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# THE SHEPARDSON FAMILY.

## Beginning with the Sixth Generation in America.

BY FRANCIS WAYLAND SHEPARDSON.

Under date of February 1, 1907, I printed an 8-page leaflet giving such records as I had available of the first five generations of American Shepardsons, descendants of Daniel Shepardson of Salem, Mass., 1628-9, later of Charlestown and Malden. The story is now continued in such lines as I have been able to trace. My object in printing these leaflets is to put into permanent form for some future family historian, records which have been gathered with much difficulty and which might otherwise be lost. Corrections or additions should be sent me for future use. A few scattered notes on the fifth generation, not given before, are added. The reference numbers are to the leaflet of February 1, 1907.

6 (ii). ZEBEDIAH SHEPARDSON (*Amos*,<sup>4</sup> *John*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>), b. 17 November, 1737; m. Deborah Cook, int. pub. in Norton, Mass., 7 August, 1762. He is called "Captain" in record of his death in Rehoboth 12 May, 1810. He was probably the one mentioned in the Mass. Revolutionary rolls who was commissioned as commander of the schooner "Resolution", a privateer, 20 July, 1778. Zebulon Shepardson, 1st Lieut. on same vessel, may have been his son. No record of children except two daughters named in his will.

- i. NANCY SHEPARDSON, "eldest dau.": m. Simeon Cobb.
- ii. ELONA SHEPARDSON, b. 2 December, 1767, Providence, R. I. She m. (1) Daniel Hodges of Norton, Mass., 12 March, 1787. He was b. 9 June, 1763, in Norton, and d. January, 1789 in Hardwick. They had a dau., Elona Hodges, b. in Rehoboth, 22 April, 1789, who m. at Rehoboth 30 July, 1810, Lee Leonard of Taunton, son of Jonathan and Joanna (Lee) Leonard. Several children (See "Hodges Genealogy"). She m. (2) 7 February, 1791, Caleb Abell, town clerk of Rehoboth.

6 (iv). ELIJAH SHEPARDSON (*Amos*,<sup>4</sup> *John*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>), b. 8 May, 1741; m. Mary —, who d. in Providence, R. I., in 1794, aged 50. He probably followed the sea, as he is called "Captain" in record of d. at Seekonk, 9 November, 1787, of "mole on the throat." His father's will, prob. 1 December, 1795, mentions "heirs of Elijah," of whom one was:

- i. MEHITABLE SHEPARDSON, who m. Richard Bowen, December, 1797. "It appears also that a Richard Bowen, but of what family is not clearly known, died and was buried in the burial ground attached to Rehoboth, and the Bowen arms, a stag trippant with an arrow stuck in his back, were cut on his tombstone, thus furnishing a strong proof that he was of the ancient family of the Bowens of Glamorganshire."—(See Bowen Genealogy.)

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10. JOHN SHEPARDSON (*Nathaniel,<sup>3</sup> Daniel,<sup>2</sup> Daniel<sup>1</sup>*) m. Abigail Richardson and moved to Ash Swamp, later called East Haddam, Conn. She was b. 18 April, 1709, dau of William and Rebecca (Vinton) Richardson. The "Richardson Memorial" says she m. John Shepard 8 August, 1728, and d. 30 November, 1730, but this is the date my records give for her marriage to John Shepardson. Her sister, Hannah, m. Daniel Shepardson, John's brother. Dates are wanting in this line. He m. (2) Hepsibah Lord, dau. of Sergt. William Lord of East Haddam, signing an agreement regarding the estate of the latter, 29 October, 1736. The order of the children is not known, and there may have been others besides the ones named. Children:

- i. OTIS SHEPARDSON; no trace.
- ii. DANIEL SHEPARDSON, d. without children. A Revolutionary soldier.
- iii. WILLIAM SHEPARDSON, descendants at East Hamilton, N. Y.
- iv. JONATHAN SHEPARDSON, descendants at Smyrna, N. Y.
- v. HANNAH SHEPARDSON (?) m. 3 November, 1788, John Mobs, E. Haddam.
- vi. ISAAC SHEPARDSON, no trace.
- vii. ABIGAIL SHEPARDSON.
- viii. MOLLY SHEPARDSON.
- ix. HEPHSIBAH SHEPARDSON; m. John Mitchell 4 January, 1758.
- x. ANGEL SHEPARDSON, b. 14 January, 1759.

