1774; d. Dec. 16, 1842.
- +199 Huldah, b. June 22, 1776; d. Aug. 11, 1851.

John Baxter (106) and wife became members of the Church of Christ, or St. James Church, at Salem, N. Y. Nov. 10, 1771. John Baxter died Feb. 27, 1777.

It is supposed that he was a soldier of the Revolution, and died of wounds received. Lydia married Jan. 13, 1779, Major Thaddeus Crane, born March 27, 1728.

Lydia Reed (Baxter) Crane died Sept. 3, 1813. These were known as the Baxter-Crane marriages. With his children and her children, and their own children there were twenty-one in all. Major Crane died in 1800.

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NATHANIEL⁵ BAXTER (John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. 1751; bapt. June 24, 1752, at Church of Christ, Salem; d. at North Salem, June 27, 1807; m. Sarah Smith, b. Oct., 1761. They had:

- +200 Marcus, b. Oct., 1788; m. Abigail Truesdale, b. April, 1793.
- 201 Martha, b. 1790; d. June 4, 1814; unm.
- 202 Sarah, m. — Slater.
- 203 Rebecca, m. — Douglas; d. June 16, 1829.
- +204 Harvey, b. 1799; m. Reumany Northrop; d. June 12, 1844.

108

STEBBINS⁵ BAXTER (John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. 1754; d. at North Salem, Feb. 25, 1820; unm.

Bolton's "History of Westchester," says: "Mr. Stebbins Baxter, a resident of North Salem, who d. on the 28th of Feb., 1820; bequeathed his entire property to St. James' Parish, amounting to—according to an inventory of his estate—\$3,000. Which after deducting general expenses, etc., left a balance of \$2,000. The Church, however, owing to the failure of the executors, only obtained the sum of \$1,100."

He also left the sum of \$50 each to Stebbins Baxter June and Stebbins Baxter Quick, his grand-nephews.

During the Revolution, in Willett's Tryon County Regiments, were:—Aaron, Anson and Thomas Baxter. Thomas Baxter was a prisoner in Canada from May 27, 1780, until April 19, 1783. John and Thomas Baxter were in Capt. Helmer's Co. from Feb. 18 to Aug. 18, 1779; and March 10 to Sept., 1780, Captain Helmer's Co., Col. Jacob Klocks' 2nd Tryon Co. Regiment. These five were probably grandsons of Roger Baxter (John, Thomas, George).

Thomas Baxter and wife Marytge had a son Jacob, b. March 8th and bapt. March 23, 1784. Aug. 5, 1784, a Mary Folk, wife of Thomas Baxter, is mentioned in Thomas Folks' will, Ulster County.

In 1790 a Thomas Baxter, wife and two grown sons, two sons under sixteen and three daughters, lived at Canajoharie.

In 1790 Aaron Baxter was a resident of Hillsdale, Columbia County, N. Y., with his wife, one son under sixteen and one daughter.

112

JOHN⁵ BAXTER (Roger,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), was killed by Indians in his own garden, now owned by Mr. Guy C. Beardsley, at East Creek, Herkimer County. This was probably during the French and Indian War, perhaps about 1763.

There was a tradition in our family concerning this tragedy.

John perhaps married Mary Schuyler, daughter of Pieter Schuyler, Sr., of the Mohawk Valley, and may have been the father of Schuyler Baxter.

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ISRAEL⁵ BAXTER (Oliver,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. 1751; m. Patty Lawrence. They had:

+205 William Baxter, and five other children, names unknown.

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WILLIAM⁵ TIPPETT (William Tippett,⁴ Dorcas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), son of William Tippett, Sr., and Martha Hunt, a Royalist. Went to Nova Scotia after the Revolution. Had daughter Martha Tippett and perhaps other children.

Martha Tippett was born about 1764; m. at Annapolis, Nova Scotia, 1784, Col. James De Lancey, one of the boldest of the foragers of the Neutral Ground during the Revolution, son of Peter De Lancey and his wife Alice, daughter of Cadwallader Colden. Col. James De Lancey d. 1809; Martha De Lancey d. 1837, at Annapolis. They had:

John, Stephen, Oliver, Maria, Anne and Peter De Lancey, all of Annapolis, N. S. All of George Tippett's sons died before him, except William Tippett, Sr.; he died 1769. Some descendants remained in the United States.

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ELIZABETH⁵ WARNER (Jane Tippett,⁴ Dorcas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. William Hadley (146). They had:

- 211 Joseph.
- 212 Moses.
- 213 William.
- 214 Charles.
- 215 John.
- 216 James, of New York.
- 217 Isaac, whose two sons died in the U. S. army.
- 218 Jacob, of western New York.
- 219 Thomas, of Charlestown.
- 220 George Washington.

George Tippett of Yonkers, Will. Wife Dorcas, Will dated May 3, 1761. Proved June 26, 1761. Leaves personal estate to daughters Jane, wife of Charles Warner, and Phebe, wife of George Hadley. To grandson, George, "oldest son of my son George," my lot in Yonkers, 79 acres, adjoining land of Abigail Emmons and land of John Vermilyea, and the millpond of James Van Courtland, and he is to pay his brother Henry, when twenty-

one, £100. To Thomas, son of my son George, a lot of land lying in the Neck (Tippett's Neck) 30 acres, beginning at the gate between my land and the land of Edward Meeks, and running south by the highway to a brook, and then north to land of Edward Meeks. Leaves to Dorcas, "wife of Samuel Berrian," a lot of 10 acres, beginning at the house and then running by the "Krick" and road to the cross-fence. Leaves to grandsons Stephen and Gilbert, "sons of my son James," a lot of 28 acres, where my son James formerly lived, with house. Leaves to son William the home lot, 28 acres, with house. Mentions Jane, "daughter of my son Thomas and her sister Rachel. Leaves all the rest of land on Yonkers (Tippett's) Neck to son William the only son that survived him.

Executors: James Van Courtlandt, Esq., David Oakley, William Warner.

Witnesses: Ambrose Jones, Israel Honeywell, Edward Meeks.

SIXTH GENERATION.

154

SOLOMON⁶ BAXTER (Thomas,⁵ Thomas,⁴ Thomas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Feb. 10, 1763; m. June 22, 1788; moved to Putnam County. Solomon Baxter of Putnam County, will dated Feb. 20, 1844. Proved Nov. 1, 1847. Witnesses, Gideon Baxter, Jacob Baxter. Sons and daughters mentioned are:

- +221 Solomon, d. 1862; m. Phebe —.
- +222 Morris, m. Mary —.
- 223 Gilbert.
- 224 Cortland.
- 225 Ann.
- 226 Elizabeth.
- 227 Deborah.
- 228 Effe.

162

MARCUS⁶ BAXTER (Marcus,⁵ Marcus,⁴ Thomas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹). Had:

- 229 James Marcus.
- 230 Charles Henry.
- 231 George Henry, migrated to Indiana.

169

GEORGE⁶ BAXTER (Thomas,⁵ Augustine,⁴ Thomas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. Hannah ——. Will dated Dec. 30, 1867. Proved 1868. Children named:

- 232 Mervin R.
- 233 George W.
- 234 John.
- 235 Simon P.
- 236 William.
- 237 Caroline F.

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JOHN⁶ BAXTER (Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at North Salem, Sept. 24, 1760; d. at Friendship, N. Y., Nov. 28, 1841; m. Jan. 4, 1786, Dorcas Whitlock, b. at Danbury, Conn., June 4, 1766; d. at Friendship, N. Y., April 25, 1839. Their children were:

- 238 Sarah Baxter, b. Oct. 28, 1786, at North Salem. She was m. (1) to Abijah Hedden, who d. a soldier, at Sackett's Harbor, 1814; m. (2) Daniel Taber, d. Sept., 1838, at Portland, Chautauqua County, N. Y.
- +239 Dorcas, b. at North Salem, April 24, 1788; m. David Kinne; d. at Weedsport, N. Y., 1841.
- 240 Rhoda, b. at North Salem, March 5, 1790; m. Ira Hickox; d. at Cuba, N. Y., 1832.
- +241 John Whitlock, b. at North Salem, June 4, 1792; d. at Friendship, March 29, 1862.

- +242 Henry W., b. at North Salem, Oct. 17, 1793; d. at Patriot, Ind., Sept. 21, 1851.
- +243 Phebe, b. at North Salem, Oct. 5, 1795; m. Joseph Gorton at Fonda's Bush, Jan. 5, 1814; d. at Friendship, N. Y., March 19, 1869.
- +244 Mary Eleanor, b. at North Salem, June 16, 1799; m. Erastus Kinne at Broadalbin; d. at Cuba, N. Y., April 17, 1856.
- +245 Hannah, b. at North Salem, Oct. 30, 1802; m. Cornelius Stevenson, at Friendship; d. at Concord, Erie County, Pa.
- +246 Lucy Ann, b. at Milton, Saratoga Co., N. Y., Oct. 26, 1804; m. Eliakim Crosby at Friendship, 1827; d. at Poland Center, Jan. 1, 1844.
- 247 David, b. at Milton, Oct. 26, 1806; d. June 22, 1807.

The Whitlock family were early settlers of Danbury, Conn., there being a Whitlock Street in that city; but it is possible that they lived in Westchester County first. On June 8, 1686, Thomas Whitlock and Mary, his wife, sell land to Thomas Vail. They are then of Middletown, Westchester County, N. Y.

At all events, the Whitlocks and Gilberts are numerous in Ridgefield at the present time, and there are Whitlocks in Danbury still. Dorcas Whitlock was an Episcopalian and a woman of some education. After coming to Friendship, N. Y., she became a member of the Baptist Church of that place, and she and her husband were buried in the churchyard, but were later removed to Mt. Hope cemetery, when it was first laid out.

John Baxter (170) enlisted in the 4th Westchester Militia, Company 41, Major Thaddeus Crane, Capt. Truesdale. He was wounded in the shoulder and arm—left arm—and taken prisoner June 24, 1779. Released Jan. 9, 1780. Placed on the pension roll Nov. 16, 1786. Commencement of pension, April 24, 1776, which was probably the time of his enlistment. His death occurred in 1841. He was then in his eighty-second year.

While on picket duty he with others, altogether twenty-four, were captured and imprisoned in the old sugar house on Liberty Street. One account gives it that John Baxter was not wounded until after his capture, then by a Tory named Underhill. After the Revolution John Baxter heard of him as living in Nova Scotia, and sent him word he would kill him if he ever met him again. Another account says that when John was brought in wounded and bleeding, an officer had pity on him and proposed sending him home. He was then not yet nineteen, and had served over three years. When John's uncle Samuel, who had joined the British, said, "Let the damned rebel die, there will be one less to hang when the war is over." So they were probably captured by the refugees or cowboys, so called on account of their love for that useful animal. They were said "to err on the safe side and rob friend and foe alike."

They also carried on an underhand traffic with the Skinners, who fought ostensibly on the Continental side. Sometimes they would have a mock battle and apparently capture goods from one another, which in reality were exchanged in this manner, under cover of a skirmish.

Small-pox attacked John Baxter and his companions and only six out of the twenty-four lived to be exchanged. John Baxter returned home in a crippled condition, and received the twenty-eight acres that had been his Uncle Samuel Baxter's.

John Baxter was married, and most of his children were born at North Salem, on a farm owned in 1873 by the heirs of Samuel Hunt, who married Phebe Baxter, the youngest daughter of Pettit Baxter.

Finding he could better his fortunes he removed to Milton, Saratoga County, New York, where his sister, Mary Baxter Keeler, already resided. After a few years' residence there, he sold his property and removed to Broadalbin, in what was then Montgomery County, where he remained until 1823. His farm there is still called the Baxter farm. In 1823, he removed to Friendship, where he lived until his death, Nov., 1841, at the home of his son John W. Baxter.

In 1873 William Hunt Ireland Howe was the owner of the original Baxter estate at North Salem. His father, Epenetus Howe, was married to Ann Eliza Hunt, daughter of Samuel and Phebe Baxter Hunt. Daniel Hunt resided with him on the John Baxter farm, but not in the house, for that was burned down many years ago. Walter Hunt and his sister Emily lived upon the farm once owned by Pettit Baxter, old people; unm. in 1873.

John Baxter's (170) Revolutionary War Record: John Baxter enlisted April 24, 1776, in the Fourth Westchester County Regiment, Westchester County Militia, Col. Thaddeus Crane, Major Nathaniel Delevan, Captain Truesdale. (From New York in the Revolution, page 214.)

John Baxter, private, Crane, Truesdale. Wounded in shoulder and left arm. Westchester County Militia, 4th Regiment, Company 41. (Archives of the State of New York, page 320.)

John Baxter, private, Crane's New York Militia. Placed on Pension roll, Nov. 16, 1786. Commencement of pension, April 24, 1776. Drew pension until death, Nov. 28, 1841. (New York Pension Roll, Revolutionary Pensioners, Allegany County, New York, page 4.)

John Baxter taken prisoner June 24, 1779. Released Jan. 9, 1780.

Westchester County Militia (Land Bounty Rights). John Baxter enlisted in 2nd Regiment. Major Thaddeus Crane, 1781-2. Adjutant Thomas Hunt, New York, in the Revolution, page 266.

After John recovered from his wounds, in 1781, he enlisted in the 4th Westchester Militia (Land Bounty Rights) to which Pettit Baxter belonged.

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DAVID⁶ BAXTER (Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at North Salem, Nov. 4, 1763; m. Hannah Osborne, b. at Brookfield, Oct. 9, 1763; d. at North Salem, Oct. 27, 1825. David Baxter d. at North Salem, Nov. 21, 1825.

David Baxter served in the 4th Westchester Militia, Regiment, Company 41, Major Thaddeus Crane, Capt. Truesdale. (See "New York in the Revolution," page 214.) David and Hannah (Osborne) Baxter had:

- 248 Elizabeth, b. at North Salem, May 3, 1792; m. Stephen Van Tassel; d. at North Salem, Dec. 27, 1864. Had a son, David Van Tassel.
- 249 Matilda, b. at North Salem, April 1, 1794; m. Benjamin Gray; d. at North Salem, April 3, 1850. Benjamin Gray b. March 9, 1784; d. Feb. 25, 1867.
- +250 William Pettit, b. at North Salem, Dec. 22, 1801; d. at South Norwalk, Oct. 15, 1873.

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RICHARD⁶ BAXTER (Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at North Salem, Sept. 8, 1779; m. Jan. 2, 1804, Hannah Northrop, b. March 2, 1781. Richard and Hannah (Northrop) Baxter had:

- +251 Joel Keeler, b. Nov. 15, 1804; d. May 24, 1878.
- +252 Daniel Coley, b. March 30, 1808; d. Jan. 2, 1866.
- 253 Harriet, b. Sept. 30, 1810; m. Harvey Smith; d. Dec. 28, 1892.
- 254 John, b. Nov. 23, 1813; d. March 1, 1880; m. Ann Byington.

Hannah (Northrop) Baxter died Oct. 13, 1841. Richard Baxter died June 25, 1849. Richard Baxter married (2) Anna —, born Jan. 14, 1797; died May 3, 1849. No children by the second wife.

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PHEBE⁶ BAXTER (Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. July 28, 1782; m. Samuel Hunt, b. May 25, 1775; d. Jan. 7, 1851. They had:

- 255 Daniel.

- +256 Ann Eliza, m. Epenetus Howe.
- 257 Walter.
- 258 Emily.
- +259 Henrietta, b. Oct. 7, 1809; m. James R. Howe, son of John and Elsie Howe, b. April 2, 1802; m. June 15, 1832. John Howe was b. March 2, 1768; d. April 30, 1845.

