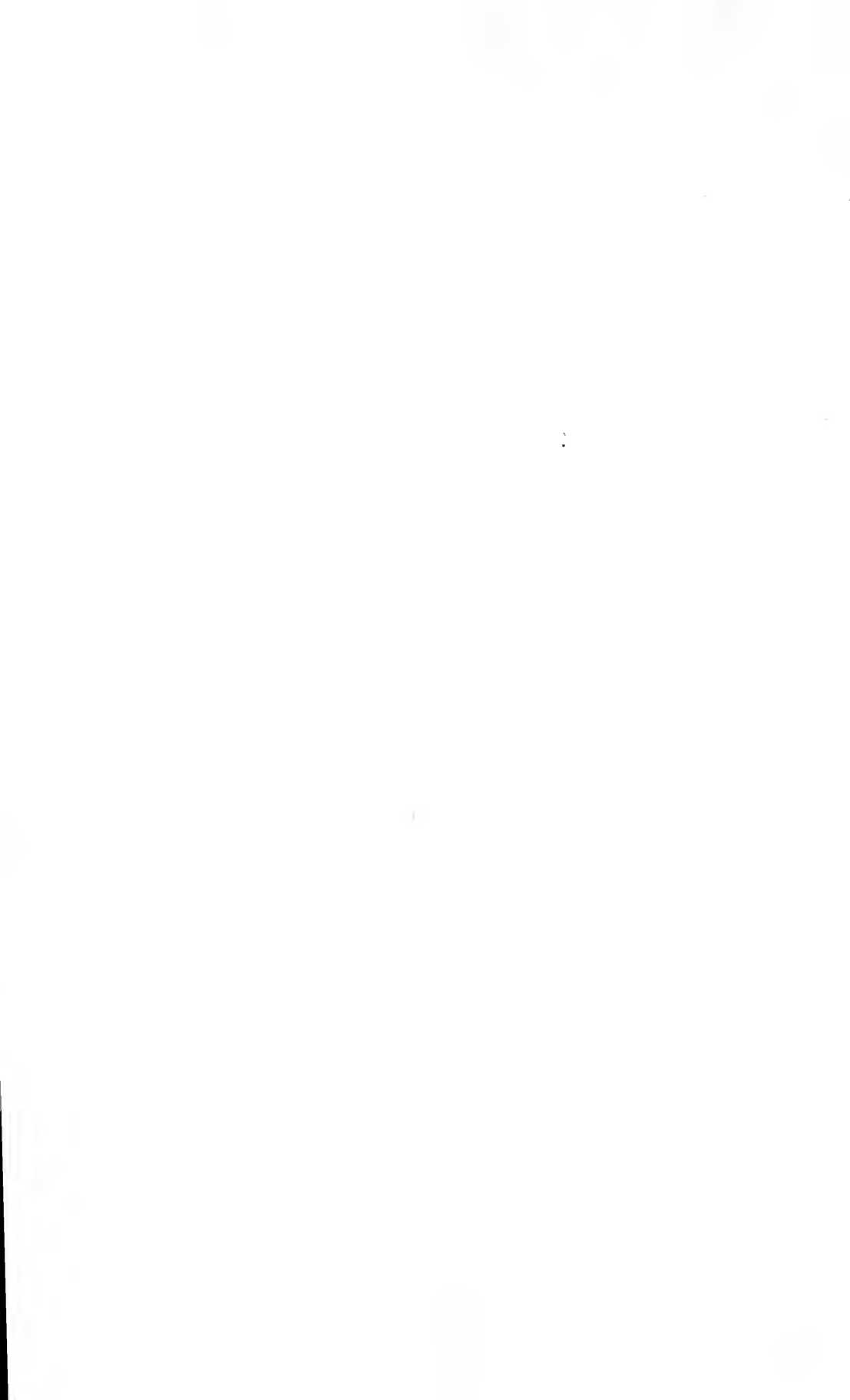


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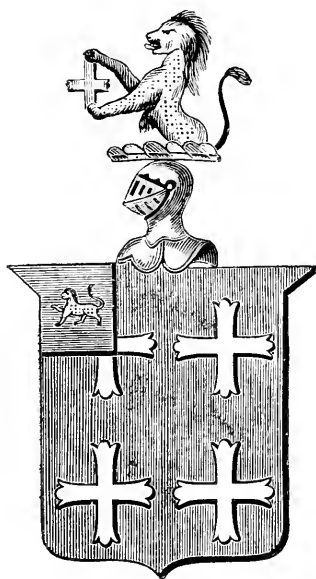
REMINISCENCES
OF THE
FAMILY OF MOODY CHASE,
— OF —
SHIRLEY, MASSACHUSETTS;
ALSO,
A BRIEF ACCOUNT OF HIS ANCESTRY.

BY WILLIAM MOODY CHASE,
OF BALTIMORE, MD.

“It is a sacred duty to preserve and hand down to future generations
the lineage and history of our families.”—HON. MARSHALL P. WILDER.

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CREST AND COAT-OF-ARMS
OF THE
CHASE FAMILY.



EXPLANATION.—Arms, Gules, 4 crosses pat., Argent 2 and 2; on canton, Azure, a lion, passant, Or. Crest, a lion, rampant, Or,—holding between his feet a cross patonce, Gules.

Motto: “NE CEDE MALIS.”

“Yield not to Difficulty.”

Certified by Mr. ROBERT CALVERT,
WHITEHALL, ENGLAND, *July 18th, 1634.*

ENGLISH ANCESTRY OF AQUILA CHASE, OF NEWBURY, MASSACHUSETTS.

The Chase family is said to be of Norman descent, and it has been suggested that the name was originally LaChasse. In the old English records it is spelled Chaace and Chaase. In the 15th and 16th centuries it was spelled Chase, which is correct. Their descendants, in America, that spell their name Chace are incorrect. Families by the name of Chase have for several centuries been known in England. As early as 1326 families of Chases resided in Suffolk.

The criminal records show that a Thomas Chase was barbarously murdered, in 1506. There was a Sir John Chase, Esq., in Exeter, before 1637; and John Chase, Esq., was apothecary to Queen Anne, in 1690.

The records of the Heralds' Visitation, 1634, at Buckinghamshire, from which the crest and coat-of-arms of the Chase family were obtained, indicate that the families which emigrated to America were from Hundrich Parish, of Chersham, Buckinghamshire, some thirty miles north-west from London.

The Heralds' record names Thomas, John, and Matthew Chase, of Chersham.

Thomas Chase, of Chersham, had a son, Richard, baptised August 3, 1542. This Richard Chase married Joan Bishop, at Chersham, April 16, 1564; they had ten children: Robert, baptised September 2, 1565; Henry, baptised August 10, 1567; Lydia, baptised October 4, 1573; Ezekiel, baptised April 23, 1576; Dorcas, baptised March 2, 1578; *Aquila*, baptised August 14, 1580; Jason, baptised January 13, 1583;

Thomas, baptised July 18, 1585; Abigail, baptised January 12, 1588; Mordecai, baptised July 31, 1591.

