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TOWN OF LEXINGTON,

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FROM ITS

FIRST SETTLEMENT TO 1868,

WITH A

GENEALOGICAL REGISTER

OF LEXINGTON FAMILIES.

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The Munroes, who acted a conspicuous part on the 19th of April, 1775, and were among the first settlers in Lexington, and who have from time to time filled some of the principal offices in the town, were of Scotch descent; though it is said that they came to Scotland from Ireland at a remote period. Dr. Doddridge, in his Life of Col. Gardner, has given an interesting account of the ancient family of Munroes, (of whom the Lexington Munroes were descendants,) from which account this notice is mostly taken.

The family of Munroes of Fowlis is among the most ancient and honorable families in the north of Scotland, and has generally been remarkable for a brave, martial, and patriotic spirit. They have intermarried with many of the best families and nobility in the North of Scotland: and, what is more to their honor, they were among the very first in those parts, who embraced the Reformation, which they zealously supported.

According to Buchanan, it was in the beginning of the eleventh century, and about the time of the conquest of England, when Malcolm, the second of that name, King of Scots, first distributed, or as it was expressed, *few-ed* out, or *fee-ed*, the lands in Scotland to the principal families, on account of their eminent services in his battles with the Danes. According to tradition, it was on that occasion that the country between the Borough of Dingwall and the waters of Alness in the shire of Ross, was given to Donald Munroe. A part of these lands were afterwards by the King erected into a Barony, called the *Barony of Fowlis*. Some of the Munroes were lords of this barony from its first erection; but we shall commence with them about the time they became Protestants.

George Munroe, IX Baron of Fowlis in a direct line from the above-mentioned Donald, the first Baron, was slain at the memorable battle of Bannockburn, fought by Robert Bruce of Scotland against Edward II, of England, in 1314. And George, X Baron of Fowlis, son of the former, was also slain, with a great many other of his name, at the battle of Hollydon Hill, near Berwick, where the Scots were defeated, July 22, 1333. Robert Munroe, XVII Baron of Fowlis, was slain at the battle of Pinkie, near Edinburgh, with many of his name, when the Scots were again defeated, in 1547. The first Protestant of this family was Robert Munroe, XVIII Baron of Fowlis, son of the last-mentioned, who came to the assistance of Mary, Queen of Scots, when she was involved in trouble at Inverness. He d. in 1588, and was succeeded by his son, Robert, XIX Baron of Fowlis, who d. the same year with his father. The next Baron was his brother Hector Munroe, who d. 1603.

Robert Munroe, son of Hector, was the XXI Baron. He flourished at the time that Gustavus Adolphus of Sweden was engaged in a Protestant war with Ferdinand II, in defence of the civil and religious liberties of Germany. The Baron, moved with pity and patriotism, joined Adolphus, with a great many of his clan of the same name, where they gained great distinction as soldiers. Robert became so eminent, that he was made colonel of two regiments, one of foot and the other of horse, at the same time. He d. of a wound received in crossing the Danube, in 1633. He was succeeded by Sir Henry Munroe, XXII Baron of Fowlis, the next male heir of the family, who was also a colonel in the same service, and upon crossing over into Britain, he was created a Baronet, in 1633. He d. at Hamburg two years after. His son, Sir Hector Munroe, was the XXIII Baron of Fowlis, and d. without issue 1651. Sir Robert Munroe, XXIV Baron of Fowlis, being the next of kin, succeeded him.

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Up to this time there were three generals, eight colonels, five lieut.-colonels, eleven majors, and above thirty captains of the name of Munroe besides a great number of subalterns,—all of the same original stock; the descendants of Donald Munroe. Some of the family were for a long period in considerable military command in Sweden and many parts of Germany, and even in India.

General Robert Munroe, uncle to Sir Robert, the XXIV Baron, was in 1641, appointed by Charles II, major-general of the Scotch forces that were sent to Ireland to suppress the rebellion there. In 1644, at the head of 11,000 of the Scotch and English Protestants, he fought and defeated 22,000 of the Irish in Ulster. In 1645, he was surprised and taken prisoner by Col. Monk, and d. soon after. The general was succeeded in command by his nephew, Sir George Munroe, who had served under him in Ireland. He was made major-general by Charles II, and had a body of troops under him at Kendall, when James, Duke of Hamilton, was defeated by Cromwell at Lancaster in 1648. Upon this defeat, Sir George returned to Scotland, and defeated the Earl of Argyle. He afterwards went to Holland and joined his master, Charles II, at whose restoration he was made lieut.-general, and commander-in-chief in Scotland.

Sir John Munroe, XXV Baron of Fowlis, succeeded his father, Sir Robert, in 1668. He was a member of the Estates of Scotland at the Revolution, and a zealous promoter of that happy event. He was also a zealous Presbyterian, and being remarkable for size and corpulency, he was nick-named "the Presbyterian *mortar piece*." He suffered both by fines and imprisonment for his devotion to the cause of religion, and d. 1696. Sir Robert Munroe, who succeeded his father in the barony as the XXVI of the family, was a pious and benevolent man, much beloved by the people. His son, Sir Robert, the XXVII Baron, succeeded him in 1729. He went early from the university to the camp, where he served seven years in Flanders, being for some time captain of the Royal Scots. On his return to England he was elected to Parliament, where he continued thirty years. He was greatly distinguished, like others of the family, for his military services. In 1715, he with his clan, in conjunction with the Earl of Sunderland, kept the Earl of Seaforth with a much larger force from joining the Rebel camp for near two months. Being made Governor of Inverness, Sir Robert kept four hundred men of his clan and name regularly paid and disciplined, and so rendered important service to his country.

He afterwards greatly distinguished himself at the battle of Fontenoy. He had obtained leave of His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, to adopt his own mode of warfare, and employ his own regiment where and how he pleased. He was early in the field, and at every point of danger; and wherever the Munroe regiment moved, victory followed its banner. He would march near the enemy, and when the French were about to fire, he would order his men to throw themselves upon the ground, and receive their fire; and as soon as they drew the enemy's fire, he would order them to spring up and rush upon the foe, reserving their own fire till they had nearly closed with them, so that every shot would tell with dreadful effect. These attacks were repeated with the most marked success several times during the day, to the admiration of the whole army. It was observable that when he commanded his whole regiment to drop to the ground, he himself stood upright, exposed to the whole fire of the enemy. On being questioned afterwards, why he did this, he replied that though he could throw himself down as readily as younger and leaner men, his great bulk and corpulency would not suffer him to rise sufficiently early to rush upon the enemy with his men; and the

commander would not allow himself to be behind his men in bravery or emergency.

For his distinguished services at Fontenoy his Majesty was pleased to appoint him to succeed Gen. Ponsonby, who was slain that day in command of his troops. They were afterwards ordered to Scotland, and in the battle of Falkirk, being on one of the wings with his new regiment, they shamefully left their brave commander with five or six of his officers, to be cut to pieces by the enemy. According to the account of the rebels themselves, Sir Robert defended himself against six of them, and killed two of their number, but a seventh coming up, shot him through the body. At this fatal moment his brother, Doctor Munroe, who was near at hand, rushed to the rescue, and was slain near his brother. Doctor Munroe was not only a man of great bravery, but was highly distinguished in his profession, and much respected as a man. Scarcely less distinguished was another brother, Capt. George Munroe. He enjoyed the advantages of a liberal education, but turned his attention mainly to the profession of arms. He was in many engagements, in which he displayed great gallantry, and in one was severely wounded. He however recovered, and afterwards fell by the hands of a cowardly assassin.

"Thus," said the correspondent of Dr. Doddridge, "died these three worthy men, to the irreparable loss of their country; all of them remarkable for a brave spirit, full of love to their native land, and of distinguished zeal for religion and liberty; faithful in their promises, steadfast in their friendship, abundant in their charity to the poor and distressed; moderate in their resentments, and easy to be reconciled; and especially remarkable for their great and entire love to each other, so that one soul seemed, as it were, to actuate all the three."

Though we have brought this sketch down to 1746, we must go back about a century, to trace the history of the Munroes who came to America. The date of their emigration to this country is uncertain. Their history here, like that of many of the early settlers in this country, is handed down to us by tradition, and not by full and reliable records. As near as we can learn, they came to America about 1650. Being a young man without a family, and destitute of property, the name of the first emigrant, WILLIAM MUNROE, does not appear upon the public records till some time afterwards.

