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DOWN SEVEN GENERATIONS.

A RESCRIPT

OF

TREADWELL ^(OLD) PLATT

Family

GENEALOGY.

*"A good name in man and woman,
Is the immediate jewel of their souls."*

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PREFACE.

“Not to know what took place before one was born,” says Cicero, “is to remain forever a child.” The end undertaken in this work is to collect and preserve in a simple form some memorials of our immediate ancestors, men who lived not for themselves, but to serve God and their country.

Were it possible to search probate and town records, the half-hidden monuments in old cemeteries, and local or general histories thoroughly, there might doubtless be gathered material for a volume, which to those who are linked to the departed by ties of kinship and tender recollection, would be replete with interest.

The frost of age blights sharply; the ruthless years sweep away the very homes where they lived; and, alas! how soon those to whom their living presence was known, will, like them, have “passed to the majority.”

To us who remain will be left the duty of emulating their virtues, their piety, their love of civil and religious liberty, their devotion to “the common welfare of all,” which characterized them, as it did the Puritan Fathers of New England.

A. C. M.

SYRACUSE, March, 1883.

THE TREADWELL FAMILY.

John Treadwell, the ancestor of the Long Island Treadwells, came from Connecticut to Huntington, Long Island, but finally settled at Hempstead, Queens Co., and was Representative of that county in 1694.

Children of John Treadwell, 1st Generation.

- 1st. John, Junior.
- 2d. Thomas, who married a Denton and had five sons.

Children of Thomas Treadwell, 2d Generation.

- 1st. John 3d.
- 2d. Samuel.
- 3d. Benjamin.
- 4th. Thomas, Junior.
- 5th. Timothy; born in 1713.

Samuel and Thomas, 2d and 4th sons, settled in Westchester county, N.Y. Samuel married a Thomas, and left one son.

- 1 son of Samuel of 3d generation.

Thomas married a Lyon (Elizabeth).

Children of Thomas Treadwell, 3d Generation.

- 1st. James.
- 2d. Hannah.
- 3d. Sarah.

Benjamin, 3d son of 2d generation, settled on Great Neck, L. I., and married Phœbe Platt, daughter of Major Epenetus Platt, and sister of Sophia Platt, of Huntington, L. I.

Children of Benjamin Treadwell, 3d Son of 2d Generation, and Phœbe Platt.

- 1st. John.
- 2d. Benjamin.
- 3d. Phœbe.
- 4th. Margaret.

Children of 2d wife, named Allen.

- 5th. Samuel.
- 6th. William; and 4 daughters, making 10.

Timothy, 5th son of Thomas of the 2d generation, married Mary Platt, sister of his brother Benjamin's wife (Phœbe), and settled at Smithtown, L. I. They had one son of the 3d generation,—our beloved and venerated Grandfather, born at Smithtown, L. I., Feb. 6th, 1743.

- 1st. Thomas.
- 2d. Hannah (Mrs. Phœnix).
- 3d. Phœbe (Mrs. Smith).

Thomas Treadwell, 3d generation, married Ann Hazard. She died January 5th, 1798.

Of thirteen children, several died in infancy. In 1800, he married Mary, widow of Dr. Hedges, of East Hampton, and sister of Judge Alfred Conklin's father. She had no children, and died at Clinton, Oneida county, N. Y., in 1838. He died at Plattsburg, Clinton county, December 25th, 1832, aged 88 years.

The device on the Treadwell coat-of-arms is a lion rampant, guardant. See page 4.

Thomas Treadwell.

The Honorable Thomas Treadwell was born in the year 1743 at Smithtown, L. I. He graduated at Princeton, N. J., and studied law under Chancellor Livingston.

Thompson in his History of Long Island says: "He was one of the most useful men of his time. He was well educated, and distinguished for firmness and prudence during the difficult and trying period of the Revolution. He was almost constantly engaged in public business; was a member of the Provincial Congress from 1771 with power to establish a new form of government. He was a member of the first Senate of this State under the Constitution and seems in all respects to have been fitted for the perilous time in which he lived." He was one of three constituting the "Committee of Safety" while the Constitution of this State was being organized in 1773; and was for many years the only surviving member of that memorable body.—*Seward's Introduction to Natural History of the State of New York; See also Sprague's Annals of the American Pulpit.*

HIS PUBLIC RECORD.

He was a Representative in the "Continental Congress" in Philadelphia in 1772-76; in 1775 was elected to the "Provincial Congress," sitting in the City of New York. In 1776, he was, with others, elected to represent Suffolk Co., L. I. This Provincial Congress met at the Court House in Westchester Co., but sat in Fishkill, Nov. 8th. In 1778, he was delegated to the Convention at Poughkeepsie to deliberate on the adoption of the Constitution of the United States. He was also appointed during the same year Judge of Probate in the city of New York, which office he held until Surrogates were appointed for each county. In 1791, he was elected to represent Suffolk, Kings and Queens counties in the Continental Congress then sitting in Philadelphia (to fill a vacancy caused by the death of Dr. Townsend). In 1793, he was again elected to represent these counties, which he continued to do until he removed to Plattsburgh, N. Y. In 1804, he was elected Senator for the Northern District, and in 1807 he was appointed Surrogate of Clinton Co., which office he held until his death, which took place at Plattsburgh, Dec. 25th, 1831.

From the lips of two generations we have learned what he was in private life, as husband, father, friend. Large-minded and large-hearted, he was the wise, prompt counsellor of the perplexed, and as

ready to grasp the hands of the children who loved him. We have stood at his grave, and seen the tears of affection fall upon it, the grave of a rare gentleman of the old school, a scholar of distinguished attainments, a patriot above reproach.

Children of Thomas and Ann Hazard Treadwell.

- 1st. Mary Platt; born September 25th, 1776; died of apoplexy, 1825.
- 2d. Nathaniel Hazard; born January 17th, 1768; married Margaret Platt, and died December 22d, 1856.
- 3d. Elisabeth; born August 2d, 1769; died June 8th, 1822.
- 4th. Hannah Phoenix; born April 10th, 1771, at Sunk Meadow, L. I.; married Rev. Henry Davis, D.D., and died April 15th, 1856.
- 5th. Samuel, who died in infancy, as did Sarah and Timothy, 6th and 7th children.
- 8th. Phœbe; born November 19th, 1775; died in the beginning of the Revolution.
- 9th. Thomas, Junior; born in 1777; in 1809, married Polly Stratton, who died in 1852. He died January 28th, 1869.
- 10th. Aune Hazard; born April 29th, 1779. She married Hon. Isaac C. Platt, and died in 1821.

The Bay.

Few yet remain who can recall and repeople the once delightful Treadwell homestead, of which the rude years have now left not even a vestige. It stood a little back from the shore of Lake Champlain, on what is now called Cumberland Bay and this is formed by the embracing arm of Cumberland Head, a point of attraction to all scenery-loving visitors at Plattsburg.

