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*This Volume*

IS RESPECTFULLY DEDICATED BY THE AUTHOR

TO THE MEMORY OF

THE LATE

COLONEL THOMAS HALL BRINGHURST

A MAN OF MUCH PRIVATE AND CIVIC WORTH

AN ARDENT PATRIOT WHO VALIANTLY

SERVED HIS COUNTRY IN

TWO WARS



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## PREFATORY NOTE

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I PREPARED this work at the instance of Captain Robert Ralston Bringhurst, of Philadelphia, and its publication is due to his generosity.

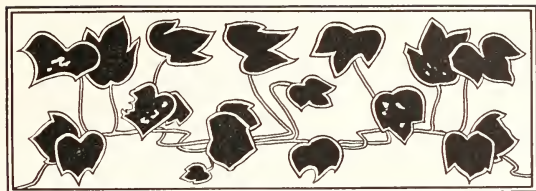
In tracing out the Bringhursts of the United States I have met with none save those descended from John Bringhurst, the Printer and Publisher of London.

J. GRANVILLE LEACH.

PHILADELPHIA, May, 1901.







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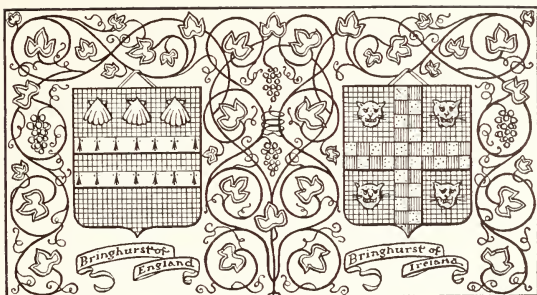
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BRINGHURST FAMILY






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## HISTORY OF THE BRINGHURST FAMILY

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THE Bringhursts of the United States are descended from the Bringhursts of Leicestershire, England, where an ancient family of that surname bore for arms, *Az. two bars erm. in chief three escallops or.* Crest.—*An arm embowed, habited in mail ar. holding in the hand ppr. a spike club sa. spikes or.*

The town and parish of Bringhurst, which antedates the Norman Conquest, and from which the family derived its name, stands in the southeast corner of Leicestershire, in an angle between Northamptonshire and County Rutland, and skirting the river Welland.\* According to Leland, the town was given by one Ranulfe, a kinsman of King Edward the Confessor, to the Abbey of Peterborough, in Northamptonshire. Leland writes: "*Ranulphus Comes, propinquis regis Edwardi Confessoris dedit monasterion de Peterburgh, Bringhurst, Easton, Drayton, Prestgrave, Blathestun and Langeton in Comitatu Lecestr.*"

The earliest mention of the surname found by the writer in printed works is that of Robert de Bringhurst, who, prior to 1260, was lord

\* See Burton's History of Leicestershire, 47.

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of Broughton, Bringhurst, etc., and had holdings at Drayton, Holt, and Prestgrave. Nichols, in his valuable History of Leicestershire,\* accords to this Robert de Bringhurst the arms before given.

In 1320—the time of Edward the Second—one John Bringhurst was summoned to Parliament,† and in 1567 another of the same name was Rector of St. Mary Magdalen, Waltham, Leicestershire. In 1627 Charles Bringhurst, “chirurgion,” had a son James baptized at the church of St. John Baptist, Peterborough, and on 25 June, 1630, William Bringhurst, son of John Bringhurst, of Brabrooke, county Northampton, matriculated at Pembroke College, Oxford, and four years later received the degree B.A. On 9 March, 1639, Henry Bringhurst, Esqre, and Sir Thomas Rotherham, were elected members of the Parliament of Ireland, from Kings County. In 1660 the Rev. Dr. Isaac Bringhurst graduated at Queen’s College, Cambridge, and became rector of Toddington, county Bedford, where he was buried 16 October, 1697, and where a memorial tablet was erected in his church. In 1698 one John Bringhurst was graduated at Queen’s College, and another of the same name in 1739. The *Gentleman’s Magazine* of 1736 records the death of “Rev. Mr.” Bringhurst, precentor of the Cathedral Church of Ely.

The first time the name Bringhurst is found in America is in 1680, when one Thomas Bringhurst appears in the list of inhabitants of St. Michael’s Parish, in the Island of Barbadoes, and is credited with having five hired servants, several apprentices, and five slaves.‡ On 21 March, 1682, the Council of Barbadoes appointed him “caretaker of powder,” and on the 13th of June following, the same body ordered that he be paid fifteen thousand four hundred and eighty-nine pounds of sugar.§

\* Vol. ii., part ii., p. 512.

† Palgrave’s Parliamentary Writs, i. 227.

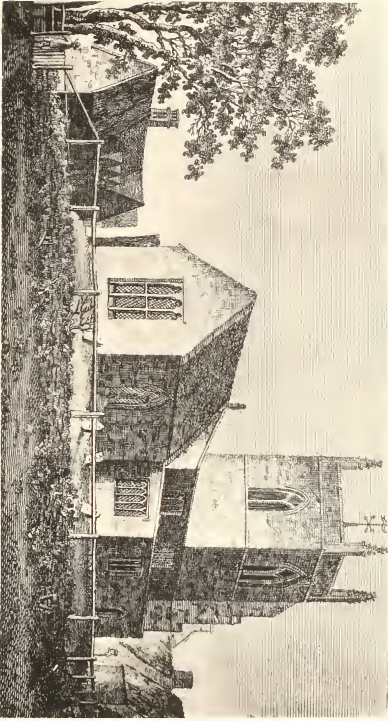
‡ Hotten’s Lists.

§ Calendar of State Papers, Colonial Series, 1681/85, pages 20 and 248 (London, 1898).



ST. NICHOLAS, THE PARISH CHURCH OF BRINGHURST, ENGLAND.





2 Esq Governour of his Majesties Colony of Connecticut in New-  
m. Cap<sup>t</sup>. Matthew Sherwood, m. Richard Blaw, Rich. Cap<sup>t</sup>. John Minor, Cap<sup>t</sup>.  
Peck, m. Deliverance Browne, Cap<sup>t</sup>. Jonathan Bell, and m. James  
at by vertue of Authority derived from his Late Majesty Charles the  
England, Scotland, France and Ireland King, and by and with the Advice  
& Representatives of this Colony in former all Court Assembled. I have  
you jointly and severally to keep the peace within the County of  
your said, and to keep and cause to be kept all the Laws and  
be made for the Good of the peace and Conservation of the Same  
Government of the People within the County aforesaid in all and  
to Chastise and Punish all Persons Offending in the County  
Laws or Ordinances or any of them. As according to those Laws  
to be done, and to cause to Com<sup>er</sup> before you, or any of you, all  
any of his Majesties Subjects in these Persons or Estates, to finde  
and Good Behaviour, or in default of their finding Sureties  
for Custody) until they shall so doe.

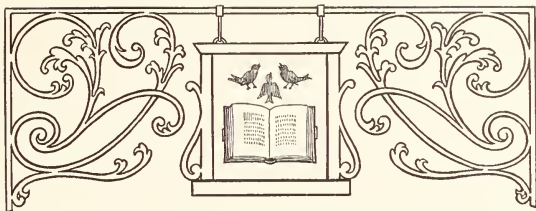
or any three of you the said John Wadman Richard Blackbeath  
Sherwood, to assist the Judge of the County Court for the County aforesaid  
by a Jury, or otherwise according to Law. all Causes Matters and  
mizable by the said Court according to Law.

aid John Wadman Matthew Sherwood, Richard Blackbeath, John  
Peck, Deliverance Browne, Jonathan Bell and James  
of you, to hear and Determine all Causes Matters and things  
hear, and Determine, And I Com<sup>er</sup> you and Every of you  
me and fulfill the Same, doing their whatt to Justice appertains  
ony. In Witness whereof I have caused the Seal of the Colony  
under my hand in New London this 14 and twelfth day of  
the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord James the third, by the Grace  
France and Ireland King &c. Anno Domini 1698.

J. Winstrop







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**T**HOMAS BRINGHURST<sup>1</sup>, the grandfather of the Bringhursts who emigrated to Pennsylvania about 1700, was a chirurgeon (physician and surgeon) of London, England, and married 27 August, 1647, Elizabeth Hughes, which facts are obtained from the manuscript "Memorandoms" made by his grandson, John Bringhurst, of Philadelphia, as will be seen by a fac-simile of the first two pages of such manuscript, hereinafter interleaved. It is thought that Dr. Bringhurst was a native of Leicestershire, but it is quite possible that his immediate ancestors had resided in London. On 30 October, 1614, a license was issued there for the marriage of "Thomas Cooper, of St. Clements, Danes, Middlesex, yeoman, bachelor, and Elizabeth Bringhurst, of St. Andrew, Holborn, spinster, daughter of Thomas Bringhurst, late of Easton, county Leicester, yeoman, deceased," and on 17 April, 1607, Katharine, wife of Thomas Bringhurst, was buried at St. James, Clerkenwell, London. Thomas was not a common name in the Bringhurst family, and were a search instituted in London it might be found that one, and possibly both of the Thomases here named, are near connections of Dr. Bringhurst. The latter was living in London 15 November, 1660, on which day he gave to his wife a power of attorney, the fac-simile of which is herewith interleaved.

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JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>2</sup>, son of Thomas Bringhurst<sup>1</sup> by his wife, Elizabeth Hughes, was born 1 November, 1655, and died *circa* 1699. He was apprenticed to Andrew Toaler, stationer in London, and was made a freeman of that city 3 September, 1681. It appears, however, that prior to that date he had begun business as a publisher and stationer, as in that year at least two works were issued with his name in the imprint. One of these, and probably his first publication, written by Christopher Taylor, and entitled "An Epistle of Caution to Friends to take heed of that Treacherous Spirit, . . . with a Short Testimony prepared by John Bringhurst," bears this imprint: "Printed in London for John Bringhurst, at the sign of the Book in Grace-church Street, near Cornhill, 1681."

John Bringhurst was a member of the Society of Friends, and became known as the Printer and Publisher of Friends' Books. Many of his publications are mentioned in the *Catalogue of Friends' Library*, and are sufficiently numerous to indicate that his business was prosperous from the beginning. His activity in this direction, however, brought him into trouble. In 1683 he printed a little book, called *George Fox's Primer*, which contained "a passage liable to misconstruction."\* Bringhurst was arrested for printing the same, and, upon trial, was sentenced, 20 September, 1684, to pay a fine of one shilling and stand two hours in the pillory.

In 1683 Mr. Bringhurst removed from Gracechurch Street to another part of London, which fact is announced at the end of one of his publications in these words: "This is to give notice, that John Bringhurst, Printer and Publisher, who formerly lived at the sign of the Book, in Gracechurch Street, is now removed to the Sign of the Book and Three Black Birds, in Leaden-Hall-Mutton Market, between the Black Bull and Colchester Arms, where any person may be supplied with Printing, books, and paper, as formerly." Of his career after 1685 but little is known. There is a strong tradition in the family that, following the arrest before mentioned, he suffered many other persecutions on account of his religious faith, and, in consequence, removed to Amsterdam, Holland, where his four children who came to America are said to have

\* Bessie's "Sufferings of the Quakers," i. 466.



Memorandums of things worthy notice and the time when they happen'd within the Memory of John Brighthouse Junr. were each with his Grand father & mother on both Sides

My Grand Father Thomas Brighthouse was a Puritan of London married Elizabeth Hughes the 27. June 1647

My Father was Born the 19. June 1655 was just apprentice to Andrew Sober Stationer, and was made free of said City 31<sup>st</sup> mo

sett up his Trade & kept the Signe of the Bible in Greenway Street My Mother's Father Hilcoins Prache was a Priest in ord<sup>r</sup> 1733 in Garmine my Mother's first Husband John Matorse was a School

masters there was both convinced of the Truth Profess'd by the people call'd Quakers in the Year 1678 not having any to Joyne with their Deni

to ffr. in Holland & London and Received satisfactory answers to Com over accordingly My Grand mother's Brother being also

Convinced they all left Garmine went to Holland & from thence to London where John Matorse kept School at Christopher Taylors at Dorsetton where he Died the 5<sup>th</sup> June 1680

My Father was Married to Rosina Matorse the 2<sup>nd</sup> June 1682 My Grand Father Prache Didd and Grand mother Barbergs Prache with

her Daughter Merriem Killey and my Mother's Daughter Abigail Matorse a few weards Bittle was Convinced to go to

Pensylvania and all Settled in Philadel<sup>a</sup>. Who often wrote to my Father and Mother to Com over to them but my

Father could not be prevaild with to forsake the Ocean to a New Country in his Old age

James Born the 25. 12<sup>mo</sup> 1695 and my Father Didd

My Father being Dead my Mother concluded to transport her self & family of small Children into Pennsylvania where her Mother Sister & Daughter was and accordingly took Passage at London in the Brig<sup>t</sup> Hepingar Joshua Guy Master for her self and four Child ren being Elizabeth, John, Barbara, & George and landed at Philadel<sup>a</sup>.

FACSIMILE OF THE FIRST TWO PAGES OF THE JOURNAL OF JOHN BRIGHURST, JUNR. (See over)

After Elizabeth was sent to Mary Cook her Kin and  
I was put apprentice to George Gost of Dordrecht the 24<sup>th</sup> of June 1701  
my Brother George was taken to Grand Kitchen of Government where  
my Sister Deborah to John Silvester of Wye but did not come out for  
three years

After I had lived about five years my Master took up his  
and went to Barbados and was obliged over to David College of  
Doctor Barlow & Christopher the 24<sup>th</sup> June 1707 and lived with him till  
last of October my Master died in June 1709 had then about 10 Months  
to have lived if not by advice of my Mother with his Widow and was  
obliged being out of Money bare with Cloaths & shoes not good in kind  
after that I lived out my time since free present to work for my brother  
in the Valley about 300 miles back of Bristol where I continued  
to come to Bristol some 1711 then I went with my Sister who had  
a Room in the House with my Mother and Grandmother and I workt  
for my brother with both of them

My Mother died the Grandmother with the 5<sup>th</sup> June 1714  
my Sister Elizabeth was married to Edmund Dugworth

Widely by this time Experienced that washing every body hands not ad-  
vance me for what as fast as I got it and my Mother & Grandmother were  
Resolved to try my Luck at Sea for my Mother had a Ship was not to  
go as long as she lived I shipped my self Captain of the Ship Elizabeth  
Thomas Reed Master for Liverpool at three pounds per Tonne 1714  
which belonged to William Wilson he made 3 Voyages in six months  
and on my return I learnt Navigation with Mr. Adams

Myself on board the Ship Diamond with Captain Reed for London 1714  
which Voyage he completed in 20<sup>th</sup> months & half arrived 24<sup>th</sup> June

I shipped on board the Ship King George John Waller Master  
from Barbados to Barbados the first one 1714 (Completed this  
Voyage in 5 months) and made one other Voyage this summer in the  
Ship to Barbados and returned in the latter end of the 9<sup>th</sup> mo. 1714

The Ship lay up all winter and I improved my Navigation  
and went in the Ship the 3<sup>rd</sup> Voyage to Barbados in the Spring  
and Completed this Voyage in 4<sup>th</sup> then three months time 1714  
then went a fourth Voyage in the Ship with same Master

Joshua Cockfield Merchant to Connea where the Ship was  
leased for entering her Cargo short of what it was by  
information of P. Cockfield as was sayd she was tryd  
the manner of the Dutch (Edmond Gould at Barbados)



*I have a few Lines to Write concerning my  
Dear Husband.*

**H**E was an upright hearted man in his doings, he served the Lord with all his Heart, and was faithful in his place to every one that he was concerned with, to do them good, and it was his greatest delight to see truth prosper, especially amongst the young ones, with whom he was concerned, it was his greatest joy and satisfaction to see the Lords power breaking in upon them, so that he could not but Praise and Glorifie the Lord many a time for it, often upon his very Death-Bed he lay praising and glorifying of the Lord for his great mercies bestowed upon him.

And although I lost a dear and tender Husband, who was very dear to, and tender over me, yet (being in the Lords will,) I am content with the will of God, being also that he now reaps the reward, which many a time he travelled for; and in forsaking his country, and his Fathers house, to come amongst a people that served the Lord with uprightness of heart, he had his desire answered, and what great joy and peace he departed this Life, and is gone into everlasting happiness, to be with the Lord for ever and evermore.

*Rosina Matern.*

THE END.

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## SECOND GENERATION

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been born.\* The date and place of his death have not been definitely ascertained, but he died about 1699, at either Amsterdam or London, more probably at the latter place.

John Bringhurst married at London, 24th month (June), 1682, Rosina, daughter of Reverend Hillarius and Barbara Prache, or Prachen, and widow of John Matern. She was born in Germany, where her father had been a Lutheran clergyman, or, according to the "Memorandums" of John Bringhurst, "a Priest in Orders," and where, in 1671, he and his family, and John Matern, his son-in-law, became converts to the religion of the Friends, which led to their removal to England about that time. Such removal is thus referred to by John Matern in his "Testimony" † written 24 August, 1680, seven days before his death; "The Lord raised a desire in my Father-in-law, who was a Priest . . . to go to the People of the Lord which he had raised, gathered, and chosen for himself in England, . . . and as soon as he made it known to us, his wife and children, we found the same willingness, and freedom also in us to go out from our Fathers ‡ House and Kindred, not consulting with flesh and blood what would become of us. . . . And after we had made known our Desire and intent to some of our Dearest Friends, . . . we left all for the love of Truth, and went away . . . in all our Journey the Lord was with us, and brought us safe and well with Joy and Gladness of our Souls, to his Beloved People here in England.

Mrs. Bringhurst's father, Hillarius Prachen, died about 1693, and shortly afterwards her mother, sister, and step-daughter came to Philadelphia, bringing with them a "Certificate of Removal," from Friends in London, which is entered in the records of Friends' Meeting at Philadelphia, as follows :

"To ye frds & Brethren of ye Mo: Meeting at Philadelphia or elsewhere

"Whereas Barbara Prachin Relict of Hillarius Prachin & Mariana Van Buylaert Relict of John Van Buylaert and Abigaill Matern ye daughter of John George Matern School Master Deceased have an intention of Transporting themselves unto your Country and desire a certificate from us touching their conversation &c.

\* The "Memorandum" of his son John makes no mention of the family having lived in Holland, while the record of births of Friends' Meeting at Philadelphia notes the dates of birth of the children of John and Rosina Bringhurst, and state that they were "all born at Amsterdam."

† "The Testimony of that Dear and Faithful man, John Matern," etc., printed in London, 1680, the last page of which was written by his widow, as is seen from the fac-simile of the page herewith inserted.

‡ He doubtless refers to his own father.

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"These Therefore may certify all frd<sup>s</sup> concerned y<sup>t</sup> upon enquiry made Concerning the said Barbara Prachen Mariana Van Buylaert & Abigail Matern (mother daughter and grand daughter) we do not find but that they are free and clear from any engagement<sup>s</sup> in relation to marriage with any here and have been of sober conversation amongst friends so w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Salutation of dear Love in y<sup>e</sup> Holy and pretious Truth wee remain in y<sup>e</sup> ffellowship thereof your friends & Brethren, from y<sup>e</sup> frd<sup>s</sup> and Brethern of y<sup>e</sup> 2 weeks meeting in London y<sup>e</sup> 5 <sup>12</sup>/<sub>mo</sub> 1693/4."\*

After Mrs. Prachen settled in Philadelphia she frequently wrote to Mr. and Mrs. Bringhurst, urging them "to come over," but Mr. Bringhurst "could not be persuaded with to cross the ocean to a new country," as is learned from the "Memorandums" of the son, who further writes: "My father being dead, my mother concluded to transport herself & family of small children to Pennsylvania, . . . and accordingly took Passage at London in the Brigantine Messenger, James Guy Master, for herself and four children being Elizabeth, John, Barbara & George, & landed at Philadelphia." The date of their emigration is uncertain, but it was before 16 October, 1701, on which day Mrs. Bringhurst was a witness to the will of Samuel Siddon, of Philadelphia. She died at Philadelphia, 4 January, 1711/12, and her mother died there, 9 March, 1711/12.

Children, † born at London, England, or Amsterdam, Holland :

3. ROSINA ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>†</sup>, born 24 August, 1688; married, 10 September, 1713, Emanuel Dungworth, son of Richard Dungworth, of Philadelphia.
4. JOHN BRINGHURST,<sup>‡</sup> born 25 February, 1691; died 20 September, 1750; married Mary Claypoole.
5. BARBARA BRINGHURST<sup>†</sup>, born 29 March, 1693; married, 6 June, 1715, William Morrison.
6. GEORGE BRINGHURST<sup>†</sup>, born 15 May, 1697; died 18 February, 1752; married Anna Ashmead.

\* The certificate is signed by Thomas Hudsonn, Charles Bathurst, W<sup>m</sup> Ingram, Thos : Barker, Tho : Cox, W<sup>m</sup> Saunders, Philip Ford, Theodore Eccleston, John Staples, John Miller, John Tomkious, and Benjamin Bealing.

† There may have been other children who died before the family emigrated.



ROXBORO EN COTTON FAYORY, WILMINGTON, DELAWARE, ERRECTED BEFORE 1820  
BY DR. JOSEPH BRINGHERS!





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## THIRD GENERATION

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4. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>3</sup>, son of John Bringhurst<sup>2</sup> by his wife Rosina Prachen, was born at London, England, or Amsterdam, Holland, 25 February, 1691, and died on the Island of Barbadoes, 20 September, 1750. At the age of ten years he was apprenticed to George Guest, of Philadelphia, cooper, which trade he acquired, and at which he worked for a time, and then determined to try his "success at sea." He shipped as cooper of the Brig "Elizabeth," Thomas Reed master, and made a voyage to Surinam, returning from which he studied navigation with William Robins, and later made several sea-voyages, which are interestingly related in his "Memorandoms," printed in full in the Appendix to this volume. After his marriage in 1718, he quitted the life of a mariner and engaged in the cooperage business. In 1727 he engaged in commercial pursuits, still retaining, however, his cooperage establishment, in all of which he was successful, as a few years later, with the assistance of two others, he was enabled to pay for the building of the Brigantine "Joseph," and, with his partners, to freight the vessel and send her on voyages to foreign ports.

In 1721 he was chosen constable of the city, in 1725 was made Collector of Dock Ward, in 1728 was chosen one of the Overseers of the Poor, and three years later was made one of the Overseers of the Public School founded by charter from William Penn, now known as William Penn Charter School, in which capacity he was probably continued until his decease, as, on 1 March, 1749, he joined with James Logan, Israel Pemberton, Anthony Morris, and the other overseers in conveying land belonging to the School.

Mr. Bringhurst was prominent in the community and generally esteemed, and he was frequently called upon by his friends to execute private trusts. He is named as an executor of the will of William Carter in 1738, the will of Thomas Chalkley in 1742, and that of Simon Edghill the following year. He was also a prominent member of the Society of Friends, and was active in all of the religious work of the Monthly Meeting at Philadelphia, of which he was chosen an Elder, 30 December, 1748. The high esteem in which he was held by Friends is expressed in a memorial of him, printed in "The Friend," volume xxxi., page 108.

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His last will and testament, dated 16 June, 1750, and proved at Philadelphia, names wife Mary, sons Joseph, James, and John, daughter Mary, wife of Judah Foulke, daughter Elizabeth Bringhurst, and sister-in-law Elizabeth Claypoole. At the time of his death he was on a visit to Barbadoes, whither he had gone a short time before with the hope of improving his failing health. He died there at the house of "widow" Oxley, whose husband, John Oxley, had previously died at Mr. Bringhurst's house in Philadelphia while on a visit there.

He married, 30 October, 1718, Mary, daughter of John Claypoole, Esq<sup>re</sup>,\* and granddaughter of James Claypoole, Esq<sup>re</sup>,† a noted Pennsylvania colonist. She survived her husband, and died at Philadelphia, 2 July, 1761.

### Children, born at Philadelphia:

7. MARY BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 18 January, 1720/21; died 22 January, 1798; married Judah Foulke, Esq<sup>re</sup>.
8. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 9 November, 1722; died unmarried, 15 December, 1789. He was a prominent iron merchant, at Philadelphia, a contributor to the Pennsylvania Hospital, and one of the signers of the Non-Importation Resolutions.
9. ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 4 February, 1723/24; died 25 December, 1790.
10. JAMES BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 7 December, 1730; died at Portsmouth, Rhode Island, 27 February, 1810; married (1) Anne Pole; (2) Hannah Peters; (3) Ruth Barker.
11. THOMAS BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 17 January, and died 19 January, 1731.
12. JOSEPH BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 20 March, 1732/33; died at Wilmington, Delaware, in 1811. He was apprenticed to his father, at the trade of cooper, but eventually followed the footsteps of his father, and became a merchant. He was a contributor to the Pennsylvania Hospital and a member of the American Philosophical Society. He

\* JOHN CLAYPOOLE came to Pennsylvania in the ship "Amity" in 1682. He was assistant to Surveyor-General Holmes; Clerk of the Assembly from 1686 until 1688; and in 1687 became High Sheriff of Philadelphia, in which office he served several years. He was son of

† JAMES CLAYPOOLE, one of the most prominent of those who assisted Penn in founding Pennsylvania. On the organization of the Free Society of Traders in London, 29 May, 1682, Mr. Claypoole was chosen the treasurer of that organization, and retained the office until his death, 6 August, 1687. In 1683 he was appointed Deputy Register-General of the Province, but declined the office. In 1685 he was commissioned a justice of the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia, over which body he presided, and in the same year he was commissioned one of the justices of the Supreme Court. In 1686 he was elected a member of the Assembly, and during the year of his death he became a member of the Provincial Council. For particulars of his ancestry and family, see the "Claypoole Genealogy," by Mrs. Graff, published at Philadelphia in 1893.

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never married, and left at his death a large estate. For many years he kept a journal, or "Memorandum," in which he noted happenings that interested him, a fac-simile of which is inserted in the Appendix.

13. DEBORAH BRINGHURST<sup>1</sup>, born 21 December, 1734; died 16 January, 1735.

14. DEBORAH BRINGHURST<sup>1</sup>, born 15 September, 1736; died 16 April, 1737.

6. GEORGE BRINGHURST<sup>3</sup>, second son of John Bringhurst<sup>2</sup> by his wife Rosina Prachen, was born at London, England, or Amsterdam, Holland, 15 May, 1697, and died at Germantown, Philadelphia, 18 February, 1752. His life at Germantown began in his youth, when he was apprenticed to Arent Klicken, weaver, a prominent citizen of that town. If he was instructed in the trade of a weaver it would appear that he did not make this his occupation, but engaged in the saddlery business, in which he prospered and came to possess a goodly estate. In the Germantown tax-list of 1734 he is assessed for twenty-six and one-half acres, and from this list it is learned that his immediate neighbors were Henry Pastorius, on the one side, and John Ashmead, his father-in-law, on the other. He was one of the fifteen persons present on 14 September, 1740, when the limits of Market Square, Germantown, were surveyed and fixed by Benjamin Eastburn, Surveyor-General of the Province. From a mortgage given by himself and wife Anna, 13 January, 1731/32, we learn that he was then the owner of three tracts of land, one of which he purchased in 1726 of John and Mary Jarret. The inventory filed in his estate enumerates several landed possessions in Germantown and a tract of eight and one-half acres in the Northern Liberties of Philadelphia. The following is the copy of his last will and testament:

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT I GEORGE BRINGHURST OF GERMAN-TOWN in the County of Philadelphia and Province of Pennsylvania Sadler being weak and indisposed in Body, But through the Goodness of God am of Sound disposing mind and memory Calling to mind therefore the uncertainty of my time here I have thought it Convenient to settle my outward affairs by this my last Will and Testament First requesting that all and singular my just Debts funeral expences &c. be well and truly paid & discharged, and the residue of my Estate I dispose of in manner following—that is to say I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Anna Bringhurst the following Goods & particulars Viz: my best Bead, Beading, Bedstead, Curtains and all furnature to the said Bed blonging, A Chest of drawers a looking Glass, a large Arm Chair & a dozen of my best other Chairs, a large Black Walnut Table, a Joynt stool table, a Couch, a pendelum Watch or Clock a Corner Cupboard, an Iron Stove now in Use, warming pan, a Walnut Chest with two drawers, a Cow & dung

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hook & fork & all the Hay & other fodder now in the Barn a Dough Trough a large Brass Kettle & a smaller one a large Iron Pot & a lesser one, a Bell Metal Pot with my Pot racks and hooks a pair of And Irons fire shovel & Tongs & Grid Iron, a Box Iron & heaters, a frying pan & Baking Iron, a flesh fork brass Skimmer & all my Pewter a Tea Kettle two Tea Potts & all other Tea furniture A Quilting frame all my stone Jugs a Cradle & side Sadle, all our Earthen Ware & Candlesticks Snuffers and Candle Box, all our linnens and Woollens both made and unmade into wearables, a Coffee pot a Coffy mill a dressing Box, a little Trunk with a smaller one in it a gold ring a big & little Spinning wheel, a spade & wheelbarrow, all which I give & bequeath unto her my said dear Wife for her Use & to dispose of at her discretion, I give & bequeath to my son John Bringhurst all my Tools for making of Saddles or Sadlary Uttensils whatsoever & in whose hand soever the same are found. I give & bequeath to my Son George Bringhurst a Cros Cut saw & all my Saws & tools or utensils Saddletree making and a Chest to hold part of said Tools & all the wood which I have for making of Saddletrees, as also a Bible my Desk & a pair of Gold Buttons —I give & bequeath to my Daughter Hester Bringhurst a Bed, Beadstead Bedding, Curtains & all furniture to the said Bed belonging, a black Walnut Chamber Table, a dressing Box a looking Glass, a pair of And Irons, fire shovel & Tongs & half a dozen of Chairs, and I will that my wearing apparel be made Use of for the Clothing of my two little Sons Samuel and William, all the remainder of my Moveables I will and require to be disposed of and sold and the same with all other my Personal Estate appropriated to the subsistence of my Wife and Younger Children, the which Younger Children I request may be kept to School until they are capable to be put to prentice which should be at the age of fourteen Years at the longest and in order for the discharging of my Just Debts I will and require that such a part of my Real Estate as to my Executrix & her Assistants herein after named shall seem necessary shall be sold and disposed of in the best manner & for the best price that may be had for the same (with this Proviso that if possible my House wherein I now dwell with some part of my Land and Buildings lying Contiguous & Convenient thereunto be reserved & kept for the Use and Benefit of my Wife and Children in such manner as I shall hereinafter direct) Wherefore I impower & authorise my Executrix hereinafter named, or those whom I may appoint Executors in her room in case of her disability or the Survivor of them to Sell and dispose of part of my Real Estate in manner as is above directed and make and execute good & sufficient Deed or Deeds, Conveyance or Conveyances for the same to the Purchaser or purchasers & to his her or their Heirs and Assigns forever in fee Simple And with the Money arising by such Sale to pay and discharge all my Just Debts as aforesaid and as to the remaining part of my Real Estate to wit my dwelling House & Lot thereunto belonging I give & bequeath the Use Rents & Profits thereof to my beloved Wife aforesaid to be appropriated to the Maintaining of herself and the Maintaining Clothing & Schooling of our two Youngest Children until they are put out to prentice, I also give & bequeath the use Rents and Profits aforesaid to my said Wife for and during her Natural Life if she continues so long my Widow, But in Case she intermarries then and in such Case she shall have the Thirds of <sup>s<sup>d</sup></sup> Rents and Profits during her natural life, and the other two thirds to be equally divided amongst my Surviving Children, The Use Rents and Profits of my said Real Estate is to be understood to be vested in my said Wife until my said two Youngest Children be put out prentice whether she marries or otherwise

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for her and their support as aforesaid and after my Wives decease I give and bequeath my said remaining Real Estate unto all my Children to wit John, Sarah, George, Hester, Samuel & William and to their Heirs and Assigns forever in fee Simple to be divided amongst them in manner following that is to say my two Youngest Children Samuel & William to have Ten Pounds each lawful Money of Pennsylvania or Value thereof more or over and above the Proportion of the other four, in Consideration that my said four Eldest Children have had something more by this Will & otherwise than my said Youngest Children have had, so that my said four Eldest Children shall have an equal proportion of my said remaining Real Estate share and share alike— And my two youngest Children shall have such a proportion and Ten Pound each or Value thereof more than the four eldest is each to have, And if any or either of my said Children should depart this life in their Minority unmarried & without lawful Issue, in such Case my Surviving Children & their Heirs shall have the decedents part or proportion equally share & share alike. The Heirs representative or representatives of any of my Children who may be deceased before they receive their part is to have the said part equally divided amongst them I Nominate Constitute and appoint my beloved Wife Anna Bringhurst aforesaid Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament and Guardian to my Younger Children aforesaid—And I appoint my Son John Bringhurst and Son in Law George Palmer my Trustees and Assistants to my said dear Wife in Case of need, and in Case of my wife's death or being otherwise disabled to go through & finish the affairs of her Executrix ship in such Case I appoint them my said Son John & Soninlaw George Palmer as Executors & Guardians to my said Children in her room and stead with full power to them or the Survivor of them to act & do in all things as fully & amply as she could or might have done in case she were living and otherwise Capable of said Trust I do hereby revoke and make void all other and former Wills or Testaments by word or writing by me at any time heretofore made or expressed ratifying & Confirming this only as my last Will & Testament IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal Dated the twenty first day of January in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and fifty two 1752.