It is highly probable that the Munroes who settled in New England were prisoners of war taken by Cromwell, and sold as slaves or apprentices, as the term was. The custom was this: these prisoners were sold in England to shippers for a small sum, who sent them to this country, where they were sold into service of from three to ten years, to pay the first purchase, the cost of the passage, and such profits as the dealers in flesh and blood might be able to make. The Munroes were probably some of those who were taken at the battle of Worcester, where Cromwell was victorious. In 1651, a cargo of prisoners was consigned to Thomas Kemble of Boston. The list of prisoners contains the names of four *Munrows*, as the name was there spelled, viz., Robert, John, Hugh, and another whose first name is obliterated. This is supposed to be *William*, the ancestor of the Lex. Munroes. One of this number settled at Bristol, then in this State, but now in Rhode Island. The Munroes of Bristol were relatives of those of Lex., but how near it is impossible to say with certainty.

There is a tradition in the family that William Munroe was sold or bound out to a farmer by the name of Winship, who resided in that part of Cambridge called Menotomy (now Arlington), and that when his indentures expired, and he set up for himself, he went farther

back into the woods, and procured a tract of land within the present limits of Lex., on a section now known by the name of *Scotland*, in honor of the native place of the first settler.

The name on the Lex. records in the first instances was spelt Munro or Munroe; but in a few years the first syllable was dropped, and many of the family spelled their name *Roe*. In fact, for a time Roe and Munroe seem to have been used interchangably, so that we find such entries as this: "bap. Mary *Roe*, daughter of William *Munroe*." Ultimately a better fashion prevailed, and the present orthography was adopted.

The record of the Munroes is extremely defective; the early settlers of that name being less given to letters than to arms.

1 WILLIAM MUNROE, the ancestor of all the Munroes of Lex. and this vicinity, was born in Scotland in 1625, and descended from the Munroe clan in Scotland, of which we have already spoken. He came to America in 1652, and consequently was at that time twenty-seven years of age. The first mention of him which I find in the Cambridge records is in 1657, when "Thomas Rose and William Row" were fined for not having rings in the nose of their swine. If he was sold as an apprentice when he was first brought over, his apprenticeship must have been rather a short one for those days, for he must have been his own man in 1657. He settled at Cambridge Farms about 1660, in the northeasterly part of the town, bordering on Woburn. His house was near the Wo line, on what is now Woburn street, not far from the present residence of Hugh Graham.

Several of his sons lived with or not far from him at first; and it was said by Mrs. Sanderson, his great-granddaughter, who d. 1853, aged 104 years, that his old house looked like a rope-walk, so many additions had been made to it to accommodate his sons, as they settled in life. By adopting the custom of the Scottish clans, he in a manner confined the Munroes together, and made them for some time, as it were, a distinct people. A considerable portion of their original possessions still remain in the Munroe family.

Though he came to the country under unfavorable circumstances, and set up for himself rather late in life, he appears to have been quite successful in his worldly affairs, and to have been blessed with a large, prosperous family. He was made freeman in 1690. He was in the parish at its first organization, and was one of the committee to purchase a tract of land for the support of the ministry, with David Fiske, sen., Samuel Stone, sen., Ephraim Winship, Benjamin Muzzy, and John Tidd. In the subscription for building the meeting house, William Munroe's name is found, and his subscription of £2 shows that in public spirit and in pecuniary means he was among the first seven in the parish, and the subsequent tax bills, from 1693 to 1696, show that in point of taxable property he stood among the first half dozen men in the parish; thus showing conclusively that he was a man of enterprise and force of character. In 1694, he was one of the selectmen of Cambridge, of which Lex. was then a part; and subsequently his name appears in connection with several other important offices in the parish. He was ad. to the ch. in Lex. Feb. 1, 1699. He was three times married, though I have not been able to find the record of the marriages, or learn the family name of his first two wives. He was probably forty years old when he married, and still he reared a family of thirteen children. He m. about 1665, Martha ——, by whom he had four children, and second, m. Mary ——, about 1672, by whom he had nine children. His second wife, Mary, d. Aug. 1692, aged 41, consequently she must have been twenty-six years younger than her husband. He m. third, Mrs.

Elizabeth Wyer wid. of Edward Wyer of Charlestown shed Dec. 14 1715 aet. 79, shed Jan. 27. 1717 at the advanced age of ninety-two. Though he married his last wife when he was well stricken in years, he must have married for love and not for money, for in the papers connected with the settlement of his estate, we find an inventory of the property which belonged to her, consisting of one bed, one bolster, one pillow, one chest, one warming pan, one pair of tongs, and one pewter platter.

His will, dated Nov. 14, 1716, mentions sons John, William, George, Daniel, Joseph, and Benjamin, and dau. Eleanor Burgess, to whom he gave the sole use of his house, Martha Comee, Hannah Pierce, Elizabeth Rugg, and Mary Fassett.

1– 2 †*John*, b. March 10, 1666; m. Hannah ——.

3 *Martha*, b. Nov. 2, 1667; m. Jan. 21, 1688, John Comee of Con. He came to Lex., where he lived and reared a family of children. She d. April 13, 1729, aged 62.

4 †*William*, b. Oct. 10, 1669; m. Mary Cutler.

5 †*George*, b. ——; m. Sarah ——.

6 †*Daniel*, b. Aug. 12, 1673; m. Dority ——.

7 *Hannah*, b. ——; m. Dec. 21, 1692, Joseph Pierce, whose first wife was Ruth Holland, and whose third wife was Beriah, wid. of Daniel Child; by Hannah he had eight children.

8 *Elizabeth*, b. ——; m. Thomas Rugg, by whom she had eleven children born between 1691 and 1714.

9 *Mary*, b. June 24, 1678; m. about 1700, Joseph Fassett. They lived on what is called the Page Place, now in Bedford, but then in Lexington.

10 *David*, b. Oct. 6, 1680; not mentioned in his father's will.

11 *Eleanor*, b. Feb. 21, 1683; m. Aug. 21, 1707, William Burgess of Charlestown. She had four children, whose births are recorded in Lexington.

12 *Sarah*, b. March 18, 1685; m. George Blanchard, about 1707.

13 †*Joseph*, b. Aug. 16, 1687; m. Elizabeth ——.

14 †*Benjamin*, b. Aug. 16, 1690; was twice married.

1-2- JOHN MUNROE m. Hannah ——. He was ad. to the ch. Feb. 1, 1699, together with his father, and sisters Martha Comee, Elizabeth Rugg, and Hannah Pierce. He was a subscriber for the meeting house in 1692, and was taxed for the purchase of the ministerial land in 1693. He was one of the assessors in 1699, 1714, and 1720; was constable in 1700, selectman in 1718 '19, and '26, and treasurer 1718, '19, and '20. He d. Sept. 14, 1753, aged 87; she d. April 14, 1716, aged 42. He was employed many years to ring the bell and to sweep out the meeting house, which shows that he did not consider it derogatory to perform any honest labor. He also illustrated the truth of the old ballad, that "there are sweepers in high life as well as in low"; for in addition to sweeping the meeting house, he filled most of the important offices in the town.

In consequence of the number of the Munroes, and the repetition of the names *William* and *John* and *George* and *Mary* and *Sarah* and *Hannah*, we find it very difficult in some cases to trace the families. This difficulty was felt by themselves and their contemporaries, and consequently, when speaking of the individuals, they had recourse to certain other designations. A specimen of this is embodied in the following not very elegant couplet, preserved by one of the descendants.

"Lieutenant John and Ensign Roe,
Sergeant George and Corporal Joe."

It will be seen by these titles that the family, true to their instincts, were given to the military, and that John was honored with the office of *Lieutenant*. We also learn that John Munroe and others had nine hundred acres of land granted to them in 1735, for services rendered in the Indian fight at Lamprey River, June 6, 1690.

