

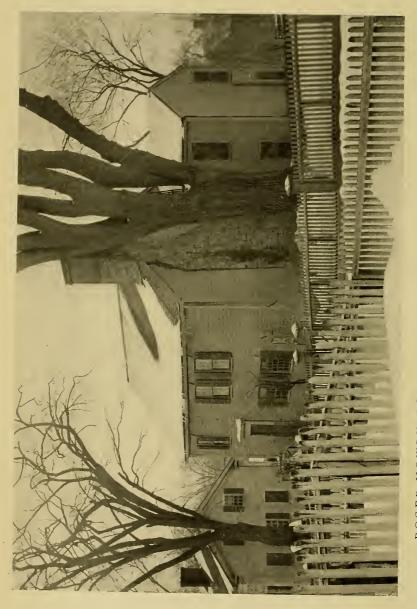




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ROGER MOWRY HOUSE, ABBOTT STREET, PROVIDENCE, R. I. This house was built as early as 1653. It was demolished July, 1900.

SUPPLEMENT

TO

The Descendants of Nathaniel Mowry of Rhode Island

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INTRODUCTION.

It is now twenty years since the genealogy of the descendants of Nathaniel Mowry was published. A few errors in the book have been found, and many additional facts have transpired which ought to be added to it. Many items of information, heretofore unknown to the writer, have been found, and some deaths have occurred which should be inserted. Since the book was published, that indefatigable genealogist, Mr. John O. Austin, of Providence, R. I., has discovered clear evidence that Nathaniel and John Mowry were sons of Roger Mowry, who came to this country in 1631. The evidence of this connection is given on page nine of the little pamphlet entitled "The Mowry Family Monument," which is presented in connection with this supplement. The family record, as it now appears, is as follows:—

ROGER MOWRY, born doubtless in England, married Mary, the eldest daughter of John Johnson, of Roxbury. Some have thought that she was his second wife, and that his first wife's name was Bethiah. It is very clear, however, that this is not true. The statement seems to have no foundation whatever.

His eighth child, Mehitable, married Eldad Kingsley, and the account which the Kingsleys give of their ancestry says that Eldad Kingsley, of Rehoboth, Mass., married, May 9, 1662, "Mehitable, daughter of Roger and Bethiah Mowry." This statement is from Mr. H. S. Ruggles, of Wakefield, Mass., a lineal descendant of the eighth generation from Mehitable and Eldad Kingsley. This record is clearly an error. The probability is that whoever had the record made trusted to memory and gave the name Bethiah as the mother of Mehitable instead of her sister. That Mary was the only wife of Roger is made clear from the records of the First Church in Salem. These records show that in 1636, second day of the second month, was baptized "Jonathan, son of Roger and Mary Mowry."

Roger Mowry died in Providence, R. I., Jan. 5, 1666. His widow, Mary, afterward married John Kingsley, of Rehoboth, Mass. She died in January, 1679, and was buried at Rehoboth, Jan. 29, 1679.

It is known that Roger Mowry was in Boston in May, 1631; that he and Roger Williams applied together to be admitted freemen; that neither of them remained in Boston to accept freemanship; that subsequently they were both residents of Plymouth, after that at Salem, and then at Providence, where they both died. It is not known at what date Roger Mowry left Plymouth for Salem, or when he removed from Salem to Providence. Nathaniel Felton, of Salem, made a deposition Sept. 18, 1700, in which he declared that Roger Mowry had sold his land in the woods [that is, his farm in Danvers] to Emanuel Downing, and that he had removed from Salem "before the year 1644." This may be a mistake, because the Essex County Court papers, Vol. I, page 67, show that a warrant was issued to the constables to summon "Roger Mowry" and John Elderkin as witnesses in a case before the court the twenty-ninth day of the tenth month, 1644. It would seem a proper inference to draw from this summons that at that time Roger Mowry was a resident of Salem. A singular difficulty appears in connection with the baptism of Roger's son Benjamin. The records of the First Church at Salem show that Roger's son Jonathan was baptized April 2, 1637; his daughter Bethia (recorded as Appia), June 17, 1638; his daughter Mary, Jan. 16, 1640; his daughter Elizabeth, Jan. 20, 1643; and his son Benjamin, May 20, 1649. These are all given as the children of *Roger and Mary*.

On the other hand, a record in Providence states that, Aug. 6, 1658, Roger Mowry testified that his son Benjamin was born in Providence May 8, 1649; his son Thomas, July 19, 1652; and his daughter Hannah, Sept. 28, 1656. The question arises how it could be that Benjamin, born in Providence the eighth of May, could be baptized in Salem twelve days later. At that time the journey from Providence to Salem would have been too difficult for the mother to take her son twelve days of age from Providence to Salem to be baptized. Two explanations of this may be given.

1. It might be that Roger did not intend to say that the child was born *in Providence*, but only that he was born at that date. The town clerk in taking it down may have inadvertently added that he was born in Providence, especially as the others were.

2. It might be that at this time (1649), when many

members of the Salem church had migrated to Providence, the minister made a journey to that town, looking up the absent members of his flock, and finding the child Benjamin, baptized him and entered it upon the records upon his return to Salem.

Until July, 1900, the oldest house in the city of Providence was the one built by Roger Mowry in 1653, or possibly a little earlier. The original house had been remodelled and enlarged, and was for a long time known as the Olney House. It was located in the northern part of the city, on Abbott Street, not far from North Main Street, and near the North Burial-ground. Professor Isham, of Brown University, has lately published a volume on the architecture of the earlier houses of Providence and Newport. In this book he clearly proves that the house in question was built by Roger Mowry at or near the date above mentioned.

The main room, which was supposed to have constituted the original house, was about fifteen feet square and but little more than six feet from floor to ceiling. The summer beam across the middle of the room, after the ancient fashion, was of white oak, beautifully hewed, the corners chamfered, and not a score of the axe visible in the surface. The old chimney, originally outside of the house, was built of stone, and its fireplace was just ten feet wide. This stone chimney was a fine piece of masonwork. The mortar was made of shell lime, closely resembling that used in the old stone mill at Newport. This house was the home of Roger Mowry until his death. On Sept. 5, 1671, his widow, Mary, "sold to Stephen Paine, of Rehoboth, the dwelling, outhousing, three house lots, and commoning." In this house town meetings were sometimes held, and there is a tradition that Roger Williams, on occasion, held prayer meetings in it. It was the only house lately standing in the city of Providence which dated back to the days of Roger Williams.

On May 25, 1655, Roger Mowry and Richard Pray were appointed by the Commissioners (or General Assembly, as afterward called), to keep "houses of entertainment" in Providence. This "house of entertainment" kept by Mowry was the veritable house recently standing on Abbott Street. Henry C. Dorr has said that at that early period the number of inhabitants at the "North End," socalled, was greater than the number living further southward and nearer what is now the centre of the city. In the Providence Records, under the date of Jan. 27, 1657, it is stated that "Roger Mowry was allowed 1s. 6d. for this daies fireing and house roome." This was probably for a town meeting. In 1658 Roger Mowry was a "Commissioner," or member of the General Court. His name appears as such in the records of a meeting of said court held at Warwick Nov. 2, 1658. (See "R. I. Colonial Records," Vol. I., p. 394.) The following account of this old house was published in the Providence Journal July 15, 1900. A few days later the house was demolished.

MUST IT GO?

OLDEST HOUSE IN THE STATE — ABOUT TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY YEARS OLD — ABOUT TO BE TORN DOWN. ROGER MOWRY KEPT TAVERN, TOWN COUNCIL MET, AND ROGER WILLIAMS HELD PRAYER MEETINGS IN IT. IT IS LOCATED ON ABBOTT STREET, NEAR NORTH BURIAL-GROUND.

The disturbing news reached the Historical Society a few days ago that the very oldest house in Rhode Island was about to be demolished. The house in question stands on Abbott Street, near the North Burial-ground, and is known popularly as the Abbott or Whipple House. Its present owner, who has lived in the building till recently, announces his intention to construct a modern dwelling on the site of the historic house, although he informed the society's representative last week that he would be willing to sell the estate and build elsewhere. When the representative of the Historical Society called he found many of the blinds and doors already taken down preparatory to the general demolition, but he prevailed upon the proprietor to stay operations until the public could be informed of the facts. Some one interested in the preservation of early landmarks, it was thought, might come forward even at this late day, and rescue the most ancient residence in the State.

Good authorities assert that the Abbott Street frame building is the only surviving house in these plantations belonging to the earliest period of Rhode Island history. Only about fifteen years ago it had a senior in the Arthur Fenner House, the date of the original construction of which was undoubtedly a few years earlier. These two venerable structures alone remained at that time of the many that were first built soon after the advent of Roger Williams. Now the place on Abbott Street is the only local representative of the style of architecture in vogue ROGER MOWRY.

when the founder of the plantations was alive, and the antiquarians interested feel that it should be preserved.

They eite the case of the famous Hancock House in Boston, which, despite its early associations and pronounced historic value, was torn down. When Boston awoke to a realizing sense of what had occurred there was a feeling of genuine sorrow, and it is safe to say that many thousands of dollars could have been secured to purchase the old property if the right sort of attempt had been made early enough.

Providence is not as deeply concerned in matters of historic interest as Boston, and if the latter city permitted a cherished landmark to go by the board for want of a few thousand dollars it is not considered very probable that the local house can be saved. However, the officers of the Historical Society hope that something may be done, now that the matter has been brought to public attention.

In their "Early Rhode Island Houses," Messrs. Islam and Brown refer to the dwelling as the "Roger Mowry House," and the reason given for this designation lies in the fact that it once belonged to Roger Mowry — the Roger Mowry whose tavern played an important part in the affairs of the early colony.

The exact date of its building is, of course, unknown; but tradition, available documents, and the testimony of the house itself, the latter proof being obtained by an architectural analysis, seem to indicate that it was erected as early as 1653.

Since that date it has been altered, enlarged, and improved, like all old homesteads of its class, and its present appearance no doubt resembles the original house but slightly. The passer-by would receive no impression as to its age. The original building is believed to have contained on the first floor — the house was a story and a half in height—a single large "fire room," and in this section of the present structure the framing is almost all intact. Here there was a huge fireplace. To quote from the work above mentioned:—

"The present arrangements of the room would not lead the visitor to suspect the size or even the existence of the old stone fireplace. There is a fireboard behind the stove, and on each side of the fireboard a closet. Opening one of the closet doors, however, will reveal the stone cavern wherein, when the Town Council met, Roger Mowry burnt the logs of 'this daies fireing,' for which and for the 'house roome,' we read, the Town Treasurer was ordered, on Jan. 27, 1657, to pay him one shilling and sixpence."

The structure as it stands to-day is considerably larger and in various respects more pretentious than the house of Roger Mowry's days; still the original house is practically intact, and to the antiquarian it matters little if additions have been added thereto. It now remains to be seen if there is sufficient interest in the community to keep from destruction the last remaining bit of earliest Rhode Island architecture.

The following article appeared in the Salem *Register* a few years ago. It purports to be a colloquy between two Salem men in the year 1700. It is evidently written with the intention of bringing to light some facts and historical records concerning Roger Mowry which could best be set forth under this guise of a long-ago colloquy.

ROGER MOWRY.

ROGER MOWRY OF SALEM, 1636.

A Colloguy Between Yeoman John Woodbury and Goodman Nathaniel Felton, in Salem, Mass., a.d. 1700, 10th Month, 29th Day.

In the Real Estate Records, in Salem, Book 15, pages 5 and 6, is the following entry: "The Deposition of Nathaniel Felton, aged 85 years, who testifieth and saith that soon after Roger Morrey removed from Salem, which was before the year 1644, I, this deponent, then heard yt the said Morrey had sold his land in ye woods unto Mr. Emanuel Downing, and I do further testify yt a parcel of upland and swamp and meadow land being a part of and belonging to the said Morrey's land lyeth at ye westerly end of Mr. Downing's farm, lying in ye township of Salem, about 3 miles westerly from ye town," etc., etc., 1700, Jan. 28.

"Good morrow, Goodman Felton. So ye was up afore the court yesterday."

"Yes, I made an affidavy about the woodland of my former neighbor, Roger Mawrey. You don't remember him. He left Salem before you were born. Your father would remember him, though."

"I have heard tell of him — a friend of Williams, the heretick, I believe."

"Yes, he was a friend of Roger Williams, and I have heard it said a relative also."

"Well, Neighbor Felton, what do you remember about yeoman Mawrey? Did you know him well?"

"I remember seeing him now and then. He was an earnest man, religious in his way, a stickler for churchly rites. His wife, Mistress Mary, he married from the Bay Colony. She was a daughter of one Mr. John Johnson, of Roxbury. She was a woman of strong character, and much beloved by her neighbors."