Aquila, son of Richard, married and had several children. There is no record of whom he married, or of the baptism of the children, except Thomas and Aquila. Aquila was born 1618. It is generally admitted that William Chase, who came to New England, in 1630, was a brother of Thomas and Aquila; for in the will of Aquila he bequeaths property to his niece, daughter of William; which is conclusive evidence that Thomas, Aquila and William were the three brothers that emigrated to New England, previous to 1640.

From the disappearance of the name of Chase from the church register, at Chersham, soon after the birth of Aquila, it may be presumed that his father may have removed, possibly to Cornwall, and located in some parish that was afterwards abandoned and the records probably lost; hence the tradition of the historians, Savage and Coffin, of Aquila coming from Cornwall; and the name of Cornish, N. H., given by the first settler and proprietor, Samuel Chase.

It is supposed that Thomas and Aquila Chase acquired a knowledge of navigation in the employ of their uncle, Thomas Chase, who was owner of vessels, and was part owner of the *John and Francis*, which was named in a letter of marque issued in 1626, according to the records of the state-paper office of that year.

That Aquila Chase was a direct descendant of the Chersham branch there is no question. The unique name does not appear in any other family of Chases in England.

The homestead estate of the Chase family, at Chersham, in the 16th and 17th centuries, on their leaving the parish, passed into the possession of the lord of the manor of Chersham, whose estate it adjoined; since which it has been leased as a farm. The only building that was standing when in possession of the Chase family is the ancient chapel, capable of seating some thirty persons. For many years this old chapel building was used as an out-house of the farm; but some thirty years ago it was restored to its original purpose, by the lord of the manor.

The Chase family name has become as rare in England as it is numerous in America.

If Matthew and John, brothers of the grandfather of the Aquila Chase of 1580, had none or few descendants, and likewise Robert, Henry, Ezekiel and Jason, brothers of Aquila and Thomas, it may account for the fact, and would lead to the presumption, that the flower of the Chase family of the 16th century emigrated to America.

They were by nature enterprising and high-minded gentlemen. Released from the trammels of the aristocracy and conservatism of the old country, on entering into the breadth and freedom of the new circumstances that surrounded, they at once took the front rank in the progress of the New World.

Thomas, brother of Aquila, married Elizabeth Philbrick, they had five sons; Thomas, born 1642; Joseph, born 1645, married Rachel Partridge; Isaac, born 1647, married Mary Perkins; James, born 1649, married Elizabeth Green; Abraham, born 1641. Their descendants intermarried with the families of Tiltons, Bradstreets, Hilliards, Nickersons, Weeks, Coffins, Chapmans, Daggetts and Allens, and generally settled in Essex County, Massachusetts.

William and his wife, Mary, and his eldest son, William, came to America in the company of Governor Winthrop, in 1630, and settled in Yarmouth, Cape Cod. They had three children: William, born 1622, married and had eight children; Mary, born 1637; Benjamin, born 1639, married Philippe Sherman, and had seven children. Their descendants became very numerous, intermarrying with the Hathaways, Perrys, Bakers, Bordens, Simmons, Bowens, Tripps, Davises, Buffintons, Shoves and Durfees,—families of southern Massachusetts.

The descendants of William continued to reside in the towns of Cape Cod, and Bristol County, as did those of Thomas in Essex County; while those of Aquila became more scattered, and may be found in every State and Territory in the Union. Probably more of the descendants of Aquila may be found in the Valley of the Blackstone, through the family of Daniel Chase, of Sutton, than in any other locality.

No local name is more numerous in Bristol County than that of Chase. But few old colonial families have maintained their integrity and kept the standard of morality higher than the descendants of William, Thomas and Aquila Chase.*

In the tracing of the descendants of Aquila Chase down through so many generations, we have been deeply impressed with the nobility of character, the sturdy Christian virtues, and patriotism of these early settlers of New England. A distinguished writer asks: "What motives prompted them to leave forever their native country, to sever the ties of kindred, and part from the scenes and associations of early life, so dear to the human heart? And the answer comes on every page of history, in every important act of their lives:—that it was not for themselves, alone, but mainly for their posterity.

"Selfishness is averse to sacrifice; but their sacrifices were manifold. They wrought for the future, planting the seed of truthful principle that others might reap an abundant harvest. Here, upon these forest-covered hill-sides, they settled amidst the rigors of a New England climate, patiently enduring the hardships and dangers of a pioneer life; and left to posterity the result of their labors. How they could perform so much, is a problem difficult of solution to the present generation.

"They rose superior to circumstances with which they were environed, and by dint of the most arduous effort achieved success, in the face of a multitude of obstacles. Honest, as well as earnest, they put their own hands to the axe, to the plow; and industry were deemed an honor, and indolence a disgrace, wherever found. Their principles were not for sale, at any price. Dishonesty was at so great a discount that, so far from passing current, it could not pass at all. Genuine goodness in the character of the person was demanded, and no hypocritical counterfeit was accepted in lieu thereof. They adored realities and abhorred shams.

"In such a society, mutual and implicit confidence was certain; and fellowship and co-operation, the basis of the strength of society, became inevitable. In this manner they sought to promote the general welfare of society. To this end they made personal sacrifices and endured unremitting toil in the performance of obligations incumbent upon them."

GENEALOGY OF AQUILA CHASE.

AQUILA CHASE settled in Newbury (now Newburyport), Massachusetts, previous to 1646. He came from England to Hampton, about 1640. Being a mariner, the town of Newbury granted him a house-lot and six acres of marsh land, "on condition that he do go to sea and do service in the Towne with a boat for foure years." It is supposed he was the first successful navigator of the mouth of the Merrimac river.

In September, 1646, it appears, from the county records, that Aquila Chase and his wife and David Wheeler, his wife's brother, were presented and fined "for gathering pease on the Sabbath." The Court ordered them to be admonished and their fines remitted.

Aquila Chase married Anna Wheeler, of Hampton, daughter of John Wheeler, who came from Salisbury, England.

Aquila Chase died Dec. 27th, 1670, aged 52; his wife, Anna, married again, and died April 21st, 1687.

CHILDREN OF AQUILA CHASE AND ANNA WHEELER.

Sarah, [no date]. Anna, born July 6, 1647. Priscilla, born March 14, 1649. Mary, born February 3, 1651. Aquila, born September 26, 1652. Thomas, born July 25, 1654. John, born November 2, 1655. Elizabeth, born September 13, 1657. Ruth, born March 18, 1660; died May 30, 1676. Daniel, born Dec. 9, 1661. *Moses*, born Dec. 24, 1663.

Sarah married Charles Annis, May 15, 1666. Anna married Thomas Barber, April 28, 1671. Priscilla married Abel Merrill, February 10, 1671. Mary married Jonathan Stephens, March 9, 1670. Aquila married Esther Bond. Thomas married Rebeckah Follansbee, Nov. 22, 1677. John married Elizabeth Bingley, May 23, 1677. Elizabeth married Zachariah Ayer, June 27, 1678. Daniel married Martha Kimball, May 25, 1683. *Moses* married Ann Follansbee, November 10, 1684.

GRAND-CHILDREN OF AQUILA CHASE AND ANNA WHEELER.