The Lake has encroached upon the old roadway. The massive boulder upon which many children and grandchildren sat sometimes to

read, sometimes while musing to fling pebbles far off into the shining deeps, or by long hours to fish with real hooks. has apparently moved out into the wide water. The Lake in the olden days "was fringed with trembling Poplars, Balm of Gilead, and White Birch, upon which," says one of them, "we children drew our unsightly figures, or made bark canoes." She remembers "the wild grapes, and the ground pine, and bitter-sweet that 'Jude' gathered for Christmas wreaths." Its hospitality was famous the country round. No one of note felt a visit complete, without a day's sojourn at "The Bay."

"The telescope was in constant use there, during the war of 1812, and kept the family informed of the nature of their visitors. The land forces of the British army passed through the Treadwell farm, on what was called the Ridge Road." The family home, previous to their settlement at Plattsburg, was at Smithtown, L. I. While Judge Treadwell was absent in Philadelphia, his eldest son, Nathaniel Hazard Treadwell, cared for the family, and he was then preparing for them a new home in the then almost wilderness of Clinton county. At Smithtown, the family were driven from their home by marauding British soldiers, and there the beloved mother was stricken with paralysis. Forty slaves accompanied this pioneer into the forest. "Phyllis," the mother of ten of them, was born in Guinea, and was given to Grandfather T. by her mother, on the day of his marriage. The Emancipation Act, passed by the New York Legislature in 1799, gave freedom at a certain age to all born after its enactment,—to the males, at 28; females, at 25. Some preferred remaining in the family; but several families accepted land, and began the world for themselves. Their little community was called Richland. It was a few miles from their old home, and their old Master continued to advise and encourage. Their numbers cannot now be ascertained, but they were industrious and respected by all who knew them, or had dealings with them. Few men were ever more trusted or respected than Hicks and his wife Gin, or "Siah" and "Cynthia," or appeared better as they made their annual visit at "The Bay."

In the quiet family burial place now are many graves; for long years since, the last of the original dwellers in the old home passed hence. On my table lie manuscript poems some of them wrote; in my library are books they read; I have seen an unstrung lute and the harpsichord that my mother's dear aunts played upon; and the dear great grandfather's picture hangs in my home. Perhaps the following poem, whose insertion was suggested, may serve to complete this side of the picture of an unpretentious but substantial home.

The Treadwell Harpsichord.

Quaint relic of a pleasant past,
How oft remembrance brings
The forms of those whose graceful touch
Oft waked thy tuneful strings,
Beside thy silvery waves, Champlain:
A lovely household band,
Whose voices waked the soul-fraught songs
Of the dear Fatherland.

To catch enchained the listening ear,
The curious, or the kind,
With sweet "Lochaber," "Banks of Ayr,"
Or "Roslyn Castle" bind
With "Lowdon's bonnie woods and braes,"
Or "Comin' thro' the rye,"
Or "Highland Mary"—ah! how sad
That those so loved should die!

There "Uncle Natty's" sweet-voiced flute,
Breathed forth the same loved strain
His statesman father's voice rang out,
Blending with each refrain;
While one, the flower of that bright band,
The earliest to fade,
With sweet-stringed lute, essayed the same,
And sang the while she played.

The sparkling jest, the quick retort,
The kindest repartee,
Oft gathered in that Lakeside home,
A brilliant coterie,
When genial converse thrilled the ear,
And patriot fire the heart,
And gifted natures gathered there
The treasured works of art.

The fierce, fell hands of time and change
Had reft each charm away,
While yet the Treadwell homestead stood,
In olden times, "The Bay."

It stood while most who loved it sleep;
 Their graves are green, but oh!
 'T was theirs to love, to joy, to weep
 A hundred years ago!

A score beyond this, thy first notes,
 Dulcet and soft and clear,
 In Philadelphian halls rang out,
 With strains of lofty cheer;
 And while our nation gathered there,
 Centennial lights to see,
 Was there not one to tell thy tale
 Of Freedom's minstrelsy?

A. C. M.

SYRACUSE, March, 1878.

This instrument was purchased by Judge Treadwell while a member of Congress in Philadelphia, and thence sent to his family, being for many years the only instrument of the kind in that section.

"Uncle Natty" was Hon. N. H. Treadwell, a prominent Canadian gentleman. One daughter was Mrs. Dr. Davis, of Clinton; another, the first Mrs. Isaac C. Platt, and the two maiden sisters, "Aunt Polly" and "Aunt Betsey"—elegant women of that day, cultured, and yet practical enough to have their wheels carried down to the lake shore, where, in short gown and petticoat, in the gloaming they would sometimes sit and spin.

The Harpsichord, now the cherished possession of a great granddaughter (Mrs. C. T. Longstreet), bears date 1755.

Interesting Legislative Statistics.

It has not been the practice lately to re-elect assemblymen for extended periods. The Fathers were wiser in this regard, as we find the names of over twenty gentlemen who served for ten years and upwards in the Assembly under the first two Constitutions. As a matter of curiosity we publish their names, with the counties from which they were accredited, and the number of years for which they were elected. They were men famous in their day and generation.

NAMES.	COUNTIES.	NO. YRS.
Thomas Treadwell.....	Suffolk and Queens.....	15.
Abijah Gilbert.....	Westchester.....	14.
Abraham Miller.....	Westchester.....	14.
David Hopkins.....	Charlotte and Washington.....	13.
C. C. Schoonmaker.....	Ulster.....	13.
Thomas Thomas.....	Suffolk and Queens.....	13.
Adam Comstock.....	Saratoga.....	12.
Johau Jost-Deitz.....	Albany.....	12.
Daniel Kissam.....	Queens.....	12.
Edward Savage.....	Charlotte and Washington.....	12.
Benjamin Cole.....	Queens and Orange.....	11.
Erastus Root.....	Delaware.....	11.
John Smith.....	Suffolk.....	11.
I. H. Van Rensselaer.....	Columbia.....	11.
Matthew Adgate.....	Albany.....	10.
Benjamin Birdsall.....	Queens and Columbia.....	10.
Jeremiah Clark.....	Orange.....	10.
Clarkson Crolius.....	New York.....	10.
Seth Marvin.....	Orange and Westchester.....	10.
Alexander Sheldon.....	Montgomery.....	10.
Abel Smith.....	Westchester.....	10.
Nathan Smith.....	Ulster.....	10.

Justice of Peace Commissions were issued Oct. 12th, 1689, to John Treadwell, of Smithtown, Queens Co., also to Ebenezer Platt, of Huntingdon, Suffolk Co., in time of Their Majesties, Mary and William. *Vide* Documentary History State of New York.

Genealogy of Anne Hazard's Family.