"You testified yesterday that Roger Mawrey removed

from Salem before 1644. Are you positive about that? Where did he remove to?"

"Yes, I well remember that he left here about 1643, but where he went to I cannot now rightly say. He had relatives in Roxbury. Rev. Mr. Heath, the minister there, was a kinsman of Mary, the wife of Roger. Sometime later he lived in Providence, joined again to his kinsman Roger Williams, who was banished from Salem. Whether he went directly there from Salem, I am not certified. He may have sojourned a few years with his kinsfolk in Roxbury. I have heard it said that neighbor Mawrey was a leading man in the Providence Plantations, and that he kept a public house for many years.

"A good story is told of a constable who was sent by the Bay Colony to arrest a man at Pawtuxet. He found his man, placed him under arrest, and carried him to Providence. There he stopped for the night at Pray's tavern, intending to continue his way the next morning to Boston.

"In the evening, however, the liberty-loving citizens of Providence had congregated at Mawrey's tavern and were discussing the right of a Massachusetts officer to arrest a man in the Plantations and carry him away to the Bay Colony. These men sent a committee over to Pray's to demand of the constable his authority. He refused to hold any parley with them. Not to be thwarted, they called together the town council and this body sent to the constable demanding to know by what right he held a Rhode Island man prisoner. He replied, by the authority of the general court of the Bay Colony. They peremptorily told him they did not recognize that authority within the limits of the Plantations. The result was, the man was set at liberty, and the officer returned to the Bay empty-handed." "What do you know about Mawrey as a citizen in Salem and a church-member?"

"Well, neighbor, I remember he and his wife were members of the First Church, and their children were baptized by the minister. I cannot tell the dates and names, but the church clerk will give them to you."

[NOTE BY THE EDITOR.— This record is as follows : --

(1) 1636. 2. 2. Baptized — Jonathan, son of Roger and Mary Mawrey.

- (2) 1638. 17. 4. Appia, daughter of same.
- (3) 1639. 16. 11. Mary, daughter of same.
- (4) 1642. 27. 1. Eliza (or Elizabeth), daughter of same.
- (5) 1649. 20. 3. Benjamin, son of same.]

"The Salem people were sorry to have Mawrey leave their town, but he had from the first sympathized with Williams, and he could not rest satisfied till he had joined him in his new Plantations. He had lived with Williams in Boston, in Plymouth, and in Salem. He then went to Providence, and they both died there."

[NOTE BY THE EDITOR.— A singular puzzle is found in regard to the baptism of Benjamin. Roger Mowry, in town meeting, in Providence, Aug. 6, 1657, "testifyeth" and put upon the record the birth of three of his children, as follows:

"Born in Providence — born May 8, 1649, Benjamin Moorie; born July 19, 1652, Thomas; born Sept. 28, 1656, Hannah."

Now, if Benjamin was born in Providence May 8, 1649, how could he be baptized in Salem on the twentieth of the same month and year?

It may perhaps be supposed that the pastor of the First Church in Salem at that time, Rev. Edward Norris, having a number of the members of his church living in Providence, made a visit to that town, and while there baptized the "little Benjamin," recording the same upon the church book after his return.

The Editor further would add that Mr. William A. Mowry,

Superintendent of Schools in this city, his children and grandchild, are of the ninth, tenth, and eleventh generations, descendants of this Roger Mowry and his wife, Mary.]

"Well, Neighbor Felton, I am much obleeged to ye for the information ye have given me. I have heard much of this Roger and of the other Roger, and when I found ye were at the court yester-morn giving your affidavy, I thought to get the story from your own lips. I bid ye good day, Neighbor Felton."

"Good day to ye, Goodman Woodbury."

When Roger Mowry arrived in this country, early in the year 1631, he was evidently a young man, then unmarried. He died in 1666; and although we do not know his age, it is quite clear that he was not more than about 60 years old.

It may be interesting to note the age attained by some of his descendants. Taking, then, a single line, father and son, from Roger downward to the writer, we have ages given as follows:—

Roger Mowry lived to be about the age of 60 years. His son, Nathaniel, lived to the age of 73 years. His son, Joseph, lived to about the age of 73 years. His son, Daniel, lived to about the age of 90 years. His son, Joseph, lived to the age of 41 years. His son, Richard, lived to the age of 85 years. His son, Gideon, lived to the age of 87 1-2 years. His son, Jonathan, lived to the age of 32 years.

His only son, the present writer, is now past 70. The average age of these nine men, representing nine generations, is 68 years. Another record in the vital statistics of this family shows the following: —

Roger Mowry had twelve children, and only one died before maturity.

Nathaniel had eleven children, and all lived to mature years.

Joseph had five children, and all lived to maturity.

Daniel had six children, and only one died before maturity.

Joseph had eight children, and all lived to mature years. Richard had six children, and all lived to be married.

Gideon had nine children, and all lived to mature years and were married.

Jonathan had three children, and all lived to maturity.

The present writer has three children, and all lived to maturity. Hence it appears that in nine generations, covering a period of 270 years, in this direct line, there were sixty-three children, and all but two lived to maturity. This may be considered a remarkable record, which illustrates what is clearly apparent,— that this family has had wonderful vital energy.

CHILDREN OF ROGER MOWRY.

1. Roger, b. (date not known); died young.

2. Jonathan, b. 1637; married (1), July 8, 1659, Mary Foster, widow of Richard, and daughter of Robert and Mary (Warren) Bartlett; married (2) Hannah ——.

3. Bethia, b. 1638; married, Sept. 30, 1662, George Palmer.

4. Mary, b. 1640.

5. Elizabeth, b. 1643.

6. Nathaniel, b. 1644; married, in 1666, Joanna Inman, daughter of Edward Inman. He died March 24, 1718. She died in the same year.

7. John, b. 1645 (?); married Mary ——. He died July 7, 1690. She died 1690 (?).

8. Mehitable, b. probably 1646; married (1), 1662, Eldad Kingsley, of Rehoboth, Mass., son of John Kingsley. He was born in 1638, and died Aug. 28, 1679. She married (2) Timothy Brooks.

9. Joseph, b. 1647; married Mary Wilbur. He died May 27, 1716. She died April 17, 1720.

10. Benjamin, b. May 8, 1649; married Martha Potter, widow of Ichabod, and daughter of Thomas and Martha Hazard.

11. Thomas, b. July 19, 1652; married, Sept. 6, 1673, Susanna Newell, daughter of Abraham and Susanna (Rand) Newell. She was born March 30, 1656. He died Dec. 25, 1717.

12. Hannah, b. Sept. 28, 1656; married, Dec. 3, 1674, Benjamin Sherman, son of Philip and Sarah (Odding) Sherman. He was born in 1650, and died Sept. 24, 1719. She died 1718.

THIRD GENERATION.

GRANDCHILDREN OF ROGER MOWRY.

Children of Jonathan, who was the son of Roger: ----

1. JONATHAN, son of Jonathan, married Hannah Bourne. He died in Plymouth in 1733. His will was

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proved April 26, 1733. The inventory of the estate amounted to £354, 10s.; viz., cattle and swine, £21, 10s.; furniture, £30, 1s., 6d.; real estate, £278.

CHILDREN.

Benjamin, b. 1690. Maria, b. 1692. Mary, b. 1694. Thankful, b. 1696. Jonathan, b. 1699. Reliance, b. 1702. Cornelius, b. 1706. Silas. Joseph.

2. JOHN, son of Jonathan, date of birth and death unknown.

3. HANNAH, daughter of Jonathan, married —— Bumpas.

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Next in order would be the children of Nathaniel and Joanna. These are all given in the Nathaniel book. Some additional items may be here inserted.

Sarah, daughter of Nathaniel (see p. 53, Nathaniel book), married Richard Phillips, son of Michael and Barbara Phillips. He was born in 1667, and died Dec. 13, 1747.

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| John, | Richard, |
| William, | Mercy, |
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Joanna, daughter of Nathaniel (see p. 53), married, Aug. 4, 1709, Walter Phetteplace, son of Philip. She died in 1750. He died Dec. 29, 1753.

| ILDREN. |
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| Benjamin, |
| Sarah, |
| Mercy. |
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Patience, daughter of Nathaniel (see p. 53), married Joseph Smith, son of Edward and Anphillis (Angell) Smith. She died 1734. He was born Oct. 12, 1680, and died Feb. 17, 1734.

CHILDREN.

| Jacob, b. May 3, 1706, | Jethro, |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Susanna, b. May 26, 1708, | Rebecca, |
| Joseph, b. Feb. 4, 1710, | Bathsheba, |
| Abigail, b. March, 1712, | Dinah, |
| Samuel, b. Dec., 1713, | Elnathan. |

Mercy, daughter of Nathaniel (see p. 54), married (1) Edward Smith, brother of Joseph above. He died Nov. 9, 1726. Married (2), Nov. 26, 1741, William Hall.

CHILDREN.

| Edward, | Rachel, |
|---------|-----------|
| Alice, | Amey, |
| Martha, | Mary, |
| Mercy, | Freelove, |
| Sarah, | Anne, |
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Abraham.

Experience, daughter of Nathaniel (see p. 54), married John Malavery, son of John and Elizabeth Malavery. She died in 1718. He died Sept. 18, 1718.

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CHILDREN.

John,

Nathaniel.

Martha, daughter of Nathaniel, married, May 8, 1718, John Smith, son of Benjamin and Mercy (Angell) Smith. She died in 1775. He was born Dec. 8, 1694, and died March 28, 1778.

CHILDREN.

| John, | Esther, |
|--------|---------|
| Rufus, | Anna, |
| Ma | rtha. |

MARY, daughter of Joseph (who was the son of Roger), born Oct. 17, 1672; married, Aug. 23, 1689, Daniel Coggeshall, son of Joshua and Joan (West) Coggeshall. He was born in April, 1665, and died May 17, 1717.

CHILDREN.

| Joshua, b. Jan. 3, 1691, | Daniel, b. Aug. 20, 1704, |
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| Wait, b. Dec. 14, 1692, | Phebe, b. Nov. 11, 1706, |
| Mary, b. Sept. 6, 1694, | Joseph, b. June 3, 1709, |
| Anna, b. June 14, 1701, | Peleg, b. April 20, 1712. |

ROGER, son of Benjamin (who was the son of Roger), died in Kings Town, R. I. Not married.

JOSEPH, son of Benjamin (who was the son of Roger), married Sarah ——. He died in 1718. She died the same year.

CHILDREN.

Mary, b. Oct. 18, 1704, Benjamin, b. May 2, 1710,
Robert, b. Aug. 31, 1706, Roger, b. July 2, 1712,
Joseph, b. Aug. 24, 1708, Martha, b. Dec. 5, 1714,
Sarah, b. Aug. 31, 1717.

BENJAMIN, son of Benjamin (who was the son of Roger), died in 1719, Kings Town, R. I.

JOHN, son of Benjamin (who was the son of Roger), married Mary ——. He died in 1718. She died in 1724, in Kings Town, R. I.

CHILDREN.

| John, | Abigail, |
|-----------|----------------------------|
| Jonathan, | and three other daughters. |

THOMAS, son of Thomas (who was the son of Roger), b. May 15, 1678.

ABIGAIL, daughter of Thomas (who was the son of Roger), b. April 4, 1680. Died in infancy.

ABIGAIL, daughter of Thomas (who was the son of Roger), b. March 31, 1681; married Timothy Harris, April 2, 1697.

CHILDREN.

Abigail, b. June 1, 1704; married, March 3, 1726, Samuel Newell.

Timothy, b. April 28, 1706; married (1) Hannah Winchester, (2) Elizabeth Stevens.

John, b. March 23, 1709; married (1) Mary Winchester, (2) Esther Metcalf.

Joseph, b. Feb. 15, 1711; married Rebecca Adams.

MARY, daughter of Thomas (who was the son of Roger), b. Aug. 11, 1683; married, Nov. 26, 1711, Charles Watson.

SUSANNA, daughter of Thomas (who was the son of

Roger), b. April 27, 1685; married, Jan. 16, 1705, Jonah (or Joshua) Kingsbury.

JOHN, son of Thomas (who was the son of Roger), b. July 13, 1687.

ELIZABETH, daughter of Thomas (who was the son of Roger), b. Dec. 14, 1689; married, Dec. 27, 1710, Israel Leavitt. She died Nov. 23, 1712.

NATHANIEL, son of Thomas (who was the son of Roger), b. May 28, 1694. He died Jan. 9, 1717 or 1718.

MEHITABLE, daughter of Thomas (who was the son of Roger), b. July 20, 1698; married, Sept. 13, 1718, Noah Kingsbury.