2-15 *John*, bap. 1699; probably m. Rachel ——.
16 *Hannah*, bap. 1699; d. April 14, 1716.
17 *Constance*, bap. 1699.
18 *Jonathan*, bap. March 12, 1699; d. Aug. 20, 1724.
19 †*William*, bap. Feb. 1, 1701; was twice married.
20 *Elizabeth*, bap. March 5, 1703.
21 *Susannah*, bap. July 1, 1705; m. June 16, 1724, Ebenezer Nichols.
22 †*Jonas*, bap. Nov. 22, 1707; he was twice married.
23 *Martha*, b. Dec. 6, 1710.
24 †*Marrett*, b. Dec. 6, 1713; m. April 17, 1737, Deliverance Parker.

1-4- WILLIAM MUNROE m. Mary Cutler, dau. of Thomas. She d. June 26, 1713, aged 33, and he m. Johanna Russell, dau. of Philip and Johanna Russell, about 1716. He d. Jan. 2, 1759, aged 91, and she d. Sept. 17, 1748. He had seven children by his first wife, and two by his last. He was an ensign in the colonial militia, and hence was denominated "Ensign Roe." He was ad. to the ch. April 9, 1699, and his wife Mary was ad. April 30 of the same year, and his wife Johanna was ad. Dec. 24, 1727. He was constable, 1708, assessor, 1713, and selectman, 1724, '30, '34, and '35.

4-25 *Mary*, b. April 3, 1699. 26 *Abigail*, b. June 28, 1701.
27 †*William*, b. Dec. 19, 1703; m. June 3, 1733, Sarah Mason.
28 †*Thomas*, b. March 19, 1706; m. Elizabeth ——.
29 †*David*, b. Sept. 28, 1708; m. Abigail Wellington.
30 *Ruth*, b. March 16, 1711. 31 *Hannah*, b. March 19, 1713.
32 †*Philip*, b. Feb. 26, 1718; m. Mary ——.
33 *Johanna*, b. Oct 21, 1726; d. Jan. 23, 1749, unm.

1-5- GEORGE MUNROE m. Sarah ——. He was generally designated "Sergeant George." He was a tythingman, 1719, and selectman, 1728. He d. Jan. 17, 1749, aged 73, and she d. Dec. 4, 1752, aged 75.

5-34 †*William*, b. Jan. 6, 1700; m. May 6, 1735, Rebecca Locke of Wo.
35 *Sarah*, b. Oct. 17, 1701.
36 *Dorothy*, b. Nov. 19, 1703; d. April following.
37 *Lydia*, b. Dec. 13, 1705.
38 †*George*, b. Oct. 17, 1707; m. Sarah Phipps.
39 †*Robert*, b. May 4, 1712; m. July 28, 1737, Anne Stone.
40 †*Samuel*, b. Oct. 23, 1714; the record adds, "He was the first bap. in the new meeting house."
41 †*Andrew*, bap. June 4, 1718; m. May 26, 1763, Mrs. Lucy Simonds.
42 *Lucy*, b. Aug. 20, 1720; m. —— Watson of Camb.

1-6- DANIEL MUNROE m. Dority ——. He was ad. to the ch. Feb. 18, 1728, and d. Feb. 26, 1734, aged 61. His widow administered upon his estate.

6-43 *Daniel*, b. June 27, 1717.
44 †*Jedediah*, b. May 20, 1721; m. Abigail Loring.
45 *Sarah*, b. June 21, 1724. 46 *Dorothy*, b. June 21, 1728.
47 †*John*, b. May 30, 1731; m. Anna Kendall of Woburn.

1-13- JOSEPH MUNROE m. Elizabeth ——. He was known by the cognomen of "Corporal Joe."

13-48 †*Joseph*, b. May 13, 1713; m. Hannah ——.
49 *Elizabeth*, b. June 12, 1715.
50 *Nathan*, b. Sept. 7, 1716; m. Nov. 23, 1738, Mercy Benjamin. He moved to Con., where he had a family of seven children. Several of his sons settled in Northboro', Shrewsbury, Worcester, and Spencer in Worcester County.
51 *Joshua*, b. Dec. 22, 1717; m. Ruth ——, resided in Concord.
52 *Nathaniel*, b. Nov. 17, 1719. He embarked in 1740 in the expedition to Cuba, and d. before his return.
53 *Amos*, b. April 21, 1721; d. July 7, 1765.
54 *Abigail*, b. Jan. 21, 1723. 55 *Mary*, b. Jan. 21, 1726.
56 *Eleanor*, b. June 13, 1727. 57 *Kezia*, b. Oct. 16, 1731.
58 *Hannah*, b. Nov. 29, 1733; m. July 26, 1760, Gershom Williams. He d. at West Camb., at the remarkable age of 100 years.

1-14- BENJAMIN MUNROE m. Abigail ——. She d. and he m. 1748, Mrs. Prudence (Harrington) Estabrook, wid. of John Estabrook of Lex. She d. 1778. He resided in Linc., and d. April 6, 1765. His will, dated April 1, and proved April 22, 1766, mentions wife Prudence and dau. Rebecca Sawin, Abigail Brown, Sarah Cutler, Martha Stone, Mary Parker, Anna Matthis, Eunice Wheeler, and children of Lydia Williams, deceased, and son Benjamin.

14-59 *Lydia*, b. March 7, 1718; m. Oct. 19, 1740, Joseph Williams, Camb.
60 *Abigail*, b. Oct. 5, 1719; m. Feb. 7, 1745, Joseph Brown of Weston.
61 *A child*, b. ——; d. Nov. 9, 1721.
62 *Benjamin*, b. June 21, 1723; m. Mary Merriam of Lex.; lived in Lincoln.
63 *Rebecca*, b. Aug. 24, 1725; m. Manning Sawin of Marlb., May, 1746.
64 *Sarah*, b. July 26, 1727; m. May 12, 1750, Josiah Parks of Lincoln. He d. and she m. Dec. 22, 1753, Elisha Cutler of Lexington.
65 *Martha*, b. March 18, 1729; m. Sept. 8, 1748, Isaac Stone of Lex.
66 *Mary*, twin of the above; m. Josiah Parker, Jr.
67 *Anne*, b. March 4, 1732; m. —— Matthis.
68 *Eunice*, b. Apr. 9, 1734; m. June 26, 1756, Edmund Wheeler, Linc.
69 *Kezia*, b. April 22, 1736; not mentioned in her father's will, probably died before that period.

2-19- WILLIAM MUNROE m. Phebe ——. She d. Jan. 15, 1742, and he m. May 29, 1745, Mrs. Tabitha (Hobbs) Jones of Weston. He had six children by his first wife, and four by his last. He is frequently denominated the *black-smith*, to distinguish him from others of the same name, one of whom was denominated the *shoemaker*, for the same reason. His will, dated March 25, 1777, and proved June 4, 1783, mentions wife Tabitha, dau. Phebe Caldwell, Dorcas Parker, Bridget Maxwell, Sarah Barker, Lucy Hobbs, and Susanna, and son Oliver.

19-70 *Phebe*, b. April 28, 1726; m. Adam Caldwell of Bedford.
71 *Jonathan*, b. April 1, 1729; d. June 17, 1739.
72 †*William*, b. May 12, 1730; not mentioned in his father's will.
73 *Edmund*, b. May 3, 1732; d. April 4, 1735.
74 *Bridget*, b. April 27, 1735; m. Nov. 4, 1760, Hugh Maxwell, then both of Bedford.
75 *Susanna*, b. ——; m. April 27, 1780, Isaac Reed of Woburn.
76 *Hannah*, b. Dec. 15, 1742; not mentioned in the will.

77 *Sarah*, b. April 18, 1746; m. —— Barber.
78 *Oliver*, b. Feb. 9, 1748; m. and lived in Wat., where he d.
79 *Dorcas*, b. Nov. 14, 1750; m. Dec. 2, 1772, Ebenezer Parker.
80 *Lucy*, b. Sept. 19, 1752; m. Nov. 24, 1774, Samuel Hobbs of Weston.

-2-22- JONAS MUNROE m. June 3, 1734, Joanna Locke, dau. of Joseph and Margaret (Mead) Locke, b. Feb. 2, 1713. She d. Sept. 17, 1748, aged 35, and he m. about 1750, Rebecca Watts of Chelsea. He d. Nov. 9, 1765, and his wid. m. April 19, 1773, John Muzzy of Lex., grandson of the first settler, and his second wife. Jonas Munroe was honored with the title of *Lieutenant*.