Nathaniel Hazard was one of the few importing merchants of New York in early days. An examination of his papers and his library proves him to have been very wealthy, but his widow, like many a rich man's wife, found herself poor at his death. They had 12 children, 4 of whom died in childhood. His wife's maiden name was Drummie, and she had a superior education.

Children of Nathaniel Hazard.

Elisabeth was born Aug. 29th, 1740, married Joseph Platt, merchant, of New York.

Mary was born Dec. 7. 1741, and died young.

Anne was born February 14th, 1743, married Judge Thomas Treadwell, died Jan. 5, 1798.

- Catharine, born August 20th, 1744, died Feb. 5th, 1745.
 Catherine 2d, born Aug. 8th, 1744, married Dr. Gilbert Tennant.
 John, a rover.
 Nathaniel, Jr., born July 18th, 18th, 1748, died in New York June 24, 1798, aged 50.
 Sammel, born June 19th, 1750, married Polly Betts, and died at New Windsor, Conn., 1787.
 Mary, born March 17th, 1753, married Joseph Blackwell, merchant, of New York.
 Joseph, born Dec. 29th, 1754; preached, wrote poetry; married a Miss Moore, and had 1 daughter.
 Sarah, born in 1756, married David Judson, died in 1805; family extinct.
 Margaret, born March 29th, 1759, died July 20th of the same year.

Children of N. H. and Margaret Platt Treadwell.

Children of Nathaniel Hazard Treadwell and Margaret Platt, sister of I. C. Platt, Esq., and daughter of Judge Charles Platt; married Sept. 5th, 1792. He died at L'Original, C. W., December 22d, 1856. She survived until June, 1858.

- Henry Onderdonk, born May 29, 1795, died May 27, 1874.
 Caroline Adriance, born Nov. 5th, 1796, died April 11th, 1860.
 Anna Maria, born Jan. 17th, 1800, married Lewis H. Redfield in 1820. *June 15. 1820,*
 Charles Platt, born Aug. 15th, 1802, married Helen Macdonnell June 20th, 1804, died Nov. 31st, 1873.
 Margaret Hazard, died in infancy.
 Margaret 2d, born April 23d, 1806, married Duncan Dewar, of St. Andrews, C. E., Sept. 26, 1836, died Aug. 16th, 1880.

Melicent, died in infancy.

Letitia Halsey, born May 18th, 1809; married Charles Wales, of St. Andrews, C. E.

Nathaniel, born in 1811, and died in infancy.

We quote from an obituary notice of Nathaniel H. Treadwell, Esq., the following:

"Practically and theoretically an advocate of progress, he united the culture of a gentleman with the endurance of a backwoodsman. Far in advance of his time, he presented a living type of a coming age. In the earlier part of his life, he expended considerable means in advancing the material interests of the country. His liberality was only circumscribed by his pecuniary ability. The poor man never left his door unrelieved."—*Montreal Gazette*.

Broad and stanch men and women, strong for God and the right, have been the sons and daughters, and heads of these Canadian families.

Children of L. H. Redfield and Anna Maria Treadwell.

Anna Maria Treadwell, 3d daughter of N. H. T., was married to Lewis Hamilton Redfield, February 7th, 1820, by Rev. H. Davis, D.D., Clinton, N. N.

Mr. Redfield was born November 26th, 1793, and died July 14th, 1882. He was long a prominent editor and bookseller at Syracuse, N. Y.

EARLY SYRACUSE HOSPITALITY.

Some years since, there was a Syracuse home whose hospitality was broad and typical. Long ago it gave way to the march of improvement. One who was then at its head now sleeps, full of honors and of years, in the silence of Oakwood.

She who was then the gracious hostess, still sits a queen among her children, in our own city, which, since she has lived in it, has grown from a hamlet, till it contains 65,000 people. ♦

Around that sumptuous board, clergymen, statesmen, politicians, scientists, and teachers of youth, were elegantly entertained. As a result of much research in Nature's field, a valuable work on "Zoölogical Science," shows what a busy woman can do when she will, calling as she did to her aid a *friend, who became as greatly interested as she herself in her book and chart.

*Rev. E. D. Maltbie.

To her careful forethought, is due the preservation of papers containing much genealogical data; and to her vivid recollection, the writer owes a knowledge of many facts of much interest concerning the earlier homes of her ancestors, and the times in which they lived. It need scarcely be said that I allude to Mrs. A. M. T. Redfield.

Children of the Above.

1st. Caroline Adriance (or Ann), born January 29th, 1822.

Married, 1st. Lucius M. Sandford, Dec. 21st, 1842.

2d. Cornelius T. Longstreet, Sept. 9th, 1847.

He died July 4th, 1881.

Children of C. T. L. and C. A. L.

Cally Redfield, born June 7th, 1848, died June 23d, 1853.

Alice Meeta, born June 26th, 1851, died May, 1855.

Cornelia Tyler, born December 14th, 1849, married September 27th, 1871, to Charles H. *Mrs. R.*

Poor; 3 children. *Andray, Charles, Anita*

Guy Redfield, born November 6th, 1857, died December 22d, 1858.

C. Tyler, Jr., born May 8th, 1860, died August 3d, 1860.

2d child of L. H. R. and A. M. T. R., Mary Elisabeth, born March 20th, 1823; married James L. Bagg, August 13th, 1844.

Children: Minnie, born October 15th, 1846, died September 17th, 1858.

Ina, born June 16th, 1850; married E. H. Merrell, January 15th, 1872.

Son, Lawrence Bagg, born *Charlotte 1860*
April, 1882.

3d child, Margaret Treadwell, born January 25th, 1825.

married September 23, 1846, to William H. H. Smith;

4th. child, Jane L. Redfield, born November 20th, 1827.

5th. † George Davis, born October 29th, 1833; married February, 1865, to Sarah Rollins, of St. Anthony, Minn.; died November 27, 1871.

Children: L. H. R., born December 21st, 1865.

C. T. R., born March 17th, 1867.

Mary E., born March 7th, 1869. *Martha*

6th. Lewis H. Redfield, Jr., born February 13th, 1835; married Jessie Shackle, of Yarmouth, Eng.

7th. Charles Treadwell, born October 6th, 1837; married Fannie C. Wynkoop. *1860 Robert Longstreet, m. d.*

Onderdonk and Treadwell Families.

Hendrick Onderdonk was born at North Hampstead, L. I., and married Phœbe, daughter of Col. Benjamin Treadwell, son of Thomas of the 2d generation, and sister of the late Benjamin Treadwell 2d. Her mother was a daughter of Major Epenetus Platt, and sister of Zophar Platt, of Huntington, L. I. Phœbe was born July 2d, 1730. She died in 1801. He died in 1809.

Children of Hendrick and Phœbe Onderdonk.

