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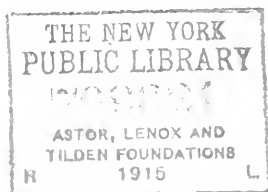
Descendants of Philip Gildersleeve

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Whose unfailing interest in the family history has done much to preserve old family records. To his foresight, the records of Obadiah Gildersleeve were fortunately preserved, the originals having been kept by the Bidwell heirs. The oil portraits of Philip and Temperance Mr. Gildersleeve has carefully cherished and thus grateful thanks are due to him for their reproduction in this little volume.

FOREWORD.

Family history in this commercial age is soon forgotten. Unwisely, in the rush and hurry of modern life, the past is not considered. Yet a thorough knowledge of the past is the great preparation for the future. Ignorance of one's family is inexcusable and a source of future trouble. The family is the key of all progress, of all permanent success. History teaches us that whenever the integrity of the family is disturbed, whole nations are sadly affected. The once mighty nations of Greece and Rome fell to destruction because of the loosened family ties. Its sacredness is yet to prove itself in the sudden prosperity and material wealth of this mightier nation. It is hoped that this record will be an advantage to each and every one concerned. Mistakes have crept in but some have not shown interest enough to perfect the record. If time, expense and labor count for anything, this record can stand upon its merits.

THE VILLAGE OF GILDERSLEEVE, CONN.

"Gildersleeve, mfg. vil. in the town of Portland, Middlesex Co., Conn., population about 1,500." [Proper names, Funk & Wagnall's Standard Dictionary.]

This village is located on the east side of the Connecticut river about forty miles from Long Island Sound and on the high land near the Wangom meadows. The latter is used for hay and grazing only as it is annually flooded by spring freshets. Gildersleeve Island, containing over seventy-five acres of hay land, is a part of the town of Cromwell. Glastonbury lies to the north across the Wangom meadows. The village of Gildersleeve is easily accessible by trolley and by boat. A long main street, shaded by massive elms, is a typical New England scene of much beauty. Handsome residences complete the picture. The Congregational church, soldiers' monument, Indian Hill and the shipyard are objects of interest, with the tobacco houses.

Here was the civic center of the old town of Chatham and also of the town of Portland until 1894. The old town hall on Bartlett street was burned about 1903. Tobacco raising is carried on extensively, Connecticut Havana being the valuable crop grown. Three large tobacco packing warehouses employ a large number during the entire winter, sorting, packing and preparing tobacco grown in this and neighboring towns of the Connecticut Valley to the north. The Charles L. Jarvis Company, located near the shipyard, manufactures wire goods and specialties. A spar quarry is in full operation east of the village and ships the product from the river bank above Siam in the Wangom meadows. Wangom is the Indian name of the present village which, before 1767, was a part of Middletown. Its present name is derived from the Gildersleeve family who established themselves here in 1776 as refugees from Long Island and who have been continuously in the shipbuilding business since then.

THE GILDERSLEEVE NAME.

The Gildersleeves are an old yeoman family in County Norfolk and County Suffolk, England. There are many similar names such as Gilder, Gildea, Gildersome, Gyldenloeve and Gildensholme. Through six centuries of various spellings and pronunciations, the name has never lost its own peculiar identity. In the old Dutch records of New Netherlands it has been spelled Geallderslefes, Gyldersly and Gildersee while in colonial records, we can find it spelled Gildensleaf, Gilderslea and Guilderleve.

Bardsley's Dictionary of English surnames, contains the following: Gildersleve, Gildersleeve, Gilderslieve, meaning "with sleeves braided with gold." [Authority, "Writs of Parliament," "Rotuli Litterarum Clansarum in Turri Londinensi."]

M. E. gilden, A. S., gyldan, to gild. Gilder is a corruption of Gilden, as the instances below will show. It is curious that the name should still survive. The surname arose in Co. Norfolk.

Roger Gyldenesleeve A. 100 Rolls, Co. Norfolk, 1273.

John Gildensleve, Fellow of College of Holy Cross, Atleburgh, 1421.

Robert Gyldensleve, Close Rolls, 15 Henry VI. (1437)

John Gildensleve, Rector of Little Cressingham, Co. Norfolk, 1588.

Calendar of Wills, 1444-1600, by F. A. Crisp, privately printed, from the Probate Court, Ipswich, County Suffolk, England:

1. Tho. Gildensleeve of Oltlie, 1544-1550.
2. Thome Gyldersleive of Holesly, 1550-1554.
3. Johnis Gildensleeve of Aspull Stona, 1554-1557.
4. Robti Gildensleve of Mickfield, 1560-1564.
5. Robti Gildensleeve of Grundisburgh, 1569-1571.
3. Briani Gildersleeve of Glemhm, Ma.; 1586-1587.
7. Henrici Gildersleive of Mickfield, 1600-1601.
8. Christiani Gildersleive, vid. 1600-1601.

P. 327, Suffolk Manorial Families, Gildersleve and Appleton, Fine 1635.

Richard Gildersleve and John Boreham bought for £60 sterling at Little Waldingfield, some property of Thomas Appleton.

AMERICAN ANCESTRY OF PHILIP GILDERSLEEVE,
1757-1822.

Richard Gildersleeve, born in 1601 in County Suffolk, England, came to America in the Puritan Emigration of 1630-1640. Pausing at Watertown, Mass., he joined the small band of Puritan settlers who set out through the wilderness to settle the new colony of Connecticut. He made a home for himself in 1636, at Wethersfield, on the west side of High street, facing the Common near the river. He was one of the earliest proprietors of Naubuc Farms in Glastonbury when it was first surveyed. Discontented with conditions here, he journeyed down to the new colony just planted at New Haven where he was enrolled among the first proprietors of New Haven Colony in 1639. In 1641, he moved from Wethersfield to Stamford, Conn., where he was deputy to the General Court at New Haven. In 1644, he moved over with the first settlers of Hempstead, Long Island, N. Y., where he soon became one of the most influential and largest land proprietors. He was a "schepen," or Dutch magistrate under Governor Stuyvesant, 1644-1664. The first persecution of the Quakers by the Dutch came as a result of Magistrate Gildersleeve's activity.

During the Dutch-Indian War, he lived in Newtown, L. I., as one of the first proprietors and magistrates, 1652-1656. In 1664, when New York was captured by the English, he was appointed colonial commissioner by Connecticut. However, by the Duke of York's patent he became a royal subject once more. In 1669, he was one of that notable gathering of deputies from the English towns of Long Island who framed a petition, which fairly breathed the spirit of liberty manifested in the Declaration of Independence later. Lovelace, the Royal governor, had oppressed the towns severely. Mr. Gildersleeve, as deputy of Hempstead, refused absolutely to pay taxes without representation. It is impossible to say what would have happened, if, in 1673, New York had not been captured by the Dutch.

In 1674, New York was restored to the English. Richard Gildersleeve was deputy to New York to the Dutch Council. He also held very many offices of trust and honor in the town besides figuring in many of the exchanges of vast tracts of land. His main occupation lasting through life was that of surveyor. He was a Puritan of Puritans, fiery, and intolerant, strict and harsh

(American Ancestry of Philip Gildersleeve.—Cont.)

in his official duties, but then the times were harsh enough to try the most heroic soul amidst the early settlements of the United States. He represented the town in all its dealings with the Indians, especially with Tackapousha, Sachem of the Marsapeage Indians. His wife was born in 1601 and witnessed in 1676 the final Indian exchange. He had three children, Richard, Samuel and Anna, the wife of John Smith, Nant., who came from Nantucket.

Richard Gildersleeve, Jr.
 RICHARD GILDERSLEEVE, JR.

In the Dutch-Indian War, he moved to Newtown, L. I., where he was one of the earliest proprietors. In 1656, he moved back again to Hempstead, L. I., where he became a large landed proprietor and a prominent citizen. He served as town clerk for many years. Besides other offices, he was town surveyor for many important cases. He was town drummer, calling the settlers to worship and for town meetings. In 1680, he bought the old meeting house which had a fort around it for safety against the Indians. His wife, Dorcas, witnessed many deeds, and lived on the homestead in Hempstead village until her death in 1704. Mr. Gildersleeve died in 1691, making a will, which is preserved in Jamaica, L. I. He had four children, Richard, Jr., Thomas, Elizabeth and Dorcas, the wife of Thomas Lester of Hempstead.

RICHARD² GILDERSLEEVE, 3D.

In 1683, his father gave him the Carman proprietorship in Hempstead so that he became a proprietor early in life. With his wife, Experience, he witnessed many land transactions. In 1690, he was lieutenant of militia. In 1687 he received by purchase and town grant, large properties in the town of Huntington, Suffolk County, L. I. He finally moved to Huntington and settled down in the northeastern part on Fresh Pond Neck near Crab Meadow. He sold all his rights in Hempstead in 1704, to his brother Thomas. His descendants still own portions of his estate in that section of Huntington near the Smithtown line. Son, Thomas.

THOMAS GILDERSLEEVE.

He was a farmer in Huntington, L. I., serving as a private in the militia in 1715 and as town trustee in 1739 and 1740. His children were Benjamin, Philip, Obadiah, Richard and Experience, wife of John Bailey, and perhaps others. Obadiah married Mary Dinge.

*(American Ancestry of Philip Gildersleeve.—Cont.)*ROBERT¹ DINGE, SR.

He was granted, by the town of Hempstead, L. I., in 1678, land next to John Champin. He is listed in the census of 1698. He had two sons, Robert, Jr., and Christopher, who had a wife, Mary, and three children, Charles, Jane and John. 1701-1698.

ROBERT² DINGE, JR.

The ear-mark for his cattle was registered in 1685. In the census of 1698, he was listed in Hempstead with his wife, Rebecca, and ~~three~~^{two} children, Rebecca, Robert and Richard.

RICHARD³ DINGE.

He married first, in Huntington, L. I., 15 Oct., 1725, by Rev. E. Prime, Esther Chichester of H. He married second, 24 June 1729, Rachel Arthur of Smittown. His will, dated 16 May 1771, proved 12 Oct. 1772 at the Surrogate's Office, N. Y. City, left his house and lands, to his wife, Rachel, and youngest daughter, Elizabeth, at Half Way Hollow in Huntington; to his son, Arthur, his property in Sumpawams (now Babylon, L. I.) with the sum of £10; to his oldest daughter, Mary, wife of Obadiah Gildersleeve, £30; to his daughter, Rachel, wife of Elnathan Wickes, 17 acres, in the Squaw Pit Purchase in Dix Hill; to his daughter, Ruth, wife of Zachariah Rogers, 56 acres in Dix Hill; and rest of movable estate to Ruth and Rachel.

FIRST GENERATION IN GILDERSLEEVE, CONN.

OBADIAH GILDERSLEEVE.

Baptized 28 May 1728, by Rev. Ebenezer Prime in Huntington, L. I.; d. 5 Jan. 1816; m., 14 Feb. 1750, Mary, b. 1726, d. 24 June 1798, dau. of Richard and Esther (Chichester) Dingé of Huntington. He was reared in the Presbyterian faith, being baptized and married by Rev. E. Prime in Huntington, L. I., who also baptized six of his children. He learned the ship carpenter's trade, working at it and farming in Huntington until about 1772 when he moved with his family to the east end of Long Island, to the town of Southampton. At Sag Harbor, the ship-building industry was prosperous. The whaling industry was then important. In 1761, a new wharf and a try house were built for trying out whales. Then, sloops cruised around and captured the whales, taking the blubber and bone back to Sag Harbor. At the try house, the blubber was tried out into oil which was mostly used for lighting purposes in the homes. In 1770, a wharf was built where the bridge is now leading to Hog Neck.

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John Foster was the largest ship owner and made voyages to Europe. Here, Obadiah Gildersleeve found employment as ship carpenter and builder, being "boss" on several contracts. He lived with his family near the village of Bridgehampton. At that time the people were all stirred up by the acts of England towards her American colonies. The town of Southampton voted to have John Foster of Sag Harbor secure a vessel and sail to different points and collect donations for the relief of the starving in Boston, Mass., which port had been closed up by Act of the English Parliament, called the Boston Port Bill. A circular had been sent out asking relief which had been instantly responded to. In Southampton, a committee of safety was appointed in 1774 and also a sub-committee in Sag Harbor, according to directions of the convention. These requested, 2 Apr. 1775, ammunition and warlike stores. Companies of minute men were raised in the village. Obadiah Gildersleeve signed the Association in May, 1775, from Suffolk County, to withstand all oppressive acts by England. His two oldest sons enlisted and marched away to the operations around Brooklyn, N. Y. The disastrous result of the Battle of Long Island created a panic in the town of Southampton as in all parts of Suffolk County. Exaggerated reports of the rapacity and violence of the British troops spread far and wide. Proclamations by the victorious British officers, showed that the lives and property of those connected with the American cause were in serious danger. Prominent men and especially those who had made themselves conspicuous in the Revolutionary cause, deemed it prudent to remove their families and personal effects to Connecticut. Obadiah Gildersleeve with many other Refugees of 1776, procured passes from the committee of safety to leave town, 1 Sept. 1776. He was then listed in the census of 1776 in the town of Southampton with five males and four females in his family. They and their effects were soon moved to the wharf at Sag Harbor and there taken on board a waiting vessel under Capt. Zebulon Cooper, the next day. Capt. James Wiggins carried some of the family effects in his vessel to Moodus, Ct.

The family crossed Long Island Sound to Saybrook, Ct., in safety and there embarked on Capt. Daniel Hale's vessel and sailed up the Connecticut river to Middletown. Across the river was the important shipbuilding town of Chatham, in the northern part of which there were as many as five shipyards. For a long time the towns along the river carried on an extensive commerce with the West Indies, employing a fleet of sailing vessels, and the river banks were lined with wharves and shipyards. Shipbuilding was the most important industry of that part of the town of Portland now called Gildersleeve, and for a time, until

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the famous Portland Brownstone Quarries were developed, it was the most active part of the town. Portland was set off in 1842 from Chatham, which town, until 1767, was a part of Middletown. The first vessel built was a schooner of ninety tons in 1741. During the Revolution, there was built here, the United States warship, "Trumbull," of seven hundred tons and thirty-six guns, and the "Bourbon," nine hundred tons and forty guns, but the last was not armed on account of the declaration of peace.

South of the Wangom meadows, on Shipyard Lane, which is now called Indian Hill avenue, in the present village of Gildersleeve, Ct., Obadiah Gildersleeve moved his family. They lived in a house, torn down about 1901, located on the present Gildersleeve Shipyard property. Besides the personal effects, brought from Long Island by Capt. Wiggins, Capt. Robert Knight brought the other effects left in Moodus, Ct., by Capt. Cooper, while Capt. Starr Greenfield brought the rest from Long Island. After working several years in the various shipyards* as "boss" carpenter, he built ships at the end of Shipyard Lane, north side of the lane. His wife dying in 1798, he bought a small farm in South Glastonbury on the main road, a few houses north of the residence of his great-great-grandson, W. H. H. Miller, Esq. Here he lived until his death in 1816, aged 88, with his oldest daughter, Esther, to whom he left his estate. His wife and son, Richard, were buried in the old cemetery on the bank of the river opposite Middletown, which cemetery was removed when the brownstone quarries extended their excavations. Mr. Gildersleeve was buried in South Glastonbury. Their remains now rest together in the family plot in the Eastern or Center cemetery, one mile east of Gildersleeve, Ct. They were members of the First Ecclesiastical society (Congregational) of Chatham.

Children (Gildersleeve):

- × I. Esther, b. 10 Oct., 1751; d. 14 Sept., 1826.
- × II. Mary, b. 25 Dec., 1753.
- × III. Henry, b. 30 Apr., 1755; d. 26 Nov., 1779.
- × IV. Philip, b. 2 July, 1757; d. 26 Oct., 1822.
- × V. Elizabeth, b. April, 1759; d. 1 Jan. 1841.
- × VI. Sarah, b. 2 Jan., 1762; d. 6 Aug., 1843.
- × VII. Obadiah, b. August, 1763.
- × VIII. Richard, b. August, 1765; d. 21 Mar., 1782.
- IX. Bailey, b. December, 1767; d. 11 Jan., 1773.

*He was at New Haven, Ct., from Nov. '76 to Oct. '78. [Onderdonk's Suffolk County.]

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Authorities:

Richard Gildersleeve, 1st—Conn. Colonial Records, New Haven Colonial Records, Chapin's Glastonbury, Town Records of Wethersfield, Stamford, Hempstead, and Newtown, L. I. Onderdonk's Hempstead, N. Y. Doc. Hist., O'Callaghan's Reg. of N. Netherlands, Fernow's N. Y. Documents.

Richard Gildersleeve, 2d—Ditto.

Richard Gildersleeve, 3d—Hempstead and Huntington Town Records.

Thomas Gildersleeve—Huntington Town Records

Obadiah Gildersleeve—Presbyterian Church Records of Rev. E. Prime, Huntington, Hist. of Suffolk County, 1885, Southampton Records, and his great-granddaughter, Mrs. Sarah G. Brockway, family records, Calendar of N. Y. Hist. Manuscripts Rev. Papers, F. G. Mather's "Refugees of 1776 from Long Island," U. S. Census, 1790, Heads of Families in Conn.

SECOND GENERATION.

ESTHER GILDERSLEEVE, born Huntington, L. I., 10 Oct., 1751; d. 14 Sept., 1826; was a refugee of 1776 from Long Island with her family. After her mother's death in 1798, she kept house for her father in South Glastonbury until his death in 1816. She lived with her sister, Mrs. Russell. She was a woman of property, lending money to many of her relatives for business purposes. She was so stout that she had no lap when sitting down. Her estate was equally divided among her heirs in 1827. [Chatham Probate Records.] She is buried in the Russell plot directly back of Trinity church, Portland, Ct.

MARY GILDERSLEEVE, born Huntington, L. I., 25 Dec. 1753; m., 9 Feb. 1778, Henry Fuller of East Haddam, Ct. Resided in Hartland, Ct. They had two children, Eliza and Henry Fuller of Barkhamsted, Ct. [Congregational Church records, Gildersleeve, Ct.]

HENRY GILDERSLEEVE, b. Huntington, L. I., 30 Apr. 1755, d. 26 Nov. 1779; m. in Chatham 29 Jan., 1778, Elethean or Althea, b. 1755, dau. of Elton and Sarah (Reeves) Overton. Refugees of 1776, from Long Island. He was a ship carpenter and a Refugee of 1776 because of the part he played in the Battle of Long Island in the Revolution. He served in Col. Smith's Regt., Capt. Peirson's Co., as a minute man and private. His wife was a sister of Gen. Seth Overton, b. 1759, d. 1852, who came direct from Southold to Chatham, Ct., in 1776, and who was administrator of Henry Gildersleeve's estate of £456-16-8. [Middletown Probate Rec.]. Gen. Overton was a trusted and valuable counsellor of his sister's nephews, Henry and Sylvester Gildersleeve in their youthful shipbuilding days. Mrs. Althea Gildersleeve and child were allowed to go, 28 Mar. 1780, to Long Island, for some of her effects during the war. She was married again, by Rev. Benjamin

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Goldsmith, at Mattituck, L. I., 27 Apr. 1780, to Jonathan Tuthill, b. 22 Oct. 1752, d. 5 Jan. 1825, son of Daniel, Jr. She d. 19 May, 1831. They had five children, Jonathan Hull, Rhoda, Anne, Henry and Hannah. [F. G. Mather's Refugees of 1776.]

ELIZABETH GILDERSLEEVE, b. Huntington, L. I., April, 1759; d. 1 Jan., 1841; m. 18 Nov., 1783, Timothy, b. 1757; d. 19 Jan., 1846; son of Noadiah and Lois Russell. He was a soldier in the Revolution. They were early communicants of Trinity Episcopal church of Portland, Ct., as early as 1783. Mr. Russell donated the site for the present church. He owned a valuable tract of land which covered a vast deposit of "brownstone," which was extensively quarried by his son, Daniel. This stone was in demand for residences on Fifth avenue, New York City. In 1819, Robt. Fatten and Daniel Russell opened a quarry above the old Shaler and Hall quarry. The firm became afterward Russell & Hall. In 1841, this quarry was united with the original Shaler & Hall property, and the firms were incorporated under the name of the Middlesex Quarry Company. In 1885, Timothy Russell's grandson, F. G. Russell, was president; Chas. A. Jarvis, Sec. and Treas., and Ferdinand and Henry Gildersleeve were among the directors. They used five schooners to ship the stone and employed a large force of men. [Middlesex Co. Hist. 1885.]

Children (Russell): [Trinity church records.]