No record of children of: Charles and Sarah Annis; Thomas and Anna Barber; Abel and Priscilla Merrill; Jonathan and Mary Stephens.

Children of Aquila Chase, 2d, and Esther Bond: Esther, born Nov. 28, 1674—married Daniel Merrill; Joseph, born March 25, 1677—married Abigail Thurston, Nov. 8, 1699; Ann, born April, 1678—married Abraham Foulsham, Oct. 27, 1703; Priscilla, born Oct. 15, 1681—married Joseph Hills, 1704; Jemima, married Peter Ordway, Sept. 1721; Rebecca, married Jonathan Moulton, Dec. 5, 1716; Hannah, born 1689—married Joseph Hoyt, Dec. 22, 1707; Abigail, married Joseph Robinson, Oct. 1710; Benjamin, married Sarah Bailey, May 20, 1718.

Children of Thomas and Rebeckah Follansbee Chase: Thomas, born Sept. 15, 1680; Jonathan, born Jan. 13, 1683; James, born Sept. 15, 1685; Aquila, born July 15, 1688; Ruth, born Feb. 28, 1691; Mary, born Jan. 15, 1695; Rebeckah, born April 26, 1700.

Children of John and Elizabeth Bingley Chase: William, born Jan. 13, 1679—no record of marriage; Philip, born Sept. 23, 1688—no record of marriage—died July 11, 1764.

Children of Daniel and Martha Kimball Chase: Martha, born Aug. 18, 1684; Sarah, born July 18, 1688; Dorothy, born Jan. 24, 1689; Isaac, born Jan. 19, 1691; Lydia, born [no date], 1693; Mehitabel, born Jan. 19, 1695; Judith, born Feb. 14, 1697; Abner, born Oct. 15, 1699; Daniel, born Oct. 15, 1702.

Children of Moses and Ann Follansbee Chase: Moses and *Daniel*, twins, born Sept. 20, 1685 [Moses died young]—Daniel married Sarah March, of Sutton, Mass., Jan. 2, 1707; Moses, 2d, born Jan. 20, 1688—married Elizabeth Wells, Oct. 12, 1709; Samuel, born May 13, 1680—married Hannah Emery, Dec. 8, 1713; Elizabeth, born Sept. 25, 1693—married John Carr, Dec. 14, 1708; Stephen, born August 29, 1696—married Sarah Hale, Dec. 1717; Hannah, born Sept. 13, 1699—married Green Whittier, 1719; Joseph, born Sept. 9, 1703—married Mary Morse, Sept. 7, 1724; Benoni, born April 5, 1708—married Mary Rogers, Sept. 4, 1728,—second wife Sarah Jacobs.

 GREAT-GRAND-CHILDREN OF AQUILA CHASE.

DANIEL—3. MOSES—2. AQUILA—1.

Children of *Daniel and Sarah March Chase*: Samuel, born Sept. 28, 1707—married Mary Dudley, daughter of Samuel Dudley; Daniel, jr., born Sept. 18, 1709—married Hannah Little, of Littleton, Mass.—died 1799; Joshua, born Nov. 9, 1711; Ann, born Nov. 13, 1713—married David Lilly, May 25, 1736; Sarah, born April 22, 1716; Nehemiah, born June 27, 1718—died unmarried; Judith, born Sept. 7, 1720—married Thomas Hall, Sept. 15, 1737; Caleb, born Nov. 29, 1722—married Sarah Prince—died Oct. 2, 1808; *Moody*, born Sept. 3, 1723, married *Elizabeth Hale*, Jan. 17, 1749; Moses, born March, 1726—married Hannah, daughter of Jonas Brown.

GREAT-GREAT-GRAND-CHILDREN OF AQUILA CHASE.

SAMUEL—4. DANIEL—3. MOSES—2. AQUILA—1.

Children of Samuel and Mary Dudley Chase: Samuel, born Nov. 28, 1728—married Silence Stow, May 29, 1751; Dudley, born August 29, 1730—married Alice Corbett, August 23, 1753; Jonathan, born Dec. 6, 1732—married Thankful Sherman, of Grafton, Nov. 28, 1759, second wife, Sarah, daughter of Rev. David Hall, D.D.; Elizabeth, born Nov. 23, 1735; March, born June 21, 1738—married Beulah Coye, Oct. 10, 1759, she died May 7, 1795, second wife, Mary Dodge—he died Sept. 26, 1822; Mary and Sarah, twins, born July 2, 1740, Mary died young—Sarah married Ebenezer Rawson, March 9, 1758; Mary, 2d, born Feb. 25, 1744; Abigail, born July 15, 1753.

GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GRAND-CHILDREN OF AQUILA CHASE.

DUDLEY—5. SAMUEL—4. DANIEL—3. MOSES—2. AQUILA—1.

Children of Dudley and Alice Corbett Chase: Mercy, born April 6, 1755; Lois, born August 16, 1756; Simeon, born June 14, 1758; Abigail, born Nov. 9, 1759; Salmon, born July 14, 1761; Ithaniel, born Sept. 27, 1762; Baruch, born April 8, 1764; no record of—Alice, Sarah, Corbett, Heber, Dudley and Rachel; Philander, born Dec. 14, 1775.

Daniel Chase was born at Newtown (or Newbury), now Newburyport, Mass., Sept. 20th, 1685. He was married to Sarah March, of Sutton, Mass., January 2d, 1707.

The exact date when Daniel Chase became a resident of Sutton is not known; most, if not all, of his children were born previous to his removal there.

March 26th, 1733, Mr. Chase's corn mill is mentioned in the town records; this was twenty years after the first settlement of the town, and twenty-six years after his marriage. Deacon Leland, in his reminiscences of Sutton, says: "Daniel Chase built the first corn mill at Pleasant Falls, and was known as Miller Chase."

The church records of Sutton show that Daniel Chase and his wife, Sarah, were admitted to the church in 1736, by letter from the church in Littleton; where they had resided previous to their removal here. The church records also refer to their withdrawal from the church to the "Separatists" [probably Baptists], in 1751. Daniel Chase died May 28, 1769, aged 84. His widow, Sarah March Chase, died Dec. 1771, aged 88.

Samuel, the oldest son of Daniel Chase, was a very enterprising man ; he was an active and principal member of a company of capitalists, who built dams and erected mills upon a part of his father's farm at Pleasant Falls, Mass., on the Blackstone, as early as 1740. He was a prominent official in town affairs, and was much respected by his townsmen. About the year 1776, he, with most of his family, removed to the town of Cornish, N. H., of which place he and his sons were the principal proprietors; and it is supposed they named the town in honor of the locality of the home of their ancestry, in England.