12. JOHN SHEPARDSON (*Daniel,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Daniel,<sup>2</sup> Daniel<sup>1</sup>*) m. at Norton, Mass., 17 January, 1754, Anna Blanchard, dau. of Stephen and Abigail (Pratt) Blanchard. About 1760 he removed from Attleboro to Guilford, Vt., of which town he was one of the founders. He was made town clerk in 1772. He was very influential in the movement to make Vermont a separate state. He bore the title "Major." He was a member of the Council in Vermont for several years and was also Judge of the Supreme Court. He d. of consumption 3 January, 1802, in Brattleboro. His wife d. of old age 10 January, 1817, then 87. According to a court record they had eleven children, but names of some are unknown, and no dates seem available.

- i. JOHN SHEPARDSON, d. 3 August, 1771.
- 25. ii. SAMUEL SHEPARDSON, b. 10 February, 1757, at Attleboro, Mass.
- iii. LOUISE SHEPARDSON.
- 26. iv. SETH SHEPARDSON.
- 27. v. ALFRED SHEPARDSON.
- vi. JOTHANIEL SHEPARDSON.
- vii. EZRA SHEPARDSON, d. at Palmyra, N. Y., 29 August, 1819, aged 33.

14. STEPHEN SHEPARDSON (*Daniel,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Daniel,<sup>2</sup> Daniel<sup>1</sup>*) m. Lucy Fisher of Attleboro, int. pub. in Norton 17 February, 1759. He moved to Guilford, Vt., where he was constable in 1774 and commissioner of highways in 1776. He was captain of a company in the Revolutionary war. He may have had other children besides:

- i. STEPHEN SHEPARDSON, b. 1760, d. 11 April, 1806, aged 46.
- ii. LUCY SHEPARDSON; m. Nathan Horton, Guilford.
- iii. PEDDY SHEPARDSON, b. 15 November, 1771, d. 2 December, 1838; m. Robinson Perkins, Fitzwilliam, N. H.
- iv. MOLLY SHEPARDSON; m. Esac Thau, Marlboro, Vt.
- v. SALLY SHEPARDSON; m. Lemuel Lines, Guilford.
- vi. \_\_\_\_\_ SHEPARDSON; m. George Smith, Palmyra, N. Y.
- vii. NANCY SHEPARDSON; m. William Robertson, Vermont.
- viii. \_\_\_\_\_ SHEPARDSON (dau.), d. young.

15. AMOS SHEPARDSON (*Amos,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Daniel,<sup>2</sup> Daniel<sup>1</sup>*), m. in Norton, Mass., 14 August, 1755, Abigail Pratt. They lived in Eastham, Mass. Four children are recorded in Norton and a fifth was b. in Mansfield. There was trouble in the family and after separation from his wife he married again and went to the west, perhaps to New York state. There are some confusing details about the records. I have data about an Amos Shepardson who located in Florida, Mass., and has descendants at Pittsfield, and other data about a man of the same name who located

first at Northfield, Mass., and then went to New York in 1820. I find a tradition that Amos may have died at Hague, N. Y. The Florida, Mass., Amos is said to have d. there, but there is no record of his death. One report says Amos had eleven children by his two wives. I give the children of Abigail Pratt, and the other two records also. The correct details may appear later. The Mass. Revolutionary rolls seem to show that this Amos was a soldier. Children:

- i. MATILDA SHEPARDSON, b. 1 February, 1760.
- ii. MARGARET SHEPARDSON, b. 22 March, 1762.
- iii. ABIGAIL SHEPARDSON, b. 1 March, 1765.
- iv. ADAH SHEPARDSON, b. 9 December, 1767; m. James Perry, Easton, Mass.
- v. NOAH SHEPARDSON, b. 2 May, 1770.