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ABEL⁶ SMITH (Mary,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Sept. 2, 1766; m. Sarah Smith, Feb. 9, 1790. They had:

- 260 Elias Smith, b. Feb. 19, 1791; m. (1) Sarah Pugsley, b. June 13, 1791; d. May 6, 1847; m. (2) Phebe Pugsley, b. 1794; d. March 28, 1867.
- 261 Ira, b. May 25, 1792; m. Hetty Rundell.
- 262 Harry, b. Feb. 22, 1795; m. Mary Rundell.
- 263 Lewis, b. Oct. 11, 1797; m. Mary Badeau.
- 264 Thomas, b. May 2, 1800; m. Susan Brown.
- 265 Sarah, b. Aug. 16, 1802; m. Walter Keeler (283).
- 266 Abram, b. Dec. 15, 1804; m. Julia Titus.
- 267 George, b. April 12, 1807; m. Emma Smith.
- 268 Nancy, b. Nov. 28, 1811.

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THOMAS⁶ BAXTER (Thomas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Dec. 24, 1767; m. (1) Dec. 25, 1794, Adah Benedict, daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth (Burchard) Benedict. They had:

- 269 Adah, b. Nov. 18, 1795; m. Oct. 11, 1814, Martin Quick of Somers. Thomas Baxter m. (2) Feb. 4, 1798, Sarah (Stone) Wildman, daughter of William C. and Nancy Stone and widow of Nathan Wildman, b. July 24, 1777; d. Oct., 1806. They had:
- +270 Thomas, b. May 1, 1799; m. (1) Maria Exall; (2) Elizabeth Powell.

- +271 Anna, b. Aug. 11, 1801; m. Newman Briggs.
- +272 Sarah, b. Feb. 21, 1804; m. Charles H. Powell.
The three children of Thomas Baxter and Sarah Stone Baxter went to Virginia about 1820, and remained there, settling first in Richmond, Va. Their descendants still live in Richmond and Petersburg.
- Thomas Baxter m. (3) July 12, 1807, Sally Stalker, b. Dec. 14, 1783.
- +273 Rebecca, b. Feb. 19, 1808; m. Dr. Levi Bronson.
- +274 Stebbins, b. July 17, 1810; m. Hannah Ambler.
- +275 Harry B., b. Jan. 28, 1816; m. (1) Cynthia Gannon; m. (2) Fannie Loretta Bogardus.
- +276 Samuel C., b. June 4, 1822; m. Paulina Downs.
- 277 Mary Jane, b. March 20, 1825; m. William Barber.

Thomas Baxter was a schoolmaster. He lived at Miry Brook, now included within the present limits of Danbury, Conn.

He died in 1841. Sally (Stalker) Baxter died in 1858.

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ABIGAIL⁶ BAXTER (Thomas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹),
b. Nov. 22, 1769; m. Isaac Keeler, b. Oct. 12, 1766; m. Dec. 17, 1789. They had:

- 278 Esther, b. at Wilton, Conn., Oct. 18, 1790; m. Samuel Beers, son of Moses and Abigail (Nash) Beers.
- 279 Chauncy, b. at Wilton, Conn., Nov. 19, 1796; m. Harriet Morgan, of New Canaan, Conn.
- 280 Electra, b. at Wilton, Conn., 1804; m. Aaron Sanford Hyatt of Filmer, N. Y.

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REBECCA⁶ BAXTER (Thomas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹),
b. Oct. 10, 1774; d. 1857; m. March 25, 1797, Jonah Keeler, b. North Salem, Jan. 28, 1776; d. Dec. 5, 1851. They had:

- 281 Isaac, b. North Salem, Dec. 17, 1797; d. 1804.
 282 Laura, b. North Salem, Aug. 28, 1800; d. April 8, 1804.
 283 Walter, b. June 30, 1803; m. April 3, 1826, Sarah Smith (265). He was manager of the store department of the Methodist Book Concern for a time. Lived North Salem.
 284 Julia, b. Aug. 27, 1805; m. Dec., 1827, Thaddeus C. Quick, b. Sept. 6, 1796; he d. April 21, 1848.
 285 Esther, b. May 19, 1807; d. 1895; m. Oct. 23, 1825, Lewis Ritch, b. May 1, 1801, at Coxsackie, N. Y.; d. Oct. 14, 1848.
 286 Anna Maria, b. Aug. 1, 1811; m. Oct. 30, 1832, Alanson H. Chase; d. Oct. 1, 1834.
 287 Jesse B., b. Feb. 6, 1813; m. Sept. 22, 1845, Elizabeth Simonson; m. (2) April 6, 1859, Harriet Emmett, b. at Southeast, Aug. 9, 1814; d. Oct. 1, 1889.

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EZRA⁶ BAXTER (Thomas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Feb. 6, 1782; m. Mary A. Peck. They had:

- 288 Samuel B., b. April 23, 1819; d. Oct. 23, 1864.
 289 Louisa, m. — Bishop.
 290 Mary, m. Levi Wakeman, a Methodist minister.

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STEPHEN⁶ BAXTER (Augustine,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. 1781, at Fairfield, Conn.; m. Nancy Couch, moved to Dutchess County, N. Y., then to North Binghamton, Broome County. In 1839 moved to Champaign County, Ohio.

- 291 Martha, m. — Cook; lived at Binghamton, N. Y.
 292 Abraham C.
 293 William H.
 294 Stephen, Jr., d. of his wounds received at the battle of Port Republic.

- 295 Nancy, m. — Roans, Hume, Edgar Co., Ohio.
 296 Abigail D., m. V. Hoor; lived Urbana, O.
 297 Samuel, lived in Broome County, N. Y. Some of his descendants live there yet.
 298 Charity, m. — Cheney; lived at Mechanicsville, Ohio.
 299 Amelia, m. — Owens; lived at Mechanicsville, O.

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MARY BELL⁶ BAXTER (John,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹),
 b. Oct. 6, 1772; d. June 4, 1838; m. Zabud June, b. 1754; d.
 Dec. 7, 1847. They had:

- 300 Lewis, b. Feb. 17, 1791; d. Sept. 20, 1870; m. Betsey Hunt, b. Dec. 27, 1796; d. June 1, 1890. Zabud June was Sheriff of Westchester County from 1815 to 1818.
 301 Daniel R.
 302 Zabud, b. 1796; d. 1804.
 303 Lydia Reed, b. 1798; d. Dec. 7, 1847.
 304 Margaret, m. James Willis.
 305 William, b. Jan. 20, 1804; d. Sept. 20, 1870.
 306 Zabud, b. 1805; d. 1807.
 307 James M., b. 1809; d. 1862.
 308 Stebbins Baxter, b. 1811; d. 1861.

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DANIEL REED⁶ BAXTER (John,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹),
 b. June 22, 1774; d. Dec. 16, 1842; m. Bethia Crosby, of Southeast, Putnam County, N. Y., daughter of Lieut. David and Bethia Crosby, and granddaughter of Daniel and Reliance (Hopkins) Crosby, "Mayflower" descendants. They had eleven children:

- 309 June.
 310 John.
 311 Mentor.

- 312 Thaddeus.
- 313 Andrew.
- 314 Lydia.
- 315 Mary.
- 316 Eliza.
- 317 Caroline.
- 318 Theda.
- 319 Fanny.

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HULDAH⁶ BAXTER (John,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹),
 b. June 22, 1776; d. Aug. 11, 1851; m. (1) Samuel Quick, b.
 1769, a soldier of the War of 1812; d. June 10, 1812. m. (2)
 Benjamin Mead. Children of first marriage:

- 320 Thaddeus C., b. Sept. 6, 1796; d. Apr. 21, 1848;
 m. Julia Keeler (284).
- 321 John Baxter, b. March 29, 1798; d. Oct. 2, 1857;
 m. Eliza Mead, b. Aug. 6, 1804; d. Jan. 10, 1888.
- 322 Samuel P.
- 323 Gerard C.
- 324 Stebbins Baxter.
- 325 Zabud June, b. 1808; d. Nov. 30, 1846.

Thaddeus and Gerard Crane Quick were proprietors of a travelling menagerie about 1848; with them was associated Van Amburgh in the business, and also Lewis Titus and John June from North Salem.

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MARCUS⁶ BAXTER (Nathaniel,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,²
 Thomas¹), b. Oct., 1788; m. Nov., 1813, Abigail Truesdale, b.
 April, 1796; d. July 5, 1872. Marcus Baxter d. about 1860.
 They had:

- 326 Electa, b. Oct., 1814; m. Charles Beilby. Widow,
 lived New York; 3 children.
- 327 Amanda, b. Jan., 1816.

- 328 Charlotte, July 23, 1820; m. (1) Hiram Tuttle;
(2) Harry Riggs.
- +329 Samuel F., b. July 23, 1820; m. Jane Dexter.
- +330 Morgan, b. July, 1823.
- 331 Harvey B., b. July 27, 1825; d. Oct. 19, 1851.
- +332 William H., b. Nov., 1828; m. (1) Selina —, b.
March, 1828; d. Oct. 9, 1856. William H. Bax-
ter m. (2) Carrie E. Hazen, b. Aug., 1855; m.
Jan., 1874. They live at Carmel, N. Y.
- 333 Orville, b. Nov., 1837; m. Belle Radwell.

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HARVEY⁶ BAXTER (Nathaniel,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,²
Thomas¹), b. 1799; m. Reumany Northrop. They had:

- 334 James D., m. Emma Ophelia —. Will dated
April 9, 1896. Proved May 5, 1896, at Carmel,
N. Y.
- +335 Nathaniel, m. Selena —.
- 336 Douglas.
- 337 Martha.
- 338 D. Crosby, b. Nov. 13, 1842, at Somers; m. Flora
—; lives at Ridgefield, Conn.

North Salem is located twenty-four miles north of the village of White Plains, fifty-six miles from New York and one hundred and twenty-two from Albany. It is a township as well as a village. Prior to the Revolution the two towns of Upper and Lower Salem constituted the old township of Salem, within the manor of Stephanus Van Cortlandt, the first grantee under the Indians. A portion of the Salem lands if not the whole, may have originally belonged to the great sachem Catonah, whose territory extended from the Sound as far north as Danbury in Connecticut.

Stephanus Van Cortlandt devised the whole manor of Cortlandt to his eleven children. In 1734 the devisees and the legal heirs of those who were dead made a division of the property. North Salem, or a part fell to the share of

Stephen De Lancey, who married Anne Van Cortlandt. He devised it to his son, James De Lancey. On the 29th of December, 1744, James De Lancey conveyed all his lands in North Salem to his son, Stephen De Lancey. A portion of these lands were long held by the De Lancey family.

St. James Episcopal Church (known as the Church of Christ) occupies a commanding position directly opposite the junction of the cross roads at Salem Centre and is quite a picturesque object from the valley. It is constructed of wood and is surmounted with a neat bell turret. The old edifice, erected in 1763, stood east of the present building. On the west side of the Church is a large and well kept burial ground. Four of the sons of John Baxter and Martha Close are buried there. Nearly all are related or connected with the Baxter family.

In 1790 the following Baxters lived in North Salem, Westchester County, New York:

Pettit Baxter and wife, two sons under sixteen and three daughters.

Thomas Baxter and wife, two sons under sixteen and two daughters.

Nathaniel Baxter and wife, one son under sixteen, one daughter.

John Baxter and wife, three daughters.

David Baxter and wife.

At Westchester village:

Thomas Baxter and wife, three sons under sixteen, six daughters, three slaves.

George Baxter and wife, three sons under sixteen, two daughters.

James Baxter and wife, one daughter.

James Baxter, Jr., wife, three sons under sixteen.

Solomon Baxter, wife and one daughter.

Marcus Baxter and wife, two sons under sixteen, one daughter.

At North Hempstead, L. I.:

Israel Baxter and wife, three sons over sixteen, one son under sixteen, two daughters.

Schuyler Baxter and wife, two sons under sixteen, two daughters.

At Oyster Bay, L. I.:

Robert Mitchell Baxter and wife, two sons over sixteen.

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WILLIAM⁶ BAXTER (Israel,⁵ Oliver,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹),
b. —; m. —. They had:

- +339 James L.
- 340 Allen H.
- +341 Theodore.
- +342 Henry.

The descendants of Israel Baxter live at Port Washington, Nassau County, Long Island.

The following anecdote of Israel Baxter is found in "Onderdonck's Revolutionary Reminiscences of Long Island.":

"Israel Baxter had two market boats cut out of Cow Bay, and a wood boat off Queen's Rock. She was boarded through the cabin windows. The captain was not on board and the hands made little or no resistance. Once off Hewletts' Point Captain Baxter was becalmed. Suddenly some whaleboats rowed up, fired and riddled his sails. He allowed them to draw quite near, when he discharged his swivels on them. The boats made off, when some negroes on the Long Island shore, attracted by the firing, hurrahed. This was too much; they put about and fired a blunderbuss at the negroes, who fell down or scampered off and were out of sight in a moment. Captain Baxter had a swivel mounted on a stump in the pines overlooking the dock (from the hill) where the boat lay. Expecting an attack one night, he wound his cable around the rudder, waited the approach of the whaleboats, and then fired down on them as they were trying to get her off. The men then landed and tried to surround their assailants but failed, although they nearly touched them in the darkness. They then abandoned their prize.

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SOLOMON⁷ BAXTER (Solomon,⁶ Thomas,⁵ Thomas,⁴ Thomas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. Phebe —; lived at Coldspring, near Philipstown, Putnam County, N. Y. Will dated Oct. 6, 1861. Proved at Carmel, N. Y., Jan. 14, 1862. Will of Phebe Baxter dated Aug. 24, 1863. Proved Oct. 31, 1863. Mentions sister of husband, Effe Baxter.

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MORRIS⁷ BAXTER (Solomon,⁶ Thomas,⁵ Thomas,⁴ Thomas,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹). Wife Mary. Will dated Sept. 10, 1884, of Putnam Valley. They had:

343 Morris A.

344 Emily, m. — Perry.

These Baxters may be of the Westchester line:

William M. Baxter of Fishkill, Dutchess County. Will dated Aug. 25, 1880. Proved Aug 30, 1881. Sons mentioned: William E. Baxter, Lemuel W. Baxter, Richard M. Baxter.

Daughters mentioned: Almira A. Baldwin, Eliza G. Schofield, Esther J. Odell.

James Baxter of Poughkeepsie, intestate, died Nov. 23, 1894. Administrator, John Baxter.

Maria Baxter of Poughkeepsie. Widow of James Baxter. Will dated 1900. Sons mentioned: John Baxter, George Baxter, William Baxter, Charles Baxter.

James Baxter of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York. Wife, Ann Baxter. Will dated Dec. 2, 1908.

Sons mentioned: James Baxter, William Baxter.

Daughter: Mary B. Norton.

Edward Baxter of Red Hook, N. Y. Died intestate, April 9, 1895. Bridget Baxter, Executrix.

Mary Baxter. Will dated 1884. Daughter, Helen F. Baxter, widow of Norris Baxter of Fishkill.



JOHN WHITLOCK BAXTER

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DORCAS⁷ BAXTER (John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at North Salem, April 22, 1788; d. at Weedsport, N. Y., 1841; m. David Kinne, b. June 18, 1787; d. July, 1855. They had:

- 345 John Baxter.
- 346 Almira.
- 347 Dorcas Whitlock.
- 348 Sarah Ann.

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JOHN WHITLOCK⁷ BAXTER (John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at North Salem, June 4, 1792; died at Friendship, N. Y., March 29, 1862; m. Mary McQueen, daughter of James and Grizel (Waterman) McQueen, and granddaughter of Alexander and Isabel (Moore) McQueen. Alexander McQueen came to America from Scotland some time before the Revolution, with his wife and three children, two daughters and a son, James McQueen, then four years of age. Isabel Moore McQueen lived to be a hundred years of age.

