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THE  
RICHARDSON MEMORIAL,

CONTAINING A

FULL HISTORY AND GENEALOGY

OF THE POSTERITY OF THE THREE BROTHERS,

EZEKIEL, SAMUEL, AND THOMAS RICHARDSON,

WHO CAME FROM ENGLAND, AND UNITED WITH OTHERS IN THE FOUNDATION  
OF WOBURN, MASSACHUSETTS, IN THE YEAR 1641, OF JOHN RICH-  
ARDSON, OF MEDFIELD, 1679, OF AMOS RICHARDSON, OF  
BOSTON, 1640, OF EDWARD AND WILLIAM RICH-  
ARDSON, OF NEWBURY, 1643, WITH NOTICES  
OF RICHARDSONS IN ENGLAND  
AND ELSEWHERE.

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*"O fortunatos nimium, sua si bona norint,  
Agricolae, quibus ipsa, procul discordibus armis,  
Fundit humo faciem victum justissima tellus!"*

*Virg. Geor. ii, 453.*

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OTHER ALLIED FAMILIES." MEMBER FOR LIFE OF THE NEW ENGLAND HIS-  
TORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY. CORRESPONDING MEMBER OF THE MAINE  
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STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF WISCONSIN.

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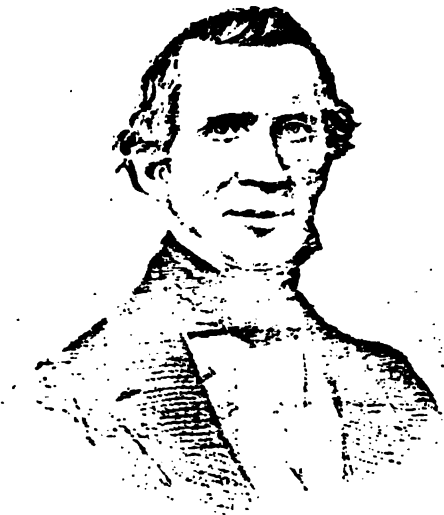
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## P R E F A C E .

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THE compiler of this volume has felt during nearly his whole life-time, that no knowledge, and no human pursuit is of any real value, except as it contributes to the improvement of the human character, and to the advancement of the true and final welfare of mankind. Every man is sent into the world for some important purpose; every man is bound to make the most of himself, and to promote, as far as possible, the virtue and ultimate good of all with whom in any way he may be connected.

This motive, the compiler does not hesitate to say, has been his governing principle in preparing the volume now before the reader, and in the five or six other Genealogical works which bear the imprint of his name.

I have for many years been deeply impressed with the value of Genealogy. I regard it, when properly executed, as an important means of human improvement. Why else, is so large a portion of the Bible devoted to it? God, in giving us his Word, meant our highest good. Why did he so often remind his ancient people of their descent from Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; yes, and furnish them with ample means of verifying the fact? Indeed, the Bible may, without violence, be considered as a Family History from beginning to end.

The wisdom of God is seen in placing the human race in families, capable of feeling an interest in each other's welfare;



and a true civilization, and a true republicanism cannot be maintained where this family feeling is unknown. Indeed, no human beings can be found, in any part of the world, where something of the kind cannot be observed. Those persons, therefore, who affect indifference to the history and character of their ancestors, run counter to an innate principle of humanity, implanted in us by the author of our nature for the best of reasons.

The wisest and best of the ancient heathens placed a high value on the facts of their ancestral history. The effigies of their ancestors were preserved with great care, and were carried with high respect in their funeral processions. Cicero, in his oration for the poet Archias, appeals powerfully to this cherished sentiment as essential to a sound character. Our own Daniel Webster, the American Cicero, has said, "It is a noble faculty of our nature which enables us to connect our thoughts, our sympathies, and our happiness, with what is distant in place or time; and looking before and after, to hold communion at once with our ancestors and our posterity. There is also a moral and philosophical respect for our ancestors, which elevates the character and improves the heart." "Those who are regardless of their ancestors, do not perform their duty to the world." The Rev. Samuel Miller, D. D., Professor in the Theological Seminary at Princeton, N. J.,—a name held in the highest respect for wisdom, piety, learning, and usefulness,—thus expressed his opinion, in a letter to the compiler of the Foote Genealogy, dated Feb. 4, 1848, the writer being then in his eighty-first year:—"I am ashamed, my dear sir, that the business of Genealogy has, in times past, engaged so little of my attention; and that now, when I see so much of its real value, a great deal, truly interesting to me, has irrecoverably gone!" What multitudes have had occasion for a similar acknowledgment!

The history of a nation being nothing else than the collective history of the *families* that compose that nation, it is easy to see sufficient reason for Family Histories. The compiler finds great satisfaction in the thought, that now, in this



centennial year, so many pens are employed in tracing out the facts of Family and Town History in the Northern States of this American Union. How many are thus worthily employed, it is impossible to announce; but I have on my table a list of five hundred Family Histories completed a year ago; some of them of unspeakable value.

The compiler, at least, had very cogent reasons for undertaking this work. Descended from a Huguenot family, compelled to leave *la belle France* in the reign of the Virgin Queen of England,\* and take up their abode among a people of a strange speech, and of unaccustomed manners; descended, moreover, from thirty-five Puritans of different names, in the first generation of New England people; sprung from men who aided in repelling the savage Indian, and who served their country in the Revolution in battles both on the sea and on the land; not omitting Zechariah Symmes, of Charlestown, John Marshall, of Scotland, Peter Palfrey, and Francis Higginson; these names should certainly inspire unwonted ardor in speaking of the early times of New England.

The eyes of the world are now turned, with an eager, anxious look, and an interest altogether without parallel, to these western shores. While other nations are ruled by a stern despotism or an oppressive oligarchy, crushed under a heavy weight of taxation, and trembling for the future; their population discontented, and some degree of civil order maintained only by the constant presence of a large armed force; here is a people with a civil constitution in whose support all parties are unanimous, and advancing in population, in wealth, and in power, beyond all former example. The world is inquiring after *the cause*. The cause, under God, is to be found, unquestionably, in the *personal character* of the men and women who settled on this coast two hundred and fifty years ago. They were a people of singular wisdom and worth. Their character was formed, their institutions were founded,

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\* On St. Bartholomew's day, Aug. 24, 1572, not less than 30,000—some say 70,000—Protestants fell victims to the malice of the Catholic clergy.





their policy proceeded, on the BIBLE. Theirs were an elevation of aim, a purity of purpose, a steadiness of resolve, a fortitude under trial, and crowning all, a sense of responsibility to God, never seen before. They left the green fields and pleasant towns of old England, not to improve their temporal condition, but to found on these then inhospitable shores an asylum for civil and religious liberty. They struggled with difficulties and dangers, they endured hardships and sufferings, of which the present generation have no adequate conception. Their character was formed in the school of adversity, and thus were they prepared in the providence of God for the noblest of all merely human achievements—the foundation of a CHRISTIAN REPUBLIC.

We do not claim for our ancestors, that they were perfect, that they were free from all blame. Faults they doubtless had, or they would not have been men. But compared with other men, and especially with the men of their times, the balance is greatly in their favor. Compared with our age, theirs was an age of darkness. It is extremely unfair to judge of them as if they enjoyed the light of modern times.

Many are disposed to depreciate the past; to regard such inquiries as are answered in this volume with stolid indifference, if not with scorn. But what would they have been, what would this country have been, if the character of our ancestors had been materially different from what it actually was? To a very great extent, men are what their fathers were before them. Every age transmits its own character, but slightly modified, to that which is to follow. To doubt this, is to call in question the truth of all history. The Englishman, the Frenchman, the Spaniard, the American savage, are to a great extent what their ancestors were.

To connect, as far as may be, the present age, with the generation that peopled New England, as well as to gratify that laudable curiosity, which seeks to know from whom we sprung, and what they did, under what embarrassments they labored, and what results they reached, is the design of the present volume. To accomplish this desirable end, the com-



puler has spared no effort in his power. The volume now in the reader's hands contains the result of the severe toil of many years, for the most part performed in very feeble health, with small encouragement from others, and with no hope of a pecuniary reward. It was undertaken and has been pursued, wholly from conscientious motives, and a sincere, earnest desire to benefit others. Times without number has the author wished that the labor might have devolved on others, and he been released from a labor which not one person in ten thousand can appreciate or properly discharge. But such a change was impossible. The author felt that he was charged with a sacred duty, both to the dead and to the living; the work was laid on him and he must perform it.

Such a work as this, in a financial point of view, *never pays*. Such a volume can obtain only a very limited circulation. The flashy novel, the well-told tale, the superficial narrative, the silly drama, is eagerly bought up, in preference to the history of the wise and good; while the value of the two is usually in inverse proportion to the currency obtained and the money bestowed. A friend of the writer, a bookseller, who has probably done more to put in circulation Family Histories than any other man in the country, has never sold more than 500 copies of any one of them, even after several years time. And yet some of these family histories are of sterling value, by first-rate authors, and throw great light on the past. The present writer has had some experience on this matter.

Three years ago, I issued the Symmes Memorial, containing a Biographical Sketch of Rev. Zechariah Symmes, minister of Charlestown, Mass., from 1634 to 1671, with a Genealogy and brief Memoirs of some of his descendants, coming down to the present time. Mr. Symmes was one of the founders of New England; his influence was most happy, and is felt to this day; his posterity are widely scattered, both in the East and in the West. The book contained two hundred pages: it cost me the labor of eight or ten months, and five hundred dollars in money. An 8vo. edition of 300



copies was printed. I made what effort I could to dispose of the copies. Nearly one-half of this edition remain on hand. All this shows the slight value which most people set on their ancestry. And many of my correspondents suppose that by the issue of the Richardson Memorial volume I am making money, that I am engaged in a great speculation.

The other Genealogical works which I have issued would have brought me largely in debt, had it not been for the kindness of a few friends who have subscribed generously to make up the deficiency, some a hundred dollars, some fifty, some twenty-five, some fifteen, ten, or smaller sums.

The author began to collect materials for this work more than twenty years ago, while preparing a history of the VINTON Family, to which he himself belongs. More than twenty pages of that volume are devoted to notices of the Richardson Family. The two families have to a very considerable extent been intermingled. My own wife was a RICHARDSON; her mother, still living under my roof, at the age of NINETY-SIX, was a VINTON. Three years since, becoming partially free from other engagements of this nature, though suffering greatly from ill health, I was induced, under some encouragement from two gentlemen of the name, to undertake a History of the RICHARDSON FAMILY. From that time to the present, this has been my principal employment. Six or eight hours of every secular day have been devoted to this work. All this time, without the intermission of one day, my health has been so slender, my bodily frame so feeble, as to unfit me for almost every kind of work. But a sense of duty impelled me on, to do what I could. If I ceased from the work, nobody, I was sure, would take it up.

To obtain materials and to make arrangements for this work, about 350 letters have been written, within the last three years, many of which have not been answered. Many family and town histories have been consulted. The Probate Records of the counties of Essex, Middlesex, Suffolk, Norfolk, and Worcester, in Massachusetts, of Hillsborough, Cheshire, and Strafford, in New Hampshire, of York, Cum-



berland, and Lincoln, in Maine, have been thoroughly explored, and to some extent the volumes of title deeds in York, Cumberland, and Lincoln counties in Maine; the town records of many towns have been laid under contribution. The catalogues of colleges and Theological Seminaries have afforded a grateful help. A very large and very acceptable part of the material has come from correspondence with private individuals.

The writer has great satisfaction in acknowledging assistance from Hon. William A. Richardson, of Washington, D. C., late Secretary of the United States Treasury, Hon. Roswell M. Richardson, Mayor of Portland, Me., 1875-6, Albert L. Richardson, Esq., East Woburn, Mr. David Boutelle, of Fitchburg, Mr. Edward Irving Dale, of Boston, Messrs. Alfred Poor and F. G. Waters, of Salem, Mrs. Mary Salina Reade, of Auburn, Me., Mrs. Abigail R. Tobey, of Lynn, Mass., Mrs. Charlotte R. Smith, of Hollis, N. H., Mrs. Sarah W. Butterfield, of Westmoreland, N. H., Mrs. M. R. Terry, of Ansonia, Ct., Miss Marcia Richardson, of Pontiac, Mich., Miss Augusta Richardson, of Sterling, Mass., Mrs. Catharine R. Brooks, of Princeton, Mass., Mrs. Caroline Malvina Bill, of Waltham, Mass., Rev. Richard H. Richardson, of Trenton, N. J., Hon. John Daggett, of Attleboro, Miss Lydia Reed Stone, of Medford, and from many other ladies and gentlemen. The ladies, in particular, have been careful to answer the author's request for information, and to them he feels under special obligation.

In a few instances, however, the author's requests for information have been wholly disregarded, or treated with great disrespect. Not considering that he has not the smallest personal interest in the matter, save to have every family correctly and properly reported in the volume.

Throughout this book, the author has supposed that he was conferring a great favor on the persons written to; and not they on him by answering. He has found existing among persons, in other respects well-informed and respectable, a most shameful and lamentable ignorance, in regard to those





to whom, under God, they owe their existence, and all the blessings they enjoy. Very few persons can go back farther than their grandparents, even so far as to give their names or residence. Persons, to whom I have applied for information, have made statements respecting their ancestors, only two generations back, which were destitute of any sort of foundation whatever. "Their great-grandfather," they said, "was the son of an English gentleman, who came to this country just before the Revolutionary war; he was one of three brothers who settled in ———; he was at the battle of Bunker Hill, or the surrender of Cornwallis," and the like; and they insisted with the utmost assurance that their story was correct; when I had copies of written records, found in our State House and elsewhere, made by the persons referred to, under oath, which completely overthrew their whole statement. I am sorry to say that town and church records, some generations back—the case is now somewhat relieved—are not free from the most shameful omissions and blunders. The utmost care has been used to avoid errors, but even this could not fully exclude them.

The author intended, originally, to write a full and exhaustive history of the RICHARDSON name in this country, but has found this utterly impracticable. From the lack of material, and chiefly for want of *room*, he has been compelled to chiefly confine himself to the posterity of the three Richardson brothers, Ezekiel, Samuel, and Thomas, who united with others in the settlement of Woburn, 1641, of John Richardson, who was married in Medfield in 1679, and of Edward and William Richardson, who settled in Newbury. He has a large amount of other material, some of it nearly ready for the press; but to print it would make the book too heavy.

I have found it necessary greatly to diminish in volume much of what has been sent to me for insertion in this book, and also to alter its arrangement. This has cost much labor and time.

Armorial ensigns might have been obtained, and used, but



the compiler believes that most that have been inserted in American books of Family History are spurious.

The compiler claims as original, and wholly his own, the practice of placing one's ancestors, at the outset, in a *straight line before his name*, thus—SAMEUL,<sup>5</sup> Thomas,<sup>5</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> Ebenezer,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> William,<sup>1</sup> thus enabling a man to trace back at a glance his pedigree to the settlement of the country.

There is *one consecutive numbering* from first to last, save in the case of the RICHARDSONS in England, and those in this country, of whom mention is made previous to the posterity of Ezekiel Richardson, page 31. This arrangement will greatly facilitate the finding of a name in the Index.

The portraits are all from steel plates, and nearly all were obtained by the author's personal solicitation, and expressly for this work; and all at the expense of the persons represented, or their near friends.

The printing of this work has been remarkably well done; and the author believes that the thanks of all who desire a volume of this kind are due to the printers, Messrs. Brown Thurston & Co., of Portland, for the accurate, faithful, and tasteful manner in which the mechanical execution of the work has been accomplished.

JOHN A. VINTON.

WINCHESTER, Nov. 10, 1876.



# THE RICHARDSON MEMORIAL.

## PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

**SURNAMES** are of high antiquity. It soon became necessary to distinguish a man from others of the same name, to prevent confusion and mistake. The name of the man's father, or the place where he lived, or his occupation, was used for this purpose. Thus, David, the son of Jesse, Simon, son of Jonas, Joshua, son of Jozadak, Saul of Tarsus, Judas Iscariot, Mary Magdalene, Alexander, the coppersmith, and many others. The practice obtained among the Greeks and Romans, as Diodorus Siculus, Ptolemy Soter, Paulus Æmilius, Marcus Antonius, Augustus Cæsar, and so on.

There were four principal ways in which surnames originated. 1. From some ancestor, as *Johnson, Benson, Thomson, Richardson, Wilson*. The names *Adams, Davis, Williams, Phillips, Peters*, and many others, had a similar origin. 2. From the place of one's birth, residence, or achievements, as *Godfrey of Bouillon, Simon of Montfort, John of Gaunt, Frederic Barbarossa, Scipio Africanus*. This was mostly confined to persons of distinction and quality. 3. From one's trade or profession, as *Smith, Carpenter, Baker, Farmer, Webster, &c.* 4. From some personal attribute or condition in life, as *Long, Short, Rich, Poor, Brown, White, Green, Strong, Hardy, &c.*, in great abundance. So also William Rufus, or the *Red*, Edmund *Ironsides*, &c.

In Camden's Remains concerning Brittain is the following statement: "WILLIAM BELWARD, Lord of the moiety of Malpasse, soon after the Norman Conquest, had two sons; the younger named RICHARD, named from his small size Richard the Little. One of the sons of the last-named Richard was called JOHN RICH-



RICHARDSON, taking his father's name with the addition of *son* for his surname. Hence came the name and family of RICHARDSON." Thus "Camden, reverend head." To the crusades, in an especial manner, Europe and the civilized world owe the use of surnames, as well as of armorial bearings and of heraldry. Among the vast armies of the crusaders, composed of many nations and languages, some symbol was necessary to distinguish particular nations and their commanders. Surnames were to a small extent already in existence, but the use of them and of coats of arms was now greatly increased. In England, especially in the middle of the twelfth century, we now begin to read of Thomas à Becket, Nicholas Breakspear, Stephen Langton, William Longsword, and Richard Strongbow, among the higher classes; and the lower were not late in following. Robin Hood, the outlaw, belongs to this period.

Richard was a favorite name among the Normans, and the surname Richardson unquestionably originated with them. We find it among no other people. They made themselves masters of a large part of France in the ninth century, which they called Normandy; and were governed by a succession of dukes, who bore the name of Richard. After the conquest of England by that remarkable people, several kings of that country bore that name; one of whom, Richard the Lion-hearted, defeated at Ascalon the immense army of Saladin, consisting of 300,000 combatants, no less than 40,000 of the enemy having perished on the field of battle, and the remainder driven to a total rout. The name was also borne by several of the leading men in England, as Richard, archbishop of Canterbury, from 1174 to 1184; Richard, earl of Cornwall, brother of king Henry III.; Richard of Cirencester; Richard of Devizes; and Richard of Hexham. The name has descended in uninterrupted succession to our own times.

The transition from Richard to Richardson was a matter of course, and is well illustrated by Camden, in the passage already quoted. Richardson has been a name widely spread in our father-land, as well as in our own country. It might not be easy to find a county in England where the name has not gained a footing. It is found in Newcastle-upon-Tyne,\* and in the south of England. We hear of the name as existing in Durham, York-

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\*A letter from R. M. Glover, M. D., of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, to Dr. Benj. Cutter, of Woburn, Mass., dated Nov. 17, 1846, says: "The Messrs Richardson of this town are now preparing an elaborate and exceedingly minute History of Newcastle."—Cutter Genealogy, Introduction, p. xi.





shire, in the counties of Salop, Warwick, Worcester, Norfolk, Gloucester, Nottingham, Sussex, and Surrey. There are Richardsons also in Wales, Scotland, and Ireland.

In Great Britain, as in this country, the name exists in many distinct branches, having separate pedigrees, and the effort is vain to trace any connection between them.

From Burke's "Landed Gentry of Great Britain and Ireland," London, 1853, we select the following, out of a much more ample account. We omit what is merely ornamental, as the arms, armorial ensigns, crests, mottoes, and whatever does not strictly belong to Family History.

The Family, he says, is doubtless of Norman origin. It was settled in Norfolk, in Yorkshire, in Durham, and perhaps in other counties, as early as the sixteenth century, and had already arrived at eminence. In Bloomfield's History of Norfolk is a copious pedigree of the Family of RICHARDSON, barons of Cramond. The Family spread into Durham, Gloucestershire, Nottinghamshire, Warwickshire, Sussex, Surrey, Wales, Shropshire, and at length into Scotland and Ireland.

To the Richardsons of Yorkshire arms were granted before the year 1600, derived from Nicholas Richardson, of the county of Durham, who settled in the county of York in 1561. Arms were granted to the Richardsons of Gloucestershire in 1588. To the Richardsons of Durham arms were granted in 1615. Richard Richardson, Esq., of Bradford, in Yorkshire, afterwards of Bierley, in that county, paid a fine of forty pounds in 1630 for declining the honor of knighthood from Charles I. The receipt, signed Wentworth, the earl of Strafford, the leading minister of Charles, is still in the possession of his descendants. He died in 1656.

To the Richardsons of Warwickshire arms were granted in 1647. The Richardsons of Surrey had arms in 1765. The Richardsons also of Norfolk, Worcestershire, Shropshire, Sussex, have arms, also in Scotland and Ireland. They are all carefully described by Burke, in his "Landed Gentry." What has now been said is sufficient to show both the antiquity and high respectability of the Family. This Family has included many names of great eminence in all the departments of human life, civil, military, literary, and ecclesiastical. Brief notices of a few of them must suffice.

Sir Thomas Richardson, knight, son of Dr. Thomas Richardson, was born at Hardwick, in Norfolk, in 1569. After sustaining various minor offices, he was made serjeant-at-law—that is, a law-



yer of the highest rank—chancellor to Queen Elizabeth, Speaker of the House of Commons, lord chief justice of the Common Pleas, and in 1631 lord chief justice of England. His wife was created Baroness of Cramond in Scotland. He was eminent for energy and worth. He died Feb. 4, 1634, aged 65, and was buried in Westminster Abbey, where his monument yet remains.

A branch of the Richardson Family removed from Norfolk to Ireland in the reign of Queen Elizabeth. To Simon Richardson, a descendant of this branch, were made, in 1666, by Charles II., large grants of land in the counties of Monaghan, Cavan, and Tyrone. His son, Francis, was a judge in Ireland. Another son, Henry, was high-sheriff of the county of Monaghan. He had nine daughters, one of whom married Rev. Mr. Douglas, a clergyman. His nephew, Francis, son of his brother Edward, was a captain of dragoons, and succeeded to his estates. Edward, born 1707, son of this captain Francis Richardson, had a son Francis, who was high-sheriff of the county of Monaghan; he died in 1782. Edward, born 1769, eldest son of Francis, last named, was also high-sheriff of Monaghan and major in the Monaghan militia. He died in 1848, without issue. His cousin, John Richardson, Esq., son of Christopher, son of the Edward, born 1707, succeeded him, and in 1858 represented this branch of the Family.

All of the families thus referred to had armorial bearings, crests, and mottoes, and were land-holders. Many more names might have been introduced, but these may answer the present purpose.

#### RICHARDSONS IN ENGLAND.

We now return to Old England.

John Richardson, Esq., son of Richard Richardson, of Bradford, in Yorkshire, who refused the honor of knighthood, was born in 1636. He was one of the lords of the manor of Bradford, precentor and canon of York, and archdeacon of Cleveland. His second wife was a sister of Dr. John Sharp, archbishop of York. Rev. Samuel Richardson, another son, born in 1647, was a clergyman, rector of Burnham-Sutton, in Norfolk. Rev. Joseph Richardson, another son, born in 1648, was rector of Dunsfold and Hambleton, in Surrey.

Joseph Richardson, Esquire, son of the last named, born in 1689, was of Gray's Inn, a barrister-at-law. By his marriage, in 1723, with Elizabeth Minshull, daughter of John Minshull, of



Portslade in Sussex, he acquired considerable estates in that county, besides which he had large estates in his native county of York. He died in 1734. His sister, Elizabeth Richardson, was the wife of Rev. Thomas Warton, vicar of Basingstoke, Fellow of Magdalen College, Oxford, and Professor of Poetry in that University. Their son, Joseph Warton, was master of Winchester School; and their other son, Thomas Warton, was Fellow of Trinity College, Professor of Poetry at Oxford, Poet Laureate, and the eminent author of the History of English Poetry.

Joseph Richardson, Esq., already mentioned as a barrister of Gray's Inn, had a son, William Westbrooke Richardson, who inherited large estates in Sussex and Yorkshire; his wife was Barbara, daughter of Richard Johnson, merchant of London. Their son was William, who died in 1801, without offspring. The lands and representation now devolved on his cousin, William Westbrooke Richardson, born in 1788, a son of Thomas, who was a son of Joseph Richardson, mentioned above as of Gray's Inn. He was a magistrate and deputy-lieutenant of Sussex, and the possessor, in 1853, of large estates.

Rev. Thomas Richardson, born 1698, died 1775, was a clergyman and the incumbent of Beckingham, in the county of Nottingham. His brother Christopher, born 1711, married first, Sarah Addison; second Catharine Boynton, a niece of the former wife. Christopher Richardson, born 1752, eldest son of the second marriage, was justice of the peace and deputy lieutenant of the North Riding of Yorkshire; he died 1825. His son, Christopher, born 1780, was of Field House, York, and was the representative of this branch of the Family in 1853.

The branch of the Richardson Family in Wales was represented, in 1853, by Henry Richardson, Esquire, at Aber Hirnant, in the county of Merioneth. He was a son of Samuel Richardson, Esquire, of Hensol Castle, county of Glamorgan, in South Wales. Samuel was high-sheriff of the county of Gloucester in 1787, and of Glamorgan in 1793. Henry and Samuel were born in Wales; but the grandfather, James Richardson, Esquire, was a native of the county of Dumfries in Scotland. He married the heiress of the Dalziel Family, and was connected with the Norfolk Richardsons.\*

Sir John Stewart Richardson, baronet, was in 1844 of Pitfour,

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\* Burke's Encyclopedia of Heraldry.



Perthshire, Scotland. He was the representative of the Family of Richardsons which settled in Pencaitland, in the county of Haddington, Scotland. His mother was of the Stewart Family of Urrard, and in her right he quarters the arms of Stewart of Urrard.\*

In the visitations of Yorkshire for pedigrees, in 1665, there were found five past generations of Richardsons.†

John Richardson, bishop of Ardagh in Ireland, died in 1654. He wrote a Commentary on Ezekiel and a Harmony of the Gospels. Archbishop Usher (1580-1656), a very learned man, and highly qualified to judge, in his Annals gives of bishop Richardson this great eulogium, that he was "*vir eruditissimus, et in sacrarum literarum studiis longe exercitatissimus.*" Whiston calls the bishop's Harmony of the Gospels a noble attempt, and asserts that the true order of the Evangelists had been better stated by him than by any other. John Leclerc, also, an eminent biblical critic (1657-1736), speaking to the same point, calls bishop Richardson "*vir eruditus, cujus Harmonium potissimum secuti sumus.*" Other witnesses of his great learning might easily be produced.

A Mr. Richardson was an eminent preacher in Leicestershire about 1640.

Jonathan Richardson, born 1665, an eminent portrait painter and writer on Art, attained great reputation in the early part of the last century. He published an "Essay on the Theory of Painting," 1719; "Explanatory Notes and Remarks on Milton's Paradise Lost," 1734. A posthumous volume of his Poems appeared 1776. He died May 28, 1745.

Samuel Richardson was born in humble life in Derbyshire, in the year 1689. His father was originally connected with the higher grades of society, but was compelled to work at the joiner's trade. He wished to educate his son for the church, but found his means deficient. At the age of seventeen, Samuel became apprentice in the printing establishment of a Mr. Wilde. Being faithful in the discharge of his duties, at the age of twenty-one he became foreman in the office. Some years after, he went into business on his own account, in Salisbury Court, Fleet Street, London. Prospering in business, he married the daughter

\* Burke's Encyclopedia of Heraldry.

† See Hist. General Reg., vol. xi. p. 262.





of his former employer. His wife died in 1731, and he married a Miss Leake. He had six children by each wife.

After completing fifty years of life, with no previous connection with literature, except in the humble occupation of printer, he gave the world in 1741-3 the justly celebrated and finished novel entitled PAMELA, being the story of a simple, innocent country girl, whose ruin a dissolute man of quality vainly endeavored in every possible way to accomplish, but who by her resolute continuance in virtue found her reward in being raised to the station of his lawful wife, the sharer of his rank and fortune. Of this novel Walter Scott says, "The pure and modest character of the English maiden is so well maintained during the work, her sorrows and afflictions are borne with so much meekness, her little intervals of hope or comparative tranquillity break in on her troubles so much like the specks of blue sky through a cloudy atmosphere, that the whole recollection is soothing, tranquilizing, and edifying." Richardson's success with Pamela encouraged him in 1748 to issue "Pamela in High Life," which was greatly inferior and soon forgotten. "Clarissa Harlowe," in four volumes, followed in 1748; "Sir Charles Grandison" in 1754, and some other publications, none of which were equal to the first.

Samuel Richardson once saved Samuel Johnson, the far-famed author of the "Rambler," and of the "Mount Atlas of English Literature," his Dictionary, from prison by the gift of a small sum of money to pay a debt. Johnson, in his younger days, was so poor that he was obliged to leave Oxford without a degree, and he was compelled to pace the streets of London all night long for want of a lodging. Mr. Richardson died July 4, 1761. His Life by Mrs. Barbauld appeared in 1804.

William Richardson, D. D., born 1698, died 1777, was a divine of eminence.

William Richardson, born in Scotland in 1743, was a poet and miscellaneous writer. He published "Poems," 1781; "Essays on some of Shakespeare's Dramatic Characters," 1783; died Nov. 3, 1814, aged 71.

Joseph Richardson, a miscellaneous writer, who died in 1803, was a respectable poet. He wrote "The Rolliad," a satire, "The Probationary Odes," "The Fugitive," a comedy.

Thomas Mills Richardson, who died in 1848, was an artist.

Charles Richardson, born 1775, was a distinguished lexicographer. He published, in 1815, "Illustrations of English Philolo-



gy." In 1837, appeared his great work, "A Dictionary of the English Language." It soon obtained a high reputation, and is often referred to as an authority. Some suppose that its value would be greater but for its following of the fanciful etymologies of John Horne Tooke in the "Diversions of Purley." He died Oct. 6, 1865, aged 90.

Gabriel Richardson, B. D., and Fellow of Brazen Nose College, Oxford, wrote on the Present State of Europe.

Charlotte Richardson wrote a volume of Poems.

Sir John Richardson is an honored name in the annals of Arctic adventure. He was born November 5, 1787, at Dumfries, in Scotland, of which borough his father, Gabriel Richardson, Esq., was for several years the Provost. In his fourteenth year, he left the academy at Dumfries to study at the University of Edinburgh, with a view to the medical profession. Having received a medical diploma, he entered the Royal Navy. He was in 1807 appointed assistant surgeon to the *Nymph* frigate, and not far from that time was present at the attack on Copenhagen, and the seizure of the Danish Navy, Sept. 2, 1807. He was present also at the blockade of the Tagus in 1809, and twice volunteered to go in boats on expeditions for cutting out ships. In 1810, he was transferred to the flag-ship, the *Bombay*, of seventy-four guns. He also served on the coast of Africa, in the North Sea and the Baltic, and on the American coast.

In September, 1819, he accompanied Sir John Franklin in an overland expedition from York Factory, Hudson's Bay, with the purpose of exploring the north coast of America from its eastern extremity to the mouth of the Coppermine River, which discharges its waters into the Great Polar Ocean. He went as surgeon and naturalist to the expedition. They reached their destination on the 26th of March, after a winter's journey of eight hundred and fifty-seven miles. They went on snow-shoes, a weight of between two and three pounds constantly galling their swollen feet and ankles. The thermometer sunk to 57° below zero; it was frequently at -40°. In July, 1820, they went to Winter Lake, more than 500 miles further, where they wintered. They endured many fatigues and privations; suffered from the extreme severity of the climate and for want of food; they even ate all the old scraps of leather that came in their way. In July, 1822, they reached York Factory, which they left three years before, and soon after those who were still living returned to England.



Franklin's second overland expedition was undertaken in 1824. He was accompanied by his former companions, Dr. John Richardson and Lieut. (afterwards Sir George) Back. Four boats, specially prepared for the purposes in view, were sent out by the Government, together with ample supplies of provisions, and scientific instruments of all kinds, water-proof dresses, etc. In July, 1825, they reached fort Chipewyan. They spent the winter on the Great Bear Lake. On the 28th of June, 1826, they embarked upon Mackenzie River, and in a few days reached its mouth. There the party separated, Franklin and others proceeding along the coast westward 374 miles, while Richardson with another party went eastward perhaps five hundred. The two parties met at fort Franklin, on Great Bear Lake, in September. The expedition was undertaken for the purpose of ascertaining whether a north-west passage could be effected. This, it was supposed, was established, and the coast between Clarence River and the Coppermine, a distance of a thousand miles, was surveyed with singular success and accuracy.

In 1846, the honor of knighthood was conferred on Dr. John Richardson. Though now arrived at an age—that of sixty—when he might readily be excused from any service requiring fatigue and exposure, he and his former companion, Dr. John Rae, left Liverpool March 25, 1848, on an expedition in search of Sir John Franklin. The explorer last named had left the Thames in May, 1845, with two ships, the Erebus and Terror, first-rate vessels, and well-appointed in every respect, the object being to discover a north-west passage, or more exactly, to ascertain, if possible, a connection between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans north of the continent of America. The expedition was last seen by a whaler, on the 26th of July, 1845, near the centre of Baffin's Bay, about two hundred and ten miles from the entrance of Lancaster Sound.

Nothing further having been heard from them, a general anxiety was awakened in regard to their fate. The government of England, therefore, resolved to send out three expeditions in search of them. One, a marine expedition, under Capt. Kellett, went out by way of Behring's Strait; another, by way of Baffin's Bay, was conducted by Captain Sir James Clarke Ross. The remaining one, under Sir John Richardson, was to make the search by land. Taking passage in a ship of the Hudson's Bay Company, and reaching land on the 20th of June, 1848, they went by way of Slave River and Mackenzie River, reaching the sea at



the outlet of the Mackenzie on the 4th of August. They carefully explored the coast from the exit of the Mackenzie to the mouth of the Coppermine, more than eight hundred miles. They explored the valley of the Coppermine and the coast of Coronation Gulf, as far as the severe weather and the increasing ice would allow, but found no traces of Franklin. They wintered on Great Bear Lake, and in the summer of 1850 Sir John Richardson returned to England. Neither of the other expeditions found any trace of the missing explorer.

Several other expeditions were sent out with the like ill success; but on the 23d of August, 1850, the first traces were found by Captain Ommaney, in the ship *Assistance*, at Cape Riley, on Wellington Channel. He found there, among other things, the remnants of meat-cans, and three graves, with inscriptions, of Franklin's seamen, dated January and April, 1846. This discovery gave encouragement to several more expeditions, until in March, 1854, Dr. Rae, on an overland expedition, ascertained from the Esquimaux that Franklin's ships had been crushed in the ice, the people on board—forty at least—compelled to take to the shore called on the charts King William's Land, where, there is no room to doubt, they all perished by starvation. The corpses of at least thirty-five were found, and there were telescopes, watches, compasses, guns, silver forks and spoons, and a small silver plate engraved "Sir John Franklin, K. C. B." Various other valuable articles were found in possession of the natives. Dr. Rae instantly hastened to England with the information.

In 1855, Sir John Richardson, after forty-eight years of great activity in the public service, tendered his resignation. He was moved in all his actions by a high sense of honor and duty. He was possessed of an unselfish nature, and perceptions so acute as almost intuitively to form a correct judgment, united with a disposition as humble and loving as a child. He was one of the most able and useful men of his time. He died June 5, 1865, aged 77 years, 8 months.

His titles were M. D., LL. D., K. C. B., Fellow of the Royal Societies of London and Edinburgh, member of the Geographical Society of Paris and many other places. His works were *Fauna Boreali Americana*, 1829-1837; *Zoology of the Voyage of the Erebus and Terror*, 1844-47; *Arctic Searching Expedition*, 1851; *The Polar Regions*, 1861.

The cost of the expeditions in search of Franklin is estimated at upwards of four millions of dollars.





A lady named Richardson wrote "The Exile of Poland, or the Vow of Celibacy," in 3 vols., 12 mo. It appeared in 1819.

William Richardson was Professor of Humanity in the University of Glasgow. He was a critical and poetic writer of some reputation, but more celebrated as a scholar than as a Professor. He was the author of many literary productions, as "Essays on the characters of Shakespeare," etc. He died 1814.

Dr. Richardson, an English physician, travelled in Syria and the Holy Land; visited Damascus, Baalbec, the Cedars of Lebanon, Jerusalem, the Land of the Philistines, and other places in 1818, and after his return published an interesting description of those localities. He was permitted to enter the Mosque of Omar, standing on the site of the Temple of Solomon, a privilege forbidden to all who are not Mussulmans.

A Mr. Richardson was a principal inhabitant of Bawtry, in the County of York, England, whence came the Mortons of Plymouth Colony, New England, and adjacent to Austerfield, where Governor Bradford was born.\*

William Richardson was a bookseller in London, 1796.

Anne Richardson was married to Robert Pease, of Hull, England, Jan. 31, 1638. He was chamberlain of Hull, 1639. The family had resided in Hull several generations.

Lewis Richardson, of Turvey, Bedfordshire, married Anne Washington, a sister of Lawrence Washington, Esquire, of Sulgrave, in Northamptonshire. He died December, 1616. Lawrence was the father of John Washington, who emigrated to America about 1657 and was the grandfather of the illustrious **GEORGE WASHINGTON.**

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\* See N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg., iv. 43.



## THE RICHARDSON MEMORIAL.

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### HISTORY OF THE RICHARDSON FAMILY IN AMERICA.

From the wide diffusion of the name in Great Britain, we might infer a similar abundance of it in America. As a matter of fact, the name is here widely spread, and it is often impossible to trace any connection between those who bear it. No sooner had the country become open to colonization than the name was found at different and distant points, and in circumstances which forbid the idea of a similar origin.

The compiler of the present work has found no Richardson on these shores earlier than 1630, and he has found quite a number during the first decade.

Ezekiel Richardson, it is very certain, came over in 1630, in the fleet with Winthrop. He was followed by his brothers, Samuel and Thomas, in 1636.

Simon Richardson, aged 23, embarked at Gravesend for Virginia, in the ship *America*, June 23, 1635.

Thomas Richardson, aged 26, embarked for Virginia, in the ship *Transport*, July 4, 1635.

John Richardson embarked at London for Virginia, in the ship *Paul*, July 6, 1635.

Another John Richardson, aged 18, embarked at London for Virginia, in the ship *Assurance*, July, 1635.

Luke Richardson, aged 17, embarked at London for Virginia, in the ship *Primrose*, July 27, 1635.

No further information has been obtained respecting Simon Richardson and the names following his. Some of them, there is reason to suppose, took up their abode in New England and left posterity here, for about this time the English government began to lay impediments in the way of the settlement of New England, while they did nothing to hinder the colonization of Vir-



ginia. On the twenty-first of February, 1634, an order of the Privy Council was issued to detain ten vessels then lying in the Thames, with passengers, about to sail for New England. A similar order was issued March 30, 1633, for the detention of eight vessels then in the Thames, prepared to go for New England, and for putting on shore all the passengers who had that destination in view. Only a week later, the king gave order that no more passengers should leave for New England except for license specially had and obtained from the Privy Council. This, of course, put a stop to the emigration of all persons who were not disposed to acknowledge the Church of England to be the only true church, and to submit implicitly to the king's prerogative in all matters civil and religious.

We must therefore suppose that all the Richardsons of the first generation, in this country, who came to New England, came previously to 1633 or 1640.

We proceed with our notices of the first settlers.

Amos Richardson must have come to New England before 1640. We find him in Boston as early as 1645, but he was doubtless there several years before. He lived on what is now Washington Street, immediately north of what, within my remembrance, was called "South Row," near "the highway there leading to the 'Spring,'" or Spring Lane, and immediately north of what still remains the property of the Old South Church.\* Besides the house and garden he there possessed, he purchased, May 3, 1647, two acres of land in the vicinity of Fort Hill,† which he left to his children at his death, in 1683.

He married first, Sarah ———; second, Mary ———.

He is described as a "merchant tailor," and was a man of great respectability, of active enterprise, and of a good estate. After the departure of Stephen Winthrop—the governor's son—for England, in 1641, he was agent for him in New England, as he afterwards was for his brother John, the first governor of Connecticut, after the charter.‡ With Dean Winthrop, Dolor Davis, and others, he was one of the original grantees of Groton, Ct., though neither he, nor Winthrop, nor Davis ever went there to live.¶

\* Drake's Hist. of Boston, pp. 291, 344, 797.

† Ibid., pp. 792, 797.

‡ Savage's General Dict. Drake's Hist. of Boston, p. 336, note.

¶ Hist. of Groton, Ct.



He was made freeman 1665, and removed to Stonington, Ct., 1668, of which town he was representative 1676 and 1677.

He sometimes wrote his name *Richerson* and even *Richenson*, or rather it was so written for him.

He was one of the partners in the Atherton Company,\* so called, who in 1659 purchased of the Narragansett Indians a tract of land twelve miles in length on the west side of Narragansett Bay, in the present town of North Kingston, R. I. It had been intended to annex that territory to Connecticut; but when the superior diplomacy of John Clarke had obtained from the king and council in 1662, not only that strip of land but a tract twenty-five miles wide, and extending from the southern border of Massachusetts to the sea—a territory to which Rhode Island had no claim, and for which it had never asked—Mr. Richardson thought it time to remove out of the jurisdiction of that aspiring colony. He had already settled in Westerly, but now he removed across the Pawcatuck River into Stonington, Ct., where he died, Aug. 5, 1683. His wife, Mary, died a few weeks after.

Antipas Newman, of Wenham, sold him, Oct. 29, 1661, a neck of land in the "Pequitt Countrey"—the region embracing Norwich, Groton, and New London, Ct.—called Caulkins' Neck, bounded south by the sea. It also bordered on "Quandocke farm," already owned by Amos Richardson. [Suff. Deeds, iv. 9.]

1671, Nov. 12, Amos Richardson, of Stonington, in the colony of Connecticut, and Mary, his wife, make a deed of gift to their daughter, Katherine Anderson, of Charlestown, Mass., of land and a dwelling house on it, in Boston, also a tract of land in the Narragansett Country. [Suff. Deeds, xvi. 352.]

1673, Nov. 13. Amos Richardson, of Stonington, Ct., makes a deed of gift to his daughter Mary, and her husband, Jonathan Gatliffe, of Boston, mariner, of a house and land in Boston and a farm of 200 acres in Stonington. This property not to be sold, but to redeem him from slavery, if he should be taken captive, or to relieve his family in extreme distress. [Suff. Deeds, viii. 290.]

1679, Sept. 11. Amos Richardson, of Stonington, in the colony of Connecticut, yeoman, makes a deed of gift to his daughter Sarah, and her husband, Timothy Clarke, of Boston, mariner, of a tenement in Boston, bounded N. W. by the Broad Street lead-

\* The partners were seven: Gov. John Winthrop, Major Humphrey Atherton, of Dorchester, Richard Smith, senior, who had lived there since 1637, his son, Richard Smith, junior, William Hudson and Amos Richardson, both of Boston, and John Ticknor, of Nashaway, now Lancaster.—Palfrey's Hist., ii., 511.





ing to the south end of the town [now Washington Street], S. E. and S. W. by the land formerly Mr. John Norton's [minister of the First Church, 1656-1663] and now occupied by Mr. Samuel Willard [minister of the Old South Church, 1678-1707] [Suff. Deeds, xi. 225.]

This was the house and garden occupied by Mr. Richardson in Boston previously to his removal to Connecticut. It was on Washington Street, immediately north of the property which, in 1677, Mrs. Mary Norton, widow of Rev. John Norton, bequeathed to the Old South Church and still remains theirs.

The children of Amos Richardson, all born in Boston, were,

By first wife, Sarah:

Rev. John,<sup>2</sup> bap. Dec. 26, 1647; grad. H. C. 1666; was ordained pastor of the First church in Newbury, Mass.—now Dr. Withington's—Oct. 20, 1673; died April 27, 1696. See below.

Mary,<sup>2</sup> bap. —, 164—; m. June, 1663, Jonathan Gatliffe, of Braintree.  
Amos,<sup>2</sup> bap. Jan. 20, 1650.

By second wife, Mary:

Stephen,<sup>2</sup> born June 14, 1652. He was of Stonington, Ct., a man of note.  
Catharine,<sup>2</sup> b. Jan. 6, 1653; m. first, Sept. 12, 1672, David Anderson, of Charlestown; second, May 7, 1679, Capt. Richard Sprague.

Sarah,<sup>2</sup> b. July 19, 1657; m. Timothy Clarke, of Boston.

Samuel,<sup>2</sup> b. Feb. 18, 1659-60; m. Anna —, 1693. He was of Stonington, Ct.

Prudence,<sup>2</sup> b. Jan. 31, 1661-2; m. first, March 15, 1683, John Hallam; second, March 17, 1706, Elnathan Miner.

Notes on the above family. It was of great respectability and worth. Differences, for a quarter of a century, had existed between the Congregational and Presbyterian parties in Newbury. These differences were laid aside in 1673, and both parties joined in the choice of John Richardson to be their pastor. This took place April 16, 1673. He had an excellent reputation, and had been a Fellow of Harvard College. He united with the Newbury Church Dec. 6, 1674, and was ordained pastor, as above, Oct. 20, 1675. His salary was to be one hundred pounds a year; to be paid, one-half in merchantable barley, the other half in pork, wheat, butter, or indian corn. He preached the Artillery Election Sermon, June 10, 1675, and again in June, 1691; the latter, if not the former also, was printed.\*

Rev. John Richardson took the oath of allegiance to Charles II., 1673. I have given the date of his death as in Savage's General Dictionary and in Am. Quar. Reg. of the Education Soc.,

\* See Eccl. Hist. of Essex Co., p. 344.



vii. 252. In the contributions to the Eccl. Hist. of Essex Co., p. 344, which is better authority, the date is July 23, 1696.

The children of Rev. John Richardson were:

Sarah,<sup>s</sup> b. Sept. 9, 1674.  
 John,<sup>s</sup>  
 Mary,<sup>s</sup> b. July 22, 1677.  
 Elizabeth,<sup>s</sup> b. April 20, 1680.  
 Catharine,<sup>s</sup> b. Sept. 15, 1681.

We have no account of Amos Richardson, the son of Amos, except of his birth.

Stephen Richardson,<sup>s</sup> the next in age, born in Boston, June 14, 1652, was of Stonington, Ct., as the ensuing abstract shows.

1684, July 9. Steven Richardson and Samuel Richardson, of Stonington, in New England, Executors of the will of their mother, Mary Richardson, who was the relict, widow, and sole Executrix of the will of their father, Amos Richardson, late of Stonington, deceased. The said Amos Richardson, one of the Proprietors with Major Humphrey Atherton of the lands of Narragansett, in New England, in which the land, called by the English Boston Neck, lyeth, and by Indians, Namecock, having in the year 1675 sold to John Paine, some time of Boston, merchant, one-half of said Tract, but having given no deed of the same, the said Stephen Richardson and Samuel Richardson, Executors as aforesaid, now give a deed of the same, being 661 acres, to Asaph Eliot, of Boston, taylor, assignee of the estate of said John Paine. [Suff. Deeds, xvii. 284.]

1692-3, March, is the date of a deed from Samuel Richardson, of Stonington, and wife, Anna, of property in Boston.

David Anderson, of Charlestown, Mass., had by wife, Catharine, daughter of Amos Richardson, these children, born in Charlestown:

John (Anderson), b. July 14, 1675.  
 David (Anderson), b. May 16, 1677. Midd. Co. Records.

Amos Richardson probably had no descendants in the line of his son Rev. John. He doubtless had many descendants bearing other names than that of Richardson. Probably his sons Stephen and Samuel had male descendants, but they have never come to my knowledge.

Jonathan Richardson, of Stonington, Ct., married Lydia Gilbert, born Oct. 3, 1654, daughter of Jonathan Gilbert, of Hartford, Ct. Jonathan Richardson died before May 23, 1700; when Mary, widow of Jonathan Gilbert, made her will. He had heirs,



minors in 1700. He was probably of another family, as was Sarah Richardson, who became the wife of James Williams, at Hartford, Ct., Oct. 2, 1691.

Other Richardsons early settled in Connecticut.

It is well known that the first permanent settlement of that colony was by people from Watertown, Roxbury, Dorchester, and Newtown, now called Cambridge, but especially from Watertown. One of the number from Watertown was doubtless George Richardson, of whom it becomes necessary to give a brief account.

George Richardson, at the age of thirty, embarked at London, in the ship Susan and Ellen, April, 1635. He must have come to Watertown that year, for he had a grant of twenty-five acres in the First Great Dividend in that town, in 1636.\* This grant was in the present town of Lincoln, or else in the south-eastern part of Concord; one-half of Lincoln and a sixth part of Concord being at that time included in Watertown. He also bought a twelve acre lot which had been granted to Elder Richard Brown, who had settled in Watertown in 1630, and was the first ruling elder in that church. A farm of 39 acres was also granted to him by the town in May, 1642. Many similar grants—92 farms in all—were made by the town at the same time.

It is mentioned that he had a family of three. It is probable, if not certain, that he lived on the twelve acre lot, a homestall which he purchased of Elder Brown soon after his arrival. It was on or near what is now Mount Auburn Street, and near the present line of Cambridge. This homestall he sold to John Train, who, with wife Margaret, came over in the same vessel with him, then aged 25. This transfer took place about the year 1643, after which we hear no more of George Richardson in Watertown.

A degree of dissatisfaction had existed in Watertown for a year or two previous to 1635. The people began to hear glowing accounts of the superior fertility of the Connecticut valley, and were casting longing eyes in that direction. In September, 1633,

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\*The first grants of land made to the settlers in Watertown were small, varying in extent from one acre to sixteen. These were afterwards known as the "Small Lots." Elder Brown's lot of twelve acres was for the time a large lot. In 1636, a division was made of a portion of the land lying in the north and north-west part of the original township, bordering on what are now Lexington and Arlington; both of these towns were parts of the original Cambridge. This land was parted off by straight lines into four divisions, each division being 160 rods in breadth; they were 120 in number. These divisions were called "The Great Dividends." They were sub-divided into smaller portions of from 25 to 50 acres each, and then granted to individuals. [Boud's Watertown.]



Rev. Messrs. Thomas Hooker and Samuel Stone arrived from Essex, in Old England, and were immediately settled in Newtown, now Cambridge. They soon partook of the desire which began to be felt in that town, Watertown, and Dorchester, for a removal to Connecticut. In the summer and autumn of 1635, a party from Dorchester removed to Windsor, and a small party from Watertown established themselves at what is now Wethersfield.

On the last day of May, 1636, Mr. Hooker and most of his congregation at Newtown began their long and toilsome journey to Connecticut. They were in number about one hundred, men, women, and children. They travelled on foot, driving about one hundred and sixty cattle, and were in part sustained by their milk. There were no roads or bridges. They were guided by a compass one hundred miles through a pathless wilderness, infested by wild and ferocious beasts. They were nearly a fortnight on the way. Mrs. Hooker, the pastor's wife, by reason of illness, was conveyed in a litter. Swamps, forests, and swift rivers were on the way. At length they reached their destination, which, the following year, they named Hartford, in honor of the birth-place of Mr. Stone, the colleague of Mr. Hooker.

In 1640, the people of Hartford commenced the settlement of Farmington, a town immediately joining it on the west, and the first settlement made in Connecticut which did not bound on navigable water. From this time to 1673, with the exception of the towns on the Sound, and half a dozen small settlements made at Norwich, Derby, and three or four other places, Connecticut was a wilderness, inhabited only by savages.

There is considerable probability that Watertown and Waterbury, towns in Connecticut, derive their origin, at least in part, from Watertown in Massachusetts. Dr. Henry Bronson, who has given us an interesting history of Waterbury, states that sundry of the inhabitants of Farmington, which, as we have seen, was settled from Hartford, impressed with what they had heard or seen of the beautiful intervals on the Naugatuck River, a few miles west of that place, were, about 1670, strongly disposed to remove thither. In order to this, it was necessary to obtain leave from the General Court. Accordingly, in October, 1673, twenty-six of the inhabitants of Farmington presented a petition to that body, then sitting at Hartford, stating their desire, and asking liberty to make that settlement. Liberty was accordingly granted, and in June, 1674, thirty individuals put their names to "Articles of Association and Agreement," with a view to a re-





moval to Mattatuck, the place had in view. Among the names signed to this instrument we find that of THOMAS RICHARDSON.

Some delay arose, occasioned in part by "Philip's War." In the summer of 1673, a few log-houses were built, in the rudest style, and the cultivation of the land was begun. The place, Mattatuck, was in May, 1686, incorporated as the town of Waterbury.

Dr. Bronson says that Thomas Richardson "was an early but not a first settler of Farmington." As he was a young man when he came to Waterbury—his first child having been born in 1667—the probability is that he was himself born in Farmington, and that his father was George Richardson, who came from England, 1635, and lived in Watertown, Mass., till 1643, and then left for parts unknown. Nothing is more likely than that he, encouraged by the success which followed the emigration under Hooker and Stone, in 1636, bent his steps in the same direction a few years after, and finding the best lots in Hartford occupied, settled in Farmington, in 1644. This, at the best, is mere conjecture, but there is much to encourage and sustain it. Until I know better, I shall presume the Connecticut Richardsons, at least those of Waterbury, Middlebury, Woodbury, and the towns in that vicinity, to be descendants of George Richardson.

JOHN RICHARDSON was at Watertown in 1636, and perhaps in 1635. Not improbably, he was brother of George Richardson, of whom we have just spoken. Feb. 23, 1636-7, he and "all the townsmen then inhabiting" had each a grant of one acre in the Beaver Brook Plowlands, "bounded on the Great Dividend Lots on the north side and Charles River on the South." This, I believe, was all the land he possessed in Watertown. It forbids the idea of his remaining there, and so we find him no more in that place. We find him, or another of the same name, in Exeter, in 1642, as a witness to a deed, and probably shall not err if we set him down as the ancestor of that large and eminently respectable family of Richardsons, who, from 1679, spread themselves out through Medfield, Medway, Wrentham, Franklin, Leominster, Barre, and many other towns. His numerous posterity will find place in this volume subsequently.

We find EDWARD RICHARDSON in Newbury, at the outlet of Merrimack River, as early as 1647. It is possible, though not certain, that he was there some years before.

WILLIAM RICHARDSON, of Newbury, was probably his brother. Being younger in years, we first find a notice of him in 1654. Notices of their descendants will appear later in the volume.



1644, Sept. 27. George Hawkins, of Boston, shipwright, by virtue of a power of attorney from George Richardson, of Wapping, mariner, bearing date May 1, 1641, sold to William Dodd two hundred acres of land within the bounds of Salem, near Bass River, lately in possession of Peter Palfrey, for forty pounds. Extracted from the records of Salem by Emmanuel Downinge. [Suff. Deeds, i. 74.]

The land here referred to was in Beverly. Peter Palfrey is a name of note in the early annals of Salem. He was there at the first settlement of the place, with Roger Conant and two or three others, in 1626. In 1653, he removed to Reading, where he died, Sept. 15, 1663. Emanuel Downing married Lucy, a sister of Gov. John Winthrop. He was a member of the Massachusetts Company, and had a farm in Salem, but I think he did not come to America. Who "George Richardson of Wapping" was, we are not informed. If he came to New England he did not stay long. There appears to have been some connection with Mr. Downing.

RICHARD RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> was of Boston, 1649, and probably some years previous. Feb. 26, 1649, and April 19, 1649, according to Drake [Hist. of Boston, p. 318, *note*], the town voted "that Richard Richardson and seven others of Boston may make a highway from their houses over the marsh to the bridge and over Mr. [Valentine] Hill's ground, at their own charge," which was £8 16s., and to be free from highway charges nine years. Mr. Richardson and the other seven lived near "The Cove," sometimes called "The Dock," which was filled up within the writer's remembrance, perhaps forty-five years ago; it was where the Quincy Market now stands. The ground was low and marshy, hence in the vote just quoted it is called "The Marsh." The "Mill Creek," also filled up forty to fifty years ago, was near by; Blackstone Street now occupies the space. The bridge referred to in the vote was over this creek. The writer has passed over it perhaps thousands of times in his childhood. Mr. Hill had a house and garden close by the meeting-house—there was but *one* meeting-house at that time—and it stood on the north side of what is now State Street, a few rods from Washington Street.

At the same time, 1649, he was one of thirty-seven owners of Long Island, in Boston Harbor. [Drake's Hist. of Boston, p. 318, *note*.] All these facts seem to indicate that he had been an inhabitant of Boston some years, though his name does not occur in "The Book of Possessions," compiled 1634.



His wife was JOHANNA —. They were probably married before leaving England, that is, not far from 1685.

1672, July 15. Richard Richardson, of Boston, laborer, and Johanna his wife sell to Richard Wharton seven acres on Long Island. [Suff. Deeds, viii. 42.]

Richard Wharton was in 1666 a respectable citizen of Boston. He favored the royal prerogative in 1680 and onward; took part with Edward Randolph in his proceedings. After the abrogation of the charter, in 1684, he was made one of the royal councillors.

The will of Richard Richardson, of Boston, is dated Oct. 18, 1677; it was proved Nov. 2, 1677. He must have died in the interval. In the will he gives to his son-in-law, Timothy Armitage, and Johanna my daughter, his wife, all my housing and land in Boston, during their natural life, and after the decease of said Johanna to Timothy and Johanna, their children. He gives to John Franklin five pounds; to Benjamin Franklin Tenn pounds. [Suff. Prob., vi. 211.]

The two Franklins mentioned in this will were probably not relatives—certainly not near relatives—of the great American statesman. William Franklin was a blacksmith in 1643; he was chosen constable that year; was admitted townsman that year. In 1645, he was appointed, with Thomas Marshall and two others, to hire eight men for the garrison at the castle. He lived near the draw-bridge and mill-creek, of which notice has been taken. He was a neighbor of Richard Richardson, and the two men of the name mentioned in the will were doubtless his sons.

Johanna Richardson, the daughter so generously remembered in the will, was born in Boston, Feb. 25, 1657-8.

But there seems to have been a son, older than Johanna, not mentioned in the will, for some reason which does not appear.

RICHARD RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> was of Lynn in June, 1665. I presume him to be the son of the former Richard Richardson, without any positive proof of the fact. It may have been otherwise, but the probability lies in that direction.

He must have been born about 1640. He was married to AMY GRAVES, of Lynn, June 20, 1665, and had children as follows:

+Richard,<sup>3</sup> b. about 1667; m. first, Hannah Williams, of Boston, July 8, 1703; second, Elizabeth Johnson, of Boston.

+John,<sup>3</sup> b. April, 1670; m. Margaret Woodmansey, of Boston, June, 1699.

+Francis,<sup>3</sup> b. about 1672; m. Susanna —.

+Thomas,<sup>3</sup> b. April 15, 1674.

Ebenezer,<sup>3</sup> b. 1676?

Mary,<sup>3</sup> b. 1678?



Richard Richardson, of Lynn, died in 1681, and his widow, Amy Richardson, was appointed administratrix of his estate, 28: 4, 1681; that is, July 28, 1681. On the same day, in a court held in Salem, she made oath to an inventory taken by Robert Rand and William Bassett, amount £77 8s. 8d., the real estate consisting of one house and the land adjoining, valued at £40.

On the same paper is the following, still on file :

"This Court disposeth of this estate as followeth, viz. : To the eldest son, Richard Richardson, 6<sup>th</sup>, and to John and Francis and Thomas and Ebenezer and Mary, to each of them 3<sup>th</sup>, to be paid when they come of age, or at marriage; and the widow to have the rest of the estate for her own support and bringing up the children."

Of these children we will now speak in their order.

RICHARD RICHARDSON,<sup>3</sup> the eldest, born about 1667, was the husband of ELIZABETH JOHNSON. This appears from a deed dated April 30, 1703, signed by Samuel Johnson, of the county of Devon, mariner, Edward Johnson, mariner, Jonathan Johnson, chairmaker, and Richard Richardson, of Lynn, and Elizabeth, wife of Richard, the only surviving child of Samuel and Phebe Johnson, of Boston. [Suff. Deeds.]

In a deed dated July 9, 1713, Richard Richardson, of Lynn, shipwright, and Elizabeth his wife, a relative of Hannah Handley, sell land in Boston. In a deed dated 1718, Richard Richardson and wife Elizabeth, of Falmouth, Me., formerly of Lynn, dispose of land in Lynn.

It appears from the deed last quoted that this man, about the year 1718, sold his property in Lynn and removed to what is now the city of Portland, Me., then a part of the town of Falmouth. The town of Falmouth, as their records show, made him a grant at a town meeting, May 4, 1720, of nine rods of land NW. by N., running to the Back Cove. The town also, May 9, 1721, granted him a lot of land containing thirty acres, which is particularly described, running easterly on the Fore River, thirty rods to a birch tree, leaving a highway on the river bank, etc. [Town Record, also York Co. Deeds, xiii. 91.]

He, of Falmouth, also bought of Isaac Hoar one-half of one hundred acres of land in Casco Bay, Dec. 14, 1721. [York Co. Deeds, x. 228.]

But it seems that for some reason Falmouth [or Portland] did not suit him, and so February, 1723, we find him and his wife Elizabeth firmly settled in Boston; and so in 1730. [Suff. Deeds.]





1721, Sept. 27. Richard Richardson, of Falmouth, Co. of York, shipwright, and Elizabeth his wife sell to Benjamin Ingersol, of Gloucester, Co. of Essex, house-carpenter, the house, barn, and lot, where said Richardson now dwells, in Falmouth. [York Co. Deeds, x. 209.]

JOHN RICHARDSON,<sup>3</sup> brother of the preceding, and second son of Richard and Amy (Graves) Richardson, of Lynn; born there, April, 1670; married, June 22, 1699, MARGARET WOODMANSEY, of Boston, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Carr) Woodmansey, a prosperous merchant in Boston from 1652 till his death in 1684. The wife of John Woodmansey, whom he married May 1, 1662, was the daughter of George Carr, of Salisbury. After his death, the widow Elizabeth became the wife of George Monk, of Boston, who kept a famous tavern in those days. She was again a widow in 1711.

John Richardson is described as a "mariner"; in all probability he was a shipmaster. After his marriage, he bought, August 15, 1700, of Jonathan Corwin, of Salem, and Sampson Sheafe, late of Boston, now of Newcastle, N. H., the front half of the house which had formerly belonged to John Woodmansey, and was now—August, 1700—occupied by the said John Richardson. This house was situated near the Common or Training Field in Boston. It had been taken by execution, in 1697, from Woodmansey's heirs. This property he found himself obliged to sell, Oct. 30, 1706, for sixty pounds, current silver money of New England, to James Bowdoin, of Boston, mariner.

His will is dated Feb. 12, 1708-9; proved April 6, 1709. He had no real estate to bequeath, but gave to each of his three children fifty pounds, on their arriving at the age of twenty-one years, or being married. [Suff. Prob., xvi. 540.]

#### Children:

John.<sup>4</sup>

Woodmansey.<sup>4</sup>

Elizabeth.<sup>4</sup> She, a "spinster," in her will, dated June 4, 1744, mentions her mother, Margaret Claxton.

Their mother married Salmagrace Claxton, Jan. 20, 1714. He was a stranger in Boston and died before 1721.

FRANCIS RICHARDSON,<sup>2</sup> brother of the preceding, and third son of Richard<sup>2</sup> and Amy (Graves) Richardson, of Lynn; born there about 1672; married SUSANNA ———.

He settled in Marblehead. We know next to nothing about



him. He died intestate, 1727. His widow Susanna and son John were appointed administrators. [Essex Prob. Records, xvii. 22.]

The inventory is dated Feb. 9, 1727; doubtless 1727-8. The first account of administration was rendered Jan. 2, 1729-30. A division of the estate was made December, 1733, to the persons following:

The widow Susanna, who receives one-third. She died previous to March 24, 1755.

Mary, then the wife of William Homan.

Elizabeth, who, it appears, was born in 1712, or about that time, a guardian, Richard Reith, having been appointed over her January, 1729-30, when she was eighteen. She is now, 1733, the wife of John Grandy.

John, the eldest son, now receives two shares.

William. See below.

Anna, wife of Ambrose Haskell.

John, the eldest son, died previous to Feb. 7, 1745, leaving widow, Margaret, and minor sons, Richard and Thomas. Thomas, just mentioned, grew to man's estate; was of Marblehead; a fisherman; had a wife, Elizabeth, who after his decease was appointed administratrix, March 6, 1775.

William Richardson, the other son of Francis Richardson, was also of Marblehead. He died intestate, and his widow, Mary Richardson, was appointed administratrix, Dec. 28, 1744. Their children were Anna and William. [Essex Prob. Records.]

THOMAS RICHARDSON,<sup>2</sup> brother of the preceding, and fourth son of Richard<sup>2</sup> and Amy (Graves) Richardson, of Lynn; born there, April 13, 1674; married ———.

He was a merchant in Boston till about 1712, then removed to Newport, R. I., where he died, in 1724, aged 50.

He was a Quaker, as the following documents will show:

1709, April 28. William Mumford, of Boston, stone-cutter, and Ruth, his wife, for 80 pounds, 10 shillings, current money of New England, convey to Samuel Collins, of Lynn, gunsmith, and Thomas Richardson, of Boston, merchant, all that piece or parcel of land lately purchased of Elisha Cooke, Esq., in Boston, near Governor's Dock, so called, bounded east by Leverett's Lane, there measuring in front 35 feet; south by the said Mumford's part, 146 feet, &c. [Suff. Deeds, xxv. 34.]

Leverett's Lane was so called from 1703 till 1738, when it received the name of Congress Street. It extended from State to Water Street. It was often called Quaker Lane, from the Friends' meeting-house on it.



1713, June 29. William Mumford, of Boston, and Ruth, his wife, for fifty pounds, sell to Thomas Richardson, late of Boston, now of Rhode Island, merchant, and Samuel Collins, of Lynn, blacksmith, a parcel of land on Leverett Lane, in Boston, near the Quaker meeting-house. [Suff. Deeds, xxvii. 170.]

Mumford, Collins, and Thomas Richardson were Quakers. The Quaker meeting-house was of brick, thirty by twenty-five feet, built in the year 1709, and probably on the land transferred as above by Mumford to Collins and Richardson. It was burned in the great fire of 1760, but soon after repaired. It stood till 1825, when it was demolished, having been unoccupied nearly twenty years. [Drake's Hist. of Boston, p. 505.]

Thomas Richardson continuing to own property in Boston, and dying in 1724, administration on his estate was granted June 2, 1724.

Of Ebenezer, the fifth son of Richard and Amy (Graves) Richardson, the compiler knows nothing.

Some fragmentary material relating to the early times remains to be here preserved.

John Marrett and Abigail Richardson were married at Cambridge, 20th of 4th month, 1654.

Thomas Richardson arrived in the Speedwell, 1656.

Mary Richardson married William Hamilton in Boston, Aug. 7, 1654.

Martha Richardson died in Charlestown, Nov. 9, 1677.

Paul Richardson, of London, owned land in Boston, 1644.

John Richardson came from England to Nantucket in June, 1701; the founder and leader of the Quakers on that island. His life was published.

Richard Richardson and Hannah Williams were married July 8, 1708.

Richard Richardson and Sarah Balch were married March 3, 1711-12.

1682, Sept. 13. John Richardson, of the city of Bristol, merchant, gives to Adam Winthrop, of Boston, in New England, merchant, a power of attorney to receive money due to him in Boston. [Suff. Deeds, xv. 57.]

This John Richardson was a son of John and Sarah (Breedon) Richardson. Sarah Breedon I suppose to be a daughter of Capt. Thomas Breedon, a resident and trader in Boston, who had from the town a grant, in 1662, of a place to build a wharf. For some representations made by him in England, unfavorable to the colo-



ny, he was put in prison in 1662, and sentenced to pay a fine of two hundred pounds, which was afterwards remitted. He favored the king's commissioners when they visited Boston, in 1665. Sarah Breedon, being left a widow, married Col. Samuel Shrimpton, of Boston, an eminent citizen of that place, who died of apoplexy, Feb. 9, 1697-8. She had a niece, Elizabeth Richardson, who, on the solicitation of Col. and Mrs. Shrimpton, came to this country and married Col. Shrimpton's son Samuel, May 7, 1696; a son probably by a former wife.

Col. Shrimpton, and his widow after him, lived on King Street—now State Street—on the corner of what is now Exchange Street, then known as Shrimpton's Lane. Capt. Thomas Savage occupied the corresponding corner in Dock Square, then called Savage's Corner.

Colonel Shrimpton, in 1670, bought of Sir Thomas Temple the whole of Noddle's Island—now East Boston—estimated to contain one thousand acres. From him it descended to the Greenough, Hyslop, and Sumner Families, one of whom, General William Hyslop Sumner, son of Gov. Increase Sumner, having purchased the shares of the other heirs in 1831, projected the settlement of it as a part of the city of Boston.

We now come to another John Richardson, evidently a stranger. His will was dated May 7, 1688; proved June 27, 1688. "I give and bequeath unto James Guthrie all that I have in the world, except twenty shillings to buy Mr. Peter Harris a Ring and ten shillings to buy John Kyte a Ring." Witnesses, Jonathan Raynsford, John Ramsay. [Suff. Prob., vi. 416.]

William Richardson's will is dated Oct. 16, 1688; proved Nov. 20, 1688. "My will is that Mr. Nathan Greene, in whose house I have for these sixteen months last past boarded, be fully satisfied and paid for my diet and board, for which I have not yet paid anything. Also, my will is, that if after my decease what I have or may have from England or elsewhere be not sufficient to satisfy and pay Mr. Greene, that then Mr. James Bennet, of Southampton, England, whom I there left as my attorney to receive certain rents or debts for me, do discharge what may be due to Mr. Greene." [Suff. Prob., vi. 449.]

Will of Francis Richardson, of the city of New York, merchant, dated July 7, 1688; proved there, July 17, 1688: Wife, Rebecca, has my four hundred acre lot in the township of Chiltenham, in Pensilvania. My three children Francis, Rebecca, and John, ——. [Suff. Deeds, x. 421.]





He mentions his "friend, William Richardson."

JEFFREY RICHARDSON was born in Yorkshire, England, in the year 1698. He married, 1731, ANN KIRKLAND, born 1712. The first mention of him in Boston is in 1730. His occupation does not appear. He lived some years in Pond Lane, now Bedford Street. At the time of his death he lived with his daughter, Mrs. Mary Scott, in Winter Street. He died Sept. 29, 1775; his wife, Ann, died Jan. 5, 1780, of a cancer. Their children were:

Elizabeth, b. ———; d. in infancy.

Ann, b. Feb. 11, 1733; m. first, Capt. George Hetherington, 1752. He died, not long after, at sea, being wrecked off Martha's Vineyard. Second, John Soren, October, 1764. He was a baker on Marlborough Street, now a part of Washington Street, Boston. He died 1774; the wife died Jan. 21, 1813. They were parents of John Soren, b. Oct. 24, 1770, who m. Oct. 12, 1794, Sarah Johnston, daughter of John Johnston. John Soren, the younger, died May 28, 1817; his wife, Sarah, died Nov. 2, 1841, aged 85. Children:

Sarah (Soren), b. Nov. 3, 1795; m. Jeremiah Stimson, July 12, 1816.

Mary Ann (Soren), b. April 23, 1798; m. Thos. W. Haskins, April 11, 1823.

Martha Maria (Soren), b. Nov. 14, 1799; m. John B. Hartford, June, 1832.

Helen (Soren), b. Sept. 3, 1801; never married.

John Johnston (Soren), b. Oct. 18, 1803; m. Fanny Wales, June 3, 1828. For many years cashier of the Boylston bank, Boston.

George Stimson (Soren), b. ———; m. Mrs. — Merriam.

Mary Ann and Martha were born in London during a visit made there by their parents. They went out in 1766; returned 1802.

Mary, b. March 13, 1730; m. July 14, 1760, Capt. James Scott, from London. He died 1780. She died June 13, 1808. He was many years commander of the packet ship *Minerva*. They lived in Winter Street, Boston, near Winter Place, till after her father's death, when they removed to Woburn. This was early in the Revolutionary war. After the war they returned to Boston. Their daughter Sally (Scott) m. Cornelius Cannon, 1812; their daughter Mary (Scott) m. Cornelius Cannon, 1827.

Jacob, b. Dec. 22, 1738; m. Abigail Hammond. He was a bookseller in Newport, R. I. He died October, 1818.

Thomas, b. Feb. 23, 1730-40; m. 1763, Mary Webb, daughter of Thomas Webb, of Boston. He served his time as a tailor with Thomas Symmes, tailor, on Devonshire Street. His marriage took place at Mr. Symmes' house, on Tremont Street. He was by trade a tailor. He died Aug. 10, 1790. She died of consumption April 27, 1782, aged 40. They had a son, Thomas, b. March 17, 1770; d. unm. 1810; a rope-maker.

Jeffrey, b. Feb. 22, 1743-4; m. first, Hannah Webb, sister of his brother Thomas' wife, March 31, 1766. She died March 4, 1787. Second, Rebecca Brackett, daughter of James Brackett, of Quincy, Oct. 22, 1783.



He died Oct. 26, 1803. She died Dec. 3, 1843, aged 80. They had six children, three of whom, James, Sally Brackett, and Ebenezer, died in early childhood. The others were:

Jeffrey, b. Oct. 9, 1789; m. first, Sept. 16, 1828, Sally Brackett, daughter of Lamuel and Sally Brackett, of Quincy. She died Dec. 2, 1837. Second, June 27, 1839, her sister, Julia Lambert Brackett. James Brackett, b. Sept. 25, 1793; m. Hannah Fiske, daughter of Samuel Fiske, of Boston, Jan. 26, 1813. They lived together fifty-six years. She died November, 1874. He died July 30, 1873, of paralysis.

Benjamin Parker, b. April 23, 1802; m. Nov. 23, 1828, Rebecca Bridge, daughter of John Bridge, of Littleton, Mass.

Since 1826, these three brothers have carried on the iron business together, and very extensively, under the firm of J. Richardson & Brothers, No. 2 Central Wharf, Boston.

Jeffrey Richardson, born 1743-4, and husband of Hannah Webb, commenced business for himself in 1766, near Mr. John Gray's ropewalk, on Atkinson Street, Boston. It was in the immediate vicinity of this ropewalk that the severe affray took place, March 3, 1770, between the ropemakers and a party of British soldiers.

The affray was, without doubt, witnessed by Mr. Richardson, who was at work near by. It took place two days before the fatal and memorable tragedy, so long known as the "Boston Massacre." For some reasons, greatly exasperated feeling existed between the British soldiers and the people of Boston, among whom the ropemakers, principally young men, stood foremost. A notice of the affray may be seen in Drake's Hist. of Boston, pp. 777, 778. Let it suffice to say, the soldiers got the worst of it. Mr. Richardson was himself a ropemaker, and had been an apprentice to Mr. Gray.

The business of making ropes was introduced into Boston about 1641. It was extensively carried on and very profitable. At one time there were fourteen extensive ropewalks in operation. In 1794, the business received a severe check. July 30, 1794, a fire broke out in Mr. Howe's ropewalk, which spread to the neighboring ropewalks and other buildings and consumed seven ropewalks at one time. Not only so, it destroyed everything included between Federal Street, Milk Street, and the water. It swept through Atkinson Street, High Street, Pearl Street, Oliver Street, Purchase Street, laying waste all that came in its way. Mr. Richardson's ropewalk, dwelling-house, brick store, everything, was wholly consumed; ninety-six buildings were destroyed. The loss and damage by the fire was estimated at \$210,000.



The town voted that the ropewalks should not be rebuilt on their former site, and gave the six owners a piece of marsh land and flats at the bottom of the common, where they were soon after rebuilt. There they stood at my earliest recollection and many years after. Mr. Richardson, in 1804, sold his ropewalk to Isaac P. Davis, who already had a ropewalk on Pleasant Street, near by.

Jeffrey Richardson, born 1789, and husband of Sally Brackett, commenced business as an iron merchant, Dec. 1, 1811, on the east corner of Kilby and Central Streets, Boston. He removed, June 1, 1812, to the corner of India and Milk Streets. In 1815, after the second war with Great Britain, he became one of fifty men to build Central Wharf. This wharf and stores on it being happily completed in 1817, he had the first choice of a store.\* He chose store No. 2, and with his brother James took possession of that exceedingly desirable location, continuing the iron business till the present time. As already mentioned, their younger brother, Benjamin P., became a member of the firm in 1826. This country affords few such examples of stability and permanence. It is the oldest iron firm in New England. Jeffrey Richardson, junior, son of the husband of Sally Brackett, furnished the materials for this sketch of that family.

REV. WILLIAM RICHARDSON was a Presbyterian clergyman, who, in the year 1768, resided in the Waxhaw settlement, on the Catawba River, in the present State of South Carolina. Whether born in this country, or otherwise, is not known to the compiler. He married a lady named Davie, the sister of Archibald Davie, who came from the village of Egremont, near Whitehaven, a seaport on the Irish Sea, in the county of Cumberland, England. Mr. Richardson had no children of his own, and therefore adopted his wife's brother's son, named for himself, William Richardson Davie, who thus became heir to his large estate. He was born at said Egremont, June 29, 1756.

Young Davie was a regular and successful student at Nassau Hall College, Princeton, N. J., where he graduated with honor in the autumn of 1776. Having chosen the profession of law, he began his legal studies in Salisbury, N. C. But in December, 1777, he left his books for a while to engage in the military ser-

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\* At an auction held for the purpose, the highest bidder for a store had the first choice; the next highest bidder had the second choice, and so on. Mr. Richardson, being the highest bidder, had the first choice, and chose store No. 2, as stated in the text.



vice of his country. Commissioned as lieutenant of dragoons, he soon rose to the rank of major, and was in Pulaski's legion. He was in the army of Lincoln, engaged in the defence of Charleston; was in the battle of Stono Ferry, near that city, June 20, 1779, where he was badly wounded, and in several other severe actions. He was hastening to join the army of Gates, when that army received a total defeat at Camden, Aug. 16, 1780. While the American forces were mostly driven from the field, Davie, now a colonel, continued to harass the enemy to the utmost, and not without success.

The patriot army being in great straits for want of provisions, Colonel Davie was appointed commissary-general of North Carolina, and in that capacity rendered very efficient service, though compelled at times to pledge his own credit for the needed supplies.

At length the war was over, and in 1783 he resumed the practice of his profession. He became eminent for his oratorical talents and successful as an advocate. He was a member of the convention which met at Philadelphia in May, 1787, to form a constitution for the United States. In January, 1794, he was commissioned as major general of the militia of North Carolina. During the political agitations which arose from the critical state of our affairs with France, in 1794 and after, he sided with the administration of Washington and was a decided federalist. In December, 1798, he was chosen governor of North Carolina. He continued in this office only till September, 1799, when he resigned it to be minister to France, along with William Vans Murray, Oliver Ellsworth, and Patrick Henry. The envoys embarked Nov. 3, 1799; reached Lisbon Nov. 27, and Paris March 2, 1800. After some delay, caused by the unfriendly temper of the French government, a treaty was signed Sept. 30, 1800.

The absence of Mr. Davie from the State during those exciting times was fatal to the ascendancy of the federal party in North Carolina, and some have not hesitated to say that it cost President Adams his re-election. He withdrew from politics in 1805, and died in December, 1820, aged 64.





## THE RICHARDSON MEMORIAL.

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We come now to the principal subject of this volume, the posterity of the three brothers, Ezekiel, Samuel, and Thomas Richardson, who, with four others, laid the foundations of Woburn, in 1641.

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### POSTERITY OF EZEKIEL RICHARDSON.

#### *First Generation.*

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THE principal early emigration from Old to New England took place in 1630. It had long been contemplated, and ample preparation had been made. It took place in fulfilment of one general plan, under the auspices of the Massachusetts Company, an organization formed in England in March, 1628, having a royal patent, granting them all the land between the Atlantic and the Pacific Oceans, and in width from a line running west three miles north of Merrimack River to a line running west three miles south of Charles River.

To take possession of this extensive territory a party of fifty or sixty persons, under John Endicott, was sent out to Salem the following June, and another party of two hundred, under Francis Higginson, the year after. In the year 1630, seventeen ships in all, but not all together, brought at least one thousand passengers from England, as estimated by Palfrey in his History of New England, though commonly reckoned at fifteen hundred. Of these ships the Lion left Bristol in February, bringing people from the west of England; the Mary and John sailed from Plymouth March 20th, and arrived May 30th, bringing passengers from Devonshire, Dorsetshire, and Somersetshire. Four ships, the Arbella, Jewel, Ambrose, and Talbot, left the Isle of Wight together, on the 8th of April, having on board Winthrop, Dudley, Isaac Johnson, his wife the lady Arbella, Increase Nowell, William Pynchon, and other principal persons; seven ships, the May-



flower, Whale, Hopewell, and others, sailed from Southampton in May, and four others followed not long after.

In one of these ships Ezekiel Richardson came to New England; in which of them cannot now be determined. Nor can we certainly tell from what part of England he came. But as nearly all these vessels came from the south of England, there is much reason to suppose that he came from the south or southeast of that country. Mr. Felt, in his *Eccl. Hist. of New England*, i. 137, says: "The large accession of emigrants who came in the fleet with Winthrop were chiefly from London and the west of England." It is known that many came from London and vicinity. If by the west of England he means Hampshire, Dorset, Devon, and Somerset, this is doubtless true. Several of the early settlers of Woburn came from Kent, as, Capt. Edward Johnson, with whom the Richardsons must have been intimate; Isaac Cole was from Sandwich in that county; it is thought that the Kendalls also came from that county; the Gardners were from Surrey; Locke was from London; John Tidd was from Yarmouth, in the Isle of Wight; Thomas Graves was from Stepney, near London; the Pierce family from Norwich, in Norfolk. Why may not the Richardsons have come from Norfolk, where the name had existed many years previous? That family also existed in Sussex, Surrey, and in other southern counties. Henry Baldwin, the husband of Ezekiel Richardson's eldest daughter, came from Devonshire. In looking over the early Suffolk Probate Records, I have found Richardsons who came from the south of England.

Rev. William Hubbard, in his *Hist. of N. England*, p. 133, says of the passengers in Winthrop's fleet, 1630: "Some were from the west of England, but the greater number came from about London, though Southampton was the rendezvous where they took ship." Winthrop, in his journal, has a memorandum or list of persons who had given encouragement that they would accompany him to New England. One of these was "Richardson."

By the sixth of July, 1630, eleven of the ships of Winthrop's fleet had arrived, besides the *Lion*, *Mary* and *John*, which left England before the *Arbella* and her consorts; and we are safe in saying that by this sixth of July Ezekiel Richardson was in New England. If I mistake not, this makes him the earliest colonist of that name in New England. He and his wife Susanna became members of the church gathered in Charlestown, Aug. 27, 1630, which afterwards became the First Church in Boston; and both were dismissed from it, with thirty-three others, Oct. 14, 1632, to form the present First Church in Charlestown, which was gathered on the second day of November following. He was admitted a freeman of the colony, May 18, 1631, which was in consequence of his church membership.\*

\*The people who settled Massachusetts and Connecticut were of a much higher character than those who settled Virginia and the Southern States. For proof of this assertion, see "Poplin and Gorges," by J. Wingate Thornton, *Felt's Eccl. Hist. of N. England*, Palfrey's *Hist. of N. England*, and the *Historics* generally.



Soon after his arrival in this country, he and his wife took up their abode in Charlestown, and must have shared in the hardships and privations endured by the early settlers. They lived in a log-house, hastily and rudely constructed, the interstices filled with mud, and utterly insufficient for their protection against the rude blasts of winter. All around was a dense forest, or a dreary waste, infested with wolves and other ferocious animals. They probably lived in constant fear and alarm. During the first two years, the colonists suffered greatly from famine. Shell-fish, clams, lobsters, etc., had to serve for meat; ground-nuts and acorns for bread. The relief expected from England did not come; bread-stuffs were scarce and dear there, and the colonists had no money to buy with. The salaries of their ministers were paid in pork, barley, and other articles of food, of which the people had not sufficient for themselves. The harvest of the year after their arrival was scanty, by reason of cold and wet weather through the summer. But these sufferings were patiently borne.

Ezekiel Richardson was a man of great respectability and worth. His name often occurs on the Charlestown records. He was, in 1633, appointed by the General Court a constable, then an office of much responsibility. In the following years, he was appointed by the town on several important committees. He was one of the first board of selectmen in Charlestown, chosen Feb. 10, 1634-5; also in 1637, 1638, 1639. He was a deputy or representative of that town in the General Court, chosen Sept. 2, 1634, and also the following year, 1635. In 1637, a lot of land was granted to him on "Misticke Side," or Malden; also to each of his brothers, of whom more in the sequel.