Samuel Chase became a magistrate, and judge of Cheshire County Court, and died at an advanced age. His son, Dudley Chase, was an early settler of Cornish, where some of his children were born. His second son, Salmon, became a noted lawyer, in Portland, Maine; whose son, Salmon P. Chase, the distinguished political leader and jurist, was born in Cornish, in 1808, and graduated from Dartmouth college. He settled in Ohio, about 1830, in the practice of law; became a leader in the Anti-Slavery movement, and was U. S. Senator from 1849 to 1855, and Governor of Ohio from 1855 to 1859. In 1861, he became Secretary of the U. S. Treasury, and rendered great service to the Union by his skillful financial policy during the Rebellion. He resigned in 1864, and late in the same year was made Chief Justice of the United States; died May 7th 1873. Baruch, the 7th son of Dudley, was a graduate of Dartmouth; became a lawyer and judge. Philander, the 14th child and youngest son of Dudley Chase, senior, also graduated from Dartmouth; became a Protestant Episcopal minister, and Bishop of Ohio from 1819 to 1831, and of Illinois 1835 to 1852.

Bishop Chase was a man of commanding presence, a fine specimen of the old-school New England gentleman, as was also Judge Chase. We met them a few years before their death, and was forcibly impressed with the dignity of character that beamed from their countenances; they were noticeable men under any circumstances.

REMINISCENCES OF THE FAMILY OF MOODY CHASE, OF SHIRLEY, MASSACHUSETTS, AND HIS ANCESTRY.

MOODY CHASE, son of Daniel and Sarah March Chase, was born in Sutton, Mass., Sept. 23d, 1721. He was married to Elizabeth Hale, of Bradford, Mass., Jan. 17th, 1748. Moody Chase remained with his parents until he was 27 years old, assisting in the cultivation of their extensive farm, and acquiring as good an education as the common schools of those times afforded.

At the time the Rev. Dr. Wheelock wished to remove his Indian school from Lebanon, Conn., to Hanover, N. H., the location was selected which was then a wilderness of dense forests. Mr. Moody Chase, of Sutton, Mass., was recommended and appointed to survey and locate the grounds. At the head of twenty woodmen, he immediately repaired to Hanover, and cut the first timber and cleared the forests where the famous Dartmouth college now stands.

Mr. Chase moved, with his family, from Sutton to the south part of Groton (afterwards Shirley, now Ayer), Mass., in 1780 or '81.

Mr. Moody Chase was a man of great stability of character; of commanding presence; but a plain, common-place man.

In religious sentiment he was independent, probably favoring the Baptist Come-out-ers (Separatists), for in 1785 there were religious meetings held at his house. Persons from different directions congregated there; their object was to advance and improve in Christian experience. Mr. Moody Chase never made a public profession of religion, or placed his name upon any church-book, but was a very constant attendant at the

house of worship on the Lord's day. He maintained a family altar, at which there was morning and evening devotion. This was the substance of his daily prayer:

"Great and infinite and glorious God! through thy tender mercies we see the light of another morning; we are alive while others are dead and in their grave; some of them may be in Hell. Scatter them that delight in war; and overturn and remove the veil from off our minds. Destroy the works of wicked men and devils. Keep off that old serpent, the Devil, that goes about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour; resist the Devil and he shall flee from you. Visit us in mercy, and prepare us for what thou hast for us this morning, and forevermore, Amen."

At what age of life Mr. Chase's mind was first directed to the subject of religion is unknown; his oldest children's earliest memories were the morning and evening devotion at the family altar. From what we could gather from the older grandchildren, many years ago Mr. Chase was a convert of Rev. George Whitefield, in 1742, when he, with others of the town of Sutton, met at Worcester to see and hear that celebrated divine.*

The home of Moody Chase was the resort of children and grandchildren for counsel, advice and guidance; none so young but they could feel the admonition, none so old that they could not receive it.

The history of the town of Shirley, Mass., records the following of Moody Chase:

"Born at Sutton, Mass., September 23d 1723, son of Daniel Chase, and great-grandson of Aquila Chase, of Newbury, Mass., who was one of the early settlers of New England. Moody Chase married Elizabeth Hale, of Bradford, Mass., Jan. 17th 1748. He was a resident of Sutton until after the birth of all his children, twelve in number, when he came to Shirley, where he remained until his death, which occurred April 27th, 1815.

* Rev. Mr. Whitefield also preached in Sutton, 1745, as Rev. Dr. Hall records in his diary, July 5th of that year: "Dear Mr. Whitefield has been at my house two nights, and preached two sermons." July 18th: "I have heard Mr. Whitefield preach six sermons this week."

His widow died Nov. 4th, 1820. He owned and occupied a farm on the eastern bank of Nashua river, near the late Mr. Mitchell's mills, which farm is now within the town of Ayer.

"He was a man of commanding appearance, tall, erect, and of well-proportioned stature, which physical characteristics he retained until the close of his life, notwithstanding the usual bending and decipitating effects of four-score-and-ten.

"His moral goodness, his large heart and purposes, particularly distinguished him and made him an object of respect and favorable notoriety. He had but little inclination for office-seeking, and yet would not ignore public responsibility that lay in the way of duty.

"He never made a profession of religion, yet maintained a deep reverence for God and His law. A portion of each day was devoted to sacred reading, meditation and prayer.

"In early life he took a lively interest in the education of Indian youth, and was the leader of a company of woodmen who cleared the grounds, in Hanover, N. H., where the venerable Dr. Wheelock established an Indian school, from which Dartmouth college took its rise.

"Of Mr. Chase it may be truly said: 'he went down to his grave in peace, and was buried in a good old age.'"

The circumstances of the first acquaintance of Moody Chase with Elizabeth Hale, his future wife, is of historical interest. Col. Wm. Prescott, of Pepperrill, Mass., (and of battle of Bunker Hill fame) grand-father of Prescott, the historian, and Moody Chase, met for the first time in Worcester, Mass.; on which occasion they also met for the first time their future wives, Elizabeth and Abigail Hale, of Bradford, Mass. The meeting occurred at a social gathering at the home of a prominent family of Worcester, on which occasion refreshments were served; and it was the first time Mr. Chase tasted the then rare beverage of tea. From this time Col. Prescott and Moody Chase were life-long friends, and the descendants of both families had great respect for each other.

The only person now living (August 16th, 1887) that has a distinct recollection of our grand-parents, Moody and Elizabeth Chase, is Mrs. Gardner, widow of the late Major Gardner,

of Harvard, Mass; although ninety-four years of age, she retains her physical and mental faculties, that are quite remarkable. In the late pleasant interview we had with her, she said she "remembered Mr. Moody Chase as an elderly gentleman of remarkably genial manners, who always had a pleasant word of salutation to children when meeting them; and it was my delight to return the recognition with my most graceful courtesy." Of Mrs. Chase she said, "she was a pleasant-mannered lady of that old school."

Mr. Chase had the reputation of being the strongest man of the town. It is related of him that being badgered by a braggart-bully to test his strength with him, Mr. Chase quietly seized the bully by his collar and nether garment and lifted him over a five-rail fence into an adjoining field.

The last resting place of Moody and Elizabeth Chase is in the old cemetery at Shirley Center. Their graves are marked by substantial head-stones of native slate, which front on the west margin of the grounds, one of the principal streets of the village.

SKETCH OF THE DESCENDANTS OF MOODY CHASE.

Children of Moody Chase: I. Susanna; II. William, 1st; III. Jacob; IV. Mary or Mollie; V. Samuel; VI. Betsey; VII. Judith; VIII. March; IX. William, 2d, who died young. Three other children died in infancy—all were born in Sutton, Mass.