THOMAS, his family, and his descendants spell their name MOREY.

Thomas Morey settled and reared his family on the farm lately owned and occupied by Capt. William Winchester. It lies on the upper road leading from Jamaica Plain to Dedham, and continued in the possession of the Morey family until nearly the year 1800.

JOHN, his son, who inherited the farm, was a man of substance and respectability. His name stands third on the list of the seventeen male members who organized the Second Church in Roxbury, now West Roxbury. On Nov. 2, 1712, he presented the church with a silver christening basin, and, on the organization of the Third Religious Society (at Jamaica Plain), within whose territory limits he fell, he presented it with a clock, which, inscribed with the name of the donor, is still used by that society. The writer of this has seen that clock, or "dial time-piece," which is now in the chapel of the Unitarian Church.

His wife's name was Harriet, and they had five children.

Susanna, b. Oct. 7, 1731; married, March 12, 1752, Robert Pierpont.

Elizabeth, b. Nov. 5, 1733.

John, baptized Jan. 29, 1738; married, Sept. 9, 1768, Mary Cheney.

Mary, baptized Sept. 30, 1739.

Abigail, baptized Aug. 30, 1741; died Dec. 24, 1741.

JOHN, son of John and Harriet, married Mary ——. They had four children.

John, baptized Aug. 20, 1769.

Hannah, baptized June 30, 1771.

Ebenezer C., baptized March 6, 1774.

Susanna C., baptized Oct. 27, 1776, married Aaron Davis Weld, and died Oct. 23, 1816. No children.

JOHN, son of John and Mary, sold the farm in West Roxbury and purchased another in Middleboro, to which place he moved, and where he died.

A story is told of Samuel Newell, who married Abigail, the eldest child of Timothy and Abigail (Morey) Harris. He lived in Dudley, Mass., and they had no children. Samuel Newell set out on the journey of life with very small means, but being a man of sagacity and perseverance, he became, in process of time, one of the wealthiest farmers of his day. He had some peculiarities, one of which was a determination to keep free from all obliga-

tions to his neighbors. If he was in want of a tool, but for one occasion even, and knew that his neighbor would willingly lend it to him, he would not borrow it nor accept the use of it if offered him; but would rather go to them that sell, and buy. He carried his independence so far that he would not carry his grain to a neighboring mill for grinding; but he had a small brook running through his own farm, and, by raising a dam to collect water enough, he would grind a half-bushel at a time, and then wait for the pond to fill and grind another halfbushel. He had a singular fancy in regard to the buttons on his garments, for he used silver coins without alteration, except the addition of an eye to allow of their being sewed to the cloth. Whole dollars were used on his overcoat, halves on his dress coat, and so diminishing to ninepences or fourpence-ha'penny pieces on his waistcoat.

The above account of Thomas Morey and his descendants is compiled from a pamphlet published in Boston in 1861, entitled, "Robert Harris and His Descendants, with Notices of the Morey and Metcalf Families; compiled by Luther M. Harris, M.D.," and Austin's "Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island."

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS.

DESCENDANTS OF NATHANIEL MOWRY.

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The Providence Records, p. 444, state that John Mowry, Jr., married Elizabeth Clark March 29, 1699, and not March 24, as in the text.

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Fourth line from top: The date 1764 should be 1746.

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9. Walter Phetteplace, and not Walter R. Phetteplace.

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15. URIAH MOWRY married Urania Paine, daughter of John Paine, of Providence, at one time of Rehoboth.

28. NATHAN MOWRY died Dec. 24, 1749.

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19. ELISHA MOWRY died July 28, 1790.

CHILDREN.

38. Israel, b. Jan. 1, 1744.

- 39. Waitee (see 58), b. April 13, 1746.
- 41. Esek, b. March 8, 1748; d. Jan. 24, 1750.

45. Esek, b. 1750.

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43. Amasa, b. May 9, 1752; d. Dec. 17, 1753.

- 44. Sarah, b. June 4, 1754.
- 42. Abiel, b. Sept. 8, 1756.
- 40. Uriah, b. Oct. 8, 1758.
- 46. Henry.
- 47. Jeremiah.
- 48. Patience, b. 1767.

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27. CHILDREN OF MARTHA AND PRESERVED HARRIS. Israel, Jesse, Rufus, Nathaniel, Nathan, Lydia.

Preserved Harris died April 27, 1744.

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Add to the children of (31) GIDEON MOWRY : --

93. Martha.

32. Wanton Mowry died May 20, 1766. His wife, Dinah, was administratrix. Dinah was the daughter of Jonathan Harris, who married Anne Mowry, widow of Lawyer Joseph and the mother of Richard. Dinah probably married — Newell after the death of Wanton.

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110. Should be AZAEL and not Ariel.

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CHILDREN OF URIAH MOWRY.

127. Uriah, b. April 30, 1791; d. Nov. 25, 1836.

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58. JOHN and WAITE MOWRY.

CHILDREN.

- Nathaniel, b. May 27, 1765.
 Lucretia, b. June 28, 1767.
- 185. Joseph, b. Oct. 14, 1770.
- 186. John, b. May 20, 1773. Elsey, died young.
- 190. Amasa, b. April 4, 1778.
- 187. Jeremiah, b. Dec. 14, 1780.
- 184. Eliakim, b. May 21, 1783.
- 188. Israel, b. Oct. 28, 1785.
- 189. Welcome, b. Nov. 23, 1787.

The above record of the children of John and Waite is taken from the fly-leaf of an old family Bible which belonged to Nathaniel Mowry.

The following account of the descendants of Israel Mowry, mentioned above, is received from Eliza R. Ballou, his granddaughter.

188. ISRAEL married (1)— Paine.

CHILDREN.

1. Name not known. 2. Israel.

Married (2), in 1806, Rebecca Brown, daughter of Israel Brown, of Burrillville, R. I. She was born March 23, 1780, and died Nov. 9, 1877, in her ninety-eighth year. She had a great memory and was a very devout woman. She was a member of the Society of Friends. At the age of ninety-three she had four new teeth and could read without glasses. A year later, her hair, which for many years had been gray, turned dark again.

CHILDREN.

- 3. Daughter, died young.
- 4. Jesse Taft, b. May, 1814.
- 5. Waity.
- 6. Amasa, died young.
- 7. Elizabeth, b. March 26, 1823.
- 8. Julia Ann.
- 9. Laura Ann.

10. Hiram Allen, died young.

4. JESSE TAFT, born May, 1814; died, Nov. 22, 1870; married, in 1849, Harriet Collis, whose maiden name was Hale.

CHILD.

11. Erwin Jesse, b. 1850.

5. WAITY, daughter of Israel, married William Arnold.

CHILDREN.

12. Mary Elizabeth, 13. Laura,

14. William.

7. ELIZABETH, b. March 26, 1823; married (1), Nov. 2, 1842, Elijah Smith, of Smithfield, R. I. She died Sept. 18, 1880.

CHILDREN.

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15. Son, died young.

16. Eliza Rebecca, b. June 28, 1845.

17. Mary Mercy, b. Nov. 25, 1848.

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- Emma Waity, b. Nov. 17, 1850; died March 11, 1860.
- 19. Ephraim, b. Oct. 2, 1852.
- 20. Jencks Brown, b. March 10, 1856.

Married (2) James Nickson, of Glasgow, Scotland. No children. Married (3) Lafayette Newton. No children.

8. JULIA ANN married William Goldthwait, son of Peletiah, of Smithfield, R. I. She died June 15, 1876 killed by the cars, at Albion.

CHILDREN.

| 21. | Julia Etta, | 25. Maria Jane, |
|-----|----------------|-----------------------|
| 22. | Rebecca Brown, | 26. Alwilda Ann, |
| 23. | William Mowry, | 27. Varina Davis, |
| 24. | John, | 28. Adelbert Stanley. |

9. LAURA ANN married (1) Mason Lee.

CHILD.

29. Mason Mowry.

Married (2) Otis Mowry.

CHILDREN.

- 30. Charles S., b. May 14, 1857; not married.
- 31. Child, died young.

32. Child, died young.

Mason Mowry Lee was adopted by his stepfather, Otis. Mowry.

GRANDCHILDREN OF ISRAEL MOWRY.

11. IRWIN JESSE, son of Jesse, b. 1850; married. Mary ——.

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CHILDREN.

33. Minnie, died young.

34. John J., b. July, 1879.

12. MARY ELIZABETH, daughter of Waity and William Arnold, married Orin Cook, Cumberland, R. I.

CHILDREN.

35. Daughter, died young.

36. George, b. October, 1864.

13. LAURA, daughter of Waity and William Arnold, married, in 1867, William Hutchinson.

CHILDREN.

37. Emma, died young.38. Evie.

16. ELIZA REBECCA, b. June 28, 1845; married, May 12, 1867, Luke Phillips Ballou, son of Dennis, of Smithfield, R. I.

CHILDREN.

- George Smith, b. March 3, 1871; married Margaret Allen.
- 40. Elizabeth Mabel, b. Oct. 16, 1879; married Lewis Whipple Follett, son of Whipple M.

17. MARY MERCY, b. Nov. 25, 1848; married, March 20, 1869, George Currier, son of George, of New Hampshire. She died May 28, 1871.

CHILD.

41. Son, died young.

19. EPHRAIM, son of Elizabeth and Elijah, b. Oct. 2, 1852; married, Jan. 10, 1877, Julia Etta Buffum, daughter of Daniel Buffum, of Cumberland, R. I. No children.

20. JENCKS BROWN, b. March 10, 1856; married, Sept. 13, 1881, Katharine Wall, daughter of Watson, of New Jersey.

CHILDREN.

42. Wilson Elijah, b. Jan. 4, 1883.

43. Mary Genevieve, b. Sept. 14, 1887.

44. Lena Frances, b. June 28, 1892.

45. Jencks Brown Vincent, b. July 18, 1894.

46. Katharine Louise, b. Oct. 25, 1897.

From the family Bible of Jesse Jencks the following record is taken : ----

Jesse Jencks, b. Sept. 15, 1764; died Feb. 17, 1859. Lucretia Mowry, b. June 28, 1767; died April 6, 1846. They were married May 6, 1788.

CHILDREN.

Mowry, b. Feb. 16, 1789; died June 2, 1878. Waity, b. April 23, 1791; died Jan. 17, 1850. Haverill, b. March 8, 1793; died Sept. 15, 1853. Welcome, b. Dec. 25, 1795; died March 4, 1882. Cynthia, b. April 20, 1797; died Sept. 11, 1879. Patience, b. June 16, 1799; died January, 1879. Elisha, b. March 2, 1801; died Dec. 29, 1871. Huldah, b. June 19, 1804; died May 30, 1881. Jesse A., b. Dec. 24, 1807.

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68. EARLE MOWRY, son of John, of North Kingstown, b. April 25, 1762; married (1), in September, 1782, Polly Gorton, daughter of William, Jr., of Warwick.

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236. Anne Mowry died March 1, 1884, nearly 95 years old.

237. Nancy died June 16, 1827, aged 31 years, 4 months, 16 days.

238. Sayles Mowry died Nov. 18, 1874, in his 82d year. Phebe, his wife, died Sept. 5, 1880, in her 83d year.

239. Charles S. Mowry died July 28, 1821, in the 26th year of his age.

240. Stephen Mowry died Feb. 11, 1867, aged 68 years, 11 months, 27 days.

242. Thomas J. Mowry died Jan. 29, 1888, aged nearly 84 years.

243. Smith Phillips died Jan. 22, 1884, in the 77th year of his age. Huldah, his wife, died March 31, 1874, in the 65th year of her age.

244. Mary Mowry, died June 13, 1885, in the 72d year of her age.

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87. JESSE MOWRY, son of Gideon. Query — Was it he who married Jane Burlingame, March 7, 1793, of Gloucester?

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101. CALEB MOWRY married Nancy Mowry, daughter of David. She was born Oct. 29, 1775, and died Nov. 13, 1860, aged 85 years.

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Ephraim Coe died April 8, 1863, in his 76th year.

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Among the children of Sarah and Samuel Taft is Susan. The record of her birth and death is as follows : —

Susan, b. Sept. 12, 1805; died April 13, 1806.

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Children of Israel Mowry, Jr. (120). This record should be added : —

Barbara B. married Samuel Colburn Dec. 3, 1840. She died June 23, 1843.

Betsey C. married William Brackett May 30, 1841.

Ezra W. married Ann E. Aldrich June, 1846.

Ann A. married Horatio F. Bowen May 28, 1846.