Benjamin, Gertrude, Andrew, Sarah, Henry, Maria, John, William Samuel, and Benjamin 2d. John (son of Hendrick), born 1763, married Deborah, daughter of William Uster; died 1810. Their children were William, who died in 1840, Henry Uster Onderdonk, Bishop of Pennsylvania, Benjamin Treadwell Onderdonk, Bishop of New York, and four daughters. Timothy Treadwell (father of Judge Thomas T.) married Mary Platt, sister of Phœbe, Benjamin Treadwell's wife, and daughter of Epenetus Platt 2d, so that two brothers married two sisters. Hendrick Onderdonk's wife and Judge Treadwell were double first cousins on the Treadwell side, as well as connected on the Platt side.

Children of C. P. and Helen Macdonnell Treadwell.

Charles Platt Treadwell, 2d son of N. H. Treadwell, married, June 11th, 1834, Helen Macdonnell, daughter of a Scotch United Empire Loyalist, of Montreal, C. E.

Mary Susan, born August 31st, 1835.

Mrs Taylor, Kent

Caroline, born August 19th, 1837, died January 31st, 1838.

Margaret Ann, born August 31st, 1839; married Thomas Kains, Ontario. Two children, Mary McNullen and Charles Treadwell.

Harriet, born December 31st, 1841, died August 31st, 1842.

*Helen Isabella, born August 31st, 1844; married Eden P. Johnson, of L'Original, C. W., September 18th, 1877.

They have 2 children, Helen Phila, Chauncey Eden.

Grace Low, born September, 1846; married Rev. James Frazer, Presbyterian minister, September 20th, 1874.

Child, James Macdonnell Frazer, born July 31st, 1882.

"For forty years Sheriff Treadwell held a government office, nearly thirty-six under Queen Victoria. His ever busy pen advocated, and he was the pioneer in railroad projects, agricultural improvements, and educational and religious reforms. He was a man of unbounded affability, and if reaching out a hand to the helpless, the friendless, the widow and orphan, sympathizing with and fostering all projects that made people more useful and better, intelligent and happier, make life a success, *his* received its crown." He died November 31st, 1873, at L'Original, C. E.

Children of Duncan Dewar and Margaret Treadwell.

*Margaret Treadwell, 4th daughter of N. H. Treadwell, married Duncan Dewar, of St. Andrews P. Q., at Plattsburg, September 27th, 1836.

Children of the Above.

Alexander, born August 30th, 1837.

Caroline, born July 5th, 1839; died October 5th, 1840.

Guy Richards, born February 1st, 1841.

Duncan Everett, born October 14th, 1848.

Grandchildren of M. T. and D. Dewar.

1st son, Alexander, who married: 1st. Catherine M. Gloughlin, October 17th, 1866; she died December 12th, 1871: 2d wife, Elsie Gardiner; married February 3d, 1874.

Duncan Alexander, son of first wife, born October 17th, 1871.

Ann Forbes, daughter of 2d wife.

2d son, Guy R., married Emeline B. Bent, November 7th, 1860.

Children of G. R. and E. B. D.

Carrie Louisa, born at Montreal, June 12th, 1866; died June 18th, 1869.

Maggie Euphemia, born January 15th, 1870.

3d son, Duncan E., married Mary A. Edwards, of March, Ontario, June 6th, 1877.

Children of the Above.

Mary Ethel, born April 7th, 1878.

Margaret, born February 18th, 1880.

Jessie Helen, born December 15th, 1881.

Duncan Dewar, the father, was the son of Duncan Dewar and Catherine Black, immigrants from Scotland in 1804. He was born September 9th, 1807.

Children of Charles Wales and Letitia Platt Treadwell.

Letitia Platt Treadwell, youngest daughter of N. H. Treadwell, married Charles Wales, August 28th, 1839, at St. Andrews P. Q. They had eleven children.

Elisabeth Blanchard, born July 6th, 1840; died December 6th, 1840.

William B., born August 2d, 1841; died August 28, 1842.

Margaret Susan, born June 8th, 1843.

Charles Treadwell, born August 18th, 1845.

Caroline, born November 14th, 1846; died September 4th, 1847.

Anna Letitia, born May 12th, 1849.

Benjamin Nathaniel, born April 30th, 1851.

Mary Maltbie, born May 8th, 1853.

Henry Davis, born December 27th, 1854; died August 10th, 1861.

Helen Lucy, born March 3d, 1855; died August 23d, 1857.

Grace Platt, born August 26th, 1863.

Grandchildren of L. P. T. W. and C. Wales.

3d child, Margaret S., married Thomas Lamb, July 15th, 1868, and had two children:

Charles William, born January 12th, 1870.

Mary Letitia, born June 18th, 1878.

4th child, Charles Treadwell, married Martha W. Stowe, of Suffield, Conn., July 21st 1875. 2 children;

Hattie Victoria, born May 24th, 1876.

Charles Stowe, born November 17th, 1878.

6th child, Anna Letitia, married Rev. D. W. Morison, September 15th, 1881, at Ormstown, P. Q.

7th child, Benjamin N. Wales, married Emma T. Osgood, November 19th, 1878, at Sawyerville P. Q. 2 children:

Charles Wellington, born August 15th, 1879; died August 15th, 1880.

Julia Grace, born July 16th, 1881.

8th child, Mary Maltbie, married Wm. Drysdale of Montreal, January 1st, 1880. 1 child:

William Flockert, born July 16th 1881.

Mr. Wales, Senior, died at St. Andrews, May 30th, 1877. It was said of him, "The fragrance of his memory can never die, and many a man and woman will cherish it, as that of a sympathizing friend, an honest man."

Children of Rev. Henry Davis and Hannah Phoenix Treadwell.

Hannah Phoenix Treadwell, 4th child of Judge Thomas Treadwell, married Rev. Henry Davis, D.D., Sept. 22d, 1801; born at East Hampton, L. I., Sept. 15th, 1771; died at Clinton, N. Y., March 7th 1822

Infant, who died May 23d, 1803.

Henry, Junior, born February 14th, 1805. He settled at Syracuse, N. Y.; married Emily M. Turnier, and died September 1st, 1844, at Graefenberg, Silesia, Austria. His widow died at Syracuse, N. Y., November 15th, 1871, after an illness of thirty-seven years.

Mary Ann, born August 6th 1806; married Rev. E. D. Maltbie, September 26th, 1831. He died July 10th, 1858. She died April 15th, 1861.

Mr. M. was a lineal descendent, on the maternal side, of Rev. John Davenport, of Puritan memory, founder of New Haven, Conn. The record of these dear parents is in the hearts of those who loved them. The luxury of their lives was to do good, and the world was better for their having lived in it.

Charles Chauney, born November 13th, 1807; died February 8th, 1809.

Anne, born February 10th, 1809; died June 17th, 1827, at Clinton, N. Y.

Thomas Treadwell, born August 22d, 1810; married S. Matilda Henry, daughter of Rev. T. Charlton Henry, D.D., of Charlestown, S. C. Died May 2d, 1872.