This was the complete family of Amos and Abigail Pratt. An Amos Shepardson who enlisted in the Revolutionary army from Mansfield, Mass., and later from Mendon, Mass., m. at Medway (or Milford) Mass., about 1 October, 1778, Hannah Norcross, dau. of Peter and Johanna (Morse) Norcross. He lived afterward at Florida, Mass. Children:

- i. LOUIS SHEPARDSON, b. about 1781, d. 17 October, 1858.
- ii. LOVETT SHEPARDSON, b. 24 March, 1792, in Milford, Mass.
- iii. NABBY SHEPARDSON.
- iv. JOHANNA SHEPARDSON.

Another Amos Shepardson moved from Attleboro, Mass., to Northfield, Mass., about 1793, and about 1820 moved to New York state. He m. Rebecca Whitcomb, who was b. 4 April, 1760, dau. of Thomas and Anna (Whitney) Whitcomb, and had children:

- i. AMOS SHEPARDSON, b. 1787, had one son, Charles, of Warwick, Mass.
- ii. ELIJAH SHEPARDSON, b. 1789.
- iii. ARAUNAH SHEPARDSON, b. 1791.
- iv. ZEEEDIAH SHEPARDSON, b. 1793.
- v. OLIVE SHEPARDSON, b. 1795; m. Elijah Kendall, 15 April, 1814.

25. SAMUEL SHEPARDSON (*John,<sup>5</sup> Daniel,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Daniel,<sup>2</sup> Daniel<sup>1</sup>*) m. Anna Barney, dau. of John Barney. He lived in Guilford, Vt., dying on the farm his father occupied before him, 28 February, 1813, after an illness of eight days from spotted fever. He was a freeman and town clerk of Guilford, 25 March, 1782-3; moderator of town meeting, 1794; constable in 1790, 1797, 1801; was called "Captain" in 1795; was collector in 1784, 1790, 1795; district clerk, district No. 14, 1810; member of Vermont Council, 1803-1808; register of probate in 1806, and presidential elector in 1808. He was called "Major" at the time of his death. I have the same date for his wife's death as for that of his mother. Probable confusion. Children:

- i. CHLOE SHEPARDSON, b. 10 January, 1781.
- ii. ANNA SHEPARDSON, b. 6 October, 1782, d. 3 November, 1782.
- iii. ANNA SHEPARDSON, b. 30 May, 1784.
- iv. JOHN SHEPARDSON, b. 9 December, 1786.
- v. SAMUEL SHEPARDSON, b. 9 March, 1789.
- vi. OTIS SHEPARDSON, b. 5 July, 1791.
- vii. ELIJAH SHEPARDSON, b. 5 November, 1793.
- viii. PLINY SHEPARDSON, b. 15 July, 1796.
- ix. SOPHIA SHEPARDSON, b. 20 August, 1798; m. 27 November, 1820, John W. Bissell, of Gill, Mass.
- x. PERMELIA SHEPARDSON, b. 19 March, 1801; m. Zelotes Barney of Adams, N. Y., 19 June, 1824.

26. SETH SHEPARDSON (*John,<sup>5</sup> Daniel,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Daniel,<sup>2</sup> Daniel<sup>1</sup>*) was a Revolutionary soldier from Guilford, Vermont. He m. Phoebe [or Rhoda?] Carpenter in Vermont. They moved to Erie County, Pennsylvania, where he d. in 1855, aged about 90 years. He was a farmer and magistrate. Children were all born in Vermont except Anna:

- i. ROWENA G. SHEPARDSON; m. ——— Allen.
- ii. JOEL SHEPARDSON.
- iii. SETH SHEPARDSON.
- iv. DANIEL SHEPARDSON.
- v. RHODA SHEPARDSON; m. John White.
- vi. NEWELL SHEPARDSON.
- vii. JOHN SHEPARDSON.
- viii. ANNA SHEPARDSON; m. Norris White.

27. ALFRED SHEPARDSON (*John*,<sup>5</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>4</sup> *John*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>) m. 27 June, 1796, Dolly Bullock in Guilford, Vt., and lived there until February, 1816, when he moved with his family to what is now Afton, N. Y. He d. there in 1819. Children:

- i. SALLY SHEPARDSON, b. 4 October, 1798.
- ii. CLARISSA SHEPARDSON, b. 13 July, 1800.
- iii. ZADOC SHEPARDSON, b. 3 April, 1805.
- iv. DOLLY SHEPARDSON, b. 16 April, 1807.
- v. ALFRED SHEPARDSON, b. 24 November, 1809.
- vi. SIMEON SHEPARDSON.