125. CYNTHIA MOWRY married Ephraim Paine. Her daughter, Waity M., married Anthony Mowry (517).

127. URIAH MOWRY, Jr., son of Uriah, born April 30, 1791, in Burrillville; married (1) Ruth Bowen, daughter of Elihu and Martha Bowen. She was born Dec. 23, 1792, and died Jan. 11, 1821.

CHILDREN.

324. Alfred Bowen, b. Sept. 29, 1812; died Feb. 1, 1880.

Maria, b. Feb. 2, 1814; died May 26, 1817.

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Married (2) Freelove Smith, daughter of Obed and Lydia Smith, of Gloucester.

CHILDREN.

Elpha, b. Feb. 13, 1823. Elbridge Smith, b. May 10, 1825. Lydia, b. May 14, 1827.

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142. LIAMI MOWRY probably should be Lavinia.

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147. HENRY MOWRY, Jr., died in Mendon, Mass., Nov. 20, 1878.

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Should read "Welcome A. Comstock, son of Ariock" (not Isaac).

Same page, add the following: Metcalf Comstock died Oct. 3, 1899.

Same page, No. 152: Tyler Mowry married (2) Polly Chase, widow of George. No children.

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153. JOB MOWRY married Hannah Smith Jan. 1, 1772.

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160. AUGUSTUS MOWRY. The following record of Augustus Mowry and his family was given me by Rev. Mortimer Blake, D.D., of Taunton, Mass., who was the grandson of Augustus. His mother was Laura. REGISTER OF AUGUSTUS MOWRY'S FAMILY.

He was born Aug. 4, 1761, and married, in the year 1780, to Chloe Fiske. She was born Feb. 6, 1763, and by her he had the following children : —

Infant son, b. Oct. 31, 1780; died Nov. 14, 1780.
Naney, b. Oct. 31, 1781; died June 7, 1798.
Feritryna, b. July 12, 1784; died Nov. 8, 1787.
Martha, b. June 1, 1786; died Aug. 4, 1790.
Whipple, b. July 28, 1788; died Oct. 8, 1788.
Whipple, b. April 5, 1790; died May 31, 1804.
Alpha, b. March 10, 1792; died April 20, 1868.
Laura, b. May 2, 1794; died Oct. 2, 1867.
Rowe Bradley, b. May 14, 1796; died Jan. 4, 1862.
Hansi, b. June 14, 1798; died April 25, 1824.
Aldus Augustus, b. May 31, 1801; died Jan. 30, 1812.
Orlando, b. May 6, 1803; died Sept. 17, 1847.
Mercillo, b. April 21, 1805; died May, 1876.

Mr. Augustus Mowry died March 22, 1825, aged 63 years, 7 months.

Mrs. Chloe Mowry died Sept. 3, 1851, aged 88 years, 7 months.

NOTES. — ALPHA married a Nickerson in Canada and had a daughter, Eliza, who married a Scott, and lives in Smithtown, P. Q., and a son, John, who is now in Santa Rosa Valley, Cal.

LAURA, as you know, is my mother.

R. BRADLEY'S family I think you have. They are mostly in Rhode Island; e. g., Angeline married Charles

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Hames, and is now a widow in Central Falls. Laura married a Hines, and is a widow in Providence. Irene married Perry Sweet, and lives at 44 Harvard St., Providence. Oscarine married George Gooding, who is in the Enamel Works, Dean St., Providence. Mortimer is at Central Falls. Josephine married an Edmonds, carriage-maker in Providence. Augustus died in the army; was in Rhode Island Artillery.

HANSI married Duty Cook and left three children. Alma married a Green, and resides at 244 Charles St., Providence. Mowry lives in Holyoke, Mass. Eunice married Charles Payson, machinist, and lives in same house with her sister.

ORLANDO went to Canada and died there. Had several children scattered in that country.

MERCILLO, also of Canada, left four boys : Bradley, in Lindsay; Aldus, in Ashburnham; Richard and John, in Smithtown, Peterboro, P. Q. A daughter, Eliza, married, and lives in Green Bay, Wis.

A family liberally scattered. (Signed) M. BLAKE.

It is understood that Augustus and Chloe early went to Canada, and that he lived and died in Toronto, Ont.

161. DANIEL MOWRY, Jr.

Among his children was (371) Samuel, b. May 16, 1775; died at Charleston, S. C., Oct. 30, 1799.

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164. MARY MOWRY married Dr. John Wilkinson, of Scituate, R. I.

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CHILD.

Amey, b. Dec. 4, 1780; married John Harris.

John and Amey had a son, William Harris. William Harris was the father of Hon. William Torrey Harris, LL.D., U. S. Commissioner of Education, one of the most noted thinkers and writers along the lines of philosophy and education this century has produced. He is, without doubt, the foremost exponent of Hegel's philosophy in this country. His fame is world wide.

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178. RUTH MOWRY married, Dec. 12, 1810, John Thayer.

CHILDREN.

Mowry R., b. April 27, 1811; married Harriet Morse, May 1, 1838.

Stephen D., b. Dec. 26, 1813; married Lucy E. Nichols.

Aurilla, b. Aug. 9, 1816, married Mowry Richardson, Dec. 13, 1834.

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424. Morton, b. March 16, 1823; died Feb. 13, 1899. Not married.

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183. NATHANIEL MOWRY, son of John, b. May 27, 1765; married Huldah Caroline Jencks, sister of Jesse Jencks. They settled in Adams, Mass.

CHILDREN.

| Daniel, | Almira, |
|----------|---------|
| Shubael, | Diana, |
| Samuel, | Jencks, |
| Ahab, | Nathan. |

DANIEL MOWRY, son of Nathaniel, married (1) about 1834, Ruth Marble, of Adams, Mass.

CHILDREN.

Liscom, b. Oct. 14, 1835, in Adams, Mass. Mason, b. Nov. 13, 1836.

Ruth died about December, 1837. Daniel married (2) Mrs. Mary A. Southwick.

CHILDREN.

Jerome B.,

Charles H., b. June 6, 1845.

Daniel died in Stamford, Vt., Dec. 23, 1875, aged 70 years.

Huldah died March 31, 1847.

Jerome died Dec. 13, 1848.

Huldah Caroline,

Charles H. is now living in North Adams, Mass.

Mason married and had two children. He died March 3, 1865.

LISCOM MOWRY, son of Daniel, b. Oct. 14, 1835; married, March 4, 1856, Mary Ann Gray, of Adams, Mass.

CHILDREN.

Nellie F., b. in North Adams, Mass. Frank L., b. in North Adams, Mass., Dec. 20, 1859.

FRANK L. MOWRY, son of Liscom, b. Dec. 20, 1859; married, June 1, 1893, Marion L. Fisher, of Minneapolis, Minn.

CHILDREN.

Wallace Gray, b. July 8, 1894. Robert F., b. Aug. 16, 1895; died July 7, 1896. Howard F., b. June 29, 1897.

SHUBAEL MOWRY lived in Ashtabula, O., and had a large family, which are now scattered.

SAMUEL MOWRY lived and died in Saybrook, O.

AHAB MOWRY, b. in Adams, Mass., Nov. 8, 1791; married Phebe Briggs. She was born July 24, 1797. Ahab died March 27, 1863, aged 72 years. Phebe died Aug. 23, 1865, aged 68 years.

CHILDREN.

Rhoba, b. April 9, 1819.

Harriet, b. Aug. 27, 1821.

Phebe, b. Oct. 18, 1824; died May 3, 1892, in her 68th year.

Albert, b. Oct. 22, 1826; died March 20, 1893.

Elijah, b. May 6, 1829; died Dec. 29, 1869, in his 40th year.

Waity, b. April 27, 1831.

Mariah, b. April 16, 1833.

184. ELIAKIM MOWRY, son of John, b. May 21, 1783; married (1) Dec. 23, 1802, Lydia Paine, daughter of Benoni.

CHILDREN.

445. Lavina, b. Feb. 23, 1803.

443. Elisha, b. June 11, 1804; died April 2, 1884.A son, b. Nov. 23, 1805; died.

- 446. Arinda, b. Nov. 14, 1806; died. A son, b. Feb. 15, 1808; died.
- 447. Lucretia, b. July 24, 1810; died June 21, 1893.

A son, b. Sept. 7, 1812; died.

He had no daughter Eliza.

Lydia died Sept. 7, 1812.

Eliakim married (2), Nov. 12, 1818, Nancy Mowry, widow of Caleb. No children. He died in 1845.

Observe that several errors in the body of the book (page 166) are here corrected.

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479. PATIENCE MOWRY, daughter of Amasa, b. June 23, 1800; married Arnold Newell, son of Benjamin and Leah Newell. He was born Nov. 8, 1792. She died Dec. 23, 1855. He died Sept. 10, 1854.

CHILDREN.

Lydia (not married), died Sept. 5, 1846, aged about 21 years.

Amasa (not married), died Oct. 12, 1846, aged about 19 years.

Mary (not married), died Oct. 7, 1854, aged about 30 years.

Thomas A., b. March 16, 1832.

Phila, b. Feb. 27, 1842.

Thomas A. married Mary C. Enches. She was born Feb. 18, 1842. No children. He died April 9, 1900.

Phila married Henry M. Angell, born March 19, 1840.

CHILD.

Gilbert R., b. Oct. 14, 1871; married Nellie Houston, born in Brooklyn, N. Y., Oct. 3, 1874.

190. AMASA MOWRY, son of John, married Anna Hamilton, April 24, 1800. She was the daughter of Francis Hamilton.

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481. Abner Ballou, b. Sept. 22, 1814; died May 14, 1832; not married.

482. William Bainbridge, b. March 9, 1816; died March 4, 1851.

483. Content Ballou, b. June 22, 1817; died Nov. 30, 1852; not married.

484. John Orde, b. Feb. 24, 1820; died May 10, 1891.

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517. Anthony married Waitee M. Paine, daughter of Ephraim (125).

CHILDREN.

Hobart Bushnell, b. in Killingly, Conn., Feb. 11, 1836.

Gillespie Birney, b. Oct. 19, 1842 or '43, near Chester Centre, Mass.

Francis Baxter, b. Jan. 22, 1844 or '45, near Chester Centre, Mass.

The family moved from Chester, Mass., to West Meriden, Conn., in 1850, where Waitee died, and Anthony married a widow Lester; thence moved to New Haven. A letter from Hobart Bushnell Mowry, giving this information, was received from North Bloomfield, Cal., Aug. 26, 1883.

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228. MARY ELIZABETH (MOWRY) MASTERS died Nov. 11, 1882.

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To the children of Sullivan Thayer and his wife, Ruth, add the following: —

George Flagg, b. March, 1834; died Feb. 22, 1855.

Harriet L., b. Aug. 2, 1839.

Mary Jane, b. Aug. 22, 1841.

Herbert M., b. Feb. 6, 1843.

The above is taken from Emerson's "History of Douglas" (p. 176).

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590. Charles, b. Sept. 9, 1855; married, September, 1876, Jessie Mitchell, of Worcester.

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264. SMITH RAY MOWRY died in Woonsocket, Sept. 29, 1884. His widow, Adela, died in Woonsocket, Dec. 21, 1899.

The two obituary notices below are from the Woonsocket *Reporter*.

SMITH RAY MOWRY.

Smith Ray Mowry died of consumption Sept. 29, 1884, aged 76 years, 6 weeks, and 6 days. He moved into Woonsocket about twelve years ago from the adjoining town of North Smithfield, building the residence where he passed the remainder of his days. North Smithfield people, since his removal to Woonsocket, continued to regard him still as one of their own number, and both towns recognize in his death the loss of a most intelligent and faithful citizen. In old Smithfield he held many prominent offices, and he verified the definition of his Christian name. His kind, cheerful, social, and hospitable disposition drew all to him. His lonely widow, just as she felt the need of an earthly arm to sustain her in her declining years, has the sympathy of all; but there is the consolation of the thought, "Behold, the Lord of the vineyard hath called him to come up higher." Of his last words these were certainly comforting: "My lamp is trimmed and burning." How the beloved daughter and two sons will miss the fatherly voice! How the many neighbors, friends, and kindred mourn to think that no more on earth can they depend on him for cheerful associations; for wherever we met him, whether on the street, at home or abroad, he was always looking upon the bright side of life. But looking through the mist of death, we can have this happy thought: we can "follow the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world," and there join with him in praises within the "gates of pearl," treading the golden streets of the celestial city of the New Jerusalem. There we can join Smith Ray Mowry in the many mansions prepared before the foundation of the world through the love of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer.

North Smithfield, R. I., Oct. 12, 1884.

MRS. ADELA B. MOWRY.

Mrs. Adela B. Mowry, widow of the late Smith Ray Mowry, died at her late home, 92 Asylum Street, Thursday evening, Dec. 21, 1899, death resulting directly from a cold which she contracted some days ago. This cold, combined with the effects of a fall down stairs on Thanksgiving day, made it impossible for her to survive.