Susanna Chase married John Gould, of Lyndboro, N. H., Oct. 31, 1769; they had eight children: I. John, drowned, aged 39 years; II. David; III. William, born Oct. 3, 1772; IV. Daniel; V. Betsey; VI. Susan, 1st, who died young; VII. Polly; VIII. Susan, 2d.

William Chase married Abigail Phelps, 1797; they had ten children: Lydia; Jacob Chase; Nancy N.; Almira; William; Lyman; Sawyer; Abigail; Dorcas; Susan Chase.

Polly Gould married David Osgood.

Susan Gould married Levi Longley.

Dorcas Gould married Thomas Harvey.

John and Susanna Gould, with their family, settled in Barneston, Canada East, during the war of 1812; where they lived and died.

Abigail Phelps Gould died March 6, 1853.

John Gould died April 22, 1863.

PART II.

THE DESCENDANTS OF MOODY CHASE.

(CONTINUED.)

Since the first part of these reminiscences was in print, many important facts relating to the descendants of Susanna, daughter and eldest child of Moody Chase, have been discovered.

CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS OF THE GOULD FAMILY, FROM PAGE 16.

Susanna Chase Gould, died 1826, aged 77 years.

David Osgood married Polly Gould, daughter of John Gould and Susanna Chase. They had six children; two survive:

I. Zelinda Osgood, married Harry Pool, of Stanstead, Canada; they had four children, all survive, and, with their mother, reside at Hatley, Province of Quebec, Canada.

II. Louisa Osgood, married Hiram Hitchcock; they had eleven children. Mrs. Hitchcock survives, with some of her children, at Hatley, Province of Quebec, Canada.

Levi Longley married Susan Chase Gould, youngest daughter of John and Susanna Gould. They had six children; two survive:

I. Lucius Longley, married his cousin, Caroline Gould; no record.

II. Annie Longley, married S. E. Harvey; resides at Pullman, Ill.

David Gould, son of John and Susanna Gould, married; no record. A daughter, Mrs. Lucinda Howland, survives. Resides at Montpelier, Vt.

DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM CHASE AND ABIGAIL PHELPS
GOULD, OF BARRE, VT.

I. Lydia, born 1799, married Leverett Buskland, Barneston, Canada, 1818; died 1853, leaving no children.

II. Jacob, born April 26, 1800, married Nancy Alexander; they had four children, three sons and daughter. Sons of Jacob Gould: 1, Harvey, married, resides in Stanstead, Province of Quebec, Canada. 2, Ira, also married, resides in Barneston, Province of Quebec, Canada. 3, Frank, unmarried.

III. Nancy N., born February 24, 1801, married Ira Lee, of Stanstead, Canada; died 1883. They had eight children; the only survivor of this family is Ira K. Lee, of Charles City, Iowa.

IV. William, born April 1, 1805; died May, 1826, at Kingston, Canada, unmarried.

V. Lyman, born December 1, 1806, married Lavinia Alexander; died at Barneston, Canada, 1887. No children.

VI. Abigail, born February 20, 1808, married Franklin Trow, of Wolcott, Vt. Mrs. Trow resides with her daughter, Aletha Jones, Wolcott, Vt. They had six children; 1, Aletha A., born 1832; 2, Matilda F., born 1839; 3, S. Janett, born 1841; 4, J. Harvey, born 1843, died February 16, 1870; 5, George F., born 1846, died December 25, 1880; 6, John C. Trow, born 1851, resides at Franklin, N. H. Aletha A. Trow married Alger Jones, of Wolcott, Vt., June 10th, 1858; no children. Matilda F. Trow married Earl Guyer, of Wolcott, Vt., December 25, 1855; four children: Arthur G., Josephine A., Alfred W. and Lottie J. Arthur G. Guyer married, had one son, A. G. Guyer, druggist, resides at Hyannis, Mass.

VII. Sawyer, born February 7, 1810, married Almira Boynton, of Coventry, Vt., January 9th, 1844; she was the daughter of Samuel and Clarissa Boynton. They had six children, two survive: Dr. Ozias Boynton Gould, a prominent surgeon of West Derby, Vt.; and a sister, Mrs. C. R. Dailey, La Vern County of Los Angeles, California.

VIII. Almira, born May 4, 1811, married Simon Alexander; died 1879. One son survives, Jason Alexander, who has two sons: 1, Newton Alexander, recently graduated at Wesley College; 2, Lee J. Alexander. Reside at Hatley, Province of Quebec, Canada.

IX. Dorcas P., born March 9, 1812, married Ivers R. Harvey, of Cabot, Vt., October 14, 1836.

[Ivers R. Harvey was a very enterprising, business and public-spirited gentleman. Soon after his marriage he established himself in the paper manufacturing business at Babbatassett (now East Pepperell), Mass., which was the original plant of the present extensive manufacturing business there. Mr. Harvey was one of the principal spirits that projected and carried through to completion, under many difficulties, the Worcester

and Nashua Railroad, now of the Boston and Maine System. In 1858 Mr. Harvey went West and established paper mills at Milwaukee, and Three Rivers, Mich.; afterwards removed to the old homestead, Cabot, Vt., where he died April 3, 1879, aged 69. Mrs. Harvey resides at Newport, Vt. No children.]

X. Susan Chase, born 1814; married Arby Alexander; died 1841; no children.

Jacob Chase, third child of Moody Chase, was born at Sutton, September 12, 1761.

He remained with his parents until he was old enough to choose his own employment. His father gave him the privilege of going away if he wished to do so, but it was his desire to remain at home a few years longer and assist his father in farming, for that was his occupation.

There were many things committed to his care, especially that of his father's flock of sheep, which was numerous.

On the 19th of May, 1780, memorable in New England as the Great Dark Day, about 10 o'clock, A. M., the sky became exceedingly dark, the air appeared heavy and thick, so much so that in passing the hand from right to left there was a pressure never before known to exist.

Such was the alarm from the darkness of the morning, Jacob hastened to the pasture to collect his sheep and guide them to the fold. The darkness was so great it was a difficult undertaking, and one was lost, but, like the good shepherd of the parable, he sought it until it was found, and then hastened home just as the Whip-poor-will commenced his evening note at noonday.

Jacob, when 24 years old, purchased a farm in Groton, Mass., and soon after married Abigail Hubbard, of that town. She died 1790. He remained in Groton until 1796, when he was married to Sallie Parks, widow of William Parks, of Groton, deceased, and moved to Shirley Village, Mass. A year after he purchased a farm in Pepperell, Mass., which was soon brought into an excellent state of cultivation by the industrious husbandman and his sons.

In the year 1811, his second wife, Sallie Parks Chase, died. In 1814 he was married to Elizabeth Fairbanks, widow of John Fairbanks, deceased, of Harvard, Mass. They were for several years the only occupants of their dwelling, the sons and the only surviving daughter having left home, establishing homes and having families of their own.