James McQueen married Grizel Waterman of a Pittsfield, Mass., family. An American family of English extraction. A daughter of Asa Waterman.

Mary McQueen was born at Mayfield, N. Y., June 17, 1796. Died, Sept. 17, 1880, at Friendship. Married to John W. Baxter, Feb. 17, 1814, at Mayfield, by Elder Nichols.

John W. Baxter was born at North Salem in 1792. His father removed to Milton in 1804, and to Broadalbin, Montgomery County, about 1809, where he married. Thence he removed to Palatine in 1815, and to Friendship in 1820, to Caneadea in 1825, to Friendship in 1828, to Caneadea in 1829, to Friendship in 1830, to Olean in 1832, to Friendship in 1834, in 1838 from the south-eastern part of Friendship to the north-western part. In 1856 he removed to Friendship village, where he died March 29, 1862.

He was raised a farmer, went into the lumber woods in 1814 to work for Aaron Whitlock in a sawmill at Palatine.

Took the Cooper mill to run by the thousand, and then took Uriah Marvin's mill on Cayuga Creek to deliver the lumber at Schenectady, whence he removed to Friendship. Soon after he came to Friendship he commenced the business of building sawmills, although he had plenty of land. He followed the business of building, running and repairing sawmills and other mills, as long as he worked at anything, and was accounted the best millwright in southwestern New York, which explains his frequent changes of abode.

I append a letter written by Dorcas Whitlock Baxter from Friendship to her granddaughter, Almira Kinne.

"To Almira Kinne, Friendship, N. Y., July 16, 1836.

"Dear Granddaughter:—You have listened to hear from me and listened in vain, whereof I shall now try to let you know about things which you have hitherto not known.

We live as yet, and are tolerable comfortable, but have changed our place of abode from where we were when you were here last. Tell your mother that we live with John on the same old hill, but about a quarter of a mile nearer the village on the same road, which has been altered from the old school house to the top of the hill, leaving us at the foot of the hill and off the road. Henry has lost his farm where he used to live, and has moved to the west of the village, about three-fourths of a mile. His family is in tolerable good health. Jonathan is with them, and they work land on shares. Joseph and his family are in good health, and are able to help themselves to the necessaries of life. Erastus Kinne and his family are likewise well.

John and his family, of which your grandfather and myself are members, are usually well, but John and two of his boys are at work at a large stand of mills, fifteen miles from home.

We want your father and mother should come and see us, and would be pleased with your company and the rest of the children. We should like to have them come this summer if they could make it convenient. I should have let you know about these things sooner, but from obvious



MRS. MARY (MCQUEEN) BAXTER

reasons I have deferred it to the present time, hoping that this will suffice for all disappointment on your part. I have had four shocks of numb palsey, the last of which was last fall, since which I have not been able to walk more than forty rods, and not that without tiring entirely out.

Your grandfather has lived six years past the age of man and can travel five miles as quick as anybody. Polly has lost a young child two weeks ago yesterday, but she is quite smart, considering.

I hope these few lines will find you well. Meanwhile, I remain with respect,

Your affectionate Grandmother,

DORCAS BAXTER.

Almira Kinne,

David Kinne, Weedsport, Cayuga County, N. Y.

John W. and Mary (McQueen) Baxter had:

- +349 Dorcas A., b. April 11, 1815, at Broadalbin; m. Samuel Horner, at Olean, N. Y., Nov. 4, 1832; d. at Emporium, Pa., Oct. 20, 1872.
- +350 Henry, b. at Palatine, N. Y., Jan. 11, 1817; m. Julia A. E. Greene, daughter of Ransome J. and Susan Barton (Gorton) Greene, Dec. 19, 1853, at Pawtucket, R. I., by Rev. Savage; d. Nov. 13, 1886, at Warren, Pa.
- 351 Nancy, b. Nov. 28, 1818; d. an infant.
- +352 James, b. Nov. 28, 1819, at Palatine; d. Aug. 7, 1897, at Friendship; m. (1) Harriet Davis, Jan. 1, 1846, at Friendship, N. Y.; m. (2) Mrs. Ellen (Newcome) Clark, Dec. 17, 1884, at Litchfield, Conn.
- +353 Richard Brush (afterwards known as R. J. Baxter), b. at Friendship, Feb. 28, 1822; d. March 15, 1895; m. (1) Melissa Hyde, Jan. 11, 1846, at Friendship, N. Y. She d. the following summer; m. (2) at St. Marystown, Nov. 14, 1846, Margaret Kuckamose, b. at Baltimore, Md., Dec. 10, 1832.

- +354 Mary Eleanor, b. Feb. 29, 1824, at Friendship; m. Jan. 1, 1846, at Friendship, Charles Henry; d. at Scio, N. Y., Dec. 21, 1868.
- +355 Rachel, b. at Caneadea, N. Y., Dec. 15, 1825; m. Feb. 20, 1849, William H. Britton; d. Jan. 24, 1899, at Friendship, N. Y.
- +356 Sarah, b. at Caneadea, March 2, 1828; m. Sept. 23, 1849, at Friendship, Francis Postel; d. Oct. 12, 1905, at Ischua, N. Y.
- +357 David, b. at Caneadea, May 21, 1830; m. at Friendship, Sept. 23, 1849, to Elizabeth Mix; d. at Scio, N. Y., Dec. 4, 1874.
- +358 John Lyman, b. at Olean, N. Y., June 21, 1832; d. at Olean, Aug. 22, 1907; m. at Friendship, Oct. 30, 1853, Ellen Phalen, d. March, 1891; m. (2) at Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 19, 1892, Elizabeth Dunbar.
- 359 Phebe, b. at Friendship, Aug. 26, 1837.
- +360 Charles Carroll, b. at Friendship, Dec. 15, 1840; m. (1) at Friendship, July 1, 1862, Oreanna Sherwood; m. (2) at Tidioute, Pa., Mary Jane McCormick, July 1, 1872; m. (3) Nov. 12, 1888, Minnie Smith.

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HENRY⁷ W. BAXTER (John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Oct. 17, 1793, at North Salem; d. at Patriot, Ind., Sept. 21, 1851. Called Major Henry Baxter on headstone. Probably of the Mexican War. Married (1) June 20, 1815, at Broadalbin, N. Y., Susan Barton Gorton, b. May 15, 1799, at Mayfield, N. Y., daughter of David and Alice (Whitford) Gorton. They had:

- +361 Jonathan Whitlock Baxter, b. Nov. 12, 1816; d. July 19, 1887; m. (1) Eliza Husted; m. (2) Martha Elizabeth Mendenhall.

Henry W. Baxter m. second at Friendship, Lovina Butts, daughter of Harmon Butts, b. about 1807; d. Oct. 9, 1859. They had:

- 362 Jesse K.
 363 Samuel, b. 1826; d. May 27, 1858.
 364 Eunice A., b. Feb. 20, 1830; d. Feb. 28, 1871; m.
 Bruce Shepard, Memphis, Tenn.
 365 Pettit, b. Feb. 20, 1830; d. Nov. 26, 1906.
 +366 John Knox, b. May 14, 1832; d. Dec. 10, 1872; m.
 Amanda De Hart.
 +367 Mary Cordelia, b. May 12, 1837; d. Feb. 9, 1908.
 +368 Harmon Butts.

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PHEBE⁷ BAXTER (John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at North Salem, Oct. 5, 1795; d. at Friendship, N. Y., March 9, 1869; m. at Fonda's Bush Jan. 5, 1814, Joseph Gorton, son of David and Alice (Whitford) Gorton, b. Nov. 7, 1792; d. Dec., 1872, at Friendship, N. Y.; b. at Warwick, R. I.; served under Col. Brockway in the War of 1812. They had:

- 369 Alpha Ann, b. Nov. 6, 1814; d. Aug. 8, 1815.
 370 Sarah A., b. March 16, 1816; d. April 4, 1816.
 371 Harriet Ann, b. Sept. 19, 1817; m. Levi Horner.
 372 Sheridan, b. Dec. 21, 1819; m. Abigail Norton.
 372 Joseph, b. Oct. 12, 1821; d. Feb. 16, 1822.
 373 Fanny, b. Jan. 12, 1824; m. Abel T. Reynolds.
 374 Orpha E., b. April 25, 1826; m. Samuel E. Latta.
 375 Phebe F., b. May 30, 1828; m. John Colwell.
 376 Susan M., b. July 9, 1830; m. Robert E. Middaugh.
 377 Henry Barton, b. Dec. 27, 1832; m. Flora Horner.
 378 Josephus, b. Feb. 21, 1835; m. Ellen L. Church.
 379 Erastus, b. Feb. 4, 1837; d. March 3, 1837.
 380 Thaddeus Hezekiah, b. March 5, 1839; d. Jan., 1848.

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MARY ELEANOR⁷ BAXTER (John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. June 16, 1799; d. April 17, 1856; m. July 9, 1817, Erastus Kinne, b. May 5, 1797. They had:

- 381 Rufus W., b. June 18, 1818; d. May 22, 1879.
 382 Abijah H., b. Nov. 14, 1820; d. about 1892.
 383 Cordelia, b. March 25, 1822; d. 1823.

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HANNAH⁷ BAXTER (John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at North Salem, Oct. 30, 1802; m. Cornelius Stevenson. They had:

- 384 Baxter.
 385 Isaiah.
 386 Cornelius.
 387 Mary Ann.

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LUCY ANN⁷ BAXTER (John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas² Thomas¹), b. at Milton, N. Y., Oct. 26, 1804; d. Jan. 1, 1844; m. at Friendship, 1827, Eliakim Crosby, b. Sept. 13, 1806. They had:

- 388 Louisa, m. John Early; b. Aug. 16, 1829.
 389 Henry Baxter, b. Sept. 6, 1831.
 390 Alonzo, b. Nov. 18, 1833.
 391 Cornelia, b. Feb. 24, 1836; m. Charles Albert.
 392 Erastus, b. March 2, 1838.
 393 Mary, b. Sept. 30, 1841.

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WILLIAM⁷ PETTIT BAXTER (David,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at North Salem, Dec. 22, 1801; d. at South Norwalk, Oct. 15, 1873.

From the South Norwalk "Sentinel," Oct. 16, 1873:

"DIED.

In this city, Oct. 15, 1873, W. P. Baxter. The late William P. Baxter, Esq., who died in this city on the 15th inst was an old resident of North Salem, Westchester County, N.

Y., where he held the office of Justice of the Peace for many years, and was generally consulted in probate cases, in which his judgment and knowledge were admitted to be of universal soundness. He was also prominent in educational matters, always taking a lively interest in the schools of the county; about six years ago he removed to this place, where he spent his declining years in retirement and quietude. His last illness was of a painful nature, but was borne with great patience until his death. He leaves to his descendants the example of a spotless life, and he died in the firm faith of the saving grace of his Redeemer. The funeral took place from the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Rockwell, Oct. 18, 1873. William Pettit Baxter married Nov. 22, 1826, at North Salem, Eliza (Levere) Lobdell, widow, born May 10, 1802, at New York." They had:

- +394 William Pettit, Jr., b. June 12, 1828, at North Salem; d. April 19, 1897, at South Norwalk; m. June 26, 1853, at New York, Hannah Rockwell, b. Jan. 16, 1827, at Wilton, Conn.
- +395 Frances Jane, b. Aug. 11, 1832, at North Salem; m. at North Salem, May 20, 1857, Homer Rockwell, b. Sept. 5, 1822, at Wilton, Conn.

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JOEL KEELER⁷ BAXTER (Richard,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Nov. 15, 1804; d. May 24, 1878; m. Oct. 15, 1826, Eliza Howe, b. Aug., 1802, daughter of William Howe, b. Dec. 27, 1769; d. Nov. 4, 1853, and Mary (Ireland) Howe, b. Nov. 14, 1772; d. Jan. 28, 1857; Eliza (Howe) Baxter d. Feb. 26, 1890. They had:

- 396 Elbert Baxter, b. Oct. 9, 1829; d. Feb. 23, 1896; m. Nov. 15, 1882, Harriet Cornelia Benedict, b. Aug. 1, 1829.
- +397 Jane Eliza, b. July 27, 1835; m. Feb. 22, 1859, J. Augustus Braden.

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DANIEL⁷ COLEY BAXTER (Richard,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. March 30, 1808; d. Jan. 2, 1866; m. Julia Ann Townsend, 1836; d. 1900.

398 Marian, b. Dec. 28, 1836; d. Oct. 2, 1897; m. Raymond Weed, b. May 2, 1826; d. Nov. 1, 1898.
(Had George⁹ Weed; now in the West.)

399 Daniel T., b. Oct., 1839; d. Sept. 14, 1862.

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ANN⁷ ELIZA HUNT (Phebe,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. Epenetus Howe. They had:

400 William Ireland Howe.

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HENRIETTA⁷ HUNT (Phebe,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Oct. 7, 1809; m. June 15, 1832, James R. Howe. They had:

401 Henrietta Adeline Howe, b. Aug. 13, 1836; m. Oct. 30, 1865, W. J. Vail. They had: Henry⁹ W. Vail.

402 Daniel Hunt Howe, b. July 11, 1839; m. Feb. 13, 1867, Ophelia Frost.

403 Mary Emily Howe, b. Oct. 15, 1842; m. Emery Rundle, Oct. 30, 1866.

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THOMAS⁷ BAXTER (Thomas,⁶ Thomas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. May 1, 1799, in Danbury, Conn.; d. in Petersburg, Va., Sept. 20, 1878; m. in Richmond, Va., Dec. 20, 1824, Maria Exall, daughter of John and Lucy Exall, b. at Farnham, England, Nov. 29, 1805. They had:

404 Thomas, b. in Richmond, Va., Sept. 19, 1825; d. Dec. 15, 1825.

- 405 Thomas Samson, b. in Richmond, Va., Feb. 1, 1827; d. in Havana, Cuba, July 3, 1830, of yellow fever.
- +406 William Henry, b. in Havana, Cuba, March 30, 1830.
- 407 Thomas, b. in Richmond, Va., Oct. 19, 1832; d. in Petersburg, Va., May 13, 1852, of erysipelas, after only three days' illness.
- 408 John Exall, b. in Petersburg, Va., Dec. 17, 1835; d. in Petersburg, Oct. 3, 1844, after only two days' sickness.

Maria Exall, wife of Thomas Baxter, died in Petersburg, Va., June 19, 1839. Thomas Baxter m. (2) in Richmond, Va., Aug. 21, 1855, Elizabeth C. Powell, born in Henry County, Va., Aug. 5, 1810.

Thomas (270) came to Virginia in 1820 at the age of twenty-one. He settled in Richmond, where he was employed in an iron works as pattern maker. In 1829 he was sent in charge of some machinery to Cuba. His wife and child accompanied him, and remained in Havana, while he went into the eastern part of the island to oversee the erection of a sugar-mill on a plantation, belonging to an old Spanish *hidalgo*, of the old school. He went to Cuba expecting to stay six months, and remained three years. During his residence in Cuba, his son Thomas Samson Baxter died of yellow fever and his son William Henry was born.

On his return to Virginia in 1833, he removed to Petersburg, where the family have since resided. Thomas Baxter died in 1878, at Petersburg, in the eightieth year of his age. In 1873 my father, Henry Baxter, met him at the home of Stebbins Baxter, in Redding, Conn., where they met to talk over family matters.

Only one of his five sons survived him. William Henry Baxter now resident at 321 Wythe St., Petersburg, Va.

The two daughters of Thomas and Sarah (Stone) Baxter also joined their brother in Richmond, Va., and settled there.