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the }  
said George Bringhurst as his last Will & Testa- } GEORGE BRINGHURST [SEAL]  
ment in the presence of us }

John Jones  
Danl. Mackenet  
Tho<sup>s</sup> Rose

Mr. Bringhurst had no doubt given attention to the education of his children, as is indicated by the direction in his will that the two youngest be "kept at school."

He married, 1 September, 1723, Anna Ashmead, born at Cheltenham, Philadelphia (now Montgomery) County, Pennsylvania, 9 February, 1707/8; died at Germantown, in August, 1760; daughter of John Ash-

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mead \* by his wife Sarah, daughter of Samuel Sellers, of Darby, Pennsylvania. The Bible of Mrs. Bringhurst, possessed by her before marriage, on a leaf of which is written "Anna Ashmead Her Book, 1718," is still preserved in the family. It was presented by her to her son William, "September 25th 1759." The will † of Mrs. Bringhurst, dated 6, and proved 26 August, 1760, names sons John, George, Samuel, and William, son-in-law George Palmer, and grandchildren Elizabeth, Anna, Mary, and George Palmer.

### Children, all born at Germantown:

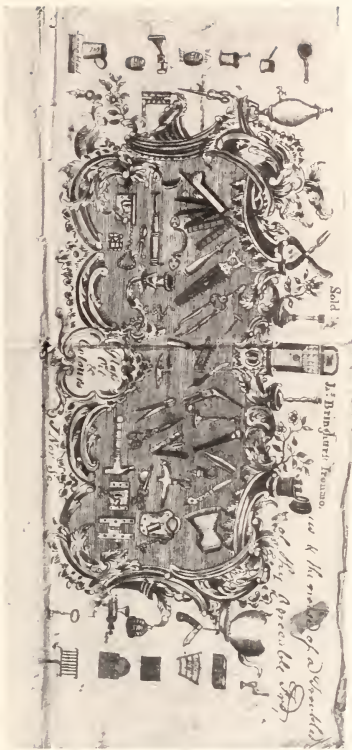
15. SARAH BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 20 April, 1724; died before the date of her mother's will; married George Palmer.
16. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 19 February, 1725/26; died 18 March, 1795; married (1) Mary Finney; (2) Elizabeth Shute.
17. MARY BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 28 March, 1728/29; died 2 July, 1749.
18. HANNAH BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 23 April, 1730; probably died young.
19. GEORGE BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 12 September, 1732; died 7 April, 1797; married Sarah Trump.
20. ESTHER BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 2 December, 1734; married, 20 July, 1758, Arthur Broades, and died without issue.
21. ANNA BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 25 August, 1737; probably died young.
22. SAMUEL BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 6 January, 1740; died 8 May, 1818; married Susanna Keen.
23. REBECCA BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 5 January, 1744; probably died young.
24. WILLIAM BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 24 June, 1745; died 16 October, 1798; married, 4 June, 1769, Mary Morris.

\* JOHN ASHMEAD, born at Cheltenham, county Gloucester, England, 14 October, 1648, emigrated to Pennsylvania in 1682 or 1683, in company with his mother, Mary Ashmead, his wife and two children, and his brother-in-law, Toby Leech, with his family. Ashmead and Leech had purchased a large tract of land from William Penn, at what is now Cheltenham township, Montgomery County, then a part of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and here they settled, giving the name to the township. John Ashmead died there, 21 December, 1688. He married, at Cheltenham, England, Mary, daughter of William Currier, of that place. She died at Cheltenham, Pennsylvania, 22 December, 1688, the day following the decease of her husband. His mother died there two years later, and letters of administration on her estate were granted to her son-in-law, Toby Leech. The latter was a large landowner and a prominent man in the Province, serving several years in the Assembly.

JOHN ASHMEAD named in the text, son of John and Mary (Currier) Ashmead, was born at Cheltenham, England, 12 July, 1679; died at Germantown, Philadelphia, 7 October, 1742; married, 12 October, 1703, Sarah, daughter of Samuel Sellers, ‡ of Darby, Pennsylvania, by his wife Anna Gibbons, born at Darby, 13 July, 1685. † Philadelphia Will Book L, 506.

‡ SAMUEL SELLERS was an early Quaker colonist. He emigrated to Pennsylvania in 1682, from Belper, county Darby, England, and settled in Darby, Pennsylvania, where he died in 1732. He is the ancestor of the prominent family of that name, in and about Philadelphia. He married in 1684, Anna, daughter of Henry Gibbons. §

§ HENRY GIBBONS emigrated to Pennsylvania in 1682, from Partridge, county Darby, England, with his wife Helen and family. He was a Friend, and resided in or near Darby, Pennsylvania, until his death in 1701.



AN ILLUSTRATION OF THE SHOP WINDOW OF JAMES BRINDLEY, IRON MERCHANT



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7. MARY BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, eldest child of John Bringhurst<sup>3</sup> by his wife Mary Claypoole, was born at Philadelphia, 18 January, 1720/21; died there, 22 January, 1798; married, 16 February, 1743/44, Judah Foulke, Esq<sup>re</sup>, born at Gwynedd, Pennsylvania, 30 July, 1722; died at Philadelphia, 24 January, 1776; son of

Cadwalader Foulke by his wife Mary Evans. Mr. Foulke was a prominent and active citizen of Philadelphia. From 1745 until 1750 he was Collector of Excise; in 1770, 1771, and 1772 was High Sheriff of the county; from 1770 to 1774, Marshal of the Admiralty; in 1773 was appointed Clerk of the Market, and during the same year was commissioned by Governor John Penn, Sealer of Weights and Measures for the county. In 1754 he was elected a member of the "Colony-in-Schuylkill," the oldest social organization in America, and in 1758 he became a contributor to the Pennsylvania Hospital. In 1763 he was chosen a member of the "Fishing Company of Fort St. David's," in 1765 was a signer of the famous "Non-Importation Agreement," and on 25 March, 1775, was chosen by Congress one of the signers of the one million dollars of Continental bills ordered to be issued at that time.

### Children:

25. CADWALADER FOULKE<sup>5</sup>, born in 1748.

26. MARY FOULKE<sup>5</sup>, born in 1753.

27. JOHN FOULKE<sup>5</sup>, born in 1757; died in 1796; became an eminent physician in Philadelphia; was educated at Robert Proud's noted school; studied medicine, and graduated therein at the College of Philadelphia, in 1789, and then went to Paris "to improve himself in Surgery and Physics." Before his graduation he served in a medical capacity in the Revolution. Robert Morton, in his Diary, under date of 8 October, 1777, writes: "I went to see Doc. Foulk amputate an American soldier's leg, which he completed in 20 minutes, while the physician of the military hospital was 40 min. performing an operation of the same nature;" and Dr. Barnabas Binney, writing from the "General Hospital, French Creek, 30 miles from Philadelphia," under date of 31 August, 1778, in mentioning a number of medical men with the army, says, "Young J. Foulk is with *post*; a pedantic young Quaker still." Dr. Foulke is said to have been the earliest demonstrator and lecturer on anatomy in the Medical College of Philadelphia, and during the yellow fever epidemic of

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1793 he absented himself from his home for days at a time, devoting his attention to the sick in the infected districts. He was a member of the College of Physicians, and an officer of the American Philosophical Society, before which body he delivered the annual oration in 1789. He married, 8 May, 1788, Eleanor, daughter of Richard Parker, and had issue.

28. ELIZABETH FOULKE<sup>5</sup>, born 28 September, 1758; died 19 October, 1820.

29. DEBORAH FOULKE<sup>5</sup>, born 28 September, 1764; married (1) William Pearson; (2) Isaac Tyson.

10. JAMES BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, son of John Bringhurst<sup>3</sup> by his wife Mary Claypoole, was born at Philadelphia, 7 December, 1730; died at Portsmouth, Rhode Island, 27 February, 1810, and was buried in the Friends' burying-ground at Tiverton, in that State. His early business career was that of a master carpenter and builder, but he subsequently became a merchant, and acquired large wealth. His father-in-law, John Pole, a wealthy merchant of Philadelphia, owned a country-seat, embracing a large tract of land on Gray's Ferry Road, at what is now Thirtieth and Thirty-first Streets. After Mr. Pole's death in 1755, Mr. Bringhurst, partly through the inheritance of his wife, and partly by purchases from the other heirs of Pole, became the possessor of this estate, and there maintained a handsome and well appointed country-seat for many years. A portion of the estate remained in the Bringhurst family until 1850.\* Mr. Bringhurst would seem to have had some knowledge of carriage-building,—the occupation for several generations of many of the Bringhursts of the Germantown branch of the family. Hannah Callender, in her Diary under date of 26 August, 1761, writes: "Parents consenting Anna Pole, Betsy Bringhurst, H. Callender, James Bringhurst, and Samuel Sansom set out for Bethlehem and the country adjacent, intending a tour of a week or ten days in a complete light wagon (for a pair of horses) made by James Bringhurst." † He was a member of the Carpenters' Company, of which he was Warden in 1769, and one of its managers in 1772/75, and was one of the trustees to whom was conveyed the land on which the noted "Carpenters' Hall" is built. In 1761 he became a contributor to the Pennsylvania Hospital,

\* Robert Morton, in his Diary, under date of 20 October, 1777, at which time the British Army were in possession of Philadelphia, notes that a foraging party, consisting of Hessian soldiers, foraged at the plantation of James Pemberton, and "from thence they went to J. Bringhurst's place, where they took all the Hay and most of ye Potatoes which belonged to the tenant." (See *Pennsylvania Magazine of History*, i. 20.)

† *Pennsylvania Magazine of History*, xii. 448.



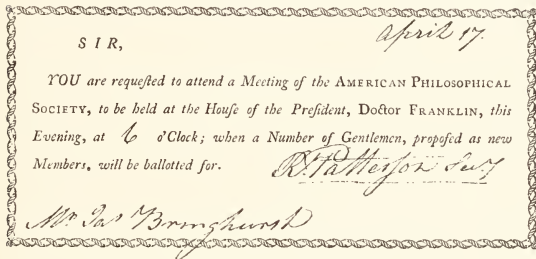
MR. AND MRS. JAMES BRINTHURST





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and in 1768 a member of the American Philosophical Society, and he was a member of the building committee which conducted the construction of the Hall of the society in Independence Square. A fac-simile of his notice to attend a meeting of the society is here inserted.\* He re-



tired from business some years before his death, and the last two years of his life he resided in Rhode Island. Mr. Bringham's family was prominent in social circles in Philadelphia, and in the Directory of the city and in his will he is styled "gentleman." He was a member of the Society of Friends.

He married (1), February, 1761, Anne, daughter of John Pole,† of Philadelphia, by his wife Rachel Smith. She died at Philadelphia, 5 March, 1777, aged 44 years. He married (2), circa 1778, Hannah Peters, who was buried 19 September, 1782, aged 31 years. He married (3) Ruth Barker, born 15 January, 1746; died 6 December, 1815; daughter of Abraham Barker, of Tiverton, Rhode Island, by his wife Susanna Anthony.

\* The meeting was held 17 April, 1789, when La Princesse Catharine d'Aschkaw, of Russia, Don Francis de Gardoyne, "auditor of the Rota for the Crown of Castile at the Court of Rome," John Stephens, Junr, of New Jersey, the eminent engineer and scientist, General Winthrop Sargent, and others were elected to membership.

† JOHN POLE was born in England, 31 December, 1705, and died at Philadelphia, 5 January, 1755. He married at Friends' Meeting-House, Burlington, New Jersey, 22 January, 1735, Rachel, daughter of Dr. Richard Smith, of Burlington, by his wife Ann Marshall. In the marriage record he is styled as "of Bustlehay, Wivelscombe, Somersetshire," from which it is apparent that he had but recently come to America. After his marriage he settled in Philadelphia, where he was a prosperous merchant, and became possessed of a large estate. For an account of his wife's family, which was a prominent one in New Jersey, see "The Smith Family of Burlington."

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Children, all by his first wife, and born at Philadelphia :

30. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>3</sup>, born 1 April, 1762; died 4 August, 1763.
31. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>3</sup>, born 25 April, 1764; died 16 June, 1800; married Mary Lawton.
32. JAMES BRINGHURST<sup>3</sup>, born 4 March, 1766; died 27 May, 1818; married (1) Rachel Bettle; (2) Ann Carroll.
33. JOSEPH BRINGHURST<sup>3</sup>, born 6 October, 1767; died 26 July, 1834; married Deborah Ferris.
34. JONATHAN BRINGHURST<sup>3</sup>, born 8 May, 1769; died 9 November, 1818, unmarried.
35. EDWARD BRINGHURST<sup>3</sup>, born 16 December, 1770; died 26 September, 1794, unmarried.
36. RACHEL BRINGHURST<sup>3</sup>, born 15 February, 1775; died 16 February, 1777.

15. SARAH BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, eldest child of George Bringhurst<sup>3</sup> by his wife Anna Ashmead, was born at Germantown, 20 April, 1724; died before 6 June, 1760; married at Christ Church, Philadelphia, 23 January, 1749/50, George Palmer, of Germantown, who was buried there, 15 April, 1781.

Children, all born before 1760 :

37. ELIZABETH PALMER<sup>5</sup>.
38. ANNA PALMER<sup>5</sup>.
39. MARY PALMER<sup>5</sup>.
40. GEORGE PALMER<sup>5</sup>.

16. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, eldest son of George Bringhurst<sup>3</sup> by his wife Anna Ashmead, was born at Germantown, 19 February, 1725/26; died there, 18 March, 1795. He resided at what is now the south-east corner of Main and Bringhurst Streets, his estate at that point consisting of a tract of nineteen acres. Some years after his death his heirs divided the tract into building lots and opened through the land the street bearing the family name. Mr. Bringhurst was a prominent citizen of Germantown, and there conducted an extensive business as a coach and chaise builder. He was one of the first, if not the first, to build what is known as the "Germantown waggon," in the construction of which he largely engaged shortly after the Revolution. In 1780 he built a "chariot" for General Washington, who, in a letter from "Head-quarters" of the Army, under date of 20 March, that year, to John Mitchell, deputy quartermaster-general of the army, writes: "You do

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Sir,

Y<sup>e</sup> service to me is conveyed by  
express, & being the known author of the  
true good and maker of the true German  
the "Buckhorn" & "Sinsinope" will please  
to make me a receipt for the same with  
real paper, for my personal use with the  
intention - I wish to have the term said  
to be that I am there is one - but I  
do not keep it ~~as~~ the name of said  
is to be had without the carriage  
The word is not more real in  
it is to be a ~~word~~ in these things, or  
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in the ~~word~~, no more in a receipt, or  
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You will do me a favor by  
returning this letter speedily as I have  
particular concerns & request  
I am Dear Sir

Wm Mitchell Esq

I must look to the  
to enquire whether  
whether it is necessary to the  
& then mess, necessary to the  
a chariot could we had in any of the  
traps or even any of the coach makers  
in the city there is a good workshop at  
Meredith in this place but he has not  
the kind of our return by him to  
to complete a chariot

Wm Mitchell Esq  
20<sup>th</sup> March 1780  
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me a favour by enquiring, & letting me know as soon as possible, if any good coach-maker in Phil<sup>a</sup> or German Town (Bringhurst for instance) will engage to make me a genteel plain chariot with real Harness for four horses to go with two postilions. I wish to know the terms and in how short a time it can be done." Ten days later he further writes: "In case you should purchase, please to have my arms and crest properly disp<sup>d</sup> of on the chariot," and four days later Mr. Mitchell writes to Washington: "This day I went to Germantown & have prevailed on Mr. Bringhurst to let you have a Chariot he has in hand—it appears to be good Work & well seasoned timber, the size is 3 feet 6½ inches high and 3 feet 10 inches wide—& will have a very very good second Cloth or better if to be got, this will be ready in 6 weeks." From other letters which passed between General Washington and Mr. Mitchell on this subject, it appears that the price of the chariot was £210 in gold; that Mr. Bringhurst purchased General Washington's old coach, for which he paid £27, and that the chariot was used for the first time, in the latter part of June, to carry Mrs. Washington from Philadelphia to Mount Vernon. Under date of 26 June, Mr. Mitchell writes: "Mrs Washington is very well and expects to sett off for Virginia on Sunday next—the chariot will be finished on Thursday or Friday next, & I believe will please your Lady." That Mr. Bringhurst came to be recognized as the foremost man in Philadelphia County in his line of business is apparent in that he was selected to lead the coach-builders in the famous "Federal Parade" which took place in Philadelphia, 4 July, 1788, to celebrate the adoption of the Constitution of the United States.\*

In 1760 Mr. Bringhurst, with his brother George, conveyed a lot of ground to the trustees of the Germantown Union School, now the Germantown Academy, on which lot the present Academy building stands. From the founding of the Academy until his decease he held almost continuously some position of trust in connection with it. He was a member of its first building committee, and many years one of its trustees, and president of the board of trustees in 1787/89. In 1769 he became a contributor to the Pennsylvania Hospital, and in 1775 he was a member of the Committee of Correspondence for Philadelphia County. Mr.

\* In the printed account of this Parade, the XLIX Section in the line is thus noted: "*Coach Makers*.—Preceded by Mr. John Bringhurst in a phaeton, drawn by two horses, and bearing a draft of a coach on a white silk flag."

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Bringhurst was one of the wealthiest citizens of his day in Germantown, and in the tax-list of 1780 his estate is rated the second highest in the list. His will, dated 27 December, 1794, proved 4 April, 1795, names wife Elizabeth, children Mary Shute, George Bringhurst, Margaret Simmons, Anna McCullough, Sarah Bringhurst, Elizabeth Dunant, and Isaac, Jesse, and Thomas Bringhurst, and sons-in-law James Simmons, John McCullough, and Edward Dunant.

He married (1) Mary Finney, daughter of Charles Finney by his wife Elizabeth Tregeny. She died about 1753, and he married (2), *circa* 1754, Elizabeth Shute, born 12 November, 1735; died at Germantown, 18 April, 1808. Both she and her husband are buried in Hood's Cemetery, Germantown, where a large flat stone, with inscriptions, marks their graves. She was a daughter of Joseph and Anne Shute.\*

\* THOMAS SHUTE was the first of that surname in Pennsylvania. He was a Quaker and came to the Province as early as 1690. The first mention of him there is under date of 25 August, 1690, when he purchased of Samuel Carpenter one hundred acres of land in Bristol township.† He is on the tax-list of that township, 28 September, 1693, but during that year he sold the property purchased of Carpenter to John Lukens, of Germantown.‡ He later purchased one hundred and twenty acres in the Northern Liberties, and about the same time a tract of eleven hundred and thirty acres, bordering on Bucks County, and some of the land being in that county.§ On 21 February, 1723/24, he bought of Charles Read and others a lot of ground on Pine Street, between Ninth and Tenth Streets, containing in front three hundred and ninety-six feet and in depth three hundred and sixty-six feet. His last known acquirement of land was on 2 December, 1742, when he bought a tract of forty acres in the Northern Liberties. He was one of the substantial citizens of Philadelphia, but does not seem to have aspired to public office, as his name is not found in the civil list of his day. He married (1), 9 October, 1694, Elizabeth, daughter of John Hood, of Darby. She died 4 May, 1695, and he married (2), 29 December, 1696, Elizabeth, daughter of William Powell, of Philadelphia. Mr. Shute died at Philadelphia, 3 December, 1748, and his wife Elizabeth Powell died 3 July, 1743. His last will and testament, dated 20 December, 1748, was proved at Philadelphia the following year, from which it would appear that his children living at the making of his will were Christian, Joseph, William, Jacob, and Isaac.

### Children of Thomas and Elizabeth (Powell) Shute :

- I. CHRISTIAN, married, 25 5mo., 1717, Samson Davis.
- II. JOSEPH SHUTE, married.
- III. WILLIAM SHUTE, married, 30 June, Elizabeth Steel, daughter of James Steel, Register-General of Pennsylvania.
- IV. THOMAS SHUTE, died 1 November, 1738.
- V. ISAAC SHUTE, died 16 September, 1702.
- VI. ELIZABETH SHUTE, died 28 6mo., 1736.
- VII. JACOB SHUTE, married, 27 August, 1725, Mary Royden.
- VIII. ANN SHUTE, died 21 August, 1735.
- IX. ABRAHAM SHUTE, died 7 December, 1718.
- X. ISAAC SHUTE, died 1735.

JOSEPH SHUTE, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Powell) Shute, was born in Philadelphia, and probably died there, although the record of his death has not been found; nor has the record of his marriage, or the name of his wife, been found. He resided in the Northern Liberties, on a tract of two hundred acres, which came to him under his father's will. A part of this tract he conveyed to his grandson, George Bringhurst.

† Philadelphia Exemption Deed Book VII., 446.

‡ *Ibid.*, 443.

§ *Ibid.*, II., 209.

Dear Sir

Philad<sup>a</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> April 1780

Your ~~order~~ of the 30<sup>th</sup> ultimo, was handed me on <sup>Friday</sup> Evening, on Monday morning I got Mr Mordeth's (Gen<sup>l</sup> Dickenson's who  
not in town) and several other gentlemen to go to look at the Charish  
who all agreed it was good Work & neatly finished in the present Year  
the Wood has been well seasoned, the only objection appears to be the size  
it is 3 feet 4 inches high from the seat to the top, and 3 feet 6 inches  
wide in the inside if those dimensions will do the Carriage will  
I believe please you, the cloth is not a good second but looks pretty  
well - This day I went to Germantown & have prevailed on Mr Bingham  
to let you have a Charish he has in hand - it appears to be good Work  
& well seasoned timber, the size is 3 feet 6 1/2 inches high and 3 feet 10  
inches wide - will have a very good second cloth & better if to be had  
this will be ready in six Weeks, the horse in Lon<sup>d</sup> says the price  
the same, Mr Carter is the maker of the first, Mr Barril Paints both  
both men want their money as soon as possible

If your Excellency will determine when I should let me  
know, I will see it finished in the best manner and will pay  
them part of the money immediately, & send a receipt  
to your seat in Virginia if you think proper -

I have sent you the Map, two Stone Bars of large Stone  
Lug, by a Wagon that set off three days ago, I carried them  
and some Boxes from Don Juan De Narillas to the sea

349 Mr Jacob Mifflin with orders to send them to Head Quarters  
I immediately hope they will get safe. I can not get a French Brod  
under 80 Dollars, & 50 Dollars for a black head ~~Brood~~ Parson  
if you approve of these prices they shall be sent immediately —  
The Chamber will go by the Parson who will return with you since  
I have the honor to be with great respect

Your Excellency  
Most Obedt. Servt.  
J. Mitchell  
C. D. M.

Your Excellency  
General Washington



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### Children, born at Germantown :

41. MARY BRINGHURST<sup>2</sup>, born 14 May, 1751; married John Shute.
42. GEORGE BRINGHURST<sup>2</sup>, born 20 June, 1755; died 29 December, 1829; married Anna Clarkson.
43. MARGARET BRINGHURST<sup>2</sup>, born *circa* 1757; died 8 February, 1798, in her 41st year; married James Simmons, who died at Germantown, in 1809.\*
44. ANNA BRINGHURST<sup>2</sup>, married John McCullough.
45. SARAH BRINGHURST<sup>2</sup>, born in 1761; died 27 October, 1831.
46. ISAAC BRINGHURST<sup>2</sup>, married Mrs. William Williams.
47. ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>2</sup>, born 5 September, 1765; died 3 November, 1822; married, 26 April, 1786, Edward Dunant, born 5 January, 1764; died 22 May, 1813; both buried in Christ Church graveyard, Philadelphia.
48. JESSE BRINGHURST<sup>2</sup>, born in 1770; died 24 April, 1822; married Mildred Keen.
49. THOMAS BRINGHURST<sup>2</sup>, born 21 June, 1775; died 8 August, 1849; married Mary Fraley.

19. GEORGE BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, second son of George Bringhurst<sup>3</sup> by his wife Anna Ashmead, was born in Germantown, 12 September, 1732; died there, 7 April, 1797, and is buried in Hood's Cemetery. He resided on Main Street, Germantown, where he owned several houses. He was for some years one of the trustees of the Germantown Union School, now Germantown Academy, and a contributor to its support. His will, dated 7 April, 1797, proved 21 of the same month,† styles him "Saddletree Maker," and names wife Sarah, and the children given below, in the order named. He married, 14 October, 1760, Sarah Trump, of Whitmarsh township; she died April, 1812, in the seventy-fifth year of her age.

### Children, born at Germantown :

50. ANN BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, married, as first wife, Shubert Armitage, a lieutenant in the Revolutionary Army, by whom she left her surviving four children: 51. MARY<sup>6</sup>; 52. ALMIRA<sup>6</sup>; 53. REBECCA<sup>6</sup>; and 54. GEORGE<sup>6</sup>.

\* JAMES SIMMONS, by his wife Margaret Bringhurst, left three children surviving him,—to wit, John Bringhurst Simmons, William S. Simmons, and Catharine Simmons. The latter married Colonel Condy Raguet, a prominent Philadelphian, who served in the war of 1812, first as captain of the Washington Guards, and later as lieutenant-colonel of the battalion commanded by Colonel Clement C. Biddle. Colonel Raguet was born at Philadelphia, 28 January, 1784, and died there, 22 March, 1842, and a sketch of him will be found in Appleton's "Cyclopedia of American Biography," v. 160.

† Philadelphia Will Book X., 567.

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55. WILLIAM BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, born *circa* 1765; died February, 1850.  
56. GEORGE BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>,\* born 1767; died 4 April, 1798.  
57. MARY BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, died 7 November, 1797.  
58. CLEMENT BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, died in 1860; married.  
59. ROBERT BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, born in 1778; died 2 November, 1832; married Margaret Brewster.

22. SAMUEL BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, son of George Bringhurst<sup>3</sup> by his wife Anna Ashmead, was born at Germantown, Philadelphia, 6 January, 1740; died there, 8 May, 1818; married, *circa* 1765, Susanna Keen, born 9 August, 1744; died 2 January, 1818; daughter of Matthias Keen † by his first wife Mary Swift, sister of John Swift, Esq<sup>re</sup>, who was for many years Collector of the Port of Philadelphia. From 1784 until 1815 Mr. Bringhurst was a trustee of the Germantown Union School.

Children, born at Germantown:

60. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born in 1768; died in infancy.  
61. MATTHIAS BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born in 1770.  
62. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born in 1771; died in 1816.  
63. TACY BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 5 March, 1776; died 6 August, 1840; married Samuel Ashmead.  
64. SAMUEL BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born in 1778.  
65. HENRIETTA BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born in 1781.  
66. MATTHEW BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born in 1783.  
67. ANNA BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born in 1785.  
68. MARY BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 24 August, 1787; died 28 July, 1871; married William Lehman.

24. WILLIAM BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, youngest child of George Bringhurst<sup>3</sup> by his wife Anna Ashmead, was born at Germantown, Philadelphia, 24 June, 1745; died 16 October, 1798; married, 4 June, 1769, Mary Morris, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Morgan Edwards, "at the house of the widow Morris in Arch Street," Philadelphia.

\* It is possible that he had married, as the records of Old Swedes Church, Philadelphia, note the burial, 5 August, 1795, of Sarah Bringhurst, "10 months old," daughter of George and Elizabeth Bringhurst, and Eliza Bringhurst, "7 months old," daughter of George Bringhurst.

† MATTHIAS KEEN was a descendant of Johan Kyn or Keen, an early Swedish colonist on-the-Delaware, and the founder of the well-known Keen family of Philadelphia. The History of this family, written by Gregory B. Keen, Esq<sup>re</sup>, the present librarian of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, is printed in the Pennsylvania Magazine of History, Volumes II. to VII., and is one of the most interesting publications on family history that has appeared in Pennsylvania.

Read & Packer's. June 26  
1780

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Your Letter of the 19<sup>th</sup> accor-  
ding to the thread here as we have found  
-the latter is correct in it, but they  
must do. -

Thank you for the trouble  
you have had about the Service - The  
tax for which the old one will stand with  
you say by as in your hands, you will be  
satisfied to pay to Mr. Mathewson, order  
-first deducting the price of the Mercantile  
quarter, of the 20<sup>th</sup> pair, to Mr. Mathewson  
the enclosed to Mr. Mathewson, which  
recalled of a private nature of the  
ought not to go to public use.

My Compliments to Mr. Mathewson  
Mitchell and Sam

Dear Sir

Wm. Mitchell  
Esq.  
1780

Wm. Mitchell Esq.  
22 Fox & Pine

Dr. Sir

Philad. 26 June 1780

Your Excellency's favor of the 16<sup>th</sup> Instant did not come to hand before the 23<sup>rd</sup> Instant in the Evening. I have sent a piece of Lean and a piece of Drilling by the Beaver Cells Minor Express with Maudslow Thread Silk & hope they will please. I could not get any of the best while Drilling this is strong & good. hope there is sufficient Linnin & Trimming for the whole I get a try to procure them - if any thing is wanting it shall be sent immediately enclosed in copy of the Bills of costs. I have a prospect of getting a good Letter for your Excellency if his Character or examination prove good I will send him on & send some Tea & Sugar with him

Mr. Washington is very well respects to self & is in town on Sunday next - that Charish will be finished on Thursday Friday next. I believe will please your lady - notwithstanding my method application to Mr. Bingham he did not get the Carriage even in time - I got six Bottles of Mustard by Willson Express -

I have the honor to be with the greatest respect

Your Excellency's  
Most Obedt. Servant  
J. M. Mitchell

His Excellency General Washington

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### Children:

69. ISRAEL BRINGHURST<sup>d</sup>, born 28 February, 1770; died 27 December, 1811;  
married Mary Lewis.
70. ESTHER BRINGHURST<sup>d</sup>, born 27 February, 1772.
71. JOSEPH BRINGHURST<sup>d</sup>, born 21 January, 1774.
72. MARY BRINGHURST<sup>d</sup>, born 2 December, 1776.
73. ANNA BRINGHURST<sup>d</sup>, born 29 May, 1779.
74. ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>d</sup>, born 21 January, 1787; died 24 November,  
1850; married, 22 June, 1803, Adam Herkness.



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31. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, son of James Bringhurst<sup>4</sup> by his wife Anne Pole, was born at Philadelphia, 25 April, 1764; died there, 16 June, 1800; married, 30 April, 1789, Mary Lawton, of Newport, Rhode Island; died at Philadelphia, 11 February, 1793. Her father, Robert Lawton, was a prominent and wealthy citizen of Newport, and his daughter "Polly," as Mary was called, was a noted Revolutionary Belle. Count Segur, a French officer, wrote of her: "So much beauty, so much simplicity, so much elegance, so much modesty were never before combined in the same person. Her gown was white like herself, whilst her ample muslin neckerchief and the envious cambric of her cap, which scarcely allowed me to see her light colored hair, and the modest attire, in short, of a pious virgin, seemed vainly to endeavor to conceal the most graceful figure and the most beautiful form imaginable. She was a nymph rather than a woman. Her eyes seemed to reflect as a mirror the meekness and purity of her mind and the goodness of her heart. She received us with an open ingenuousness which delighted me, and the use of the familiar word *thou*, which the rules of her sect prescribed, gave to our new acquaintance the appearance of an old friendship."

Her marriage to John Bringhurst was a great social event at Newport, and her life was a brilliant one socially, and there are many interesting reminiscences about her visits to the Presidential mansion. Her married life, though bright, was brief, and it is said that her husband was never the same after her death, and that he always wore around his neck a miniature containing a lock of her hair.

### Child:

75. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 29 August, 1792; died at the residence of his grandfather Lawton, at Newport, 23 January, 1803.

32. JAMES BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, JUN<sup>R</sup>, son of James Bringhurst<sup>4</sup> by his wife Anne Pole, was born at Philadelphia, 4 March, 1766; died there, 27 May, 1818. He was an iron merchant for many years, and later became a clerk in the United States Bank. He married (1), 12 August, 1789, Rachel, daughter of Samuel and Sarah Bettle. She died at Phila-

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(1896) (a portrait in oil by Rube Fulton)

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delphia, 25 August, 1795, aged 27 years. He married (2) Ann Carroll, who survived him, and died about 1829. The first three children below named were by his first wife, and the remaining three by the second.

Children of James Bringham, Junr, born at Philadelphia:

76. JOSEPH BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 18 February, 1790; died 23 August, 1863; married Elizabeth Evans.
77. JAMES BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 4 April, 1792; died 14 July, 1854; married Rebecca Ryan.
78. SARAH ANN BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 3 July, 1794; married, 24 January, 1821, William Gregory, and had daughter: 79. RACHEL B.<sup>7</sup>, born 20 January, 1823, and died young.
80. ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 8 November, 1802; died 27 December, 1873; married William Lloyd Maddock.
81. MARY BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 14 October, 1805; died 26 September, 1835; married William Wilson Longstreth.
82. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 12 October, 1810; died 23 February, 1871; married Rebecca Lydia Graves.