Dr. Davis was distinguished as an eloquent divine, and one of the ablest educators of the United States, having been connected with Williams, Yale, Middlebury, Union and Hamilton colleges. Henry, his first son, was an able and popular lawyer, whose early death was greatly regretted.

Children of Mary A. and Rev. E. D. Maltbie.

Annie Catherine, born February 27th, 1833, at Hamilton, N. Y.

Emily Maria, born February 9th, 1836, at Clinton, N. Y.

Mary Davis, born August 30th, 1837; died March 27th, 1855.

Hannah M., born March 17th, 1840; died September 6th, 1840.

*Children of Annie C. and Armstrong Maltbie, married
January 1st, 1863.*

Helen Virginia, born January 2d, 1864.

Henry Wills, born February 24th, 1867; died March 29th, 1867.

Marian Davis, born June 11th, 1868.

*Children of Emily M., who married Henry Babcock,
September 15th, 1857.*

Maltbie D., born August 3d, 1858; married K. E. Tallman, October 4th, 1882.

Howard Noyes, born October 7, 1860.

William, born and died November, 1863.

Clara E., born September 5th, 1865.

Henry Townsend, born March 30th, 1872.

Mary E. S., born February 1st, 1874.

Annie Treadwell, born February 2d, 1878.

Children of Thomas T. Davis and S. M. Davis.

Anna, who died in early childhood.

Alexander Henry, born October 11th, 1839; married: 1st. Julia Pierce, of Providence, R. I.; 2d. Caroline May, of Boston, Mass. 2 daughters, May and Ethel.

Mr. Davis was brevetted Major during the Rebellion. He was educated at Heidelberg, Germany.

Anna Endora, born October 11th, 1845; married Ernest Dichman, U. S. N. Lost a son in infancy, and died August 6th, 1878.

Hon. Thomas Davis died at Unionville, near Washington, D. C., May, 2d, 1872.

"He was a model citizen, public spirited, generous and energetic. A man of rare literary attainments and the widest culture, a student of the sciences and a master in history and belles-lettres. He will long be in remembrance, in the city where he lived half a century. His legal abilities were fine. He was Republican member of Congress during the Rebellion." In his home a gracious hospitality was dispensed, and Mrs. Davis, in her "*Life and Times of Sir Philip Sidney*," has contributed to the historian's library a standard work on the Elizabethan era.

The Clinton Home.

How vivid and tender are the memories of the old Davis homestead, the ex-President's house, on College Hill, at Clinton! Almost thirty years since, the last dear aged pilgrim there laid aside her burdens, and "fell asleep."

Bereft of all who gave it its peculiar charm, it still stands, though the mosses of ages are gathering about it. What a delightful meeting-place it was! What an attractive group of sons and daughters and nieces once dwelt there rejoicingly with the dear elderly people who gave the place its special attractions! Rarely elastic were those hearts! There was always welcome at that hearthstone and that hospitable board! What keen mother wit was Grandmother's, and what stately bearing in her middle life! One said to me a few days since, "I shall never forget how Dr. Davis passed up the aisle of the College Chapel. Clad in his long, blue, clerical cloak, hat in hand, white haired, and tall, instinct with gracious dignity, he gave a courteous half bow on the right and on the left, making every one of his waiting audience con-

scious of a personal salutation." Who of us have forgotten his tales of college pranks, and the rare high-bred courtesy with which the aged couple entertained the prominent people of their own and later generations who followed them into their retired life? How many yet remember *that* "one hoss shay," and the eminently capable lady who drove in it so often all the country through. Yet more would recall the roomier carriage and the two camel cloaks—always sure to be needed if left behind even in mid summer. O! those journeys and rides with such a grandfather and grandmother to explain and suggest—What will ever compensate children who lack such experiences? We could not help growing up with a reverence for them! They had such wide experience and such just views of men and measures, and each had such strong individuality, the four* whom I remember; there

The storm that wrecks the winter sky,
No more disturbs their sweet repose.
Than summer evening's latest sigh
That shuts the rose.

With the place itself, too, are a multitude of other associations that spring up in loving hearts. What could one not find that was sweet and good in that broad old-fashioned garden! What a grand frolicking place were the carriage-houses and barns! What a charm was in the wild glen and the rustic seat, in and around which the grandchildren whiled away many happy hours! and the stream, where some of us (one, who died young and beloved) built miniature dams, and fished for crabs and minnows. One special fireside picture springs up at memory's beck Aunt Polly Davis sits there in her yellow rocker! dear, slender, loving old lady! and knits away and nods in the twilight, her black velvet bag and tin ear trumpet on the carpet-covered stool beside her. I can see the semi-circle of saucers that sat before her at table, and her barley coffee pot that used to stand on the Franklin. Those were toothsome home-made crackers, such as long before my time brought forth Aunt Anne's proverb, "Lo, she filleth her bag with crackers, and she maketh a great cranching." It was almost all the noise she ever did make while I knew her, except occasionally to make her cane fly and scatter the numerous cats, for which she had an utter detestation, that found welcome in the old house, or to sit in the great kitchen and clap the lace and muslin of her caps that she loved to clear starch herself. There were long years of invalidism before she and her well beloved "Brother" were permitted to put on eternal youth. When the infirmities of age and lingering illness came upon him, it was a great victory to say as often as he did "The Lord reigneth."

*By the fourth, I allude to my great grandmother Treadwell.

The orchards, the front lawn, its red shale walk, the sweet locusts, the cherry trees, the swing, the old porch, the honey-suckles, each had its charm.

The Saturday night-keeping that gathered the family at sun down, the Sunday-evening visits, the old tunes we sang, and the tall venerable form of him who leaning on the back of his chair approached the throne of the Infinite as the humblest suppliant for His mercy, can never cease from our remembrance.

For genealogy of Anne Hazard Treadwell, who married Isaac C. Platt, Esq., of Plattsburg, see Platts.

Thomas Treadwell, Jr., youngest son of T. Treadwell, married Polly Stratton, and had 4 sons and 1 daughter.

Timothy S., born April 17th, 1830, married Margaret M'Naught, died 1883. His wife is still living.

Esther M., born March 2d, 1813, married Rev. Joseph H. Eaton, founder and, till his death, President of Union University, Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Thomas, born November 2d, 1815, married; 5 children.

Benjamin, born, 1818, drowned 1869; unmarried.

William, born 1822, died unmarried.

Children of Esther M. Treadwell and Dr. J. H. Eaton.

Henry Davis, born February 6th, 1842, died in infancy.

Josephine, born July 26th, 1843; married Alonzo Peck, Esq., of Peekspott, in 1878. He died honored and esteemed at Hamilton, N. Y., January 5th, 1883.

Thomas T., born November 15th, 1845, married Alice Roberts, June, 1872. *Louisville Ky*

Children of T. T. E. and A. E.