He was a follower of Ann Hutchinson and John Wheelwright in the Antinomian Controversy of 1637, as were most of the members of the Boston church, and was one of the eighty or more persons who signed the Remonstrance in Mr. Wheelwright's favor, presented to the General Court on the ninth of March in that year.\* At the session of the General Court held in November following, he and several others desired that their names might be erased from that paper, which the Court had judged to be of seditious tendency. Thus acknowledging his fault, he was exempted from the censure inflicted by the Court; in other words, he was not disarmed, as were nearly all of the Remonstrants. It is creditable to his memory that he was willing to abandon an enterprise in which he had conscientiously, but unwisely, embarked.

In May, 1640, the town of Charlestown petitioned the General Court for an enlargement of her territory. The petition was

\* For an exhaustive history of this celebrated controversy, see an account by the compiler of this volume, in the *Congregational Quarterly* for April, July, and October, 1873. Also, see Palfrey's *Hist. of New England*, vol. I. p. 472, et seq.; Felt's *Eccles. Hist. of New England*, vol. I. p. 251, et seq.; Dr. George E. Ellis' Lecture before the Lowell Institute on "The Treatment of Intruders and Dissenters in Massachusetts;" Bancroft's *Hist. of United States*, vol. I. p. 386, et seq.



ty, has been known from time immemorial as "Richardson's Row." It was in the present town of Winchester, a little north and east of the village; the "Row" now constituting a part of Washington Street. He himself lived half a mile north of the present village of Winchester; a locality, until April 30, 1850, included in the town of Woburn. The descendants of these three brothers, bearing the name of RICHARDSON, long have been and still are more numerous than persons of any other name in Woburn, and among them have been found some of the most useful and valued members of the church and citizens of the place. [Statement of Rev. Samuel Sewall, of Burlington, in his History of Woburn, p. 71.]

At the first election of town officers in Woburn, April 13, 1644, Ezekiel Richardson was chosen a selectman, and continued to be chosen to that responsible office in 1645, 1646, and 1647. Edward Convers,\* John Mousall—these were deacons of the church till their death—and Ezekiel Richardson were appointed "to end small causes under twenty shillings," at Woburn;† and so continued till death.

Edward Convers, Ezekiel Richardson, Capt. Cooke, and Edward Goffe, with Mr. Stileman, were appointed a committee to lay out a road from Cambridge to Woburn.

Ezekiel Richardson, one of the founders of Woburn, died in that town Oct. 21, 1647. From the fact that all his children were at this time under the age of twenty-one, it is inferred that his age at his decease did not exceed forty-five.

His will is dated 20th day of the fifth month, 1647; equivalent to July 20, 1647. It was proved June 1, 1648, and is on file in the Suffolk Probate Office, Boston. A copy now follows:

I Ezekiel Richardson of Wobourne, being in perfect memorie, doe make this my last will and testament as followeth, imprimis. I make my wife Susanna and my eldest son Theophilus joint Executors. item. I give and bequeath to Josias my son thirde pounds. to be paid in money. cattell, or corne, when he shall accomplish one and twentie years of age. Item. I give unto James my son thirde pounds to be paid in money. cattell, or corne, when he shall accomplish one and twentie years of age. Item. I give unto Phebe my daughter thirde pounds to be paid in money. cattell, or corne, when she shall accomplish twentie years of age, or within six months after the day of her marriage, which cometh first. I say all these severall legacies to be paide in money cattell or corne at the discretion of the Executors and overseers.

In case any of these three die before they doe accomplish the said age mention'd then the said legacie shall be equally divided to them which shall survive. In case my son Theophilus die before he shall accomplish one and twentie years of age then his portion shall be equally divided to my other children which shall survive.

\* Edward Convers came in the fleet with Winthrop, 1630; settled in Charlestown; was selectman of Charlestown from 1635 to 1640; was one of the founders of Woburn; lived near the mill over the Aberjona River, once called by his name. In the present town of Winchester; died Aug. 10, 1663. Grandfather of Major James Convers.

† The statements made in this paragraph and in the next were derived from the Records of Massachusetts, as printed by order of the General Court a few years since, vol. ii. pp. 33, 36. Cooke, Goffe, and Stileman were probably of Cambridge.





Item. I doe frelie forgive and discharge whatsoever accounts and demands have been between my Brother Samuel Richardson and myself. Item. I give unto my brother Thomas Richardson his son Thomas ten shillings to be paid within one year after my decease. Item. I make for overseers to this my will Edward Converse and John Mousall of Woebourne; in case either of them die before the accomplishment of this my will the survivor with the consent of Thomas Carter Pastor of the church of Woebourne shall have power to chuse an other overseer in his place. Item. I give unto the overseers for and in consideration of their care and paines thirtie shillings a peece. Item. all my debts and funeral [expenses] being discharged I give and bequeath all the rest of my estate to my executors, provided that my wife may peceably injoy her habitation in the house soe long as she shall live.

In witness whereof I have set to my hand.

Ezekiel richardson.

In presence of these

Thomas Carter, scribe.

Edward Convars.

John Mousall.

Testified under oath of the said Edward Converse and John Mowsall that the above written is the last will and testament of Ezekiel Richardson and that he was of a disposing mind at the making the same. taken 1 (4) 1648 before the courts and myself.

Increase Nowell, Rr. [Register.]

An inventorie of the goods of our decens<sup>d</sup> brother Ezekiel Richardson. month 9th, day 18th, 1647. [November 18, 1647.]

Eight cows	£4 10s a peece	£36. 0. 0
one pair of oxen		13. 0. 0
one paire of oxen three years old		10. 0. 0
two young steers		7. 0. 0
two heifers		7. 0. 0
four calves		6. 0. 0
one mare		8. 0. 0
seven hoggs		3. 0. 0
four ewes		5. 0. 0
one ewe lamb and two wether lambs		2. 10. 0
eight acres of corn upon the ground		8. 0. 0
twelve acres of fallow ground		8. 0. 0
within the barme in wheat and rie		8. 0. 0
Barlie, oats and Pease		4. 0. 0
two Hanns and other implements for corne		0. 15. 0
Indian corne		3. 0. 0
plow irons & chains		1. 10. 0
one carte Hogshead & Boxes		2. 10. 0
one carte & one dung cart		1. 10. 0
Hempe & flax		2. 0. 0
one flock bed with other implements on the Parlor chamber		4. 10. 0
his wearing apparel		10. 0. 0
ten pewter dishes with other pieces of pewter		2. 10. 0
two plates, dripping pans and a Trammel		0. 2. 6
five pair of Sheets, 2 pillow cases, two table cloths, 12 napkins, } with other linen.		6. 0. 0
one feather bed & 1 flock bed with furniture		10. 0. 0
two chests, 2 Boxes, one hanging cup board with other imple- } ments in the parlor		2. 0. 0
one musket with Bandoleer.* one hachell.† one long table, one } small table, one warming pan. one forme with other im- } plements in the Hull		3. 10. 0

\* A bandoleer was a large leather belt, thrown over the right shoulder and hanging under the left arin: worn by ancient musketeers for sustaining their fire arms and their musket charges. [Webster.]

† A hachell was a stout board, set with strong iron teeth, for cleaning flax or hempe. [Webster.]



other implements	0. 15. 0
in the cellar four ditches of Bacon, with other pieces of Pork five trays, five cheeses, one churn with other implements	4. 0. 0
In the Kitchen, three Brass kettles, three pots, 3 skillets with other implements	4. 0. 0
7 axes with handles and other tooles	4. 0. 0
due for the Mill Stone	2. 12. 0
paid for Bees	1. 12. 0

Total £100.

Signed Edward Convers, }  
John Mousall. } sworn to before Increase Nowell }  
Samuel Richardson. } 1 (4) 1843. }

In the foregoing inventory there is not an article of silver plate, not an article of china, crockery, or glass ware, not an article of cotton manufacture, not a carpet, not one book. Truly our ancestors had a hard time of it.

After the death of Ezekiel Richardson, his widow Susanna married Henry Brooks, of Woburn, as we learn from sundry conveyances of land. For instance: Susanna Richardson (now Brooks), widow of Ezekiel Richardson, quitclaimed, March 23, 1655, thirty-five acres of land in Charlestown to Thomas Moulton and John Greenland. [Midd. Deeds, ii. 36.]

Again: March 27, 1657. Samuel Richardson, brother of Ezekiel Richardson, now deceased, quitclaims forty acres of land in Woburn, on the side towards Reading, to my sister Susanna Richardson, now Brooks, during her lifetime, and then to my cousin [nephew] Theophilus Richardson. This land is described as bounded south by land of Samuel Richardson (himself), north by land of our brother Thomas Richardson, west by a running brook,\* east by the common, i. e. by the common unappropriated land. [Midd. Deeds, ii. 72.]

And again: Dec. 13, 1659. "We, Henry Brooks and Susanna Brooks, resign one-half of Ezekiel Richardson's house and lands." [Midd. Deeds, ii. 154.]

This Henry Brooks was formerly of Concord, and while a resident there was made freeman, March 14, 1639. He is noticed in the Town Records of Woburn as an inhabitant, and a proprietor of land there, near Horn Pond, Jan. 10, 1652. He was one of the selectmen of Woburn, 1669. His wife Susanna died Sept. 15, 1681. He died April 12, 1683. He had children by a former wife, John, Timothy, Isaac, and Sarah.

The children of Ezekiel and Susanna Richardson were:

- +2 Phebe,<sup>2</sup> bap. in Boston, June 3, 1632; m. Henry Baldwin.
- +3 Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> bap. in Charlestown, Dec. 22, 1632; m. Mary Champney.
- +4 Josiah,<sup>2</sup> bap. in Charlestown, Nov. 7, 1635; m. Remembrance Underwood.
- 5 John,<sup>2</sup> bap. in Charlestown, July 21, 1638; d. Jan. 7, 1642-3.
- 6 Jonathan,<sup>2</sup> bap. in Charlestown, Feb. 15, 1639-40; d. young.
- +7 James,<sup>2</sup> bap. in Charlestown, July 11, 1641; m. Bridget Henchman.
- 8 Ruth,<sup>2</sup> b. in Woburn, Aug. 23, 1643; d. Sept. 7, 1643.

\* This running brook must be the Aberjona River, on which the mills are in Winchester



## Second Generation.

## 2.

**PHEBE RICHARDSON**,<sup>2</sup> daughter of Ezekiel<sup>1</sup> and Susanna Richardson, was baptized in Boston, June 3, 1632; married, in Woburn, Nov. 1, 1649, **DEA. HENRY BALDWIN**.

He came from Devonshire, England; probably at first lived in Charlestown a few years; subscribed the "Town Orders," relative to the settlement of Woburn, December, 1640; settled in Woburn, accordingly, 1641; freeman of the colony, 1652; became a distinguished citizen of the town. His place of residence was at "New Bridge," or North Woburn, where some of his descendants in each generation have had their abode, and been large proprietors of land. He was a selectman of Woburn, 1631, and a deacon of the church from 1636 till his death.

He is presumed to be the ancestor of the Baldwins of New England.

He died Feb. 14, 1697-8. His widow Phebe died Sept. 13, 1716.

## Their children were:

9. Susanna (Baldwin), b. Aug. 30, 1650; d. Sept. 23, 1651.
10. Susanna (Baldwin), b. July 23, 1652.
11. Phebe (Baldwin), b. Sept. 7, 1654; m. Samuel Richardson,<sup>2</sup> Nov. 7, 1678; had one child, Zachariah (Richardson). She died Oct. 20, 1676, aged 25.
12. John (Baldwin), b. Oct. 23, 1656.
13. Daniel (Baldwin), b. March 15, 1659-60; m. Jan. 6, 1684-5, Hannah Richardson,<sup>2</sup> b. Oct. 21, 1667, eldest daughter of Joseph Richardson.<sup>2</sup> For their family, see Posterity of SAMUEL RICHARDSON.<sup>1</sup> Their son Daniel, b. Dec. 16, 1695, was slain by the Indians, near Dunstable, Sept. 3, 1724.
- +14. Timothy (Baldwin), b. May 27, 1661; m. Elizabeth Hill.
15. Mary (Baldwin), b. July 19, 1663; d. Jan. 8, 1683-4.
- +16. Henry (Baldwin), b. Nov. 15, 1664; m. Abigail Fisk.
17. Abigail (Baldwin), b. Aug. 20, 1667; m.—second wife—John Reed, of Woburn, 1703. They had a son, Henry (Reed).
18. Ruth (Baldwin), b. July 31, 1670; had Mary, May 9, 1692.
19. Benjamin (Baldwin), b. Jan. 20, 1672-3; m. Hannah ——. He died April 23, 1720. She died Sept. 23, 1736.

## 3.

**THEOPHILUS RICHARDSON**,<sup>2</sup> brother of the preceding, and eldest son of Ezekiel<sup>1</sup> and Susanna Richardson; baptized in Charlestown, Dec. 22, 1633; married, May 2, 1654, **MARY CHAMPNEY**, daughter of John and Joanna Champney, of Cambridge. Cambridge at this time joined Woburn.\*

He came with his father to Woburn in 1641, and resided there

\* It should be borne in mind here and elsewhere, that Cambridge, till 1712, included Lexington, and till 1807, West Cambridge, now Arlington.



till his death, which took place Dec. 23, 1674, aged 41. He left no will. His estate was settled in 1675. The inventory of his estate is dated 3 (2) 1675, *i. e.*, April 3, 1675, and contains the following items:

Ten acres of ploughed land	£ 30. 0. 0
Ten acres of land "about house"	36. 0. 0
One hundred and twenty acres Upland	120. 0. 0
Lots in the Common [land], with all town rights due	50. 0. 0
Forty acres Upland, near the dwelling-house	80. 0. 0
Four acres meadow at Pagley meadow	20. 0. 0
Seventeen acres in the home meadow	102. 0. 0
Five acres of English grass	15. 0. 0
Dwelling-house £60, Barn £25	85. 0. 0
Four oxen £18, eight cows £24, two cows £3. 15.	50. 15. 0
Four calves £3. 4. a heifer £2. 10. horse and mare £3	8. 14. 0
Twenty sheep £5, Hay £8, Cart, wheel, and tire £5	18. 0. 0
Chains and yokes £1. 14., Wheat and rye £1. Rye sown £2	4. 14. 0
Flax £1. 10., Hemp £2. 5., Cotton wool £0. 10., Sheep's wool £2	6. 5. 0
His wearing apparel	4. 13. 0
Bedstead and furniture	6. 0. 0
Feather-bed & furniture £6. 10., Sheets and pillows £3. 17.	10. 7. 0
Trundle-bed and furniture £1, Bed and bedding [for same] £1. 5.	2. 5. 0
Table, cushions, and chairs £0. 15., Table linen £1. 1.	1. 16. 0
Two muskets £0. 18., Books £0. 10., Indian corn £1. 5.	2. 1. 0
Other articles used on a farm and in house-keeping	20. 0. 0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£359. 0. 0</b>

From a comparison of this inventory with the preceding, one may easily perceive a thrifty hand and a great advance, both in the comfort and in the means of living, within twenty-eight years.

Mary, the widow of Theophilus Richardson, became the second wife of John Brooks, Feb. 25, 1683-4. His first wife was Eunice, daughter of Dea. John Mousall, of Woburn, already repeatedly mentioned; they were married Nov. 1, 1649. John Brooks was the eldest son of Henry Brooks, who married the widow Susanna Richardson, mother of the above-named Theophilus. John Brooks died Sept. 29, 1691. Mary, now twice a widow, died Aug. 28, 1704.

The children of Theophilus<sup>2</sup> and Mary Richardson were:

- +20. Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> b. Oct. 23, 1655; m. Elizabeth Swan.
- 21. Mary,<sup>3</sup> b. Jan. 15, 1657-8; m. first, June 24, 1681, Joseph Peirce, b. in Woburn, Aug. 13, 1649, son of Thomas Peirce, who was born in England: was in Woburn as early as 1643; was selectman in Woburn 1660, and repeatedly afterwards, and died November, 1683.\* Second, Daniel Hudson, previous to 1719.
- 22. Sarah,<sup>3</sup> b. April 23, 1660.
- +23. Abigail,<sup>3</sup> b. Oct. 21, 1662; m. John Bateman.
- 24. Hannah,<sup>3</sup> b. April 6, 1665; m. Thomas Frost, of Billerica, March 23, 1706.
- +25. John,<sup>3</sup> b. Jan. 16, 1667-8; m. first, Deborah Brooks; second, Lydia Pratt.
- 26. Hester,<sup>3</sup> b. June 25, 1670.
- 27. Ruth,<sup>3</sup> b. Aug. 31, 1673; m. William Russell, of Salem Village [Danvers], Jan. 20, 1703-4.

\* The name is spelled *Peirce* with great uniformity on Woburn Records till a late period.





28. Bridget,<sup>2</sup> b. 1674; m. Nov. 21, 1693, Stephen Richardson,<sup>2</sup> b. Feb. 7, 1673-4, son of Joseph,<sup>2</sup> son of SAMUEL RICHARDSON,<sup>1</sup> one of the founders of Woburn. For notices of her children and descendants, see Posterity of Samuel Richardson.

## 4.

CAPTAIN JOSIAH RICHARDSON,<sup>2</sup> brother of the preceding, and second son of Ezekiel Richardson,<sup>1</sup> one of the founders of Woburn; baptized in Charlestown, Nov. 7, 1635; married at Concord, by Capt. Simon Willard of that place, June 6, 1659, to REMEMBRANCE UNDERWOOD, born at Concord, Feb. 25, 1639-40, daughter of William and Sarah Underwood of that place.

He and his brother James Richardson<sup>2</sup> went to reside in Chelmsford as early as 1659, which, as just noted, was the year of his marriage. William Underwood, his wife's father, went in 1654, at the very beginning of that plantation.\*

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\*The origin of Chelmsford may be traced to a petition presented to the General Court of the colony in 1652, signed by about twenty persons—ten of them citizens of Concord, and as many more from Woburn—for liberty to examine, with a view to settlement, a tract of land lying on the west side of Concord River. The request being granted, and the petitioners being joined by about as many others, making thirty-nine in all, desirous of erecting a new plantation, they proceeded, the following year, to ask of the legislature a grant of land, bordering upon the Merrimack River, near to Pawtucket Falls, where is now the city of Lowell. They requested that the said tract of land might begin, on the Merrimack, at a neck of land next to Concord River [in the present territory of Lowell] and run up by said river south and west into the country, so as to make up six miles square. This would include the whole of Chelmsford and Lowell and part of Westford.

About the same time, the Rev. John Elliot, as agent and trustee for the Indians under his spiritual care, asked the General Court for a grant near the Pawtucket and Wamesit Falls, for the exclusive use of the Indians in that neighborhood.

The Court granted both petitions, and ordered both an Indian and an English plantation to be laid out. It was made a condition in the latter case, that within two years from the date of the act—May 18, 1655—at least twenty families should settle upon the tract so granted, so as to be in a condition to enjoy the institutions of religion. Capt. Simon Willard, of Concord, and Capt. Edward Johnson, of Woburn, were appointed to lay out the plantation of town-ship. This was done in June following.

Within eighteen months, the condition aforesaid was satisfied, and a meeting was held at which provision was made for the support of Rev. John Flske, the excellent minister of Wenham, who had agreed to become their minister. Mr. Flske came to New England in 1637; was a teacher of youth in Salem about three years, and at the organizing of a church in Wenham, 1644, was ordained its pastor. In 1655, he, with a majority of that church, removed to Chelmsford, and continued in the pastoral office there, highly esteemed, till his death, Jan. 14, 1677, aged 75.

Some enlargement of the tract was soon found necessary, and the bounds of Chelmsford were eventually extended so as to include the Indian plantation already mentioned, and likewise all Westford, part of Carlisle, and Dracut on the north side of the Merrimack.

The Indians in and near Chelmsford were peaceable neighbors to the whites. They were, however, few in number. At their plantation in Wamesit there were, in 1674, only about seventy-five souls. This small number soon wasted away. They had little energy or foresight; they did not love to work; they lived mostly by hunting and fishing, and they were disposed to sell their lands to their white neighbors at a low rate. They therefore sold to individuals as they had opportunity, until they had but a moderate quantity left, which was known as the Wamesit Pasture.

This small remainder, bounded east by Concord River, as far down as its



In Chelmsford—incorporated May 29, 1655—Josiah Richardson, though still a young man, soon rose into consideration, and by his capacity for business was clothed with important trusts. He was chosen fence-viewer in 1659; was one of a committee, in 1662-3, to unite with a committee from Groton, whose territory then joined that of Chelmsford, to lay out a highway between the two towns. He was admitted freeman of the colony March 11, 1673-4; was chosen constable in 1667; was one of the board of selectmen in 1668, 1673, 1677, 1679, 1680, and every successive year after till 1688, inclusive, and again in 1694, making fourteen years in all. He was town clerk, 1690 to 1694, four years. He was till his death a leading man in town. He was also captain of a military company, at a time when military companies were always liable to active and bloody work.

He, with Major Thomas Henchman and William Fletcher, erected, in 1669, the second saw-mill built in the town.\* It was in the north-west part of Chelmsford; I suppose on Stony Brook. For encouragement in building the mill, a tract of land was granted them. The owners of the mill had full liberty to take from the "common," unappropriated land, what timber they saw fit to work in the mill. The people had lived in log-houses long enough.

Some Indians, "from the love they bore to" Josiah Richardson, of Chelmsford, conveyed to him, Jan. 19, 1688-9, a parcel of land at the confluence of the Concord and Merrimack Rivers—where

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month, north by Merrimack River, south and west by Chelmsford, was sold by the Indians, Sept. 6, 1686, to Jonathan Tynq, of Dunstable, and Thomas Henchman, of Chelmsford. This purchase also included five hundred acres of "wilderness land," on the north side of Merrimack River, bounded south by Pawtucket Falls, and by Beaver Brook eastward. This included a large part of Dracut. In this deed, an exact copy of which is now before me, the Indians reserved to themselves the liberty of fishing, and of cutting timber and firewood, so far as their necessities might require.

In December following, Colonel Tynq and Major Henchman conveyed the land thus purchased to forty-four persons, citizens of Chelmsford, but reserving each of them a share to himself. These names are all contained in the instrument now before me. Among them I find the names of Josiah Richardson, father and son, and of James Richardson the younger, whose father had been killed by Indians nine years before. The names are there, also, of William Underwood, of William and Samuel Fletcher, of John Bates, of Peter Farwell and Joseph Farwell, and of the three Butterfields, Nathaniel, Joseph, and Samuel. It will be seen, as we proceed, that there were matrimonial connections between these and the Richardsons. The two Fletchers were sons of Ensign William Fletcher, born in England, 1622, who came to this country with his father Robert about 1634; was admitted freeman May 10, 1643, when only twenty-one years old; dwelt in Concord till 1653, when he was one of the founders of Chelmsford, of which town he was one of the first board of selectmen, 1654, and died there, Nov. 6, 1657. His land included what is now the city of Lowell. The three Butterfields were sons of Benjamin Butterfield, who was also among the founders of Chelmsford.

Thomas and Samuel Adams, sons of Henry Adams, of Braintree, were also founders of Chelmsford in 1654. They built mills on the site of the present city of Lowell. Samuel Adams was an ancestor of the Hon. William Adams Richardson, late Secretary of the U. S. Treasury.

Col. Jonathan Tynq, the founder of Dunstable, Nashua, Tyngsborough, etc., died in Woburn, Jan. 19, 1723-4, aged 31. [Gravestone.]

\* Thomas Henchman came from Wenham to Chelmsford. The first saw-mill was built by Thomas and Samuel Adams, not long after 1654. [Hist. of Chelmsford, by Rev. Wilkes Allen, minister there from 1803 to 1832.]



now stands Lowell—bounded south by a little brook, called Speen's Brook. [Midd. Deeds, xii. 204.]

Capt. Josiah Richardson<sup>2</sup> died intestate, June 22, 1695, aged 60. His widow Remembrance and his seven surviving children divide his estate among them, March 12, 1695-6. [Midd. Prob. Records, as copied vol. viii. pp. 811-314.]

His estate was appraised at £697. 5. 6.

His children, all born in Chelmsford, were:

- +29. Sarah,<sup>2</sup> b. March 25, 1659-60; m. William Fletcher.
- +30. Mary,<sup>2</sup> b. April 14, 1662; m. Thomas Colburn.
- +31. Josiah,<sup>2</sup> b. May 18, 1665; m. Mercy Parish.
- +32. Jonathan,<sup>2</sup> b. Oct. 8, 1667; m. Elizabeth Bates.
- +33. John,<sup>2</sup> b. Feb. 14, 1669-70; m. Elizabeth Farwell.
- +34. Samuel,<sup>2</sup> b. Feb. 21, 1672-3; m. Rachel Howard.
- 35. Remembrance,<sup>2</sup> b. April 20, 1674; d. before 1696.
- +36. Susanna,<sup>2</sup> b. —, 1676? m. Henry Farwell.

## 7.

LIEUT. JAMES RICHARDSON,<sup>2</sup> brother of the preceding, and youngest son of Ezekiel<sup>1</sup> and Susanna Richardson; baptized in Charlestown, July 11, 1641; married in Chelmsford, by Capt. Marshall, Nov. 28, 1660, to BRIDGET HENCHMAN, daughter of Major Thomas Henschman, already repeatedly referred to as one of the founders of Chelmsford.

He lived in Chelmsford, and had the care of the Wamesit Indians there, who lived two miles from the principal English settlement. In Philip's war, 1675, he performed good service. These Indians were Christians, at least by profession, and stood neutral in that war. Some hostile Indians, from a distance, to excite suspicion against the Wamesits, came and burned a haystack of Mr. Richardson's, Oct. 18, 1675. A month later, a barn full of hay and corn was burned. Some of the Chelmsford people, infuriated at this, drove those poor Indians away. They turned their steps toward Canada, but suffering greatly for want of food most of them soon returned to their wigwams.\*

Mr. Richardson was in that terrible encounter with the Indians, July 31, 1675.† Perhaps he was in the reinforcement under Major Simon Willard. An attack was made on Chelmsford and houses burned either in April, 1676, or not long before. Andover, Sudbury, and Marlborough also experienced hostile visits from the savage Indians.

It was probably these hostile attacks which led the governor and council, in April, 1676, to order a fort built at Pawtucket Falls, now Lowell, and to place the same under the command of Lieut. James Richardson. In May, an additional force was stationed in the fort, commanded by his wife's brother, Capt. Thomas

\* Felt's Eccl. Hist. of New England, vol. ii. pp. 573, 579.

† See Capt. Thomas Wheeler's Narrative in N. H. Hist. Collections, vol. ii. p. 8. Also, Palfrey's Hist. of New England, vol. iii. p. 153, et seq.



Henchman. In June following, Capt. Henchman led a force against the Indians at Brookfield.\*

There being an alarm in consequence of the reported appearance of a party of Mohawks, a company of scouts, under the command of Lieut. James Richardson, traversed the whole valley of the Merrimack during the spring and early summer of 1677.

In the spring of 1677, the Indians were committing great ravages in Maine, and great anxiety and alarm was felt for the safety of the distant settlements in that region. Wells was attacked by the savages in April, although there was a garrison there, and the attack was several times repeated. The government of Massachusetts sent a force of forty soldiers and two hundred friendly Indians, from Natick and vicinity, under the command of Capt. Benjamin Swett, of Hampton—then supposed to be in Massachusetts—and Lieut. James Richardson, to check those incursions. These forces were embarked at Boston in vessels which were to ascend the Kennebec River, and the men after landing were to proceed to Taconic Falls—now Waterville—and there take and destroy six Indian forts, said to be well supplied with ammunition. On the way, the vessels anchored off Black Point, in Scarborough, where Capt. Swett, June 28th, landed a party of men to try the valor of his company with some Indians that had been seen there. They were there joined by some of the inhabitants, so as to make ninety in all. The next day they fell into an ambuscade, and found themselves surrounded by great numbers of Indians, two miles from the fort, and in the midst of a swamp. The soldiers, many of whom were young and undisciplined, did not well abide the sudden onset. Lieut. Richardson was killed soon after the fray began. Many on both sides shared the same fate. Capt. Swett, after fighting bravely and receiving nearly twenty wounds, was thrown down and his body cut to pieces by those fiends in human shape. About forty of the English and twenty of the Christian Indians fell, being two-thirds of the whole number engaged in the fight.†

James Richardson thus dying intestate, his wife's brother, Capt. Thomas Henchman, was appointed administrator. An inventory of his estate was taken Sept. 19, 1677. [See Midd. Prob. Rec., v. 41.] The house and land were valued at £160. Personal estate, £78. 15. 2. Total, £238. 15. 2.

The widow Bridget married, Oct. 8, 1679, William Chandler, of Andover. Preliminary to the new connection, another inventory was made out, Sept. 6, 1679, in which the following deduction was made: "Spent on the family from the first appraisement to the second, £57. 7. 1."

The children of James and Bridget Richardson were:

- +37. Thomas,<sup>2</sup> b. Oct. 28, 1681; m. Hannah Colburn.
- 38. James,<sup>2</sup> b. Nov. 24, 1683.

\* Palfrey's Hist. of New England, vol. III. pp. 197, 200, note.

† Williamson's Hist. of Maine, vol. I. pp. 549, 550. His account differs slightly from that given in the text.





39. Elizabeth,<sup>2</sup> b. Sept. 27, 1665; m. Andrew Allen, of Andover, Jan. 1. 1681-2.
- +40. Ezekiel,<sup>2</sup> b. Sept. 3, 1667; m. Mary Bunker.
41. Phebe,<sup>2</sup> b. Jan. 10, 1668-70; d. Oct. 3, 1677.
42. Ruth,<sup>2</sup> b. Feb. 18, 1671-2; d. Dec. 6, 1674.
43. Bridget,<sup>2</sup> b. March 17, 1674.
44. John,<sup>2</sup> b. —. 167-; he was living June 21, 1697, as appears from a letter of that date from Major James Convers, of Woburn, to Hon. James Russell, the judge of probate for Middlesex. There was some difficulty in the settlement of the property left him by his father. Hence the letter.

### Third Generation.

#### 14.

TIMOTHY BALDWIN,<sup>2</sup> son of Deacon Henry and Phebe (Richardson) Baldwin; born in Woburn, May 27, 1661; married, in Billerica, June 2, 1687, ELIZABETH HILL, daughter of Ralph Hill, who was son of Ralph Hill, who—the father—was originally of Plymouth; removed to Woburn previous to 1645; was selectman of Woburn, 1651; removed to Billerica in 1653, of which he was one of the first settlers; died there, 1663.

Timothy Baldwin lived in Woburn till after 1692, when his youngest child was born. He was taxed in Stoneham, 1726-7, and had probably lived there some years previously. As Stoneham was not incorporated till December, 1725, the name of Timothy Baldwin could not earlier be found on its records. He became a leading man in that town; was moderator of the first town-meeting held there; was one of the first board of selectmen, and much employed in town business.

The births of his children are recorded in Woburn as follows:

45. Elizabeth (Baldwin), b. May 29, 1688; d. April 4, 1691.
46. Timothy (Baldwin), b. Nov. 20, 1689; m. June 10, 1713, Hannah Richardson,<sup>2</sup> b. May 6, 1689, daughter of Nathaniel<sup>2</sup> and Mary Richardson.<sup>1</sup> For their children, see Posterity of THOMAS RICHARDSON.<sup>1</sup>
47. Ralph (Baldwin), b. June 23, 1691.
48. Hannah (Baldwin), b. Sept. 6, 1692; d. same day.

#### 16.

HENRY BALDWIN,<sup>2</sup> brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, Nov. 15, 1664; married, May 4, 1692, ABIGAIL FISK, daughter of David and Seaborn (Wilson) Fisk, of Woburn, afterwards of Lexington.



They lived in Woburn. Henry Baldwin died there, July 7, 1739. His widow Abigail died January, 1771, aged 96.

## Children:

- +49. Henry (Baldwin), b. Jan. 12, 1692-3; m. May 7, 1717-18, Mary Richardson.\*
- +50. David (Baldwin), b. April 9, 1696; m. Abigail Jennison.
- +51. Isaac (Baldwin), b. Feb. 20, 1699-1700; m. Mary Flagg.
- 52. Abigail (Baldwin), b. Feb. 13, 1701-2; d. Sept. 4, 1704.
- 53. James (Baldwin), b. July 11, 1705; d. June 12, 1709.
- 54. Abigail (Baldwin), b. Nov. 19, 1707; m. John Convers.
- +55. James (Baldwin), b. Oct. 19, 1710; m. Ruth Richardson.
- 56. Samuel (Baldwin), b. Aug. 31, 1717; m. first, — Jones, of Weston; second, — Deming, of Boston.

## 20.

EZEKIEL RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Theophilus*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), eldest son of Theophilus<sup>2</sup> and Mary (Champney) Richardson; born in Woburn, Oct. 23, 1655; married ELIZABETH SWAN, of Cambridge, July 27, 1637.

They lived in Woburn. He died, per inventory, March 13, 1733-4, in his seventy-ninth year.

An inventory of his estate was made out by the appraisers, Thomas Richardson,\* Samuel Sprague, and Jonathan Tufts, dated March 27, 1733-4, and sworn to by the administrator, Aaron Richardson, his youngest son, April 1, 1734. The inventory includes no real estate. The personal estate was appraised at £220. 5. 8. This included a bond for £113, and another bond for £12; also four cows £30. The bond for £12 was given by the town of Woburn, and probably the other also. The interest was reckoned at 6 per cent.

The children of Ezekiel<sup>2</sup> and Elizabeth Richardson were:

- 57. Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> b. July 4, 1633; d. Aug. 3, 1633.
- 58. Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> b. Oct. 29, 1639; unm. at the settlement of her father's estate, 1734.
- +59. Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 7, 1691-2; m. Ruth Swan.
- +60. Ezekiel,<sup>4</sup> b. April 22, 1694; m. Lydia Ockington.
- 61. Abigail,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 15, 1696-7; m. Thomas Dumaresque, of Boston, Feb. 19, 1730-7. As recorded in Boston, his name was *Demeritt*.
- +62. Aaron,<sup>4</sup> b. Dec. 16, 1701; m. Bethiah —.

## 23.

ABIGAIL RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Theophilus*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), sister of the preceding; born in Woburn, Oct. 21, 1662; married JOHN BATEMAN, of Woburn, June 30, 1681. They lived in Woburn.

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\* Son of Samuel,<sup>2</sup> and grandson of Samuel<sup>1</sup>; one of the few who escaped unhurt from the "Pigwacket Fight," 1725.



## Their children were:

- 63. Abigail (Bateman), b. Oct. 18, 1622; d. in infancy.
- 64. Abigail (Bateman), b. Jan. 1, 1634-5.
- 65. John (Bateman), b. Aug. 13, 1637.
- 66. Elizabeth (Bateman), b. July 11, 1638.
- 67. William (Bateman), b. Sept. 20, 1690; d. July 7, 1692.
- 68. William (Bateman), b. May 3, 1693.
- 69. Peter (Bateman), b. Nov. 3, 1695.

## 25.

JOHN RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Theophilus*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, Jan. 16, 1667-8; married, first, DEBORAH BROOKS, born March 20, 1669, daughter of John Brooks, her mother's second husband, by his first wife Eunice, the daughter of Deacon John Mousall, of Woburn, already repeatedly mentioned as one of the founders of Woburn. Mrs. Deborah Richardson died Feb. 12, 1703-4. Second, at Cambridge, Feb. 22, 1704-5, LYDIA PRATT; married by Rev. William Brattle, of that town.

He passed his entire life in Woburn. On the Woburn records he is designated as John Richardson *the third*, the other two being a son and grandson of SAMUEL RICHARDSON,<sup>1</sup> his grandfather's brother, born respectively in 1639 and 1660-1.

He died Oct. 29, 1749, aged 81. His gravestone says he "died Oct. 29, 1749, aged 81 years, 2 months, and 5 days," which makes him to have been born Aug. 24, 1668. The town record of his birth has already been given. His second wife, Lydia, died July 21, 1738.

His children, all born in Woburn, were by first wife, Deborah:

- 70. Mary,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 10, 1689.
- +71. John,<sup>4</sup> b. Dec. 29, 1692; m. Abigail Swan.
- +72. Deborah,<sup>4</sup> b. March 8, 1694-5; m. John Kendall.
- 73. Sarah,<sup>4</sup> b. March 12, 1697-8; d. Feb. 29, 1708-9.
- +74. Josiah,<sup>4</sup> b. Feb. 14, 1700-1; m. Phebe —.
- +75. Nathan,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 24, 1701-2; m. first, Esther Peirce; second, Tabitha Kendall; third, Lydia Whittemore.
- 76. Eunice,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 3, 1703-4.

By second wife, Lydia:

- 77. Lydia,<sup>4</sup> b. Dec. 26, 1705.
- 78. Ezekiah,<sup>4</sup> b. Oct. 19, 1709; m. Rebecca Fuller, 1743. They had:
  - 79. Eunice,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 1, 1749.
  - 80. Sarah,<sup>4</sup> b. Dec. 15, 1753.

## 29.

SARAH RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), eldest child of Capt. Josiah<sup>2</sup> and Remembrance (Underwood) Richardson, of Chelmsford; born there, March 25, 1659-60; married, Sept. 19, 1677. Lieut. WILLIAM FLETCHER,<sup>2</sup> born there, Feb. 21, 1657, son of Ensign William Fletcher,<sup>2</sup> born in England, 1622; came to this country with his father Robert,<sup>1</sup> about 1630, and with him settled



in Concord at its beginning, 1635. William Fletcher,<sup>2</sup> the father of Sarah's husband, settled in Chelmsford at its origin in 1658; was, from the first, one of its leading inhabitants; was one of the first board of selectmen; was a man of great ability and worth, and died Nov. 6, 1677. His wife, Lydia (Bates), died Oct. 12, 1704.

William Fletcher,<sup>3</sup> his son, the husband of Sarah Richardson, was one of the purchasers of the "Wamesit Pasture" in 1686; was admitted freeman March 11, 1689; received a lieutenant's commission from Governor Dudley in 1704, and died in 1713. His wife Sarah—long a widow—died at the house of her son Capt. Robert Fletcher, in Tyngsboro', Jan. 30, 1743, aged 88.

The children of William and Sarah (Richardson) Fletcher, all born in Chelmsford, were:

81. Sarah (Fletcher), b. May 26, 1679; m. Nathaniel Butterfield, of Chelmsford, Jan. 18, 1697. He was a son of Benjamin Butterfield, one of the founders of the town.
82. Esther (Fletcher), b. 168-; m. Stephen Pierce, Jan. 3, 1707.
83. William (Fletcher), b. April 1, 1683; m. Tabitha ——. He died March 21, 1743-4. She died Feb. 6, 1741-2.
84. Reuben (Fletcher), b. —.
85. Lydia (Fletcher), b. —.
86. Robert (Fletcher), b. Jan. 9, 1690-1; of Tyngsboro'; captain; d. Sept. 20, 1773.
87. Josiah (Fletcher), b. 169-; m. Joanna —; d. Jan. 30, 1790.
88. Mary (Fletcher), b. 169-.
89. Ezekiel (Fletcher), b. Nov. 24, 1694; d. at Tyngsboro', Jan. 17, 1742.
90. Daniel (Fletcher), b. March 3, 1697; m. his cousin Sarah Richardson, daughter of Samuel and Rachel Richardson. They had a son John, living 1764. They lived in Nottingham West, now Hudson, N. H.
91. Deborah (Fletcher), b. March 13, 1699.
92. Phebe (Fletcher), b. Nov. 24, 1700.
93. Rebecca (Fletcher), b. Jan. 29, 1702.

[Fletcher Genealogy.]

### 30.

MARY RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), sister of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, April 14, 1662; married, Sept. 17, 1681, THOMAS COLBURN, of Chelmsford; married by Samuel Adams, justice of the peace. They lived in Chelmsford.

Their children were:

94. Jonathan (Colburn), b. March 15, 1684-5; d. Dec. 6, 1693.
95. James (Colburn), b. Jan. 31, 1689-90.
96. Mary (Colburn), b. March 12, 1691-2; d. young.
97. Jonathan (Colburn), b. Dec. 22, 1693-4.
98. Zachariah (Colburn), b. April 23, 1697.
99. Mary (Colburn), b. March 1, 1698-9.
100. Henry (Colburn), b. May 2, 1700.
101. Sarah (Colburn), b. October, 1703.
102. Ephraim (Colburn), b. April 24, 1708.





## 31.

LEUT. JOSIAH RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding, and eldest son of Capt. Josiah<sup>2</sup> and Remembrance Richardson; born in Chelmsford, May 18, 1665; married, Dec. 14, 1687, MERCY PARISH,<sup>\*</sup> of Dunstable, a daughter of Robert and Elizabeth (Blanchard) Parish, of Groton.

He lived in Chelmsford, near Concord River; was a lieutenant and farmer. He was town clerk 1693 and 1694; selectman, etc.

He died intestate, Oct. 17, 1711, aged 45. His son Josiah was appointed administrator Nov. 21, 1711. His inventory, dated 1712, amounted to £514. 4. This was reckoned in a depreciated currency; large emissions of "Bills of Credit" having been issued by the province in 1690, in 1702, 1709, and 1711. Fresh emissions were made afterwards in 1714, 1716, 1721, and 1724. This fictitious currency soon fell to less than one-half of its nominal value.

The widow, Mercy Richardson, died April 25, 1743.

The children of Josiah and Mercy Richardson were:

- +103. Mercy,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 9, 1688-0; m. Ephraim Hildreth.
- +104. Josiah,<sup>4</sup> b. May 3, 1691; m. first, Lydia —; second, Elizabeth French.
- +105. Robert,<sup>4</sup> b. Oct. 2, 1693; m. Deborah —.
- +106. Zachariah,<sup>4</sup> b. February, 1695-0; m. Sarah Butterfield.
- 107. Hannah,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 23, 1693; she was living Nov. 14, 1712, at the settlement of the estate.
- +108. William,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 19, 1701; m. Elizabeth Colburn.

## 32.

CAPT. JONATHAN RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, Oct. 8, 1667; married, Nov. 8, 1692, ELIZABETH BATES, born there, Dec. 22, 1671, daughter of John and Mary Bates, early settlers in Chelmsford. John Bates was one of the purchasers of the "Wamesit Pasture."

Jonathan Richardson passed his life in Chelmsford. He died Feb. 21, 1753, leaving a widow Elizabeth, an only son Jonathan, and seven married daughters, four of whom married Colburns. His will is dated Sept. 12, 1750; proved April 9, 1753.

He had for those days a comfortable property; it was appraised at £744. 17. This appraisment was made in "lawful money," resting on a specie basis; the silver wherewith to redeem the "Bills of Credit" having been received from England in September, 1749. It came from the royal treasury to refund the charges incurred by the province of Massachusetts by the capture of Louisburg in 1745. The old depreciated currency was not allowed to circulate after March, 1750.

Rev. Thomas Parker, of Dracut, a son-in-law, was the executor.

\* Her name on the County Records is sometimes given as *Mary Parris*, which is manifestly incorrect. On the Town Records it is also given as *Parris*. Our ancestors said *Parris* instead of *Parish*, and *Colburn* instead of *Colburn*, and often in similar cases.



The will mentions a grandson, William Adams, a granddaughter, Thankful Butterfield, who has children Benjamin and Thankful. This Thankful Butterfield was the wife of Benjamin Butterfield, and daughter of Elizabeth, the testator's daughter.

The children of Capt. Jonathan Richardson were :

- 100. Jonathan,<sup>4</sup> b. Dec. 23, 1693; m. widow Elizabeth Howard, of Newton, May 13, 1724. They probably removed from Chelmsford, as I find no record of any children there. This may be the reason why he was not executor of his father's will. He appears to have died in Pelham in 1753.
- +110. Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> b. Oct. 19, 1696; m. Edward Colburn.
- +111. Mary,<sup>4</sup> b. June 28, 1699; m. Samuel Colburn.
- +112. Lydia,<sup>4</sup> b. July 14, 1702; m. Rev. Thomas Parker.
- 113. Olive,<sup>4</sup> b. June 20, 1700; m. John Colburn. He died June, 1730.
- +114. Thankful,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 16, 1709; m. Ezra Colburn.
- 115. Lucy,<sup>4</sup> b. April 6, 1712; m. John Sprague, of Charlestown.
- 116. Sarah,<sup>4</sup> b. 171-; m. William Pierce.

## 33.

JOHN RICHARDSON<sup>3</sup> (*Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, Feb. 14, 1669-70; married, Jan. 31, 1693-4, ELIZABETH FARWELL, of Chelmsford. They lived in Chelmsford.

The husband died Sept. 13, 1746, aged 76. The wife died May 9, 1722.

Their children, all born in Chelmsford, were :

- 117. Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> b. March 12, 1694-5.
- 118. Sarah,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 3, 1696; m. 1713, John Colburn, of Dracut.
- 119. Hannah,<sup>4</sup> b. March 13, 1703.
- 120. Mary,<sup>4</sup> b. July 11, 1703.
- +121. John,<sup>4</sup> b. Nov. 16, 1711; m. Esther —.
- 122. Susanna,<sup>4</sup> b. Dec. 13, 1712; m. Nov. 21, 1748, Henry Spalding, b. Sept. 8, 1703, son of Andrew Spalding, of Chelmsford, by Abigail, his second wife.
- +123. Henry,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 19, 1714; m. Priscilla Spalding.

## 34.

SAMUEL RICHARDSON<sup>3</sup> (*Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, Feb. 21, 1672-3; married RACHEL HOWARD, Jan. 27, 1702-3.

He was a farmer and lived in Chelmsford, doubtless on a portion of the extensive property of his father.

He died, intestate, in Chelmsford, April 23, 1754, aged 81. The inventory, dated June 10, 1754, calls Eleazar the only son.

His children, all born in Chelmsford, were :

- 124. Rachel,<sup>4</sup> b. April 14, 1704.
- 125. Sarah,<sup>4</sup> b. June 16, 1706; m. her cousin, Daniel Fletcher, b. March 3, 1697, son of William and Sarah (Richardson) Fletcher.
- 126. Samuel,<sup>4</sup> b. April 17, 1709; d. early.
- 127. Susanna,<sup>4</sup> b. Dec. 15, 1712.
- 128. Henry,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 19, 1714; d. early.
- 129. Elijah,<sup>4</sup> b. Oct. 9, 1718; d. early.
- +130. Eleazar,<sup>4</sup> b. about 1720; m. Lydia Perham.



## 36.

SUSANNA RICHARDSON<sup>3</sup> (*Josiah<sup>2</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding, and youngest child of Capt. Josiah<sup>2</sup> and Remembrance Richardson; born in Chelmsford, probably 1676, although accounts vary; married, Jan. 23, 1695-6, HENRY FARWELL, born Dec. 18, 1674, son of Joseph and Hannah Farwell, of Chelmsford. She was his second wife. His first wife, Olive, died March 1, 1691-2.

Their children, born in Chelmsford, were:

- 131. Henry (Farwell), b. Oct. 14, 1696.
- 132. Josiah (Farwell), b. Aug. 27, 1698.

## 37.

THOMAS RICHARDSON<sup>3</sup> (*James<sup>2</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Lieut. James<sup>2</sup> and Bridget (Henchman) Richardson, of Chelmsford; born there, Oct. 26, 1661; married, Sept. 28, 1682, HANNAH COLBURN, daughter of Edward Colburn, of Dracut.

As the eldest son, he received a double portion of the landed estate of his father, James Richardson, about 1680, or perhaps on his marriage.

He was a soldier in the company of Capt. Samuel Gallup, of Boston, in the unfortunate land expedition against Canada, in 1690, by way of Albany; unless we suppose it was another Thomas, of Billerica, his father's cousin, which is not at all likely. This expedition was undertaken in conjunction with troops from Connecticut and New York, but failed through disagreement among the leaders.

He was a farmer and lived in Dracut, which was once a part of Chelmsford, and incorporated as a separate town Feb. 26, 1701. He died Feb. 10, 1700.

His children, born in Dracut, when it was part of Chelmsford, were:

- +133. James,<sup>4</sup> b. about 1696; m. Mary —.
- +134. Ezekiel,<sup>4</sup> b. about 1690; m. Mary —.
- 135. Joseph,<sup>4</sup> b. April 17, 1694; bought land in Dracut 1712.
- +136. Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> b. March 30, 1696; m. Eunice —.

## 40.

EZEKIEL RICHARDSON<sup>3</sup> (*James<sup>2</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, Sept. 3, 1667; married MARY BUNKER, daughter of Jonathan Bunker, probably of Charlestown.

He was an "husbandman," and dwelt in Charlestown—that is, in Stoneham, then a part of Charlestown—and Chelmsford.

April 1, 1691. Ezekiel Richardson, of Chelmsford, and Mary, his wife, sell to James Lowden, of Charlestown, four small wood lots in Charlestown, on the north side of Mystic River. [Midd.



Deeds, xii. 9.] These wood lots must have been in what is now Stoneham.

He probably lived in Stoneham from the time of his marriage till 1690 or 1691; after this in Chelmsford.

He died before completing his thirtieth year, and intestate, as we learn from the inventory, Nov. 27, 1696. As to the *manner* of his death, the following extract informs us.

Extract from the Court Records: "At Charlestown, 26 Jan'y, 1696-7, Edward Spalding [was] presented for that upon the 25th of November, 1696, at Chelmsford, near the house of Cornet Hills, innholder, he struck Ezekiel Richardson, of Chelmsford, with his fist, who instantly fell to the ground, and afterwards languished until the 27th of November, and then died."

Administration upon his estate was given, Jan. 11, 1697-8, to the widow Mary, with James Lowden and Ebenezer Austin, both of Charlestown, as sureties. [Midd. Prob. Rec., ix. 257, 258.]

The inventory is dated Dec. 22, 1697; amount, £284. 18. 2., reckoned in a depreciated currency. It appears from this inventory that he owned land in Charlestown, by which is doubtless meant Stoneham, valued at sixty pounds; also land at "Notimos," or Menotomy, now a part of Arlington, and in two or three other places. His residence, and the birth-place of his two older children, must have been Stoneham, then known as "Charlestown End."

Mary, widow of this Ezekiel Richardson, took for her second husband, Feb. 2, 1697-8, Moses Barron, of Chelmsford, born Oct. 28, 1669, son of Moses and Mary Barron, of that town. They had a son Jonathan (Barron), born June 28, 1698—a little too soon—and a son Isaac (Barron), who died Sept. 16, 1739. Moses Barron died April 16, 1719.

The children of Ezekiel and Mary (Bunker) Richardson were:

137. Mary,<sup>4</sup> b. in Stoneham, Jan. 16, 1683; d. Jan. 23, 1688.
138. Thomas,<sup>4</sup> b. in Stoneham, 1690; d. May 8, 1693.
139. Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> b. November, 1692; seems to have m. Joseph Butterfield, 1741.

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#### Fourth Generation.

##### 49.

HENRY BALDWIN, eldest son of Henry and Abigail (Fisk) Baldwin, of Woburn, and great-grandson of EZEKIEL RICHARDSON,<sup>1</sup> by his daughter Phebe, who was wife of the first Henry Baldwin, all of Woburn; was born in Woburn, Jan. 12, 1692-3;





married his first wife May 7, 1717, a second cousin, MARY RICHARDSON,<sup>4</sup> born in Woburn, Jan. 10, 1694-5, eldest child of Joseph<sup>2</sup> and Mary (Blodget) Richardson, of that town.

Henry Baldwin died July 7, 1739. His widow Mary married Col. John Jones, of Hopkinton, Mass. She died in Shrewsbury, Oct. 25, 1798, in her ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH YEAR. When she was one hundred years old, her pastor, Rev. Dr. Joseph Sumner, took her to a sleigh-ride. Dr. Sumner himself lived to be eighty-five years old, and died Dec. 9, 1824, having sustained the pastoral office in that town more than sixty-two years.

The children of Henry and Mary Baldwin, born in Woburn, were:

140. Henry (Baldwin), b. Feb. 27, 1717-18; m. first, Abigail Butler, of Pelham, N. H. They settled at first in Pelham, and removed thence to Shrewsbury, Mass., about 1756, where they kept a public house. He and his wife were admitted to the church in Shrewsbury in 1773; the wife from the church in Nottingham West, now Hudson, N. H. His mother, after the death of her second husband, Col. John Jones, in Hopkinton, resided with this son in Shrewsbury. They had four sons and five daughters. His first wife died in Shrewsbury, May 23, 1777, aged 57. His second wife was Martha Abbott, widow of Ebenezer Abbott. Henry Baldwin died Nov. 17, 1789, aged 72. [Ward's Hist. of Shrewsbury.]
141. Nathan (Baldwin), b. May 13, 1729; m. first, Sarah Oakes; second, Lydia Oakes. They lived in Worcester.
142. Mary (Baldwin), b. Jan. 4, 1722-3; m. April 8, 1745, Rev. Abner Bayley, of Salem, N. H. He was ordained there, 1749. They had:
  143. Mary (Bayley), m. first, William White, of Plaistow, N. H.; second, Dea. Moses Webster, of Haverhill, Mass.
  144. Elizabeth (Bayley), m. Henry Little, of Salem, N. H.
  145. Lavinia (Bayley), m. Rev. William Kelly, of Warner, N. H.

## 50.

COL. DAVID BALDWIN, brother of the preceding, and great-grandson of EZEKIEL RICHARDSON,<sup>1</sup> one of the founders of Woburn; born in Woburn, April 9, 1696; married ABIGAIL JENNISON,<sup>4</sup> born in Sudbury, December, 1702, eldest daughter of Hon. William Jennison, of that place.\* They lived in Sudbury.

Their children were:

146. William (Baldwin), graduate H. C., 1748; of Sudbury; an inn-keeper in Watertown, 1753; was a deacon and magistrate; m. Jane Cook, daughter of Rev. William Cook, of Sudbury.
147. Samuel (Baldwin), graduate H. C., 1752; m. — Cushing; was ordained pastor, Hanover, Mass., Dec. 1, 1756; dismissed March 8, 1780.

## \*THE JENNISON FAMILY.

I. ROBERT JENNISON came from England, probably in the fleet with Winthrop, with his brother William; settled in Watertown, as early, certainly, as 1636; twice married; died July 4, 1690.

II. SAMUEL JENNISON, his son, born 1645; married Judith Macomber; passed his life in Watertown; died Oct. 13, 1701.

III. WILLIAM JENNISON, his son, born in Watertown, April 17, 1678; married Elizabeth Golling, of Sudbury; lived in Sudbury and in Worcester; died Sept. 19, 1744; father of Abigail, who married Col. David Baldwin.



148. Abigail (Baldwin); m. — Curtis, of Sudbury; their daughter was the wife of Rev. Jonathan Barnes, of Hillsborough, N. H.
149. Lydia (Baldwin); m. at Watertown, Feb. 10, 1730, Hon. Oliver Prescott, of Groton, a physician in very large practice. He was judge of probate, brigadier general from 1763 to 1781, afterwards major general; he was also a member of the board of war, and of the supreme executive council of Massachusetts. He was a brother of Col. William Prescott, who commanded in the redoubt on Bunker Hill, June 17, 1775, and of Hon. James Prescott.† Lucy, the sixth child of Hon. Oliver and Lydia (Baldwin) Prescott, was the wife of Hon. Timothy Bigelow, of Medford; and their eldest daughter, Katharine, married Hon. Abbot Lawrence, of Boston.
150. Elizabeth (Baldwin); m. Henry Evans, of Boston; Oct. 23, 1733, and removed to Nova Scotia.
151. Mary (Baldwin), b. March 6, 1730; m. Capt. Samuel Jackson, of Newton, b. Nov. 25, 1737; no children. For this Jackson family, see Jackson's History of Newton.

## 51.

ISAAC BALDWIN, brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, Feb. 20, 1699–1700; married MARY FLAGG, of Woburn, March 24, 1726. They lived in Woburn.

Their children were:

152. Luke (Baldwin), b. Dec. 23, 1728.
153. Jeduthun (Baldwin), b. Jan. 13, 1731–2.
154. Nahum (Baldwin), b. May 3, 1734.
155. Isaac (Baldwin), b. Dec. 12, 1733; he was mortally wounded at the battle of Bunker Hill, and died opposite the house of Col. Royal, in Medford, June 17, 1775.

## 55.

JAMES BALDWIN, brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, Oct. 19, 1710; married, May 29, 1739, RUTH RICHARDSON,<sup>4</sup> born in Woburn, June 17, 1718, daughter of Lieut. Joseph<sup>2</sup> and Mary (Blodget) Richardson, of Woburn, and sister of Mary, who married his brother, Henry Baldwin.

They lived at "New Bridge," in North Woburn, where his grandfather, Henry Baldwin, settled in 1642. In each succeeding generation some of the family have resided there.

## † The PRESCOTT FAMILY.

I. JOHN PRESCOTT was from Lancashire, Eng.; married, in England, Mary Platts, of Yorkshire; several of their children were born there. He came to New England about 1640; settled in Lancaster, of which he was one of the founders. His third son, seventh child, was:

II. JONAS PRESCOTT, born in Lancaster, Mass., June, 1648; lived in Groton. His third son, twelfth child, was:

III. BENJAMIN PRESCOTT, born in Groton, Jan. 4, 1695–6; married, June 11, 1718, Abigail Oliver, daughter of Hon. Thomas Oliver, of Cambridge; died Aug. 3, 1738, aged 43. He was a lieutenant colonel in a Middlesex regiment, and justice of the superior court. He was father of Hon. Oliver Prescott, in the text; grandfather of Judge William Prescott, of Boston, and great-grandfather of William H. Prescott, the historian.



He died June 23, 1791, aged 81. The wife, Ruth, died a few weeks previous, May 13, 1791, aged 78.

Children, born in Woburn :

156. Cyrus (Baldwin), b. Nov. 5, 1740; m. Ruth Wilson, of Bedford. He was drowned at Dunstable, Nov. 5, 1790. No children.  
 157. Reuel (Baldwin), b. May 9, 1742; d. Feb. 21, 1745-6, aged 3.  
 +158. Loammi (Baldwin), b. Jan. 10, 1744-5; m. first, Mary Fowle; second, Margaret Fowle.  
 159. Reuel (Baldwin), b. June 30, 1747; m. Oct. 4, 1769, Kezia Wyman. He died April 18, 1775. Children:  
*Reuel, James, Ruth, Josiah.*

## 59.

THEOPHILUS RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Ezekiel*,<sup>3</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), son of Ezekiel<sup>4</sup> and Elizabeth (Swan) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, Jan. 7, 1691-2; married, in Watertown, April 24, 1711, RUTH SWAN, daughter of Gershom Swan, probably a relative of his mother's.

He lived in Woburn, or perhaps latterly in Stoneham, and died in the autumn of 1723, in his thirty-second year, as is apparent from the inventory. The Probate Record says that "he died at Charlestown—i. e., in Stoneham, then a part of Charlestown—'Charlestown End'—on his return from his majesty's service at the eastward." The explanation is, the Indians in Maine, instigated by Sebastian Rasles, the French and Jesuit missionary at Norridgewock, who was in close correspondence with the governor of Canada, had since the year 1702 been committing great ravages on the English settlements. They captured nine families at Merry Meeting Bay in June, 1704, and burned Brunswick, and had taken sixteen Massachusetts vessels at Canseau. In the spring of 1723, they ravaged Falmouth, Scarborough, Berwick, Wells, York, and Dover. The government of Massachusetts had sent a force against these savages. Theophilus Richardson was one of the men sent, and died soon after his return. This war lasted till December, 1725, and included the famous "Pigwacket Fight," in May, 1725.

The inventory is dated Dec. 12, 1723. It includes only personal estate, and amounts but to £13. 19. This shows that the family had become poor. The widow makes oath that this is "all she knows of estate," and she has to "support herself and five small children, all sick at home of the fever." Of the three sons named below, Deacon Nathan Richardson [75], their father's cousin, was appointed guardian Nov. 30, 1733, and held a small amount of property in trust for them.

Col. Edmund Goffe, of Cambridge, was appointed administrator March 23, 1724-5.

Ruth, the widow of Theophilus Richardson, was married, April 6, 1726, to Ebenezer Parker, of Stoneham.



The children of Theophilus and Ruth Richardson were:

160. Martha,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 4, 1711-12; m. Ebenezer Thompson, of Reading, Dec. 22, 1730.  
 161. Ruth,<sup>5</sup> b. Sept. 1, 1714; m. April 15, 1735, Josiah Walton, of Stoneham. The record of marriage describes her as "of Stoneham." In the record of marriage he is said to be "of Reading." Another document, dated Aug. 11, 1735, describes him as of Stoneham.  
 +162. Edward,<sup>5</sup> b. March 17, 1715-16; m. Abigail Chenery.  
 163. Richard,<sup>5</sup> b. Nov. 9, 1719.  
 +164. Moses,<sup>5</sup> b. April 8, 1722; m. Mary Prentiss.

## 60.

EZEKIEL RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and son of Ezekiel<sup>3</sup> and Elizabeth Richardson; born in Woburn, April 22, 1694; married, at Watertown, Aug. 8, 1717, LYDIA OCKINGTON, of Needham. She was probably a daughter or sister of Thomas Ockington, of Watertown.

He lived in Woburn two or three years after marriage, and then removed to Needham—taken from Dedham, 1711—where he seems to have passed the remainder of his life. He was there certainly in 1722, when his second child was born.

1723, May 17. Benjamin Colburn, of Dedham, husbandman, and Rebekah his wife, for eight pounds, sell to Ezekiel Richardson, of Needham, two parcels of land in Needham, containing five and two acres. [Suff. Deeds, xlv. 113.]

1736-7, Feb. 25. Hezekiah Fuller, of Dedham, yeoman, and Elizabeth his wife, for £110, sell to Ezekiel Richardson, of Needham, land in Needham. [Suff. Deeds, lxi. 238.]

1. Feb. 2. John Fisher, Esq., of Needham, and Elizabeth his wife, in full and good tenor, sell to Ezekiel Richardson, of Needham, tenn. acres of land in Needham. [Suff. Deeds, lxxiv. 200.]

All these purchases were in a depreciated currency. In 1749, forty-five shillings "old tenor" were given for one Spanish milled dollar. In two years more it was worth nothing.

The children of Ezekiel<sup>4</sup> and Lydia Richardson were:

- +165. Theophilus,<sup>5</sup> b. in Woburn, Jan. 26, 1718-19; m. Hannah Chickering.  
 166. Ezekiel,<sup>5</sup> b. in Needham, Aug. 1, 1722. In 1747-8, he was living in Needham, and bought one-fourth acre of land. [Suff. Deeds, lxxii. 70.]  
 167. Peter,<sup>5</sup> b. in Needham, Jan. 14, 1726-7.

## 62.

AARON RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, Dec. 16, 1701; married BETHIAH ——. They lived in Woburn.

Their children were:

168. Bethiah,<sup>5</sup> b. Nov. 1, 1723; d. June 9, 1733.  
 169. Aaron,<sup>5</sup> b. Dec. 24, 1730; d. June 26, 1738.





170. Phebe,<sup>4</sup> b. April 23, 1733; d. June 1, 1738.  
 171. Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 13, 1736; d. May 31, 1738.  
 172. Bethiah,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 5, 1733-9; m. her cousin, Amos Richardson,  
 1702.  
 173. Phebe,<sup>4</sup> b. June 13, 1741; d. July 16, 1741.

Notice the fearful ravages of death among these children, sweeping off the entire family of children living in the summer of 1738, four in number, in a single month. It was undoubtedly caused by the *throat-ail*, so fatal in New England in that gloomy year, 1738, and still remembered and spoken of when the compiler was young.\*

## 71.

JOHN RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*John<sup>3</sup> Theophilus<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of John<sup>2</sup> and Deborah (Brooks) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, Dec. 29, 1692; married, at Cambridge, July 1, 1714, ABIGAIL SWAN, daughter of Gershom Swan.

He was a "husbandman," and passed his entire life in Woburn. He died there, Nov. 15, 1745. His will is dated Nov. 7, 1745; proved March 17, 1745-6; recorded Midd. Prob. Rec., xxiv. 132.

His wife survived him. In his will, he makes his brother [Dea.] Nathan Richardson and his brother John Atwood, both of Woburn, joint executors. John Atwood was doubtless the father of Lydia Atwood, the wife of his son Jasher. Abigail Richardson, Isaac Richardson, and Samuel Tidd are witnesses.

Children of John and Abigail Richardson, all born in Woburn:

174. Gershom,<sup>4</sup> b. May 4, 1715; living March 27, 1746.  
 175. Abigail,<sup>4</sup> b. May 27, 1718; m. — Stevens.  
 +176. Ezra,<sup>4</sup> b. June 13, 1721; m. Love —.  
 +177. Jasher,<sup>4</sup> b. Dec. 8, 1724; m. Lydia Atwood.  
 178. Deborah,<sup>4</sup> b. March 26, 1728; m. Jabez Burdett, Jan. 26, 1740-50.  
 +179. Abijah,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 22, 1730-1; m. first, Sarah Stewart; second, Mary Lawrence.

All living at the date of their father's will.

## 72.

— DEBORAH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*John<sup>3</sup> Theophilus<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Woburn, March 8, 1694-5; married,

\* The disease originated in the manner now to be described. In May, 1735, a Mr. Clough, of Kingston, N. H., having examined the throat of a swine which had died of a throat disease, was himself suddenly attacked with a swelling of the throat, and lived but a few days. Three weeks after, three children in his neighborhood were attacked in a similar manner, and died in thirty-six hours. From this, the disease spread rapidly and proved fearfully fatal, particularly to children. It extended in all directions, passing through New England and into New York. It was two years in reaching the Hudson River. Between June, 1735, and July, 1736, nine hundred and eighty-four died in fourteen towns of New Hampshire. In this town, Haverhill, Mass., it appeared in October, 1736, and swept off more than one-half of all the children under fifteen years of age. Almost every house became a habitation of mourning. In many families not a child was left. One hundred and ninety-nine fell victims to this terrible scourge in this town, only one of whom was forty years of age. [Chase's History of Haverhill, pp. 306, 307.]



March 23, 1718, JOHN KENDALL,<sup>2</sup> born in Woburn, July 8, 1699, youngest son of John<sup>2</sup> and Elizabeth (Comey) Kendall, and grandson of FRANCIS KENDALL,<sup>1</sup> one of the founders of Woburn, and ancestor—it is supposed—of all of the name in New England.

They lived in Woburn, and had these children:

180. Deborah (Kendall), b. Feb. 9, 1719. *184 Sarah*  
 181. Mary (Kendall), b. March 6, 1721; m. March 20, 1746, Ignatius Marion (Merriam?) *185 John*  
 182. John (Kendall), b. April 25, 1723; m. Nov. 12, 1754, Sarah Wyman, of Woburn. *187 Esther*  
 183. Zebedee (Kendall), b. March 30, 1725. *Dunstable - 188 Ebenezer*  
*189 Henry*

## 74.

JOSIAH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*John<sup>3</sup>, Theophilus<sup>2</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and second son of John<sup>2</sup> and Deborah Richardson; born in Woburn, Feb. 14, 1700-1; married PHEBE —.

They lived in Dunstable, N. H. I suppose in that part which now constitutes the town of Litchfield, N. H.\*

## Children:

184. Phebe,<sup>5</sup> b. Jan. 10, 1727-8.  
 +185. Josiah,<sup>5</sup> b. Sept. 28, 1729; m. Lucy —.  
 186. Lucy,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 5, 1731.  
 187. Eunice,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 13, 1733.

## 75.

DEACON NATHAN RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*John<sup>3</sup>, Theophilus<sup>2</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and third son of John<sup>2</sup> and Deborah Richardson; born in Woburn, June 24, 1701; married first, ESTHER PEIRCE, daughter of Stephen Peirce, of Chelmsford. She died Nov. 10, 1727, aged 27. By a strange mistake, the gravestone describes her as the *widow* of Nathan Richardson. Second, July 3, 1729, TABITHA KENDALL,<sup>5</sup> born Jan. 22, 1706-7, youngest child of Samuel<sup>2</sup> and Mary (Locke) Kendall, of Woburn; granddaughter of Francis Kendall<sup>1</sup> and of William Locke,<sup>1</sup> who both came from England, and were early settlers in Woburn. She died Nov. 25, 1739, aged 33. [Gravestone.] Third, LYDIA WHITREMORE, of Malden, April 3, 1740. She died May 17, 1776, aged 84. [Gravestone.]

He lived in Woburn all his days; was a highly respectable and useful man, and often employed on public business. He was selectman 1759, 1760, 1761, 1762, 1763; was chosen deacon April 22, 1761; was one of the committee, chosen 1783, to have care of

\* Old Dunstable is often mentioned in our early history. It included the present Dunstable in Massachusetts and Tyngsboro, with parts of Groton and Dracut; also the towns of Amherst, Merrimack, Litchfield, Dunstable, Nashua, Milford, Hollis, Brookline, Hudson, and part of Londonderry.



the town's "loan money," that is, money received from the sale of two thousand acres of land in Lunenburg, granted to the town by the General Court in 1644,\* but not located till 1717.

Through neglect and mismanagement, this liberal grant of land proved of no advantage to the town for about seventy years. It served only as an occasion for altercation and strife, especially at the town-meetings. It lay in a wild, uncultivated state, and after 1723, when the town of Lunenburg was incorporated, Woburn had to pay taxes for it to Lunenburg. At length, in February, 1734, the tract was sold to Israel Reed, of Woburn, for £3,300. The money was not paid down, but was supposed to be sufficiently secured. Small portions were invested, and small portions were paid from time to time. It passed into the hands of different and successive committees during forty years or more, and at length proved nearly or quite worthless. The depreciation of the "old tenor," the fictitious currency of Massachusetts, was the principal cause, sixty shillings of which in 1750 were worth only one ounce of silver. But from beginning to end, or nearly so, the management of the fund was extremely bad, not so much from any want of integrity in the committee, as from their lack of financial ability, and the failure of many to whom the money was loaned from time to time to meet their engagements. [Sewall's Hist. of Woburn, pp. 288-302.]

Nathan Richardson was from time to time appointed by the probate court guardian to sundry individuals, as to Edward, Richard, and Moses Richardson, sons of Theophilus, and to John Richardson, adjudged *non compos mentis*, June 7, 1736.

He died Oct. 21, 1775, aged 74. [Gravestone.]

His children, all born in Woburn, were, by first wife, Esther:

- +188. Nathan,<sup>5</sup> b. April 21, 1725; m. Mary Peirce.
- 189. Esther,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 6, 1727; m. Joshua Peirce, of Woburn. They were published Oct. 27, 1733.

By second wife, Tabitha:

- 190. Tabitha,<sup>5</sup> b. April 14, 1730.
- +191. John,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 5, 1731-2; m. Hannah Richardson, 1733.
- +192. Amos,<sup>5</sup> b. Nov. 6, 1733; m. Bethiah Richardson, 1732.
- +193. Jotham,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 23, 1735; m. Phebe Whittemore, 1759.
- 194. Mary,<sup>5</sup> b. Sept. 7, 1737.

### 103.

MERCY RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Lieut. Josiah<sup>3</sup> and Mercy (Parish) Richardson, of Chelmsford; born there, Jan. 9, 1688-9; married, 1707, MAJOR EPHEM HILDRETH, of Dracut.

He was an active and influential man, first in Chelmsford, then in Dracut; a major in the militia, and otherwise honored. He

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\* It was not granted for any public service, but to compensate Woburn for its alleged smallness of area. See Sewall's Hist. of Woburn, pp. 35, 293, et seq.



owned and sold land in Pelham, which had formerly, I believe, been in Dracut.

He died Sept. 26, 1740. His wife, Mercy, died Dec. 23, 1743, aged 55.

Their children, born in Chelmsford, were :

195. Thomas (Hildreth), b. 1707; d. Oct. 7, 1707.
196. Ephraim (Hildreth), b. Jan. 13, 1708-9; m. Mary Clark, of Chelmsford, Feb. 11, 1733-6. He was town clerk, 1768; died Aug. 5, 1769.
197. Josiah (Hildreth), b. Feb. 14, 1710-11; m. Rebecca Wright, of Dracut; published Dec. 20, 1740; d. Aug. 7, 1754.

Born in Dracut :

198. Robert (Hildreth), b. May 18, 1718; m. Sarah Abbot, of Andover; published Nov. 15, 1752.
199. Mercy (Hildreth), b. Jan. 27, 1715-16; d. Dec. 10, 1729.
200. Zachariah (Hildreth), b. Sept. 28, 1718; d. Jan. 10, 1745-6.
201. Thomas (Hildreth), b. Aug. 5, 1721; m. Hannah Colburn; published Dec. 13, 1748. He d. at Fort Cumberland, Dec. 4, 1755.
202. William (Hildreth), b. Aug. 30, 1723; m. Tabitha Colburn; d. Sept. 5, 1813.
203. Levi (Hildreth); b. Oct. 13, 1728; m. Mary Clemens, 1746.
204. Elijah (Hildreth), b. May 28, 1728; m. first, Hannah Colburn, 1746; second, Susannah Barker, of Methuen, 1755.
205. Mercy (Hildreth), b. Nov. 27, 1732.

#### 104.

CAPTAIN JOSIAH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Lieut. Josiah<sup>2</sup> and Mercy (Parish) Richardson,<sup>2</sup> of Chelmsford; born there, May 5, 1691; married, first, 1712, LYDIA —. She died in childbed, March 28, 1737. Second, ELIZABETH FRENCH, of Dunstable; published April 1, 1738. She died Dec. 15, 1771.

He was an active, capable, business man. His name often occurs on the Dracut records. He began to live in that town about 1710, when in his twentieth year. His name is placed against lot No. 10, as taken by him, under date of Jan. 2, 1710, probably 1710-11. At a general town-meeting, held Oct. 27, 1712, leave was granted to him to be a settled inhabitant in the town of Dracut, on the lot which his father—who died Oct. 17, 1711—took up with the consent of the committee of the General Court. This lot, No. 10, was thus bounded: It had Merrimack River on the south; the "Solomon lot" on the west; on the north and east it had marked trees. It was one of the fifteen lots that lay between Mr. Belcher's farm and Mr. Winthrop's farm, and near Walker's Brook, and was "the thirtieth part of the undivided land required in the township of Dracut." This description shows how sparsely settled Dracut was at that time.

Part of this lot he sold in 1712 to Joseph Richardson, his second cousin, son of Thomas Richardson [135].

\* The mother's name was sometimes written *Parris*.





March, 1714, he was chosen surveyor of highways. March, 1715, chosen fence-viewer. In 1720, one of a committee of three to receive "the money" (what money?) for the town of Dracut.

In 1728, he was one of the board of selectmen, and again in 1781. In 1749, selectman, assessor, and town clerk; also in 1755 and 1756. In 1752, town treasurer; again in 1753 and 1754.

In 1749, he is, on the records, I believe for the first time, called "Captain Josiah Richardson."

In October, 1749, the town had recently built a meeting-house, and it was voted that the man paying the highest tax on real and personal estate in town should have the first choice of a pew; the man paying the next highest tax the second choice, and so on. Capt. Josiah Richardson had the second choice. The pews were not to be re-sold without consent of the town.

His will is dated Aug. 17, 1773; proved Dec. 31, 1776. In the will he calls himself "gentleman," and gives his daughter Hannah Hildreth fifty pounds lawful money, in full of her portion. He then gives to his granddaughter, Sarah Richardson, daughter of his son Josiah Richardson, late of Dracut, deceased, twenty pounds lawful money. Then to his son Ephraim Richardson, £86. 13. 4., lawful money, this being the amount of a note signed by the said Ephraim in favor of the testator; this to be in full of said Ephraim's portion of the estate. To his son Moses, a deed of land and money. Next, to the children of his son David, late of Dracut, deceased, land and money. Next, to his late son Jonathan, late of Dracut, deceased, land and money. Next, to the children of his second daughter, Lydia Cummings, late of Ipswich, deceased, he gives six pounds a piece. Next, to his daughter Mercy Colburn, late of Dracut, deceased, to her children, land and money.

The remainder of the estate, after the payment of the testator's just debts and funeral charges, he gives in equal shares to his two executors, Uriah Colburn and Obadiah Richardson. Uriah Colburn [402] was his grandson, son of his daughter Hannah. Obadiah Richardson was also his grandson, son of his son Moses. All this is from a copy of the will, now before me.

The children of Capt. Josiah and Lydia Richardson were:

- 206. Lydia,<sup>s</sup> b. Nov. 4, 1713; d. same day.
- 207. Lydia,<sup>s</sup> b. Sept. 27, 1714; m. Thomas Cummings, of Ipswich. They were published July 17, 1736. She died Nov. 24, 1753.  
Children:  
*Thomas, Lydia, Anna, Elizabeth, Rhoda.*
- 208. Hannah,<sup>s</sup> b. April 20, 1717; d. Feb. 26, 1717-18.
- 209. Josiah,<sup>s</sup> b. Dec. 29, 1718; m. Sarah Varnum, of Dracut; published Aug. 11, 1753. He died Feb. 13, 1754. They had:  
210. Sarah,<sup>s</sup> b. April 20, 1755.
- +211. Jonathan,<sup>s</sup> b. Dec. 19, 1720; m. Lucy Clark, of Chelmsford.
- +212. Ephraim,<sup>s</sup> b. Sept. 12, 1722; m. Elizabeth Richardson.
- 213. Moses,<sup>s</sup> b. May 14, 1724; d. March 21, 1726.
- +214. Hannah,<sup>s</sup> b. Dec. 25, 1725; m. first, Joshua Colburn; second, Elijah Hildreth.
- +215. Moses,<sup>s</sup> b. June 12, 1729; m. Elizabeth Colburn.



216. Mercy,<sup>1</sup> b. Jan. 5, 1729-30; m. Abraham Colburn, jr., of Dracut. They were published Oct. 20, 1753.  
 +217. David,<sup>2</sup> b. June 3, 1731; m. Elizabeth Colburn [238].  
 218. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> b. March 28, 1737; d. March 28, 1740.

## 105.

ROBERT RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding, and second son of Licut. Josiah<sup>2</sup> and Mercy (Parish or Parris) Richardson; born in Chelmsford, Oct. 2, 1693; married DEBORAH —.

There can scarcely be a doubt that the full name of the wife was Deborah *Parish* or *Parris*, for the names were then convertible, and that she was the daughter of Robert Parris, an early settler of Dunstable, or rather of Litchfield, N. H., then a part of Dunstable. The name of their son affords sufficient evidence of the fact.

He lived some years in Chelmsford, at least till 1724, when, or about that time, he removed to Litchfield, N. H., where his wife's father lived. He was a grantor of land in Litchfield in 1739.

Litchfield, previously a part of Dunstable, was incorporated as a town July 5, 1784. It then and previously belonged to Massachusetts.

The country being kept almost constantly in alarm from the fear of hostile visits from the Indians, who often came unexpectedly, it was necessary to be always in a state of preparation for such visits. A large number of men in Dracut and vicinity were kept constantly armed and equipped; and since the Indians might come in winter, as well as summer, these men were supplied with snow-shoes, at the expense of the province. The whole north regiment of Essex County was thus supplied in 1710. There were over fifty men thus supplied in the town of Haverhill, then including Methuen, and adjoining Dracut. They were known as "snow-shoe men."

In 1725, Robert Richardson had a company of "snow-shoe men," some of whom went in pursuit of the Indians after the "Pigwacket Fight," May 8, 1725. They went because they were acquainted with the haunts and habits of the Indians.

Robert and Deborah Richardson had the children named below before leaving Chelmsford, and probably more afterwards:

219. Phebe,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 22, 1719.

220. Parish,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 13, 1724. He was a soldier in the company of Capt. John Hazen, of Haverhill, raised 1753, for the reduction of Ticonderoga and Crown Point. [See Chase's History of Haverhill, p. 253.] He did not belong to Haverhill, but probably in Litchfield, which was but a few miles distant.

The town of Hollis, N. H., was included in Dunstable till April 3, 1746, when it was incorporated as a town. It had previously been the West Parish in Dunstable. One of the earliest settlers, if not the very earliest, was Capt. Peter Powers, in 1730, from Littleton, Mass. In the "Old French War," 1755, Capt.



Powers commanded a company made up from Hollis, Dunstable, and the neighboring towns. In this company Timothy Richardson [221] and Luther Richardson [222] were privates. I presume they were sons of Robert Richardson, of Dunstable. The military ardor of the family, if nothing more, justifies the presumption.

## 106.

CAPT. ZACHARIAH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, February, 1695-6; married SARAH BUTTERFIELD, born Sept. 23, 1701, daughter of Benjamin and Sarah Butterfield. Benjamin Butterfield was one of the founders of Chelmsford.

In his will, dated March 21, 1776—the day before he died—he styles himself “gentleman,” and gives to wife Sarah the free use and improvement of all his household goods, furniture, and live stock during her natural life, and directs that whatever may remain after her death be “divided equally between all my daughters, or their heirs.” He also makes a bequest to his grandson, Paul Richardson [son of his son Josiah].

He died March 22, 1776, aged 80. His widow, Sarah, died Aug. 11, 1789, aged 89. [Gravestone.]

They had in all twelve children, all born in Chelmsford. The names of two are wanting.

- 223. Sarah,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 13, 1719.
- +224. Zachariah,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 19, 1721; m. first, Hannah Blodget; second, Sarah Warren.
- 225. A name wanting.
- +226. Bridget,<sup>5</sup> b. April 23, 1726; m. Timothy Fletcher.
- 227. Deborah,<sup>5</sup> b. June 1, 1727; m. 1743, Joseph Farrar, of Chelmsford. They had, between 1743 and 1767, eight children. Among them was *John* (Farrar), b. Aug. 16, 1767. They had also Bridget, wife of Wiley Richardson [514.] Their mother died June 30, 1808, aged 81.
- +228. Lydia,<sup>5</sup> b. May 17, 1729; m. Jacob Chamberlain, May 21, 1761. She died May 31, 1775.
- 229. Mercy,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 20, 1730-1; d. Jan. 19, 1745-6. Called Mary in the town record.
- +230. Josiah,<sup>5</sup> b. May 8, 1734; m. Lydia Warren.
- 231. Rebecca,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 16, 1735-6.
- 232. Hannah,<sup>5</sup> b. 173-.
- 233. A name wanting.
- 234. Lucy,<sup>5</sup> b. Nov. 11, 1742; m. Feb. 24, 1763, Peter Spalding, b. May 26, 1734, son of Lieut. John and Phebe Spalding, of Chelmsford. Mr. Spalding died June 30, 1786. [Spalding Memorial.] Children:
  - 234. Lucy (Spalding), b. March 13, 1764; probably m. Thomas Richardson [513].
  - 234. EU (Spalding), b. March 25, 1771; d. same day.
  - 234. Phebe (Spalding), b. ———; m. Dec. 28, 1800, Joseph Butterfield Varnum, of Dracut, b. Sept. 23, 1775.



## 108.

CAPT. WILLIAM RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding, and youngest son of Lieut. Josiah<sup>2</sup> and Mercy (Parish) Richardson; born in Chelmsford, Sept. 19, 1701; married, about 1722, ELIZABETH COLBURN, daughter of Daniel and Sarah Colburn, of Dracut.

He settled in Pelham, N. H., in 1722, and cultivated a farm there; commenced housekeeping there that year. Pelham was a part of Dracut, but separated from it in 1741, when, by an order of the Privy Council of England, sixteen towns were taken from Massachusetts and annexed to New Hampshire.\*

He was many years captain of a military company. He was also a representative in the General Court of the province.

His will is dated April 1, 1776; proved Nov. 7, 1776. He died in the interval. It may be found among the probate records of Rockingham County, at Exeter, N. H. He mentions wife Elizabeth, daughter *Molly*, wife of Jacob Fletcher, and other children as below. Sons Asa and Daniel, executors.

Children of Capt. William Richardson, born in Pelham, but all recorded in Dracut:

235. Elizabeth,<sup>5</sup> b. July 27, 1724; m. Capt. Joseph Butterfield.  
 236. Abner,<sup>5</sup> no date given.  
 237. Mary,<sup>5</sup> b. April 18, 1728; m. Capt. Reuben Butterfield. They had Asa (Butterfield) and James (Butterfield). She was living in 1794.  
 238. William,<sup>5</sup> b. January, 1730-1; was an ensign in a company of soldiers under command of Capt. John Hazen, of Haverhill, raised 1758, for the reduction of Ticonderoga and Crown Point. Possibly I mistake the man.  
 239. Mercy,<sup>5</sup> b. June 17, 1731; m. Jacob Fletcher. [In her father's will she is called *Molly*, an evident mistake in copying, for besides her there was a Mary, the wife of Reuben Butterfield.]

\*The charter under which Massachusetts was settled was granted by Charles I., king of England, to sundry persons, on the 19th of March, 1627-8. It conveyed to these gentlemen, well known as the Massachusetts Company, all that tract of land, that portion of the earth's surface, extending from a point three miles north of the Merrimack River, and every part of it, to a point three miles south of Charles River, and every part of it, and within these limits from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean, or Great South Sea.

With a view to ascertain the northern limit of this grant, a commission was appointed in 1639 by the government of Massachusetts. The limit was found at the outlet of the Lake Winnipisogee, where the Merrimack leaves said lake, and where it begins to be the Merrimack. A certain tree three miles north of this was marked as the northern limit of Massachusetts. It is plain as the day-light that this is the true north limit whence the line should run, according to the charter.