- I. Charlotte, m. (1) 12 June, 1804, Noah Wrisley, of Glastonbury, Ct.; m. (2) 21 Apr., 1810, Samuel Goodrich, of Berlin, Ct.
- II. Mary, b. 1786; d. 16 Nov., 1873; m. 13 Oct., 1804, George Bidwell, who died 22 Aug., 1859, aged 77. Their children were Sarah, wife of Daniel Cheney, Jr., Nancy and Timothy R.
- III. Daniel, bapt. 11 Apr., 1790; m. Mary Bidwell, b. 1798; d. 17 Feb., 1857. Their son, Frederick G. Russell, died without issue.

SARAH GILDERSLEEVE, b. Huntington, L. I., 2 Jan., 1762; d. 6 Aug., 1843; m. 6 June, 1784, Samuel, b. 6 June, 1758; d. 7 May, 1835, son of Moses and Desire (Ranney) Willcox of Chatham, Ct. In 1783, he was a communicant of Trinity Episcopal church.

Children (Willcox): [Trinity church records.]

- I. Sarah, b. 11 Apr., 1785; d. 13 Jan., 1818.
- II. John, b. 1 Mar., 1787; m. (1) 23 Apr., 1809, Elizabeth Felton; m. (2) 26 Dec., 1822, Laura Shepard, and moved to Ohio.

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- III. Polly, b. 13 Oct., 1788; d. 20 May, 1823.
- IV. Betsy, b. 25 July, 1790; d. April, 1873; m. Joel, b. 1783; d. 1822; son of Deacon Moses Bartlett. Town Clerk Wm. H. Bartlett was a son of Joel.
- V. Desire, b. 19 Oct., 1792; d. 30 Jan., 1878; m. 23 Sept., 1832, Erastus Shepard, b. 1791; d. 1843.
- VI. Samuel, b. 1 Dec., 1794; d. 3 Mar., 1843; m. Nov., 1816, Elizabeth Gleason, b. 1796; d. 3 May, 1874; Children were John Oliver, Abigail, wife of Wm. T. Gleason, Samuel, Fannie and Elizabeth, wife of W. S. Coe.
- VII. Charlotte, b. 14 Oct., 1797; d. 13 June, 1823.
- VIII. Achsah, b. 20 June, 1800; d. 7 May, 1820.
- IX. Harriet, b. 14 Mar., 1805; d. 12 May, 1884.

OBADIAH GILDERSLEEVE, JR., b. Huntington, L. I., August, 1763. Refugee of 1776 from Long Island; m. in Hartland, Ct., 3 Dec., 1786, to Cloe Bushnell, whither he had removed and gone to farming. Hartland, Hartford Co., Ct., was incorporated 1761. Congregational church was organized 1768 in E. Hartland. He, his wife and two children were listed in 1790 in Litchfield, the nearest large town among the "Heads of Families in Conn.," U. S. Census. His niece, Betsy, and nephew, Lathrop, visited him there, going on horseback from Gildersleeve. He and his family moved to Ohio with many other Connecticut people with the opening of that territory for settlement by Gen. Anthony Wayne's final victory over the Indians. He died before 1826. [Chatham Probate, Vol. I., p. 178.]

PHILIP GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Huntington, Long Island, N. Y., 2 July, 1757; d. 26 Oct., 1822. He was baptized 21 Aug., 1757, by Rev. Ebenezer Prime of the Presbyterian church, who had baptized his father in 1728, and married his parents in 1750. He was educated in the village schools of Suffolk county and became proficient in two trades, shipbuilding and fulling cloth. Fullers improved the texture of cloth after it had been woven, by beating it and washing it with fuller's earth, a clay which absorbs the grease from the wool; the cloth loses in length and breadth but gains in body and thickness. About 1772, he moved with the family to the east end of Long Island in the town of Southampton. Sag Harbor had then become a whaling port and this industry with shipbuilding made the place an active one. Many sheep were raised in the vicinity and the wool formed the basis of most of the people's clothes.

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The people of Southampton with the rest of the Suffolk County towns on the east end of Long Island were greatly stirred up in 1774 by the Acts of the English Parliament. The people of Boston, Mass., were in great distress and want as a result of the Boston Port Bill by which England shut up this port for commerce. The American colonies finally united to withstand all oppressive acts. The committees of correspondence of Suffolk County met at Riverhead, 15 Nov., 1774, and voted to have John Foster of Sag Harbor secure a vessel and get supplies for the relief of Boston. In 1775, committees of safety were appointed according to the directions of the convention. They requested ammunition and stores from the Provincial Congress, 2 Apr., 1775. Companies of minute men were raised in the village and drilled on the green. A company of "Liberty Boys," under command of Capt. Jonathan Hurlburt was raised at Bridgehampton to join Gen. Schuyler's army. Tradition states this notice to raise the company was received by Capt. Hurlburt on Sunday afternoon. Taking his stand at the church door after service he stated his authority and called in stirring words for volunteers and before night the ranks were full. Philip Gildersleeve, just eighteen, enlisted as a private, 5 July, 1775, in Capt. Hurlburt's company which was in the 3d N. Y. Regiment of the line commanded by Col. James Clinton. A petition from Southampton and Easthampton resulted in permission from Congress for this company to remain to guard the stock at Montauk (2,000 cattle and 3,000 sheep).

Philip Gildersleeve signed the Association, which was an agreement of the American colonies to withstand all oppressive acts by England. The minutemen were the first soldiers who were ready at a minute's notice to answer to a call for arms meanwhile pursuing their daily vocations. Their service was short and irregular. Philip Gildersleeve left the service, 15 Jan., 1776. "A Return of Capt. David Peirson's Minute Company in Suffolk County in the Regiment, whereof Josiah Smith is Colonel," dated Bridgehampton, 1 Apr., 1776. He was entered as "corporal possessing 1 gun, 1 bayonet, 1 car. box, 19 cartridges, 5 flints, 1 knapsack, 1 brass, 1 wire." As corporal of the "Liberty Boys," or Minute Men of Bridgehampton village, he was present, Mar. 18, Apr. 22, May 20 and May 29, 1776, at muster. The diary of Col. Smith has been preserved and recounts the doings of these soldiers in the Revolution.

In a letter dated 20 July, 1776, Nath'l Woodhull, Pres. of Prov. Congress, informed Col. Smith that Congress resolved to embody one-fourth of the militia on Long Island for defense and appointed him to command. Orders were received by him, 23 July, 1776, to muster his troops from the east end of Long Island

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and march at once to join Gen. Greene's command at Brooklyn. Col. Smith visited Huntington to have Maj. Jeffrey Smith muster Capt. John Wickes' company and then set out with Col. Sands and Maj. Remsen to Queens County to inspect the guards at Cow Neck and Great Neck. Returning to Sag Harbor, he came back to Southampton where he received orders. He marched his men from there, 12 Aug., 1776, to Huntington.

Capt. David Peirson's company had the following officers enrolled: John Foster, first lieutenant; Abraham Rose, second lieutenant; Edward Topping, ensign; Samuel White, David Woodruff, Sylvanus Wick, David Lupton, sergeants; Isaac Peirson, Matthew Jagger, Philip Gildersleeve, Joshua Hildreth, Antony Sherman, corporals; Hugh Gelston, clerk; Wm. Gelston, fifer; James Foster, drummer. There were seventy privates, among them Philip's older brother, Henry Gildersleeve. They set out from Huntington, 13 Aug., 1776, and reached Lt. Increase Carpenter's and the next day were at the Brooklyn ferry at Gen. Greene's and took up quarters at Rem Cowenhoven's. Gen. Greene had made a line of fortifications extending from Wallabout Bay (where the Navy Yard now is) to Gowanus Creek. They encamped for six days amidst great bustle and confusion, for these soldiers were green, raw country militia never tried in battle and not used to order or discipline.

The British came over from Staten Island, 22 Aug., 1776, and landed at New Utrecht while the Americans retreated. Col. Smith took his regiment out to Flatbush and came very near the British and was out all night, his advance guard killing several of the enemy. They spent the next day in the woods where an incessant fire was kept up all day. Their marksmen killed many while they lost only one and had four wounded. They camped, Aug. 24, when their sentries wounded several of the British and had seven of their own wounded. The next day while on duty in the woods all night to guard against attack, a dreadful thunderstorm came up. They were relieved from sentry duty in the afternoon and returned to the fortifications near Wallabout Bay. Aug. 27, at 2 a. m., Col. Smith's men were aroused from their sleep by the enemy's attack but they drove them back and lay in the trenches all night. The Hessian troops, hired by the British, were harassed exceedingly, since they were not used to this fighting in the woods where the American militia skulked behind the trees in the woods and picked off their officers and men. These skirmishes made it necessary for the British to change their plans for battle, so these Hessians were marched on to Flatlands, leaving the best part of the American army on Brooklyn Heights to be surrounded and defeated in the Battle of Long Island.

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Col. Smith's regiment having laid in the trenches all night in Brooklyn had to lay there the next day and night also, Aug. 28, in the heavy rain, a continual exchange of firing with the British being kept up. They still lay behind their earthworks, Aug. 29, until the afternoon when orders were received to march over to New York. The Battle of Long Island had been won with terrible slaughter of the American troops under Gen. Sullivan on Brooklyn Heights and with the capture of many.

About 2 a. m. Aug. 30, Col. Smith's regiment was roused. Gen. Washington had already decided to abandon Long Island to the British as a result of the battle. Under the cover of darkness and a heavy fog, they slipped away over to New York and marched up to Kingsbridge and Westchester. The next day Col. Smith marched to New Rochelle and tried to get passage home by water to Long Island. They finally embarked Sept. 1, on vessels at Mamaroneck and landed at Capt. Platt's in Smithtown, getting home to Bridgehampton the day after. The regiment disbanded, the colonel giving orders for every man to shift for himself in getting their families and effects off Long Island. From that time to the end of the war, Long Island was in full possession of the enemy.

Philip Gildersleeve immediately left Sag Harbor with the family, their effects being carried away on six different vessels, so great was their hurry to escape the British Army. Safely escaping to Saybrook, Ct., he settled with the family on Shipyard Lane (now Indian Hill avenue) in what is now called Gildersleeve, Ct. South of the Wangom meadows were at least four shipyards in active operation. The trade with the West Indies had flourished. Sugar, molasses and slaves were the chief imports to the city of Middletown nearby.

Philip Gildersleeve married at Chatham, 4 May, 1780, Temperance, b. 9 Apr., 1756; d. 22 Sept., 1831; dau. of Capt. James and Temperance (Tryon) Gibbs. Capt. Gibbs lived in Wethersfield, Windsor and Chatham, where he was admitted to the church from Wethersfield 14 Mar., 1742, and was engaged with his vessel in the coasting trade. His wife died 1 July, 1791, aged 64. She was the daughter of John, son of David, son of William Tryon, and was admitted to the church in Chatham from Wethersfield 12 July, 1752. Philip Gildersleeve built a two-story frame house, now standing on Indian Hill, just above his shipyard but on the south side of Shipyard Lane. His shipyard was on the river north of the end of what is now called Indian Hill avenue. A large Indian burial place was located on Indian Hill and countless skulls and bones and other relics are brought to light every year. He carried on the business of fulling cloth

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when not engaged in shipbuilding. The manufacture of cloth in the United States was in its infancy then, the people depending upon the mother country for most all their manufactured wares, since they were nearly all agricultural people.

He was master carpenter of the U. S. ship "Connecticut" built at Stevens Wharf at the end of Shipyard Lane in 1798 of 514 tons, mounting 24 guns, and commanded by Capt. Moses Tryon. This frigate was contracted for by Gen. Seth Overton. In an old history of Connecticut, published by Barber in the early part of the 19th century there is a short sketch of the town of Chatham, which was quite a shipbuilding point across the river from Middletown. It illustrates vividly what an important event the launching of a ship was and what an important position Philip Gildersleeve filled as master carpenter.

Middletown, June 7, 1799.

The Launch-More of the wooden walls of Columbia.

Yesterday at 35 min. and four sec. past five p. m., the U. S. ship Connecticut was safely deposited on the bosom of the majestic stream and hence she derives her name. No words can convey an adequate idea of the beauty and brilliancy of the scene. Nature as inclined to do honor to the occasion had furnished one of the most delightful days that the vernal season ever witnessed. While old Father Connecticut, eager to receive his beautiful offspring, had swollen his waters by the liquefaction of snows reserved for the occasion near his source in order to facilitate her passage to his waves; and extending his liquid arms welcomed her to his embrace. Flora decked in her richest attire, smiled gleefully around and a brilliant concourse of spectators from this and neighboring towns, whose countenances expressed the liveliest sensibility at thus witnessing the progress of our nautical armament destined to protect our commerce and hurl the thunders of Columbia on her shrinking foes, formed a most magnificent moving picture in addition to the brilliancy of nature which shone around. The preparation for the launch was exquisite and evincive of the consummate skill of the architect who superintended the operations of the day and whose orders were given with dignity and obeyed with punctilious nicety when the moment arrived at which the elegant fabric was to leave her earthly bed never more to return. The anxiety of the crowd was witnessed by a solemn silence, awful and profound.

The stroke was struck, the blocks were removed, when lo! with the grace and majesty of the divine Cleopatra or the wonderful Cygnus, she glided into the arms of her parent river and, as if

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reposing herself to sleep upon a bed of roses, sunk upon his breast. In a moment, the peal of federalism burst forth. The peans of the gazing thousands met the heavens and echo faintly expired on the distant hills.

While shad and salmon feel the patriot glow
And throng in numerous shoals the waterway,
And sturdy sturgeon from the depth below,
Leap up her matchless beauty to survey.

A footnote says: "This paragraph was taken from a Boston newspaper."

Philip Gildersleeve died in 1822, aged 65. His will was probated in Middletown. Temperance, his wife, died in 1831, aged 75, and in her will left her personal effects to Betsy Abbey, Cynthia Lewis and Temperance Gildersleeve, her granddaughter. The home lot was left to her son, Henry, of Canada. The oil portraits of this couple are in the possession of their grandson, F. Gildersleeve, of Gildersleeve, Ct., and their family Bible is owned by Willard Harvey Gildersleeve. Their remains are at rest in the family plot in the Center cemetery, one mile east of Gildersleeve, Ct., where some of their descendants are buried.

Children (Gildersleeve):

- ×1. Jeremiah, b. 24 Aug., 1781; d. 16 Mar., 1857.
- ×2. Betsy, b. 23 Apr., 1783; d. 17 Oct., 1863.
- ×3. Henry, b. 8 Nov., 1785; d. 1 Oct., 1851.
- ×4. Lathrop, b. 16 Dec., 1787; d. 11 Jan., 1861.
- ×5. Sylvester, b. 25 Feb., 1795; d. 15 Mar., 1886.
- ×6. Cynthia, b. 28 Mar., 1797; d. 16 Feb., 1860.

Authorities:—Presbyterian Records of Huntington, L. I.; Hist. Suffolk Co., 1885; N. Y. in Rev., Manuscript Volume Suffolk County Regt. 1776 in Custody of the Regents of the Univ. of the State of N. Y.; Manuscript Volume, Refugees of Long Island to Connecticut, State Library, Hartford, Conn., Congregational Church Records of Portland, Ct., their granddaughter, Mrs. S. G. Brockway and family records; Cooper's Naval Hist.; F. G. Mather's "Refugees of 1776 from Long Island"; Middletown, Ct., Probate Records; Chatham Probate Records; U. S. Census, 1790, Heads of Families in Conn., Dr. Fields' "Statistics of Middlesex County."

THIRD GENERATION—JEREMIAH BRANCH.

(1.) JEREMIAH GILDERSLEEVE.

Born 24 Aug., 1781, in Shipyard Lane, Gildersleeve, Ct.; d. 16 Mar., 1857, in his house built in 1800 on Main street. Was m. 19 Aug., 1804, by the rector of Trinity Episcopal church, to Lucy

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Ann Cone, b. 2 Feb., 1779, in East Haddam, Ct.; d. 22 Dec., 1860. He was the first Gildersleeve to become a communicant of the Episcopal church in 1804. He was a ship carpenter.

Children (Gildersleeve):

- × 7. Nancy, b. 18 Dec., 1805; d. 7 Aug., 1893.
- × 8. Lucy Ann, b. 31 Dec., 1807; d. 20 Sept., 1858.
- × 9. Temperance, b. 29 May, 1809; d. 13 Oct., 1836.
- × 10. Lucinda Wilcox, b. 24 May, 1819; d. 27 June, 1900.
- × 11. Betsy, b. 14 Apr., 1822; d. 18 Jan., 1913.

THIRD GENERATION—BETSY BRANCH.

(2.) BETSY GILDERSLEEVE.

Born 23 April, 1783, in Gildersleeve, Ct.; d. 17 Oct., 1863. She m. 12 Dec., 1807, Elizur, b. 1780; d. 29 June, 1856; son of Benjamin and Lois (Stocking) Abbey. He was a farmer and shipbuilder. His shipyard was located on the Connecticut between Siam Dock and Gildersleeve Shipyard where "Boss" Abbey built vessels from 75 to 300 tons, the last being the "Chas. H. Northam" in 1853. He also built ships in Middle Haddam, Ct., with his son and for a while in Georgia. He saw active service in the War of 1812, as sergeant, Aug. 18-29, 1814, under Nathaniel Johnson, commander; also as private at Saybrook, Isaac Webber, commander, Aug. 30-Oct. 25, 1814. [Conn. in the Rev. and 1812.]

"Col. Daniel White marched away with his men to New London where the time was spent in patrol duty and so much was the stern reality of war softened that it seemed like a prolonged picnic. Elizur Abbey was captain, etc." [Hist. Middlesex Co., 1885.] He was commissioned by John Cotton Smith, Capt. Gen. and Commander-in-Chief of Connecticut, as Captain in 1816 of the First Light Infantry, 20th Regiment Connecticut Militia.

[Commission preserved by C. P. Abbey, his grandson.]

Child (Abbey):

- × 12. Benjamin, b. 27 Sept., 1809; d. 11 Apr., 1865.

ABBEY FAMILY OF OLD CHATHAM, CT.—Benjamin Abbey and wife Mary were admitted 1737 and 1741, respectively, to the First Ecclesiastical Society of Chatham from Glastonbury, Ct. His will probated 1754 in Middletown, names daughters Lydia and Agnes Bidwell, four grandchildren, John, Ebene, Agnes and Serey Miller; four grandchildren, Moses, Samuel, John and William Cornwall; and son, Samuel. Samuel Abbey, b. 1726; d. 10

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Aug., 1806, and wife Sarah. His will probated in 1806, names twelve children, Samuel of Genesee, David of New Orleans, John of Middlebury, N. Y., George, Jemima Cooper, wife of George, Damaris Hurlburt, Mary Willcox, Rachel Treat, Benjamin, Thomas, Asaph, and Reuben. Capt. Asaph Abbey, b. 1776, in his will of 1833, mentions wife Ruth and twelve children, Anson, Asaph, David, Russell, Prudence, Sarah Ann, William Warren, Grove Nelson, Samuel, Lucy, Parmelia, wife of Russell Pelton, and Ruth, wife of Charles L. Shepard. [Chatham Probate]. Benjamin Abbey, b. 1752; d. 1792; m. 27 June, 1776, Lois Stocking, b. 1761; d. 1825; (lineal descendant of Mr. Stephen Hopkins, who came over in the Mayflower). Their son, Elizur, b. 1780; d. 1856; m. Betsy Gildersleeve.

THIRD GENERATION—HENRY BRANCH.

(3.) HENRY GILDERSLEEVE. *See also 1881.*

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 8 Nov., 1785, in the homestead on Shipyard Lane; d. 1 Oct., 1851, in Kingston, Ont., Canada; m. 28 Jan., 1824, Sarah, b. 12 Oct., 1801; d. 17 Nov., 1861, dau. of Henry and Lucretia (Bleeker) Finkle, of Kingston, formerly of Ernestown. The Bleekers were "U. E. L.," i. e., United Empire Loyalists, being among those British subjects who remained loyal to England during the Revolution, moved into Canada at the close of the war. They all received grants of land and each of their children was entitled to 200 acres. Lucretia Bleeker married after she came to Canada to Henry Finkle, 15 May, 1788. They had two sons and four daughters. Sarah Bleeker always retained her grant of land. She and her sister were sent to an academy at Litchfield, Ct., to complete their education, Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe and her sister being pupils there at the same time.

Henry Gildersleeve learned shipbuilding in Gildersleeve, Ct., doing business on his account, moved to Canada in 1815, and was among the first to build and place a steamer, "Frontenac," upon the upper part of the St. Lawrence River and Lake Ontario. He built up a flourishing steamboat business on Lake Ontario, to which his oldest son succeeded. He made his home in Kingston, Ontario, Canada.

Children (Gildersleeve):

- ×13. Overton Smith, b. 13 Jan., 1825; d. 9 Mar., 1864.
- 14. Lucretia Anne Marie, b. 31 Dec., 1826; d. 3 Feb., 1909.
- 15. Henry Russell, b. 5 June, 1829; d. 20 Aug., 1831.