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ANNA⁷ BAXTER (Thomas,⁶ Thomas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Aug. 11, 1801; m. Newman Briggs. They had one child, a daughter:

- 409 Sarah, or Sally, m. in 1837, Edwin Powell, a nephew of her aunt Sarah Baxter Powell's husband.

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SARAH⁷ BAXTER (Thomas,⁶ Thomas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Feb. 21, 1804; m. Charles Henry Powell. Sarah Baxter Powell d. April 20, 1879. They had a son:

- 410 Thomas Powell.

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REBECCA⁷ BAXTER (Thomas,⁶ Thomas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Feb. 19, 1808; m. Dr. Levi Bronson. They had:

- 411 Mrs. S. A. Gilbert, of New Haven, Conn.
 412 Mrs. Arthur Weld, of New Haven.
 413 Mrs. Frances Lynn, of Branchport, N. Y.

A Danbury paper says: "Word has been received from New Haven of the death of Mrs. Rebecca Bronson, on Saturday, Sept. 9, 1905, who for many years was a much respected resident of this place, and will be remembered by many here and in Danbury. She was a sister of Mrs. Mary Barber, of Danbury, and the late Stebbins Baxter, also of Danbury. She was ninety-seven years old. She leaves three daughters, Mrs. S. A. Gilbert, with whom she had resided many years, Mrs. Arthur Weld, of New Haven, and Mrs. Frances Lynn, of Branchport, N. Y., besides several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mrs. Bronson was born where the city of Danbury now stands. She lived there until her husband died, about 1875; then she removed to New Haven."



SALLY BRIGGS POWELL
Richmond, Va.



A. AUGUSTA BAXTER
(MRS. ELMORE B. SMITH)

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STEBBINS⁷ BAXTER (Thomas,⁶ Thomas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. July 17, 1810, at Miry Brook; m. May 2, 1832, Hannah Ambler, daughter of Deacon Benjamin Ambler, of Miry Brook. She was b. Aug. 10, 1810; d. Dec. 4, 1891. Stebbins Baxter d. March 21, 1898. They had:

- 414 A. Augusta, b. Nov. 16, 1833; m. Dec. 28, 1869, Elmore B. Smith, a great-grandson of Abraham and Mary (Baxter) Smith, and grandson of Abel Smith (184).

From a Danbury paper: "Stebbins Baxter dead. Once the leading Democratic politician of the state of Connecticut, Stebbins Baxter, who has probably held more important offices than any other man in Danbury, died March, 1898. He was eighty-eight years old. Mr. Baxter, who was little known to the present generation, was once very prominent in Connecticut politics, and was one of the best known Democrats in the state. Mr. Baxter was born in Miry Brook in 1810, and spent nearly all his life in Danbury. He received a liberal education and improved his knowledge in later years. In Danbury, years ago, he was Justice of the Peace and was widely known as a trial justice. He was also a selectman and a notary public; also County Commissioner. He resided in Redding four years, where he had a farm.

During that time he represented the town of Redding in the Connecticut Legislature of 1873-4. He was also the chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee. He was a builder by trade and skilled in his profession. He carried on his business both in Danbury and Norwalk, living for a short time in the latter place.

In May, 1832, Mr. Baxter married Hannah Ambler, daughter of Deacon Benjamin Ambler of Miry Brook. She died in 1891, and Mr. Baxter made his home with his daughter, Mrs. Elmore B. Smith, of 57 North Street. He was a man of considerable property. At the age of eighteen, he

was converted and became a member of the Baptist Church. Three years before his death he joined the Advent Christian Church."

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HARRY⁷ B. BAXTER (Thomas,⁶ Thomas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Jan. 28, 1816; m. (1) Cynthia Ganong; (2) Fannie Loretta Bogardus, Nov. 27, 1844, Harry B. Baxter and Fannie Loretta Baxter had:

415 Cynthia J., b. Dec. 27, 1846; m. Jan., 1866, Joseph H. Russell; d. Feb. 13, 1912.

+416 Sarah A., b. April 1, 1853; m. George W. Wilkes, Oct. 29, 1873.

417 Mary E., b. Dec. 18, 1861; m. May 25, 1884, William Mallory.

Loretta Bogardus Baxter d. April 19, 1866. Harry B. Baxter, d. Sept. 23, 1906.

From a Danbury newspaper: "Harry B. Baxter, whose death occurred last Sunday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George B. Wilkes, on North Street, was the son of Thomas and Sally Baxter, and was born in Miry Brook district, Jan. 28, 1816, and spent a considerable portion of his life in this town.

When about fifteen years of age he removed to the Catskill Mountains section in New York state. Later he lived in Virginia and more recently in Bridgewater and Lanesville, Conn. Mr. Baxter was an old time hatter by trade, and conversant with all its branches, and was a skilled mechanic. Many friends who knew him as a man of most kindly character and genial temperament will sincerely mourn his decease. He is survived by one brother, Samuel C. Baxter, of Penn Yan, N. Y., and one sister, Mrs. Mary J. Barber of this city. Three children also survive: Mrs. Joseph Russell, of Bethel; Mrs. George W. Wilkes, of Danbury, and Mrs. William Mallory, of Bridgeport."

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SAMUEL⁷ C. BAXTER (Thomas,⁶ Thomas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. June 4, 1822; m. Paulina Downs of Danbury, about 1843. They had:

- 418 Mary Esther.
- 419 Julia Ellen, b. —; m. —.
- 420 Llewellyn W.; enlisted in the army; killed during the Civil War.
- 421 Thomas, m. and living in Benton Center, Yates County, N. Y.
- 422 Morris D., married.
- 423 Huldah C.
- 424 Sarah A.

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SAMUEL⁷ F. BAXTER (Marcus,⁶ Nathaniel,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. July 23, 1820; d. June 16, 1883; m. Dec. 14, 1846, Jane A. Dexter, b. June 7, 1827; d. May 1, 1882. They had:

- 425 George W., b. March 29, 1848.
- 426 John W., b. March 29, 1848; d. March 6, 1873.
- +427 Anna Eliza, b. Nov. 26, 1850; m. Joseph William Rockwell.
- 428 Charles H., b. May 11, 1853.
- 429 Melvin H., b. March 26, 1855; d. March 29, 1882.
- 430 Edward R., b. May 11, 1861.
- 431 Belle, b. Jan. 28, 1866.

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MORGAN⁷ BAXTER (Marcus,⁶ Nathaniel,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. —. Had:

- 432 Harvey.
- 433 Ophelia.
- 434 Elizabeth.

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WILLIAM⁷ H. BAXTER (Marcus,⁶ Nathaniel,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Nov., 1828; m. (1) Selina —, b. March, 1828; d. Oct. 9, 1856; m. (2) Carrie E. Hazen, b. Aug., 1855; m. Jan., 1874. They had:

- +435 Clarence, b. March, 1875.
- 436 Millie H., b. Oct., 1877; d. Nov., 1884.
- 437 Harold C., b. Oct., 1886.

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NATHANIEL⁷ BAXTER (Harvey,⁶ Nathaniel,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. Selena —. They had:

- 438 Morris, b. 1854; d. Aug. 3, 1887.

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JAMES⁷ L. BAXTER (William,⁶ Israel,⁵ Oliver,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. —. They had:

- 439 Allen P.
- 440 Mary A.

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THEODORE⁷ BAXTER (William,⁶ Israel,⁵ Oliver,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹). Had:

- 441 Wallace.

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HENRY⁷ BAXTER (William,⁶ Israel,⁵ Oliver,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹). Had:

- 442 Judson.
- 443 William.
- 444 Minnie.

The following Baxters served in New York during the Revolution :

Benjamin Baxter, private, Crane Regiment, Lawrence Company.

Thomas Baxter, private, Crane Regiment, Truesdale Company.

John Baxter, private, Crane Regiment, Truesdale Company.

David Baxter, private, Crane Regiment, Truesdale Company.

Isaac Baxter, private, Dragoons Regiment, Delavan Company.

Oliver Baxter, private, Dragoons Regiment, Delavan Company.

Thomas Baxter, private, Willett Regiment, Percy Company, Tryan Co. Regiment.

Thomas Baxter, private, Willett Regiment, Percy Company.

Lockard Baxter, private, Drake Regiment, Haight Company.

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DORCAS A.⁸ BAXTER (John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. April 15, 1815; m. Nov. 4, 1832, Samuel N. Horner, b. Jan. 10, 1807; d. June 3, 1881, Dorcas Baxter Horner, d. at Emporium, Pa., Oct. 20, 1872. They had:

445 Hamilton, b. Nov. 4, 1833.

446 John W. B., b. 1835; d. Dec. 9, 1905.

447 Rachel W., b. Dec. 11, 1837; m. John Lord.

448 Henry Baxter, b. March 5, 1840.

449 Flora C., b. May 30, 1842; m. Dr. Henry Gorton (377); d. Oct. 8, 1905.

450 Mary A., b. March 23, 1845; m. Martin Minor; d. Jan. 6, 1908, at Emporia, Fla.

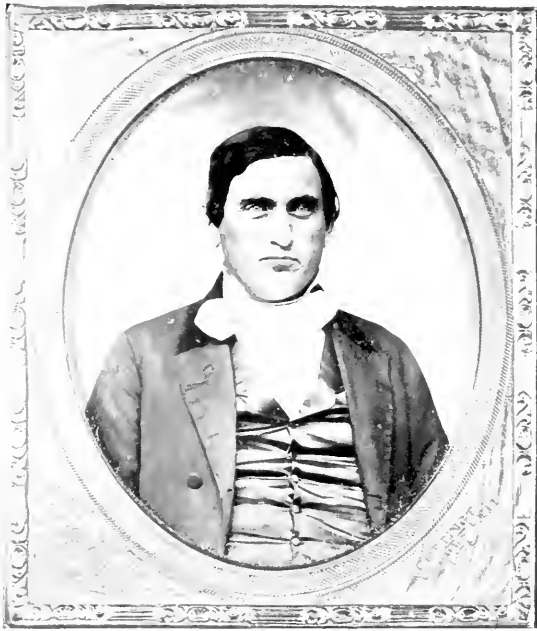
- 451 Alice E., b. Aug. 15, 1847; m. Pitt Felt; d. Sept. 8, 1908.
- 452 Florence M., b. May 30, 1850; m. Charles Child; d. Jan. 31, 1876, at East Smithfield, Bradford County, Pa.

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HENRY⁸ BAXTER (John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Palatine, Montgomery Co., N. Y., Jan. 11, 1817; d. at Warren, Pa., Nov. 13, 1886; m. at Pawtucket, R. I., Dec. 19, 1853, Julia Ann E. Greene, b. Jan. 2, 1835, at Smithfield, R. I.; d. Oct. 1, 1910, at Kane, Pa., daughter of Ransome J. and Susan Barton (Gorton) Greene; m. by Rev. Savage. They had:

- +453 Adele, b. June 3, 1855, at Clarksville, N. Y.; m. July 1, 1872, William Boyle McCormick, b. Sept. 1, 1848, son of Robert and Mary Ann (Boyle) McCormick.
- 454 Henry Galen, b. at Clarksville, N. Y., Dec. 1, 1856; m. at Westmeath, Renfrew Co., Ontario, Dec. 29, 1892, Eleanor McLean, b. Feb. 6, 1868, daughter of John Charles and Elizabeth Louisa (Hoskins) McLean. H. G. Baxter, a prominent lumberman of the firm of Campbell & Co., operating at Marlinton, West Va.
- 455 Frances, b. Feb. 14, 1859, at Stone Hill, Warren County, Pa.; living 1912, at Kane, Pa.
- 456 Warren Mead, b. Aug. 21, 1860; d. April 2, 1865.

From the "Warren Ledger": "In Warren, Nov. 13, 1886, Henry Baxter, aged nearly 70. Mr. Baxter was born in Palatine, N. Y., Jan. 11, 1817. He went to Friendship, N. Y., with his parents in 1820, where he acquired as good an education as the school facilities of the then new country afforded. Not content with that, he procured works on advanced mathematics and proceeded with his studies successfully, as he afterwards wrote in the "Chimney Corner."



HENRY BAXTER



MRS. JULIA A. (GREENE) BAXTER

Surveying and civil engineering were his special delight, and he pressed on until he attained an admitted efficiency in those lines. In 1839, 1840 and 1841, he was engaged in the engineering corps of the Genesee Valley canal, and Western Division of the New York & Erie Railroad, occupying his time in the winters by teaching. In 1840 and 1841 in Friendship village, handling a large school successfully. In 1844 and 1845, he turned his attention to lumbering, spending those years with his father at St. Mary's, Pa. In 1853, he married Miss Julia Greene of Pawtucket, R. I. In 1854, he erected an extensive lumbering establishment for those days at Clarkesville, N. Y., on the lands of Ithel Stone, where he continued until 1857, when he removed to Warren County, Pa., and set up a lumbering establishment on Stone Hill. About 1866 he removed to Limestone township, afterwards Watson, where he had a farm and mill. He lived there until Oct. 7, 1886, when he removed to Warren to be nearer medical attendance. Some few years before he had been partially paralyzed. He apparently recovered from that attack, but his system finally gave way, and the end came peacefully early Saturday morning. He was laid to rest in Oakland cemetery, Warren, Pa.

Henry Baxter's life was one of intellect. Even after being overtaken with paralysis, he thought out a new system for measuring logs, and issued a pamphlet, which ought to have mended his fortunes and perhaps did. When physically almost unable to move, that throbbing brain kept on its wonted flow, and occasionally the palsied hand would move responsive to the laboring mind. I know not whether he professed religion or even "experienced religion"; no matter, Henry Baxter was religion itself. He adored the works of God and tried to improve the condition of his fellow men. His every instinct was noble, generous and true. An ambitious man with his brain power and learning would, by cunning, have gotten on the strong side politically, and taken the higher places. In intellect and true manhood he stood alone, and it is no disparagement to say, that in the qualities that go to make a noble, full-grown man, his like is not in Warren County."

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JAMES^s BAXTER (John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Nov. 28, 1819, at Palatine, N. Y.; d. Aug. 7, 1897, at Friendship, N. Y.

From a Friendship paper: "James Baxter, Doctor of Music, died suddenly Saturday, Aug. 7, 1897. Never during the whole period of his long life was his indomitable will more apparent than in his closing hours. For some weeks, oppressed by the infirmities that would have kept ordinary men prone on their beds, the Doctor dragged his almost paralyzed frame from his home to the Register office, arranging to promote the publication of the musical composition so dear to his heart. The plain warnings of dissolution were apparent to his friends, but not to him. He lived as if death had no claim on him. Strenuous and indefatigable in all things, the dominance of a strong will found him the day before his death in harness. As the end approached, it was apparent that his intellect succumbed only to the worn out frame, and he died without a struggle.

The lesson of Dr. Baxter is plain. Original minds, developing on one side only, show us one of the phases called genius, which will not be amenable to the ordinary rules of human life. Dr. Baxter was in many respects the counterpart of that other celebrated teacher, Wm. C. Kenyon, who could not tolerate stupidity or indifference among his pupils.

James Baxter went to Friendship as a child. He early developed a musical bent, which in a country of pioneers, intent on clearing away forests, and who would not tolerate a musical instrument in church, stamped him as 'out of tune' with his environment. Hence his aspirations met with many a rebuff, and it was only when he was at the head of the first musical school in the country, whose pupils numbered hundreds, and when the plain 'Jim Baxter' spread the fame of Friendship to every state, that the extraordinary genius of the man became apparent.

It was only by the narrowest chance that Friendship failed to maintain the school that began so propitiously.