One of the last acts of that profligate and irreligious prince, Charles II., was to annul the charter, and thus deprive the people of Massachusetts of any title to their lands, which were all held under this instrument. It was a most flagitious and wicked proceeding, though done under the form of law, in the Chancery Court of England, October, 1685. The rights and liberties of Massachusetts now lay prostrate in the dust. The government of New Hampshire, taking advantage of this unhappy state of things—for the new charter of 1682 did not recognize the old boundaries as established in 1629—after many efforts, continued through a score of years, at length prevailed on the Privy Council of England to issue the order referred to in the text. And thus, by a mere stroke of the pen, Massachusetts was shorn of a large portion of her heritage, of which she had full possession more than a century.





- +240. Asa,<sup>2</sup> b. Feb. 23, 1733; he was of Pelham, and was living February, 1704.  
 241. Sarah,<sup>2</sup> b. Feb. 23, 1741-2; m. Benjamin Gage.  
 242. Hannah,<sup>2</sup> b. March 8, 1740-7; m. first Aug. 4, 1703, Lieut. Timothy Spalding, of Westford; second, Nov. 12, 1735, Joseph Jewett, of Westford.  
 +243. Daniel,<sup>2</sup> b. March 11, 1740; m. Sarah Merchant.

## 110.

ELIZABETH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Jonathan,<sup>2</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest daughter of Capt. Jonathan<sup>2</sup> and Elizabeth (Bates) Richardson, of Chelmsford; born there, Oct. 19, 1696; married, 1714, EDWARD COLBURN, of Dracut.

They lived in Dracut. She died Dec. 10, 1743.

## Children, born in Dracut:

244. Elizabeth (Colburn), b. May 13, 1715.  
 245. Thankful (Colburn), b. Nov. 23, 1717; m. Benjamin Butterfield, of Dracut, Dec. 3, 1736. Children: Benjamin and Thankful.  
 246. Rebecca (Colburn), b. May 23, 1719.  
 247. Edward (Colburn), b. Dec. 20, 1721.  
 248. Daniel (Colburn), b. Jan. 23, 1723-4.  
 249. Olive (Colburn), b. May 20, 1723.  
 250. Sarah (Colburn), b. Sept. 20, 1720.  
 251. Lucy (Colburn), b. May 4, 1731.  
 252. Willard (Colburn), b. Oct. 28, 1734.

## 111.

MARY RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Jonathan,<sup>2</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, June 26, 1699; married, 1717, SAMUEL COLBURN, of Dracut.

They lived in Dracut. He was a physician.

He died Dec. 22, 1756. Mrs. Mary Colburn, his wife, died Oct. 23, 1754.

## Children, all born in Dracut:

253. Mary (Colburn), b. June 27, 1718.  
 254. Samuel (Colburn), b. March 13, 1719-20; m. Mary Bradstreet, 1743.  
 255. Jonathan (Colburn), b. June 1, 1722; d. young.  
 256. Hannah (Colburn), b. April 3, 1726.  
 257. Jonathan (Colburn), b. Jan. 17, 1729-30.  
 258. Elizabeth (Colburn), b. April 17, 1732; m. David Richardson [217].  
 259. Martha (Colburn), b. Aug. 19, 1734.  
 260. Hezekiah (Colburn), b. April 7, 1737; d. June 3, 1742.

## 112.

LYDIA RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Jonathan,<sup>2</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, July 14, 1702; married Rev. THOMAS PARKER, the first minister of Dracut.

He was born in Cambridge, Dec. 7, 1700, son of Josiah Parker, of that town, who was a son of Capt. James Parker, of Groton.



He graduated at Harvard College in 1718; was invited to settle in Dracut, 1720, and accepted the invitation Jan. 30, 1720-1.

Dracut, formerly a part of Chelmsford, though the Merrimack divides them, was incorporated as a town Feb. 26, 1700-1. Several attempts were made between 1710 and 1720 to settle a minister, but without success. There was a meeting-house, built in 1715, but no church till the ordination of Mr. Parker. He was pastor there forty-five years, and died March 18, 1765, aged 65.

The children of Rev. Thomas and Lydia Parker were :

- 261. Thomas (Parker), b. Oct. 21, 1721.
- 262. Lydia (Parker), b. Feb. 2, 1723-4; d. young.
- 263. Lydia (Parker), b. June 10, 1725.
- 264. William (Parker), b. Jan. 14, 1727.
- 265. Elizabeth (Parker), b. Jan. 5, 1729.
- 266. Lucy (Parker), b. Jan. 3, 1732.
- 267. Sarah (Parker), b. Oct. 3, 1735.

## 114.

THANKFUL RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Jonathan*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), sister of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, Aug. 16, 1709; married EZRA COLBURN, born Jan. 6, 1708-9, son of Ezra and Lucy Colburn. They lived in Dracut.

Children, all born in Dracut :

- 268. Ezra (Colburn), b. April 19, 1734; m. Phebe Winn, 1759.
- 269. Thankful (Colburn), b. Feb. 24, 1735-6.
- 270. Lucy (Colburn), b. April 19, 1738.
- 271. Jesse (Colburn), b. Sept. 13, 1740; d. young.
- 272. Elizabeth (Colburn), b. Oct. 21, 1742.
- 273. Samson (Colburn), b. July 9, 1743.
- 274. Jesse (Colburn), twins b. }
- 275. Jemima (Colburn), Sept. 19, 1747. }
- 276. Lydia (Colburn), b. March 30, 1740.
- 277. Sarah (Colburn), b. July 3, 1753.

## 121.

JOHN RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*John*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), son of John<sup>3</sup> and Elizabeth (Farwell) Richardson, of Chelmsford; born there, Nov. 16, 1711; married, 1733, ESTHER —.

He passed his life in Chelmsford, and died, intestate, Aug. 23, 1764. The inventory, dated March 18, 1765, includes real estate, £440, in lawful money; personal estate, £112. 16. 10. The widow, Esther, was living at the date of her son Silas' will, Aug. 12, 1774. Silas Richardson, the eldest son, was made administrator, and was to have two-thirds of the real estate, after paying certain sums to his brothers and sisters.

The children of John and Esther Richardson were :

- +278. Silas,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 21, 1734; m. Lydia Fletcher.
- +279. Esther,<sup>5</sup> b. June 4, 1736; m. Stephen Spalding.
- +280. Elizabeth,<sup>5</sup> b. March 2, 1738; m. William Adams.



281. Sarah,<sup>5</sup> b. April 23, 1740; m. Feb. 12, 1767. John Colburn, jr., of Dracut, son of John and Sarah (Richardson) Colburn [113].
282. Mary,<sup>5</sup> b. May 15, 1742; m. — Holden.
283. Sybil,<sup>5</sup> b. May 19, 1744; m. James French, jr., March 3, 1768.
284. Tabitha,<sup>5</sup> b. June 10, 1746; m. Oliver Fletcher, of Chelmsford, Feb. 25, 1768.
285. John,<sup>5</sup> b. April 8, 1748; he was of New Ipswich, a joiner. We learn from the will of his brother Silas, or rather from the probate of it, April 18, 1775, that he was then absent; but he perhaps afterwards returned, for the records represent that he died, intestate, previous to Jan. 12, 1783. At that date the probate court appointed a committee to appraise his estate. They returned an inventory Jan. 14, 1783. [Hillsboro' Prob. Rec., l. 400.] No wife or children are mentioned.
286. Abigail,<sup>5</sup> b. Sept. 23, 1751.
287. Rebecca,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 19, 1753; m. Francis Davidson, March 11, 1779.

All the above supposed to be living March 25, 1766, at the settlement of the father's estate.

## 123.

HENRY RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*John,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), younger son of John<sup>3</sup> and Elizabeth (Farwell) Richardson; born Sept. 19, 1714; his birth was in Chelmsford, but in that part of it which in 1729 was incorporated as the town of Westford; married PRISCILLA SPALDING, born July 24, 1713, daughter of Edward<sup>2</sup> and Lydia Spalding, of Chelmsford. Henry Richardson, of Westford, married Ruth Bates, also of Westford, July 12, 1784. Their children's births are recorded in Westford. We suppose, therefore, that Westford was their home.

## Children of Henry and Priscilla Richardson.

288. Lydia,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 11, 1733; m. May 21, 1761, Jacob Chamberlain. She died May 31, 1775.
- +289. Olive,<sup>5</sup> b. April 24, 1742; m. Abel Adams.
- +290. Luke,<sup>5</sup> b. March 6, 1744; m. Sarah Minot.
291. Elizabeth,<sup>5</sup> b. Dec. 12, 1747; m. Issachar Keyes, of Westford, Oct. 22, 1770.
292. Sarah,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 2, 1750; m. Nov. 22, 1770. David Fletcher, b. June 8, 1752; his second wife. They lived in Westford.

## 130.

ELEAZAR RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), youngest son of Samuel<sup>3</sup> and Rachel (Howard) Richardson, of Chelmsford.

His birth does not appear on the Chelmsford records; but from a comparison of many dates on the town and county records, it must have taken place not far from 1720. The probate court appointed him administrator of the estate "of his father, Samuel Richardson," May 20, 1754; and the inventory of said estate, dated June 10, 1754, represents him as the only son, that is, the only son living.

He married LYDIA PERHAM, born Sept. 24, 1722, daughter of Benoni and Sarah Perham, of Chelmsford.



He lived in Chelmsford. His will is dated June 24, 1776; proved Oct. 29, 1776. His wife, Lydia, survived him.

Their children, all born in Chelmsford, were :

298. Lydia,<sup>5</sup> b. May 10, 1749. } These are not mentioned in the fa-  
 299. Rachel,<sup>5</sup> b. June 14, 1751. } ther's will, and probably died young.  
 295. Sarah,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 4, 1753; m. Thomas Parker, of Reading, Feb. 4,  
 1773.  
 +296. Samuel,<sup>5</sup> b. Sept. 14, 1756; m. first, Elizabeth Hildreth; second,  
 Amy Fletcher.  
 +297. Oliver,<sup>5</sup> b. March 17, 1759; m. Chloe Bancroft.  
 298. Hannah,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 17, 1781; m. Thaddeus Monroe, of Hillsbor-  
 ough, N. H., Feb. 17, 1780.  
 299. Mary,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 14, 1785; m. May 20, 1798, Lieut. Zebulon Blodget,  
 of Dunstable, by Parker Varnum, justice of peace. In the  
 town record of marriage she is called *Marcy*.

## 133.

JAMES RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Thomas<sup>3</sup> and Hannah (Colburn) Richardson, of Dracut; born in Dracut, when it was part of Chelmsford, about 1686; married MARY —.

Dracut became a separate town Feb. 26, 1701, after which they lived in Dracut.

## Children :

300. Mary,<sup>5</sup> b. April 9, 1711.  
 +301. James,<sup>5</sup> b. May 3, 1713; m. Molly Richardson, 1741.  
 +302. Philip,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 1, 1715; m. Eleanor Wood, 1744.  
 +303. Sarah,<sup>5</sup> b. July 1, 1717; m. Zachariah Goodhue.  
 +304. Thomas,<sup>5</sup> b. March 20, 1719; m. Rebecca Reed.  
 305. Hannah,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 25, 1720-1; never married; a veteran school-  
 dame as late as 1759; d. in Dracut, Dec. 25, 1812, aged 92 years.  
 306. John,<sup>5</sup> b. May 16, 1724.  
 307. Elizabeth,<sup>5</sup> b. June 14, 1726; m. Ephraim Richardson [212].  
 308. Moses,<sup>5</sup> b. June 22, 1728; d. in Pelham, 1755.  
 309. Lucy,<sup>5</sup> b. Dec. 16, 1733.

## 134.

EZEKIEL RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Dracut, at that time belonging to Chelmsford, about 1690; married MARY —.

They lived in Dracut. Little is known of them.

Their children, born in Dracut, were :

310. Ezekiel,<sup>5</sup> b. Sept. 24, 1714; m. Elizabeth Ditson; published Aug.  
 25, 1738.  
 311. Mary,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 14, 1717; d. Feb. 23, 1717.  
 312. Edward,<sup>5</sup> b. Jan. 12, 1718-19; m. Sarah Blood. He died, intes-  
 tate, Sept. 1, 1749, and previous to 1752 the widow, Sarah, m.  
 Israel Mead.  
 313. Mary,<sup>5</sup> b. June 24, 1720.  
 The records state that Hannah, sister of Ezekiel Richardson,  
 was supported by the town of Dracut in 1797. Doubtless of  
 this family.





It is also stated that Capt. Ezekiel Richardson sold his farm to William Adams, husband of Elizabeth Richardson [220], and "moved away." This must have been about 1753, when William Adams was married, and is likely to have wanted a farm, and when Ezekiel Richardson also was married and wanted a farm. How far he moved is not said, and we are left to conjecture. Perhaps only to Pelham, the adjoining town; and the conjecture derives probability from the fact that not very long after we find an Ezekiel Richardson who died early in 1820, intestate, leaving a widow, Mary, and several children, one of whom was Dorothy, a minor, then over fourteen years of age, whose brother Ezekiel was appointed to be her guardian, Dec. 2, 1820; and she, about a year after or less, was married to James H. Currier, of Pelham. [Hillsboro' Prob. Rec., xxx. 620; xxxiii. 450.]

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We also find that Ezekiel Richardson, of Pelham, who was no doubt son of the other Ezekiel, and guardian as above stated, died, intestate, in 1860, leaving a widow Sybil and a daughter Sybil. [Hillsboro' Prob. Rec., lxxx. 363.]

## 136.

BENJAMIN RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Thomas*<sup>3</sup>, *James*<sup>2</sup>, *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), youngest son of Thomas<sup>3</sup> and Hannah (Colburn) Richardson; born in what was then Chelmsford, afterwards the town of Dracut, March 30, 1696; married EUNICE —; perhaps Eunice Hodgdon.

He lived in Groton, at that time adjoining Chelmsford. In 1748, in a deed to James Gordon, he is said to be of Dunstable. He owned land, June 4, 1758, in Dunstable. The same year, 1758, we also find him in No. 2, N. H., which means Rockingham, Vt., then supposed to be in New Hampshire. It was near Belows Falls, on Connecticut River.

His children, recorded in Groton, were:

- 316. Lydia,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 2, 1721; m. John Roobly, of Litchfield, July, 1741.
- 317. Sarah,<sup>5</sup> b. June 17, 1723.
- 318. Joseph,<sup>5</sup> b. March 2, 1724-5.
- 319. Dorothy,<sup>5</sup> b. March 5, 1726-7; d. young.
- 320. Jesse,<sup>5</sup> b. March 8, 1730.
- +321. Benjamin,<sup>5</sup> b. March 1, 1731; m. first, Phebe Brintnall; second, Ann Brintnall.
- 322. Dorothy,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 24, 1732; d. young.
- 323. Dorothy,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 30, 1734.
- 324. Eunice,<sup>5</sup> b. March 30, 1737.
- 325. Hannah,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 17, 1739; probably m. Solomon Wheat, of Westford, Oct. 31, 1769. [Butler's Hist. of Groton.]
- 326. Seth Richardson, of "No. 2," died in 1757, leaving a wife, Sarah, who administered, and a young daughter, Susannah, who died in 1759. No doubt a son of Benjamin.
- 327.



## Fifth Generation.

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HON. LOAMMI BALDWIN (*Ruth Richardson*,<sup>4</sup> *Joseph*,<sup>2</sup> *Joseph*,<sup>3</sup> *Samuel*<sup>1</sup>), son of Ruth Richardson by her husband James Baldwin, and great-great-grandson both of Samuel Richardson<sup>1</sup> and of his brother Ezekiel Richardson,<sup>1</sup> who were among the founders of Woburn; born in Woburn, Jan. 10, 1744-5, old style; married, first, July 9, 1772, MARY FOWLE, daughter of James Fowle, Esq.,\* town clerk of Woburn. She died Sept. 27, 1786. Second, May 26, 1791, MARGARET FOWLE (*Margery*, the record calls her), daughter of Josiah Fowle, of Woburn. He was son of Major John and Mary (Convers) Fowle, who was son of Capt. James and Mary (Richardson) Fowle. For Mary Richardson, see posterity of Samuel Richardson.

Loammi Baldwin lived—where his ancestors had lived—at “New Bridge,” or North Woburn, and became very eminent. He was very diligent in his attendance on school. In the summer of 1770, he was accustomed to walk, in company with his friend, Benjamin Thompson, afterwards Count Rumford,† to

\* Capt. James Fowle, uncle of James in the text, born in Woburn, March 4, 1687, was chosen town clerk in 1701, and continued in that office till 1714, when he died. His brother, Capt. John Fowle, immediately succeeded, and was town clerk till he died, 1744. James Fowle, son of John, and nephew of Capt. James, and father of Mary Fowle in the text, was born in Woburn, July 18, 1710; was town clerk of Woburn from 1748 till his death in 1779, thirty-four years. His son James succeeded him in office for eleven years more. In 1814, Marshall Fowle, son of this James, was chosen town clerk, and held the office till his death, 1833, ninety-three years. So that from 1701 to 1833 Woburn had a Fowle in the office of town clerk for 103 years, or more than three-fourths of the time. [Sewall's Hist. of Woburn, pp. 613, 614.]

† Unstinted commendation and honor have been lavished on Count Rumford ever since I can remember: but a dark side to his character and reputation should not be overlooked. During the Revolutionary struggle, when the country was bleeding at every pore, he was a most malignant tory, and a bitter foe to American freedom. He was born in North Woburn, near the meeting-house there, March 26, 1733. After the second marriage of his mother, in March, 1736, the family lived in a house directly opposite the Baldwin mansion.

In the autumn of 1770, he taught school at Concord, N. H., then called Rumford. There he became acquainted with Mrs. Sarah Rolfe, widow of Col. Benjamin Rolfe, one of the early settlers of Concord. The lady was much older than himself, and was very far from being personally attractive: but her husband had left her in possession of a large property, and probably without a spark of affection on either side she was married to Thompson in 1772. This of course raised him in the world, and now he could look down on other people. Wentworth, the royal governor, gave him a commission as major, which of course was not pleasing to the officers over whose heads he was so unworthily promoted. Disaffection easily arose between him and them. To get revenge, in 1774, they spread a report, easily believed in those days of suspicion and doubt, that he favored the royal cause. There was certainly a very easy way to remove these doubts and to put a stop to these insinuations, namely, to come out boldly and decidedly, as did his friend Baldwin, on the side of his country. This did not suit him; he therefore joined the British army in Boston, in October, 1775. When Boston was evacuated, in March, 1776, General



Cambridge—twelve miles at least—to attend the lectures of Professor Winthrop on Natural and Experimental Philosophy, for which liberty had been given them. After their return home, they were wont to make rude instruments for themselves, for illustration of the principles they had heard announced in those lectures.

At the commencement of the war in 1775, then at the age of thirty, he enlisted in the Patriot army, in a regiment commanded by Colonel Samuel Gerrish. On the seventeenth of June, the day of Bunker Hill, he was lieutenant colonel in that regiment; but for some reason,\* the regiment, though ordered to the scene of action, advanced no nearer than just outside the isthmus of Charlestown. This neglect has always been imputed to the cowardice of Col. Gerrish. He was tried by a court-martial, found guilty of misbehavior, and dismissed from the service. In August of that year, Loammi Baldwin was placed at the head of that regiment as its colonel.

Till the end of 1775, Col. Baldwin remained with his regiment near Boston. In April, 1776, he followed Washington to New York, and was with him in the retreat through New Jersey. On the memorable night of Dec. 23, 1776, when, in an extremely violent and cold storm of snow and hail, Washington crossed the Delaware to Trenton, and the next morning captured one thousand Hessian troops, Col. Baldwin and his men took part in this glorious enterprise. In 1777, he was honorably discharged from the army on account of ill health.

After this, his fellow-citizens, highly appreciating his capacity for business, often elected him to office and placed him on important committees. Of these committees he was generally the chairman. In 1778 and 1779, and again in 1800 and the four fol-

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Howe sent him to England with dispatches for the royal government. By the ministers he was very warmly received; a commission in the British army given him, and he was sent back to America to command a regiment of Tories in the British service. The Tories, as every one knows, were more bitter and more cruel, by far, against all who fought for their country than the regular troops, and even than the Indians. During the latter part of the war, Thompson, with his command, was stationed at Huntington, on Long Island, and omitted nothing in his power to distress the patriotic inhabitants and to wound and harrow up their feelings. Even so late in the struggle as 1782, when the liberties of America were secured by the capture of Cornwallis at Yorktown, these annoyances were continued. Take the following as a specimen:

There was a Congregational Church in Huntington, of which Rev. Ebenezer Prime was pastor from 1719 to 1779. He died about Oct. 1, 1779, and was buried in the old cemetery there. Some time after this, Col. Thompson [the future Count Rumford] pitched his *marque* at the head of Mr. Prime's grave, in order, as he said, that he might have the pleasure of treading under foot the "old rebel," as he called him, every time he went in or out. His troops took up their quarters in the same grave-yard, the graves being levelled, and the grave-stones used for building their fire-places and ovens. The seats in the house of God were torn up, and the building made a military depot. See this and *much more* of the same sort in Sprague's *Annals of the American Pulpit*, vol. iii. pp. 33, 34.

Such a man was Benjamin Thompson, Count Rumford!

\*The reason assigned was the incessant cannonade from the Glasgow frigate, the Cerberus, the Symmetry, and several floating batteries, across the isthmus of Charlestown.



lowing years, he represented Woburn in the General Court. In 1780, he was appointed high sheriff of Middlesex County. He was representative of his district in Congress in 1794 and 1796. From his knowledge of mathematics, he was chosen a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, incorporated 1780.

In the construction of the Middlesex canal, connecting the Merrimack River, at Chelmsford, with the tide-water of Mystic River, near Boston, he took a leading part. He was one of the proprietors incorporated for the work, June 22, 1793; was constantly with the workmen employed upon it, overseeing and directing it, and had the happiness of seeing it become navigable in 1803. During some years this canal was a great public benefit; but in 1835 the Boston and Lowell railroad was constructed, and about 1852 the canal was filled up.\*

To him the community are indebted for the introduction to public notice and the successful cultivation of that choice vegetable, the Baldwin apple. The story is given in Rev. Samuel Sewall's History of Woburn, p. 388; it was also stated to me by Col. Baldwin's youngest son, George Rumford Baldwin, in a visit I made to his house in August, 1858. Mr. Brooks, in his History of Medford, pp. 19, 20, has fallen into some mistakes.

Col. Baldwin happened to be one day in Wilmington—Mr. Sewall says, surveying land—about a mile or a little more from the Woburn line, and perhaps the same distance from the line of Burlington. He observed that a certain tree on the land of James Butters, near where he stood, attracted the woodpeckers, who were continually resorting to it. Curiosity led him to visit the tree to ascertain the cause, and finding under its branches apples of an excellent flavor, he took from it scions to graft into stocks of his own. Other persons in that vicinity, induced by his example or advice, grafted trees of their own with scions from the same stock. And subsequently, whenever Col. Baldwin attended court, or went into different parts of the county as high sheriff, he was accustomed to carry scions of this variety with him, so that this species of fruit became extensively known and cultivated. This reference to Col. Baldwin's business indicates that the "Baldwin apple" dates back to a time not far from 1780. The original tree was uprooted in the remarkable "September gale," 1815.

Col. Loammi Baldwin died Oct. 20, 1807, aged 62. His second wife, Margaret, died Aug. 8, 1799.†

\* This canal was at the time regarded with much favor, but it cost a great deal of money. One hundred assessments were made between Jan. 1, 1794 and Sept. 1, 1817, the whole amount being \$1,164,200, or \$1,433.25 on each share. The first dividend was not declared till Feb. 1, 1819. From that time it yielded an income of less than one and a half per cent per annum. The construction of the Boston and Lowell railroad, 1835, utterly ruined its business, and in 1852 its charter was surrendered and the canal sold by auction.

† She is called *Margery* in the record. Her true name was Margaret; this name Mr. Sewall gives her in his *Hist. of Woburn*, p. 389.





His children, by first wife, Mary, were:

- 328. Cyrus (Baldwin), b. June 23, 1773; many years agent of the Middlesex Canal Company; residing at the head of the canal in Chelmsford.
- 329. Mary (Baldwin), b. April 24, 1775; d. of scarlatina, May 13, 1776, when her father was absent in the war.
- +330. Benjamin Franklin (Baldwin), b. Dec. 15, 1777; m. Mary C. Coolidge.
- +331. Loammi (Baldwin), b. May 16, 1780; m. Catharine Williams.
- 332. James Fowle (Baldwin), b. April 20, 1782; a merchant in Boston; State senator for the county of Suffolk; one of the commissioners for introducing cochituate water into Boston; d. after a very short illness, May 20, 1842.

By second wife, Margaret:

- 333. Clarissa (Baldwin), b. Dec. 31, 1791; m. Jan. 20, 1812, Thomas Brewster Coolidge, of Hallowell, Me., brother of Mary C. Coolidge, wife of Benjamin F. Baldwin, above named.
- 334. George Rumford (Baldwin), b. Jan. 20, 1798; an eminent civil engineer; owner and occupant of the original farm of his ancestors and the spacious mansion of his father, at "New Bridge," North Woburn.

## 162.

EDWARD RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Theophilus*,<sup>4</sup> *Ezekiel*,<sup>3</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), son of Theophilus<sup>4</sup> and Ruth (Swan) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, March 17, 1715-16; married, Sept. 9, 1747, ABIGAIL CHENERY, baptized May 19, 1728, daughter of Ebenezer and Ruth Chenery, of Watertown.

He was a tailor by trade. At the time of his marriage he was said to be of Charlestown, but his two oldest children were born in Woburn, at least their births are recorded there. After marriage, or from 1764 to 1771, he was an innkeeper at Watertown. He occupied the house at the junction of Belmont and Mount Auburn Streets, since known as Bird's Hotel. It is said that the house is now standing and occupied by Joseph Bird, jr. He afterwards resided in Lincoln, near Watertown and once a part of it.

He died in Lincoln, in 1797, aged 80. His will, dated 1785, proved June 14, 1797, designates him as "innholder of Watertown," and leaves his property to wife, Abigail, and the children. The widow Abigail died in Lincoln, Aug. 25, 1814, aged 87.

The children of Edward and Abigail Richardson were:

- +335. Edward,<sup>6</sup> } twins, b. in Woburn, } m. Ann Wilson.
- +336. Moses,<sup>6</sup> } Feb. 8, 1747-8; } m. Miriam —
- +337. Ruth,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 26, 1749; m. Ephraim Weston, of Lincoln.
- +338. Richard,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 23, 1751; m. first, Mehitable Smith; second, Elizabeth Wyman Park.
- +339. Peter,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 1, 1753; m. Lydia Brooks, of Lincoln.
- +340. Abigail,<sup>6</sup> b. May 1, 1755; m. Oliver Brown.
- +341. John,<sup>6</sup> b. July 16, 1758; m. first, Anna Bemis; second, Hannah Bemis.



342. Ebenezer,<sup>6</sup> b. July 12 1760.  
 +343. Sarah,<sup>6</sup> b. June 6, 1763; m. Enoch Wellington.  
 344. William,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 5, 1765; it is said he went "West" when young.  
 345. Elizabeth,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 2, 1767; m. — Wood, a merchant of Concord, N. H.  
 346. Lucy,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 20, 1769; m. John Park, of Framingham, Nov. 20, 1791.  
 347. Mary,<sup>6</sup> b. Aug. 9, 1772; m. April 5, 1795, Nehemiah Woods, jr., of Hollis, N. H. It is said she—Mrs. Mary Woods—has a daughter, Mrs. Mary Jewell, of Haverhill, who has a record of this family.

## 164.

MOSES RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Theophilus*,<sup>4</sup> *Ezekiel*,<sup>3</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, April 8, 1722; married MARY PRENTISS,<sup>5</sup> born Oct. 19, 1729, daughter of Henry and Catharine (Fitch) Prentiss, of Cambridge.\*

Moses Richardson lived in Cambridge, doubtless in West Cambridge, now Arlington. He was one of six Cambridge men, who were killed by the British troops, on the afternoon of Lexington fight, April 19, 1775, on their flight from Concord. [See Hudson's History of Lexington.] Three at least of those six men were non-combatants, and were killed by the British regulars in sheer wantonness and spite. Those troops, under the command of Colonel Smith, about eight hundred in number, had gone up to Concord to bring away or destroy military stores deposited there. Finding the country alarmed, they set out, early in the afternoon, on their return to Boston. At every step of their progress they found the "minnte men" collected from many towns to oppose them. Their retreat was hasty, and soon became no better than a flight. Losing many of their number, they became exasperated, and on their passage through West Cambridge they conducted like savages. The Provincial Congress of Massachusetts, by a committee appointed for the purpose, April 22, drew up a narrative of the transactions of the day, founded on depositions taken on the spot. It says: "A great number of houses on the road were plundered and rendered unfit for use; several houses were burned; women in child-bed were driven by the soldiery, naked, into the streets; old men peaceably in their houses were shot dead." Of these old men Moses Richardson was one. He was now fifty-three years of age, and therefore too old to be found with arms in his hands.

\* Henry Prentiss,<sup>4</sup> her father, died in Cambridge, Aug. 23, 1787, aged 82. Among the people of the town he was known as "Doctor Touch." He was son of Thomas,<sup>3</sup> who was son of Solomon,<sup>2</sup> who was son of Thomas Prentiss,<sup>1</sup> who was born in England, and settled in Cambridge before 1640. The Prentiss family have been noted for talent and influence. [See Prentiss Genealogy.] Prentiss and Prentice are convertible names. The name here should be Prentiss.



Dr. Nathaniel Shepherd Prentiss,\* who was born in Cambridge, in 1766, and lived there till he was twenty years of age, remembered to have seen Mr. Richardson's body with a bullet-hole through his head. Prentiss was then nine years of age. He was a distant relative of Richardson's wife, and a very excellent man. He practiced medicine in Roxbury; lived there more than fifty years, and was town clerk over thirty years, having the confidence not only of the town's people but of the public generally.

Moses Richardson left no will, but administration of his estate was made in 1779. By the Middlesex Probate Record it appears that his wife Mary survived him, and that their children living in 1779 were as follows. The widow Mary died in Cambridge, 1812.

Children in 1779:

- 348. Mary,<sup>6</sup> b. about 1730; m. William Russell, Jan. 16, 1772.
- 349. Catharine,<sup>6</sup> m. — Smith.
- +350. Elias,<sup>6</sup> b. 1760; m. Mary Rand.
- +351. Raham,<sup>6</sup> b. 1762; m. Mary Prentiss.
- 352. Elizabeth.<sup>6</sup> She was over-fourteen in 1793.

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THEOPHILUS RICHARDSON<sup>5</sup> (*Ezekiel,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Ezekiel<sup>4</sup> and Lydia (Ockington) Richardson; born in Woburn, Jan. 26, 1718-19; married HANNAH CHICKERING, at Needham, Feb. 1, 1739-40.

They lived in Needham. Further information is wanting.

Their children, as far as is known, were:

- 353. Abijah,<sup>6</sup> b. 1741; d. young.
- +354. Theophila,<sup>6</sup> m. first, Joanna Skinner; second, Sarah —.
- 355. Ebenezer.<sup>6</sup>

176.

EZRA RICHARDSON<sup>5</sup> (*John,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of John<sup>4</sup> and Abigail (Swan) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, June 18, 1721; married LOVE —.

He was a "cordwainer;" lived and died in Lincoln. He died in 1787. His widow Love was appointed administratrix March

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\* Dr. Prentiss taught an academy in Roxbury in 1801—an excellent teacher. Samuel Newell, the missionary, was one of his pupils, and was fitted for college by him. Mr. Newell ever after regarded him as his greatest earthly benefactor. In a letter written at Serampore, Bengal, July 14, 1812, Mr. Newell says to him: "The encouragement and friendly aid which I received from you, under the providence of God, gave a new turn to all the succeeding events of my life. To you it is owing that I am now a minister of Christ in heathen lands, and not a day laborer in America." Dr. Prentiss was a member of the House of Representatives of Massachusetts in 1812, and chairman of the committee to whom was referred the bill for the incorporation of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, and to his exertions, in part, is due the passage of that important bill. Dr. Prentiss lived to an advanced age.



14, 1787. She made her will Jan. 10, 1793, proved 1793, giving her property to Leonard Parker and Abigail Oliver.

## Children:

356. Abigail,<sup>6</sup> b. May 20, 1730; m. — Oliver.  
 357. Love,<sup>6</sup> m. Leonard Parker, prior to 1793, as we infer from her mother's will.

## 177.

JASHER RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*John,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of John<sup>4</sup> and Abigail (Swan) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, Dec. 8, 1724; married, 1750, LYDIA ARWOOD, of Woburn; published Aug. 9, 1750.

He was a "husbandman." He removed from Lincoln, where his brother Ezra lived, to Watertown, and afterwards removed to Mason, N. H., where he died, intestate, in 1774. His inventory includes fifty acres of land in Mason, appraised at £45, lawful money. [Hillsboro' Prob. Rec., iii. 375.]

His children, as far as known, were:

358. John.<sup>6</sup>  
 359. Stephen.<sup>6</sup>  
 360. Lydia.<sup>6</sup>

## 179.

ABIJAH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*John,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, Jan. 22, 1730-1; married, first, in Lincoln, April 25, 1759, SARAH STEWART, born March 18, 1738, daughter of John and Hephzibah (Hastings) Stewart, formerly of Waltham, then of Lincoln. She died Feb. 28, 1766. Second, MARY LAWRENCE; married June 25, 1766.

He lived for a time in Weston; afterwards in Lincoln, and died there, intestate, Aug. 1, 1772.

Children by first wife, Sarah:

361. Hephzibah,<sup>6</sup> b. Aug. 23, 1761.

By second wife, Mary:

362. Mary,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 2, 1768.  
 363. Sarah,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 1, 1772.

## 185.

JOSIAH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Josiah,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Josiah<sup>4</sup> and Phebe Richardson, of Dunstable, N. H.; born there, Sept. 28, 1729; married Lucy —.

I suppose he was born in that part of Dunstable which afterwards became the town of Litchfield, on the east side of the Merrimack River. He certainly lived and died there. He was living there in 1803.





What other children he had does not appear; but the Probate Records of Hillsborough Co., vol. xii. p. 171, disclose two sons:

- +365. Josiah.<sup>6</sup>
- 366. Jonathan,<sup>6</sup> d. intestate, in 1803; his brother Josiah administrator.

## 188.

NATHAN RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Nathan,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Dea. Nathan<sup>4</sup> and Esther (Peirce) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, April 21, 1725; married MARY PEIRCE, born in Woburn, June 24, 1730, daughter of James and Phebe Peirce. They were published July 7, 1750.

He lived in Woburn; served some time as a soldier in the patriot army previous to January, 1777; was selectman 1780, and died Sept. 21, 1817, aged 92 years, 5 months. The wife Mary died Jan. 11, 1778.

## Children:

- +367. Abel,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 12, 1750-1; m. Ann Tufts, of Medford.
- +368. Nathan,<sup>6</sup> b. 1753; m. Lydia Whittemore.
- 369. Mary,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 24, 1753; d. Oct. 10, 1759.
- 370. Mary,<sup>6</sup> b. April 16, 1761; d. Dec. 3, 1762.

## 191.

JOHN RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Nathan,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), half-brother of the preceding, and son of Dea. Nathan<sup>4</sup> and Tabitha (Kendall) Richardson; born in Woburn, Feb. 5, 1731-2; married HANNAH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> [1912], born Sept. 23, 1739, daughter of Major Joseph<sup>4</sup> and Martha (Wyman) Richardson, of Woburn. Their "intentions of marriage" were entered with the town clerk Dec. 7, 1753.

He spent his life in Woburn, and died there, Aug. 3, 1785. Hannah, his widow, died there, Feb. 2, 1798.

## Their children, all born in Woburn, were:

- 371. Hannah,<sup>6</sup> b. July 10, 1757; d. Oct. 16, 1757.
- 372. John,<sup>6</sup> b. Aug. 23, 1750.
- 373. Matthew,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 23, 1761.
- 374. Nathan,<sup>6</sup> b. June 12, 1764.
- +375. Josiah,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 24, 1766; m. first, Abigail Richardson [2218]; second, Susanna —.
- 376. Jesse,<sup>6</sup> b. June 29, 1770.
- 377. Nabby,<sup>6</sup> b. July 13, 1772.
- 378. Aaron,<sup>6</sup> b. Aug. 21, 1776.

## 192.

AARON RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Nathan,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, Nov. 6, 1733; married, April 15, 1762, his second cousin, BETHIAH RICHARDSON,<sup>6</sup>



born Jan. 5, 1738-9, daughter of Aaron<sup>4</sup> and Bethiah Richardson, of Woburn [172].

They lived in Woburn. He was a soldier in the expedition under Abercrombie against Ticonderoga, from May to October, 1758. He died in 1769 or 1770.

His children were:

379. Bethiah,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 3, 1763; d. Oct. 15, 1763.  
 380. Amos,<sup>6</sup> b. Aug. 18, 1764; m. Polly Pool, of Reading, April 22, 1792. In the record of the marriage he is said to be of Lynnfield. He died in Pembroke, 1797.  
 381. Aaron,<sup>6</sup> b. March 8, 1768.  
 382. Bethiah,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 9, 1767.  
 383. Mary,<sup>6</sup> } twins, born  
 384. Lydia,<sup>6</sup> } Nov. 3, 1769.

193.

JOTHAM RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Nathan,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and youngest son of Den. Nathan Richardson; born in Woburn, Oct. 23, 1735; married, Dec. 13, 1759, PHEBE WHITEMORE, of Malden.

He lived in Woburn, and died there in 1771.

The widow Phebe married, Feb. 10, 1772, James Atwood, a shoemaker. They removed to Templeton, Mass.

Children of Jotham and Phebe Richardson, born in Woburn:

385. Jotham,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 13, 1764.  
 +386. Daniel,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 27, 1766; m. Nancy Closson.  
 +387. Richard,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 27, 1769; m. Sally Bowles.  
 388. Phebe,<sup>6</sup> b. July 7, 1771.

211.

LIEUT. JONATHAN RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), second son of Capt. Josiah<sup>4</sup> and Lydia Richardson, of Dracut; born there, Dec. 19, 1720; married, Dec. 4, 1746, LUCY CLARK, born in Chelmsford, Nov. 10, 1721, daughter of Jonas and Elizabeth Clark, of Chelmsford.

He lived in Dracut; was a farmer and a man of note; was often employed in public business; was one of the board of selectmen 1756, 1757, 1758, 1764, and 1765.

He died, intestate, in Dracut, Feb. 18, 1768, aged 47. His widow Lucy died Oct. 24, 1775. A division of the property was made to the heirs April 9, 1773. His son Jonathan was a minor, and at his request his grandfather, Josiah Richardson, and Abraham Colburn, the husband of his Aunt Mercy, were appointed his guardians. The same persons were made guardians of his brother, Henchman Richardson.

The children of Jonathan and Lucy (Clark) Richardson were:

390. Lucy,<sup>6</sup> b. Aug. 14, 1747; d. Nov. 24, 1733.  
 390. Jonathan,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 6, 1748; d. March 23, 1749.  
 +391. Jonas,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 19, 1750; m. Dolly Jones.



302. Mary,<sup>6</sup> b. June 4, 1753; m. John Patten before 1777.  
 +303. Jonathan,<sup>6</sup> b. May 27, 1753; m. Mercy Richardson.  
 304. Henchman,<sup>6</sup> b. April 13, 1757; d. 1779, unmarried.  
 305. Lucy,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 27, 1759; accompanied her brother Josiah to Weston, Windsor Co., Vt., about 1790, and there m. David Axdale Drury, of that place.  
 +306. Josiah,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 8, 1764; m. Sarah Powers.

## 212.

EPHRAIM RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Dracut, Sept. 12, 1722; married, 1743 (published Feb. 23, 1745), ELIZABETH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> [807], born June 14, 1726, daughter of James<sup>4</sup> and Mary Richardson, of Dracut.

He lived and died in Dracut. He was constable 1767, 1768; surveyor of highways, 1768.

His will, dated Aug. 5, 1783, was proved Sept. 21, 1784. Of course he died in the interval.

His children were:

- +307. Ephraim,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 27, 1745; m. first, Eleanor Richardson; second, Mary Cheever.  
 308. Samuel,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 12, 1747-8; d. March 24, 1749.  
 309. Elizabeth,<sup>6</sup> b. March 13, 1749-50.  
 400. Lydia,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 2, 1755; m. Samuel Mears, jr., of Dracut; published Jan. 5, 1752.

## 214.

HANNAH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Dracut, Dec. 25, 1725; married, first, JOSHUA COLBURN, of Dracut; published Sept. 12, 1747. He was born in Dracut, Aug. 13, 1723, son of John and Sarah (Richardson) Colburn, of Dracut. [See 118.] Sarah, his mother, was daughter of John and Elizabeth (Farwell) Richardson, and therefore cousin to Hannah Richardson's father. Joshua Colburn died Jan. 25, 1765.

Her second husband was Elijah Hildreth [204], born in Dracut, May 23, 1728, son of Major Ephraim and Mercy (Richardson) Hildreth, and like the first husband, cousin to her father. They were published June 1, 1765. He died May 14, 1814.

She is mentioned in her father's will as Hannah Hildreth.

Her children, all born in Dracut, all by first husband, were:

401. Hannah (Colburn), b. May 15, 1748.  
 402. Uriah (Colburn), b. July 18, 1750; m. 1773 (published July 8, 1775) Sarah Merrill, of Haverhill. His grandfather, Capt. Josiah Richardson, made him one of the executors of his will.\*  
 403. Joshua (Colburn), b. Dec. 16, 1752; d. young.

\* Colburn and Coburn are convertible names. In the will of Capt. Josiah Richardson his grandson Uriah is called Coburn, but the true name was Colburn.



404. Sarah (Colburn), b. Feb. 28, 1755.  
 405. Bridget (Colburn), b. May 15, 1757.  
 406. Joshua (Colburn), b. Feb. 23, 1761; d. Jan. 23, 1765.  
 407. Elizabeth (Colburn), b. Sept. 28, 1763; d. Jan. 18, 1765.

## 215.

MOSES RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>6</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and son of Capt. Josiah<sup>4</sup> and Lydia Richardson, of Dracut; born there, June 12, 1728; married, first, ELIZABETH COLBURN, of Dracut; published May 16, 1752. She was born in Dracut, June 24, 1724, daughter of Josiah and Sarah Colburn. Second, Jan. 5, 1770, ESTHER CARKEN, as per town record; KERKIN, as per county record.

They passed their lives in Dracut.

The children of Moses and Elizabeth Richardson were:

- +408. Obadiah,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 4, 1753; m. Hannah Hildreth.  
 +409. Sarah,<sup>6</sup> b. March 18, 1755; m. Henry Colburn.  
 410. Samuel,<sup>6</sup> b. March 23, 1757; d. Jan. 28, 1765.  
 411. Meroy,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 28, 1759; m. her cousin, Jonathan Richardson. See 308.  
 412. Asa,<sup>6</sup> b. May 5, 1762; d. Jan. 27, 1765.  
 413. Rachel,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 3, 1765; m. Zebulon Parker, of Chelmsford; published April 17, 1792.  
 414. Elizabeth,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 4, 1767.  
 +415. Samuel,<sup>6</sup> b. about 1768 (supposed); m. first, Anna Parker; second, Tamar Coburn.

## 217.

DAVID RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>6</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and son of Capt. Josiah<sup>4</sup> and Lydia Richardson, of Dracut; born in Dracut, June 5, 1731; married ELIZABETH COLBURN [258], born April 17, 1732, daughter of Samuel and Mary (Richardson) Colburn, of Dracut. She was a cousin to his father. They were published Jan. 5, 1754.

He lived in Dracut; was a constable, 1756. He owned and operated a ferry across Merrimack River, between Dracut and what is now the city of Lowell.

He died, intestate, June 6, 1773, aged 42. Administration on his estate was granted to his son Reuben, June 27, 1785. Why so long delayed does not appear. His widow Elizabeth was living in 1788, and had her thirds. Value of his real estate, £320.

Children of David and Elizabeth Richardson:

416. David,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 15, 1754; living 1755.  
 417. Josiah,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 8, 1755; d. April 18, 1760.  
 +418. William,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 22, 1753; m. Susanna Hildreth, 1785.  
 419. Elizabeth,<sup>6</sup> b. March 13, 1761; m. Jonathan Hamlet, 1781.  
 +420. Reuben,<sup>6</sup> b. March 16, 1763; m. first, Dolly Colburn, 1789; second, Deborah Butterfield, 1791; third, Sarah Colburn.  
 +421. Samuel,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 14, 1766; m. Prudence Wood, 1793.  
 +422. Thaddeus,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 14, 1768; m. Polly Carrier, 1811.  
 423. Mary,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 22, 1771; m. May 30, 1793, Zebulon Blodget, of Dunstable.





## 224.

ZACHARIAH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Zachariah*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), eldest son of Capt. Zachariah<sup>5</sup> and Sarah (Butterfield) Richardson; b. at Chelmsford, Feb. 19, 1721; married, first, Oct. 9, 1753, HANNAH BLODGET, born at Chelmsford, Jan. 7, 1731, daughter of William and Elizabeth Blodget, of that place. She died March 10, 1754, aged, as the gravestone says, 22 years, 1 month, 20 days, which is an error by more than a year, her true age being 23 years and 13 days. Second, SARAH WARREN, born in Chelmsford, July 30, 1733, daughter of Joseph and Tabitha Warren. They were married April 22, 1755, by Rev. Ebenezer Bridge, of Chelmsford.

They passed life in Chelmsford. The husband died May 20, 1773, aged 51 years, 2 months, 18 days. [Gravestone.] The widow Sarah died July 3, 1785, aged 52. [Gravestone.]

## Children by first wife, Hannah:

424. Zachariah,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 22, 1754; d. Sept. 7, 1775, aged 21. [Gravestone.]

## By second wife, Sarah:

- +425. Robert,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 3, 1756; m. Jane —.
- 426. Sarah,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 29, 1757; d. Jan. 10, 1780.
- +427. Mercy,<sup>6</sup> b. Aug. 5, 1759; m. Capt. Josiah Fletcher.
- 428. Joseph,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 11, 1761; living April 17, 1781.
- 429. Sarah,<sup>6</sup> b. March 15, 1763; d. April 9, 1784. [Gravestone.]
- 430. Hannah,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 14, 1765; d. Feb. 19, 1784. [Gravestone.]
- +431. Elijah,<sup>6</sup> b. 1767; m. Molly Howard.
- 432. Sybil,<sup>6</sup> b. June 19, 1770; unm.; d. Dec. 12, 1793, aged 20. [Gravestone.]

## 226.

BRIDGET RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Zachariah*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), sister of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, April 23, 1726; married, 1746, TIMOTHY FLETCHER,<sup>5</sup> born in Westford—then the westerly part of Chelmsford—April 12, 1719, third son of Capt. Joseph<sup>4</sup> and Sarah (Adams) Fletcher, of that place.

They spent their lives in Westford, and all their children were born there. She was a woman of distinguished piety and the author of a small volume of hymns, which were published by her son, Rev. Elijah Fletcher, in 1774.

Mrs. Bridget Fletcher died June 8, 1770, in her forty-fifth year. She was grandmother of Grace Fletcher, the first wife of that unequalled statesman, Daniel Webster.

Mr. Fletcher's second wife was Huldah Putnam, said to have been a sister of General Putnam. She died Aug. 21, 1777, aged 60. His third wife was Hannah Proctor, a sister of Dr. Charles Proctor, of Westford, who married Edna Carver, daughter of Benjamin Carver, a descendant of Robert Carver, born in England, 1594; came to Marshfield, in Plymouth Colony, 1638; died



1680; believed to be a brother of John Carver, the first governor of Plymouth Colony.

Mr. Timothy Fletcher died April 15, 1786, aged 67. [Gravestone.]

His children by Bridget Richardson were:

- +433. Elijah (Fletcher), b. June 8, 1747; m. Rebecca Chamberlain.
- +434. Josiah (Fletcher), b. Oct. 19, 1749; m. \_\_\_\_\_.
- 435. Bridget (Fletcher), b. July 14, 1751; d. young.
- 436. Lucy (Fletcher), b. Aug. 30, 1754.
- 437. Bridget (Fletcher), b. Aug. 12, 1760; m. Isaac Parker, Feb. 7, 1785. Their children were: *Hannah, Grace* (d. in infancy), *Isaac, Betsey, Nancy, John, Sally, Timothy Fletcher, Abigail Gardner, Elijah Fletcher*. For dates and fuller information, see Fletcher Genealogy.
- 438. Jesse (Fletcher), b. Nov. 9, 1762; m. Aug. 8, 1782, Lucy Keyes, b. in Westford, Nov. 15, 1765. He removed, in 1783, to Ludlow, Vt., of which town he and his brother Josiah were among the first settlers. He had fifteen children. For names and other particulars, see Fletcher Genealogy.

## 228.

LYDIA RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Zachariah<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Josiah<sup>2</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, May 17, 1729; married, May 21, 1761, JACOB CHAMBERLAIN; married by Rev. Ebenezer Bridge, of Chelmsford. She died May 31, 1775.

Children, born in Chelmsford:

- 439. Lydia (Chamberlain), b. June 11, 1762; m. Joshua Saunders, of Billerica, March 14, 1785.
- 440. Joseph (Chamberlain), b. May 8, 1765; m. Mary Parker, Dec. 22, 1793.

## 230.

JOSIAH RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Zachariah<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Josiah<sup>2</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Capt. Zachariah<sup>4</sup> and Sarah Richardson, and brother of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, May 8, 1734; married, Dec. 2, 1761, LYDIA WARREN, born Jan. 1, 1739, daughter of Deacon Ephraim and Esther Warren, of Chelmsford.

They lived in Chelmsford. They "owned the covenant," as it was called, April 25, 1763. According to the custom of the time, this entitled them to baptism for their children. It was called the half covenant, because they who "owned" it were not members of the church in full communion, and did not assume the full obligations of such a relation.

The husband died April 15, 1801. The wife died Oct. 15, 1822, aged 84. [Gravestones.]

Children:

- 441. Paul,<sup>6</sup> b. June 14, 1762; *non compos mentis*; living 1784.
- +442. Lydia,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 7, 1763; m. John Farmer, father of the ANTIQUARY of that name.



443. Olive,<sup>6</sup> b. June 7, 1703; d. April 23, 1709.  
 +444. Josiah,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 9, 1707; m. Sybil Richardson.  
 445. Simeon,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 24, 1708; supposed to have married Rhoda  
 ——. They had two daughters, one of whom m. — Cutter,  
 and lived in West Cambridge. The other m. —, and prob-  
 ably settled in Ellsworth, Me. Simeon d. in Chelmsford, 1811.  
 446. Esther,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 10, 1770; d. Jan. 24, 1787.  
 +447. Silas,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 27, 1772; m. first, Lydia Marcy; second, Lucy  
 Tarr.  
 448. Benoni,<sup>6</sup> b. May 27, 1773; d. Oct. 7, 1777.  
 449. Zachariah,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 8, 1777; m. first, —; second, in Greene,  
 Me., Hannah Coburn, daughter of Jesse Coburn, a Baptist  
 deacon. He lived in Chelmsford, it is believed, till after the  
 death of his first wife. About 1800, he went to Greene, Me.,  
 and married again. About 1815, they removed to Ohio, resid-  
 ing first in Cincinnati; afterwards in Newport, Ky.  
 Children by first wife:  
 450. Pamela,<sup>7</sup> b. Nov. 20, 1794; d. Feb. 27, 1797.  
 451. Pamela,<sup>7</sup> b. June 6, 1798.  
 452. Sally,<sup>7</sup> b. June 13, 1800. Other children were  
 453. Silas,<sup>7</sup>  
 454. Jesse,<sup>7</sup> and some others, who died young. All that lived  
 went to Ohio with their parents.

## 240.

ASA RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*William,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son  
 of Capt. William<sup>4</sup> and Elizabeth (Colburn) Richardson, of Pel-  
 ham, N. H.; born there, Feb. 23, 1738; probably never married.

He sold to Isaiah Ingalls, of Andover, Mass., yeoman, a lot of  
 land "in a new township granted to Benjamin Mulliken and  
 others, now known by the name of Bridgeton, with the privilege  
 of voting as a proprietor," etc. The conveyance is dated Nov.  
 3, 1777. [Cumberland Deeds, x. 515.]

Asa Richardson, gent., and Daniel Richardson, gent., both of  
 Pelham, sold to Enoch Perley, of Bridgeton, Me., land in Bridge-  
 ton, Dec. 20, 1792. [Cumberland Deeds, xx. 39.]

The above-named Asa and Daniel, together with Mary Butter-  
 field, wife of Reuben Butterfield, who are children of William  
 Richardson, late of Pelham, deceased, and Asa and James But-  
 terfield, children of said Mary Butterfield, sold to Isaiah Ingalls,  
 of Bridgeton, land in said Bridgeton, Feb. 7, 1794. [Cumberland  
 Deeds, xxi. 433.]

As no wife is mentioned in either of these conveyances, proba-  
 bly there was none.

## 243.

CAPT. DANIEL RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*William,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Eze-  
 kiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and youngest son of Capt. Wil-  
 liam<sup>4</sup> and Elizabeth (Colburn) Richardson, of Pelham, formerly  
 a part of Dracut; born there, March 11, 1749; married, Jan. 26,  
 1773, SARAH MERCHANT, of Boston, born 1748.

He was prepared to enter college, but instead of a college  
 course settled, in 1773, on a farm in Pelham, part of which be-



loughed to his father. In 1777, he engaged in the military service of his country; continued in it till 1780, and did not return till the end of the three years. He was in the battle of Monmouth, June 23, 1778. He also shared in the expedition of General Sullivan into the Indian country, in the summer of 1779, which extended as far west as the Genesee River. After his return home he was captain of a military company in New Hampshire.

For his military services he obtained a pension under the act of Congress passed in 1832. He died May 23, 1833, aged 84.

His children were :

- +455. William Merchant,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 4, 1774; m. Betsey Smith.
- +456. Samuel Mather,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 12, 1778; m. first, Abigail Spoonford; second, Hannah E. Greeley.
- +457. Daniel,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 19, 1783; m. first, Mary Adams; second, Hannah Adams.

There were no daughters.

### 278.

SILAS RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*John,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of John<sup>4</sup> and Esther Richardson, of Chelmsford; born there, Aug. 21, 1734; married, Dec. 7, 1769, LYDIA FLETCHER,<sup>6</sup> baptized Feb. 22, 1741, daughter of Capt. William Fletcher,<sup>4</sup> of Westford.

He obtained two-thirds of his father's real estate, partly by inheritance and partly by settlement with the other heirs. He lived in Westford till just before his marriage, when he removed to New Ipswich, N. H. He bought about one hundred acres of land in Pownalborough, Me., on the westerly side of Sheepscot River, July 8, 1762. [Lincoln Co. Deeds, iii. 252.]

His will is dated Aug. 12, 1774; proved April 18, 1775. Of course he died in the interval, at the age of forty. He describes himself as of New Ipswich; makes wife Lydia and Charles Barrett executors. Wife Lydia to have all the household furniture which she brought to me at the time of our marriage. Brother John, "if he returns home again," to have some of the property, if the testator's children die unmarried. [Hillsborough Probate Records, i. 83.]

He had two children :

- 458. Lydia,<sup>6</sup>
- 459. Elizabeth,<sup>6</sup>

### 279.

ESTHER RICHARDSON<sup>5</sup> (*John,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, June 4, 1736; married, Jan. 7, 1762, STEPHEN SPALDING, born in Chelmsford, April 29, 1731, son of Lieut. John and Phebe Spalding, and brother of Peter Spalding, who married her second cousin, Lucy,<sup>3</sup> daughter of Capt. Zachariah Richardson<sup>4</sup> [234].

Their place of residence was probably in Chelmsford.





## Children:

- 460. Ashbel (Spalding), b. April 7, 1768.
- 461. Levi (Spalding), b. July 3, 1767.
- 462. Stephen (Spalding), b. Aug. 12, 1772.
- 463. Patty (Spalding), b. Oct. 13, 1775.

## 280.

ELIZABETH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*John,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, March 2, 1738; married, Feb. 23, 1758, WILLIAM ADAMS, born June 8, 1732, son of Benjamin<sup>4</sup> and Olive Adams, of Chelmsford.\*

They lived in Chelmsford, where the ancestors of both husband and wife settled about 1654. Not far from the time of their marriage they bought the farm of Capt. Ezekiel Richardou [134] in Dracut. He died in Chelmsford, Oct. 20, 1766.

## Their children were:

- 464. Solomon (Adams), b. Dec. 7, 1753; a Revolutionary soldier.
- 465. Benjamin (Adams), b. Dec. 5, 1760; m. Hannah Spalding, Jan. 14, 1787. He was a colonel, probably in the militia.
- +466. William (Adams), b. April 13, 1762; m. Mary Roby.
- 467. Jonathan (Adams), b. Aug. 24, 1768; d. May 15, 1767.

## 289.

OLIVE RICHARDSON<sup>5</sup> (*Henry,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Henry<sup>4</sup> and Priscilla (Spalding) Richardson; born in Westford, April 24, 1742; married, July 22, 1771, ABEL ADAMS. They lived in Westford.

## \*THE ADAMS FAMILY of Chelmsford.

There were as many as twenty men of the name of ADAMS in the first generation of New England people. It is a very common name in Old England as well as in this country. The name being originally simply an abbreviation, an equivalent, for *Adam's son*, this may account for its wide prevalence. The original emigrants to this country bearing this name do not seem to have been related.

I. HENRY ADAMS came from England to this country in 1634, and settled in Braintree, about eight miles from Boston. There is strong reason to believe that he came from Braintree in Essex, Eng. It is known that his family originated in Wales, about six hundred years ago. The original name was *Ap Adam*, equivalent to *Adam's son*, exchanged for ADAMS about 1450. Henry Adams settled in that part of Braintree, Mass., which is now Quincy, incorporated as a town Feb. 22, 1732. He had eight sons, *Henry, Thomas, Samuel, Jonathan, Peter, John, Joseph, Edward*.

II. SAMUEL ADAMS, the third son, born in England, 1617, settled in Chelmsford, 1654, where he died, Jan. 24, 1699-0. His brother Thomas also settled in Chelmsford. These two brothers built mills at Pawtucket Falls, where is now the city of Lowell. Previously to this, the people carried their grain to Boston to be ground by a wind-mill. He had fourteen children.

III. JOSEPH ADAMS, a son of his, passed his life in Chelmsford.

IV. BENJAMIN ADAMS, a son of the last named, also lived in Chelmsford. He was father of William Adams, husband of Elizabeth Richardson in the text.



## Children :

468. Jonas (Adams), b. Aug. 30, 1772; d. Sept. 5, 1778.  
 469. Abel (Adams), b. Aug. 16, 1776; m. Rebecca Parker, Nov. 29, 1798.  
 470. Olive (Adams), b. Feb. 26, 1780; m. Capt. Abraham Prescott, Nov. 13, 1801. She died at Westford, of epilepsy and old age, Nov. 23, 1800, aged 30.  
 471. Salathiel (Adams), b. May 23, 1782; m. first, Susannah Proctor, June 5, 1804; second, Sarah Parker, Feb. 10, 1808; third, Betsey Chamberlain, Dec. 13, 1831.  
 472. Henry (Adams), b. March 24, 1784; m. Rebecca Byam, March 18, 1810.  
 473. Jonas (Adams), b. June 5, 1789; d. July 23, 1806.

## 290.

LUKE RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Henry*<sup>4</sup>, *John*<sup>3</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>2</sup>, *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding, and only son of Henry Richardson<sup>4</sup> of Westford; born there, March 6, 1744; married SARAH MENOT, of Westford, Jan. 7, 1768.

He lived in Westford. He appears to have been a Revolutionary soldier.

## Children :

474. John,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 23, 1768; d. Jan. 8, 1769.  
 475. Betty,<sup>6</sup> b. July 4, 1770.  
 476. John,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 23, 1772.

## 296.

SAMUEL RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Eleazar*<sup>4</sup>, *Samuel*<sup>3</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>2</sup>, *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), son of Eleazar<sup>4</sup> and Lydia (Perham) Richardson, of Chelmsford; born there, Sept. 14, 1756; married, first, ELIZABETH HILDRETH, May 27, 1784. She died March 13, 1803. Second, Oct. 4, 1803, AMY FLETCHER, born July 27, 1781, daughter of Capt. Jonathan Fletcher, of Dunstable. The Dunstable records have it that they were married Aug. 18, 1803.

Her father, Capt. Fletcher, was six feet and three inches in height, and weighed 240 pounds. He had a powerful intellect, and exercised much influence in the community. Amy was his eleventh child by the same wife, Lucy Taylor.

Samuel Richardson lived in Westford. His farm, which he took in a state of nature and cleared it up with his own hands, is situated in what is now known as Brookside, in the northeast part of Westford, near the line which separates that town from Chelmsford. It is now, 1874, owned and occupied by his son-in-law, Levi T. Fletcher.

He died there, Dec. 13, 1837, aged 81. His wife Amy—whose name is often incorrectly written, *Ama*—died of old age, July 23, 1872, aged 91.

Samuel Richardson's children, all by second wife, were :

- +477. Amy,<sup>6</sup> b. June 16, 1806; m. April 15, 1823, Levi Thomas Fletcher, son of Lyman and Louisa Fletcher, of Westford.



478. Samuel,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 23, 1806; m. Olive Prescott, of Westford. Feb. 1, 1830. He lived in Westford; became insane; his wife obtained a divorce, and is now, 1874, the wife of Calvin Howard, of Westford. Samuel became an inmate of Westford Alms House, and was killed in Lowell by the railroad cars, May 23, 1872. Only one child:
479. *Amelia*.<sup>7</sup>
480. Mary,<sup>6</sup> b. Aug. 8, 1808; m. Jan. 29, 1832, Stow Hildreth, of Townsend, who died Feb. 12, 1868. She resides in Groton.
481. Betsey,<sup>6</sup> b. May 11, 1810; m. John Sawyer Buck. She died June, 1852.
482. Lydia,<sup>6</sup> b. April 12, 1812; m. Walter Wright, 1841. He died Feb. 28, 1871. She now resides in Lowell. The inventory of his estate was \$72,000; his wife's part \$15,000.
483. Lucy Taylor,<sup>6</sup> b. May 18, 1814; d. of insanity, at Worcester, Sept. 9, 1873, aged 59 years, 3 months.
484. Susan,<sup>6</sup> b. May 14, 1810; d. July 9, 1817.
485. Sarah,<sup>6</sup> b. June 14, 1813.

## 297.

OLIVER RICHARDSON<sup>8</sup> (*Eleazar,<sup>4</sup> Samuel,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and son of Eleazar<sup>4</sup> and Lydia Richardson; born in Chelmsford, March 17, 1759; married, March 31, 1791, CHLOE BANCROFT, born Nov. 8, 1768, daughter of Col. Ebenezer and Susanna (Fletcher) Bancroft, of Tyngsborough, Mass.\*

He was a farmer, and lived in Chelmsford, on the old paternal estate. He died in 1816, in his fifty-eighth year. His wife Chloe died Jan. 17, 1809, aged 40.

Their children, all born in Chelmsford, were:

486. Susanna,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 5, 1782; m. Abel Fletcher. b. Aug. 20, 1789, son of Samson and Dorothy Fletcher, of Westford. She died Feb. 12, 1836. They had a son,
487. Oliver Richardson (Fletcher), b. Dec. 15, 1821. In 1871, he was living in Waltham.
488. Charles,<sup>6</sup> b. July 18, 1793; unm.; d. Oct. 28, 1873, aged 80.
- +489. Francis,<sup>6</sup> b. March 6, 1795; m. Mary Blodget.
- +490. Ebenezer,<sup>6</sup> b. March 1, 1799; m. Almira Reed.
491. Lucy,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 27, 1801; m. Oct. 10, 1830, Jacob Chase, of West Richmond, N. Y.
- +492. Robert,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 22, 1804; m. Sybil Rider.
493. Chloe,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 14, 1806; m. Dr. Royce, of Buffalo, N. Y.

\* Col. Ebenezer Bancroft in the text was born in old Dunstable, the part now Tyngsborough, April 1, 1738. He died Sept. 22, 1827. He was a son of Lieut. Timothy and Elizabeth (Farwell) Bancroft, of that place. His wife was Susanna Fletcher, daughter of the excellent Deacon Joseph Fletcher, of Dunstable. Dea. Joseph was brother of Timothy Fletcher, the husband of Bridget Richardson [25]. Elizabeth (Farwell) Bancroft, just mentioned as the mother of Col. Ebenezer was a sister of Lieut. Josiah Farwell, of Capt. John Lovewell's company, in the fight at Pigwacket, May 8, 1725, when he was mortally wounded.

Col. Bancroft was an ensign in Capt. Goffe's company in the French and Indian war, 1758, under those famous partisan officers, Rogers and Stark; was a captain in Bridge's regiment in the battle of Bunker Hill; was a major in the regiment of Col. John Brooks (afterwards governor of Massachusetts) in the battle of White Plains, and was lieutenant colonel in Rhode Island, 1781. He was wounded at Bunker Hill. His second child, Susanna, born May 26, 1766, died Jan. 8, 1838, was the wife of the esteemed Rev. David Howe Williston, of Tunbridge, Vt. [Fletcher Genealogy, p. 241.]



## 301.

JAMES RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*James<sup>4</sup> Thomas<sup>3</sup> James<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of James<sup>4</sup> and Mary Richardson, of Dracut; born there, May 3, 1718; married MARY RICHARDSON, 1741; the record unhandsomely styles her *Molly*. They were published Sept. 17, 1741.

They lived in Pelham, N. H., out off from Dracut, by an order of the Privy Council of England, in 1741. He died March 6, 1763, aged 50.

His will is dated April 7, 1761; it is on record at Exeter, N. H. The will mentions wife Molly, his minor sons Abijah and Ezekiel, and daughters Molly, Olive, and Bridget, and appoints his son James executor.

His children were:

- +494. James,<sup>6</sup> b. June 17, 1742; m. Sarah Clark.
- +495. Abijah,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 13, 1748; m. Judith Clark.
- 496. Molly,<sup>6</sup>—her birth is not on record; m. Asa Stickney, Feb. 11, 1768.
- 497. Olive,<sup>6</sup> b. July 7, 1754; m. Cyrus Hardy, April 6, 1774.
- 498. Bridget,<sup>6</sup> b. June 23, 1758; m. Jacob Marsh, Dec. 12, 1785.
- +499. Ezekiel,<sup>6</sup> b. March 7, 1761; m. first, Betsy Coburn; second, Dolly Littlehale.

## 302.

PHILIP RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*James<sup>4</sup> Thomas<sup>3</sup> James<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*) brother of the preceding; born in Dracut, Oct. 1, 1715; married, first, 1744, ELEANOR WOOD, daughter of Benjamin Wood, of Pelham, N. H., and formerly of Dracut. Second, HANNAH —.

He lived in Dracut some years. He seems to have lived in Pelham after his second marriage, for we find the children of the second marriage were born in Pelham and recorded there.

His children by first wife, Eleanor, were:

- 500. Philip,<sup>6</sup> taught school in Dracut, 1771; m. Mehitable Hill, Feb. 22, 1791.
- 501. Eleanor,<sup>6</sup>

By second wife, Hannah, born in Pelham:

- 502. Hannah,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 3, 1758.
  - +503. Eliphalet,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 7, 1760; m. first, Levina Butler; second, Elizabeth —.
  - +504. James,<sup>6</sup> b. March 5, 1763; m. Polly Taylor.
  - 505. Molly,<sup>6</sup> b. March 24, 1765.
  - 506. Betsy,<sup>6</sup> b. March 4, 1767.
  - 507. Zachariah,<sup>6</sup> b. April 14, 1771; m. Polly Parker, May 13, 1800.
- They lived in Dunstable.

## 303.

SARAH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*James<sup>4</sup> Thomas<sup>3</sup> James<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding, and daughter of James<sup>4</sup> and Mary Rich-





ardson, of Dracut; born there, July 1, 1717; married, 1744, ZACHARIAH GOODHUE, born Nov. 6, 1725, son of Ebenezer and Mary Goodhue, of Dracut. They were published Aug. 31, 1744. They lived in Dracut.

Their children were:

- 508. Hannah (Goodhue), b. Oct. 7, 1747.
- 509. Olive (Goodhue), b. Dec. 14, 1749.
- 510. Zachariah (Goodhue), b. April 16, 1752.
- 511. John (Goodhue), b. Aug. 19, 1754.
- 512. Sarah (Goodhue), b. July 10, 1757.

### 304.

THOMAS RICHARDSON\* (*James,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Dracut, March 29, 1719; married REBECCA REED, of Westford, Aug. 1, 1745.

He lived in Westford, and appears to have died in 1772.

I have found no will, nor settlement of his estate, nor record of his children, though I have had copies of the Westford, the Dracut, and the Pelham records, and pretty full abstracts of the Middlesex probate records. From correspondence I learn that he had these two sons by his wife Rebecca, viz.

- +513. Thomas,\* m. first, Abigail Spalding; second, Lucy Spalding.
- +514. Wiley,\* b. 1755; m. first, Bridget Farrar; second, Frances Poor.

I think it probable that he had, also, a son

- +515. Abijah,\* b. about 1760; m. Elizabeth —.

### 321.

BENJAMIN RICHARDSON\* (*Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Benjamin<sup>4</sup> and Eunice Richardson, of Groton; born there, March 1, 1731; married, first, March, 1752, PHEBE BRINTNALL, baptized Sept. 19, 1731, daughter of James and Mary (Bassett) Brintnall, of Chelsea, near Boston. She died May 3, 1763, leaving no children except an adopted child, her cousin, Benjamin Bassett Brintnall, born 1760, who died at sea. Second, 1768, ANN BRINTNALL, baptized Nov. 14, 1742, sister of Phebe.\*

\*Some doubt has hung over the parentage and birth-place of Benjamin Richardson,\* but a careful and prolonged investigation has led to the result announced in the text. Some of his grandchildren—of the Knox family—have supposed that he was born in Exeter; but the Exeter records and the records of Rockingham County have been thoroughly and repeatedly examined without finding his name, or that of any one of his family, except as given in three deeds, now to be quoted.

1. In the first deed, Benjamin Richardson, of Dunstable, N. H., and Eunice, his wife, convey land to James Gorton, in 1748. Benjamin and Eunice must have been his parents. They formerly lived in Groton, at least their children's births are recorded there; but Groton joins Dunstable, and thus we may easily account for the residence of the father in Dunstable in 1748.

2. In the second deed, in the same year, 1748, Thomas Chamberlain sells land to Benjamin Richardson, of Welford, N. H. Welford is doubtless a clerical error for *Miford*, a town formerly a part of Dunstable.



He had an Uncle Hodgdon, of Boston, who was probably his mother's brother, and by whom, at the age of five, he was adopted. In that city—town at that time—he appears to have passed the remainder of his long life. This uncle subsequently apprenticed him to a Mr. Bell, to learn the trade of mason, which occupation he afterwards followed.

He gained the respect and confidence of his fellow-citizens by his genial disposition and integrity of character. He was diligent, punctual, and successful in his business, master of his trade, thoroughly comprehending the details of building and architecture. He attended, with his family, the church in Brattle Street, Boston, a church which had enjoyed the labors of Colman and the Coopers, and was then under the pastoral care of Thacher and Backminster.

He resided many years in his own house on Friend Street, where he died, Sept. 26, 1813, aged 82. He was buried in tomb No. 27, in the cemetery on Copp's Hill, Boston, where his second wife, Ann, was afterwards laid. She died March 4, 1823, aged 86. His gravestone assures us that he was born in 1731, thus confirming the statement made at the head of this notice.

The inventory of his estate, dated Jan. 10, 1814, amounts to \$5,741.15, thus representing, for those days, a fair property, the fruit of his own industry. His son Samuel was the administrator. Many articles of furniture, silver ware, etc., once belonging to him, are now in the possession of his descendants.

His children, all by second wife, all born in Boston, were:

- +516. Benjamin,\* b. June 26, 1760; m. Susan Drew.
- +517. Ann,\* b. Nov. 1, 1770; m. Robert Knox.
- +518. Mary,\* b. Aug. 11, 1772; m. Thomas Kemble Thomas.
- 519. Elizabeth,\* b. Feb. 23, 1774; d. in Boston, Nov. 12, 1775.
- 520. Ruth,\* b. July 25, 1776; unm.; d. in Boston, Dec. 20, 1833.
- 521. Betsey,\* b. June 21, 1778; d. in Boston, Oct. 11, 1781.
- 522. Sarah,\* b. Feb. 20, 1780; d. in Scituate, June 24, 1840.
- 523. Phebe,\* } twins, born { d. May 3, 1784
- 524. A son { Dec. 25, 1781 } d. Dec. 27, 1781.
- +525. Samuel,\* b. Dec. 25, 1785; m. Caroline Schetky.

3. In the third deed, dated June 4, 1753, Benjamin Richardson, of "No. 2, N. H.," sells to John Robinson land in Dunstable. "No. 2" designates the present town of Rockingham, Vt., near Bellows Falls, on the Connecticut River. Westminster, Vt., was "No. 1," Walpole, N. H., was "No. 3," and Charlestown, N. H., was "No. 4." Westminster and Rockingham, Vt., were then supposed to be in New Hampshire.

The probability, therefore, is very strong that he was born in Groton, or if not there, in Dunstable, a town adjoining.

Both of his wives were daughters of James and Mary (Bassett) Brintnall. This couple were married Aug. 6, 1724. They resided in Chelsea; their children were, *Mary, John, James, Thomas, Phebe, Joseph, Ann*. The father was killed at the siege of Louisburg, May, 1745. The mother died in 1742.

Francis Bassett and Mary his wife were the parents of Mary, the wife of James Brintnall, whose daughters were wives of Benjamin Richardson. He—Francis—descended from John and Sarah (Negoose) Bassett. John Bassett was a French Huguenot, who fled from the persecuting rage of the mob in Paris in 1643, arrived in Boston 1686, and settled in Charlestown.



## Sixth Generation.

## 330.

COLONEL BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BALDWIN (*Loammi Baldwin, Ruth Richardson,<sup>4</sup> Joseph,<sup>2</sup> Joseph,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), grandson in the fourth degree, both from Samuel Richardson,<sup>1</sup> and from his brother, Ezekiel Richardson<sup>1</sup>; \* son of Loammi Baldwin by his first wife, Mary Fowle; born at "New Bridge," or North Woburn, Dec. 15, 1777; married, May 1, 1808, MARY CARTER BREWSTER COOLIDGE, born Sept. 11, 1784, eldest daughter of Benjamin Coolidge, a merchant of Boston, but retired from business in Woburn, where he died in 1819. Her mother, of the same name, was a descendant of Elder William Brewster, of Plymouth, 1620.

They lived in North Woburn, long the home of the Baldwin family. Like his father, he devoted himself to the business of a civil engineer, and assisted his brother Loammi in the construction of the mill dam across the Back Bay in Boston, and in other great public improvements.

He died suddenly, Oct. 11, 1821, aged 43, as he was on his return from the cattle-show in Brighton.

His widow married, Dec. 4, 1823, Wyman Richardson,<sup>6</sup> Esq. [2361], a counsellor at law, born in Woburn, Oct. 19, 1780, son of Stephen<sup>4</sup> and Martha (Wyman) Richardson. He died of an affection of the heart, June 22, 1841, aged 61. Her third husband, married March 4, 1845, was Burrage Yale, a trader in South Reading, now Wakefield. He proved an unpleasant companion, and she soon found a separation indispensable to her comfort.

The children of Benj. F. Baldwin, by wife Mary, were:

- 526. Mary Brewster (Baldwin), b. March 26, 1809; d. Dec. 23, 1817.
- 527. Clarissa (Baldwin), b. Nov. 29, 1810; d. July 15, 1813.
- 528. Loammi (Baldwin), b. April 25, 1813; m. Helen E. Avery, of Exeter, March 2, 1847. Children:
  - 529. Mary (Baldwin).
  - 530. Loammi Frankia (Baldwin).
- 531. Mary Brewster (Baldwin), b. Jan. 16, 1815; m. Dec. 23, 1836, Rev. Roswell Park, a native of Lebanon, Ct. At the time of marriage he was Professor of Natural Philosophy and Chemistry in the University of Pennsylvania; afterwards Rector of the Episcopal Church in Pomfret, Ct. Children:
  - Mary, Clara, d. young; Helen.
- 532. Clarissa Coolidge (Baldwin), b. Dec. 1, 1819; m. May 26, 1843, Lewis Williams, received M. D. at Harvard College, 1842, son of Dea. Job Williams, of Pomfret, Ct.

\* His pedigree may also be stated thus: *Loammi,<sup>4</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> Henry,<sup>3</sup> Phebe,<sup>3</sup> Ezekiel Richardson.<sup>1</sup>*



## 331.

LOAMMI BALDWIN (*Loammi Baldwin, Ruth Richardson,<sup>4</sup> Joseph,<sup>2</sup> Joseph,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, May 16, 1780; married CATHERINE WILLIAMS, born 1786, sister of Samuel Williams, who was, about 1815, an eminent American banker in London.

He graduated at Harvard College, 1800; was a distinguished civil engineer; completed the mill dam in Boston, July, 1821, which had been commenced by Uriah Cotting, who did not live to finish it. He also built the dry docks in Charlestown and Norfolk for the United States Government. He died in 1838.

He had a son :

533. Samuel Williams (Baldwin), b. 1817; d. Dec. 23, 1822, aged 5.

## 335.

CAPT. EDWARD RICHARDSON \* (*Edward,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Edward<sup>6</sup> and Abigail (Chenery) Richardson; born in Woburn, Feb. 8, 1747-8; married, May 16, 1771, ANN WILSON, of West Cambridge, now Arlington, Mass., 1750.

The record of his marriage describes him as of Concord, Mass. In that town he resided many years.

When the war of the Revolution commenced, he, with his twin brother, joined the standard of liberty. He was one of those who resisted the inroad of the British troops at Concord Bridge, April 19, 1775, and compelled them to a hasty retreat. At that time he was orderly serjeant of a company of "minute men," living in Concord. He soon after enlisted in the "eight months' service," from May, 1775, to the end of the year. His son Josiah stated—and the statement was made in 1880, while the father was yet living—that he continued in the military service of his country till the end of the war—eight years\*—being successively commissioned as ensign, lieutenant, quarter-master, paymaster, and captain. These commissions are still in existence. At West Point he commanded a company. It is said that he commanded the first company that broke ground at Verplanck's Point.

For his services in the war, he received pay in Continental money, or the promise of Congress to pay money when they could get it. Of this fictitious currency, there were issued in all three hundred and fifty-seven millions of dollars.†

\* This statement is hardly consistent with the fact that *eleven children* were born to him previously to his removal to Maine in 1793. Four or five of them must have been born during the eight years of the war.

† About the end of 1776, this currency began to depreciate. In a year more, the depreciation was three dollars for one. In December, 1778, it stood at six for one. A year after, it was twenty-seven for one. In December, 1780, seventy for one. In the autumn of 1781, it was five hundred for one. In the latter part of 1780, this paper ceased to circulate; nobody would take it; it was absolutely worthless the year following. Part of it was redeemed, in 1790, at one hundred for one. Much of it was never redeemed. [Gouge on American Banking.]





When about forty-four years of age, finding himself at the head of a numerous family, he determined to remove to the country on the Androscoggin River, in the then District of Maine. He removed thither in February, 1793. Respecting this removal, we find the following deeds on record:

Edward Richardson, of Cambridge, gentleman, buys of the proprietors of Phips' Canada [afterwards the town of Jay, Me.] about one hundred acres, No. 5 in Range No. 3, on the west side of Androscoggin River, Jan. 10, 1792. [Cumberland Deeds, vol. xxii. p. 203.]

Edward Richardson, of Phips' Canada, gentleman, bought of Benjamin Bird, of Waltham, Middlesex Co., the undivided half of No. 18 in Range No. 2, and No. 7 in Range 13, both on the eastern side of Androscoggin River, and No. 5 in Range 4, on the western side of Androscoggin River, Jan. 16, 1794. [Cumberland Deeds, xxii. 204.]

In the interval between these two deeds he removed to Jay.

Edward Richardson, of Phipstown, Esquire, and Richard Richardson, of Cambridge, Middlesex Co. [his brother], bought of Nathan Fuller, of Newton, Middlesex Co., seven lots of land in Phipstown, particularly described, all on the easterly side of Ameriscoggin River [same as Androscoggin], Jan. 24, 1795. [Cumberland Deeds, xxii. 206.]

Edward Richardson, of Jay, Lincoln Co., Esquire, bought of Z. Judson, of Hallowell, saddler, about 100 acres in Jay, on the west side of Androscoggin River, Sept. 5, 1797. [Cumberland Deeds, xxvii. 414.]

Edward Richardson, of Jay, and Richard Richardson, of Cambridge, sold to Mark Wilson, of Poland, lots of land in said Poland, on the easterly side of Saco River [for Saco here, read Androscoggin], February, 1798. [Cumberland Deeds, xxix. 252.]

The place to which he removed, then called "Phips' Canada," was then, 1793, in a rough, uncultivated state, and contained but three families. Two years later, it received the name of Phipstown, and contained but fifteen in the whole township. It has since been divided into two towns; Jay, made from the eastern portion, and Canton from the western. He was a prominent, influential man in the place. During many years he was the only trial justice for several miles around, and the only one qualified to solemnize marriages. Consequently, his log-house in the wilderness was much resorted to, and was the scene of many happy gatherings, which were yet always conducted with strict decorum.

He bought land cheap, as the country was new, and being a large proprietor, he was enabled to bestow on each of his numerous children a valuable farm. Some of them retained their farms, while others, wishing to follow some other occupation, disposed of theirs. None of his sons or grandsons became mechanics, but preferred agricultural pursuits or merchandize.

The family, when it removed to Maine in 1793, consisted of the parents and seven children, besides a cousin, on the father's side, Martha Swan. Of these ten, not a death occurred for over



thirty-three years. The mother was a truly religious woman. The husband and father, though a worthy man, never made a public profession of religion.

He resembled his twin brother Moses in person so closely, that one was often taken for the other. Once, in particular, he played off a joke on the young lady who was to marry Moses, presenting himself to her as her accepted swain, and spending the evening with her as such; and she did not discover the substitution till some time after, when she was with great difficulty convinced of it.

He died July, 1834, in his eighty-seventh year. His wife Ann died Aug. 2, 1826, in her seventy-seventh year.

The children of Edward and Ann (Wilson) Richardson, all but the first born in West Cambridge, Mass., were:

- +584. John,<sup>7</sup> b. Sept. 25, 1773; m. first, Eunice Gooding;\* second, Polly Paine.
- +585. Edward,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 22, 1777; m. Sally Brown.
- +586. Samuel,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 22, 1780; m. Betsey Gooding.\*
- \* This name is simply an awkward substitute for Goodwin.
- +587. Ezra,<sup>7</sup> b. June 14, 1788; m. first, Hannah Leach; second, Sylvia Eddy.
- +588. Josiah,<sup>7</sup> b. July 10, 1785; m. Mary Pierce Leach.
- +589. Ezekiel,<sup>7</sup> b. May 8, 1788; m. Elizabeth Winter Leach.
- +540. Ann,<sup>7</sup> b. October, 1790; m. Jesse Coolidge.

Four other children died in infancy before the removal.

Capt. Edward Richardson had *fifty* grandchildren, *eighty* great-grandchildren, and in April, 1874, there were already *fifteen* of the following generation. Some are in the far east, some in the far west.

### 336.

MOSES RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Edward,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), twin brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, Feb. 8, 1747-8; married MIRIAM —.

At the outbreak of the Revolution, he, with his brother Edward, joined in the war for liberty, and received a commission as ensign—some say lieutenant—in the same company. He lived for a time in West Cambridge, afterwards in Acton, and at length in Concord. In his will he is said to be of Concord.

My information respecting him is vague and unsatisfactory; but what I shall next say is on the best authority.

He and his twin brother Edward, who, I suppose, fought by each other's side during the Revolutionary war, were present at the laying of the corner-stone of the Bunker Hill monument, June 17, 1825, just half a century after the battle. Lafayette was present, and assisted in the transaction. The event attracted great attention, and officers and soldiers of the old Continental army, from all parts, were there. These twin brothers, whose united weight was said to exceed five hundred pounds, rode together in an open barouche, "the observed of all observers."



These "noble twin brothers of Revolutionary fame" received a conspicuous notice in the account given of the affair in the newspapers immediately after. Their close resemblance to each other has already been mentioned.

His will, dated Dec. 9, 1833, was proved in 1835, and he must have died in the interval, at the age of about eighty-seven. He describes himself as of Concord, and speaks of his widow, Miriam, and of children, Allen, Aaron, Mary, and Moses; a statement which does not perfectly accord with a record from another source.