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- 16. Alfred Askew, b. 7 Oct., 1831; d. 11 July, 1832.
- ×17. Charles Fuller, b. 17 Oct., 1833; d. 18 Jan., 1906.
- ×18. Sarah Minerva, b. 13 Nov., 1835.
- ×19. James Philip, b. 27 June, 1840.
- ×20. Emily Gertrude, b. 27 Nov., 1843; d. 12 Nov., 1898.

THIRD GENERATION—LATHROP BRANCH.

(4.) LATHROP GILDERSLEEVE.

Born 16 Dec., 1787, in Gildersleeve, Ct.; d. 11 Jan., 1861, in Collinsville, Ct. He m. 1 June, 1813, Sophia, b. 10 Oct., 1790; d. 7 May, 1831, dau. of Deliverance and Sarah (Sage) Cooper, in the old Episcopal church then located on Bartlett street. Deliverance, b. 17 Feb., 1751; was the son of John Cooper, of Chatham, Ct. In early years, Lathrop's ambition was to become an Episcopalian clergyman, but he never saw his way clear. He learned the trade of fuller or clothier under his father. In 1811, he moved to Collinsville, Ct. He farmed most of his life, dropping the business of clothier. Episcopalian.

Children (Gildersleeve):

- ×21. Sarah Sage, b. 7 Feb., 1815; d. 1901.
- 22. Charles Cooper, b. 3 April, 1818; d. 8 Oct., 1819.
- ×23. Charles Henry, b. 9 July, 1821; d. 8 July, 1866.

THIRD GENERATION—SYLVESTER BRANCH.

(5.) SYLVESTER GILDERSLEEVE.

Born in Gildersleeve, Ct., 25 Feb., 1795, in the homestead on Shipyard Lane (now Indian Hill avenue); d. 15 Mar., 1886. He m. (1) 19 Dec., 1814, Rebecca, b. 1 June, 1794; d. 10 Aug., 1824, dau. of William and Prudence (Goodrich) Dixon. Wm. Dixon, b. 11 Oct., 1744; d. 20 Mar., 1826; m. 13 Nov., 1767, to Prudence Goodrich, was a soldier of the Revolution with Gen. Putnam in 1776, on Long Island [Conn. in Rev.], Prudence Goodrich, b. 20 Sept., 1751; d. 20 Sept., 1821; was the oldest child of Zaccheus Goodrich, and his first wife, Rachel Cornwall, descendant of Wm. Cornwall, a soldier in the Pequot War, 1637, and of Gov. Andrew Ward of Connecticut, 1635. He m. (2) 17 Nov., 1828, Emily, b. 21 July, 1804; d. 14 July, 1877, dau. of Andrew and Deliverance (Leland) Shepard, and widow of George Cornwall. "Dilly" Leland was the dau. of Phineas, son of James Leland. Sylvester Gildersleeve attended the district school until eighteen, when he commenced work in his father's shipyard. He also worked in Churchill's shipyard at Siam, building privateers

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during the War of 1812. That part of Portland now called Gildersleeve was a great shipbuilding point on the Connecticut river. In 1813, the "Holker" of 350 tons and 18 guns, was built here, and soon afterwards lost, and in 1814 a second "Holker" of 400 tons, 20 guns, was built and soon cast away in a severe storm on the coast of Long Island. Tradition says that her keel was laid on a Friday. The "Macedonian" of the same size was built the same year. The "Saranac," 373 tons, 16 guns, and the "Boxer," 367 tons, 16 guns, were built for the government in 1815. From 1806 to 1816 there was built in this locality over twelve thousand five hundred tons of shipping. From Mashomistic Mountains close by were obtained immense first growth logs of white oak eighty feet long, the ideal material for shipbuilding. In those days the ship carpenters worked from "sun to sun"; that is, began at sunrise, took one hour, 7 a. m. to 8 a. m., for breakfast, one hour at noon for dinner, then worked until sundown. The highest pay was \$1.00 per day; to-day it is \$2.50 for 10 hours. Yet probably a vessel can be built at less cost to-day than then when everything was done by hand. Carpenters went out into the surrounding forests, cut down the logs, and hewed them into shape with broad axes. Small saw mills, driven with a little water power, slowly worked out the planking from the tough native oaks. Cattle teams hauled the timber into the shipyard, where hand labor slowly did all the work. To-day wooden vessels are principally built of pine, which is cut in immense quantities in the southern states, where millions of feet are daily sawed and planed almost ready to put into construction. Cargoes of lumber are delivered direct to the shipyards where modern machinery reduces the hand labor to not over one-fourth the amount required in olden times, when it was also customary to carry around in the shipyard and distribute to the men, four times a day, a bucket of cider brandy, a home product and doubtless a pure article, containing no such deadly elements as some later day concoctions.

In 1815, owing to the operations of the British Army in Canada, the U. S. Government was engaged in constructing war vessels on the western lakes. Sylvester Gildersleeve went with some 500 workmen to Sackett's Harbor on Lake Ontario to build for the government a 100-gun ship which was one of the largest ever built in this country—the combined fleet of Commodore McDonough at the Battle of Lake Champlain mounting but eighty-six guns. The weather was cold and the men were supplied with "grog," then considered an indispensable part of the rations. The ships were never completed, as the war soon ended. The men returned home, some of them making most of the entire way back on foot to the Connecticut river.

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In 1820 he spent a year to himself as "Boss" Gildersleeve and built his first 100-ton vessel called the "Boston Packet." With this start, he constructed afterwards more than 100 vessels, the aggregate value being \$2,000,000 of various kinds, propellers, pilot-boats, sloops, ships, barques, brigs, schooners, steam gun-boats, scows, barges and lighters. He purchased the present Gildersleeve shipyard, 20 Nov., 1838, from Abel, son of George Lewis. In 1836, he built the schooner "William Bryan," with which was started the first "Regular Packet Line" between New York and Galveston, Texas. The company consisted of Capt. Jos. Hendley, Wm. Hendley, his brother, John L. Sleight and Philip Gildersleeve, forming the commercial house of William Hendley & Co., at Galveston, Texas, in connection with John H. Brower of N. Y., in 1845, while Texas was an independent republic. This packet line steadily grew until the opening of the Civil War, when it was employing fifteen large sailing vessels. All of these had been built at the Gildersleeve shipyard. During the war these vessels were used by the U. S. Government as transports. Between 1847 and 1850, five of the boats were built here, the largest being 700 tons. In 1854, the ship "S. Gildersleeve" was built, 1,400 tons, value \$59,000. She was burnt by the Confederate Privateer, "Alabama," while on a voyage to China and was paid for out of the Geneva Award by England, Sylvester Gildersleeve being part owner. He also owned many other vessels. In 1861 he built the U. S. steam gunboat "Cayuga," which led the fleet up the river to New Orleans, to that city's capture in the war. He had taken his two sons, Henry and Ferdinand, into partnership under the firm name of S. Gildersleeve & Sons, shipbuilders and merchants. As they became more active in the firm, he gradually retired, but, disliking inactivity, in 1869, he built a steam saw and planing mill and wagon shops for his personal attention.

His gifts were many. He gave \$6,000 toward building Trinity Episcopal church, \$3,000 of which was donated at a period when the edifice had remained five years unfinished for lack of funds. He had joined in 1831 when the old church was on Bartlett street. He gave a large tract of land to the Portland Burying Ground Association of the Eastern or Center cemetery. He built an additional story to the district school at a cost of \$2,000 for a public hall and for the Gildersleeve High School in 1876, he donated \$6,000 for an endowment fund. For several years, he remembered it with a present of a few thousand dollars. The High School was removed in 1899 to Portland when the schools were consolidated. The clock on the Congregational Church was another of his gifts. His gifts to his children and objects outside of his family amounted to \$100,000. He was a

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director in the Middletown (now National) Bank and one of the organizers of the First National Bank of Portland, and its President 1865-1879, and also President of the Freestone Savings Bank and the Middletown Ferry Co.; Director of the Middlesex Quarry Co., and the Middlesex Mutual Assurance Co., of Middletown. He was Town Clerk from 29 Jan., 1861, until 1 Jan., 1864, when he resigned. Just before his death, he had a family reunion in the homestead built by him in 1834, on Main street, Gildersleeve, at which Rev. F. W. Harriman, D. D., administered Holy Communion. He died Monday at 2:30 a. m., 15 Mar., 1886, aged 91.

Authorities—Dr. Field's "Statistics of Middlesex County," Hist. Middlesex Co. 1885, Cooper's Naval Hist. and Gildersleeve shipbuilding records.

Children by first wife (Gildersleeve) :

- ×24. Louisa Matilda, b. 12 May, 1815; d. 26 Jan., 1900.
- ×25. Henry, b. 7 April, 1817; d. 13 April, 1894.
- ×26. Philip, b. 5 July, 1819; d. 12 Oct., 1853.
- ×27. Esther Rebecca, b. 1 April, 1823; d. 18 Nov., 1894.

Children by second wife (Gildersleeve) :

- ×28. { Sylvester Shepard, b. 1 Sept., 1829; d. 2 Oct., 1852.
- ×29. { twins
- { Statira, b. 1 Sept., 1829; d. 7 Nov., 1864.
- ×30. Isabella, b. 23 July, 1833; d. 23 May, 1855.
- ×31. Ferdinand, b. 20 Aug., 1840.
- 32. Lavelatte, b. 6 Dec., 1841; d. 16 Dec., 1841.
- ×33. Helen Augusta, b. 21 July, 1843; d. 18 June, 1887.

THIRD GENERATION—CYNTHIA BRANCH.

(6.) CYNTHIA GILDERSLEEVE.

Born 28 Mar., 1797; d. 16 Feb., 1870; m. 2 Nov., 1818, Edward, b. 26 Jan., 1794; d. 5 Nov., 1870; son of Abel and Mary (Crittenden) Lewis, descendant of Lemuel Lewis of Barnstable, Mass. He learned the trade of ship carpenter in his father's shipyard. He was a member of the state legislature for Chatham, 1837-1838. Member of the Congregational church and resided on Main street, Gildersleeve.

Children (Lewis) :

- 34. Charles Edward, b. 27 Aug., 1819; d. 7 Aug., 1838, in Alton, Ill.

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- ×35. Mary Ann, b. 23 Sept., 1823; d. 11 Sept., 1851.
- ×36. Margaret Barron, b. 26 Nov., 1829; d. 6 June, 1910.
- ×37. Elizabeth, b. 7 Dec., 1832.

FOURTH GENERATION—JEREMIAH BRANCH.

(7.) NANCY GILDERSLEEVE.

Born 18 Dec., 1805; d. 7 Aug., 1893, in New Haven, Ct. Possessing a strong, energetic business aptitude, she early started a millinery business in Middletown, Ct., and for twenty years held the cream of the trade, associating her younger sisters in business with her. A better field presenting itself, she moved to New Haven to what was then 106 Orange street, where she amassed a modest fortune, mostly in real estate, and retired from business during the Civil War. She resided in the family mansion, 161 Church street, opposite the New Haven Green and Yale College, from 1867 until her death.

(8.) LUCY ANN GILDERSLEEVE.

Born 31 Dec., 1807; d. 7 Sept., 1878; m. 20 Aug., 1833, William, b. 18 Dec., 1805; d. 18 Nov., 1870, son of Joseph and Susan (Stevens) Goodrich, of Glastonbury, Ct. He resided in Portland and engaged in business in Middletown. His health being poor he went south in 1836. After returning home again, he resided in Clarksonville, Johnson Co., Arkansas. He finally resided on a farm in Portland, Ct.

Children (Goodrich):

- 38. Hellen Vergenia, b. 23 Aug., 1834; d. 3 Nov., 1839, in Clarksville, Ark.
- 39. Patrick Henry, b. 14 Feb., 1839; d. 15 May, 1839; in Pope Co., Ark.
- 40. Lucy Ann Gildersleeve, b. 29 Mar., 1841; d. 29 Sept., 1858
- ×41. John Quincey, b. 6 Mar., 1845; d. 17 June, 1890.
- 42. Hepzibah Edwards, b. 29 May, 1849; d. 27 Dec., 1894.
- ×43. Sarah Augusta, b. 15 Jan., 1852.

(9.) TEMPERANCE GILDERSLEEVE.

Born 9 May, 1809; d. 13 Oct., 1836. She associated with her sisters in the millinery business at home and Middletown. She was the only grandchild receiving a legacy from Mrs. Temperance Gildersleeve.

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(10.) LUCINDA WILCOX GILDERSLEEVE.

Born 24 May, 1819; d. in New Haven, Ct., 27 June, 1900. She was an enterprising and energetic business woman like her sister Nancy with whom she was associated in the millinery trade in Middletown. She made the first steps towards establishing a better business at what was then 106 Orange street, New Haven, Ct.

(11.) BETSY GILDERSLEEVE.

Born 14 April, 1822; d. 18 Jan., 1913; m. 1 Oct., 1857, in St. Thomas' church at New Haven, Ct., David, b. 12 Oct., 1818; d. 9 Dec., 1865, son of David and Anna (Thompson) Ritter. He was a druggist in lower N. Y. City. He retired shortly before his death and lived in New Haven, Ct. His widow died in New Haven, Ct., of pneumonia, aged 90.

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(12.) BENJAMIN ABBEY.

Born Chatham, Ct., 27 Sept., 1809, died 11 April, 1865; m. 26 Dec., 1833, Vienna Matilda; b. Chatham, Ct., 13 Feb., 1813; d. 1900; dau. of Abner, Jr., and Esther (Hamlin) Pelton, direct descendant of Hon. Giles Hamlin, first mayor of Middletown. Ship carpenter by trade, he was associated with his father building ships near Siam Dock and in Middle Haddam, Ct., with a few years in Georgia.

Children (Abbey):

- 44. Elizur, b. Oct., 1834; d. 3 May, 1838.
- ×45. Esther Hamlin, b. 5 Sept., 1837.
- 46. Elizur, b. 11 May, 1839; d. 9 Jan., 1892.
- ×47. Charles Pelton, b. 11 Dec., 1845.

FOURTH GENERATION—HENRY BRANCH.

(13.) OVERTON SMITH GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Kingston, Ontario, Canada, 13 Jan., 1825; d. there 9 Mar., 1864. Educated at Upper Canada College where he took a scholarship and then studied law in Kingston and his last year in Toronto where all the judges of the high courts resided. After a trip to Europe, he m. 16 Aug., 1850, Louisa Anne, b. Toronto, 16 Aug., 1832; d. Toronto, 16 April, 1851, dau. of Judge William Henry and Augusta (White) Draper. (Judge Draper

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was chief justice of Upper Canada in 1863.) She was then 18 years old, of a very sweet disposition and a highly cultivated voice. The following spring she caught cold which turned into a rapid decline. Taken to Toronto for a change, she soon died. Overton went to England, then returned in September. 1 Oct., 1851, his father died and he became head of the house and gave up law practice as the large business interests of the steamboats engaged his attention. He was a most energetic citizen, being twice mayor, 1855-56 and 1861-2, of Kingston. In 1860, he traveled to the West Indies and Mexico.

(17.) CHARLES FULLER GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Kingston, Ontario, 17 Oct., 1833; d. there 18 Jan., 1906; m. Mary Elizabeth, dau. of Charles L. Herchmer, of Belleville. Educated Upper Canada College where he took a scholarship. He studied for and was admitted to the bar in 1859. He then traveled in Europe. On his brother Overton's death in 1864, he gave up law to take the management of the steamboat business in which his father and brother had been engaged since 1817. In his marine career, he built and owned the steamers Corinthian, Norseman, Maud, Welshman, and North King. He also owned the Empress, Bay of Quinte, Hastings and Hero. They ran between Rochester, Port Hope, Bay of Quinte ports and Kingston. In 1893, he formed the Lake Ontario and Bay of Quinte Steamboat Co., which took over his steamers, he becoming the first manager. In March, 1894, he was appointed general manager of the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company which controls the traffic by water, Toronto, Montreal, Quebec and Saguenay River. In this he showed his marine genius. No dividends had been paid for eight years but his first year of management yielded vastly improved results. His efforts made the services the most efficient in the world. He advocated the construction of several large boats and the result was the "Toronto," the "Kingston" and the "Montreal," lake passenger steamers that cannot be excelled. He retired in 1904, after ten years of splendid service, to his old home in Kingston, where he looked after the interests of the Bay of Quinte Co., as president and manager.

From 1864 to 1894, he was active in municipal affairs, as alderman twenty-two years and mayor in 1879. He led in the promotion of the Kingston and Pembroke R. R., and was president for years. He also helped establish the Kingston School of Mining. In religion he was an Anglican, member of St. George's Cathedral, where his family had worshipped for ninety

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years. In enlarging the edifice, he was chairman of the building committee. In politics, he was a liberal of the old school. Marine men always spoke of the splendid condition that his boats were kept in. Interests and safety of the traveling public, he always had in view and that was why the Gildersleeve boats were so popular. He was elected first president of the Dominion Marine Association, when formed in 1903. He died 1 a. m. Jan. 18, 1906, Thursday, in Kingston, the funeral services being conducted by the Bishop of Ontario. He was buried in the Cataraqui cemetery. Mrs. Gildersleeve resides at 199 King street, Kingston, Ont., Canada.

Children (Gildersleeve):

- ×48. Maude Gertrude, b. 26 Mar., 1864.
- ×49. Henry Herchmer, b. 15, Dec., 1865.

(18.) SARAH MINERVA GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Kingston, Ont., 13 Nov., 1835; m. St. George's, Kingston, 27 Oct., 1859, James Grant, b. Bensham House, near Croyden, Surrey, England, 19 Nov., 1830; d. 26 Oct., 1889, son of Allan and Helen (Grant) Macdonald. He was, in 1846, gold medallist of Royal Academy of Inverness, and subsequently attended the universities of Edinburgh and Glasgow. In 1851 he came to America and lived in Philadelphia a short time, then later in New York. In 1859, he came to Canada; at first he was agent of the Commercial Bank at Windsor, Ont.; in 1864, manager Merchants' Bank, Kingston, Ont.; in 1874, first general manager, London and Canadian Loan & Agency Co., at Toronto. He was captain of a volunteer company at Windsor; captain of a company in Princess of Wales Own Volunteer Rifle Regiment at Kingston; served during the Fenian Raid in 1866. He was one of the three original commissioners of the Niagara Falls Park. Mrs. Sarah Grant Macdonald resides 109 Bedford Road, Toronto.

Children (Macdonald):

- 50. Allan, Henry, b. Windsor, Ont., 11 Sept., 1860.
- 51. Alfred Grant, b. Windsor, Ont., 8 Oct., 1861; d. 26 April, 1873.
- ×52. Overton Fullarton, b. Windsor, Ont., 30 July, 1864; d. 8 Aug., 1901.
- ×53. Reginald Murray, b. Kingston, 4 Oct., 1866.
- 54. Helen Sarah, b. Kingston, 27 Mar., 1869.
- 55. Florence Louise, b. Kingston, 26 Sept., 1875; d. 25 Nov., 1876.

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(19.) JAMES PHILIP GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Kingston, Ont., 27 June, 1840; m. 27 June, 1865, in Morrisburgh, Julia Sophia, b. Williamsburgh, Upper Canada, 16 Sept., 1843, dau. of Isaac Newton Rose. Educated at Mr. Coombs' private school, Kingston Grammar School and Upper Canada College of Toronto. He received the degree of LL.B., in 1863 from Queens University, being the first graduate of the law faculty. He practiced law in partnership with the late Dr. R. T. Walkem, K. C., for ten years, the firm being Messrs. Gildersleeve & Walkem. He then retired from the legal profession and entered the steamship and insurance agency business, in which he continued till 1901, since which time he has been in charge of the city registry office.

From 1878 to 1882, he was a member of the city council from Sydenham ward. He was three years chairman of parks and had the first drainage system installed in the City Park, which unfortunately was stultified in later years. He had the park fences removed, which act furnished a shining example, resulting in booming residential property in its vicinity. He always advocated a park commission for successful management.

In 1864 he traveled in Europe for eight months, seeing nearly every country. His cousin, Ferdinand Gildersleeve, of Gildersleeve, Ct., accompanied him. In religion he is Anglican and in politics a liberal. He always went in for physical sports such as cricket, rowing, skating, tobogganing and snow-shoeing and prominent in them all. In 1860 the Kingston Cricket Team, of which he was a member, defeated all the crack clubs in Canada. In 1863-64 he took a course in the military school depot in Kingston and received a certificate. He was a member of the First Frontenac Regiment known as the "Bloody First." He was returning officer for the city at nearly all dominion and provincial elections from 1886-1902. In 1860, he was on the old steamer Bay of Quinte, one of the fleet of boats going down the St. Lawrence to meet the Prince of Wales (later Edward VII.) The greeting at Kingston harbor given the prince from land and water was tremendous. Mr. Gildersleeve said that he never heard such a noise in his life as when the boats rounded Point Frederick and entered Kingston Harbor.