28. ZEPHANIAH SHEPARDSON (*Zephaniah*,<sup>5</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>4</sup> *John*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>) was a clockmaker and farmer in Guilford, Vermont. He was in Capt. Daniel Calisco's company of Col. Bedell's regt. in 1776. In the fall of 1777 he served 17 days in Capt. David Stowell's company in Col. William Williams' regt. From June 29th to July 5th, 1777, he was in Capt. Stephen Shepardson's company. He seems to have been a fifer. He was called "Lieutenant." He d. in Guilford, 19 August, 1837. He was m. three times: (1) To Rachel Wilkins (daughter of Paul) who d. of quick consumption, 28 September, 1787, aged 32 y., 8 mo.; (2) To Lettice Barney, 10 January, 1788. She was b. 4 January, 1763, of Captain John and Rebecca (Martin) Barney of Guilford, and d. 11 May, 1831. (3) To Sarah (Babcock) Stedman, widow of Philemon. She d. 1 August, 1838, aged 82. There were 15 children, all of whom grew up. At one time the combined age of those living was above 1,200 years.

- i. RACHEL SHEPARDSON, b. 21 March, 1779; m. Samuel Nichols of Halifax, 11 August 1799.
- ii. LEONARD SHEPARDSON, b. 14 September, 1780.
- iii. DARIUS SHEPARDSON, b. 18 December 1782.
- iv. RUTH SHEPARDSON, b. 16 June, 1785.
- v. SUSANNA SHEPARDSON, b. 4 June, 1787.
- vi. IRA SHEPARDSON, b. 21 October, 1788.
- vii. SALLY SHEPARDSON, b. 3 July, 1790.
- viii. ZEPHANIAH SHEPARDSON, b. 20 February, 1792.
- ix. MARTIN SHEPARDSON, b. 13 February, 1794.
- x. JAMES SHEPARDSON, b. 17 July, 1795.
- xi. LEWIS SHEPARDSON, b. 1 September, 1798.
- xii. SOPHRONA SHEPARDSON, b. 30 July, 1800.
- xiii. LURINDA SHEPARDSON, b. 17 August, 1802; m. John Bucklin of Guilford. No children.
- xiv. CLARK SHEPARDSON, b. 19 August, 1804.
- xv. JOHN BARNEY SHEPARDSON, b. 5 June, 1808.

29. WILLIAM SHEPARDSON (*Zephaniah*,<sup>5</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>4</sup> *John*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>) m. Grace Fitch and settled in Guilford, Vermont, where he was called "Colonel." He d. in Lansingburg, N. Y., 18 February, 1804, of consumption, and was buried in Guilford. His wife also died of consumption 1 February, 1808, aged 48 years. He was in Capt. Stephen Shepardson's company, Col. Williams' regt., in 1777. Four of the children d. of consumption.

- i. THADDEUS SHEPARDSON, d. 23 December, 1809.
- ii. WILLIAM SHEPARDSON, b. 21 December, 1787, d. 28 December, 1830.
- iii. REUBEN SHEPARDSON.
- iv. GRACE SHEPARDSON.
- v. CYNTHIA HUDSON SHEPARDSON; m. Daniel Fisher, Guilford, 25 February, 1810.
- vi. CHARLOTTE SHEPARDSON.
- vii. HART SHEPARDSON, b. 19 November, 1796.
- viii. ELIAS SHEPARDSON, mentioned in brother Hart's will.

- ix. POLLY SHEPARDSON, d. 17 July, 1808, of consumption.
- x. HENRY SHEPARDSON.