33. DR. JOSEPH BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, son of James Bringham<sup>4</sup> by his wife Anne Pole, was born at Philadelphia, 6 October, 1767; died at Wilmington, Delaware, 26 July, 1834. He received a liberal education, and then studied medicine and engaged in practice therein. In 1793 he removed to Wilmington, where he established a drug business in connection with his profession, a custom quite common with the physicians of that day. His office, drug-store, and residence were at what is now 317 Market Street, Wilmington, where the drug business is still carried on by members of the Bringham family, in which it has continued for one hundred and seven years.

Dr. Bringham took a deep interest in public affairs. In 1799 he was clerk to the borough of Wilmington, and in 1802 was appointed by President Jefferson postmaster of that place, and was reappointed by Presidents Madison and Monroe, but in 1820, on Monroe's election to a second term, he was succeeded by Nicholas Gilpin Williamson, Esq<sup>re</sup>.

Dr. Bringham was on terms of intimate friendship with the eminent Colonel John Dickinson, author of the "Farmer's Letters," Revolutionary patriot, member of the Continental Congress and of the Convention that framed the Constitution of the United States, and among the family papers of Dr. Bringham are many letters from Mr. Dickinson. One of

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these is a letter of congratulation to Dr. and Mrs. Bringhurst on the birth of their daughter Mary Dickinson Bringhurst, who was named in honor of Mrs. Dickinson. Dr. Bringhurst was with Mr. Dickinson almost daily during his last illness, and was probably the last man to converse with him. He was at his bedside the second and third nights preceding his death, and made notes of his interviews, which he gave to Mr. Dickinson's daughter. These came into the hands of Dr. Charles J. Stillé when writing the "Life of John Dickinson," and bear this endorsement: "Notes taken by J. Bringhurst of a conversation he had with my ever dear and lamented father on the night of the 11th, and another two nights previous to his decease." As these "notes" relate to some of the most important public events then transpiring, they seem worth recording, and are given in a note below.\* Dr. Bringhurst notified

\* 11th [February, 1808]. To-night my venerable friend J. Dickinson was so much affected by his fever that his mind was much disturbed, but amidst all his flights the benevolence of his heart was eminently conspicuous. After giving him a drink, I observed that I hoped he felt pleasant. 'No,' he replied, 'I can experience no pleasure while my fellow-beings are oppressed by such heavy calamities.' Shortly afterwards he said, 'I wish—' What dost thou wish, my dear friend? 'I wish,' he answered, 'happiness to all mankind—the blessings of peace to all the nations of the earth, and these are the constant subjects of my morning and evening prayers.'

"12th. About midnight the dear and venerable man seemed to be deeply concerned for the affairs of our country, and distressed by the threatening prospects which were crowding upon it. He expressed such deep anxiety that I was grieved by his affliction and wished to give a more agreeable turn to his meditations. I asked whether he had heard the late news. 'What news?' he inquired. 'That there was a prospect of peace for our country, I answered. 'No,' he observed. 'My dear friend, thou surpristest me. Let me see the *National Intelligencer*, for I wish to be made acquainted with the chain of events.' I informed him that the paper had not arrived at my office, but from other papers I learned that France had offered to guarantee the independence of the United States, and to present us the Floridas. He replied, with much earnestness, 'Why, my friend, thou astonishest me. That event is so very unexpected and extraordinary that I can scarcely credit it.' I observed that the matter seemed to be stated as a fact. 'By what course did the news arrive,' he inquired, 'by New York or Norfolk?' I replied that I knew not from which port it came, but I had seen it in two papers, and that it was cause of great joy. 'Yes,' he exclaimed, with great emphasis and animation of countenance, 'it fills my whole heart with joy. At the very moment when the most awful calamities were threatening our beloved country, when the most terrible disasters were pressing upon us, such a happy change is altogether unexpected and amazing. But what could possibly have induced Bonaparte to act a part so magnanimous? While he was in the full career of victory—preparing to crush England and ready to shake us to pieces—to stop in the midst of his race and make so great a sacrifice is truly wonderful. What could have induced him to do so?' I observed that perhaps he desired to excel in fame all other conquerors—that in addition to the character of a great warrior he wished to shine on the page of history as the splendid benefactor of mankind. 'True,' he said, 'that is a just observation, it is very probable. But I strongly suspect that the Court of Petersburg has been concerned in this business, and would not settle terms with him, until he performed some act that should show his disposition to insure the future peace of the world.' That is possible, I answered, but come from what it may, it was a source of great comfort. 'Yes,' he exclaimed: 'did I not tell thee some time ago that man's extremity was God's opportunity for Glory? Oh, my dear friend, thou hast made my heart glow with joy—there is an image of gratitude impressed upon my heart that I cannot express and words cannot describe. Oh, thou Great—Glorious and all perfect Being—Thou Sovereign and Lord of the Universe—who livest from Everlasting to Everlasting—we most humbly pray thee, thro' the merits of thy Son, the blessed Jesus, our Saviour, permit us to entreat the blessings of thy peace for the Nations, and to thank thee, most awful and adorable God, for the treasures of thy Goodness—' Here his voice became inaudible."

My dear friend

Heartily congratulate  
you and thy dear Companion on the  
addition to thy family.

Matthew Fleming  
maybe yourself and that of the little  
Sangerston bath, is the danger of  
thy affectionate friend  
John Dickinson

A  
4 of the 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 1806.



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President Jefferson of Mr. Dickinson's decease, and the President acknowledged the same in a letter, a fac-simile of which is herewith interleaved.

Dr. Bringhurst was intimately acquainted with the noted Robert Fulton, and through him became interested in steam navigation on the Delaware River, and a fac-simile of one of Fulton's letters to him on this subject is also herewith inserted. He was also much interested in all matters which tended to advance the material concerns of Wilmington, and was an active promoter and partner in the first cotton factory erected in Delaware. (See accompanying portrait.) He sent some specimens of the productions of the factory to Henry Clay, who acknowledged the same in a letter, of which a fac-simile is herewith inserted.

Dr. Bringhurst possessed a well-cultivated mind, and was an easy and graceful writer, as is evidenced by his manuscripts, which compose several volumes.\* Under date of 4 March, 1796, he wrote to William Cowper, the celebrated poet, and in 1800 the letter was printed in England under the title, "*Copy of a Letter from a Young Man, a Quaker, in Pennsylvania, to the late William Cowper, Poet,*" and the same was later reprinted in the *British Friend*.

He married at Wilmington, 11 July, 1799, Deborah, daughter of Ziba Ferris, of that place, by his wife Edith, a daughter of Benjamin Sharpless, of the well-known family of that name in Chester County, Pennsylvania. She was born 2 March, 1773; died 20 August, 1844.

### Children:

83. WILLIAM BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 25 September, 1800; died 14 June, 1818.
84. MARY DICKINSON BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 4 July, 1806; died 12 January, 1886; married George Vernon Moody.
85. JOSEPH BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 26 September, 1807; died 14 March, 1880; married Anna Richardson.
86. EDWARD BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 22 May, 1809; died 8 February, 1884; married Sarah Shipley.
87. ZIBA FERRIS BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 19 September, 1812; died 6 March, 1836; married Amy Dixon.

\* The "Genealogy of the Sharpless Family," in mentioning Dr. Bringhurst, says, "He was gifted with an intellect of no common order; he had cultivated and improved it by extensive reading, and nature had supplied him with an easy elocution, which enabled him to communicate with clearness and facility, and rendered his conversation a source of instruction and pleasure."

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42. GEORGE BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, son of John Bringhurst<sup>4</sup> by his wife Elizabeth Shute, was born at Germantown, 20 June, 1755, and died at Philadelphia, 29 December, 1829, where tombstones in Christ Church burying-ground mark his last resting-place, and that of his wife. He was one of the patriots of the Revolution, and in 1776 served as second lieutenant of a company in the battalion of the Flying Camp of Philadelphia County, commanded by Colonel Lewis.\* Mr. Bringhurst followed the business of his father, and became one of the leading carriage and coach-builders of his day in Philadelphia. From 1816 until his decease he was a vestryman of Christ Church, and was a trustee of Christ Church Hospital. He married, 27 July, 1780, Anna Clarkson, born at Philadelphia, 23 June, 1758; died there, 21 February, 1813; daughter of Honorable Matthew Clarkson, who was three times mayor of Philadelphia. Mr. Bringhurst and Robert Ralston, Esq<sup>re</sup>, were the executors of Mr. Clarkson's will. (See NOTES ON THE CLARKSON FAMILY.)

### Children, born at Philadelphia :

88. MATTHEW BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 28 November, 1781; died 20 April, 1782.
89. JOHN GULL BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 13 December, 1782; died in 1817; married Susan Millis.
90. MARY ANNA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 29 December, 1783; died 15 September, 1856; married Thomas Mifflin Hall.
91. ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 2 December, 1785; died in 1861.
92. SUSANNA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 2 March, 1787.
93. CORNELIA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 3 September, 1788; died 5 March, 1872; married Samuel Bonnell.
94. SARAH BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 20 April, 1792; died in 1873.
95. BERNARD BICKHAM BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 25 March, 1793; died young.
96. GERARD CLARKSON BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 3 October, 1794.
97. ROBERT RALSTON BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 4 May, 1797; died 23 December, 1863; married Mary Wood.

48. JESSE BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, son of John Bringhurst<sup>4</sup> by his wife Elizabeth Shute, was born at Germantown, in 1770, and died there, 24 April, 1822, in the fifty-second year of his age. He married, 13 September, 1791, Mildred Keen, born in 1771; died 5 December, 1840, in the seventieth year of her age. She was a daughter of John Keen, Esq<sup>re</sup>, by his wife Mildred Cooke, daughter of James Cooke, of London, Eng-

\* 11 Pennsylvania Archives, second series, 559.



Sir

Washington Feb. 24. 08.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16<sup>th</sup> it gave me the first information of the death of our distinguished fellow-citizen John Dickinson. a more estimable man, or truer patriot, could not have left us. among the first of the advocates for the rights of his country when assailed by Great Britain, he continued to the last the orthodox advocate of the true principles of our new government; and his name will be consecrated in history as one of the great worthies of the revolution. we ought to be grateful for having been permitted to retain the benefit of his counsel to so good an old age; still the moment of losing it, whenever it arrives, must be a moment of deep felt regret. for himself perhaps a longer period of life was less important, alloyed as the feeble enjoyments of that age are with so much pain: but to his country every addition to his moments was interesting. a junior companion of his labors in the early part of our revolution, it has been a great comfort to me to have retained his friendship to the last moments of his life. sincerely condoling with his friends on this affecting loss I beg leave to tender my salutations to yourself & assurances of my friendly respects.

Mr Joseph Bringhurst.

Th. Jefferson



Washington Jan'y 23<sup>d</sup> 1811

My friend Joseph

Mr. Stooms who has projected a line of  
steam boats from Phil<sup>a</sup> to Baltimore by way of Wilmington  
is a very respectable and honorable gentleman of good  
fortune in Devonshire, and Brother in Law to my partner  
Chandler Livingston. more of honorable feelings I think  
need not be desired in any man. he has, in many  
years been occupied in experiments to navigate  
boats by steam, and finally by my consent has  
adopted my leading principles, with some little  
variation in the considerations, on which place  
his boat on the Delaware is built and runs very  
well. I have ceded to him for certain conside-  
rations the Univalve run on the Delaware  
and Chesapeake, as all Steam boats that have  
been productive there no doubt the plan if  
well executed will be profitable, but on this  
your friends at Wilmington can make their  
own calculations. In such a company the

Subscribers will of course appoint their own committee  
or directors - to do justice to their concerns. Mr Stevens  
and particularly his son Robert is perfectly adequate  
to the whole details of the boats.

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Remember me kindly to your  
family, and believe me ever  
with great esteem your friend

Rob<sup>t</sup> Fulton

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Wash<sup>g</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> May, 1820

The pressure of business incident to the termination of the Session has prevented me from earlier acknowledging the receipt of your two letters, the one enclosing ~~containing~~ a specimen of beautiful Cotton thread, and the other a cravat of Cotton cloth of American manufacture. I shewed them to several members, who united with me in admiring their excellence. Such fabrics are very encouraging to the friends of Domestic manufactures; and I am glad that you think, under adequate protection, more and more perfection will be attained. I regret extremely that this protection has not been afforded by Congress, at the present Session. Believing however the cause to be founded in the truest interests of this Country, and that it will continue to gather strength, I do not despair of its finally prevailing. I thank you for your polite attention to me in the above mentioned communications & I am

with much respect

Yrs. ob. serv<sup>t</sup>

H. Clay

Dr. Brougham Esq



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land. Both Mr. Bringhurst and his wife are buried in Hood's Cemetery, Germantown. He succeeded his father in the coach-building business at Germantown, and later conducted that business at Philadelphia. His portrait, also that of his wife, are herewith inserted.

### Children:

98. MILDRED SHUTE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 11 June, 1792; died 1 September, 1793.
99. ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 25 February, 1794; died 7 September, 1876; married John Gamble.
100. JOHN KEEN BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 6 September, 1795; died 30 June, 1868; married Elizabeth Culnan.
101. THOMAS BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 18 May, 1797; died 3 September, 1798.
102. MARY SHUTE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 15 November, 1798; died 8 May, 1888; married (1), 6 August, 1818, John J. Souder; (2) David Gregory.
103. MARGARET SIMMONS BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 17 November, 1800; died 8 April, 1807.
104. GEORGE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 14 September, 1804; died 8 July, 1828.
105. MATTHIAS KEEN BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 11 October, 1806; died 18 October, 1841; married Rebecca Sharp.

49. THOMAS BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, son of John Bringhurst<sup>4</sup> by his wife Elizabeth Shute, was born at Germantown, 21 June, 1775; died there 8 August, 1849; married, by Right Rev. William White, 18 June, 1801, to Mary Fraley, born at Germantown, 18 July, 1781; died at Philadelphia, 24 October, 1858; daughter of Henry Fraley,\* of Germantown, by his wife Susanna Margaretta Rice. Mr. Bringhurst was

\* HENRY FRALEY was born in Switzerland, 27 March, 1744, and died at Germantown, Philadelphia, 20 August, 1821. His parents were Heinrich and Elizabeth Fröll. His father was a "house carpenter," and Henry succeeded him and carried on building business for many years. Some of the houses built by him are still standing. In 1796 he and his son John Fraley purchased of Joseph Shippen a tract of land on Manheim Street in the neighborhood of what is now the Manheim Cricket Grounds. They immediately divided it into about fifty building-lots, and styled it the Village of Manheim (Deed Book D 63, page 304). A cross street, running at right angles with Manheim, which was evidently the main street, was called Federal. A street parallel to Manheim was called Columbia, and another Tammany. But the lots were bought by persons of means from Philadelphia, and instead of a populous village, of which all trace is lost, they were consolidated into a few large country-seats. Thus Fraley became one of the first, if not the first, of the suburban town projectors of Philadelphia. He was a member of Jacob Sommer's Company of Philadelphia Associates during the Revolution. His carpenter-shops, which were situated on the site of the present St. Stephen's Methodist Church, were burned by the British during their occupation of Philadelphia. Tradition says that these shops had been used for the manufacture of gun-carriages by the Americans. His house stood at what is now the entrance to St. Stephen's Church. In later years he was a drum-maker, which business was afterwards carried on for many years by his son-in-law, Thomas Bringhurst. Watson, in his "Annals of Philadelphia," mentions that Washington was a frequent visitor at Fraley's carpenter-shops, and that Fraley had taken part in some of Washington's campaigns.—J. HARRY BOCKRUS.

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a prominent citizen of Germantown, and was one of the leading coach-builders of his day. A fac-simile of his business card is on the opposite page. Portraits of Mr. and Mrs. Bringhurst are herewith inserted.

### Children, born at Germantown :

106. MARGARETTA SIMMONS BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, born 2 July, 1802; died 2 December, 1881; married Francis William Bockius.
107. REBECCA BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, born 18 December, 1803; died 25 August, 1849; married Jacob Crhall.
108. ELIZABETH ANN BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, born 26 February, 1805; died 22 November, 1835; married, 17 March, 1828, James Whitehead. No issue.
109. SUSANNA FRALEY BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, born 17 March, 1807; died 27 December, 1894; married Benjamin Whittington.
110. SARAH BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, born 15 October, 1808; died recently.
111. MARY SHUTE BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, born 14 April, 1810; died 27 February, 1895.
112. JOHN HENRY BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, born 21 January, 1812; died 24 December, 1898; married (1) Eliza Blair; (2) Louisa Bedford.
113. GEORGE BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, born 22 November, 1813; died 10 April, 1820.
114. FRANCES LOUISA BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, born 21 June, 1816; married Dr. William Smith. No issue.
115. MARTHA JANE BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, born 9 March, 1819; died 3 December, 1892; married Dr. Charles A. Smith.
116. EMELINE CATHARINE BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, born 19 May, 1821; died 19 May, 1890.
117. CORNELIA ELINOR BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, born 16 May, 1823; died 9 January, 1898; married Lewis G. Wunder.

58. CLEMENT BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>, son of George Bringhurst<sup>d</sup> by his wife Sarah Trump, was born at Germantown, Pennsylvania, and died at St. Louis, Missouri, in 1860. His will, dated 20 July, 1860, was proved at Philadelphia, 18 October, same year. The date of his marriage or the name of his wife have not been ascertained. She probably died in the lifetime of her husband, as she is not mentioned in his will.

### Children, born at Germantown :

118. MARY ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, married William Stewart Garvin, and died without issue.
119. AUGUSTUS L. BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, born *circa* 1803; died in 1852; married Maria Louise Waters.
120. GEORGE CLEMENT BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, died after 1860, unmarried and without issue. He was an executor of his father's will.











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59. ROBERT BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, son of George Bringhurst<sup>4</sup> by his wife Sarah Trump, was born at Germantown, in 1778, and died there, 2 November, 1832. He married, 2 June, 1803, Margaret Brewster, born 22 March, 1786; daughter of William Brewster by his wife Elizabeth,\* a daughter of Peter Barndollar by his wife Margaret Wilkinson. After the death of Mr. Bringhurst, she is said to have married, as second husband, one Batsford, and to have died in Boston, Massachusetts.

Children, born at Germantown :

121. WILLIAM ROBERT BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 20 October, 1804; died 10 February, 1880; married (1) Julia Hulings; (2) Virginia Manlove.
122. TUDOR ROBERT BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born in 1808; died July, 1843; married Caroline Shingle.
123. CORDELIA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, died at the home of her brother William, at Clarksville, Tennessee, 18 August, 1887, aged about eighty years; married ——— Johnson.

63. TACY BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, daughter of Samuel Bringhurst<sup>4</sup> by his wife Susanna Keen, was born at Germantown, Pennsylvania, 5 March, 1776; died there, 6 August, 1840; married, 9 October, 1794, Samuel Ashmead, Esq<sup>re</sup>, of Germantown, born there, 29 January, 1771; died there, 3 March, 1856; son of Captain Jacob Ashmead † by his wife Mary Naglee. Both Mr. Ashmead and his wife are buried in Hood's Cemetery, Germantown. Mr. Ashmead resided for a time in Montgomery County, and on 3 August, 1807, was commissioned by Governor McKean first lieutenant of Fourth Troop of Horse, First Brigade, Second Division, of the militia of Bucks and Montgomery Counties, to serve four years.

Children :

124. SAMUEL ASHMEAD<sup>6</sup>, born 19 December, 1795; died 31 March, 1864; married, 26 April, 1817, Susan Colladay, and had issue.
125. WILLIAM ASHMEAD<sup>6</sup>, born 30 October, 1797.

\* She is named in the will of Peter Knight, in 1798, as a niece of his wife. Mr. Knight was a wealthy merchant at Philadelphia, and married a Miss Wilkinson.

† CAPTAIN JACOB ASHMEAD was born at Germantown, 30 May, 1742; died there, 10 July, 1814; son of Samuel Ashmead by his wife Esther Morgan, and grandson of John Ashmead by his wife Sarah Sellers. Captain Ashmead was an officer in the Revolution. On 27 October, 1775, he was commissioned first lieutenant and promoted to captain, 6 September, 1776, First Pennsylvania Battalion, Colonel John Philip De Hass, Sen<sup>t</sup>, and in October the same year he became captain in the Second Pennsylvania, Continental Line. He remained in active service until 16 May, 1780, when he resigned his commission.

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126. JOHN ASHMEAD<sup>6</sup>, born August, 1799.  
127. CHARLES ASHMEAD<sup>6</sup>, born 1801; died in infancy.  
128. EDWARD ASHMEAD<sup>6</sup>, born 5 December, 1803; died 22 May, 1849.  
129. JOSEPH KEEN ASHMEAD<sup>6</sup>, born in 1806.  
130. JAMES H. ASHMEAD<sup>6</sup>, born 8 October, 1810.  
131. SUSAN KEEN ASHMEAD<sup>6</sup>, born 8 October, 1814; married John Diller, Esq<sup>re</sup>, of Lebanon, Pennsylvania, who died 19 September, 1888.

68. MARY BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, daughter of Samuel Bringhurst<sup>4</sup> by his wife Susanna Keen, was born at Germantown, Pennsylvania, 24 August, 1787; died at Lebanon, Pennsylvania, 28 July, 1871; married, 28 November, 1811, William Lehman, born at Germantown, 14 February, 1785; died at Lebanon, 17 September, 1860; son of Benjamin Lehman \* by his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Peter Keyser, of Germantown. Mr. Lehman was for many years a prominent builder and machinist at Germantown. About 1824 he was appointed superintendent of carpentry of the Union Canal Company, and, to assume the duties of the position, he removed to Womelsdorf, Berks County, where he resided one year. Then in the progress of the work he removed to Lebanon, having been appointed the resident engineer and general superintendent of the Canal, which position he retained until 1848, when he resigned his charge, and was succeeded by his son, Benjamin Bringhurst Lehman, who had long been his assistant in the various duties of his office. Mr. Lehman was one of the founders of the Lebanon Bank, and for many years a director of the same. A fuller sketch of his life than is here given will be found in "History of Lebanon County" (1883), pages 279, 280.

### Children, all born at Germantown:

132. LORENZO LEVERING LEHMAN<sup>6</sup>, born 25 September, 1812; died at Lebanon, 23 September, 1858; married Elizabeth Gergas, of Germantown.  
133. BENJAMIN BRINGHURST LEHMAN<sup>6</sup>, died young.  
134. ELHANAN LEHMAN<sup>6</sup>, born 26 June, 1815; died 2 November, 1820.  
135. BENJAMIN BRINGHURST LEHMAN<sup>6</sup>, born 8 September, 1818; died at

\* GODFREY LEHMAN emigrated from Hermhuth, Germany, in 1731, and settled at Germantown, where he died 4 October, 1756. His son Christian emigrated at the same time, and became a prominent conveyancer and surveyor, and was commissioned by Governor John Penn a notary public. He was born 7 November, 1714, and died 28 December, 1774, leaving among his children a son Benjamin, named in the text, who was born at Germantown, 14 January, 1760, and died there, 7 January, 1840.



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- Lebanon, November, 1891; married, 10 October, 1839, Susanna Mustin, of Philadelphia.
136. SUSANNA E. LEHMAN<sup>9</sup>, born 10 August, 1821; died at Philadelphia, 13 June, 1850; married Dr. Robert S. Woddrop, of Philadelphia.
137. SAMUEL BRINGHURST LEHMAN<sup>9</sup>, born 8 February, 1824; died at Philadelphia, 13 June, 1900; married Elizabeth Goodman, of Germantown.

69. ISRAEL BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, eldest child of William Bringhurst<sup>4</sup> by his wife Mary Morris, was born at Germantown, 28 February, 1770; died at The Trappe, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, 27 December, 1811. He married, 27 September, 1792, Mary Lewis, born at Gwynedd, Pennsylvania, 4 July, 1771; died at The Trappe, 11 August, 1846; daughter of Isaac Lewis by his wife Sarah Jenkins. Mr. Bringhurst learned the trade of coach-making, and the Philadelphia Directory of 1791 styles him "coach-maker," with 167 Chestnut Street as his place of business. He shortly afterwards removed to The Trappe, Montgomery County, where he engaged in mercantile pursuits.

Children, probably all born at The Trappe:

138. WILLIAM MORRIS BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 20 April, 1794; died unmarried, 4 May, 1857.
139. ENOS LEWIS BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 30 January, 1797; died unmarried, at Pottstown, Pennsylvania, 11 February, 1863. He was graduated at the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, and became a successful practitioner in medicine at Lawrenceville, Chester County, Pennsylvania.
140. WRIGHT ARMAT BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 29 June, 1799; died at The Trappe, 2 October, 1876. He was a prominent citizen of Montgomery County, and represented that county in the Legislature in 1835/36. He died unmarried and without issue, and left an estate of one hundred and sixty thousand dollars, over one hundred thousand dollars of which he bequeathed to Upper Providence township and Norristown and Pottstown boroughs, to be invested in dwelling-houses, and the income to be used for the benefit of the poor.
141. ISRAEL BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 23 July, 1804; was accidentally killed 13 May, 1816.
142. ANNE BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 8 March, 1807; died without issue, 12 May, 1880; married Dr. William B. Hahn.
143. LEWIS BARTLESON BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 6 September, 1810. He was graduated in medicine at the University of Pennsylvania, and died unmarried, at Louisville, Kentucky, 26 November, 1832.
144. MARY MATILDA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 21 November, 1801; died 12 June, 1834; married Francis Hobson.

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74. ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, youngest child of William Bringhurst<sup>4</sup> by his wife Mary Morris, was born at Germantown, 21 January, 1787; died 24 November, 1850; married, 22 June, 1803, Adam Herkness, who died at Philadelphia, 24 April, 1832. A newspaper obituary describes him as a "native of Scotland, and for many years a respectable inhabitant of this city."

### Children:

145. MARY HERKNESS<sup>6</sup>, born 28 September, 1804; died 21 December, 1830.
146. WALTER HERKNESS<sup>6</sup>, born 27 October, 1807; died 25 June, 1840.
147. WILLIAM HERKNESS<sup>6</sup>, born 20 February, 1810; died 17 October, 1833.
148. ADAM HERKNESS<sup>6</sup>, born 25 January, 1812; died 14 January, 1830.
149. ELIZABETH HERKNESS<sup>6</sup>, born 25 April, 1815; died 30 April, 1834.
150. ALFRED MORRIS HERKNESS<sup>6</sup>, born 2 August, 1818; died 12 February, 1898.
151. BENJAMIN LEANDER HERKNESS<sup>6</sup>, born 20 April, 1821; died 5 July, 1897; married, 26 October, 1847, Mary Jane Lodor, and had issue: 152. ALFRED MORRIS HERKNESS<sup>7</sup>, born 11 August, 1848.
153. BENJAMIN THEODORE HERKNESS<sup>7</sup>, born 31 May, 1853; married, 2 April, 1874, Virginia Palmer. 154. LEANDER HERKNESS<sup>7</sup>, born 31 March, 1858; died 9 July, 1867.
155. ISABELLA HERKNESS<sup>6</sup>, born 3 July, 1825; died 9 May, 1846.













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76. JOSEPH BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, son of James Bringhurst<sup>5</sup>, Junr, by his first wife Rachel Bettle, was born at Philadelphia, 18 February, 1790; died at Lionville, Chester County, Pennsylvania, 23 August, 1863; married, *circa* 1811, Elizabeth, daughter of David Evans, of Chester County. She died before her husband. Mr. Bringhurst carried on business as a watchmaker at Philadelphia, which he relinquished on account of failing health and settled on a farm at Lionville, where he died.

### Children:

156. SAMUEL BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 21 December, 1812; died 12 April, 1888; married Eleanor Beitler.
157. THOMAS BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 10 August, 1814; died 24 March, 1861.
158. JOSEPH BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 10 November, 1816; married Susan Kern, and both are deceased.\*
159. WILLIAM BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 8 November, 1818; died 17 February, 1883; married Ann Dilworth.
160. ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 9 November, 1820; married, January, 1853, Azariah Carson, born at Churchtown, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, 16 January, 1824; and now resides at Coatesville, Pennsylvania. Issue: 161. FRANK R. CARSON<sup>8</sup>, born 24 August, 1855; married, 6 January, 1881, Emma M. Hiester. 162. ANNETTA W. CARSON<sup>8</sup>, born 17 August, 1858; married George W. Patterson. 163. ANNA E. CARSON<sup>8</sup>, born 18 October, 1860; married John Long Fredericks.
164. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 25 September, 1823; died 6 June, 1827.
165. ANNA BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 31 August, 1825; married Adam Staley.
166. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 27 June, 1838; married (1) Eliza March; (2) Rebecca Williamson; (3) Elizabeth Slack.

77. JAMES BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, second son of James Bringhurst<sup>5</sup>, Junr, by his first wife Rachel Bettle, was born at Philadelphia, 4 April, 1792; died at Wilmington, Delaware, 14 July, 1854; married, 28 April, 1818, Rebecca Ryan, born in Chester County, Pennsylvania, 3 August, 1793; died at Wilmington, 4 March, 1845; daughter of John Ryan. Mr. Bringhurst was for a time engaged at Philadelphia in the manufac-

\* An accurate record of the family of Joseph and Susan (Kern) Bringhurst has not been secured. They are said to have had four children,—to wit: Elizabeth, who married Benjamin Lanning; Susan, who married Harry Roth; Anna, who married William Bowen; and William.

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ture of shoes, but later removed to Wilmington, where, for some years previous to his death, he was librarian of the Free Library in that city.

### Children:

167. JAMES BRINGHURST<sup>r</sup>, born 24 February, 1819; died at Jerseyville, Illinois, 23 June, 1870; married Mary Ryan.
168. HANNAH HARLAN BRINGHURST<sup>r</sup>, born 13 February, 1821.
169. SARAH RYAN BRINGHURST<sup>r</sup>, born 27 September, 1823.
170. HENRY RYAN BRINGHURST<sup>r</sup>, born 20 September, 1825; died 25 October, 1899; married Elizabeth Ashburnham Smith.
171. MARY BRINGHURST<sup>r</sup>, born 24 February, 1829.

80. ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, daughter of James Bringhurst<sup>s</sup>, Jun<sup>r</sup>, by his second wife Ann Carroll, was born at Philadelphia, 8 November, 1802; died there, 27 December, 1873; married, 24 February, 1823, William Lloyd Maddock, born at Philadelphia, 27 February, 1804; died there, 19 May, 1867; son of Ezekiel Edwards Maddock by his wife Phebe Hilderburn. Mr. Maddock was a merchant.

### Children:

172. ANNA MADDOCK<sup>r</sup>, born 14 November, 1823; died 7 December, 1869; married Samuel Baugh.
173. PHEBE MADDOCK<sup>r</sup>, born 31 October, 1825; died 28 May, 1829.
174. MARY L. MADDOCK<sup>r</sup>, born 22 December, 1827; died 17 March, 1880; married Edward J. Crippen, a merchant grocer of Philadelphia.
175. WILLIAM L. MADDOCK<sup>r</sup>, born 21 November, 1831; died 30 December, 1873, unmarried.
176. JOHN B. MADDOCK<sup>r</sup>, born 30 September, 1835; died 12 October, 1876; married Emeline Holland.
177. HENRY MADDOCK<sup>r</sup>, born 15 June, 1838; died 22 December, 1840.
178. EDWARD MADDOCK<sup>r</sup>, born 20 March, 1841; married, 12 June, 1883, Margaret Elizabeth Eccles.

81. MARY BRINGHURST<sup>e</sup>, daughter of James Bringhurst<sup>s</sup>, Jun<sup>r</sup>, by his second wife Ann Carroll, was born at Philadelphia, 14 October, 1805; died there, 26 September, 1835; married, 23 October, 1827, William Wilson Longstreth, born at Philadelphia, 14 November, 1802; died there, 3 June, 1829; son of Joseph Longstreth by his wife Margaret McKee. Mr. Longstreth was engaged many years as a hardware merchant, on Market Street, Philadelphia, being a member of the firm of











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Longstreth & Boldin. He became interested in coal transportation, and took charge of the Beaver Meadow Coal and Railroad Company, and succeeded in bringing that corporation into a prosperous condition. He was for some years president of the company, the interests of which became closely identified with the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company and in 1864 was merged into the latter. Mr. Longstreth was chosen president, the late Judge Asa Packer being vice-president. This position he held until 1868, when he resigned, and Judge Packer was chosen to succeed him. Mr. Longstreth, however, continued a member of the board and chairman of the Finance Committee, and was the owner of a large interest in the road.