Children (Gildersleeve):

- 56. Mabel Rose, b. 18 May, 1867.
- ×57. Arthur Macdonald, b. 10 Dec., 1869.
- ×58. Ernest Charles, b. 27 July, 1871.

(Fourth Generation, Henry Branch.—Cont.)

(20.) EMILY GERTRUDE GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Kingston, Ont., 27 Nov., 1843; d. 12 Nov., 1898; m. 11 Sept., 1867, at Kingston, Rev'd Francis William, b. Kingston, 5 Oct., 1839; d. 1 Jan., 1885, son of Thomas and Helen (Fisher) Kirkpatrick. Educated Kingston Grammar School and Trinity College, of Dublin, Ireland, where he received the degrees of B. A. in 1859, and M. A. in 1860, with honors, carrying off a number of prizes. His divinity course ended 1861 with the highest honors of the year, the Divinity Exhibition, of the value of \$1,500. Made deacon in St. George's church, Belfast, by Lord Bishop of Down and Connor; on letters dismissory from the Lord Bishop of Derry and Raphoe, he was ordained priest 21 Feb., 1862, by the Lord Bishop of Chester; immediately after was appointed curate of Cumber, Ireland. Serving two years there, he received an appointment to the mission on Wolf Island and returned to Canada. He assumed that parish in 1864. Here he won his way into the hearts of the people and great was their sorrow when five years later the Lord Bishop translated him to St. James' church, Kingston. His fifteen years of service was marked by an affectionate address by the pastor and by a handsome presentation by the congregation. He was rural dean of Frontenac, having oversight of its churches and to his visits, influence and prudent management is due in a great measure the remarkable progress made in missions to the north. He was for ten years the Commissary of the Bishop of Algoma, diocese of Ontario. Because of his interest and efforts in the mission he was chosen one of the central committee of the great missionary association of the church in Canada and filled leading places upon the mission committee of the Ontario Synod. His strength was never equal to the work he imposed upon himself and at last, he taxed it too severely. In the summer, the congregation urged a trip upon him and he visited Algoma Diocese; and on his return he began work with such renewed vigor, that in December he undertook the two weeks' mission. On the day preceding Christmas he was called to Wolf Island to officiate at a funeral. He had to expose himself upon the steamer, in walking on the ice and driving in a sleigh for several hours. His regard for his old parish induced him to assume of its duties but upon this journey he caught a fatal cold. Next morning while administering the early Christmas communion, he fainted, literally falling at his post, a martyr to Christianity. Typhoid pneumonia developed as he was brought home and he gradually sank with great suffering but dying in peace.

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Children (Kirkpatrick):

- 59. Thomas Henry, b. 8 Aug., 1868; d. 30 Aug., 1869.
- ×60. Francis Grant, b. 2 Oct., 1869.
- ×61. Charles Stafford, b. 10 Jan., 1871.
- 62. William Hale, b. 21 July, 1872; d. 4 April, 1873.
- ×63. Herbert Rutherford, b. 28 Jan., 1874.
- ×64. Gertrude Rose, b. 11 July, 1875.
- 65. Henrietta Helen, b. 24 Nov., 1877.
- 66. Annie Kathleen, b. 11 Sept., 1879.

FOURTH GENERATION—LATHROP BRANCH.

(21.) SARAH SAGE GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Collinsville, Ct., 7 Feb., 1815; died there in 1901; m. 15 July, 1857, Edward, b. Simsbury, Ct., 18 Nov., 1814; d. 3 Aug., 1879, son of Hosea and Rebecca (Kilbarn) Brockway. He was a farmer in Collinsville, Conn. Mrs. Brockway had a vivid recollection of the previous generations of Gildersleeves.

(22.) CHARLES HENRY GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Collinsville, Ct., 9 July, 1821; d. 8 July, 1866, in N. Y. City; m. at Green Bay, Wis., to Abbie Peters, b. Cambridge, N. Y., 5 Aug., 1834; d. 26 Mar., 1899, in N. Y. City, dau. of John and Abbie (Peters) Buchanan. She m. (2) Christopher S. Longstreet of N. Y. City. Mr. Gildersleeve was a prominent educator, being principal of the academy in Sparta, Sussex Co., N. J., in Green Bay, Brown Co., Wis., and eight years in Buffalo, N. Y., and one of the Brooklyn public schools. A short time before his death he was employed by the O. D. Case & Co., book publishers of Hartford, Ct., in N. Y. City.

Children (Gildersleeve):

- ×67. George Lathrop, b. 24 April, 1853; d. 8 Mar., 1879.
- 68. Henry Wardwell, b. 8 Dec., 1862; d. 28 Sept., 1863.

FOURTH GENERATION—SYLVESTER BRANCH.

(24.) LOUISA MATILDA GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 12 May, 1815; d. 26 Jan., 1900, in So. Glastonbury, Ct.; m. 23 Dec., 1834, by Rev. Wm. Jarvis, to Col. Elijah, b. 13 June, 1810; d. 16 April, 1893, son of Elijah and Mabel (Hale) Miller, of So. Glastonbury, Ct. Prominent farmer of So. Glastonbury, Ct. Member state legislature, 1859. Family monument, Center cemetery, So. Glastonbury.

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Children (Miller) :

- 69. Gertrude; b. 23 Nov., 1835; d. 26 Dec., 1837.
- ×70. Henry Gildersleeve, b. 30 Oct., 1837.
- ×71. William Henry Harrison, b. 4 Mar., 1841.
- ×72. James Philip, b. 8 Sept., 1848.
- 73. Julia Rebecca, b. 6 July, 1850.
- ×74. Emily Louisa, b. 1 May, 1853.

(25.) HENRY GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 7 April, 1817, in the old homestead on Indian Hill avenue; d. 9 April, 1894, in his residence on Main street, Gildersleeve, built in 1853. He m. (1) 29 Mar., 1839, Nancy, b. 22 Oct., 1812; d. 14 Mar., 1842; dau. of Samuel and Harriet (Sanford) Buckingham, of Milford, Ct.

He m. (2) 25 May, 1843, Emily Finette, b. 27 Sept., 1819; d. 11 Nov., 1873; dau. of Oliver and Sophia (Smith) Northam of Marlborough, Ct. Capt. Ralph Smith, b. 11 Jan., 1761; d. 24 Jan., 1838, was a lineal descendant of Rev. Ralph Smyth of Hingham, Co. Norfolk, Eng., and was a soldier of the Revolution. His wife was Hannah Bramerd of Haddam Neck and his sixth child, Sophia, was the wife of Oliver Northam.

He m. (3) 12 June, 1875, Amelia, b. 8 Nov., 1837; d. 22 Oct., 1903; dau. of Col. Orren and Matilda (Willey) Warner of E. Haddam, Ct.

Henry Gildersleeve attended the district school until 17, when he went to work in his father's shipyard to learn the business which he soon acquired a thorough knowledge of. In 1842 he was taken into partnership with his father under the firm name of S. Gildersleeve & Son. From 1834 to 1890, the period during which he was actively interested in the Gildersleeve shipyard, there were built nine sloops, forty-six schooners, four brigs, six barques, eleven ships, one pilotboat, one U. S. gunboat, seven oil barges, nine ice barges, several coal, sand and cotton barges, making a total of seventy-five sailing vessels, fourteen steamers and thirty-one barges, or a combined total of one hundred and twenty crafts, costing over \$2,000,000, being an average cost of \$17,500. The most expensive boat was the steamship "United States" of sixteen hundred tons, costing \$150,000, built in 1864. Next was the United States gunboat "Cayuga," costing \$125,000. In 1873, the steamship "City of Dallas," costing \$110,000, was built for the Mallory Line running from New York to Galveston, Texas. The most expensive sailing ships were the "S. Gildersleeve," of fifteen hundred tons, costing \$59,000, built in 1854, and the "National Guard" of fifteen hundred tons, costing \$55,000, built in 1857.

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He was part owner of many of the larger ships and schooners and amassed a considerable fortune during the times the American merchant marine was in its glory. In his boyhood, England had closed the West Indies from trade with American ships, as they had engrossed an important branch of the carrying trade of the British merchant marine. American merchants were forced more and more to seek other and more distant markets for their wares and for return cargoes from Africa, South America, China, India and the islands of the Far East. Not infrequently it must be admitted, their cargoes were composed of New England rum, tobacco and gunpowder. They brought back freights that filled the air with fragrance of far distant lands and gave wealth and influence to their owners. This rich and profitable commerce was developed and carried on for years in vessels of rarely more than three hundred tons. During his early shipbuilding career, the successful application of steam power to side-wheel, wooden-hull vessels took place. By a generous mail subsidy from the British government, the Cunard line for transatlantic service was started in 1840. The Congress of United States met this challenge by voting mail subsidies to American steamships which greatly stimulated their building. The screw propeller, which Ericsson, a Swedish engineer, had invented, was slow in coming into use, marine engineers and shipbuilders believing for years that paddle-wheels were more practicable and more powerful than propellers.

Henry Gildersleeve built his first propeller in 1856, a small steamer of 275 tons, costing \$20,000, in which he was part owner. In 1863, he built his first steamship, "America," 900 tons, costing \$85,000, in which he was also part owner. In his later years of shipbuilding, the decline of American shipping had already set in, due to the abandonment by Congress in 1855 of the policy of subsidies; to the competition of cheaply built foreign iron steamships, which gradually after 1843, displaced the wooden ships, barks and brigs, in the building and sailing of which Americans had been supreme; and to the effects of the Civil War. In the last twenty years of his life the gradual displacement of sailing vessels in coasting trade by steam craft and the increase of iron and steel in the construction of vessels, had its effect in the character of the wooden vessels constructed in the Gildersleeve shipyard. Barges of various types became the prevailing character of the vessels constructed.

In December, 1872, he associated himself with the house of Bentley, Gildersleeve & Co., shipping and commission merchants, South street, New York. At the end of ten years, he retired from the N. Y. firm in favor of his son Sylvester. He was a director in the Hartford Steamboat Co., and president of

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the Middletown Ferry Co., First National Bank and Freestone Savings Bank of Portland, Ct., being a trustee 1881-1894. He became a communicant of Trinity Episcopal church in 1848, was an active member and a liberal supporter, being a member of the building committee, contributing much to its erection. In 1861-1862, he represented the Democratic party in the State Legislature from Portland. Besides his shipbuilding interests, he owned a large farm in Gildersleeve, raising tobacco and also hay from Gildersleeve Island, a part of the town of Cromwell. He died of heart disease, aged 77.

Children by first wife (Gildersleeve):

- 75. Emily Shepard, b. 27 Mar., 1840; d. 2 Mar., 1842.
- ×76. Philip, b. 1 Feb., 1842; d. 12 June, 1884.

Children by second wife (Gildersleeve):

- ×77. Oliver, b. 6 Mar., 1844; d. 26 July, 1912.
- ×78. Emily Shepard, b. 8 Sept., 1846.
- 79. Mary Smith, b. 8 Mar., 1848; d. 18 Oct., 1851.
- 80. Anna Sophia, b. 26 Feb., 1850; d. 27 Aug., 1854.
- ×81. Sylvester, b. 24 Nov., 1852; d. June, 1898.
- ×82. Louisa Rebecca, b. 9 May, 1857.
- ×83. Henry, b. 4 Sept., 1858.

Child by third wife (Gildersleeve):

- ×84. Orren Warner, b. 26 Nov., 1878.

(26.) PHILIP GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 5 July, 1819; d. Austin, Texas, 12 Oct., 1853; m. Anna Dudley Bean, b. 9 Feb., 1824; d. 19 Jan., 1854; sister of Aaron and Walter Bean of N. Y. City. He entered his father's store as clerk, working there until the shipping interests of the firm engaged him. He was a partner of the William Hendley & Co., of Galveston, Texas, besides being part owner of the ships. He was corresponding and financial partner, a competent, clear-headed business man. His death was seriously felt by the firm and its business for a time suffered but on a reduced scale again prospered. He had fled to the higher regions in Texas to escape yellow fever but finally succumbed as did his wife and two children. He died at the house of Col. Thomas William Ward in Austin. His family and himself are buried in Eastern cemetery, Gildersleeve, Ct.

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Children (Gildersleeve) :

85. Philip, b. 11 May, 1850; d. 21 Oct., 1850.

86. Susan, b. 7 Jan., 1853; d. 8 June, 1853.

(27.) ESTHER REBECCA GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 1 April, 1823; d. Barnwell, S. C., 18 Nov., 1894; m. 8 Sept., 1846, Jonah Clark, b. 29 Feb., 1818; d. 4 April, 1901; son of Samuel and Harriet (Sanford) Buckingham of Milford, Ct. He moved to Barnwell, S. C., where he was a leading merchant and postmaster. When the war between the states broke out, he was the first to take up his musket in defense of southern principles, but was prevented from going into line on account of physical disabilities. He was of retiring disposition but endeared himself to all who met him. A "gentleman of the old school," he enjoyed the respect of all. His aim throughout life was to observe the golden rule. He was an Episcopalian.

Children (Buckingham) :

×87. William Byron, b. 2 July, 1847; d. 21 Jan., 1890.

×88. Clinton Eugene, b. 2 May, 1849; d. 10 June, 1876.

. 89. Philip Gildersleeve, b. 23 Sept., 1852; d. 10 Jan., 1890.

×90. Perry Manville, b. 6 Nov., 1862.

(28.) SYLVESTER SHEPARD GILDERSLEEVE

Born 1 Sept., 1829; d. 2 Oct., 1852, in N. Y. City on a business trip, from inflammatory dysentery. Went to work in the store of S. Gildersleeve & Son where he was employed until his death. He was a prominent member and debater of the Portland Lyceum, having been the chief organizer, which closed shortly after his death.

(29.) STATIRA GILDERSLEEVE.

Born 1 Sept., 1829, twin sister of the above; d. 7 Nov., 1864; m. 17 Jan., 1854, Charles Alpheus, b. 2 Feb., 1828; d. Aug., 1900; son of Dr. George Oglevie and Philamela (Marshall) Jarvis, of Portland, Ct. He was secretary and treasurer of the Middlesex Quarry Co., and parish clerk, Trinity Episcopal church. He m. (2) 7 Oct., 1868, Ellen J. Smith, having three children, George Oglevie, M. D., of Philadelphia, Edward Winslow, D. D. S., and Janet McNary, who died in infancy.

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Children (Jarvis) :

- ×91. Cora Elizabeth, b. 13 Oct., 1854.
- ×92. Charles Lavelatte, b. 17 May, 1857.

(30.) ISABELLA GILDERSLEEVE.

Born 23 July, 1833; d. St. Louis, Mo., 23 May, 1855; m. 19 Aug., 1854, Henry Hobart, b. 19 Aug., 1832; d. 19 Feb., 1888, in Mexico City, Mexico, son of George and Pamela (Johnson) Gillum. He graduated at Norwich Military Academy of Vermont; employed some time in the Middlesex Quarry Co., at Portland, Ct. He then went to St. Louis, Mo., and spent most of his time in the Middle West. He enlisted in the Civil War from Kansas, being assistant quartermaster under Gen. Phil. Sheridan. At the close of the war, he engaged in business in West Virginia, the last few years of his life being in the City of Mexico, Mexico.

Child (Gillum) :

- ×93. Ida, b. Portland, Ct., 8 Feb., 1855.

(31.) FERDINAND GILDERSLEEVE. [Who's Who in America.]

Born 20 Aug., 1840, in the homestead built 1834 on Main street, Gildersleeve, Conn.; m. (1) 29 Oct., 1879, Adelaide Edna, b. 12 Mar., 1845; d. 28 Sept., 1880; dau. of William Russell and Mary Ann (Daniels) Smith, of Portland, Ct.; m. (2) 12 Sept., 1883, Harriet Elizabeth, b. 8 Jan., 1860, dau. of Ralph and Sarah Ann (Pellet) Northam, granddaughter of Oliver and Sophia (Smith) Northam, who were the parents of Mrs. Emily F. Gildersleeve. [See No. 25.]

He was educated in the public schools in Gildersleeve, the Episcopal Academy at Cheshire, and at Rev. Mr. Seymour's school at West Hartford, Ct. He began his business career as clerk in the store of S. Gildersleeve & Son in 1855, at the age of fifteen, and received fifty dollars and his board the first year, and was admitted a member of the firm in 1861, the older partners being his father and brother Henry, the business being ship-building and merchandising. He is now senior member in the merchandising business. In 1864, he spent six months in travel in Europe with his cousin, James Philip Gildersleeve, and also in Canada. In 1879, he succeeded his father as president of the First National Bank of Portland until 1881; is director and president since 1894; also, trustee and director of the Freestone Savings Bank, having been president of the latter for several years.

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He often represents both banks as a delegate to the Connecticut Bankers' Association, the Savings Banks Association of Connecticut, and the American Bankers' Association. He and his wife attended the annual meeting of the latter in 1910 at Los Angeles, Cal., making an extended tour of eighty-five hundred miles in the Penn. R. R. special bankers' train to and up the Pacific coast, its towns and resorts, and the Canadian Rockies. He is a trustee of the Conn. State Hospital at Middletown and member of its finance committee. He is chairman of the Portland town school committee, senior vestryman of Trinity Episcopal church, Portland, having served since his first election in 1865, and a liberal contributor towards the building of the present edifice, one of the most beautiful in the state. He was appointed postmaster in 1872 at Gildersleeve and has been the only incumbent.

The office was established mainly through his efforts in May, 1872, as Gildersleeve's Landing, the locality for years having been known as the regular landing place on the Connecticut river for the daily steamers running between Hartford and New York City; also between Hartford and Saybrook and Hartford and Sag Harbor, Long Island. He is a director and secretary of the Portland Water Company; trustee of the Gildersleeve school fund, one of the incorporators of the Middlesex hospital, and member of the Middlesex County Historical Society of Middletown, Ct., and the Conn. Humane Society of Hartford. He was director and president of the Middletown Ferry Company at the time of its purchase in 1896 by the Middletown & Portland Bridge Co., and director of the latter when purchased by the state of Connecticut and the bridge made free. He was director and president of the Middlesex Quarry Co., of Portland, during many of the prosperous days of the company which paid its stockholders about one and one-quarter million dollars in dividends during its existence. He was director at one time of the Middlesex Mutual Assurance Co., of Middletown. He has been and is connected with other organizations, etc. He is a member of the following: Sons of the American Revolution, through his grandfather, Philip Gildersleeve; The National Geographic Society of Washington, D. C.; the Church (Episcopal) Club of Conn.; the N. Y. Peace Society and Economic Club of N. Y.; the National Civic Federation; the American Embassy Association, and the Academy of Political Science of N. Y. City, Academy of Political and Social Science of Philadelphia; the Lincoln Farm Association; the Farmers' Fish and Game Club of Portland; Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association, of Philadelphia, and the Association for the Improvement of the Lower Connecticut River. He owns and runs a farm of over one hun-

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dred acres and grows fine tobacco on several acres. His home is on the beautiful Main street at Gildersleeve in "The Homestead" built by his father in 1834. He is active in many of the business operations and positions in which he is interested and enjoys them and his home surroundings with his family to the fullest extent.

Child by first marriage:

×94. William, b. 23 Sept., 1880.

Children by second marriage:

×95. Sarah, b. 28 Sept., 1885.

×96. Richard, b. 27 Oct., 1889.

×97. Emily, b. 3 Nov., 1891.

(33.) HELEN AUGUSTA GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 21 July, 1845; d. 18 June, 1887; m. 24 Mar., 1864, William Wellington, b. Madison, Ct., 6 Mar., 1842; d. 26 April, 1885; son of Capt. Wellington Sebastian Coe, who m. 1 Dec., 1840, Elizabeth Oliver Willcox, dau. of Samuel, jr., and Elizabeth (Gleason) Willcox. [See Willcox]. Educated in Portland schools and military school in New Haven, Ct.; cashier and president a short time of First National Bank of Portland, Ct.; he was interested in taxidermy, having a fine collection of birds mounted and stuffed; Episcopalian; resided on Coe avenue, Portland, Ct.

Children (Coe):

× 98. Helen Elizabeth, b. 10 Nov., 1869.

99. Belle, b. 8 Nov., 1871; d. 4 Jan., 1876.

×100. William Ferdinand, b. 9 Feb., 1874.

×101. Oliver Willcox, b. 24 June, 1878.

FOURTH GENERATION—CYNTHIA BRANCH.

(35.) MARY ANN LEWIS.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 23 Sept., 1823; d. 11 Sept., 1851; m. 30 Sept., 1849, Rev. Guy Bigelow Day, of Portland, Ct.