30. JOSEPH SHEPARDSON (*Zephaniah*,<sup>5</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>4</sup> *John*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>) was a carpenter and worked at that trade more than at farming. He lived in Guilford until his third child was b., then moved to Leyden, Mass., from which place he moved to Coleraine, Mass., where he d. 2 November, 1821. He served in the Revolutionary war when he was not 17 years old. He was called "Lieutenant." He m. (1) 25 October, 1787, Zurvier Parker, who was b. 15 September, 1768, dau. of James and Rebecca (Brown) Parker. She d. 7 October, 1806, in Leyden, Mass. He m. (2) 15 February, 1807, Lucy Stedman, who was b. 13 September, 1783, dau. of Philemon Stedman. He took a great interest in family history and kept careful records of what he could find for the benefit of the future family historian. Children:

- i. JARED SHEPARDSON, b. 9 May, 1788.
- ii. REBECCA SHEPARDSON, b. 3 May, 1790.
- iii. ZURVIER SHEPARDSON, b. 9 March, 1792.
- iv. JOSEPH SHEPARDSON, b. 22 February, 1794.
- v. LUCINDA SHEPARDSON, b. 12 December, 1795.
- vi. WILLIAM HENRY SHEPARDSON, b. 17 April, 1797.
- vii. JAMES PARKER SHEPARDSON, b. 7 May, 1799.
- viii. HORATIO JEFFERSON SHEPARDSON, b. 28 December, 1800.
- ix. SALOME SHEPARDSON, b. 25 August, 1803.

31. JARED SHEPARDSON (*Zephaniah*,<sup>5</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>4</sup> *John*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>) m in December, 1793, Ruth Church, b. 29 September, 1770, dau. of David and Damaris (—) Church. He d. in Halifax, Vt., 6 July, 1810, of consumption. His wid. d. in Gerry, Chautauqua Co., N. Y., 9 August, 1850. Extensive records of this line have been collected by John Eaton Shepardson. Children:

- i. CLARISSA SHEPARDSON, b. 7 October, 1794, d. 6 December, 1868; m. Solomon Fessenden.
- ii. LUCIUS SHEPARDSON, b. 17 February, 1797, d. 27 March, 1798.
- iii. DAMARIS SHEPARDSON, b. 1 March, 1799, d. 12 March, 1848; m. Willar Buchlin.
- iv. LUCIUS SHEPARDSON, b. 23 September, 1802, d. 29 March, 1803.
- v. JOHN SHEPARDSON, { b. 19 March, 1804.
- vi. WILLIAM SHEPARDSON, { b. 23 June, 1806, d. 16 September, 1859;  
m. Charles Williams.
- vii. MATILDA SHEPARDSON, { b. 23 June, 1806, d. 9 August, 1847;  
m. Oren Strong.
- viii. LUCINDA SHEPARDSON, {

32. NOAH SHEPARDSON (*Daniel*,<sup>5</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>4</sup> *John*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>) removed from Attleboro, Mass., to Guilford, Vt. His wife was Hannah ——. He was made fence viewer 12 March, 1792. With his cousins Joseph and Nathaniel he was in an attack against the "Vermonters" at Brattleboro, Vt., in 1784. He received 30 acres of land in Bainbridge, Chenango county, N. Y., as part of that granted in 1786 to the sufferers who opposed the government of Vermont by New York state. Known children:

- i. ENOCH SHEPARDSON, b. 22 October, 1778.
- ii. NOAH SHEPARDSON, b. 1782, d. 23 May, 1867.

33. NATHANIEL SHEPARDSON (*Isaac*,<sup>5</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>4</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>) d. in Bridgewater (now Brockton) Mass., in 1872. He was b. 5 October, 1784. He m. four times. He seems to have lived in Dedham and Wrentham before settling in Bridgewater. He m. Sally Edson, dau. of Seth Edson, 28 October, 1808, Nancy Edson, 4 March, 1815, the Edsons being of Bridgewater, and Polly Reynolds of Stoughton in 1852. The name of the fourth wife is unknown (1907) likewise name of one of his children if the statement of a grandson that he had twelve is true.

- i. MARY WOOD SHEPARDSON, b. 1810.
- ii. NATHANIEL SHEPARDSON, b. 1811, d. 1856; m. and fam.