Mrs. Mowry was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William

Ballou and was one of a family of six children, two of whom survive her. The children's names were George, Charles, William, Sarah, and Calista. Two of these survive their mother, — William, who lives in the West, and Calista, widow of James Taft, of Burrillville. Mrs. Mowry was born in Burrillville, May 29, 1809, she thus being in the 91st year of her age.

Mrs. Mowry was married three times, the first time to Olney Ballou, the second time to his brother, Warren Ballou. Two children resulted from the first marriage, William R. and Edward J. William R. survives her. By the second marriage was one son, Alexander D. Her third husband was Smith Ray Mowry, who has been dead fifteen years.

Mrs. Mowry was a very energetic and bright woman, and retained her faculties to a remarkable degree, she being in full possession of them until within a few hours of her death. She attended the country school of Smithfield, but after she left school she was a persistent reader of the best literature. Mrs. Mowry was a member of no church, but when she was able and attended any she went to the Friends'. She was highly esteemed by all her friends and neighbors for the example of Christian living set by her.

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286. WILLIAM MOWRY married Lucy Congdon.

CHILDREN.

632. Delia Anne.

633. Anne, should be omitted.

287. URIAH MOWRY, Jr. This name should be omitted from this place, as his record is given on page 134, No. 127.

THE MOWRY FAMILY.

295. DUTY MOWRY died in Woonsocket, R. I., May 26, 1880, in his 83d year. His first wife was Hannah Sayles, daughter of Gideon and not Stephen. His name should be spelled Duty and not Dutee.

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297. BARNEY MOWRY married (1) Jan. 21, 1828. He died Nov. 12, 1891, in his 88th year. His first wife, Phila, died Nov. 25, 1839. His second wife, Uranah, daughter of Paoli and Martha Steere, died July 21, 1865.

298. MARTHA MOWRY married Jesse Paine.

CHILD.

Laura, married (1) Edwin Bushee, not Burlingame.

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[Corrected from pages 322 and 323.]

306. ZEBINA MOWRY, son of Elisha, b. Oct. 26, 1804; married (1), at Madison, N. Y., Feb. 22, 1827, Sarah Lewis. She died at Milford, Mich., March 7, 1845.

CHILDREN.

(1) Henry B., b. March 21, 1828, at Madison, N. Y.; married at Milford, Mich., Feb. 13, 1855, Mary S. White.

THEIR CHILDREN.

Marion M., b. May 28, 1856, at Milford, Mich.

Cordelia L., b. July 2, 1860.

(2) Emily A., b. Feb. 13, 1833, at Madison, N. Y.; married Sardis Fletcher Hubbell, at Milford, Mich., Aug. 22, 1848.

(3) Ann Maria, b. June 26, 1837, at Morrisville, N. Y.

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(4) Mary M., b. Nov. 14, 1843, at Milford, Mich.; died Dec. 2, 1853, at the same place.

Married (2), at Milford, Mich., Dec. 18, 1845, Mary Ann Thompson.

307. HETHCOTT M. MOWRY, b. Nov. 6, 1806; married at Madison, N. Y., Dec. 30, 1833, Harriet A. Jackson.

CHILDREN.

James Rodney, b. April 10, 1836; married at Ann Arbor, Oct. 2, 18—?, Harriet Benham.

Mary B., b. Feb. 6, 1842, at Ann Arbor; married Geo. O. Ide, at Ann Arbor, May 8, 18—?

[For 308, 309, and 310, see pages 323 and 324.]

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318. BAINBRIDGE MOWRY was killed by a train of cars at South Walpole, Mass., Oct. 11, 1893, aged 75 years. He had been very deaf for many years and could not hear the coming train.

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680. THEODORE TYLER died Aug. 6, 1884, near Manville, R. I.

343. FRANCES EMILY MOWRY married Arnold Ballou and not Willard Ballou.

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687. NELSON H. MOWRY, b. May 20, 1808. The words "not married" should be erased.

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Lucy Saben, b. April 1, 1824; died Jan. 4, 1890.

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443. ELISHA MOWRY, son of Eliakim, married (1), April, 1831, Eliza Mowry, daughter of Arnold (descended from John).

CHILDREN.

Lydia Amey, died aged seven years.

Lucy Amanda, married March 9, 1856, Edwin A. Mowry. She died April 19, 1876, aged 42 years, 11 months, 6 days.

Elisha Arnold, married Hannah Smith, daughter of Elisha.

Mercy Jane, died aged three years.

Eliza Melissa, died aged three months.

Married (2), Dec. 9, 1855, Fanny M. Pratt, daughter of Phineas and Lydia (Chase) Pratt, of Sandgate, Vt. She was born March 24, 182-?

CHILDREN.

Oscar Vernon, b. April 25, 1857. Leland Francis, b. Jan. 3, 1859.

Elmer Ellsworth, b. Sept. 27, 1864; died Aug. 6, 1884. Leland and Oscar are married and have families.

OSCAR VERNON MOWRY, son of Elisha and Fanny (Pratt) Mowry, b. April 25, 1857; married (1), April, 1876, Mrs. Annie (O'Brian) Ward.

CHILDREN.

Emma Eliza, b. 1879. Henry, b. 1880; died 1895. Mary Ann, b. 1883. There were three other children that died without being named.

Annie died in August, 1891. Oscar married for his second wife, Mamie Lockwood. No children.

LELAND FRANCIS MOWRY, son of Elisha and Fanny (Pratt) Mowry, b. Jan. 3, 1859; married, Nov. 26, 1893, Mary Grady Thomas.

CHILDREN.

Victoria Estella, b. Sept. 12, 1894. Isabella Francis, b. Feb. 10, 1896. Nellie Gladys, b. Sept. 1, 1897.

Waity Harris had one child "which is dead." This is ' incorrect. She is still living, not married, Janette E. Mowry.

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459. JENCKS MOWRY died in Providence, June 9, 1898, at the age of 83 years. The following sketch of Mr. Mowry's life and work is taken from the Manual of the Rhode Island Institute of Instruction : —

"Jencks Mowry was born March 31, 1815, in Smithfield, R. I. His childhood and youth were spent at home on the farm, and, as circumstances permitted, he attended school, which was intermittently maintained in his neighborhood. The only studies pursued in the school were reading, writing, and arithmetic, and for the last Jencks early showed an unusual fondness, rarely requiring the assistance of his teacher to work out the sums in Daboll's Arithmetic, the text-book then in use. At the age of sixteen he taught the school in his district for the winter term, and the next fall he had saved sufficient money to attend, for one term, the academy at Old Bank village, of which Mr. Bushee was the principal. Here his awkward manners and suit of homespun, woven by his sisters, of wool from his father's sheep, amused his more fortunate schoolmates, but served to cultivate in him an independence which characterized him in after-life.

"Leaving the academy at the expiration of the term, he again engaged in teaching, and continued teaching winters and working on the farm summers till the fall of 1838, when he entered the academy at Fruit Hill, then under the management of the Hon. Amos Perry, the present secretary of the Rhode Island Historical Society. He remained here but six weeks, when he read an advertisement for a teacher to take the school at Old Warwick. He immediately started for Old Warwick on foot, arrived there, met the trustees, passed a satisfactory examination, - an important part of which was to make a good quill pen,--- and the next Monday morning began the school. From that time till the fall of 1864, with the intermission of a single term, he taught in public schools at Old Warwick and in North Providence. From 1864 to within a few years of his death he was principal of a private school at Mount Pleasant; and, even after discontinuing his school, he continued teaching at his home till within a few weeks of his death. He died June 9, 1898, having lived eighty-three years, more than sixty-five of which were spent in teaching. For several winters Jencks Mowry was principal of evening schools in this city, and among the changes which he advocated at that time was a classification of the pupils with reference to their attainments in arithmetic. He also maintained that the evening school as well as the day school should be a place for work and not for amusement, and only those pupils should

be allowed to attend who should be regular in their attendance and animated by a desire to learn.

"Mr. Mowry's methods of instruction were his own. Early in his teaching he became convinced that the methods then in favor were not productive of the best attainable results, and, ignorant of the doctrines of Pestalozzi and other educational reformers and pedagogical philosophers, he worked out his own methods and put them to the test. At a teachers' institute, after he had conducted an exercise in arithmetic, Lowell Mason, of Boston, said to him, 'Mr. Mowry, you are fifty years in advance of your time.' That was about fifty years ago. He despised shams in education and elsewhere, and could not tolerate educational quacks. A prominent school man of Providence, a former pupil of Mr. Mowry, says, 'The prime characteristics of Mr. Mowry's teaching were love of the work, earnestness, untiring effort, quickness to perceive the difficulty confronting the pupil, the logical relations between the successive steps of his teaching any subject, and the faculty he possessed of holding the attention of a class, however large, during the recitation. His methods were peculiar, and seldom used by others, except his former pupils. He revelled in logic, continually asked "Why?" and delighted in the certain conclusions of mathematics. Though his reputation as a teacher of arithmetic was greatest, to an old pupil the work in English grammar, viewed by the light of experience, was equally good. There was little disorderly conduct in his school, and the moral influence he exerted over pupils whom other teachers had found difficult to manage speedily wrought in them an ambition to learn and to do faithful work."

Mr. Mowry left a widow, two sons, — Joseph E. Mowry, principal of the Federal Street grammar school, Providence, and Raymond G. Mowry, a well-known lawyer of Providence, — and four daughters, — Fanny W., wife of John B. Branch, vice-president of the Providence Washington Insurance Company; Hannah D. Mowry, formerly a teacher in the Woonsocket High School, and for many years a teacher in the Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, who died July 26, 1899 (a sketch of her work appears below); Jane A., wife of Rev. Thomas Anderson, pastor of the Central Baptist Church, Providence; and Abby J., who married A. P. Woodward, of Danielsonville, Conn.

Mr. Mowry was buried in the family burial-lot upon the old farm in Smithfield.

795. JOSEPH E. MOWRY, son of Jencks.

CHILDREN.

Harold Jencks, b. Aug. 13, 1877. Helen Sayles, b. Dec. 20, 1879. Ethel, b. Feb. 15, 1883.

797. HANNAH D. MOWRY, daughter of Jencks.

In colonial days Rhode Island was not famed for producing school-teachers. Indeed, there was no publicschool system worthy of the name in the State until 1800, and in most parts of the State the school system dates from 1828. In the first half of the nineteenth century it was a common thing for a young man or a young woman who wished to teach school and could not get a certificate of qualification in Massachusetts or Connecticut to go over to Rhode Island to teach. There, either no certificate was required, or the examination was so simple that any one could get the requisite certificate. Indeed, within the last half of the century a large proportion of the better class of teachers in Rhode Island were natives of Massachusetts. Something like twenty-five years ago a company of the leading educators of Rhode Island had met one evening, when one of the number had the curiosity to inquire as to the birthplace of each one present. It was found that from the entire company of perhaps fifteen persons, one was born in Rhode Island, one in Vermont, and all the rest in Massachusetts. Brown University has had, up to the present time, nine presidents. Of these, one was born in New Hampshire, one in New Jersey, and all the rest in Massachusetts.

But within the past fifty years, and especially the last twenty-five years of this century, the tables have been turned. Massachusetts has lately gone to Rhode Island for two college presidents. Rhode Island has produced many eminent educators.

Jencks Mowry, the brief account of whose life and work has been given above, is an illustration of a strong Rhode Island teacher who began his work as an instructor long before the middle of this century. He was a native and a typical Rhode Islander. His daughter Hannah is another noble instance of a Rhode Island teacher who was largely self-educated and who attained high and noble rank in her profession. Her elementary education was received wholly in the school taught by her father. She was a pupil in the Providence High School for about two years prior to the fall of 1866. At this time, when she was only seventeen years of age, she took charge of the school in Old Warwick. This was an ungraded school of from forty to fifty pupils. Perhaps it ought to be mentioned that even prior to this she had assisted her father in a public evening school which he taught.

Her first teaching in day school was successful, and she afterward taught at Hills Grove, at Manville, and at North Providence. Her school in North Providence was on Smith's Hill, and she had the lowest primary grade. While in this school she was invited by the school committee of the town of Woonsocket to take a position as teacher in their High School. This new position she filled with great success, although obliged to do much careful study in preparing the work for her classes. Later, the school committee of the city of Fall River called her to a position in the High School of that city. She accepted the appointment. She had supposed that she was to teach the same branches as she had taught in Woonsocket, namely, English and the mathematics, but on entering upon her duties she found she was expected to teach French, of which at that time she knew but little. With characteristic energy and determination, however, she set about preparing for her new work. The vacation that intervened was spent with an educated French family in Quebec, and then she began her duties in Fall River. Here she continued as teacher of French and occasionally of mathematics until the winter of 1890; but meantime, in order to better prepare herself for a teacher of the French language, she spent a summer vacation in Paris, and after that every year she took a trip to Europe. Indeed, with but two omissions, this was the case from that time until her death. Sometimes she had under her charge parties for European travel, and at other times she went for her own personal study and recreation. She visited nearly all the countries and noted places of Europe from the Straits of Gibraltar to North Cape, and from the Seine to the Danube.