Child (Day):

102. Elizabeth, b. 1851; m. Dr. Wilmer. No issue.

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(36.) MARGARET BARRON LEWIS.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 26 Nov., 1829; d. New Rochelle, N. Y., 6 June, 1910; m. Gildersleeve, Ct., 26 Aug., 1852, to Rev. Wheelock Nye, b. Jamestown, N. Y., 15 April, 1825; d. Gildersleeve, Ct., 8 Jan., 1889; son of Charles Rufus and Olive (Willard) Harvey. Olive Willard was granddaughter of Jonathan Willard who served at Crown Point in 1755 and was in the Revolution. In 1836 Mr. Harvey accompanied his father's family to Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and was educated at University of City of New York, receiving the degree of A. B. in 1844. In 1854, he graduated from the Union Theological Seminary, New York; 18 May, 1853, he was ordained and installed as pastor of the Congregational church at Bethel, Ct., where he ministered until 1858. He preached then at Milford, Ct. In 1860 he became Life Director of the American Tract Society and Congregational Union and Life Member of the Seaman's Friend Society, the Congregational Home Mission Society and the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions which was organized 29 June, 1810, oldest foreign missionary society in the U. S. On 19 Feb., 1862, he was installed pastor in Wilton, Ct., retiring in 1867 on account of a throat affection and deafness, which compelled him to give up preaching. He then joined his father in the furnace business in New York City, to which business he succeeded as manager in 1878 and as owner in 1881. The concern was reorganized and enlarged in 1885 by W. N. Harvey & Co., but he having become almost totally deaf retired from business and moved to Gildersleeve, Ct., where he died and was buried. He was trustee of his deceased brother's estate for many years and guardian of his brother's children.

Children (Harvey):

- ×103. Lewis Webster, b. 27 July, 1853.
- ×104. Alice, b. 6 Oct., 1855.
- ×105. Charles Edward, b. 9 June, 1857.
- ×106. Harriet, b. 31 Aug., 1859.

(37.) ELIZABETH LEWIS.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 7 Dec., 1832; m. 20 Oct., 1869, Carl George Schumacher, b. Bremen, Germany, 11 May, 1827; d. Jan. 13, 1877, in Gildersleeve, Ct. Cigarmaker by trade, residing Gildersleeve, Ct. Widow resides in Gildersleeve, Ct.

Child (Schumacher):

- 107. Edward Lewis, b. 12 June, 1872; d. 27 Mar., 1886.

FIFTH GENERATION—JEREMIAH BRANCH.

(41.) JOHN QUINCY GOODRICH.

Born 6 Mar., 1845; d. 17 June, 1890; m. Glastonbury, Ct., 7 Nov., 1869, Deborah Hale Edwards. Farmer, Portland, Ct. His widow m. 24 April, 1893, Elijah Marden Keene.

Children (Goodrich):

×108. Addie Vergenia, b. 18 Oct., 1871.

×109. Charles Edward, b. 22 Nov., 1879.

(43.) SARAH AUGUSTA GOODRICH.

Born 15 Jan., 1852; m. in Portland, Ct., 23 June, 1874, Rev. Wm. Burke Danforth, b. Barnard, Vt., 21 Feb., 1849; d. Gilead, Ct., 4 July, 1875, son of Dr. Samuel Parkman and Elizabeth Ann (Burke) Danforth of Royalton, Vt. No issue. Mrs. Danforth resided in Glastonbury, Ct., then in New Haven, Ct. Rev. Mr. Danforth was educated at Royalton Academy, Dartmouth College and Yale Divinity School. Congregationalist.

FIFTH GENERATION—BETSY BRANCH.

(45.) ESTHER HAMLIN ABBEY.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 5 Sept., 1837; m. James Roland, b. 13 Aug., 1827, in Wales; d. 4 Aug., 1903, son of John and Mary Ann Howell, natives of Wales. He was an artist.

Child (Howell):

×110. Charles Theophilus, b. 30 June, 1857.

(47.) CHARLES PELTON ABBEY.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 11 Dec., 1845; m. 4 Sept., 1867, Anna E., dau. of Isaac Henry and Sarah (Williams) Day, from Colchester, Ct. He left school in Gildersleeve when sixteen, enlisting 4 Aug., 1862, in Co. D, 20th Conn. Vol. Inf. His grandfather was a captain in 1816 of the 20th Conn. Militia. Charles P. Abbey was in the Battle of Gettysburg in the Twelfth Corps, Gen. Williams' Division, which was the right wing on Culp's Hill. Took part in Sherman's March to the Sea, but at Atlanta, Ga., was taken sick with scurvy and put on detached duty at Louisville, Ky., as orderly under Asst. Surgeon Gen. R. C. Wood. He was mustered out there 23 May, 1865.

He started in business with John B. Day as Abbey & Day, cigar manufacturers in the house he now lives in. At one time they

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employed twenty cigar makers. After twelve years, the business was closed up and moved to 121 Maiden Lane and, as Davis & Day, wholesale tobacco dealers, did business for ten years. His brother-in-law, John B. Day, who was prominent in the baseball world as manager of the New York "Giants," bought out John P. Davis and, taking in Mr. Abbey, did business for six years as John B. Day & Co. In 1898 Mr. Abbey retired to his home in Gildersleeve, Ct.

He joined Mecca Temple in New York and was charter member of Kismet Temple of Brooklyn. He is a Knight Templar, Mystic Shriner, and Scottish Rite Mason, having taken all the degrees as a 32d degree Mason. He took great interest in microscopic research and was president of the microscopic department of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences and also member of the same department in the N. Y. Academy of Arts and Sciences and exhibited in the annual exhibitions. He was also member of the Mineralogical Society in Brooklyn, and still a corresponding member of the N. Y. Academy. Mr. Abbey went to the fiftieth anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg, 4 July, 1913, staying a week and never felt better in his life. Member of Aurora Grata Club of Brooklyn, N. Y., and U. S. Grant Post, No. 327, of Brooklyn. He transferred to Mansfield Post, No. 53, of Middletown, Ct., of the G. A. R., when he returned to Gildersleeve, Ct., to reside.

Children (Abbey):

- III. Edith Luella, b. 10 Nov., 1868; d. 27 Aug., 1908; m. 9 June, 1897, Harry L. Foey.
- II2. Ernest Day, b. 10 June, 1873; d. 17 Aug., 1874.
- ×II3. Henry Davis, b. 9 June, 1877.
- ×II4. John Day, b. 23 Jan., 1879.
- II5. Ella, b. 29 Nov., 1880; d. 29 April, 1881.
- ×II6. Charles Pelton, b. 9 Dec., 1888.

FIFTH GENERATION—HENRY BRANCH.

(48.) MAUDE GERTRUDE GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Kingston, Ont., 26 Mar., 1864; m. Kingston, Ont., 9 Oct., 1888, to Victor Brereton, b. London, Ont., 2 Feb., 1860; d. 25 Sept., 1911, son of James William B., and Anna Harriet (Lane) Rivers. Educated Helmuth College and Royal Military College of Kingston, Ont. Soldier. Lt. Col. Royal Canadian Artillery, resided in Quebec, Kingston and Ottawa. Headquarter

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staff. Special mention in Northwest Rebellion. Served twenty-six years. Free Mason. Widow resides 252 Daly Ave., Ottawa, Ont., Canada.

Children (Rivers):

- 117. Marjorie Herchmer, b. Kingston, 9 Aug., 1889; d. 6 Sept., 1911.
- 118. Alice Helen, b. Kingston, 6 Aug., 1890; d. 3 Oct., 1890.
- 119. Charles Wilfred, b. Quebec, 19 June, 1896.
- 120. Victor Henry, b. Ottawa, 26 Nov., 1900.

(49). HENRY HERCHMER GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Kingston, Ont., 15 Dec., 1865; m. Buffalo, N. Y., 5 Sept., 1904, Abigail Lucinda, b. Ardendale, Ont., 10 May, 1879; dau. of Joel and Catharine (Dillenbeck) Thompson. High school education. He was president and general manager of the Bay of Quinte Steamboat Co., succeeding to the shipping interests begun by his grandfather in 1817. He is now general manager of the Northern Navigation Co., formerly at Collingwood, Ont., now at Sarnia, Ont., operating ten steamers on Lake Huron. One, the 5,000 ton "Huronic," was the largest Canadian passenger steamer on the lakes, a veritable ocean liner, having a speed of twenty miles per hour. He was lieutenant 1884-1890 in the Canadian militia.

Child (Gildersleeve):

- 121. Muriel Herchmer, b. 31 July, 1905; d. 31 Dec., 1905.

(52.) OVERTON FULLARTON MACDONALD.

Born Windsor, Ont., 30 July, 1864; d. Toronto, 8 Aug., 1901; m. 1 Feb., 1899, Adelaide, dau. of Robert Sullivan, barrister. Physician. His widow resides 109 Bedford Road, Toronto, Canada.

Children (Macdonald):

- 122. Adelaide Helen Grant, b. 16 Jan., 1900.
- 123. Robert Overton Grant, b. 11 Dec., 1901.

(53.) REGINALD MURRAY MACDONALD.

Born Kingston, Ont., 4 Oct., 1866; m. Miss Hedley. No issue.

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(56.) ARTHUR MACDONALD GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Kingston, Ont., 10 Dec., 1869; m. Rock Springs, Wyoming, 29 Sept., 1897, Florence Adele, b. Chicago, Ill., 5 Feb., 1875; dau. of DeAlton and Mary Alvord (Baker) Clark. Educated Upper Canada College at Toronto. Served in the Canadian militia. Banker. Lumber merchant. Vice-President Colorado National Life Insurance Co., of Denver, Colo. Resides 1327 Williams street, Denver, Colo.

Children (Gildersleeve):

- 124. Dorothy Clark, b. Rock Springs, Wyo., 27 May, 1900.
- 125. Arthur Philip, b. Rock Springs, Wyo., 10 Jan., 1902.
- 126. Helen Ruth, b. Denver, Colo.; 14 Jan., 1907.

(58.) ERNEST CHARLES GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Kingston, Ontario, Canada, 27 July, 1871. Completed his education at the Collegiate Institute, followed by a course through business college. His family being interested in property in Southern California, he went there and took up fruit ranching for five or six years. He then returned to Kingston to take up the insurance and general agency business. In the spring of 1899, he went to Alaska and Northern British Columbia and while there engaged in placer mining until the fall of the same year. He then spent over a year in the government service in the post office department at Vancouver, B. C.

Since December, 1900, he has been manager of the Kingston Milling Co., Ltd., merchant millers who manufacture high grade flour. He served three or four years in a volunteer battalion, the 14th Regiment, Princess of Wales Own Rifles. He was Commodore of the Kingston Yacht Club, being very much interested along those lines. Resides in Kingston, Ontario, Canada.

(60.) FRANCIS GRANT KIRKPATRICK.

Born Kingston, Ont., 2 Oct., 1869; m. Toronto, Ont., 27 April, 1905, Frances Elizabeth, b. Toronto, Ont., 11 July, 1875; dau. of Charles Colley and Elizabeth Jane (Morris) Foster; attended private school, Kingston, Ont., 1875-1880, Trinity College School, Port Hope, Ont., 1880-1887; entered with honor, Queens University, Kingston, in 1887; received B. A. degree in 1891; studied law in Kingston and Toronto, graduating from the Ontario Law School of Toronto as barrister-at-law and solicitor in 1894;

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received the degrees of M. A. in 1897 and Bachelor Civil Law in 1899 from Trinity University of Toronto. After attending the divinity course at Trinity University was admitted deacon in the Church of England in 1898 and priest in 1899. His first charge was Wellington, Ont., 1898-1899; then Lombardy, Ont., 1899-1906; Cardinal, Ont., 1906-1909; Tweed, Ont., in 1909, where he now resides.

Children (Kirkpatrick):

- 127. Gertrude Elizabeth, b. Lombardy, Ont., 3 Feb., 1906.
- 128. Charles Francis, b. Cardinal, Ont., 18 Mar., 1908.
- 129. Kathleen Marianne, b. Tweed, Ont., 14 Mar., 1910.

(61.) CHARLES STAFFORD KIRKPATRICK.

Born Kingston, Ont., 10 Jan., 1871; m. Halifax, Nova Scotia, 4 Oct., 1905, Mary Elsie, b. Guanoque, Ont., 11 Dec., 1881; dau. of Clarendon Lamb and Charlotte Ann (Ward) Worrell. Received degree of B. A. in 1893, Queens University, Kingston, Ont.; agent and broker; completed his militia service; member The Ancient St. John's Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, No. 3 Grand Register of Canada and the Kingston Yacht Club. Residence, 30 Frontenac street, Kingston, Ont.

Child (Kirkpatrick):

- 130. Clarendon Charles Francis, b. 3 Aug., 1911.

(63.) HERBERT RUTHERFORD KIRKPATRICK.

Born Kingston, Ont., 28 Jan., 1874; m. Montreal, Quebec, 16 Sept., 1911, Edna Margaret, dau. of J. Widmer Nelles. Residence, The Travancore, Cedar avenue, Montreal.

(64.) GERTRUDE ROSE KIRKPATRICK.

Born Kingston, Ont., 11 July, 1875; m. Kingston, Ont., 3 Oct., 1901, Frederick LeStrange Dew, b. Waterloo, Ont., 13 Feb., 1870, son of Frederick Stewart and Charlotte Louisa (Thompson) MacGachen. Educated Galt, Ont., public school and collegiate institute; bank manager. Resided in Galt, London, Kingston, Hamilton and Orillia, Ont., where he is now with the Merchants' Bank. Served in London Field Battery and 7th Fusiliers (militia); A. F. & A. M.

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Children (MacGachen) :

- 131. Helen Louise, b. Orillia, Ont., 12 April, 1906.
- 132. Freda Kathleen, b. Orillia, Ont., 26 July, 1908.

FIFTH GENERATION—LATHROP BRANCH.

(67.) GEORGE LATHROP GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Green Bay, Wis., 24 April, 1853; d. N. Y. City 8 Mar., 1879. Educated Mr. Squire's school, Stamford, Ct. Intending to follow the medical profession, he entered Bellevue Hospital, New York City, where, in assisting in an operation, he received blood-poisoning and died.

FIFTH GENERATION—SYLVESTER BRANCH.

(70.) HENRY GILDERSLEEVE MILLER.

Born So. Glastonbury, Ct., 30 Oct., 1837; m. Hartford, Ct., 30 Jan., 1860, Leveretta, b. Hartford, Ct., 21 Aug., 1837; d. 10 Oct., 1897; dau. of Leverett and Lucy Elizabeth (Hollister) Talcott. Educated Glastonbury Academy and Norwich University, Vermont; member State Legislature in 1875, selectman six years and held minor town offices; member of the Masons, the Grange, and once of I. O. O. F. Retired farmer, So. Glastonbury, Ct.

Children (Miller) :

- 133. Lucy Elizabeth, b. 5 Nov., 1861.
- 134. Ferdinand Gildersleeve, b. 2 Feb., 1865; d. 30 May, 1885.
- ×135. Harry Gilbert, b. 15 July, 1871.

(71.) WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON MILLER.

Born So. Glastonbury, Ct., 4 Mar., 1841; m. Glastonbury, 28 Oct., 1863, Caroline Amelia, b. Glastonbury 17 Aug., 1809; dau. of Jared and Marinda (Rhodes) Caswell. Represented Lincoln & Seyms, of Hartford, Ct., for twenty-five years. Resides So. Glastonbury, Ct. Member state legislature 1873-4. Mason.

(72.) JAMES PHILIP MILLER.

Born So. Glastonbury, Ct., 8 Sept., 1848; m. (1) Glastonbury, 4 May, 1875, Anna, b. E. Hartford, Ct., 26 Sept., 1849; d. 23 Dec., 1892; dau. of Asa and Eveline J. (Hills) Wells; m. (2) Thompsonville, 11 Mar., 1903, Gertrude Louise, b. Hartford, Ct.,

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16 Aug., 1877; dau. of Thomas and Mary Elizabeth (Cosgrove) Shirrell. Farmer in So. Glastonbury, Ct., until 1904, when he moved to Hartford, then to South Manchester, Ct. He was the first president 1904-1910 of the "Miller Fam. Assn. of Northampton, Mass."

Child (Miller):

136. Evelyn Louise, b. 26 April, 1879.

Resides with Henry Wells, Glastonbury, Ct.

(74.) EMILY LOUISA MILLER.

Born So. Glastonbury, Ct., 31 May, 1853; m. 28 July, 1885, to Henry Still Gilbert, M. D., whose father, Rev. Harvey Gilbert, was a Methodist minister in Connecticut. Dr. Gilbert was born 9 Aug., 1827, and d. 21 Mar., 1897, and was a physician in So. Glastonbury and Brooklyn, N. Y. Mrs. Gilbert moved with her family back to her old home in South Glastonbury where she resides with her sister, Miss Julia R. Miller. Dr. Gilbert m. (1) Mary Strickland, who d. 21 Aug., 1881, aged 48.

Children (Gilbert):

×137. William Henry, b. 26 April, 1886.

×138. Louis Sylvester, b. 9 Nov., 1887.

["Descendants of William Miller," by Elbert H. T. Miller, Scottsville, N. Y.]

(76.) PHILIP GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 1 Feb., 1842; d. Philadelphia, Pa., 12 June, 1884. His widow survived him several years, dying in Philadelphia, Pa. No issue. He left home early to seek his fortune, being of a restless, roving disposition, and of a bright, jolly, convivial nature. He followed the circus life many years in all its ups and downs.

(77.) OLIVER GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 6 Mar., 1844. in the old homestead on Indian Hill; d. 26 July, 1912. [Who's Who in America, 1911.] He m. 8 Nov., 1871, Mary Ellen, b. Portland, Ct., 29 Dec., 1846, dau. of Hon. Alfred and Maria (Whiting) Hall of Portland, Ct. The Halls were one of the oldest and most influential families of Portland. He was educated at the district schools and Hartford Public High School. At the age of seventeen he en-

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tered his father's shipyard, where was then being built the United States gunboat, "Cayuga," which later led the fleet up the Mississippi river at the capture of New Orleans in the Civil War. The "Cayuga" was number 83 of the vessels built at the Gildersleeve shipyard. Before his death number 264 was launched, making one hundred and eighty-one vessels constructed since Oliver began in 1861. He soon acquired the art of practical shipbuilding, and in July, 1865, became a member of the firm S. Gildersleeve & Sons in their shipbuilding and lumber yard department and was instrumental in the enlargement of the business. In 1877, he built a marine railway costing \$8,000, capable of hauling out seven hundred ton schooners, and, for a number of years, in addition to new construction, did a lively business rebuilding and repairing a large number of vessels. Among the number was the United States government lightship, No. 7, at the cost of some \$15,000. The rebuilding business was much curtailed in his later years and in consequence the Gildersleeve marine railways are not in operation. In 1878, Oliver Gildersleeve planned and built the Gildersleeve ice plant, of ten thousand tons capacity, equipped and filled it with twelve-inch ice at a total cost of \$10,000. It was then the only ice plant on Connecticut river for shipping ice to New York and other ports. Hence it was of much interest to the townspeople who, when they saw the ice remain unsold during the summer of 1879, dubbed it the "Gildersleeve Folly," and certainly, situated on a bluff forty feet above the river and extending over fifty feet in the air, filled with unsalable ice, it was conspicuous and to the people looked to be a doubtful proposition; but when the summer of 1880 came, and no ice had been gathered on the Hudson river that year, the Gildersleeve ice was sold for over \$12,000 where it lay in the house, this paying the entire expenditure of 20 per cent. dividend besides. It was then dubbed "The Gildersleeve Luck." (It was torn down in 1907.)

In 1869, as an educational trip, as well as for pleasure and recreation, Oliver Gildersleeve spent ten months in foreign travel and at other times visited many important parts of his own country and Canada, gathering a fund of information that he used to good advantage. He made a forty-nine day trip from Galveston to Liverpool in the barque, "Sabine," which had just been built at the Gildersleeve shipyard. Many stormy days, especially off Hatteras, were encountered, and the necessity of building vessels as strong as possible was forcibly stamped upon young Gildersleeve's mind to the continuous benefit of future construction, as he never forgot the lesson, nor conviction that it would suit him better to stay on land and build vessels, rather than go on the water and sail them. When he

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returned home some months later, he came on the fastest steamer he could find. From 1881 to 1884 he was interested with his brother, Sylvester, in the shipping commission business at 84 South street, New York. In 1897, in order to facilitate his shipbuilding interests, Mr. Gildersleeve established at No. 1 Broadway, New York, an agency for selling and chartering vessels constructed at the Gildersleeve shipyard. Up to 1912 there were one hundred and five vessels from four hundred tons to two thousand tons sent from the Gildersleeve shipyard.