### Children, born at Philadelphia :

179. JOSEPH LONGSTRETH<sup>7</sup>, born 16 August, 1828; died 24 December, 1850; married Sarah Atlee.
180. JAMES LONGSTRETH<sup>7</sup>, born in 1830; died in infancy.
181. WILLIAM LONGSTRETH<sup>7</sup>, born 14 April, 1832; married, 16 November, 1866, Ada Zilla Smith, born 17 September, 1838.
182. MARGARET LONGSTRETH<sup>7</sup>, born 12 January, 1835; married Horace J. Smith.

82. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, son of James Bringhurst<sup>5</sup>, Junr, by his second wife Ann Carroll, was born at Philadelphia, 12 October, 1810; died there, 23 February, 1871; married Rebecca Lydia Graves, daughter of Bartholomew Graves, Esq<sup>re</sup>, who was Clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the County of Philadelphia, from 1830 until 1836. Mrs. Bringhurst died there, 16 May, 1880. Mr. Bringhurst was a druggist, and for some years prior to his death his place of business was at Tenth and Chestnut Streets, Philadelphia. He resided at his death at 2002 Chestnut Street, where his youngest daughter now (1901) resides.

### Children, born at Philadelphia :

183. WILLIAM LONGSTRETH BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, died in New Jersey, 6 January, 1884; married (1), September, 1863, Ellen McNamee, born at Philadelphia, 25 October, 1839; died there, 18 May, 1877; daughter of John McNamee by his wife Ann Gallagher; married (2), 7 March, 1879, Laura Sharp. Issue, all of whom, except the

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- youngest, were by the first wife: 184. MARY ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 25 January, 1865; married John P. Sweeney. 185. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 30 December, 1868. 186. WILLIAM BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 11 October, 1870. 187. CHARLES BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 27 May, 1873. 188. EDWARD BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 13 September, 1875. 189. ALFRED BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 11 September, 1880.
190. MARY GRAVES BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, died 17 November, 1897; married Mordecai Dawson Evans, who died 23 March, 1898.
191. REBECCA LYDIA BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>.

85. JOSEPH BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, third child of Dr. Joseph Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Deborah Ferris, was born at Wilmington, Delaware, 26 September, 1807; died there, 14 March, 1880; married, 6 October, 1842, Anna Richardson, born at Wilmington, 11 August, 1816; died there, 28 May, 1889; daughter of John Richardson, of Wilmington, by his wife Margaret, daughter of Joseph Paxon by his wife Sarah Rodman.

Mr. Bringhurst succeeded to the drug business of his father, from which he retired in 1852. In 1832 he became a founder of the Wilmington Savings Fund, with which institution he continued to be identified until his death, serving as its president the last eight years of his life. In 1843 he was chosen a director of the Bank of Delaware, and about 1860 he was chosen to the directorate of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad, and was for many years one of the most active and trusted officers in the management of that corporation. In 1864 he was made a director of the Delaware Railroad, and later became a director in the Chester Creek and Delaware and Dorchester Railroads, the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Delaware, the Wilmington Coal Gas Company, and of other corporations, and at the time of his death he still retained a place in the boards of management of all the corporations before mentioned. No man in Wilmington was more largely trusted, and at his decease he was regarded as the wealthiest man in that city. Governor Ponder, of Delaware, sought to compliment Mr. Bringhurst by appointing him on his staff, with the rank of colonel. Mr. Bringhurst, however, never took any part in such capacity, as he was throughout his life a consistent and valued member of the Society of Friends. A Wilmington newspaper, editorially commenting upon his death, said:

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"Mr. Joseph Bringhurst, whose death last evening is chronicled in our local columns, was a very well-known and successful business man whose business activity did not end with his formal retirement from the avocation in which he laid the foundations of his large fortune. There are few men, indeed, in our midst whose death will deprive so many boards of directors of the services of a useful and cheerful companion. It is principally as a business man that Mr. Bringhurst was known to the community at large, as he never was ostentatious in his charities, yet we have yet to hear of any worthy charity that ever applied in vain to him for help, and his benevolence was by no means confined to this assistance of organized charitable work. He was, indeed, 'a cheerful giver,' but, as a rule, preferred to be his own almoner, and many a poor family will learn of his death with a sincere sorrow, which those who merely knew him as a successful business man would never suspect. But it is not the recipients of his direct charity alone who will remember him with gratitude. Though he went about it quietly, he did probably as much as any other one man who has lived in this community in giving a start to many now successful business men, to whom he loaned capital from no selfish motives and at no little risk, out of pure kindness of heart and a desire to see others get along as he himself had done."

### Children, born at Wilmington:

192. JOHN RICHARDSON BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 8 January, 1845; married (1) Elizabeth Tatnall; (2) Annie S. Stokes; (3) Esther Harlan Wilson.  
193. MARGARET RICHARDSON BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 13 November, 1847.  
194. ANNA BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 9 October, 1856; died 16 May, 1878.

86. EDWARD BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, fourth child of Dr. Joseph Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Deborah Ferris, was born at Wilmington, Delaware, 22 May, 1809; died there, 8 February, 1884; married, 8 May, 1832, Sarah Shipley, born 28 May, 1812; died 13 October, 1896; daughter of Samuel Shipley,\* of Wilmington, by his wife Elizabeth Jefferis, daughter of Captain James Jefferis. Mr. Bringhurst was a director of the National Bank of Delaware, the Newcastle County Insurance Company, and the Wilmington Savings Fund, and a member of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, the Children's Home, and the Fountain Society, being at the time of his death president of the latter institution. He also filled many positions of private trust.

\* SAMUEL SHIPLEY was the elder brother of Joseph Shipley, the late London financier, and member of the banking firm of Brown, Shipley & Co. They were sons of Joseph Shipley, the elder, by his wife Mary Levis, and grandsons of William Shipley by his wife Mary Tatnall. William Shipley was born in Leicestershire, England, in 1693, and in 1725 came to Pennsylvania, later removing to what is now Wilmington, Delaware, of which town he has been styled "the virtual founder." In 1735 he built a brick mansion house at the southwest corner of Fourth and Shipley Streets, a portrait of which is given in Scharf's "History of Delaware," page 632. "It was the largest building within the present limits of Delaware." He died there in 1768.

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### Children, born at Wilmington:

195. SAMUEL BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 27 May, 1833; died 26 October, 1834.  
196. EDWARD BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 10 October, 1835; married Anna J. Webb.  
197. FERRIS BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 10 October, 1837; died 16 March, 1871;  
married, 5 December, 1861, Mary W., daughter of Mahlon Betts,  
Esq<sup>re</sup>, by his wife Mary Seal.

87. ZIBA FERRIS BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, youngest child of Dr. Joseph Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Deborah Ferris, was born at Wilmington, Delaware, 19 September, 1812; died there, 6 March, 1836; married, in 1832, Amy Dixon, who died 3 November, 1846; daughter of Isaac Dixon by his wife Margaret Roberts.

### Children, born at Wilmington:

198. WILLIAM BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 20 April, 1833; died at Philadelphia,  
27 January, 1898; married Amanda Melvina James.  
199. MARGARET ROBERTS BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 28 September, 1834; died 12  
July, 1857.

89. JOHN GULL BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, son of George Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Anna Clarkson, was born at Philadelphia, 13 December, 1782; died there in 1817; married, 4 September, 1808, Susan Millis. In the Philadelphia Business Directories of 1808, 1809, and 1810, Mr. Bringhurst is styled "Druggist."

### Children, born at Philadelphia:

200. ANNA CLARKSON BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, married William S. Torr.  
201. GEORGE HUNTER BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 1 November, 1810; died 20 Febru-  
ary, 1889; married Nancy Trott.

90. MARY ANNA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, daughter of George Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Anna Clarkson, was born at Philadelphia, 29 December, 1783; and died there, 15 September, 1856; married, 29 January, 1803, Thomas Mifflin Hall, Esq<sup>re</sup>, of Philadelphia; born there, 21 January, 1777; died there, 8 September, 1818; son of John Hall by his wife Margaret Nesmith. He resided on Sixth Street, in a large double house on the present site of the Ledger Building.











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### Children :

202. ANNA HALL<sup>7</sup>, born 21 December, 1803; died 29 August, 1845.
203. JOHN HALL<sup>7</sup>, born 11 August, 1806; died 10 May, 1894; was graduated at the University of Pennsylvania in 1823; studied law and was admitted to the Philadelphia bar in 1827, and practised law until 1832, when he studied theology, and entered the ministry of the Presbyterian Church; was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Trenton, New Jersey, from 1841 until 1884, when he became pastor emeritus; received the degree of D.D. from Princeton in 1850, and was an author of some note. He married (1), 20 December, 1827, Mary Margaret Garrett, born 20 May, 1805; died 4 June, 1830; daughter of Levi Garrett; (2) Mary Mitchell Keppele, born 28 February, 1805; died 14 October, 1855; daughter of Hon. Michael Keppele, who was Mayor of Philadelphia in 1811.
204. MARGARET HALL<sup>7</sup>, born 24 August, 1808; died 17 December, 1895; married, 29 January, 1829, George Rowell Garrett, born 13 October, 1802; died 26 April, 1881.
205. GEORGE BRINGHURST HALL<sup>7</sup>, born 30 July, 1810; died 9 April, 1844; married, 6 December, 1831, Mary Stevenson.
206. EDWARD AUGUSTUS HALL<sup>7</sup>, born 13 October, 1813; died 28 June, 1885; entered the University of Pennsylvania in 1829, and left in his junior year to study medicine, and became a physician. He married, 20 November, 1851, Catharine Moore, daughter of Thomas Lea.
207. CHARLES HALL<sup>7</sup>, born 4 February, 1816; died 24 July, 1853; graduated at the University of Pennsylvania in 1834, and became a merchant in Philadelphia. He married, 25 September, 1838, Maria, daughter of Samuel Brooks.

93. CORNELIA CLARKSON BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, daughter of George Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Anna Clarkson, was born at Philadelphia, 3 September, 1788; died there, 5 March, 1872; married, 8 December, 1818, Samuel Bonnell, born at Philadelphia, 6 August, 1790; died there, May, 1862; son of Charles Bonnell.

### Children, born at Philadelphia :

208. MARY ANN BONNELL<sup>7</sup>, born *circa* 1822.
209. SAMUEL BONNELL<sup>7</sup>, born 29 February, 1824; died 20 January, 1885; married Mary S. Oliver.
210. GEORGE BRINGHURST BONNELL<sup>7</sup>, born 28 August, 1825; married, 28 May, 1858, Elizabeth L. Dobleman, born 14 February, 1829; died 19 July, 1859.

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211. CHARLES RUSSELL BONNELL<sup>r</sup>, born 6 May, 1827; died suddenly, 26 December, 1890. He graduated at the Central High School, after which he entered mercantile business as a clerk, but subsequently became a divinity student. He was ordained a deacon by Bishop Potter, and elevated to the priesthood by Bishop Williams. His first charge was Calvary Church, then at Front and Margareta Streets, Philadelphia, whence he was called to St. Thomas's Church, Whitemarsh. He subsequently went West to engage in missionary work, and labored successfully in Salem and Portland, Oregon, and in Tacoma and Seattle, Washington Territory. On his return East in 1877, he took charge of a church in Allentown, Pennsylvania, for a year, and thence went to Lock Haven, in that State, for four years. After a winter spent in Bermuda, he helped to start a little church in Eagle's Mere, Pennsylvania, and in 1886, organized St. Stephen's Church at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, a mission of St. David's Church, Manayunk, in which rectorship he was serving at his death. He married Elizabeth Boyd Kester, who, with two children, survived him.
212. CORNELIA BONNELL<sup>r</sup>, born August, 1829.
213. SALLIE S. BONNELL<sup>r</sup>, married Henry H. Houston, Esq<sup>re</sup>, born 3 October, 1820; died 21 June, 1895. Mr. Houston was a resident of Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, and a prominent and wealthy capitalist. For some years preceding his death he was a director of the Pennsylvania Railroad.
214. WILLIAM WHITE BONNELL<sup>r</sup>, died in infancy.

97. ROBERT RALSTON BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, son of George Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Anna Clarkson, was born at Philadelphia, 4 May, 1797, and died there, 23 December, 1863; married, 13 November, 1817, Mary Wood, born in Ireland, 12 August, 1798; died at Philadelphia, 25 September, 1851. He was a cabinet-maker, but later engaged in the undertaking business. He was a member of Christ Church.

### Children, born at Philadelphia :

215. THOMAS HALL BRINGHURST<sup>r</sup>, born 20 August, 1819; died 23 May, 1899; married (1) Mary J. Stewart; (2) Elizabeth Ross.
216. MARY WOOD BRINGHURST<sup>r</sup>, born 31 May, 1821; died at Atlantic City, 4 August, 1890; married John S. Hopper.
217. ANNA CLARKSON BRINGHURST<sup>r</sup>, born 14 January, 1823; died at Atlantic City, 29 July, 1893.
218. WASHINGTON HENRY BRINGHURST<sup>r</sup>, born 9 October, 1824; married Anna Torr.
219. SARAH BRINGHURST<sup>r</sup>, born 7 March, 1826; died 2 January, 1898; married, 11 December, 1851, Samuel L. Tanguy, of Philadelphia,









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- now residing at Logansport, Indiana; born 28 September, 1824. Issue: 220. GEORGE B. TANGUY<sup>8</sup>, born 20 September, 1852; married, 12 October, 1887, Frances Close. 221. WILLIAM B. TANGUY<sup>8</sup>.
222. GEORGE BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 16 October, 1827; married Emma Seal.
223. ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 3 February, 1829; died 4 February, 1842.
224. ROBERT MORRIS BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 9 October, 1831; died 28 January, 1876; married Alice Rooke.
225. WILLIAM WHITE BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 28 January, 1834; died 6 August, 1868; married Jennie R. Kendrick.

99. ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, daughter of Jesse Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Mildred Keen, was born at Germantown, 25 February, 1794; died there, 7 September, 1876; married, 24 October, 1818, John Gamble, born at Parish Berton Overy, Leicestershire, England, 20 February, 1796; died at Philadelphia, 17 June, 1878; son of John Gamble by his wife Mary Pateman. Mr. Gamble was a wealthy morocco and leather manufacturer.

### Children:

226. JOHN KEEN GAMBLE<sup>7</sup>, born 13 August, 1818; died 17 June, 1891; married, 25 October, 1840, Margaret R. Larison, born 25 October, 1819; died 21 April, 1859. Mr. Gamble was a partner of his father in the morocco and leather business many years. In 1856, 1857, and 1858, he was a member of Select Council of Philadelphia from the Twenty-second Ward, and a member of the Board of School Directors of that ward from 1870 until 1879.
227. GEORGE WASHINGTON GAMBLE<sup>7</sup>, born 23 June, 1821; married, 13 February, 1843, his cousin Mary Souder, daughter of John Keen Bringhurst, born 3 August, 1823; died 4 August, 1885. Mr. Gamble was a wealthy manufacturer, and a member of Councils from the Thirteenth Ward of Philadelphia from 1858 until 1860.
228. MILDRED GAMBLE<sup>7</sup>, born 2 March, 1823; died 2 April, 1824.
229. CHARLES GAMBLE<sup>7</sup>, born 1 November, 1824; died 15 July, 1825.
230. ROBERT BRINGHURST GAMBLE<sup>7</sup>, born 15 January, 1827; married, 27 April, 1848, Margaretta Sutor Batchelder, born 23 December, 1826.
231. WILLIAM PATEMAN GAMBLE<sup>7</sup>, born 20 October, 1828; died 4 February, 1880; married (1) Jane Josephine Farren, born 21 July, 1828; died 19 July, 1867; (2) Mary Littlefield.
232. MARY ELIZABETH GAMBLE<sup>7</sup>, born 4 April, 1830; died 19 April, 1899; married Lemuel Burgess Justice.
233. EDMUND NELSON GAMBLE<sup>7</sup>, born 17 September, 1831; died 23 April, 1883; married Caroline Bachman.

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234. EMMA MATILDA GAMBLE<sup>7</sup>, born 14 October, 1835; died 7 January, 1887; married (1) Wilson Brown, died 13 March, 1859; (2) Joseph P. Keen; (3), 24 June, 1878, Abraham H. Parker.

100. JOHN KEEN BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, son of Jesse Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Mildred Keen, was born at Germantown, 6 September, 1795; died at Philadelphia, 30 June, 1868; married, 10 August, 1822. Elizabeth Culnan, born 8 March, 1796; died at Philadelphia, 2 February, 1885; daughter of Charles Culnan \* by his wife Margaret. Mr. Bringhurst was a printer and publisher, being the first of the family to adopt the occupation of his ancestor, John Bringhurst, of London. He was at one time a member of the printing firm of Stavely & Bringhurst, publishers of the *Episcopal Recorder*. On his tombstone in Hood's Cemetery, Germantown, he is styled "John Keen Bringhurst, Printer."

Children, born at Philadelphia:

235. MARY SOUDER BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 3 August, 1823; died 4 August, 1885; married, 13 February, 1843, George Washington Gamble (227).
236. ANNA MARIA BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 4 November, 1826; married, 2 March, 1856, Franklin Starne Miles, born 1828; died 8 August, 1883; son of Benjamin and Esther Starne Miles. Issue: 237. MILDRED COOK MILES<sup>8</sup>, born 29 May, 1858. 238. BENJAMIN F. MILES<sup>8</sup>, born 14 May, 1860.
239. JESSE BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 10 February, 1830; married, 8 September, 1853, Sarah Crandall Perry, born at Norristown, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, 12 April, 1832; daughter of Samuel Perry by his wife Isabelle Wilson. Issue: 240. FRANK PERRY BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born at Norristown, 16 July, 1854; married, 5 October, 1896, Ella Camden, born in France; daughter of Robert Camden, of Philadelphia, by his wife Ella Theobald.

105. MATTHIAS KEEN BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, son of Jesse Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Mildred Keen, was born at Germantown, 11 October, 1806; died at Milton, Florida, 18 October, 1841; married Rebecca Sharp, who died at Brighton, Illinois, in July, 1870; daughter of Charles and Rebecca Sharp, of Philadelphia.

\* CHARLES CULNAN was buried in St. Peter's church-yard, 10 September, 1818, "in his 55th year," and his wife, Margaret, was buried there, 25 November, 1847, "in her 91st year."











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### Children, born at Philadelphia :

241. GEORGE WASHINGTON BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 27 April, 1831; married (1) Cornelia Anna Hanley; (2) Rebecca Brown.
242. CHARLES SHARP BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 25 December, 1836; is a carriage-maker, and resides at St. Louis, Missouri; married, 2 June, 1869. Matak Cordelia Cantrill, born at Ashley, Illinois; daughter of Empson Bird Cantrill by his wife Sarah Parel. Issue: 243. FRANKLIN BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 2 May, 1870; died 29 September, 1876.

106. MARGARETTA SIMMONS BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, eldest child of Thomas Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Mary Fraley, was born at Germantown, 2 July, 1802; died at Philadelphia, 2 December, 1881; married, at Germantown, in 1825, Francis William Bockius, born at Germantown, 10 December, 1802; died at Hanover, Illinois, 18 February, 1869; son of Joseph Bockius by his wife Margaret Rex. The father, Joseph Bockius,\* was a school-teacher, and when a very young man the son also engaged in teaching, which he continued until within a few years of his death. His first school, so far as known, was in the old stone building which still stands in front of the residence of the late William Wynne Wister, on Germantown Avenue, opposite Bringhurst Street. About 1829 he was selected by his friend Reuben Haines to put into operation in Germantown the Lancasterian system of teaching. This school was

\* JOSEPH BOCKIUS was a son of Francis William Bockins and Susanna Miller, and was born 15 October, 1776, at Germantown. He married Margaret, daughter of Abraham and Anna Rex, of Chestnut Hill. About 1800 he became teacher of the old Mt. Airy School. He was prominent in local and State politics, and was a member of the Legislature and auditor of Philadelphia County. He was a prominent member of the Market Square German Reformed Church, and vigorously opposed the movement of a large part of the congregation to join the Presbytery, which movement, being unsuccessful at that time, led to the organization of the First Presbyterian Church of Germantown. He died May 18, 1840. His father, Francis William (1st), born in Germantown, March 12, 1754, died May 31, 1817, was a son of Johann Gottfried Bockius and Philippina Catharina Marvilius. He was a prominent member of Market Square church and an organizer of the old Franklin Fire Company, and a member of Gerardus Schlatter's Company of Associates of Chestnut Hill during the Revolution. His property at Main and Gowen Streets became part of the Gowen estate. He married Susanna Miller, daughter of Sebastian Miller and Barbara Rosch, who originally owned the Gowen property. His nephew, Samuel Mechin Bockius, of Richmond, Virginia, married (1) Betty Carter Bassett, a descendant of the Carters and Bassetts of Virginia; (2) Mary Ann Ritchie Brooke, granddaughter of Robert Brooke, an old time governor of Virginia. Francis William Bockius's grandfather, Lodovic Bockius, died "en voyage to this province of Pennsylvania," in 1741, leaving three sons,—Johannes Wendell, Johann Gottfried, and Peter Lodovic, known as John, Gottfried, and Peter,—and daughter Anna Maria, wife of Baltzer Ernst. John and Gottfried were both trustees of the Union School (Germantown Academy), and are both mentioned as trustees, or elders, of the German Reformed Church (Market Square), in the Charter granted by the Penns in 1770. Gottfried was a member of the German Society of Philadelphia, and belonged to James Haslet's Company of Revolutionary Associates. His wife Philippina Catharina was the daughter of Johannes Heinrich Marvilius, "Churpfaelzer (Rhenish Palatinate) collector for the High Court at Stromberg, in 1719," and Maria, his wife.—Contributed by J. Harry Bockius, son of Thomas Bringhurst Bockius.

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on the site of Lister's auction house on Haines Street, then Methodist Lane. He continued teaching the Lancasterian school for about eight years, when he took charge of the old school on Queen Lane, Falls of Schuylkill. His roll of scholars of the Lancasterian and Queen Lane schools are still in possession of his descendants. In 1844 he moved to Galena, Illinois, and shortly afterwards settled on a farm near Hanover, in that State, where he resumed school-teaching. In his earlier years he was prominent in Germantown politics, and was secretary of many of the local political and social organizations of that place.

### Children:

244. JOSEPH HENRY BOCKIUS<sup>7</sup>, born 15 August, 1826; died January, 1894; married Jane Hurst.
245. THOMAS BRINGHURST BOCKIUS<sup>7</sup>, born 17 February, 1829; married Elizabeth L. Birchall.
246. JACOB MILLER BOCKIUS<sup>7</sup>, born 18 December, 1830; married Amanda Brown. He changed his Christian name from Jacob to James.
247. MARY FRALEY BOCKIUS<sup>7</sup>, born 16 August, 1833; died 31 December, 1873; married A. Jackson Harris.
248. ELIZABETH FRALEY BOCKIUS<sup>7</sup>, born 5 May, 1840; married Henry Blish.
249. CHARLES FRANKLIN BOCKIUS<sup>7</sup>, born 11 January, 1836; died April, 1858.
250. CAMELIA ELINOR BOCKIUS<sup>7</sup>, born 15 July, 1844; died June, 1846.
251. EMELINE CATHERINE BOCKIUS<sup>7</sup>, born 15 July, 1844; married H. Robert Bain.

107. REBECCA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, daughter of Thomas Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Mary Fraley, was born at Germantown, 18 December, 1803; died at Philadelphia, 25 August, 1849; married, 17 April, 1828, by the Rev. Mr. Rodney, to Jacob Crhall; born 15 September, 1804; died 6 September, 1853.

### Children:

252. MARY ANNA CRHALL<sup>7</sup>, born 4 February, 1829; died 4 November, 1890; married 8 May, 1851, James Fletcher Budd, Esq<sup>re</sup>, a member of the Philadelphia bar.
253. THOMAS BRINGHURST CRHALL<sup>7</sup>, born 6 January, 1830; died 29 August, 1830.
254. WILLIAM HENRY FRALEY CRHALL<sup>7</sup>, born 26 July, 1831; died 1 August, 1837.
255. CHARLES ENGLE CRHALL<sup>7</sup>, born 4 October, 1832.

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256. ELIZABETH FRALEY CRHALL<sup>7</sup>, born 17 May, 1834; married (1) Samuel Newton Myers, born 18 August, 1834; died 18 July, 1863; (2) Edward S. Pritchard, born 18 March, 1820; died 5 October, 1895.
257. SUSANNAH MARGARETTA CRHALL<sup>7</sup>, born 25 January, 1836; died 2 April, 1900.
258. REBECCA MILNER CRHALL<sup>7</sup>, born 10 January, 1838; died 26 April, 1881.

109. SUSANNA FRALEY BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, daughter of Thomas Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Mary Fraley, was born at Germantown, Pennsylvania, 17 March, 1807; died at Philadelphia, 27 December, 1894; married, 25 August, 1831, Benjamin Whittington, born at Sheffield, England, 21 November, 1806; died at Philadelphia, 2 November, 1886; son of Benjamin Whittington by his wife Sarah Darling.

### Children:

259. HENRY BAEDER WHITTINGTON<sup>7</sup>, born in 1832; married, 25 March, 1860, Sarah Elizabeth McCord.
- 259½. SARAH ANN WHITTINGTON, born 13 September, 1833; died 15 March, 1834.
260. BENJAMIN WHITTINGTON<sup>7</sup>, born 4 April, 1835; married, 5 September, 1868, Mary Elizabeth Ash.
261. THOMAS BRINGHURST WHITTINGTON<sup>7</sup>, born 9 November, 1836; died 4 October, 1837.
262. MARY BRINGHURST WHITTINGTON<sup>7</sup>, born 18 February, 1838.
263. SUSANNA FRALEY WHITTINGTON<sup>7</sup>, born 10 February, 1840; married, 29 September, 1886, Joseph H. Hinchman.
264. GEORGE WASHINGTON WHITTINGTON<sup>7</sup>, born 6 October, 1841; married, 9 May, 1865, Barbara Ceelia Preuss.
265. FRANCES LOUISA WHITTINGTON<sup>7</sup>, born 24 May, 1843; married, 28 September, 1881, Charles Henry Smith.
266. SALLIE DARLING WHITTINGTON<sup>7</sup>, born 13 August, 1845.
267. JOHN BRINGHURST WHITTINGTON<sup>7</sup>, born 13 April, 1847; married, 22 October, 1872, Lyde Storey.
268. WILLIAM PENN WHITTINGTON<sup>7</sup>, born 27 February, 1849; died 18 July, 1851.
269. LOUIS AUGUSTUS WHITTINGTON<sup>7</sup>, born 20 June, 1851; married (1), 28 February, 1878, Caroline Elizabeth Mooney, who died 5 April, 1893; (2), 6 October, 1898, Charlotte Peddle.

112. COLONEL JOHN HENRY BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, son of Thomas Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Mary Fraley, was born at Germantown,

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21 January, 1812; and died at Philadelphia, 24 December, 1898. He was educated in the common schools of his native place, and taught school for a few terms. He was then given a business training by his father, and when a young man he began the manufacture of saws, and later engaged in the manufacture of other iron and steel products; eventually he became a member of the iron and steel firm of Verree & Co. This firm was afterwards organized into a stock company, known as the Philadelphia Iron and Steel Company, and Colonel Bringhurst became the secretary and treasurer, and later its president. In 1885, owing to the depression in the iron trade, especially in the East, the company dissolved, and he retired from active business. After the inauguration of President Lincoln, Colonel Bringhurst's name was urged for the post-mastership of Philadelphia by some of the leading business men\* of that city, but he failed to receive the appointment. Colonel Bringhurst was a member of Select Council in 1859 and 1860; for some years a director of the Pennsylvania Railroad; was one of the original directors of the Consolidation National Bank, and held a similar office in the Northern Saving Fund Safe Deposit and Trust Company for many years preceding his death; was a member of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, and was one of the original subscribers to its publication fund.

During his residence at Germantown he was much interested in securing public improvements, and he commanded for a time the once famous "Germantown Blues," and served in the militia of Pennsylvania in various offices from captain to colonel.

Throughout his life Colonel Bringhurst took an active part in religious affairs, uniting with St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Germantown, of which he was a vestryman, transferring his membership to St. Thomas's Church, Whitmarsh, and later to the Church of the Advent, Philadelphia, where he was a vestryman for some years.

A few days after his death, the directors of the Consolidation National Bank met and unanimously adopted the following minute:

\* Among his endorsers were Drexel & Co., James, Kent, Santee & Co., Myers, Kirkpatrick & Co., J. Gillingham Fell, Charles Camblos & Co., Hoyt, Sprague & Co., Thomas A. Biddle, Henry L. Gaw, Winthrop Cunningham & Son, Joseph E. Temple, Richard Wood, Charles Wurts, Wilcox Bros. & Co., Benjamin Bullock & Sons, Josiah Bacon, William Wister, Fred. A. Comley, Catherwood & Co., Elliott & Dunn, Trederick, Stokes & Co., Eyre & Landell, John S. Bispham, and Alexander J. Derbyshire.











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The directors of this bank have learned with deep sorrow of the death of their colleague, Colonel John H. Bringhurst, who has been associated with them since 1858, and for forty years deeply interested in the management of the bank. His kindly personal traits, no less than his valuable services as a wise and faithful business counsellor, have always secured for him their sincere regard and appreciation.

"We desire to express our sense of the loss we and the community have sustained by his death, our esteem for him as a man, and our regard for him as a companion and friend. He was a man of the highest integrity, an enterprising and useful citizen, active and zealous in the discharge of the duties of the many private and public trusts he held during his long and useful life.

"We, his fellow directors, recall his usefulness and devoted services as a director, and mourn the loss of his genial, kindly, and faithful friendship. His place in their hearts cannot be easily filled.

"Resolved, That this minute be published, and a copy of the same be sent to his family."

Colonel Bringhurst married (1), by Rev. George Boyd, 28 July, 1835. Eliza Blair, born at Philadelphia, 28 June, 1815; died at Philadelphia, 2 October, 1855; daughter of James Blair \* by his wife Jean Vicar: (2), Louisa Bedford, born 17 March, 1811; died 3 July, 1895.

Children, the five eldest born at Germantown, and the others at Philadelphia:

270. JEAN VICAR BRINGHURST<sup>1</sup>, born 21 May, 1836; died 21 July, 1859; married, 30 September, 1855, James Verree, born in 1810, and died in 1876, son of James Verree by his wife Susan Paul, a brother of Hon. John P. Verree. Issue: 271. JOHN PAUL BRINGHURST VERREE<sup>2</sup>, born 15 July, 1856; died 22 February, 1864.
272. THOMAS BRINGHURST<sup>1</sup>, born 17 November, 1837; died 2 August, 1892; was captain in a company of three months' volunteers, from Philadelphia, in 1861, and married Mary K. Vaughan.
273. MARY ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>2</sup>, born 22 October, 1839; married, October, 1860, Llewellyn T. Barr, born in 1837; died in February, 1889. Mr. Barr was a merchant at Cincinnati, Ohio. Issue: 274. CLARA VIOLETTA BARR<sup>3</sup>, born in 1861; married, 1 October, 1890, John Sterling Deans, a civil engineer, residing at Phoenixville, Pennsylvania.
275. REBECCA BRINGHURST<sup>1</sup>, born 9 August, 1841; married, 10 August, 1865, Josiah Freed Slifer, born 15 February, 1829; son of Jacob Slifer by his wife Nannah Smith. Issue, born at Philadelphia: 276. WALTER BRINGHURST SLIFER<sup>4</sup>, born 5 June, 1866. 277. JOHN HENRY SLIFER<sup>5</sup>, born 17 November, 1868. 278. MARY BRINGHURST SLIFER<sup>6</sup>,

\* JAMES BLAIR married Jean Vicar, 3 January, 1813. He died 31 August, 1860, aged seventy-one years; and his wife, born at Paris, 31 December, 1791, died at Philadelphia, 8 October, 1882.

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- born 26 June, 1871; married, 25 November, 1896, Rev. William Reese Scott, D.D., Rector of St. Peter's Episcopal Church at Hazleton, Pennsylvania, son of Dr. William Reese Scott by his wife Annetta Margaret Mengle. 279. PAUL BRINGHURST SLIFER<sup>8</sup>, born 7 April, 1874. 280. ANNA FLOYD SLIFER<sup>8</sup>, born 13 March, 1879; died 3 November, 1882.
281. ANNA BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 17 March, 1844; married, 3 April, 1862, David Floyd, born at Philadelphia, 27 March, 1840; died at Waverly Heights, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, 6 June, 1885; son of James Floyd by his wife Jane Freeburn. Issue: 282. MARY BRINGHURST FLOYD<sup>8</sup>, born 25 January, 1865; married, 11 April, 1894, Harry J. Keser, son of Carl William Keser by his wife Johann Katharine Ruckert. 283. CORNELIA ELEANOR FLOYD<sup>8</sup>, born 4 December, 1869; died 22 June, 1877.
284. CORNELIA ELEANOR BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 21 May, 1846; married, 21 June, 1886, John Hart Michener, born in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, 31 January, 1830; son of William Michener by his wife Catharine Hart. Mr. Michener resides in Chicago, and is a member of the firm of Michener Bros. & Co., of that city, pork-packers and provision dealers, and of the firm of J. H. Michener & Co., Philadelphia. Issue: 285. FANNIE MICHENER<sup>8</sup>, born 13 September, 1867; died 26 February, 1872.
286. EMMALINE BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 15 June, 1848; died 9 July, 1848.
287. JOHN HENRY BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, JUN<sup>R</sup>, born 6 August, 1849; died July, 1873.
288. MARGARET BLAIR BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 3 August, 1851; married (1) Charles T. Smith; (2) ————.
289. CLARA VIOLETTA BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 22 July, 1853; died 12 August, 1891; married, at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 16 October, 1871, George Kenneth Mecke, a manufacturer, born at Philadelphia, 24 April, 1840, son of George Mecke by his wife Martha Jewell. Issue: 290. MARY KATE MECKE<sup>8</sup>, born 12 September, 1873; married, 15 February, 1890, Henry Van Reid Hill. 291. CLARA BRINGHURST MECKE<sup>8</sup>, born 20 June, 1875; married, 4 July, 1898, Henry Ferdinand Leberman.