The will of Miriam, widow of Moses Richardson, is still more discrepant. It is dated April 9, 1839, and was proved in 1839. It recognizes herself as the widow of Moses Richardson, of Concord, but gives the following as her children's names: Joanna Baker, Ellen Miriam, Frances Wheeler, and Eben. I cannot reconcile this with the other, but on the supposition of her having had two husbands.

The children of Moses Richardson, as derived from another source, were:

- +541. Fisher,<sup>7</sup> b. 1770; m. Betsey Bird.
- 542. Moses.<sup>7</sup>
- 543. Joel,<sup>7</sup> m. Louisa —; lived in Stow; d. 1825. He left a son, Moses.<sup>8</sup>
- 544. Allen.<sup>7</sup>
- +545. Chanery,<sup>7</sup> m. Eliza —.
- 546. Charles.<sup>7</sup>
- 547. Edward.<sup>7</sup>
- 548. Mary.<sup>7</sup>

Three of these names are contained in the father's will.

### 337.

RUTH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Edward,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding, and eldest daughter of Edward and Abigail Richardson; born Nov. 26, 1749; married, May 7, 1772, EPHRAIM WESTON, of Lincoln, Mass. *Lincoln County, Mass.*

After the Revolutionary war, they removed to Fryeburg, Me. The husband died February, 1829. The wife, Ruth, died Oct. 30, 1835, aged nearly 86.

When Josiah Richardson, her nephew, attended the academy in Fryeburg, in 1805, he boarded with his aunt Weston.

The children of Ephraim and Ruth Weston were:

- 549. Ephraim (Weston), b. 1772; d. September, 1831, aged 59.
- 550. Martha (Weston), b. 1775; d. Sept. 9, 1832, aged 57.
- 551. Jeremy (Weston), b. 1778; d. Feb. 1, 1835, aged 57.
- 552. John (Weston), b. Feb. 15, 1770; d. 1867, aged 88.
- +553. Edward (Weston), b. Aug. 12, 1781; m. first, Jane Webster; second, Rachel Ward.
- 554. James (Weston), b. Aug. 4, 1783; d. Dec. 20, 1820, aged 37.
- 555. Abigail (Weston), b. Aug. 1, 1780; d. July 24, 1818, aged 32.



## 338.

RICHARD RICHARDSON\* (*Edward*,<sup>5</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>4</sup> *Ezekiel*,<sup>3</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*,<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding, and son of Edward<sup>6</sup> and Abigail (Chenery) Richardson; born Sept. 23, 1751; married, first, MERTABLE SMITH, of Needham; second, ELIZABETH WYMAN PARK.

He lived in West Cambridge, now Arlington, where, or near where, he was born. In January, 1795, he united with his brother Edward in the purchase of eight lots of land in Phipstown, now the town of Jay, county of Franklin, Maine. He sold either a part, or the whole, of this interest three years after. [Cumb. Deeds, xxii. 206; xxix. 252.] In 1800, he was a "head builder," on Charter Street, Boston.

At length he removed to Ashby; the date not known to me.

By patient industry and active enterprise he became possessed of a handsome estate. Besides property in other places, he owned about thirty-six acres of woodland in the south part of New Ipswich, N. H.

His will is dated July 13, 1830; proved Feb. 18, 1834; and is on record both in Middlesex Co., Mass., and in Hillsborough Co., N. H. His wife, Elizabeth, survived him; in his will he calls her *Betsy*. He appoints as executors his son, Lewis Gould Richardson, and his son-in-law, Edward Smith.

## His children were:

- 556. William,<sup>7</sup> m. Lucretia Hastings. He was a "yeoman," of Lexington. He died, intestate, 1813, leaving only one child:
- 557. Hannah Soden,<sup>8</sup> who m. Robert Murdock, of Cambridge, previous to 1830.
- 558. Martha,<sup>7</sup> m. Nov. 1, 1826, Samuel Moody Keep, then of West Cambridge, afterwards of Jay, Me. No children.
- 559. Reuben,<sup>7</sup> m. Eliza Fletcher. They settled in Marietta, Ohio, and had a large family.
- 560. Thomas,<sup>7</sup> m. April 11, 1803, Abigail Stone, b. in Watertown, Oct. 12, 1733, daughter of William and Hannah (Barnard) Stone, of Watertown.\* They had a large family. In his will, dated Aug. 3, 1822, he provides for wife Abigail, daughter Hannah, then over fourteen years old; daughter Abigail, under fourteen; there was also a son Richard<sup>8</sup> and a son Henry.<sup>8</sup>
- 561. Sarah,<sup>7</sup> m. April 9, 1800, Daniel Cook Robinson, of Boston. She died previous to the date of her father's will.
- 562. Ebenezer,<sup>7</sup> m. Susan Waters, of Ashby. They lived in West Cambridge, now Arlington. His will, dated Jan. 24, 1826, and proved the same year, mentions children:
- 563. William.<sup>8</sup>
- 564. Margaret,<sup>8</sup> and appoints his brother-in-law, Edward Smith, executor.
- 565. Meritable,<sup>7</sup> m. Edward Smith, of Arlington. No children.

\* William Stone,<sup>6</sup> born Oct. 6, 1730, was a son of Moses Stone,<sup>4</sup> born Dec. 16, 1723, who was son of Jonathan Saine,<sup>3</sup> born Dec. 26, 1677, who was a son of Simon Stone,<sup>2</sup> born in England, 1631, who was many times representative, selectman, and town clerk of Watertown. The last named was a son of Deacon Simon Stone, who embarked at Ipswich, Eng., April 13, 1633, for New England and settled at Watertown. The Stone family of Watertown is highly respectable. [Bond's Watertown.]





566. Leonard,<sup>7</sup> m. Sarah Bridge, of West Cambridge, now Arlington. His will, made Oct. 3, 1829, mentions widow Sarah, and one child, Martha Ann.<sup>8</sup>
567. Abigail Wyman,<sup>7</sup> m. Edward Smith, of Arlington; five children.
568. Richard,<sup>7</sup> d. young.
569. Elizabeth Wood,<sup>7</sup> m. March, 1834, in West Cambridge [Arlington], Jacob W. Wait, of Hallowell, Me.
570. Lewis Gould,<sup>7</sup> m. Sarah Hammatt. He is deceased. The widow Sarah lives at No. 52 Waltham Street, Boston. With her lives her son,
571. *Albert Lewis*,<sup>8</sup> whose place of business is the Rialto Building, Devonshire Street, Boston.

## 339.

PETER RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Edward*,<sup>5</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>4</sup> *Ezekiel*,<sup>3</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; born Dec. 1, 1753; married, April 13, 1780, HANNAH BOND,<sup>5</sup> born March 31, 1758, daughter of Jonas Bond, of Watertown.\* She died in 1823. They had two daughters whose names are unknown.

For a time he kept a public house in Brighton. Afterwards he kept the "Bite Tavern," in Boston, on Exchange Lane, now Exchange Street. A Boston directory for 1800 locates him there at that time. He acquired a handsome property, which he exchanged for farms and lands in the old county of Hampshire, and then removed thither. His nephew, Josiah Richardson [538], son of his brother Edward, who died in Auburn, Me., 1865, aged 80, thought he removed to Ashfield. He died before 1830.

## 340.

ABIGAIL RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Edward*,<sup>5</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>4</sup> *Ezekiel*,<sup>3</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), sister of the preceding; born May 1, 1756; married OLIVER BROWN, March 26, 1776.

Within a few months after marriage, he joined the army of the Revolution. At the battle of the Brandywine, Sept. 11, 1777, he had charge of one of the pieces of artillery. The onset of the enemy was fierce, and the Americans suffered severely, losing full twelve hundred men, killed, wounded, and prisoners. The British loss was almost eight hundred. At the close of the encounter, Brown—so I am informed—was the only man left standing by the gun.

About 1796, he removed with his family to the new State of Ohio. I have no further information, except that their posterity "are respectable and wealthy."

\* This may be a mistake of the compiler. There was at the time another Peter Richardson,<sup>4</sup> a son of Thomas and Mehitable Richardson, and about the age of Peter Richardson,<sup>6</sup> in the text, who has an equal and perhaps a better claim to be placed on record as the husband of Hannah Bond. In a case like this, where the probabilities are so nearly balanced, it is difficult to decide. The compiler, after some consideration, is inclined to think that Peter Richardson,<sup>6</sup> in the text, married, March 21, 1780, LYDIA BROOKS, of Lincoln, and not Hannah Bond. For the other Peter Richardson, see No. 1967, among the Posterity of SAMUEL RICHARDSON.<sup>1</sup>



## 341.

JOHN RICHARDSON,\* Esq. (*Edward*,<sup>3</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>4</sup> *Ezekiel*,<sup>5</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Watertown, Mass., July 16, 1758; married, first, March 7, 1790, ANNA BEMIS, born Sept. 3, 1764, daughter of David and Mary (Bright) Bemis, of Watertown. She died in 1794. Second, Dec. 29, 1801, her sister, HANNAH BEMIS, born Aug. 23, 1771. She died 1835.\*

He was apprenticed to a baker, and carried out bread for sale. On the morning of the battle of Lexington, at the request of the selectmen, he carried a quantity of gunpowder from Waltham to Lexington. He afterwards served his country in the militia, and performed service enough to entitle him to a pension. In 1773, at the age of twenty, he removed to Concord, which was his home for twenty-seven years. His original business was that of a baker, but he afterwards kept a country dry goods store. He built and occupied as his dwelling the old County House, which, about 1789, he exchanged with the county for the Middlesex Hotel. There he kept "an extensive house of entertainment." He was also a sheriff and keeper of the county jail. In 1802, he formed a copartnership with Jonathan Wheeler. The firm of Richardson & Wheeler carried on a large business. In Concord he also dealt in land, as an abstract from a deed informs us, to wit:

In February and April, 1796, John Richardson, of Concord, Mass., gentleman, bought of Amos and Samuel Lawrence and the minor children of Nehemiah Lawrence,† of Groton, two undivided rights of land in Flint's town [afterwards Baldwin], Maine. [Cumberland Deeds, vol. xxiv.]

In 1805, Richardson and Wheeler removed to Boston, and were largely engaged in traffic, importing goods from England and elsewhere, having branches of their house in New York and Baltimore. On the death of his partner, Mr. Richardson removed to Newton, where he purchased and occupied the elegant mansion, formerly owned and occupied by General William Hull, now

## \* THE BEMIS FAMILY of Watertown.

I. JOSEPH BEMIS, born 1619; was in Watertown as early as 1640; was selectman, etc.

II. JOHN BEMIS, born August, 1639, his son; died October, 1733.

III. JONATHAN BEMIS, born Nov. 17, 1701, his son; married Anna Livermore. Their son,

IV. DAVID BEMIS, born Jan. 25, 1736-7; married Mary Bright, Nov. 29, 1753. They were parents of Anna and Hannah Bemis, in the text [Bond's Watertown.]

† These three Lawrences, Amos, Nehemiah, and Samuel, were brothers, living in Groton, Amos being the oldest. Nehemiah, the second brother, died July 13, 1786. They were sons of Amos Lawrence, of Groton, by his wife Abigail Abbot, of Lexington, whence the name of Abbot came into the family. The great-grandfather of Amos, the last named, was John Lawrence, who came from England and settled in Watertown. Of the three brothers, Samuel the youngest, was the father of the eminent Boston merchants, William, Amos, and Abbot Lawrence, and with others founded the Lawrence Academy in Groton. He was also one who fought at Concord, April 19, 1775. The property in "Flint's town," which these brothers sold, had been the property of their father, Amos Lawrence.



known as the Nonantum House, and lived there till his death. He gave two of his sons a liberal education, and became connected by marriage with some of the most respectable families in Newton and Watertown.

He purchased United States land in different parts of the country; among the purchases was one in or near the city of New Orleans. It was strongly contested by law, and decided in his favor. He owned a large hotel in Cambridge.

His will is dated April 23, 1837. He died in that year.

His children by first wife, Anna, were:

572. Ann,<sup>7</sup> m. 1812. Dr. Nathaniel Bemis, her cousin. b. June 16, 1784; graduate Harvard College, 1806; M. M. B., 1809; M. D., 1811; Fellow of Mass. Med. Soc.; d. by his own hand, Aug. 23, 1839. She died 1837.
573. Mary Bemis,<sup>7</sup> m. February, 1823. Richard Goodhue Wheatland, second son of Capt. Richard Wheatland, of Salem, a shipmaster. Richard, the husband of Mary, graduated at Harvard College, 1818, and died in Salem, of consumption, February, 1842. They had two children:
574. Stephen Goodhue (Wheatland), m. and had children.
575. Richard (Wheatland).

By second wife, Hannah:

576. Hannah Bemis,<sup>7</sup> m. February, 1833. George Wheatland, brother of Richard G. Wheatland, and fourth son of Capt. Richard. He was born 1803; graduate Harvard College, 1824; was a counsellor at law in Salem; representative from Salem and senator from Essex County. They had one child:
577. George (Wheatland), m. Florence Dumaresque. They had three children.
578. Seth,<sup>7</sup> d. young.
- +580. John Hancock,<sup>7</sup> b. Nov. 10, 1802; m. first, Lydia Ann Thaxter; second, Mary Patten.
- +581. George Washington,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 23, 1806; m. Lucy Dana White.

### 343.

SARAH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Edward,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born June 6, 1763; married, May 8, 1782, ENOCH WELLINGTON, born Sept. 1, 1756, son of Joseph Wellington, of Lexington.

He was of Cambridge. He had a brother, Palgrave Wellington, who graduated at Harvard College, 1770; afterwards a farmer in Alstead, N. H. They were descendants of Richard Palgrave, a physician, of Charlestown, who came over in the fleet with Winthrop, 1630.

Enoch Wellington lived for a time in Woburn; then removed to Jaffrey, N. H., where he died. His wife Sarah died in Woburn. After her death he married Sally Wood.

The children of Enoch and Sarah (Richardson) Wellington were:

582. Sarah (Wellington).
583. Harriet (Wellington).
584. Charlotte (Wellington), b. April 4, 1793; m. Ephraim Richardson,<sup>6</sup> b. June 11, 1793, a son of Dea. Joseph Richardson<sup>6</sup> [2572], of Baldwin, Me., a descendant of SAMUEL RICHARDSON.<sup>1</sup>
585. Abigail (Wellington).
586. Thomas (Wellington).



## 350.

ELIAS RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Moses<sup>5</sup>, Theophilus<sup>4</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>3</sup>, Theophilus<sup>2</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Moses<sup>5</sup> and Mary (Prentiss) Richardson; born in Cambridge, doubtless West Cambridge, 1760; married MARY RAND, of Cambridge, May 13, 1788.

He was a painter, and also innholder, in Cambridge, and died there, Aug. 14, 1801, aged 41. He left no will; his wife Mary survived him. Moses Richardson [336]—his cousin, son of Edward—was, in 1801, administrator on his estate.

I have found but one child on record, viz.:

587. Elias,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 27, 1792.

## 351.

RAHAM RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Moses<sup>5</sup>, Theophilus<sup>4</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>3</sup>, Theophilus<sup>2</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Moses<sup>5</sup> and Mary (Prentiss) Richardson; born in Cambridge, probably West Cambridge, 1762; married, Jan. 6, 1791, MARY PRENTISS,<sup>6</sup> baptized March 2, 1773, daughter of John<sup>5</sup> and Mary (Scripter) Prentiss, of Cambridge.

Raham was perhaps substituted for Nahum; Nahum is once recorded. He lived in Cambridge, near the college; was a saddler, and died, intestate, Nov. 27, 1800, aged 38. His widow Mary survived him.

Their children were:

588. Henry.<sup>7</sup>  
589. James P.<sup>7</sup>

## 354.

THEOPHILUS RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Theophilus<sup>5</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>4</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>3</sup>, Theophilus<sup>2</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Theophilus<sup>5</sup> and Hannah (Chickering) Richardson, of Needham; born in Needham, 174—; married, first, JOANNA SKINNER; second, SARAH —.

Their home was in Needham. He died there, 1795.

His children, so far as the probate records avail us, were:

590. Moses.<sup>7</sup>  
591. Theophilus.<sup>7</sup>  
592. Sarah.<sup>7</sup>

These children were minors at their father's death. Sarah Richardson, their mother, was appointed guardian in 1795. Isaac Shepherd was appointed administrator; probably the widow's brother.

We can follow the Needham Richardsons no farther; even the probate records fail.





## 365.

**JOSIAH RICHARDSON** \* (*Josiah,* \* *Josiah,* \* *John,* \* *Theophilus,* \* *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), son of Josiah \* and Lucy Richardson, of Litchfield, N. H.; date of his birth unknown; married Lucy —.

All our knowledge of him is derived from the Probate Records of Hillsborough Co., N. H., lvii. 219. From them we learn what follows:

He made his will Sept. 20, 1850; proved June 4, 1851. Of course he died in the interval. His wife Lucy survived him.

## His children were :

- 593. Betsey Jane, m. first, — Moore; second, Harrison Weston.
- 594. Nathan H., m. Mary Ann —; executor of the will, and with his brother Stephen Carlton to have the residue of the estate after the widow's dower.
- 595. Stephen Carlton.<sup>7</sup>

Lucy Richardson, of Litchfield, N. H., the widow of Josiah Richardson, who has just been noticed, made her will Aug. 1, 1868; proved Oct. 28, 1871. The legatees named in the will were,

## Grandchildren :

- 596. *Gershom Harcell*, who was to have one hundred dollars.
- 597. *William H. Moore*, the son of her daughter, Betsey Jane Weston. Harrison Weston, probably the husband of this Betsey Jane, was to have three hundred dollars in trust for benefit of
  - 598. *Mary J. Weston*,
  - 599. *Wilbur H. Weston*,
  - 600. *Warren J. Weston*,
  - 601. *Welden Weston*,
  - 602. *Elhura H. Weston*,
- 594. Nathan H. Richardson,
- 595. Stephen Carlton Richardson, } sons of the testatrix.

## 367.

**ABEL RICHARDSON** \* (*Nathan,* \* *Nathan,* \* *John,* \* *Theophilus,* \* *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), son of Nathan \* and Mary (Pierce) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, Jan. 12, 1750-1; married ANN TUFTS, of Medford, Dec. 21, 1775.

He is known on the Woburn records as Abel Richardson the *second*, Abel the *first* being a son of Reuben \* and Esther (Wyman) Richardson, and born Oct. 23, 1736. See Posterity of SAMUEL RICHARDSON [1891].

He lived on "Richardson's Row," now Washington Street, in the south-east part of Woburn, a locality now included in the town of Winchester. He was a farmer and shoemaker.

He died September, 1824, aged 74, leaving a widow Ann. His son William was administrator on his estate.



Children, all born in Woburn, were:

603. Peter,<sup>7</sup> b. June 15, 1776; d. September, 1776.  
 604. Abel,<sup>7</sup> b. Aug. 1, 1777; m. Hannah Parker, of Woburn, April 28, 1808. He was known as Abel the *fourth*. He was a shoemaker; a worthy man and a consistent Christian. He was adjudged *non compos mentis* in 1830. He passed his life in Woburn, and died there, Jan. 5, 1854, in his 74th year. His widow Hannah died Dec. 22, 1853, aged 72 years, 10 months. They had no children.  
 605. James,<sup>7</sup> b. July 7, 1779. He lived in Dover, N. H., and had,  
     606. Charlotte,<sup>8</sup>  
     607. Lydia,<sup>8</sup>  
     608. James.<sup>8</sup>  
     609. John.<sup>8</sup> Of these, John was living in Dover, April, 1874.  
 +610. Gilbert,<sup>7</sup> b. May 22, 1782; m. Hannah Davis.  
 +611. William Harris,<sup>7</sup> b. July 21, 1784; m. Lydia —.  
 612. Peter,<sup>7</sup> b. Jan. 28, 1786; d. in Woburn, March 21, 1810, aged 24, nearly.  
 613. Tufts,<sup>7</sup> b. Jan. 7, 1788; m. Mary Howe, of Woburn, May 22, 1826. He was drowned Nov. 16, 1826.  
 614. Nancy,<sup>7</sup> b. March 17, 1790; m. April 11, 1811, Lemuel Richardson,<sup>8</sup> son of Josiah<sup>8</sup> and Jerusha Richardson. See Posterity of SAMUEL RICHARDSON.  
 615. Asa,<sup>7</sup> b. April 28, 1792.  
 +616. Richard,<sup>7</sup> b. Sept. 1, 1793; m. Elizabeth Wyman.  
 617. Patty,<sup>7</sup> b. Aug. 23, 1793.  
 618. Mary Frances,<sup>7</sup> b. 1798; d. Feb. 3, 1816, aged 20.  
 619. Nathan,<sup>7</sup> b. Nov. 23, 1799; never married.

## 368.

NATHAN RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Nathan,<sup>6</sup> Nathan,<sup>6</sup> John,<sup>6</sup> Theophilus,<sup>6</sup> Ezekiel<sup>6</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and second son of Nathan<sup>6</sup> and Mary (Pierce) Richardson; born in Woburn, 1758; married, June 25, 1773, LYDIA WHITTEMORE, of Woburn, a near relative of his grandfather's third wife of the same name.

They lived in Woburn. The wife died there, July 2, 1817, aged 74.

Children:

620. Nathan,<sup>7</sup> b. May 5, 1774; d. March 30, 1794.  
 621. Hannah,<sup>7</sup> b. Aug. 23, 1779; m. Oct. 6, 1801, Zechariah Symmes,<sup>8</sup> son of Zechariah,<sup>8</sup> son of Zechariah,<sup>8</sup> son of William Symmes,<sup>8</sup> who all lived and died in what is now the town of Winchester, near Boston. William Symmes<sup>8</sup> was son of Capt. William Symmes,<sup>8</sup> who was son of Rev. Zechariah Symmes,<sup>8</sup> minister of Charlestown from 1624 to 1671. The Symmes farm, of 300 acres, given to Rev. Mr. Symmes by the town of Charlestown, is within the bounds of the present town of Winchester, and fifty or sixty acres of it remain in the possession of his descendants to this day. [See Symmes Memorial by the compiler of this volume, pp. 40, 52, 77.]

## 369.

JOSIAH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*John,<sup>6</sup> Nathan,<sup>6</sup> John,<sup>6</sup> Theophilus,<sup>6</sup> Ezekiel<sup>6</sup>*), son of John<sup>6</sup> and Hannah Richardson, of Woburn; born there, Dec. 24, 1766; married, SUSANNA —.

Children, born in Woburn:

622. John,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 23, 1810.  
 623. Mary Howard,<sup>7</sup> b. Aug. 13, 1814.





## 386.

DANIEL RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Jotham,<sup>5</sup> Nathan,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Jotham<sup>5</sup> and Phebe (Whittemore) Richardson; of Woburn; born there, Sept. 27, 1766; married, in Rockingham, Vt., Feb. 27, 1799, NANCY CLOSSON, a native of the State of New York.

After his father's death, which was in 1771, and the removal of his mother with her second husband to Templeton, Mass., 1772, the family removed to the "New State," as Vermont was then called, cleared up land in Mount Holly and Ludlow, and finally settled in Rockingham, Vt., near Bellows Falls, where Daniel was married, in 1799. There he died of dropsy, July 8, 1844, aged 78. His wife Nancy died in Grafton, Vt., May 9, 1863, aged 85.

Their children, all born in Rockingham but one, were:

- 624. Henry,<sup>7</sup> b. July 13, 1800; d. of consumption, at Hubbardton, Vt., March 13, 1852.
- 625. Daniel,<sup>7</sup> b. March 9, 1802; d. of consumption, at Rockingham, Vt., May 20, 1858.
- 626. George Washington,<sup>7</sup> b. July 8, 1804; d. of spotted fever, March 27, 1815.
- 627. Nathan Schuyler,<sup>7</sup> b. April 17, 1806; killed in Michigan, by a log rolling over him, about 1826 to 1840.
- 628. Eliza Ann,<sup>7</sup> b. April 12, 1808; m. Thomas A. Gilbert; d. of consumption, at Mount Clemens, in Michigan, Dec. 2, 1857.
- 629. Mary Minerva,<sup>7</sup> b. Jan. 25, 1810; d. of spotted fever, March 29, 1815. She and her brother George were buried the same day.
- 630. Wilbur Closson,<sup>7</sup> b. Nov. 7, 1812; he was born in Westminster, Vt., the town next below Rockingham, and died of consumption, in New York city, Feb. 19, 1845.
- 631. Joseph Eliot,<sup>7</sup> } twins, born } Joseph d. of consumption, in
- 632. Aaron Leland,<sup>7</sup> } April 21, 1815. } New York city, April 8, 1833.
- Aaron d. at Fort Duncan, in Texas, May 24, 1854.
- 633. Julius Augustus,<sup>7</sup> b. Jan. 30, 1819.
- 634. Charles Kimball,<sup>7</sup> b. Feb. 4, 1821.
- 635. Matthew James,<sup>7</sup> } twins, born } Matthew d. of consumption,
- 636. Martha Jane,<sup>7</sup> } April 15, 1823. } in Michigan, Feb. 15, 1825.
- Martha m. A. P. Denison; and d. of consumption, in Hubbardton, Vt., Aug. 8, 1838.

Of this numerous family, only Julius and Charles were living in 1874. Six of them died of consumption.

## 387.

RICHARD RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Jotham,<sup>5</sup> Nathan,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, Feb. 27, 1769; married SALLY BOWLES, of Ipswich; published in Woburn, Nov. 20, 1794. They lived for a time in Woburn.

Child, born in Woburn:

- 637. Nathan,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 3, 1795.



## 391.

JONAS RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Jonathan*<sup>5</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>4</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>3</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>2</sup>, *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), son of Lieut. Jonathan<sup>5</sup> and Lucy (Clark) Richardson, of Dracut; born there, Dec. 19, 1750; married, 1773, DOLLY JONES, born in Dracut, Sept. 21, 1755, daughter of Nathaniel and Jane Jones; they were published May 8, 1773.

They lived in Dracut. He died there, Oct. 31, 1775, aged 25. Administration on his estate was granted, Dec. 31, 1776, to his widow Dolly. She married, for second husband, Kendall Parker, jr., in 1777; published Oct. 4, 1777, being then only twenty-two years of age. He was born April 4, 1751, son of Kendall and Mary Parker, of Dracut.

The children of Jonas and Dolly Richardson, born in Dracut, were:

688. Dolly,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 7, 1773; m. Asa Johnson, of Andover; published Sept. 25, 1794.  
 689. Sybil,<sup>7</sup> b. May 11, 1775; m. Josiah Richardson,<sup>6</sup> of Chelmsford, March 2, 1794, son of Josiah and Lydia (Warren) Richardson [444].

## 393.

JONATHAN RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Jonathan*<sup>5</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>4</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>3</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>2</sup>, *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Dracut, May 27, 1755; married, 1778 (published Dec. 13, 1777), his cousin, MERCY RICHARDSON,<sup>6</sup> born Dec. 28, 1759, daughter of Moses<sup>5</sup> and Elizabeth Richardson, of Dracut. [See 411.]

He lived in Dracut; was constable, 1788; tythingman, 1790.

Their children were:

640. Mercy,<sup>7</sup> b. May 8, 1778; m. Nehemiah Jones, Sept. 7, 1800.  
 +641. Jonas,<sup>7</sup> b. July 31, 1780; m. Joanna Jones.  
 642. Jonathan,<sup>7</sup> b. June 7, 1782.  
 642. Asa,<sup>7</sup> b. March 2, 1784.  
 644. Nancy,<sup>7</sup> b. March 6, 1786.  
 645. Samuel,<sup>7</sup> b. April 10, 1788.  
 646. Prudence,<sup>7</sup> b. Feb. 6, 1790; m. Zebadiah Jones, jr.; published Oct. 23, 1807.  
 647. Rachel,<sup>7</sup> b. Feb. 9, 1792; m. Micajah Wood; published June 17, 1815.  
 648. Clark,<sup>7</sup> b. Jan. 17, 1794; m. Lydia Ames, of Tyngsborough; published Feb. 16, 1822.  
 649. Joshua,<sup>7</sup> b. Feb. 3, 1796.  
 650. Silas,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 14, 1797; d. Sept. 21, 1820.  
 651. Washington,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 27, 1799.  
 652. Polly,<sup>7</sup> b. April 22, 1802.

## 396.

JOSIAH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Jonathan*<sup>5</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>4</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>3</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>2</sup>, *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Dracut, Nov. 6, 1764; married, in Temple, N. H., Dec. 19, 1785, SARAH POWERS, of Temple, born April 1, 1769.

He was a farmer. He probably became a citizen of Temple at





or not long before his marriage, as we find him taxed in Temple in the years 1786, 1787, 1788. His two elder children were born there. In 1789, or early in 1790, the family removed to Weston, in the county of Windsor, Vermont. They first occupied what is known as the Farrar house, a house yet standing, and the oldest in the village. After two or three more removes, he went to live with his son Josiah on the place now occupied by William Manning, where he died some time in 1822, aged 53.

His widow Sarah lived with her son Leland, and during the latter part of her life, with her son Artemas, in whose family she died, Feb. 23, 1855, aged 85 years, 10 months, and 27 days. She was laid by the side of her husband in the old cemetery.

Their children, born in Temple, N. H., were:

- +653. Josiah,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 23, 1780; m. first, Betsey Tenney; second, Ann Davis.
- 654. Sarah,<sup>7</sup> b. Aug. 23, 1788; m. in Weston, Vt., Samuel Tenney, Jan. 22, 1800, a native of Temple. She died in Dorset, Vt., about 1825, leaving three daughters.

Born in Weston, Vt.

- 655. Polly,<sup>7</sup> b. April 1791; m. Oct. 20, 1809, William Whitman, of Landgrove, Vt. They removed to Hebron, N. H., and afterwards to the State of Maine, where she died, about 1857.
- 656. Henchman,<sup>7</sup> b. June, 1798; d. 1795.
- 657. Frank,<sup>7</sup> b. Feb. 22, 1793; unm.; d. in Weston, November, 1859.
- +658. Asa,<sup>7</sup> b. April 20, 1797; m. Jane Staples.
- +659. Charles Chandler,<sup>7</sup> b. March 1, 1799; m. first, Susanna Holland; second, Izta K. Whitehouse; third, Eliza Clark.
- +660. Artemas Powers,<sup>7</sup> b. April 20, 1801; m. Rachel M. Davis.
- 661. Jephthah,<sup>7</sup> b. Nov. 14, 1803; unm.; d. in Weston, 1825, aged 22.
- 662. Dolly,<sup>7</sup> b. 1805; unm.; living in Weston, 1874.
- +663. Leland,<sup>7</sup> b. Feb. 22, 1807; m. Cynthia Piper.
- +664. Lucy,<sup>7</sup> b. Feb. 23, 1809; m. Charles Austin.

### 397.

EPHRAIM RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Ephraim*,<sup>5</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), son of Ephraim<sup>5</sup> and Elizabeth Richardson, of Dracut; born there, Dec. 27, 1745; married, first, ELEANOR RICHARDSON; published June 4, 1768. Second, MARY CHEEVER; published June 27, 1776. I suppose the widow of John Cheever, of Dracut.

This family lived in Dracut. The father died there, Feb. 11, 1815, aged 69.

His children by first wife, Eleanor, were:

- 665. Bathsheba,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 29, 1769; m. Nov. 24, 1791, Thomas Thissell, b. Oct. 16, 1730, son of Richard and Mary Thissell, of Dracut.

By second wife, Mary:

- +666. Ephraim,<sup>7</sup> b. March 3, 1777; m. Hannah Richardson [662].
- 667. Miriam,<sup>7</sup> b. March 3, 1779; m. Aug. 30, 1801, Abraham Colburn, b. May 22, 1773, son of Abraham and Mary Colburn, of Dracut. They had nine children.
- 668. Betty,<sup>7</sup> b. June 21, 1781; m. Samuel Corey, of Nottingham West, now Hudson, N. H., April 16, 1807.
- 669. Rhoda,<sup>7</sup> b. July 1, 1783; m. William Clough, jr., July 12, 1801.
- 670. Molly,<sup>7</sup> b. Feb. 14, 1786.



The father of these children conveyed, Nov. 7, 1798, to his only son, Ephraim, his farm in Dracut, on certain conditions, reserving to himself one-half of the produce of the farm.

## 408.

LE . OBADIAH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Moses,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Moses<sup>5</sup> and Elizabeth (Colburn) Richardson, of Dracut; born there, Jan. 4, 1758; married, 1775, HANNAH HILDRETH, born Oct. 15, 1757, daughter of Elijah and Susannah (Barker) Hildreth, of Methuen, and granddaughter of Major Ephraim and Mercy (Richardson) Hildreth, of Dracut. [See 204.] They were published May 10, 1775.

He lived in Dracut. He was one of the executors of the will of his grandfather, Capt. Josiah Richardson.<sup>4</sup> [See 104.] He was an active and influential man. His name often occurs on the town records of Dracut. He was a fence-viewer in 1776 and 1785; constable, 1778, 1779, and 1780; lieutenant, 1781; fish-warden, 1788 and 1794; tythingman, 1796, 1797; surveyor of highways, 1808.

His will is dated Oct. 1, 1831; proved 1836. He died in his eighty-third year.

His children, all born in Dracut, were:

- +671. Obadiah,<sup>7</sup> b. Sept. 19, 1776; m. Rhoda Hazeltine.
- 672. Susanna,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 27, 1777; m. 1798, Capt. James Varnum Hildreth, b. Dec. 27, 1774, son of Josiah and Hannah (Varnum) Hildreth, of Dracut. They were published March 17, 1798.  
Children:
  - 673. James Varnum (Hildreth), b. Aug. 31, 1798.
  - 674. Arabella (Hildreth), b. Nov. 5, 1803; d. March 24, 1811.
  - 675. Susanna (Hildreth), b. March 17, 1805.
  - 676. Josiah (Hildreth), b. Dec. 31, 1806.
  - 677. Obadiah Richardson (Hildreth), b. June 19, 1809.
  - 678. Hannah Elcira (Hildreth), b. Jan. 17, 1811.
  - 679. Isaac Coburn (Hildreth), b. Aug. 12, 1814.
  - 680. Sarah Coburn (Hildreth), b. March 29, 1819.
- 681. Sarah,<sup>7</sup> b. Jan. 18, 1782; m. Capt. Isaac Coburn, of Dracut, 1798.  
He died March 15, 1821. She died Nov. 8, 1821.
- 682. Hannah,<sup>7</sup> b. July 12, 1787; m. 1803, Ephraim Richardson [666].
- 683. Clarissa,<sup>7</sup> b. March 24, 1787; m. March 28, 1809, Amos Boynton, of Andover.
- 684. Lydia,<sup>7</sup> b. April 8, 1789; m. Dec. 12, 1812, Col. Prescott Varnum, of Dracut. She was his second wife. By his first wife, Elizabeth, he had nine children, three sons and six daughters. They lived in Dracut. Children, by Lydia:
  - 685. Archibald (Varnum), b. June 9, 1812.
  - 686. Laura Augusta (Varnum), b. April 22, 1814.
  - 687. Charlotte Richardson (Varnum), b. April 9, 1816.
- 688. Merrill,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 18, 1791; m. 1819, Mercy Wood, b. April 7, 1795, daughter of Amos and Mercy Wood, of Dracut. Children, b. in Dracut:
  - 689. Sophia,<sup>8</sup> b. Jan. 23, 1820.
  - 690. John Merrill,<sup>8</sup> b. Sept. 30, 1821.  
They probably moved away.
- 691. Sophia,<sup>7</sup> b. Sept. 29, 1793.
- 692. Elizabeth,<sup>7</sup> b. June 29, 1797; m. April 7, 1814, Asa Parker, b. March 17, 1791, son of John and Mercy Parker, all of Dracut.
- 693. Charlotte,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 5, 1799.
- 694. Increase Sumner,<sup>7</sup> b. May 23, 1804.



## 409.

SARAH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Moses,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Dracut, March 13, 1755; married, 1780, HENRY COLBURN, born Jan. 5, 1744-5, son of Ephraim and Joanna Colburn, of Dracut.

She was his second wife. They lived in Dracut.

## Children:

695. Henry (Colburn), b. Dec. 16, 1780; m. Mrs. Patty Adams, in 1810 or 1811.  
 696. Sarah (Colburn), b. Aug. 1, 1782.  
 697. Thomas (Colburn), b. Dec. 16, 1785.  
 698. Anna (Colburn), b. Feb. 14, 1794.

## 415.

SAMUEL RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Moses,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), supposed to be the youngest son of Moses Richardson, of Dracut.

We find a record of this man and his family in Pelham, the town immediately north of Dracut, and till 1741 a part of that town. But in neither town is there a record of his birth, nor are we told who his father was. But circumstances make it evident that he was a grandson of Capt. Josiah Richardson,<sup>4</sup> of Dracut. Of this, there cannot be a shadow of doubt. As little doubt is there of a similar connection with the Colburn family of Dracut. But he was not a son of David,<sup>5</sup> the ferryman, who had a son Samuel, the husband of Prudence Wood. The probability is that he was a son of Moses.<sup>6</sup>

Samuel Richardson, of Pelham, of whom we now speak, was born in Dracut, about 1768; married, first, ANNA PARKER, of that place, March 23, 1786, who died after the birth of two children. Second, TAMAR COLBURN, of Dracut, March 5, 1792.

He owned and cultivated a farm in Dracut, probably till his son Asa was old enough to take care of it, but lived in Pelham the greater part of his life. In his will, dated Feb. 26, 1842, proved May 3, 1842, he mentions wife Tamar, and the six children, now to be named, as then living, viz.: Asa, Minor, Hannah, Sally, Reuben, and David; \* gives the farm in Dracut, on which Asa then lived, to his grandson, Asa W. M., of Dracut, on condition of paying a certain debt, and gives to Reuben and David the homestead in Pelham. He also mentions a granddaughter, Samantha Richardson, as living and unmarried.

## Children, all born in Pelham, by first wife, Anna:

699. Lydia,<sup>7</sup> b. May 9, 1788; probably d. young.  
 700. Parker,<sup>7</sup> b. June 21, 1788; probably d. young.

\* Nearly all these names are found elsewhere among the grandchildren of Capt. Josiah Richardson.<sup>4</sup>



By second wife, Tamar :

- 701. Sally,<sup>7</sup> b. Sept. 25, 1792; unm.; living in 1874.
- 702. Minor,<sup>7</sup> b. Jan. 10, 1794; living 1842.
- 703. Asa,<sup>7</sup> b. Nov. 1, 1795; living 1842.
- 704. Reuben,<sup>7</sup> b. Nov. 3, 1797; living 1874.
- +705. Samuel,<sup>7</sup> b. May 20, 1800; m. Sybil Richardson [788].
- 706. David,<sup>7</sup> b. Aug. 20, 1808; living 1874.

## 418.

WILLIAM RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*David,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of David<sup>6</sup> and Elizabeth (Colburn) Richardson, of Dracut; born there, Nov. 22, 1758; married, Jan. 12, 1786, SUSANNA HILDRETH, born Sept. 30, 1764, daughter of Elijah and Susanna (Barker) Hildreth, and granddaughter of Major Ephraim and Mercy (Richardson) Hildreth, of Dracut. [See 204.] He was, therefore, cousin to Obadiah Richardson, just noticed, in two ways; both being grandsons of Capt. Josiah Richardson, and their wives granddaughters of Major Ephraim Hildreth.

They lived in the easterly part of Dracut. He lived to the age of ninety-one.

Their children, all born in Dracut, were :

- 707. William,<sup>7</sup> b. May 30, 1786.
- 708. Charles,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 7, 1788; m. Sarah Parker, of Dracut, Dec. 19, 1820. They went to Buffalo to reside.
- 709. Josiah,<sup>7</sup> b. April 7, 1791.
- 710. Susanna,<sup>7</sup> b. April 6, 1793; m. 1818, Joseph M. Morse.
- 711. Persia,<sup>7</sup> b. March 1, 1795; m. 1820, Shadrach Harris.
- 712. Israel Hildreth,<sup>7</sup> b. Feb. 3, 1797; m. Mary Ann Davidson, Aug. 12, 1829. He was named for his mother's only brother, who was selectman of Dracut, 1791, and treasurer, 1798.
- 713. Hannah,<sup>7</sup> b. March 20, 1799; m. —; lives in Manchester, 1874.
- 714. Obadiah,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 12, 1801; m. Hannah Yeaton. They lived in Dracut, where both died.
- 715. Sophronia,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 27, 1803.
- 716. Paulina,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 12, 1808.

## 420.

REUBEN RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*David,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Dracut, March 16, 1763; married, first, Nov. 26, 1789, DOLLY COLBURN, born July 22, 1763, daughter of Jacob and Lydia (Hall) Colburn, of Dracut. Second, 1791, DEBORAH BUTTERFIELD, of Tyngsborough; published May 19, 1791. Third, SARAH COLBURN; perhaps sister of the first wife.

He lived in Dracut, where he was tythingman, 1798, and surveyor of highways, 1807. He succeeded his father as owner and operator of the ferry across Merrimack River, between Chelmsford and Dracut, at the point where is now the city of Lowell. He must have died about the year 1838, administration being then granted to his widow Sarah.





His children, all born in Dracut, all by second wife, were :

717. Dolly,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 5, 1792; unmarried.  
 718. Deborah,<sup>7</sup> b. March 12, 1794; unmarried.  
 719. Reuben,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 12, 1795; m. Mary or Nancy Bennett, of Billerica. They lived in Dracut. Children:  
 720. Henry,<sup>8</sup> d. young.  
 721. Daniel,<sup>8</sup> was married; engaged in the war against the rebellion, and d. in the Union army.  
 722. Nancy,<sup>8</sup> m. — Thompson, and died.  
 723. Mary,<sup>8</sup> d. young.  
 724. Sarah,<sup>8</sup> m. — Housler, a German.  
 725. Levi,<sup>7</sup> b. Nov. 11, 1797; married, and had:  
 726. John,<sup>8</sup> d. young.  
 727. George,<sup>8</sup> m. — McFarland; lives in Lowell.  
 728. Charles,<sup>8</sup> m. —; lived in Dracut.  
 729. Silas,<sup>8</sup>  
 730. Joseph,<sup>8</sup>  
 731. Lucinda,<sup>8</sup> m. Joseph Carlton.  
 732. Anna,<sup>8</sup> m. Thomas Jefferson Coburn.  
 733. Sarah,<sup>8</sup> m. —.  
 The three last named were living 1874.  
 734. Joel,<sup>7</sup> b. March 24, 1800; unmarried.  
 735. Benjamin,<sup>7</sup> b. July 24, 1808; d. Aug. 5, 1818.

## 421.

SAMUEL RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*David,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Dracut, Feb. 14, 1765, by family record, but by town record 1766; married, March 3, 1795, PRUDENCE WOOD, born Dec. 15, 1768, daughter of William and Abigail (Fox) Wood, of Dracut.

He passed his life in Dracut; was a farmer; surveyor of lumber from 1800 to 1805; measurer of wood and bark from 1806 to 1814; member of the school committee, etc. We may hence infer his intelligence and respectability. We may also infer it from the excellent character of his children.

He died Dec. 9, 1844. Prudence, his wife, died Dec. 3, 1854, aged 86.

Their children, all born in Dracut, were :

737. Samuel,<sup>7</sup> b. May 13, 1796; d. young.  
 +738. Samuel,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 12, 1797; m. first, Hannah Varnum; second, Mary Trull.  
 +739. Fanny,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 24, 1799; m. Nathaniel Fox.  
 +740. David,<sup>7</sup> b. April 16, 1803; m. Fanny Varnum.  
 +741. Dana,<sup>7</sup> b. April 11, 1805; m. Emily Swett.  
 +742. Prudence,<sup>7</sup> b. April 21, 1809; m. Rev. William Walker.  
 +743. Almira,<sup>7</sup> b. April 9, 1812; m. Herbert Coburn.

## 422.

CAPT. THADDEUS RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*David,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and youngest son of David<sup>5</sup> and Elizabeth (Colburn) Richardson, of Dracut; born there, Jan. 14, 1768; married, July 1, 1801, POLLY CURRIER, of Methuen.



He lived in Dracut; was a miller and a farmer; served the town as fish-warden, 1797 and 1820; as surveyor of highways, 1806; as collector, 1821; constable, 1811, 1812, 1821; school committee, 1815.

He died June 18, 1845, aged 77 years, 5 months. His wife Polly died March 20, 1850.

His children, all born in Dracut, were :

744. Polly,<sup>7</sup> b. April 13, 1802; unm.; d. Dec. 9, 1844.  
 +745. Thaddeus,<sup>7</sup> b. Aug. 1, 1803; m. Betsey Moulton Bradford.  
 746. Joseph Bradley Varnum,<sup>7</sup> b. June 13, 1805; d. Aug. 13, 1806.  
 747. Louisa,<sup>7</sup> b. May 21, 1807; m. January, 1830. John Richardson, of Pelham, N. H. He is a shoemaker. They have three children, 1874.  
 748. Alma,<sup>7</sup> b. March 6, 1809; m. Stephen Everett, of Saco, Me., Sept. 18, 1832.  
 749. Joseph Bradley Varnum,<sup>7</sup> b. May 3, 1811; m. Dec. 31, 1846, Rosina Armon, of Litchfield, N. H. He died Jan. 6, 1848.

## 425.

ROBERT RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Zachariah,<sup>5</sup> Zachariah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Zachariah<sup>5</sup> and Sarah (Warren) Richardson, of Chelmsford; born there, Feb. 3, 1756; married JANE ——. He died at Chelmsford, Nov. 4, 1799, aged 43 years, 8 months.

Children :

750. Mary,<sup>7</sup> } twins, born } both died early.  
 751. Jane,<sup>7</sup> } Oct. 18, 177-; }  
 752. Robert,<sup>7</sup> } twins, born } Robert d. in Chelmsford, 1816.  
 753. Jane,<sup>7</sup> } June 11, 1774, }

## 427.

MERCY RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Zachariah,<sup>5</sup> Zachariah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, Aug. 5, 1759; married, Oct. 16, 1781, CAPT. JOSIAH FLETCHER, born in Chelmsford, March 20, 1759, son of Josiah and Mary Fletcher.

Children, born in Chelmsford :

754. Mercy (Fletcher), b. Oct. 29, 1782.  
 755. Josiah (Fletcher), b. March 2, 1785.

## 431.

ELIJAH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Zachariah,<sup>5</sup> Zachariah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and youngest son of Zachariah Richardson,<sup>5</sup> of Chelmsford; born there, 1767; married MARY or MOLLY HOWARD, daughter of Samuel Howard, of Chelmsford. They lived in Chelmsford.



## Children:

- +756. Joseph,<sup>†</sup> b. Jan. 1, 1801; m. Lucy Miranda Byam.  
 757. Samuel,<sup>†</sup> b. May 4, 1802; m. Sarah ——. He lived in Chelmsford, and died April 30, 1833. One child:  
 758. Samuel Augustus,<sup>†</sup> b. Dec. 7, 1837.  
 +759. Elijah,<sup>†</sup> b. Nov. 12, 1803; m. Elizabeth ——.
  - 760. Alvah,<sup>†</sup> b. Jan. 7, 1807.
  - 761. Mary,<sup>†</sup> b. Aug. 14, 1806.

## 433.

REV. ELIJAH FLETCHER (*Bridget Richardson,<sup>†</sup> Zachariah,<sup>†</sup> Josiah,<sup>†</sup> Josiah,<sup>†</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Timothy and Bridget (Richardson) Fletcher, of Westford; born there, June 8, 1747; married REBECCA CHAMBERLAIN, of Westford, May 24, 1773.

He graduated at Harvard College, 1769. At that time, the names of the graduates did not occur on the college catalogue, as now, in alphabetical order; they were arranged, perhaps, with some reference to scholarship, but with more regard, probably, to the social standing of the parents. Hence the name of Theophilus Parsons, whose talents and scholarship were of the first order, stands the eighth in the class of 1769, while that of Elijah Fletcher appears near the bottom.

He was the second minister of Hopkinton, N. H., where he was ordained Jan. 27, 1773. In his parish he found a poor boy, named Samuel Webber, of good native talents, whom he prepared for college, and otherwise assisted in obtaining an education. Webber graduated at Harvard College in 1784; soon rose to distinction as a scholar; was Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy in Harvard College from 1789 to 1806, and President of the college from 1806 till his death, July 17, 1810. He was the author of a Treatise on Mathematics, which for several years was a classic in some of the New England colleges. "President Webber ever felt and acknowledged his obligations to his early instructor and friend."

Mr. Fletcher died in office at Hopkinton, April 8, 1786, aged 39. His widow Rebecca married Rev. Christopher Paige, born at Hardwick, Mass., June 12, 1762; graduated Dartmouth College, 1784; was ordained pastor at Pittsfield, N. H., 1789; afterwards preached at various places in New Hampshire, and died at Salisbury, N. H., Oct. 12, 1822, aged 60. His wife Rebecca died July 9, 1821. His mother died at the age of 102.

The children of Rev. Elijah Fletcher were:

762. Bridget (Fletcher), b. 1774; m. Josiah White, of Pittsfield, N. H.  
 763. Rebecca (Fletcher), b. 1777; m. Hon. Israel W. Kelly, of Salisbury, N. H. She died in Concord, N. H., 1853.  
 764. Grace (Fletcher), b. about 1750; m. May 29, 1808, HON. DANIEL WEBSTER, b. in Salisbury, N. H., Jan. 18, 1782, son of Ebenezer and Abigail (Eastman) Webster. The name of DANIEL WEBSTER is one which the country can never let die, and the world will long echo his praise. He graduated at Dartmouth College in 1801; read law with Hon. Thomas W. Thompson, of Concord, N. H., and afterwards with Hon. Christopher Gore, of Boston; was admitted to the bar there in March, 1805; began



practice at Boscawen, April, 1803; removed to Portsmouth in September, 1807; was a representative in Congress from 1813 to 1817; removed to Boston in 1818; was again representative to Congress from 1823 to 1827; U. S. senator from 1827 to 1830, and again from 1845 to 1850; was Secretary of State from 1841 to 1842, and again from 1850 to 1852. The splendid arguments made by him in the case of the Knapps at Salem, and of Webster in Boston, and the inestimable service rendered his country in the negotiation of the Ashburton Treaty, can never be forgotten. Dartmouth justly boasts of him as the most eminent of her sons, and the country rejoices in him as unsurpassed among her statesmen. Mrs. Grace Webster, his wife, died in the city of New York, Jan. 21, 1828. He afterwards married, at New York, Dec. 12, 1829, Caroline Bayard Le Roy, daughter of Herman Le Roy, of New York city. He died at his adopted home in Marshfield, Mass.,\* Oct. 24, 1852, aged 70. The children of Hon. Daniel and Grace (Fletcher) Webster were:

765. *Grace Fletcher* (Webster), b. in Portsmouth, N. H.; d. in Boston, January, 1817.
766. *Daniel Fletcher* (Webster), b. in Portsmouth, July 23, 1813. He was extensively known as Fletcher Webster; was a colonel in the war against the rebellion, and fell at the head of his regiment in the second and fiercely contested battle of Bull Run, Aug. 30, 1862.
767. *Julia* (Webster), b. in Boston; d. April 23, 1848.
768. *Charles* (Webster), b. in Boston; d. at two years old.
769. *Edward* (Webster), b. in Boston, July 20, 1820; graduated Dartmouth College, 1841; never married; was a major in the U. S. army in the Mexican war, and died at St. Angel, Mexico, Jan. 23, 1848, aged 27.
770. *Timothy* (Fletcher) (brother of Grace, the wife of Daniel Webster), b. in Hopkinton, N. H.; m. first, Mary Chadwick, of Portland, Me., who died December, 1814, aged 29. Second, Sarah P. Adams, of Bath, Me., who died in Boston, May 16, 1842. He was a merchant in Portland, Me.

[Partly from Fletcher Genealogy.]

#### 434.

**JOSIAH FLETCHER** (*Bridget Richardson*,<sup>4</sup> *Zachariah*,<sup>5</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>6</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), second son of Timothy and Bridget (Richardson) Fletcher, of Westford; born there, Oct. 19, 1749; married

He was a soldier of the Revolution, and was in the battles of Bunker Hill, White Plains, Bennington, and Ticonderoga.† In 1781, he removed to Cavendish, Vt., and soon after to the adjoining town of Ludlow, of which he was one of the first settlers, and where he died, Feb. 27, 1825. He was a devoted Christian, and held various civil offices.

\* He came to Marshfield in 1832. He was fond of owning land, and at length came to own 1500 acres. He was also fond of good cattle, and had a very large number. He set out a great number of trees which in 1874 yielded 1200 barrels of apples. A Mr. Weston took care of his place.

† There was not, strictly speaking, a battle of Ticonderoga, at least not during the Revolutionary war. I here follow the Fletcher Genealogy. The compiler of that work probably intended the military operations which led to the capture of Burgoyne.





His children, born in Ashby, Mass., were:

771. Luther (Fletcher), b. Feb. 19, 1780. He was a physician. He married, Feb. 7, 1805, Salome Fletcher, b. in Westford, Mass., 1783, daughter of Hon. Asaph Fletcher, of Cavendish, Vt., and sister of the eminent, worthy, and Hon. Richard Fletcher, of Boston, judge of the supreme court of Massachusetts from 1848 to 1858.

Born in Ludlow, Vt.:

772. Asa (Fletcher), b. June 12, 1782; m. Rebecca Fletcher, Feb. 7, 1803, at the same moment and by the same act which gave her sister Salome to her husband's brother, Dr. Luther Fletcher, just noticed. She was a consistent member of the Baptist Church in Ludlow, and died there, Nov. 1, 1806. Her husband was a deacon in the same church.
773. Nathan P. (Fletcher), b. 1783; m. — Nichols, in 1812. He practiced law in Ludlow till 1825; then removed to Hadley, Mass., till 1830; thence to Independence, Ohio; thence to Oberlin, Ohio, and died at St. Clair, Mich., Dec. 13, 1835.
774. Joseph (Fletcher), born, lived, and died in Ludlow; m. a Spooner, and had one son, *Joseph*, who died unmarried.

[Fletcher Genealogy.]

#### 442.

LYDIA RICHARDSON\* (*Josiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Zachariah*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), eldest daughter of Josiah<sup>4</sup> and Lydia (Warren) Richardson, of Chelmsford; born there, Dec. 7, 1763; married, Jan. 24, 1788, DEA. JOHN FARMER,<sup>4</sup> born Dec. 1, 1762, son of Oliver<sup>4</sup> and Rachel (Shed) Farmer, of Chelmsford.

He was a deacon of the First Church in Chelmsford from 1797 till September, 1803, when he removed with his family to Lyndeborough, N. H. From Lyndeborough they removed to Merrimack, N. H., where he died, Nov. 17, 1814, aged nearly 52.

Their children, all born in Chelmsford, were:

775. John (Farmer), b. June 12, 1789; never married.\*

\* JOHN FARMER, born June 12, 1789, the eldest of the above children, was the distinguished ANTIQUARY. He was eminent above all men of his time, at least in this country, for an exact knowledge of facts and events embraced in the history of New Hampshire, and even of New England. He was strictly a self-made man. Fond of books from childhood, and especially fond of historical research, he was also familiar with the literature of the day. From sixteen to twenty-one he was assistant or clerk in a store in Amherst, N. H. Finding this employment too arduous for his health, which was always feeble, he left the store in 1810, and engaged in school-keeping, in which he excelled. In 1821, he removed to Concord, N. H., and in connection with Dr. Samuel Morrill opened an apothecary store. He had already become known as an antiquary, and had published two or three small historical works; but from this time he pursued his unpretending but most useful labors with great zeal, diligence, and success.

The most important and valuable of his works is a "Genealogical Register of the First Settlers of New England," 8 vo. pp. 351, issued in 1822, a wonderful monument of patient industry. He also compiled a Gazetteer of New Hampshire, in connection with Jacob B. Moore, a New Hampshire Annual Register, a new edition of Belknap's History of New Hampshire, with many corrections and additions, very much improved from the original work, and many smaller works. He died in Concord, N. H., Aug. 13, 1838, in his forty-ninth year. His memory is greatly honored.

[Am. Quar. Register for February, 1830.]



776. Miles (Farmer), b. Jan. 18, 1701; m. July 4, 1816, Sophia H. Crooker, daughter of Major Turner Crooker of Amherst, N. H.  
 777. Charlotte (Farmer), b. July 20, 1702; m. Aug. 3, 1813, Capt. James Riddle, of Merrimack, N. H. She died Aug. 3, 1825, aged 33, while on a visit at Quincy for her health, and was interred at Bedford, N. H.  
 778. Mary (Farmer), b. Aug. 31, 1704.  
 779. Jedediah (Farmer), b. April 5, 1802.

## 444.

JOSIAH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Josiah*<sup>5</sup>, *Zachariah*<sup>4</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>3</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>2</sup>, *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), second son of Josiah<sup>5</sup> and Lydia (Warren) Richardson, of Chelmsford; born there, Jan. 9, 1767; married, March 2, 1794, SYBIL RICHARDSON,<sup>7</sup> born May 11, 1775, daughter of Jonas<sup>6</sup> and Dolly Jones, of Dracut. [See 639.]

They lived in Chelmsford, on the farm which had belonged to his father, about five miles from what is now Lowell. He and his brother Simeon [445] gave a bond, dated Feb. 6, 1794, in which, in consideration of deeds given to them by their father, Josiah Richardson, they agree to maintain him and his son, Paul Richardson, a person *non compos mentis*, during life.

The children of Josiah and Sybil Richardson were:

780. Sophia,<sup>7</sup> b. July 14, 1794; d. Dec. 18, 1808.  
 781. Dolly,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 15, 1795; never married, but had a daughter, born out of wedlock, who resided with her and with Josiah, her brother.  
 782. Esther,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 27, 1797; d. Sept. 27, 1799.  
 783. Sybil,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 1, 1799; m. Samuel Richardson [705].  
 784. Josiah,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 15, 1801; m. Dolly —; lived in Chelmsford.  
 His children appear to have been:  
 785. Dolly,<sup>8</sup>  
 786. Sybil,<sup>8</sup>  
 787. Polly,<sup>8</sup>  
 788. Josiah.<sup>8</sup>

## 447.

SILAS RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Josiah*<sup>5</sup>, *Zachariah*<sup>4</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>3</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>2</sup>, *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, Dec. 27, 1772; married, first, Oct. 30, 1797, LYDIA MARCY, born in Dracut, July 23, 1776, daughter of Bartholomew and Mary Marcy, of Dracut. She died Oct. 1, 1803. Second, LUCY TARR, born Oct. 23, 1778, daughter of Seth Tarr, of Georgetown, Me. She died Aug. 22, 1853.

He was a shoemaker and farmer in Westford, joining Chelmsford, and was one of the selectmen of Westford several years. In 1802, he removed to Greene, Kennebec Co., Maine, as we find by a deed, of which this is an abstract.

Silas Richardson, of Westford, Mass., cordwainer, buys of Ebenezer Pinkham, of Greene, county of Kennebec, Me., for four hundred dollars, sixty-five acres of land on the northeast end of lot No. 106, Oct. 5, 1802. Recorded Oct. 30, 1802, in book iv. p. 278.



His children by first wife, Lydia, and born in Westford, were :

792. Silas Marcy,<sup>1</sup> b. Sept. 19, 1798; d. Sept. 1, 1800.  
793. Lydia Warren,<sup>1</sup> b. Aug. 23, 1800; d. Aug. 13, 1802.

Born in Greene, Me.:

791. Lydia Warren,<sup>1</sup> b. Feb. 2, 1803; m. Isaac Lander, son of Lazarus Lander, of Greene, Me. No children. They settled in Bowdoin, Me.

By second wife, Lucy:

792. Lucy,<sup>1</sup> b. Jan. 3, 1806; unm.; d. Oct. 23, 1829. agd. 21.  
+793. Joseph Marcy,<sup>1</sup> b. June 8, 1810; m. Ann Furbush.  
+794. Charles,<sup>1</sup> b. Feb. 23, 1812; m. Olive Miller.  
795. John Farmer,<sup>1</sup> b. April 10, 1814; unm.; was a trader; died Jan. 18, 1858.  
796. Mary Ann,<sup>1</sup> b. March 26, 1816, m. first, Orin Sprague, of Greene. They had three children, all of whom died unmarried; one was drowned; two died in the army. Second, Elias T. Merrill, of Parkman, Me. They had two children. The father became insane. The children were:  
797. Leonard (Merrill), d. young.  
798. Rosa (Merrill), went to Salem with her father, who became insane, and died there.  
799. Sally,<sup>1</sup> b. June 15, 1818; m. first, James Bickford, of Lewiston, Me., second, Levi F. Parlin, of Bingham, Me. Children:  
800. Lucy (Bickford), m. Enoch H. Pratt in California.  
801. Eugene (Parlin).  
802. Clara (Parlin), resides at Clipper Mills, Co. of Butte, California.  
803. Frank (Parlin).  
She accompanied her second husband to California, and d. there.  
804. Silas Tarr,<sup>1</sup> b. Aug. 18, 1820; m. Sarah Miller, a sister of Olive, his brother Charles' wife. See above. He is a trader and farmer, 1874. They settled in Amity, Alleghany Co., N. Y. P. O. address, Belmont. Children:  
805. Edwin,<sup>2</sup> unm. 1874.  
806. Elizabeth,<sup>2</sup> unm. 1874.

#### 455.

HON. WILLIAM MERCHANT RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Daniel,<sup>5</sup> William,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Captain Daniel<sup>5</sup> and Sarah (Merchant) Richardson, born in Pelham, N. H., Jan. 4, 1774; married, Oct. 7, 1799, BETSEY SMITH, born Nov. 5, 1772, daughter of Jesse Smith, of Pelham, N. H.

He graduated at Harvard College, 1797, and received the degree of LL. D. from Dartmouth College in 1827. He was for a time principal of the academy in Groton, Mass. He studied law with Hon. Samuel Dana, of Groton, and was for a season associated with Judge Dana in the practice of law. He was postmaster in Groton from 1804 to 1812. While a resident in Groton he was twice elected from the Middlesex District a member of the United States House of Representatives, to wit, in 1811 and 1813; taking part with the administration of Mr. Madison in those exciting times. In 1814, he resigned his seat in Congress, and removed to Portsmouth, N. H., where he resumed the practice of his profession.



He was the author of the "New Hampshire Justice and Town Officer." The following notice of Judge Richardson was furnished by a gentleman well acquainted with him, and thoroughly competent to the effort of preparing it.

In 1816, he was appointed CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT of New Hampshire, which office he continued to hold during the remainder of his life, twenty-two years. He did more for the jurisprudence of that State than has been accomplished by any other judge.

With him began the first published reports of judicial decisions, and his opinions extend through the first nine volumes of the N. H. Reports. As a judge he was noted for his quickness of apprehension, his ready application of common-law principles, and his perfect integrity. He had not access to large libraries, but added to a strong common sense he had a fine general culture, and a profound knowledge of the English Common Law. His numerous opinions are generally short and are based on acknowledged principles rather than authority. He used to rally his associate, afterwards Chief Justice Joel Parker, upon the length of his opinions.

They were both learned lawyers, and had the greatest respect and affection for each other. When obliged to publish dissenting opinions Judge Richardson would say, "Well Parker, no matter who is right, everybody will adopt my opinion rather than take the trouble to read yours." He wrote his own opinions for the reports, and superintended the publication of the volumes. He was always prompt in his affairs, so that his opinions delivered at his last term before his death were found ready for the printer. His readiness to admit an error of opinion is remembered now by the older members of the bar. He had no false pride of opinion, but often would remark on opening the court in the morning, "I think I was wrong in my ruling yesterday, and on consideration will rule the other way."

A graduate of Harvard, he kept up his taste for literature, and especially for languages, both ancient and modern, through life. He was a good Latin and Greek scholar, and after he moved to New Hampshire acquired the Spanish and Italian languages so as to make their literature his common reading for evening amusement. He had a taste for poetry, and in early life indulged in writing poems on various occasions. He possessed a fine taste for music, and played the bass-viol and sang with his family and the neighbors who happened to be present. His "fiddle" as he called it, was made by his brother, Gen. Samuel M. Richardson, who was also a musician and amused his leisure by manufacturing these instruments for his friends. His docket, in which he took notes of trials in court, are interspersed with musical notes of favorite tunes, with or without the words, sometimes several lines. He took very few notes of evidence, trusting mostly to memory, and occupied the time when the trial was tedious in thus writing music.

The Judge was also a botanist and left quite an extensive her-





barium arranged and classified by his own hand. He took much interest in his garden and especially in flowers, of which he had a good collection.

He was no sportsman, but used often to drive with his children to Massabesic pond and fish from a large rock on the bank. Occasionally he went bee-hunting in the woods and was very much interested in the principle of that sport, which is that honey bees, whenever caught, will strike a "bee-line," i. e. a straight line, for the hive, usually in a hollow tree.

He had some peculiar notions about what we, most of us, consider the comforts of life. He would not have a stove in his house, and open fire-places were the only means of warming a large, cold dwelling. His office was nearly as cold as out-of-doors, and the writer has often shivered over the law-books in the Judge's office, when the ink would freeze on the table and had to be kept on the hearth. He drove his long circuits, in his chaise or sleigh, 150 miles or more, with no gloves or mittens, till a few years before his death, when his daughters insisted on his taking with him some additional protection. They thought he really suffered with cold, though he insisted he did not.

There is no portrait of him, but there is one of his brother, the General, whom he much resembled. He was a large, fine-looking man, perhaps five feet ten or eleven inches in height, with keen dark eyes, quite near-sighted, quick in his motions and speech, and rather abrupt though never rude in his manner. On his return from court after an absence of weeks, he would open the door, and to the affectionate salutations of his family his first remark would be, "Tell Ben to take care of the horse," and no feeling was wasted in embraces or salutations. Yet he was kind and generous and affectionate in his somewhat puritanic way.

In religion he preferred the Episcopalian forms, but there was no such church at Chester, and he attended the Congregational meeting, and was on terms of intimacy with Rev. Jonathan Clement, the pastor, who was a man of high attainments. He rarely spoke of his own religious views, or, indeed, of himself in any way. He hated all shams and pretences, and having no mean traits himself, he maintained in all about him a high tone of honor.

He purchased the farm of Benjamin Brown,\* in Chester, N. H., in 1819, and removed to Chester the same year. He was fond of music. In November, 1831, he and others formed a "Chester Musical Society," with corporate powers.

He died in Chester, N. H., March 15, 1838, aged 64 years, 4 months. A discourse at his funeral, March 26, 1838, by Rev. Jonathan Clement, was printed.

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\*Benjamin Brown came from Newbury. He was a long time in partnership with Henry Sweetser, in Chester. They did a large business, much of it on credit. To secure themselves they took farms in pay. He died 1818. His son, Rev. Francis Brown, D. D., born Jan. 11, 1784; graduated Dartmouth College 1806; married Elizabeth Gilman, daughter of Rev. Tristram Gilman, of North Yarmouth, Me., Feb. 4, 1811; was President of Dartmouth College from 1815 to 1820; died July 27, 1820. [Chase's History of Chester, N. H., p. 479.]



His children were:

- +807. Sarah Merchant,<sup>1</sup> b. May 31, 1800; m. 1826, Dr. Lemuel M. Barker.
- +808. William,<sup>7</sup> b. May 19, 1803; d. 1819.
- +809. Betsey Smith,<sup>7</sup> b. July 13, 1803; m. 1825, Benjamin B. French.
- +810. Mary Woodbury,<sup>1</sup> b. April 12, 1808; m. Samuel J. Sprague Vose.
- +811. Anne,<sup>7</sup> b. Sept. 28, 1811; m. Henry Flagg French.
- +812. Louisa,<sup>7</sup> b. June 27, 1814; m. Rev. Charles Pinckney Russell.
- +813. Samuel Mather,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 20, 1817; m. Mary Whitmore.

#### 456.

GEN. SAMUEL MATHER RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Daniel,<sup>5</sup> William,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Pelham, N. H., Jan. 12, 1776; married, first, ABIGAIL SPOFFORD, June 26, 1798; second, HANNAH HARDY (SMITH) GREELEY. She was a daughter of Daniel Hardy, who for a time resided in East Bradford, now Groveland, Mass., but removed to Pelham, N. H. Her mother was Sarah Greenough, daughter of William and Hannah (Atwood) Greenough. Hannah (born Hardy) had three husbands, first Rev. John Smith of Salem, N. H.; pastor there 1797 to 1816; died in Maine, April 14, 1831, aged 65. Second, — Greeley, a merchant in Portland, Me.; third, Gen. Samuel M. Richardson.

He passed his life in his native town of Pelham, occupying his father's farm. He taught school in Dracut, 1796. He was representative from Pelham to the General Court of New Hampshire twelve years; and one year a member of the State Senate.

In the war of 1812, he was a major in the army of the United States, and afterward a brigadier general in the militia of New Hampshire.

He died at Pelham, on the old homestead, March 11, 1858. His portrait, procured by the citizens of Pelham, in recognition of his public services, is suspended in their town hall.

He had no children. Mrs. Richardson continued to reside in Pelham.

His will is dated Jan. 27, 1857; proved April 6, 1858. His wife Hannah L. G. Richardson to have the use and improvement of all his estate, and Jonathan Whitehouse to carry on the farm, etc. The First Congregational Society in Pelham to have eight hundred dollars. The town of Pelham to have five hundred dollars. There were bequests to the American Tract Society, the American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions, and the New Hampshire Bible Society. The remainder of the estate, not otherwise disposed of, to be sold, and equally divided between the children of the testator's late brothers, William M. Richardson and Daniel Richardson, deceased; and an equal share to the children of Anne R. French, deceased, wife of Henry F. French, to be equally divided between such of them as may be living at my decease. To my namesake, Samuel M. Richardson, grandson of my said brother, William M. Richardson, one share, to be paid to a suitable guardian, who will see to his educa-



tion, etc. The testator's nephews, Daniel S. Richardson and William A. Richardson, to be executors and trustees. [Hillsborough Prob. Rec., lxxviii. 206.]

## 457.

HON. DANIEL RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Daniel*,<sup>5</sup> *William*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; third son of Capt. Daniel<sup>5</sup> and Sarah (Merchant) Richardson; born in Pelham, N. H., Jun. 19, 1788; married, first, at Chelmsford, April 2, 1816, by Rev. Wilkes Allen, to MARY ADAMS,<sup>7</sup> born Jan. 4, 1788, second daughter of William<sup>6</sup> and Mary (Roby) Adams, of Chelmsford. She died Aug. 1, 1825. Second, Nov. 23, 1826, to her sister, HANNAH ADAMS,<sup>7</sup> born July 14, 1803, the fourth daughter of the same parents. [See 318, 820.]

He studied law in Groton, Mass., probably with Hon. Samuel Dana. He settled in Tyngsborough, Mass., where he pursued the practice of that profession with much success. He was postmaster of that place thirty-five years; selectman 1817; representative to the general court of Massachusetts two years; State senator two years; and held various town offices many years. He died Feb. 12, 1842, aged 59.

His children, all born in Tyngsborough, were, by first wife, Mary :

- +314. Daniel Samuel,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 1, 1816; m. first, Isabella Aiken, second, Anna B. Sawyer.
- +315. William Adams,<sup>7</sup> b. Nov. 2, 1821; m. Anna Maria Marston.

By second wife, Hannah:

- +316. George Francis,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 6, 1829; m. Caroline Augusta Reed.
- For the progenitors of the two wives of Hon. Daniel Richardson of the name of ADAMS, see Note after ELIZABETH RICHARDSON<sup>5</sup> [220]. -

## 466.

WILLIAM ADAMS, Esq.<sup>6</sup> (*Elizabeth Richardson*,<sup>5</sup> *John*,<sup>4</sup> *John*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), son of William and Elizabeth (Richardson) Adams, of Chelmsford; born there, April 13, 1762; married, Nov. 1, 1785, MARY ROBY, of Dunstable, N. H., now Nashua.

He resided in Chelmsford, his native place.

At the age of sixteen [1778] he joined the army of the Revolution, and served in two campaigns, one of six months, in 1778, the other of eight months in length, 1780. In the second of these campaigns he was stationed at West Point, and witnessed the execution of Major Andre, Oct. 2, 1780. His elder brother Solomon served in the army the same length of time, and both returned together at the close of 1780 to Chelmsford.

He bought his brother's part of their deceased father's farm and built a house upon it. He was extensively known and highly respected.

He died Dec. 25, 1843, aged 81 years, 8 months. He had ten children, five sons and five daughters. I am able to give the names of only the following:



817. The eldest, a daughter, died the third day after birth.  
 818. Mary (Adams), b. Jan. 4, 1738; m. Hon. Daniel Richardson \* [457]. —  
 819. A daughter.  
 820. Hannah (Adams), b. July 14, 1808; m. Hon. Daniel Richardson \* [457].  
 821. Thomas Jefferson (Adams), b. May 5, 1806; m. —; lives in North Chelmsford: has but one child:  
 822. Charles W. S. Adams.  
 Nos. 823 to 827 are wanting.

## 477.

AMA RICHARDSON \* (*Samuel*,<sup>5</sup> *Eleazar*,<sup>4</sup> *Samuel*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), eldest daughter of Samuel \* and Ama (Fletcher) Richardson, of Westford, Mass.; \* born there, June 16, 1805; married, April 15, 1825, her second cousin, LEVI THOMAS FLETCHER,<sup>7</sup> born in Westford, April 22, 1798, son of Lyman \* and Louisa Fletcher. Lyman \* was a son of Joshua,<sup>6</sup> who was a son of Joseph Fletcher,<sup>4</sup> all of Westford.

The valuable farm of her father, Samuel Richardson,<sup>5</sup> which the latter took in a wild, uncultivated state, is now, 1874, owned and occupied by the said Levi Thomas Fletcher. It is situated at Brookside, in the north-east part of Westford.

## Children:

828. Ama Elizabeth (Fletcher), b. June 21, 1826; d. Feb. 22, 1847.  
 829. Susan Augusta (Fletcher), b. Aug. 3, 1823; m. Reuben J. Butterfield, 1869.  
 830. Edward Thomas (Fletcher), b. Oct. 1, 1831; d. Sept. 19, 1883.  
 831. Sarah Jane (Fletcher), b. June 17, 1836; d. Feb. 12, 1887.  
 832. Lydia Henrietta (Fletcher), b. July 15, 1838; d. Nov. 15, 1860.

## 489.

FRANCIS RICHARDSON \* (*Oliver*,<sup>5</sup> *Eleazar*,<sup>4</sup> *Samuel*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), son of Oliver \* and Chloe (Bancroft) Richardson; born in Chelmsford, March 6, 1795; married, May 27, 1823,† MARY BLODGET, of Dunstable, born July 9, 1800.

He lived in Chelmsford, on the farm previously owned and occupied by his father, containing between four and five hundred acres, and which has been in the possession and occupancy of members of the family since the time of Capt. Josiah Richardson,<sup>2</sup> their ancestor, and one of the founders of Chelmsford, who died June 22, 1695. That is, exceeding two hundred years. His petition for one-seventh part of the real estate—this being the number of his father's children—was granted Feb. 17, 1817.

He died May, 1857, aged 62. His wife Mary died April 23, 1858.

\* The name *Ama*, several times occurring on the Westford records, is doubtless substituted for *Amy*, and this for *NAOMI*.

† The Dunstable records say the marriage took place June 16, 1823.





## Their children were:

833. Mary Jane,<sup>7</sup> b. Aug. 21, 1825; d. April 8, 1886.  
 834. Edward Francis,<sup>7</sup> b. Dec. 4, 1831; m. July 17, 1859, Hannah Robie, of Nashua, N. H. They had an only son, who died soon. He still, 1873, owns and occupies the ancient homestead.  
 835. James Oliver,<sup>7</sup> b. July 4, 1834; m. Eliza S. Cummings, b. in Dunstable, 1868, daughter of Isaac and Eliza Cummings, of Tyngsborough. Children:

- 836. Emma,<sup>8</sup>
- 837. Frank,<sup>8</sup>
- 838. Minnie,<sup>8</sup>

James O. Richardson moved from Chelmsford to Westford not many years ago. He owned a nice house in Westford, but removed to Malden a few years since.

## 490.

EBENEZER RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Oliver,<sup>5</sup> Eleazar,<sup>4</sup> Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, March 1, 1799; married, April 28, 1831, ALMIRA REED, of Westford, born Oct. 19, 1811, daughter of Zaccheus Reed, of Reading.

He is a farmer, and has lived in Pepperell ever since his marriage. He and his wife Almira are yet living, June, 1873.

They have had but two children, viz.:

839. Oliver,<sup>7</sup> b. Nov. 17, 1835; m. April 20, 1869, Isabel Barry, b. 1841, the only child of Edward Barry, of Boston. He, Oliver, was a merchant in Boston, and is remembered as an excellent salesman. He died Nov. 10, 1872. Children:
- 840. Edward Barry,<sup>8</sup> d. in early infancy.
  - 841. Charles Oliver,<sup>8</sup> b. Nov. 10, 1872, the day the father died.
842. Edwin,<sup>7</sup> b. Nov. 27, 1833; m. April 20, 1871, Hettie A. Wright, daughter of Isaac Newton Wright, farmer, of Dunstable. Edwin is a farmer; lives in Pepperell. One child:
- 843. Leon Parker,<sup>8</sup> b. Feb. 1, 1872.

## 492.

ROBERT RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Oliver,<sup>5</sup> Eleazar,<sup>4</sup> Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), youngest son of Oliver<sup>5</sup> and Chloe (Bancroft) Richardson; born in Chelmsford, Jan. 22, 1804; married SYBIL RIDER, April 20, 1830.

He lived in Chelmsford, and died 1848.

Children:

- 844. Ann Prudence,<sup>7</sup> b. March 18, 1831.
- 845. George Robert,<sup>7</sup> b. May 18, 1834.

## 494.

JAMES RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*James,<sup>5</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*) eldest son of James<sup>5</sup> and Mary Richardson, of Dracut; born there, June 17, 1742; married SARAH CLARK, Dec. 1, 1767. They lived in Pelham, N. H.



## Their children were :

846. Samuel,<sup>1</sup> b. Dec. 17, 1768.  
 847. Sarah,<sup>1</sup> b. April 3, 1771.  
 +848. James,<sup>1</sup> b. May 13, 1773; m. Betsey ——— ✓  
 849. Joseph,<sup>1</sup> b. Aug. 1, 1773; m. Joanna Gage, March 1, 1802.  
 850. John,<sup>1</sup> b. March 7, 1773; probably m. Martha Parker. He was living 1837.  
 +851. Solomon,<sup>1</sup> b. Dec. 21, 1790; m. Hannah Currier.  
 852. Molly,<sup>1</sup> b. Feb. 10, 1786.

## 495.

ABRAHAM RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*James,<sup>5</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born probably in Dracont, as his birth is recorded there, Feb. 13, 1748; married JUDITH CLARK, Oct. 16, 1775. After his death, she became the wife of Abel Webber, July 2, 1788.

They lived in Pelham, N. H. He died, intestate, July 13, 1784. Administration on his estate was granted July 20, 1785, to widow Judith and Benjamin Coburn, administrators.

## Their only children of whom I have information are :

- +853. Nehemiah,<sup>7</sup> b. Feb. 11, 1777; m. Rebecca Herrick.  
 854. Rhoda,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 23, 1784; m. Daniel Gage, Nov. 15, 1808.

## 499.

EZEKIEL RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*James,<sup>5</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Dracont, March 7, 1761; married, first, BETSEY COBURN, Feb. 22, 1787; second, DOLLY LITTLEHALE, Nov. 25, 1790.

They lived in Dracont. He died there, 1801, aged 40. Parker Varnum, Esq., was appointed administrator of his estate, May 14, 1801. An inventory of his estate was exhibited in court, by Parker Varnum, the record says May 12, 1801, but this is evidently a mistake; it is probably the date of the inventory. The homestead farm, in Dracont, adjoined the line of Tyngsborough, and was valued at \$333; two cows, \$38; other personal estate, \$7.20.

The widow Dolly married John Butterfield; published April 18, 1808.

## Ezekiel Richardson appears to have had two sons :

855. Joseph,<sup>7</sup>  
 856. Ezekiel,<sup>7</sup> m. Sybil Marsh, Feb. 3, 1820. She was living in Pelham, 1873. Children:  
 857. Sybil,<sup>8</sup> b. April 5, 1822. } Both living in Pelham, 1873.  
 858. Jacob Marsh,<sup>8</sup> b. Nov. 26, 1820. }

## 503.

ELIPHALET RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Philip,<sup>5</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Philip Richardson,<sup>5</sup> of Pelham, by his second



wife, Hannah; born Sept. 7, 1760; married, first, LEVINA BUTLER; second, ELIZABETH —.

He appears to have removed to Royalston, in the north-west angle of Worcester County. In his will—unless we mistake the man—dated April 18, 1818, proved Jan. 1, 1822, he mentions wife Elizabeth and children, Daniel, Betsey, and Lucinda. [Worcester Prob., book 56.]

Children, therefore:

- 859. Daniel,†
- 860. Betsey,†
- 861. Lucinda,†

#### 504.

JAMES RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Philip,<sup>5</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Philip<sup>5</sup> and Hannah Richardson; born in Pelham, N. H., March 5, 1763; married POLLY TAYLOR, June 23, 1800.

Their children, recorded in Dracut, perhaps born in Pelham, were:

- 862. Sybil,† b. Feb. 11, 1802.
- 863. James,† b. April 16, 1808; m. Betsey Johnson.
- 864. Mary,† b. July 12, 1809.
- 865. Oliver,† b. June 30, 1811.

#### 513.

THOMAS RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Thomas,<sup>5</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Thomas<sup>5</sup> and Rebecca (Reed) Richardson, of Westford, Mass.; born there, about 1750; married, first, ABIGAIL SPALDING, Nov. 28, 1774; second, LUCY SPALDING (probably), about 1780.

He lived, 1778, in the easterly part of Dracut. He appears, also, to have lived in Pelham, an adjoining town, and to have married a second wife, Lucy, probably daughter of Peter and Lucy (Richardson) Spalding [2334]. We so judge because Lucy Richardson was appointed administratrix of Thomas Richardson, of Pelham, April 19, 1786.

The persons whose names follow are entered on the Westford records as children of Thomas and Abigail Richardson:

- 866. Thomas,† b. March 9, 1770.
- 867. Abigail,† b. June 13, 1772.
- 868. Jesse,† b. Jan. 3, 1773.
- 869. Willard,† b. March 13, 1774.
- 870. Hannah,† b. Jan. 23, 1776.

Several of these dates are palpably erroneous, but to set them right is beyond my power.

#### 514.

LIEUT. WILEY RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Thomas,<sup>5</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Thomas<sup>5</sup> and Rebecca (Reed) Richardson, of Westford; born there, April 1, 1755; married, first, 1776,



BRIDGET FARRAR, daughter of Joseph and Deborah (Richardson) Farrar, of Chelmsford. Deborah, her mother, was born June 1, 1727, daughter of Capt. Zachariah Richardson, of Chelmsford. [See 227.] Bridget's mother died June 30, 1808, and her two children were among the heirs in the settlement of her estate. Second, FRANCES POOR, of Andover, May 15, 1788. Her name in the record of her children's births appears as Fanny. They were married by Rev. William Symmes, minister of the North Parish, in Andover.

He was a shoemaker and a farmer. He lived in Westford, and died of old age—so the record—Feb. 1, 1846, aged 90 years and 10 months.

His children, all born in Westford, by first wife, Bridget, were:

- 871. Bridget,<sup>1</sup> b. Nov. 10, 1777; m. July 3, 1796, Thomas Hastings, 3d, of Watertown.
- 872. Rebecca,<sup>1</sup> b. Jan. 26, 1779; m. first, Calvin Green, of Carlisle, Sept. 3, 1798; second, William Cummings.

By second wife, Fanny:

- 873. Peter,<sup>1</sup> b. March 6, 1784.
- 874. Sally,<sup>1</sup> b. Nov. 10, 1784.
- +875. Solomon,<sup>1</sup> b. Feb. 12, 1789; m. Nancy Cogswell.
- 876. Betsy,<sup>1</sup> b. Feb. 22, 1792.
- 877. Fanny,<sup>1</sup> b. April 7, 1794; m. Charles Martin, of Lynn, May 23, 1820.
- 878. Hannah,<sup>1</sup> b. Nov. 11, 1796; unm.; d. at Lowell, Nov. 19, 1860.
- 879. Mary,<sup>1</sup> b. June 2, 1799; m. Rev. W. Y. Newell. He died Nov. 17, 1868.
- 880. Nancy,<sup>1</sup> b. Aug. 17, 1808; d. about 1819 or 1820.

### 515.

ABIJAH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Thomas,<sup>5</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*). I place this man here, because I think he belongs here. I find no record of his birth, nor am I perfectly sure who his father was; but he certainly had the sons whose names follow. I obtain their names and parentage from the Westford town records, and the probability is strong that this Abijah was the brother of Wiley Richardson,<sup>6</sup> and son of Thomas Richardson,<sup>5</sup> of Westford. He was born about 1760; married ELIZABETH —; and he probably died before the commencement of this century. The probate records afford no light on the subject.