22-81 *Jonas*, b. Nov. 2, 1734; d. June 3, 1760. He was in the French war.
82 †*John*, b. Feb. 1, 1737; m. April 13, 1762, Lydia Bemis of Weston.
83 †*Stephen*, b. Oct. 25, 1739; m. July 8, 1766, Nancy Perry of Wo.
84 *Jonathan*, b. May 25, 1742; m. Abigail Kendall of Woburn.
85 *Joanna*, b. April 12, 1747; m. July 9, 1771, John Adams.
86 †*Ebenezer*, b. April 29, 1752; m. May 10, 1781. Lucy Simonds, Wo.
87 *Rebecca*, b. June 17, 1755; m. May 22, 1777, John Muzzy, Jr.
88 *Martha*, b. Sept. 12, 1758; d. at Ashburnham, 1793, unm.

2-24- MARRETT MUNROE m. April 17, 1737, Deliverance Parker, dau. of Lieut. Josiah Parker, b. May 18, 1721. He d. March 26, 1798, aged 85, and she d. Aug. 9, 1799, aged 78. His will, dated Feb. 18, 1789, and proved May 1, 1798, mentions wife Deliverance, sons Josiah, Nathan, and Thaddeus, and dau. Rachel, Mary Underwood, Bethia, Deliverance Winship, Elizabeth Buckman, and a child of dau. Ann Nurse, deceased. He was selectman, 1762, '63, '64, and '67. He resided near the Common, on the place now occupied by Mr. John Hudson.

24-89 *Rachel*, b. Nov. 29, 1737; d. unm. in Boston, where she lived.
90 *Josiah*, b. June 29, 1742; d. June 12, 1743.
91 †*Josiah*, b. Feb. 12, 1745; m. Nov. 15, 1768, Susan Fitch of Bed.
92 †*Nathan*, b. Aug. 9, 1747; m. Oct. 3, 1769, Elizabeth Harrington.
93 *Mary*, b. March 3, 1749; m. March 21, 1771, Joseph Underwood.
94 *Bethia*, b. Jan. 22, 1753, lived at Bellows Falls; d. unm., aged 93.
95 *Deliverance*, b. July 22, 1755; m. John Winship.
96 *Anna*, b. June 23, 1758; m. Josiah Nurse of Framingham.
97 *Thaddeus*, b. Oct. 26, 1760; traded in South Carolina, where he died, unmarried.
98 *John*, b. and d. April 3, 1763.
99 *Elizabeth*, b. Oct. 4, 1765; m. July 1, 1781, Jacob Buckman, father of Hon. Bowen Buckman, of Woburn.

4-27- WILLIAM MUNROE m. June 3, 1733, Sarah Mason, dau. of John and Elizabeth (Spring) Mason, b. June 7, 1714. She was ad. to the ch. May 4, 1735. It is stated, in a paper left by one of the family, that he had just been engaged as a committee man to enlarge the burying yard, and taking a sudden cold while haying in his meadow, he was attacked with a violent fever, which in a few days proved fatal; and that he was the first to be laid in the new portion of the yard he had so recently procured. This account is confirmed by his grave stone, which has this inscription: "William Munroe d. Aug. 18, 1747, aged 44 years. The first buried in this (the new portion) yard." She m. Feb. 27, 1753, Isaac Bowman, Esq., and d. April 13, 1785, aged 71.

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27-100 †*Edmund*, b. Feb. 2, 1736; m. Aug. 31, 1768, Rebecca Harrington.
101 *Sarah*, b. May 1, 1738; m. Dec. 2, 1762, William Hill of Lex. They moved to New Braintree, where they died.
102 *Catharine*, b. Sept. 29, 1740; m. Nov. 22, 1761, Joseph Bowman of Lex. They moved to New Braintree.
103 †*William*, b. Oct. 28, 1742; he was twice married.
104 *Abigail*, b. Feb. 21, 1744; m. Daniel Spooner, Esq., of Hartland, Vt., where she d. 1816, at the remarkable age of 102 years.
105 *Nehemiah*, b. July 1, 1747; m. Dec. 5, 1771, Avis Hammond. They moved to Roxbury, where he d. Aug. 2, 1828, aged 81.

4-28- THOMAS MUNROE m. Elizabeth ——. He moved to Con., where his children were born. They had nine children. *Thomas*, his oldest son, b. May 4, 1731, m. for his second wife, Dec. 29, 1763, Mrs. Hepzibah Raymond of Lex., wid. of Jonathan Raymond. His second son, John, b. May 4, 1753, grad. H. C. 1751; studied divinity but was never ordained. He taught school in Con., and moved to Harvard in 1772, where he d. THOMAS MUNROE, the father, was a captain.

4-29- DAVID MUNROE m. Feb. 29, 1733, Abigail Wellington, dau. of Benjamin and Lydia (Brown) Wellington, b. July 14, 1715. He was a member of Capt. Blodgett's company, which marched to the relief of Fort William-Henry, in 1757. He was also in the French war in 1760, and was a corporal. He d. June 13, 1764, aged 55.

29-106 *David*, b. 1734; m. Oct. 17, 1765, Elizabeth Foye of Charlestown.
107 *Benjamin*, bap. Sept. 12, 1736; d. in Stow, without issue.
108 *Abraham*, b. Aug. 14, 1738; m. Lois Chapen of Stow. He was a lieutenant in the French war. He afterward moved to Northboro', where he kept a public house.

4-32- PHILIP MUNROE m. Mary ——. They o. c. Nov. 16, 1740, when their oldest child was bap. They had six children in Lex., and moved to Shrewsbury, where their last three children were bap. The Shrewsbury ch. record says, "they being in covenant relations with the ch. in Lex."

32-109 *Mary*, b. Dec. 4, 1740; d. young.
110 *Lois*, b. Dec. 11, 1742.
111 *Jonathan*, b. Dec. 28, 1744.
112 *Prudence*, bap. May 27, 1747.
113 *Mary*, bap. April 10, 1757.
114 *Lemuel*, bap. March 4, 1759.
115 *Abraham*, bap. at Shrewsbury, } Sept. 4, 1763.
116 *Abigail*, " " } Sept. 4, 1763.
117 *Sarah*, bap. " Oct. 14, 1764.

5-34- WILLIAM MUNROE m. May 6, 1736, Rebecca Locke, dau. of James and Sarah (Cutter) Locke, b. Nov. 11, 1711. He was killed July 10, 1778, by a cart falling upon him, aged 78. His wid. d. Nov. 19, 1798, aged 87. Her thirds were distributed, in 1799, to James, Philemon, William, and the heirs of Isaac, deceased.

34-118 *James*, b. Dec. 12, 1735; m. Aug. 18, 1763, Lucy Watson of Camb. She d. July 10, 1783, and he m. Mrs. Sarah Hancock. He resided in Camb., where he was a deacon, and d. 1804. He was appointed armorer by the Provincial congress in 1775, and acted in that capacity for some time. He was a blacksmith by trade.
119 *Isaac*, b. Sept. 11, 1737. He m. Dec. 25, 1760, Mary Hutchinson of Charlestown. She d. and he m. June 16, 1791, Mrs. Lydia Caldwell of Wo. He resided in West Camb., and was deacon of

the Baptist church there. He d. July 17, 1791, from the sting of a bee, leaving his second wife for the second time a widow, after a marriage of twenty-one days.

120 *Asa*, b. Dec. 29, 1739; d. Feb. 20, 1825, aged 85, unm. He was in the battle of Lex., being a member of Parker's company. He was in the campaign at White Plains, in 1776.

121 *Rebecca*, b. Jan. 12, 1742; d. unm. Sept. 6, 1767, aged 26.

122 *Lydia*, b. Feb. 21, 1744; m. June 23, 1768, Phinehas Parker of Reading, afterwards of Pepperell; d. 1781, without issue.

123 *Amos*, b. May 31, 1746; d. July 5, 1765.

124 *Mary*, b. Oct. 10, 1748; m. 1772, Samuel Sanderson, and d. Oct. 15, 1852, at the remarkable age of 104 years, 5 days.