115. MARTHA JANE BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, daughter of Thomas Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Mary Fraley, was born at Germantown, Pennsylvania, 9 March, 1819; died at Norristown, Pennsylvania, 3 December, 1892; married, 18 May, 1843, Charles Augustus Smith, born at Philadelphia, 19 August, 1809; died at Cincinnati, Ohio, 19 March, 1861; son of Charles Louis Smith (Carl Ludwick Schmidt or Smit) by his wife Mary Ann Dorothea Henekel, a daughter of Dr. John Michael Henekel. Mr. Smith studied medicine, but did not graduate, as he turned his attention to chemistry and became a pharmaceutical chemist.











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He was a founder of the College of Pharmacy in Cincinnati, Ohio, and was for some years its president. At the time of his death he was editor and owner of the trade paper, *The Druggist*, published at Cincinnati. He wrote for medical and pharmaceutical papers and magazines, and was a member of the Masonic Fraternity.

### Children:

292. MARY BRINGHURST SMITH,<sup>7</sup> born 7 February, 1844; married, 18 November, 1869, John Alexander Mahon, M.D.; and had: 293. JOHN ALEXANDER MAHON<sup>8</sup>, born 7 February, 1871; died 21 October, 1872.
294. IRENE ELIZABETH SMITH<sup>7</sup>, born 21 April, 1848; married, September, 1876, Rev. J. A. Bauman; died 18 April, 1877.
295. FANNIE JEANNETTE BLISS SMITH<sup>7</sup>, born 27 January, 1856; died 23 May, 1873.

117. CORNELIA ELINOR BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, twelfth and youngest child of Thomas Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Mary Fraley, was born at Germantown, 16 May, 1823; died 9 January, 1898; married, 28 May, 1846, Lewis Gilliam Wunder, born at Germantown, 7 February, 1823; died at Philadelphia, 6 February, 1901; son of Jacob N. Wunder. The son, Lewis G., received an appointment in the Philadelphia Post-Office under Postmaster Wright, 8 July, 1849, and continuously occupied positions in that office until the November preceding his death. He was made chief clerk under Postmaster Bingham in 1871, which place he held under Postmasters Bingham, Fairman, and Huidekoper, and for a portion of Mr. Harry's term. In 1887 he was appointed superintendent of the Inquiry Division. Mr. Wunder had the reputation of being the best-informed man in the office, and all difficult questions were invariably referred to him. He was known to most of the business men of the city, and had their friendship.

### Children:

296. FRANK AUGUSTUS WUNDER<sup>7</sup>, born 14 November, 1848; married Ada Crawford.
297. THOMAS BRINGHURST WUNDER<sup>7</sup>, born 15 June, 1850; married Ella Thorn.
298. ELLA SICKLES WUNDER<sup>7</sup>, born 7 October, 1852; married, 18 October, 1899, Clarence Addison Willis, a professor in Girard College.

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299. IDA VIRGINIA WUNDER<sup>†</sup>, born 13 October, 1853.  
300. JOHN HENRY WUNDER<sup>†</sup>, born 31 January, 1856; married Ella Lippincott.  
301. LEWIS JEANES WUNDER<sup>†</sup>, born September, about 1860; died 8 June, 1861.

119. AUGUSTUS L. BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, son of Clement Bringhurst<sup>5</sup>, was born at Germantown, Pennsylvania, in 1803; died at Alexandria, Louisiana, in 1852. He was a notary public and clerk of the court, and afterwards a planter, at Alexandria, where he settled as a young man about 1832. He married, 29 March, 1838, Maria Louise Waters, born at Washington, Kentucky, 21 April, 1817; died at Alexandria, Louisiana, 21 April, 1879; daughter of Captain William Waters, of Washington, Kentucky, by his wife Sarah Sellers, and sister of Hon. George Richard Waters, of Alexandria, Louisiana.

Children, born at Alexandria :

302. ALBERT CLEMENT BRINGHURST<sup>†</sup>, born 13 February, 1839; was killed in action on the Rapidan, Virginia, 26 November, 1863, while serving as captain of the "Stafford Guards" in the Confederate army.  
303. ROBERT WILTON BRINGHURST<sup>†</sup>, born 13 December, 1840; married Judith Taliaferro Leckie.  
304. WILLIAM STUART BRINGHURST<sup>†</sup>, born 27 August, 1844; married Nettie Powers Houston.  
305. CHARLES ERNEST BRINGHURST<sup>†</sup>, born 9 November, 1847; married Sallie Sellers Waters.  
306. FRANCIS AUGUSTUS BRINGHURST<sup>†</sup>, born 28 November, 1850; died at Clarksville, Texas; married Louise Marshall, and had one child:  
307. MARIA LOUISE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>.

121. WILLIAM ROBERT BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, ESQ<sup>RE</sup>, eldest son of Robert Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Margaret Brewster, was born at Germantown, 20 October, 1804; died at Clarksville, Tennessee, 10 February, 1880. He was a carriage-builder, and resided at Germantown until about 1830, when he removed to Clarksville, where he continued carriage-building until his death. He was a member of the Episcopal Church, a prominent citizen of Clarksville, and twice mayor of that city, being first chosen to the office in 1847. He married (1), in 1828, Julia Hulings, born in Pennsylvania, 30 May, 1808; died at Clarksville, 14











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July, 1863; daughter of Thomas Hulings \* by his second wife Rebecca Berryhill. He married (2), 17 January, 1867, Virginia Manlove, born near Richmond, Virginia, 22 December, 1828, daughter of Christopher Manlove by his wife Lucy Wright Carter.

### Children :

308. REBECCA HULINGS BRINGHURST<sup>t</sup>, born 20 May, 1832; died 1 March, 1880; married (1), October, 1852, Theophilus Plummer, who died 26 July, 1859; (2), December, 1864, Edmond Ware, who died about 1870; (3) Thaddeus Plummer, who died about 1875. Issue by first marriage: 309. THEOPHILUS PLUMMER<sup>u</sup>, born at Clarks-ville, 24 July, 1852, and resides at St. Louis, Missouri.
310. ROBERT BRINGHURST<sup>t</sup>, born 8 January, 1835. During the Civil War he enlisted in the Confederate army, and while serving as adjutant of the Forty-ninth Tennessee Regiment, he was wounded in battle in front of Atlanta, Georgia, 28 July, 1864. Before he had recovered from his wound, and while still using a crutch, he volunteered to go into battle at Franklin, Tennessee, 24 November, 1864, and after he had entered the Union breastworks, he received seven wounds, from which he died in the battle-field hospital, 30th of same month.
311. ELLEN MATILDA BRINGHURST<sup>t</sup>, born 23 September, 1838; married, 18 May, 1858, Benjamin Franklin Poston, born at Clarksville, 20 April, 1832, son of John Hamill Poston by his wife Nancy Nelson. Issue: 312. FRANK HULINGS POSTON<sup>u</sup>, born 8 May, 1874. 313. PHILANDER DAKE POSTON<sup>u</sup>, born 7 February, 1880.
314. EDWARD SLATER BRINGHURST<sup>t</sup>, born 10 June, 1842; married Mattie Eliza Champion.
315. WILLIAM RUFUS BRINGHURST<sup>t</sup>, born 4 November, 1844; married Sarah Scott.
316. JULIA BRINGHURST<sup>t</sup>, born 30 May, 1847; married, 11 June, 1873, Burgess Henry Scott, born at Eddyville, Kentucky, 28 September, 1843, son of William Henry Scott by his wife Mary Jane Green-field. Issue: 317. JULIA BRYAN SCOTT<sup>u</sup>, born 11 June, 1874. 318. ROBERT HENRY SCOTT<sup>u</sup>, born 7 September, 1876. 319. WALTER GREENFIELD SCOTT<sup>u</sup>, born 13 August, 1881; died 15 May, 1882. 320. EDWARD GREENFIELD SCOTT<sup>u</sup>, born 8 July, 1883. 321. WILLIAM RUFUS SCOTT<sup>u</sup>, born 24 December, 1886. 322. MARY SCOTT<sup>u</sup>, born 24 December, 1886.
323. CHRISTOPHER MANLOVE BRINGHURST<sup>t</sup>, born 22 March, 1868; married.
324. JOSEPH ROBERT BRINGHURST<sup>t</sup>, born 8 October, 1870; died 20 October, 1879.

\* THOMAS HULINGS was a son of Marcus Hulings, and was born 3 March, 1755, and died at Buffalo township, Perry County, Pennsylvania, in March, 1868, where he was prominent. His first wife was Elizabeth, a daughter of General Frederick Watts, of Pennsylvania. (See Biographical Encyclopædia of Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, 121.)

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122. TUDOR ROBERT BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, son of Robert Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Margaret Brewster, was born at Germantown, in 1808; died at Swedes Ford, Montgomery County, July, 1843; married, 8 August, 1832, Caroline Shingle, born at Germantown, February, 1814; died there, 23 December, 1891; daughter of Christian Shingle by his wife Catharine Winder.

Children, born at Germantown:

325. ROBERT TUDOR BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 12 September, 1833; died 20 September, 1835.
326. CHARLES SHINGLE BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 31 January, 1835; married, 28 March, 1864, Sarah A. Moore, daughter of James Hamilton Moore by his wife Harriet Fleming. Issue, born at Germantown: 327. ROBERT TUDOR BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 31 August, 1866; married, May, 1886, Sarah Brambley. 328. HARRIET FLEMING BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 9 August, 1868; died 5 November, 1874. 329. HORACE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 9 December, 1872; died 31 December, 1872. 330. CHARLES SUMPTER BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 15 November, 1870; died 7 November, 1874. 331. FRANKLIN BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 11 October, 1874. 332. CHARLES EDWARD BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 4 April, 1878.

144. MARY MATILDA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, daughter of Israel Bringhurst<sup>5</sup> by his wife Mary Lewis, was born at The Trappe, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, 21 November, 1801; died at Limerick (now Royersford), in that county, 12 June, 1834; married, 11 January, 1829, Francis Hobson, born at Poughkeepsie, New York, 10 October, 1803; died at Reading, Pennsylvania, 24 August, 1874; son of John Hobson by his wife Penelope Turner. He was a large landowner.

Children:

333. FRANK M. HOBSON<sup>7</sup>, born 22 January, 1830; married Elizabeth Gotwaltz. Mr. Hobson resides at Collegeville, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, and is a merchant and surveyor; has been trustee, secretary, and treasurer of Ursinus College; director of the Iron Bank of Phoenixville, and of the First National Bank of Norristown, Pennsylvania. Issue: 334. FREELAND G. HOBSON<sup>8</sup>, a member of the Montgomery County Bar; married Ella M. Hendricks. 335. MARY M. HOBSON<sup>8</sup>, married Rev. O. P. Smith.
336. SARAH HOBSON<sup>7</sup>, born 16 October, 1831; married (1), 11 June, 1861, Dr. Daniel D. Detwiler, of Montgomery County, who died 18 June, 1863; (2) Rev. Henry W. Super, late president of Ursinus College, who died 26 November, 1897. Issue: 337. STANLEY HOBSON DETWILER<sup>8</sup>, born 20 March, 1862; died 2 September, 1862.



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156. SAMUEL BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, eldest child of Joseph Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Elizabeth Evans, was born at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 21 December, 1812; died at Taylorsville, Salt Lake County, Utah, 12 April, 1888; married, in 1838, Eleanor Beitler, born in Chester County, Pennsylvania, 25 December, 1814; died at Taylorsville, Utah, 30 July, 1888. Mr. Bringhurst was a wagon- and carriage-builder, and conducted that business at Lionville, Uwchlan township, Chester County, until 1845, when he and his wife joined the Mormon Church, and moved to Nauvoo, Illinois, the centre of those of the Mormon faith. This was before the church adopted the doctrine of polygamy. In the exodus of the Mormons to the West in 1847, Mr. Bringhurst, with his wife and their three children, removed to the Salt Lake Valley, and endured the hardships incident to the settlement of a new country.

### Children:

338. WILLIAM AUGUSTUS BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 26 January, 1839; married (1) Selinda Dalby Palmer; (2) Susan A. Steele; (3) Mary J. Stapeley.
339. ANNA BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 12 March, 1842.
340. HENRY L. BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 13 August, 1844; died 21 March, 1846.
341. ROBERT PEIRCE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 25 November, 1846.
342. SAMUEL BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 7 April, 1850.
343. ELEANOR BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, twin of Samuel, born 7 April, 1850.
344. JOHN BEITLER BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 13 June, 1854; married Emma Frances Tripp.
345. MARY ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, twin of John Beitler, born 14 June, 1854, shortly after midnight.
346. LOUIS BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 24 September, 1856.

159. WILLIAM BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, ESQ<sup>RE</sup>, son of Joseph Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Elizabeth Evans, was born at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 8 November, 1818; died at Springville, Utah, 17 February, 1883; married, 25 March, 1845, Ann Dilworth, born in Uwchlan township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, 12 February, 1821; died at Springville, Utah, 25 January, 1898; daughter of Caleb Dilworth by his wife Eliza

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Woollerton. About the time of his marriage, Mr. Bringhurst united with the Mormon Church, and removed to Nauvoo, Illinois, where his eldest child was born. Shortly afterwards he joined the Mormon emigration to Utah, and began life there as one of the pioneers of the Territory. He was one of the first settlers of Springville, and served several years in the councils of that city, and was a member of the Territorial Legislature. He was prominent in educational matters, and was one of the original donors of the Brigham Young Academy, and one of its board of directors. He was also a director of the Provo Woollen Mill Company. His business occupations were those of a merchant, farmer, and stock-raiser, and at the time of his death he was Bishop of the Mormon Church at Springville.

### Children:

347. CHARLES HARPER BRINGHURST<sup>4</sup>, born 23 April, 1846; died 23 December, 1846.
348. WILLIAM JOSEPH BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, born 5 August, 1848.
349. ELIZA JANE BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 14 August, 1851; married Amasa Lyman Haymond.
350. ANN DILWORTH BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 13 August, 1853; married John A. Groesbeck.
351. DESERET BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 25 December, 1856; married Milan Lucian Crandall.
352. CLARA OLIVIA BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 11 July, 1858; died 2 January, 1898; married Edward James Hall.
353. JOHN FRANK BRINGHURST<sup>10</sup>, born 13 December, 1861; married Mahala Harriet Crandall.

166. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, youngest child of Joseph Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Elizabeth Evans, was born in Chester County, Pennsylvania, 6 June, 1832; married (1) Eliza, daughter of Henry and Mary March, of Uwchlan township, Chester County, Pennsylvania. She died about two years after marriage, and he married (2), August, 1862, Rebecca Catherine Williamson; (3) Elizabeth Slack.

### Children, by first wife:

354. LEWIS BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>.



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### By second wife :

355. ANNA HOOPS BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 1 March, 1863.  
356. JOSEPH BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 6 December, 1865; married, 29 June, 1890, Elizabeth Alice Parker. Issue: 357. ANNA HOOPS BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 11 August, 1891; died 9 February, 1892. 358. SAMUEL PARKER BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 27 December, 1892; died 17 April, 1897.  
359. RAYMOND KOPP BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 7 September, 1897. 360. LEONA BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, born 28 August, 1899.

### By third wife :

361. LYDIA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 1 December, 1879.  
362. ELLEN BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 16 December, 1886.  
363. ANNIE BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 25 July, 1892.

167. DR. JAMES BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, son of James Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Rebecca Ryan, was born at Philadelphia, 24 February, 1819; died at Jerseyville, Illinois, 23 June, 1870; married, in 1850, Mary Ryan, born at Upper Alton, Illinois, 22 March, 1822. He was a physician, and practised medicine in Illinois.

### Children :

364. JAMES BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 28 April, 1851.  
365. JOHN BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 7 May, 1853.  
366. ROBERT PORTER BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 22 March, 1855; married Mary Frances Coolidge.  
367. HARRY BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 6 September, 1857; died 20 December, 1896, at St. Louis, Missouri.

170. HENRY RYAN BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, son of James Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Rebecca Ryan, was born at Wilmington, Delaware, 20 September, 1825, and died there, 25 October, 1899. He entered the drug-store of his cousin, Joseph Bringhurst, at the age of fourteen years, as an apprentice to the drug business, and there remained to the end of his life, succeeding to the full control of the business in 1859. He was closely identified with the founding of the Delaware Pharmaceutical Society, of which he was the first president, retaining the position many years. He served for several years as president and also as secretary of the Water Witch Fire Company, and was noted for his rare efficiency in raising the requisite funds for, and zeal in maintaining the standard of,

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the volunteer fire department. He was connected with various literary and other societies in former years, and in recent years was specially known for his long and faithful service as treasurer of the Historical Society of Delaware. "When a young man Mr. Bringhurst took an active part in the political affairs of his city and State. He was a close and trusted friend of Hon. John M. Clayton, with whom he often consulted; and later, during the Civil War, he shared in the trials and secret councils involved in the momentous border problem of keeping Delaware in the Union and resisting the disruption of the government."

Two days after Mr. Bringhurst's death a special meeting of the Delaware Historical Society was held to take action thereon. Appropriate resolutions were passed, and a committee of five members was appointed to represent the Society at his funeral. Several members made brief addresses in support of the resolutions, and Henry C. Conrad, Esqre, one of the speakers, in the course of his remarks, said, "I shall always remember him as about the last representative we had left of the 'old school gentleman.' Of dignified bearing and correct deportment, his striking characteristics were the vigor and strength of mind and the individuality of his opinions. He was not afraid to take a stand and assert himself in its favor, although every one else should oppose him. I never knew a man who had a higher ideal of honesty and integrity."

Mr. Bringhurst married, 20 August, 1868, Elizabeth Ashburnham Smith, born at Wilmington, 10 May, 1832; daughter of Captain Franklin Smith by his wife Elizabeth Ashburnham Brown.

### Children, born at Wilmington:

368. HENRY RYAN BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 2 July, 1869; graduated at Friends' School, in Wilmington, in the class of 1887, entered Haverford College in the fall of that year, and was graduated there in 1890, when he entered on the study of the law under Benjamin Neilds, Esqre, of Wilmington, and three years later was admitted to the bar, since which time he has engaged in the practice of the law in his native city.

369. ELIZABETH ASHBURNHAM BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 5 March, 1871.

192. JOHN RICHARDSON BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, son of Joseph Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Anna Richardson, was born at Wilmington, Delaware, 8 January, 1845; married there (1), 17 February, 1870,

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Elizabeth Tatnall, born 29 September, 1847; died 19 January, 1874; daughter of Joseph Tatnall by his wife Sarah Richardson; (2), 16 June, 1881, Annie S. Stokes, born at Louisville, Kentucky, 2 March, 1861; died at Marshallton, Delaware, 23 April, 1882; daughter of James Stokes, of Louisville, by his wife Annie M. Stotsenberg; (3), at Darlington, Maryland, 20 April, 1887, Esther Harlan Wilson, daughter of William Worthington Wilson by his wife Annie E. Ferguson; born at Darlington, 3 February, 1858. In 1874 Mr. Bringhurst acquired an interest in the rolling mills at Marshallton, Delaware, now the Marshallton Iron and Steel Company, of which he is the president, and in 1887 he became the sole owner. He is secretary and treasurer of the Wilmington and Chester Turnpike Company. His two eldest children are by the first wife, the third by the second, and the youngest by the last wife.

### Children:

370. JOSEPH BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, born 15 September, 1871; graduated in medicine at the University of Pennsylvania in 1898, and is now practising in his profession, at West Chester, Pennsylvania. He married (1), 4 April, 1896, Helen Norwood, daughter of William Wilson by his wife Annie Ferguson. She died 21 May, 1898. He married (2), 14 June, 1900, Elizabeth, daughter of George B. and Sarah Savery Meller, of Chester County, Pennsylvania. Issue: 371. ESTHER WILSON BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 2 February, 1897.
372. FREDERICK BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, born 12 December, 1873.
373. MARGARET BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, born 1 April, 1882.
374. JOHN RICHARDSON BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, JUN<sup>r</sup>, born 27 September, 1895.

196. EDWARD BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, JUN<sup>r</sup>, son of Edward Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Sarah Shipley, was born at Wilmington, Delaware, 10 October, 1835; married, 22 April, 1862, Anna J., daughter of Thomas D. Webb by his wife Mary H. James; born 13 April, 1843. Mr. Bringhurst succeeded his father in the drug business, which he continued until 1876, when he retired from active business. He has been a director of the National Bank of Delaware for over twenty years; is vice-president of the New Castle County Fire Insurance Company; president of the Wilmington and Great Valley Turnpike Company; a director of the Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad Company and the Front and

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Union Passenger Railway Company of Wilmington, and a member of the Delaware Historical Society. He resides at his seat "Rockwood," near Wilmington. It is one of the finest estates in Delaware, and was formerly the property of his kinsman, the late Joseph Shipley, noted financier and capitalist, of the firm of Brown, Shipley & Co., of London, England. The mansion-house (see accompanying views) is surrounded by nearly three hundred acres of land.

### Children, born at Wilmington:

375. ELIZABETH SHIPLEY BRINGHURST<sup>5</sup>, born 8 October, 1863; married, 1 June, 1886, John Galt Smith, of Kilwaughter Castle, Ireland, and of New York, son of Samuel Smith, of Kilwaughter Castle, by his wife Marianne Bryan. Mr. Smith died 25 April, 1899.
376. MARY T. BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 24 June, 1865.
377. EDITH FERRIS BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 30 March, 1874; married, 2 June, 1897, Alexander Sellers, son of William Sellers. Issue: 378. ANNE BRINGHURST SELLERS<sup>9</sup>, born 9 March, 1898. 379. WILLIAM SELLERS<sup>9</sup>, born 19 September, 1899. 380. ALEXANDER SELLERS<sup>9</sup>, born 22 February, 1901.
381. EDWARD BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, 3<sup>d</sup>, born 4 July, 1884.

198. WILLIAM BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, M.D., eldest child and only son of Ziba Ferris Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Amy Dixon,\* was born 20 April, 1833; died at Philadelphia, 27 January, 1898; married, at Philadelphia, 16 January, 1869, Mrs. Amanda Melvina James, born at Philadelphia, 6 December, 1829; died 21 February, 1888; widow of Thomas M. James, and daughter of George Veale, from Sunderland, Durham, England, by his wife Margaret Froert, of Delaware. He learned the drug business, but afterwards studied medicine, and in 1876 was graduated M.D. from the Jefferson Medical College, and entered on the practice of medicine at Philadelphia. Dr. Bringhurst was a member of the Academy of Natural Sciences, and devoted much attention to the study of the subjects embraced within the objects of that institution. He was well known for his humanitarian views, and highly esteemed by all who knew him. During the Civil War he was in the hospital service of the army, and was at one time a member of the Delaware Battery.

\* AMY DIXON was the aunt of Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, President of the Academy of Natural Sciences.











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### Child:

382. WILLIAM JOSEPH BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born at Philadelphia, 17 February, 1870; married, 7 February, 1892, Mary Frances Kelly, born at Newark, New Jersey, 17 July, 1870; daughter of James Kelly by his wife Katharine Finnegan. Issue: 383. ETHEL MARGARET BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 27 February, 1893. 384. FRANCES BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 4 July, 1895. 385. WILLIAM BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 25 April, 1898.

200. ANNA CLARKSON BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, daughter of John Gull Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Susan Millis, was born at Philadelphia, 1 April, 1809; died there, 20 August, 1892; married William Savery Torr, born at Philadelphia, 13 October, 1805; died there, 19 July, 1895; son of John Torr by his wife Elizabeth Roth.

### Children, all born at Philadelphia:

386. ANNA TORR<sup>8</sup>, born 25 March, 1832; married Washington Henry Bringhurst. (See No. 218.)  
387. JULIA TORR<sup>8</sup>, died at Charleston, South Carolina, in 1876; married ——— Neufville.  
388. WILLIAM HENRY TORR<sup>8</sup>, died at Knoxville, Tennessee; was a lieutenant in the army.  
389. ELLEN TORR<sup>8</sup>, died at Philadelphia, in 1860.  
390. LUCY TORR<sup>8</sup>, twin to Ellen.  
391. FANNY TORR<sup>8</sup>.  
392. HARRY TORR<sup>8</sup>, born in 1843; died at Logansport, Indiana, 19 March, 1896.  
393. JOSEPHINE TORR<sup>8</sup>, born in 1845; died at Philadelphia, in 1860.  
394. ELIZABETH TORR<sup>8</sup>.  
395. CHARLES CLARENCE TORR<sup>8</sup>.

201. GEORGE HUNTER BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, son of John Gull Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Susan Millis, was born at Philadelphia, 1 November, 1810; died at Houston, Texas, 20 February, 1889; married, 14 June, 1842, Nancy Trott, born at Rutherford County, Tennessee, 20 October, 1821; died at Houston, Texas, 8 March, 1859; daughter of Henry Trott by his wife Elizabeth Patton. Mr. Bringhurst removed from Philadelphia to Texas about 1835, and served with the Texas troops in the war with Mexico in 1836. He held many positions of public trust at Houston, Texas, and was for twenty-three years Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Texas.

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### Children:

397. JOHN HENRY BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 11 February, 1844; died 3 September, 1890; married Minerva Abercrombie.
398. ANNA MARIA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 18 December, 1845; married, about 1869, Nathaniel Parker Turner. Issue: 399. KATE TURNER<sup>6</sup>. 400. MAISSIE TURNER<sup>6</sup>.
401. SARAH BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 14 April, 1847; died about 1875 or 1876; married, about 1870, Samuel Tinsley.
402. CHRISTIANA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 5 June, 1849; died 19 October, 1864.
403. GEORGE RUTHVAN BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 9 December, 1850; married Nettie Eloise Burke.
404. THOMAS BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 14 April, 1853; married, 16 December, 1886, Emma Hannah Conklin.

215. COLONEL THOMAS HALL BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, son of Robert Ralston Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Mary Wood, was born at Philadelphia, 20 August, 1819; died at Logansport, Indiana, 23 May, 1899. He was reared under the parental roof, and received his education in the public schools of Philadelphia. Upon leaving school he was apprenticed to the trade of cabinet-making. In 1840 he went to Alabama, but the following year removed to Dayton, Ohio, where he remained until 1845, when he went to Logansport, Indiana, and there erected a saw-mill at the mouth of the Eel River, and engaged in the manufacture of lumber for the Eastern markets, making a specialty of walnut veneer.

His business career, however, was interrupted by military service. In May, 1846, he enlisted in the First Regiment of Indiana Volunteers for service in the Mexican War. The regiment went to Mexico, and while in the field he was promoted to second corporal. Returning from the war, he was mustered out of service at New Orleans, 15 June, 1847. Upon reaching home he resumed the operation of his saw-mill, which he successfully conducted until 1849, when, at the solicitation of the Whigs, who wished a party organ in that locality, he purchased the office and equipments of the *Logansport Telegraph*. With that plant Colonel Bringhurst established the *Logansport Journal*, which he conducted as editor and proprietor until 1870, making it one of the leading newspapers in that part of the State. He built up a large circulation, and the enterprise proved a profitable one. He was twice elected mayor of Logansport, first in 1853, and next in 1855, serving four years. In 1861 his editorial

COLONEL THOMAS HALL BEZELIUS

Photograph of him when in command of the  
49th Indiana Volunteers)

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duties were interrupted, when he again "donned the blue as a defender of his country." He assisted in raising and enlisting the Forty-sixth Indiana Volunteers, of which he was commissioned major, 30 September, 1861; lieutenant-colonel, 25 May, 1862; and colonel, 6 August, 1862, with which rank he served until the close of the war, receiving his discharge at Louisville, Kentucky, 4 September, 1865. His regiment figured prominently in the Mississippi River campaign, being with Grant until Vicksburg was invested, and he later rendered active and meritorious service in Mississippi, Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, and Louisiana, being with General Banks on the Louisiana and Texas expeditions, participating in the investment of Vicksburg and in the Red River campaign. His war service lasted nearly four years. His first experience in battle was at New Madrid, Missouri, and he participated in the engagements and battles of Ruddle's Point, Fort Pillow, Memphis, St. Charles, Arkansas, Devaul's Bluff, Yazoo Pass, Fort Pemberton, Grand Gulf, Vicksburg, Champion Hill, Port Jackson, Teche, Carranco, Red River, and Yellow Bayou. He was particularly distinguished in the battles of Port Gibson and Champion Hill, and was mentioned in orders by his commanding officers for gallantry and good conduct. His coolness and quick decision saved Burbridge's brigade from defeat and probable capture in Louisiana in 1863. During his entire service he was never in hospital, never wounded, and never a prisoner of war. At his grave, on the occasion of his burial, Captain Swigart, an officer of his regiment in the Civil War, said, "He loved his country, he loved his flag, he loved his country's institutions; he loved the men who stood for all these, and deeper than all else he loved the men whom he commanded. . . . We loved him because he took us as heedless boys, as awkward squads, and made us veteran soldiers. . . . The private soldiers received the same consideration from him the officers did, and we all loved him for it. . . . We loved him because he never asked us to go where he would not go. . . . He did not say, 'Go on, boys.' It was always, 'Come on, boys.'"

Four years after his retirement from the army, and a year before he severed his connection with the *Logansport Journal*, he was appointed a special agent of the Post-Office Department, which position he resigned in 1876. About this time he made a trip to Philadelphia, and was

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caught in a railroad wreck that came near costing him his life, and which disabled him for the rest of his life.

The year following his retirement from the Post-Office Department he became a partner in the Logansport Manufacturing Company, and for some years he was vice-president of the company, and under his able management the enterprise became one of the leading industrial concerns in that section of the State.

In mentioning his death, the *Logansport Journal* says,—

“One of the most conspicuous figures in the history of Logansport was Thomas Hall Bringhurst, who for more than a half-century was a resident of this city, during which time he was a leading spirit in many of its business and public enterprises. Through two wars he loyally maintained the honor of his country, and at all times and in all places he was known for his fidelity of purpose, his lofty principles, and his strict adherence to the ethics which govern all human existence.”

No citizen of Logansport was ever more honored at his death than was Colonel Bringhurst. During the hours of his funeral business in that city was generally suspended, the public schools adjourned their sessions, and the city and county offices were closed. His body lay in state at his residence for three hours, and a vast concourse of people passed in and out to view the remains, while about the coffin stood six of the Logan Greys in uniform, silently guarding the still form. The cortege which proceeded from his residence to the cemetery was thus formed:

Squad of police.

Martial band.

Mayor, city councils, and officials.

Company M.

G. A. R. and old soldiers.

Rev. W. E. Beiderwolf and other clergymen of the city, in carriages.

Honorary pall-bearers.

Veterans of the Mexican War.

Forty-sixth Indiana Volunteers.

Logan Greys.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Funeral car.











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Fire department.

Citizens in carriages.

Colonel Bringhamurst was a delegate to the first National Convention of the Republican party, and participated in the nomination of General Fremont for the Presidency. He was for some years a member of the Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Grand Army of the Republic. He married (1), by Rev. David E. Thomas, at Piqua, Ohio, 10 May, 1848, Mary J. Stewart, born in 1823; died at Logansport, 28 July, 1855; (2), 11 March, 1857, Elizabeth Ross, born 5 March, 1834, daughter of Ezekiel Ross by his wife Martha Kay.

Children, born at Logansport:

405. ROBERT RALSTON BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 2 February, 1849; married Mary Caroline Yerger.  
406. ELIZABETH E. BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 30 July, 1850; married, 28 May, 1872, Dr. Henry C. Gemmill. Issue: 407. THOMAS HUGH GEMMILL<sup>7</sup>, born 6 May, 1873; died 13 September, 1873. 408. HENRY C. GEMMILL<sup>7</sup>, JUN<sup>R</sup>, born 17 May 1874. 409. ARTHUR STEWART GEMMILL<sup>7</sup>, born 18 August, 1876. 410. ROBERT BRINGHURST GEMMILL<sup>7</sup>, born 16 May, 1879. 411. THOMAS BRINGHURST GEMMILL<sup>7</sup>, born 14 February, 1881. 412. JULIA GEMMILL<sup>7</sup>, born 18 January, 1885.  
413. WASHINGTON HENRY BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 6 June, 1852; died September, 1852.  
414. ANNA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 12 September, 1853; married, 10 October, 1878, Howard F. Lauderdale, and had issue: 415. HOWARD LAUDERDALE<sup>7</sup>.