Jacob Chase, our uncle, as we remember him during the last twenty-five years of his life, was a gentleman of most genial manners. Our acquaintance with him, from early childhood up through youth and into mature manhood, was one of the most pleasant relations of our life. His charming character, after forty years of separation, stands out sharp and clear in our memory. His pleasant home in Pepperell was the Mecca of our youthful days of vacation and holiday; there we were always sure of a generous welcome. Himself and wife, dear Aunt Elizabeth, were very fond of the company of young people, whom they entertained with a generous hospitality. As a consequence, their home was a center of attraction for relatives and friends.

Jacob Chase was a model farmer and business man of his day. His farm was well tilled; he was for many years a successful cultivator of hops; his animals were well housed and kindly used, for he was a great admirer of nature. We will never forget his kindly admonition to ourself regarding the shooting of innocent birds. On one occasion of our holiday visits to Pepperell, we had armed ourself with a gun, with which we had become quite proficient, and was producing indiscriminate slaughter of the feathered tribes of the orchard. The first trophy we presented to "Uncle Jacob" for approval, we received from him the advice, in a most kind manner, not to wantonly destroy these beautiful creatures. From that moment the gun was laid aside, and we have never fired a shot since at a bird.

In connection with his agricultural pursuits, Mr. Chase carried on an extensive cooper shop, the products of which had such a reputation for honesty of workmanship that they found a ready sale in the Boston market.

Jacob Chase partook strongly of the physical characteristics of his father—a man of commanding appearance, tall, erect,

and well-proportioned stature, all of which he retained until the close of life.

Like his honored father, he never sought notoriety, but never shrunk from public responsibility that lay in the way of duty. He was a consistent and honored member of the Orthodox Congregational Church of Pepperell.

The old homestead yet stands upon a declivity overlooking the beautiful valley of the Nashua, on the main road, about half way between the villages of Pepperell and East Pepperell.

Jacob Chase died in Pepperell, December 5, 1848, aged 87 years, and is buried in the cemetery in Pepperell Center. The family lot is on the west border of the grounds that front the main street.

Elizabeth, wife of Jacob Chase, died January 21, 1851, aged 79 years.

CHILDREN OF JACOB CHASE.

- I. Moody, born at Groton, Mass., February 27, 1786.
- II. William, born at Groton, Mass., August 14, 1787.
- III. A child, born July 20, 1790, died in infancy.
- IV. Abigail, born at Groton, Mass., November 8, 1797.
- VI. Harvey, born at Pepperell, Mass., January 18, 1800.
- VII. Sallie, born at Pepperell, Mass., February 28, 1804, died March 26, 1812.
- VIII. Amos, born at Pepperell, Mass., March 9, 1806.
- IX. Mary Ann, born at Pepperell, Mass., April 30, 1808, died September 8, 1813.
- X. John, born at Pepperell, Mass., May 21, 1810.

If there are any doubts of the relation of William Chase, of Yarmouth, Mass., and Aquila and Thomas Chase, referred to on page 6, the strong family resemblance of Jacob Chase, of Pepperell, a direct descendant of Aquila and Oliver Chase, of Fall River, Mass., a sixth descendant of William, would be conclusive evidence.

Happening, a stranger, in Fall River, in 1844, we saw upon the street Oliver Chase, an entire stranger, when we remarked to our companion that if we were in the vicinity of Pepperell we should think it was "Uncle Jacob." We afterwards became acquainted with Oliver, and was always impressed with the strong family resemblance and characteristics of the two, they both, at that time, being about 80 years of age.

SKETCHES OF THE CHILDREN OF JACOB CHASE.

Moody, the eldest son, was eccentric, bordering at times on insanity. He went West in early manhood, and lived an obscure life in Cincinnati, Ohio. His father visited him and endeavored to persuade him to return home, but was unsuccessful. He finally disappeared and nothing is known of his fate.

William, second son, when quite young entered mercantile life, and became a prominent wholesale dry goods merchant in New York. After several years in trade, he returned to Pepperell and purchased a portion of the old homestead, and erected a fine mansion nearly opposite his father's. The quiet of a rural New England life soon became distasteful to him. He disposed of his farm and removed to Beardstown, Ill., where he established himself with his sons in a general merchandise business. Mr. Chase was a gentleman of fine personal appearance, and partook somewhat of the physical characteristics of his grandfather, Moody Chase.

He died at Beardstown, Ill., November 7, 1869, aged 80 years. He was twice married, first, to Hannah Parker, of Pepperell, April 23, 1815; second, to Susan Miller, of Beardstown, December 24, 1851. He had five children:

Children of Hannah Parker.

- I. William Augustus, born at Boston, February 1, 1816.
- II. Maria Antoinette, born at Boston, October 12, 1817.
- III. Edmund Parker, born at Boston, May 30, 1821.
- IV. Mary, born at New York, December 15, 1831; died December 24, 1832.

Child of Susan Miller.

- V. William Prescott, born at Beardstown, February 13, 1859; died January 11, 1861.

Wm. A. Chase, eldest son of William Chase, married Mary L. Cook, of Baltimore, Md., October 12, 1846. They had six children:

I. Maria Antoinette, born at Rushville, Ill., July 29, 1847, now Mrs. M. A. Dodge.

II. Mary K., born at Rushville, Ill., September 17, 1849; unmarried.

III. Emma, born at Rushville, Ill., November 19, 1851; unmarried.

IV. Cora, born at Quincy, Ill., September 12, 1854; unmarried.

V. Anna, born at Quincy, Ill., April 5, 1862; died at Rosemond, March 21, 1864.

VI. Carrie Freeman, born at Rosemond, Ill., March 20, 1865, now Mrs. C. F. Pray.

William A. Chase died at Crystal Lake, Florida, in the winter of 1889.

Maria Antoinette, second child of William Chase, married Rev. Charles Rich, of Boston, November 20th, 1840; they had three children:

I. Charles Heath Rich, born at Washington, D. C., October 17, 1842.

II. Anna Chase, born at Nantucket, Mass., July 30, 1845.

III. Flora, born at Pepperell, Mass., died young.

Rev. Charles Rich died at Beardstown, Ill., October 30th, 1862. Mrs. Rich resides at Omaha, Neb.

Charles H. Rich married Kate Lee, of Madison, December 25th, 1867; they had four children:

I. Minnie May Rich.

II. Georgie Scranton.

III. Maria Antoinette.

IV. Charlie Bushnell. Residence, Omaha, Neb.

Anna C. Rich married E. P. Savage, October 12, 1866; residence, Lyons, Iowa; they had six children:

I. Harold Sargent Savage.

II. Howard Perkins.

III. Jessie Rich.

IV. Lillie M.

V. Edmund Chase.

VI. Charlie Garfield.

Mrs. E. P. Savage died August 7th, 1884.

Edmund Parker Chase, third child of William Chase, married Eliza A. D. Scrippe, of Rushville, Ill., October 12th, 1846. Residence, Des Moines, Iowa; they had ten children:

I. John William Chase, born at Beardstown, Ill., January 21, 1848.

II. Anna Agnes, born October 14, 1849, died November, 1865.

III. Charles Rich, born September 24, 1851.

IV. May E., born September 13, 1853.

V. Jennie, born April 6, 1856, died at Des Moines, aged 19 years.

VI. Edmund Corrie, born April 13, 1858.

VII. W. Henry Scrippe, born January 8, 1860.

VIII. Heber F., born January 18, 1863, died August 22, 1865.

IX. Howard L., born April 5, 1865, died young.

X. William Parker, born August 6, 1870.

John W. C. married Flotie McCain, 1877; she died 1879.