In 1910, Mr. Gildersleeve and his sons, Alfred and Louis, organized the Oliver Gildersleeve & Sons, Incorporated, with \$250,000 capital to take over all their vessel interests and to provide for future extension. Mr. Gildersleeve was mainly instrumental in securing the franchise of the Portland Water Company and of the Portland Street Railway Company and in the construction of their plants. He was the first president of both companies. In 1905 the Portland plant of the National Enameling and Stamping Company had been for a long time rapidly deteriorating. It comprised twenty-one acres of land. In connection with New York parties, he bought the entire property with its brick buildings covering 35,000 sq. ft., which formerly employed six hundred hands. Part of it was leased to the New England Enameling Company of Middletown and the other part was used for the Maine Products Company which he organized. He was president of the Portland Electric Light Company, Middletown Street Railway Company, Gildersleeve and Cromwell Ferry Company, Middlesex Quarry Company, Phoenix Mining Company and the Brown Wire Company. He was also director of the First National Bank of Portland, Alabama Barge & Coal Company of Tidewater, Alabama, Texas and Pacific Coal Company, Ideal Mfg. Co., and trustee of the Free-stone Savings Bank. He was also trustee of the S. Gildersleeve school fund.

He was a member of Trinity Episcopal church, Portland, and senior warden 1884-1912. He was delegate to the annual diocesan Episcopal convention, 1884-1912. He was also Sunday school superintendent and chairman of the building committee of the John Henry Hall Memorial Parish House. In 1900, he established a memorial fund in connection with Trinity church. In politics, Mr. Gildersleeve had always been a Democrat and never took an active part except in 1900 when he was a candidate for congress. He was a member of the Church Club of Connecticut, Portland Fish and Game Club, Middlesex County Historical Society, Civic Federation of New England, National Geographical Society of Washington, D. C., and of the Association of Descendants of Andrew Ward. He was also a trus-

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tee of the Connecticut College for Women, New London, Ct., and took more than an active part in establishing the institution. He was also a member of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways association and the Rivers and Harbors Commission of Connecticut, Economic and Optimistic Clubs of New York and Lincoln Farm Association.

His success in life was due to his steadfastness of purpose and his indomitable energy. Quoting from his own words, in regard to his successful life, he said: "Every one must expect some failures, and should not be discouraged by them. Many a shot goes wide of the mark but that is no reason for the good soldier to stop firing. Any one to be successful, should study the future as success largely depends on ability to correctly forecast the future. Deal honestly, live sensibly, work intelligently and trust the rest to Providence."

He died suddenly at his home, 624 Main street, Gildersleeve, of heart disease, 26 July, 1912. His funeral was largely attended. Among those who attended were Governor Baldwin of Connecticut and President Wright of the Connecticut College for Women.

Children (Gildersleeve):

- ×139. Alfred, b. 3 Aug., 1872.
- ×140. Walter, b. 23 Aug., 1874.
- ×141. Louis, b. 22 Sept., 1877; d. 3 July, 1913.
- 142. Emily Hall, b. 9 June, 1879; d. 12 Aug. 1888.
- 143. Elizabeth Jarvis, b. 6 June, 1882; d. 18 Jan., 1883.
- ×144. Charles, b. 11 Dec., 1884.
- ×145. Nelson Hall, b. 14 Sept., 1887.
- ×146. Oliver, b. 9 Mar., 1890.

(78.) EMILY SHEPARD GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 8 Sept., 1846; m. 20 Sept., 1871, Capt. Herschel, b. Osterville, Mass., 29 Mar., 1839; d. Osterville, Mass., 24 Nov., 1905, son of David and Olive (Bragg) Fuller, and direct descendant of Edward Fuller who came over in the Mayflower in 1620. He followed the sea in coasting and foreign trade—since 1859 as master—ten years in the cotton business between Galveston and Liverpool. In 1880 he made his last long voyage, taking him entirely around the world, sailing from New York for Japan, touching at Cape Town, South Africa. On the homeward route, he sailed up the straits of Fuca, then on down to San Francisco and rounded Cape Horn back to New York. He was also part owner and master of the schooner "Florence H. Allen," built 1866, 500 tons, value \$33,-

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400; barque "Brazos," built 1870, 1,500 tons, value \$67,500; schooner "Ruth Robinson," built 1874, 725 tons, value \$34,000; all built in the Gildersleeve shipyard. Mrs. Fuller accompanied him on many of his trips. She resides in summer at Osterville, Mass., and in the winter in Florida and Asheville, N. C.

Children (Fuller):

- 147. Annie Gildersleeve, b. 1872; d. 26 Dec., 1875.
- ×148. Henry Gildersleeve, b. 4 Feb., 1874.
- ×149. Jennie Sears, b. 25 May, 1876.

(81.) SYLVESTER GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 24 Nov., 1852; d. Freeport, L. I., 9 July, 1898; m. (1) 9 Dec., 1874, Minerva Elsie Johnson, b. 30 Nov., 1851; d. 2 Sept., 1887; m. 2) her sister, Emma T. Johnson, widow of Alfred Harris, of Brooklyn, N. Y. Graduate 1869, Chase's Academy, Middletown, Ct. Entered his father's shipyard in Gildersleeve, Ct. In 1881, he became partner of the firm of S. Gildersleeve & Co., 81 South street, New York, in the shipping and commission business. After the dissolution of the firm, lumber interests engaged his attention. In 1896, he moved to Gildersleeve, Ct., where he erected a planing mill and resided on the Worthington place. Before his death, due to Bright's disease, he moved back to Freeport, L. I., a former residence. His widow resides in Plainfield, N. J., with her children.

Child by first wife:

- ×150. Florence E., b. 26 Jan., 1880.

Children by second wife:

- 151. Madeline E., b. 24 Nov., 1888.
- 152. Henry Sylvester, b. 15 Mar., 1890; d. 8 July, 1890
- 153. Lillian A., b. 22 Mar., 1893.
- 154. Sylvester, Jr., b. 16 June, 1895.
- 155. Elsie Minerva, d. infancy.
- 156. Beatrice, d. infancy.

(82.) LOUISA REBECCA GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 9 May, 1857; m. 13 Sept., 1882, to (92) Charles Lavelatte Jarvis, b. Portland, Ct., 17 May, 1857. He was connected for many years with the Middlesex Quarry Co., Portland, Ct. When it sold out in 1901 to the Brainerd,

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Shaler & Hall Quarry Co., he became the Hartford Agent of the American Development Co., for two years. S. A. Linton was associated with A. S. Pollard, forming the Ideal Machine Co., capitalized at \$10,000 in Hartford. Mr. Jarvis bought the controlling share from S. A. Linton and became president and treasurer. He moved the concern to Gildersleeve, Ct., where he had interested his relatives and incorporated the business as the Ideal Mfg. Co., capitalized at \$20,000. This became, 25 Jan., 1913, The Charles L. Jarvis Co., Inc., manufacturers of Jarvis high speed tapping devices and hardware specialties. Resides in extreme south end of Gildersleeve, Ct., on Main street.

Children (Jarvis):

- ×157. Henry Gildersleeve, b. 5 Mar., 1885.
- ×158. Marshall Northam, b. 17 July, 1886.
- 159. Pauline, b. 14 June, 1895.

(83.) HENRY GILDERSLEEVE, JR.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 4 Sept., 1858; m. 16 April, 1885, Elizabeth, b. New York City, 5 Mar., 1863, dau. of Willard and Sarah Philinda (Barrett) Harvey. She lost her parents when nine years of age, her father dying of typhoid, and was married in New York City at the home of her uncle, Rev. Wheelock Nye Harvey [see No. 36]. Willard Harvey, b. Jamestown, N. Y., 22 Mar., 1829; d. 12 Aug., 1872, was the grandson of Rufus Harvey (who served in Col. Walker's Massachusetts Regiment in the Revolution, from Taunton, Mass.) and married at Jamestown, N. Y., Sarah P., b. 14 Nov., 1832; d. Jamestown, N. Y., 18 Oct., 1871; dau. of Samuel and Betsy (Hunt) Barrett, and granddaughter of Israel Barrett, b. Paxton, Mass., 1756, and Revolutionary soldier.

Henry Gildersleeve, Jr., graduated in 1875 from Middletown High School and received the degree of B. A. from Wesleyan University in 1879 where he was a member of the football team and of the baseball team. He was also a member of the "Waverleys," a famous old ball club of Portland. In 1881, he received the degree of LL. B., from Columbia University. He spent his vacations and the following year in Hartford, Ct., in the law office of Judge Hamnersley of Connecticut Supreme Court. Shortly after he was admitted to the bar in N. Y. City and entered the law office of Messrs. Huntley & Bower. After another year of constant work and study his health was affected, resulting in a serious attack of brain fever. Recovering from the attack, he took charge of the schooner "Ruth Robinson,"

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and made a trip with it. He then entered the store of S. Gildersleeve & Sons as clerk and becoming interested, was made partner in 1885. He was also part owner of the Gildersleeve and Cromwell Ferry. He organized the Gildersleeve Coal Co. in 1885, was notary public and secretary of the Portland Water Co. In 1900 he sold his interest in the store, having been employed by the Tonawanda Iron & Steel Co., of Tonawanda, N. Y., on their whaleback steamers. In 1901 he sold the large mansion which he built in 1888 at 624 Main street, Gildersleeve, Ct., to his brother, Oliver, and after working in the Gildersleeve shipyard until 1907, devoted his attention to tobacco raising. Episcopalian. Resides in Gildersleeve, Ct.

Children (Gildersleeve):

- ×160. Willard Harvey, b. 17 Sept., 1886.
- ×161. Arthur Lloyd, b. 20 June, 1888.
- ×162. Genieve Northam, b. 6 Sept., 1890.
- ×163. Amelia Warner, b. 6 May, 1892.
- ×164. Samuel Barrett, b. 12 July, 1894.
- 165. Evelyn Louise, b. 10 Nov., 1903.

(84.) ORREN WARNER GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 26 Nov., 1878; graduated Portland High School in 1895; attended Trinity College 1897-1898, when he entered a broker's office in Hartford, Ct. In 1903, he became affiliated with J. T. McLean Co., brokers, Middletown, Ct., which office closed in 1904. He acquired a large land holding in Gildersleeve, Ct., purchasing Gildersleeve Island in 1901 from Walter Gildersleeve, containing seventy-five acres, from which one hundred tons of hay are annually harvested. He is extensively engaged in dairying and stock farming. Resides 625 Main street, Gildersleeve, Ct., in the house built by his father in 1853.

(87.) WILLIAM BYRON BUCKINGHAM.

Born Barnwell, S. C., 2 July, 1847; d. there 20 Jan., 1890; m. 6 Nov., 1873, Margaret Elizabeth, b. Hartford, Ct., 14 July, 1851; dau. of Charles Townsend and Margaret (Pease) Webster; graduated Trinity College, Hartford, Ct., member of Delta Psi fraternity; studied for the priesthood in the Episcopalian church and was rector of the parish in Cheshire, Ct., New London, Ct., 1876-1885, and Rutland, Vt., 1885-1889; was archdeacon under Bishop Williams of Connecticut three years. His widow resides at 138 Newbury street, Boston, Mass.

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Children (Buckingham):

- 166. Margaret Adelaide, b. 8 Aug., 1876; d. 14 Sept., 1876.
- 167. Frank Kennedy, b. 1 Jan., 1878; d. 15 Nov., 1883.
- ×168. George Holbrook, b. 12 Feb., 1880.
- 169. Philip, b. 28 April, 1884; d. 29 July, 1884.
- ×170. Ruth Webster, b. 7 Sept., 1885.

(88.) CLINTON EUGENE BUCKINGHAM.

Born Barnwell, S. C., 2 May, 1849; d. Columbia, S. C., 10 June, 1876; m. Mary Ellen, b. Ellenton, S. C., 30 Nov., 1849; d. 24 Aug., 1903; dau. of Robert and Elizabeth (Randolph) Dunbar.

Child (Buckingham):

- ×171. Eugene R., b. 22 Aug., 1871.

(90.) PERRY MANVILLE BUCKINGHAM.

Born Barnwell, S. C., Nov., 1862; m. 5 Oct., 1892, in "Duncannon," Barnwell, S. C., Daisy, b. "Duncannon," Barnwell, S. C., 28 April, 1862; dau. of Col. Wm. H. and Harriet (Moncrief) Duncan. Educated at St. Paul's School, Concord, N. H. He was R. R. official 1883-1891; banker since 1892. Has resided in Richmond Va., and Jacksonville, Fla.; now second vice-president and manager Barnwell branch of the Bank of Western Carolina; resides in Barnwell, S. C.

(91.) CORA ELIZABETH JARVIS.

Born Portland, Ct., 13 Oct., 1854; m. 19 Oct., 1882, in Trinity church, Portland, to Rev. Frederick William, b. Crawfordsville, Indiana, 22 Nov., 1852; son of Rev. Frederick Durbin and Mary Jones (Bostwick) Harriman; graduated Hartford Public High school, 1867; B. A. 1872 from Trinity College; M. A. in 1875 from Trinity College and D. D. in 1902; member Psi Upsilon fraternity and Phi Beta Kappa; graduated from Berkeley Divinity School of Middletown, Ct., in 1876, when he was ordained deacon; ordained as priest in 1877; assistant St. Andrew's Episcopal church of Meriden, Ct., 1877-1879; rector of St. James' of Winsted, Ct., 1879-1880; rector of Trinity church, Portland, Ct., 1880-1886; rector of Grace church of Windsor, Ct., Mar. 1, 1886, where he is at present; archdeacon of Hartford county, 1893-1896; secretary of Connecticut Diocese since June, 1895;

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deputy to general convention since 1901 ; member of Conn. Historical society, Mayflower descendants and University Club of Hartford.

Children (Harriman) :

- 172. Mary, b. 25 Aug., 1883.
- ×173. Charles Jarvis, b. 17 Nov., 1884.
- ×174. Lewis Gildersleeve, b. 24 Mar., 1889.

(92.) CHARLES LAVELATTE JARVIS [see 82, Louisa Rebecca Gildersleeve].

(93.) IDA GILLUM.

Born Portland, Ct., 8 Feb., 1855 ; m. 8 Oct., 1879, Franklin, b. Portland, Ct., 23 Oct., 1854, son of Benjamin F. and Amelia Ann (Davis) Brainerd. Graduate of Harvard University, engaged in quarrying business ; member of Sons of American Revolution through his great-grandfather, Ensign Josiah Brainerd ; elected 15 July, 1902, president Brainerd, Shaler & Hall Quarry Company of Portland, Ct. Episcopalian. Resides opposite Trinity Church, Portland, Ct.

Children (Brainerd) :

- ×175. George Gillum, b. 10 July, 1880.
- 176. Amelia, b. 22 May, 1882 ; d. 14 July, 1887.
- ×177. Frank Judson, b. 26 Oct., 1888.

(94.) WILLIAM GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 23 Sept., 1880 ; m. Hartford, Ct., 26 Jan., 1907, Claire, b. 21 Oct., 1880, dau. of John Wilkinson and Clara (Bolter) Gray. He graduated from Middletown High School in 1898 where he was a member of the football team, and from Phillips Exeter Academy in 1899 where he was a member of Kappa Beta Nu fraternity. He then entered his father's store as clerk and in 1901 became junior partner in the mercantile firm of S. Gildersleeve & Sons. He is also assistant postmaster of Gildersleeve, Ct., and member of Hose Co., No. 2 of Gildersleeve. Director in The Charles L. Jarvis Company. In 1913 in connection with his brother, he purchased the Illsley farm and started tobacco raising with his other business interests. Resides next to his father's residence on Main street, Gildersleeve, Ct. Episcopalian.

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Children (Gildersleeve):

178. Philip, b. 11 Aug., 1908.

179. James Bolter, b. 27 April, 1912.

(95.) SARAH GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 28 Sept., 1885; educated at the Misses Patten's, Middletown, Ct., and Walnut Hill School, Natick, Mass., with several months' travel in Europe; m. Episcopal church, Stamford, Ct., 7 Mar., 1913, Dr. Robert Herndon Fife, Jr. [Who's Who in America] of Wesleyan University, Middletown, Ct. He was born in Charlottesville, Va., 18 Nov., 1871, son of Robert Herndon Fife and his wife, Sarah Anne Strickler of Charlottesville, Va. B. A. and M. A., 1895, University of Va.; Phi Beta Kappa; Ph. D., 1901, University of Leipzig in Germany; instructor in English and German, St. Alban's school, Radford, Va., 1895-1898; studied at Goettingen and Leipzig, 1898-1901; instructor in German, Western Reserve Univ., Cleveland, Ohio, 1901-1903; associate professor of German, Wesleyan University, 1903-1905; professor of German in Virginia Summer School of Methods, University of Va., 1903-1905; Columbia University Summer Session, 1907; Marcus L. Taft. Professor of German Language and Literature, Wesleyan University since 1905. Member of City Council, Middletown, Ct., different literary societies and a writer of many articles. Member Modern Language Association of America, New England Modern Language Association, American Dialect Society and Association Phonétique Internationale and Deutsche Bibliographische Gesellschaft and Virginia Hist. Editor and translator, E. T. A. Hoffman's *Meister Martin* 1907; Heine's *Harzreise* and *Buch le Grand* 1911; author of *Der Worschatz der Englischen Mandeville* 1902, and various monographs on subjects connected with German literature and philology. Resides on High street, Middletown, Ct.

(96.) RICHARD GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 27 Oct., 1889; graduated from Middletown High School in 1907, where he was a member of the football and baseball teams and Lambda Sigma; graduated in 1912 from Williams College of Williamstown, Mass., where he was a member of Chi Psi fraternity. He then entered the employ of the First National Bank, Portland, Ct. In 1913, with his brother, he purchased the Illsley farm in Gildersleeve and engaged in tobacco raising in connection with other interests. Resides in Gildersleeve, Ct.

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(97.) EMILY GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 3 Nov., 1891; graduated in 1907 from Middletown High School; attended National Park Seminary, Forest Glen, Md., and spent several months in Europe; m. Gildersleeve, Ct., 11 Oct., 1913, Robert Bacon, b. Hartford, Ct., 27 July, 1884, son of Joel Lathrop and Mabel Bacon (Plimpton) English. Prepared for college at H. P. H. S. and Taft School. Attended Yale College with one year in Harvard Law School and one year in Yale Law. Member Delta Kappa Epsilon and Corbey Court at Yale. He is with the Aetna Life Insurance Company; member of the University Club, the Hartford Golf Club and the Bachelors. He is on his third year of service in Troop B Cavalry at Hartford. His residence, built for him before his marriage is at 39 Walbridge Road, West Hartford, Conn.

(98.) HELEN ELIZABETH COE.

Born Portland, Ct., 10 Nov., 1869; m. 27 June, 1889, to Charles H. Coles, of Middletown, Ct., where they reside on South Main street; connected with the Middletown Savings Bank.

Child (Coles):

180. Marion Hubbard, b. 20 Dec., 1890; d. 20 Dec., 1891.

(100.) WILLIAM FERDINAND COE.

Born Portland, Ct., 9 Feb., 1874; m. 23 June, 1897, Mary E. French, of Durham, Ct., who died 18 Aug., 1901. He was connected with the Middlesex Theatre, Middletown, Conn. He is now in New Jersey.

Child (Coe):

181. William Wellington, b. 15 Aug., 1901; d. 10 Dec. 1903.

(101.) OLIVER WILLCOX COE.

Born Portland, Ct., 24 June, 1878. Employed New York City.

FIFTH GENERATION—CYNTHIA BRANCH.

(103.) LEWIS WEBSTER HARVEY.

Born Bethel, Ct., 27 July, 1853; m. (1) 19 Feb., 1879, Emily Duncan, b. Brooklyn, N. Y., 30 Jan., 1858; d. 9 Mar., 1897; dau. of John Gray and Elizabeth Nosworthy (Gill) McNary; m. (2) Brooklyn, N. Y., 12 Feb., 1898, Anna Beatrice, b. 20 May, 1868, in British West Indies, St. Christopher's; dau. of John Keithley Dinzey, M. D., and his wife, Helen Norton, a native of Philadelphia, Pa. He was educated in the village school at Wilton, Ct., and in Mr. Olmstead's school for boys. After leaving school he served for several years as a clerk in the music publishing house of S. T. Gordon & Son, where he became familiar with music and musical instruments. About 1875, he entered the employment of the Chase National Bank, New York City, where he has remained to the present time, being now paying teller.

Member of Polaris Council of The Royal Arcanum, New York. He inherited his father's musical taste and talent and at an early age began the study of vocal and instrumental music. When only fifteen years of age he filled with credit the position of church organist, and from that time to the present has held a similar position. His longest engagement was with the Pilgrim church, where he was organist and choirmaster for fifteen years. He is a fine pianist, but his favorite instrument is the organ, for which he has composed some pleasing and praiseworthy music. Resides, 465 Thirteenth St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Children by first wife:

- 183. Willard Duncan, b. 8 May, 1881; d. 2 April, 1890.
- 184. Gilbert Nosworthy, b. 10 Sept., 1883; d. 26 Dec., 1884.
- ×185. John Lewis, b. 15 Jan., 1886.
- ×186. Wheelock Nye, b. 13 April, 1888.
- 187. Margery Maunder, b. 14 June, 1890.
- 188. Alice, b. 27 Feb., 1892.
- 189. Lewis Webster, b. 19 Aug., 1894.
- 190. Elliot McNary, b. 17 Feb., 1897.