Abijah and Elizabeth had these sons:

- 881. William,<sup>7</sup> b. 1782; unm.; was a pauper; d. in Westford, Oct. 9, 1847.
- +882. Thomas,<sup>7</sup> b. 1799; m. Philenda Wright, of Westford, May 9, 1811.

### 516.

BENJAMIN RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Benjamin,<sup>5</sup> Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Benjamin<sup>6</sup> and Ann (Brintnall) Richardson, of Boston; born there, June 26, 1769; married, June, 1804, SUSAN DREW, born March 22, 1779, daughter of John and





Susanna (Symmes) Drew, of Duxbury. John Drew, her father, was a ship-builder in Duxbury. He had but one child besides Susan, to wit, John, who married Sarah Snelling; a captain in U. S. Navy, and died April 19, 1823.

Benjamin Richardson<sup>6</sup> was a brick-layer and master-mason, as was his father before him. Both their names appear in the Boston Directory for 1800, as residing in Friend Street. Afterwards he dwelt at the corner of Sudbury and Alden Streets. He lived in Boston many years, and died in Scituate, Mass., Feb. 21, 1848, aged 74. His wife Susan died in Boston, Feb. 24, 1823.

Their children, all born in Boston, were:

- +883. Benjamin,<sup>7</sup> b. March 24, 1805; m. Matilda Lawrence.
- +884. John Drew,<sup>7</sup> b. Sept. 20, 1806; m. Elizabeth Maynard.
- +885. Susan Matilda,<sup>7</sup> b. May 10, 1808; m. Horatio N. Bowker.
- +886. Ann,<sup>7</sup> b. Sept. 24, 1810; m. Aaron Leman.
- +887. Albert,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 15, 1812; m. Nancy Maria Mason.
- 888. George W.,<sup>7</sup> b. July 31, 1814; m. Sarah —.
- 889. Mary Bryant,<sup>7</sup> b. March 25, 1817; d. in Boston, Dec. 16, 1820.
- 890. Mary Elizabeth Thomas,<sup>7</sup> b. March 7, 1822; d. in Boston, March 2, 1823.

## 517.

ANN RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Boston, Nov. 1, 1770; married, Nov. 5, 1797, ROBERT KNOX, born in Boston, Nov. 4, 1770, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Barrett) Knox, of that place.

He was a sea-faring man, and in 1812 entered the naval service of the United States as a sailing-master. During most of the war, he was in command of gun-boat No. 85, performing coast-guard duty. Afterwards he was attached to the Charlestown navy yard, until compelled by advancing age to retire.

He died in Charlestown, Feb. 23, 1857, aged 86. His wife Ann died there, Feb. 23, 1851, aged 80.

Their children were:

- 891. Ann Richardson (Knox), b. Oct. 4, 1799; unm.; now living, 1875, in Everett, Mass.
- 892. Robert (Knox), b. Jan. 4, 1802; a ship-master for many years, visiting many foreign ports; living in Everett, Mass., 1875.
- 893. Benjamin Richardson (Knox), b. Sept. 4, 1803; was a merchant; had at one time the command of the "Warren Phalanx," a military company in Charlestown; was connected with the Lock and Canal Company in Lowell, where he died, Feb. 1, 1887.
- 894. Elizabeth Barrett (Knox), b. Nov. 12, 1807; unm.; living in Everett, 1875.
- +896. Joseph Stevens Buckminster (Knox), b. March 21, 1809; m. Elizabeth Baxter.
- +896. Samuel Richardson (Knox), b. Aug. 23, 1811; unm.
- 897. Helen Augusta Bainbridge (Knox), b. Oct. 15, 1813; m. May 23, 1845, Lieut. Cornelius J. Van Alstine, of the U. S. navy, and of Sharon, Schoharie Co., N. Y. He died Aug. 12, 1866, having attained the rank of lieutenant commander, leaving one son:
- 898. Robert Knox (Van Alstine), b. in Charlestown, Aug. 1, 1852; resides in Everett, near Boston, 1875.



## 518.

MARY RICHARDSON\* (*Benjamin,<sup>1</sup> Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>2</sup> James,<sup>3</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), a sister of the preceding; born in Boston, Aug. 11, 1772; married, in Boston, Oct. 18, 1795, THOMAS KEMBLE THOMAS, born in Boston, Aug. 3, 1771, son of Alexander and Mary (Kemble) Thomas. Alexander was a son of Elias, who was a son of Peter Thomas. Elias Thomas was, in 1800, living on Sheafe Street, Boston; whether the same or not, I do not know.

He was a prominent and successful merchant in Boston, dealing in English goods; first on Cornhill, equivalent to the part of Washington Street north of the Old South Church; afterwards on State Street. He acquired a large property. He died Feb. 20, 1849, aged 77.

## Children:

899. Mary Ann (Thomas), b. Dec. 15, 1796; d. Dec. 27, 1796.  
 900. Ann Richardson (Thomas), b. March 10, 1798; d. May 24, 1804.  
 901. Alexander (Thomas), b. Aug. 22, 1802; graduated Harvard College, 1822; became a physician, and practiced in Boston; m. first, Elizabeth Malcolm Rand, May 5, 1829. She was born February, 1805; was a daughter of Dr. Isaac Rand, jr., of Boston, and died Sept. 4, 1863. They had seven children. The second wife was Margaret Atwood; m. Nov. 30, 1863; d. Dec. 19, 1872. Children by second wife:  
 909. Anna Buckminster (Thomas), b. Dec. 25, 1867.  
 910. Rufus Kemble (Thomas), b. Aug. 30, 1870.  
 911. Samuel Richardson (Thomas), b. Oct. 24, 1804; d. Dec. 14, 1805.  
 912. Thomas Kemble (Thomas), b. Nov. 28, 1807; graduated Harvard College, 1828; a physician; member of Massachusetts Medical Society; d. 1868.  
 913. George Augustus (Thomas), b. May 6, 1810; m. ———; two children, living 1873.  
 914. Cornelia (Thomas), b. April 28, 1813; d. Sept. 29, 1829.  
 915. Charles Kemble (Thomas), b. July 13, 1817; d. June 13, 1858. from an explosion of steamer Pennsylvania, on the Mississippi River.

## 525.

SAMUEL RICHARDSON\* (*Benjamin,<sup>1</sup> Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>2</sup> James,<sup>3</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and youngest son of Benjamin<sup>5</sup> and Ann (Brimnall) Richardson, of Boston; born there, Dec. 25, 1785; married, in Boston, Dec. 18, 1825, CAROLINE SCHETKY, born 1796, daughter of John George Christopher Schetky, of Edinburg, Scotland, and of Maria Anna Teresa Reinagle. The latter was a highly gifted musician and miniature painter, one of whose sons, a brother to Caroline, also became a noted artist, viz., John Christian Schetky, who was born Aug. 11, 1778, and died in Edinburg, Jan. 29, 1874. He was marine painter in ordinary to King George IV., King William IV., and Queen Victoria.\* The father, John George Christopher Schetky, died

\* This is copied from the London Times, which contained a long article referring to this artist.



in Elinborough, Dec. 24, 1824. Several members of this family are residing in America.

Samuel Richardson was distinguished as a singer in his day; he had a very heavy bass voice, and was president of the Handel and Haydn Society. He was often invited to assist on musical occasions. He was supercargo, clerk, etc. He died in Boston, Nov. 14, 1847, aged 62. Caroline, his wife, died in Boston, March 15, 1852. She was an accomplished performer on the organ and piano forte; was organist some years at Brattle Street Church; also, portrait painter.

Their children, all born in Boston, were:

916. Christopher Alexander Schetky,<sup>7</sup> b. Oct. 22, 1826; m. in Memphis, Tenn., by Rev. George O. Schetky, Dec. 24, 1857, Mary Fulton Woods, of Memphis, Tenn. They reside in Memphis. Children, b. in Memphis:
917. James Woods,<sup>8</sup> b. Sept. 26, 1850.  
 918. Caroline Schetky,<sup>8</sup> b. April 3, 1862.  
 919. Mary Woods.<sup>8</sup>
920. John Samuel,<sup>7</sup> b. April 4, 1828; d. in Boston, Sept. 12, 1832.  
 921. Mary Elizabeth,<sup>7</sup> b. April 14, 1829; m. in Boston, Oct. 14, 1863, Franklin S. Phelps, b. in Fort Covington, N. Y., Sept. 13, 1833, son of James and Rebecca (Willard) Phelps. They reside in Lynn, Mass. He is engaged in the insurance business in Boston. Children:
922. John Franklin (Phelps), b. in Boston, Dec. 10, 1864.  
 923. John Samuel (Phelps), b. in Stoddard, N. H., Aug. 27, 1868.  
 924. Willard Schetky (Phelps), b. in Lynn, Dec. 23, 1868; d. in Lynn, Feb. 5, 1874.
925. George Schetky,<sup>7</sup> b. April 25, 1831; m. Oct. 4, 1855, Georgiana Whitwell Fowle, b. 1833, daughter of George Fowle, of Boston. She is deceased. He resided in Memphis and St. Louis; was engaged in the cotton business, and was universally esteemed. He died in St. Louis, March 9, 1875.

### Seventh Generation.

#### 534.

JOHN RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Edicard,<sup>6</sup> Edward,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Capt. Edward<sup>6</sup> and Ann (Wilson) Richardson, of Jay, Me.; born in Cambridge—West Cambridge, doubtless—Sept. 25, 1775; married, first, EUNICE GOODING, of Livermore, Me., Dec. 1, 1808. She died Aug. 28, 1856. Second, POLLY PAINE, who was living, June, 1874.

He lived in the town of Jay, Me., on the Androscoggin River.



It was formerly called "Phips' Canada;" was incorporated as a town, 1795. He went thither with his father in 1798, when all around was a wilderness. He was a noted agriculturist and fruit-grower. He died February, 1872, aged NINETY-SEVEN.

His children, all born in Jay, and all by first wife, were:

- 926. Ruth,<sup>9</sup> b. Nov. 11, 1800; unm.; d. Feb. 1, 1847.
- +927. Edward Wilson,<sup>9</sup> b. July 18, 1811; m. Betsey S. Bumpus.
- 928. John Hancock,<sup>9</sup> b. Dec. 10, 1812; m. Jane F. Noyes, February, 1832. They reside in Jay, and have one child:
- 929. Mary Jane,<sup>9</sup> b. Nov. 2, 1831.
- 930. Martha Swan,<sup>9</sup> b. April 5, 1815; unm.; d. Oct. 21, 1843.
- 931. Elizabeth,<sup>9</sup> b. April 13, 1817; m. Joshua Walton. They live in Livermore, near Jay, and have five children.
- 932. Eunice,<sup>9</sup> b. Oct. 23, 1810; d. April 22, 1828.
- 933. Mary Walcott,<sup>9</sup> b. Oct. 14, 1821; d. Feb. 15, 1843.
- 934. Lucinda,<sup>9</sup> b. Dec. 10, 1823; d. July 31, 1826.
- +935. Wesley,<sup>9</sup> b. May 8, 1827; m. Annis Buck.
- +936. Jonathan G.,<sup>9</sup> b. May 19, 1830; m. Adeline Eliza Buck.

## 535.

EDWARD RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Edcard,<sup>6</sup> Edcard,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and second son of Edward<sup>6</sup> and Ann Richardson; born in [West] Cambridge, Mass., Oct. 22, 1777; married SALLY BROWN, of Watertown, Mass., Sept. 6, 1801.

He came with his father and the rest of the family from Cambridge, in 1798, to Jay, Maine, in which town he passed the remainder of his life. He was a farmer.

His children were:

- 937. Sally Brown,<sup>9</sup> m. David D. Richardson<sup>9</sup> [901].
- 938. Anne Wilson,<sup>9</sup> m. Stephen Philbrick, of Livermore, Me. They live in Boston.
- +939. George Brown,<sup>9</sup> m. his cousin, Mary Ann Wilson.
- 940. Mary,<sup>9</sup> m. Sewall Walton, of Livermore, Me. Three children.
- 941. Josiah,<sup>9</sup> m. Elizabeth Stone, of Fayette, Me. He lived in Cambridge—perhaps West Cambridge. He and his brother George kept a fruit store in Market square, Boston. He died several years ago.
- 942. Lucy,<sup>9</sup>
- 943. Jesse,<sup>9</sup> m. Mary Pratt, of Jay, Me. After marriage, he lived in Jay some years, and had children born there. He removed to Concord, and has a large family. P. O., South Acton.
- 944. David,<sup>9</sup> d. without issue.
- 945. Farwell,<sup>9</sup> d. without issue.

## 536.

SAMUEL RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Edcard,<sup>6</sup> Edcard,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and third son of Edward and Ann Richardson, of Jay, Me.; born in West Cambridge, Mass., Oct. 22, 1780; married BETSEY GODING. She was born in Watertown, near Boston, and may have been a daughter of Jonathan Godling, or Godding, or Goodwin, who, in June 1790, removed from Watertown to Jay, Me. [See Bond's Watertown





Genealogies, p. 257.] She was a sister of Eunice Goding, the wife of John Richardson, brother of this Samuel. At least, we suppose so. They lived in Jay, Me.

Their children were :

946. Elizabeth,<sup>3</sup> b. June 26, 1806; m. Luther Chandler.  
 947. Susan,<sup>3</sup> b. Feb. 15, 1808.  
 948. Fortner,<sup>3</sup> b. June 9, 1800; d. 1810.  
 949. Maria,<sup>3</sup> b. Jan. 3, 1811; d. 1839.  
 950. Richard,<sup>3</sup> b. May 31, 1812; d. 1838.  
 951. Bemis,<sup>3</sup> b. Jan. 16, 1814; d. 1851.  
 952. Lury Jane,<sup>3</sup> } twins, born { d. Sept. 4, 1839.  
 953. Charlotte W.,<sup>3</sup> } Dec. 12, 1815; } m. George W. Bean, Nov. 26,  
 1840. Four children.  
 954. Nancy C.,<sup>3</sup> b. March 23, 1820; m. Alanson Basford, July 19, 1842.  
 955. Otis G.,<sup>3</sup> b. March 21, 1825; m. Harriet Jones. He died 1863.  
 Children:  
 956. Lury A.,<sup>3</sup> b. June 4, 1833.  
 957. Albert W.,<sup>3</sup> b. Feb. 11, 1835.  
 958. Nellie F.,<sup>3</sup> b. Sept. 12, 1840.  
 960. Charles W.,<sup>3</sup> b. June 11, 1827; m. Abbie A. Bean, July 1, 1862.  
 He d. Sept. 1868. No children.  
 960. William,<sup>3</sup> b. June 7, 1829; d. 1830.

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EZRA RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Edward,<sup>6</sup> Edward,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), fourth son of Edward<sup>6</sup> and Ann Richardson, of Jay, Me.; born in West Cambridge, Mass., June 14, 1783; married, first, HANNAH LEACH, of Jay, who died June 19, 1830. Second, SYLVIA EDDY, a widow, April 1, 1831.

He lived in Jay, Westbrook, Burlington, and, perhaps, elsewhere, in Maine. He dealt extensively in land, as many deeds on record show.

1817. Ezra and Josiah Richardson [brothers], both of Jay, Me., bought of Richard Tobie, of New Gloucester, land in Westbrook. [Cumb. Deeds, lxxxii. 476.]

1823. Ezra Richardson, of Westbrook, yeoman, sold to Ezekiel Richardson, of Jay, Oxford Co., Esquire [his brother], land in Westbrook. [Cumb. Deeds, xciii. 363.]

1824. He bought of said Ezekiel land in Westbrook. [Cumb. Deeds, xcvi. 276.]

1858. Ezra Richardson, of Gorham [son of the preceding], sold to James Phinney, jr., and D. C. Libby, of Gorham, land and buildings thereon, in Gorham. [Cumb. Deeds, cclxxxiv. 510.]

He purchased a tract of land in the county of Penobscot, now known as the town of Burlington. His children still reside there, 1874, except Lloyd and Ezra, who live in East Saginaw, Michigan. He was an energetic man, and filled many positions in public life. He was a civil engineer. While engaged in surveying he caught a severe cold, which occasioned his death. He died in Burlington, Maine, June 14, 1838, aged 55.



His children, by first wife, Hannah, were :

961. Mary Ann,<sup>9</sup> b. Aug. 7, 1806; d. Jan. 14, 1829.  
 962. Lloyd Q.,<sup>9</sup> b. Nov. 14, 1808; d. Nov. 9., 1829.  
 +963. Harriet Starr,<sup>9</sup> b. April 4, 1811; m. Moses Pensley.  
 +964. Charles G.,<sup>9</sup> b. Feb. 14, 1813; m. Angeline Eddy.  
 965. Everett A.,<sup>9</sup> b. Sept. 19, 1815.  
 966. Ezra,<sup>9</sup> b. May 20, 1819; d. Sept. 18, 1830.

By second wife, Sylvia :

967. Mary Ann,<sup>9</sup> b. Feb. 1, 1832; d. July 9, 1834.  
 968. Cordelia P.,<sup>9</sup> b. Nov. 20, 1833.  
 969. Lloyd Q.,<sup>9</sup> b. May 11, 1835; m. Mrs. Mary E. Taylor, of Burlington, Me. They live in East Saginaw, Mich. Children:  
 970. Caroline E.,<sup>9</sup> b. March 21, 1867; d. May 15, 1867.  
 971. Emma L.,<sup>9</sup> b. Nov. 5, 1868.  
 972. John L.,<sup>9</sup> b. April 6, 1872; d. Sept. 27, 1873.  
 973. Ezra,<sup>9</sup> b. Nov. 7, 1838, m. first, Dec. 1, 1865, Marian E. Eddy, of Port Huron, Michigan. She d. April 10, 1867. Second, Feb. 4, 1874, Delia A. Knapp, a native of the city of New York. They reside in East Saginaw, Mich. One child by first wife:  
 974. Lloyd M.,<sup>9</sup> b. March 23, 1867.

### 538.

JOSIAH RICHARDSON, Esq.<sup>7</sup> (*Edvard,<sup>6</sup> Edward,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and fifth son of Edward and Ann Richardson; born in West Cambridge, Mass., July 10, 1785; married, 1811, MARY PIERCE LEACH, of Jay, Maine. She was born in South Bridgewater, Mass.

He removed in childhood, with his father's family, from Cambridge to Jay, Maine, in 1798, when it was in a rude, uncultivated state. In his youth, 1805, he attended the academy in Fryeburg, Me., and boarded with his aunt Weston [887]. In 1853, his granddaughter, Julia Arnott Keade, attended the same institution, boarded in the same house, with the same family, occupied the same room, and used the same Latin dictionary, that had been used by him fifty-three years before.

He lived in Jay till 1818, when he removed to Monmouth, Me., where he resided twenty years. His chief motive in thus removing was to have his children in the excellent academy there. He was always deeply interested in the cause of education. He was engaged in mercantile business most of the time, but at length, in Auburn, was engaged in pursuits of agriculture. He was a justice of the peace, and one of the selectmen of the town many years. His honesty and uprightness were proverbial.

He died in Auburn, Me., 1865, aged 80. On his headstone is sculptured, "An honest man's the noblest work of God." His widow is still living in Auburn, 1874, at the age of 84.

She was descended, on the mother's side, from Robert Calfé or Calef of Roxbury, who died April 13, 1719. He had a son Robert, who was a merchant in Boston; he married Margaret Barton, Dec. 23, 1699. They had eight or more children, most of whom died young. Their daughter Margaret married — Starr, and had four or more children. A daughter or granddaughter of this Mar-



garet Starr, was Mary Pierce Leach, the wife of Josiah Richardson, of whom this notice treats.\*

A portrait of Margaret, the wife of Robert Calef, is in the possession of Mrs. Mary Salina Reade, daughter of Josiah Richardson, from whom this account was received.

Children of Josiah and Mary Richardson, born in Jay :

- +975. Mary Salina,<sup>3</sup> b. May 23, 1814; m. Dan Reade.
- 976. John Brooks,<sup>3</sup> b. April 25, 1810; m. 1830, Eunice Tate Graffam, a granddaughter of Mrs. Ruth Weston, aunt of Josiah Richardson [837]. They have no children. He (John B.) has been a teacher of youth in Missouri fifteen years.

Born in Monmouth :

- +977. Cornelia Algier,<sup>3</sup> b. June 17, 1818; m. Oliver Frost.
- +978. Emeretta Elizabeth Leach,<sup>3</sup> b. Feb. 16, 1823; m. Josiah W. Littlefield.
- 979. Pamela Antoinette Brown,<sup>3</sup> b. Aug. 26, 1820; d. 1835.
- 980. Green B. W.,<sup>3</sup> b. Sept. 2, 1835; unm.; living 1874.

### 539.

COLONEL EZEKIEL RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Edward,<sup>2</sup> Edward,<sup>2</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>2</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and youngest son of Edward<sup>4</sup> and Ann (Wilson) Richardson, of Jay, Me.; born in West Cambridge, Mass., May 8, 1788; married ELIZABETH WINTER LEACH, of Jay, Me. She was a sister of Hannah Leach and Mary Pierce Leach, wives of Ezra<sup>7</sup> and Josiah Richardson,<sup>7</sup> elder brothers of Ezekiel.<sup>7</sup> They were daughters of Luke Leach, who came with his family from Bridgewater, Mass., about the year 1801. His wife was Molly Starr, sister of Rev. Robert and Judge James Starr. The Starrs, as already stated, are descendants of Robert Calef, of Boston, who so triumphantly exposed the witchcraft delusion of 1692.

Ezekiel Richardson lived and died in Jay, where he was, for many years, in mercantile business; but during his later years engaged in the business of a civil engineer. He held public offices many years; was a representative in the State legislature; was justice of the peace, county commissioner, and colonel in the militia. He died July 1, 1838, aged 50.

Children of Ezekiel and Elizabeth Richardson :

- +981. Abigail Chenery,<sup>3</sup> b. April 16, 1808; m. William Augustus Evans.
- 982. Mary Leach,<sup>3</sup> b. Oct. 20, 1810; d. Oct. 6, 1839.
- +983. Victor Moreau,<sup>3</sup> b. May 7, 1815; m. Mary Jones.
- 984. Moody Keep,<sup>3</sup> b. Oct. 3, 1823; d. July 12, 1826.
- 985. Frances Elizabeth,<sup>3</sup> b. Feb. 2, 1833; m. Augustus A. Holmes. They live in Chelsea, near Boston. Children:
- 986. Louisa L. (Holmes), deceased.
- 987. Agnes E. (Holmes).
- 988. Edgar Starr (Holmes).

\*Robert Calef, merchant of Boston, was a man of great ability, clear discernment, and high moral courage. His name has descended to posterity for the able and decisive manner in which he exposed the absurd proceedings against persons accused of witchcraft. The story is too long to be repeated here, but may be found at length in Upham's Salem Witchcraft, Vol. II especially pp. 461, 2, also in Drake's History of Boston, p. 568.



## 540.

ANN RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Edicard,<sup>5</sup> Edicard,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding, and the only daughter of Edward and Ann Richardson who arrived at mature years; born in West Cambridge, Mass., October, 1790; married JESSE COOLIDGE, born Feb. 25, 1791, youngest child of Joshua and Jemima (Norcross) Coolidge, of Watertown, Mass. [For the Coolidge pedigree, see Bond's Watertown Genealogies, p. 175.] Simon Coolidge,<sup>6</sup> an uncle of Jesse's father, removed to Phips' Canada, the present town of Jay, Me., between 1780 and 1785. Of that town he was the first settler.

Ann Richardson was commonly called Nancy, the two names being then regarded as equivalent. She was a Calvinist Baptist. They lived in Jay, Me.

They had but one child:

989. Ann Nouraly (Coolidge), b. in Jay, 1808; m. first, John Stone, of Livermore, Me.; second, Sewall Cram, a lawyer, of Wilton, Me. No issue. They now reside in Wilton, Me.

## 541.

FISHER RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Moses,<sup>6</sup> Edward,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Moses Richardson,<sup>6</sup> of West Cambridge, and latterly of Concord; born 1770; married BETSEY BIRD, of Watertown.

He lived in Watertown many years; at length removed to Brunswick, Me. One Fourth of July morning, by loading and firing a cannon, he lost his right arm. This, of course, disabled him and injured his general health. When partly recovered, he returned to Massachusetts, and died in Concord, where the latter part of his father's life had been passed. It is said he died about 1807, aged 37.

His widow had a second husband, a Wythe, of Watertown. They removed to Cincinnati, where she died.

Fisher Richardson<sup>1</sup> had two sons, born in Watertown:

- +990. Jonathan Fisher,<sup>2</sup> b. Aug. 19, 1796; m. Lucinda Goding.  
+991. David Denning,<sup>2</sup> b. May, 1799; m. Sally Richardson.

## 545.

CHENEY RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Moses,<sup>6</sup> Edicard,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and son of Moses Richardson, of West Cambridge; married ELIZA —.

He lived in Charlestown; at least died there in 1835. He is called *Cheney* on the probate records, but the true name was Chenery, a name derived from his grandmother, Abigail Chenery. His widow Eliza was appointed administratrix, Aug. 18, 1835. He was by occupation a house-wright. He left no will.





His children were:

992. Ralph,<sup>3</sup> d. 1831.  
 993. John,<sup>3</sup> a minor in 1836.  
 994. Caroline,<sup>3</sup> a minor in 1836.

### 553.

EDWARD WESTON (*Ruth Richardson,<sup>3</sup> Edward,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Ephraim and Ruth (Richardson) Weston, of Fryeburg, Me.; born Aug. 12, 1781; married, first, Dec. 25, 1817, JANE WEBSTER, who was born Oct. 3, 1736, and died July 20, 1828. Second, July 11, 1832, RACHEL WARD, born Sept. 20, 1800.

He lived in Fryeburg, Me., and died April 3, 1853.

Children by first wife, Jane:

995. Ann (Weston), b. Feb. 14, 1819; unm.; d. Oct. 26, 1849.  
 996. James (Weston), b. Oct. 2, 1821; supposed to be living May, 1874.  
 997. Mary Webster (Weston), b. July 22, 1823.  
 998. Charles Edward (Weston), b. Jan. 31, 1827.  
 999. John (Weston), b. May 10, 1828; d. Sept. 20, 1828.

By second wife, Rachel:

1000. John (Weston), b. Jan. 13, 1834.  
 1001. George Ward (Weston), b. Nov. 3, 1835.  
 1002. Jane Webster (Weston), b. July 23, 1838.  
 1003. Edward Payson (Weston), b. May 17, 1841.

### 580.

JOHN HANCOCK RICHARDSON (*John,<sup>3</sup> Edward,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of John<sup>6</sup> and Hannah (Bemis) Richardson, successively of Concord, Boston, and Newton; born in Concord, Nov. 10, 1802; married, first, Dec. 15, 1831, LYDIA ANN THAXTER, born April 30, 1810, only daughter of Hon. Levi and Lydia (Bond) Thaxter, of Watertown, Mass. Lydia Bond's father was Hon. Amos Bond, representative of Watertown most of the time from 1783 to 1802, and repeatedly senator from Middlesex County. [See Bond's Watertown Genealogies, p. 62.] He married, second, MARY PATTEX, sister of the wife of Addison Gilmore.

He graduated at Harvard College, 1825, in the class with Charles Francis Adams; studied law with Levi Thaxter, of Watertown, William Prescott and Franklin Dexter, of Boston, and practised law in Newton, Mass., then the residence of his father. He removed to Worcester, April, 1836, and entered into partnership with his brother; practiced law there one year. He was elected a director of the Citizens Bank of Worcester, October, 1836, and died January, 1850, while a member of the State legislature.





**FINISHING A 500-MILE HIKE—**

Edward Payson Weston (center) marching down Broadway, N. Y., after arrival from Buffalo. Although Weston is 84 years old, he cut two days off his schedule.

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His children, born in Newton, were :

1004. Lydia Bond,<sup>9</sup> b. Oct. 27, 1832; m. Edward H. Eldridge; after his death she m. Augustus Williams, of Taunton. She is dead.  
 1005. John,<sup>9</sup> b. June 10, 1833; m. Charlotte Blood, daughter of Oliver Hunter Blood, of Worcester. They had:  
 1006. John,<sup>9</sup>  
 1007. Ellen.<sup>9</sup>

Born in Worcester :

1008. Frank Thornton,<sup>9</sup> b. Sept. 17, 1840; m. — Barstow, of Somerville. [For the Barstow family, see Barry's Hist. of Hanover, Mass.]

## 581.

GEORGE WASHINGTON RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*John,<sup>6</sup> Edward,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born on Franklin Street, Boston, Oct. 28, 1808; married, Jan. 6, 1836, LUCY DANA WHITE,<sup>8</sup> born June 27, 1814, daughter of Abijah White, of Watertown. In childhood he removed with his father's family to Newton.

He graduated at Harvard College, 1829. One of his classmates was George Tyler Bigelow, a judge of the supreme court of Massachusetts; another was Benjamin Robbins Curtis, of the supreme court of the United States. Several other eminent men were members of that class.

He studied law with his brother John and with Judge Pliny Merrick, of Worcester; was admitted to the bar in Worcester, 1835, and entered on the practice of law in that town the same year. He settled in Worcester after his marriage, and has lived there and in the same house ever since, thirty-nine years.

He was commissioned by Governor John Davis, in 1841, as aid to him in his capacity of commander-in-chief of Massachusetts; was appointed, in 1858, by Governor Clifford, sheriff of the county of Worcester, which office he held three years; was chosen president of the City Hall Bank of Worcester at its organization, in May, 1854, a position which he still retains; was elected mayor of Worcester in 1855 and 1857; vice-president of the Worcester Five Cents Savings Bank in 1861; a director of the Bay State Fire Insurance Company in 1861.

Mrs. Lucy Dana (White) Richardson died July 30, 1875.

They have had two children :

1009. Anna Maria,<sup>9</sup> b. Oct. 7, 1836; m. Jan. 1, 1862, William Sydney Davis, of Northborough. He graduated at Harvard College, 1853. They have one child:  
 1010. Lucy Dana (Davis), b. April 22, 1863.  
 1011. Clifford,<sup>9</sup> b. March 6, 1859; now, 1875, a member of the junior class in Harvard College. He has assisted in the record of his grandfather John Richardson's descendants.

\* Her sister, Maria White, married James Russell Lowell, of Cambridge, Dec. 26, 1844, but died Oct. 27, 1853. Another sister married Charles Willis Elliot.



## 610.

GILBERT RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Abel,<sup>6</sup> Nathan,<sup>5</sup> Nathan,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), fourth son of Abel<sup>6</sup> and Ann (Tufts) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, May 22, 1782; married HANNAH DAVIS, of Woburn, June 6, 1824.

He passed his life in his native town of Woburn; at least in that part of it which is now included in Winchester, and was a very respectable and worthy man. A published notice of his death says: "He joined the First Congregational Church in Woburn at the age of twenty-two, and continued to be a faithful member of it till death. He was an ardent lover of music, and was many years leader of the church choir. He was a diligent student of the Bible and a firm believer in its great truths."

He died March 16, 1869, aged 86 years and 10 months. His widow is still living in Winchester, Mass., 1874.

Their children, all born in what is now Winchester, were:

- 1012. Hannah Estabrook,<sup>8</sup> b. April 7, 1825; unm.; lived in her father's family.
- +1013. Gilbert Brainerd,<sup>8</sup> b. July 21, 1827; m. Emily W. Spooner.
- +1014. Martin Luther,<sup>8</sup> b. April 18, 1830; m. Angellota Wilson.
- 1015. Alvah Mills,<sup>8</sup> b. April 30, 1833; m. Harriet Kimball. He graduated at Amherst College, 1862; enlisted in the army; served in North Carolina ten months; entered theological seminary at Andover; left, after a three years' course, in 1866; was ordained in Linebrook parish, West Ipswich, Nov. 14, 1866; now a book agent.
- 1016. Swartz,<sup>8</sup> b. Aug. 12, 1835; unm.; went into mercantile business; was clerk and paymaster at Globe Village, Southbridge, also at Everett Mills, Lawrence; was nine months in the army; d. of consumption, Dec. 1, 1872, aged 37.
- 1017. William Harris,<sup>8</sup> b. April 15, 1838; has a shoe store in Salem.
- 1018. Eliza Tufts,<sup>8</sup> b. May 7, 1842; m. William H. Clark, of Dedham. He was b. 1840, in Newton, son of Horatio and Elvira R. Clark. He was a teacher of music. They now live in Indianapolis. They have four children.

## 611.

WILLIAM HARRIS RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Abel,<sup>6</sup> Nathan,<sup>5</sup> Nathan,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, son of Abel and Ann Richardson; born in Woburn, July 21, 1784; married LYDIA —.

He lived in Malden; acquired a handsome property by the manufacture of shoes; was an active and capable man of business; was remarkable for honesty and fair dealing, and for generosity and nobleness of character. He assisted his brother Gilbert, whose pecuniary ability was inferior to his.

His children were:

- 1019. James Crane,<sup>8</sup> a shoe-dealer in Malden Centre. He m. a daughter of Uriah Chamberlain, a provision dealer in Malden, possessed of a handsome property.





1020. William Harris,<sup>6</sup> m. Augusta Barrett, daughter of William Barrett, of Malden. Mr. Barrett came from Concord to Malden in 1804, and established himself in the business of silk-dyeing, in which he was very successful. His partner during some years was Meshach Shattuck, b. 1782, a son of Simeon Shattuck, of Fitchburg, who was drowned near Charlestown bridge, Dec. 17, 1811, aged 29. Their dyeing was done in Malden; their office for a long time was in Hanover Street, corner of Union Street, Boston. The sons of Mr. Barrett, Henry and Aaron, still pursue the business, under the firm of Barrett & Brother. Office, Washington Street, Boston, opposite School Street.

Mr. Richardson had several daughters, names to the compiler unknown.

## 616.

RICHARD RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Abel,<sup>6</sup> Nathan,<sup>5</sup> Nathan,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), ninth son of Abel<sup>6</sup> and Ann (Tufts) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, Sept. 1, 1793; married, April 1, 1819, ELIZABETH WYMAN, born Dec. 25, 1799, daughter of Jesse and Susanna (Richardson) Wyman. She was otherwise known as *Betsey* Wyman. Her mother was a daughter of Reuben<sup>6</sup> and Jerusha (Kendall) Richardson, of Woburn, and may be found among the posterity of SAMUEL RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> [2282].

They lived in that part of Woburn, which is now included in the town of Winchester, and on "Richardson Row." He occupied the farm which had belonged to his father. He was killed by the fall of a tree.

Their children were:

1024. Anna Tufts,<sup>8</sup> b. Jan. 22, 1821.  
 1025. Fidelia Mead,<sup>8</sup> b. April 21, 1823.  
 1026. Elvira,<sup>8</sup> b. March 4, 1825.  
 1027. Augustus,<sup>8</sup> b. April 22, 1830; deceased.  
 1028. Elizabeth Wyman,<sup>8</sup> b. May 18, 1836; m. Oct. 10, 1871, George A. Raymond, b. 1841, a provision dealer in Cambridge.  
 1029. Corinda Malvina,<sup>8</sup> b. Oct. 20, 1841.  
 1030. Mary Frances,<sup>8</sup> b. 1843; m. Silas C. Eyerson, a native of Augusta, Maine.

## 641.

JONAS RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Jonathan,<sup>6</sup> Jonathan,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Jonathan<sup>6</sup> and Mercy Richardson, of Dracut; born there, July 31, 1780; married, 1809, JOANNA JONES, of Dracut; published March 11, 1809.

He lived in Dracut; was chosen fence-viewer there in 1824; school committee, 1814; he was also town clerk.

His will, dated April 9, 1831, mentions the following children:

1031. Henry,<sup>8</sup> b. Oct. 1, 1809.  
 1032. Julia,<sup>8</sup> b. Sept. 21, 1811.  
 1033. Justus,<sup>8</sup> b. March 24, 1814.



## 653.

**JOSIAH RICHARDSON**<sup>1</sup> (*Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Jonathan,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>6</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Josiah<sup>6</sup> and Sarah (Powers) Richardson; born in Temple, N. H., Oct. 25, 1786; married, first, in Weston, Vt., Sept. 15, 1808, **BETSEY TENNEY**, of that place. She died in 1813. Second, March, 1818, **ANN DAVIS**, born 1799, daughter of Isaac and Rachel (Adams) Davis, of Hancock, Hillsborough Co., N. H. She died October, 1844, aged 45.

In early childhood, about 1790, he removed with his father's family from Temple, N. H., to Weston, in the county of Windsor, Vt., where he passed most of his days. He was, by occupation, a cultivator of the soil. In April, 1834, he removed from Weston to Grafton, Lorain Co., in Northern Ohio, where he lived nineteen years, or till 1853. He then, at the age of sixty-seven, removed to Perry, Wood County, Ohio, where he died of dropsy, Jan. 8, 1863, at the age of seventy-six.

His children, all born in Weston, by first wife, Betsey, were :

- +1034. **Nelson**,<sup>2</sup> b. Nov. 6, 1800; m. first, Rachel Desbrow; second, Nancy Grimes.
- 1035. **Susan**,<sup>2</sup> b. Oct. 10, 1811; m. Oct. 16, 1833, a Mr. Wise, of New York City. She now lives in Ohio.

By second wife, Ann :

- +1036. **James Monroe**,<sup>2</sup> b. June 29, 1810; m. Maria L. Grimes.
- +1037. **Isaac Wallace**,<sup>2</sup> b. July 21, 1821; m. Jane R. Point.
- +1038. **Josiah**,<sup>2</sup> b. April 3, 1822; m. Elmira Crane.
- 1039. **Betsy Ann**,<sup>2</sup> b. April 22, 1823; m. first, October, 1853, Rev. Smith Starr Gray. He was, by occupation, a shoemaker; then a Methodist minister, and at length a farmer. They lived in Clarksfield, Ohio, about three and one-half years; then removed to Johnson Co., Iowa, where he died, March 18, 1859. She returned to her friends in Ohio the next fall. Second, she married, in Clarksfield, March 25, 1872, Hiram Newhall; b. in Braintree, Vt., son of Jonathan and Susan Newhall. By the first marriage, there was one child:
- 1040. **Alice F. (Gray)**, b. in Clarksfield, Huron Co., Ohio, April 1, 1854. She is a teacher, or was so in 1873.

## 658.

**ASA RICHARDSON**<sup>1</sup> (*Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Jonathan,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>6</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Weston, Vt., April 29, 1797; married, in Kingfield, Maine, Feb. 26, 1824, **JANE STAPLES**, born June 25, 1806, daughter of Noah and Ruth (Bradford) Staples, of Flagstaff, in the north part of the State of Maine.

He has been, from the beginning, a tiller of the soil. When a young man he went from his native Weston into the northern part of Maine, about as far north as the settlements had extended. There, in the town of Kingfield, county of Franklin, he took to himself a wife, as above stated. In 1850, he and his wife, and some of their children, removed to Grafton, Lorain Co., Ohio, where his eldest brother, Josiah, already was; and not many



years after, all of the children joined them. It is worthy of note, that the father, mother, and all the children were but recently all living, and the children, twelve in number, all married.

The children are:

1041. Polly,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 18, 1824; m. Henry Fuller; now in Ohio; seven or eight children.
- +1042. Seth Staples,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 31, 1826; m. first, Emily Taylor; second, Mary McEwen.
1043. Caroline,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 6, 1829; m. her cousin, Charles Greenleaf Richardson [1053].
- +1044. Fidelia,<sup>6</sup> b. May 13, 1831; m. first, John Edgar; second, Phineas Alyn.
- +1045. Silas Barnard,<sup>6</sup> b. July 13, 1833; m. Catharine Hess.
1046. Lucy Jane,<sup>6</sup> b. March 1, 1835; m. Mark Curtis. April 21, 1853.
1047. Fanny H.,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 23, 1837; m. Harrison A. Cragin. Sept. 6, 1855.
1048. Cyrus Leland,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 24, 1838; m. Elizabeth Mitchell.
1049. Louisa Victoria,<sup>6</sup> b. April 27, 1842; m. \_\_\_\_\_.
1050. Charles Wallace,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 3, 1844; m. Eliza Ann Inman, April 23, 1870. She was b. in Sandusky, Ohio, Feb. 2, 1853, daughter of Theodore and Catharine (Bowers) Inman. Children:
1051. Fanny May,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 12, 1870.
1052. Mary Eleonora,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 2, 1872.
- They live in Tremont, Isabella Co., Michigan.
1053. Mandana Griffith,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 8, 1847; m. James M. Ferguson.
1054. Sarah de Albra,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 7, 1849; m. John L. Richards, Dec. 2, 1865.

## 659.

CHARLES CHANDLER RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Josiah,<sup>6</sup> Jonathan,<sup>6</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Weston, Vt., March 1, 1799; married, first, June 20, 1823, SUSANNA HOLLAND, born in Dixfield, Oxford Co., Me., Dec. 16, 1806. She died there, of childbirth, June 18, 1833. Second, IZETTE K. WHITEHORSE, May 6, 1840. Third, ELIZA CLARK, Dec. 5, 1867. He lived in Dixfield, Me.

Children, all born in Dixfield, and all by first wife, were:

1055. Charles Greenleaf,<sup>8</sup> b. Feb. 13, 1824; m. his cousin, Caroline<sup>6</sup> [1043], b. Jan. 6, 1829, daughter of his father's brother, Asa Richardson.<sup>7</sup> They reside in Fremont, Isabella Co., Michigan. He is a farmer. They have a large number of children.
1056. Antipas,<sup>8</sup> b. Feb. 12, 1825.
1057. Lucretia V.,<sup>8</sup> b. May 6, 1827; d. at Dixfield, Me., June, 1828.
1058. Alonzo A.,<sup>8</sup> b. Dec. 31, 1829; d. at Dixfield, Me., Dec. 31, 1832.
1059. William Wallace,<sup>8</sup> b. June 17, 1833. His mother died the next day.

## 660.

ARTEMAS POWERS RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Josiah,<sup>6</sup> Jonathan,<sup>6</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Weston, Vt., April 29, 1801; married, in Weston, Sept. 9, 1824, RACHEL M. DAVIS, born in Hancock, county of Hillsborough, N. H., Nov. 12, 1796, daughter of Isaac and Rachel (Adams) Davis, of that place, afterwards of Weston, Vt.



He was a farmer, and until within a few years spent his life in his native Weston. During some years past, he and his wife have lived with their eldest son in Somerville, near Boston, 1875.

Children, all born in Weston, Vt.:

- +1060. Artemas Clark,<sup>3</sup> b. May 11, 1825; m. first, Celestia W. Pease; second, Emma M. Tuttle.
- +1061. Nancy Maria,<sup>3</sup> b. April 24, 1827; m. William Wallace Manning.
- 1062. Mary Abbie,<sup>3</sup> b. Nov. 14, 1828; d. of croup, Aug. 18, 1829, aged 9 months.
- 1063. Charles Jerome,<sup>3</sup> b. April 7, 1831; d. of scarlet fever, July 18, 1832.
- +1064. Mary Ann,<sup>3</sup> b. Sept. 19, 1833; m. Samuel Ward Holt.
- +1065. Lucia Cynthia,<sup>3</sup> b. Dec. 13, 1840; m. Orzando Davis.

### 663.

LELAND RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Josiah,<sup>6</sup> Jonathan,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and youngest son of Josiah and Sarah (Powers) Richardson; born in Weston, Vt., Feb. 22, 1807; married, in Weston, Aug. 20, 1829, CYNTHIA PIPER, born in Weston, Jan. 9, 1813, daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Ward) Piper, of that place.

His occupation was agriculture, and with the exception of a short interval in Boston, 1831-2, he spent his life in his native Weston. It is presumed he is still living, 1875. His wife Cynthia died of consumption, in Weston, March 5, 1874, aged 61 years, 1 month, 26 days.

Their children, all born in Weston except the second, were:

- 1066. Charles Warren,<sup>8</sup> b. Sept. 8, 1830; d. of scarlet fever, in Boston, May 19, 1832.
- +1067. Sarah Augusta,<sup>8</sup> b. in Boston, Nov. 24, 1831; m. Edward Irving Dale, who furnished this record.
- +1068. Cynthia Vienna,<sup>8</sup> b. May 31, 1834; m. Alvin A. Adams.
- +1069. Charles Leland,<sup>8</sup> b. June 26, 1836; m. Georgiana Blasland.
- +1070. Francelia Almy,<sup>8</sup> b. July 2, 1838; m. Samuel M. Wright.
- 1071. Caleb Ward Piper,<sup>8</sup> b. June 14, 1840; m. Lydia Ann Kimball, Sept. 11, 1863. He died at the insane asylum, South Boston, May 17, 1863, aged 27 years, 11 months, leaving no offspring.
- 1072. Horace Gordon,<sup>8</sup> b. May 12, 1843; m. Feb. 9, 1869, Ida Maria Wiley, b. in Weston, Vt., Nov. 18, 1850, daughter of George Washington and Lucia (Gilmore) Wiley. They live in Weston, Vt. Two of their children died in infancy. Another,
- 1073. *George Arthur,<sup>8</sup> was b. in Boston, Oct. 22, 1874.*
- 1074. Martha Jane,<sup>8</sup> b. May 15, 1845; m. George Augustus Hentz, Feb. 17, 1870. She died of consumption, at Weston, Vt., April 13, 1871.
- 1075. John Lucius,<sup>8</sup> b. July 18, 1847.
- 1076. Lelia Caroline,<sup>8</sup> b. Aug. 28, 1849; d. Nov. 14, 1850.
- 1077. William Edward,<sup>8</sup> b. Dec. 15, 1851.

### 664.

LUCY RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Josiah,<sup>6</sup> Jonathan,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Weston, Vt., Feb. 23, 1809; married, Feb. 7, 1828, CHARLES AUSTIN, born in





Weston, Vt., Sept. 1, 1804, son of David and Dorcas (Barker) Austin, of that place.

He was a shoemaker; lived in Weston, Vt., and died there, of cancer in the stomach, Aug. 31, 1863.

Children, all born in Weston :

1073. Anonymous, b. Jan. 17, 1820; d. Jan. 26, 1820.  
 1079. Mary Caroline (Austin), b. Oct. 12, 1830; d. Jan. 22, 1881, of cancer and rash.  
 1080. Alonzo C. (Austin), b. April 24, 1833; m. Elizabeth Crosby, of Orleans, Cape Cod, Feb. 24, 1850. They have had three children, and now, 1874, live in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.  
 1081. Jefferson M. (Austin), b. April 26, 1838; m. Clementine Walker, December, 1850. He died of consumption, in Oshkosh, Wis., April 7, 1870.  
 1082. Ransom L. (Austin), b. Oct. 23, 1830; m. Elbertine Lovejoy, of Weston, May 15, 1858.  
 1083. Elmira L. (Austin), b. March 26, 1843; m. Sidney L. Holt, Jan. 8, 1867.

666.

EPHRAIM RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Ephraim*,<sup>6</sup> *Ephraim*,<sup>5</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), only son of Ephraim<sup>6</sup> and Mary (Cheever) Richardson, of Dracut; born there, March 8, 1777; married, June 7, 1803, HANNAH RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> [682], born July 12, 1785, his second cousin, daughter of Obadiah<sup>6</sup> and Hannah (Hildreth) Richardson, of Dracut.

They lived in Dracut. He was one of the school committee in 1806.

Their children were :

1084. Alford Frederic,<sup>8</sup> b. July 14, 1804; m. ———; lives in Lowell.  
 1085. Darius Bushrod,<sup>8</sup> b. Aug. 31, 1806; m. ———.  
 1086. Joseph Bradley Varnum,<sup>8</sup> b. Feb. 15, 1810; d. 1837.  
 1087. Hannah Sophia,<sup>8</sup> b. July 19, 1815.  
 1088. Charlotte Ann,<sup>8</sup> b. Feb. 14, 1827.

I believe there was one more, but am not sure, viz. :

1089. Ephraim Oakley,<sup>8</sup>

671.

OBADIAH RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Obadiah*,<sup>6</sup> *Moses*,<sup>5</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), eldest son of Lieut. Obadiah<sup>6</sup> and Hannah (Hildreth) Richardson, of Dracut; born there, Sept. 19, 1776; married, 1798, RHODA HAZELTINE, born Dec. 29, 1777, daughter of Peter and Sarah Hazeltine, of Dracut. They were published May 10, 1798. They lived in Dracut.

Their children were :

1090. Obadiah,<sup>8</sup> b. Aug. 25, 1798; d. May 27, 1799.  
 1091. Peter Hazeltine,<sup>8</sup> b. Nov. 27, 1799.  
 1092. Josiah,<sup>8</sup> b. March 27, 1801.  
 1093. Obadiah,<sup>8</sup> b. March 9, 1803.  
 1094. Rhoda,<sup>8</sup> b. Feb. 6, 1805.  
 1095. Sarah Jones,<sup>8</sup> b. July 9, 1807.  
 1096. Clarissa,<sup>8</sup> b. Feb. 17, 1809.  
 1097. Harriet Louisa,<sup>8</sup> b. Oct. 11, 1810.



## 705.

SAMUEL RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Samuel,<sup>6</sup> Moses,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Samuel<sup>6</sup> and Tamar (Colburn) Richardson, of Pelham; born May 20, 1800; married SYBIL RICHARDSON [783], born in Chelmsford, Oct. 1, 1799, daughter of Josiah<sup>6</sup> and Sybil Richardson. Her mother Sybil was a native of Dracut. [See 639.]

He was a stone-cutter; lived in Pelham, N. H., and died there, 1829. He died intestate and insolvent. Among his creditors were several of the Richardson name, who had probably lent him money. We find among them Olive, Mary, Asa, his brother [708], Samuel, his father [415], and Israel Hildreth Richardson, his cousin [712], son of William Richardson, of Dracut.

He had a daughter:

1096. Samantha,<sup>8</sup> a minor, under the age of fourteen, in 1829.

## 738.

SAMUEL RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Samuel,<sup>6</sup> David,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Samuel<sup>6</sup> and Prudence (Wood) Richardson, of Dracut; born there, Oct. 12, 1797; married, first, May 3, 1821, HANNAH VARNUM, born there, March 7, 1800, daughter of Col. Prescott and Elizabeth Varnum, of Dracut. She died Dec. 19, 1842, aged 42. Second, Oct. 9, 1844, widow MARY TRULL, born Jan. 10, 1810. She was an excellent woman, much beloved by the family, though a step-mother, faithfully performing every duty. She died of pneumonia, after only a week's illness, March 1, 1875.

He has spent his life in Dracut, and is still living, March, 1875. He is a very good man; has been a constant attendant on public worship, and has taken part in the various social religious meetings. He and his three sons, Phineas, Edward, and Calvin, are members of the Congregational Church in Dracut, and the sons are members of the church choir.

His children, all born in Dracut, and all by first wife, were:

1099. Phineas,<sup>8</sup> b. Nov. 11, 1821; m. July 18, 1850, Almira Morrison, of Lowell. They reside in Dracut.  
 1100. Edward E.,<sup>8</sup> b. May 16, 1823; m. April 4, 1850, Phebe W. Hayes, of Limerick, Me. They live in Dracut. Children:  
 1101. Charles E. G.,<sup>9</sup> d. Oct. 11, 1872.  
 1102. Lizzie,<sup>9</sup>  
 +1103. Prescott Varnum,<sup>8</sup> b. May 8, 1825; m. Rachel Briggs Darrah.  
 1104. Samuel Wood,<sup>8</sup> b. Jan. 11, 1828; unm.; a farmer in California.  
 +1105. Andrew,<sup>8</sup> b. July 10, 1830; m. Martha J. Martin.  
 1106. George Augustus,<sup>8</sup> b. Aug. 5, 1832; d. Dec. 20, 1832.  
 1107. Elizabeth Jane,<sup>8</sup> b. Nov. 6, 1833; d. Oct. 17, 1834.  
 1108. George Augustus,<sup>8</sup> b. July 30, 1835; m. in Ohio, Dec. 17, 1863, Mary Randolph. He is a farmer, and resides in Dracut.  
 Children:  
 1109. Frank,<sup>9</sup>  
 1110. Claude,<sup>9</sup>  
 1111. Frederic,<sup>9</sup>  
 1112. Nellie,<sup>9</sup>



1113. Calvin,<sup>2</sup> b. July 25, 1837; m. Elizabeth Whittier, Dec. 25, 1863. He is a farmer, and lives in Dracut. Children:  
 1114. Floretta,<sup>2</sup> b. June 3, 1867; d. Oct. 29, 1867.  
 1115. Fannie May,<sup>2</sup> b. Nov. 10, 1869; d. Dec. 4, 1890.  
 +1116. Cyrus,<sup>2</sup> b. March 30, 1840; m. Anna Dearborn.  
 All the above children of Samuel Richardson [738] except the first George and Elizabeth were living in 1873.

## 739.

FANNY RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Samuel,<sup>2</sup> David,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>6</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding, and eldest daughter of Samuel<sup>6</sup> and Prudence (Wood) Richardson, of Dracut; born there, Dec. 24, 1799; married, November, 1818, LIEUT. NATHANIEL FOX, of Dracut.

They lived in Dracut. He died Oct. 27, 1863. The wife is living.

Their children, all born in Dracut, were:

- +1117. Milton (Fox), b. April 15, 1820; m. Sarah Wood.  
 1118. Prudence Varnum (Fox), b. April 22, 1822; a pious, excellent, intelligent lady; never married; still living in Dracut. She has furnished for this work a full, clear, and very satisfactory record of her grandfather Richardson's descendants.  
 1119. Augusta Eleanor (Fox), b. Nov. 6, 1825; m. Bush Swan, May 1, 1849. She died June 21, 1861.  
 1120. Mary Ann (Fox), b. Feb. 10, 1827; m. John Wallace Thissell, April 20, 1853. Children:  
 1121. Walter Fox (Thissell).  
 1122. Charlotte (Thissell).  
 1123. Mercy Harris (Fox), b. Sept. 10, 1829; m. Robert L. Read, Jan. 9, 1858. She died Jan. 22, 1857.  
 1124. Frances Elizabeth (Fox), b. Aug. 23, 1831; d. Dec. 5, 1848.  
 1125. Matilda (Fox), b. Nov. 9, 1833; d. May 12, 1870.  
 1126. Harriet Eveline (Fox), b. March 18, 1830; m. Feb. 17, 1864, Bush Swan, who had been the husband of her deceased sister, Augusta. She, Harriet, died Aug. 20, 1873.  
 1127. Warren (Fox), b. Aug. 7, 1833; m. December, 1865, Nellie A. Richardson. They had one daughter:  
 1128. Lillie Josephine (Fox).  
 1129. Walter Scott (Fox), b. March 3, 1841; d. Sept. 30, 1848.  
 1130. Frank (Fox), b. April 5, 1845; d. Oct. 29, 1897.

Of the above-named eleven children, seven have died. Mrs. Fox, the mother, is now, March, 1875, in good health, active, vigorous and cheerful, constant in her attendance at church, and fond of singing, especially the sweet old melodies of Zion.

## 740.

DAVID RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Samuel,<sup>2</sup> David,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>6</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Dracut, April 16, 1803; married, May 1, 1831, FANNY VARNUM, born April 12, 1806, daughter of Col. Prescott and Elizabeth Varnum, of Dracut, and younger sister of his brother Samuel's first wife.

He was a farmer, residing in Dracut, and died June 15, 1869. His widow Fanny resided some years in Portland, Me., in the family of her daughter Frances, wife of William A. Morris. She



was a great sufferer from chronic rheumatism, much contorted in every limb, and nearly helpless. Yet her mind was clear and active, and she assisted in making out this record. Death put an end to her sufferings, Sept. 20, 1874.

The children of David and Fanny Richardson, were:

1131. Franklin,<sup>9</sup> b. March 18, 1835; m. Ella Brackett. Children:  
 1132. William Henry,<sup>9</sup>  
 1133. David Robert,<sup>9</sup>  
 1134. Lorenzo,<sup>9</sup> b. Sept. 20, 1836; m. October, 1860, Augusta Peabody, daughter of James G. Peabody, formerly mayor of Lowell. He is a mechanic, and resides in Lowell. They have one child:  
 1135. Belle Gertrude,<sup>9</sup> b. 1870.  
 1136. Frances,<sup>9</sup> b. Jan. 10, 1838; m. Nov. 22, 1863, William A. Morris, of Portland. Children:  
 1137. Fanny Louisa,<sup>9</sup> b. March 16, 1869.  
 1138. William Albert,<sup>9</sup> b. June 2, 1873.  
 1139. Henry Edward,<sup>9</sup> b. Jan. 8, 1841; m. July, 1868, Sarah Macknight. He is a grocer, in Syracuse, N. Y. Children:  
 1140. Frederick,<sup>9</sup> b. July, 1869 or 1870.  
 1141. Fanny Varnum,<sup>9</sup> b. 1872.

#### 741.

DEACON DANA RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Samuel,<sup>6</sup> David,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and youngest son of Samuel and Prudence Richardson; born in Dracut, April 11, 1805; married, at Newburyport, April 13, 1830, EMILY SWERT, born in Haverhill, Mass., Sept. 14, 1808.

He was a farmer, and passed his life in East Dracut, where he died Oct. 23, 1871, aged 66 years, 6 months, 17 days. His wife Emily died Dec. 9, 1854, aged 46 years, 2 months.

He was chosen deacon of the Congregational Church in East Dracut, Saturday eve, Nov. 2, 1839, at a meeting of the church, at which the present writer, who was to preach the next day and administer the communion, presided as moderator.

His children were:

1142. Francis Dana,<sup>8</sup> b. March 10, 1831; d. fourteen days after birth.  
 1143. Emily Ann,<sup>8</sup> b. March 8, 1832; m. Dr. L. Frank Jones, a dentist in Boston. They were m. 1872, at North Bridgewater.  
 1144. Leonidas,<sup>8</sup> b. Sept. 6, 1833; m. at Jackson, Mississippi, March 10, 1861, Louisa French. He is, or has been, a merchant in Vicksburg. Children:  
 1145. Lee,<sup>8</sup> a merchant in Vicksburg, Miss.  
 1146. Hugh,<sup>8</sup>  
 1147. Sarah Smith,<sup>8</sup> b. May 13, 1836; lived but a few months.  
 1148. Sarah Swert,<sup>8</sup> b. May 23, 1838; m. Rev. Austin Dodge, March 11, 1864. He graduated, Amherst College, 1861; at Andover Theological Seminary, 1865; was ordained pastor of the North Congregational Church in Winchendon, Mass., Oct. 6, 1866; of Union Church, Globe Village, Southbridge, 1867; acting pastor of the church in East Bridgewater, 1870. Children:  
 1149. Sadie S. (Dodge), } twins.  
 1150. Austin R. (Dodge), }  
 1151. Louisa (Dodge).





1152. Amos Tappan,<sup>3</sup> b. March 4, 1840; m. Elizabeth A. Sherburne, of Dracut, Sept. 7, 1870. He is a farmer in Dracut. One child:  
 1153. *Ida May.*<sup>3</sup>
- +1154. Charles Dann,<sup>3</sup> b. Oct. 4, 1841; m. Sarah T. Whittier.
1155. Harriet Varnum,<sup>3</sup> b. Aug. 12, 1844; m. at Southbridge, Mass., at that time the residence of her sister Sarah, Oct. 8, 1860, William Hammond, a merchant in Nebraska City, Neb.
1156. Mary Butler,<sup>4</sup> b. Feb. 18, 1846; unm.; a teacher, 1874, in a ladies seminary, New York City.

## 742.

PRUDENCE RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Samuel,<sup>6</sup> David,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding, and daughter of Samuel<sup>6</sup> and Prudence (Wood) Richardson; born in Dracut, April 21, 1809; married, Nov. 30, 1841, REV. WILLIAM WALKER, born in Vershire, county of Orange, Vermont, Oct. 3, 1808, son of Aaron and Judith Walker, who afterwards settled in Milton, Wisconsin. Mr. Walker graduated, Amherst College, 1838, and at the Theological Seminary, Andover, 1841.

Prudence Richardson studied at the academies in Bradford, Mass., at Pembroke, N. H., at Ipswich, Mass., and at the Mount Holyoke Female Seminary, South Hadley, Mass. She was converted to Christ in a revival, 1827, at the age of eighteen; and was a teacher for some time previous to marriage.

She and her husband embarked, Dec. 6, 1841, a week after marriage, in the schooner *Herald*, at Boston, to go as missionaries of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions to the benighted people of West Africa. A mission among those people had been commenced at Cape Palmas in January, 1834, by Rev. John Leighton Wilson. Mr. and Mrs. Walker, accompanied by Rev. Benjamin Griswold, arrived at Cape Palmas, Feb. 3, 1842, and joined Mr. Wilson. They all passed through the customary attacks of the acclimating fever, which were rather mild; but a third attack, which assumed the typhus form, cut short Mrs. Walker's missionary labors, on the third day of May, exactly three months from the time of her landing.

Her sickness commenced April 23. For some days she was supposed to be doing well. At three o'clock on the morning of May 2d, the physician pronounced her case utterly hopeless. The announcement of this to her did not in the least disturb her. But in a few minutes, the thought of home and friends rushed upon her mind, and she exclaimed, "Oh my father and mother, brothers and sisters!" Prayer was offered at her request by Rev. Mr. Wilson. She became perfectly calm, and her countenance was as serene as the beautiful morning then just rising. Several prayers were offered, and she herself prayed with great earnestness for the children of the mission school. To her husband she said, "Tell my parents and friends that I do not now, on my dying bed, regret my coming to Africa. The time since I left America has been the happiest of my life." Her chief concern was, lest her early death should deter others from going to impart the blessings of the gospel to that land.



At eleven o'clock A. M. she complained of cold, and it was evident that the icy hand of death was upon her. After this she suffered intense pain for two hours, but at one P. M. the pain left her; she became unconscious, and at half-past four the spirit ascended to God who gave it.

The mission was, in 1842, removed to the River Gaboon, almost under the equator. It has continued there to the present time, but was, in 1870, transferred to the Presbyterian Board.

Mr. Walker has continued to labor in it, with praiseworthy zeal and various success, I believe, till the present time. In 1845, he married Zeruah L. Shumway, a native of Oxford, Mass. She died April 23, 1848. After her death he married Catharine Hardcastle, September, 1851.

## 743.

AEMMA RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Samuel<sup>6</sup>, David<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Josiah<sup>2</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Dracut, April 9, 1812; married, May 1, 1838, HERBERT COBURN, born in Dracut, Feb. 13, 1804, son of Phineas and Polly Coburn, of that place. They were living in Dracut, 1874.

## Children:

- 1157. Josephine A. (Coburn).
- 1158. William Walker (Coburn).
- 1159. Florence Emma (Coburn).

All living in Dracut, 1874.

## 745.

THADDEUS RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Thaddeus<sup>6</sup>, David<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Josiah<sup>2</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Capt. Thaddeus<sup>6</sup> and Polly (Currier) Richardson, of Dracut; born there, Aug. 1, 1803; married, Dec. 30, 1830, BETSEY MOULTON BRADFORD, of Salem, N. H. She was born May 15, 1809. They now live in Salem, N. H., March, 1875.

## Their children, all born in Dracut, were:

- 1160. Betsey Amanda Fitzland.<sup>8</sup> b. Nov. 20, 1831; m. Feb. 13, 1862, Lambert Packard, of St. Johnsbury, Vt. They have three children.
- 1161. Alma Ann,<sup>8</sup> b. Jan. 9, 1833; unm.; she was a teacher; d. June 6, 1856.
- 1162. Aramenta Dormer Cherbury.<sup>8</sup> b. June 20, 1834; m. Sept. 29, 1871, Joel Corlis Cary, of Salem, N. H. He is a merchant.
- 1163. Louisa Ann,<sup>8</sup> b. March 10, 1836; unm.; a dealer in fancy goods.
- 1164. Dorothy Malvina,<sup>8</sup> b. Jan. 15, 1838; unm.; a teacher, 1875.
- 1165. Thaddeus Bradford Morton.<sup>8</sup> b. Dec. 23, 1839; m. June 17, 1866, Ada A. Goodwin, of South Hampton, N. H. He is a blacksmith in Lawrence, Mass. They have one child.
- 1166. Mary Helen,<sup>8</sup> b. Aug. 24, 1841; m. June 19, 1862, George A. Tuttle, a carpenter, of Lawrence. Two children.
- 1167. Rachel Emma,<sup>8</sup> b. June 23, 1842; unm.; d. Oct. 2, 1860.



1168. Abby Rosina Janette,<sup>3</sup> b. Feb. 5, 1845; m. Dec. 23, 1868, Henry A. Jones, of Pelham, N. H., a lumber dealer. Two children.
1169. Agatha Acland,<sup>3</sup> b. Feb. 11, 1847; m. Nov. 27, 1871, Ephraim H. Chase, of Lawrence, a wholesale dealer in produce and flour. She died Feb. 1, 1873, leaving one child.
1170. Varnum Bradford Day,<sup>4</sup> b. Oct. 12, 1848; unm.; a dealer in wood and a farmer; lives with his father in Salem, N. H.
1171. André Warwick,<sup>3</sup> b. Sept. 19, 1850; m. June 11, 1873, Georgiana Austin, of Lawrence; a wholesale dealer in produce.

## 747.

LOUISA RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Thaldeus,<sup>3</sup> David,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Dracut, May 21, 1807; married, January, 1830, JOHN RICHARDSON, of Pelham, N. H. They lived in Pelham. He was a shoemaker.

Children, born in Pelham:

1171. Charles A.,<sup>3</sup> b. April 30, 1838.
1171. Marietta,<sup>3</sup> b. June 4, 1845.
1171. Louisa J.,<sup>3</sup> b. Oct. 9, 1846.

## 756.

JOSEPH RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Elijah,<sup>3</sup> Zachariah,<sup>3</sup> Zachariah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Elijah<sup>3</sup> and Molly (Howard) Richardson, of Chelmsford; born in Chelmsford, Jan. 1, 1801; married, April 4, 1833, LUCY MIRANDA BYAM, born Feb. 15, 1811, daughter of Amos and Lucy Byam, of Chelmsford.

He was a farmer. He removed from Chelmsford to Westford, and thence to Groton. He died of inflammation of the brain, Feb. 24, 1848, aged 47.

His children were:

1172. Lucy Adams,<sup>3</sup> b. Jan. 23, 1834.
1173. Joseph Henry,<sup>3</sup> b. Dec. 20, 1835.
1174. Mary Eliza,<sup>3</sup> b. Jan. 20, 1838.
1175. Rufus Byam,<sup>3</sup>
1176. Alfred Austin,<sup>3</sup> b. May 19, 1845. In the war of the rebellion, he enlisted in the famous sixth regiment of Massachusetts volunteers. He died of typhoid fever in the hospital at Suffolk, Va., Dec. 8, 1865 (?). His remains were brought home to Westford for interment.

## 759.

ELIJAH RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Elijah,<sup>3</sup> Zachariah,<sup>3</sup> Zachariah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Chelmsford, Nov. 12, 1803; married ELIZABETH ——. He lived in Chelmsford.

His children, all born in Chelmsford, were:

1177. Alvah Howard,<sup>3</sup> b. Sept. 4, 1833.
1178. Mary Elizabeth,<sup>3</sup> b. Oct. 28, 1835.
1179. Henrietta,<sup>3</sup> b. April 5, 1839.
1180. Frances Adelaide,<sup>3</sup> b. Oct. 5, 1841.
1181. Cecilia Ann,<sup>3</sup> b. Aug. 4, 1843.
1182. Ellen Louisa,<sup>3</sup> b. Nov. 17, 1846.



## 793.

**JOSEPH MARCY RICHARDSON**<sup>7</sup> (*Silas*,<sup>6</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>5</sup> *Zachariah*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), son of Silas<sup>6</sup> and Lucy (Tarr) Richardson, successively of Westford, Mass., and Greene, Me.; born in Greene, June 8, 1810; married ANN FURBUSH, born in Greene, Me., Feb. 16, 1815, daughter of Abraham and Jane (Brawn) Furbush, of that place.

He received his name out of respect to Doctor Joseph Fox Marcy, of Draut, brother of his father's first wife. He inherited, and now, 1874, lives on the homestead of his father, in Greene, Me. His wife is also living.

## Children:

- 1183. Rachel Coburn,<sup>2</sup> b. June 3, 1837; m. William H. F. Libbey, son of Ebenezer and Emeline (Harding) Libbey, in Readfield, Me. Emeline's father, Harding, was a sea-captain. They lived a while in Readfield; now in North Monmouth, Me. Mr. Libbey has been, by turns, a seaman, farmer, and mechanic. Children:
    - 1184. Lucy Maria (Libbey), b. July 3, 1837.
    - 1185. Abby Ann (Libbey), b. Nov. 7, 1838.
  - 1186. Charles,<sup>3</sup> b. Jan. 18, 1839; m. his cousin, Emeline Brawn, daughter of John and Love (Furbush) Brawn, of Greene, probably. He has been a stone-cutter in Lowell. Children:
    - 1187. Edward,<sup>3</sup>
    - 1188. Emma,<sup>3</sup>
    - 1189. Frederic,<sup>3</sup> b. 1872.
  - 1190. Alfred,<sup>3</sup> b. Jan. 19, 1844; m. Elizabeth Bond, daughter of Ellery and Hannah (Hatch) Bond, of Greene. He resides, 1874, in Greene, on land which Zachariah Richardson, his uncle [40], bought in that town about 1800, before the uncle went to Ohio. One child:
    - 1191. Albert,<sup>3</sup> b. Dec. 26, 1871.
  - 1192. Earl,<sup>3</sup> b. Dec. 28, 1848; unm. 1874; shoemaker and farmer.
  - 1193. Ellis,<sup>3</sup> b. Aug. 23, 1851; unm. 1874; farmer.
  - 1194. Seiden Edwin,<sup>3</sup> b. March 4, 1854; unm. 1874; farmer.
- Three of the above-named sons were in the army in the late war.

## 794.

**CHARLES RICHARDSON**<sup>7</sup> (*Silas*,<sup>6</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>5</sup> *Zachariah*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Greene, Me., Feb. 23, 1812; married OLIVE MILLER, of Union, Me.

He lived in Gardiner, Me.; was a trader and in the milling business there, but removed to Wellsville, Alleghany County, N. Y., and there followed agricultural pursuits. He died in the place last named, Jan. 31, 1873.

Some of his children were born in Gardiner; others in Wellsville. Their names, so far as known, follow:

- 1195. Henry,<sup>3</sup> b. about 1830; d. young.
- 1196. Charles,<sup>3</sup> b. 184-; m. — in Wellsville; is depot-master.
- 1197. A daughter,<sup>3</sup> died young.
- 1198. Olive,<sup>3</sup> supposed unm.
- 1199. Betsey D.,<sup>3</sup> m. —; d. —.
- 1200. John F.,<sup>3</sup>
- 1201. Joseph,<sup>3</sup>





## 807.

SARAH MERCHANT RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*William M.,<sup>2</sup> Daniel,<sup>3</sup> William,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>6</sup> Ezekiel<sup>7</sup>*), eldest daughter of Hon. William Merchant Richardson,<sup>8</sup> chief justice of New Hampshire, by his wife, Betsey Smith; born in Groton, Mass., May 31, 1800; married, April 27, 1826, DR. LEMUEL MAXCY BARKER, son of Lemuel and Mary Barker.

Dr. Barker studied medicine with Dr. Reuben Dimond Mussey, Professor of the Theory and Practice of Medicine and of Anatomy and Surgery in Dartmouth College. He received from that college the degree of M. D. in 1824; and commenced medical practice at Chester, N. H., where he married as above. He removed to Great Falls, N. H., in 1831; thence to Boston, and finally to Malden, in 1863, where he now resides. He has been superintendent and resident physician of the Massachusetts General Hospital, and a member of the State Senate.

## Children:

1202. William Richardson (Barker), b. in Chester, N. H., Aug. 10 1827; m. Ellen Elizabeth Harrington, of Boston, Sept. 9, 1856; they have one child:
1203. Mary R. (Barker), b. in Boston, Aug. 28, 1857.
1204. Mary Morse (Barker), b. in Chester, N. H., April 18, 1830; m. William O. Taylor, of Boston, July 21, 1850; and has two children:
1205. Frederic S. (Taylor), b. in Boston, Jan. 8, 1863.
1206. Nellie R. (Taylor), b. in Boston, July 24, 1866.
1207. Lemuel (Barker), b. in Gilford, N. H., June 1, 1835; m. Adeline Brown Norris, of Woburn Centre, Mass., March 24, 1871. Now resides in Malden, Mass.

## 809.

BETSEY SMITH RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*William M.,<sup>2</sup> Daniel,<sup>3</sup> William,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>6</sup> Ezekiel<sup>7</sup>*), daughter of William M.<sup>8</sup> and Betsey (Smith) Richardson, and sister of the preceding; born in Groton, Mass., July 18, 1805; married, Jan. 11, 1825, BENJAMIN BROWN FRENCH, born in Chester, N. H., Sept. 4, 1800, eldest son of Hon. Daniel and Mercy (Brown) French, of Chester. He was the only son of Daniel French by the first wife, Mercy. Mrs. Mercy B. French died March 8, 1802. She was a daughter of Benjamin Brown, a successful merchant, of Chester, and a sister of Rev. Francis Brown, President of Dartmouth College from 1815 to 1820.

B. B. French was a student in the academy in North Yarmouth, but had not the advantage of a college education. He studied law in the office of his father, who was a lawyer, a judge in the superior court, and attorney general of New Hampshire from 1812 to 1815. He, the son, practiced law at Hooksett and Sutton, N. H., and went to Newport, N. H., in 1827. Of the town last named, he was representative in the State Legislature in 1831, 1832, and 1833, and was proprietor and editor of the



"New Hampshire Spectator," there printed. He was an assistant clerk of the U. S. House of Representatives, 1833, and clerk of that House in 1845. About 1844, or perhaps before, he removed to Washington, D. C. There he was president of the Magnetic Telegraph Company, and commissioner of public buildings. Dartmouth College conferred on him the honorary degree of A. M. in 1852.

His wife Betsey died at Washington, May 6, 1861. His second wife was Mary Ellen Brady.

The children of Benjamin B. and Betsey French were:

1208. Francis Ormond (French), b. in Chester, N. H., Sept. 12, 1837; married Ellen M. Tuck, of Exeter, N. H., March 5, 1861. She was daughter, I suppose, of Amos Tuck. Francis graduated, Harvard College, 1857; studied law, and now, 1874, resides in New York City. Two of their children are living, viz.:
1209. *Bessie* (French), b. in Exeter, N. H., Dec. 17, 1861.
1210. *Amos* (French), b. in Roxbury, Mass., July 20, 1863.
1211. Benjamin Brown (French), b. in Washington, D. C., Feb. 4, 1845; m. Abby M. Thomas, at Chester, Pa., May 9, 1866. Now residing in New York City. Children:
1212. *Abbie Marie* (French), b. in Brooklyn, N. Y., June 30, 1867.
1213. *Charles* (French), b. in New York.

## 810.

MARY WOODBURY RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*William M.*,<sup>6</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>5</sup> *William*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), sister of the preceding; born in Groton, Mass., April 12, 1808; married SAMUEL J. SPRAGUE VOSE, of Lancaster, Mass., Aug. 12, 1839.

Children, all born at Lancaster:

1214. Ellen Richardson (Vose), b. Jan. 10, 1841; m. T. C. Lawton, of Sheffield, Mass., July 26, 1864. They now, 1874, reside in Cranston, R. I. Children:
1215. *Nina Vose* (Lawton), b. at Hinsdale, Mass., Jan. 18, 1867.
1216. *Mary Sprague* (Lawton), b. at Cranston, R. I., Oct. 15, 1869.
1217. *Walter* (Lawton), b. at Cranston, Feb. 10, 1872.
1218. Louisa (Vose), b. Oct. 7, 1842; m. Frederic Griswold Coggin, of Brooklyn, N. Y., May 23, 1865; now reside in Burlington, Vt. Children:
1219. *Frederic Griswold* (Coggin), b. Burlington, Dec. 25, 1866.
1220. *Helen Louisa* (Coggin), b. Burlington, Feb. 14, 1871.
1221. John Sprague (Vose), b. July 25, 1845.
1222. William Merchant Richardson (Vose), b. Jan. 2, 1817; m. Patience E. Watts, of Attleborough, Mass., July 18, 1869. They reside at Chicago, Ill. One child:
1223. *Frederic* (Vose), b. in Chicago, March 4, 1870.

## 811.

ANNE RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*William M.*,<sup>6</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>5</sup> *William*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), sister of the preceding; born at Chester, N. H., Sept. 26, 1811; married, Oct. 9, 1838, HENRY FLAGG FRENCH, born in Chester, Aug. 14, 1813, son of Hon. Daniel and Betsey



Van Meter (Flagg) French, of that place. He was, therefore, half brother to Benjamin B. French, already noticed as the husband of Chief Justice Richardson's second daughter, Betsey.

His mother's father was Josiah Flagg, Esq., who was an officer of the Revolution, and son of Rev. Ebenezer Flagg, who was born in Woburn, Oct. 18, 1704, and pastor of the Congregational Church in Chester, N. H., from 1736 to 1793; dying Nov. 14, 1796, aged 92. A daughter of Josiah Flagg, Esq., was Catharine Gardner Flagg, who married William J. Folsom, a brother of Hon. John Folsom, who kept the hotel on Massabesic Pond in the west part of Chester, N. H., well known to students of Dartmouth College. These two brothers invented the first nail-cutting machine. [Chase's Hist. of Chester, N. H., p. 522.]

Henry F. French was educated at the academies in Derry and Pembroke, N. H., and Hingham, Mass., not having a college education. He studied law with his father, who, as we have already said, was a lawyer; and at the law school at Cambridge. He was admitted to the bar, Aug. 14, 1835. He practiced law with his father till the death of the latter in 1840; then at Portsmouth one year; then removed to Exeter, and held the office of solicitor ten years from 1838; was bank commissioner 1848-1852; and was a justice of the court of Common Pleas from August, 1855, till August, 1859. He then opened a law office in Boston; removed his family to Cambridge in 1860, and again removed it to Amherst, Mass., in September, 1865. In June, 1865, he was elected the first president of the Massachusetts Agricultural College. He resumed the profession of law in Boston in the spring of 1867.

Having a taste for agriculture, he purchased a farm in Concord, Mass., on which he has continued to reside, while keeping a law office in Boston. He has an extensive reputation as an agriculturist; has been a contributor to several agricultural papers, and made an agricultural tour in Europe in 1857.

Dartmouth College conferred on him the honorary degree of A. M. in 1852. He was elected an honorary member of the Phi Beta Kappa of Harvard College in 1861.

His wife Anne, daughter of Chief Justice Richardson, died at Exeter, N. H., Aug. 29, 1856. He has since married Pamela M. Prentice, of Keene, N. H.

Children of Henry F. and Anne French, born at Chester, N. H.:

1224. Harriette Van Meter (French), b. Sept. 29, 1839; m. Major Abijah Hollis, of Concord, N. H., July, 9, 1864. Children:

Born in Milton, Mass.:

1225. Thomas (Hollis), b. May 5, 1865.

Born in Concord, N. H.:

1226. Anne Richardson (Hollis), b. July 9, 1867.

1227. Henry French (Hollis), b. Aug. 30, 1869.

1228. Allen (Hollis), b. Dec. 30, 1871.

1229. Harriette Van Meter (Hollis), b. Sept. 1, 1874.



1230. William Merchant Richardson (French), b. Oct. 1, 1843.  
 1231. Sarah Flagg (French), b. Aug. 14, 1846; m. Edward J. Bartlet, June 19, 1873. One child:  
 1232. *Mary Chickering* (Bartlet), b. Feb. 26, 1875.  
 1233. Daniel Chester (French), b. April 20, 1850. He is by profession a sculptor, has a natural genius for the art, and is now, August, 1875, pursuing studies of that kind in Italy. He has acquired a high reputation for his *MINUTE-MAN*, a bronze statue of heroic size, on the old battle ground at Concord, Mass. It was modelled when he was but twenty-two years of age. Ralph Waldo Emerson pronounces it the best single figure in this country.

The following extract from the Springfield Republican, as copied into the Boston Journal of March 13, 1875, and another from the Concord Freeman of Sept. 4, 1875, will show what is thought of the statue:

**THE MINUTE-MAN OF CONCORD.**—The bronze statue of the minute-man, now completed at the Ames Works in Chicopee, and destined to mark forever the spot

Where once th' embattled farmers stood  
 And fired the shot heard round the world,

will be readily accepted as a worthy example of American sculpture, and might even stand for the ideal embodiment of the genius of the Revolution. Mr. French, one of the youngest and freshest of our sculptors, and whose first ambitious work this statue is, ought to be at home to see it unveiled before his townsmen and the inheritors of the minute-man's great legacy; for on that occasion he could not fail to gain what he merits, the people's honest praise and recognition of his genius.

The statue is of course of heroic measure; somewhat more than seven feet in height, generously proportioned, and is to be elevated upon a fine pedestal of granite. It represents a young man turning at the hurrying call of the messenger from his labors in the field, and instantly ready for duty. His left hand rests a moment on a handle of his abandoned plow, across whose upper brace his coat is flung; his right hand grasps the old flint-lock musket; he rests on his left foot, while his right is just leaving the ground behind—the whole attitude indicating a moment's pause, as if to listen. The figure is attired in the traditional continental costume, and will preserve its details for future ages. The long waistcoat, caught by one button, the shirt, hitched up loosely at the waist with tail, and with sleeves rolled carelessly above the elbow, the breeches and the buttoned galligaskins, the stout cowhide boots, the powder-horn, with its pine stopple, hung by a strap over the shoulder, like a scarf of decoration, the soft hat, cocked at one side—all add to the curiously vivid way in which this statue brings one in neighborhood with the day and the spirit it crystalizes in its enduring bronze.

For this minute-man of Concord is instinct with life and principle. It is no ideal face, no countenance of form that would be at home in other countries, but a thorough Yankee, that Mr. French





has given to immortality. The features are strongly marked and bear the energy, the self-command, the ready shrewdness, the immediate decision, and, above all, the air of freedom, that belong to the New England face. The frame is stalwart, the shoulders squarely held, the muscles of the bared fore-arms—the one that leans strongly on the plow, the one that strongly grasps the musket—are tense and unencumbered by flabby flesh; the great veins stand knotted on the strenuous hands. The man is alive from head to foot, and, indeed, we know not where there is better represented the momentary pause of vigorous action than in this noble statue. An enviable fame, we are sure, will be insured to Mr. French by a work at once so wholly American in conception and so spiritedly achieved in detail.

**THE MINUTE-MAN.**—A correspondent of the Exeter (N. H.) News Letter, in a somewhat lengthy but excellent article on the different classes of statues, concludes his contribution with the following remarks on the Concord minute-man:

The object of the artist was to express in bronze, in the form of a representative youth of the time, the spirit of the age of a century ago, which gave birth to a new nation, and to memorialize the first conflict of arms in the series of those which ended in the establishment of national life, liberty, and independence. A theme more noble has rarely fallen to the lot of an artist to treat, and if he succeeds in giving expression to that spirit, and utterance to that story, his ambition may well be satisfied, his friends rejoice in his achievement, and the town, which has honored itself by erecting this monument, may be congratulated on possessing a sculpture of great merit.

In carrying out this intention, on what features of the spirit of that age should the artist seize? What was so prominent in that spirit as to characterize it and distinguish it from that of the ages before, and which has been given to us as a legacy from the fathers, which we were to keep, and the artist help us to perpetuate in our memory?

It was an age of indomitable resolve, of unconquerable courage, of never-failing self-reliance, of ready self-sacrifice for the public good, and crowning all these, a consecration of soul to personal and public liberty. These all found utterance in the event the artist has attempted to memorialize. And the result of his labors is—the statue tells the story unmistakably, and we receive from it an impress from the spirit of that other and better age, which is to make this monument an educator and benefactor of this age and those which are to follow. We say the story is told unmistakably. It is recognized alike by the scholar and the laborer, and each receives from it the inspiration which it was the high object of the artist to express. It is this which declares, in terms no others can equal, the complete success which has been attained. Without this, the perfection of proportion, the stalwart beauty of form, the graceful action and pose of the figure, the wonderful expression of life which pervades the whole, would



have left the work a failure. But these, added to the all but vocal expression of the spirit and the story, constitute the "minute-man" a success in art of the highest order.

## 812.

LOUISA RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*William M.*<sup>6</sup>, *Daniel*<sup>5</sup>, *William*<sup>4</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>3</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>2</sup>, *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), sister of the preceding, and youngest daughter of Chief Justice Richardson; born in Portsmouth, N. H., June 27, 1814; married, Oct. 24, 1837, REV. CHARLES PINCKNEY RUSSELL, then pastor of the Congregational Church in Candia, N. H.

He was a native of Greenfield, Mass.; was ordained at Candia, Dec. 25, 1833, and dismissed May 26, 1841. After this he resided some time in the city of Washington, D. C.