125 *Hannah*, b. Sept. 26, 1751; m. Jan. 4, 1774, William Porter.

126 †*Philemon*, b. Oct. 20, 1753; he was twice married.

127 †*William*, b. Aug. 29, 1756; m. Abigail Harrington.

5-38- George Munroe m. Nov. 25, 1731, Sarah Phipps. He d. June 24, 1743, aged 37. His wid., Sarah, administered upon his estate. Timothy Wellington was appointed, March 7, 1747, guardian of Timothy, Thaddeus, and Elizabeth, under fourteen years of age, and of George, fifteen years of age.

38-128 †*George*, bap. May 13, 1733; m. Anna Bemis.

129 †*Timothy*, bap. April 20, 1735; settled in Lynn.

130 *Thaddeus*, bap. Aug. 20, 1738. 131 *Elizabeth*, bap. Mar. 23, 1740.

5-39- Robert Munroe m. July 28, 1737, Anne Stone, dau. of John and Mary (Reed) Stone. He was a soldier in the French war, was the standard bearer at the taking of Louisburg, in 1758, and was also in the service in 1762. Having served the colonies against the French and Indians, we might naturally suppose that he would be true to the family instinct, and to the calls of patriotism in defending the colonies against any other foe. And so he was. Being the ensign of Parker's gallant co., he was on the Common on the 19th of April, 1775, and stood manfully at his post; and fell, one of the first victims of British oppression, on the very field where he was posted by his gallant commander. He was in the 64th year of his age at the time of his death.

39-132 *Ebenezer*, b. Feb. 5, 1737; d. June 25, 1740.

133 *Anna*, b. Aug. 13, 1740; m. May 8, 1760, Daniel Harrington.

134 *Ruth*, b. July 26, 1742; m. Jan. 9, 1766, William Tidd, who was lieutenant in Capt. Parker's co., and was wounded in the battle of Lexington.

135 †*Ebenezer*, b. Nov. 15, 1744; m. May 2, 1771, Martha Smith.

136 †*John*, b. June 15, 1748; m. Dec. 3, 1772, Rebecca Wellington.

5-40- Samuel Munroe m. Abigail ——. There is no record of his family except Jonathan; but there are indications on the records of his having other children. I set down the following as the most probable. He was in the service five months at Ticonderoga, in 1776, and three months at Dorchester, the same year. He probably moved to Townsend, about 1780.

40-137 *John*, b. ——. 138 *Jonathan*, b. July 15, 1759.

139 *Eunice*, b. ——; m. first, Thaddeus Winship, and second, Ebenezer Steadman.

140 *Levi*, b. Feb. 21, 1771.

5–41– ANDREW MUNROE m. May 26, 1763, Mrs. Mary (Mixer) Simonds, wid. of Daniel Simonds. He was in the French war, in 1758, '59, and '60. He d. Sept. 15, 1766, and his wid. settled his estate.

41–141 *Andrew*, b. March 13, 1764.
142 *Ishmael*, b. Oct. 9, 1766, after the death of his father. This was the second posthumous child his mother had,—one by each husband. He m. Feb. 27, 1794, Elizabeth Skilton, both of Woburn.

6–44– JEDEDIAH MUNROE m. Abigail Loring, dau. of Joseph and Lydia (Fiske) Loring. She was a twin with Mary, and a sister of Dea. Joseph Loring. He was a member of Capt. Parker's co., and rallied with his townsmen in defence of freedom on the 19th of April, 1775. He was wounded in the morning; but his devotion to the cause was too deep-seated to be quenched by the first flow of blood. He marched with the co. toward Con. to meet the British on their retreat, and was killed in the afternoon, aged 54.

44–143 *Daniel*, b. Sept. 29, 1744; m. Abigail Parker of Roxbury, where he lived and died.
144 *Jedediah*, b. ——; m. Sarah Parker, and lived in Boston.
145 *Solomon*, b. ——; m. and lived in Boston.
146 †*Joseph*, bap. Dec. 4, 1757; m. July 22, 1783, Rhoda Leath of Woburn.
147 *Dolly*, bap. March 30, 1760; d. unm.
148 *Zacharias*, } twins, bap. July 1, 1764; } d. young.
149 *Elizabeth*, }
150 *Elizabeth*, b. ——; m. March 23, 1789, Abel Walker of Woburn.

6–47– JOHN MUNROE m. Dec. 23, 1747, Anna Kendall of Wo. He marched to the relief of Fort William-Henry, 1757. He was a member of Capt. Parker's company, and took part in the affairs on the 19th of April, marched to Cambridge with the company on the day of the battle of Bunker Hill, and was in the campaign, in 1776, in the Jerseys. They were ad. to the ch. in Lexington on confession, in 1757. He probably resided in Wo. a portion of his life.

47–151 *Anna*, b. Nov. 18, 1759.
152 *Sarah*, bap. July 21, 1767.
153 *John*, bap. July 21, 1767.
154 *Lydia*, bap. July 22, 1767.

13–48– JOSEPH MUNROE m. Hannah ——. He was in the French war, 1755. He moved to Concord, and resided in that part of the town which was set off to form the town of Carlisle, and was one of the members of the ch. organized there in 1781. He had a family of six children, b. between 1742 and 1755, who settled in Carlisle and Acton; except Joseph, who settled as a physician at Hillsboro', N. H., and d. Feb. 24, 1798.

19–72– WILLIAM MUNROE d. 1755, aged 25 years, probably unm. His will, dated April 4, 1755, and proved Oct. 13, 1755, mentions brother-in-law Adam Caldwell of Bedford, and sisters Bridget and Hannah. He was a sergeant in the French war, in 1754 and 1755.

22–82– JOHN MUNROE m. April 13, 1762, Lydia Bemis of Weston, dau. of John and Hannah Bemis. He was a member of the Lex. company in 1775. The record of his family is extremely defective. We find the mention of only one child, though he may have had more. He marched to Cambridge on the 17th of June, 1775.

82-155 *Lydia*, bap. May 17, 1767; m. Jan. 16, 1783, Jonathan Page of Lincoln. He afterwards resided in Charlestown, where he kept a tavern of some note. He rose to the rank of colonel in the militia; and during the war of 1812 was stationed in Boston Harbor, and superintended the erection of some of the fortifications.

22-83- STEPHEN MUNROE m. July 8, 1766, Nancy Perry of Wo. He was in the French war, 1762, was in the battle of Lex. 1775, and marched to Camb. on the 17th of June, at the time of the battle of Bunker Hill. He perhaps resided for a time in Wo.; also in the State of Maine. He d. July 30, 1826, aged 87.

83-156 *Nancy*, b. ———; m. —— Caldwell of Woburn.
157 *Stephen*, b. ———; r. in Concord.
158 *Joanna*, b. ———; m. Daniel Russell.
159 *James*, b. ———; he was feeble-minded. He was an inmate of the almshouse, and disappeared mysteriously, leading to the suspicion that he might have been murdered. Human bones were found in the woods some twelve months afterwards, supposed to be his. The mystery was never revealed.

22-86- EBENEZER MUNROE m. May 10, 1781, Lucy Simonds of Wo. He was a member of the Lex. minute men, and ready on the 19th of April to do battle in freedom's cause. He was wounded in the elbow in the morning, but mounted his horse and rode from town to town, alarming the people and rousing them to action, until quite exhausted by the loss of blood. He claimed to have fired the first gun on the American side. That he did return the fire is abundantly proved by the testimony of others. His own account is as follows: "After the first fire (of the regulars) I received a wound in my arm; as I turned to run, I discharged my gun into the main body of the enemy. Another ball passed between my arm and my body, and just marked my clothes; one ball cut off a part of my ear locks, which were pinned up. The balls flew so thick, I thought there was no chance of escape, and that I might as well fire my gun, as stand still and do nothing." Deposition taken April 2, 1825. Ebenezer Munroe performed other duties in the Revolution, being one of the number who joined in the campaign in the Jerseys in 1776.

He moved to Ashburnham soon after the close of the war, where he was a lieutenant and a respectable citizen. He d. at Ashburnham 1825, and his wid. m. John Adams as his second wife. Ebenezer Munroe was half-brother to Mr. Adams's first wife. Mr. Adams spent his youth in West Camb., went to Ashburnham previous to the Revolution, lived there till he was nearly 100, when he went to live with a son in Penn., and d. 1849, aged 104 years, 1 mo., 5 days. He retained his faculties to the last, and is said to have made a pair of shoes the day he was 104.