In the summer of 1890, while conducting a party in Russia, she met the elder Mr. Pratt, founder of Pratt Institute. Her engaging manners, her energy, and her executive ability so impressed this gentleman that after his return to this country he offered her a position at Pratt Institute. Notwithstanding the efforts of the Fall River school committee to retain her services, and the many strong friendships she had formed in that city, she resigned her position, and in the winter of 1890 began her work at Pratt Institute. Here for eight years she taught with great success, winning golden opinions, and attaching to herself many friends among the instructors and pupils of the Institute and the citizens of Brooklyn. In the winter of 1898 her failing health compelled her to leave her position and return to her old home in Providence. There she died, July 26, 1899. Until the very last she had expected to resume her labors at the Institute. Her whole life, in school and out, was characterized by energy, perseverance, determination; and these, with the warmest sympathy for pupils and friends and a most cheerful disposition, commanded the respect of pupils and the love of all.

THE MOWRY FAMILY.

799. Jane A. Mowry married (1) Mortimer Hartwell.

CHILDREN.

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Madolin, died young, Mortimer Arthur.

Married (2) Rev. Thomas Anderson, D.D., pastor of the Central Baptist Church, Providence, R. I., and Secretary of the Corporation of Brown University.

801. Abby J. Mowry, daughter of Jencks, married A. P. Woodward, of Danielsonville, Conn.

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463. Arad Lapham family.

Mowry Lapham married and had children. He was a manufacturer in Millbury, Mass. He also had a brother, Smith, who was associated with him in that business.

George Lapham married, had a family, and lived in Woonsocket.

Lydia married Ferdinand Andrews. They had two daughters. They lived in Washington, D. C.

465. LYDIA MOWRY, daughter of John, married Otis Brown, of Burrillville.

CHILDREN.

William, married Penelope Scott. They had four children, — Otis and Mary and two who died young.

Lavinia, married George Brown. They had two children.

Julia, married Dr. Moses W. Small, dentist.

Smith, married Sarah A. Darling.

Susan, married Francis S. Weeks. He died Dec. 26, 1898, aged 76 years. They had three children.

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474. Julia A. Goldthwait died June 15, 1876, aged 52 years, 9 months, 27 days.

806. Sarah married Asa Burdick.

807. Stephen W. Mowry, b. Feb. 20, 1828; died Aug.
21, 1888. M. Jennie, his daughter, wife of James H.
Briggs, died Oct. 14, 1891. She had one child, infant.

808. Edwin A. Mowry, b. Sept. 20, 1829; married, March 9, 1856, Lucy A. Mowry, daughter of Elisha. She died April 19, 1876, aged nearly 43 years.

CHILDREN.

Edwin A., b. June 11, 1857; not married. Ellen F., b. Nov. 7, 1858. Sarah E., b. Jan. 6, 1865.

809. This reads "Franklin died young." This record is not correct. Franklin S. married Sarah Harris and died July 5, 1871, in the 37th year of his age. Sarah, his wife, died June 16, 1871, in the 29th year of her age.

810. Lydia H. died May 24, 1851, aged 19 years.

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482. WILLIAM BAINBRIDGE MOWRY.

CHILDREN.

- Arnold Jencks, b. April 19, 1846; died Nov. 26, 1865.
- Anson Byron, b. July 31, 1849; died Nov. 29, 1865.
- 484. John Orde Mowry died May 10, 1891.

THE MOWRY FAMILY.

AMONG HIS CHILDREN.

- Emma Ballou, b. June 23, 1855; died April 24, 1887.
- 817. Jennie Louisa, b. May 1, 1860; died April 28, 1882.

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590. CHARLES MOWRY, b. Sept. 9, 1855; married, September, 1876, Jessie Mitchell, of Worcester.

CHILDREN.

Blanche, b. October, 1877.

Son, b. 1879; died.

Son, b. 1881; died.

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638. ALFRED BOWEN MOWRY, son of Uriah, Jr.; married Louisa ——.

CHILDREN.

William Francis, b. Aug. 3, 1838; died June 5, 1872. Ruth, b. May 17, 1836, now living (1892) in Providence, R. I.

641. ORIN PRATT MOWRY died Aug. 1, 1895.

642. ALBERT MOWRY died April 3, 1893.

883. BERTHA V. MOWRY married, June 30, 1884, Oscar J. Morse, son of Jacob.

CHILDREN.

Eleanor Louisa, b. April 8, 1889; died May 21, 1889. Richmond Oscar, b. March 1, 1892; died April 27, 1893. Mildred, b. June 7, 1894.

Harold Winthrop, b. Oct. 22, 1895.

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS.

643. ARLON MOWRY, son of Barney, b. Feb. 23, 1833; married Harriet Whitman, daughter of Isaac. She was born Jan. 1, 1837, and died Jan. 2, 1865.

CHILDREN.

884. Emma Lillian, b. April 27, 1858; married, 1886, Stephen E. Batcheller.

THEIR CHILDREN.

Byron B., b. Aug. 1, 1887. Estene E., b. Sept. 16, 1890. Merton L., b. May 3, 1893. Mertina L., b. May 3, 1893. Leland E., b. April 14, 1896. Stephen W., b. May 9, 1898.

885. EUGENE C., b. Aug. 12, 1860; married, 1889, Daisy B. Underwood.

THEIR CHILDREN.

Wilfred L., b. Oct. 3, 1890; died Dec. 30, 1891. Maude Blanche, b. Dec. 29, 1897.

886. WILFRED L., b. Nov. 15, 1862; died Nov. 17, 1866.

887. HARRIET W., b. Sept. 16, 1864; married, 1891, Albert Crowell. No children.

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644. STAFFORD MOWRY, son of Barney, b. April 14, 1835; married Maria H. Brown, daughter of Daniel, of Thompson, Conn. She was born Dec. 14, 1830. He died March 27, 1889, at Hampton, Va.

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CHILDREN.

888. Ermina P., b. May 12, 1858; married, 1885, Wm. K. West, Toledo, O. William K. West was born in Ohio, July 31, 1848; died March 9, 1896.

THEIR CHILDREN.

Henry West, b. June 2, 1886. Myra, b. Aug. 13, 1891.

645. ATWELL MOWRY died Sept. 1, 1882.

CHILDREN.

891. Viola I., b. April 26, 1857; married WalterB. Mann. No children.

648. JESSE MOWRY, son of George A., b. Feb. 3, 1831; married, Jan. 10, 1856, Eliza Stickell, Bureau Co., Ill. Eliza Stickell was born April 1, 1837.

CHILDREN.

David C., b. March 1, 1857.
Alice S., b. March 12, 1859.
Cornelius, b. March 15, 1861.
Lyman W., b. June 14, 1863.
Delbert, b. April 16, 1866.
Hattie A., b. Nov. 10, 1869.
Aner E., b. Jan. 3, 1873.
Sylvia Dell, b. Aug. 4, 1875.
Leroy J., b. Jan. 18, 1883.

Jesse Mowry is a farmer. In 1888 he moved to Tracy, Minn., and in 1895, to Greenfield, Io. DAVID C. MOWRY, son of Jesse, b. March 1, 1857; married, March 30, 1882, Lucy M. Brown. Lucy M. Brown was born Dec. 21, 1862. They live at Geneva, Neb.

CHILDREN.

Genevia Illy, b. Dcc. 29, 1882. Vernie Jane, b. Oct. 28, 1884. Jesse Cleo, b. Dec. 29, 1886. James B., b. Dec. 8, 1888. Martha Eliza, b. June 9, 1893. Herbert Artemus, b. April 24, 1900.

ALICE S. MOWRY, daughter of Jesse, b. March 12, 1859; married, Jan. 12, 1881, John T. Thompson. They live at Walnut Grove, Minn.

CHILDREN.

Eber D. Floyd Elmer, b. June 24, 1883. Glenwood, b. Dec. 9, 18—. Sylvia Dell, b. Aug. 8, 18—. Hattie May, b. May 27, 18—.

CORNELIUS MOWRY, son of Jesse, b. March 15, 1861; married, April 20, 1887, Carrie V. Fripelett. He died Oct. 19, 1893, at Tracy, Minn. Carrie V. Fripelett was born in June, 1863.

CHILDREN.

Mildred A., b. Dec. 13, 1890. Cornelia E., b. May 22, 1894.

LYMAN W. MOWRY, son of Jesse, b. June 14, 1863; married, Jan. 3, 1895, Eleanor B. Thayer. They live at Slayton, Minn. She was born in South Lima, N. Y., March 31, 1869.

CHILDREN.

Frank L., b. Oct. 3, 1895. Russell Thayer, b. Aug. 31, 1897.

DELBERT MOWRY, son of Jesse, b. April 16, 1866; married (1), Aug. 24, 1887, Eva Y. Cornish. She died July 10, 1888. Married (2) Ada M. Jontz. Delbert Mowry is a grain merchant and lives in Wyanet, Ill. Ada was born Jan. 7, 1868, in Wyanet, Ill.

CHILDREN.

Claude M., b. Dec. 14, 1890. Allen, b. April 8, 1892.

HATTIE A. MOWRY, daughter of Jesse, b. Nov. 10, 1869; married, Sept. 26, 1894, J. W. McNay. They live at Greenfield, Io.

CHILDREN.

Jessie Eleanor, b. Sept. 22, 1895. Leola Mary, b. Jan. 17, 1898. Neva Althea, b. March 19, 1900.

ANER E. MOWRY, daughter of Jesse, b. Jan. 3, 1873; married, Sept. 6, 1899, Asa Wood. They live at Passo, Mo.

LEROY J. MOWRY, son of Jesse, b. Jan. 18, 1883.

649. THOMAS MOWRY, son of George Aldrich Mowry, b. Jan. 19, 1833; married, Jan. 25, 1855, Sarah E. Sapp. She was born Jan. 20, 1837, and is still living. He died in Wyanet, Ill., June 2, 1899.

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CHILDREN.

Charles Wilbert, b. Feb. 29, 1856; died Sept. 3, 1856.
Isaac Leonard, b. Nov. 29, 1857.
Elsie Fidelia, b. April 17, 1860.
Edward Eugene, b. March 1, 1861; died Oct. 13, 1872.
Florence May, b. May 19, 1862.
Clara Belle, b. May 28, 1867.
Mary, b. Oct. 17, 1869.
Nancy Effie, b. March 9, 1872; died Dec. 31, 1875.
Sarah Elizabeth, b. May 10, 1874; died Dec. 11, 1878.
Jennie Idella, b. Dec. 16, 1876; died Dec. 16, 1878.
Thomas Welcome, b. Feb. 8, 1882.

Thomas Mowry was born in Steuben County, N. Y. When he was eight years of age his father moved to Bureau County, Ill., and later, to Putnam County, on the other side of the Illinois River. There he remained for ten years, and recrossed the river into Bureau County, where the father spent the remainder of his life. Before Thomas Mowry married he travelled a great deal through the South, and in 1863 he and his wife took their three children with them and started, in company with twelve other teams, to drive overland to California. He remained in the Sacramento Valley nearly a year, and then, on account of the health of his wife, returned to Illinois. In 1880 they moved to Seward County, Neb., where they remained for more than fourteen years. In the winter of 1894-95, they returned to Wyanet, Ill., where they have since lived. Thomas Mowry was an honést and upright man, respected and honored by every one who knew him,

and it was a common saying among his acquaintances that his word was as good as his bond. He was always a farmer, and for the last fifteen years of his life he lived in a village, but still looked after his farm and took as active an interest as when he lived upon it.

ISAAC LEONARD MOWRY, son of Thomas, b. Nov. 29, 1857; married, March 8, 1882, Amanda Culver.

CHILDREN.

William E., b. Jan. 10, 1883.
Bertha M., b. Aug. 5, 1884; died Aug. 29, 1885.
Thomas L., b. Jan. 17, 1886.
Grover C., b. Feb. 9, 1887.
Fred B., b. Feb. 28, 1889.
Gertrude B., b. Sept. 23, 1890.
Sarah E., b. Oct. 7, 1892.
Clifford L., b. April 28, 1894.
Robert Ray, b. Feb. 15, 1896.
Pearl L., b. April 15, 1899.