Mary E. married Harry Webb, resides at Des Moines.

Edmund Corrie Rich married Kittie Mills, of Des Moines, in 1888.

W. Henry S. married Clara Givens, of Des Moines, in 1887.

Abigail, 4th child of Jacob Chase, born at Groton, Nov. 8th, 1797, married Zimri Preist, of Harvard, about the year 1829; died at Pepperell, October 2d, 1868, aged 71 years.

She had one child, Sarah Elizabeth, born at Harvard, 1831; died at Pepperell, Nov. 15th 1851. She was a young lady of much promise, a devoted Christian. She died lamented by a large circle of friends. Mrs. Preist, after the death of her husband, who died soon after marriage, returned to her father's home, where she remained caring for him and his wife in their old age. After their death she continued to reside at the old homestead, spending much of her time ministering to the sick and unfortunate of the village. She was a conscientious lady; a member of the same church as her honored father.

Harvey, 5th child of Jacob Chase, born at Pepperell, Jan. 18th, 1800, married Charlotte Verry, of Norton, Mass.; died at Mount Hope, Ill., August 30, 1844. They had three children :

I. William Harvey, born at Jacksonville, Ill., April 7, 1831; died at Jacksonville, July 3, 1849.

II. Sarah Elizabeth, born at Richmond, N. Y., November 26, 1833; married Solomon Hasbrook Burhaus, of Carlisle, N. Y., March 11, 1862. Residence, Norwood Park, Ill. Mr. Burhaus died November 4, 1890.

III. Samuel Whipple, born at Mt. Hope, Ill., February 13, 1840; died at Jacksonville, Ill., July 4, 1856.

Jacob, 6th child of Jacob Chase, born at Pepperell, Jan. 21, 1802, married Lucy Richardson, of Chelmsford, Mass.; had one child, Charles Harvey, born October, 1835. [No record—never met them—suppose all died many years ago. W. M. C.]

FAMILY GROUP OF AMOS CHASE.

Amos Chase, 8th child of Jacob. As we remember him, he was a young man of very genial social qualities. Our earliest remembrance of him is that he was a remarkably entertaining young gentleman. Features regular, with dark sparkling eyes; partaking somewhat of the family resemblance of his great-grandmother, March. His company was a source of much pleasure to both old and young. He early entered commercial life at Groton, Mass. His pleasing address won for him the respect of all with whom he dealt. He afterwards removed to Springfield, Mass., where he died Dec. 25, 1843.

Amos Chase was born at Pepperell, March 9, 1806. He was twice married; first to Sarah Whitney Stearns, of Lancaster, Mass., Sept. 19, 1833. Married second time at Philadelphia, Dec. 16, 1840, to Mary Marriner Bates, of Springfield, Mass. He had four children:

- I. Sarah Augusta, born at Groton, June 30, 1834.
- II. Mary Catharine, born at Groton, July 1, 1835.
- III. Elizabeth Antoinette, born at Springfield, March 28, 1842.
- IV. Mary Stearns, born at Springfield, January 31, 1844.

All of whom survive.

Sarah Augusta married Dr. James Milton Stickney, of Pepperell, Mass., April 3d, 1872. No children. Dr. Stickney died 1890.

Mary Catharine, after embracing the Romish faith, became a sister of the Order of the Visitation. Entering the Convent at Keokuk, Iowa, under the professed name of M. Francis de Sales, after four years she was transferred to the Convent at Ottumwa, Iowa, where she resided about twenty-five years. During the year 1888, she, with the mother and six sisters, established the convent of the order at Hastings, Nebraska, where she now resides. She is the author of several books for children, under the nom-de-plume of Minnie Rover; also author of "Practical Science," a reference-book for schools.

Elizabeth Antoinette, after her parents' death, was adopted by Dr. H. R. Vaille, of Springfield, Mass., but before his death she returned to her mother's relatives and legally changed her name back to Chase. She resides in Boston, unmarried.

Mary Stearns married James H. Taylor, July 3d, 1883, at Chicago, Ill., where they now reside; no children.

John Chase, tenth child of Jacob, born May 21st, 1810, was a cripple from a child; his person was diminutive and ill-shaped, but what his physique lacked in form and comeliness his fine intellect more than compensated. His character was that of a true Christian gentleman. A ready writer, graceful penman and good accountant, he was of much service to his father and neighbors in keeping their accounts. His slender person and childlike simplicity made him a pleasing and instructive companion of children, even after he attained years of manhood. The writer of this will always retain a pleasant memory of his acquaintance in childhood and youth. He died December 9th, 1839, aged 29 years; unmarried.

Mary, or Molly, fourth child of Moody Chase, born at Sutton, 1767, died at Pepperell, July 24th, 1843, aged 76 years. Mary and her younger sister, Judith, were unmarried, and were inseparable all their lives; therefore, the narrative of the life of one would be incomplete without the other. These two sisters remained with their parents until their decease. Mary was endowed with a strong constitution, and in all the vicissitudes of life was willing to endure hardship without complaint. She took upon herself the domestic affairs of the household, and discharged the duties of that department with approbation. She was patient and consoling to the sick and afflicted, always ready to do all that was in her power for them; remoteness did not prevent her from discharging that duty. On two occasions she rode on horseback, in company with her brother Jacob, to Canada, notwithstanding the danger and difficulty which attended the effort. She greatly excelled many others in the remembrances of past historical events; when questioned concerning them she seldom made a mistake in her answers.

Judith Chase was constitutionally feeble, she was docile and attractive, especially to children. Whenever they would gather around her they were delighted to listen to the narratives which she would relate. She was an astronomer by nature, noting correctly the hours of the night by the stars when visible. By the death of the parents the two sisters were left alone; therefore, it became expedient for them to leave the old homestead and repair to Pepperell, where their brother Jacob prepared a tenement for them adjoining his own home. By industry and economy they enjoyed the comforts and, occasionally, the luxuries of life. These two sisters lived together more than seventy years in the most affectionate confidence of each other. In their habitation there existed two excellent rules: first, reading a portion of the sacred scriptures morning and evening; second, meditation and prayer. Our memory of our aunt Molly Chase is one of the most fragrant of our childhood and youth; her presence was dignified and commanding, at the same time attractive, winning the confidence of all who made her acquaintance.

Judith Chase, the seventh child of Moody Chase, was born at Sutton, 1772, died at Pepperell, December 30, 1843. Aunt "Judie," as she was familiarly called by her child friends, was by nature sympathetic; we will never forget the light of her kindly eyes or the sweet expression of countenance that pervaded her every-day life, the same in adversity as in prosperity. Chandler, in his history of Shirley, Mass., says: Mary and Judith Chase were devout Christians, and like their honored father, were buried at a good old age. They are buried in Pepperell, in the lot of their brother Jacob.