Since the close of the Baxter University, the founder has been busy teaching privately and composing church music, books, etc., which have had a large sale. His graduates were scattered far and wide, and they found in the Doctor their musical father, and regarded him accordingly. Dr. Baxter had no other ambition than to exploit his books and views on music. He never seemed to care for money, and had he been born in the musical atmosphere of Germany instead of among the pine-clad hills of Allegany County, his career might have been parallel with some of the great composers.

Dr. Baxter married early, Harriet Davis, a daughter of Malichi Davis, who died in 1880. He then married Mrs. Ellen Clark, of Litchfield, Conn., and formerly an assistant in his school who survives him."

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RICHARD BRUSH⁸ BAXTER (John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Friendship, N. Y., Feb. 28, 1822; d. March 15, 1895.

He writes his reminiscences thus: "On the 28th of Feb., 1822, on the headwaters of Mossbrook, in Allegany County, came the first Baxter baby born in the county. The place of his birth was known as East Hill, but his boyhood was not all spent in this place. In 1825 his parents moved to Caneadea, leaving him for a time with his grandparents (John and Dorcas Whitlock Baxter). In 1830 the family moved back to Friendship township at East Hill, and took up their abode on the Mapes place, where they remained about a year. In 1831 J. W. Baxter went to Dodges Creek, which is about three-quarters of a mile from Portville and six miles from Olaen, to start a lumber manufacturing establishment. Our boy was again left under the care of his paternal grandmother at East Hill until a dwelling was built at Dodges Creek, whence he was taken by his uncle, Henry Baxter, via Friendship village, Nile, West "Nigger Hill," and Clarksville. While passing through West Nigger Hill they met a good-sized friendly looking man. The re-

markable thing about him was his complexion; it was black. He was the first man of that complexion the boy had ever seen, and to say that he was surprised or astonished, or lost in wonder, would but feebly describe his feelings.

But, as is the case with boys, astonishment gave way to curiosity and he insisted on his uncle's asking the man his name. To satisfy him he did so, and was informed it was Zeke Huff. During the rest of the journey, Zeke Huff was the sole object of Richard's thoughts and the sole topic of his conversation. So that, no doubt, his uncle gladly turned him over to his parents when they arrived at Dodge's Creek. But here, too, Zeke Huff was uppermost in his mind and continually on his tongue, and in consequence he was called Zeke Huff by everyone about the place except his father who called him as he had before—Brush—which name he had given him out of deference to a relative of that name.

The mills on Dodge's Creek were soon in successful operation, and the company for whom Richard's father was operating soon had a large lot of sawed lumber on hand, 700,000 feet of which was clear, and everything promised well. But in 1832 the cholera made its appearance in Cincinnati, and so terrible were its ravages that business was paralyzed; and, Cincinnati being the market for this lumber, shipments were stopped and the company went under.

The following spring the Baxter family returned to East Hill, and moved into a house belonging to Alma Demond. They lived in this house until they built a house on the Mapes place, at the foot of the hill near the burying ground. After getting the family comfortably located in the new house, Mr. J. W. Baxter, Richard's father, went with his son James to Ridgway, Pa., where they spent about a year in building Hughes & Dickinson's lumbering establishment. This was in 1834 (about the time of Dorcas Whitlock's letter to Almira Kinne.).

We now pass over a period of forty-six years, which brings us to the bedside of that ever-faithful mother. After being informed of our presence, she looked up and said, 'Zeke, come here. Sit on the bed beside me; I want to look

at you. Yes, it is Zeke. How glad I am to see you.' I was in Friendship about two weeks and was with mother most of the time. On March 18, 1880, I went in to see her for the last time. She was cheerful, and told me to come in again. I kissed her palsied cheek, bid her a silent farewell and a 'God bless you,' and took my departure."

Baxter, Pa., July 29, 1890."

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RICHARD BRUSH⁸ BAXTER (John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Friendship, Feb. 28, 1822; d. March 15, 1895. Richard Brush and Margaret Baxter had:

- +457 Mary Magdaline, b. at Ridgway, Pa., May 20, 1848; m. Martin Phalen.
- +458 John Whitlock, b. at Summerville, Pa., Sept. 19, 1850; m. Margaret McCarthy.
- +459 Vincent Kuckamose, b. at Summerville, Aug. 30, 1853; m. Sallie Henry.
- +460 Francis Xavier, b. at Baxter, Pa., May 15, 1856; m. Tillie Steele.
- 461 Marian Susan, b. at Baxter, June 7, 1859.
- +462 Josephine Clothilda, b. at Baxter, Feb. 18, 1862; m. Dr. Joseph Hoffman.
- 464 Bernard Bennett, b. at Baxter, Oct. 30, 1866; d. an infant.
- 465 Catharine Bernice, b. at Baxter, Dec. 28, 1867.
- 466 Berton Benedict, b. at Baxter, March 26, 1870; d. young.
- 467 James Louis, b. at Baxter, March 25, 1874; d. young.

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MARY ELEANOR⁸ BAXTER (John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Feb. 29, 1824, at Friendship; m. Jan. 1, 1846, Charles Henry. They had:

468 Bradford Henry, b. July 27, 1856; living at Belmont, N. Y.

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RACHEL^s BAXTER (John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Dec. 15, 1825; m. at Friendship, Feb. 20, 1849, to William H. Britton. They had:

- +469 Jason N., b. Oct. 16, 1851; m. Mary Fuller, May 5, 1878; lives at Friendship, N. Y.
- 470 Mary A., b. July 28, 1857; m. Oct. 27, 1904, William F. Pasco.
- +471 Ellen, b. Oct. 14, 1863; m. June 3, 1885, Harris Wells.

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SARAH^s BAXTER (John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Caneadea, March 2, 1828; m. at Friendship, Sept. 23, 1849, Francis Postel. They had:

- 472 Charles, b. 1852; d. in infancy.
- 473 Samuel, b. —.

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DAVID^s BAXTER (John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Caneadea, May 21, 1830; m. at Friendship, Sept. 23, 1849, Elizabeth Mix. They had:

- 474 John C., b. Oct. 7, 1856; m. at Rabl Co., Missouri, Sept. 2, 1884, Sara Ella Keeler, daughter of William S. and Amy Ellen Mitchell Keeler, b. Dec. 28, 1858; lives at Cat Springs, Texas.
- +475 Charles D., b. Feb. 17, 1864; m. Aug. 5, 1886, Sarah T. Johnson.
- 476 Myra, b. Sept. 15, 1867; m. Jan. 1, 1890, Charles McCarthy; lives at Clearfield, Pa.

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JOHN LYMAN⁸ BAXTER (John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Olean, N. Y., June 21, 1832; d. at Olean Aug. 22, 1907. He owned and operated the Olean Mills for many years. A well-known business man of Olean, N. Y. John Lyman and Ellen Baxter had:

- 477 Kylian, b. Oct., 1855; m. Maude Pierce, Nov., 1909. A bookkeeper; lives in Olean.
- +478 John Timon, b. April 1, 1861; a lawyer by profession; m. Helen McLowery, April 28, 1888, at Olean; d. Dec. 22, 1900, at Olean.

360

CHARLES CARROLL⁸ BAXTER (John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. in Friendship, N. Y., Dec. 15, 1840; m. July 1, 1862, Oreanna Sherwood, b. in Sparta, Livingston County, N. Y., April 23, 1841; d. July 16, 1869, at Bell's Mills, Pa. They had:

- +479 Mary, b. at Reynoldsville, Pa., March 11, 1864; d. April 15, 1889, in Buffalo, N. Y.
- 480 William Church, b. in Reynoldsville, July 5, 1865; d. at Colon, S. A., May 26, 1897. Was engaged in construction work on the railroads of the country when seized with yellow fever and died.
- +481 Mina, b. in Reynoldsville, Dec. 7, 1867.
Charles C. Baxter m. (2) July 1, 1872, at Tidioute, Pa., Mary Jane McCormick, b. July 19, 1850, in Deerfield Township, Warren County, Pa.; d. May 2, 1888. The children of Charles C. and Mary J. (McCormick) Baxter were:
 - 482 James, b. April 25, 1873; d. May 26, 1901.
 - 483 Harriet Ann, b. April 8, 1874; d. June 13, 1888.
 - 484 Kate, b. Jan. 8, 1878; Superintendent of Lafayette General Hospital, Buffalo, N. Y.

- 485 Florence, b. April 8, 1879; teaching in White Plains, N. Y.; a graduate of Buffalo Normal School.
- 486 John, b. Sept. 24, 1880; a telegraph operator; lives in Montana.
- +487 Lorena, b. June 6, 1882; m. Lester L. Louth.
- 488 Charles C., b. May 21, 1884; d. Oct. 1, 1888, at Buffalo, N. Y.
- 489 Robert Henry, b. Oct. 1, 1886; a telegraph operator; lives in Rochester, N. Y.; m. Dec. 17, 1912, Miss Nellie M. Roche.
- Charles C. Baxter m. (3) Nov. 12, 1888, Minnie Smith, b. Oct. 20, 1869. They had:
- 490 Jason D., b. Sept. 23, 1889; a telegraph operator.
- 491 Leonard R., b. June 8, 1891; d. Jan. 28, 1892.
- 492 Norman A., b. Feb. 12, 1893.
- 493 Marian G., b. Sept. 30, 1894.
- 494 Richard Sheridan, b. March 6, 1908.
- 495 Edward Smith, b. Oct. 31, 1910.

Charles C. Baxter has lived at Ischua, N. Y., since 1874, where he owns and operates the Ischua Flour Mills, in which he is assisted by his son Norman.

All his children born since 1874 were born at Ischua, N. Y.

361

JONATHAN WHITLOCK⁸ BAXTER (Henry W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Nov. 12, 1816, at Broadalbin, N. Y.; his family afterwards moved to Friendship, N. Y.,. He went to Indiana while quite young and afterwards lived in Warsaw, Ky., practicing his profession, which was that of medicine. He m. (1) Feb., 1843, Eliza Huston, of Warsaw, Ky. They had:

- +496 Eliza A., b. Jan. 21, 1845; m. J. C. Furnish. Eliza (Huston) Baxter d. Jan. 21, 1845.

Jonathan Whitlock Baxter m. (2) Jan. 28, 1850, Martha E. Mendenhall, daughter of John

Mendenhall, M. D. (surgeon, War of 1812), and Martha Breckenridge (Steele) Mendenhall. Martha B. Steele was a daughter of Col. Richard Steele (noted in pioneer Kentucky history), a great-grandson of Sir Richard Steele. They had:

- +497 Susan West, b. April 25, 1852; m. George Mendall.
- 496 Henry Mendenhall, b. Oct. 28, 1854; d. April 25, 1857.
- +499 John Whitford, b. June 25, 1856; an M. D.; living Georgetown, Texas.
- +500 Lela Frances, b. June 3, 1858; living San Diego, Cal.
- +501 Martha Antoinette, b. Feb. 27, 1861; living Kansas City, Mo.
- +502 Henry Ernest, b. Sept. 13, 1867; now living Austin, Tex.; an M. D.
- +503 William Edwards, b. Jan. 6, 1869; Professor University of Lexington.

Jonathan Whitlock Baxter (361) was a man of sterling qualities, unbounded genius, too modest and retiring to push his claims, otherwise he would have become a man of international fame. Other men reaped the profit from his many inventions and discoveries.

One of his colleagues in speaking of him said: "All that I can say of Dr. Baxter, he was a gentleman and that is enough."

In the beginning of the war with Mexico, Dr. Baxter mustered a company (at Warsaw, Ky.) with which he was to serve as Captain. A short time before he had suffered a severe hemorrhage of the lungs, but hoped to pass the examining surgeon. In this he was sadly disappointed, even in his second attempt he was pronounced physically unfit for military service.

We append an abridged biographical sketch from the Owen (Ky.) "News," July 20, 1887:

"Dr. J. W. Baxter died at six o'clock yesterday morning. And thus passed away one of the most noted surgeons and inventive geniuses in the United States. The funeral will take place at Warsaw, Ky., to-morrow morning.

Dr. Baxter was born Nov. 12, 1816, at Broadalbin, N. Y. When a boy he attended school two miles distant in a pine forest. He was sixteen years of age when he left home and traveled over the country, supporting himself at whatever his almost unboundless ingenuity could find employment. Since leaving home (Friendship, N. Y.) and during his early manhood, he visited a greater portion of the West and South, then a new country. He began the study of medicine with Dr. Brooks of Patriot, Ind., and continued with Drs. Fallbree and Baldwin, of Warsaw, Ky., in the years of 1841-2.

By their advice he took up surgery to give scope to his mechanical genius.

Dr. Baxter was a skilful amateur wood-engraver; he began as far back as 1838 in St. Louis. He engraved his own designs for the Warsaw "Herald" in 1844. He did the same for the Vevay "News" and for the "Democrat" while under the management of Col. T. D. Wright. Besides he is the first man that ever made any progress in sunlight engraving to be used in letter-press work. Dr. Baxter was also well known as a geologist and student of archaeology.

Col. T. D. Wright in the "Sun": "The papers record the death of our old friend Dr. J. W. Baxter. Dr. Baxter was an eminent and skilled surgeon with great inventive genius. He was a devoted husband and father, a kind neighbor and possessed charity to an eminent degree. Peace to his ashes."

Martha Elizabeth Baxter, his wife, died April 27, 1907, Austin, Texas.

366

JOHN KNOX⁸ BAXTER (Henry W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. May 14, 1832; m. 1861, Amanda De Hart. They had:

- 504 Nellie Grace, b. Jan. 21, 1862; m. Oct. 16, 1895, in Cincinnati, to James H. Woodard.
 505 Blanche, b. 1865; d. 1885.
 +506 Simond; lives 5651 Loomis St., Chicago, Ill.
 507 Bessie; d. young.

John Knox died of brain fever, Dec. 10, 1872, at Cambridge City, Ind. He was an Odd Fellow and a kind and loving father, as his only surviving daughter testifies, who says he had no faults.

367

MARY CORDELIA⁸ BAXTER (Henry W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. May 12, 1837; m. Hosea Herrick, b. July 27, 1835. They had:

- 508 Fernando W., b. Aug. 8, 1865; d. Oct. 30, 1866.
 509 Alice Lovina, b. Sept. 29, 1867.
 510 Mary Cordelia, b. June 23, 1870.
 511 Joseph Knox, b. May 28, 1875.

368

HARMON BUTTS⁸ BAXTER (Henry W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹). Had:

- +512 Margaret, b. —; m. — Hayes; lives Memphis, Tenn.
 513 Mrs. Dan Snyder; lives Denver, Col.
 514 Mrs. Joseph Shatters, Fort Lupton, Col.

394

WILLIAM PETTIT⁸ BAXTER, JR. (William Pettit,⁷ Sr., David,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. June 12, 1828, at North Salem; m. Hannah Rockwell at New York, June 26, 1853. They had:

- 515 William Ming, b. Dec. 9, 1853, at South Norwalk, Conn.; m. Mary Carson; lives Bridgeport, Conn.; a printer.

- 516 Frank Haden, b. March 23, 1855; druggist at South Norwalk; m. —.
- 517 Frederick Levere, b. April 21, 1858; in partnership with his brother in the drug business; m. July 29, 1891, Eloise L. Mather.

395

FRANCES JANE⁸ BAXTER (William Pettit,⁷ Sr., David,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Aug. 11, 1832; m. Homer Rockwell, at North Salem, May 20, 1857. They had:

- 518 Isabel Frances Hortense, b. June 16, 1863; m. April 21, 1886, William J. Foster, at South Norwalk.

397

JANE ELIZA⁸ BAXTER (Joel K.,⁷ Richard,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. July 27, 1835; m. Feb. 22, 1859, J. Augustus Braden, b. June 30, 1836; d. Sept. 16, 1872. They had:

- 519 Bertha Cornelia, b. Jan. 16, 1860; d. July 16, 1866.
- +520 Mary Louise, b. Nov. 25, 1862; m. Albert J. Lobdell, Oct. 5, 1881.