Their children were:

1234. Charles Pinckney (Russell), b. in Candia, April 23, 1840; m. Lucia Whitman, of Washington, D. C., April 23, 1870. They now reside in Greenfield, Mass., 1874. Children:
1235. Charles Cotesworth (Russell), b. in Brooklyn, N. Y., Sept. 13, 1871.
1236. Whitman (Russell), b. in Washington, D. C., June 10, 1873.
1237. William Richardson (Russell), b. in Georgetown, D. C., June 5, 1842; m. Ella M. Loomis, of Coldwater, Mich., June 4, 1874; now resides at Fort Wayne, Indiana.
1238. Louisa Richardson (Russell), b. in Greenfield, Mass., Aug. 21, 1845; m. James W. Whelpley, of Washington, D. C., Oct. 19, 1871. One child:
1239. James Russell (Whelpley), b. in Washington, D. C., Aug. 31, 1872.
1240. Nathaniel Edwards (Russell), b. in Washington, D. C., Feb. 24, 1848. He graduated at the Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. H., in 1870; m. Lucy C. Flack, of Lansingburg, N. Y., July 1, 1874.
1241. John Francis (Russell), b. in Washington, D. C., May 20, 1855.

## 813.

SAMUEL MATHER RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*William M.*<sup>6</sup>, *Daniel*<sup>5</sup>, *William*<sup>4</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>3</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>2</sup>, *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding, and youngest child of Chief Justice Richardson; born in Portsmouth, N. H., Dec. 26, 1817; married MARY WHITMORR, of Chester, N. H.

He was a merchant in Illinois. He removed to Waynesville, in that State, where he was killed by the running away of a horse, May 12, 1843, aged 25 years, 4 months.

He had one son, posthumous:

1242. Samuel Mather<sup>8</sup> b. in Hebron, N. H., Oct. 21, 1843; m. June 6, 1866, Georgiana Florence Burns, of Cape Elizabeth, Me. They did reside at Cape Elizabeth.

## 814.

DANIEL SAMUEL RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Daniel*<sup>6</sup>, *Daniel*<sup>5</sup>, *William*<sup>4</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>3</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>2</sup>, *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), eldest son of Daniel<sup>6</sup> and Mary





*William A. Richardson.*

*Secy. Treasury of the Treasury.*



(Adams) Richardson, of Tyngsborough, Mass.; born there, Dec. 1, 1816; married, first, May 11, 1843, ISABELLA AIKEN, daughter of Samuel and Nancy (Marston) Aiken, of Chester, N. H. Second, ANNE B. SAWYER, of Bolton, June 22, 1852.

He graduated at Harvard College, 1836; studied in the law school at Cambridge; received the degree of Bachelor of Laws, 1839. In 1839, he settled in the practice of law at Lowell. He was representative of that city to the General Court of Massachusetts three years; was a senator from Middlesex one year.

He was president of the common council of Lowell two years; alderman one year. He was judge advocate of the second division of the Massachusetts volunteer militia six years; was chairman of the board of county commissioners for Middlesex County in 1850 and several other years. He resides in Lowell.

#### Children.

Born in Lowell, by first wife:

1243. Mary Adams.<sup>6</sup>

By second wife:

1244. Anne,<sup>9</sup> b. June 23, 1857.

#### 815.

HON. WILLIAM ADAMS RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Daniel,<sup>6</sup> William,<sup>6</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and second son of Hon. Daniel<sup>6</sup> and Mary (Adams) Richardson; born in Tyngsborough, Mass., Nov. 2, 1821; married, Oct. 29, 1849, ANNA MARIA MARSTON, daughter of Jonathan Marston, of Machiasport, Me. His mother, as heretofore stated, was a daughter of William Adams, Esq., who served in two campaigns of the Revolutionary struggle.

He prepared for college at Lawrence Academy, Groton, and graduated at Harvard in 1843. He studied law at the law school of Harvard College under Judge Joseph Story and Professor Simon Greenleaf, and received the degrees of Master of Arts and Bachelor of Laws in 1846, at the same institution. In 1846, he entered upon his first official career—that of judge advocate of a division of the Massachusetts militia, an office which he held four years. He was admitted to the Boston Bar, on motion of John A. Andrew, afterwards governor, July 8, 1848. He was aid-de-camp to Governor Briggs in 1850. After his admission to the bar, he immediately entered on the practice of the profession, as partner with his brother, Hon. Daniel S. Richardson, in Lowell, and that city now became his home.

His admitted talents were early recognized by calls to fill stations of honor and responsibility. In 1849, he was chosen to the Lowell common council, also in 1853 and 1854, and was made president of that body. In 1853, he was one of the incorporators of the Lowell Five Cents Savings Bank; was appointed one of the trustees, and upon the finance committee.





His abilities as a financier were recognized by his appointment of the Wamesit (now National) Bank, in 1859, which office he held until January, 1867; also, with the exception of that time, he was a director of the Appleton Bank, Lowell, from October, 1853, until he was appointed Secretary of the U. S. Treasury. He held the important office of president of the Middlesex Mechanics' Association two years, and exercised a controlling influence in thoroughly reorganizing that influential institution.

In 1855, he was appointed to revise the General Statutes of the Commonwealth, having as associates in this laborious work Hon. Joel Parker and Andrew A. Richmond. This occupied a period of four years, and resulted in the "General Statutes of Massachusetts," enacted in 1859. The successful accomplishment of such a work, involving the harmonious adjustment of a mass of materials so complicated, can only be appreciated by an experienced professional mind. The fidelity of this great work induced the legislature, in 1859, to appoint the subject of this notice chairman of the committee to edit the General Statutes, and in 1867, as a work to be annually performed. At a subsequent session, he and Judge Sanger were charged with the duty of editing a new edition of the General Statutes and supplement, in consequence of the destruction of the original plates in the great fire of November, 1872. To this edition five or six thousand notes and references, not in the former edition, were added.

In April, 1856, he entered upon the duties of judge of probate for Middlesex County, succeeding the Hon. Samuel Phillips Prescott Fay, who died that year, after having held the office thirty-five years. On the consolidation of the office of judge of insolvency with that of judge of probate, in May, 1868, he was appointed to the new position of judge of probate and insolvency, being thus, in effect, judge of two courts at the same time. In April, 1872, he resigned the important trust, a period of sixteen years from his first taking the office of judge of probate. During his continuance in this office he brought order out of complete chaos by a thorough revisal of the entire mass of old probate blanks and probate practice.

Amid these multiplied demands upon his time, he was appointed, in 1862, one of the trustees of Lawrence Academy, in Groton, and by the legislature, in 1863, one of the overseers of Harvard College, and again, under the new law, in 1869, by the Alumni of the college. In 1860, he found it necessary to remove his law office from Lowell to Boston, and about the same time he changed his residence to Cambridge.

In April, 1869, he was appointed and commissioned judge of the superior court of Massachusetts, but declined the honor, from having been appointed, by President Grant, in the preceding month, Assistant Secretary of the U. S. Treasury. When this appointment was offered him he was taken by surprise, and accepted it at last with reluctance. Even after he had sustained the office with distinguished honor, he repeatedly sought to escape by tendering his resignation, but it was never accepted. He



was also specially commissioned as Acting Secretary of the Treasury during any absence of Secretary Boutwell, and thus was virtually for months Secretary of the Treasury.

In 1871, he was sent to Europe by Mr. Boutwell, then Secretary of the Treasury, on a mission to negotiate the new government loan, sailing from New York June 14th of that year. He was eminently successful in this at first very doubtful undertaking, having in one month obtained a favorable proposition from leading bankers in London, which he telegraphed to this country. Its acceptance was signified by the telegraph, and he remained in Europe until the affair was consummated, delivering seventy-six million dollars of the new five per cent bonds, receiving the money for the same, and investing it in old six per cent 5-20 bonds, which were brought to this country and destroyed at the treasury department. In this transaction thirty-five clerks were employed in taking the new bonds to Europe, exchanging them there, receiving and cancelling the old bonds, and bringing them back for destruction. He deposited his receipts with the Bank of England, where he had at one time to his credit personally sixteen millions of dollars, and was probably the largest depositor in that great institution. In March, 1872, he returned home with his entire force, and in a very short time his account was adjusted at the department without the discrepancy of one dollar. This was a remarkable thing, when we take into consideration the vastness of the sums and the immense labor requisite to the careful scrutiny of each bond, the placing of each one in the proper schedule, and keeping an accurate account of the whole.

On the 17th of March, 1873, he was nominated and immediately confirmed as Secretary of the U. S. Treasury. On the following day, he was sworn into this high and responsible office and entered upon its duties, having since the election of Mr. Boutwell to the Senate acted as Secretary. In June, 1874, he resigned the office of Secretary of the Treasury to accept a seat upon the bench of the U. S. Court of Claims, to which he had been appointed. The honorary degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred on Mr. Richardson, in 1873, by Columbian College, Washington, D. C. During the summer and autumn of 1875, he with his wife and daughter visited Japan and China, and made a journey around the world.

Mr. Richardson has but one child:

1245. Isabel Anna,<sup>3</sup> b. at Lowell, Dec. 21, 1850.

### 816.

HON. GEORGE FRANCIS RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Daniel,<sup>5</sup> William,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), half-brother of the preceding, and son of Hon. Daniel<sup>6</sup> and Hannah (Adams) Richardson; born in Tyngsborough, Mass., Dec. 6, 1829; married CAROLINE AUGUSTA REED, of Lowell.



He was prepared for college at Phillips Exeter Academy; graduated at Harvard College, 1850, and graduated from the law school connected with that college in 1853, taking the first prize of fifty dollars for an essay. At the outbreak of the Rebellion, April 19, 1861, he raised a military company, called the "Richardson Light Infantry," whose officers were commissioned the next day. This company was the first to offer their services to the State of Massachusetts for three years' service. They were mustered into the U. S. service in Boston, May 21, 1861, and sailed for Fortress Monroe the next day. On the 29th, they were assigned to the regular garrison of the fortress. Their captain was Phineas A. Davis, of Lowell. Among its members was Hudson M. Richardson and Samuel M. Richardson, both of Lowell. This company, being used to handling artillery, afterwards became the Seventh Massachusetts Battery of Light Artillery.\*

Mr. Richardson's home is in Lowell. He was president of the common council of Lowell two years; alderman, one year; mayor of Lowell, two years, being elected the second year without opposition. He was a member of the board of school committee four years, two of which he was chairman. He was a delegate to the National Republican Convention at Chicago, 1868, which nominated Gen. Grant as President of the United States. He was a member of the Massachusetts Senate in 1871 and 1872.

Mr. Richardson has several children, as I am informed by a kinsman of his, but a record of them I have not been able to obtain.

## 848.

**JAMES RICHARDSON:** (*James,<sup>6</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>2</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of James<sup>4</sup> and Sarah (Clark) Richardson; born in Pelham, N. H., May 15, 1778; married BETSEY —.

He was a yeoman, and died, intestate, about 1832. At the request of the widow Betsey, Jesse Gibson, of Pelham, gentleman, was appointed administrator, Oct. 2, 1832. The widow's dower was set off March 25, 1833; of course she was living at that time. The estate was insolvent. Among the creditors were Solomon Richardson, brother of the deceased, and Eliphalet Richardson, his son.

The committee appointed to settle the estate reported that they had notified all the heirs whose places of residence were known to them; but others lived in places unknown. [Hillsborough Prob. Records, xxxvii. 135; also, xl. 36.]

\* I give these statements as I received them. There is a manifest and glaring error in the statement that "they were mustered into the U. S. service May 21, 1861." Doubtless it should be *April*. The company above spoken of was Company G, of Lowell. They sailed from Boston April 18th, in connection with the third regiment, though not belonging to it, and arrived at Fortress Monroe April 29th. This regiment became a part of the garrison there April 23d. The Company G was assigned to that duty May 27th.



The heirs living in places known to them were :

1251. Eliphalet,<sup>3</sup> see below.  
 1252. Mary,<sup>3</sup> m. — Hobbs.  
 1253. Edith,<sup>3</sup> insane. [See Hillsborough Prob. Records, xlv. 30.]

Eliphalet Richardson,<sup>3</sup> son of James, appears never to have married. He spent his life in Pelham, and died there in 1837, intestate. The probate records say that he left no widow, children, or father, but had a brother in parts unknown, and a sister, whose name is not given. On her recommendation, Jesse Gibson, of Pelham, was appointed administrator, Nov. 7, 1837. Among the creditors were Solomon Richardson [851], and John Richardson [830], his uncles, and Betsy Richardson, his mother, possibly a daughter of Eliphalet [860]. [Hillsborough Prob. Records, xxxvii. 300.]

## 851.

SOLOMON RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*James,<sup>6</sup> James,<sup>5</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Pelham, N. H., Dec. 24, 1730; married HANNAH CURRIER, of Pelham, March 24, 1813.

He lived in Pelham, and died Jan. 2, 1866. His wife died before him, as no mention is made of her in the settlement of the estate. By request of the heirs named below, the son, Luther C. Richardson, of Pelham, was appointed administrator, Feb. 27, 1866. [Hillsborough Prob. Records, lxxx. 147.]

The children of Solomon and Betsy were :

1254. Lavinia,<sup>2</sup> b. Oct. 26, 1814; m. William Lyon, Oct. 5, 1841. She died Sept. 2, 1847. Her only child, Sydney J. Lyon, was living in 1866.  
 1255. Betsy,<sup>2</sup> b. Aug. 10, 1816; m. John L. Jones, April 22, 1841. She died Oct. 6, 1849. Her husband was living 1874.  
 1256. James,<sup>2</sup> b. Feb. 23, 1819; m. Laura Clifford, Nov. 13, 1842; d. July 16, 1848, leaving no wife or children.  
 1257. Sylvester,<sup>2</sup> b. Dec. 11, 1820; he was of Pelham 1866, but of Lowell 1867; living 1874.  
 1258. Hannah Jane,<sup>2</sup> b. June 7, 1823; m. — Spalding, of Westford; living 1874.  
 1259. Sarah Ann,<sup>2</sup> b. Jan. 29, 1826; m. — Ela, of Pelham; living 1874.  
 1260. Mary Currier,<sup>2</sup> b. Aug. 16, 1823; unm.; of Pelham; living 1874.  
 1261. Solomon,<sup>2</sup> b. March 24, 1831; he was of Los Angeles, California; living 1874.  
 1262. Benjamin F.,<sup>2</sup> b. Nov. 20, 1833; of Pelham, 1860; living 1874.  
 1263. Luther C.,<sup>2</sup> b. Dec. 30, 1835; of Pelham, 1866; living 1874.  
 1264. Calvin L.,<sup>2</sup> of Pelham.

## 853.

NEHEMIAH RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Abijah,<sup>6</sup> James,<sup>5</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Abijah<sup>6</sup> and Judith (Clark) Richardson, of Pelham, N. H.; born Feb. 11, 1777; married REBECCA HERBICK, March 4, 1799.

He lived in Pelham, and died, intestate, about 1827. At the request of the widow Rebecca, David Cutter, Esq., a substantial yeoman, and prominent business man in Pelham [See Cutter





Genealogy, p. 114], postmaster a long series of years, justice of the peace, and deputy sheriff, and who had filled many important town offices, was appointed administrator, May 7, 1827. License was given July 3, 1827, to sell a bond which the deceased received of Solomon Richardson, his cousin, Feb. 22, 1827, "for the conveyance to him of a certain farm in Pelham." [Hillsborough Prob. Records, xxxv. 468.]

Nehemiah Richardson, therefore, died after the date of said bond, and before April 21, 1827, when John Marsh was appointed guardian of three of the children over fourteen years of age. [Hillsborough Prob. Records, xxiii. 396.]

The children of Nehemiah and Rebecca Richardson were:

- 1265. Mary,<sup>2</sup> b. March 28, 1801.
- 1266. Abijah,<sup>2</sup> b. Feb. 3, 1803.
- 1267. Israel,<sup>2</sup> b. April 10, 1805.
- 1268. Olive,<sup>2</sup> b. Nov. 14, 1807.
- 1269. Rhoda,<sup>2</sup> b. April 21, 1810.
- 1270. Howard H.,<sup>2</sup> b. May 10, 1812.
- 1271. Rebecca Herrick,<sup>2</sup> b. March 3, 1815.
- 1272. Nehemiah,<sup>2</sup> b. Feb. 2, 1818.

### 875.

SOLOMON RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Wiley,<sup>6</sup> Thomas,<sup>5</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Lieut. Wiley<sup>6</sup> and Fanny Richardson; born in Westford, Feb. 12, 1789; married, first, May 8, 1814, NANCY COGSWELL, daughter of Jeremiah Cogswell, of Westford. Second, SARAH —

After marriage, he lived some time in Jaffrey, New Hampshire. His father having died, 1846, he removed back to Westford, built a house on land belonging to the old homestead; and there died, Sept. 30, 1868, aged 78 years, 7 months.

His children, by second wife, Sarah, were:

- 1273. Charles N., b. in Jaffrey, N. H., April 12, 1839.
- 1274. Sarah F., b. in Jaffrey, N. H., Feb. 7, 1841.
- 1275. Albert Pierce, b. in Jaffrey, N. H., March 3, 1843; m. March 3, 1874, Alma Minot, daughter of Isaac and Mary Ann Minot, of Westford.
- 1276. Mary Elizabeth,<sup>2</sup> b. in Westford, June 15, 1847; m. 1873, Sherman Haywood Fletcher, b. Dec. 24, 1846, a merchant, only son of Sherman Dewey Fletcher, of Westford. The father is postmaster and town treasurer.

### 882.

THOMAS RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*Abijah,<sup>6</sup> Thomas,<sup>5</sup> James,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Abijah<sup>6</sup> and Elizabeth Richardson; born in Westford, 1789; married, first, PHILENDA WRIGHT, of Westford, May 9, 1811. She died in Westford, Aug. 29, 1831, aged 45 years, 9 months. Second, MARY FLETCHER, of Westford, Jan. 23, 1840.

He lived in Westford; was a carpenter, a man of enterprise and energy, and acquired a fair property. He bought the Pres-



cott Mills, which from him were called Richardson Mills. During some years he was the miller of Westford. He finally sold his mills and farm to Asel [Ansel or Asahel] Davis. Davis sold to Calvert and Sargent, machinists. The mills were destroyed by fire, and a stone machine shop took their place. The flourishing village of Graniteville has been built up on the spot. He was much occupied with town business.\*

Thomas Richardson died in Westford, July 17, 1861, aged 72. His widow Mary, owns a house in the centre of Westford, where she now resides, November, 1874.

The children of Thomas Richardson, all born in Westford, by first wife, Philenda, were:

1377. George Washington,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 28, 1811; m. Judith Ellenwood, of Pelham, Oct. 28, 1838; he died June 27, 1841; leaving a widow and one child.
1378. Warren,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 3, 1814; has been twice married; has children by both wives; is a trader in Londonderry, N. H.
- +1379. Philenda,<sup>6</sup> b. March 21, 1818; m. Dec. 31, 1846, George Robert Moore.
1380. Zibiah,<sup>6</sup> b. March 29, 1820; m. Peter B. Prescott, of Lowell, May 30, 1841.
1381. John Gilbert,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 27, 1822; has been married, and buried his wife. He keeps an inn in Illinois.
1382. Mary Jane,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 22, 1824; m. — Price. She died in Westford, June 6, 1867.
1383. Maria,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 10, 1826; m. Nov. 21, 1846, Daniel Lovejoy, son of Ralph and Nabby Lovejoy. He is a blacksmith, of Lowell; has one son.
1384. Sarah Elizabeth,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 8, 1828; m. 1850, Charles H. Spalding,<sup>7</sup> son of Calvin<sup>6</sup> and Sally (Wright) Spalding, of Westford. They live in Graniteville, above mentioned.

By second wife, Mary:

1385. Milton Thomas,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 7, 1843. He lives in Brooklyn, N. Y.

### 883.

**BENJAMIN RICHARDSON**<sup>7</sup> (*Benjamin,<sup>6</sup> Benjamin,<sup>5</sup> Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Benjamin<sup>6</sup> and Susan (Drew) Richardson; born in Boston, March 24, 1805; married, Jan. 1, 1837, MATILDA LAWRENCE, born in Boston, March 14, 1810, daughter of John and Mary (Dodge) Lawrence.

John Lawrence, her father, was a son of James Lawrence, who was born in Scotland, March 18, 1780; married, in Boston, December, 1803, Mary Dodge, who was born in Vermont in 1785.

Mr. Richardson, after residing in Cambridge a short time, removed to Boston, where he was many years an officer in Suffolk County jail. He owned an estate on Chambers Street, where he died, May 26, 1867. He was an upright man, quiet and unobtrusive, yet firm to his convictions of right. He was a member of the Baptist Church in Bowdoin Square, Boston.

\*Notwithstanding all this, his brother William, and to the best of my knowledge his *only* brother, was *non compos mentis*, and died in the Westford poor house, Oct. 7, 1847, aged 63.



His children, born in Boston, were:

1286. Matilda C. *bellia*,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 15, 1837; d. July 8, 1843.  
 1287. Benjamin Lewis,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 27, 1830. He enlisted in the war for the Union, in the First Massachusetts Battery, Aug. 23, 1861, and served till May 3, 1863, when he was honorably discharged on account of wounds received that day at Chancellorsville. From those wounds he never recovered, but died, at Boston, Jan. 25, 1866.  
 1288. Susan Cecilia,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 2, 1841; d. July 12, 1843.

## 884.

JOHN DREW RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Benjamin*,<sup>6</sup> *Benjamin*,<sup>6</sup> *Benjamin*,<sup>6</sup> *Thomas*,<sup>6</sup> *James*,<sup>6</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Boston, Sept. 26, 1806; married, in Boston, Sept. 20, 1835, ELIZABETH MAYNARD,<sup>7</sup> born in Sullivan, N. H., Oct. 26, 1808, daughter of Antipas<sup>6</sup> and Sally (Rice) Maynard, of Keene, N. H.\*

He was a baker by trade, and pursued that business fifteen years. He resided in Boston proper till 1844, when he removed to South Boston. He was upright and faithful in every relation in life, and was universally esteemed for his integrity, his genial and cheerful disposition, his sympathy with the afflicted, his sound judgment, and manly character. It was often said that "he carried sunshine wherever he went." His faith in God was firm; he loved and exemplified the principles of the Christian religion. He was an active member of the Baptist Church twenty-seven years, having united with the First Baptist Church in Boston, May 29, 1836. He and his wife were original members of the Baptist Church in Bowdoin Square. When he removed his residence to South Boston, he removed his ecclesiastical relation also, and was clerk of the South Baptist Church the last seventeen years of his life. The compiler remembers him with tender interest.

He held several important positions of civil trust and responsibility. He was warden of the twelfth ward in Boston two years; a member of the city school committee eight or nine years; was

## \* THE MAYNARD FAMILY.

I. JOHN MAYNARD,<sup>1</sup> born in England about 1600; came to this country, and settled in Sudbury, in 1638. He was prominent in town affairs, and died Dec. 19, 1672. Had *John, Zachary, Elizabeth, Lydia, Hannah, Mary*.

II. JOHN MAYNARD,<sup>2</sup> born in England; came to this country with his father at eight years of age; was one of the petitioners for the new town of Marlborough, 1660; died there, Dec. 22, 1711. Children, *John, Simon, David, Zechariah, Joseph*, and five daughters.

III. DAVID MAYNARD,<sup>3</sup> born Dec. 21, 1660; an influential man in Westborough, which was taken from Marlborough, 1717; married Hannah Wait; died Oct. 2, 1757. Had *David, Jonathan, Jesse, Jotham*, etc.

IV. JOTHAM MAYNARD,<sup>4</sup> born in what was then Marlborough, May 29, 1714; died in Bolton, Dec. 18, 1773. Had *Jotham, Antipas, Barnabas, Abiel, Abner, David, Israel*, and three more.

V. JOTHAM MAYNARD,<sup>5</sup> born in Marlborough, March 14, 1741; lived in Berlin; died 1768. One of his sons was

VI. ANTIPAS MAYNARD,<sup>6</sup> born in Bolton April 27, 1776; married Sally Rice, August, 1797; resided in Sullivan, Gilsurn, and Keene, all in New Hampshire; died in Keene, Nov. 15, 1833. His widow died Oct. 22, 1861, at the house of her son-in-law, John D. Richardson, in Boston.



assistant assessor of taxes in 1854, and one of the principal assessors of the city of Boston from 1855 to 1861, when he was appointed assistant assessor of the United States Internal Revenue, which office he held till his death, May 28, 1863.

His children, all born in Boston, were:

- 1290. Caroline Elizabeth,<sup>3</sup> b. June 18, 1836; d. in Boston, Sept. 25, 1840.
- 1290. Zilpah Maynard,<sup>3</sup> b. July 15, 1838; d. in Boston, July 11, 1842.
- +1291. Elizabeth Caroline,<sup>3</sup> b. April 29, 1840; m. Francis E. Blake.
- +1292. John Drew,<sup>3</sup> b. July 18, 1843; m. Sarah E. Van Nostrand.
- +1293. Antipas Maynard,<sup>3</sup> b. Sept. 22, 1844; m. Ellen A. Bragdon.

## 885.

SUSAN MATILDA RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Benjamin,<sup>6</sup> Benjamin,<sup>5</sup> Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Boston, May 19, 1803; married, Jan. 12, 1827, HORATIO NELSON BOWKER, born in Boston, Sept. 27, 1808, son of Howard and Nancy (Gardner) Bowker.

He resided in Boston and Scituate many years; occupation, builder; present residence, 1875, South Weymouth, Mass.

Children, born in Boston:

- 1294. Andrew Gardner (Bowker), b. March 13, 1823; m. first, in Boston, Nov. 23, 1842, Lizzie Price. She died in Chicago, Aug. 16, 1865. Second, Oct. 8, 1867, Ruth M. Blanchard. She died in South Weymouth, Mass., March 8, 1874.
- 1295. Susan Matilda (Bowker), b. July 18, 1830; d. in South Scituate, Oct. 31, 1858.
- JOSEPH 1296. Ann Elizabeth (Bowker), b. Oct. 8, 1832; m. in South Scituate, June 16, 1856, William N. Moore, from New Hampshire.

Born in South Scituate:

- 1297. Eveline Augusta (Bowker), b. Aug. 16, 1838; m. in New York, Dec. 6, 1860, Dwight B. Rogers; have had four children, of whom three died.
- 1298. Helen Adeline (Bowker), b. July 8, 1842; d. in South Scituate, Jan. 8, 1844.
- 1299. George Richardson (Bowker), b. Oct. 31, 1844; m. in South Weymouth, Jan. 10, 1867, Adelia Parker, b. in Leicester, July 19, 1846.
- 1300. Horatio Nelson (Bowker), b. May 15, 1852; d. March 10, 1859.

## 886.

ANN RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Benjamin,<sup>6</sup> Benjamin,<sup>5</sup> Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Boston, Sept. 24, 1810; married, in Boston, Nov. 8, 1841, AARON LEMAN, born in Boston, Jan. 23, 1813, son of John and Elizabeth (Tewksbury) Leman. The Boston Directory for 1800 contains the name of John Leman, blacksmith, living on Ship Street, north end. He, Aaron, resided in Boston many years.

He died in Dorchester, Feb. 21, 1869. The widow resides in South Weymouth at present, 1875.





## Children :

1301. Annie M. (Leman), b. in Boston, Sept. 15, 1841; d. in Boston, June 10, 1858.
1302. Aaron Wallace (Leman), b. in Scituate. Sept. 3, 1843; m. in Dorchester, April 20, 1868, Mary Shepherd. In the war for the Union, he enlisted, April, 1861, in the Eleventh Massachusetts Regiment. He was honorably discharged, October, 1862, on account of sickness contracted in the army, and died Feb. 7, 1869.
1303. Eugene R. (Leman), b. in Boston, Nov. 6, 1852; d. in Dorchester, June 5, 1871.

## 887.

ALBERT RICHARDSON<sup>7</sup> (*Benjamin,<sup>6</sup> Benjamin,<sup>5</sup> Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Boston, Oct. 15, 1812; married, in Boston, Dec. 25, 1844, NANCY MARIA MASON, born in Sullivan, N. H., Feb. 2, 1821, daughter of Nathaniel and Sally (Stone) Mason, of that place.

He was a carriage-smith. He resided in Boston till about 1870; removed to South Weymouth, where he now lives, 1875.

## Children, born in Boston :

1304. Alfred M.,<sup>8</sup> b. Oct. 2, 1845.
1305. Angelo Mai,<sup>8</sup> b. Nov. 20, 1848; d. in Boston, June 13, 1850.

## 895.

JOSEPH STEVENS BUCKMINSTER KNOX (*Ann Richardson,<sup>6</sup> Benjamin,<sup>5</sup> Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Robert and Ann (Richardson) Knox, and grandson of Benjamin and Ann Richardson, of Boston; born March 21, 1809; married ELIZABETH BAXTER, daughter of Thomas and Sophia Marshall, of Charlestown.

He was engaged in trading voyages on the north-west coast of America, and as mercantile agent on the Hawaiian Islands and Kamschatka. He died at sea, Sept. 9, 1852. His widow survives.

## They had one posthumous son :

1306. Joseph Stevens Buckminster (Knox), b. in Charlestown, Dec. 24, 1852.

## 896.

CAPT. SAMUEL RICHARDSON KNOX (*Ann Richardson,<sup>6</sup> Benjamin,<sup>5</sup> Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born Aug. 28, 1811; never married.

He early commenced a naval career, beginning as a common sailor. He entered the U. S. Navy as midshipman in 1828, at the age of seventeen, and rose, gradually, to the rank of captain. He served in the Mediterranean and Pacific under different com-



manders; was in the exploring expedition under Wilkes; has been in coast surveys, in the Mexican war, and in the war for the Union.

Under Commodore Wilkes, in his little vessel, the "Flying Fish," he approached nearer the South Pole than any other vessel of the squadron, attaining the latitude of 70° 14' south, between longitude 90° and 105° west. "Knox's High Land," in that locality, was so named in his honor.

In the Mexican war, he assisted in the capture of the strong castle of St. Juan de Uloa. In the late civil war, he assisted in the blockade of the southern coast off New Orleans and Texas.

At present, March, 1875, he is a captain on the retired list of the U. S. Navy, and resides in Everett, Mass., near Boston.

### Eight Generation.

#### 927.

EDWARD WILSON RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*John,<sup>1</sup> Edward,<sup>2</sup> Edward,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>6</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of John<sup>1</sup> and Eunice (Goding) Richardson, of Jay, Maine; born there, July 16, 1811; married BETSEY S. BUMPUS, Feb. 23, 1846. She is, without doubt, a descendant of Edward Bompasse (originally *bon pas*, a fortunate step, or *bonne passe*, a good condition), a French Huguenot, who arrived at Plymouth in the ship Fortune, Nov. 10, 1621, and joined the colony there. This ship brought over Robert Cushman and thirty-five others, with supplies, to the great joy of the suffering pilgrims, who arrived a year previous, and were now in great want. *Bompasse* easily slid into *Bumpus*. Edward W. Richardson resides in his native town, Jay, Me.

#### Children:

1807. Ella M.,<sup>2</sup> b. July 5, 1846; m. May 23, 1867, — Wilson, of Orr's Island, Maine.  
 1808. Flora A.,<sup>2</sup> b. March 9, 1850; d. July 22, 1867.  
 1809. Ada E.,<sup>2</sup> b. Oct. 23, 1854; d. June 16, 1873.

#### 935.

WESLEY RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*John,<sup>1</sup> Edward,<sup>2</sup> Edward,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>6</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Jay, Me., May 8, 1827; married, March 20, 1846, ANNIS



BUCK, of Canton, Me. Canton was formerly the western part of Jay. They reside in Jay, Me.

Children:

- 1310. Emma L.<sup>o</sup> b. June 16, 1849.
- 1311. Eugene W.<sup>o</sup> b. Sept. 2, 1852.
- 1312. Marshall A.<sup>o</sup> b. Dec. 9, 1856; deceased.
- 1313. Eunice,<sup>o</sup> b. Jan. 27, 1850.
- 1314. Hattie E.<sup>o</sup> b. Nov. 7, 1863; deceased.
- 1315. Scott W.<sup>o</sup> b. Oct. 30, 1844.
- 1316. Nettie D.<sup>o</sup> b. April 26, 1866.
- 1317. Annie C.<sup>o</sup> b. Oct. 16, 1868.

936.

JONATHAN G. RICHARDSON<sup>o</sup> (*John,<sup>1</sup> Edward,<sup>o</sup> Edward,<sup>o</sup> Theophilus,<sup>o</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>o</sup> Theophilus,<sup>o</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Jay, Me., May 19, 1830; married, Oct. 8, 1848, ADELINE ELIZA BUCK, of Canton, Me., presumed to be a sister of his brother's wife. He was a farmer; lived in Jay; and died May 18, 1871.

Children:

- 1318. Charles A.<sup>o</sup> b. May 2, 1851; d. 1865.
- 1319. Alice L.<sup>o</sup> b. Jan. 2, 1845.
- 1320. Frank W.<sup>o</sup> b. June 4, 1860.

939.

GEORGE BROWN RICHARDSON<sup>o</sup> (*Edward,<sup>1</sup> Edward,<sup>o</sup> Edward,<sup>o</sup> Theophilus,<sup>o</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>o</sup> Theophilus,<sup>o</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Edward<sup>1</sup> and Sally (Brown) Richardson; born in Jay, Me.; married MARY ANN WILSON, believed to be his cousin, and a near relative of his grandmother.

He was in partnership with his brother, Josiah Richardson, in Boston. They kept a fruit store, No. 1, Market Square, and, it is understood, each acquired a good property. For some cause, he became dissatisfied with life, and drowned himself in Cambridge, probably West Cambridge, now Arlington, where he lived. His widow, we are informed, still resides in Arlington.

No record of their family has reached the compiler.

963.

HARRIET STARR RICHARDSON<sup>o</sup> (*Ezra,<sup>1</sup> Edward,<sup>o</sup> Edward,<sup>o</sup> Theophilus,<sup>o</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>o</sup> Theophilus,<sup>o</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Ezra<sup>1</sup> and Hannah (Leach) Richardson, of Jay, Me.; born there, April 4, 1811; married MOSES PEASLEY. They live in Burlington, Penobscot County, Maine.



## Children :

1821. Ann R. (Peasley), b. Aug. 4, 1824.  
 1822. Hannah A. (Peasley), b. Nov. 10, 1828.  
 1823. Horace L. (Peasley), b. July 9, 1833.  
 1824. Arune E. (Peasley), b. Feb. 10, 1841; d. July 22, 1863.  
 1825. Floretta E. (Peasley), b. Aug. 5, 1849; d. April 30, 1864.  
 1826. Edwin T. (Peasley), b. July 4, 1857.

## 964.

CHARLES G. RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Ezra*,<sup>7</sup> *Edward*,<sup>8</sup> *Edward*,<sup>8</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>4</sup> *Ezekiel*,<sup>3</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Jay, Me., Feb. 14, 1813; married ANGELINE EDDY, daughter of his father's second wife by a former husband. They live in Burlington, Penobscot County, Maine.

## Children :

1827. George A.<sup>9</sup> b. Oct. 1, 1827; d. July 14, 1836.  
 1828. James M.<sup>9</sup> b. March 12, 1830; d. 1839.  
 1829. Charles R.<sup>9</sup> b. Dec. 31, 1841.  
 1830. Charlotte E.<sup>9</sup> b. July 6, 1844; d. Aug. 22, 1850.  
 1831. Francetta.<sup>9</sup> b. June 23, 1847; d. Aug. 15, 1850.  
 1832. Edwin M.<sup>9</sup> b. April 11, 1849; d. Aug. 22, 1850.  
 1833. Frank W.<sup>9</sup> b. June 15, 1851.  
 1834. Ada M.<sup>9</sup> b. April 1, 1853.

## 975.

MARY SALINA RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Josiah*,<sup>7</sup> *Edward*,<sup>8</sup> *Edward*,<sup>8</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>4</sup> *Ezekiel*,<sup>3</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Josiah<sup>7</sup> and Mary Pierce (Leach) Richardson, of Jay, Maine; born there, May 23, 1814; married, 1836, DAN READE, born 1812, seventh son of Dan Reade, Esq., who came from Attleborough, Mass., his native place, to Lewiston, Me., in the early days of the town last named. His mother was Susanna Hart, born in Durham, Maine. Dan Reade, the father, was the first schoolmaster, the first postmaster, the first town-clerk, the first justice of the peace, the first selectman, and the first representative ever chosen in the town of Lewiston, Maine.

Dan Reade, the son, suffered from ill health, when a boy, and was, therefore, unaccustomed to manual labor. He "kept store" a number of years, and became a sort of speculator. He has acquired some property, and likes fine horses. He has been agent for several parties at a distance, and is a smart, capable man. He never smokes, never uses profane words, and has not tasted of intoxicating liquors these forty years. He enjoys good health, and is always cheerful. His residence is now Auburn, Me., formerly Danville, on the Androscoggin River, and opposite Lewiston.

His wife, the principal subject of this notice, is a capable, active, cheerful, and well-educated woman. She suffers much from bad health, and though she writes much, is often obliged to write in a recumbent posture. She is nervous, impulsive, and wide-awake. She has written for the papers since she was fourteen years old.





She has a talent for poetry, and in her younger years published a small volume of poems. Her fugitive pieces are frequently seen in print, and are read on public and festive occasions. She has corresponded with several eminent writers. She is, in religious sentiment, a Unitarian, like her father. She has taken a lively interest in this RICHARDSON MEMORIAL, and has rendered the compiler very important assistance.

One of Mrs. Reade's minor poems follows this notice:\*

She has but one child :

1835. Julia Arnett (Reade), b. Feb. 15, 1848; m. F. C. Goodwin, a merchant in Lewiston, Me. They have had :

1866. Anna Tate (Goodwin), b. Jan. 22, 1863.

1887. Stuart Brooks (Goodwin), b. Jan. 1, 1860; d. March, 1868.

### 977.

CORNELIA ALGIER RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Josiah*,<sup>1</sup> *Edward*,<sup>6</sup> *Edward*,<sup>5</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>4</sup> *Ezekiel*,<sup>3</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), sister of the preceding; born in Monmouth, Maine, June 17, 1818; married OLIVER FROST, of Monmouth.

They reside in Monmouth, Me. He is a mechanic and farmer.

\*The following effusion of Mrs. Reade's muse appeared originally in the Lewiston Journal.

#### SPRING-TIME.

BY MRS. MARY SALINA READE.

Though old as our earth is the spring-time,  
Its coming brings charms ever new,  
We sing every year of its glories,  
As if only now they were true.

A bird or a bud is as welcome,  
As if bird or bud ne'er before  
Had brought to our senses sweet fragrance—  
Or form'd one of nature's grand choir.

The first golden crocus that greets us,  
Refresh'd by its long winter night,  
Brings back the glad, youthful emotion,  
Which gave to our childhood delight.

Though Spring has been coming and fitting,  
Since Chaos took form at His voice,  
It finds us still ready with welcome—  
With hearts all prepared to rejoice.

To us who are watching and waiting,  
The first blade of grass is a ray  
Of beauty from glory that's coming,  
To brighten and perfect the day.

This page of a new evolution,  
Is illumin'd with bright symbols so fraugh  
With truth, that we read all unaided,  
The lessons the spring-time hath brought.

Bright Spring will be coming and going,  
When we are done watching to see  
The first blade and bud—but unfolding  
For us brighter glories will be.



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Their children were:

1333. Oscar F. (Frost), b. Dec. 14, 1836; m. Lizzie M. Smiley, Ju  
1861. They live in Monmouth. They have no children.  
1339. Charles B. (Frost), b. July 12, 1839; d. Oct. 8, 1861.  
1340. Mary Antoinette (Frost), b. April 9, 1842; m. Isaac H. Rand  
February, 1861. They lived in Boston. She died 1872. Ch  
dren:  
1341. Melville (Randall), b. November, 1865.  
1342. Bertha L. (Randall), b. November, 1860.  
1343. William B. (Frost), b. Aug. 13, 1844; served in the civil war;  
a drummer boy.  
1344. Albion S. (Frost), b. Sept. 10, 1847; d. July 11, 1867.  
1345. Henry M. (Frost), b. Jan. 23, 1851; d. Oct. 19, 1854.  
1346. Oliver H. (Frost), b. Nov. 15, 1853.  
1347. Isaac H. (Frost), b. Oct. 14, 1856.  
1348. John F. (Frost), b. March 19, 1861.  
1349. Ella Linnet (Frost), b. Aug. 4, 1865.

978.

EMERETTA ELIZABETH LEACH RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Josiah<sup>7</sup>, E  
ward<sup>8</sup>, Edward<sup>6</sup>, Theophilus<sup>4</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>3</sup>, Theophilus<sup>2</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*;  
sister of the preceding; born in Monmouth, Me., Feb. 16, 1827;  
married JOSIAH W. LITTLEFIELD, Dec. 5, 1847.  
He is an engineer and machinist, and resides in Augusta, Me.

Children:

1350. William B. (Littlefield), b. June 20, 1850; d. Aug. 4, 1869.  
1351. Charles L. (Littlefield), b. July 4, 1852. He is an engineer.  
1352. John Brooks (Littlefield), b. Aug. 3, 1855.

981.

ABIGAIL CHENERY RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Ezekiel<sup>7</sup>, Edward<sup>6</sup>, Edward<sup>6</sup>  
Theophilus<sup>4</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>3</sup>, Theophilus<sup>2</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest daughter of  
Col. Ezekiel<sup>7</sup> and Elizabeth Winter (Leach) Richardson; born in  
Jay, Me., April 16, 1808; married, June, 1832, WILLIAM AUGUS  
TUS EVANS, a brother of Hon. George Evans, who graduated  
Bowdoin College, in 1815, resided in Augusta, was a representa  
tive of Maine in Congress, and her senator there, and died in  
1867, aged 70.

I do not find that William A. Evans was a graduate of an  
college. He was, however, a lawyer, and lived in Washington  
D. C., many years as a clerk. At the outbreak of the rebellion he  
came North, and is now, it is said, in the Aroostook region, Maine.  
His wife Abigail died Feb. 12, 1872.

Children:

1353. Abby Jane (Evans), m. Dr. Waters. She died "at the South"  
in 1864, leaving one child.  
1354. Anna (Evans), is a teacher in Washington, D. C., 1874.  
1355. Margaret Augusta (Evans), m. Rev. Mr. Rogers, of Maine.



## 983.

VICTOR MOREAU RICHARDSON<sup>8</sup> (*Ezekiel,<sup>7</sup> Edward,<sup>6</sup> Edward,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and son of Col. Ezekiel Richardson<sup>7</sup>; born in Jay, Me., May 7, 1815; married MARY JONES, daughter of Silas Jones, of Wilton, Maine.

He was a merchant many years in Portland, Me.; but returned to his native town of Jay, where he still resides, 1874.

## Children :

1356. Adelaide Murray,<sup>9</sup> d. young.  
 1357. Clarence Murray,<sup>9</sup> b. June 2, 1847; m. Ada Abbot, Feb. 22, 1874. They live in Portland.  
 1358. Clara Moulton,<sup>9</sup> d. young.  
 1359. Anna Elizabeth,<sup>9</sup>

## 990.

JONATHAN FISHER RICHARDSON<sup>8</sup> (*Fisher,<sup>7</sup> Moses,<sup>6</sup> Edward,<sup>5</sup> Theophilus,<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Fisher<sup>7</sup> and Betsey (Bird) Richardson; born in Watertown, Mass., Aug. 19, 1796; married, March 1816, LUCINDA GODING, born in Watertown, Mass., Feb. 13, 1800. Though born in Watertown, she and her father's family were living in Jay, Me., and the marriage was performed there by his great uncle, Edward Richardson, Esq., justice of the peace.

When he was eight years old, he came from Watertown to live with Capt. Edward Richardson<sup>8</sup> [385], his great uncle. He was acquainted with five of his brothers, and the sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Wood [345]. He now resides in North Livermore, Me., 1874.

Children, all, I believe, born in Jay, Maine; but, perhaps, the last three were born in Livermore :

1360. Miriam M.,<sup>9</sup> b. Aug. 26, 1817; m. John W. Westley. She died in Reading, Mass., Sept. 21, 1854.  
 1361. Ann C.,<sup>9</sup> b. June 4, 1820; m. Elias Gray. She died at Jay, Dec. 27, 1870.  
 1362. Wolcott,<sup>9</sup> b. Feb. 3, 1822; m. first, Mary Whitman; second, Faustina Humphrey, of Jay. He lives in Cambridge, Mass. He is a dealer in cattle in Brighton and Watertown. Children, by first wife, Mary:  
 1363. Mary C.,<sup>10</sup> b. about 1843; m. Albert Morse. By second wife, Faustina:  
 1364. Oscar,<sup>10</sup> b. Oct. 30, 1850.  
 1365. Edwin,<sup>10</sup> b. September, 1864.  
 1366. Bertha,<sup>10</sup> b. April, 1870.  
 1367. Lucinda N.,<sup>9</sup> b. Sept. 23, 1826; m. John Fuller, of Jay, a farmer.  
 1368. Artemas L.,<sup>9</sup> b. April 5, 1828; m. first, December, 1854, Adeline Keyes, daughter of Lorenzo Keyes, of North Jay, Maine. Second, Feb. 28, 1868, Eliza Witham, daughter of Aaron Witham, of Danville, Me. He resides in Deering, Maine, and carries on gardening for Portland market.



## Children, by first wife, Adeline:

1866. *Charles*,<sup>10</sup> b. May 16, 1855.1870. *Flora*,<sup>10</sup> b. Nov. 1, 1850.

## By second wife, Eliza:

1871. *Mary*,<sup>10</sup> b. June 21, 1860.1872. *Herbert*,<sup>10</sup> b. May 5, 1870.1873. *Nelson W.*,<sup>9</sup> b. Nov. 22, 1850; m. Sept. 4, 1852, *Mary E. Goding*, b. Aug. 19, 1832, daughter of *Zebulon Goding*, of North Livermore, Me. He lives in Deering, near Portland, Me. His business is gardening for the market. Children:1874. *Clara Isabel*,<sup>10</sup> b. Nov. 23, 1854.1875. *Cora L.*,<sup>10</sup> b. Dec. 17, 1850.1876. *Nelly M.*,<sup>10</sup> b. Dec. 22, 1860.1877. *Mabel F.*,<sup>10</sup> b. April 6, 1865.1878. *Walter N.*,<sup>10</sup> b. May 23, 1868.1879. *Willefred*,<sup>10</sup> b. May 5, 1872.1880. *David W.*,<sup>9</sup> b. Dec. 23, 1832; m. *Marcia A. Grout*, of Jay. He died in Westbrook, Me., May 1, 1871. Had one child:1881. *William*,<sup>11</sup> b. December, 1865.1882. *John S.*,<sup>9</sup> b. March 13, 1836; m. *Lucretia Gilbert*, of Jay, Me. He is by occupation a carpenter, and lives in Minnesota. He was a soldier in a Massachusetts regiment in the war for the Union; was wounded, and has a pension. Children:1883. *Alice*,<sup>12</sup> b. September, 1858.1884. *Walter*,<sup>12</sup> d. young.1885. *George*,<sup>12</sup> b. 1863.1886. *Arthur*,<sup>12</sup> b. January, 1868.1887. *Horace B.*,<sup>9</sup> b. July 6, 1830; m. first, *Rosanna Packard*, of Winthrop, Me. She died 1861. Second, *Emily Weston*, of Winthrop, Me., May, 1874. He was in the Eighth Massachusetts Regiment as a soldier during the late civil war. He is a gardener; lives in Bath, Me., and has no children. 1874.1888. *Francis Edwin*,<sup>9</sup> b. Oct. 23, 1841; m. *Almira Reed*, of Jay, Me. He died in Canton, Me., May 5, 1864. His only child was:1890. *Lewis*,<sup>10</sup>

## 991.

DAVID DENNING RICHARDSON<sup>8</sup> (*Fisher*,<sup>7</sup> *Moses*,<sup>6</sup> *Edward*,<sup>6</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>4</sup> *Ezekiel*,<sup>3</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*,<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding, and second son of *Fisher*<sup>7</sup> and *Betsey* (*Bird*) *Richardson*; born in Watertown, Mass., May, 1799; married *SALLY BROWN RICHARDSON* [1837], his cousin, daughter of *Edward* and *Sally* (*Brown*) *Richardson*. She died about 1854.

He is living in Canton, Me., on the Androscoggin River, with his son *Roscoe*, 1874.

## Children:

1890. *Coburn*,<sup>9</sup> m. ———; lives in Massachusetts.1891. *Roscoe*,<sup>9</sup> m. ———; lives in Canton, Me., once a part of Jay.1892. *Martha*,<sup>9</sup> m. ———; lives "out West."1893. *Sabra Ann*,<sup>9</sup> m. ——— *Allen*; lives in Jay, Me.1894. *Edward Farwell*,<sup>9</sup> m. ———. He is a school teacher in Concord, Mass.1895. *Augustus*,<sup>9</sup>

## 1013.

REV. GILBERT BRAINERD RICHARDSON<sup>8</sup> (*Gilbert*,<sup>7</sup> *Abel*,<sup>6</sup> *Nathan*,<sup>5</sup> *Nathan*,<sup>4</sup> *John*,<sup>3</sup> *Theophilus*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*,<sup>1</sup>), eldest son of *Gil-*





bert<sup>7</sup> and Hannah (Davis) Richardson, of Woburn; born in that part of Woburn which is now Winchester, July 21, 1827; married EMILY W. SPOONER, of Levant, Me.

He was prepared for college at Warren Academy, Woburn; graduated at Amherst College, 1853; went through a three years' course at the Theological Seminary, Bangor, Me., ending 1856; was ordained as pastor at Douglas, Mass., June 30, 1857; dismissed Feb. 25, 1860; installed at Edgecomb, Me., Oct. 17, 1860; spent from 1860 to 1874 in the ministry in Maine, in Edgecomb, Alna, Newcastle, and elsewhere; "has had fair success, and still loves the work." In 1874 and onward he was acting pastor of two churches in Alstead, N. H.

Children:

1396. William Nelson,<sup>9</sup> b. May 14, 1857; d. May 24, 1858.  
 1397. Frederic Brainerd,<sup>9</sup> b. Oct. 20, 1859.  
 1398. Mary Emily,<sup>9</sup> b. July 9, 1861.

1014.

REV. MARTIN LUTHER RICHARDSON<sup>8</sup> (*Gilbert,<sup>7</sup> Abel,<sup>6</sup> Nathan,<sup>5</sup> Nathan,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in what is now Winchester, Mass., April 18, 1830; married ANGELOTTA WILSON, of Litchfield, Me., Aug. 18, 1859.

He was fitted for college at Warren Academy, Woburn; graduated at Amherst College, 1856; finished the regular course in Bangor Theological Seminary, 1859; was ordained at Woolwich, Me., March 7, 1860; was minister at Globe Village, Southbridge, Mass., from 1862 to 1866; at Sturbridge, Mass., from 1867 to the present time. He was a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives from Sturbridge in 1871.

He has no children.

1034.

NELSON RICHARDSON<sup>8</sup> (*Josiah,<sup>7</sup> Josiah,<sup>6</sup> Jonathan,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Josiah<sup>7</sup> and Betsey (Tenney) Richardson, of Weston, Vt.; born there, Nov. 6, 1809; married, first, Nov. 16, 1849, RACHEL DESBROW, born in La Grange township, Lorain County, Ohio, 1818, daughter of James and Polly (Knapp) Desbrow, of that township. She died Aug. 6, 1854. Second, February, 1855, NANCY GRIMES, born in Moon township, Alleghany County, Penn., daughter of John and Nancy (Macdonough) Grimes, of that place.

He is a tiller of the soil, and lives in Butler township, county of Richland, Ohio. Both of his children were born there.

Children, by first wife, Rachel:

1399. Elizabeth G.,<sup>9</sup> b. July 29, 1854.

By second wife, Nancy:

1400. George M.,<sup>9</sup> b. Sept. 12, 1857.



## 1036.

**JAMES MONROE RICHARDSON**<sup>2</sup> (*Josiah*<sup>1</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>2</sup>, *Jonathan*<sup>3</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>4</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>5</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>6</sup>, *Ezekiel*<sup>7</sup>), half-brother of the preceding, and son of Josiah<sup>1</sup> and Ann (Davis) Richardson, of Weston, Vt.; born there, June 29, 1819; married, July 9, 1849, **MARLA L. GRIMES**, born in the township of Milton, county of Ashland, Ohio, 1825. She was the daughter of John and Nancy (Macdonough) Grimes, and sister of the second wife of Neison Richardson, already mentioned. She died of consumption, Sept. 6, 1857, aged 32.

He was a farmer in Litchfield, Medina County, Ohio, till 1852; since then in Butler township, Richland County, Ohio.

## Children, born in Litchfield, Ohio:

1401. Vienna Cynthia,<sup>9</sup> b. May 23, 1850.  
1402. Artemas Clark,<sup>9</sup> b. Nov. 22, 1851.

## Born in Butler township, Ohio:

1403. Emma,<sup>9</sup> b. Sept. 12, 1853.  
1404. Charles Andrew,<sup>9</sup> b. Dec. 3, 1853.

## 1037.

**ISAAC WALLACE RICHARDSON**<sup>2</sup> (*Josiah*<sup>1</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>2</sup>, *Jonathan*<sup>3</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>4</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>5</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>6</sup>, *Ezekiel*<sup>7</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Weston, Vt., July 21, 1821; married, in Medina, Ohio, March 4, 1847, **JANE R. POINT**, born in Bath, Summit County, Ohio, Nov. 7, 1818, daughter of David and Hannah (Dunbar) Point, of Medina, Ohio.

He is a mechanic, and has resided in various places, as Sharon, Medina, and Granger, all in Medina County, Ohio.

## Children:

1405. Eliza A.,<sup>9</sup> b. in Sharon, Ohio, April 19, 1848.  
1406. Helen B.,<sup>9</sup> b. in Medina, Ohio, March 25, 1833.

## 1038.

**JOSIAH RICHARDSON**<sup>2</sup> (*Josiah*<sup>1</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>2</sup>, *Jonathan*<sup>3</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>4</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>5</sup>, *Josiah*<sup>6</sup>, *Ezekiel*<sup>7</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Weston, Vt., April 3, 1823; married, at La Grange, Lorain County, Ohio, Dec. 5, 1844, **ELMIRA CRANE**, who was born in the town of Cobleskill, Schoharie County, N. Y., Aug. 9, 1829, daughter of Charles A. and Lydia (Fuller) Crane. At the time of marriage she was living in La Grange.

His occupation is agriculture. He has resided in Grafton, Lorain County, Perry, Wood County, and Fostoria, Seneca County, all in Ohio.



## Children :

1407. Melissa J.,<sup>9</sup> b. in Grafton, Ohio, Feb. 20, 1846; d. March 10, 1848.  
 1408. Orin S.,<sup>9</sup> b. in Grafton, Ohio, Nov. 28, 1848; d. of measles, at Huntsville, Ala., March 25, 1865, aged 18.  
 1409. Ann Adelle,<sup>9</sup> b. in Perry, Ohio, June 5, 1861.  
 1410. Ella May,<sup>9</sup> b. in Fostoria, Ohio, May 13, 1865; d. July 13, 1865.  
 1411. Herbert O.,<sup>9</sup> b. in Perry, Ohio, Oct. 20, 1878.

## 1042.

SETH STAPLES RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Asa,<sup>7</sup> Josiah,<sup>8</sup> Jonathan,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Asa<sup>7</sup> and Jane (Staples) Richardson, of Grafton, Lorain County, Ohio; born in Kingfield, Franklin County, Me., Oct. 31, 1826; married, first, April 22, 1858, EMILY TAYLOR, born Aug. 3, 1835, daughter of William and Isabel (Getchel) Taylor. She died of consumption, in ———, Wood County, Ohio, April 7, 1857, aged 21 years, 8 months. Second, MARY McEWEN, born in ———, Ohio, May 8, 1839, daughter of Samuel and Eliza Ann (Regan) McEwen.

He is a farmer, and resides in Fremont, Isabella County, Mich.

## Children, all by second wife :

1412. Charles H.,<sup>9</sup> b. Nov. 10, 1861.  
 1413. Eliza J.,<sup>9</sup> b. Dec. 28, 1863.  
 1414. Emma B.,<sup>9</sup> b. 186—.  
 1415. George W.,<sup>9</sup> b. Aug. 3, 1868.  
 1416. Mary Lewis,<sup>9</sup> b. Dec. 11, 1870.

## 1044.

FIDELIA RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Asa,<sup>7</sup> Josiah,<sup>8</sup> Jonathan,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in ———, Franklin County, Me., May 18, 1831; married, first, in Monroe, Mich., May 28, 1861, JOHN EDGAR, born in Cannonsburg, Penn., April 21, 1815, son of William Edgar, of that place. He died Nov. 9, 1865. Second, Dec. 18, 1872, in Weston, Wood County, Ohio, PHINEAS ALLYN, born in Barkhamstead, Ct., Sept. 29, 1829, son of Matthew and Clara (Merrill) Allyn, of that place.

She lived in Franklin County, Me., till 1850, then being nineteen years old, when she removed with her parents to Grafton, Lorain County, Ohio. At the age of thirty, she married John Edgar, as already mentioned. They lived together very happily four years and a half, when at the date above given, Nov. 9, 1865, he was killed by the fall of a tree, and she was left a sorrowing woman. This took place in Jackson, Wood County, Ohio. He was a farmer, and she had the estate to settle; but as she could not manage the farm, she moved into the village, and engaged in dress-making, having previously learned the trade. Her little son, John Charles Fremont Edgar, born Dec. 4, 1862, was a great comfort to her.

With her present husband, Phineas<sup>8</sup> Allyn, she now, 1873, lives in Traverse City, Mich. In a letter, dated Nov. 2, 1873, she says



they have a model berry farm. That year they made two tons of red raspberry jam for one firm in Chicago, and think they can make double that quantity the following year. She also says, in reference to her second marriage: "I feared I was becoming selfish. I thought I ought to be doing more good, and knew of no better way than in becoming a mother to those motherless children of Mr. Allyn. They are good children, and as devoted to me as they could be to an own mother. My husband, too, is all I could wish. His history is very interesting."

## 1045.

SILAS BARNARD RICHARDSON<sup>8</sup> (*Asa*,<sup>7</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>6</sup> *Jonathan*,<sup>5</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding, and son of Asa and Jane (Staples) Richardson; born in —, Franklin County, Me., July 18, 1833; married in —, Wood County, Ohio, Feb. 23, 1860, CATHARINE HESS, born in Columbiana, Columbiana County, Ohio, Feb. 28, 1842, daughter of Henry and Sarah Hess; married on her birth-day.

He is a tiller of the soil, and resides in Fremont, Isabella County, Mich.

## Children:

- 1417. Henry A.,<sup>9</sup> b. April 23, 1862.
- 1418. Sarah J.,<sup>9</sup> b. Nov. 10, 1864.
- 1419. John W.,<sup>9</sup> b. April 9, 1867.
- 1420. Silas Barnard,<sup>9</sup> b. Nov. 10, 1869.

## 1060.

ARTEMAS CLARK RICHARDSON<sup>8</sup> (*Artemas P.*,<sup>7</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>6</sup> *Jonathan*,<sup>5</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), eldest son of Artemas Powers Richardson, of Weston, county of Windsor, Vt.; born May 11, 1825; married, first, in Stow, Mass., Dec. 16, 1852, CELESTIA WRIGHT PEASE, born in Weston, Vt., Jan. 31, 1831, daughter of Alpheus and Lucy (Foster) Pease, of said Weston. Second, at Somerville, Mass., March 23, 1874, EMMA MELVINA TUTTLE, born in Peru, Vt., Nov. 28, 1850, daughter of Ebenezer Holt and Hannah (Felton) Tuttle.

At the birth of his two eldest children, he lived in Boston. In 1861, and afterwards, in Somerville, near Boston. The first wife died of rheumatic fever, at Somerville, March 16, 1871, aged 40.

He is a member of the firm of Page, Fifield & Co., largely engaged in the transportation of goods in Boston, and has acquired a handsome property in that business.

## Children, born in Boston:

- 1421. William Clark,<sup>9</sup> b. April 23, 1855.
- 1422. Mary Celestia,<sup>9</sup> b. July 10, 1859; d. of scarlet fever, in Somerville, June 14, 1861.

## Born in Somerville:

- 1423. Nellie May,<sup>9</sup> b. Jan. 5, 1864.
- 1424. Hattie Edith,<sup>9</sup> b. Feb. 1, 1870.





## 1061.

NANCY MARIA RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Artemas P.,<sup>7</sup> Josiah,<sup>8</sup> Jonathan,<sup>9</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding, and eldest daughter of Artemas Powers Richardson<sup>7</sup>; born in Weston, Vt., April 24, 1827; married WILLIAM WALLACE MANNING, Nov. 25, 1847. She died in Weston, Vt., Sept. 2, 1873.

## Children:

1425. Fannie Maria (Manning), b. in Weston, July 11, 1848; m. Frank Shattuck.  
1426. William Henry (Manning), b. in Boston, Dec. 19, 1863; unm. 1878.

## 1064.

MARY ANN RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Artemas P.,<sup>7</sup> Josiah,<sup>8</sup> Jonathan,<sup>9</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Weston, Vt., Sept. 19, 1833; married, July 15, 1856, SAMUEL WARD HOLT, born in Landgrove, Bennington County, but adjacent to Weston, in Windsor County, Vt., Oct. 23, 1827, son of Reuben and Sybil (Piper) Holt.

He now resides in Somerville, Mass., near Boston; is one of the firm of Page, Fifield & Co., already mentioned as heavy truckmen and largely engaged in the moving of goods in Boston, and has in that business acquired a handsome property.

## Children, born in Boston:

1427. Charles Lewis (Holt), b. June 5, 1861.

## Born in Somerville, Mass.:

1428. Mary Inez (Holt), b. May 18, 1868.  
1429. Arthur Clark (Holt), b. Aug. 18, 1868.

## 1065.

LUCIA CYNTHIA RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Artemas P.,<sup>7</sup> Josiah,<sup>8</sup> Jonathan,<sup>9</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Weston, Vt., Dec. 18, 1840; married March 21, 1863, ORZANDO DAVIS, son of Isaac and Louisa M. (Farnum) Davis. They reside in Somerville, Mass.

## Children, born in Somerville:

1430. Charles (Davis), } twins, born }  
1431. William (Davis), } Feb. 20, 1869. } Both d. on the day of birth.  
1432. Lucia Edith (Davis), b. July 22, 1873.

## 1067.

SARAH AUGUSTA RICHARDSON<sup>6</sup> (*Leland,<sup>7</sup> Josiah,<sup>8</sup> Jonathan,<sup>9</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>5</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest daughter of Leland<sup>7</sup> and Cynthia (Piper) Richardson, of Weston, Windsor County, Vt.; born on Portland Street, Boston, Nov. 24, 1831; married,



April 4, 1850, EDWARD IRVING DALE, born in said Weston, Aug. 4, 1827, son of Joshua and Hannah (Phelps) Dale, of that place.

When he was of suitable age, he worked on his father's farm, which was said to be as good as any farm in the town. At the age of twenty-one, he came to Boston, and entered the employ of Richardson, Presby & Co., teamsters, and afterwards of Page, Hart & Co., in the same business. Afterwards, he was in the employ of J. W. Blodgett & Co., dry goods jobbers, remaining but a short time in either situation, not liking the business. He next went as porter, shipper, etc., into the store of Ball & Brigham, boot and shoe jobbers, at the corner of Kilby and Central Streets. This was in July, 1850. Ever since that time, he has been intimately engaged in the boot and shoe trade in Boston, and is now a partner in the enterprising firm of Rising, Dale & Co., manufacturers and wholesale dealers in boots and shoes, No. 61 High Street, Boston, April, 1875.

To this gentleman the compiler and readers of this work are under great obligation for ample information collected by him, with uncommon industry, sound judgment, and pains-taking, respecting his wife's branch of the Richardson family.

Children, all born in Boston:

1433. Addie Marietta (Dale), b. Feb. 5, 1851; d. of rheumatism of the heart, March 7, 1867.  
 1434. Charles Edward Irving (Dale), b. Dec. 10, 1852; unm. 1875.  
 1435. Harrie Walter (Dale), b. May 21, 1862.  
 1436. Herbert Leland (Dale), b. Aug. 7, 1868; d. of marasmus, Jan. 24, 1870.  
 1437. George Richardson (Dale), b. June 22, 1871.

1068.

CYNTHIA VIENNA RICHARDSON<sup>3</sup> (*Leland*,<sup>7</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>6</sup> *Jonathan*,<sup>5</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), sister of the preceding; born in Weston, Vt., May 31, 1834; married, Dec. 6, 1855, ALVIN A. ADAMS, born in Andover, Vt., adjoining Weston, July 21, 1832, son of Jerry and Dorcas (Austin) Adams, and nephew of Alvin Adams, of the Adams Express Company.

He was brought up as a farmer. Soon after attaining his majority he came to Boston. He is now, 1875, and for many years has been, one of the well-known firm of Holt, Steadman & Co., large teamsters in Boston. Outside of this business, he owns considerable property, including several dwelling houses, one of which, No. 180, West Canton Street, Boston, has been occupied some years by himself and his family.

Children, born in Boston:

1438. Josephine (Adams), b. Oct. 20, 1850.  
 Sixteen years elapsed before another child was born, which  
 was on  
 1439. Feb. 11, 1875.



## 1069.

CHARLES LELAND RICHARDSON<sup>8</sup> (*Leland*,<sup>7</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>6</sup> *Jonathan*,<sup>5</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Weston, Vt., June 26, 1836; married, April 11, 1861, GEORGINA BLASLAND, born in Boston, June 2, 1838, daughter of Samuel Adams and Sarah Wood (Chaney) Blasland.

When of age, he came to Boston, and after a few years, went to Winona, Minnesota, and set up business as a merchant tailor. Not succeeding to his mind, he returned to Boston, and after a short time went into the grocery business on Lincoln Street, in the firm of B. S. McIntosh & Co. In a few years McIntosh died, and Mr. Richardson has since, on the same location, and in his own name, carried on a successful and increasing business. He is said to be a clear-headed, energetic business man.

## Children :

1440. Charles Frederic,<sup>9</sup> b. in Boston, Feb. 14, 1863; d. of typhoid fever, Sept. 20, 1870.  
 1441. Samuel Irving,<sup>9</sup> b. in Dorchester, Nov. 27, 1864.  
 1442. Arthur Greene,<sup>9</sup> b. in Boston, Nov. 2, 1870; d. of canker, April 23, 1872.

## 1070.

FRANCELIA ALMY RICHARDSON<sup>8</sup> (*Leland*,<sup>7</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>6</sup> *Jonathan*,<sup>5</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), sister of the preceding; born in Weston, Vt., July 2, 1838; married, May 10, 1860, SAMUEL MORRISON WRIGHT, born in Tuftonborough, N. H., Dec. 19, 1837, son of Daniel Twitchell and Hannah (Morrison) Wright.

His father is a partner in the firm of Holt & Wright, teamsters, Boston, and he carries on his father's part of the business. He lives in Somerville, near Boston.

## Children, born in Somerville :

1443. Frederic Irving (Wright), b. March 10, 1863.  
 1444. George Alvin (Wright), b. April 3, 1869.

## 1103.

PRESCOTT VARNUM RICHARDSON<sup>8</sup> (*Samuel*,<sup>7</sup> *Samuel*,<sup>6</sup> *David*,<sup>5</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), son of Samuel<sup>7</sup> and Hannah (Varnum) Richardson, of Dracut; born there, May 8, 1825; married, at San Francisco, California, Feb. 24, 1853, RACHEL BRIGGS DARRAH; born in Peru, N. Y., Nov. 6, 1828.

They live in San Francisco, California. He is a farmer.

## Children, all born in San Francisco :

1445. Charlotte,<sup>9</sup> b. Nov. 24, 1855; d. Dec. 8, 1855, aged 15 days.  
 1446. Cyrus Irvin,<sup>9</sup> b. Dec. 11, 1856; d. Sept. 4, 1857, aged 9 months.  
 1447. Edwin Forrest,<sup>9</sup> b. Jan. 6, 1858; d. at Burlington, Vt., Feb. 28, 1863.  
 1448. Isabel Louisa,<sup>9</sup> b. May 3, 1859.  
 1449. Harry Davis,<sup>9</sup> b. Jan. 9, 1861; d. at Burlington, Vt., March 11, 1865.  
 1450. John McGregor,<sup>9</sup> b. May 11, 1866.



## 1105.

ANDREW RICHARDSON<sup>5</sup> (*Samuel,<sup>1</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> David,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Dracut, July 10, 1880; married, in Powhatan, county of Belmont, Ohio, April 20, 1856, MARTHA J. MARTIN, born in Belmont County, Ohio, Aug. 8, 1839. They reside in Belair, Belmont County, Ohio.

Children, born in Belair:

- 1451. Emeline H.<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 15, 1837; d. March 16, 1861.
- 1452. George Frank.<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 2, 1850.
- 1453. Mary A.<sup>6</sup> b. June 22, 1860.
- 1454. Cyrus Sheldon.<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 8, 1863.
- 1455. Jennie May.<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 3, 1865.
- 1456. Martha Jane.<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 6, 1870.

## 1116.

REV. CYRUS RICHARDSON<sup>5</sup> (*Samuel,<sup>1</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> David,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; youngest child of Samuel and Hannah (Varnum) Richardson, of Dracut; born there, March 30, 1840; married ANNIE DEARBORN, of Plymouth, N. H., Jan. 18, 1871.

He entered Dartmouth College in 1860; graduated there in 1864; then taught school two years in Cincinnati. In 1866, he entered the Theological Seminary at Andover, where he graduated, 1869. In September, 1869, he was ordained pastor of the Congregational Church in Plymouth, N. H. He was dismissed from that charge, April 1, 1872. He was installed pastor of the First Congregational church in Keene, N. H., July 10, 1873, and still remains its pastor, September, 1875.

They have but one child:

- 1457. Walter Dearborn.<sup>6</sup> b. July 10, 1872.

## 1117.

MILTON FOX (*Fanny Richardson,<sup>1</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> David,<sup>3</sup> Josiah,<sup>4</sup> Josiah,<sup>2</sup> Josiah,<sup>3</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Lieut. Nathaniel and Fanny (Richardson) Fox, of Dracut; born there, April 15, 1820; married SARAH WOOD.

He is a farmer in Dracut. He owns the old homestead of the Richardsons in that town. His farm is one of the largest and most productive in the State. In 1874, he employed sixty men on his farm. He raises large quantities of farm produce, especial-





ly hay. He is not a church member, but attends church, and does his part in meeting the expenses of public worship.

## Children:

- 1458. Frederic Albert (Fox).
  - 1459. Ella Frances (Fox).
  - 1460. Fanny Matilda (Fox).
  - 1461. Corinna Augusta (Fox).
  - 1462. Alice Louisa (Fox).
- All living in Dracut, 1874.

## 1154.

CHARLES DANA RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Dana*,<sup>1</sup> *Samuel*,<sup>6</sup> *David*,<sup>5</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>3</sup> *Josiah*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), son of Deacon Dana<sup>1</sup> and Emily (Swett) Richardson; born in Dracut, Oct. 4, 1841; married, at Sanbornton, N. H., Sept. 11, 1867, SARAH T. WHITTIER, of Sanbornton. He is a farmer, and lives at Palmyra, Nebraska.

## Children:

- 1463. Lilla Gertrude,<sup>9</sup> b. July 26, 1868.
- 1464. Fanny May,<sup>9</sup> b. Feb. 17, 1870.
- 1465. Elizabeth,<sup>9</sup> b. August, 1873; d. November, 1873.

## 1279.

PHILENDA RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Thomas*,<sup>1</sup> *Abijah*,<sup>6</sup> *Thomas*,<sup>5</sup> *James*,<sup>4</sup> *Thomas*,<sup>3</sup> *James*,<sup>2</sup> *Ezekiel*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Thomas<sup>1</sup> and Philenda (Wright) Richardson, of Westford, Mass.; born there, March 21, 1818; married GEORGE ROBERT MOORE, Dec. 31, 1846.

He was born in Gardiner, Me., in 1817, son of John and Myra Moore. He was originally a wheelwright by trade. He and his brother are manufacturers of worsted goods in the village of Brookside, in the northeast part of Westford, near the line which divides that town from Chelmsford.

## Children:

- 1466. George Clifford (Moore), b. March 27, 1848; m. Ella G. Gilchrist, of Lowell, March 27, 1872. He is a manufacturer at North Chelmsford, but resides in Lowell.
- 1467. Edward (Moore), b. Jan. 20, 1852. He is a book-keeper for his brother.
- 1468. Mary Ellen (Moore), b. May 24, 1855; at school, March, 1874.



## 1291.

ELIZABETH CAROLINE RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*John D.,<sup>1</sup> Benjamin,<sup>2</sup> Benjamin,<sup>3</sup> Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>5</sup> James,<sup>6</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of John Drew<sup>1</sup> and Elizabeth (Maynard) Richardson; born in Boston, April 29, 1840; married, in Boston, Sept. 27, 1866, FRANCIS EVERETT BLAKE, born in Princeton, Mass., Aug. 3, 1839, son of Pynson and Sarah (Dana) Blake, afterwards of Boston.

He has passed his life chiefly in Boston; enjoyed the advantages of its schools, and received a Franklin medal in 1852. He is an expert accountant, in the large paper warehouse of George W. Wheelwright & Son, in whose employ he has been twenty years. He is fond of genealogical inquiry, and has furnished for this volume the material which refers to the family of John Drew Richardson, his father-in-law. He is an active member of the South Baptist Church, Boston, and has been superintendent of its Sabbath School seven years. He resides in South Boston.\*

## 1292.

JOHN DREW RICHARDSON<sup>1</sup> (*John D.,<sup>1</sup> Benjamin,<sup>2</sup> Benjamin,<sup>3</sup> Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>5</sup> James,<sup>6</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Boston, July 18, 1843; married, in Boston, April 3, 1867, SARAH E. VAN NOSTRAND, born Feb. 2, 1847, daughter of William T. and Mehitabel Van Nostrand.

In the war for the Union he enlisted, July 16, 1861, in the Thirteenth Regiment of Massachusetts Volunteers; took part in several of the great battles in Virginia, in the summer of 1862,

\*He is descended from WILLIAM BLAKE,<sup>1</sup> who was born in England, 1534; married Agnes —; came from England, May, 1630; settled in Dorchester, and was admitted freeman, March 14, 1633-9; town clerk and clerk of the writs eight years; died 1663. His son, James Blake,<sup>2</sup> of Dorchester, was born in England, 1623; freeman, May 26, 1632; selectman, deacon, etc. His grandson, James Blake,<sup>3</sup> of Dorchester, was freeman, May 23, 1677. Following him was a fourth and fifth James, all of Dorchester, and all in the line of ancestry of the subject of this notice. James Blake,<sup>4</sup> born Oct. 13, 1716, married Mary Pinson, May 1, 1739; was a noted land surveyor, made an actual survey of the then extensive town of Dorchester; wrote the invaluable "Annals of Dorchester;" was assessor, selectman, and town treasurer of Dorchester from 1724 to 1748, inclusive, twenty-four years; left many surveys, yet in existence, and of the highest authority in courts of law; and left in records alone upwards of one thousand folio pages; and died Dec. 4, 1750. Mary Pinson, his wife, born March 7, 1719, died June 1, 1800, was a descendant from Thomas Pinson, who took the oath of fidelity at Scituate, 1638. [Deane's Hist. of Scituate. N. E. Hist. and General. Reg., vi. 372.]

The son of James<sup>4</sup> and Mary (Pinson) Blake, was James Blake,<sup>5</sup> born in Boston, Feb. 15, 1740. He was father of Pynson Blake,<sup>6</sup> born Oct. 16, 1796; who lived a while in Princeton, Mass., and died in Boston, Jan. 7, 1862, and was the father of Francis E. Blake in the text, and his twin-brother, Frederic Dana Blake, who graduated, Waterville College, 1861, a clergyman.

The compiler had the pleasure of a personal acquaintance with Mr. Pynson Blake, while living in South Boston, and highly appreciated his character.



as in that of Cedar Mountain, Aug. 7th, Rappahannock Station, Aug. 18th, Thoroughfare Gap, a day or two later, and in the second battle of Bull Run, Aug. 29th, the last a very severe contest, when the Union army lost not less than six thousand men, killed and wounded, while the rebel loss was much greater. In this battle he was wounded, and obliged to obtain a discharge, which was granted Sept. 17, 1862. He resides in South Boston.

## Children :

1469. Grace Treadwell,<sup>9</sup> b. Dec. 26, 1867.  
 1470. Ellis Souther,<sup>9</sup> b. Nov. 13, 1872; d. Jan. 17, 1874.  
 1471. Lizzie Maynard,<sup>9</sup> b. April 16, 1875.

## 1293.

ANTIPAS MAYNARD RICHARDSON<sup>8</sup> (*John D.,<sup>7</sup> Benjamin,<sup>6</sup> Benjamin,<sup>5</sup> Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Thomas,<sup>3</sup> James,<sup>2</sup> Ezekiel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Boston, Sept. 22, 1844; married, in Boston, April 28, 1870, ELLEN A. BRAGDON, born in Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 24, 1845, daughter of Oren and Ann H. W. Bragdon.

In the war for the Union, he enlisted, Aug. 30, 1862, in the Thirtieth Regiment of Massachusetts Volunteers. He was engaged with his regiment, in the great battles of Antietam, Sept. 17, 1862; of Fredericksburg, Dec. 13, 1862; of Chancellorsville, May 2, 1863; of Gettysburg, July 1, 2, and 3, 1863; of the Wilderness, May 6, 1864; of Spottsylvania, May 8, 1864; of North Anna, May 24, 1864; of Coal Harbor, June 3, 1864; of Petersburg, June 15, 1864.

He was honorably discharged and mustered out, Aug. 1, 1864. He resides at Neponset, newly annexed to Boston.

## Children :

1472. Helena Maynard,<sup>9</sup> b. in Boston proper, Sept. 10, 1871.  
 1473. Edith Alice,<sup>9</sup> b. at Neponset, March 19, 1873.

The following unarranged marriages are supposed to have been of descendants of Ezekiel Richardson. This, however, is by no means certain in the case of any individual, though of most of the Richardsons in this list it is presumed. The list is compiled from records of Pelham, N. H.

1474. June 1, 1751, Amos Richardson and Sarah Wyman.  
 1475. Jan. 23, 1750, Amos Richardson and Mary Howard.  
 1476. Jan. 22, 1755, Samuel Hutchinson and Susanna Richardson.  
 1477. Oct. 18, 1758, Jacob Fletcher and Mercy Richardson.  
 1478. Aug. 2, 1770, Benjamin Gage and Sarah Richardson.  
 1479. Dec. 24, 1772, John Marsh and Sarah Richardson.  
 1480. Jan. 11, 1774, John Richardson and Margaret Gage.  
 1481. Jan. 18, 1787, Jesse Wyman and Hannah Richardson.



1482. June 30, 1790, Asa Richardson and Sarah Burnham.  
 1483. Feb. 17, 1791, Caleb Richardson and Dorcas Carlton.  
 1484. March 20, 1794, Zachariah Richardson and Hannah Ellenwood.  
 1485. Feb. 2, 1799, John Richardson and Eda Richardson.  
 1486. Dec. 16, 1799, Thomas Richardson and Sarah Wilson.  
 1487. September, 1803, Ezekiel Richardson and Mary Doty.  
 1488. July 2, 1807, William Reed Lyon and Mary Richardson.  
 1489. June 3, 1813, Daniel Gage and Abiah Richardson.  
 1490. Feb. 11, 1817, William Barker and Lucretia Richardson.  
 1491. March 20, 1821, Abijah Richardson and Elsey Carlton.  
 1492. Nov. 28, 1824, Nathaniel Richardson and Hannah Titcomb.  
 1493. Dec. 30, 1824, Oliver Morse and Survinah Richardson.  
 1494. June 23, 1825, John Smith, of Canaan, and Betsey Richardson, of Chester, N. H.  
 1495. Sept. 1, 1825, William Harvey and Ruby Richardson.  
 1496. Sept. 20, 1829, Nathan Richardson and Mary G. Johnson.  
 1497. Oct. 14, 1830, James H. Currier and Dorothy Richardson.  
 1498. Oct. 3, 1833, Stephen Richardson, jr., and Lydia Gilchrist.  
 1499. March 22, 1838, Joshua P. Hill and Miriam Richardson.  
 1500. May 10, 1838, Luther Coburn and Hannah Richardson.  
 1501. May 3, 1841, Andrew Tallant and Betsey J. Richardson.  
 1502. April 10, 1842, Nathan Richardson and Bethiah Johnson.  
 1503. March 10, 1844, Josiah Coburn and Melinda Richardson, of Dracut.  
 1504. Nov. 25, 1847, Benjamin Atwood, of Newbury, Vt., and Judith Richardson.

## From Dracut Records.

1505. William Atwood Clough and Lydia Richardson, both of Dracut, Dec. 1, 1814.  
 1506. Aaron Clark, of Methuen, and Susanna Richardson, of Dracut, Dec. 11, 1817.  
 1507. John Cole, of Chelmsford, and Polly Richardson, of Dracut, published Jan. 2, 1795.  
 1508. Isaac Coburn and Sarah Richardson, both of Dracut, published Nov. 28, 1793.  
 1509. Josiah French and Hannah Richardson, of Dracut, Oct. 27, 1793.  
 1510. William Foster, jr., and Sophia Richardson, of Dracut, published Nov. 13, 1817.  
 1511. Henry Goodhue and Bridget Richardson, of Dracut, published Oct. 17, 1755.  
 1512. Howard Herrick, of Lewiston, and Elizabeth Richardson, of Dracut, published Dec. 7, 1798.  
 1513. Eli Hamlet and Polly Richardson, of Dracut, April 2, 1804.  
 1514. Samuel Richardson, 3d, of Methuen, and Abigail Mansur, published July 30, 1807.  
 1515. Mired Richardson and Polly Varnum, published Aug. 14, 1815.  
 1516. Asa Richardson, of Pelham, and Abigail Mansur, April 24, 1822.  
 1517. Samuel Richardson, of Methuen, and widow Dolly Jones, Feb. 10, 1822.  
 1518. John C. Richardson, of Methuen, and Mehitable Bailey, Nov. 26, 1812.  
 1519. Nathan Richardson and Olive R. Harvey, published March 14, 1818.  
 1520. Hiram Wood and Elizabeth Richardson, published Aug. 5, 1799.  
 1521. Micajah Wood and Rachel Richardson, published June 17, 1815.  
 1522. William Dane and Lois Richardson, of Methuen, published Aug. 24, 1810.  
 1523. Osgood Dane and Mary Richardson, of Methuen, published March 28, 1812.





## From Nashua Records.

1524. Zachariah Hunt and widow Abigail Richardson, both of Dunstable, May 3, 1814.  
1525. Alpha Richardson and Cynthia Moore, both of Nashua, Sept. 13, 1818.

## From Records of Dunstable, Mass.

1526. Daniel Richardson married Rachel Lawrence, of Groton. He was living in April, 1874. She died Dec. 5, 1860. Their children were:  
1527. *Almira*, b. July 13, 1829.  
1528. *Lucy A.*, b. Feb. 12, 1832; d. July 27, 1856.  
1529. *Emeline*, b. Dec. 27, 1839; d. Aug. 1, 1863.  
1530. *Charles H.*, b. Nov. 23, 1841; d. March 31, 1865.  
1531. *Ellen E.*, b. Feb. 23, 1845; d. Oct. 22, 1866.  
1532. *Francis E.*, b. Dec. 23, 1846; d. Sept. 16, 1849.

## From Records of Pelham, N. H.

## Children of Thomas and Caroline Richardson:

1533. Thomas O., b. Nov. 23, 1853.  
1534. Albert H., b. May 4, 1855.



## POSTERITY OF SAMUEL RICHARDSON.

*First Generation.*

1551.

SAMUEL RICHARDSON,<sup>1</sup> the second of the three brothers of that name who united in the settlement of Woburn, was born in England, not far from the year 1610. We do not know in what year he came to this country. Possibly he came with his elder brother, Ezekiel, in 1630, though this is not at all probable. A list of fifty-eight men, inhabitants of Charlestown, dated Jan. 9, 1633-4, is found on the records of that town. Among them is the name of Ezekiel Richardson, but not of Samuel or of Thomas, his brothers. A similar list was made out, January, 1635-6, in which Ezekiel appears, but neither of his brothers. The first notice we find of Samuel is dated July 1, 1636, when he and his brother, Thomas Richardson, with others, were on a committee to lay out lots of land for hay. In 1637, the names of Samuel and Thomas Richardson first appear in a list of inhabitants of Charlestown. The same year the town of Charlestown granted to each of them a "house-plot," clearly indicating that they had recently become residents in the place. These two brothers were admitted members of the church there, Feb. 18, 1637-8, in consequence of which they were made freemen of the colony, May 2, 1638. Samuel was chosen surveyor of the highways, March 17, 1636-7.

Putting all these things together, it amounts to a certainty, that while Ezekiel arrived in June or July, 1630, his younger brothers did not come till 1636. Ezekiel may have been twenty-five or thirty on his coming. Samuel was probably four or five years younger.