Samuel Chase, fifth child of Moody, born at Sutton, April 20th, 1768. He remained with his parents until he was 22 years old, after which he adopted the business of stonecutting, and later purchased a farm in Groton. He married Anna Longley, of Shirley, Mass., April 3, 1795. In the year 1805 he removed to Pepperell, and entered mercantile business, also keeping a public house. In 1807, failing health compelled him to retire to a farm he had recently purchased in Pepperell, where he died November 6th, 1808, aged 40 years. He was

industrious and kind of heart; an upright man. His wife, Anna, died at Brookline, N. H., June 6th, 1866, aged 89 years and 9 months. They had five children :

- I. Lydia Longley.
- II. Betsy.
- III. Samuel.
- IV. Moody.
- V. William Prescott.

Sketches of the children of Samuel and Anna Chase: Lydia Longley was born at Groton, January 16th, 1769; died at Pepperell, January 6th, 1883, unmarried. She inherited from her grandmother, March, the dark complexion and the piercing black eyes of the March family. She was of peculiar characteristics, herself attributing some of them to the supposed Indian blood in the Marches. She was a devoted lover of nature, with which she spent many pleasant hours in sweet communion, in the fields and forests near her pleasant home. At the time of her tragic death she lived alone in her pretty cottage in the fork of the roads leading from Pepperell to East Pepperell. In the early evening of the 6th of January, 1883, the house took fire from some unknown cause, and before aid could be rendered it was consumed. Miss Chase perished in the flames which destroyed many valuable relics of by-gone days. Miss Chase was self-reliant and generous, a fine type of the New England woman.

Betsy, second child of Samuel, born at Shirley, October 23d, 1798, married Joseph Tucker, of Pepperell, October 19th, 1818; they had ten children :

- I. Betsey Brooks.
- II. Joseph Augustus.
- III. Clara Buttrick.
- IV. Samuel Chase.
- V. Lydia.
- VI. Samuel Prescott.
- VII. Harriette Maria.
- VIII. Henry Francis.
- IX. Elizabeth Hale.
- X. Elizabeth Helen.

Mr. Tucker was a woo'en manufacturer, operating a mill at Babbatassett, now East Pepperell; he was also much interested

in agriculture. A courteous gentleman and useful citizen. Died June 4th, 1845, aged 48 years.

Betsy Brooks, first child, born September 15th, 1819, married Joseph Bradley Varnum, of Pepperell, June 16, 1842; they had three children :

I. William Francis, born May 19, 1844; married Mary B. Alden, of Boston, June 15, 1871; no children.

II. Charles James, born December 21, 1847, died July 2d, 1848.

III. Harriette Ann, born April 19th, 1852.

Joseph Augustus, second child, born at Dunstable, April 2, 1821; married Ellen Augusta Lewis, of Groton, September 16, 1845. Mrs. Tucker died July 29, 1883. Second marriage, Mary J. Bancroft, of Ayer, Mass., September 2, 1884. Resides in Boston; no children.

Family group of Clara Buttrick Tucker, third child of Joseph and Betsey Tucker, born at Dunstable, Mass., January 26th, 1823, married Andrews Howe, of Townsend, Mass., September 16th, 1845; they had three children :

I. Charles Tucker Howe, born at Townsend, Mass., December 26th, 1846, died at sea, March 13th, 1862.

II. Frank Maynard Howe, born at West Cambridge, Mass. (now Arlington), July 20th, 1849.

III. Edward Tucker Howe, born at West Cambridge, Mass. (now Arlington), January 19th, 1858.

Andrews Howe died at West Cambridge, Mass. (now Arlington), August 5, 1862. Mrs. Howe died October 19, 1888.

Family group of Frank Maynard Howe, second child of Andrews and Clara, born as above; profession, architect; married Mary Elizabeth Wyman, of Arlington, Mass., September 25th, 1871; they have two children :

I. Katharine Maynard Howe, born at Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 11th, 1884.

II. Dorothy Howe, born at Kansas City, Mo., February 7th, 1887.

Family group of Edward Tucker Howe, third child of Andrew and Clara, born as above; profession, civil engineer; married Cora May Callender, of Boston, Mass., December 28th, 1881; they have one child :

I. Eliot Callender Howe, born in Boston, Mass., December 23d, 1882.

Samuel Chase, fourth child of J. and B. Tucker, born March 31, 1825, died August 30th, 1826.

Lydia Chase, fifth child of J. and B. Tucker, born August 9th, 1826, married Addison Hill, of Arlington, August 10th, 1857; they had one child:

I. George Varnum, born October 9th, 1858; died, no date.

Mrs. Hill died January 22, 1873; Mr. Hill died December 10, 1873.

Samuel Prescott, sixth child of J. and B. Tucker, born December 28th, 1828, married Elizabeth Parker, of Pepperell, April 12, 1865; they had one child:

I. Charles Parker, born at Hudson, Mass., July 18th, 1866.

Harriette Maria, seventh child of J. and B. Tucker, born March 22d, 1831, died March 14th, 1852.

Henry Francis, eighth child of J. and B. Tucker, born December 13th, 1835, married Helen Campbell, of Greenfield, N. H., October 7th, 1863. Reside in Boston; one child:

I. Mabel Francis, born June, 1873.

Elizabeth Hale, ninth child of J. and B. Tucker, born October 31st, 1837, died January 9th, 1841.

Elizabeth Helen, tenth child of J. and B. Tucker, born January 23d, 1842, resides in Pepperell, unmarried.

Samuel, third child of Samuel and Anna Chase, born at Shirley, February 22d, 1801, died at Pepperell, August 7th, 1876, unmarried. Samuel Chase, junior, was a remarkable person. When a young lad he became steward of the family of Hon. Abbot Lawrence, the noted Boston merchant; and such was his fidelity and devotion he was for more than thirty years an honored member of the family. He was a close and intelligent observer of events, an antiquarian of marked ability, a Christian gentleman of independent thought and action.

Moody, fourth child of Samuel and Anna Chase, born March 7th, 1803, died at Winchester, N. H., January 28th, 1828, unmarried.

William Prescott, fifth child of Samuel and Anna Chase, born at Pepperell, February 22d, 1808, married Emeline White, of Easton, Mass., March 24th, 1831, died at Pepperell, January 25th, 1867; they had two children:

- I. William Longley, born at Brookline, N. H., March 16th, 1832.
- II. Samuel, no record.

ERRATA.—For Chersham, on pages 5 and 6, read Chesham.

APPENDIX.

Since the first part of these reminiscences was published we have had many inquiries about the "Chase fortune, in England." No! No!! No!!! There is no fortune there for us; it is a myth and a lie that has been and is now being worked by designing men, from time to time, to swindle the descendants of old colonial families in the United States. We have known of them for the last forty years, and it would appear that they do not die young, for the scheme has been recently worked quite industriously, and with such success with the credulous that circulars are now being sent out soliciting more money to send an attorney to England to prosecute claims, &c.

Hon. E. J. Phelps, late American Minister to England, received so many inquiries regarding these pretended American claims on English property that he issued a circular, in which he said: "they are carried on with such persistency and ingenuity, by the men engaged in it, that I despair of being able to make their credulous victims understand what an utter imposture and delusion the whole business is."

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