Joseph E., born 1873.

Marie C., born 1878.

Wayland, born June 8th, 1848, died June, 1863.

Mary, born July, 1850, died in infancy.

Deacon Treadwell was prominently distinguished in his father's family and in the whole community for the most unworldly, sincere.

and uniform piety, from early youth to extreme old age. He was "a living epistle, known and read of all men." Rev. Thomas T. Eaton is the talented and popular pastor of the First Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.

Interesting Letters.

Portion of a letter from Governor Treadwell, of Connecticut, to Hon. Thomas Treadwell, of Plattsburg, N. Y.

"I thank you for your Intention, and for your Civilities expressed by that Gentleman; should either Business or Pleasure invite you again to this Part of the Country, I hope you would do me the Pleasure to call upon me, but if Circumstances will not admit that I should have the Satisfaction of a personal Visit, a Letter from you relating to your Family Connections, or such other Matters as you should think proper to mention would be a Present very acceptable to

Your most obedient and very humble Serv't,

JOHN TREADWELL, Governor of Conn."

On the back, this autograph bore the following inscription:

To my amiable Friend

ANN MARIAN TREADWELL

These lines are most humbly addressed as a small but sincere token of the high esteem in which she is held by her

Affectionate Friend and well wisher

Dec., 1819.

MALCOLM W. M'LAREN.

Letter to Mrs. Ann M. T. Redfield, from L. P. Treadwell, Secretary and Treasurer Union Savings Bank, Danbury, Conn.:

Jan'y 20th, 1877.

Mrs. Ann M. Redfield,

DEAR MADAM:—Your interesting letter on the Treadwell genealogy has quite inspired me with a desire to know more of our family.

There is a branch of the family in New Haven that traces its line back to Gov. Treadwell, one member of the family being a classmate of mine, and having been graduated in the same class with me at Yale in 1862. I will write to Mr. Treadwell and possibly may get further light. The Treadwells of this section have generally belonged to the agricultural class, and have been noted for steady, industrious habits. It is a tradition here, and so far as my observation extends the tradition is in accordance with the fact, that "no Treadwell ever has been an inmate of a jail or prison, or ever has been convicted of any crime." The family has not been distinguished as a "pushing" or place-seeking one, rather the contrary, but it has had in it many useful men, and men honored and trusted with the highest and most important local positions. I don't know that one is wrong in taking a little pride in belonging to such a family. "A good name is more to be desired than great riches." Allow me to add my acknowledgements and those of my little daughter

for your letter, and for your valuable chart, so interesting too that I am half inclined to take up the study myself, but on the whole study is rather discouraging to me. I find I can learn so little of what there is to know! or rather to be known. Louise meant to have put in a request for your picture if you have one: perhaps it would be trespassing too far upon your kindness, already so great; which I mean to repay in part by interesting the children in the study you have so well and so carefully illustrated. Wishing you many a return of the "Happy New Year,"

I am sincerely yours,

L. P. TREADWELL.

From "Farmer's Genealogical Register of the First Settlers of New England," published at Lancaster, Mass., are copied the following data:

Edward Treadwell, Ipswich, Mass. 1637.

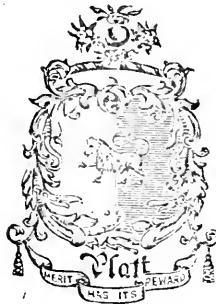
Thomas Treadwell, Ipswich, freeman, 1638.

Felt Ms. Letter, *vide Winthrop's History New England*, 2 vol. p. 346.

Gov. John Treadwell, of Conn., was born November 23d, 1745, and married Dorothy Pomeroy, of Northampton, Mass.



THE PLATT FAMILY.



Description of the Platt Coat of Arms, copied by Judge Charles Platt on his visit to London in 1761 from the *Herald's* office:

The Ancient and Honorable family of Platt were in great repute in Norfolk, as is confirmed by a manuscript of those worthies who had Standards of Arms, the first, Edward Third, King of England, *Anno Domini* 1326, then bore for their coat of Armorial Party, and Pale Or and Gule, a Lion passant, Argent, armed, Azure, and Christ; a Chaplet of Flowers, the ancient Reward of Merit, bestowed by Damsels upon their Favorites upon their return from a victorious field of Battle.

Motto: Merit has its Reward.

In Census Lists of Huntington, L. I., April 12th, 1755, I find the names of Epenetus Platt, Capt. Isaac Platt, Doctor Zophar Platt, Mary Platt, with list of slaves belonging to them, and signed by Isaac Platt, Platt Concklin and Alexander Bryant.

In similar lists of Smithtown, L. I., I find the names of Jonas Platt, Zephaniah Platt and Mary Treadwell.

In Hempstead, also the names of Thomas Treadwell and Epenetus Platt.

In lists of rateable estate of ye town of Huntington, taken in the year 1683 :

	£	s.	d.
Isaac Platt	177	10	00
Lieut. Epenetus Platt . .	211	00	00

Signed by

ISAAC PLATT, Constable

	£	s.	d.
Also John Treadwell, of Hampstead, or Hempstead, L. I.	250	00	00

This was in 1683.

Vide "Documentary History of State of N. Y."

Major Epenetus Platt was the common ancestor of most of the Platts on Long Island. He was a man of substance and respectability, was one of those imprisoned by Andros in 1681, and died at Huntington, L. I., 1683.

Zephaniah Platt, born in 1709, was only son of Jonas, the second son of Epenetus the first and Hannah Saxton (born 1709), by whom he had six children. His second wife, by whom he had four children, was Anna Smith, widow of Richard and daughter of Job Smith. He died in 1796.

Four of his sons were in the U. S. Army during the Revolution. Jeremiah, the fifth son, died of small pox contracted on board the Jersey Prison Ship, from which he was released at the entreaty of his youngest daughter, Dorothea. He survived but two days after reaching home, and died January 27th, 1778, aged 74. Zephaniah, Nathaniel, and Charles, three brothers out of this family of ten, were the original proprietors of Plattsburg. One hundred acres each were given to the first ten settlers, and to the first male child born in the town (Platt Newcomb). Zephaniah, their father, was English.—*Vide Thompson's History of Long Island, 1st vol.*

Judge Zephaniah married, 1st, Hannah Davis, 2d, Mary Van Wyck. He was born at Huntington, L. I., 1735, and had 12 children. The names of some of them have been given me: Jonas, Robert, Charles, Steven, Levi, James and Pitt. Pitt Platt married Betsey, only sister of Chancellor Kent. Jonas, a prominent lawyer, married Helen Livingstone. Robert married Grace Daggett, of New Haven. James married, 1st, Miss Floyd, 2d, Miss Woolsey, 3d wife a Susan Breese.

widow of Bleeker Lausing. Levi married a Miller, father of second Mrs. James Bailey. Charles married a Bleeker, and left one daughter, now a Mrs. Dodge, of Syracuse.