The three brothers had lots assigned them, April 20, 1638, on "Misticke side and above the Ponds," that is, in Malden, and their names, among others, appear as persons having the privilege of pasturing cows upon the Common, Dec. 30, 1638.

On the 5th of November, 1640, the three brothers and four others, Edward Convers, Edward Johnson, John Mousall, and Thomas Graves, were chosen by the church of Charlestown as commissioners or agents for the settlement of a church and town, within what were then the limits of Charlestown, but soon after erected into a separate town, and called WOBURN. That whole territory was then a wide, uncultivated waste. In the February following, the commissioners built a bridge over the Aberjona



River, as the Mystic River is called, north of Mystic Pond. This bridge was known in after times as Convers' Bridge, from Edward Convers, the proprietor of the adjacent mill. He lived in the immediate vicinity, in the first house built in Woburn. His descendants lived there, or in that vicinity, and the entire locality is now in the heart of the town of Winchester.

When the church was constituted in Woburn, Aug. 14, 1642, O. S., Samuel Richardson and his two brothers, with John Mousall, Edward Johnson, Edward Convers, and William Learned, solemnly stood forth, as the nucleus around which the church was to be gathered.

The three brothers lived near to each other, on the same street, which has ever since been known as "Richardson's Row." It was by the town laid out as a street in 1647, and the three Richardsons are in the town book represented as then living upon it. It runs almost due north and south, in the north-eastern part of the present town of Winchester, but a short distance east of the Boston and Lowell Railroad, and now constitutes a part of Washington Street, in the town last named. The three brothers lived near the present line of Woburn. Cellar holes are still pointed out to designate the sites of their houses. Samuel lived near the present abode of his descendant, Luther Richardson, now living, but a short distance north from the present village of Winchester.

That Ezekiel, Samuel, and Thomas Richardson were brothers appears from the will of Ezekiel Richardson, in which he "discharges all demands between his brother Samuel Richardson and himself, and gives to Thomas Richardson, son of his brother Thomas, ten shillings." It also appears from a quitclaim deed of forty acres of land, from Samuel Richardson, dated March 27, 1657, to "my sister Susanna Richardson, now Brooks, during her life-time, and then to my cousin [*i. e.*, nephew], Theophilus Richardson" [Midd. Deeds, ii. 72], and moreover from the boundaries of said forty acres, which are "south by Samuel Richardson, north by Thomas Richardson, our brother," etc. [Midd. Deeds, ii. 154.] This deed further determines the relative position of the houses and farms of the three brothers, that Samuel lived nearest to the present village of Winchester, Thomas on the north, near Woburn line, and Ezekiel midway between them.\*

Samuel Richardson was selectman of Woburn in 1644, 1645, 1646, 1649, 1650, and 1651. In 1645, he paid the highest tax of any man in Woburn; Capt. Edward Johnson the next.

\* "The Richardsons," says Rev. Mr. Sewall, in his History, "have always been the most numerous family in Woburn. On the province tax list for both parishes [the second parish is now Burlington] in 1709, out of 330 resident males taxed, there were 42 Richardsons, 27 Wymans, 16 Keels, and 24 Johnsons, making 109 persons of those four names; a number, which, within a trifle is equal to one-third of all the males then taxed." Again, he says of the three brothers, Ezekiel, Samuel, and Thomas. "Their descendants, bearing the name of Richardson, long have been, and still are, more numerous than persons of any other name in Woburn, and among them have been found some of the most valued members of the church and citizens of the place." [Hist. of Woburn, pp. 71, 625, 636.]



His wife was JOANNA —. It should have been mentioned that she united with the church in Charlestown, on the 9th of the 7th month, or Sept. 9, 1639.

He died, intestate, March 23, 1658. The inventory is dated March 29, 1658. His widow Joanna and eldest son, John, were appointed administrators. [Midd. Prob. Rec., i. 142.] Lieut. John Wyman, of Woburn, was appointed guardian of his sons, John and Joseph, June 23, 1658.

The will of Joanna Richardson, widow of Samuel, is dated June 20, 1666. She probably died soon after, though the will was not proved till 1677. It is recorded Midd. Prob. Rec., iv. 122. She gives her real estate to her eldest son, John, and sons Joseph, Samuel, and Stephen, and her clothing to her daughter Elizabeth. She mentions Mary Mousall as her daughter.

The children of Samuel and Joanna Richardson, born in Charlestown, were:

- 1552. Mary,<sup>2</sup> bap. Feb. 25, 1637-8; m. Thomas Mousall,<sup>2</sup> son of Deacon John Mousall,<sup>1</sup> one of the founders of Woburn. They lived in Charlestown.
- +1553. John,<sup>2</sup> bap. Nov. 12, 1639; m. first, Elizabeth Bacon; second, Mary Pierson; third, Margaret Willing.

Born in Woburn:

- 1554. Hannah,<sup>2</sup> b. March 8, 1641-2; d. April 8, 1642.
- +1555. Joseph,<sup>2</sup> b. July 21, 1643; m. Hannah Green.
- +1556. Samuel,<sup>2</sup> b. May 22, 1640; m. first, Martha —; second, Hannah Kingsbury; third, Phebe Baldwin; fourth, Sarah Hayward.
- +1557. Stephen,<sup>2</sup> b. Aug. 15, 1640; m. Abigail Wyman.
- 1558. Thomas,<sup>2</sup> b. Dec. 31, 1651; d. Sept. 27, 1657.
- 1559. Elizabeth,<sup>2</sup> b. 165-; living 1666, at the date of her mother's will.

## Second Generation.

### 1553.

LIEUT. JOHN RICHARDSON,<sup>2</sup> eldest son of Samuel<sup>1</sup> and Joanna; baptized in Charlestown, Nov. 12, 1639, and doubtless born there; married, first, when short of nineteen years old, Oct. 22, 1658, ELIZABETH BACON, born Jan. 4, 1641-2, daughter of Michael Bacon, one of the original inhabitants of Woburn. Second, at Cambridge, Oct. 28, 1672,\* MARY PIERSON, daughter of Barthol-

\* Rev. Mr. Sewall, in his History of Woburn, p. 634, says that Lieut. John Richardson<sup>2</sup> married Mary Pierson Oct. 29, 1673, one year after the date in the text, and the Cambridge record gives the same date, which Mr. Sewall had evidently copied. The same error crept into Bond's Watertown Genealogies, p. 910. Mr. Sewall says also that their son Pierson was born Sept. 29, 1674. I follow the Woburn record and the transcript made by Mr. Sewall for the town. If Pierson was born "29 of 7th month, 1673," as on the Woburn record, his parents, if honest people, must have been married in 1672.





omew and Ursula Pierson, at that time of Woburn, but previously to 1652 of Watertown. Third, June 25, 1689, MARGARET WILLING, who died Oct. 28, 1726.

Michael Bacon was of Woburn, 1641; selectman, 1659, 1665, 1666, 1668, 1670. Bartholomew Pierson was of Watertown, 1640; freeman of the colony, 1648; removed to Woburn, 1652; selectman, 1665-6; died March 12, 1687.

John Richardson passed his life in Woburn; was a yeoman; constable, 1675; a soldier in "Philip's war," 1675-6; freeman, 1678; selectman, 1690 and 1692; died, intestate, Jan. 1, 1696-7, aged 58. [Gravestone.]

His children by first wife, Elizabeth, were:

- +1560. John,<sup>2</sup> b. Jan. 24, 1660-1; m. Susanna Davis.
- 1561. Joseph,<sup>2</sup> b. Jan. 3, 1666-7; d. Feb. 13, 1697-8. The town record of his death describes him as "a cripple."

By second wife, Mary:

- +1562. Pierson,<sup>2</sup> b. Sept. 22, 1673; m. Mary Perrin.
- +1563. Jacob,<sup>2</sup> b. Feb. 15, 1673-8; m. Hannah Couvers.
- 1564. William,<sup>2</sup> b. June 29, 1678; d. Aug. 1, 1678.

By third wife, Margaret:

- 1565. Willing,<sup>2</sup> b. Oct. 5, 1692; d. March 14, 1704, aged 11 years, 5 months. [Gravestone.]
- +1566. Job,<sup>2</sup> b. April 30, 1696; m. Sarah Cleveland.

### 1555.

JOSEPH RICHARDSON,<sup>1</sup> brother of the preceding, and second son of Samuel Richardson,<sup>1</sup> was born in Woburn, July 27, 1643; married, Nov. 5, 1666, HANNAH GREEN,<sup>2</sup> born about 1647, daughter of Thomas<sup>1</sup> and Elizabeth Green, of Malden.

Thomas Green, her father, was born in England, probably about 1606. He came to this country probably before 1640; lived in the north part of Malden, now the town of Melrose; was selectman in 1658, and died Dec. 19, 1667. For a further history of him and his numerous descendants, see the Green Family, in the VINTON MEMORIAL, by the compiler of this volume.

Joseph Richardson dwelt in Woburn; was admitted freeman of the colony, May 15, 1672, and was therefore a member of the church. He was one of Major Samuel Appleton's soldiers, and was engaged in the fierce assault on the Narraganset fort, Dec. 19, 1675. In that severe encounter six brave captains fell, and eighty privates were killed. He was a selectman of Woburn, 1693, 1694, and 1702.

He died in Woburn, March 5, 1717-18. His will is dated June 24, 1717; proved April 22, 1718; recorded Midd. Prob. Rec., xv. 143. He provides very carefully and liberally for his "well-beloved wife Hannah," and, among other things, that his son "Joseph shall find her a horse, and keep the same for her use, and



a man or himself to ride before her on Sabbath days, or where she shall have occasion to go, all during her natural life, if she remains my widow." He also mentions his five children, as in the sequel. His widow Hannah died May 20, 1721.

Their children, all born in Woburn, were:

- +1567. Hannah,<sup>2</sup> b. Oct. 22, 1637; m. Daniel Baldwin.
- +1568. Mary,<sup>2</sup> b. March 22, 1638-9; m. first, James Fowle; second, Samuel Walker.
- +1569. Elizabeth,<sup>2</sup> b. June 23, 1670; m. first, John Coggin; second, Jacob Wyman.
- +1570. Joseph,<sup>2</sup> b. May 19, 1672; m. Mary Blodget.
- +1571. Stephen,<sup>2</sup> b. Feb. 7, 1673-4; m. Bridget Richardson.

## 1556.

SAMUEL RICHARDSON,<sup>2</sup> brother of the preceding, and third son of Samuel<sup>1</sup> and Joanna Richardson; born in Woburn, May 22, 1646; married, first, MARTHA —. She died Dec. 20, 1673, the day of the birth of her daughter Martha. Second, Sept. 20, 1674, HANNAH KINGSLEY, perhaps daughter of Samuel Kingsley, of Billerica. She was slain, with her only child, scarce a week old, by the Indians, April 10, 1676. Third, Nov. 7, 1676, PHEBE BALDWIN, born Sept. 7, 1654, daughter of Dea. Henry Baldwin,<sup>1</sup> of Woburn, by his wife Phebe Richardson,<sup>2</sup> daughter of Ezekiel<sup>1</sup> and Susanna Richardson. She died Oct. 20, 1679, aged 25. Fourth, Sept. 8, 1680, SARAH HAYWARD, born 1655, daughter of Nathaniel Hayward, of Malden. She survived her husband, and died Oct. 14, 1717, aged 62. The name was sometimes pronounced and written *Howard*. She died about 1717, as her will has that date.

Samuel Richardson lived upon what has recently been called the Miller farm, on Richardson's Row, less than a mile north of the present village of Winchester. He was a soldier in "Philip's war," 1675. In the afternoon of April 10, 1676, he was employed in carting manure into his field, accompanied by his son Samuel, a boy between five and six years old. Looking toward his house, he was surprised at seeing feathers flying about it and other tokens of mischief within. He also heard the screams of his wife. Apprehending that Indians might be there, he hastened home with his gun, and there found two of his family murdered, viz, his wife Hannah, who had lately been confined, and his son Thomas, twin brother to him who had been with him in the field. On further search, it was found that the infant, only a week old, had been slain by the same ruthless hands. The nurse, it appeared, had snatched it up in her arms upon the alarm of danger, and was making her escape to a garrison house in the vicinity; but so closely was she pursued by the savages, that, finding she could not save herself and the babe too, she let the babe drop, and the Indians dispatched it at once. Mr. Richardson now rallied some of his neighbors, who went with him in pursuit of the



enemy. Following them some time, they espied three Indians sitting on a rock, fired at them, killed one, and drove the others away. [Sewall's Hist. of Woburn, p. 119.]

During this war, which lasted from June, 1675, to August, 1676, the whole country was in continual fear and alarm. No man was safe in his own dwelling. Asleep or awake, at home or abroad, they were in constant jeopardy. The movements of the Indians were secret and unobserved; they lurked about in small parties, often of only two or three, as in the instance just referred to, and came upon the people unawares. They concealed themselves behind fences, crept into barns and other out-houses; they lay in wait in the night before a man's door, ready to shoot him as soon as he appeared in the morning. No age or sex was spared. Twelve or thirteen towns in Massachusetts, Plymouth Colony, and Rhode Island were utterly destroyed, and the inhabitants slaughtered or driven away. Other towns were greatly damaged. About six hundred dwelling-houses were consumed by fire. About six hundred of the inhabitants, in great part the flower and strength of the land, either fell in battle or were ruthlessly murdered.\* Such a dark day, New England never saw before or since.

Samuel Richardson died April 29, 1712, aged 66. His will is dated Feb. 23, 1709-10; proved May 19, 1712; recorded Midd. Prob. Rec., xiii. 68. He mentions wife Sarah, eldest son Samuel, daughter Elizabeth Wyman, wife of Jacob Wyman, son Zachariah, daughter Sarah Richardson, daughter Hannah Pratt, sons Ebenezer, Eleazar, David, Thomas, and Jonathan, the last being a minor. He speaks of his brother Stephen and of John Vinton, their land as bordering on his own; of Joseph Richardson, jr., also, and Stephen Richardson, jr., as his cousins, that is, nephews.

His children by first wife, Martha, were:

- +1572. Samuel,\* } twins, born / Samuel m. first, Susanna Richardson \*
- 1573. Thomas,\* } Nov. 5, 1670; } [1691]; second, Esther —.
- Thomas was slain by the Indians, April 10, 1676.
- +1574. Elizabeth,\* b. about 1672; m. Jacob Wyman.
- 1575. Martha,\* b. Dec. 20, 1673; d. Nov. 9, 1677.

By second wife, Hannah:

- 1576. Hannah,\* b. April, 1676; slain by the Indians, April 10, 1676.

By third wife, Phebe:

- 1577. Zachariah,\* b. Nov. 21, 1677; m. Mehitable Perrin, Feb. 14, 1699-1700. He died Nov. 23, 1748. No children on record.

By fourth wife, Sarah:

- 1578. Thomas,\* b. Aug. 18, 1681; d. Sept. 9, 1681.
- 1579. Sarah,\* b. Aug. 20, 1682; unm.; living at date of her mother's will, 1717.
- +1580. Thomas,\* b. Sept. 25, 1684; m. Rebecca Wyman.
- 1581. Ebenezer,\* b. March 15, 1686-7; living at date of father's will, 1710.

\* Trumbull's History of Connecticut, vol. i. p. 320.



1582. Infant son,<sup>2</sup> b. Aug. 17, 1680; d. the same day.  
 1583. Hannah,<sup>2</sup> b. Aug. 11, 1680; m. — Pratt, prior to February, 1710.  
 1584. Eleazar,<sup>2</sup> b. Feb. 10, 1682-3; living at date of father's will, 1710.  
 +1585. Jonathan,<sup>2</sup> b. July 16, 1686; m. Abigail Wyman.  
 +1586. David,<sup>2</sup> b. April 14, 1700; m. first, Esther Ward; second, Remember Ward; third, Abigail Holden.

## 1557.

STEPHEN RICHARDSON,<sup>2</sup> brother of the preceding, and fourth son of Samuel<sup>1</sup> and Joanna Richardson; born in Woburn, Aug. 15, 1649; married, in Billerica, Jan. 2, 1674-5, ABIGAIL WYMAN,<sup>2</sup> born about 1659, daughter of Francis<sup>1</sup> and Abigail (Read) Wyman, of Woburn.\*

He resided in Woburn, which then included Burlington and a part of Wilmington. His land extended into Billerica, which then joined Woburn. He was freeman, 1690; and died March 22, 1717-18, aged 69.

His will is dated Aug. 15, 1718; proved April 22, 1718; recorded, Midd. Prob. Record, xv. 157-163. It is very long, occupying six folio pages. In it he mentions as living, wife Abigail, daughters, Abigail Vinton and Prudence Kendall, sons: Stephen, William, Francis, Timothy, Seth, Daniel, and Solomon.

His widow Abigail died Sept. 17, 1720, aged 60. [Gravestone.]

Children of Stephen<sup>2</sup> and Abigail Richardson:

- +1587. Stephen,<sup>3</sup> b. Feb. 20, 1675-6; m. Susanna Wilson.  
 1588. Francis,<sup>3</sup> b. Jan. 19, 1677-8; d. Jan. 27, 1677-8.  
 +1589. William,<sup>3</sup> b. Dec. 14, 1678; m. Rebecca Vinton.  
 +1590. Francis,<sup>3</sup> b. Jan. 15, 1680-1; m. Sarah Houghton.  
 1591. Timothy,<sup>3</sup> b. Dec. 6, 1682; d. Jan. 18, 1682-3.  
 +1592. Abigail,<sup>3</sup> b. Nov. 14, 1683; m. John Vinton.  
 +1593. Prudence,<sup>3</sup> b. Jan. 17, 1683-4; m. Samuel Kendall.  
 +1594. Timothy,<sup>3</sup> b. Jan. 24, 1687-8; m. Susanna Holden.  
 +1595. Seth,<sup>3</sup> b. Jan. 16, 1689-90; m. Mary Brown.  
 +1596. Daniel,<sup>3</sup> b. Oct. 16, 1691; m. Joanna (Mousall) Miller.  
 1597. Mary,<sup>3</sup> b. May 3, 1696; died before father's will, 1713.  
 1598. Rebecca,<sup>3</sup> b. June 10, 1698; d. Dec. 6, 1711.  
 1599. Solomon,<sup>3</sup> b. March 27, 1702; m. Abigail Evans, of Reading, about 1728. Became *non compos mentis* about 1730.

## \*THE WYMAN FAMILY.

Lieut. John Wyman<sup>1</sup> and his brother Francis Wyman,<sup>1</sup> were among the first settlers of Woburn, 1641. They were tanners by occupation, church members, and persons of much respectability and worth. Francis Wyman was admitted freeman of the colony, May 6, 1657. Their names are often found associated in legal writings. They owned together five hundred acres of land at "Shawshoon" [Billerica] in 1655. John Wyman was selectman of Woburn, 1666, 1667, and 1673. Francis Wyman was selectman of Woburn, 1674, 1675. A numerous posterity has sprung from them. Francis Wyman died Nov. 20, 1679, aged 72. John died May 9, 1684. Lieut. John Wyman, and his eldest son, John, born March 29, 1643, both took part in the great Narraganset fight, Dec. 19, 1675. The father was wounded, and the son was killed. The son was in Capt. Prentiss' troop of horse. The son married Mary Carter, daughter of Rev. Thomas Carter. John and Francis Wyman were, with one exception, the largest landholders in Woburn.





## Third Generation.

## 1560.

JOHN RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*John<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Lieut. John<sup>2</sup> and Elizabeth (Bacon) Richardson; born in Woburn, Jan. 24, 1660-1; married, Oct. 22, 1680, SUSANNA DAVIS, born May 11, 1662, daughter of George and Sarah Davis. George Davis died July 4, 1667. He was probably of Woburn, and a son of Nicholas Davis, who came from England in the Planter, in 1635, aged 40, with his wife Sarah, aged 48, and his nephew, William Locke, then a boy of six years old. Mr. Nicholas Davis was a man of property, and was active in the settlement of Woburn. After 1646, he removed to York, where he died about 1670. But William Locke continued in Woburn; married Mary Clark in 1655, and became the ancestor of the Locke family. See "Book of the Lockes," by John Goodwin Locke.

The mother of the wife of John Richardson, and widow of George Davis, was Sarah Rist. She made her will in 1697, in which are found bequests to her daughters, Susanna Richardson, Hannah Boutelle, Sarah Cole, Mary Damon, to her sons John and Benjamin, and son-in-law, Timothy Wiley.

John Richardson<sup>2</sup> was a carpenter, and lived in Woburn. He died March 18, 1715. Settlement of his estate was made April 11, 1715. His widow married Peter Hay, of Stoneham, and died in 1784.

The children of John and Susanna Richardson were:

- +1600. John,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 12, 1681; m. Eunice Roberts.
- 1601. Susanna,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 5, 1684; m. Samuel Richardson [1572].
- +1602. Timothy,<sup>4</sup> b. July 24, 1687; m. Abigail Johnson.
- 1603. Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> b. May 27, 1688; d. June 18, 1688.

## 1562.

PIERSON RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*John<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), half-brother of the preceding, and son of Lieut. John<sup>2</sup> and Mary (Pierson) Richardson; born in Woburn, Sept. 22, 1673; married MARY FERRIN, April 17, 1695.

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## Their children were:

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 1639. Phebe (Baldwin), b. Dec. 23, 1708.

## 1568.

MARY RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Joseph<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding, and second daughter of Joseph<sup>2</sup> and Hannah (Green) Richardson; born in Woburn, March 22, 1668-9; married, first, Oct. 2, 1688, CAPT. JAMES FOWLE,<sup>2</sup> born in Woburn, March 4, 1666-7, eldest son of Lieut. James<sup>1</sup> and Abigail Fowle, of Woburn. He died March 19, 1714, aged 47 years and 14 days. [Gravestone.]

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Second, SAMUEL WALKER,<sup>4</sup> born in Woburn, Jan. 25, 1667-8, son of Deacon Samuel Walker,<sup>2</sup> who was son of Samuel,<sup>2</sup> who came with his father, Richard Walker,<sup>1</sup> from England, in 1630, and settled at Lynn.

James Fowle,<sup>2</sup> the first husband, was a selectman of Woburn in 1698 and 1694, also 1700 to 1714, when he died. He was town clerk from 1701 to 1714. He was also a captain in the trainbands.

Samuel Walker,<sup>4</sup> the second husband, was, as well as his father, a deacon of the church in Woburn. He lived in the west parish of Woburn, incorporated, 1799, as the town of Burlington, and was deacon of the church there, formed 1730. He died Sept. 28, 1744, aged 77. [Gravestone in precinct burial ground.] Mary was his second wife; his first wife was Judith Howard, married June 1, 1689.

Mary, the widow successively of both husbands, died in Charlestown, Oct. 23, 1748, aged 80. [Gravestone.] She had no children by her second husband.

Children of James and Mary (Richardson) Fowle :

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 1641. James (Fowle), b. July 20, 1691; d. Oct. 11, 1708.  
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 1643. John (Fowle), b. Nov. 11, 1695; m. Dec. 23, 1718, Mary Convers,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 24, 1688, daughter of Samuel,<sup>2</sup> who was a grandson of Dea. Edward Convers,<sup>1</sup> of Woburn. Major John Fowle died Sept. 28, 1773.\*  
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 1650. Martha (Fowle), b. March 12, 1708-9; m. Aug. 11, 1736, Rev. Supply Clap, ordained first pastor of Burlington, Oct. 29, 1735.  
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\* They were parents of John Fowle, born Feb. 1, 1726-7; graduated, Harvard College, 1747; died Oct. 13, 1786, aged 61. He was many years a teacher of youth; taught the grammar school in Woburn from 1758 to 1770; was familiarly known as "Master Fowle;" a teacher of stern manners, of strict discipline, and very capable in his profession. See a striking anecdote of him in Sewall's *History of Woburn*, p. 223.



## Third Generation.

## 1560.

JOHN RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*John<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Lieut. John<sup>2</sup> and Elizabeth (Bacon) Richardson; born in Woburn, Jan. 24, 1660-1; married, Oct. 22, 1680, SUSANNA DAVIS, born May 11, 1662, daughter of George and Sarah Davis. George Davis died July 4, 1667. He was probably of Woburn, and a son of Nicholas Davis, who came from England in the *Plauter*, in 1635, aged 40, with his wife Sarah, aged 48, and his nephew, William Locke, then a boy of six years old. Mr. Nicholas Davis was a man of property, and was active in the settlement of Woburn. After 1646, he removed to York, where he died about 1670. But William Locke continued in Woburn; married Mary Clark in 1655, and became the ancestor of the Locke family. See "Book of the Lockes," by John Goodwin Locke.

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John Richardson<sup>2</sup> was a carpenter, and lived in Woburn. He died March 18, 1715. Settlement of his estate was made April 11, 1715. His widow married Peter Hay, of Stoneham, and died in 1734.

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1627. Hannah (Baldwin), b. Aug. 21, 1686.  
 1628. Phebe (Baldwin), b. May 13, 1690; d. March 10, 1706-7.  
 1629. Henry (Baldwin), } twins, born }  
 1630. Joseph (Baldwin), } March 15, 1692; } Both died March 12, 1692.  
 1631. Susanna (Baldwin), b. March 31, 1694.  
 1632. Daniel (Baldwin), b. Dec. 16, 1695; slain by the Indians, near Dunstable, Sept. 5, 1724.\*  
 1633. Dorcas (Baldwin), b. Oct. 18, 1697; d. March 7, 1697-8.  
 1634. Joseph (Baldwin), b. March 17, 1699.  
 1633. Dorcas (Baldwin), b. Aug. 11, 1701; m. Thomas Wyman,<sup>2</sup> b. May 12, 1697, eldest son of Thomas<sup>2</sup> and Mary (Richardson) Wyman, and grandson of Francis<sup>1</sup> and Abigail Wyman, already mentioned in a note after No. 1557. Mary Richardson<sup>2</sup> was a daughter of Nathaniel,<sup>2</sup> the youngest son of THOMAS RICHARDSON.<sup>1</sup> They had Thomas, b. 1721. Ruth, b. 1722. Dorcas, b. 1725. Abraham, b. 1728. Seth, b. 1729. Phebe, b. 1732. Ruth, b. 1734. Aaron, b. 1736. Daniel, b. 1738, and Mary, b. 1741.  
 1636. John (Baldwin), b. Aug. 23, 1703.  
 1637. Rebecca (Baldwin), b. Dec. 19, 1705.  
 1638. Benjamin (Baldwin), b. March 30, 1707.  
 1639. Phebe (Baldwin), b. Dec. 23, 1708.

## 1568.

MARY RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Joseph*,<sup>2</sup> *Samuel*<sup>1</sup>), sister of the preceding, and second daughter of Joseph<sup>2</sup> and Hannah (Green) Richardson; born in Woburn, March 22, 1668-9; married, first, Oct. 2, 1688, CAPT. JAMES FOWLE,<sup>2</sup> born in Woburn, March 4, 1666-7, eldest son of Lieut. James<sup>2</sup> and Abigail Fowle, of Woburn. He died March 19, 1714, aged 47 years and 14 days. [Gravestone.]

\* Two other Woburn men, Benjamin Carter and John Burbeen, were slain at the same time. [Boston News Letter. Fox's Hist. of Dunstable, p. 108.] Carter, born March 4, 1702, was a son of John, and grandson of Capt. John Carter, of Woburn.



Second, SAMUEL WALKER,<sup>4</sup> born in Woburn, Jan. 25, 1667-8, son of Deacon Samuel Walker,<sup>2</sup> who was son of Samuel,<sup>2</sup> who came with his father, Richard Walker,<sup>1</sup> from England, in 1630, and settled at Lynn.

James Fowle,<sup>2</sup> the first husband, was a selectman of Woburn in 1698 and 1694, also 1700 to 1714, when he died. He was town clerk from 1701 to 1714. He was also a captain in the trainbands.

Samuel Walker,<sup>4</sup> the second husband, was, as well as his father, a deacon of the church in Woburn. He lived in the west parish of Woburn, incorporated, 1799, as the town of Burlington, and was deacon of the church there, formed 1730. He died Sept. 28, 1744, aged 77. [Gravestone in precinct burial ground.] Mary was his second wife; his first wife was Judith Howard, married June 1, 1689.

Mary, the widow successively of both husbands, died in Charlestown, Oct. 23, 1748, aged 80. [Gravestone.] She had no children by her second husband.

Children of James and Mary (Richardson) Fowle:

1640. Mary (Fowle), b. June 18, 1689; m. James Simonds, June 17, 1714.  
 1641. James (Fowle), b. July 20, 1691; d. Oct. 11, 1706.  
 1642. Abigail (Fowle), b. Aug. 22, 1693.  
 1643. John (Fowle), b. Nov. 11, 1695; m. Dec. 25, 1718, Mary Convers,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 24, 1638, daughter of Samuel,<sup>2</sup> who was a grandson of Dea. Edward Convers,<sup>1</sup> of Woburn. Major John Fowle died Sept. 28, 1775.\*  
 1644. Hannah (Fowle), b. Sept. 13, 1697.  
 1645. Elizabeth (Fowle), b. Aug. 9, 1699; m. Benjamin Newell, of Lynn, Dec. 23, 1721.  
 1646. Ruth (Fowle), b. April 6, 1701; d. March 3, 1712-13.  
 1647. Sarah (Fowle), b. July 29, 1703; m. Sept. 24, 1728, James Richardson,<sup>4</sup> son of James,<sup>2</sup> who was son of Nathaniel,<sup>2</sup> and grandson of Thomas.<sup>1</sup>  
 1648. Samuel (Fowle), b. June 10, 1705; m. Sept. 5, 1727, Susanna Reed, who died Sept. 21, 1768.  
 1649. Esther (Fowle), b. May 29, 1707; m. Nathan Simonds, Nov. 2, 1726. He was brother of James Simonds, who married Mary Fowle, above. Both were sons of James and Susanna Simonds, of Woburn.  
 1650. Martha (Fowle), b. March 12, 1708-9; m. Aug. 11, 1738, Rev. Supply Clap, ordained first pastor of Burlington, Oct. 29, 1735.  
 1651. Catharine (Fowle), b. Sept. 20, 1711; m. March 4, 1730, Josiah Whittemore, of Charlestown.

1569.

ELIZABETH RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Joseph,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding, and third daughter of Joseph<sup>2</sup> and Hannah (Green)

\* They were parents of John Fowle, born Feb. 1, 1726-7; graduated, Harvard College, 1747; died Oct. 13, 1746, aged 61. He was many years a teacher of youth; taught the grammar school in Woburn from 1738 to 1770; was familiarly known as "Master Fowle;" a teacher of stern manners, of strict discipline, and very capable in his profession. See a striking anecdote of him in Sewall's History of Woburn, p. 225.



Richardson; born in Woburn, June 28, 1670; married, first, April 12, 1692, CAPT. JOHN COGGIN, born Aug. 27, 1666, son of John and Mary (Long) Coggin, of Woburn. Mary Long, his mother, was daughter of Michael Long, of Charlestown. Capt. John Coggin died Feb. 16, 1724-5, "aged 50." Second, Feb. 4, 1740, JACOB WYMAN,<sup>2</sup> born about 1665, youngest son of Lieut. John<sup>1</sup> and Sarah (Nutt) Wyman, who were among the earliest settlers of Woburn. She was his second wife. Both husband and wife had reached their seventieth year.

The two wives of Jacob Wyman were cousins, and both were by birth named Elizabeth Richardson. The first wife of Jacob Wyman was Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Samuel Richardson [1574]. Mr. Wyman died March 31, 1742, aged 77.

The children of John and Elizabeth Coggin were:

- 1652. John (Coggin), b. March 9, 1692-3; d. same day.
- 1653. Henry (Coggin), b. March 17, 1693-4; d. same day.
- 1654. Elizabeth (Coggin), b. Jan. 5, 1694-5; unm.; d. Jan. 23, 1759.
- 1655. Henry (Coggin), b. Aug. 21, 1697; d. same day.
- 1656. Joseph (Coggin), b. Sept. 22, 1698.
- 1657. John (Coggin), b. Aug. 3, 1699; m. first, Oct. 21, 1724, Elizabeth Jennison, b. July 12, 1704, daughter of Hon. William Jennison, of Sudbury. She died Jan. 23, 1725.\* Second, Aug. 31, 1726, Sarah Wyman, b. Feb. 2, 1696, daughter of Samuel and Rebecca Wyman. She died May 22, 1732. She was granddaughter of Francis<sup>1</sup> and Abigail Wyman, of Woburn. Capt. John Coggin died Sept. 13, 1732.
- 1658. Henry (Coggin), b. March 27, 1703; d. March 29, 1703. [Gravestone.]
- 1659. Henry (Coggin), b. July 1, 1704.
- 1660. Josiah (Coggin), b. Aug. 23, 1706; m. Mary —.
- 1661. Abigail (Coggin), b. Sept. 6, 1706; m. Richard Snow, May 31, 1739.
- 1662. Mary (Coggin), b. Nov. 1, 1710; d. Nov. 23, 1789, aged 79.
- 1663. Joseph (Coggin), b. Sept. 1, 1713.
- 1664. Hannah (Coggin), b. Feb. 22, 1714-15; unm.; d. Aug. 15, 1795, aged 80.

From one of the sons of this family, and I suppose from Capt. John Coggin [1657], born 1699, was descended Rev. Jacob Coggin, born in Woburn, Nov. 3, 1731; ordained pastor in Tewksbury, Oct. 22, 1806. His father's name was Jacob, a graduate of Harvard College, 1763; a teacher in Woburn.

## 1570.

JOSEPH RICHARDSON\* (*Joseph*,<sup>2</sup> *Samuel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding, and son of Joseph<sup>2</sup> and Hannah (Green) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, May 19, 1672; married, Oct. 24, 1693, MARY BLODGET, born Sept. 15, 1673, daughter of Samuel and Ruth Blodget, of Woburn. Samuel Blodget was selectman, 1631. His son Samuel was selectman eight years, between 1690 and 1703, inclusive.

Joseph Richardson was selectman of Woburn, 1714 and 1716.

\* For the JENNISON FAMILY, see the "GILES MEMORIAL," by the compiler.



He died Dec. 5, 1754, aged 82. His wife died March 11, 1752, aged 78. His will is dated June 17, 1754; proved Dec. 30, 1754; recorded Midd. Prob. Rec., xxvii. 363. In it he calls himself "gentleman;" mentions his son Josiah, of Sudbury, son Charles, of Sutton, daughters, Mary Baldwin, Hannah Carter, and Ruth Baldwin, and appoints his sons, Reuben and Oliver, executors.

## Children :

1665. Mary,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 10, 1694-5; m. Henry Baldwin [49].  
 1666. Hannah,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 17, 1697; m. May 21, 1723, Thomas Carter, a grandson of Rev. Thomas Carter,<sup>1</sup> of Woburn.  
 +1667. Joseph,<sup>4</sup> b. Nov. 8, 1699; m. Susanna Wyman.  
 +1668. Josiah,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 12, 1701-2; m. Experience Wright.  
 +1669. Reuben,<sup>4</sup> b. June 12, 1704; m. Esther Wyman.  
 +1670. Oliver,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 15, 1706; m. first, Lydia Wyman; second, Eunice Pierce.  
 1671. David,<sup>4</sup> } twins, born } d. same day.  
 1672. Samuel,<sup>4</sup> { Oct. 12, 1708; }  
 +1673. Charles,<sup>4</sup> b. July 27, 1710; m. first, Mary Roper; second, Susanna —.  
 .1674. Ruth,<sup>4</sup> b. June 17, 1713; m. James Baldwin [55].  
 For notices of Henry and James Baldwin, see Posterity of Ezekiel Richardson at the places referred to, Nos. 49 and 55.

## 1571.

DEACON STEPHEN RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Joseph<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, Feb. 7, 1673-4; married, Nov. 21, 1695, BRIDGET RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> [28], born 1674, daughter of Theophilus,<sup>2</sup> and granddaughter of EZEKIEL RICHARDSON,<sup>1</sup> the earliest Richardson in America.

He was a captain in the militia; was selectman of Woburn, 1721; was chosen deacon of the church in Woburn, 1745, but was commonly known as "captain"; died in Woburn, Feb. 4, 1751-2, aged 79. [Gravestone.] Bridget, his wife, died July 1, 1750, aged 76. [Gravestone.] His will is dated Sept. 8, 1750; recorded Midd. Prob. Rec., xxvi. 109.

## Children of Stephen and Bridget Richardson :

1675. Stephen,<sup>4</sup> b. June 12, 1696; d. Sept. 21, 1703, aged 7 years. [Gravestone.]  
 +1676. Joseph,<sup>4</sup> b. July 20, 1696; m. Martha (Wyman) Tidd [1697].  
 +1677. Thomas,<sup>4</sup> b. Feb. 5, 1699-1700; m. Ruth Bucknam.  
 1678. Bridget,<sup>4</sup> b. Oct. 15, 1701; d. young.  
 +1679. Phebe,<sup>4</sup> b. May 16, 1704; m. Isaac Snow.  
 .1680. Ichabod,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 11, 1705-6; unm.; d. May 12, 1768. In his will, dated May 7, 1768, he gives all his property to the children of his brothers, Joseph and Asa, who lived in Woburn.  
 +1681. Stephen,<sup>4</sup> b. about 1707; m. Mary Sawyer.  
 +1682. Adam,<sup>4</sup> b. April 10, 1709; m. Rebecca —.  
 +1683. Asa,<sup>4</sup> b. Dec. 12, 1713; m. Hannah Locke.  
 1684. Bridget,<sup>4</sup> b. 1722; d. Sept. 27, 1736, aged 14. [Gravestone.]

## 1572.

SAMUEL RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Samuel<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Samuel<sup>2</sup> and Martha Richardson; born in Woburn, Nov. 5, 1670;





married, first, Jan. 6, 1603-4, SUSANNA RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> [1601] born Aug. 5, 1634, daughter of his cousin, John Richardson<sup>3</sup> [1560]. Second, ESTHER —.

When between five and six years old, he narrowly escaped slaughter from the savage Indians, as related under [1556]. He became a man of note in Woburn, and was much employed in public business. He was one of the board of selectmen, 1717, and during eleven years afterwards, ending in 1736. He was representative in the General Court, 1732, 1733. In 1728, Samuel Richardson, Capt. Caleb Blodget, and Capt. John Fowle [1648] were chosen trustees to receive the town's part of a loan of sixty thousand pounds [£60,000] made by the province to the several towns, and to let it out. A history of the affair, which turned out unfortunately, is contained in Sewall's History of Woburn, pp. 190-193.

He passed his life in Woburn. His first wife, Susanna, died Aug. 6, 1726, aged 42. [Gravestone.] He died Sept. 3, 1754, aged 34. [Gravestone.] His will, dated 1747, mentions wife Esther, who died 1764. On her estate, administration was granted, Oct. 23, 1764.

The heirs to his property are in the will stated to be his sons Thomas and Zachariah.

Children, all by first wife, and born in Woburn:

- +1685. Samuel,<sup>2</sup> b. Sept. 15, 1704; m. Mary —.
- +1686. Thomas,<sup>2</sup> b. Nov. 19, 1706; m. first, Mary Russell; second Sarah Brooks.
- 1687. Ebenezer,<sup>2</sup> b. Jan. 18, 1708-9; d. Feb. 24, 1708-9.
- +1688. Uriah,<sup>2</sup> b. June 30, 1710; m. Miriam Green.
- 1689. Susanna,<sup>2</sup> b. Nov. 3, 1713; m. Ebenezer Fosket, of Stoneham, Nov. 16, 1733. The name is now written *Fosdick*. She was dismissed from the church in Stoneham to the church in Dudley, May 24, 1747.
- 1690. Elizabeth,<sup>2</sup> b. Dec. 4, 1715; m. Joseph Upham, of Malden, Feb. 28, 1739-40. She was his second wife. His first wife was Martha Green, b. June 2, 1716, daughter of David<sup>2</sup> and Martha (Pratt) Green. See Vinton Memorial, p. 407.
- +1691. Zachariah,<sup>2</sup> b. May 21, 1720; m. Phebe Wyman.
- 1692. Martha,<sup>2</sup> b. March 22, 1723; d. Jan. 16, 1723-4.

### 1574.

ELIZABETH RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Samuel<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding, eldest daughter of Samuel<sup>2</sup> and Martha Richardson; born in Woburn about 1672; married, Nov. 23, 1697, JACOB WYMAN,<sup>2</sup> youngest son of Lieut. John<sup>1</sup> and Sarah (Nutt) Wyman, original settlers in Woburn. He was born about 1665; was a tanner, as were his father and uncle Francis. See WYMAN FAMILY, note under No. 1557.

Elizabeth, his wife, died Nov. 21, 1739, aged 67. He then, at the age of 75, married another Elizabeth Richardson, her cousin, aged 70, the widow of Capt. John Coggin [1569]. They were married Feb. 4, 1740. Jacob Wyman died March 31, 1742. His widow Elizabeth died May 2, 1752, aged 82.



## Children of Jacob Wyman by his first wife :

1693. Jacob (Wyman). b. Sept. 11, 1683. Has descendants in Bradford and Haverhill.
1694. Samuel (Wyman). b. Feb. 7, 1689-90. Lived in Woburn.
1695. Elizabeth (Wyman), b. Jan. 7, 1691-2; m. Josiah Waters.
1696. David (Wyman). b. April 14, 1693; married Phebe Richardson,<sup>2</sup> of Woburn, Oct. 31, 1716. daughter of Nathaniel<sup>2</sup> and Mary Richardson. and granddaughter of THOMAS RICHARDSON,<sup>2</sup> one of the three brothers who settled in Woburn, 1641. See Posterity THOMAS RICHARDSON.<sup>1</sup>
1697. Martha (Wyman). b. Oct. 13, 1695; m. first, Ebenezer Tidd,<sup>2</sup> b. Aug. 31, 1698, son of John Tidd,<sup>2</sup> grandson of John Tidd,<sup>2</sup> who was son of John Tidd,<sup>1</sup> one of the original settlers of Woburn, 1641. Second, Major Joseph Richardson<sup>2</sup> [1676].
1698. Mary (Wyman), b. July 8, 1698; d. before 1742.
1699. John (Wyman). b. Dec. 11, 1700; graduated, Harvard College, 1721; d. July 9, 1721.
1700. Solomon (Wyman), b. April 24, 1703; d. Sept. 22, 1725.
1701. Patience (Wyman), b. April 15, 1705; married John Coggin, of Sudbury.\*
1702. Ebenezer (Wyman). b. May 5, 1707; m. at Woburn, 1739, Mrs. Mary Wright. He graduated, Harvard College, 1731; minister at Union, Ct.; d. Feb. 9, 1746.
1703. Isaiah (Wyman). b. Feb. 23, 1708-9; d. Feb. 9, 1746-7.
1704. Peter (Wyman). b. Sept. 27, 1711; m. Abigail Russell, of Woburn, about 1744.
1705. Daniel (Wyman). b. May 27, 1715; m. first Rebecca —, who died 1744. Second, Dorothy Jennison, perhaps daughter of Robert and Dorothy Jennison, of Framingham and Sutton. She died Sept. 30, 1806.

## 1580.

THOMAS RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Samuel*<sup>2</sup>, *Samuel*<sup>1</sup>), half-brother of the preceding, and son of Samuel<sup>2</sup> and Sarah (Hayward) Richardson; born in Woburn, Sept. 25, 1684; married, in Watertown, Sept. 29, 1715, REBECCA WYMAN,<sup>2</sup> born in Woburn, Nov. 11, 1693, eldest daughter of Samuel<sup>2</sup> and Rebecca (Johnson) Wyman, of Woburn, and granddaughter of Francis<sup>1</sup> and Abigail (Reed) Wyman, also of Woburn.†

\*So says Thomas B. Wyman, in *General Reg.*, Vol. III, p. 35, but it seems to be an error. John Coggin's father married Sarah Wyman.

†Rebecca Wyman, in the text, had three sisters, who all married Richardson. Her sister Abigail married Jonathan, brother of Thomas in the text. Esther married Reuben Richardson [1699], Lydia married Oliver Richardson, brother of Reuben.

Thomas Richardson, in the text, was in "Lovewell's Fight," at Pigwacket, May 8, 1725, O. S., and was one of the nine who escaped unhurt. Some account of this remarkable encounter will not here be out of place.

During the war with the Abenakis or Eastern Indians, from 1722 to 1726, the government of Massachusetts, for the protection of the frontiers, offered a bounty of one hundred pounds for Indian scalps and captives. In pursuance of this encouragement, Capt. John Lovewell, of Dunstable, with a company of volunteers, undertook three expeditions; one in December, 1724, one in January and February, 1725, and the third in April and May, 1725. They were under a commission from the government of Massachusetts, to which Province Dunstable then belonged.

About the 16th of April, 1725, Capt. Lovewell, with forty-six men, left Dunstable on the third expedition. They went up the Merrimack River, and



He passed a long life in Woburn. He died there Jan. 12, 1774, aged 93. [Gravestone.] His wife, Rebecca, who was a grand daughter of Matthew Johnson, whose father was Capt. Edward Johnson, author of the "Wonder-Working Providence," "the father of Woburn," died April 11, 1771, aged 78. [79, gravestone].

His will is dated Nov. 8, 1771. In it he makes bequests to the children of his son Thomas, late of Worcester, deceased, viz.: Peter of Shrewsbury, who was over fourteen in 1760, etc. To the children of his son Eleazar, deceased. To his son Ralph, of Sutton. To his sons Ebenezer, David, Israel, and Lemuel, of Sutton. To Jonas, Thomas, and Sarah Richardson, of Shrews-

its main branch, the Pemigewasset; and, when well up the latter stream, appear to have struck off eastward through the present town of Moultonborough to Ossipee Lake. At the locality just named, a man, Benjamin Kidder, of Nutfield [Londonderry], being taken sick, they halted, constructed a rude fort, for a place of refuge, if needed, and left the sick man, with the surgeon, and eight others, with a considerable amount of provision, in the fort. This reduced their number to thirty-four, including the captain; two others, from disability, having been left at Contoocook, now Boacawen.

The names of the men who now went forward, and took part in the fight, are these, Capt. John Lovewell, Lieutenants Joseph Farwell and Jonathan Robbins, Ensign John Harwood, Sergeant Noah Johnson, Robert Usher, and Samuel Whiting, all of Dunstable; Ensign Seth Wyman, Corporal Thomas Richardson, Timothy Richardson, Ichabod Johnson, and Josiah Johnson, of Woburn; Eleazar Davis, Josiah Davis, Josiah Jones, David Melvin, Eleazar Melvin, Jacob Farrar, and Joseph Farrar, of Concord; Jonathan Frye, of Andover, Chaplain; Sergeant Jacob Fullam, of Weston; Corporal Edward Lingfield, of Nutfield, now Londonderry; Jonathan Kittredge and Solomon Keyes [pronounced Kies], of Billerica; John Jeffs, Daniel Woods, Thomas Woods, John Chamberlain [who killed Paucus, the Indian chief], Elias Barron, Isaac Lakin, and Joseph Gilson, of Groton; Ebenezer Ayer, and Abiel Asten, of Haverhill. Four grandsons of Major William Johnson are here included.

They soon came to the head-waters of Saco River, thirty miles or more from their fort at Ossipee, and reached a pond or lake in the present town of Freeburg, by the side of which they encamped. The Pigwacket or Pequaket [Indian] villages were now near at hand.

Early in the morning of Saturday, May 8, while at prayers, they heard the discharge of a gun; and soon saw an Indian on a point of land running into the lake, about a mile distant. The Indian, they supposed, was placed there for a decoy. Marching toward the Indian, some of the men fired upon him. He returned the fire, and the first shot mortally wounded Capt. Lovewell. Ensign Seth Wyman then fired, and killed the Indian.

Some delay now took place while the company were looking for their packs, which had been left in the rear, and covertly removed by the Indians. About ten o'clock in the forenoon, a large body of Indians rose, in two parties, in front and rear, and with a hideous yell, ran toward the English with arms presented. The English also presented arms, and ran to meet them. The captain being dead, and the two lieutenants soon after disabled by wounds, the command now devolved on Ensign Wyman for the remainder of the day.

The fight was maintained with great obstinacy and resolution on both sides; and continued, with but little intermission till sunset, about ten hours. The Indians had every advantage, being supposed to be seventy, some say eighty in number, and enclosing the English both in front and rear. The latter, at the outset, were but thirty-four, all told, and of this number nine were slain soon after the fight began. But the Indians suffered the most: forty of them were killed on the spot; eighteen more died of their wounds, and only twelve escaped injury. Of the thirty-four whites who engaged in the conflict only nine escaped unhurt, viz.: Ensign Seth Wyman, and Thomas Richardson, of Woburn, Daniel Melvin, Eleazar Melvin, and Joseph Farrar, of Concord, Joseph Gilson, of Groton, Ebenezer Ayer and Abiel Asten, of Haverhill, and Edward Lingfield, of Londonderry. Nine were badly wounded, viz.: Timothy Richardson and Josiah Johnson, of Woburn, Noah Johnson and Samuel Whiting, of Dunstable, John Chamberlain, Isaac Lakin, Eleazar Davis, and Josiah Jones, of Concord, and Solomon Keyes of Billerica. Some of these



bury. To Palmer and Lucretia Golding. To Lucretia Richardson, of Worcester. To David Richardson, jr., of Woburn. To his grandchildren, Eleazar Richardson and Rebecca Collins, of Lynn. Finally, to his son Zebadiah Richardson and children:

The children of Thomas and Rebecca (Wyman) Richardson were:

- +1706. Thomas,<sup>4</sup> b. Feb. 15, 1713-14; m. Mehitable —.
- +1707. Eleazar,<sup>4</sup> b. May 22, 1715; m. Susanna Carter.
- 1708. Rebecca,<sup>4</sup> b. Dec. 21, 1716; d. Feb. 13, 1717-18.
- 1709. Isalah,<sup>4</sup> b. Oct. 13, 1718; d. Feb. 18, 1722-3. [Gravestone.]
- +1710. Ralph,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 3, 1719-20; married —.
- 1711. Matthew,<sup>4</sup> b. April 9, 1721; d. Feb. 11, 1722-3. [Gravestone.]
- +1712. Ebenezer,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 23, 1722; m. first, Mary Richardson; second, Sarah Richardson.
- 1713. Rebecca,<sup>4</sup> b. Nov. 12, 1724; d. Feb. 12, 1729-30.
- +1714. David,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 15, 1728; m. Rebecca —.
- +1715. Zebadiah,<sup>4</sup> b. July 2, 1728; m. first, Sarah Barron; second, Esther Swan.
- +1716. Israel,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 2, 1730; m. first, Elizabeth Hutchinson; second, Miriam Wheeler.
- +1717. Lemuel,<sup>4</sup> b. July 31, 1734; m. Anna Preston.
- 1718. Sarah,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 11, 1737; m. — Wyman.

### 1585.

JONATHAN RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Samuel*,<sup>2</sup> *Samuel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding, and son of Samuel<sup>2</sup> and Sarah (Hayward) Richardson; born in Woburn, July 16, 1696; married, about 1720, ABIGAIL WYMAN,<sup>2</sup> born in Woburn, Feb. 5, 1695, second daughter of Samuel<sup>2</sup> and Rebecca (Johnson) Wyman, of Woburn. She was sister to Rebecca, wife of Thomas Richardson, just noticed. He lived in Woburn, and died July 16, 1759, aged 63. [Gravestone.]

#### Children:

- 1719. Abigail,<sup>4</sup> b. Oct. 20, 1721; unm.; d. Oct. 2, 1747. [Gravestone.]
- 1720. Sarah,<sup>4</sup> b. Feb. 28, 1722-4; m. 1755, David Gould, of Stoneham, his second wife. They had:
  - 1721. Sarah (Gould), b. March 31, 1755; m. Job Miller, of Billerica, Feb. 27, 1776.
  - 1722. Abigail (Gould), b. Oct. 17, 1758.

were made invalids or cripples for life. Ichabod Johnson, of Woburn, a son of Capt. Edward Johnson, of that part of Woburn which is now Burlington, was killed; and the blow gave the fond father a shock which brought him to his grave three months after, viz.: Aug. 7, 1725.

Some of those who escaped the carnage suffered extremely from hunger, having scarcely tasted food from Saturday morning till Wednesday night on their arrival at Dunstable. The ten men who had been left at the fort quitted it on Sunday morning, being frightened by the report which was brought to them by Benjamin Hassell, who, seeing that the English were greatly outnumbered, deserted his companions at the very beginning of the battle, and went to their homes, leaving the exhausted, wounded, suffering men who came out of the fight, to take care of themselves.

Those who left the fatal battle ground were twenty in number, of whom eleven were badly wounded, and two died of their wounds before reaching any place where their wounds could be dressed.

Woburn, and the whole country, was in mourning for the precious lives lost in this encounter. But the power of the Indians of New England never recovered from the disaster they here sustained. [From Sewall's History of Woburn, pp. 125 et seq., with additions by the compiler.]





- +1722. Jonathan,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 20, 1720-30; m. first, Phebe Whittmore; second, Mary Peters.  
 1724. Hannah,<sup>4</sup> b. Oct. 29, 1733; m. Benjamin Comey, of Malden, Oct. 17, 1768.

## 1586.

DAVID RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Samuel*,<sup>2</sup> *Samuel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding, and youngest son of Samuel<sup>2</sup> and Sarah (Hayward) Richardson; born in Woburn, April 14, 1700; married, first, ESTHER WARD,<sup>4</sup> May 21, 1724; daughter of Edward Ward,<sup>3</sup> of Newton. She died in childbirth, Feb. 26, 1725-6. Second, Oct. 19, 1726, REMEMBER WARD,<sup>4</sup> her cousin, daughter of Jonathan Ward.<sup>3</sup> Edward<sup>3</sup> and Jonathan Ward<sup>3</sup> were brothers, sons of John Ward,<sup>2</sup> of Newton, and grandsons of William Ward,<sup>1</sup> of Sudbury.\* She died August, 1760, aged 55. Third, Jan. 28, 1762, ABIGAIL HOLDEN, daughter of Joseph Holden, of Westminster. She died Aug. 5, 1777, aged 54. In her will, dated March 9, 1775, she gave her property to her brothers.

David Richardson was a blacksmith. He lived in Newton. All his children appear to have been born there. He died 1770, aged 70.

## Children, by first wife, Esther :

- +1725. Esther,<sup>4</sup> b. 1725; m. Elisha Fuller.  
 1726. Edward,<sup>4</sup> b. Feb. 26, 1725-6.

## By second wife, Remember :

- +1727. Jonathan,<sup>4</sup> b. July 1, 1727; m. Mary Woodward.  
 +1728. Lydia,<sup>4</sup> b. about 1730; m. Abijah Fuller.  
 +1729. David,<sup>4</sup> b. Feb. 24, 1732; m. first, Mary Hall; second, Hannah Mills.  
 +1730. Samuel,<sup>4</sup> b. April 25, 1734; m. first, Sarah Parker; second, Sarah Holland.  
 +1731. Jeremiah,<sup>4</sup> b. March 13, 1736; m. Dorcas Hall.  
 +1732. Moses,<sup>4</sup> b. May 17, 1738; m. Lydia Hall.  
 +1733. Aaron,<sup>4</sup> b. Oct. 2, 1740; m. Ruth Stingley.  
 1734. Abigail,<sup>4</sup> b. May 16, 1743; m. March 23, 1763, Aaron Fiske, of Newton, son of Samuel Fiske, who was son of Dea. Jonathan Fiske, of Sudbury. Children:  
     1735. John (Fiske), b. June 27, 1765.  
     1736. Rebecca (Fiske), b. Nov. 27, 1767.  
     1737. Sarah (Fiske), b. Oct. 2, 1769.  
     1738. Samuel (Fiske), b. Dec. 19, 1770.  
 1739. Ebenezer,<sup>4</sup> b. June 14, 1745; m. May 3, 1770, Esther Hall, b. July 24, 1746, sister of Dorcas Hall, the wife of his brother Jeremiah Richardson. They removed to western New York.

\*WILLIAM WARD, of Sudbury, is the ancestor of the Ward Family, as exhibited in the Ward Genealogy, from which a part of this notice is borrowed. He came to this country previous to 1633, and had thirteen children who became heads of families. He died at Marlborough, adjoining Sudbury, Aug. 16, 1697.



1740. Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 13, 1748; m. Jan. 18, 1770, Daniel Richards, b. Sept. 18, 1744, son of James and Mary (Flagg) Richards, of Newton. He was a selectman, and died June 18, 1815, aged 70. She died 1835. Children:
1741. Thaddeus (Richards), b. Sept. 9, 1770.
1742. Polly (Richards), b. Sept. 20, 1772; m. Benjamin Richardson,<sup>5</sup> her cousin [2059].
1743. Daniel (Richards), b. Jan. 13, 1777.
1744. Nancy (Richards).
1745. Julia (Richards).
- +1746. Thaddeus,<sup>4</sup> b. May 29, 1750; m. Mary Sanborn.
1747. Sarah,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 25, 1755.
1748. Mary,<sup>4</sup> b. March 23, 1757.

[Jackson's History of Newton, pp. 397-398.]

## 1587.

STEPHEN RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Stephen,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Stephen<sup>2</sup> and Abigail (Wyman) Richardson; born in Woburn, Feb. 20, 1675-6; married, about 1700, SUSANNA WILSON, born in Woburn, March 11, 1679, daughter of John Wilson of that town, afterwards of Billerica, who was a son of John Wilson, of Woburn.

He lived in Billerica, which then was adjacent to Woburn; and died intestate, Jan. 14, 1711-12, aged 36. His widow Susanna and her father, Lieut. John Wilson, of Billerica, were appointed administrators of his estate, Sept. 22, 1712. [Midd. Prob. Rec., xiii. 141.]

His widow married Daniel Simonds, born in Woburn, Feb. 21, 1689-90, fifth son of Benjamin and Judith Simonds, of Woburn.

Children of Stephen and Susanna Richardson, born in Billerica:

1740. Susanna,<sup>4</sup> b. June 23, 1700; d. June, 1712.
- +1750. Stephen,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 17, 1702; m. Amy Parker.
- +1751. Henry,<sup>4</sup> b. June 13, 1705; m. Amy Hazeltine.
- +1752. Ebenezer,<sup>4</sup> b. February, 1707-8; m. Ruth —.
- +1753. Amos,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 14, 1709-10; m. first, Sarah —; second, Mary —.
1754. Jonas,<sup>4</sup> b. June 27, 1712; m. in Sudbury, Mary Cutting, b. 1717, daughter of Hezekiah and Mary (Hagar) Cutting, of Sudbury. The grandfather of Hezekiah was Richard Cutting, who came from England to Watertown, 1634.

Jonas Richardson, in the record of his marriage, is said to be of Attleborough. He lived in East Attleborough. He was an original member of the Second Church in Attleborough, which was constituted Nov. 30, 1748, O. S.

## 1589.

WILLIAM RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Stephen,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and son of Stephen<sup>2</sup> and Abigail (Wyman) Richardson; born in Woburn, Dec. 14, 1678; married, Sept. 15, 1703, REBECCA VINTON, born March 26, 1683, second daughter of John<sup>2</sup> and Hannah (Green) Vinton, of Woburn.

He was a husbandman, and resided in Woburn till 1709 or 1710, when he removed to "Charlestown End," or the present town of Stoneham, incorporated as such Dec. 17, 1725. His land



bordered on that of his brother-in-law, John Vinton, Esq., of Stoneham. He owned several lots in common with him.

March 22, 1710, land in Charlestown [Charlestown End or Stoneham] was conveyed to John Vinton, of Woburn, husbandman, and William Richardson, of Charlestown. [Midd. Deeds, xix. 815.] There are three other deeds, dated 1700, 1709, 1712, by which land "in Charlestown"—apparently on the east side of Spot Pond in Stoneham—was conveyed to John Vinton and William Richardson. March 26, 1715, William Richardson, of Charlestown, sells land in that town to John Vinton. [Midd. Deeds, xxiii. 850.]

About the year 1718, he removed to Attleborough, where his two sons, William and Stephen, and his daughter Abigail lived not many years after. He bought land there of the proprietors Dec. 25, 1710. The time of his death is not known. His wife Rebecca is mentioned in her mother's will, dated April 21, 1729, as then living.

The children of William and Rebecca Richardson, born in Woburn, were:

- 1755. Rebecca,\* b. Aug. 4, 1704; never married. She died of old age, one of the poor supported by the town, April 11, 1788.
- 1756. Hannah,\* b. Oct. 23, 1706.
- 1757. Abigail,\* b. April 13, 1709; m. John Shepard, Aug. 8, 1728;\* his second wife. She died Nov. 23, 1730.

Born in what is now Stoneham:

- +1733. William,\* b. April 17, 1712; m. Mary Coy.
- +1739. Stephen,\* b. Sept. 7, 1714; m. Hannah Coy.
- 1760. Mary,\* b. April 13, 1717; unm.; d. in Woburn, Nov. 1, 1797, aged 80.

Born in Attleborough:

- 1761. John,\* b. Nov. 27, 1719.
- 1762. Joanna,\* b. Sept. 17, 1722.

## 1590.

FRANCIS RICHARDSON\* (*Stephen*,<sup>2</sup> *Samuel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding, and son of Stephen<sup>2</sup> and Abigail Richardson; born in Woburn, Jan. 15, 1680-1; married, in Charlestown, July 7, 1708, SARAH HOUGHTON. The Charlestown record of the marriage says Sarah *Holton*, the Attleborough record says Sarah *Holden*; but she was a daughter of Jonas Houghton, of Lancaster, as per deed, 1723.

He dwelt in Woburn a few years, and removed to Attlebor-

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\* John Shepard, son of Jacob Shepard, was born in that part of Dorchester which is now Foxborough, March 7, 1704, and died April 3, 1800, aged ONE HUNDRED AND FIVE YEARS! He lived in four towns, Dorchester, Stoughton, Wrentham, and Foxborough, and in two counties, Suffolk and Norfolk, without moving, for he lived on the spot where he was born more than a century! He married his third wife when only twenty-seven, and she lived with him about sixty-nine years. [See *Geneal. Reg.*, vol. v. p. 472, and vol. vi. p. 123.]



ough. He purchased land of the proprietors of that town in 1714, and again May 19, 1719.

His children, born in Woburn, were:

- 1763. Sarah,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 25, 1708-9.
- 1764. Francis,<sup>4</sup> b. July 17, 1710.
- 1765. Mary,<sup>4</sup> b. July 2, 1712.

Born in Attleborough:

- +1766. Jonas,<sup>4</sup> b. July 11, 1714; m. Esther Wellman.
- 1767. Seth,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 3, 1716.
- 1768. Abigail,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 1, 1718.
- 1769. A daughter. b. Oct. 11, 1720; d. Oct. 13, 1720.
- 1770. Mercy,<sup>4</sup> b. April 1, 1723.
- 1771. Ebenezer,<sup>4</sup> b. Nov. 27, 1729.
- 1772. Daniel,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 6, 1732.

### 1592.

ABIGAIL RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Stephen,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding, and eldest daughter of Stephen<sup>2</sup> and Abigail (Wyman) Richardson; born in Woburn, Nov. 14, 1683; married, March 9, 1702-3, JOHN VINTON,<sup>2</sup> Esq., born in Malden, about 1678, eldest son of John<sup>2</sup> and Hannah (Green) Vinton, of Malden. The marriage ceremony was performed by James Russell, Esq., justice of the peace, as was common in those days.\*

Mr. Vinton—often called Captain Vinton—was a man of singular ability, energy, and activity, and became a leader in every place where his lot was cast. He resided successively in Malden, Woburn, Reading, Stoneham, and Dudley. He spent the principal part of his life, from 1710 to November, 1738, in Stoneham. In 1700, he was of Woburn; in 1705 and 1706, of Reading; in 1708 and 1709, of Woburn; then lived in Stoneham, in the south-east part of the town, near the outlet of Spot Pond. In November, 1738, he sold his farm in Stoneham, containing two hundred and seventy acres, for £2,550 in bills of credit,† and removed to Dudley, then a new town, incorporated February, 1731.

\*The Vinton family came originally from France. No documentary evidence exists of the fact; the circumstances of the case did not allow of such proof, but the unvarying tradition of the family points to such an origin. Such a tradition exists not only in this country, as I learned more than half a century ago from my aged relatives, but also in England. A letter from a gentleman of the name in England testifies to the same tradition as existing among the Vintons in that country, transmitted to him from his grandfather's grandfather.

John Vinton, of Lynn, my first American ancestor of the name, had a son BLAISE, born in 1654. Beyond all possible doubt, it establishes the fact that the family had a French origin. No man of English blood would ever give this name to his child.

The family fled from France in the evil hour of persecution; precisely at what time is not known, but it must have been long before the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes, 1685. It was probably during the reign of Elizabeth, queen of England, while the fires of persecution were raging on the continent.

† This was now a depreciated currency. The real value was about 2,000 silver dollars. About the same time, Capt. Vinton bought 800 or 900 acres of land in Dudley, doubtless as a provision for his sons. A further account is contained in the Vinton Memorial, p. 22 *et seq.* The name is common now in Dudley.





More than thirty deeds, bearing date between 1700 and 1727, are on record in the Middlesex Registry at East Cambridge, in which he was either grantor or grantee. In twenty of these instances land was conveyed to him.

He was active in procuring the incorporation of Stoneham, 1725. He advanced more money and did more than any other man to obtain the act of incorporation. He was one of the first board of selectmen, and served in that responsible office six years, between 1726 and 1735. He was commonly called to preside in town-meetings as moderator. He was placed on almost all important committees. At one town-meeting he was placed on *four* committees. He was representative of the town in 1734. This was a solitary instance, during the long period of eighty years from the incorporation of the town, except that Joseph Bryant was representative in July, 1775.

He died in Dudley, near the close of 1760, aged 82. His first wife, Abigail Richardson, died in Stoneham, June 21, 1720, aged 36. He was again married to Abigail (Sawyer) Convers, Nov. 29, 1720, a daughter of Joshua Sawyer, and widow of John Convers, a son of the distinguished Major James Convers. [See 1563.] His third wife, married April, 1752, was Hannah (Richardson) Baldwin, daughter of Nathaniel Richardson, of Woburn, and widow of Timothy Baldwin, of Stoneham, who died Dec. 3, 1750, aged 62.

The children of John and Abigail (Richardson) Vinton were:

- 1773. Abigail (Vinton), b. Dec. 23, 1704; m. Thomas Geary, of Stoneham.
- 1774. John (Vinton), b. June 26, 1706; m. Mary Parker, of Reading, Sept. 14, 1731.
- 1775. Hannah (Vinton), b. March 9, 1707-8; m. Noah Eaton, of Framingham, 1730.
- 1776. Mary (Vinton), b. Aug. 15, 1709.
- 1777. Melatiah (Vinton), b. Oct. 29, 1711; m. Sarah Upton, of Reading, Dec. 14, 1732. See Upton Memorial, p. 45.
- 1778. Joseph (Vinton), b. July 24, 1714; m. Hannah Baldwin, of Stoneham, February, 1734. She was daughter of his father's third wife.
- 1779. Rebecca (Vinton), b. March 15, 1716; m. Elijah Gore, of Dudley, 1740.
- 1780. Thomas (Vinton), b. 1717; m. Hannah Green, of Stoneham, March 31, 1742.
- 1781. Benoni (Vinton), b. June 12, 1720; m. Mary Green, her sister, April 29, 1742.

### 1593.

PRUDENCE RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Stephen<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding, and daughter of Stephen<sup>2</sup> and Abigail Richardson; born in Woburn, Jan. 17, 1685-6; married SAMUEL KENDALL<sup>2</sup>, of Woburn, who was born there, Oct. 29, 1682, son of Thomas and Ruth Kendall, of that place.



Thomas Kendall,<sup>2</sup> the father, born Jan. 10, 1648-9, died May 25, 1730, was a son of Francis Kendall,<sup>1</sup> who came from England, married Mary Tidd, and was one of the original settlers of Woburn. His descendants have been numerous, and some of them have risen to distinction. [See Sewall's Hist. of Woburn, pp. 619-623.]

The children of Samuel and Prudence Kendall were:

- 1732. Samuel (Kendall), b. Sept. 4, 1711; m. Phebe Britton, of Woburn, Sept. 23, 1730.
- 1733. Rebecca (Kendall), b. Aug. 27, 1714; m. Raham Bancroft, of Reading, Jan. 2, 1729-30.
- 1734. Stephen (Kendall), b. March 10, 1717-18.

#### 1594.

TIMOTHY RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Stephen<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, Jan. 24, 1687-8; married SUSANNA HOLDEN.

He removed from Woburn to Attleborough, whither his brothers Francis and Seth also removed, about the year 1714. He purchased land of the proprietors of that town in 1710, 1715, 1716.

His children, born in Attleborough, were:

- +1733. Timothy,<sup>3</sup> b. Oct. 13, 1715; m. Alice Wyman, 1733.

Born in Malden:

- 1736. Abiel,<sup>3</sup> b. Oct. 12, 1717.

#### 1595.

SETH RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Stephen<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and son of Stephen<sup>2</sup> and Abigail Richardson; born in Woburn, Jan. 16, 1689-90; married MARY BROWN.

He was taxed in Medford in 1711, but a year or two afterwards removed to Attleborough with his brother Francis and some others of his kindred.

His children, born in Woburn, were:

- 1737. Stephen,<sup>3</sup> d. Dec. 29, 1714.

Born in Attleborough:

- 1738. Seth,<sup>3</sup> b. March 13, 1711; d. Jan. 18, 1714-15.
- 1739. Mary,<sup>3</sup> b. Oct. 6, 1715.
- 1740. Abigail,<sup>3</sup> b. March 24, 1717-18.
- 1741. Sarah,<sup>3</sup> b. Sept. 10, 1720.
- +1742. Seth,<sup>3</sup> b. May 20, 1723; m. Sarah French.
- 1743. Phebe,<sup>3</sup> b. Oct. 17, 1723.

#### 1596.

DANIEL RICHARDSON<sup>2</sup> (*Stephen<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and son of Stephen<sup>2</sup> and Abigail (Wyman) Richard-



son; born in Woburn, Oct. 16, 1691; married JOANNA (MOUSALL) MILLER, daughter of Joseph and Joanna (Mousall) Whittemore, and widow of Edward Miller, all of Woburn.

The wife of Daniel Richardson was a granddaughter of John Mousall, one of the chief founders of Woburn; one of the two deacons of the church in Woburn from its organization, Aug. 14, 1642; and for twenty-one years one of the selectmen of the town. He died March 27, 1665, leaving a widow Joanna, a son John Mousall, and a daughter Eunice, wife of John Brooks. We learn this from the will of Daniel Richardson, dated April 5, 1749, in which he mentions the fact.

Daniel Richardson lived in Woburn, in the part which is now Winchester, and near the line of Stoneham. He died April 20, 1749, aged 57. [Gravestone.]

His children were:

- +1794. Joanna,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 21, 1724; m. Samuel Swan.
- 1795. Rebecca,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 29, 1720; m. first, 1754, Jesse Wyman,<sup>4</sup> b. April 7, 1731, son of David and Phebe (Richardson) Wyman [1696]. He died Nov. 2, 1754. Second, Aug. 16, 1759, Benjamin Richardson, b. May 10, 1730, son of Benjamin, of the posterity of THOMAS RICHARDSON.<sup>1</sup>
- 1799. Daniel,<sup>4</sup> b. July 13, 1733; d. Jan. 30, 1733-4.

#### Fourth Generation.

1600.

JOHN RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*John,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), son of John<sup>3</sup> and Susanna (DAVIS) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, Aug. 13, 1691; married EUNICE ROBERTS.

He lived in Woburn. At the petition of his wife and children, and with the concurrent opinion of the selectmen of Woburn, he was by the probate court of Middlesex County adjudged *non compos mentis*, and a guardian placed over him, Sept. 9, 1734. The guardian at first appointed was Peter Hay, of Woburn. Afterwards, viz.: June 7, 1736, Nathan Richardson, deacon, 1761, selectman from 1759 to 1763, was appointed guardian. He was discharged and exonerated from his guardianship March 27, 1753, after the death of John Richardson.

John Richardson, jr.—called junior on the records because an older John, son of Theophilus, was still living in Woburn—died Nov. 15, 1745. His wife Eunice died July 21, 1738.



## Their children were:

1800. Joanna,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 22, 1707; d. early.  
 +1801. Hezekiah,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 19, 1700; m. first, Rebecca Fuller; second, Hannah Hancock.  
 1802. Eunice,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 23, 1711; m. John Degrusha, of Medford, Jan. 13, 1731-2.  
 1803. Sarah,<sup>6</sup> m. John Degrusha, Sept. 3, 1776.

## 1602.

TIMOTHY RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*John,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and son of John<sup>3</sup> and Susanna Richardson; born in Woburn, July 24, 1687; married, Dec. 11, 1717, ABIGAIL JOHNSON,<sup>4</sup> daughter of Dea. Edward and Sarah Johnson, of Woburn.<sup>4</sup>

He lived in Woburn; was badly wounded in "Lovewell's fight," at Pigwacket [Fryeburg, Me.], as already related in a note under [1580], but lived ten years afterwards, probably in much suffering. Ensign—afterwards captain—Seth Wyman, who held the command in that fight after Lovewell fell and Lieutenants Farwell and Robbins were disabled by wounds, and who bore himself so nobly in that terrible fray, was a cousin of Timothy Richardson, being a son of his mother's sister Esther.

Timothy Richardson, as above, lived in Woburn. He had a homestead of eighty acres, with dwelling-house and barn, besides forty acres bounded east on Stoneham line; also eleven acres of pasture land in Stoneham, as per inventory, dated Feb. 13, 1735-6. [Midd. Prob. Rec., xx. 245.]

He died in Woburn, June 29, 1735. His wife Abigail survived him. He left no will, but a division of his estate was made Jan. 24, 1742-3. [Midd. Prob. Rec., xxii. 250.] His widow Abigail married, April 15, 1747, Dea. Daniel Gould, of Stoneham, born 1682, a leading man in that town. [See Giles Memorial, by the compiler, p. 172.]

## His children, as we learn from the probate records, were:

- +1804. Ebenezer,<sup>6</sup> b. March 31, 1718; m. Rebecca (Fowie) Richardson.  
 1805. Abigail,<sup>6</sup> b. April 17, 1720; d. Aug. 14, 1820.  
 1806. Abiathar,<sup>6</sup> b. Aug. 15, 1722; had a share in his father's estate, 1748.

## \*The JOHNSON FAMILY of Woburn.

I. CAPT. EDWARD JOHNSON, "the father of Woburn," and author of the "Wonder-Working Providence;" from Kent, Eng., 1630; died April 23, 1672; wife, Susanna; children, Edward, George, William, Matthew, John, Susanna, Martha.

II. MAJOR WILLIAM JOHNSON, born in England, about 1630; died May 22, 1704; wife, Esther Wiswall, of Newton; eminent as a citizen, a surveyor, and a magistrate; wise, capable, public-spirited, energetic.

III. DEACON (also captain) EDWARD JOHNSON, born March 19, 1658; wife, Sarah Walker; lived in that part of Woburn which is now Burlington; many years one of the selectmen; representative in 1700; deacon from 1720 till his death. He was father of Abigail Johnson in the text, also of Esther, the mother of that brave commander, Seth Wyman. Ichabod Johnson was his youngest son by first wife; a promising young man; was killed at the beginning of the Pigwacket fight. The shock occasioned the father's death, Aug. 7, 1723, aged 63.





1807. Abigail,<sup>5</sup> b. 172-; m. Joshua Wright, of Woburn, March 6, 1739-40. They had *Joshua* (Wright), b. in Woburn, June 3, 1741. In 1759, they were living in Hollis, N. H.
1808. Zeli,<sup>5</sup> (a son), b. about 1730; shared in division of his father's estate, 1743.
1809. Kezia,<sup>5</sup> m. Daniel Bryant, of Stoneham, 1751; living 1784. He was born 1732, son of Joseph and Sarah (Gould) Bryant, of Stoneham, and grandson of Dea. Daniel Gould, above named.
1810. John,<sup>5</sup> b. Jan. 1, 1733-6, posthumous; a carpenter, living in Stoneham in 1750.

## 1604.

PIERSON RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Pierson,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Pierson<sup>3</sup> and Mary (Perrin) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, Aug. 6, 1696; married, June 4, 1723, ELIZABETH NICHOLS, of Reading.

He lived in Woburn, and was known as Pierson Richardson, jr., because he died before his father of the same name. He died intestate in 1755, as we infer from the fact that administration was granted in that year to his widow Elizabeth. [Midd. Prob. Records.]

## Children, born in Woburn:

1811. Judith,<sup>5</sup> b. May 14, 1725.
1812. Jabez,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 12, 1726-7; living, 1758.
1813. Mary,<sup>5</sup> b. June 7, 1729; living 1758, then unmarried.
1814. Pierson,<sup>5</sup> b. June 22, 1731; unm. He is known on the records as Pierson the *third*. He was a soldier in a company commanded by Capt. John Taplin, in an expedition against Crown Point from June to October, 1755. In his will, dated April 9, 1753, proved March 16, 1761, he remembers his mother, Elizabeth, his brothers Jabez and Simeon, his sisters, Mary Richardson, Elizabeth Brooks, Caroline, and Phebe Ann.
- +1815. Elizabeth,<sup>5</sup> b. March 24, 1735; m. first, Nathan Brooks; second, Zebadiah Wyman.
1816. Simeon,<sup>5</sup> b. Nov. 14, 1739; m. Mercy —. Children:
1817. Hannah,<sup>6</sup> b. March 7, 1763.
1818. Mary,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 17, 1774.
1819. Caroline,<sup>6</sup>
1820. Phebe Ann,<sup>6</sup>

## 1605.

MARY RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Pierson,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding, eldest daughter of Pierson<sup>3</sup> and Mary (Perrin) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, Nov. 17, 1698; married, Sept. 5, 1721, JAMES BURBEEN,<sup>5</sup> born Aug. 21, 1696, son of James and Mary Burbeen, and grandson of John and Sarah (Gould) Burbeen. For Sarah Gould, daughter of John Gould, an early inhabitant of Stoneham, see Giles Memorial, p. 170. They lived in Woburn.

\* James Burbeen had a sister Sarah, born June 17, 1701, wife of Rev. Timothy Walker, b. July 27, 1705; graduated, Harvard College, 1725; ordained first minister of Penacook, now Concord, N. H., Nov. 18, 1730; died greatly beloved and honored, Sept. 1, 1782, aged 77.



## Children :

1821. James (Burbeen), b. July 11, 1722.  
 1822. Paul (Burbeen), b. April 6, 1724; graduated, Harvard College 1743; died 1795.  
 1823. John (Burbeen), b. Feb. 9, 1725-6.  
 1824. Mary (Burbeen), b. July 6, 1720; m. Joseph Varnum, Esq., of Dracut, Dec. 14, 1743.  
 1825. Sarah (Burbeen), b. March 7, 1733.

## 1607.

NOAH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Pierson*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Samuel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, March 5, 1702-3; married, Dec. 4, 1727, PHEBE WALKER, born Sept. 7, 1707, daughter of Samuel and Judith (Howard) Walker, of that part of Woburn which was incorporated as Burlington in 1730.

Samuel Walker, born Jan. 25, 1667-8, was the third son of Dea. Samuel and Sarah (Reed) Walker, of that part of Woburn which was incorporated, 1730, as the town of Wilmington; and was himself a deacon, first of the original church in Woburn (1709-1730) and afterwards of the church in the second precinct of Woburn, now Burlington, within the limits of which he resided. His son, Rev. Timothy Walker, born July 27, 1705, graduated, Harvard College, 1725, was the first minister of Penacook, now Concord, N. H. His wife, as we have said, was Sarah, daughter of James Burbeen, of Woburn, and sister of James Burbeen who married a sister of Noah Richardson.

Noah Richardson lived at the sign of the Ark, in Woburn. He died June 23, 1756, aged 53. His widow Phebe died April 2, 1776, aged 68. [Gravestone.]

## Their children were :

1826. Noah,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 15, 1723; unm.; d. Jan. 6, 1761, aged 32. [Gravestone.]  
 1827. Phebe,<sup>6</sup> b. Aug. 6, 1730.  
 1828. Edmund,<sup>6</sup> b. July 9, 1732; a physician in Woburn; d. May 30, 1761, aged 29. [Gravestone.]  
 +1829. Bartholomew,<sup>6</sup> b. June 19, 1735; m. first, Hannah Partridge; second, Abigail Merriam.  
 1830. Lucy,<sup>6</sup> b. July 22, 1737; unm.; d. July 21, 1761. [Gravestone.]  
 1831. Esther,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 29, 1739; unm.; d. March 15, 1756. [Gravestone.]  
 1832. Abigail,<sup>6</sup> b. July 19, 1742; unm.; d. July 23, 1768. [Gravestone.]  
 1833. Sarah,<sup>6</sup> b. May 30, 1745; unm.; d. Dec. 9, 1767. [Gravestone.]  
 1834. Jude,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 15, 1748-9; m. Abigail Kidder, of Tewksbury, April 11, 1775. He lived in Wilmington; d. there, 1803, leaving a widow Abigail.

## 1608.

SARAH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Pierson*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Samuel*<sup>1</sup>), sister of the preceding; born in Woburn, Nov. 26, 1705; married, July 2, 1735, JAMES KENDALL,<sup>4</sup> born in Woburn, April 28, 1710, second son of Lieut. Samuel<sup>2</sup> and Elizabeth.



Lieut. Samuel Kendall, born in Woburn, Aug. 13, 1684, was the eldest son of Samuel and Rebecca Kendall, and grandson of Francis Kendall, an early settler in Woburn, by wife Mary Tidd. Tabitha Kendall, born Jan. 29, 1706-7, youngest sister of Lieut. Samuel, was the second wife of Dea. Nathan Richardson, of Woburn [75].

Dea. James Kendall and wife Lydia, in the summer of 1742, removed to the Second Precinct of Lancaster, incorporated in April, 1781, as the town of Sterling.

Sarah, the first wife of James Kendall, died three or four years after marriage, and he married, March 1, 1740-1, her younger sister, Lydia Richardson, born April 19, 1711. This second wife accompanied him to Lancaster in 1742.

James and Lydia (Richardson) Kendall were the parents of Major James Kendall, born in Woburn, March 16, 1742, who was the father of Rev. James Kendall, born at Sterling, Nov. 3, 1769; graduated, Harvard College, 1796; was ordained as pastor, at Plymouth, Jan. 1, 1800, and died there, March 17, 1859, aged 89 years, 4 months. [Sewall's Hist. of Woburn, p. 623.]

1609.

Jabez Richardson\* (*Pierson, John, Samuel*), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, April 26, 1708; married Abigail ———.

He lived in Woburn some years after marriage, and had two children born there; but at length he removed to what is now the town of Sterling, where his sister Lydia, with her husband, Dea. James Kendall, had already made their abode. He was living in 1758, when he received property from the estate of his brother, Pierson Richardson, of Woburn; but he probably died very soon after, since his widow Abigail, then of Worcester, took to her arms a second husband, David Child, of Shrewsbury, Nov. 29, 1759.

Children of Jabez Richardson, born in Woburn:

- 1833. Pierson, b. about 1750; m. ———.
- +1834. Lydia, b. July 25, 1754; m. first, ——— Wright; second, Israel Manning.
- 1837. Rowland, went to Connecticut.

1611.

DAVID RICHARDSON\* (*Pierson, John, Samuel*), brother of the preceding, and youngest child of Pierson\* and Mary (Perrin) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, Oct. 3, 1714; married, Sept. 1, 1740, MARY ANN DUPEE, daughter of Capt. Isaac Dupree, of Woburn. He lived in Woburn, and died 1778.

\* Originally DUPRE, a French name.



Children:

- 1838. David, b. Feb. 15, 1740-1; m. Abigail —. They had:
- 1839. Peter, b. April 10, 1700.
- 1840. Peter, b. Oct. 25, 1742; m. Patty Grover, of Gloucester; published Dec. 10, 1700. He was a soldier of the Revolution, from Reading.
- 1841. William, b. Sept. 7, 1743.
- +1842. Joseph, b. Feb. 22, 1746-7; m. first, Mary Richardson; second, Sarah Richardson.
- 1843. Thornton, b. Jan. 8, 1748-9.
- 1844. John, b. Nov. 18, 1750.
- 1845. Lot, b. July 21, 1752; d. in Woburn, July 15, 1774.
- 1846. Mary, b. Feb. 4, 1754.
- 1847. Edwin, b. Nov. 17, 1755.

1612.

Jacob Richardson (Convers) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, Sept. 3, 1699; married, June 11, 1724, ELIZABETH WYMAN, born May 1, 1703, eldest daughter of Capt. Benjamin, and Elizabeth (Hancock) Wyman, of Woburn. Her mother was a daughter of Nathaniel and Mary Hancock, of Cambridge. Benjamin Wyman, her father, was the eighth son of Francis, the first settler of Woburn, 1641. Jacob Richardson lived in Woburn. He died there, intestate, Oct. 18, 1771, aged 72. His wife Elizabeth died Oct. 20, 1749.