88-160 *Charles*, b. ———.
161 *Lucy*, b. ———.
162 *Ebenezer*, b. ———.
163 *Jonas*, b. ———.
164 *John*, b. ———.
165 *Rebecca*, b. ———.
166 *Herrick*, b. ———.

24-91- JOSIAH MUNROE m. Nov. 16, 1768, Susan Fitch of Bed. He was in the French war in 1762. He also served three months in the Jerseys, in 1776. He then entered the Continental Line, and served two and a half years. After the close of the war he drew land in what was afterward Ohio. He settled in Marietta in that State, where

He had at least one child b. in Le

he was for a time post master. He had at least one child b. in Lex., viz., SUSANNA, b. Nov. 19, 1771. They had another dau. and a son b. in Bedford, before he moved to Ohio.

24-92- NATHAN MUNROE m. Oct. 3, 1769, Elizabeth Harrington, dau. of Henry and Sarah (Laughton) Harrington, b. Sept. 17, 1750. He was a member of Parker's minute men, and took part in the battle of Lex. in 1775. He resided on Monument street, where Mr. John Hudson now resides. His house received several balls, which were taken out subsequently, when the house was repaired. She d. Dec. 24, 1812.

92-167 *Dolly*, b. Nov. 18, 1769; m. Jan. 28, 1788, Elijah Pierce.
168 *Arethusa*, b. Mar. 10, 1773; m. June 20, 1793, William Fox of Wo.
169 *Betsey*, b. April 5, 1776; m. March 20, 1798, Munson Johnson.
170 *John*, b. June 15, 1778; m. a Macy in Nantucket, and r. there.
171 †*Nathan*, b. Oct. 23, 1780; m. Susanna Loring.
172 †*Jonathan*, b. May 26, 1783; m. Feb. 13, 1812, Rhoda Johnson.
173 *Polly*, b. March 11, 1785; m. June 13, 1811, Thomas Hunnewell of Charlestown.
174 *Dorcas*, b. March 31, 1788; m. Nov. 29, 1810, Leonard Brown.
175 *Thaddeus*, b. Sept. 14, 1790; r. at Quincy, Ill.
176 *Harris*, b. May 29, 1793; d. in Dedham, 1829.

27-100- EDMUND MUNROE m. Aug. 31, 1768, Rebecca Harrington, dau. of Jonathan and Abigail Harrington, b. Feb. 17, 1751. She was sister to Jonathan Harrington, who d. 1854, the last survivor of the battle of Lex. Edmund Munroe was distinguished as a military man. Entering the Provincial service at an early age, he was promoted to an ensign in a corps of rangers commanded by Maj. Rogers, which performed signal service in the French war. In 1761, he was acting adjutant in Col. Hoar's regiment at Crown Point. In 1762, he received a commission from Gov. Bernard, as a lieutenant in His Majesty's service, and continued with the troops at Crown Point, Ticonderoga, and vicinity, till the peace of 1763. His kinsmen Robert and Abraham were officers in the same service with him. He not only served in the French and Indian war, but being enrolled in the company of Lex. minute men, he met the enemy on the 19th of April, and shared in the dangers of that day. But his devotion to the cause of the colony did not permit him to cease from effort when the oppressors were driven from his native village. Having served under Rogers and Hoar, the companions and co-laborers with Wolf and Barre and Putnam, he was not willing to confine his efforts to a limited field. As early as August, 1776, we find him on his way to meet the British on the same fields where he had toiled with them in subduing the French and Indians. He was commissioned as lieutenant on the 12th of July, 1776, in Capt. Miles's co. and Col. Reed's regiment. On the 16th of the same month he was appointed quartermaster and destined to the northern frontier. In a letter addressed to his wife, dated Charlestown, N. H., Aug. 5, 1776, he says, "I have been used very well by the field officers of the regiment. We shall march from this place for Ticonderoga this day."

On the first of January following, he received his commission as captain in Col. Bigelow's regiment. He was with the Northern army under Gates, at Stillwater, Saratoga, and Bennington; and so distinguished himself that after the capture of Burgoyne he was presented by his superior officers with a pair of candle-sticks,—a part of the traveling equipage or tent ornaments of Gen. Burgoyne.

The capture of Burgoyne transferred the seat of war to the Middle

States; and Capt. Munroe repaired to the Jerseys, and joined the army under Washington, where, on the 28th of June, 1778, he was slain on the field of Freehold, commonly called the Battle of Monmouth. The same cannon ball which deprived the country of the services of the gallant captain, killed George Munroe, his kinsman, and maimed for life Joseph Cox of Lexington, who was a wheelwright by trade, and worked at that business in Roxbury, in 1790. He wore a wooden leg.

The Burgoyne candlesticks of which we have spoken, together with a sword, a curious beaded Indian powder horn, several bead belts, pistols, &c., used by Capt. Munroe in the French war, were left by his widow, in 1831, to her son Edmund.

When Capt. Munroe entered upon the command of a co. in the Continental line, he had in his co. fifteen men from Lex., viz., Nehemiah Estabrook, David Fiske, Pomp Blackman, Samuel Crafts, Jupiter Tree, Thaddeus Munroe, Amos Russell, George Munroe, Joseph Cox, David Simonds, Ebenezer Hadley, James Fowle, Thomas Hadley, Levi Mead, and Seth Read.

Among these original papers left in the family is the oath of office, bearing the signature of Capt. Munroe, and that of the Baron de Kalb. We will give this document entire, with a fac-simile of their hands.

I, Edmund Munroe, Captain in Col. Bigelow's regiment, do acknowledge the United States of America to be Free, Independent, and Sovereign States, and declare that the people thereof owe no allegiance to George, the Third, King of Great Britain; and I renounce and abjure any allegiance or obedience to him; and I do swear that I will to the utmost of my power support, maintain, and defend the said United States against the said King George the Third, his heirs and successors, and his or their abettors, assistants, and adherents; and will serve the said United States in the office of Captain, which I now hold, with fidelity, according to the best of my ability, skill, and understanding.

Edmd. Munro Capt

Sworn to, Camp at Valley Forge, May 18, 1778. }

The Baron de Kalb
Mar Gl.

Capt. Munroe was deliberately brave, without enthusiasm. Some of his letters evince this coolness. Writing to his wife from Valley Forge, May 17, 1778, he says, "I am going on command to-morrow morning down to the enemy's lines. There are two thousand going on the command. I am of the mind, we shall have *a dispute with them before we return.*" He was forty-two years old at the time of his death. He was, like most men at that day who devoted themselves to the public service, comparatively poor. He left a wid. and four children. She moved to West Camb., where she d. April 6, 1834, aged 83. Honorable mention was made of her in an obituary notice, in the Boston Daily Advertiser of April 11, 1834, from

which we extract the following: "The worthy lady who is the subject of this notice, with other families in Lexington, fled on the [illegible] of April, 1775, with their children, to the woods, while their husbands were engaged with the enemy, and their houses were sacked or dissolved in flames. Her husband was killed at Monmouth in New Jersey, June 28, 1778. On his bereaved partner, in the midst of discouragement, sorrows, and the privations of the times, devolved the task of rearing an infant family. The long life of this venerable lady was a pattern of domestic duties and virtue."

100–177 *Pamelia*, b. Sept. 17, 1769; d. Sept. 29, 1770.
178 *Rebecca*, b. June 27, 1771; m. 1795, —— Fessenden.
179 *Pamelia*, b. Sept. 20, 1773; m. Jan. 19, 1800, James Brown.
180 *Edmund*, b. Oct. 13, 1775; was a printer by trade, established himself in Boston, and was one of the publishing house of Munroe and Francis, and d. in Boston, unm., Feb. 9, 1854, aged 79.
181 *Abigail*, b. Dec. 6, 1777; m. June 24, 1801, Joseph Locke, Jr. She d. May 14, 1838, aged 60. They resided at West Camb., and had eight children.