Captain Nathaniel married Phœbe Smith, and had 3 sons, Isaac, the father of Mrs. Commodore Bailey, Nathaniel and George. Hannah, who married Gen. Moore, Phoebe, who married Judge Bailey, and Maria, who married, 1st, Dr. Albon P. Mann, 2d, Rev. Frederick Halsey, being his third wife, his second, a Rogers, being also a Platt on her mother's side. Mrs. Halsey became afterward the 3d wife of Hon. Isaac C. Platt. Mrs. Laurence Myers, of Hackensack, was a Halsey, her daughter. Rev. Mr. Halsey was the pioneer minister of Plattsburg, having come to that place on horseback through the wilderness from Long Island, about a hundred years ago. He had once for a wedding fee a bag of white beans.

NOTE.—For full data see Platt Chart, by Mrs. A. M. Redfield.

Copy of Letter of Judge Charles Platt to Dr. Samuel Jenner.

PLATTSBURG, November 30th, 1809.

Dear Sir:

Your welcome letter is before me and as you have been somewhat circumstantial in your epistle, you may perhaps expect something like it from me, who have been something of a rover in my youth. When I left Dr. C. Graham, I first settled in New Windsor for a year or so, then I took a trip to the West Indies, and after visiting several of the islands, the Mosquito shore, back to Charlestown, S. C., thence to England, the tour of Holland, and back to Madeira, and the West Indies, returned to New York after an absence of ten years and six months. I spent about a year on Long Island, then went into Dutchess County, at a place called Lerago, where I entered into mercantile business and kept a country store until the American war, and was doing what I thought pretty well, when I and all my family were all flaming whigs. I embarked early in the service of my country, was at New York when the British army first made its appearance, and after several severe conflicts, retreated with the American army, first to Kingsbridge, and next to White Plains, was in the action there, and there we continued until the retreat of the British army across the North River, into Jersey. That event you probably are well acquainted with, and their transactions while in New Jersey.

After the British had left us, our Brigade marched to the Highlands and the Forts on the North River for winter quarters, while Gen. Washington with the main army, which at this time was much reduced, as being composed mostly of militia from the different States, and whose time when now expired, did little more than keep the enemy at bay for the winter season.

After the winter, I left the army and returned to my family, continued a farmer, and traded a little as occasion offered.

I sold my farm for paper, Continental, and kept shifting from one thing to another, and always getting more or less, until it run quite out, and so farewell to pill garlic! let it go! The world is wide, and there is room enough for us all. I shall never want to try again. At the close of the war I had purchased a few class rights of the soldiers, and having collected a little something I set out for the woods, and after viewing several places I set down on the west side of Lake Champlain, an entirely new country and wilderness, and called the town Plattsburg, and here, after encountering all the inconveniences of a new country, I have by the grace of God continued to this day. I married, when about 28 years of age, Caroline Adriance, a daughter of Isaac Adriance, of Fishkill. You must have known Mr. Adriance. We have had 3 daughters and 5 sons. Our daughters are still living, and three of our sons, all in health and live near us. I am now 65 years old, and my wife 62. We are as healthy as most people of our age are, and enjoy ourselves pretty well here. Your sons, Samuel and Moses, live near me, within a 100 rods. They are both well. Moses' family consists of a wife and 3 children, I showed them your letter. I am with respect, Sir,

Yours, &c.,

CHARLES PLATT.

Dr. Samuel Jenner, Northfield, Mass.

Judge Charles Platt was born on Long Island, 1744; died 1827, aged 87.

Caroline Adriance was born in Holland, 1747.

They were married at Fishkill in 1772.

She was a very handsome woman, even when old, and used to read her Dutch Bible.

Judge Platt had previously studied medicine in Paris, and like Judge Treadwell, furnished it to the poor gratis for many years.

Children of the Above.

Margaret, born in 1793; married N. H. Treadwell, 1813; and died April 8th, 1859.

Letitia, 1st wife of Rev. Frederick Halsey; married 1798.

Hannah, married Eleazar Miller; nine children.

Zephaniah, died at St. Thomas of yellow fever, 1805.

Isaac C., born April 11th, 1781; died January 15th, 1872.

Charles C., married Eliza Ross; died in 1809. Had two daughters, Caroline and Elisabeth (Mrs. Bailie Shumway). Both these daughters are dead. Mrs. S. had 6 children.

Nathaniel, died in infancy.

Nathaniel 2d, married Maria Nase, 1814; died 1840.

2^d Wife, Parmelia Grant, died 1854.

The women of this family were very handsome, especially Letitia (Mrs. Halsey), mother of the first Mrs. James Bailey, of Plattsburg.

Dr. Platt was first and only physician in Plattsburg for many years. A beaver skin was the usual fee for bleeding an Indian. In 1778, he held the first court in Clinton county, and continued in office until he was sixty years old; and it was then offered to his son, Isaac C., who declined on account of his deafness.

Isaac. C. Platt married Anne Treadwell, 10th child of Hon Thomas Treadwell, January 13th, 1802. She died in 1821. He married Nancy Bristol, January 30th, 1823; and Mrs. Maria Halsey, October, 1848.

Children of Isaac C. and A. T. Platt.

Anne Treadwell, born November 10th, 1803.

Zephaniah C., born July 30th, 1805.

Caroline Adriance, born July 1st, 1807.

Anne Treadwell Platt married Dr. Lyman Foote,
U. S. A.

Zephaniah C. Platt married Anna Eliza Miller.

Caroline A. Platt married Rev. John Dielle.

A. T. P. and L. F. in Aug., 1821.

Z. C. P. and A. E. M., Jan. 14th, 1829.

C. A. P. and Rev. J. D., July 18th, 1832.

Z. C. Platt married Mrs. Haynes, Jan. 1st, 1873.

Children of A. T. Platt and Dr. Lyman Foote.

Henry Smith, born July 7th, 1822; died 1829.

Anne Platt, August 22d, 1824; died 1825.

Isaac Platt, September 23d, 1825; died 1879.

Z. Charles, Feb. 1st, 1827; died at Syracuse, N. Y., 1877.

Henry Davis, born 1829; died 1830.

Caroline A., born 1830.

Mafy Ann, born 1835.

Dr. Foote's second wife was Miss Cooper, of Cooperstown, N. Y. Two sons and two daughters.

Grandchildren of Dr. and Mrs. A. T. Foote.

Dr. I. Platt Foote, married Anne Eliza Bailey and had 1 child; 2d wife, Mary E. Moore.

Mary Ann Foote, married John Pumpelly; no children.

Caroline A., married G. Pomeroy Keese, of Cooperstown, N. Y., and has 7 children.

Mrs. A. T. Foote died at Prairie Du Chien, October 6th, 1832; Dr. Lyman Foote, at Port Larcaca, Texas.