ELSIE FIDELIA MOWRY, daughter of Thomas, was born April 17, 1860; married, Jan. 24, 1881, William O. Postlethwaite.

CHILDREN.

T. Leslie, b. Jan. 19, 1882.
William W., b. Sept. 24, 1883.
Gilbert G., b. April 5, 1885.
Dora M., b. April 27, 1887; died Aug. 4, 1888.
Myrtle B., b. Jan. 9, 1889.
Ross C., b. Oct. 23, 1890.

Frank L., b. March 25, 1893; died Oct. 15, 1896.
Verne, b. Nov. 29, 1894; died Jan. 11, 1895.
Glen D., b. Sept. 17, 1897.
Forest D., b. Oct. 7, 1899.

FLORENCE MAY MOWRY, daughter of Thomas, b. May 19, 1862; married, Dec. 25, 1878, James O'Neal.

CHILDREN.

Thomas L., b. April 6, 1880; died July 22, 1880.

Sarah F., b. May 16, 1881; died Feb. 28, 1884.

Edward L., b. Nov. 3, 1883; died Oct. 8, 1887.

Bessie, b. Nov. 5, 1885; died Dec. 7, 1887.

J. Herbert, b. Feb. 8, 1888.

Marguerite F., b. Sept. 29, 1891.

Earl E., b. Nov. 12, 1897.

CLARA BELLE MOWRY, daughter of Thomas, b. May 28, 1867; married, Jan. 16, 1889, Edward Cook.

CHILDREN.

Adah B., b. Nov. 23, 1889.

Sarah E., b. March 27, 1891.

Mamie M., b. Nov. 20, 1892; died Sept. 25, 1893.

Edward Cook died March 13, 1894, and his widow Clara married, Jan. 27, 1897, Walter Draper.

CHILDREN.

Marie F., b. Nov. 21, 1897.

Mildred L., b. Aug. 4, 1899.

650. GEORGE MOWRY, son of George A., b. April7, 1835, in Bath, Steuben County, N. Y.; married, Aug.22, 1858, Aner Sapp.

He was a soldier in the Civil War, and belonged to Company D, Seventh Kansas Volunteer Cavalry. He enlisted in August, 1861, and was honorably discharged in November, 1865. He owns a home in Wyanet, Bureau County, Ill.

Aner Sapp was born March 19, 1839, near Wyanet, Ill.

CHILDREN.

Charles Frederick, b. Aug. 22, 1859, in Wyanet, Ill.
George Ephraim, b. Aug. 20, 1861, in Wyanet.
Samuel Franklin, b. Nov. 10, 1864, in Wyanet.
William Herman, b. Nov. 4, 1866, in Neosha Falls, Ill.
Birdie Mary Rosalea, b. Dec. 15, 1868, in Neosha Falls.
Baby boy, b. Aug. 8, 1870, in Radical, Kan.
Ernest Andrew, b. Aug. 18, 1871, in Radical.
Major Thomas, b. July 24, 1873, in Wyanet.
Baby boy, b. Aug. 15, 1875, in Radical.
Mae Belle, b. Sept. 19, 1876, in Radical.
Minniebelle Elizabeth, b. Sept. 14, 1878, in Independ-

ence, Kan.

George Aner, b. Aug. 4, 1881, in Wyanet.

Robert Raymond, b. July 5, 1883, in Wyanet.

DEATHS.

Charles Frederick, died July 1, 1861, of brain fever, in Colorado, coming home from Pike's Peak.

George Ephraim, died Jan. 15, 1872, in Radical, of dropsy.

Baby boy, died Aug. 8, 1870, in Radical.

Ernest Andrew, died Sept. 7, 1872, in Wyanet, of congestive chill.

Baby boy, died Aug. 15, 1875, in Radical.

Robert Raymond, died Dec. 6, 1899, in Wyanet; accidentally shot himself.

SAMUEL FRANKLIN MOWRY, son of George, b. Nov. 10, 1864, in Wyanet, Bureau County, Ill.; married, Nov. 20, 1895, Mary Elizabeth Stattor, of Galesburg, Ill. He owns a home in Galesburg. Mary Elizabeth Stattor was born Aug. 20, 1871, in Tambertsonville, N. J.

CHILD. (Adopted.)

Lester James, b. March 11, 1898, in Galesburg, Ill.

WILLIAM HERMAN MOWRY, son of George, b. Nov. 4, 1866, in Neosha Falls, Woodson County, Kan.; married, Sept. 15, 1892, Edna Maud Dart. He owns a home in Wyanet. Edna Maud Dart was born Sept. 15, 1873, in Wyanet.

CHILD.

Charles Franklin, b. Nov. 28, 1895, in Wyanet.

BIRDIE MARY ROSALEA MOWRY, daughter of George, b. Dec. 15, 1868, in Neosha Falls, Woodson County, Kan.; married, March 26, 1889, Robert Lincoln Kline. He owns a farm in Ipava, Ill. Robert Lincoln Kline was born Aug. 7, 1865, in Ipava.

CHILDREN.

Ethel Luetta, b. Dec. 28, 1889, in Ipava.

George Lawrence, b. Feb. 11, 1891, in Ipava; died Feb. 22, 1891.

Edna Ray, b. Feb. 25, 1892, in Ipava.

Author Dean, b. May 12, 1897, in Ipava.

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The following various records have been received from the descendants of George A. Mowry (301).

652. WELCOME MOWRY, son of George A., b. April 3, 1842; married, Sept. 5, 1866, Lucina Sapp.

CHILDREN.

Lorena C., b. Dec. 18, 1868. Burdette F., b. April 22, 1870. Alzada B., b. Oct. 10, 1873.

LORENA C. MOWRY, daughter of Welcome, married, Sept. 18, 1890, C. L. Kinner.

CHILDREN.

Karl, b. June 22, 1892. Bernice, b. Sept. 21, 1893.

BURDETTE F. MOWRY, son of Welcome, married, Feb. 17, 1892, Emma Morgan.

CHILDREN.

Margarite, b. Aug. 22, 1894. Mary Lucina, b. July 22, 1896.

The following account of Welcome Mowry is taken from a book recently published, entitled "Progressive Men of Iowa."

"Mowry, Welcome, member of the State Board of Railroad Commissioners, makes his home on his 700-acre farm in Tama County, where he has lived since 1867. His parents were George A. and Nancy (Jack) Mowry, and he was born in Putnam County, Ill., April 3, 1842. His

father was born in Rhode Island and his mother in Maryland. They were both members of the Society of Friends, and Mr. Mowry often preached for them. They came to Bureau County, Ill., in 1841, and later went to Putnam County to educate their children, and then returned to Bureau County, where Mr. Mowry died, in 1889. Their son, Welcome, was educated in the common schools and attended Dover Academy. At the age of seventeen he began supporting himself, working on a farm at ten dollars per month. In the spring of 1861 he made his first effort to enlist in the Union army at Wyanet, Ill., and went with his company to Springfield; but as the quota of Illinois on the first call had been filled, he returned home after about a month. In August of that year he enlisted under C. S. Merriman and went with his company to Fort Leavenworth, which became Company D of the Seventh Kansas Volunteer Cavalry. They spent the first winter in Missouri keeping down the guerrillas, and in the spring of 1862 went to Tennessee, spending the next two and a half years in Tennessee, Mississippi, and Alabama. They participated in the battles of Corinth, Coffeyville, Tupelo, and the soldier of whom we write was under fire, in addition to the above, at Iuka, Coldwater, Abbeyville, Holly Springs, Oxford, Water Valley, and Jackson, Tenn., and at Rippey, Miss. While following Price through Mississippi, he, with four others, was sent to reconnoitre Price's position. It was a perilous undertaking in the night, wading streams and taking all hazards. They ran upon the enemy's camp guard and then fell back. The enemy, not knowing the size of the force opposing them, soon evacuated the town. This is probably the only instance where five men started a whole army. 'He was frequently on duty as scout or courier in hazardous enterprises,' says one of his commanders, 'where his unflinching bravery, quick intelligence, and sound judgment were signally displayed, winning for him the praise of commanding officers. He was our ideal of a soldier.' Being honorably discharged at St. Louis, Sept. 27, 1864, he returned home and went to school for a short time, but re-enlisted Feb. 13, 1865, in Company F, One Hundred Fifty-first Illinois Volunteer Infantry, and on account of previous service was made drill sergeant, and in a competitive drill was placed in command of the headquarters guard of General Judea, which he held, under Generals Judea and H. F. Sickles, until the close of his enlistment. He was discharged the last time in February, 1866, and returned at once to Wyanet, Ill., and resumed peaceful pursuits. He was married Sept. 5, 1866, to Miss Lucina Sapp, daughter of Hezekiah and Mary J. (Bosket) Sapp, who were both natives of Delaware. They have three children, Lorena C., born Dec. 18, 1868, Burdette F., born April 22, 1870, and Alzada B., born Oct. 10, 1873. In the following spring the young couple started in a covered wagon for Iowa, and settled in Oneida township, Tama County, on the same farm where they now reside. He commenced with eighty acres, and now has 700 acres of Iowa's most productive soil. Although the land is gently rolling, he has laid over four miles of tiling under it.

"Colonel Mowry has always been an active Republican, casting his first vote for Abraham Lincoln in 1864, and has never missed an election since he came to Iowa. He was justice of the peace for ten years. In 1873 he was placed on the Republican ticket for supervisor, but the anti-monopoly movement was then at its height and he was defeated by thirty-seven votes in the county. In 1875 he began taking part in speaking campaigns, and in every year since then he has stumped either the county, the district, or the State. In 1883 he was elected to represent his county in the Legislature, and took an active part in the business of the session. Believing that laws were too often changed, he spent more time in defeating what he considered bad measures than he did in securing the enactment of new laws. He, however, secured the passage of the measure to reduce the penalty on delinquent taxes to one per cent a month. He took the ground that if the State did not allow an individual to collect more than six per cent interest, the State should be satisfied with twelve. He received special credit from the farmers for the defeat of the bill to abolish independent and subdistricts in the country, making no change in the school laws applying to cities and towns. This bill was championed by State Superintendent Akers and Senator L. R. Bolter, and supported by the representatives of the cities. In 1892, when the Fifth Congressional District was Democratic, Colonel Mowry was urged to become a candidate for Congress, but was defeated in the convention by R. G. Cousins, the present member. Colonel Mowry immediately took the stump for his successful rival, and worked for Mr. Cousins until he was elected. In 1896, without being a candidate, Colonel Mowry was unanimously selected Republican candidate for presidential elector in the Fifth District, and made twenty-five speeches throughout the State in that campaign. He was elected by the largest vote of any elector, except Major Conger, elector at large. Colonel Mowry's long service to the Republican party and his eminent business qualifications were recognized by the party in 1898, when he was nominated for railroad commissioner by the Republican State Convention in Dubuque. He received on the first ballot 242 1/2 more votes than his strongest competitor and more than one hundred majority over all. He was elected by 62,883 plurality. He is now filling the office with the good sense and industry that have brought him such a large measure of success in all that he has undertaken in life."

655. NANCY MOWRY, daughter of George A., b. Dec. 27, 1846; married, March 19, 1865, Webster W. Moses. He was born Oct. 9, 1838, at Wellington, Me.

CHILDREN.

Edwin Ralph, b. Sept. 26, 1866; died Sept. 29, 1866. Eugene Wilfred, b. Oct. 10, 1867.

Annelia Lois, b. Dec. 9, 1869; died May 29, 1880.

Jessie M., b. Nov. 5, 1875.

Robert Shepherd, b. April 16, 1878; died June 1, 1880. Webster Lloyd, b. Feb. 11, 1881.

Francis Willard, b. Sept. 4, 1890.

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680. THEODORE TYLER MOWRY, son of Jackson P., b. March 28, 1853; married, Aug. 17, 1881, Anna Pamelia Chase, daughter of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Nye) Chase. Theodore died Aug. 6, 1884.

CHILDREN.

Theodore Chase, b. May 22, 1882. Wendell Southwick, b. June 16, 1884.

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695. Dea. Samuel Mowry died in Greenville, Conn., March 11, 1879.

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RECORD.

Copied, Aug. 2, 1885, from an old Bible now in possession of Mrs. Ruth W. Inman, Burrillville, R. I., formerly

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owned by Hannah B. Mowry, and evidently once the family Bible of Preserved Brayton, of Rehoboth, Mass.: —

"Patience Brayton, the wife of Preserved Brayton, departed this life the 30th day of the 7th month, 1794, in the 61st year of her age.