27–103– William Munroe m. Anna Smith, dau. of Benjamin and Anna (Parker) Smith, b. March 31, 1743. She d. Jan. 2, 1781, aged 38, and he m. wid. Polly Rogers of Westford, whose first husband was killed at the Battle of Monmouth by the bursting of a cannon. William Munroe was orderly sergeant of Capt. Parker's co. in 1775; it was under his direction that a guard was posted at Mr. Clarke's house, on the evening of the 18th of April, 1775; and he paraded the men on the Common the next morning, in the very face of the British troops. The services he performed at the opening of the Revolution, were followed up by other services in the progress of the war. He was a lieutenant in the Northern army at the taking of Burgoyne, in 1777. He was a prominent citizen, and filled important town offices. He was selectman nine years, and represented the town two years. He was a colonel in the militia, and marched towards Springfield during Shay's Rebellion; but the dispersion of the insurgents enabled him to return in a short time. Col. Munroe kept the public house, long known as the "Munroe Tavern." Here the British regaled themselves, and committed many outrages on the 19th of April; here they shot down in cold blood John Raymond, who was about leaving the house; and here General Washington dined in 1789, when he visited the first battle field of the Revolution. Col. Munroe's portrait will be seen on the opposite page. He d. Oct. 30, 1827, aged 85; she d. Jan. 10, 1829, aged 73.

103–182 *William*, b. May 28, 1768; m. Susan B. Grinnell of New Bedford. He was killed at Richmond, Va., by the upsetting of a stage, in 1814.
183 *Anna*, b. May 9, 1771; m. Sept. 20, 1798, Rev. William Muzzy of Sullivan, N. H., and d. in Lex. 1850, aged 70.
184 *Sarah*, b. Oct. 21, 1773; m. Jonathan Wheelock of Con., and d. aged about 77.
185 *Lucinda*, b. April 9, 1776; d. unm. June 2, 1863, aged 87.
186 †*Jonas*, b. June 11, 1778; m. March 17, 1814, Abigail C. Smith.
187 *Edmund*, b. Oct. 29, 1780; m. first, Harriet Downes, second, Lydia Downes, third, Sophia Sewall. He was a broker in Boston, and d. April 17, 1865.

84–126– Philemon Munroe m. Feb. 17, 1784, Elizabeth Waite of Malden, b. Feb. 1756, and d. April 13, 1785. He m. second, Sept. 13,

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1786, Rhoda Mead, b. July 8, 1758, who d. Jan. 18, 1824. Philemon Munroe was one of the heroic band who refused to disperse at the bidding of Maj. Pitcairn, on the 19th of April,—"not being afraid of the king's commandment." He had two children (twins), by his first wife, and six by his last. He d. Oct. 17, 1806, aged 53.

126–188 *Thomas*, b. March 30, 1785. He m. March 30, 1804, Elizabeth Jewett of Littleton. She d. Nov. 23, 1848, aged 63, and he m. Aug. 26, 1849, wid. Matilda (Jewett) Conant. His wives were sisters, and dau. of Joseph Jewett of Littleton. Mr. Munroe resided in Lex., Milton, and Dorchester, and then moved to Nashua, N. H., where he filled many important town offices, as well as those of notary and justice of the peace.

189 *Elizabeth*, b. March 30, 1785; m. April 24, 1804, Isaac Reed.

190 *Edwin*, b. April 3, 1788; m. Eliza Fowle, dau. of Henry and Rebecca Fowle of Med. They have resided in Lex., Med., Saugus, Charlestown, and Somerville.

191 *Josiah*, b. Nov. 25, 1789; d. Aug. 20, 1837, unm.

192 *Catharine*, b. July 24, 1791; m. Ira Thorp of Athol.

193 *Parnell*, b. Nov. 27, 1793; d. 1821, aged 28.

194 *Charles*, b. May 12, 1796; m. Maria Russell, r. at Somerville.

195 *H. G. Otis*, b. Nov. 29, 1798; m. Dec. 12, 1822, Sophia Harrington. They reside in Boston, where he does business.

34–127– WILLIAM MUNROE m. 1781, Abigail Harrington, dau. of John and Mary (Wooton) Harrington. He d. April 30, 1837, aged 80; she d. Nov. 1, 1811.

127–196 *Susan*, b. Oct. 19, 1781; m. 1801, Nathan B. Foster.

197 *William*, b. May 18, 1785; m. Oct. 11, 1813, Lucy Frost. He moved to that part of Charlestown which is now Somerville.

198 *Enoch*, b. Sept. 9, 1787; d. May 18, 1814, in Boston, aged 26.

199 *Sarah*, b. Nov. 1789; m. Jesse Russell; r. in Woburn.

200 *Esther*, b. 1792; d. in Belfast, Me., 1811, aged 19. Her death was caused by her clothes taking fire.

201 *Hannah*, b. 1794; d. 1819, unm.

202 *Louisa*, b. 1796; m. Nov. 13, 1825, Thomas J. Buckman of Lynn.

203 *Mary*, b. 1798. 204 *Harriet*, b. 1805; d. 1822.

38–128– GEORGE MUNROE m. Anna Bemis. She d. Mar. 8, 1815, aged 78.

128–205 *Anna*, bap. May 13, 1759; m. —— Sampson.

206 †*Thaddeus*, b. April 26, 1762; m. Oct. 1, 1820, Rebecca Locke, and d. 1846, aged 84.

207 *Abigail*, bap. July 26, 1767; m. June 8, 1788, Joseph Blodgett.

208 *Hannah*, bap. March 24, 1772; m. Bela Rice.

209 *Hepzibah*, bap. Sept. 17, 1775; m. April 24, 1791, Joshua Wyman. He d. and she m. —— Daniels.

38–129– TIMOTHY MUNROE m. —— Eaton of Reading. He probably moved to Lynn or Danvers, where he had a family of children, who settled in that neighborhood. He marched with the Danvers company on the 19th of April, 1775, met the British at West Cambridge, where he and others were surrounded, when several of his comrades were killed, and he escaped with a ball in his thigh which he carried through life, and his garments riddled with bullet holes. He d. at Lynn, 1808, aged 72.

39-135- EBENEZER MUNROE m. March 29, 1771, Martha Smith, dau. of Benjamin and Anna (Parker) Smith, b. April 19, 1745. He was enrolled with Parker's patriots, and was in the battle of Lexington, in 1775, and was also in the campaign in the Jerseys, in 1776. He d. Aug. 22, 1826, aged 82; she d. Oct. 13, 1834, aged 86.

135-210 *Patty*, b. Feb. 19, 1772; m. Dec. 25, 1801, Isaac Pierce of Walt.
211 *Ebenezer*, b. Feb. 2, 1777; d. June 6, 1798, aged 21 years.
212 *Esther*, b. Oct. 1783; m. Jan. 19, 1806, David Tuttle; d. Oct. 14, 1809.
213 †*John*, b. April 28, 1785; m. Charlotte Bacon.

39-136- JOHN MUNROE m. Dec. 3, 1772, Rebecca Wellington, dau. of Thomas and Margaret, of Waltham. Like most of the young men of that day, he was one of the Lex. minute-men, and did service on the 19th of April, 1775. He lived on Woburn street. He d. April 4, 1831, aged 82; she d. Feb. 16, 1838, aged 90.

136-214 *Margaret*, b. July 31, 1773; m. Daniel Mixer of Walt., where they resided for a time, when they moved to Worcester. He d. and she returned to Lex. and m. April 4, 1793, Thomas Winship as a second wife. She d. 1789.
215 *Rebecca*, b. May 30, 1776; m. Feb. 1, 1795, Jonathan Whittemore of West Cambridge.
216 *Mary*, b. Aug. 30, 1779; m. Sept. 2, 1802, Seneca Harrington of Worcester. She was a wid. in Pepperell, 1858.
217 *Philena*, b. May 27, 1782; m. Feb. 2, 1804, David Johnson. She is living in Lex., at the age of 85.

44-146- JOSEPH MUNROE m. July 22, 1783, Rhoda Leathe of Wo. He resided on Woburn street, easterly of Col. Russell's. She d. Jan. 2, 1825; he d. Sept. 22, 1832, aged 74.