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- iii. SARA ANN SHEPARDSON, b. 1816; m. Elbridge G. Lincoln, 1834. one son.
  - iv. SALLY SHEPARDSON, b. 1819; m. Levi Simmons, 1845, d. 1846, one son.
  - v. WILLIAM SHEPARDSON, b. 1821; m. d. in New York.
  - vi. OTIS HARRISON SHEPARDSON, b. 1822.
  - vii. OLIVER SHEPARDSON, b. 1823; m. Catherine Orcutt, d. about 1872, Prairie City, Ill.
  - viii. LUCY ANN SHEPARDSON, b. 1827; m. Levi Simmons (above) and d. 1891. He d. 11 December, 1888.
  - ix. WILLARD SHEPARDSON, b. 1828.
  - x. EMILY SHEPARDSON, b. 1831, d. 1832.
  - xi. MIRANDA SHEPARDSON, b. 1837, d. 1837.
  - xii. ——— SHEPARDSON.
34. JAMES SHEPARDSON (*Isaac*,<sup>5</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>4</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>) lived in Franklin, Mass., where he d. Children:
- i. WILLARD SHEPARDSON, lived in Conn. 4 children.
  - ii. HOSEA SHEPARDSON, d. young, Woonsocket, R. I.
  - iii. JOSEPH SHEPARDSON, lived, Rockville, Mass. No children.
  - iv. SARAH SHEPARDSON; m. ——— White, Ashland, Mass.
35. JOHN SHEPARDSON (*Isaac*,<sup>5</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>4</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>) m. ——— and probably lived in Wrentham, Mass. Children:
- i. BETSEY SHEPARDSON; m. ——— Harris. Had 2 boys, 2 girls, lived Franklin, Mass.
  - ii. RUTH SHEPARDSON; m. ——— White of Wakefield, Mass. 3 sons.
  - iii. FRANCES SHEPARDSON; m. ——— Blanding. 1 son, 3 daus.
  - iv. MARY JANE SHEPARDSON; m. ——— Putnam, Greenville, S. C. 4 dau.
  - v. SARAH SHEPARDSON; m. ——— Dunbar. 3 sons.
  - vi. KATE SHEPARDSON; m. G. Morse, Wrentham, Mass. 5 children.
  - vii. JOSEPH MARTIN SHEPARDSON, b. 1836; m. 1857, Amanda M. Fuller, res. N. J. 2 sons.
36. ISAAC SHEPARDSON (*Isaac*,<sup>5</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>4</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>) d. in Wrentham, Mass. Children:
- i. LARNED SHEPARDSON.
  - ii. MYRA SHEPARDSON.
  - iii. ISAAC SHEPARDSON, res. N. Attleboro, Mass., 1 son; m. (?) Mrs. Jane (Shepardson) Hunt (see below).
  - iv. MARY SHEPARDSON; m. Columbus Tingley, res. on Isaac Shepardson farm. 2 sons, 2 daus.
  - v. OTIS SHEPARDSON, d. July, 1886, Waterbury, Conn. 2 children, 1 son.
  - vi. JOHN SHEPARDSON, res. Mansfield, Mass. 6 children.
  - vii. HARRIET SHEPARDSON; m. ——— White, 1 son, Edwin, in U. S. Army.
  - viii. LEWIS SHEPARDSON, res. in California.
37. JONATHAN SHEPARDSON (*Isaac*,<sup>5</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>4</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>). Children:
- i. AMY SHEPARDSON; m. ——— Beal, Saybrook, Ill. 3 children.
  - ii. JANE SHEPARDSON; m. (1) ——— Hunt, N. Attleboro, Mass. No children. (2) Isaac Shepardson (son of Isaac above).
  - iii. HENRY SHEPARDSON, res. S. Walpole, Mass.
  - iv. DRUCY SHEPARDSON, d. 1905; m. ——— Lawrence, W. Medway, Mass. 4 children.
  - v. MARTIN DAVID SHEPARDSON, res. Warwick, Mass. 3 children.
  - vi. EDMUND SHEPARDSON, res. N. Easton, Mass. 1 dau.
  - vii. EMORY SHEPARDSON, d. 1905, res. Attleboro, Mass. 2 sons.
  - viii. JOSEPHINE SHEPARDSON; m. W. R. Cobb, res. Attleboro, Mass.
38. ISAAC SHEPARDSON (*Jonathan*,<sup>5</sup> *Jonathan*,<sup>4</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>) perhaps lived in Warwick, Mass., or in Richmond, N. H. He m. Mary ——— and had at least
- i. ISAAC SHEPARDSON, b. 25 October, 1796 (recorded in Royalston).
39. JOHN SHEPARDSON (*Jonathan*,<sup>5</sup> *Jonathan*,<sup>4</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>) purchased a farm in the south part of Warwick in 1817. "Here he lived until the day of his death, some time in 1833, and preached in the schoolhouse in the south part of Warwick and in South Orange and in Erving's Grant nearly every Sabbath, working faithfully in the service of his Master to a good old age, when he was called to a better world on high, there to receive his reward."—History of Warwick, p.