406

WILLIAM HENRY⁸ BAXTER (Thomas,⁷ Thomas,⁶ Thomas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. in Havana, Cuba, March 30, 1830; m. 1854-5, Matilda Shanks. They had:

- 521 Thomas Henry.
- +522 Maria Exall.
- 523 Ida Elizabeth.

416

SARAH A.⁸ BAXTER (Harry B.,⁷ Thomas,⁶ Thomas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. April 1, 1853; m. George W. Wilkes, Oct. 29, 1873. They had:

- 524 Loretta L., b. in King Street district, Danbury, Conn., Jan. 1, 1875; m. to Henry C. Gardner, Nov. 30, 1905.
- 525 Grace F., b. in Danbury, May 3, 1877; m. to Charles H. Staib, Nov. 20, 1901.
- 526 Georgia A., b. in Danbury, April 17, 1881; m. to Charles O. Schnippel, Jan. 28, 1903.
- 527 Leonard Stebbins Baxter, b. in Sargent County, N. Dak., June 10, 1885; m. in Danbury, Conn., June 20, 1906, to L. May Osborne.
- 528 Mary Frances, b. in Sargent County, N. Dak., April 13, 1889; m. to Frank P. Foster, April 6, 1910, in Danbury, Conn.

In the spring of 1884, Mr. and Mrs. Wilkes went to Sargent County, N. D., on account of Mr. Wilkes health and remained there until Nov., 1889. Their two youngest children were born there. They now reside at 49 South Street, Danbury, Conn.

427

ANNA ELIZA⁸ BAXTER (Samuel F.,⁷ Marcus,⁶ Nathaniel,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Nov. 26, 1850; m. Dec. 14, 1865, Joseph William Rockwell. They had:

- 529 Phebe, b. at North Salem, Jan., 1872; d. July, 1872.
- 530 Starr, b. North Salem. Oct. 5, 1874; d. at Danbury, Conn., Sept. 10, 1891

Mr. and Mrs. Rockwell live at 15 Summit St., Danbury, Conn.

435

CLARENCE H. ⁸ BAXTER (William H.,⁷ Marcus,⁶ Nathaniel,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. March, 1875; m. Jan., 1908, Jessie E. French. They had:

- 531 Niles William, b. Oct., 1908.
- 532 Emily Hazen, b. May, 1911.

NINTH GENERATION.

453

ADELE⁹ BAXTER (Henry,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Clarksville, N. Y., June 3, 1855; m. William B. McCormick, July 1, 1872. They had:

- +533 Henry Baxter, b. Oct. 20, 1873; m. Jennie Victoria Howe, daughter of Nelson Baker and Clarissa (Zeller) Howe, b. Jan. 10, 1873.
- +534 Julia Adele, b. July 26, 1876; m. July 1, 1896, John B. Moyer, b. Nov. 27, 1874.
- 535 Isabelle, b. June 3, 1878; d. Nov. 9, 1878, at Cobham, Pa.
- +536 Robert Wylie, b. April 24, 1881, at Millcreek, Pa.; m. Jan. 9, 1907, Mina Snyder, b. March 27, 1886.
- 537 Mary Ruth, b. June 2, 1887; d. April 14, 1888, at Ridgway, Pa.

457

MARY MAGDALENE⁹ BAXTER (Richard B.,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Ridgway, Pa., May 20, 1848; m. July 16, 1890, Martin C. Phalen, at Brookville, Pa. They had:

- 538 Margaret Cecilia, b. in Reynoldsville, Pa., Jan. 30, 1892.

458

JOHN WHITLOCK⁹ BAXTER (Richard B.,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Summerville, Pa., Sept. 19, 1850; m. May 24, 1876, at Brookville, Pa., Margaret McCarthy. They had:

- 539 Margaret Marilla, b. at Cooksburg, Pa., Sept. 22, 1880; d. young.
- 540 Katharine Josephine, b. at Brookville, Pa., Oct. 11, 1882, Normal School graduate; teaching at Kane, Pa.

- 541 Justin Aloysius, b. Lucinda, Pa., April 27, 1887.
 542 Richard John, b. at Clarion, Pa., June 27, 1890.
 543 Mary Grace, b. at Gilfoyle, Pa., Nov. 7, 1892.

459

VINCENT K.⁹ BAXTER (Richard B.,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Summerville, Pa., Aug. 30, 1853; m. at Crown, Pa., Aug. 10, 1879, Sallie Henry. They had:

- +544 Mary Margaret, b. at Baxter, Pa., Aug. 23, 1880;
 m. James McBride; lives Pittsburg, Pa.
 545 Alice Lucy, b. at Sizerville, Pa., Dec. 13, 1892; d.
 in infancy.
 546 Karl Vincent, b. Nov. 21, 1894, at Sizerville, Pa.

460

FRANCIS XAVIER⁹ BAXTER (Richard B.,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Baxter, May 15, 1856; m. Dec. 29, 1886, Tillie Steele, b. June 1, 1861, daughter of John and Mary (Rudolph) Steele. They had:

- +547 Grace, b. June 20, 1888; m. Oct. 20, 1909, William Christian Kramer, b. April 7, 1881.

462

JOSEPHINE CLOTHILDE⁹ BAXTER (Richard B.,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Baxter, Feb. 18, 1862; m. Dr. Joseph Hoffman, Jan. 26, 1886, at Brookville, Pa. They had:

- 548 Norbert Louis, b. at St. Mary's Dec. 27, 1886.
 549 Beatrice Genevieve, b. at St. Mary's April 6, 1889.
 550 Richard Joseph, b. at Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 16, 1892.
 551 Francis Martin, b. at Pittsburg, Aug. 19, 1895.
 552 Leo Maurice, b. at Pittsburg, Aug. 19, 1895.

- 553 Joseph Sylvester, b. at Pittsburg, Dec. 7, 1902.
 554 Hubert Oswald, b. at Pittsburg, Aug. 13, 1905.

469

JASON N.⁹ BRITTON (Rachel,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Oct. 16, 1851; m. May 5, 1878, Mary Fuller. They had:

- 555 Homer, b. Jan. 12, 1880; m. April 24, 1911, Carrie Ringshausen, daughter of George Ringshausen. Homer Britton is Inspecting Engineer for the Gary works, at Gary, Ill., of the Illinois St. Railway Co.
 +556 Anna Blanche, b. Aug. 18, 1882; m. Jan. 29, 1908, William Williamson.

471

ELLEN⁹ BRITTON (Rachel,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Oct. 14, 1863; m. June 3, 1885, Harris Wells, son of Albert Wells. They have:

- 557 Albert William, b. Oct. 20, 1888.
 558 Rachel, b. Nov. 14, 1899 (?)
 The Wells family live at Pasadena, Cal.

475

CHARLES D.⁹ BAXTER (David,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Feb. 17, 1864; m. Aug. 5, 1886, Sarah T. Johnson. They live at Belmont, N. Y., where Charles D. Baxter operates the Belmont flour Mills. They have:

- +559 William, b. 1887; m. Mabel Wood, April 1, 1910.
 560 Ralph D., b. April 4, 1898.

478

JOHN TIMON⁹ BAXTER (John L.,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. April 1, 1861; m. April

28, 1888, at Olean, N. Y., Helen McLowery; d. at Olean, Dec. 22, 1900. John T. and Helen (McLowery) Baxter had:

- 561 John Lawrence, b. April 8, 1889.
- 562 Helen.
- 563 James, b. —; d. Oct. 15, 1900.

Helen McLowery Baxter died in the spring of 1910.

479

MARY⁹ BAXTER (Charles C.,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Reynoldsville, Pa., March 11, 1864; m. Oct. 10, 1882, Dennis Couell. They had:

- 564 Grace L., b. Aug. 5, 1883.
- 565 William Harris, b. Oct. 4, 1885; lives in Australia.
- 566 Ellen, b. Oct. 18, 1887.

481

MINA⁹ BAXTER (Charles C.,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Reynoldsville, Dec. 7, 1867; m. June 3, 1885, William Merritt. They had:

- 567 Percy, b. Nov., 1886.
- 568 Charles, b. Oct. 19, 1893.
- 569 William, b. May 12, 1897.
- 570 Mary, b. Dec. 22, 1900.

487

LORENA⁹ BAXTER (Charles C.,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. June 6, 1882; m. May 7, 1904, Lester L. Louth. They have:

- 571 Esther, b. April 20, 1905.
- 572 Kathryn, b. April 15, 1910.

496

ELIZA A.⁹ BAXTER (Jonathan W.,⁸ Henry W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Jan. 21, 1845; m. Dec. 19, 1861, at Warsaw, Ky., J. Critt Furnish. They had:

- 573 John H., b. Dec. 9, 1862.
- 574 Fannie W., b. Feb. 22, 1866; m. A. L. Pettinger; lives Pensacola, Fla.
- 575 Albert Lee, b. Dec. 17, 1867; living Sparta, Ky.
- 576 Robert T., b. July 5, 1869; m. —; living Terry, Mont.
- 577 William T., b. March 3, 1873.

497

SUSAN WEST⁹ BAXTER (Jonathan W.,⁸ Henry W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. April 25, 1852; m. May 15, 1872, at Vevay, Ind., George Washington Mendall, son of Charles Wesley and Margaret (Dorral) Mendall. They had:

- 578 George Washington, b. March 7, 1873; lived Austin, Texas.
- 579 Bessie Margaret, b. Aug. 2, 1875.
- 580 Charles Whitford, b. July 6, 1878; d. Dec. 24, 1878.
- 581 Edward Mendenhall, b. March 21, 1880; d. April 11, 1880.

499

DR. JOHN WHITFORD⁹ BAXTER (Jonathan W.,⁸ Henry W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. June 25, 1856, at Warsaw, Ky.; m. Feb. 22, 1899, at Mason, Texas, Lydia Joan Brockman, daughter of August and Marie E. (Wiedeman) Brockman. They had:

- 582 Brockman Mendenhall, b. Dec. 21, 1899; now living Georgetown, Tex.
- 583 Susannah Gorton, b. Oct. 28, 1901; living Georgetown, Tex.

500

LELA FRANCES⁹ BAXTER (Jonathan W.,⁸ Henry W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), born June 3, 1858; m. March 3, 1882, at Vevay, Ind., Nathaniel R. Titus, son of Harvey and Isabel (Le Clerc) Titus, formerly of Titusville, Pa. They had:

584 Aime Baxter, b. April 5, 1883. An artist.

585 Isabel Antoinette, b. Nov. 17, 1886.

586 Lela Jeannette, b. March 9, 1889.

The Titus family reside at 3471 Third St., San Diego, Cal.

501

MARTHA ANTOINETTE⁹ BAXTER (Jonathan W.,⁸ Henry W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Feb. 27, 1861; m. June 16, 1885, Dr. John E. Crozier, son of John Page and Harriet Kinkeade (Espey) Crozier of Ripley, Ohio. They had:

586 John Baxter, b. Oct. 5, 1888; m. Olive Ione Utiger; living 1231 Washington Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

587 Margaret Antoinette, b. July 12, 1891; d. Sept. 7, 1912.

588 Andrew Espey, b. Jan. 9, 1894; living Lexington, Ky.

502

DR. HENRY ERNEST⁹ BAXTER (Jonathan W.,⁸ Henry W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Sept. 13, 1867; m. (1) Jan. 4, 1897, at Austin, Texas, Margaret Fischer, who d. July 14, 1903; m. (2) July 29, 1905, Lela Dunham, daughter of Sidney and Jean (Mackey) Dunham. They had:

589 Harry Jean, b. Dec. 9, 1907.

503

WILLIAM EDWARDS⁹ BAXTER (Jonathan W.,⁸ Henry W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Jan. 6, 1869;

now living in Lexington, Ky.; graduated in medicine and surgery, Medical Department, Central University (Hospital College of Medicine, 1893), Post Graduate in Ear, Nose and Throat surgery, Medical Department, University of Louisville. Was an instructor in both schools. Specialist (also composer of Music, Author, Inventor). Now, 1912, developing inventions.

506

SIMOND⁹ BAXTER (John K.,⁸ Henry W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹).

512

MARGARET⁹ BAXTER (Harmon B.,⁸ Henry W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. — Hayes. They had:

596 Sara E., Memphis, Tenn.

520

MARY LOUISE⁹ BRADEN (Jane Eliza,⁸ Richard,⁷ Joel K.,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Nov. 25, 1862; m. Oct. 5, 1881, Albert Jenkins Lobdell. They had:

- +597 Augustus Whitney, b. Aug. 14, 1882.
- 598 Cornelia Braden, b. Sept. 11, 1884.
- 599 Louise Emerson, b. Dec. 23, 1889.
- 600 Albert Jenkins, b. Feb. 6, 1893.
- 601 Paul Baxter, b. April 5, 1894.
- 602 Jennie Baxter, b. July 3, 1895.

522

MARIA EXALL⁹ BAXTER (William Henry,⁸ Thomas,⁷ Thomas,⁶ Thomas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), m. William Alexander. They have:

- 603 William.
604 David.

TENTH GENERATION.

533

HENRY BAXTER¹⁰ McCORMICK (Adele,⁹ Henry,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Oct. 20, 1873; m. June 28, 1898, Jennie Victoria Howe, daughter of Nelson Baker and Clarissa (Zeller) Howe. They had:

- 605 Helen Louise, b. March 5, 1899.
606 Rebecca, b. Sept. 13, 1900.

534

JULIA ADELE¹⁰ McCORMICK (Adele,⁹ Henry,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. July 26, 1876; m. July 1, 1896, John B. Moyer. They have:

- 607 William Roscoe, b. Aug. 14, 1897.
608 Donald McCormick, b. Oct. 10, 1899.
609 Keith, b. March 19, 1903. At Everett, Wash.
610 Kenneth, b. March 19, 1903. At Everett, Wash.

536

ROBERT WYLIE¹⁰ McCORMICK (Adele,⁹ Henry,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. April 24, 1881; m. Jan. 9, 1907, Mina Snyder, b. March 27, 1886, daughter of David and Emma Sophronia (Walker) Snyder. They had:

- 611 Frances, b. Oct. 30, 1912.

544

MARY MARGARET¹⁰ BAXTER (Vincent K.,⁹ Richard B.,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. at Baxter, Aug. 23, 1880; m. James McBride. They had:

- 612 James, b. in Pittsburg, March 1, 1905.

547

GRACE¹⁰ BAXTER (Francis X.,⁹ Richard B.,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. June 20, 1888; m. Oct. 20, 1909, William Christian Kramer, b. April 7, 1881, son of Christian and Mary (Fouzel) Kramer. They had:

613 Frances Christina, b. Oct. 9, 1910.

556

ANNA BLANCHE¹⁰ BRITTON (Jason N.,⁹ Rachel,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Aug. 18, 1882; m. William Williamson, Jan. 29, 1906. They had:

614 Elizabeth.

615 Mary Christine.

559

WILLIAM¹⁰ BAXTER (Charles D.,⁹ David,⁸ John W.,⁷ John,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. 1887; m. April 1, 1910, Mabel Wood. They had:

616 Verna May, b. April 14, 1911, at Belmont, N. Y.

597

AUGUSTUS WHITNEY¹⁰ LOBDELL (Mary Louise,⁹ Jane Eliza,⁸ Joel K.,⁷ Richard,⁶ Pettit,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ Thomas,² Thomas¹), b. Aug. 14, 1882; m. Jan. 6, 1907, Elizabeth Courson. They had:

617 Dallas Ley, b. Dec. 22, 1908.

618 Mary Elizabeth, b. April 11, 1912.

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APPENDIX

CLOSE FAMILY OF GREENWICH.