Child by second wife:

416. MARY BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 1 December, 1859; married, 27 January, 1880, Lon A. Bond, of Chicago. Issue: 417. THOMAS CHARLES BOND<sup>7</sup>, born 8 January, 1881. 418. ELIZABETH ROSS BOND<sup>7</sup>, born 13 January, 1888.

218. WASHINGTON HENRY BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, son of Robert Ralston Bringhamurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Mary Wood, was born at Philadelphia, 9 October, 1824; married at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Philadelphia, 11 January, 1860, Anna Torr, born at Philadelphia, 25 March, 1832; daughter of William S. Torr by his wife Anna Clarkson Bringhamurst (200). Mr. Bringhamurst graduated at the Central High School,

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Philadelphia, and was among the adventurers who went to California in 1849. Returning from there, he shortly afterwards settled at Logansport, Indiana, where he went into the drug business, in which he is still engaged. He has for some years been a member of the Educational Board of Logansport. He has long been interested in the genealogy of the Bringhurst family, and his collection of genealogical material has aided in the preparation of the present work.

### Children, born at Logansport, Indiana :

419. HENRY WASHINGTON BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 13 June, 1861; married, 10 May, 1890, Delia Zipl, of Chicago. Issue: 420. HORACE MORTON BRINGHURST ZIFF<sup>9</sup>, born at Seattle, Washington, 30 January, 1891.  
421. CHARLES ALFRED BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 20 August, 1862; died 2 November, 1865.  
422. ALFRED THEODORE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 22 December, 1867.  
423. JOSEPHINE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 30 October, 1870.  
424. WILLIAM LAWRENCE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 30 January, 1872; died 11 April, 1872.

222. REV. GEORGE BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, son of Robert Ralston Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Mary Wood, was born at Philadelphia, 16 October, 1827. He was graduated in the classical course of the Central High School, Philadelphia; continued his classical studies under a private tutor, and then studied theology under the Right Rev. Alonzo Potter, Bishop of Pennsylvania, and the Rev. James Vaughan, D.D.; was ordained to the diaconate of the Episcopal Church by Bishop Potter in 1855, and advanced to priest's orders the following year by Bishop Lee, of Delaware. He became a pioneer of the mission work in the "slums" of Philadelphia, its head-quarters being the Church of the Crucifixion. For some years he had fifty convicts in the Eastern Penitentiary under his spiritual care, and during the Civil War he was the first delegate of the United States Christian Commission, and during his service with the Union army in that capacity he ministered to fifty thousand sick and wounded soldiers. In 1865 he organized the Midnight Mission of Philadelphia. He was Rector of All Saints Protestant Episcopal Church and the Church of the Messiah, the edifice of the latter having been constructed under his rectorship, and for the past quarter of a century he has been the Rector of the Church of the House of Prayer, at Branch-

GEORGE CLAUDE BRINGSHER

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town, Philadelphia, where the silver jubilee of such rectorship was held October, 1900.

He married, 2 May, 1850, Emma Seal, born at Philadelphia, 25 June, 1831; daughter of Joseph H. Seal by his wife Esther L. Mort.

Child, born at Philadelphia:

425. EMMA LOUISA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 30 January, 1851; married, 20 October, 1870, Julius A. Kaiser, born 25 July, 1846; son of Henry and Christine Kaiser. Child: 426. GEORGE BRINGHURST KAISER<sup>6</sup>, born 14 April, 1873.

224. ROBERT MORRIS BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, son of Robert Ralston Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Mary Wood, was born at Philadelphia, 9 October, 1831; died 28 January, 1876; married, 20 October, 1857, Alice Rooke.

Children:

427. MARY BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 4 October, 1859; married, 13 December, 1883, Louis A. Flanagan.  
428. FLORENCE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 22 December, 1863; died 4 August, 1880.

225. WILLIAM WHITE BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, son of Robert Ralston Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Mary Wood, was born at Philadelphia, 28 January, 1834; died 6 August, 1868; married, 4 April, 1863, Jennie R. Kendrick, born 2 November, 1836; daughter of George W. Kendrick by his wife Maria McDonald.

Child:

429. ROBERT RALSTON BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 23 December, 1866; married, 11 November, 1891, Fanny Hodgson, born 9 December, 1871; daughter of Frederick A. Hodgson by his wife Fannie Cooper. Issue: 430. GEORGE KENDRICK BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 25 May, 1893. 431. DOROTHY HODGSON BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 23 February, 1895. 432. FRANCES BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 2 August, 1897.

241. GEORGE WASHINGTON BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, son of Matthias Keen Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Rebecca Sharp, was born at Philadelphia, 27 April, 1831; resides at Litchfield, Illinois; married (1) Cornelia Anna Hanley; (2), 28 September, 1880, Rebecca Brown,

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born at Astoria, Illinois, 5 January, 1851; daughter of James Brown by his wife Rachel Pierce. In 1861 Mr. Bringhurst responded to the call for seventy-five thousand volunteers, and served in the Union army three years. For two years he was gun-sergeant in Company K, Second Illinois Light Artillery, and for one year served in the Commissary Department of the Army of the Mississippi. He was first a Whig, then a Know-Nothing, and afterwards a Republican, voting for Abraham Lincoln twice. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

### Children by first wife :

433. MINNIE BRINGHURST<sup>a</sup>, born in 1867; resides at St. Louis, Missouri; married.
434. EDGAR ALLEN BRINGHURST<sup>a</sup>, born at Alton, Illinois, 4 July, 1868; resides at St. Louis, Missouri; married, 31 August, 1893, Minnie Waugh Andrew, born at Buffalo, Missouri, 17 July, 1873; daughter of John Scott Andrew by his wife Mary Agnes Gibson. Issue: 435. VERA GRACE BRINGHURST<sup>a</sup>, born 27 August, 1896. 436. EVAN GLEN BRINGHURST<sup>a</sup>, born 10 August, 1898.
437. ERNEST W. BRINGHURST<sup>a</sup>, born at Trenton, Illinois, 17 December, 1873; resides at St. Louis, Missouri; married, 11 November, 1894, Othelia G. Smith, born at St. Louis, Missouri, 24 June, 1876; daughter of Valentine Smith by his wife Mollie Kile. Issue: 438. VIOLA G. BRINGHURST<sup>a</sup>, born 29 April, 1896.

### Children by second wife :

439. MABEL WILEY BRINGHURST<sup>a</sup>, born 28 October, 1881.
440. HARRY EARL BRINGHURST<sup>a</sup>, born 2 April, 1884.
441. GEORGE ROBERT BRINGHURST<sup>a</sup>, born 3 September, 1886.

303. MAJOR ROBERT WILTON BRINGHURST<sup>a</sup>, son of Augustus L. Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Maria Louise Waters, was born at Alexandria, Louisiana, 13 December, 1840. He was educated at schools in Alexandria, Virginia, Schenectady, New York, and at Union College, in the latter State, where he was graduated a civil engineer in 1861. Upon returning home he was appointed assistant engineer of a railroad in Louisiana, which position he resigned to enlist in the Confederate army, where he served four years, first as assistant military engineer in the Army of the Middle States, then as engineer in the Trans-







Yours very truly  
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Mississippi Department, and later as chief engineer in the Department of Arkansas. He was at one time in charge of the pioneer corps with General Sterling Price in Missouri, and closed his military career in Texas. After the war he was commissioned civil engineer and surveyor of Alexandria Parish, Louisiana, in which position he served over thirty years. He is now engaged as a planter, and is at the head of the Bringhurst Land and Real Estate Agency at Alexandria. He married, 25 November, 1865, Judith Taliaferro Leckie, born at Alexandria, Louisiana, 25 November, 1843; graduate of the New Orleans High School; daughter of William R. Leckie by his wife Elvira Sexton.

### Children, born at Alexandria:

442. MARIA LOUISE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 19 October, 1866; died 11 September, 1896; married, 25 February, 1895, W. E. Allen.
443. ALBERT HENRY BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 21 June, 1868; died at Franklin, Louisiana, 19 June, 1900; married, 12 June, 1895, Florence Kramer, born 5 December, 1873; daughter of Joseph Kramer by his wife Mary Miller. Issue: 444. RETA GLADYS BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 7 March, 1897. 445. LYDIA HAZEL BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 9 November, 1900.
446. GEORGE AUGUSTUS BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 16 August, 1870; died 5 October, 1888.
447. KATHERINE SEXTON BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 10 August, 1873.
448. ELVIRA MAY BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 26 May, 1875.
449. ROBERT WILTON BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, JUN<sup>r</sup>, born 28 September, 1877; real estate agent, and surveyor of Rapides Parish, Louisiana.
450. NEWTON TALIAFERRO BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 6 September, 1879; a college student (1901) at Ashland, Virginia.
451. FRANCIS LADOUX BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 28 August, 1881; a student (1901) at Purdue University, Indiana.
452. MARY WATERS BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 22 July, 1883.

304. WILLIAM STUART BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, PH.D., son of Augustus L. Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Maria Louise Waters, was born at Alexandria, Louisiana, 27 August, 1844; married Nettie Powers Houston, youngest daughter of Major-General Sam Houston, the first President of the republic of Texas, and afterwards governor and United States Senator of Texas. Mr. Bringhurst was educated in Louisiana and Germany, and received the degree of Ph.D. from the University of Tubingen, Germany. He has been a teacher for many years.

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He was for ten years professor of English in the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, and is now a teacher of Greek and Latin in the High School at San Antonio, in that State.

### Children :

453. SAMUEL HOUSTON BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 3 March, 1878; died 11 October, 1895.
454. CHARLES RAGUET BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 24 May, 1880; died 3 July, 1882.
455. WILLIAM STUART BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 23 August, 1883; died 10 October, 1884.
456. NETTIE HOUSTON BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 6 November, 1887.
457. ANNA KATHERINE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 28 January, 1890; died 6 August, 1895.

305. CHARLES ERNEST BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, son of Augustus L. Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Maria Louise Waters, was born at Alexandria, Louisiana, 9 November, 1847, where he now resides. He married Sallie Sellers Waters, born 15 February, 1857; died 20 October, 1891; daughter of William Waters, Junr.

### Children :

458. JULIUS RENÉ BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 17 April, 1878; died 25 October, 1879.
459. ERNEST RANDOLPH BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 11 April, 1881; died 22 April, 1881.
460. CHARLES FRANCIS BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 25 April, 1882.
461. GEORGE HUGH BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 21 January, 1885.
462. JENNIE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 20 May, 1886; died 25 March, 1889.
463. MARY THORNTON BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 9 July, 1888.

314. EDWARD SLATER BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, second son of William Robert Bringhurst<sup>6</sup>, Esq<sup>re</sup>, by his wife Julia Hulings, was born at Clarksville, Tennessee, 10 June, 1842. He followed his father in the business of carriage-building, and is now the manager of the Bringhurst Buggy Company, at Clarksville. He has held the office of marshal of that city. He married, 29 April, 1869, Mattie Eliza Champion, born at Eddyville, Kentucky, 18 October, 1845; died at Winchester, Virginia, 11 March, 1885; daughter of Dr. Alford H. Champion by his wife Mary Scott.

### Child :

464. MARY BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 4 February, 1871.



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315. WILLIAM RUFUS BRINGHURST<sup>7</sup>, son of William Robert Bringhurst<sup>6</sup> by his wife Julia Hulings, was born at Clarksville, Tennessee, 4 November, 1844; married, 29 April, 1869, Sarah Scott, born at Hopkinsville, Kentucky, 1 September, 1855; daughter of William Henry Scott by his wife Mary Jane Greenfield. Mr. Bringhurst resides at Clarksville, where he has held the offices of Coal Oil Inspector and Election Commissioner.

### Children:

465. MARY LULU BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 16 November, 1870; is State Librarian of Tennessee. She married, 15 October, 1888, W. P. Epperson, who died 10 December, 1900.
466. KATE HULINGS BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 3 June, 1872; married, 18 April, 1892, Walter Clarke.
467. THEODORE PLUMMER BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 7 May, 1874.
468. EDWARD H. BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 12 February, 1877.
469. CLARA WISDOM BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 20 June, 1878.
470. HARRY FAUCHE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 18 November, 1881.
471. ANNA BELL BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 6 August, 1883.
472. SALLIE SCOTT BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 19 May, 1885.
473. WILLIAM RUFUS BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 29 October, 1887.
474. MARY GREENFIELD BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 23 February, 1890.



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338. WILLIAM AUGUSTUS BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>, son of Samuel Bringhurst<sup>r</sup> by his wife Eleanor Beitler, was born at Lionville, Uwchlan township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, 26 January, 1839; married (1) Selinda Dalby Palmer; (2) Susan A. Steele; (3) Mary J. Stapeley. Mr. Bringhurst removed with his parents to Utah in 1847, and since 1866 has resided at Toquersville, in that State, where he has held the offices of Assessor and Collector of Taxes, High Sheriff, and County Judge, and is now a Bishop in the Church of Latter-Day Saints.

### Children by first wife:

- 475. WILLIAM AUGUSTUS BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 476. HOWARD BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 477. ELIZA BETHULA BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 478. MARY ELEANOR BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 479. MIFFLIN MORRIS BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 480. LORENZO BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 481. GEORGE ROBERT BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 482. FRANKLIN PALMER BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 483. DANIEL BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 484. HENRY BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.

### Children by second wife:

- 485. JOHN SAMUEL BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 486. ANNA AUGUSTA BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 487. JOSEPH ALMA BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 488. MARY ELIZABETH BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 489. ELEANOR CAMEL BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 490. MOHONARI LOUIS BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 491. JESSE WILFORD BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 492. LAUR SELINDA BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.

### Children by third wife:

- 493. MARIAS WILLIAM BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 494. VIDA BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 495. SAMUEL BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 496. VERA BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 497. LEO BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.
- 498. CHARLES BRINGHURST<sup>s</sup>.











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342. SAMUEL BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, son of Samuel Bringhurst<sup>7</sup> by his wife Eleanor Beitler, was born at Salt Lake City, Utah, 7 April, 1850; married, 6 December, 1888, Sarah Orr, born at Grantsville, Utah, 4 January, 1865; daughter of Robert Orr by his wife Sarah Wickel. Mr. Bringhurst resides at Taylorsville, Utah.

### Children:

- 500. ADA ELEANOR BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 27 March, 1890.
- 501. FLORENCE BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 29 January, 1892.
- 502. BESSIE BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 11 February, 1894.
- 503. MARION BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 11 August, 1896.
- 504. EDNA BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 3 November, 1898.

344. JOHN BEITLER BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, son of Samuel Bringhurst<sup>7</sup> by his wife Eleanor Beitler, was born at Salt Lake City, Utah, 13 June, 1854; married, 3 January, 1876, Emma Frances Tripp, born at Salt Lake City, Utah, 15 October, 1858; daughter of Enoch Bartlett Tripp by his wife Jessie Eddins. Mr. Bringhurst resides at Taylorsville, Utah.

### Children:

- 505. JESSIE BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 22 July, 1877; married, 15 October, 1896, ——— Webster.
- 506. EMMA ELEANOR BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 14 February, 1879.
- 507. MARY BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 19 February, 1881.
- 508. JOHN TRIPP BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 11 August, 1883.
- 509. WILLIAM ALBERT BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 13 January, 1886.
- 510. LUCY BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 6 January, 1888.
- 511. SAMUEL ENOCH BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 27 January, 1890.
- 512. JOSEPH WILLARD BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 31 August, 1892.
- 513. LOUIS HOWARD BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 13 April, 1895.
- 514. ARTHUR BRYANT BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 7 December, 1897.
- 515. HEBER GRANT BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 20 August, 1900.

349. ELIZA JANE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, daughter of William Bringhurst<sup>7</sup> by his wife Ann Dilworth, was born near Salt Lake City, Utah, 14 August, 1851; married, 29 May, 1871, Amasa Lyman Haymond, born at Des Moines, Iowa, 8 December, 1848; son of Edward Owen Haymond by his wife Margaret Ann Sissel.

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### Children :

- 516. AMASA L. HAYMOND<sup>6</sup>, JUN<sup>r</sup>, born 8 April, 1872.
- 517. MARION BRINGHURST HAYMOND<sup>6</sup>, born 14 March, 1874.
- 518. FRANK OWEN HAYMOND<sup>6</sup>, born 10 August, 1876.
- 519. LOUISE BRINGHURST HAYMOND<sup>6</sup>, born 24 September, 1878.
- 520. WILLIAM BRINGHURST HAYMOND<sup>6</sup>, born 10 December, 1881.
- 521. GEORGE DILWORTH HAYMOND<sup>6</sup>, born 28 August, 1884.
- 522. JOHN C. HAYMOND<sup>6</sup>, born 4 November, 1887.
- 523. ANN ELIZA HAYMOND<sup>6</sup>, born 22 January, 1890.
- 524. WALTER CREED HAYMOND<sup>6</sup>, born 2 December, 1893.
- 525. ELMA FLORENCE HAYMOND<sup>6</sup>, born 2 December, 1893.

350. ANN DILWORTH BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, daughter of William Bringhurst<sup>7</sup> by his wife Ann Dilworth, was born near Salt Lake City, 13 August, 1853; married, 27 February, 1871, John A. Groesbeck, who resides at Salt Lake City; born at Springfield, Illinois, 14 July, 1849; son of Nicholas Groesbeck by his wife Elizabeth Thompson.

### Children :

- 526. JOHN A. GROESBECK<sup>8</sup>, JUN<sup>r</sup>, born 22 March, 1872; married, 29 November, 1892, Jessie Clawson.
- 527. FRANK GROESBECK<sup>8</sup>, born 1 December, 1873; married, 12 December, 1894, Nell Young.
- 528. CLARA GROESBECK<sup>8</sup>, born 1 November, 1875; died 20 June, 1890.
- 529. ANN LOUISE GROESBECK<sup>8</sup>, born 14 June, 1878; married, 20 October, 1897, Earl Vivian McCune.
- 530. FLORENCE GROESBECK<sup>8</sup>, born 7 August, 1880.
- 531. WALTER SCOTT GROESBECK<sup>8</sup>, born 6 September, 1882.
- 532. EMMA ELIZABETH GROESBECK<sup>8</sup>, born 10 October, 1884.
- 533. MARK BRINGHURST GROESBECK<sup>8</sup>, born 27 October, 1887.
- 534. MILTON DILWORTH GROESBECK<sup>8</sup>, born 18 February, 1895.
- 535. GRANT ALLEN GROESBECK<sup>8</sup>, born 31 May, 1897.

351. DESERET BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, daughter of William Bringhurst<sup>7</sup> by his wife Ann Dilworth, was born in California, 25 December, 1856; married, 20 November, 1879, Milan Lucian Crandall, born at Springville, Utah, 30 October, 1856; son of Martin Pardon Crandall by his wife Mahala Fuller.











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### Children :

- 536. MILAN LUCIAN CRANDALL<sup>6</sup>, JUN<sup>r</sup>, born 9 August, 1880.
- 537. WILLIAM BRINGHURST CRANDALL<sup>6</sup>, born 30 May, 1883.
- 538. ANN DILWORTH CRANDALL<sup>6</sup>, born 30 September, 1888.
- 539. IVY LUCILE CRANDALL<sup>6</sup>, born 23 December, 1891.

352. CLARA OLIVIA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, daughter of William Bringhurst<sup>7</sup> by his wife Ann Dilworth, was born at Salt Lake City, 11 July, 1858; died 2 January, 1898; married, 6 May, 1878, Edward James Hall, now a resident of Springville, Illinois.

### Children :

- 540. ELINOR BRINGHURST HALL<sup>6</sup>, born 28 October, 1879.
- 541. WILTON D. HALL<sup>6</sup>, born 21 August, 1881.
- 542. MABEL HALL<sup>6</sup>, born 9 August, 1886.
- 543. FEROL HALL<sup>6</sup>, born 6 January, 1890; died 1 December, 1891.

353. JOHN FRANK BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, son of William Bringhurst<sup>7</sup> by his wife Ann Dilworth, was born at Springville, Utah, 13 December, 1861, and resides there; married, 22 October, 1885, Mahala Harriet Crandall, born 12 December, 1866, daughter of Martin Pardon Crandall, of Springville, by his wife Harriet Taylor.

### Children :

- 544. JOHN FRANK BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, JUN<sup>r</sup>, born 22 August, 1886.
- 545. WILLIAM BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 14 March, 1888.
- 546. HARRIET BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 6 April, 1890.
- 547. NORMA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 29 April, 1892.
- 548. MARK DILWORTH BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 26 September, 1894.
- 549. JOSEPH CRANDALL BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 24 February, 1897.
- 550. GIDEON MARTIN BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 6 December, 1899.

366. ROBERT PORTER BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, the sculptor, son of Dr. James Bringhurst<sup>7</sup> by his wife Mary Ryan, was born at Alton, Illinois, 22 March, 1855; married, 8 November, 1877, Mary Frances Coolidge, born at Litchfield, Illinois, 31 May, 1858; daughter of Henry A. Coolidge by his wife Amanda Almine Horton. Mr. Bringhurst received his early education in the schools of Alton and Jerseyville,

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Illinois. During his boyhood he displayed talents for art, but never took an active interest in sculpturing until after his marriage, when he removed to St. Louis, Missouri, where he now resides, and where, in 1880, he entered the St. Louis School of Fine Arts as a pupil, and studied there for three years, when he went to Paris and entered the École des Beaux Arts. He remained in Paris a year, then returned to St. Louis, but a few months later left again with his family for the French capital. This time he remained three years, during which he exhibited at the salon two years. His works, "The Young Mother" and "The Awakening of Spring," were awarded honorable mention. Mr. Bringhurst returned to St. Louis to accept a position as instructor in sculpturing in the School of Fine Arts, which position he now holds.

At the World's Fair in Chicago Mr. Bringhurst was awarded a first-class medal for his work. There were only twelve medals given to American sculptors. At the Tennessee Centennial he was awarded the first money prize of two hundred dollars. He has recently completed a beautiful statue, "The Kiss of Immortality," designed for a tomb.

### Children:

- 551. ROBERT PORTER BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 1 September, 1878; died 5 January, 1879.
- 552. WALTER SCOTT BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 20 February, 1881.
- 553. CAMILLE COOLIDGE BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 7 December, 1885.
- 554. GUILDA CECELIA BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 1 November, 1888.

397. JOHN HENRY BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, son of George Hunter Bringhurst<sup>7</sup> by his wife Nancy Trott, was born at Houston, Texas, 11 February, 1844; died there, 3 September, 1890; married, 16 September, 1873, Minerva Abercrombie, born at Waverley, Texas, 23 May, 1854; daughter of John Conner Abercrombie by his wife Jane Minerva Sims. Mr. Bringhurst resides at Houston, Texas.

### Children:

- 555. JACK CONNER BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 14 September, 1874; died 22 July, 1875.
- 556. GEORGE HUNTER BRINGHURST<sup>9</sup>, born 14 November, 1877; died 28 August, 1878.

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557. JANE MINERVA BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 21 January, 1879; died 21 January, 1881.  
558. KATE BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 23 September, 1880.  
559. CARRIE BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 14 October, 1882; died 21 June, 1883.  
560. MINNIE BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 22 August, 1883; died 4 December, 1884.  
561. JOHN HENRY BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, JUN<sup>r</sup>, born 11 October, 1885.  
562. JAMES MARION BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 24 July, 1886; died 15 March, 1887.  
563. CHARLES BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 11 March, 1888; died 19 March, 1888.  
564. GEORGE HUNTER BRINGHURST<sup>6</sup>, born 28 December, 1889; died 19 June, 1891.

403. GEORGE RUTHVAN BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, son of George Hunter Bringhurst<sup>7</sup> by his wife Nancy Trott, was born at Houston, Texas, 9 December, 1850; married, 16 October, 1879, Nettie Eloise Burke, born at Houston, Texas, 1 August, 1854; daughter of Andrew Jackson Burke by his wife Eloise Lusk. Mr. Bringhurst was Secretary and Treasurer of Houston from 1886 until 1890, and was chief deputy sheriff of Harris County, Texas. He resides at Houston.

### Children:

565. HENRY BRASHEAR BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 29 July, 1880.  
566. GEORGE RUTHVAN BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, JUN<sup>r</sup>, born 2 September, 1881.  
567. FANNIE ELOISE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 26 July, 1887.  
568. EDMUND LESLIE BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, born 1 July, 1895.

405. CAPTAIN ROBERT RALSTON BRINGHURST<sup>8</sup>, eldest child of Colonel Thomas Hall Bringhurst<sup>7</sup>, was born at Logansport, Indiana, 2 February, 1849, and removed to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1868, where he succeeded his uncle in the undertaking business, at 38 North Eleventh Street, in which he is still engaged. He was for many years connected with the National Guard of Pennsylvania, being commissioned, 9 September, 1878, first lieutenant of Company A, State Fencibles Battalion, to rank as such from 8 July, same year; promoted, 25 March, 1879, to captain of Company C, which commission he resigned 4 March, 1883. The next year he was elected first lieutenant of Company K, First Regiment Infantry, and commissioned, 26 November, to rank from 27 October, 1884; promoted captain, 15 September, 1886, to rank from 6 July, 1886, resigning the same, 30 April, 1888. Captain Bringhurst was elected a member of the Ninth Sectional School Board of

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Philadelphia, in June, 1885, and was annually re-elected until 1890, when he was unanimously elected president of the board, and re-elected in 1891, during which year he was elected a member of Select Council from the Ninth Ward, in which position he is still serving, having been three times re-elected for terms of three years. He is chairman of the Water Committee, as well as a leading member of the Finance Committee, and in his councilmanic office he has warmly supported all wise and wholesome legislation. He took an active interest in furthering the completion of the Boys' High School, and was especially active in favoring the teachers', firemen's, and police annuity funds measures. He was a member of the Councils' Committee appointed to look after the families of Philadelphia soldiers in the war between Spain and the United States, and chairman of the sub-committee of Councils that went South to care for and bring home the sick soldiers.

As a business man Captain Bringhurst has met with substantial success, and his patrons are among the leading families of Philadelphia. He was president of the National Funeral Association for four years, of the State Association for two years, and of the local association for one year.

Captain Bringhurst has long been interested in the history and genealogy of the Bringhurst family, and it is due to such interest that the present volume is published. He is a member of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, the Colonial Society of Pennsylvania, and the Pennsylvania Society of Sons of the Revolution.

He married, 17 April, 1873, Mary Caroline Yerger, born at Philadelphia, 15 August, 1855; daughter of John R. Yerger by his wife Mary, daughter of Henry Nagle.

### Children, born at Philadelphia :

569. MARY LOUISA BRINGHURST<sup>\*</sup>, born and died in 1874.

570. HELEN BRINGHURST<sup>\*</sup>, born 3 September, 1875.

571. BESSIE ROSS BRINGHURST<sup>\*</sup>, born 26 October, 1877.

572. ANNA CLARKSON BRINGHURST<sup>\*</sup>, born 31 December, 1882.



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T E S T I M O N Y

Of that Dear and Faithful Man,  
*JOHN MATERN,*

Who had Lived Six Years and Faithful-  
ly served the Lord in his Vocation in the  
Family of *C. T.* now Dwelling at  
*Edmonton in Middlesex.*

A L S O,  
Other Blessed Testimonies concerning  
Him, and the T R U T H it self;

With something concerning his Blessed  
Condition in the time of his Sicknes, and  
when He was near his Departure.

W I T H  
Several Testimonies of Sensible Children  
who had been under His Tuition.

*Published that God may have his Glory in Pre-  
serving his Faithful ones Faithful to the end. A. P.*

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L O N D O N,  
*Printed, and are to be Sold by Fen. Clark  
in George-Tard in Lumbar-d-street. 1680.*

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MEMORANDOMS of things Worthy Notice and the time when they Happened within the memory of John Bringhurst Jr. Only went back to my Grandfathers and mothers on Both sides.

My Grand father Thomas Bringhurst was a Chirurgeon of London, married Elizabeth Hughes the 27<sup>th</sup> 6mo. 1647.

My Father was Born 1<sup>st</sup> 9mo 1655, was put prentice to Andrew Toaler Stationer in London and was made free of said City 3d 7mo 1681 Sett up his Trade & kept the sign of the Bible in Grascious Street.

My Mothers Father Hilerias Prache was a Priest in orders in Garmina & my Mothers first Husband John Matern was a School Master there. was both convinced of the Truth Profest by the people called Quakers in the Year 1671, not having any to joyn with there, writ to frds in Holland & London and Received satisfactory answers to com over accordingly my Grandmother & Mother being also convinced they all left Germoney went to Holland & from thence to London where John Matern Kept School at Christopher Taylors at Edmonton where he died the 5<sup>th</sup> 7mo 1680.†

My Father was married to Rosina Matern the 2, <sup>4<sup>th</sup></sup>/<sub>mo</sub>; 1682. Grand-Father Prache Died and Grandmother Barbarah Prache with her daughter Marion Killely ‡ and my Mothers Daughter Abigail Matern §

\* Copied from the original in possession of Mr. John Richardson Bringhurst, of Wilmington, Delaware.

† Immediately after his decease his friends issued a booklet, the title-page of which has been reproduced, and is herewith inserted. A copy of the work is in the possession of Mr. Edward Bringhurst, Junr, of Wilmington, Delaware. It is chiefly made up of short "testimonies" written by pupils under his instruction at Christopher Taylor's boarding-school. Among the scholars who thus bore testimony was Edward Penington, half-brother by marriage of William Penn, who came to Pennsylvania with Penn in 1698, and in 1700 became Surveyor-General of the Province and the founder of the Penington family there. Young Penington was a son of Isaac Penington, an eminent Quaker minister and writer, and grandson of Sir Isaac Penington, Lord Mayor of London in 1643.

‡ As "widow" Mariana von Beylact, she married, at Philadelphia, 9 November, 1697, William Kelley, of Darby, Chester County, Pennsylvania.

§ ABIGAIL MATERN married, as second wife, at Friends' Meeting, Philadelphia, 9 May, 1698, John Bettle, and had children: William, Hannah, and Samuel, and possibly others. She died in July, 1713, and he in April, 1715.

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afterwards Bittle was concerned to go to Pensilvania and all settled in Philadel<sup>a</sup>, Who often wrote to my Father and Mother to com over to them but my Father could not be prevaild with to Cross the ocean to a New Country in his old age.

I was born the 25; 12mo 1695 and my Father Died . . .

My Father being Dead my Mother concluded to transport herself & family of small children into Pensilvania where her Mother, Sister & Daughter was and accordingly Tuck Passage at London in the Brig<sup>t</sup> Messenger Joshua Guy Master for her self and four children being Elizabeth, John, Barbarah & George and landed at Philadel. My sister Elizabeth was put Prentice to Mary Cook \* Shop keeper and I was put prentice to George Gust † of Phila, Cooper the 12<sup>th</sup> 9mo 1701. My Brother George was prentice Arnel Klinkin of Germantown wever My Sister Barbarah to John Billender & wife but did not serve out her time there.

After I had served about five years My Master Broke up Hous and went to Barbados and I was assigned over to Edward Mayes of Bristol Boulter & Shopkeeper the 24, 8mo. 1707 and worked with Samuell Bustil for him. My Master died the 2<sup>d</sup> mo 1709. I had then about Ten Months to serve which I did by advice of My Mother with his widow and was badly requited being put off verry Bare with Clothes & those not good in kind. After I had served out my time & was free I went to work journey work with Charles Lavalley about 3 or 4 miles back of Bristol where I continued til I came to Philad 9mo 1711, then boarded with my sister Eliz. who had a Room in the House with my Mother and Grandmother and I work'd journey work with Nath<sup>n</sup> Allen.

My Mother died the . . . Grandmother Prache died 9<sup>th</sup> 1mo 1711/12. My Sister Elizabeth was married to Emanuell Dungworth.

I had by this time experienced that working Journey work would not advance me for I spent as fast as I got it and my Mother & Grand

\* Probably a daughter of the elder James Claypoole, and wife of Francis Cooke, a councilman of Philadelphia under the charter of 1701 and afterwards a member of the Assembly.

† Son of George and Alice Guest, early colonists. The father is said to have built the Blue Anchor Tavern. He died in 1685. His family lived in a cave on coming to Philadelphia, and, we are told by Watson, he built the first house in Philadelphia, which was unfinished at the time of Penn's arrival. The will of his widow, Alice Guest, is dated 4 August, and proved 5 September, 1705, names sons George and John; daughter Elizabeth, wife of Arthur Holton; daughter Phebe, wife of Anthony Morris; and grandson William Say, son of William Say by a daughter of Alice Guest, then deceased.