166. One record says that he m. Abigail Hawes. Another says int. pub. with Abigail Lawence of New Salem, 27 November, 1825. No children, but he adopted a nephew, son of Moses Kenney of Richmond, N. H., who was b. in 1797 and took the Shepardson name. Elder John Shepardson was executor of his father's estate. He was a Baptist minister. He had a poetic temperament and wrote some verse which is preserved in pamphlet form, as well as in the History of Warwick. Adopted child:

1. MOSES KENNEY SHEPARDSON, b. 1797.
40. DANIEL SHEPARDSON (*Jonathan*,<sup>5</sup> *Jonathan*,<sup>4</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>) lived in Royalston, Mass. Farmer. Married, 9 September, 1801, Prudence, daughter of David and Elizabeth (—) Cook of Stratton, Vt. She died 24 June, 1858, aged 78. He died 5 May, 1856. Records of his descendants are practically complete. Children:
  - i. JONATHAN SHEPARDSON, b. 23 November, 1802, d. 18 January, 1875.
  - ii. PRUDENCE SHEPARDSON, b. 12 August, 1804; m. William Moore; d. 26 June, 1877.
  - iii. DELIGHT SHEPARDSON, b. 19 April, 1806, d. 5 June, 1820.
  - iv. ELIZA SHEPARDSON, b. 4 April, 1808; m. Charles Moore; d. —.
  - v. DAVID COOK SHEPARDSON, b. 31 May, 1810, d. 7 September, 1813.
  - vi. MILLIE SHEPARDSON, b. 25 March, 1812; m. George Moore, Athol, Mass.; d. 1893.
  - vii. DANIEL SHEPARDSON, b. 27 July, 1813, d. 8 December, 1899.
  - viii. DAVID COOK SHEPARDSON, b. 2 October, 1815, d. 1893.
  - ix. JOHN SHEPARDSON, b. 12 April, 1820, d. 14 December, 1889.
  - x. ERI SHEPARDSON, b. 10 September, 1821, d. 5 March, 1895.

41. DANIEL SHEPARDSON (*Ancel*,<sup>5</sup> *John*,<sup>4</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>), born in Middletown, Rutland County, Vt. Millwright at Fairfax, Vt. Removed with his family to Granville, Ohio, September, 1813, making the journey in a wagon and being forty days on the road. Served as superintendent of construction on Ohio Canal, 1825-6; constituent member of Granville Baptist Church, and deacon from its organization until his death, November, 1866. Member of Board of Trustees of Denison University 1831-1866, and superintendent of construction of its first buildings. He married, (1) 12 July, 1807, Prudence, daughter of Daniel Morse of Fairfax, Vt. She was born in Dublin, N. H., 19 September, 1784, and died in Granville, Ohio, 25 March, 1835. (2) 26 November, 1835, Mrs. Mary (Devenney) Dilley, daughter of Cornelius Devenney. She was born 11 April, 1795, in Berkeley County, Va., and died in Granville, Ohio, 5 June, 1850. (3) 7 July, 1852, Mrs. Pamela Barlow, widow of Rev. Julius Barlow of Fredonia, Ohio. Children, all by first wife:

- i. LUCETTA SHEPARDSON, b. 28 September, 1808; m. David Woods; lived in Williams Co., Ohio.
- ii. PERRIN SHEPARDSON, b. 30 July, 1810.
- iii. ABIGAIL SHEPARDSON, b. 26 November, 1812; m. Gardner Woods; lived in Jersey, Ohio.
- iv. HARRIET SHEPARDSON, b. 22 February, 1815; m. Hiram Pruden; lived in Jersey, Ohio.
- v. NANCY A. SHEPARDSON, b. 6 November, 1817; unm., d. in Granville, Ohio.
- vi. ELVIRA SHEPARDSON, b. 3 February, 1820; m. Rev. D. D. Walden; d. 8 January, 1865, in Hillsdale Co., Mich.
- vii. DANIEL MORSE SHEPARDSON, b. 11 July, 1822, d. 27 July, 1824.
12. viii. DANIEL MORSE SHEPARDSON, b. 2 February, 1825.