GOODMAN CLOSE, b. about 1600, in County York, England, came to America about 1642, and finally settled in Fairfield, Conn., where he d. in 1653; his widow Elizabeth m. George Stuckey and d. in Stamford, Sept. 4, 1656.

The children of Goodman and Elizabeth Close were:

- 1 Hannah, b. about 1632; m. June 9, 1657, Joshua Knapp; after his death, she m. John Bowers.
- 2 Joseph, b. about 1634; d. before 1660; no children.
- +3 Thomas, b. about 1637; m. Sarah, daughter of Richard and Anna (Husted) Hardy, in 1669; he d. in Greenwich, Conn., in 1709.
- 4 Mary, b. about 1640; m. June 25, 1668, Samuel Holly; living April 15, 1725.

3 THOMAS² CLOSE is the ancestor of the Close family in Fairfield, Conn., and of those also of Westchester and Dutchess Counties. Member of General Assembly, 1701. His will is dated Dec. 30, 1708; probated 1709.

Thomas and Sarah (Hardy) Close had:

- 1 Sarah, b. Dec. 10, 1670.
- 2 Hannah, b. March 12, 1672; m. in 1696, Johannes Luqueer, of Newtown, L. I.
- 3 Thomas, b. Dec. 16, 1674; d. in 1707; m. Feb., 1703, Hannah Knapp.
- 4 Joseph, b. Nov. 20, 1676; d. Oct. 4, 1760; m. Rebecca Tompkins, b. in 1679; d. 1761.
- +5 Benjamin, b. May 18, 1679; m. (1) —, 1711; (2) Ruth Brown, widow of Joseph Brown, Jr.; d. March, 1759.

- 6 Mary, b. in 1682; d. before 1718; m. Moses Hunt.
- 7 Elizabeth, b. Aug. 5, 1684.
- 8 Ruth, b. Nov. 1, 1687.
- 9 John, b. April 8, 1689.
- 10 Lydia, b. in 1690.

5 BENJAMIN³ CLOSE had by his first wife:

- +1 Benjamin,⁴ b. March 6, 1712; removed to Salem, N. Y.; m. (1) March 10, 1743, Patience Tyler; (2) Mary Mead; (3) Widow Susannah Knapp. He was a loyalist, sent within the British lines in 1778, and d. there on Long Island, Jan. 25, 1782. His children by his first wife were:
 - 1 Benjamin, b. Dec. 15, 1743; d. April 29, 1812; m. Theodosia Mead.
 - 2 Abraham, b. April 2, 1746; a loyalist; d. in the Province of Quebec.

By second wife:

- 3 Stephen,⁵ b. —; m. Joanna Baxter, and removed to Cayuga County, N. Y.
- 4 Martha.
- 5 Mary.
- 2 MARTHA⁴ CLOSE, b. Oct. 26, 1714; m. Jan. 25, 1732, John Baxter.
- 3 ELIZABETH⁴ CLOSE, b. Sept. 17, 1716; m. July 24, 1733, Jonathan Lockwood, b. 1716.
- 4 REUBEN⁴ CLOSE, b. Feb. 9, 1718.
- 5 JONATHAN, b. Feb. 3, 1720; d. Feb. 22, 1754; m. June 21, 1742, Sarah, daughter of Samuel Mills, b. Jan. 29, 1722.
- 6 NATHANIEL, b. May 5, 1722; d. young.
- 7 SAMUEL, b. July 31, 1724; d. Dec., 1770; m. Nov. 20, 1749, Deborah, daughter of Elnathan Mead.

THOMAS¹ BRUSH, b. about 1610, probably in Nottinghamshire, England. He came to New England in 1638, with John Conklin. After a short stay at Salem, Mass., he removed to

Southold, L. I., where he owned land in 1653, but sold it in 1658, and removed to Huntington, L. I., where he d. in 1670. He m. Rebecca, daughter of John and Mary Conklin, and had:

- +1 Thomas, b. about 1640; d. April, 1699.
- +2 Richard, b. about 1643.
 - 3 Rebecca.
 - 4 John.

1 THOMAS² BRUSH m. Sarah Wickes; will probated April 26, 1699. Mentions the following children:

- 1 Thomas.
- 2 Jacob.
- 3 Timothy.
- 4 Rebecca.
- 5 Sarah.
- 6 Susannah.
- 7 Elizabeth.
- 8 Mary.
- 9 Martha.

There is a tradition in the Greenwich branch of the Brush family, though now generally regarded as a fairy tale, that it is descended from Robert Bruce of Scotland.

2 RICHARD,² b. about 1643; m. in 1669, Johannah Corey. The children of Richard and Johanna (Corey) Close were.

- 1 Hester, b. April 2, 1670; m. May 10, 1688, Edward Brush.
- 2 Richard, b. Sept. 28, 1673; removed to Greenwich, Conn., and d. there in 1742; m. and had one child, Richard, b. Dec. 19, 1727, who chose for his guardian his uncle, Joseph Brush, 1742.
- 3 Thomas, b. Jan. 13, 1675.
- 4 Mary, b. March 31, 1677.
- 5 Benjamin, b. Oct. 20, 1682; removed to Greenwich, Conn.; bought land there in 1726; d. in 1759. Ancestor of the Greenwich Brush family.

- 6 Robert, b. June 30, 1685.
- 7 Rebecca, b. about 1645; m. Jan. 30, 1682, Rev-
end Jeremiah Hubbard.
- 8 John, b. about 1648; d. about 1740; m. in 1682,
Elizabeth, daughter of Isaac Platt.

Stephen Brush, Feb. 11, 1730, bought land of Peter Ferris. He is undoubtedly the grandson of Richard and Johanna (Corey) Brush. The names of his children were all family names: Sarah, Richard, Joanna and Joseph.

Robert Baxter, 21 years old, went to Virginia in the bark *Alice*, Richard Orchard, Master, 1635.

William Whitlock came over in 1635, in the *Peter Bonaventure*, Thomas Harmon, Master.

William Betts, aged twenty, June 6, 1635, *Thomas and John*.

William Barnes, aged 17, came over in the *Ann and Elizabeth*, Joseph Brookhaven, Master, 1635.

CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, BAXTERS.

DANIEL¹ BAXTER m. Elizabeth Carn, b. Aug. 23, 1776; d. Dec. 28, 1835. Children:

- 1 Francis Baxter, b. Dec. 26, 1796.
- 2 John L., b. Dec. 3, 1799.
- 3 Daniel R., b. March 7, 1802.
- 4 Andrew H., b. June 22, 1806.
- +5 David P., b. March 9, 1807; d. Feb. 26, 1876.
- 6 Mary Ann, b. Oct. 3, 1809.
- 7 Samuel W. S., b. Dec. 27, 1811.
- 8 James J., b. Sept. 28, 1813.
- 9 Daniel Peter, b. Oct. 27, 1817.

5 DAVID² PETER BAXTER, m. ——. They had:

- 1 Lucher, b. Dec. 16, 1837; d. March 6, 1858.
- +2 George Daniel, b. March 28, 1839, in Orange Co.,
S. C.
- 3 Mary Jane, b. Dec. 30, 1840.
- 4 Minerva Ann, b. May 14, 1842; d. June 7, 1843.

- 5 Benjamin Franklin, b. Dec. 9, 1843; d. Feb. 3, 1847.
- 6 Joseph Francis, b. Oct. 1, 1845; d. Aug. 4, 1896.
- 7 Laura Elizabeth Ann, b. Nov. 29, 1849.
- 8 Miles Coburn, b. July 8, 1857.

2 GEORGE DANIEL³ BAXTER, m. Emma Stutts, Sept. 19, 1861, at 41 Station. They had:

- 1 James Edgar, b. June 7, 1863.
- 2 George William, b. July 18, 1868.
- 3 David Manning, b. Feb. 23, 1870.
- 4 Agnes Mary, b. Nov. 3, 1871.
- 5 Minnie Pauline, b. July 22, 1873.
- 6 Victoria Amanda, b. Sept. 11, 1878.
- 7 Emma, b. Sept. 4, 1880.
- 8 Henrietta, b. June 4, 1883.

George Daniel Baxter killed, Dec. 24, 1895.

JOHN BAXTER, m. Mary Briton, Aug. 4, 1785. Had son: James Baxter, b. at Mar's Bluff, S. C., Aug. 17, 1786; m. Sarah Patience Briton, April 16, 1818. Children:

- 1 John T., b. Feb. 28, 1819; d. Oct. 10, 1822.
- 2 Mary M., b. Jan. 7, 1821.
- +3 James S., b. May 19, 1823.
- 4 Sarah P., b. Oct. 9, 1825; d. very young.
- 5 Thomas F., b. June 16, 1827.

3 JAMES S. BAXTER, m. Sarah Currie, Sept. 11, 1845. Children:

- 1 James A., b. July 4, 1846.
- 2 Daniel T., b. July 25, 1848.
- 3 John, b. April 25, 1853.
- 4 Hugh C., b. April 12, 1856.

Sarah (Currie) Baxter, wife of James S. Baxter, d. April 16, 1856; March 5, 1857, he m. Margaret Cameron. They had:

- 5 Margaret, b. Dec. 20, 1857.
- 6 Anna, b. Nov. 14, 1859.

- 7 M——, V. &—, b. Nov. 16, 1861.
- 8 Nancy Ella, b. Dec. 24, 1863.
- 9 Van, b. March 27, 1866.
- 10 Sallie May, b. May 21, 1868.
- 11 Roxie, b. April 25, 1870.

Thomas F. Baxter, son of James and Sarah (Briton) Baxter, b. —; m. Mary McLean, Dec. 25, 1846, by Patrick Bloodworth, in Louisville, Ala.

WEST VIRGINIA BAXTERS.

Elizabeth Baxter married Thomas Rogers. They emigrated from Londonderry, Ireland, to Boston in 1721; removed to Philadelphia in 1728. Elizabeth died in Philadelphia, June 4, 1770, and was buried in the first Presbyterian Church burial ground. Their daughter Margaret married Capt. John McPherson, d. Philadelphia, Sept., 1792, brother of General Montgomery's aid, killed at Quebec. Thomas Rogers was a Presbyterian minister.

George Baxter, the nephew of Elizabeth Baxter Rogers, came with his aunt from Londonderry. He was then about seven years of age.

Rev. George Addison Baxter was the son of George Baxter and Elizabeth (Love) Baxter, the daughter of Colonel Love, an emigrant from Ireland at an early age, landing on the banks of the Delaware. The parents of George Baxter died when he was very young, and he was received into the family of Thomas Rogers, who married his aunt, Elizabeth Baxter. In 1728, he removed with them to Philadelphia. There were eight children. George followed his emigrating countrymen to the frontier of Virginia. Gave his family an English education; was Ruling Elder of Revolutionary Legislature, fifteen times; chose one child for the ministry. He married at Mossy Creek Congregation, a daughter of Col. William Fleming, a Scotch emigrant, and settler there.

George Addison Baxter, b. July 22, 1771, in Rockingham Co., Va. At New London Academy, Nov., 1792, John, a companion of Darius, brother of George Addison.

In the early part of the seventeenth century, a part of northern Ireland became depopulated. Puritans from England and reformers from Scotland were induced to occupy the lands thus abandoned. The majority of them were Scotch and they were consequently Scotch-Irish. They in turn were forced to look for a refuge elsewhere, from persecution. About this time Virginia wanted settlers on the frontier to protect the interior from Indian raids, and liberal grants of land were made for that purpose.

Between 1732 and 1750, a line of settlements were formed on the best lands of Monroe, Greenbriar and Pocahontas Counties. Those settlers comprised Scotch-Irish, Huguenots and Germans from the war-swept Palatine.

The first court held in Pocahontas County was at Huntersville. Among the six Justices of the Peace present who handed in their commissions, signed by Governor Randolph, was the name of John Baxter. The oath of office was administered by Col. John Baxter.

The next business transaction of this term of court was the organization of the 127th Regiment of Virginia State Militia, John Baxter, Col.

Among the heads of families who occupied homesteads in 1800, we find the names of John Baxter, Moses Moore, Robert Gay, and others.

Col. John Baxter, of Rockbridge County, married Mary Moore, daughter of William and Margaret Moore of Anthony's Creek.

Col. John Baxter was a near relation of Dr. George Baxter of Virginia, who was one of the Presidents of Washington College, Lexington, Va., and who, at his death was Professor of Theology, Union Theological Seminary, Hampton Sydney, Va. Dr. Baxter appears as one of the most eminent ministers of his time, sixty or seventy years ago, in the History of American Presbyterianism.

George Addison Baxter graduated at Washington College, Lexington, Va., in 1796. In 1798, he was called to the Professorship of Mathematics in Liberty Hall, where he continued until 1829. At the same time Pastor New Monmouth and Lexington.

In 1831, called as Theological Professor at Washington College. He d. in 1841. He was tall and manly in form, with a massive and expanded brow. He had a mind exceedingly well balanced, and understanding vast in its power of comprehension, and eminently profound, logical and lucid. A judgment accurate and discriminating, and a memory remarkably retentive. Always clear, he was almost always convincing. He seemed to grasp a difficult subject and apprehend all its bearings almost by intuition. His power of condensation however was remarkable. His prayers were brief but comprehensive. He rarely used his pen, and wrote but few of his lectures. He had imagination and had pathos, and in his preaching he not rarely had to struggle to suppress his emotions. His mind was more rapid than his words, and his heart kept pace with his intellect. His modesty was equal to his mind, and in a strange pulpit he was as easily embarrassed as the humblest and plainest student, fresh from the seminary. Yet while he seemed to shun notice, his abilities were equal to the highest position.

There was a popular demand for a Constitutional Convention, and the Assembly in 1827-8, passed an act providing that vote be taken upon the question. This resulted in a large majority in favor of the Convention, and that body assembled in Richmond, Oct. 5, 1829. It was the most remarkable body of men that had assembled in Virginia since 1788. There sat James Madison and James Monroe, ex-Presidents of the United States, and many others renowned for their wisdom and eloquence. The body was composed of ninety-six members; of the whole number, eighteen were from the region now embraced in the limits of West Virginia. Among these was John Baxter, representing Pocahontas County.

1 JOHN¹ BAXTER, m. Mary Moore; they lived on Little Back Creek, Va. They had:

- 2 Jane, m. John Moore.
- 3 Martha, m. Henry Duncan.
- 4 Sarah, m. William Duncan.
- +5 William, b. Nov. 23, 1808.

5 WILLIAM² BAXTER, b. Nov. 23, 1808; m. Elizabeth Barlow. They had:

- +6 Martha Jane, b. May 27, 1834.
- 7 Miriam, b. Oct. 8, 1836.
- 8 John, b. Sept. 7, 1840.
- +9 George, b. Feb. 26, 1843.
- +10 Mary Ann, b. Dec. 27, 1846.
- 11 Andrew, b. April 14, 1848.
- 12 William Henry, b. Aug. 17, 1849.
- 13 Margaret Elizabeth, b. Jan. 23, 1853.
- +14 Samuel Clark, b. July 28, 1855.

William Baxter (5), son of Col. John Baxter, was b. on Little Back Creek, Nov. 23, 1808. From early boyhood he manifested a great love for reading. His father owned the largest and most select library in the county, and William read most of the books. At an early age he began teaching, and was one of the most popular teachers in the county. In 1840, he purchased a section of the Phillips survey, and built a house thereon. For many years he served as Justice of the Peace, and member of the Pocahontas Court. He was a skilled amanuensis, and did much work in that line, framing business papers, as articles of agreement, conveyances, deeds, etc. He d. Sept., 1881. His wife passed away three or four weeks later.