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Mother dead Resolved to try my Success at Sea for my Mother had Desir'd me not to go as long as Shee Lived. I shipped my self Cooper of the Brig<sup>t</sup> Elizabeth Thomas Reed [1713] Master for Surienam at three pounds Ten shillings pr month. Sd vessel belonged to Wiliam Allen,\* We made Sd voyage in six months and on my Return I Larn't Navigation with W<sup>m</sup> Robbins. Shipd my self on board the Sloop Dimand Antho: Burton † Master for Surienam which Sd voyage we completed in abt 4 months & half arrived 24<sup>th</sup> 9mo 1714.

Shipped Mate on board Sloop King George, John Willson Master, Evan Owin ‡ March<sup>t</sup> to Barbados the first mo. 1714/15. Completed this Voyage in 4 mos and made one other voyage this Summer in Said Sloop to Barbados and Returned the Latter end of 9mo 1715.

Sd. Sloop lay up all Winter and I improved my Navagation and went in Sd Sloop the 3<sup>d</sup> Voyage to Barbados in the Spring and Completed this Voyage in Less than 3 mos 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1716, then went a fourth Voyage in Sd Sloop with same Master, Joshua Cochfield Merchant to Curaco where Said Sloop [was] seased for entering her cargo short of what it was by information of Sd Cochfield as was supposed Shee was tryed after the manner of the Dutch Condemned & Sold at Vendue to . . . for Eleven Hundred pieces of Eight. They fitted her out with a Cargo and sent her over to the Main where the Spaniards tuck her and her cargo from the Duch and there was an End of the King George.

I was advised by the Governor & Fiscall to arest the Master for my wages which I did & in one Sute recovered my own and all the Seamen to the time the Vessel was Seased and after a Stay of about Seven weeks We tuck our Passage in a Sloop to New York, that is the Master, my Brother W<sup>m</sup> Morrison who was one of the Sailors & my self and from New York by land to Phila where came the 16<sup>th</sup> day of 9mo

\* He was prominent among the early merchants of Philadelphia, and father of Hon. William Allen, mayor of Philadelphia and chief justice of Pennsylvania.

† CAPTAIN BURTON was of Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

‡ EVAN OWEN was a wealthy merchant and a conspicuous man in the public life of Philadelphia, where he died in 1727. He was a member of Common Council from 1717 until 1724; alderman from 1724 until his death; justice of the Court of Common Pleas from February, 1724, until his death; treasurer of Philadelphia in 1724/26; member of the Assembly in 1725; master in chancery in 1726; and at his death was a member of the Provincial Council. He married, 11 December, 1711, Mary, daughter of Dr. Richard Hoskins; and 9 February, 1727/28, his widow petitioned the Orphans' Court for leave to sell the real estate of her late husband, located in Pennsylvania and New Castle County. The petition set forth that she had three minor children.

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1716. When I came found the Master in Prison and I was arrested and gave five hundred pounds Bail to answer the Sute of Rich<sup>d</sup> Hill \* & owners of the Sloop afores'd. But never Brought it to a Tryall but after a considerable time Spent & nothing don Rich<sup>d</sup> Proposed if I would consent to pay Twelve pounds and three pistoles to the Lawyers he would Discharge me this was the amount of my wages I Received at Coraca I considered myself out of Business & they had employed all the Lawyers So consented to pay Sd Sum Demanded without any Law or Reason that ever I could Discover Since, so gave Bond for my money was all gon what with living at Coraca at five peices of Eight a week besides [ ] Expenses paying my Passage to New York & by land from thence & kept out of Business many months after was now got in Debt and Shipp'd my self mate of the Sloop John & Sarah belonging to W<sup>m</sup> Allen Miles Hardin Master for Surienam & Virginia this was the 4<sup>th</sup> month 1717. We arrived in York River the 9<sup>th</sup> 9mo here I Received my wages and Sent it up by Thomas Wells to my Sister to discharge all my Debts.

We left Virginia the 5<sup>th</sup> 11month to Medera from thence to Phila where we arrived the 3<sup>d</sup> month 1718.

I went in the Same Sloop one other voyage to Surienam mate and Cooper & had wages accordingly. We Tuck our Departure 11<sup>th</sup> 4mo and arrived there 15<sup>th</sup> 5mo where we Stayed till 19<sup>th</sup> 7mo and arrived the 17<sup>th</sup> 8mo at Phila.

Having for Several Years had an intimate acquaintance with my friend Mary Claypoole and Concluded to Consumate my intentions of Marriage whenever my Circumstances in Life would admit having a Little Recruited my Loss in the Coraca Voyage had abo't forty pounds Clear Money I married the 30<sup>th</sup> 8mo 1718 and Tuck a Large Room & Sellor of John Songhurst † for one Year where we lived till 2<sup>d</sup> 5mo 1719 when we Removed to a house and Cooper Shop I tuck of George

\* RICHARD HILL was mayor of Philadelphia at that time and a member of the Provincial Council. An interesting sketch of him is printed in Keith's "Provincial Councillors."

† Son of John Songhurst, a writer and preacher of note in the Society of Friends, one of the passengers in the "Welcome," and a member of the first and several subsequent Assemblies. At his death he was probably residing in West Jersey, where his will was dated 26 7th month, 1687, and proved 2 December, 1689, in which is named son John, and daughters Elizabeth and Sarah. Elizabeth married John Barber, who in his will, executed on the "Welcome," 20 7th month, 1682, names his wife as the "eldest daughter of John Songhurst." Sarah married (1) John Whitpain; (2) Charles Sanders; (3) Dr. Griffith Owen.

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Yard for Eleven pounds a Year and Lett the Residue of my time in John Songhursts Room to Mary Suttan afterwards Carter for 25/

My wife was Brought to Bed with a Dead Child the evening we Removed. I should first have taken notice the Sloop of which I came in Mate was Condemned & Laid up as not fitt to go again to sea and I being employed the first winter by G. C. in hewing hhd<sup>s</sup> staves for Jonathan Dickinson \* on his wharf and thinking he & George Claypoole might be good Customers inclined to Stay a Shore and Sett up my trade at this lower part of the City and Communicating my thoughts to William Bevins he told me he had had an intent to Remove som time if I would Take that place he would sell me all his Stock of Stuff &c which I consenting to do we made a Bargain & I tuck the House & Shop afores<sup>d</sup> and this Year Tuck John Hooper apprentice.

1720. My wife Miscarried and was very sick for three months.

Eliz. Claypoole came to live with us.

My daughter Mary was born the 18<sup>th</sup> 11mo 1720/1.

1721. My wife was afflicted with a Great Deal of Sickness & weekness almost all the time She was with Child of my son John who was born 9<sup>th</sup> 9mo 1722. I was then made the Constable, 5 5mo 1722. Jn<sup>o</sup> Dickinson died this year. Joseph Warton † came apprentice 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1721.

My daughter Elizabeth was born 4<sup>th</sup> 12mo 1723/4. My wife having been afflicted with weekness wich Rendered her oncapable of walking as far as the meeting hous which put me on to Buying a hors & so carried her Behind me for Some time & after Bot a Side Saddle for her to Ride by herself a Boy going to take care of the hors for which pur-

\* JONATHAN DICKINSON was a Philadelphia merchant of much distinction. He was clerk of the Assembly in 1688 and 1689, and was a member of that body in 1710 and in five other years. On 16 March, 1711, he was commissioned a Justice of the courts of Philadelphia County, in which office he was serving at his death, and 2 October, 1711, he was chosen by Common Council an alderman of the city, and the following year was elected mayor. At the close of his mayoralty term, 5 October, 1713, he resumed the aldermanic office, in which he continued until 1 October, 1717, when he was again elected mayor for the usual term of one year, at the expiration of which time he again resumed the office of alderman, which he held until his death, in 1722. In the proceedings of Councils, 4 July, 1720, is this interesting entry:

"Alderman Morris, Alderman Dickinson, Alderman Norris, and Alderman Logan, do undertake to lend the sum of one hundred pounds each for building forty-eight New Market Stalls."

Mr. Dickinson is most widely known as the author of "God's Protecting Providence."

† JOSEPH WHARTON was a son of Thomas Wharton, the founder of the Wharton family of Philadelphia, and became a successful merchant. He resided at his death, in July, 1776, at his country seat, Walnut Grove, which was made famous as the scene of the Meschianza. (See "The Wharton Family," by Miss Anne Hollingsworth Wharton, page 9.)

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pose I this Year [1724] Bot a Negro Boy of Peter Evans \* wife named Prince But he grew so wicked I was forced to sell him into the Country & Bot [1725] Nemo and my pasture at Wekecoa and Tuck Thomas Barnett prentice. Was made Collector of Dock Ward.

1726. This Year Tho. Armitt Died & his hous advertised in the Mercury for sale I told my wife I'de go & luck at it. She asked me how I wold pay for it however I went and the Widow showed me the hous all over & when I was Coming away she told me many people had been to look at it but had not bid her anything I was going to blame that Conduct in them till I recolected I was going to do so my Self & thereupon Bid her two hundred pounds & after Bot it for two hundred and twenty pounds though she would not make the Deeds to me because the money was due to John Richmond. So conveyed to him & he to me. I also sold the hous I lived in after I had fitted the hous I had Bot & had moved into it to Sam<sup>l</sup> Bould But the Neighbores disliked having a Smith Shop neer them So took it again and sold it to W<sup>m</sup> Beven who was Returned from Virginia (1727) where he'd lived at York River Most of the time after he left this place and got verry little Beforehand til he Returned to the place he left. I lett him have it five pounds Cheaper than I had sold it before he being the Person that had lett me into it where under Providence I got beforehand and Carried on a Trade of Merchandise with a small Stock which helped me forward into a good way of getting. Went to Conis-togo with Govr. Gordin to treat with the Indians, George Claypoole and many others with us. Finding my wife was wholly incapacitated to walk a Broad I Bought a two wheeled Chaise for her to Ride in which answered the purpose well.

1728 This Year Bot a Negro woman from Tho<sup>s</sup> Fenton. Tuck Evan Thomas prentice. Went to Long Island Yearly Meeting in Company with Geo Claypoole 3mo was made one of the overseers of the poor with Simon Edgell & Ed. Warner.†

1730 My wife was brot to Bed of her son James 7<sup>th</sup> 10mo 1730.

\* PETER EVANS was commissioned High Sheriff of Philadelphia in 1707, and served in that office several years; also in that of Register-General of the Province.

† EDWARD WARNER, a prominent Quaker, who was annually elected a member of the Assembly from 1735 until his death in 1754. On 29 January, 1733, he married Anne, daughter of Hon. William Coleman, one of the justices of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.



## JOURNAL OF JOHN BRINGHURST, JUN<sup>R</sup>

My wifes uncel Geo. Claypoole died and not Long after five of his Children out of Six. My four Children had the small pox & my wife the mesels. This Year I was chosen one of the overseers of the Public Schools.

1731 My wife was Brought to Bed of son Thomas 17<sup>th</sup> 11mo 1731. Lived two days. Buried the 20<sup>th</sup>. This Year Bo<sup>t</sup> a negro woman called Pender.

1732 Tho<sup>s</sup> Barnett was free & his mother over persuaded me to take another of her sons prentice, this Year being her son William.

1733 My son Joseph was born the 20<sup>th</sup> 1mo 1732/3.

1734 Daughter Deborah born 21<sup>st</sup> 10mo 1734 Died 16<sup>th</sup> 11mo following. John Doyle came prentice.

1736 Deborah 2d of that name born 15<sup>th</sup> of 7mo.

Agreed with William Watson Shipwright to build the Brig<sup>t</sup> Joseph between Jos. Jackman of Barbadoes, Jos Maddox \* & myself in thirds.

1737 My son Joseph had the small pox verry Badly this Year. Deborah the 2d Died 16<sup>th</sup> 2mo this Year of the small pox. My son John was prentice to my self to learn my Trade of a Cooper. The Brig<sup>t</sup> Joseph landed Loaded & Sailed to Barbadoes Ralph Loftus M<sup>t</sup>. This first Voyage did not answer and therefore we set Joseph a price to Buy or Sell & sent her to Barbadoes the Second Voyage and our friend John Fothergal & Leitch Seided went in her from hence 8<sup>th</sup> 10mo.

There was Collected by John Kinsey † & Self among friends of Phila. for this Eastern prince So Cal'd & Delivered him in Gould 100 pistoles and we Delivered him at Same time for fr<sup>d</sup> of Chester County twenty pistoles.

1738 The Brig<sup>t</sup> Joseph Returned from Barbadoes & brought our partners Resolution to sell & Jos. Maddox & I bought his third & held her in Equal halves. Capt<sup>n</sup> Loftus Staid at home to Marrie & John Sims went Master of Sd Brig<sup>t</sup> to Lisbon Loaded Chiefly on Freight

\* JOSHUA MADDOX, who was a merchant of Philadelphia, and died there 18 April, 1759. He was elected a member of Common Council 4 October, 1739; was commissioned a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas in 1741; and in 1749 was chosen one of the first trustees of the College of Philadelphia, now the University of Pennsylvania, all of which positions he retained until his death. His portrait by Hesselius, in 1751, is mentioned in Scharf and Westcott's "History of Philadelphia," page 1512.

† JOHN KINSEY was, at the date mentioned, a noted lawyer and a member of the Pennsylvania Assembly, and later became attorney-general and chief justice of the Province. A sketch of him, prepared by the present writer, may be found in Appleton's "Cyclopaedia of American Biography."

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with flour by William Allen, on her Return James Coultas \* was Shipped Master & we Loaded her our selves to Lisbon Chiefly with flour & Returned by Medera.

Took Alexander Pret prentice this Year.

1739 Sent Brig<sup>t</sup> Joseph to Medera & one Voyage to Lisbon with wheat on our account.

Went to Shrowsbury Yearly Meeting with Rob<sup>t</sup> Jordan & others.

1740 This Year Cap<sup>n</sup> Coultas Stayed home We shipped John Hamilton master of the Brig<sup>t</sup> Joseph & Loaded her with wheat on our account. I went to the Yearly Meeting on Rode Island from thence to Boston in Company with W<sup>m</sup> Buckley 4<sup>th</sup> month.

7<sup>th</sup> mo 2d Bot  $\frac{1}{2}$  Sloop Union in Comp<sup>y</sup> with Samuell Morris, Miller. Lett her to W<sup>m</sup> Allen to freight to Jamaica. Called her the James & Shipt Thomas Collins Master, James Marshall Mate Sailed 16<sup>th</sup>.

On my Return from Burlington Yearly Meeting the 25<sup>th</sup> was told the Brig<sup>t</sup> Joseph was Taken on her Return from Lisbon by the Spanish fleet Bound to West Indies as also Capt<sup>n</sup> Green and Capt<sup>t</sup> Man in 2 ships belonging to this port.

Smo 31st Robt Jordan † applied to our Monthly Meeting for a Certificate to Friends at Barbados he having a concern to visit it & some other islands where there is no Setled meetings of Fr<sup>ds</sup> which was given him 28<sup>th</sup> gmo following. But no companion offering to go with him my son John shewed a Desir to it which increasing I did not find freedom to forbid finding it agreeable to Rob<sup>t</sup> Consented the 2d 10mo when all was to Provide for his Voyage Rob<sup>t</sup> having Taken his Passage & to Sail in a Week. However we got things in pretty good order by the time but the Vessel was full so gave my Son a Purs of Gould to bear his expence and laid in a good Sea Store. They Sailed from Chester about 4 in the afternoon the 10<sup>th</sup> & got out the Capes the

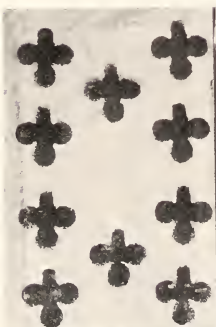
\* JAMES COULTAS commanded a company in Colonel Abraham Taylor's Regiment of Foot in 1747/48, and in 1756 was commissioned lieutenant-colonel of the regiment commanded by Colonel Jacob Duche. From 1755 until 1758 he was high-sheriff of Philadelphia, and was for several years a justice of the peace and the courts there. An interesting sketch of him, by Dr. Robert Patterson Robins, appears in "Pennsylvania Magazine of History," xi, 50.

† ROBERT JORDAN was a native of Virginia, and a noted Quaker minister. He removed from Virginia to Philadelphia, where he died 5 October, 1742. He married Mary, widow of Mayor Richard Hill and daughter of Nathan Stanbury, Esq<sup>m</sup>.



*Dear Mr. Jones*  
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt  
 of your kind letter of the 10th inst.  
 and in reply to inform you that the same  
 has been forwarded to the proper  
 authorities for their consideration.  
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
 Yours,  
 J. Jones

The Chevalier PAUL JONES  
 of noble memory was born  
 at the town of St. Petersburg  
 in the year 1731 and died  
 at the town of St. Petersburg  
 in the year 1791.



EXAMPLIES OF THE VISITING CARDS OF GENERAL BONTENSO AND CAPTAIN PAUL JONES,  
 SHOWING OBVERSE AND REVERSE SIDES OF THE CARDS

(These are interesting as showing the custom of that day in the use of cards.  
 They were found among the papers of Dr. Joseph Brintnurst (page 50), and the  
 annotations on the same are in the hands of the wife of Deborah Brintnurst.)



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JOURNAL OF JOHN BRINGHURST, JUN<sup>R</sup>

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11<sup>th</sup> 10mo 1740. I received a Letter by the Pilott from the Cape Hinlopen of his being Sea Sick in the Bay. Rec<sup>d</sup> a letter from Tho<sup>s</sup> Collins of his having been Blown off of our Coast the 14<sup>th</sup> 9mo after Springing his Mast & Splitting his Sails & was got to Antigue & Refitting.

This day 1mo 9 our fr<sup>ds</sup> mett at the Meeting Hous to begin a Subscription for the poor Suffers in Carrolina by a Dredful Fire whereby about three hundred houses was Consumed & Rob<sup>t</sup> Strettle,\* Job. Goodson,† Joseph Noble & myself Desired to Receive Same & Lay it out in Bread & flour &c & send them.

1mo 10<sup>th</sup> This Day a Boat with a great Quantity of fish was Drawn over a great part of the River on the Ice but in the afternoon it broke loose & Drove. I gave 14s for half Cord Saplin hickry & this is the Sixth load Wood Ive had since I was out & thought myself well Stocked before this hard Winter tried it & many others.

1740/1 1mo 15<sup>th</sup> This Evening Sloop James Tho<sup>s</sup> Collins Master arrived from Antigua wher She was Drove by Distress of weather after Splitting his Sails & Springing her mast put off of their Course the 14<sup>th</sup> 10mo 1740 & arrived at Antigua 1mo 30. William Perdue Shipped Master of Sloop James putt in a new mast and Sheath<sup>d</sup> her & Loaded with pipe staves & Bees wax for Madera. Left town the 25<sup>th</sup> 2mo and the Capes the 9<sup>th</sup> 3mo, 1740.

4-6 [1741] This Day I was taken Sick with a feaver & two days after with a Pain in the Side which Continued for abot a week in which time I was Sweat, Vomited, Purged, Bled twice then Blister Plaster and Continued weak for five or six weeks after.

6-14 Walter Rodman ‡ his Wife & Sister came from Rode island the two first Lodged in my hous the other two at Cadwallader Foulks § (7-28) & Stayed here till after the Meeting then Returned. The 26. Rob<sup>t</sup> Jordan, My wife, Son John & I went to Burlington, Came Back 28<sup>th</sup>

\* ROBERT STRETTLELL was for twenty years a member of the Provincial Council of Pennsylvania and held many other important offices. Keith's "Provincial Councillors" contains a sketch of Mr. Strettell and a record of many of his descendants.

† JOB GOODSON was a physician of note in his day, and served several years in the Assembly.

‡ DR. WALTER RODMAN was a son of Dr. Clarke Rodman, of Newport, Rhode Island. (See "Genealogy of the Rodman Family," by Charles Henry Jones, Esq<sup>r</sup>, page 17.)

§ CADWALADER FOULKE was the father of Judah Foulke, Esq<sup>r</sup>, who married Mary, daughter of John Bringhurst, the author of this diary.

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being Second day. Fifth day my Daughter Mary & Sarah Dilwin Returned by Land from Trenton.

8-21 John Bowers came up to Cort Eliz; Roberts. This year all the old assessors was Chosen & Jno Hyat for Sheriff by the Governor. Tho<sup>s</sup> Chalkley went to Tortola.

10-14 Capt<sup>n</sup> Bowers arrived from Antigua brought a letter to me from John Pickering Governor of Tortola & one from Tho<sup>s</sup> Chalkley \* to his wife. Reported Tho<sup>s</sup> Chalkley was dead at Tortola.

10-24 This day came our frd Samuell Hopwood & Jos Clark accompanied him from Rode island.

11-5 Sam<sup>l</sup> Hopwood, Jos Clark, Rob<sup>t</sup> Jordan, Israel Pemberton, † John Dilwin ‡ & Phoebe Morris § dined at our House.

11- Cap<sup>n</sup> Stamper arrived from Antigua & brought a letter from John Pickering Confirming the News of Tho<sup>s</sup> Chalkleys decease at his hous in Tortola.

12 Writ to Doct. Clark & Walter Rodman inclosed Pickering's letter of Tho<sup>s</sup> Chalkleys Decease and one of John Bells printed Epistle by Jos. Clark.

Agreed with Sam<sup>l</sup> Morris for ⅓ Brig Carpenter Run to Madera & back. Paid him his freight 55£. Black Joseph Shipd in Sd Brig. Gave Cpt Cribb Jos<sup>l</sup>. freedom if he shd be Taken by the Spaniards under my hand attested by Clement Plumsted under his seal. Writ to David Barclay & son for Insurance.

1742 4mo 25 William Thomas with John Pickering's son John & Christopher Fleming came by Land from New York to my hous.

John Cadwalader || & John Estaugh went to visit frds of Tortola.

\* THOMAS CHALKLEY, a Quaker preacher and writer of considerable renown, was born at London, England, 3 March, 1675, and died in Tortola, West Indies, 4 September, 1741, and was for forty years a member of Friends Meeting at Philadelphia. He left an interesting journal of his "Life, Labors and Travels," which was published with a collection of his tracts, Philadelphia, 1747; New York, 1808.

† ISRAEL PEMBERTON, a leading merchant, and one of the most prominent members of the Society of Friends in Philadelphia. (See sketch of him and of other members of his family, prepared by the present writer and published in Appleton's Cyclopaedia of American Biography.)

‡ JOHN DILWYN, a prominent Quaker of Philadelphia, was chosen a member of Common Council 3 October, 1732, and sat for the last time in that body, 9 October, 1747.

§ Wife of Anthony Morris, and daughter of George and Alice Guest. She died in March, 1768. Mr. Morris was one of the chief merchants of the city, and was largely interested in the manufacture of iron. He served five years in the Assembly and was for forty-eight years a member of Common Council, serving first as councilman and afterwards as alderman. In 1747 he was elected mayor, but did not accept the office.

|| JOHN CADWALADER was a member of Abington Monthly Meeting in Pennsylvania, and John Estaugh was a member of Haddonfield Monthly Meeting in New Jersey. Both were prominent Quaker ministers, and both died at Tortola on the visit named.

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## JOURNAL OF JOHN BRINGHURST, JUN<sup>R</sup>

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Left this 13<sup>th</sup> 8mo 1744 when they both ended their days in their Masters service the 10mo following.

William Thomas Left my hous 2d mo 2d & New Cassel the 3d to Return to Tortola by way of Antigua.

John Oxley arrived 3mo 9<sup>th</sup> & was brought to my hous in a poor State of helth his Servant Sebina came with him and Peter Fern he Continued to grow weaker & weaker & departed this Life the 23d Was bore to Meeting the 24<sup>th</sup> & interred

Edmon Peckover was at Meeting & Spoke with Power.

John Gurley in the Nonparel from Tortola arrived 6-3 Sailed from hence the 14<sup>th</sup> 11mo 1743.

9-20-1744 My Son John Sailed in Sloop Sea Ranger Thos Fowle Master to Barbadoes on account helth & Trade.

Brig Argyle Thos Coutam Master Consigned to him 1mo 2d.

3mo 20 1745 My son John went to Jamaca in Brig Conclusion Robt Edes Master Consigned him, also Sloop Diamond John Trott Master Was loaded & consigned to him. On his Return was Cast away in the Constitution in Portmorant Keys But Saved their money & some clothes.

3-10-1746 Son John Went to Jamaca in Sloop Ann, Benj James Master, Consigned to him.







TOM, OF COURSE. (THINKING) (RINGING)







FAC-SIMILE OF DIARY OF JOSEPH BRINGHURST

Memorandums made by  
Joseph Bringhurst

- 1750  
7mo: 20 C.S. My father died in Barbados
- 1752  
5mo: 6 M.S. Brother went for Rhode Island
- 1754  
Samuel Fothergill arriv'd
- 1756  
6mo: Ditto embark'd
- 1757  
7mo: 30 Samuel Spavold arriv'd
- 1759  
2mo: 4 D. left Philad.<sup>a</sup>
- 1761  
6mo: 2 My dear Mother died
- 10mo: 17 Rob<sup>t</sup> Proud, In<sup>o</sup> Stevenson  
Alice Hall & Eliz<sup>a</sup> Wilkinson } arriv'd  
from London
- 11mo: 19 Brother James was married  
to Anna Cole
- 1763  
1mo: 26 Cession of arms proclaim'd
- 7mo: 25 D<sup>o</sup> peace
- 8mo: 4 Brother James' first son John died
- 12mo: 12 Samuel Norton left Town
- 1764  
2mo: 6 The Posting riot
- 1767  
7mo: 7 Paid £5 at Court for refusing  
the Constable's Office
- 1768  
10mo: 17 Rachel Wilson came
- 11mo: 11 Sam<sup>l</sup> Norton set off on his  
journey with R. Wilson
- 1769  
4mo: 11 S. Norton return'd
- 11mo: 9 R. Wilson left Town
- 1770  
9mo: 26 Joseph Coley came to Town  
from New York
- 10mo: 19 Samuel Neale came to Town

- 11 mo: 9 R. Wilson left Town  
 1770  
 9 mo: 26 Joseph Coley came to Town  
           from New York  
 10 mo: 19 Samuel Neale came to Town  
           30 Both of them set off for the southward  
 1774  
 5 mo: 4 A very considerable fall of snow  
           5 A severe frost the preceeding night }  
   which destroy'd much fruit }  
 1775  
 4 mo: 29 Rob<sup>t</sup> Walker & other friends left Philad.<sup>a</sup>  
 1777  
 2 mo: 16 Brother James', daughter Rachel died  
 3 mo: 5 Anna, wife of my Brother James died  
 1783  
 5 mo: 22 E. Morris died  
 6 mo: 5 N. Wain & W. B. Clark embark'd  
 11 mo: 11 Ann Moore died at Baltimore  
 12 mo: 13 R. Wright & P. Brayton left Town  
 1784  
 4 mo: 24 Sam<sup>l</sup> Emlyn & several other friends }  
   left Philad.<sup>a</sup> }  
 6 mo: 22 Brother James & his son Joseph sail'd }  
   for Hartucket }  
 9 mo: 1 B. James & John Haughton return'd home  
           3 John Reynell died  
 10 mo: 5 John Haughton died  
 1786  
 10 mo: 23 Set off for New York. arrived there 24  
           27 J. B. jr. embark'd for A. Island  
 11 mo: 1 Left New York, & return'd home 2?  
           13 Sam<sup>l</sup> Emlyn & D. Offley embark'd for Barbados

1787

5mo:21 John Stover & Tho<sup>s</sup> Colley left Philad.

1788

2mo:5 Mercury 1 below 0 at 5 P M

Thornton's expos'd to the night air on the west  
side of the City, was from 6 to 8 degrees  
below 0

5mo:25 James Thornton embark'd at Chester

8mo:9 Sarah Moore died

1789

3mo:18 John & Joseph Bringham jun. went for N. Island

5mo:19 J<sup>n</sup>. Bringham jun. & wife & Jos<sup>ph</sup> Br. jun. came to }  
Town from N. Island }

27 Samuel Smith left Town

8mo:12 James Bringham jun. was married

9mo:26 James Thornton & John Pemberton arriv'd in Town

10mo:15 Brother John Bringham died, and was }  
inter'd 17<sup>th</sup> }

20 Mary Bridgway & Jane Walton arriv'd from Cork

1790

2mo:18 Joseph, son of James Bringham jun. was born }  
half past eleven P M }

12mo:25 Sister Elizabeth died, 1/2 past 10 A M and }  
was buried 27<sup>th</sup> }

1792

10mo:30 Edw<sup>d</sup>. Bringham seiz'd with Palsy

1793

2mo:11<sup>th</sup>. Mary, wife of John Bringham jun. died

9mo:16 Went to Frankford, on 'acc<sup>s</sup>. of the yellow fever

11mo:19 Return'd from Frankford

1794

2<sup>d</sup>mo:5 Mercury 91

9mo:26 Edward Bringham died, buried 27<sup>th</sup>.  
aged 23 years 9mo: & 10 days

1794

8mo: 5 Mercury 91  
9mo: 26 Edward Bringhurst died, buried 27<sup>th</sup>  
aged 23 years 9mo: 10 days

1795

6mo: 6 N. Wald & D. Bacon left Town  
8mo: 25 Rachel, wife of James Bringhurst jr. died

1796

My nephew  
8mo: 19 John Foulke died. buried 20<sup>th</sup>

1798

1mo: 22 Sister Mary Foulke died  
5mo: 22 E. Foulke set off for New York  
8mo: 10 Remov'd to Newtown on acct. of the fever  
11mo: 9 Return'd from Newtown  
29 E. Foulke return'd to Philad<sup>a</sup> after an  
absence of 6 months & 1 week

1799

7mo: 11 Joseph Bringhurst jr. was married at Wilmington  
to Deborah Ferris  
8mo: 19 Went to Dorby on acct. of the fever  
10mo: 23 Return'd to Philad<sup>a</sup>  
12mo: 30 Samuel Emken died

1799

6mo: 16 My nephew John Bringhurst died }  
9mo: 25 William son of Jos. & D. Bringhurst born } buried 17<sup>th</sup>

1803

5mo: 4 E. Foulke left Philad<sup>a</sup> for Virginia  
7 Ice this morning as thick as a dollar  
8 Snow this morning. Fruit & vegetables much injured  
8mo: 9 E. Foulke return'd home

1801

7mo: 19 Jospe Kenev embark'd for Liverpool  
11mo: 20 Remov'd to 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
27 Wait from W. B.

1806

2mo: 28 Remov'd to No 31 N. front street  
12mo: 20 W. Footed died



Memorandums continued

1807

- 4 mo: 5 My niece Mary Foulke died. Buried 7<sup>th</sup>  
 6 mo: 8 Began to board at D. Drinker's  
 24 Went to Wilmington  
 7 mo: 17 Brother James left Philad.<sup>a</sup> for Rhode Island }  
 the last time }  
 9 mo: 26 Joseph, son of my nephew Joseph born near C.P.M.  
 10 mo: 28 Return'd to Philad.<sup>a</sup>

1808

- 2 mo: 14 John Dickinson died. Buried 17<sup>th</sup>  
 6 mo: 7 - Mercury 88 and next day 68  
 8 Went to Wilmington  
 8 mo: 12 E. Foulke came to Wilmington. Left it 15<sup>th</sup>  
 9 mo: 14 Went to Philad.<sup>a</sup>  
 17 Return'd to Wilmington and was very much }  
 hurt on my way down in the mail Stage }

- 10 mo: 17 My household goods brought to Wilmington  
 11 mo: 3 E. Foulke came to Wilmington. Return'd 25<sup>th</sup>

1809

- 2 mo: 9 James Pemberton died. Buried 13<sup>th</sup>  
 5 mo: 3 Went to Philad.<sup>a</sup>  
 30 Dr. L. Booth died. Buried 10<sup>th</sup>  
 30 Return'd to Wilmington  
 6 mo: 26 Henry Drinker died. Buried 28<sup>th</sup>  
 7 mo: 24 Return'd to nephew James's to board  
 10 mo: 2 Thomas Morris died. Buried 4<sup>th</sup>  
 24 Went to Philad.<sup>a</sup>  
 11 mo: 2 Isaac Tyson was married to my niece D. Pearson  
 7 Return'd to Wilmington

1810

- 2 mo: 27 Broth: James died at Portsmouth R. Island  
 3 mo: 4 Ditto was buried at Swerton











NOTES ON THE  
CLARKSON FAMILY

Reverend David Clarkson, D.D. = Elizabeth Holcroft.  
Honorab! Matthew Clarkson = Catharine Van Schayck.  
Captain Matthew Clarkson = Cornelia De Peyster.  
Honorab! Matthew Clarkson = Mary Boude.  
George Bringhurst = Anna Clarkson.  
Robert Ralston Bringhurst = Mary Wood.  
Colonel Thomas Hall Bringhurst = Mary Jane Stewart.  
Captain Robert Ralston Bringhurst.