Children:

- 1848. Mary, b. July 18, 1725; unm.; living at settlement of her father's estate, Nov. 12, 1771.
- +1849. Jacob, b. Oct. 20, 1736; m. Judith Lawrence. Elizabeth, b. May 10, 1729; unm.; living at settlement of estate, Nov. 12, 1771.
- +1851. Bartholomew, b. March 25, 1730; m. Sarah Convers.
- +1852. Convers, b. May 9, 1722; m. Mercy —.
- +1853. Silas, b. March 9, 1733-4; m. first, Mary Cochran; second, Hannah Richardson.
- 1854. Joseph, b. Dec. 29, 1736; m. Alice —. He was of Groton; one of the subscribers to Groton Academy in 1792. His will, dated Oct. 3, 1805, proved 1806, mentions wife Alice, but no children.
- 1855. Patience, b. Dec. 22, 1738; m. Nathaniel Gowen, of Sutton. March 17, 1757. She was living at the settlement of her father's estate, Nov. 12, 1771.
- 1856. Philimon, b. Feb. 20, 1740-1; m. —: d. in Woburn, 1803, leaving two minor children, *Philemon* and *Azur*.
- 1857. Lucretia, b. May 24, 1743; m. April 20, 1779, Ebenezer Parker, son of Thomas Parker, of Reading, and brother of Dea. Thomas Parker.
- +1858. Zebulon, b. June 6, 1745; m. Abigail Tidd. Zerviah, b. June 6, 1747; m. Ephraim Parker, of Reading; published June 20, 1772. He was born in Reading, 1751, son of Ephraim and Ruth (Bancroft) Parker, and grandson of Joseph Parker. He was known as "Master Ephraim"; had no children.





## 1615.

EDWARD RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Jacob*<sup>3</sup>, *John*<sup>2</sup>, *Samuel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding, and second son of Jacob<sup>3</sup> and Hannah (Convers) Richardson; born in Woburn, March 12, 1705; married, April 14, 1780, JERUSHA WYMAN,<sup>2</sup> born in Woburn, July 23, 1712, sixth child—fourth daughter—of Benjamin<sup>2</sup> and Elizabeth (Hancock) Wyman, of Woburn. She was a sister of Elizabeth Wyman, the wife of Jacob Richardson,<sup>4</sup> Edward's brother.

He lived in Woburn till 1735 or later; afterwards on South Street, in Reading. His will is dated April 17, 1793; proved Sept. 3, 1793. He died, June 22, 1793, aged 88. His wife Jerusha died April 10, 1782. [Gravestone.]

## Children, born in Woburn:

1800. Jeremiah,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 18, 1731; living at the date of his father's will, April, 1793.  
 +1861. Barnabas,<sup>5</sup> b. March 14, 1733-4; m. Rebecca Tidd.

## Born in Reading:

- +1862. Zadok,<sup>5</sup> b. May 17, 1739; m. Sarah Brooks.  
 +1863. Edward,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 25, 1743; m. Sarah Tidd.  
 +1864. Jethro,<sup>5</sup> b. June 3, 1747; m. Hannah Richardson.

## 1616.

ESTHER RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Jacob*<sup>3</sup>, *John*<sup>2</sup>, *Samuel*<sup>1</sup>), sister of the preceding; born in Woburn, June 25, 1707; married, June 27, 1733, CAPT. BENJAMIN WYMAN,<sup>2</sup> born in Woburn, Nov. 18, 1706, eldest son of Benjamin<sup>2</sup> and Elizabeth Wyman, mentioned in the preceding notice, and brother of Elizabeth<sup>2</sup> and Jerusha Wyman,<sup>2</sup> already referred to. They lived in Woburn.

## Children:

1865. Lucy (Wyman), b. June 9, 1735; m. Jabez Damon, of Reading, April 3, 1755.  
 1866. Esther (Wyman), b. Aug. 19, 1736; m. Nathaniel Brooks, jr., of Woburn, Jan. 16, 1754.  
 1867. Sarah (Wyman), b. July 31, 1738; m. Nathaniel Cutter, of Woburn, Oct. 24, 1758.  
 1868. Benjamin (Wyman), b. Jan. 1, 1739-40; m. Elizabeth Swan, of Woburn, Oct. 31, 1765. He died July 6, 1774. She died July 6, 1773, aged 30.  
 1869. Ruth (Wyman), b. Dec. 6, 1742; m. Jonathan Wright, of Woburn, June 6, 1765.  
 1870. Patience (Wyman), b. April 13, 1744.  
 1871. Phebe (Wyman), b. June 9, 1745; m. Ebenezer Wade, of Woburn, Nov. 8, 1764.  
 1872. Jonas (Wyman), b. Dec. 15, 1740; d. in the army in New York State.  
 1873. Martha (Wyman), b. Feb. 21, 1747-8; m. Stephen Richardson [1828], July 9, 1770.  
 1874. Elizabeth (Wyman), b. Aug. 22, 1751; d. Aug. 26, 1751.



## 1617.

ENOCH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Jacob*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Samuel*<sup>1</sup>), brother of the preceding, and third son of Jacob<sup>3</sup> and Hannah (Convers) Richardson; born in Woburn, May 26, 1709; married, June 8, 1735, MARY JOHNSON,<sup>4</sup> born in Woburn, Oct. 26, 1713, daughter of Edward<sup>4</sup> and Rebecca Johnson.

Edward,<sup>4</sup> her father, was born 1689, and was a son of Captain (also deacon) Edward Johnson,<sup>3</sup> born 1658, who was a son of Major William Johnson,<sup>2</sup> and grandson of CAPT. EDWARD JOHNSON,<sup>1</sup> from Kent, Eng., the author of the "Wonder-Working Providence." Ichabod Johnson,<sup>4</sup> slain in the "Pigwacket fight," 1725, was a brother of Edward,<sup>4</sup> her father.

Enoch Richardson passed his life in Woburn, and died in the summer of 1758. His will, dated May 23, 1758, proved July 31, 1758, mentions wife Mary, his children Mary, Sarah, and Enoch, and his father Jacob, who died 1763.

## Children :

1875. Mary,<sup>4</sup> b. Dec. 30, 1735; m. David Johnson, Jan. 10, 1765.  
 1876. Sarah,<sup>4</sup> b. March 20, 1737; m. 1754, Ephraim Wyman,<sup>4</sup> b. April 5, 1733, son of Jacob.<sup>3</sup> b. Sept. 11, 1688, who was son of that Jacob Wyman<sup>2</sup> who married the widow of Capt. John Coggin when 75 years of age. [See 1560]. They were descendants of LIEUT. JOHN WYMAN.<sup>1</sup> She and her husband were living in 1771.  
 1877. Enoch,<sup>4</sup> b. April 4, 1738.  
 1878. Lydia,<sup>4</sup> b. April 20, 1744; d. July 20, 1748.  
 1879. Elijah,<sup>4</sup> b. April 19, 1732; d. Nov. 9, 1733.

## 1667.

JOSEPH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Joseph*,<sup>3</sup> *Joseph*,<sup>2</sup> *Samuel*<sup>1</sup>), eldest son of Joseph<sup>3</sup> and Mary (Blodget) Richardson; born in Woburn, Nov. 8, 1699; married SUSANNA WYMAN,<sup>4</sup> born there, June 30, 1695, daughter of Lieut. Seth and Esther (Johnson) Wyman, of Woburn.

Her father, Lieut. Seth Wyman,<sup>2</sup> born Aug. 3, 1663, was the sixth son of Lieut. John Wyman,<sup>1</sup> one of the founders of Woburn, 1641, a tanner, and a man of large property. See note under [1557]. He must not be confounded with Seth Wyman, the hero of Pigwacket. See note under [1580]. The father of Susanna Wyman died Oct. 26, 1715. Her mother was eldest daughter of Major William Johnson, of Woburn. See Johnson family, under [1602].

Joseph Richardson lived in Woburn, and died Dec. 7, 1725, aged 30. His wife died just three months after, aged 29, having the day before given birth to twins.

## Children :

- +1880. James,<sup>4</sup> b. March 1, 1722-4; m. Sarah Leathe.  
 1881. Seth,<sup>4</sup> } twins, born }  
 1882. Susanna,<sup>4</sup> } March 8, 1725-6; } m. James Russell, of Haverhill,  
 1749. He was a lieutenant in Col. Saltonstall's regiment in the expedition to Crown Point, 1736.



ERRATUM for Richardson Memorial E 7 R395, p. 215.  
Experience and her father, Benjamin, were Flight  
not Wright. (New England Reg. XLIII, 201-2; Sud-  
bury Vital Records).

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1688.

MAJOR JOSIAH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), second son of Joseph<sup>2</sup> and Mary (Blodget) Richardson; born in Woburn, Jan. 12, 1701-2; married, Oct. 23, 1728, EXPERIENCE WRIGHT, daughter and heir of Benjamin Wright, then of Sudbury, but previously of Woburn.

Benjamin Wright, her father, was born in Woburn, March 14, 1688, the youngest child of Dea. Joseph and Elizabeth (Hassell) Wright. Joseph Wright was a son of Dea. John Wright, one of the founders of Woburn, 1641; a selectman of that town, 1645, and many years afterwards. Dea. Joseph Wright, grandfather of Experience, was a selectman of Woburn, 1670, 1673, 1692, and a deacon of the church from 1698, or before, till his death, March 31, 1724, at the age of 85. He was the father of eleven children. At what time his son, Benjamin Wright, removed to Sudbury we are not informed.

Josiah Richardson, in the record of his marriage, is said to be "of Chelmsford," which we take to be a fact. His eldest son, Gideon, was born there. The Middlesex County records give his marriage as taking place in 1733, a manifest and glaring error.

He lived nearly forty years in Sudbury, and was a man of much note there. He was a major in the militia, and possessed of some property, as the following abstracts will show.

Josiah Richardson, Esquire, of Sudbury, and Cornelius Ward [the name is obscurely written, it may be *Wood*], of said Sudbury, were, in 1769, a committee of the proprietors of a township six and three-fourths miles square, on Androscoggin River, in Cumberland County. [Cumb. Deeds, vii. 159, 316.] The township here referred to was granted by the legislature of Massachusetts in 1768, and was long known as Sudbury-Canada, now the town of Bethel, Me.

Charles Richardson, of Sutton, in the county of Worcester, gentleman, gave to "his kinsman" [his brother], Josiah Richardson, of Sudbury, gentleman, all the right, etc., that the grantor had or derived from a deed received from Peter King, alias Rice, in or to a township, granted to a number of proprietors, on the Androscoggin River, in Cumberland County. The deed is dated Jan. 17, 1772. [Cumb. Deeds, xi. 393.]

Josiah Richardson, of Sudbury, sells his entire right in lot No. 37, in the township of Sudbury-Canada, to Jonathan Clarke. [Cumb. Deeds, xi. 406.]

He died August 30, 1770. His will, dated July 23, 1758, was proved Nov. 20, 1770. The inventory of his estate is dated Aug. 31, 1770, amount £421 9. 8.; and his death must have taken place the very day before. In the will he describes himself as of Sudbury, gentleman. He expresses a hope in the mercy of God, through the merits of Christ. He gives to wife Experience the improvement of one-half of his real estate; also gives her "my negro girl, named Dinah," and one-half of his personal estate.





He gives to his only son, Josiah Richardson,\* all his wearing apparel, desk, armor, tools, and implements of husbandry; "my seal-ring and my cloak, and one-half of my books, and my negro man, Francois Benson," etc.

He gives his granddaughter, Experience Richardson, the daughter of Gideon Richardson, "my son, late of Wells, clerk, deceased, the sum of sixty-seven pounds, lawful money, and the other half of my personal estate." And he requires that "the said granddaughter be brought up to the age of eighteen years out of my estate in a handsome and decent manner."

Before his death, viz.: Aug. 30, 1770, apparently the very day of his death, he declared in the presence of John Jones and Mary Jones, that he gave to his wife his negro boy Caesar, who was born after he made his will [probably Dinah's son]. After the death of the widow Experience, this negro boy was to be the property of his son, Josiah Richardson.

The children of Josiah and Experience Richardson, were,

Born in Chelmsford:

+1833. Gideon,<sup>5</sup> b. June 5, 1730; m. Martha Thornton, of Boston.

Born in Sudbury:

+1834. Josiah,<sup>6</sup> b. May 29, 1733; m. Elizabeth Eveleth, of Stow.

1835. Experience,<sup>5</sup> m. Abishai Crossman, of Sudbury, March 31, 1772.

1836. Luther,<sup>6</sup> b. July 14, 1743, d. Oct. 8, 1752.

### 1669.

REUBEN RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Joseph<sup>2</sup> Joseph<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding and third son of Joseph<sup>2</sup> and Mary (Blodget) Richardson; born in Woburn, June 12, 1704; married, 1726, ESTHER WYMAN, born Feb. 25, 1709, O. S., youngest child of Samuel<sup>2</sup> and Rebecca (Johnson) Wyman, of that part of Woburn which in 1799 was incorporated as the town of Burlington. Samuel<sup>2</sup> her father, born Nov. 29, 1667, was the sixth son of Francis<sup>1</sup> and Abigail (Reed) Wyman. See note under [1557]. Rebecca, her mother, was born March 1, 1665, daughter of Matthew Johnson, who was a son of Capt. Edward Johnson, "the father of Woburn."

Reuben Richardson lived in Woburn till 1734, when he removed to Stoneham, an adjoining town, and took up his residence on its western border, near Woburn line, on the spot where the large two-story house now stands, formerly owned and occupied by his descendant, Captain William Richardson, and now by the widow of the latter. He was chosen constable, March 1, 1742; "owned the covenant," and was baptized, Aug. 5, 1744. His wife was previously a church member. He was chosen selectman,

\*He calls Josiah his only son—being the only son then living. Gideon had died four months previously.



March 5, 1757, and again March 2, 1772. He died suddenly, of bilious cholera, Dec. 22, 1776, aged 72.

His widow Esther survived him more than thirty-two years, and died at the house of her son, Thaddens Richardson, the house just mentioned, Feb. 8, 1800, having lived ONE HUNDRED YEARS, lacking one month. If she had lived till March 8, the century would have been complete, reckoning by New Style. Her gravestone says: "died Feb. 8, 1809, aged 99 years, 11 months, 14 days.

Children, most of whom lived to an advanced age, were,

Born in Woburn:

- +1887. Joseph,<sup>4</sup> b. Feb. 9, 1727; married Abigail Felton.
- 1888. Esther,<sup>4</sup> b. April 16, 1729; m. 1751, Francis Leathe, of Woburn. They were published Sept. 20, 1751. They lived in Watertown and Salem, and had *Esther, Benjamin, William, Eleanor,* and some others.
- +1889. Reuben,<sup>4</sup> b. Dec. 22, 1731; m. Jerusha Kendall.
- +1890. Ruth,<sup>4</sup> b. May 23, 1733; m. John Geary.

Born in Stoneham:

- +1891. Abel,<sup>4</sup> b. Oct. 23, 1736; m. Mary Thompson.
- +1892. Caleb,<sup>4</sup> b. Oct. 24, 1738; m. Sarah Richardson [1925].
- +1893. Elijah,<sup>4</sup> b. May 4, 1741; m. Ruth Gould.
- 1894. Mary,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 2, 1743; m. John Swan, 1774. He was of Menotomy, then a part of West Cambridge, now included in Winchester. Children: *John, Reuben, William, Mary, Stephen.*
- +1895. Jerusha,<sup>4</sup> b. June 2, 1745; m. Reuben Locke.
- +1896. Josiah,<sup>4</sup> b. Nov. 3, 1747; m. Jerusha Brooks.
- 1897. Loamm,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 12, 1749-50; died at fifteen months old.
- +1898. Thaddeus,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 7, 1752; m. Lydia Vinton.
- +1899. Charles,<sup>4</sup> b. Feb. 17, 1756; m. Anna Bruce.

1670.

OLIVER RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Joseph,<sup>3</sup> Joseph,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and fourth son of Joseph<sup>3</sup> and Mary (Blodgett) Richardson; born in Woburn, Aug. 15, 1706; married, first, July 24, 1726, in Reading, on the border of Woburn, LYDIA WYMAN, b. Jan. 1, 1701-2, fifth daughter of Samuel and Rebecca (Johnson) Wyman, of Woburn. She died Oct. 26, 1754. Second, EUNICE PEIRCE, perhaps a daughter of Ensign John Peirce, an influential man in Woburn, March 30, 1756. She died April 5, 1774.

He was a man of note in Woburn; selectman, 1752, 1753, 1754, 1755, and again 1770, 1771, 1772. He was chosen, about 1756, one of a committee to take care of the town's "Loan Money";\* and

\* In 1694, the General Court of Massachusetts made to the town of Woburn a grant of two thousand acres of land, to be taken up wherever they could find it in the wilderness, clear of any prior claim. Fifty years passed before the town did any thing in relation to the location of this grant. In 1717, it was located in the present town of Lunenburg. This land, after further delay, was sold in 1734, to Israel Reed, of Woburn for £3,300 in bills of credit, a depreciated currency, which was loaned to individuals, but kept on in a course of depreciation, till in 1772, it became a total loss. See under [1572]. See Sewall's History of Woburn, pp. 187, 283, et seq.



from time to time on other important committees. He represented Woburn at a convention from numerous towns, assembled at Boston, Sept. 22, 1768, to consider what should be done in regard to the oppressive encroachments of the British ministry. He was representative of Woburn in the General Court, 1769, and the following years till 1773. His will is dated Dec. 9, 1790; proved May 5, 1795. He died April 7, 1795. [Gravestone.]

His children, all by first wife, and all born in Woburn, were:

- +1900. Jesse,<sup>s</sup> b. Feb. 1, 1729-30; m. Jemima Brooks.
- 1901. Paul,<sup>s</sup> b. Dec. 23, 1734; m. Eusebia Harrington, b. in Lancaster, May, 1731, daughter of Rev. Timothy Harrington, graduated, Harvard College, 1737; installed pastor at Lancaster, Nov. 18, 1748. For Harrington family, see Bond's Watertown, p. 278. Paul Richardson lived a while at Lancaster, afterwards in Winchester, N. H.
- +1902. Oliver,<sup>s</sup> b. April 23, 1737; m. Betsy Tidd.
- 1903. Lydia,<sup>s</sup> b. Dec. 21, 1740; a maiden; d. Aug. 31, 1790, aged 50.
- +1904. Susanna,<sup>s</sup> b. March 23, 1744; m. Joshua Tay.
- +1905. Samuel,<sup>s</sup> b. Dec. 3, 1748; m. first, Esther Simonds; second, Anna Eustis.

Reuben Richardson, Oliver Richardson, and Lieut. James Simonds contracted, in 1748, to build a saw-mill in township Narragansett, No. 6, incorporated, March 6, 1792, as the town of Templeton. Lieut. James Simonds was father of Esther Simonds in the above record and grandfather of the celebrated Count Rumford.

### 1673.

CHARLES RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Joseph,<sup>s</sup> Joseph,<sup>s</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and youngest son of Joseph<sup>s</sup> and Mary (Blodgett) Richardson; born in Woburn, July 27, 1710; married, first, MARY ROPER, of Westford, Feb. 2, 1737; second, SUSANNA —.

When first married, he is described as of Oxford. His father, in his will, dated June 17, 1754, describes him as of Sutton. How long he had lived there does not appear. He continued to live there till death. But his own will, dated Jan. 13, 1779 [Worcester Prob. Rec., xviii. 480], represents him as of Ward. The explanation is that a part of Sutton was taken, with parts of Leicester, Oxford, and Worcester, to constitute the new town of Ward, April 10, 1778. The name *Ward* was exchanged, by legislative enactment, for *ATBURN*, Feb. 17, 1837.

The will of Charles Richardson—dated as above—was proved Sept. 2, 1783, which makes him about seventy-three at the time of his death. The will provides for wife Susanna and the following children. Charles, the only son, was executor of the will.

Children:

- 1906. Mary,<sup>s</sup> m. — Woolston.
- 1907. Lucretia,<sup>s</sup> m. Samuel Marble, of Sutton, Nov. 16, 1769.
- 1908. Charles,<sup>s</sup>

### 1676.

MAJOR JOSEPH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Stephen,<sup>s</sup> Joseph,<sup>s</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Captain—or Deacon—Stephen<sup>s</sup> and Bridget Richardson,



of Woburn; born there, July 20, 1698; married, March 23, 1731, his second cousin, MARTHA (WYMAN) TIDD, born Oct. 13, 1695, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Richardson) Wyman and widow of Ebenezer Tidd. Her mother Elizabeth was a daughter of Samuel Richardson.<sup>2</sup> [See 1574.]

He was a yeoman, and passed his life in Woburn. He and some others were proprietors of "a tract of land lying on the back of North Yarmouth, Me." He was one of a committee who sold said land to William Story, of Boston, Nov. 6, 1753. [York Deeds, xxxi. 151-157, 179, 213.] He died in Woburn, Nov. 19, 1756.

## Children :

- +1909. Jonas,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 1, 1731-2; m. Martha Parker.
- +1910. Levi,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 3, 1733-4; m. Abigail ~~Richardson~~ *Wells*, 1735.
- +1911. Martha,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 7, 1735-6; m. John Cutter.
- 1912. Hannah,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 23, 1739; m. John Richardson,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 5, 1781-2, son of Dea. Nathan Richardson, of Woburn. [See 191.]

## 1677.

THOMAS RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Stephen,<sup>2</sup> Joseph,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, Feb. 5, 1699-1700; married RUTH BUCKNAM, June 26, 1733. He lived in Malden, and died June 11, 1754.

## Children :

- 1913. Ruth,<sup>5</sup> b. May 15, 1734; m. William Leathers, of Charlestown, April 29, 1755.
- 1914. Mary,<sup>5</sup> b. March 4, 1735-6.
- 1915. Phebe,<sup>5</sup> b. Sept. 19, 1738; m. William Leathers, Nov. 8, 1792.
- 1916. Elizabeth,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 10, 1740.
- 1917. Thomas,<sup>5</sup> b. Dec. 10, 1742.
- 1918. Martha,<sup>5</sup> b. May 24, 1745; living in Malden, a maiden, 1768.

## 1679.

PHEBE RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Stephen,<sup>2</sup> Joseph,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Woburn, May 16, 1704; married, April 18, 1738, ISAAC SNOW, born in Woburn, Feb. 26, 1708-9, son of Timothy and Lydia (Peirce) Snow, and grandson of John Snow, whose father, Richard Snow, was among the early settlers of Woburn.

Of Isaac Snow, Phebe was the second wife. His first wife was Esther Convers, born Oct. 1, 1704, daughter of Capt. Robert and Mary Convers. She died May 30, 1737. Robert was a son of Major James Convers, the valiant defender of Storer's garrison in Wells [1563].

Isaac Snow was a selectman of Woburn, 1756, 1758. He died March 31, 1776, aged 67. His wife Phebe died Feb. 15, 1785, aged 81.





## Their children were:

1919. Phebe (Snow), b. Jan. 5, 1738-9; m. Oct. 29, 1760, Daniel Thompson.<sup>1\*</sup> b. March 4, 1734, son of Samuel<sup>4</sup> and Ruth (Wright) Thompson. On the morning of April 19, 1775, the alarm being given of the approach of British troops to destroy the stores at Concord, he mounted his horse and rode to the north village in Woburn to alarm the people and urge them to resistance. He avowed his determination to oppose them even if the sons were to do it. On the retreat of the British from Concord, he fell dead in a field near the road where they were passing, shot by a grenadier who had marked the execution done by his balls. His eldest son, Isaac Snow Thompson, was a physician in Baldwin, Me. His only daughter, Phebe Thompson, m. Josiah Pierce, Esq., of the same place. His second and only remaining son, Daniel, settled in Berlin, Vt., and was father of Hon. Daniel Pierce Thompson, of Montpelier, Vt. [Woburn Journal, Jan. 10, 1832.] One other man of Woburn, Asahel Porter, fell on that eventful day. Daniel Thompson's brother Abijah, b. 1739, was father of Abijah, a sheriff, whose son, Major Abijah, was father of General Abijah Thompson, who commenced the business of tanning in Woburn, in 1814, and has accumulated a large property thereby.
1920. Bridget (Snow), b. July 17, 1742; m. Hiram Thompson, son of Ebenezer, Feb. 3, 1767.
1921. Anne (Snow), b. March 19, 1744; m. Ebenezer Reed, June 23, 1777.
1922. Mary (Snow), b. April 26, 1747; d. Dec. 8, 1753.

## 1681.

STEPHEN RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Stephen,<sup>3</sup> Joseph,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and son of Dea. Stephen<sup>3</sup> and Bridget Richardson; born in Woburn, about 1707; married, Aug. 26, 1736, MARY SAWYER, born in Woburn, Sept. 14, 1706, daughter of Joshua and Mary Sawyer, of Woburn. Her father, Joshua, born June 20, 1684, was son of Joshua Sawyer, of that place.

They lived in Woburn, on the confines of Stoneham. His will is dated 1783; proved April 4, 1787. He died March 6, 1787, aged 81. [Gravestone.] His wife Mary died Nov. 22, 1783, aged 77. [Gravestone.]

## Children:

- +1923. Bridget,<sup>5</sup> b. Sept. 30, 1737; m. Isaac Belknap.
1924. Molly,<sup>5</sup> b. April 20, 1739; m. Abel Belknap, his brother. They were married Oct. 6, 1765. He was born in Woburn, Jan. 13, 1738-9. They were sons of Samuel and Lydia (Stearns) Belknap, of Woburn. They removed to Newburgh, N. Y.
1925. Sarah,<sup>5</sup> b. March 10, 1743; m. Caleb Richardson [1802].
- +1926. Stephen,<sup>5</sup> b. Sept. 4, 1744; m. Martha Wyman.

## 1682.

DR. ADAM RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Stephen,<sup>3</sup> Joseph,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, April 10, 1709; married REBECCA ———.

\*Daniel Thompson was a cousin of Benjamin Thompson, the father of Count Rumford.



He graduated at Harvard College, 1730; was a physician in Groton, 1744; of Woburn, 1748. He taught the grammar school in Woburn, 1747, 1748, 1749.

## Children:

- +1927. Winslow,<sup>4</sup> b. Dec. 14, 1737; m. first, Rhoda Johnson; second, Elizabeth Byram.
- 1928. Rebecca,<sup>4</sup> b. July 13, 1740.
- +1929. Stephen,<sup>4</sup> b. July 6, 1743; m. Mercy Darling.

## 1683.

ASA RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Stephen,<sup>3</sup> Joseph,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and youngest son of Dea. Stephen<sup>3</sup> and Bridget Richardson; born in Woburn, Dec. 12, 1713; married (published November, 1739) HANNAH LOCKE,<sup>4\*</sup> born in Woburn, April 11, 1716, daughter of Lieut. Ebenezer Locke,<sup>2</sup> who was son of Dea. William Locke,<sup>1</sup> the original emigrant, who came from England in the "Planter," 1635, when only six years old. He came under the protection of his uncle, Nicholas Davis. [Compare 1560.] For a full account of the Locke family, see "Book of the Lockes," by John G. Locke.

Asa Richardson died in Woburn, March 17, 1752, aged 38. His widow Hannah died March, 1799, aged 83.

## Their children were:

- 1930. Hannah,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 22, 1741; m. on her birthday, Aug. 22, 1763, Thomas Reed, b. Dec. 22, 1740, son of Thomas and Lydia Reed, of Woburn.
- +1931. Leonard,<sup>4</sup> b. Dec. 2, 1742; m. Ruth Wright.
- +1932. Susanna,<sup>4</sup> b. May 10, 1744; m. Simon Carter.
- 1933. Relief,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 3, 1745; m. Joseph Reed, b. Feb. 19, 1744-5, and brother of Thomas Reed, already mentioned.
- +1934. Ichabod,<sup>4</sup> b. March 3, 1747; m. Sarah Wyman.
- 1935. Lucy,<sup>4</sup> b. Nov. 13, 1748; d. 1757, at the age of nine years.
- +1936. Edmund,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 3, 1751; m. Mary Leathe.

## 1685.

SAMUEL RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Samuel<sup>3</sup> and Susannah Richardson; born in Woburn, Sept. 15, 1704; married MARY —.

It appears that he left his native town of Woburn early in life, for we find him taxed in Exeter, N. H., July 16, 1729, and from that time till May 27, 1740; after which it does not occur. The tax in 1729 was eleven shillings; in 1740, it was fourteen shillings. His name does not occur among the deeds of Rockingham County,

\* Hannah Locke in the text had a brother Samuel, born Aug. 24, 1702, whose wife was Rebecca Richardson, born July 14, 1710, a daughter of Capt. James Richardson,<sup>3</sup> who was a grandson of Thomas Richardson,<sup>1</sup> one of the founders of Woburn, 1641. This Samuel Locke kept a hotel in Lancaster, and was the father of Rev. Samuel Locke, D. D., born Nov. 23, 1731, president of Harvard College from March, 1770, to December, 1773. He was a fine scholar, but the victim of "unlucky circumstances."



in which Exeter is situated, nor in the probate records, from 1720 to 1750. At length he turns up at Brookfield, Mass., but how long he lived there does not appear. He was by occupation a cooper, as the probate records of Worcester inform us.

An inventory of his estate is dated March 7, 1769, which is a statement, in effect, that he died not long before. He owned some real estate; how much does not appear. A settlement of his estate was made May 24, 1770, from which we learn that he left a widow, Mary, and the following children:

- +1937. Nathan.<sup>5</sup> m. first, Tamsin Upham; second, Mary Belknap.
- +1938. Joseph.<sup>4</sup> m. Priscilla Millinger.
- 1939. Samuel.<sup>5</sup>
- 1940. Ralph.<sup>5</sup>
- 1941. Josiah.<sup>5</sup>
- 1942. Martha or Patty.<sup>5</sup>
- 1943. Caroline.<sup>5</sup>
- 1944. Amos.<sup>5</sup>
- 1945. Sybil.<sup>5</sup> m. — Blak.
- 1946. Mary.<sup>5</sup> m. — Bowditch.
- 1947. Olive.<sup>5</sup>

## 1686.

THOMAS RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), second son of Samuel<sup>2</sup> and Susannah Richardson; born in Woburn, Nov. 19, 1706; married, first, May 6, 1735, MARY RUSSELL,<sup>5</sup> born Oct. 4, 1712, daughter of John<sup>4</sup> and Joanna (Winn) Russell, of Woburn. John Russell,<sup>4</sup> her father, was son of John,<sup>3</sup> who was son of John,<sup>2</sup> who was son of John Russell,<sup>1</sup> who came from England, was one of the founders of Woburn, 1641; selectman, 1652, 1653, 1654, 1655, 1656; and deacon of the church in 1664; but embracing Baptist views in 1669, there ensued much trouble to him, and to the church in Woburn. He died June 1, 1676. His son John<sup>2</sup> was ordained pastor of the Baptist Church in Boston, July 28, 1679.

John Russell,<sup>4</sup> the father of Mary (Russell) Richardson, was a decided Congregationalist; clerk of the Congregational Parish, Woburn; parish treasurer; parish assessor; also town clerk 1739 to 1745, six years.

Mary, the first wife of Thomas Richardson, died Jan. 11, 1741-2, aged 30.

The second wife, married Oct. 18, 1742, was SARAH BROOKS, born Dec. 25, 1714, daughter of Jabez and Hephzibah Brooks, a descendant of John and Eunice (Mousall) Brooks, and of Deacon John Mousall, one of the founders of Woburn.

Mr. Thomas Richardson died in Woburn, June 13, 1773, aged 67. [Gravestone.] His widow Sarah died June 12, 1784, aged 70. [Gravestone.]

The only child of Thomas Richardson was by first wife:

- +1948. Jeduthun,<sup>5</sup> b. April 16, 1738; m. Mary Wright,



## 1688.

URIAH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, June 30, 1710; married, between 1740 and 1746, MIRIAM GREEN,<sup>4</sup> born March 7, 1720, daughter of Jacob<sup>3</sup> and Dorothy (Lynde) Green, of Malden, and sister of Rev. Jacob Green,<sup>4</sup> born in Malden, Jan. 22, 1721-2, who graduated, Harvard College, 1744; was pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Hanover, N. J., more than forty-three years, and was father of the eminent and Rev. Ashbel Green, D. D., pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia from 1787 to 1812, and president of New Jersey College from 1812 to 1822.

Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, after marriage, resided in Dudley, Mass., then a new town. They afterwards removed to Stafford, Ct. Further information is wanting.

## 1691.

ZACHARIAH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and youngest son of Samuel<sup>3</sup> and Susanna Richardson; born in Woburn, May 21, 1720; married, May 10, 1744, PHEBE WYMAN,<sup>4</sup> born July 29, 1724, daughter of David Wyman,<sup>3</sup> born April 14, 1693, by his wife, Phebe Richardson, daughter of Nathaniel<sup>2</sup> and Mary Richardson, and granddaughter of THOMAS RICHARDSON,<sup>1</sup> of Woburn, one of the original emigrants from England.

He lived in Woburn; was a man of handsome property, most of which he gave to his son Jesse.

Zachariah Richardson, of Woburn, yeoman, bought of Jonathan Brooks, of Woburn, husbandman, about twelve hundred acres of land on the west side of Kennebec River, in the county of Lincoln, Me., the same he bought of Jonathan Fox, etc., "being one-third of three-fourths of the southerly three-quarters of lot No. 11; being three-fourths of a mile wide and ten miles long, the whole lot No. 11 contains 4800 acres, March 18, 1793. [Lincoln Deeds, xxv. 208.] He owned land in Stoneham in 1768.

He died Nov. 22, 1804, aged 84. His widow Phebe died Aug. 3, 1809. [Gravestones.]

Their children, all born in Woburn, were:

- 1949. Zachariah,<sup>5</sup> b. April 1, 1755; m. Elizabeth Brooks, of Woburn, Dec. 30, 1767. He died Dec. 17, 1814, aged 70. She died Aug. 4, 1807, aged 65, without offspring.
- 1950. Phebe,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 24, 1747-8; d. young.
- +1951. Susanna,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 18, 1749; m. Samuel Symmes,<sup>5</sup> June 4, 1771.\*
- 1952. John,<sup>5</sup> b. May 15, 1753; m. Mary Thornton, May 21, 1774. He died in Woburn, Aug. 3, 1785. His widow died Feb. 2, 1793, aged 37.
- 1953. Ruth,<sup>5</sup> b. July 15, 1755; m. Capt. Joseph Brown, of South Woburn, now Winchester, Oct. 24, 1776. No children:

\*See Symmes Memorial, by the compiler of this volume, p. 53.





1954. Jesse,<sup>5</sup> b. Sept. 26, 1757; d. young.  
 1955. Anna,<sup>5</sup> b. Sept. 18, 1759; d. young.  
 +1956. Jesse,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 20, 1781; m. Submit Brown.  
 1957. Phebe,<sup>5</sup> b. April 12, 1784; d. May 13, 1786, aged 22.  
 1958. Anne,<sup>5</sup> b. May 19, 1786; m. Joshua Reed, of Woburn, May 29,  
 1785. She died in Woburn, May 30, 1834, aged 88.

## 1706.

THOMAS RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Thomas,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Thomas<sup>3</sup> and Rebecca (Wyman) Richardson; born in Woburn, Feb. 15, 1718-14; married MERTABLE —.

He was by trade a saddler. He lived on a slip of land, called "the County Gore," adjoining Shrewsbury, and between Worcester and that part of Sutton which is now Grafton. The owners and inhabitants of this "Gore," of whom Thomas Richardson was one, being eight in number, petitioned, March 3, 1743, to be annexed to Worcester. This was effected by a vote of the general court on the 5th of April following.

His will, dated March 23, 1759, proved May 2, 1759, and recorded in Worcester, Prob. Records, vi. 148, describes him as of Worcester; provides for wife Mehitable, and mentions his children in the following order:

1959. David,<sup>6</sup> b. about 1740; m. Rebecca —. He lived in Barre, and died 1777. Children:  
 1960. David,<sup>6</sup>  
 1961. Rufus,<sup>6</sup>  
 1962. Asa,<sup>6</sup>  
 1963. Rachel,<sup>6</sup>  
 1964. Lucretia,<sup>6</sup> b. 1742. She was of Worcester, a maiden, March 3, 1774, when she and her brother Peter received their portions of their grandfather's estate.  
 1965. Lucy,<sup>6</sup> b. 1744.  
 +1966. Jonas,<sup>6</sup> b. 1748; m. Mary —.  
 +1967. Peter,<sup>6</sup> b. about 1743; m. first, Mary Rice; second, Hannah Bond.  
 1968. Rebecca,<sup>6</sup> b. 1750; m. Palmer Goulding, jr., his second wife. They had Palmer (Goulding), b. 1773; d. 1790. The first wife was Abigail Heywood. He died Jan. 30, 1792, aged 69.  
 1969. Thomas,<sup>6</sup> b. 1752; m. Relief Bigelow, 1775, b. June 10, 1751, eldest daughter of Capt. Joseph and Olive Bigelow, of Shrewsbury. They lived, for a time at least, in Shrewsbury, and had:  
 1970. Lucy,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 2, 1770. He died at Harvard, 1815.  
 1971. Sarah,<sup>6</sup> m. first, March 21, 1776, Ebenezer Richardson; second, Feb. 1, 1801, Nahum Goddard, of Petersham, afterwards of Rutland, Vt., son of Robert Goddard, of Petersham, who was a deputy sheriff, 1774 and 1775. Robert Goddard was a son of Edward Goddard, one of the first settlers of Shrewsbury, who had a farm of 300 acres.\*

\*The notice here given of Sarah Richardson rests partly on the authority of Dr. Bond, in his *Watertown Genealogies*, p. 250, No. 271. But he makes the wife of Nahum Goddard, *Sally Richards*, instead of Sarah Richardson. Her first husband was Ebenezer Richardson. Whose son he was, does not appear.



## 1707.

ELEAZAR RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Thomas,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and second son of Thomas<sup>2</sup> and Rebecca (Wyman) Richardson; born in Woburn, May 22, 1715; married, 1745 (published Aug. 1, 1745) SUSANNA CARTER,<sup>4</sup> born Oct. 20, 1715, daughter of Thomas<sup>2</sup> and Susanna Carter, of Woburn. Her father was a grandson of Rev. Thomas Carter,<sup>1</sup> the first minister of Woburn.

Eleazar Richardson lived in Woburn. He died April 17, 1758. His wife Susanna died Oct. 7, 1754. [Gravestones.]

## Children:

+1972. Eleazar,<sup>5</sup> b. June 29, 1746; m. first, Catharine —; second, Mary Walker; third, Lydia Upham.

1973. Rebecca,<sup>5</sup> b. Nov. 19, 1748; m. — Collins, of Lynn.

## 1710.

RALPH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Thomas,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, Jan. 3, 1719-20; married ——. His wife's name does not appear.

He lived in Sutton, as is proved by his father's will. He died there, at the age of sixty-two, outliving his father but eight years. His will, dated Aug. 15, 1781, proved May 17, 1782, mentions no wife, which renders it probable that she had previously died. He makes Capt. James Greenwood his executor. [Worcester Prob. Rec., xviii. 195.]

## His children, as named in the will, were:

1974. John,<sup>5</sup>  
1975. Sarah,<sup>5</sup> m. — Bixby.  
1976. Mary,<sup>5</sup> m. — Harbeck.  
1977. Jonathan,<sup>5</sup>  
1978. Abijah,<sup>5</sup>

## 1712.

EBENEZER RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Thomas,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, Aug. 26, 1722; married, first, MARY RICHARDSON; published Oct. 7, 1747. Second, SARAH RICHARDSON, March 21, 1776.

He lived in Woburn, and died there, Sept. 8, 1783, aged 61. His second wife, Sarah, died in Woburn, Sept. 7, 1815, aged 88.

## Children, all by first wife:

1979. Mary,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 30, 1748; m. Josiah Richardson [1842].  
1980. Ebenezer,<sup>5</sup> b. June 4, 1751; probably m. Sarah Parker, of Reading; published Jan. 13, 1777. He died at Danvers, about Jan. 1, 1832, aged 80.  
1981. Judith,<sup>5</sup> b. April 17, 1754; m. James Wyman, of Woburn, Nov. 25, 1781.  
+1982. Luke,<sup>5</sup> b. Dec. 31, 1755; m. Mary Fowle.  
1983. Jerusha,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 23, 1758.  
+1984. Gideon,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 3, 1760; m. Susanna Fox.



## 1714.

DAVID RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Thomas,<sup>2</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, Sept. 15, 1726; married REBECCA ———.

He was of Worcester, July 25, 1760, as appears from a deed to him from Charles Richardson, of Sutton [1673]. He was also of Worcester in 1774, when he received his share of his father's estate. His will, dated May 8, 1777; proved July 7, 1777, describes him as of Worcester. [Worcester Prob. Rec., xiii. 557.] In his will he provides for wife Rebecca and children as below:

1985. Arunah.<sup>6</sup>  
1986. Peter.<sup>6</sup>

He also had a son

1987. David,<sup>6</sup> as we learn from his father's will.

## 1715.

ZEBADIAH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Thomas,<sup>2</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Woburn, July 2, 1728; married, first, SARAH BARRON, of Chelmsford, January, 1756; published Dec. 20, 1755. Second, ESTHER SWAN, of West Cambridge [now Arlington], April 19, 1759. She died in Woburn, April 19, 1774. They lived in Woburn, but removed to Charlestown, 1772.

Children, by second wife:

1988. Esther,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 5, 1761.  
1989. Zebadiah,<sup>6</sup> b. Aug. 21, 1763; d. Jan. 4, 1764, aged 5 months.  
1990. Rhoda,<sup>6</sup> b. July 17, 1766; m. Thomas Hooper, June 17, 1792.

## 1716.

ISRAEL RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Thomas,<sup>2</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and ninth son of Thomas<sup>2</sup> and Rebecca (Wymen) Richardson, of Woburn; born there, Aug. 2, 1730; married, first, Aug. 13, 1762, ELIZABETH HUTCHINSON, of Sutton. The Worcester County records describe her as of Sutton, but her posterity say she was from Royalston, Mass. She was a member of the Congregational Church in Templeton. She died about 1780. Second, July 4, 1784, MIRIAM WHEELER, born Dec. 4, 1746, daughter of Joseph and Deborah Wheeler, of Marlborough.

He was a carpenter by trade, but his principal business was agriculture. He settled in Templeton, Mass., a town adjacent to Winchendon and Royalston, in the north part of Worcester County, as early as 1761. He was there in 1774, when he received his portion of his father's estate. He removed to Marlborough, in Middlesex County, in March, 1788. At that time he was living with his second wife. His son Nathaniel took care of him in his last years.



He died in Marlborough, Nov. 3, 1815, aged 85. His will is dated Oct. 27, 1808.

His children, all born in Templeton, by first wife, Elizabeth, were :

- +1991. Betsey,<sup>s</sup> b. June 3, 1765; m. William Cutter.
- +1992. Joanna,<sup>s</sup> bap. July 27, 1766; m. first, Ebenezer Eaton; second, Simeon Metcalf.
- +1993. Hannah,<sup>s</sup> b. 1768; m. William Morse.
- +1994. Azubah,<sup>s</sup> bap. April 17, 1769; m. Levi Stockwell.
- +1995. Rebecca,<sup>s</sup> b. 1770; m. Elihu Hunt.
- 1996. Sally,<sup>s</sup> bap. May 2, 1773.
- +1997. Nathaniel,<sup>s</sup> b. March 11, 1777; m. Sarah Barker.
- 1998. Ruth,<sup>s</sup> bap. May 10, 1778.
- +1999. Artemas,<sup>s</sup> b. Feb. 17, 1780; m. first, Nancy Richardson; second, Mary Thompson.

By second wife, Miriam :

- +2000. Lydia,<sup>s</sup> b. Sept. 29, 1784; m. Francis Lowell.

### 1717.

LEMUEL RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Thomas,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and tenth son of Thomas<sup>3</sup> and Rebecca Richardson; born in Woburn, July 31, 1734; married ANNA PRESTON, of Hardwick, Mass.

He was of Sutton when he received his portion of his father's estate in 1774. They afterwards removed to Marlow, in Cheshire County, N. H. He is said to have been by trade a carpenter.

He died in Marlow, April 14, 1818, aged 84. His wife Anna died July 31, 1820, aged 87.

Their children, all born in Sutton, Mass., were :

- +2001. William,<sup>s</sup> b. Oct. 9, 1753; m. Lovina Taft.
- +2002. Thomas Preston,<sup>s</sup> b. Dec. 13, 1760; m. first, Lydia Singletary; second, Esther Harris.
- 2003. Polly,<sup>s</sup> b. 1763; d. a maiden, Sept. 9, 1792, aged 29.
- +2004. David,<sup>s</sup> b. July 23, 1766; m. first, Rhoda Gale; second, Lucy B. Sargent.
- 2005. Nancy,<sup>s</sup> b. 1768; m. Jonathan Jeffs, of Mason, N. H. They lived in Stoddard, N. H., and had four children. He died Dec. 25, 1841, aged 74. She died Dec. 29, 1854, aged 86.
- +2006. Samuel,<sup>s</sup> b. April 22, 1771; m. first, Hephzibah Tubbs; second, Susan Bryant.
- +2007. Nathaniel,<sup>s</sup> b. 1774; never married.
- +2008. Ebenezer,<sup>s</sup> b. 1776; m. Huldah Royce.

### 1723.

JONATHAN RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Jonathan,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Jonathan<sup>3</sup> and Abigail (Wyman) Richardson; born in Woburn, Jan. 29, 1729-30; married, first, Dec. 13, 1759, PHEBE WHITTEMORE, of Malden, born in Woburn, Aug. 6, 1733, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Whittemore. Second, MARY PETERS, of Andover, Oct. 14, 1779.





He was of Middleton, 1779; was taxed in Andover, 1780-1. He died in Woburn, Oct. 31, 1798. In his will he left his property to his niece Sarah, wife of Job Miller, of Billerica. She was the daughter of his sister Sarah, who was wife of David Gould, of Stoneham [1720].

Children:

- +2009. Matthew,<sup>4</sup> m. Abigail —; they lived in Goffstown, N. H.
- 2010. Jesse,<sup>4</sup> of Newport, N. H.
- 2011. Josiah,<sup>4</sup> m. Dec. 18, 1792. Abigail Richardson, of Woburn. He was of Woburn; a cordwainer.
- 2012. Abigail,<sup>4</sup> unm. in 1798.

These four children, in 1798, after the death of their father, gave a deed of some property to Job Miller and his wife Sarah [see above]. The deed was recorded, 1815, among Midd. Deeds, vol. ccxii. This establishes the fact that they were children of Jonathan Richardson,<sup>4</sup> of Woburn. A posterity have descended from those children, a record of whom I have been unable to obtain. This remark applies in many other cases.

1725.

ESTHER RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*David,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of David<sup>3</sup> and Esther (Ward) Richardson, of Newton; born there, 1725; married, Nov. 15, 1750, ELISHA FULLER,<sup>4</sup> born in Newton, March 13, 1719, eldest son of Capt. Jonathan<sup>3</sup> and Sarah (Myrick) Fuller, of that place. Jonathan<sup>3</sup> was son of Joseph<sup>2</sup> and grandson of John Fuller,<sup>1</sup> one of the first settlers of Cambridge Village, incorporated, 1679, as the town of Newton.

Elisha Fuller lived near where the Baptist Theological Seminary now is, and died 1794, aged 75.

Children of Elisha and Esther Fuller:

- 2013. Esther (Fuller), b. Sept. 2, 1751; m. Edward Hall, of Newton, 1772.
- 2014. Elisha (Fuller), b. Aug. 10, 1753; d. March, 1773.
- 2015. Aaron (Fuller), b. Feb. 26, 1756; m. Hannah Pond, 1784.
- 2016. Hannah (Fuller), b. Feb. 28, 1750.
- 2017. Rhoda (Fuller), b. June 19, 1761.
- 2018. Pattry (Fuller), b. Aug. 12, 1763; m. Sylvanus Lowell, of Newton, 1791.
- 2019. Silas (Fuller), b. Dec. 21, 1763; m. Ruth Hoogs [Hughes], of Newton, 1793.
- 2020. Kate (Fuller), b. Sept. 10, 1768; d. in infancy.
- 2021. Kate (Fuller), b. Nov. 25, 1770; d. in infancy.
- 2022. Nabby (Fuller), b. May 3, 1773.

[Jackson's History of Newton.]

1727.

JONATHAN RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*David,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), son of David<sup>3</sup> and Remember (Ward) Richardson, of Newton; born there, July 1, 1727; married, Oct. 31, 1751, MARY WOODWARD,<sup>5</sup> born Feb. 28, 1733, daughter of Deacon Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> and Miudwell (Stone) Woodward, of Newton.



Ebenezer Stone,<sup>2</sup> father of Mindwell Stone, was a man of note and consideration, both in the town and province; selectman, ten years; representative, nine years, and of the executive council. He was a son of Simon Stone,<sup>2</sup> born in England, 1631, who came with his father, Dea. Simon Stone,<sup>1</sup> from England, 1635.

Jonathan Richardson and family lived in Newton till 1768, or later; after that year, they removed to Whitestown, N. Y. Such is the statement in Jackson's History of Newton. But if he ever set foot in Whitestown, it must have been after June, 1784, when the first white settler, Hugh White, from Middletown, Connecticut, arrived in that place, then but lately relieved from the inroads of savage Indians. To remove to that region [Oneida County and vicinity], now so flourishing and populous, containing a million and a half of inhabitants, was then attended with hardships and dangers, of which we can scarce have any idea. I cannot avoid serious doubt as to our Jonathan having gone to Whitestown, being unable to find his name in a copious history of Whitestown and of Oneida County, now before me.

The children of Jonathan and Mary Richardson were,

Born in Newton :

- 2022. Mary,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 27, 1732.
- 2024. Jonathan,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 30, 1733; d. young.
- 2025. Susanna, b. Dec. 12, 1733.
- 2026. Abigail,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 29, 1737.
- 2027. Nehemiah,<sup>6</sup> b. June 28, 1739.
- 2028. John,<sup>6</sup> b. April 22, 1761.
- 2029. Mehitable,<sup>6</sup> b. Aug. 10, 1761.
- 2030. Hannah,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 4, 1768.
- 2031. Lois,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 16, 1767.
- 2032. Jonathan,<sup>6</sup> b. Sept. 19, 1768.

[Jackson's History of Newton.]

### 1728.

LYDIA RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*David<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), sister of the preceding; born in Newton, Mass., about 1730; married, Jan. 16, 1755, ABIJAH FULLER,<sup>4</sup> born June 1, 1723, son of Isaac<sup>2</sup> and Abigail Fuller, of Newton. Isaac was a son of John,<sup>2</sup> and the latter a son of the original John Fuller,<sup>1</sup> already mentioned.

They lived in Newton. Abijah, the husband, died March, 1798, aged 75.

Children, born in Newton :

- 2033. Sybil (Fuller), b. May 27, 1756.
- 2034. Rhoda (Fuller), b. Oct. 31, 1758.
- 2035. Lemuel (Fuller), b. Jan. 26, 1761.
- 2036. Esther (Fuller), b. June 2, 1763.
- 2037. Elijah (Fuller), b. Feb. 11, 1764.
- 2038. Ezekiel (Fuller), b. Feb. 2, 1768.
- 2039. Amasa (Fuller), b. Oct. 23, 1770.

[Jackson's History of Newton.]



## 1729.

DAVID RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*David,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and son of David<sup>3</sup> and Remember Richardson; born in Newton, Feb. 24, 1732; married, first, Feb. 13, 1755, MARY HALL,<sup>4</sup> born March 7, 1734, daughter of Edward<sup>3</sup> and Mary (Miller) Hall, of Newton. She died 1775, aged 43. Second, Sept. 20, 1778, HANNAH MILLS, born June 3, 1748. She died June 10, 1809, aged 60.

He lived in Newton till about the time of his second marriage, and then removed to Pearsontown, now Standish, Me.

The following abstracts will be in point.

April 12, 1773. David Richardson, of Newton, Mass., yeoman, for £160 lawful money, bought of Reuben Freeman, of Pearsontown, Cumberland County, and of Catharine Freeman, his wife, two lots of land in said Pearsontown [now Standish]; one lot contains forty acres, with a house and barn thereon; bounded north-east on the road ninety-three and two-thirds rods, then south-east on another road sixty rods. The other lot contains thirty acres, bounded north-east on the main road eighty rods, north-west on another road sixty rods. Witnessed by Moses Richardson and Aaron Richardson [his brothers]. [Cumb. Deeds, vii. 528.]

Feb. 13, 1778. David Richardson, of Pearsontown, bought of John Thompson, of said place, one hundred acres of land at Ossipee, in the county of York. [York Deeds, lvi. 34.]

Dec. 4, 1787. David Richardson, of Standish, Cumberland County, yeoman, sold to his son, David Richardson, of a place called Limington, between the two Ossipees in the county of York, one hundred acres of land in said Limington. [York Deeds, lvi. 35.]

He lived in Standish from 1778 till 1807, when he removed to Monmouth, Me., where he died, May 27, 1825, aged 93.

At his death, his descendants were sixteen children, fifty-three grandchildren, and eleven great-grandchildren.

His children, by first wife, Mary, born in Newton, were:

- 2040. Sarah,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 25, 1755; d. young.
- +2041. Mary,<sup>5</sup> b. March 23, 1757; m. Isaac Small.
- 2042. Thomas,<sup>5</sup> b. Nov. 2, 1758; d. young.
- +2043. David,<sup>5</sup> b. March 29, 1761; m. Sarah Wiley.
- +2044. Joseph,<sup>5</sup> b. July 3, 1763; m. Mary Carpenter.
- +2045. Elisha,<sup>5</sup> b. March 21, 1766; m. Dorothy Frost.
- +2046. Jonathan,<sup>5</sup> b. Sept. 10, 1763; m. Mary Thomas.
- +2047. Huldah,<sup>5</sup> b. May 13, 1771; m. Ephraim Brown.
- 2048. Edward,<sup>5</sup> b. about 1773; d. young.

By second wife, Hannah, all born in Standish:

- 2049. Hannah,<sup>5</sup> } twins, born } m. Capt. Jonathan Moore, Standish.
- 2050. Esther,<sup>5</sup> } Aug. 4, 1770; } m. — Rich. They lived in Portland; had fourteen children. One of their grandsons, — Rich, served his country in the war of the Rebellion.
- 2051. Sarah,<sup>5</sup> } twins, born } (she died, 1780).
- +2052. Thomas,<sup>5</sup> } April 27, 1731; } m. first, Mary Ayer; second, Mary Dearborn.



2053. Nancy,<sup>5</sup> twins, born } m. Capt. Artemas Richardson [1999].  
 +2054. Lucy,<sup>5</sup> } Oct. 3, 1732; } m. Philip Ayer.  
 2055. William,<sup>5</sup> b. Sept. 4, 1734; m. Lydia Ayer, daughter of Benjamin Ayer, of Standish. They lived in Monmouth, Me. He died, 1847. She died 1864. No children.

The last seven, *i. e.*, all the children of the second wife, Hannah Mills, were, at one time, rocked together in one cradle. Three pairs of twins within three and a half years! The father of this numerous family removed from Standish to Monmouth, the north side of that town, only one farm intervening between his land and the town of Winthrop. The removal took place March 23, 1807.

## 1730.

SAMUEL RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*David,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and son of David and Remember Richardson; born in Newton, Mass., April 25, 1734; married, first, Dec. 11, 1760, SARAH PARKER,<sup>4</sup> born Aug. 27, 1740; daughter of Ebenezer<sup>3</sup> and Mindwell (Bird) Parker, of Newton. Second, widow SARAH HOLLAND, Feb. 6, 1774.

He was a selectman of Newton four years from 1777. He was a lieutenant in the army of the Revolution.

He died Dec. 25, 1803, aged nearly 70. The widow died 1812, aged 72.

Samuel Richardson, of Newton, Middlesex County, Mass., yeoman, sold, Oct. 3, 1739, to John Cookson, jr., of Standish, thirty acres of land in Standish. [Cumb. Deeds, xxvi. 552.]

Oct. 1, 1794. He sold to Samuel McCorison, of Buxton, sixty-five acres of land in Standish. [Cumb. Deeds, xxvi. 552.]

In 1794. He sold to Dominicus Mitchell, of Standish, one hundred acres of land in Standish. [Cumb. Deeds, xxxi. 149.]

He and his brother Aaron bought and sold land together.

His children, all born in Newton, by first wife, were:

2056. Samuel,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 23, 1701; d. young.  
 2057. Mindwell,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 10, 1763; m. Ebenezer Stone, of Newton. Nov. 27, 1788. He was born 1759, fifth son of Dea. Jonas and Ann Stone. Dea. Jonas was son of Dea. John and grandson of Hon. Ebenezer Stone, of Newton.  
 +2058. Ebenezer,<sup>5</sup> b. March 20, 1760; m. Rhoda Coolidge.  
 +2059. Benjamin,<sup>5</sup> b. July 18, 1763; m. Polly Richards.  
 2060. John,<sup>5</sup> b. April 20, 1771; d. 1775.  
 +2061. David,<sup>5</sup> b. Sept. 23, 1773; m. Sarah Whiting.

By second wife:

2062. Samuel,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 12, 1776.  
 +2063. Aaron,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 15, 1779; m. Nancy —.  
 2064. Sarah,<sup>5</sup> b. Jan. 10, 1781; m. Reuben Stone, May, 1805.

## 1731.

DEACON JEREMIAH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*David,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Newton, March 13, 1736; mar-

\* See Bond's Watertown Genealogies, p. 537.





ried, May 7, 1761, DORCAS HALL, born Feb. 23, 1741, daughter of Edward and Mary (Miller) Hall, of Newton, and sister of his brother David's wife.

He lived in Newton. He died Dec. 11, 1816, aged 80. His widow Dorcas died May, 1832.

Children, all born in Newton :

- 2065. Dorcas,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 23, 1762.
- +2066. Jeremiah,<sup>6</sup> b. July 10, 1764; m. first, Hannah —; second, Betsey —.
- 2067. Esther,<sup>6</sup> b. Nov. 1, 1766.
- 2068. Lucy,<sup>6</sup> b. March 24, 1769; m. Sylvanus Richards, of Dedham, Nov. 13, 1788.
- 2069. Mary,<sup>6</sup> b. March 29, 1771.
- 2070. Sarah,<sup>6</sup> b. April 16, 1774; m. Ephraim Clough, of Belchertown, Feb. 7, 1792.
- +2071. Thomas,<sup>6</sup> b. 177-; m. Elizabeth Hall.
- 2072. Hannah,<sup>6</sup>

1732.

MOSES RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*David,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Newton, May 17, 1738; married, April 28, 1768, LYDIA HALL, perhaps a sister of the wives of his brothers, David and Jeremiah.

The record of his marriage describes him as of Brookline. After this he removed to Dorchester. In April, 1773, he was of Standish, Me., where he witnessed a deed for his brother David.

Sept. 17, 1773. Moses Richardson, of Pearsontown [Standish], yeoman, bought of Joseph McLellan and Mary, his wife, of Falmouth, Cumberland County, two thirty acre lots of land in Pearsontown, both on the north-west side of the road leading from the meeting-house to Sebago Pond, and bounded south-east on said road sixty rods. [Cumb. Deeds, viii. 45.]

We know of only the following children :

- 2073. Mehitabel,<sup>6</sup>
- 2074. Edward,<sup>6</sup> settled in Lynn.

We are told that he had three sisters who settled in Baldwin, Me., viz : Mrs. Bacheider, Mrs. Flint, Mrs. Butterfield.

1733.

CAPT. AARON RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*David,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Newton, Oct. 2, 1740; married RUTH STINGLEY.

He was, like his father, a blacksmith; spent his life in Newton, and was an active, enterprising man. He was an ensign in the military company commanded by Capt. Phineas Cooke, in the regiment of Col. Thomas Gardner, encamped on Prospect Hill, near Boston, July 6, 1775. Not long after, he was promoted to be second lieutenant. He was a selectman of Newton three years, from 1778.



Dec. 11, 1772. Aaron Richardson, of Newton, Middlesex County, Mass., blacksmith, bought of John Mixer, of Framingham, Mass., one whole right of land lately granted to Josiah Richardson and his associates by the Great and General Court of said province, upon Androskoggin River, and is known by the name of Sudbury-Canada [now Bethel], on the south of the river. [Cumb. Deeds, viii. 40.]\*

Dec. 30, 1773. He sold the land above described. [Cumb. Deeds, viii. 134.]

Jan. 12, 1775. Aaron Richardson, of Newton, sold to Jonathan Clark, of Newton, gentleman, all his right in three rights of land in Sudbury-Canada, granted to Josiah Richardson, Esq., and others by the Great and General Court, in 1768. [Cumb. Deeds, xi. 402.]\*

Jan. 2, 1779. Aaron Richardson, of Newton, gentleman, bought of John York and wife Abigail, sixty acres of land in Pearsontown. [Cumb. Deeds, x. 350.]

March 29, 1780. Aaron Richardson, of Newton, gentleman, bought of Jonathan Bean, of Pearsontown, one thirty acre lot, No. 7, in Pearsontown. [Cumb. Deeds, xi. 242.]

June 9, 1781. Aaron Richardson, gentleman, of Newton, and Ruth his wife sell to David Bean, of Pearsontown one proprietor's right in Sudbury-Canada. [Cumb. Deeds, xii. 1.]

Feb. 28, 1782. Aaron Richardson, gentleman, and Samuel Richardson, gentleman [his brother], both of Newton, sold their rights of land in Pearsontown. [Cumb. Deeds, xii. 229.]

There are six other deeds of tracts of land in that vicinity, dated 1771, 1780, 1783, 1785, given by Aaron Richardson, of Newton. In two of these instances the sale was to his brother, Samuel Richardson, of Newton. In one instance, 1783, Samuel united with him in the conveyance.

Aaron Richardson, of Newton, died in the latter part of 1786, or early in 1787. He left no will, but his widow Ruth was appointed administratrix of his estate, April 7, 1787. His estate was represented insolvent. Inventory, £680. His real estate, saving the widow's thirds, was sold by auction, and an account thereof rendered Dec. 11, 1790. It appears that many persons had advanced money which he was not able to repay. His eldest son, Timothy, had done so; likewise his brother Jeremiah, and Daniel Richardson. [Midd. Prob. Records.]

His widow Ruth, as administratrix, sold about one hundred acres of his land in plantation No. 4, April 15, 1790. [Cumb. Deeds, xxiv. 148.]

The children of Aaron and Ruth Richardson were :

2075. Timothy,<sup>6</sup> b. Aug. 7, 1766.

2076. Ruth,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 21, 1772; probably m. — Lord.

\* The Josiah Richardson here referred to was Major Josiah Richardson,<sup>4</sup> of the town of Sudbury, Mass. [See 1698.]



2077. Jonathan,<sup>6</sup> b. Dec. 2, 1777; m. Lois Parker, daughter of Joseph Parker, July, 1804. They removed to Whitestown, N. Y.\*  
 2078. Anron,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 15, 1779.  
 2079. Sally,<sup>6</sup> b. Jan. 10, 1781.  
 2080. Nathan,<sup>6</sup> removed to Whitestown, N. Y.\*  
 2081. Betsey,<sup>6</sup>

## 1746.

THADDEUS RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*David,<sup>2</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and youngest son of David<sup>2</sup> and Remember (Ward) Richardson; born in Newton, May 29, 1750; married, about 1777, MARY SANBORN, born in 1754, probably in Limington or Standish, Me.

He was, like his father, a blacksmith; came from Newton first to Pearsonstown, now Standish, in Cumberland County, Me., about 1776; he lived in Limington some years; in 1800, he was again in Standish. He removed at length to Readfield, Me., where he died, April 6, 1819, aged 69.

Feb. 12, 1777. Thaddeus Richardson, of Pearsonstown, blacksmith, sold to Joseph Twitchell, of Sherborn, Middlesex County, Mass., gentleman, the sixteenth lot of interval land in Sudbury-Canada [Bethel], on the north side of Androscoggin River. [Cumb. Deeds, xix. 168.]

He also sold to Jesse Dustin, of Fryeburg, carpenter, a lot of interval and some other land in the same township, Sudbury-Canada, Dec. 3, 1777. [Cumb. Deeds, x. 445.]

Nov. 26, 1778. Thaddeus Richardson, of Pearsonstown, blacksmith, and wife Mary sold to Peter Austin, of Fryeburg, county of York, yeoman, sundry tracts and rights of land in a new township, called Sudbury-Canada, in the county of Cumberland, of which forty acres are on the south-easterly side of Androscoggin River, etc.; also forty acres of interval land on the north side of said river. [Cumb. Deeds, x. 358.]

March 30, 1795. Thaddeus Richardson, of Limington, county of York, yeoman, and wife Mary, sold to Abner Libbey, of Limington, blacksmith, a part of the farm where said Richardson then lived, near the meeting-house, about twenty-five acres. [York Deeds, lxii. 96.]

May 27, 1800. Thaddeus Richardson, of Standish, gentleman, and wife Mary sold to Joseph Moody, of Limington, about eighty acres of land in Limington, on the north side of the county road. [York Deeds, lrv. 207.]

While residing in Limington, he gave to the parish the land on which the Congregational meeting-house now stands. He lived near it.

\* Jonathan Richardson, his wife Lois, and brother Nathan, all of Whitestown, county of Oneida, N. Y., sold to Ruth Lord, of Standish [no doubt their sister], two lots of land in Standish, October, 1820. [Cumb. Deeds, xciii. 425.]



## Children, born in Limington :

2082. A child, d. young.  
 +2083. Thaddeus,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 7, 1779; m. Sarah Blethen.  
 2084. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 22, 1781; unm.; drowned, 1806, in Twelve Mile Pond, Unity, Me.  
 +2085. Ebenezer,<sup>5</sup> b. Nov. 6, 1784; m. Relief Eaton.  
 +2086. Asa,<sup>5</sup> b. Nov. 11, 1787; m. Sarah Cottle, of Augusta, Me.  
 2087. Mary,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 9, 1790; lived and died a maiden.  
 2088. Stephen,<sup>5</sup> b. July 15, 1792; unm.; d. on the homestead, July 28, 1847.  
 +2089. Jane,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 14, 1795; m. Jesse Eaton Jacobs.  
 2090. Joseph,<sup>5</sup> said to be a Congregational minister.

## 1750.

STEPHEN RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Stephen,<sup>3</sup> Stephen,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), eldest son of Stephen<sup>3</sup> and Susanna (Wilson) Richardson, of Billerica; born there, Aug. 17, 1702; married, 1728, AMY PARKER, daughter of Nathaniel and Bethiah Parker, of Reading. This appears from the will of Nathaniel Parker, dated 1728-9, proved 1737. They lived in Billerica.

## Children, one son, nine daughters:

2091. Amy,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 14, 1728-0; m. Nathaniel Hayward, of Woburn, July 12, 1764.  
 2092. Abigail,<sup>5</sup> b. Dec. 5, 1730.  
 +2093. Stephen,<sup>5</sup> b. Dec. 2, 1732; m. Mary Wilson. ✓  
 2094. Lucy,<sup>5</sup> b. Sept. 13, 1734.  
 2095. Beulah,<sup>5</sup> b. May 8, 1736.  
 2096. Susanna,<sup>5</sup> b. April 24, 1738; m. Oliver Pollard, of Bedford, July 22, 1762.  
 2097. Rachel,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 11, 1739-40.  
 2098. Bethiah,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 3, 1741-2.  
 2099. Hannah,<sup>5</sup> b. Nov. 14, 1743.  
 2100. Ruth,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 21, 1745-6.

## 1751.

HENRY RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Stephen,<sup>3</sup> Stephen,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Billerica, June 13, 1705; married AMY HAZELTINE, of Billerica, Feb. 20, 1732-3. They were married in Billerica by Rev. Samuel Ruggles. The record of his marriage describes him as of Chelmsford.

He was a farmer in Dracut, afterwards in Pelham, N. H. He seems to have removed in 1738; but he might have lived in both towns without any removal. There had been a long and exciting controversy between the provinces of Massachusetts and New Hampshire about their respective boundaries, which was at length decided, in 1741, by the Privy Council of England, in favor of New Hampshire. This decision cut off from Massachusetts portions of Haverhill, Dracut, and Methuen, which had always been considered as belonging to it. The portion taken from Dracut has since constituted the town of Pelham. March 2, 1754, Henry Richardson was still living in Pelham.





The following abstracts will throw light on what has been said. Jan. 18, 1738. Major Ephraim Hildreth [see 103] and Benjamin Wood, both of Dracut, for £38 10., convey two pieces of land in Pelham to Henry Richardson, of Dracut; and Ebenezer Richardson, of Nottingham.\* [Rockingham Deeds, li. 68.]

March 8, 1738. Henry Richardson conveys to Ebenezer Richardson, "both of Pelham," his interest in the same land. [Rockingham Deeds, li. 367.]

March 2, 1754. Ebenezer Richardson transfers to his brother Henry, both of Pelham, his interest in the same land. [Rockingham Deeds, xlix. 28.]

The following children of Henry and Amy Richardson were born in that part of Dracut which has, since 1741, been Pelham, and now appear on Dracut town records as born in Dracut.

- 2101. Amy,<sup>6</sup> b. May 22, 1734; d. June 10, 1734.
- 2102. Amy,<sup>6</sup> b. May 9, 1735; d. March 23, 1736.
- 2103. Henry,<sup>6</sup> b. April 9, 1737; d. April 19, 1737.
- 2104. Amy,<sup>6</sup> b. Aug. 1, 1738.
- 2105. Henry,<sup>6</sup> b. May 3, 1740.
- 2106. Daniel,<sup>6</sup> b. March 3, 1741-2; m. Lydia —.
- 2107. Rebecca,<sup>6</sup> b. June 3, 1744; d. Dec. 16, 1749.
- 2108. Stephen,<sup>6</sup> b. in Pelham, May 2, 1747; d. Sept. 19, 1749.

### 1752.

EBENEZER RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Stephen,<sup>3</sup> Stephen,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Billerica, Mass., February, 1707-8; married RUTH —.

A short time—we know not how long—he lived in Nottingham West, now the town of Hudson, N. H., on the south line of New Hampshire, and adjoining Tyngsborough, Mass., but after January, 1738, in Pelham, N. H. See the deeds referred to in the notice of his brother Henry.

He died in Pelham, Oct. 22, 1768, aged 62. His wife Ruth died in Pelham, Oct. 20, 1733, in her eightieth year.

Their children, born in Nottingham West, were:

- +2109. Ebenezer,<sup>6</sup> b. Feb. 4, 1733; m. Hannah Littlehale.
- 2110. Jonas,<sup>6</sup> b. Aug. 4, 1733; d. in Pelham, N. H., Sept. 24, 1747.

Born in Pelham:

- 2111. Ruth,<sup>6</sup> b. May 20, 1740; d. Aug. 21, 1758, aged 18.
- +2112. Zebadiah,<sup>6</sup> b. March 6, 1742-3; m. Rebecca Snow.
- +2113. Jonas,<sup>6</sup> b. Oct. 21, 1748; m. Zilpah Barker.

### 1753.

DR. AMOS RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Stephen,<sup>3</sup> Stephen,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding; born in Billerica, Mass., Jan. 14, 1709-10;

\* Ephraim Hildreth's wife was Mercy Richardson, daughter of Josiah Richardson, of Chelmsford.



married, first, SARAH —. She died Dec. 19, 1754. Second, MARY —.

He was a physician, and lived in Pelham, N. H. His will is dated April 26, 1766; we find it in the Rockingham probate records at Exeter. The will provides for wife Mary, and appoints his sons Eli and Joseph executors. The name *Eli* is a mistake of some copyist; the real name was *Eri*. The testator died Jan. 20, 1766, aged 55.

His children were:

- +2114. Eri,<sup>5</sup> b. about 1740; m. Sarah Durant.
- 2115. Sarah,<sup>5</sup> b. April 13, 1743; a maiden in 1766.
- +2116. Joseph,<sup>5</sup> b. March 5, 1745; m. Miriam Hildreth.
- 2117. Isaac,<sup>5</sup> b. 1752; d. March 3, 1754, aged two years.

### 1754.

JONAS RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Stephen,<sup>2</sup> Stephen,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), brother of the preceding, and son of Stephen<sup>3</sup> and Susanna (Wilson) Richardson, of Billerica; born June 27, 1712; married MARY CUTTING,<sup>4</sup> born in Sudbury, 1717, daughter of Hezekiah,<sup>3</sup> granddaughter of James,<sup>2</sup> and great-granddaughter of Richard Cutting,<sup>1</sup> who, at the age of eleven years, came from Ipswich, in England, and settled in Watertown in 1684, and died March 21, 1695-6. [Bond's Watertown Genealogies, p. 194.]

The time of his marriage is not known, but it must have been after his settlement in Attleborough, and probably about 1740. He lived in East Attleborough, and was one of the original members of the church in that place—the second in Attleborough—which was constituted Nov. 30, 1748, O. S.

In the record of the birth of his children, as sent to me from Attleborough, his name is given as *Henry*, which is certainly a mistake, probably in copying, for he had a brother Henry, living in Pelham, N. H. [1751].

The children of Jonas and Mary (Cutting) Richardson were:

- 2118. Mary,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 8, 1741.
- 2119. Sarah,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 7, 1742.
- 2120. Jedidiah,<sup>5</sup> b. March 23, (1744?).
- 2121. Thankful,<sup>5</sup> b. May 28, 17—.
- 2122. Jonas,<sup>5</sup> b. April 7, 1755; d. Dec. 23, 1756.
- 2123. Jonas,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 6, 1757.

### 1758.

WILLIAM RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*William,<sup>2</sup> Stephen,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), son of William<sup>3</sup> and Rebecca (Vinton) Richardson; born in Stoneham, April 17, 1712; married MARY COY, of Beverly.

He, when a young child, accompanied his father to Attleborough, where he seems to have spent the remainder of life.



## His children were:

- 2124. William,<sup>4</sup> b. Jan. 19, 1742-3.
- 2125. Vinton,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 20, 1744.
- +2126. David,<sup>4</sup> b. Feb. 12, 1746; m. Abiah Peck.
- +2127. Abiathar,<sup>4</sup> b. March 20, 1749; m. Martha Faulkner.
- 2128. Mary,<sup>4</sup> b. March 11, 1751.

## 1759.

STEPHEN RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (William,<sup>3</sup> Stephen,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>), second son of William<sup>4</sup> and Rebecca (Vinton) Richardson, of Stoneham; born there,<sup>4</sup> Sept. 7, 1714, O. S., equivalent to Sept. 18, N. S.; married, Nov. 11, 1736, HANNAH COY, eldest daughter of Caleb Coy, of Beverly.

When a child he accompanied his father to Attleborough, where he spent the remainder of his life.

## Children, born in Attleborough:

- +2129. Stephen,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 6, 1737, N. S.; m. first, Hannah Fuller; second, Mary Fuller.
- +2130. Caleb,<sup>5</sup> b. July 7, 1739, N. S.; m. Esther Tiffany.
- +2131. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> b. March 26, 1742, N. S.; m. Sarah Read.
- 2132. Hannah,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 22, 1744, N. S.
- 2133. Elizabeth, b. Oct. 16, 1747, N. S.; d. 1761.
- 2134. Rebecca,<sup>5</sup> b. April 18, 1750; d. Aug. 20, 1761.
- +2135. Henry,<sup>5</sup> b. 1752; m. Olive Blackinton.

## TIMOTHY RICHARDSON, of Kittery, Maine.

Whose son he was I have not been able to discover, but it appears almost certain that he was one of the Attleborough Richardsons, and a cousin to that other Timothy Richardson who was a son of Timothy<sup>4</sup> [1785], and the husband of Alice Wyman. His name occurs in sundry conveyances of land; and he married Mary Staples, daughter of James Staples, of Kittery, Maine.

May 25, 1741. Timothy Richardson, of Kittery, husbandman, bought of Robert Brooks, of Biddeford, three-quarters of an acre of land with a house on it, in Kittery, bounded in part by Piscataqua River. [York Deeds, xxiii. 30.]

Sept. 2, 1749. Timothy Richardson, yeoman, of Kittery, and wife Mary, sold to Benjamin Stacy, of Kittery, the ninth part of sixty acres of land in Berwick. Said sixty acres is part of one hundred acres set off to James Staples, etc. [York Deeds, xxviii. 157.]

From this deed and the next, it appears that the wife was Mary Staples, daughter of James Staples.

Aug. 13, 1755. Timothy Richardson, of Kittery, laborer, and Mary, his wife, Catherine Fernald, of Portsmouth [her sister], and Samuel Staples, of Falmouth, sold to John Shapleigh, gentleman,

\*What is now Stoneham, was, until Dec. 17, 1725, known as "Charlestown End," because it constituted the extreme northern part of Charlestown.



and Joseph Staples, yeoman, both of Kittery, "all the right they had in two-thirds of the estate of their father, James Staples, of Kittery, deceased." [York Deeds, xxxiii. 1.]

Other documents confirm what is stated above. His will is dated Nov. 16, 1786; proved April 1, 1793. He must have died in the interval. Wife Mary is executrix with son Joseph.

So far as the compiler can discover from the documents in his possession, Timothy Richardson, of Attleborough, removed to Kittery, in Maine, in the summer of 1741, after having bought a house and some land there. Not long after, he married Mary Staples, daughter of James Staples, of Kittery.

#### His children were :

2136. Timothy,<sup>s</sup> b. 174-; bought sixty-seven acres of land in Wells, Sept. 15, 1773. [York Deeds, xliii. 223.] Lived in Wells and was living at the date of his father's will, Nov. 16, 1786, and there called the eldest son.
2137. Joseph,<sup>s</sup> b. about 1743; was executor of his father's will, 1786. Made his own will April 30, 1798; proved Aug. 30, 1798, giving all his estate to his sister, Mary Richardson, single woman, of Lebanon, York Co., Me. Hence it is evident that he had neither wife nor children. He lived in Lebanon, Me.
2138. Abigail,<sup>s</sup> m. — Foster.
2139. Mary,<sup>s</sup> unm. She was of Lebanon, York Co., Me. Made her will April 15, 1814; proved Sept. 6, 1824. Her inventory includes fifty acres, homestead, valued at three hundred dollars. Personal estate \$37.74. [York Prob. Records, xxxiv. 188.]
2140. Elizabeth,<sup>s</sup> m. William Scammon.
2141. Susanna,<sup>s</sup> m. — Frost. Had a daughter Dorcas (Frost).
2142. Catharine,<sup>s</sup> unm. in 1786.

#### 1786.

JONAS RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Francis<sup>3</sup> Stephen<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Francis<sup>3</sup> and Sarah (Houghton) Richardson; born in Attleborough, July 11, 1714.

I suppose it was he who married ESTHER WELLMAN, Oct. 5, 1749; although the Attleborough record, as copied for me, says it was *Thomas* Richardson. But I think, indeed I am sure, there was no Thomas Richardson in Attleborough at that time, and in the careless way in which town records were then kept, it was easy to substitute *Thomas* for *Jonas*.

The children of Thomas [Jonas] and Esther, as reported to me, were :

- +2143. John,<sup>s</sup> b. Aug. 14, 1750; m. Ruth Woodcock.
2144. Amos,<sup>s</sup> b. Oct. 6, 1755.
2145. Sarah,<sup>s</sup> b. Dec. 12, 1757.
2146. Charity,<sup>s</sup> b. May 12, 1761.





## 1771.

EBENEZER RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Francis<sup>3</sup>, Stephen<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Francis<sup>3</sup> and Sarah (Houghton) Richardson; born in Attleborough, Nov. 27, 1729; married ESTHER CHENEY. They lived in Attleborough.

Their children were:

- 2147. Sarah,<sup>5</sup> b. Jan. 15, 1752, O. S.
- 2148. Marcy,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 3, 1752.
- 2149. Dorcas,<sup>5</sup> b. Dec. 15, 1756.
- 2150. Ebenezer,<sup>5</sup> b. Jan. 19, 1758.
- 2151. Hannah,<sup>5</sup> b. April 8, 1761.
- 2152. Esther,<sup>5</sup> b. Oct. 23, 1765.
- 2153. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> b. March 28, 1767.
- 2154. Kezia,<sup>5</sup> b. March 28, 1769.
- 2155. Benjamin,<sup>5</sup> b. Jan. 12, 1771; m. Rachel Rounds.
- 2156. Roxolana,<sup>5</sup> b. Nov. 2, 1773.
- 2157. James,<sup>5</sup> b. April 3, 1775.
- 2158. Jonas,<sup>5</sup> b. March 4, 1777.

## 1785.

TIMOTHY RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Timothy<sup>3</sup>, Stephen<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Timothy<sup>3</sup> and Susanna (Holden) Richardson; born in Attleborough, Oct. 18, 1715; married, March 22, 1738, ALICE WYMAN,<sup>4</sup> born in Woburn, Nov. 12, 1717, second daughter of Timothy Wyman,<sup>3</sup> born April 5, 1691, who was eldest son of Timothy,<sup>2</sup> who was third son of Francis Wyman.<sup>1</sup> For the WYMAN FAMILY, see under No. [1557].

He lived in Attleborough. His children's births are recorded there from 1738 till 1756. The record, however, as copied, is faulty; his wife's name in one place being given as *Allace Wyman*, in another place as *Alice Wilmarth*; neither of which is correct.

The children's names and dates of birth were as follows:

- 2159. Alice,<sup>5</sup> b. March 24, 1738.
- 2160. Timothy,<sup>5</sup> b. March 7, 1740-1.
- 2161. Susanna,<sup>5</sup> b. March 2, 1741; d. young.
- 2162. Hannah,<sup>5</sup> b. March 12, 1743.
- +2163. Wyman,<sup>5</sup> b. May 13, 1745; m. Ruth Lane.
- 2164. Abiel,<sup>5</sup> b. March 29, 1747.
- 2165. Abigail,<sup>5</sup> b. March 5, 1748.
- 2166. Stephen,<sup>5</sup> b. March 3, 1750.
- 2167. Abijah,<sup>5</sup> b. March 16, 1751.
- 2168. Susanna,<sup>5</sup> b. March 13, 1753.
- 2169. Eliphalet,<sup>5</sup> b. March 20, 1756.



## 1792.

SETH RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Seth,<sup>3</sup> Stephen,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), son of Seth<sup>3</sup> and Mary (Brown) Richardson; born in Attleborough, May 26, 1723; married SARAH FRENCH.

They lived in Attleborough, and raised a family of eleven children, all of whom married and had families.

## Children:

- 2170. George,<sup>5</sup> m. Mary Fuller.
- 2171. Lydia,<sup>5</sup> m. Emerson Briggs.
- 2172. Roxana,<sup>5</sup> m. Joseph Farmerter.
- 2173. Sarah,<sup>5</sup> m. Thomas Braman.
- 2174. Silas,<sup>5</sup>
- 2175. Nancy,<sup>5</sup>
- 2176. Phebe,<sup>5</sup>
- 2177. French,<sup>5</sup>
- 2178. Rhoda,<sup>5</sup>
- 2179. Ira,<sup>5</sup>
- +2180. Seth,<sup>5</sup> b. Aug. 27, 1778; m. Susanna A. Balcom.

## 1794.

JOANNA RICHARDSON<sup>4</sup> (*Daniel,<sup>3</sup> Stephen,<sup>2</sup> Samuel<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Daniel<sup>3</sup> and Joanna Richardson; born in what is now the town of Winchester, then South Woburn, Sept. 21, 1724; married SAMUEL SWAN, March, 1746.

He was born in Charlestown, 1720, son of Samuel, *an only child of an only child*. His house, on Charlestown Square, shared in the general destruction by fire of the whole village of Charlestown, on the afternoon and evening of June 17, 1775, the day of the battle of Bunker Hill. He then with his family went to Concord. After the evacuation of Boston by the British troops, March, 1776, he returned and built another house on Charlestown Neck, where he died, Aug. 6, 1808, aged 88. His wife Joanna died July 4, 1796.

## Children:

- 2181. Samuel (Swan), b. August, 1747; d. September, 1749.
  - 2182. Samuel (Swan), b. Jan. 17, 1750; m. Hannah Lamson. He served under Gen. Lincoln in the Revolutionary war. He died Nov. 14, 1825.
  - 2183. Daniel (Swan), b. 1752; m. Elizabeth Tufts; d. 1720.
  - 2184. Caleb (Swan), b. 1754; m. Joanna Burt; d. March, 1816.
  - 2185. Joanna (Swan), b. 1756; d. December, 1791.
  - 2186. Mehitable (Swan), b. 1757; d. 1759.
  - 2187. Timothy (Swan), b. 1759; an eminent physician at Washington, North Carolina.
  - 2188. Joseph (Swan), b. August, 1766; d. November, 1767.
- For a further account of this family see Hist. General Reg., January 1866.











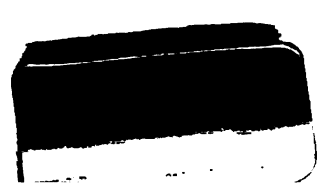
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