Children by second wife:

- 191. Beatrice Luthera, b. 31 Oct., 1899.
 - 192. Lewis Willard, b. 11 Mar., 1902.
 - 193. Alden, b. 11 Mar., 1902.
 - 194. Ferdinand, b. 31 July, 1905.
- } twins

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(104.) ALICE HARVEY.

Born Bethel, Ct., 6 Oct., 1855; m. New York City, 6 Oct., 1875, Edward Zina; b. 29 June, 1846; d. 1 Oct., 1898; son of Edward and Rachel (Price) Penfield of New York City. He graduated from College of City of New York in 1867. For some years he was employed in the office of the Pacific Mail Steamship Co., in New York, and then was sent to the Isthmus of Panama on business for the company. For some years he resided in South America engaged in mercantile affairs. He did business in Honduras just before his death which occurred at sea en route from Honduras to New York. He wrote and spoke German, French, Italian, Spanish and Portuguese languages as fluently and well as he used the English. Mrs. Penfield became identified in 1895 with The Misses Ely School, Riverside Drive, New York. She is now Registrar of the Ely School, Ely Court, Greenwich, Conn.

Children (Penfield):

- ×195. Jessie, b. 7 July, 1876.
- ×196. Alma, b. 24 Jan., 1881.

(105.) CHARLES EDWARD HARVEY.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 9 June, 1857; m. New York City, 6 June, 1881, to Mary Frances, b. New York, 10 Dec., 1860; dau. of Francis and Frederica (Schweitzer) Probst, natives of Wurtemberg, Germany. He received his education mainly in the schools at Wilton, Ct. He then pursued a one year's commercial course in New York College, graduating in 1876. He then entered the employment of his grandfather, Charles Rufus Harvey in New York City, where, during the next few years, he learned in all its details the business of manufacturing furnaces. Since 1885, he has been one of the owners of this business. In 1886, he invented and began to manufacture an excellent furnace and range, each named the "Vim." He possesses a fine musical talent, for several years singing bass in the choir of the Pilgrim church of New York City, and was a member of the New York Choral Society under the direction of Theodore Thomas. He resided in New York until 1887 when he removed to New Rochelle, N. Y. He was a charter member, and is now an elder of the Second Presbyterian Church of New Rochelle.

Children (Harvey):

- 197. Hazel, b. 21 Sept., 1884.
- ×198. Francis Wheelock, b. 10 Jan., 1888.
- ×199. Ralph Lewis, b. 15 Nov., 1891.
- 200. Lois, b. 13 Nov., 1893.

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(106.) HARRIET HARVEY.

Born Milford, Ct., 31 Aug., 1859; m. New York City, 29 Dec., 1881, Frank Henry, b. New York City, 8 July, 1858; son of George Nicholls, a native of Bath, England, and his wife, Marie Louise Elodie Guy, of Montreal, Canada. He received a business education in the schools of New York City, and was then for eight years a clerk in the repair department of Tiffany & Co. Having learned telegraphy, he obtained a position as receiver of cablegrams in the New York office of the *Compagnie Française du Télégraphe*. In 1890, he became cashier and accountant in the New York office of the Anglo American Telegraph Co., and is now assistant superintendent. He resides in New Rochelle, N. Y., and is treasurer of the Second Presbyterian church of which he was a charter member and has been Sunday school superintendent. While in New York he sang in the choir of the Pilgrim church and was a first tenor in the New York Choral Society under Theodore Thomas. He formerly devoted considerable attention to athletic sports, and was captain of the Harlem A. C. He won numerous gold and other medals in running, jumping, rowing and other contests. At one time he held the record for hurdle racing.

Children (Nicholls):

- 201. Anne, b. 23 Nov., 1884; d. 18 April, 1889.
- ×202. George Harvey, b. 24 Feb., 1890.
- ×203. Guy Lewis, b. 26 Sept., 1892.
- 204. Elodie, b. 9 Sept., 1894; Oneonta State Normal, 1914.
- 205. Margaret, b. 2 Mar., 1897; d. 19 Feb., 1900.

SIXTH GENERATION—JEREMIAH BRANCH.

(108.) ADDIE VERGENIA GOODRICH.

Born Portland, Ct., 18 Oct., 1871; m. Glastonbury, Ct., 23 May, 1894, Alvah Brainerd, b. Portland, Ct., 11 Oct., 1866; son of Silas and Lucretia Day (Brainerd) Payne. Educated Gildersleeve High School and graduated from Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Business College. Farmer in southeastern section of Portland, Ct. He is a fine baritone singer, having considerable experience on quartettes. He attends the First Congregational church in Gildersleeve, Ct.

Children (Payne):

- 206. Marion Hepzibah, b. 18 July, 1896.
- 207. Anna May, b. 27 Feb., 1901.

(Sixth Generation, Jeremiah Branch.—Cont.)

(109.) CHARLES EDWARDS GOODRICH.

Born Glastonbury, Ct., 22 Nov., 1879; m. 1 June, 1906, Helen Belle, b. Glastonbury, Ct., 29 July, 1878; dau. of James Othniel and Josephine Augusta (McKee) Griswold. High school and business college education. Tobacco raiser in Glastonbury, Ct. Selectman.

Child (Goodrich):

208. John Quincey, b. 1 July, 1907.

SIXTH GENERATION—BETSY BRANCH.

(110.) CHARLES THEOPHILUS HOWELL.

Born Buffalo, N. Y., 30 June, 1857; m. Cincinnati, Ohio, 26 Jan., 1885, Gertrude Mary, b. Dayton, Ohio, 30 Dec., 1867; dau. of Thomas Fortunatus and Laura (Bird) Winter. Graduated from Buffalo, N. Y. Normal School. Photo retoucher and mechanical draughtsman. Resides 20 Glenwood Place, Summit, N. J.

Children (Howell):

- ×209. Hettie Laura, b. Chicago, Ill., 5 Feb., 1887.
- ×210. Alice Hazel, b. Chicago, Ill., 18 Aug., 1888.
- 211. Walter Scott, b. Bellevue, Ky., 26 Aug., 1889.
- 212. Florence Ethel, b. Canton, Ohio, 10 Feb., 1893.
- 213. Charles Chester, b. Newark, N. J., 7 Nov., 1897.
- 214. Herbert Roland, b. Newark, N. J., 13 Aug., 1899.
- 215. David James, b. Newark, N. J., 2 Feb., 1904.
- 216. Gertrude Marion, b. Newark, N. J., 20 April, 1906.

(113.) HENRY DAVIS ABBEY.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 9 June, 1877; m. Jan., 1909, Cecilia Larralde, whose father is a French marquis of the old nobility in his own right; U. S. detective many years; was at the government gun works at South Bethlehem, Pa., Montreal, Canada, etc.; now with the Western Electric Co., N. Y.; graduate Pratt Institute and attended Stevens Institute Technology. Resides 520 8th avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

(114.) JOHN DAY ABBEY.

Born 23 Jan., 1879; educated at Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute; learned the trade of mechanical dentist which he practiced

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until 1905, when he moved to Gildersleeve, Ct., to superintend the Abbey farm. He is very proficient in gymnasium work and boxing. He was a member of the Central Y. M. C. A., Brooklyn, N. Y., and a leader in the Prospect Park Branch Y. M. C. A. He later joined the Middletown, Ct., Y. M. C. A., of which he was physical director and also was director of the gymnasium in the Young Emeralds T. A. B. society of Portland Ct. He is a member of the "Founders and Patriots of America," through his mother's paternal ancestor, Robert Day. Mr. Abbey has been the sole grower of Sumatra tobacco for years.

(116.) CHARLES PELTON ABBEY, JR.

Born Brooklyn, N. Y., 9 Dec., 1888; m. 9 Dec., 1912, Miranda Elizabeth, dau. of Gilbert Crocker of Norwich, Ct. Employed in publishing department The Vitagraph Co., Flatbush, New York. Resides 1581 E. 15th, Flatbush, New York.

SIXTH GENERATION—SYLVESTER BRANCH.

(135.) HARRY GILBERT MILLER.

Born So. Glastonbury, Ct., 15 July, 1871; m. Glastonbury, Ct., 28 Oct., 1903, Anita, b. Glastonbury, 18 May, 1874; dau. of Henry Eugene and Susan (Rankin) Loomis. Private school education; member of the Grange and the Masons; employed in Hartford Fire Insurance Company's offices. Resides So. Glastonbury, Ct.

Children (Miller):

217. Doris Jean, b. 28 Dec., 1904.

218. Emily Leveretta, b. 14 May, 1909.

(137.) WILLIAM HENRY GILBERT.

Born Brooklyn, N. Y., 26 April, 1886; m. Milo, Me., 12 Aug., 1911, Sallie Alwilda, b. Lake View, Me., 27 May, 1892; dau. of Percy Manton and Caroline Sophia (Godsoe) Hamlin. Graduated in 1904 from Hartford Public High School where he was a member of Lambda Sigma. He attended Trinity College one year and received the degree of B. A. from University of Maine in 1909. He attended Summer School in the latter place in 1911 and 1912, and also in 1913 at Columbia University. He was High school principal at Limestone and Milo, Me., and is now principal at Millinocket, Me.; member Masons, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Deutscher Verein, Maine Masque and the Crotona Club.

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Child (Gilbert):

219. William Henry, Jr., b. Milo, Me., 26 Aug., 1912.

(138.) LOUIS SYLVESTER GILBERT.

Born Brooklyn, N. Y., 9 Nov., 1887; graduated 1905, Glastonbury High School; with Hartford Fire Insurance Company, Hartford, Ct. Resides in So. Glastonbury, Ct.

(139.) ALFRED GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Portland, Ct., 23 Aug., 1872; m. in Trinity church, Portland, 1 Dec., 1896, Lucey Carey, b. 14 Feb., 1872; dau. of Henry William and Lucy Matilda (Carey) Ibbotson of Portland, Ct. Mr. Ibbotson was the son of Henry, b. 1797; d. 1849; the founder of the great house of Ibbotson Brothers, Globe Works, Sheffield, England, who m. 23 July, 1833, Ann Frances Darling, dau. of Thomas of New York and New Haven (a direct descendant of Gov. Haynes of Mass. [1635] and of Conn.) and his wife, Frances Frith, whose father, Hezekiah Frith, Esq., was a large shipowner in the island of Bermuda.

Alfred Gildersleeve graduated in 1889 from Gildersleeve High School and spent one year in Trinity College. At the age of eighteen he left college to take his place in the Gildersleeve shipyard. He learned the business and was in course of time admitted to partnership in the firm of S. Gildersleeve & Sons, which conducted the shipbuilding business, until 12 Jan., 1909, when he and his father organized the Gildersleeve Shipbuilding Company and continued the business under that name. His father became president while he was treasurer and general manager.

When Alfred Gildersleeve went into the Gildersleeve shipyard, he started to work on vessel No. 141 and now, in March, 1914, No. 276 is ready to be launched as soon as the ice is out of the Connecticut river. During the twenty-five years he has actively engaged in constructing vessels, one hundred and thirty-one have been built—almost double the number built between 1820 and 1890, a period of seventy years in which records were kept of the vessels built. The Gildersleeve shipyard is the only survivor of the once numerous shipyards on the Connecticut. It has experienced in its history all the various phases of shipbuilding in wood, from sloops to steamships. Instead of succumbing, as did most of the shipyards which made New England famous, to the inevitable substitution of iron for wood, it has preserved its character and its prosperity by the wise and capable adaptation of its owners to the great industrial revolution of the last century. Barges, lighters, ferry boats and deck scows are now built

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for the coasting trade along the Atlantic Coast. As many as a dozen vessels have been built in one year eclipsing all records heretofore. The sight of three vessels on the stocks at one time presents a unique display to the multitudes of passersby who daily use the Connecticut river for a highway of travel either on the New York and Hartford steamers or on the numerous motor-boats, yachts and other river craft. One of the events of the village of Gildersleeve is the launching of a newly constructed boat. Young and old always enjoy the spectacle furnished by the sight of the workmen knocking the blocks from under the vessel, the blows raining thick and fast, while the vessel quivers and finally adjusts itself to the ways, and lastly with a final crack, breaks loose from the stocks, slides down the greased ways, gathering momentum all the while until it strikes the water with one great splash and glides smoothly out. Here it is assisted by a waiting tugboat or by long hawsers from shore in returning to the wharf. Then it is towed down the river to Long Island Sound and New York Harbor to become a part of the fleet of boats handled by the agency at No. 1 Broadway.

The Gildersleeve shipyard is situated on a sharp bend of the river over two miles north of Middletown, Ct., and about sixteen miles south of Hartford, Conn., and just opposite Gildersleeve Island. One may see the few relics of the old shipbuilding days when sailing vessels were supreme. In the old sail loft are models of by-gone ships, numerous molds, blocks and pulleys, and various other remnants. Under the management of Alfred Gildersleeve, the company installed modern machinery driven by compressed air and electricity. In 1912, he became the head of the Gildersleeve shipbuilding interests, being the sixth generation in direct succession doing active business. His ancestor, Obadiah Gildersleeve, fleeing from the British Army in 1776, from Sag Harbor, Long Island, established the family in Gildersleeve, Ct., and built a few vessels. He was succeeded by his son, Philip, who distinguished himself in building the U. S. warship "Connecticut" in 1798 and several privateers from 1776-1816, when naval fights were frequent between America, England, France, Spain and the Barbary pirates. Philip's youngest son, Sylvester, established the business on a firm basis in 1821, which has prospered well under his son, Henry, grandson Oliver and great-grandson, Alfred in direct succession. Hard work, capable management and thrifty ways are the reasons for their success. This remarkable shipbuilding family is unique in American history since no other family can furnish a comparison of six generations of successful, hard working business men operating in one locality.

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On the death of his father in 1912, Alfred Gildersleeve and his five brothers formed The Oliver Gildersleeve Corporation to keep intact various business interests of the family, of which he became president and treasurer. He is secretary and treasurer of the Oliver Gildersleeve & Sons, Inc., founded by his father in 1910, capitalized at \$250,000, to handle their shipping interests and provide for future extensions. He is president of the Gildersleeve Shipbuilding Company, Portland Water Company and the Portland Mfg. Company, of the latter of which he is also treasurer. He is also a director in The Charles L. Jarvis Company, member of the Atlantic Deeper Waterway Association, the Association for the Permanent Improvement of the Lower Connecticut River, the Portland Social Club, the Portland Business Men's Association, the Gildersleeve Hose Co., Highland Country Club, and the Church Club of Connecticut. He is a Son of the Revolution through his maternal ancestor, Amos Ransom, and a member of the Mayflower Descendants' Society, through his mother's ancestor, Edward Dotey. He also succeeded to various activities engaged in by his father. His recreation is hunting and automobiling and he resides at No. 610 Main street, Gildersleeve, Conn., and is a prominent member of Trinity (Episcopal) church.

Children (Gildersleeve) :

- 220. Marion Hall, b. 3 Jan., 1898.
- 221. Lucile Darling, b. 8 Feb., 1902.
- 222. Alfred Henry, b. 17 June, 1905.

(140.) WALTER GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 23 Aug., 1874; graduated 1890 from Gildersleeve High School and 1891 from Highland Military Academy of Worcester, Mass. After four years' work, in the Gildersleeve shipyard, he purchased the old Gildersleeve farm, including Gildersleeve Island; went to farming and tobacco raising. In 1902, he sold out to Orren Warner Gildersleeve and went barging in New York Harbor. In 1905, he was associated at Rumford Falls, Me., with H. V. Poor and his father in the mica business, as the Maine Products Co., later the Portland Mfg. Co., of Connecticut, Incorporated 1 Aug., 1908. In 1912, as a director in the Oliver Gildersleeve & Sons, Inc., he helped establish an agency of the Gildersleeve Shipbuilding Company in Philadelphia which became the Porter, Gildersleeve & Co., Inc., Pier No. 1, South Wharves, of which A. F. Porter is president and he is vice-president. He is also vice-president of The Oliver Gildersleeve Corporation and director of the Gildersleeve

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Shipbuilding Company. He is a member of St. Andrew's Brotherhood and was very active in the Sunday school of Trinity Episcopal church of which he is a communicant. He resides in Philadelphia, Pa., where his business interests have engaged his attention since 1912.

(141.) LOUIS GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 22 Sept., 1877; d. Summit, N. J., 3 July, 1913. He graduated in 1895 from Gildersleeve High school where he played football and baseball and attended Wesleyan University 1895-1896. He left college to work in the Gildersleeve shipyard and captained several barges. In 1898, he was established at No. 1 Broadway, New York, for the purpose of selling and chartering vessels constructed at the Gildersleeve shipyard. During the period of his management, there were about one hundred and ten vessels from four hundred tons to two thousand tons sent from the Gildersleeve shipyard. In 1912, over seventy vessels had been sold, and some thirty-five vessels were handled by his agency in the transportation business in and around New York harbor. He became a director in the Gildersleeve Shipbuilding Company in 1909 and helped organize in 1910, the Oliver Gildersleeve & Sons, Inc., of which he became president in 1913. He was fatally burned by the gasoline igniting while replenishing the supply for his automobile in Summit, N. J., where he died three days after the accident. His loss was seriously felt by his numerous friends and business associates. He was of a bright, sunny nature, very active and aggressive in business and a successful manager of men. He was a member of the Economic Club, Masonic fraternity, and the Atlantic Deep-water Waterways Association.

(144.) CHARLES GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 11 December, 1884; m., 2 Aug., 1913, by Rev. O. H. Raftery, D. D., in Christ church, New York, to Margaret Adele, dau. of James MacLennan, of Philadelphia, N. Y. He graduated from Hartford Public High School in 1905, where he was a member of the football team and Lambda Sigma. He entered the employ of W. B. Franklin Co., bankers and brokers, Trinity Bldg., New York. He is president of Oliver Gildersleeve & Sons, Inc., and director in The Oliver Gildersleeve Corporation. He is now in business for himself at No. 1 Broadway, New York, and has the management of twenty-five vessels, constructed at the Gildersleeve shipyard. Episcopalian. Resides No. 6 Walnut street, E. Orange, N. J.

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(145.) NELSON HALL GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 14 Sept., 1887; graduated 1906 from Middletown High School where he was a member of the football and captain of the baseball team. He attended Trinity College, 1906-1910, where he was a member of the baseball team four years and Psi Upsilon fraternity. He is vice-president of Oliver Gildersleeve & Sons, Inc., director of The Oliver Gildersleeve Corporation and treasurer of the Porter, Gildersleeve & Co., Inc., Pier No. 1, South Wharves, Philadelphia, Pa., where he is engaged in business. Episcopalian.

(146.) OLIVER GILDERSLEEVE, JR.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 9 Mar., 1890. He graduated in 1908 from Middletown High School and in 1912 from Trinity College where he received the degree of B. S. and was a member of the baseball and football teams and Psi Upsilon fraternity. He was an engineer on the Saybrook and the Haddam highway bridge construction and in November, 1912, went to work in the Gildersleeve shipyard. As superintendent of the Gildersleeve Shipbuilding Company he has constructed nine vessels and is on his tenth, a deck scow which will carry 1,000 tons, being ninety feet long, thirty-two feet wide and about eleven deep. He is a director of The Oliver Gildersleeve Corporation and Oliver Gildersleeve & Sons, Inc., stockholder in Cripple Creek, Colo., Central R. R., Portland Water Co., Gildersleeve Fuel Co., etc. He sings in the choir of Trinity church and sings second bass in the Choral Club of Hartford, Ct. He is also interested in yachting, being the owner of the yacht "Revilo" in which he has taken great pleasure. Member Portland Social Club, Highland Country Club, University Club of Hartford, Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association, St. Andrew's Brotherhood Society of Trinity church, Portland, Ct., and the Gildersleeve Hose Company. He resides with his mother at No. 624 Main street, Gildersleeve, Conn.

(148.) HENRY GILDERSLEEVE FULLER.

Born Portland, Ct., 4 Feb., 1874; m. Alexandria, Va., 4 Nov., 1902, Lucy Snead Dyson, native of Henrico, Va., dau. of Maynard and Harriet Emeline (Blanton) Dyson. Educated at Allen's English and Classical School at W. Newton, Mass. He was a pitcher on the Worcester team in the New England League of professional baseball. He was employed in city service in Boston, Mass., and in a broker's office. For fifteen years he has

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been in the U. S. Government service and is now clerk in the Navy Department, Bureau Supplies and Accounts, Washington, D. C.

(149.) JENNIE SEARS FULLER.