42. ASA SHEPARDSON (*Ancel*,<sup>5</sup> *John*,<sup>4</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>), lived in Delaware County, Ohio, where he d. 14 August, 1842. He was buried in Granville, Ohio. Children:

- i. SILAS SHEPARDSON; unm., d. 8 September, 1834. (23.)
- ii. ASA MILTON SHEPARDSON, d. 16 February, 1845. (28, 1, 7.)
- iii. CHARLOTTE SHEPARDSON, (?) [Note of J. H. Shepardson, 1861.]

43. ANCEL SHEPARDSON (*Ancel*,<sup>5</sup> *John*,<sup>4</sup> *Nathaniel*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Daniel*<sup>1</sup>), was 12 years old when he came with his father from Middletown, Vt.

to Fairfax, Vt., where he spent the rest of his life. He taught school for awhile and for many years taught singing school. "When a young man he built a saw mill on a stream near by and for many years did an extensive business in the manufacture of lumber. He also invented flax machine and did a successful business in making and dressing that product. About 1836 he commenced wool-carding and cloth-finishing, which business he continued until 1850 when a new mill was built and machinery put in for the manufacture of woolen cloth and yarn. He also erected a foundry and blacksmith shop. The locality took on the name of Shepardson Hollow and became quite a noted place of business. In 1857 he retired in favor of his youngest son. He was one of the deacons in the Baptist church for half a century, and in every sense was an honest, faithful, Christian man."—(History of Franklin and Grand-Isle Country, 1891.) He m. Aurelia Story 3 March, 1816. She d. 21 March, 1822. He m. (2) Lura Story, 14 July, 1822. She was b. 6 May, 1801, in Fairfax, and d. 4 October, 1880. He d. 21 March, 1875. Children:

- i. EMERSON SHEPARDSON, b. 11 March, 1820, d. 3 January, 1878.
- ii. MERRIT C. SHEPARDSON, b. 29 March, 1823, d. 3 January, 1890.
- iii. ALVA SHEPARDSON, b. 19 June, 1824, d. 15 April, 1825.
- iv. AURELIA SHEPARDSON, b. 21 March, 1826, d. 23 March, 1905.
- v. GEORGE RENSLOW SHEPARDSON, b. 10 October, 1827.
- vi. EDWARD SHEPARDSON, b. 13 April, 1828, d. 3 May, 1828.
- vii. FRANCIS WAYLAND SHEPARDSON, b. 26 February, 1836.

44. JOEL SHEPARDSON (*Ansel,<sup>5</sup> John,<sup>4</sup> Nathaniel,<sup>3</sup> Daniel,<sup>2</sup> Daniel<sup>1</sup>*). lived in Vermont where he perhaps had children:

- i. VALERA SHEPARDSON.
- ii. ZENO SHEPARDSON.
- iii. CHARLOTTE SHEPARDSON.
- iv. SAMUEL SHEPARDSON.
- v. DANIEL SHEPARDSON.

45. NOAH SHEPARDSON (*Amos,<sup>5</sup> Amos,<sup>4</sup> John,<sup>3</sup> Daniel,<sup>2</sup> Daniel<sup>1</sup>*) was b. in Mansfield, Mass., 2 May, 1770. He d. in Clarendon, Vt., 1 January, 1818. He m. Jerusha Allen in Vermont 11 June, 1797. Children:

- i. ALLEN C. SHEPARDSON, b. 15 October, 1799, d. Coldwater, Mich., 1 February, 1871.
- ii. NOAH SHEPARDSON, b. 30 April, 1804, d. South Adams, 6 July, 1866.
- iii. OTIS SHEPARDSON, b. 25 July, 1806, d. Lyndonville, Vt., 1 March, 1887.
- iv. ADAH SHEPARDSON; m. Lewis Merritt Walker.

NOTE—I have a great many records of families in the seventh, eighth and ninth generations. If the missing links in earlier generations can be found it will not be difficult to place most American Shepardsons in their proper connection. Corrections, additions and suggestions will be welcomed.

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