Children of Zephaniah C. and A. E. Platt.

Ann Elizabeth, who married Benjamin F. Felt, of Galena, Ill. and has 4 children: Zephaniah Charles, Anna, Franklin, and Mary. Others have died.

Caroline D., who married James D. Palmer, October 5th, 1853; he died November 1st, 1855. He left one daughter, Anna Elizabeth Platt, now Mrs. A. E. Davis.

John Dielle Platt, married Susan D. Phelps, October 1st, 1867. She died May 2d, 1879, and left 4 children: Anna Mary, Zephaniah C., William Phelps, and James Palmer.

Mary L. resides with her father, at Plattsburgh, N. Y. Mrs. A. E. Platt died November 11th, 1871.

Platt and Dielle Families.

Mr. Platt has been for successive terms member of Assembly for the northern district of our State, the friend and adviser of the widow, and guardian of the orphan, always found faithful to every trust reposed in him.

Children of Caroline A. Platt and Rev. John Dielle.

Anna Elizabeth, born May 28th, 1843, died March 5th, 1870.

Eliza Gilman, born August 8th, 1835.

Mary Williams, born February 4th, 1837.

Marion Va.
Mrs. P. B. Spear

Caroline Platt, born Jan. 28th, 1838, died July 31st, 1873.

Rev. J. Dielle was for 8 years Seaman's Chaplain at Honolulu, Sandwich Islands. His children were all born there. He died and was buried at sea, "homeward bound," Jan. 19th, 1841. "A lovely and beloved Christian missionary."

Grandchildren of Rev. J. D. and C. A. D.

Anna E. Dielle married Charles Rathbone, of Buffalo, N. Y., and left 1 son:

Charles Clary, born August 15th, 1865.

Eliza G. Dielle married F. Baker Blanton; 7 children:

John Dielle, born March 26th, 1859.

James Platt, born Dec. 1st, 1860, died August 15th, 1865.

Anna Lee, born April 14th, 1863.

James Platt 2d, born September 21st, 1865.

Joseph Clary, born February 24th, 1868.

Edwin Judd, born Sept. 16th, 1870; died July 28th, 1871.

→ Carrie Thornton, born August 6th, 1872.

The Blanton family reside at Cottonwood, Va.

Children of Carrie P. D. and James M. Armistead.

Caroline Adriance, born September 28th, 1860; died May 17th, 1882.

* Willie Johnston, born November 6th, 1861. *California*

Philip, born 1863.

Mary Louise, born 1865.

Maria Theresa, born 1866. *in Burlington, Pasadena Florida*

Annie Dielle, born 1867. *Mrs Peter Parker Washington*

The Armisteads reside at Richmond, Va.

Mary W. Dielle married Rev. P. B. Spear, D.D., of Madison University, Hamilton, N. Y., August 25th, 1880. Dr. S. has been long and most favorably known in connection with this institution.

Many homes of these families have been made, during these long years, in the far West and South, some on the frontier at the forts and trading posts of our then new country, and some still reside on Southern plantations, while the graves of our kindred are scattered "far and wide, by mount and stream and sea."

The Platt Homestead.

There is a spot in Plattsburg made as memorable in the recollection, as the gathering place of a Highland clan. In the early days, who were not kith or kin; and who among the circle has not at sometime enjoyed the delightful hospitality of the old homestead; or, while he lived, and he lived long and well, loved and revered as father, grandfather, uncle, or friend, the dear, deaf old gentleman whose welcome was the outcome of his great, loving heart?

What graphic old time stories he could tell! How many historic landmarks were in and around that substantial brick mansion! I can see the famous old butternut trees and the soldier's graves by the roadside, and scattered here and there over the broad acres that surrounded it. During the battle of Plattsburg, in 1813, the land force of the British, after the family had fled, sacked the house, which afterward gave hospital room to their wounded, and, later, burial to the dead. The United States troops were some of them stationed at Plattsburg for many years after this time, and the officers, always fond of good cheer and a gracious host, made the old homestead often a grand rallying place. Doubtless a result of this acquaintance was the marriage of the eldest daughter of the house to Dr. Foote, who remained in the army till his death after the Mexican war. The family were exposed to the hazards of the Seminole war in Florida, and of life in the western frontier forts, and Mrs. Foote was laid to rest in a far off western grave. The younger daughter, a gay, lively girl, the household pet, who carried everything before her, sailed away around the world with a husband whom she always calls "the loveliest man that ever lived." After eight brief years she returned widowed, with her four little ones, to Plattsburg, to be received by her tender father with open arms. Her home circle thus broken, now, a gracious, loving, white-haired, entertaining elderly lady, busy and cheery, back and forth among her remaining children, she carries a blessing wherever she goes. She kept her Plattsburg home till after her father had gone to rest. Ever the upright, honorable and just man, "Uncle Isaac" was the never-failing friend of the poor and distressed. He was thrice married, and his last wife, a most estimable lady (formerly Mrs. Halsey), survived him many years. Down to his latest breath, his children bestowed upon him a tender and undiminished affection, and when he died, aged more than ninety years, the whole community mourned him.



"Uncle Natty's" village home at Plattsburg was also raided by the British soldiery during the battle hours. When the family returned,

the house was a sight to see. Dried fruits and pickled pork kept each other company in the parlor. The soldiers ran their swords through the contents of the library, and scattered the feathers of pillows and beds all over the premises, in doors and out. "The Mill" and "Aunt Peggy" are yet passwords to the secret chambers of some warm, loving hearts.

Levi Platt, son of Judge Zephaniah, married a Miss Miller, who was own cousin of Lucretia and Margaret Davidson. She was daughter of Dr. Miller, an own cousin of the late Judge Morris S. Miller, of Utica, N. Y.; also own cousin to the Rev. Henry Davis, of Clinton (his mother was a Coukling). Dr. M. was also own cousin of Col. Miller, the father of the first Mrs. Z. C. Platt, of Plattsburg, N. Y., whose husband now resides there. Mrs. Davidson, mother of the sisters mentioned, was a sister of Judge M. S. Miller, before alluded to. Her oldest daughter Anna married Canon Townsend. Ex-Governor Horatio Seymour's sister Mary married Rutger B. Miller, Judge Miller's son. There existed a very close intimacy between the Treadwell, Platt, and Davidson families, that renders this reference relevant. The Davidson family was a lovely and gifted one. The two daughters, most specially so, died young.



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In the walks of history, and in the ranks of benevolent workers in mercantile affairs, in the professions of law, medicine and the ministry, in Congress and Assembly, many of the women and men of the later generations of both these families have gained a happy preëminence. Excellence, substance, without show, might have been the motto of the elder generations.

In later days there is greater wealth, and statelier homes have sprung up. Doubtless the dwellers therein will strive to exert an influence as benign, and leave behind them records as worthy undying remembrance as did their progenitors.



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