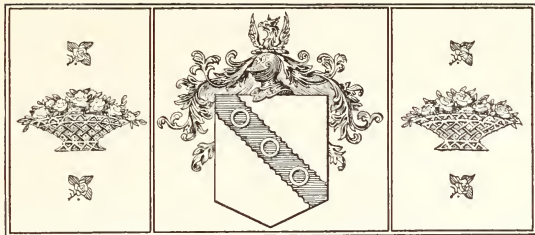
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## NOTES ON THE CLARKSON FAMILY

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THE HONORABLE MATTHEW CLARKSON, founder of the Clarkson Family of New York and Philadelphia, came to America in the ship "Beaver," in 1690/91, under appointment from the king to the Secretaryship of the Colony of New York. He was a son of the Rev. David Clarkson, D.D., an eminent English divine, and his mother, Elizabeth Clarkson, is said to have

been a daughter of Sir Henry Holcroft by his wife Lettice Aungiers, daughter of Sir Francis Aungiers and granddaughter of Edward Fitzgerald, Earl of Kildare, of Ireland.

Upon his arrival in New York, 29 January, 1690/91, Mr. Clarkson entered upon his duties as Secretary of the Colony,\* and continued to fill the position until his death, in 1702. On 19 January, 1692, he married Catharine, daughter of Captain Gerritt Goosen Van Schayck,† of Albany, New York, by his wife Annetje Leivens.

\* In 1668 he was chosen one of the vestry of Trinity Church, New York, and the pew-right which he held in the first building has remained in the family to this day.

† CAPTAIN VAN SCHAYCK was a merchant and brewer at Albany in 1649. On 8 April, 1656, he was nominated by the "Court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck," to the "Worshipfull, Valiant, and honorable Herr general, and right honorable Sirs of the Council," for appointment as magistrate or commissary at Albany, but does not appear to have received such appointment until 1662, when he sat in court as one of the magistrates. He doubtless held such position many years, as he is known to have been in office in 1663, 1667, 1668, 1671, and 1672, and among those who served with him were Colonel Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Richard Van Rensselaer. On 23 September, 1670, he was commissioned lieutenant of the troop of horse at Albany, under the command of Captain Jeremiah Van Rensselaer, and was later promoted captain.

His widow, ANNETJE LEIVENS, removed from Albany to New York and joined the Dutch Church there.

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## NOTES ON THE CLARKSON FAMILY

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Children, all born in New York, and baptized in the Old Dutch Church of that city:

- I. ELIZABETH CLARKSON, baptized 8 January, 1693. Major Charles Lodowick, an eminent New Yorker, was sponsor at her baptism.
- II. DAVID CLARKSON, baptized 19 August, 1694; died in 1751; was a prominent merchant and the grandfather of Major-General Matthew Clarkson, a distinguished officer of the Revolutionary army. He married, 25 January, 1724, Ann Margaret, daughter of Rev. Bernardus Freeman, of New York.
- III. LEVINUS CLARKSON, baptized 6 September, 1696; Johannes VanCortlandt being a sponsor at his baptism.
- IV. MATTHEW CLARKSON, baptized 9 April, 1699. (See below.)

CAPTAIN MATTHEW CLARKSON, third son of Hon. Matthew Clarkson by his wife Catharine Van Schayck, was born in New York City, where he was baptized 9 April, 1699, and where he died in 1739. He was a successful merchant there, and his family occupied a prominent position in the social life of the city. At the time of his death he commanded one of the military companies of New York, to which position he was commissioned in 1738. He married, in 1720, Cornelia, daughter of Captain Johannes De Peyster by his wife Anne Bancker. (See Notes on DE PEYSTER FAMILY.) Upon the death of Captain Clarkson, his widow married Rev. Gilbert Tennent, an eminent Presbyterian clergyman, who was then pastor of a church at New Brunswick, New Jersey, but who shortly afterwards accepted a call to the Second Presbyterian Church at Philadelphia, and there removed with his wife and her unmarried children, to which removal may be ascribed the origin of the Philadelphia branch of the Clarkson family. Mrs. Tennent died at Philadelphia, 25 May, 1753.

Children of Captain Matthew Clarkson, all born in New York, and baptized in the Old Dutch Church there:

- I. CATHARINE CLARKSON, baptized 25 January, 1721; married, 1739, Samuel Hazard, Esq<sup>re</sup>, by whom she had Ebenezer Hazard, Postmaster-General of the United States (1782/1789), and the father of Samuel Hazard, the distinguished annalist.

4 September, 1691, and there died in 1702. Her will, dated 27 April, and proved 19 November, 1702, names son Levinus, daughter Gerritje Dryer, daughter Catherine, wife of Matthew Clarkson, daughter Maria, wife of John Van Cortlandt, daughter Margareta, and granddaughter Margaret, wife of Robert Livingston, Junior.\*

\* New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, 1976, page 56.











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- II. MATTHEW CLARKSON, baptized 10 April, 1723; died young.  
III. JOHN CLARKSON, baptized 30 June, 1725; died young.  
IV. ANNA CLARKSON, baptized 10 September, 1727; married, as second wife, 13 May, 1761, Rev. Samuel Finley, D.D., President of Princeton College.  
V. MATTHEW CLARKSON, baptized 20 June, 1729; died young.  
VI. DAVID CLARKSON, born 5 January, 1731.  
VII. MATTHEW CLARKSON, baptized 25 April, 1733; died 5 October, 1800.  
VIII. LEVINUS CLARKSON, baptized 14 August, 1734.  
IX. CORNELIA CLARKSON, baptized 12 October, 1737.  
X. GERARDUS CLARKSON, baptized 26 December, 1738; died 19 September, 1790. He was a physician of Philadelphia; was a surgeon with the Pennsylvania Troops in the Revolution; was one of the founders of the College of Physicians, and its first treasurer; was a trustee of the University of Pennsylvania, and a member of the American Philosophical Society. He married, 13 May, 1761, Mary Flower, daughter of Samuel Flower, of Philadelphia. Many of Dr. Clarkson's descendants have been prominent.

HONORABLE MATTHEW CLARKSON, son of Captain Matthew Clarkson by his wife Cornelia De Peyster, was born in New York, in April, 1733, where he was baptized in the Old Dutch Church, 25th of that month. When he was about ten years of age he removed with his mother and step-father, Rev. Gilbert Tennent, to Philadelphia, where he resided during the remainder of his life, and there rose to prominence. He was carefully educated under the direction of his eminent step-father, and it is believed that he was intended for professional life, but he made choice of a business career, and as early as 1760 he is found to have been engaged in mercantile pursuits, in which he continued throughout his life. One of the earliest mentions of his name in Philadelphia is under date of 5 October, 1762, when he presented to Common Council a "Ground Plot of Philadelphia," which he proposed to publish, with a dedication to the city, whereupon Council voted "to give the said Matthew Clarkson the sum of Ten pistoles towards defraying the expense of the plate, on condition, nevertheless, that the public Squares laid down in the original plan of the City be so described that the claim of the inhabitants of the said City thereto may not be prejudiced."\* Some time later he became a notary public, and on 19 August, 1771, he was commissioned a justice of the Court of General Quarter Sessions

\* Minutes of Common Council, 676.

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of the Peace and of the Courts of Common Pleas for the city and county of Philadelphia, to which positions he was recommissioned, 27 April, 1772.\*

Mr. Clarkson was an ardent patriot in the Revolution. In 1775, when the first troops were organized in Philadelphia, he was commissioned quartermaster of the First Battalion of Associators, and on 11 December of that year he was chosen by the Continental Congress one of the commissioners to sign the four million dollars of bills of credit ordered printed by that body, and on 9 March, 1776, to a similar position, to sign the four million dollars of bills ordered to be issued at that time; and on 19 August, that year, he was chosen by the same body one of those "to oversee the printing of Continental bills."

In 1776 the Assembly of Pennsylvania recommended that the Council of Safety appoint "a proper person Marshall of the Court of Admiralty for this Province," in response to which, the Council, 10 April, 1776, "having considered the application of the different candidates," resolved, "That Mr. Matthew Clarkson be, and he hereby is appointed Marshall," which important position he held until 1780.

He was one of the organizers of the Bank of Pennsylvania, which institution was formed in 1780, with the object of furnishing provisions for the Continental army, his subscription to the enterprise being £2500. In 1785 he was elected a delegate to Congress, but declined the honor.

In 1790, under the new City Charter which then went in force, Mr. Clarkson was elected one of the Aldermen of Philadelphia. The Board of Aldermen at that time elected from their number the mayor of the city, and on 16 April, 1792, Mr. Clarkson was chosen mayor, and was re-elected in 1793, 1794, and 1795, in which office he served with conspicuous ability, and upon relinquishing the mayoralty he resumed his place as Alderman, which he retained until 1798.

In 1768 he became a member of the American Philosophical Society; was for some years clerk of the Philadelphia Contributionship and a director of the Philadelphia Library; in 1794 he was elected a director of the Bank of the United States, and was for some years a vestryman of Christ Church. He died at Philadelphia, 5 October, 1800, and was buried in Christ Church burying-ground. He married, 13 June, 1753,

\* Colonial Records of Pennsylvania, ix. 760; x. 46.

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Mary, daughter of Thomas Boude, of Philadelphia, by his wife Sarah Newbold.\* She was born at Philadelphia, 14 February, 1735, and died there, 27 November, 1794. Mrs. Elizabeth Drinker, in her "Journal" (now published), thus mentions Mrs. Clarkson, under date of 28 November, 1794: "M. Clarkson, wife to our present Mayor, was buried this afternoon. She was a pretty girl when Polly Boud. I went to school with her."

### Children, all born in Philadelphia:

- I. CORNELIA CLARKSON,† born 7 June, 1755; died June, 1756.
- II. THOMAS CLARKSON, born 6 December, 1756.
- III. ANNA CLARKSON, born 23 June, 1758; married George Bringhamst.  
(See BRINGHURST FAMILY, No. 42.)
- IV. MATTHEW CLARKSON, born 3 June, 1761.
- V. LEVINUS CLARKSON, born 14 August, 1762.
- VI. CORNELIA CLARKSON, born 29 March, 1764.
- VII. DAVID CLARKSON, born 28 March, 1765.
- VIII. SARAH CLARKSON, born 1 April, 1766; died 29 December, 1820; married, 24 November, 1785, Robert Ralston, Esq<sup>r</sup>e.‡
- IX. GERARD CLARKSON, born 7 July, 1772.

\* SARAH NEWBOLD was born 20 November, 1700, and was a daughter of Michael Newbold, Esq<sup>r</sup>, of Burlington County, New Jersey, by his wife Rachel, daughter of John Clayton. Michael Newbold was a justice of the peace of Burlington County, where he was a large landowner. His father, Michael Newbold, bought land in the county in 1677, and in a deposition dated in 1682 he is styled "of Sheffield Park Gate," Yorkshire, England, at which time he was aged fifty-eight years.

† The eldest daughter, Cornelia, was baptized at the Second Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, and the other children were baptized at Christ Church.

‡ ROBERT RALSTON was one of the most prominent citizens of Philadelphia in his day. He was born in Chester County, Pennsylvania, 18 December, 1761, and died at Philadelphia, 11 August, 1836. At an early age he engaged in business as a merchant in that city, and amassed a large fortune in the East India trade, of which he gave liberally to philanthropic enterprises. In 1793, when the French privateers were inflicting great damage to American commerce, Mr. Ralston was chosen, at a public meeting of merchants, one of the committee to collect information respecting such damage, and to lay the same before the President of the United States, and in 1794 he was secretary of a public meeting of citizens to raise funds for the relief of the families of the soldiers who marched to Western Pennsylvania to suppress the Whiskey Insurrection. In 1795 he was chosen by the Legislature one of the trustees to distribute funds appropriated by the State for the relief of the French refugees. In 17— he was elected a member of Common Council, and in 1800 he was the president of that body, and was later elected a member of Select Council, over which body he presided from 1806 until 1808. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and in 1808 was one of its committee to raise funds for the relief of the sailors in want on account of the Embargo Act then in force. In 1816 he became a founder and one of the first directors of the Second Bank of the United States, and during the same year he was a founder of the Religious Historical Society, of which he was elected vice-president the following year. He was also, during that year, elected president of the Pennsylvania Society for Promoting Public Economy. In 1819 he was secretary of a public meeting held at the mayor's office in aid of the sufferers of the great fire at Wilmington, North Carolina, and was also secretary of a meeting held at Independence Hall about the same time to consider an application to Congress to resist the extension of slavery "in the new States," and was made a member of the committee of correspondence to further such object. Mr. Ralston was a founder and one of the first trustees of the Philadelphia Exchange, and was active in promoting the construction of the building which still stands at Third and Dock Streets. He was also active in furthering

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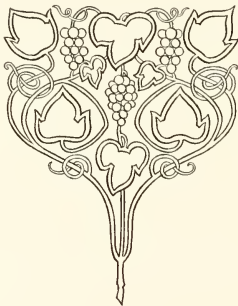
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the organization of the Presbyterian Board of Education, and was its first president, and contributed largely to the establishment of the Widows' and Orphans' Asylum and the Mariners' Church in Philadelphia, and he founded the Philadelphia Bible Society, which was the first of the kind on this continent. He was a member of the Second Presbyterian Church, of which he was ruling elder from 1802 until his death. His funeral sermon, preached by Rev. Ashbel Green, D.D., is published.

Mr. Ralston's children by his wife Sarah Clarkson were: 1. Robert Ralston, 2. William Cox Ralston, born 27 October, 1756; died 18 September, 1811. 3. Maria Ralston, born 25 December, 1757. 4. Matthew Clarkson Ralston, born 21 August, 1759. 5. Rebecca Ralston, born 3 March, 1791. 6. Elizabeth Ann Ralston, born 2 November, 1793. 7. Ashbel Green Ralston, born 11 October, 1796. 8. Gerardus Ralston, born 19 September, 1798. 9. Sarah Ralston, born 10 February, 1800. 10. Abigail Hazard Ralston, born 13 September, 1801. 11. Sannel Finley Ralston, baptized 16 January, 1803. 12. Henry Rutgers Ralston, baptized 1 June, 1806.

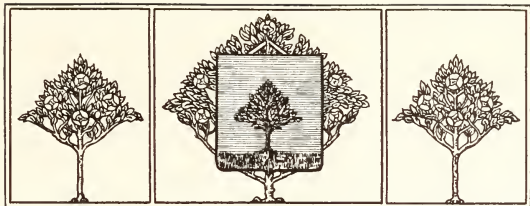
His will, dated 7 June, 1831, names son Robert; son William, "deceased;" son Matthew Clarkson; son Ashbel Green; son Gerard; daughter Abigail Proudfit; son Henry Rutgers; "late daughter" Sarah Cox, and her children, Robert Ralston Cox, Maria Cox, Sarah Ralston Cox, and John Cox; daughter Maria and her son, Robert Ralston Dorsey; Sarah Clarkson and her two sisters, "daughters of my late brother-in-law," Levinus Clarkson; two cousins, Rebecca Ralston and Mary Ann Eyre, daughters of "my late uncle George Ralston;" "children of my late half-sister," Sarah Slemmons; Benjamin Dean, "late of Washington, now of Philadelphia, son of late half-brother, William Dean." A codicil to the will, dated 8 July, 1834, speaks of his daughter Maria as deceased, and names her children: Robert Ralston Dorsey Elizabeth, wife of James Cox, and Maria Dorsey.



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Johannes De Peyster, Esq<sup>rs</sup> = Cornelia Lubberts.  
Captain Johannes De Peyster = Anne Bancker.  
Captain Matthew Clarkson = Cornelia De Peyster.  
Honorable Matthew Clarkson = Mary Bonde.  
George Bringhurst = Anna Clarkson.  
Robert Ralston Bringhurst = Mary Wood.  
Colonel Thomas Hall Bringhurst = Mary Jane Stewart.  
Captain Robert Ralston Bringhurst.






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JOHANNES DE PEYSTER, ESQ<sup>RE</sup>, one of the early emigrants to New Amsterdam (New York), and the founder of the noted American family of that surname, was of French descent, but a native of Harlem in Holland, whither his ancestors had fled to escape the persecution of Charles IX. against his Protestant subjects. He came to New York as early as 1649, and there

engaged in mercantile pursuits, and rose to prominence in public life. His first position was a military one, that of adelborst or cadet in one of the Burgher corps, to which he was appointed in 1653.\* He was one of "The Six" who were appointed to draw up the first charter for New Amsterdam, and under which a municipal government was organized in the name of the "Schout, Burgomasters, and Schepens." In 1655 he was commissioned by Governor Stuyvesant one of the schepens, to which position he was again chosen in 1656, 1658, and 1662. As one of the schepens he became a member of what was known as the Burgomaster's Court, which body governed the affairs of the city, and exercised executive, legislative, and judicial powers.

Many governmental changes followed the conquest of New York by the English, among which was a change in the corporate title of the city, from that before given, to "Mayor, Alderman, and Sheriff," and the court formed by these officials was afterwards known as the

\* O'Callaghan's History of New Netherlands, i. 559.

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"Mayor's Court." The decree of Governor Richard Nicolls making this change is dated 12 June, 1665, at which time Captain Thomas Willett was appointed mayor. The following year Johannes De Peyster was chosen alderman, to which position he was re-elected in 1667, 1669, 1673, and 1676. In 1677 he was deputy mayor of the city, and in that year declined the mayoralty on account of his imperfect acquaintance with the English language.

In 1668 he was chosen one of the two Overseers of Orphans, or Weesmasters, a trust of large importance, the overseers, or "Orphan Masters," as they are usually called, having the possession and control of all the estates of orphans in the city.

On 2 April, 1670, the Mayor's Court selected four men "for the laying out and Paving of the Streets," one of whom was Mr. De Peyster.

He was a member of the Dutch Church of New York, and served in the offices of deacon and church warden.

The date of Mr. De Peyster's death has not been ascertained, but it is believed that he died prior to 1686, although no mention of his widow as such, who survived him many years, is found until 1689. He married, in the Old Dutch Church at New York, 17 December, 1651, Cornelia Lubberts, also from Harlem, Holland. She is said to have been a relative of the De La Noys, and probably a sister of Marritie Lubberts, wife of Abraham De La Noy, who was keeper of the "City Tavern" in 1652, and the first of that family in America. Mrs. De Peyster made her will 19 January, 1699, with two codicils, the first dated 22 December, 1711, and the second in 1714. It was admitted to probate 25 September, 1725. Supposing that to have been the year of her death, and that she was eighteen years old when married, her death must have occurred at the advanced age of ninety-two years.

Children of Johannes De Peyster, Esq<sup>re</sup>, by his wife Cornelia Lubberts, all baptized in the Old Dutch Church in New York:

- I. JOHANNES DE PEYSTER, baptized August, 1653; died in infancy.
- II. JOHANNES DE PEYSTER, baptized 7 October, 1654; died young.
- III. ABRAHAM DE PEYSTER, baptized 8 July, 1657; died 8 August, 1728; was one of the leading men of his day in New York. He was a captain, afterwards colonel, of militia; alderman, afterwards mayor of the city; judge of the Supreme Court; member of the

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Governor's Council, and, as its presiding officer, at one time acting governor of the colony, and in 1706 was appointed treasurer of the colonies of New York and New Jersey.

- IV. MARIA DE PEYSTER, born 5 September, 1659; died 3 May, 1701; married (1) Paulus Schrick; (2) John Spratt; (3) David Provoost, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Mayor of New York in 1699. She had issue by the second marriage only. In an article in the "New York Genealogical and Biographical Record" for July, 1878, she is thus mentioned:

"This lady, whom we regard, by reason of her birth and alliances, as one of the most remarkable women born in New Amsterdam, was thrice married, and it is hazarding little of historical accuracy to say that a complete account of her family connections, by birth and marriage, would include a fuller history of the civil and military affairs of colonial times than the same account of any other person born during the Dutch possession of Manhattan Island."

- V. ISAAC DE PEYSTER, baptized 16 April, 1662; married 27 December, 1687, Maria Van Baal, of Albany, and had ten children, all baptized in the Dutch Church in New York.

- VI. JACOB DE PEYSTER, baptized 23 December, 1663; d. s. p.  
VII. JOHANNES DE PEYSTER, baptized 21 September, 1666. (Of him see following page.)

- VIII. CORNELIS DE PEYSTER, baptized 4 October, 1673; was a captain of the militia, and otherwise prominent. He married (1), 19 September, 1694, Maria Bancker; (2) 21 July, 1711, Cornelia Dissinton, widow of Alexander Stewart. Had issue by both wives.

- IX. CORNELIA DE PEYSTER, baptized 4 December, 1678; married, 18 August, 1699, Alexander Stewart. She died without issue, and Mr. Stewart married, for second wife, Cornelia Dissinton.

CAPTAIN JOHANNES DE PEYSTER, seventh child of Johannes De Peyster, Esq<sup>re</sup>, was baptized in New York City, 21 September, 1666, and died there, 25 September, 1711. He was a prominent and influential citizen, and highly esteemed for his public worth, as well as for his private virtues. On 8 October, 1686, he was commissioned ensign of a company of Foot in New York City, and was preferred to a lieutenancy in the same company, 13 December, 1689, his brother Abraham being then in command of the same. In 1698 he was mayor of New York, and from that year until 1701 was a member of the Colonial Assembly. In 1700 he was commissioned captain of a troop of horse, which position he probably retained several years.

He married, at Albany, New York, 10 October, 1688, Anne, daugh-

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ter of Gerrit Bancker, Esq<sup>re</sup>,\* by his wife Elizabeth Dirckse Van Eps, of that city. She was born at Albany, 1 April, 1670, and died —.

Children of Captain Johannes De Peyster by his wife Anne Bancker, all born in New York, and baptized in the Old Dutch Church of that city:

- I. JOHANNES DE PEYSTER, baptized 24 July, 1689; died young.
- II. GERARDUS DE PEYSTER, baptized 23 January, 1691; died young.
- III. ELIZABETH DE PEYSTER, baptized 25 September, 1692.
- IV. JOHANNES DE PEYSTER, baptized 14 April, 1694.
- V. CORNELIA DE PEYSTER, baptized 15 December, 1695; married MATHEW CLARKSON. (See CLARKSON LINEAGE.)
- VI. GERARDUS DE PEYSTER, baptized 10 October, 1697.
- VII. ANNA DE PEYSTER, baptized 24 January, 1700; married Jan Van Teerling.
- VIII. WILLIAM DE PEYSTER, baptized 15 October, 1701; died young.
- IX. ABRAHAM DE PEYSTER, baptized 27 February, 1704.
- X. WILLIAM DE PEYSTER, baptized 8 May, 1709; married Margareta Roosevelt.
- XI. CATHARINE DE PEYSTER, baptized 22 July, 1711.

\* GERRIT BANCKER came to Albany, New York, about 1656, and was probably from Amsterdam, Holland, where he had a brother William living as late as 1700. He was a merchant, and owned considerable real estate at Albany, also at Schenectady. In a bond dated 28 August, 1660, he is styled "the Honorable Gerrit Bancker." He married Elizabeth, daughter of Dirk Van Eps by his wife Maritje Damens. His will, dated 25 November, 1690, was proved 7 May, 1691. After his death his widow removed to New York and opened a store there, where she died 3 July, 1693. The inventory filed in her estate shows that she had houses and lands in Schenectady, Albany, Catskill, and New York, besides a large amount of personal property. His son Evert Bancker was a leading citizen at Albany, and was mayor of that city in 1695/96, and 1707/9.



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HOWE'S HEAD-QUARTERS, GERMANTOWN,  
AFTERWARDS RESIDENCE OF GEORGE  
WASHINGTON

BRINGHURST HOUSE, GERMANTOWN AVENUE,  
GERMANTOWN, BUILT ABOUT 1760, BY  
JOHN BRINGHURST (PAGE 32), AND LATER  
REMODELLED.











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CAPTAIN ROBERT RALSTON BRINGHURST, of Philadelphia, is descended from the Boudes of that city. His great-great-grandfather, Hon. Matthew Clarkson, of Philadelphia, married Mary Boude,\* who was a daughter of Thomas Boude, Esq<sup>re</sup>, by his wife Sarah Newbold,† and granddaughter of Grimstone Boude, a merchant of the same place. The following interesting article on the Boudes, by Miss Emma St. Clair Whitney, is from the "American Historical Register," vol. i. pp. 367-370.

### "SOME STORIES OF COLONIAL FAMILIES.

#### "BOUDE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

"The Boude family was of French origin, and a branch of the family settled in county Essex, England, as early as, if not before, the time of Henry IV. Grimstone Boude, who was the ancestor of that branch of the family from which the Boudes of Pennsylvania are descended, was born in England about the year 1661. He was the grandson of Adlord Boude, Esq<sup>re</sup>, who married Henrietta, the daughter of Sir Edward Grimston. Their son John was the father of Adlord and Grimstone Boude, who came to America.

"The Grimston or Grimstone (originally De Grymestone) House is traced in the English peerage to Normandy, and in the year 1066 is recorded the granting of the Grimstone estate in Yorkshire by William the Norman. A member of the family was standard-bearer to

\* See NOTES ON THE CLARKSON FAMILY, page 119.

† Daughter of Michael Newbold, Esq<sup>re</sup>, of Burlington County, New Jersey.

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William at the battle of Hastings. Another (Sir Harbottle Grimestone, born 1596, died 1683) was speaker of the House of Commons at the Restoration and Master of the Rolls. The present representative of the family in the English peerage is Lord Verulam, Viscount Grimston. The motto of the family is 'Mediocra firma,'—*i.e.*, the middle station is the safest.

"Grimstone Boude and his brother came to America near the close of the seventeenth century, and settled at Perth Amboy as agents of the East New Jersey proprietors. In 'Documents Relating to the Colonial History of New Jersey,' vol. iii., mention is made of a deposition of 'Grimstone Boude, merchant, aged thirty-eight or thereabouts.' The document is dated May 10, 1699; the name in the opening sentence is written without the final e, but the signature has it.

"Grimstone Boude afterwards removed to Philadelphia, where he died April 1, 1716. In his will, which is on record in Philadelphia, dated February 3, 1715, he states that he is a merchant, and mentions his wife and five children by name. He wills as follows:

" 'To my eldest son, Joseph Boude, one gold ring of the value of twenty shillings lawful money of America. To my son, Samuel Boude, my largest silver tank'd, one silver porringer, one silver spoon, one feather bed with the furniture and appurtenances thereunto belonging, and the sum of ten pounds lawful money of America. To my son, John Boude, my quart silver tankard and one feather bed with the furniture and appurtenances thereunto belonging, and the sum of ten pounds lawful silver money. Unto my son, Thomas Boude, my least silver tankard, one feather bed with the furniture, etc., and the sum of ten pounds lawful silver money. Unto my daughter, Henrietta Boude, one pint silver mug, one silver porringer, and one silver spoon, one feather bed with the furniture, etc., and my negro woman, Joan, and the sum of ten pounds lawful silver money. Unto my dear and well-beloved wife, Mary Boude, all and singular the residue and remainder of my personal estate. I nominate and appoint my said wife sole executrix of this my last will.'

"The eldest son, Joseph Boude, married, September 5, 1716, at Christ Church, Philadelphia, Elizabeth Baldwin. Their son Thomas was buried in Christ Church burying-ground August 10, 1769. No

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descendants of this pair are now known. Joseph subsequently removed to Lancaster, Pennsylvania. His name appears among the members of the Lancaster Library Company, which was organized in November, 1759 (see "History of Lancaster County," by Ellis and Evans), and was yet living there in 1776, where he was visited by Matthew Clarkson, who married his niece. Nothing more is known of him.

"The second son, Samuel Boude, married Deborah, daughter of Peter Cox, and lived in Philadelphia, where he died May 19, 1733. In his will he describes himself as a merchant, and mentions his wife Deborah and two children, John and Henrietta. His son John, born November 17, 1728, died before he attained his majority, and Henrietta, born January 17, 1731/32, died January 25, 1792; buried in Christ Church burying-ground. She married, May 10, 1753, Michael Hillegas, first Treasurer of the United States, and lived in Philadelphia. From them are descended the Anthony, Dillard, Hobart, Kelly, Nicholls, Smith, Whelen, and Whitney families.

"Grimstone Boude's third son, John, married Gertrude —, and lived in the southern part of Philadelphia (Wicaco), where he died March 23, 1747/48. In his will he describes himself as an Inn-holder, and mentions his wife, two children under age, and one unborn, and bequeaths quite a large estate to them. He spells his name Bood, which was the pronunciation at that time, as Bowd became afterwards. The names of his surviving children were Jonathan and Jemima. The records of Christ Church, Philadelphia, show he had other children,—Margaret, Rebecca, and Joseph,—who evidently died before their father. They also show the death of Lydia, the posthumous child referred to in his will. Nothing more is known of his children.

"Thomas, the fourth son of Grimstone Boude, born about 1700, died in Philadelphia September 11, 1781. He married Sarah Newbold, and had eleven children, six of whom died in infancy.

"Samuel, their eldest child, born about 1723/24, studied medicine in Philadelphia, and removed to Lancaster, Pennsylvania, where he married, January 16, 1749, Mary, daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Blunston) Bethel. He practised medicine in Lancaster, and seems to have been a very prominent man. His name appears among the subscribers to the building fund of St. James Protestant Episcopal Church in 1750,

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and also among the original members of the Lancaster Library Association in 1759. He removed to Garden Point, a few miles distant from Charlestown, Maryland, about 1766. It is probable he died there not many years after, though neither the time nor place of his death is recorded. They had eight children,—Sarah, Thomas, Sarah, Samuel, Elizabeth, Mary Bethel, John, and Henrietta. From them are descended the Heise, Merrill, Whitehill, Barber, Clingan, and numerous other families.

“Elizabeth, third daughter of Thomas and Sarah Boude, born December 5, 1726, married John Nigely (also spelled Neighly, or Naglee) at Christ Church, November 14, 1745.

“Mary, daughter of Thomas and Sarah Boude, born February 14, 1735; died November 27, 1794; married, June 13, 1753, Matthew Clarkson, who was a prominent merchant and citizen of Philadelphia, and died October 5, 1800. He was mayor of Philadelphia for three terms, and occupied that office during the terrible epidemic of yellow fever in that city in 1793/94. He conducted himself with great bravery and discretion. From this couple are descended the Clarkson, Bringhurst, Ralston, and other families.

“Joseph, tenth child of Thomas and Sarah Boude, born December 13, 1740, was a soldier in the Revolution; taken prisoner, and, according to tradition, died on one of the enemy's terrible prison-ships in New York harbor.

“Thomas, eleventh child of Thomas and Sarah Boude, born August 10, 1743, was a sea-captain and was lost in a shipwreck.

“Henrietta, youngest child and only daughter of Grimestone Boude, was baptized November 19, 1710, at Christ Church, Philadelphia, and married, August 30, 1733, in that church, to Richard Sewell.

“The Boude family in this generation is represented in nearly every State in the Union. Many of the name are still living in Maryland, Virginia, and Kentucky.

“In conclusion of this brief sketch, I desire to express my great obligation to Dr. John Knox Boude, of Washington, D. C., for valuable assistance in its preparation.

“EMMA ST. CLAIR WHITNEY.”

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To the foregoing article by Miss Whitney may be added a few facts.

Thomas Boude, the father of Mrs. Mary Clarkson, was a master bricklayer, and was employed in the mason work in the construction of Independence Hall.\* He was a member of St. John's Lodge, the first Masonic organization established in Philadelphia, and he was Coroner of Philadelphia from 1754 until 1759. On 24 May, 1781, he conveyed a house and lot in Front Street, Philadelphia, to his daughter, Mary Clarkson.† His brother, Dr. Samuel Boude, was Chief Burgess of Lancaster in 1761, and was the father of Samuel Boude and Thomas Boude, officers in the Revolutionary Army. Samuel was Second Lieutenant in the Pennsylvania Artillery Regiment, and was killed, 11 September, 1777, in the battle of Brandywine. Thomas was commissioned, 8 July, 1776, Second Lieutenant in the Fourth Pennsylvania Battalion, Colonel Anthony Wayne; promoted in January, 1777, First Lieutenant; and later, Captain, for gallantry at Stony Point. He served until the close of the war, and was one of the founders of the Pennsylvania Society of the Cincinnati. Later in life he became a brigadier-general of the Pennsylvania Militia, and was a member of Congress in 1801-1803. He died at Columbia, Lancaster County, 24 October, 1822, in the seventy-ninth year of his age.

\* Etting's History of Independence Hall.

† Philadelphia Deed Book, D, 3, p. 339.







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## ERRATA AND ADDENDA

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Page 49, No. 166. The date of birth of John Bringhurst should be 6 June, 1832.

Page 53. In Shipley note it is stated that Joseph Shipley was a grandson of William Shipley. It should read: grandson of Thomas Shipley by his wife Mary Marriott, and great-grandson of William Shipley.

Page 54, No. 196. The date of birth of Edward Bringhurst should be 10 October, 1834.

Page 63, No. 273. Mrs. Llewellyn T. Barr died 23 April, 1901.

Page 80, No. 419. Alice Constance Bringhurst, daughter of Henry Washington Bringhurst, was born 6 May, 1901.

Page 80, No. 420. Horace Morton Bringhurst Zipf should be Horace Morton Bringhurst.



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