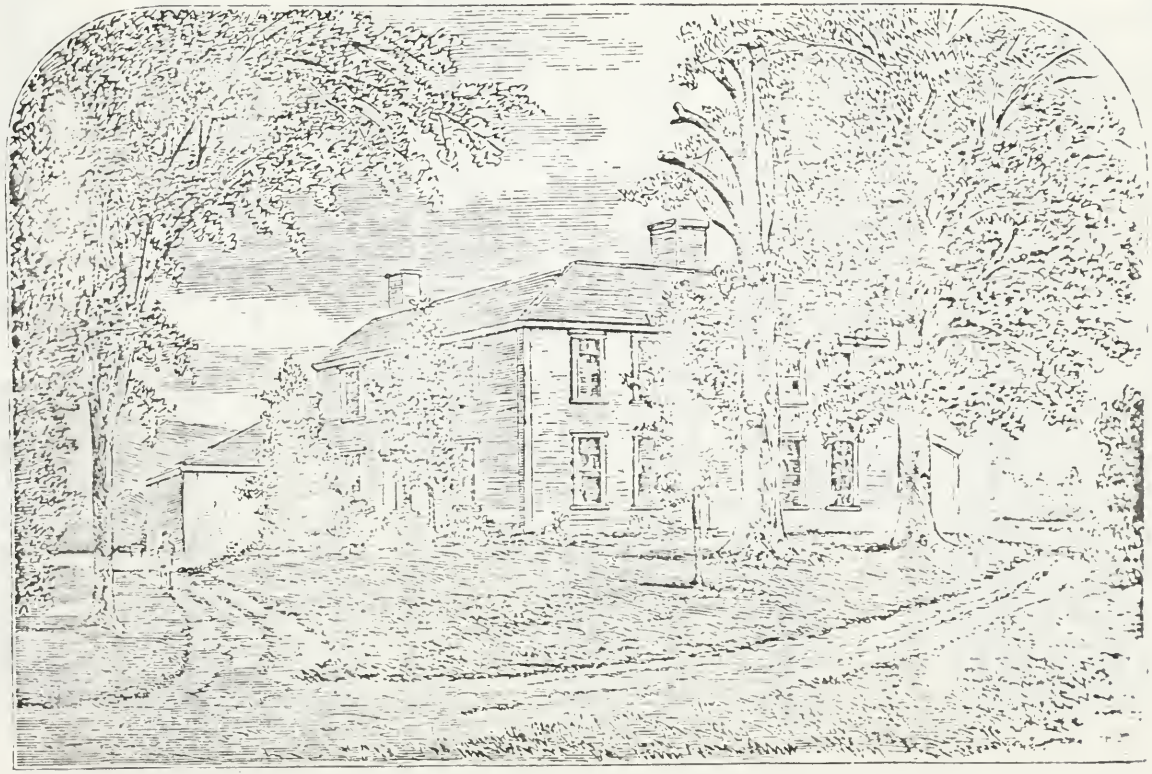
146-218 *Rhoda*, b. Dec. 21, 1784; m. —— Cobbett.
219 *Seth*, b. April 18, 1788.
220 *Lydia*, b. May 19, 1791; m. April 11, 1811, Joel Gleason of Bed.
221 *Jeptha*, b. June 15, 1793; resided in Woburn.
222 *Dennis*, b. Jan. 22, 1797; m. Elizabeth Fox.
223 *Lavinia*, b. March 11, 1806.

92-171- NATHAN MUNROE m. Susanna Loring. He d. in Concord, where he then resided.

171-224 *Elbridge*, b. July 28, 1804, at Lexington.
225 *Nathan*, b. July 28, 1808, at Concord.
226 *Jonas Clarke*, b. Sept. 22, 1812, at Lincoln.
227 *James*, b. Feb. 27, 1817, at Concord.

92-172- JONATHAN MUNROE m. Feb. 13, 1812, Rhoda Johnson, dau. of Frederick and Rhoda (Reed) Johnson. She d. July 19, 1865, aged 72; he d. Dec. 4, 1867, aged 85.

172-228 *William*, b. Dec. 17, 1812; m. Dec. 1846, Elvira Merriam of Con., dau. of Joseph Merriam. They r. at Southbridge.
229 *Elizabeth*, b. March 21, 1814; m. June 7, 1839, Francis Johnson of Wo. now Winchester, where they reside.
230 *Josiah*, b. Oct. 21, 1818; m. Oct 10, 1847, Adeline Dodge of Boston. They reside in Roxbury.
231 *Faustina*, b. Feb. 1, 1821; m. June 12, 1859, Frederick Stimpson.



THE OLD MUNROE TAVERN.

Albert b. May 2 1824 1850

232 *Albert*, b. May 2, 1824; m. April 12, 1850, Elizabeth Millet of Wo.
233 *Jane Maria*, b. Dec. 31, 1802; d. Sept. 20, 1853.

103-186- JONAS MUNROE m. March 17, 1814, Abigail C. Smith, dau. of Joseph and Lucy (Stone) Smith. He was a lieutenant in United States dragoons, in 1807, resigned his commission, and on the breaking out of the war of 1812, was commissioned as lieutenant of infantry, and was engaged for a short time in the recruiting service. He was drowned at Somerville, while bathing, July 2, 1860, aged 82. His wid. d. April 4, 1861, aged 68. He kept the "Munroe Tavern" and was extensively and favorably known to the traveling public.

186-234 *William Henry*, b. Mar. 2, 1815. He is doing business in Philad.
235 *Harriet*, b. Nov. 25, 1816; is now living, unm.
236 *Abby Smith*, b. Aug. 28, 1819; d. Dec. 21, 1822.
237 †*James S.*, b. June 6, 1824; m. Alice B. Phinney.

128-206- THADDEUS MUNROE m. Oct. 1, 1820, Rebecca Locke, dau. of Thomas and Lydia (Reed) Locke. He d. April 7, 1846, aged 84, and she d. July 23, 1846. He was a large landholder.

206-238 †*George*, b. Feb. 25, 1822. He has been twice married.
239 *Ann Rebecca*, b. July 10, 1825; m. March 19, 1846, John M. Randall, a lawyer, settled at Woburn. He is not living.

135-213- JOHN MUNROE m. Dec. 11, 1811, Charlotte Bacon of Wo. He d. Feb. 17, 1865, aged 79. She is living, in her seventy-sixth year.

213-240 *John Harrison*, b. June 3, 1813. He r. at Fall River.
241 *Charles Henry*, b. Aug. 10, 1814; d. at Buffalo, July 17, 1850.
242 *Harriet*, b. April 29, 1816; d. Feb. 2, 1835.
243 †*Ebenezer*, b. Dec. 3, 1817; m. Margaret M. Wilson.
244 *Jonas*, b. Sept. 10, 1819; d. Aug. 15, 1843.
245 *Lavinia*, b. Oct. 16, 1821; m. April 4, 1839, Galen Allen. She d. April 22, 1865, and he d. Jan. 29, 1864.
246 *Oliver*, b. April 10, 1825; d. May 4, 1857.
247 *Charlotte*, b. March 28, 1827; m. George Mulliken. She d. Dec. 8, 1861.

186-237- JAMES S. MUNROE m. May 23, 1854, Alice B. Phinney, dau. of Elias Phinney, Esq.

237-248 *William*, b. March 23, 1855. 249 *John C.*, b. March 26, 1858.
250 *James*, b. June 3, 1862.

206-238- GEORGE MUNROE m. Dec. 13, 1846, Eliza Wood. She d. Aug. 7, 1852, and he m. Nov. 7, 1854, Susan P. Winning.

238-251 *Rebecca Eliza*, b. Oct. 6, 1847. 252 *Georgiana*, b. Jan. 8, 1850.
253 *George Warren*, b. Aug. 3, 1855; d. Sept. 2, 1857.
254 *Mary Alice*, b. Sept. 7, 1857. 255 *Elmina*, b. Dec. 18, 1860.

213-243- EBENEZER MUNROE m. Nov. 26, 1850, Margaret M. Wilson. She d. Feb. 4, 1860; he d. Jan. 5, 1868, aged 50.

243-256 *Julia Maria*, b. April 17, 1852. 257 *Robert*, b. Aug. 10, 1854.
258 *Anne S.*, b. Nov. 26, 1855; d. Jan. 28, 1856.