Born Osterville, Mass., 25 May, 1876; m. 24 Feb., 1903, Ernest G. Phinney. Resides winters in Florida and Asheville, N. C.

(150.) FLORENCE E. GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Brooklyn, N. Y., 2 Jan., 1880; m. Irving Tatem. Resides in California.

Child (Tatem):

223. Gwendolyn.

(157.) HENRY GILDERSLEEVE JARVIS.

Born Portland, Ct., 5 Mar., 1885; graduated 1902 from Middletown High School where he was a member of the football team and Theta Sigma; B. A., 1906, Yale; M. D., 1910, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md. In 1910 he passed the state examinations of Connecticut and qualified by competitive examination for the position of interne at Hartford Hospital. After eighteen months' service, he was associated with Dr. Chas. E. Taft, son-in-law of Dr. George C. Jarvis, brother of Chas. Alpheus Jarvis [see No. 29 ante]. He is medical examiner for Newington, Ct., and in December, 1913, was appointed member (being the youngest ever appointed) of the staff of Hartford Hospital, having been on the staff of the Hartford City Hospital; member University Club of Hartford and the Connecticut Medical Association. Resides 91 High street, Hartford, Ct.

(158.) MARSHALL NORTHAM JARVIS.

Born Portland, Ct., 17 July, 1886; m. Middletown, Ct., 30 June, 1909, Marion, b. Middletown, Ct., 24 Nov., 1886; dau. of William Chamberlain and Clara Mabel (Leeman) Fisher. She was educated at ~~Mt. Ida School~~ and resided in Germany a few years. He attended Middletown High School where he was a member of the football team and Theta Sigma. He left school in 1903 and went to work in his father's machine shop in Gildersleeve, Ct., and learned the trade of machinist and mechanical draughtsman. He bought an interest in the concern and in 1913, he became general manager of The Charles L. Jarvis Company, Inc.; member Warren Lodge, No. 51, A. F. & A. M., Portland, Ct., and Trinity Episcopal church. Resides in Gildersleeve, Conn.

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Children (Jarvis):

224. Clara Louise, b. 15 Sept., 1911.

225. William Fisher, b. 31 July, 1913.

(160.) WILLARD HARVEY GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 17 Sept., 1886; m. 21 Dec., 1909, Gert-rude Isabell, b. Brooklyn, N. Y., 12 Aug., 1885; dau. of Thomas Dodgson Sugden, b. Tollerton, Yorkshire, England, 28 Mar., 1835, and his wife, Mary Jane Taylor, dau. of Thomas, a native of Harper's Ferry, Va. Mr. Sugden enlisted 18 Nov., 1861, as sergeant in 90th N. Y. Vol. Inf., and was mustered out 10 Dec., 1864. He served at Key West, Fla., where he had yellow fever, and in the Red River campaign. His father, James Sugden, b. 1815 in Bradford, Yorkshire, enlisted in the 78th N. Y. Vol. Inf., and was wounded at Fair Oaks or Seven Pines in the Civil War. His brother, William Sugden, b. Leeds, England, 2 Mar., 1843, served in the 133d N. Y. Vol. Inf. in the Civil War; m. 29 April, 1874, Eliza Ann, dau. of Thomas Gildersleeve of Cold Spring Harbor, Long Island, N. Y.

Willard Harvey Gildersleeve graduated in 1903 from Middletown High School, where he was a member of Theta Sigma and Lambda Sigma, and received the degree of B. S. in 1908 from Wesleyan University. Having excelled in football, baseball and other athletic sports, in school, college and elsewhere, he attended Harvard University Summer School of physical training in 1909 and 1910 under Dr. Dudley S. Sargent, M. A. He was football coach, 1908, 1909 and 1910 at Connecticut State, New Hampshire State and Massachusetts State Colleges; physical director St. Lawrence University 1909-1910; installed physical training in February, 1911, in the high school, Grand Island, Neb.; member of the faculty, 1911-1913, at Westminster College, New Wilmington, Pa., being instructor in history and physical training; and is now faculty director of athletics and instructor in commercial history at the new high school in Meriden, Ct. He has been greatly interested in genealogy since his fourteenth year, when he started to compile the history of the Gildersleeve family in 1899, which will be ready for publication in a few years more. He is the present compiler of the Descendants of Philip Gildersleeve; member Theta Nu Epsilon fraternity, Meriden Teachers' Association and the Connecticut Business Educators' Association; author of several minor historical and genealogical articles. Episcopalian. Resides 894 Broad street, Meriden, Ct.

Child (Gildersleeve):

226. Henry Sugden, b. Bridgewater, Ct., 21 Sept., 1910.

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(161.) ARTHUR LLOYD GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 20 June, 1888; m. Glastonbury, Ct., 25 June, 1913, Ruth Hopestill, b. Glastonbury, Ct., 26 Dec., 1891, dau. of Benjamin Franklin and Ida Augusta (Smith) Turner. Mr. Turner was a lieutenant in the Civil War, 25th Conn., Vol. Inf. Mr. Gildersleeve graduated 1906 from Middletown High School and in 1907 from Worcester Academy; attended Trinity College 1907-1911, where he distinguished himself in football, basketball and baseball and was a member of Psi Upsilon fraternity. He is a salesman of the Fairbanks Scales Company of Hartford and resides in Glastonbury, Ct.

(162.) GENIEVE NORTHAM GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 6 Sept., 1890; graduated from Middletown High School, 1907; attended Mount Ida School, Newton Mass., and graduated in 1913 from Smith College of Northampton, Mass., and took a course in the Miller Business School; was secretary to Ralph Waldo Trine, the author, and is now employed in New York with the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Resides at 618 W. 136th street, New York City.

(163.) AMELIA WARNER GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 6 May, 1892; graduated 1910 from Portland High School; attends Emerson College of Oratory, Boston, Mass.

(164.) SAMUEL BARRETT GILDERSLEEVE.

Born Gildersleeve, Ct., 12 July, 1894; graduated 1913 from New Wilmington, Pa., High School where he was a member of the football and baseball teams. He is in a life insurance office. Resides 10 Cumberland street, Boston, Mass.

(168.) GEORGE HOLBROOK BUCKINGHAM.

Born New London, Ct., 12 Feb., 1880; m. Brandon, Vt., 10 Sept., 1910, Helen Janet, b. Rutland, Vt., 3 Dec., 1885, dau. of William Thomas and Isabel (Reynolds) Ripley. Received degree of B. S. in 1906 and M. S. in 1907 from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, Mass.; draftsman, supervising architect's office, Treasury Dept., Washington, D. C. Residence, 1129 New Hampshire avenue.

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(170.) RUTH WEBSTER BUCKINGHAM.

Born New London, Ct., Sept., 1885; m. Trinity church, Boston, Mass., 22 July, 1909, John Henry, b. Boston, Mass., 6 June, 1882, son of John and Emma (Rudge) Nichols. Resides No. 8 Arlington Road, Wellesley Hills, Mass.

Child (Nichols):

227. John Henry, b. Wellesley Hills, Mass., 21 Aug., 1911.

(171.) EUGENE R. BUCKINGHAM.

Born Ellenton, S. C., 22 Aug., 1871; m. Hatterville, S. C., 7 June, 1893, Florence A., b. Hatterville, S. C., 30 Jan., 1873, dau. of Thomas S., and Clarice Eugenia (Brush) Dunbar. Cotton planter, Ellenton, S. C. Mason.

Child (Buckingham):

228. Philip Harold, b. Ellenton, S. C., 1894.

(173.) CHARLES JARVIS HARRIMAN.

Born Portland, Ct., 17 Nov., 1884; graduate H. P. H. S., 1901, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Sigma; received the degree of B. A., in 1905 from Trinity College where he was a member of Psi Upsilon fraternity; ordained deacon 3 June, 1908, at Middletown, Ct., where he graduated in 1908 from Berkeley Divinity School; ordained priest 13 May, 1909, at Windsor, Ct. He was asst. rector, All Saints, Worcester, Mass., 1 Jan., -30 Nov., 1909, and now rector St. Philip's Episcopal church at Putnam, Ct., since 1 May, 1912. Member Washington Lodge, No. 70, of Windsor, Ct., A. F. & A. M.

(174.) LEWIS GILDERSLEEVE HARRIMAN.

Born Windsor, Ct., 24 Mar., 1889, graduate H. P. H. S., 1905, and received the degree of B. A., in 1909, from Trinity College where he was a member of Psi Upsilon fraternity and won the Hoadley-Daniels scholarship. He is with the Bronx office, American Real Estate, New York City. Resides 1226 Boynton avenue, Bronx, New York.

(175.) GEORGE GILLUM BRAINERD.

Born Portland, Ct., 10 July, 1880; graduated Portland High school in 1897 and from Harvard University in 1901. Employed in New York City.

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(177.) FRANK JUDSON BRAINERD.

Born Portland, Ct., 26 Oct., 1888; graduated 1907 from St. Paul's School, Concord, N. H., and in 1913, from Trinity College, where he was a member of the baseball team and Delta Psi fraternity. He is with the Brainerd, Shaler & Hall Quarry Co., Portland, Ct.

SIXTH GENERATION—CYNTHIA BRANCH.

(185.) JOHN LEWIS HARVEY.

Born Brooklyn, N. Y., 15 Jan., 1886; will graduate from the School of Commerce, New York University; employed Great Bear Spring Company in New York.

(186.) WHEELOCK NYE HARVEY.

Born Brooklyn, N. Y., 13 April, 1888; married.

(195.) JESSIE PENFIELD.

Born New York City, 7 July, 1876; m. 9 Dec., 1896, James Degrasse, b. New York City 6 July, 1845; son of Asa Lyon and Deborah Jane (Rile) Shipman of New York. Public school education and College of City of New York. Married once before. Manufacturing stationer; church organist twenty years of Prospect Hill Reformed church of New York City; member Quill Club of New York and Empire State Society, Sons of American Revolution. Mrs. Shipman is a member of the following organizations: Clio, Knickerbocker Chapter, D. A. R., Washington Headquarters' Association, Silver Cross Day Nursery and the Waldensian Society. Resides 20 W. 128th street, New York City.

Children (Shipman):

229. Dorothy, b. 1 Oct., 1897.

230. Jessica, b. 18 Sept., 1904.

(196.) ALMA PENFIELD.

Born New York City, 24 Jan., 1881; m. 7 Jan., 1902, Raymond Murray Goodrich, of Hartford, Ct.; son of Charles Chauncy Goodrich of the Hartford & New York Transportation Co. Mrs. Alma P. Goodrich resides at 366 Edgewood avenue, New Haven, Conn.

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Child (Goodrich):

231. Genevieve Griswold, b. Hartford, Ct., 7 April, 1904.

(198.) FRANCIS WHEELOCK HARVEY.

Born New Rochelle, N. Y., 10 Jan., 1888; m. New Rochelle, N. Y., 18 Sept., 1912, Edna Rose, b. Albany, N. Y., 17 Mar., 1888; dau. of Stanley and Mary (Sipperley) Brown. He attended New Rochelle High School and in January, 1903, entered the employ of Geo. I. Roberts & Bros., engineering supplies, New York, where he worked his way up to cashier. After five years with this firm, he accepted a position in the engineering department of the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., and from September, 1907, to March, 1908, was engaged in six-tracking of the Harlem River branch of this railroad between New Rochelle and Harlem River. He gave up this position to fit himself for a professional career. He entered Harvard University where he won two scholarships and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, finishing undergraduate work in September, 1912, when he entered the Graduate School of Engineering as candidate for the degree of M. C. E., master in civil engineering. He also was instructor in the night school at Wells Memorial Institute in Boston, Mass. Resides 48 Crescent street, Cambridge, Mass.

(199.) RALPH LEWIS HARVEY.

Born New Rochelle, N. Y., 15 Nov., 1891; prepared at New Rochelle High School, where he was assistant in chemistry and physics and is now a student in Harvard University.

(202.) GEORGE HARVEY NICHOLLS.

Born New Rochelle, N. Y., 24 Feb., 1890; graduated in 1908 from New Rochelle High School and received the degree of B. S. in 1912, from New York University. He is vice-principal and science and mathematics teacher at Dobbs Ferry, N. Y., High School; member of the Physics Club of New York; charter member, Phi Lambda.

(203.) GUY LEWIS NICHOLLS.

Born New Rochelle, N. Y., 26 Sept., 1892; graduated in 1910 from New Rochelle High School, and in 1913 from N. Y. College of Dentistry with degree of D. D. S., associated with Dr. F. King Richardson, New Rochelle, N. Y.; member Phi Lambda and Psi Omega fraternity.

SEVENTH GENERATION—BETSY BRANCH.

(209.) HETTIE LAURA HOWELL.

Born Chicago, Ill., 5 Feb., 1887; m. Summit, N. J., 6 June, 1910, William Mumford, b. Brooklyn, N. Y., 24 Feb., 1879, son of William and Martha A. (Nixdorff) Hawkins; graduate public schools; bank clerk. Resides 487 Sixteenth street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

(210.) ALICE HAZEL HOWELL.

Born Chicago, Ill., 18 Aug., 1888; m. 18 June, 1913, John H. Ananson. Residence, Sterling, Morris Co., N. J.

APPENDIX

The following facts show the unique state of affairs on Long Island in the Revolutionary War. F. G. Mather's masterly volume, "The Refugees of 1776 from Long Island," printed in 1913 by J. B. Lyon Company, of Albany, N. Y., contains much of Revolutionary history that has never been published heretofore, among which are the following paragraphs of particular interest to members of the Gildersleeve family:

P. 142. Acting on the suggestion of the Continental Congress, the inhabitants of the City of New York, on Apr. 29, 1775, adopted a Form of Association pledging support to the Continental Congress and to the Provincial Congress. This form was sent to all the Counties in the Province of New York. In Suffolk County, the great majority of the people signed the Association. Only 236 in the whole county refused to sign. The line was drawn sharply between the Associators and the Non-Associators or "Recusants," "Very Bad Men," etc. As soon as the British had secured possession of Long Island in September, 1776, Gov. Tryon recommended that all these unlawful associations be dissolved. The Associators had to choose between a miserable existence at home, or a flight across the Sound to Connecticut. Thousands fled.

P. 1054. Obadiah and Philip Gildersleeve signed the Association in Suffolk county, May, 1775.

P. 166. Sag Harbor was the natural place for debarkation of all the Refugees from the Hamptons. Onderdonk. [Suffolk Co. p. 48] wrote "Sept 15th [1776] Wharves at Sag-Harbor crowded with emigrants."

Two days after the Battle of Long Island, the convention recommended to the Inhabitants of Long Island "to remove as many of their women, children and slaves, and as much of their live stock and grain, to the main, as they can and that this convention will pay the expense of removing the same." [Journal of N. Y. Provincial Congress, 1775, 1776, 1777.]

P. 172. Messrs. Obadiah Jones, Col. John Hulbert and Thos Dering, were located at Middletown, Ct, in 1777 as agents of New York State for the Refugees from Long Island.

P. 739. Accounts of the Auditors and claims of the Refugees against the State of New York. Documents in the N. Y. State Library not printed hitherto, known as "Revolutionary Manuscripts." Many were destroyed by the fire of 1911 in the State Library.

12 Jan., 1778, No. 83, Cash pd. Obadiah Guildersleave as per Rect. £2:10.

P. 760. State of N. Y. to [Capt.] Zebulon Cooper—Dr. Sept. 2, 1776 To my vessel of 60 Tons going 1 trip from Sag 'Harbour to Sey Brook allowing her to carry 400 Barrels at the least Computation a 1/6 £30.0.0.

To John Foster [Capt.] Saml L'hommedieu, Obadiah Gildersleaves, etc., and their Families to the amount of 94 persons a 2/ £9.8.0.

P. 772. Chatham September 7, 1776.

this is to Inform the Commete of My Charge a Moving of Longisland to Connecticut Payed to Capt [Daniel] Hale the Sum of 23 Shilings Lawful money for Bringeng one Lode and half of housen Goods and 6 People from Seabruck to Middletown.

Payed to Capt. Jeams Wigen 5 Shilings for Bringing housen Goods from Longisland to Moodus.

Payed to Capt [Robert] Night 6 Shilings for Bringing housen Goods from Moodus to Middletown.

Payed to Capt. [Starr] Greenfield 11 Shilings for Bringing Housen goods from Longisland to Chatham.

Payed for Crossen the River 5 Shilings brought over £2.10.0. Jenery 20d 1777

Obadiah Gildersleeve

February ye 5th A D. 1777 Parsonally Appeared Obadiah Gildersleeve and made Solemn Oath that the above acct is just & truly chargd before me.

David Sage, Justs Peace

Middletown Febry 5th 1777 Recd and Exd the within Acct and think there is justly due to Mr. Obadiah Gildersleeve two pounds ten Shillings Lawfull Money of Connecticut £2.10.

pr Thomas Dering

John Foster.

Middletown Janry 12th 1778. Recd of Thomas Dering, John Foster & Thomas Wickham, Esqrs, two pounds ten shillings Lawful money in full for transporting my Famaly & Effects from Long Island, in behalf of my Father Obadiah Gildersleeve pr Philip Gildersleeve £2.10.

Obadiah Gildersleeve

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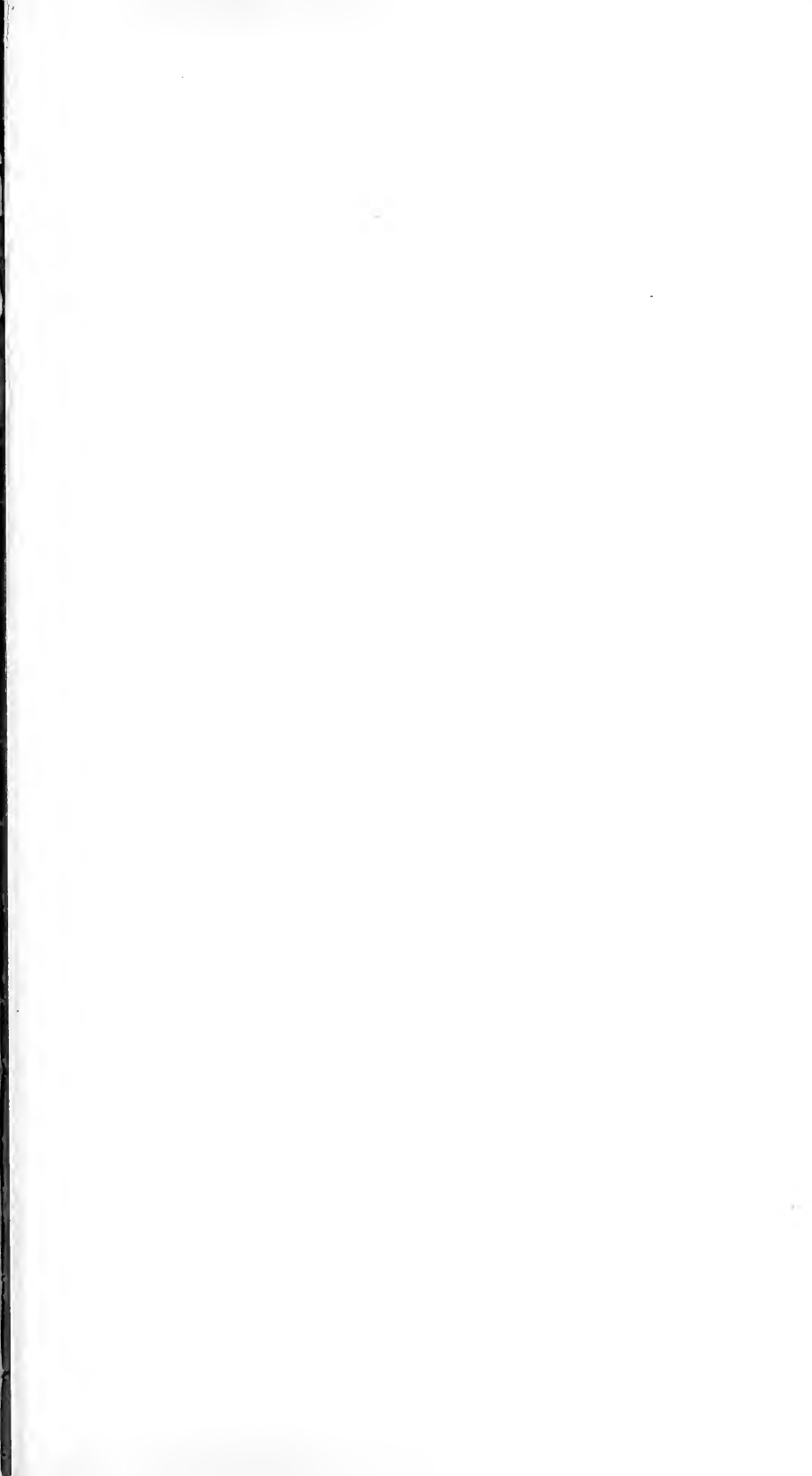
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