9 GEORGE³ BAXTER, b. Feb. 26, 1843, son of William and Elizabeth (Barlow) Baxter, was a teacher in the public schools, for a few years and was for twenty-five years County Surveyor. His chief occupation for thirty-five years was surveying lands and locating roads. He was a member of the Marlinton Presbyterian Church, and for the fifteen years prior to his death, one of the ruling elders.

George Baxter was twice married. He m. (1) Jan. 4, 1866, Sarah Ann Poage. They had:

- 15 John Willis, b. April 4, 1867; m. Margaret Patterson.
- 16 Birdie May Elizabeth, b. July 11, 1869; m. Alvin H. Slear.

- 17 Adam Oscar, b. Aug. 11, 1873; m. Lena Moore.
- 18 Allie Frances, b. Feb. 19, 1876; m. James H. Patterson.
- 19 Georgia Ann May, b. May 17, 1878; m. Ernest F. Harper.
- 20 James William Ellis, b. April 1, 1881; d. June 3, 1911.

Sarah Ann (Poage) Baxter d. April 6, 1881.

George Baxter m. (2) Feb. 16, 1883, Margaret Jane Cassell.

They had:

- 21 Eliza Myrtle, b. Dec. 24, 1884.
- 22 Bessie Regina, b. Oct. 22, 1886.
- 23 Frank Cassell, b. Aug. 6, 1888; m. Bessie Moore.
- 24 Eula Mabel, b. Feb. 19, 1890.
- 25 Edith, b. Dec. 9, 1891.
- 26 George Harry, b. Dec. 24, 1893.

George Baxter d. April 5, 1908.

6 MARTHA JANE² BAXTER, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Barlow) Baxter; m. (1) Henry Poage; (2) Samuel Gay.

10 MARY ANN BAXTER, b. Dec. 27, 1846; m. 1872, John Register Moore, son of James and Anne (McNeil) Moore. They had:

- 27 Martha Elizabeth, b. Feb. 16, 1873.
- 28 Adam C., b. Feb. 21, 1875.
- 29 Lillie M., b. Sept. 15, 1876.
- 30 Alva, b. Feb. 22, 1897.

12 WILLIAM HENRY BAXTER, b. Aug. 17, 1849; m. Martha Gay. They had:

- 31 Lucy, b. —; m. William Riggins.
- 32 Preston, m. Anna Waugh.
- 33 Stella, m. — Shanaham.

14 SAMUEL CLARK BAXTER, m. Mary McClure. They had:

- 34 Leanna, m. Lloyd Vanreenan.

- 35 Charles, m. Katie Moore.
- 36 Elmer.
- 37 Levi.
- 38 Alva.
- 39 Neil, m. Bessie Vanreenan.
- 40 Martha.

BAXTERS OF OHIO. SCOTCH-IRISH.

DANIEL¹ BAXTER, a weaver, came from Ireland when twenty-five years old; m. in New Jersey a Miss Cook; lived in Greene County, Pa., in 1778-80; d. there in 1808. They had:

- 1 Esther.
- 2 Pacey.
- 3 Nancy.
- 4 Rebecca.
- 5 Daniel.
- 6 Samuel.
- 7 John.
- 8 James W.

6 SAMUEL² BAXTER, m. (1) Polly Boyd; (2) Keziah Cremean. Children by second wife:

- 9 Jane.
- 10 James.
- 11 Maria.
- 12 Samuel.
- +13 Curtis.
- 14 Smith.
- 15 Rachel.
- 16 David.
- 17 Eliza.

Samuel Baxter in Oct., 1828, came to Allen County, Ohio, and settled on the Auglaize River. He d. in 1830, leaving his widow to struggle with the adversities of life in the dense forest.

13 CURTIS² BAXTER, m., 1843, Emily John, b. Ross County, Ohio, Oct. 26, 1822. Children:

- 18 Samuel M.
- 19 Eliza J.
- 20 Griffith J.
- 21 William A.
- 22 David E.
- 23 Curtis I.
- 24 Theresia A.
- 25 Elizabeth.
- 26 Emily M.
- 27 Charles A.

Curtis Baxter was a soldier in the Civil War, serving in Co. H, 33 Ohio Vol. for eight months. He was enrolled Sept. 22, 1864, at Lima, Ohio. Accompanied Sherman on his march to the sea, fought at Averysboro and Bentonville, and was present at the grand review in Washington, was honorably discharged June 5, 1865. A member of the Methodist Church. Died suddenly, May 20, 1897.

LIMA, OHIO, BAXTERS. SCOTCH-IRISH.

1 SAMUEL A.¹ BAXTER, b. in Washington County, Maryland; m. Jane Kelly. They had:

- +2 Samuel A.
- 3 George.
- 4 James; d. young.

2 SAMUEL A.² BAXTER, JR., b. in Allen County, Ohio; d. Lima, Ohio, Jan. 5, 1908. Lima's foremost citizen. Surgeon in the Civil War, M. D. Engaged in numerous enterprises in Lima, Ohio. Philanthropist. Member of numerous societies. They had:

- 5 Frank E.
- 6 Donald A.
- 7 Clem S.
- 8 Fred. D.

2 GEORGE¹ BAXTER. Living, Muncie, Ind. Children:

- 9 Mrs. Calvin Wachtel.
- 10 Mrs. Belle Bower.

MARYLAND BAXTERS.

JOSEPH BAXTER was Sheriff of Baltimore, 1779.

William Baxter paid bachelor tax from 1756 to 1762, Baltimore, Md.

Jan., 1763. James Baxter was Sheriff of Cecil County, Md.

Jan. 14, 1776. Joseph Baxter was a 2nd Lieut. in Smallwoods, Md., Regiment.

REVOLUTIONARY PENSIONERS.

JOHN BAXTER, Nov. 18, 1825, resident of Cahawba, Ala.; removed from North Carolina.

Andrew Baxter, 1st Lieut. under Capt. Martin in Col. Wade Hampton's Regiment of Light Dragoons; captured by the British and kept prisoner in Charleston.

Andrew Baxter, b. 1735; m. Elizabeth Harris of Mecklenburg, N. C., b. July 30, 1764; m. Jan. 8, 1784; he d. Oct. 4, 1816, near Milledgeville, Ga. They had:

- 1 John, b. March 2, 1785; d. Jan. 2, 1787.
- 2 James, b. Aug. 8, 17—.
- 3 Thomas W., b. Dec. 16, 1787.
- 4 Andrew S., b. March 1, 1790.
- 5 Cynthia, b. Nov. 13, 1792.
- 6 Margaret, b. May 8, 1794; m. ——— Laird.
- 7 Elizabeth, b. June 28, 1796; m. ——— Thomas.
- 8 Eli, b. Nov. 17, 1799.
- 9 Richard, b. Sept. 22, 1802; d. Sept. 9, 1807.

BAXTER RECORDS. NORFOLK, ENGLAND. TASEBRUGH.

On an altar tomb in the parish church appears the name of Baxter and the coats-of-arms of Baxter and Blutworth. Baxter, argent on a pale within a bordure, sable, three bezants, and on a brass plate, at the top, a Latin inscription, to the effect that Elizabeth, daughter and heir to Gen. George Blutworth, and wife to General Thomas Baxter, lay there. By whom were two

sons and three daughters. She died Oct. 8, 1587, aged thirty-eight. On a brass plate nailed to a seat in the chancel, are the Baxter and Blutworth arms, and here lies Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Thomas Baxter, *Generaso Patronis* of this church, who died single, June 3, 1586, aged sixteen. Thomas Baxter, *Patronis* of this church, died Dec. 3, 1611, aged seventy-five. He built Rantlorpe Hall, in 1600, in Floden Parish.

Thomas Baxter sold the manor to Thomas Newell.

It hath three shields.

1. Baxter as before, crest, a Pelican vulnerating herself.
2. Baxter and Talmash, *gules*, a fret *or*.
3. Drake *azure*, a *viverne*, *or*.

I have no doubt but that Gen. Thomas and Elizabeth (Bludworth) Baxter were the grandparents of George and Thomas Baxter; but could not get the connecting link.

Witness the names, Thomas, George and Elizabeth, their frequent use in the Westchester line.

Notes and Queries.

RICHARD BAXTER.

Richard Baxter, of Eaton Constantine,
5 miles from Shrewsbury, in Shropshire,
= Beatrice, daughter of Richard Adeney of Rowton, near High Eneall, Shropshire.

*Richard Baxter, b. Nov. 12, 1615,
m. 1662, Miss Charlton.

* The celebrated Nonconformist divine. He had no issue. The only descendant known was his nephew William Baxter, antiquary. He was born in Shropshire in 1650. He pub. several works; Master of the Mercers School, London, 20 years; d. 1723.

Surtees Durham.

William Baxter of Corbridge, Northumberland, after of Witworth, buried 8 March, 1652, = Margaret Watson.

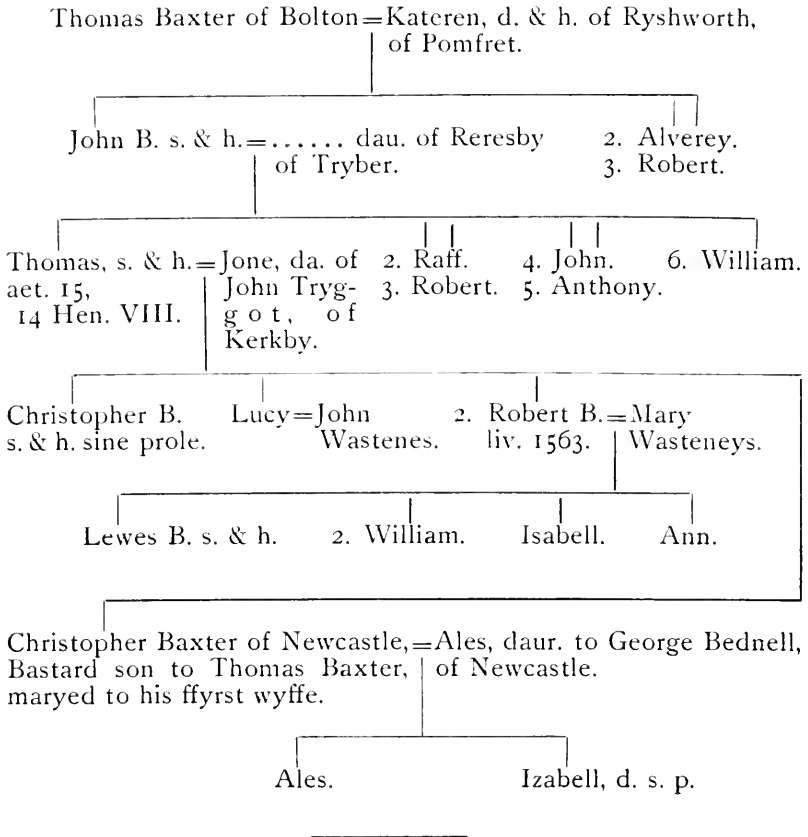
Mark, bur. 1620.	Sampson, bur. 1634.	Catharine, sole	Anne.
Cuthbert, bur. 1622.	William, bur. 1651.	surviv. daur.	Mary.
Mathew, bur. 1634.	Matthew, bur. 1651.	m. 1631 to C.	
		Hutchinson.	

(See Whitworth Parish Reg.)

Harl. Soc. Visitations of Yorkshire, 1563/4.

BAXTER OF NEWCASTLE

ARMS:—*Arg.* on a bend *azure* three estoiles *or*,
over all a bendlet sinister *gules*.



Visitations of Northumberland, 1615, 1666.—Pedigrees and Arms as above.

Har. Soc. *Visitations of Norfolk, 1563, 1589, and 1613.*

BAXTER. Harl. MSS. 1552. Ink fo. 213b, pencil 207b.

ARMS:—Quarterly *sable* and *gules* three bucks heads couped *or*.

Robert Baxter of Walsingham Parva = Katherine, daur. of Thomas
Robins of Cromer als Shep-
den.

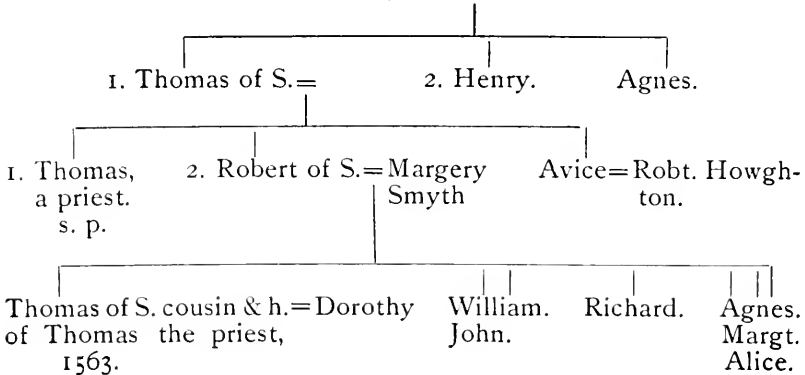
Thomas Baxter of Cromer = Elizabeth, daur. of Robert
Blowfeild of Cromer.

BAXTER. Harl. MSS. 1552. fo. 101b, 95b.

ARMS:—*Gules*, a wyvern *or*, on a chief of the 2nd,
three spears heads *azure*.

CREST:—A lion's gamb erect and erased *or*, grasping a spear *sable*,
headed *argent*, tasseled of the first.

Thomas Baxter of Stannow, Norf. =



Visits of Northamptonshire, 1564, 1618/19, with additions from Har. MSS.

BAXTER OF BURTON LATIMER.

Baxter of Bolton upon Derne, Co. York =

Avery B. of Kettering =, dau. of William
Co. Northton Lane of Orlingbury

Thomas B., Chaplin to H. S. Parsons
of Pitchley and Broughton, Co.
Northampton, ob. s. p.

John B. of Burton Latimer, = Margaret, dau. & coh. of Robert
Co. North'ton Wolston, of Burton Latimer,

1. Wolston B. of B.L. = Helen, da. of Wm. Thorley of Harowden,
North'ton, 2. to Richd. Tremill of Co. Linc.

Cath. = Hen. Parsons.
Blanche, d. unm.

John B., of Wrawby, Co. Anne, ux. Wm. Leech, of
Linc. 1632; d. s. p. S. Willingham, Linc.

2. Thomas B. of = Jane, dau. of Simon
B. L. Clerk, Mallory of Wood-
1632 ford, Northampton.

3. Robert, 4. William, of = Sarah, da. of Mary = Thos. Wotton.
o. s. p. Burton. Danyell Pele Margt. = Thos. Cooper.
of Lond.

Dorothy. Margarett.

Margery.

BAXTER OF SHARPHILL (Barkston Ash).

ARMS:—*Argent*, on a bend *azure*, three estoils of the first.

John Baxter, a 2nd bro. to Thomas B. of Bolton-upon-Dearne =

Alexander B. =, dau. and coheir of Jno. Hubberd,
descended from Hubbard of Hales Hall,
Norf. 1564.

John B. of Sharphill = Joan, d. & co-h. to Thos.
Pulleyn & of Emmot, his
wife, d. & h. to Wm. Over-
ton of Helmsley.

Robt. Doughty =
of Doughty
Hall, Yorks.

John D. = Margt. Gamage.

a daur. = Sejt. Moore
of York.

William B. = Isabell, dau. and heir.

Francis B., s. & h. = Katherine Lovell.
died 1616.

Ralph.
Marmaduke.
Richard.

Thomasin.

Jane.
Ellen.
Dorothy.

2. William.
4. Fernando.

John B. aet 1 = Agnes Hippon
in 1585.

Marmaduke, m. (1)
Elizabeth Freman,
m. (2)

Francis B. = Agnes Green
of London

William.

Elizabeth.

Signed—*Francis Baxter*.

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