Preserved Brayton and Patience Greene were married the 18th day of the 5th month, 1758.

| David Bra | ayton, | b. | 22d | day, | 5th | month, | 1759. |
|-----------|--------|----|------------------|------|--------------|--------|-------|
| Hannah | " | " | $30 \mathrm{th}$ | " | 9th | 66 | 1760. |
| Stephen | " | " | 26th | " | 9th | 66 | 1762. |
| Mary | " | " | 3d | " | $4 	ext{th}$ | " | 1764. |
| Content | " | " | $19 \mathrm{th}$ | " | 2nd | " | 1766. |
| Patience | " | " | $13 \mathrm{th}$ | " | 11th | " | 1773. |

Preserved Brayton and Hannah* his wife were married the 7th day of the 8th month, 1798.

Hannah Brayton,† dau. of Preserved Brayton and Hannah his wife, was born the 27th day, 8th month, 1800.

Preserved Brayton died the 24th day, 9th month, 1814. Entered his 80th year one month.

Hannah Brayton, his wife, died 28th day, 4th month, 1816, aged 59 years, 9 months and 21 days."

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Note at bottom of page, third line. She was born Nov. 18, 17*33*, instead of 1773.

*This Hannah was a widow (Bowdish]. Her maiden name was Slade.

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702. LUCETTA (MOWRY) CHASE died in Nutley, N. J., Sept. 6, 1892, in her 90th year.

703. ISABELLA (MOWRY) GASKILL died May 15, 1894, in Uxbridge, Mass.

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704. PHEBE (MOWRY) PITTS died in Bolton, Mass., June 12, 1892, after an illness of about three days, of pneumonia. Funeral from Friends' Meeting-House, Uxbridge, June 16. She was in her 84th year.

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922. Richard D. Mowry, Jr., died in San Francisco, Oct. 16, 1879.

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708. SUSAN LYDIA (MOWRY) PITTS died in Antioch, Cal., March 10, 1897.

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Leander H. Sawyer died in Oakland, Cal., Dec. 10, 1897.

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713. LAMECH C. MOWRY died Aug. 29, 1880, in his 74th year.

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720. JABEZ W. MOWRY died suddenly from heart failure, Oct. 13, 1898, aged 74 years.

937. Roger Williams Mowry, b. March 26, 1860; died April 28, 1882, in Smithfield, R. I.

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917. Ruth Wheeler Inman died in Burrillville, April 12, 1900. The following notice of her life and character is from the Pascoag Herald, of April 20, 1900: ---

MRS. RUTH W. INMAN.

Died at her home on Mt. Pleasant, in the easterly part of Burrillville, on Thursday, April 12, 1900, Mrs. Ruth Wheeler (Mowry) Inman, aged 77 years and 10 months.

Mrs. Inman was born in Uxbridge, Mass., June 6, 1822. She was the oldest child of Jonathan and Hannah (Brayton) Mowry. She had but one sister and one brother. Her sister Emeline died in 1859, and her only brother, William A. Mowry, survives her. She was a descendant of Roger Mowry, who came from England in 1631, and died in Providence in 1666. Roger Mowry, as early as 1653, built the house which is now standing in the northerly part of Providence, on Abbott Street, known as the Olney house. It is the only house now remaining in that city dating back to the days of Roger Williams.

She was married to George Inman in 1841. He was a lineal descendant of that Edward Inman who, with John Mowry, son of Roger, bought, in 1666, two thousand acres of land from William Minnion, the Indian chief of the Nipmucks. A little later Edward Inman and John Mowry associated with them John's brother, Nathaniel Mowry, John Steere, and Thomas Walling, and bought land, until, in 1685, they owned 3,500 acres, lying from Woonsocket southward and from near the present line between North Smithfield and Burrillville on the west to near the cities of Pawtucket and Central Falls on the east.

Nathaniel Mowry married, in 1666, Johanna, daughter of Edward Inman, so that the blood of the two families has intermingled for nearly two and a half centuries.

Mrs. Inman was the mother of ten children, seven sons and three daughters, all of whom, with the exception of one son, are now living.

Her funeral was solemnized on Monday, April 16, at her late residence, on the old farm which has been in possession of the Inman family for several generations. A large concourse of friends and relatives were in attendance, coming from Boston, Providence, New York, and Ohio. Very many citizens of the town showed their respect for the deceased by their presence.

Mrs. Inman was a woman of unusual ability, energy, and enterprise. Both she and her husband were fond of company, and ever dispensed a royal hospitality. Their home was always attractive to their hosts of friends, who on visiting them were sure of a cordial reception and an enjoyable occasion. She was whole-souled, broadminded, generous, with large sympathies. Her friends were legion. She made friends everywhere and always held their friendship.

Mrs. Inman was interested in many moral and religious questions, but for many years she gave much time and thought to the work of the "White Ribbon Society," the W. C. T. U. She was at one time president of the Burrillville Union and was prominent in W. C. T. U. conventions both within and without the State of Rhode Island. She professed her faith in Christ, and became a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church at a very early age, and remained active in that communion to the day of her death. She was a member beloved of the Glendale church, and by the members of that church she will be greatly missed. She was a kind neighbor, having the respect and love of all who lived near her. She was specially successful in bringing up and giving a proper training to her ten children. Her oldest child was but little more than twenty years of age when the youngest was born. What a task for a mother, what a care, and what a responsibility, to bring up in the right way, and to train successfully, ten children! Hers was a typical family, and her children and grandchildren have uniformly risen up and called her blessed. She has left nine living children, fourteen grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Her two oldest sons are contractors for building water and gas works, residing in New York City. One son resides in Westerly, R. I., and is engaged in mercantile business, one is connected with the water department in the city of Providence, one is superintendent of the water works in Massilon, O., and the other holds a similar position in Warren, O. Two daughters and their families reside in Providence, and the third in South Weymouth, Mass.

Her sickness, congestion of the lungs, was but for a few days. Calmly and peacefully she breathed out her soul at the last, with a full and trusting faith in the Saviour, whom she accepted in her early youth. Her last words and her last thoughts were not for herself, but for others. To the very last she had a kind and loving word for those near her and others away. She has gone like a shock of corn, fully ripe, to the garner. The young may die, the old must.

"Leaves have their time to fall,

And flowers to wither at the north wind's breath,

And stars to set, but all,

Thou hast all seasons for thine own, O Death."

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734. ALBERT ERASTUS MOWRY died in Boston. After his death a meeting was called of the metal dealers of Boston, and the following resolution, with others,

was adopted : ---

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"Resolved: That we have always found in Albert E. Mowry a man correct in his business associations, holding his word equal to his bond, prompt to correct an error if convinced of his mistake, affable in all his daily relations, making many warm friends and losing none from his own intentional act, one whom it has been a pleasure to know and associate with, and whose loss will not be easily forgotten."

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738. ELISHA CAPRON MOWRY. His wife, Hannah Richardson Mowry, died March 17, 1882, at Providence, aged 33 years.

CHILDREN.

951a. Sarah Ross, b. June 14, 1877.

951b. Albert Erastus, b. April 30, 1880.

951c. Elisha Capron, Jr., b. March 8, 1882.

He married (2), Sept. 18, 1884, Harriet Marble Page, daughter of James H. and Maria (Dunn) Marble. She was born April 23, 1858. Her child by previous marriage was adopted by Elisha C. and took the name.

951d. Daza Page Mowry, b. Oct. 2, 1879.

The sudden death of Elisha C. Mowry brought sadness and grief to a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. He was a lineal descendant of Thomas Harris, who came to Providence, R. I., with Roger Williams; of Richard Scott, also one of the original founders; of Joseph Jencks, who came to Lynn, Mass., in the very early days of that settlement; of Roger Mowry, through his son Nathaniel; and of Banfield Capron, who came to this country about 1675.

In addition to the record of his life as given on page 285 of the Nathaniel Mowry book, it may be stated that he served as alderman in the city of Providence from 1878 to 1880, when he declined a re-nomination to that office. That year he was elected State Senator for the city of Providence, and the same year was the Democratic candidate for mayor of the city, but, his party being largely in the minority, he was not elected to that office. During the last twenty years Mr. Mowry has had a large and lucrative practice as an attorney and counselor. He has made a specialty of equity, real estate, and patent law. He was a man of broad intelligence, large general culture, and sound judgment. He was a member, and for many years was warden, of the Church of the Redeemer (Episcopal), with which he united in 1861, just as he graduated from Brown University. He leaves a widow and nine children, five sons and four daughters. His widow, a most estimable lady, was the daughter of James H. and Maria Marble.

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749. CHARLES EDWARD MOWRY died Nov. 7, 1878, in San Francisco, Cal., aged 50 years.

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The two families following (813 and 816) should be inserted on page 298 before the family (825).

813. WILLIAM JOHN MOWRY, son of John, b. in Smithfield, July 19, 1849; married, Sept. 25, 1873, Sarah Frances Passmore, daughter of John.

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CHILDREN.

951e. Florence Passmore, b. July 27, 1874.

951f. Susan Darling, b. Aug. 13, 1878.

951g. John Nelson, b. Sept. 10, 1880.

816. EMMA BALLOU MOWRY, daughter of John,b. June 23, 1855; married Jerome Hendrick.

CHILDREN.

Edith Joline, b. May 1, 1875.

Laster Carlton, b. June 23, 1877; died April 14, 1880.

Alice Mabel, b. June 12, 1879.

Chester Earl, b. June 18, 1884.

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882a. WILLIAM FRANCIS MOWRY, son of Alfred Bowen, married Frances D. Willard, daughter of John and Frances, of Industry, Me.

CHILD.

1001a. Adelbert Franklin, b. Feb. 26, 1865.

882b. RUTH MOWRY, daughter of Alfred Bowen, married —— Greene. They had one child, a daughter, who married Albert Heise, who was at one time the leader of Reeves's Orchestra, Providence, R. I.

899. DARWIN RUSH MOWRY died April 18, 1889.

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903. ASHA ANNIE ELIZABETH (MOWRY) BRANCH, daughter of Dr. Samuel, died in Providence, Sept. 25, 1898.

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909. JOHN S. MOWRY.

CHILDREN.

- 1021. John S., b. in Greenville, Conn., Nov. 7, 1866.
- 1022. S. Jared, b. in Greenville, June 27, 1868.
- 1022a. Jessie, b. April 14, 1870; died July 25, 1871.
- 1023. Hallie B., b. in Preston, Conn., Dec. 16, 1872.
- 1024. Grace E., b. in Preston, Oct. 20, 1874.
- 1024a. Oliver Griswold, b. April 11, 1878.

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Further record of the children of Ruth Wheeler and George Inman.

Ruth W. Inman (the mother) died April 12, 1900, aged nearly 78 years.

GEORGE BUFFUM married Ellen Rebecca Kent, at Providence, R. I., March 7, 1867.

WILLARD FREDERICK, married (1), July 8, 1868, Ruth Ann Bradford, of Smithfield, R. I.

THEIR CHILDREN.

Frederick May, b. May 4, 1869.

Caroline Winslow, b. July 30, 1871; died Aug. 20, 1891.

Ruth A. died in Providence, Nov. 9, 1877, aged 30 years. He married (2), Dec. 17, 1878, Harriet A. Pierce, of Walpole, N. H.

CHILD.

Eva Jessie, b. July 14, 1880.

He married (3) Irene Morehouse, 1890.

EUGENE FERDINAND married, Sept. 26, 1872, Sarah Frances Taylor.

CHILD.

Ruth Ella, b. Oct. 9, 1877.

ARTHUR IRVING married (1), Oct. 31, 1877, Euphemia Reid, of Providence, R. I.

CHILDREN.

Annie Reid, b. July 15, 1880.

Robert Wheeler, b. April 7, 1885.

Euphemia died in Providence, Oct. 19, 1888, aged 40 years.

He married (2), Jan. 1, 1891, Carrie Alice Knowlton.

ELIZA ANN married, Oct. 14, 1874, George Russell Loud, of Providence.

CHILDREN.

Mabel Alice, b. July 12, 1875. Harry Bertram, b. July 21, 1877. Bessie Vining, b. Oct. 3, 1880.

AUGUSTUS WASHINGTON married, Dec. 28, 1880, Evelyn E. Steere, daughter of Mowry and Ellen M. Steere. She was born July 13, 1854.

CHILD.

Amey Goodwyn, b. May 24, 1882.

WALTER SAMUEL married, Jan. 29, 1884, Belle L. Richardson, at Waverley, N. Y. He died in Randolph, Mass., Nov. 1, 1887, after a short illness of typhoid fever. No children. MARY ALBERTA married, July 4, 1878, P. Webster Loud, of South Weymouth, Mass.

CHILDREN.

Edward Inman, b. Sept. 1, 1881.

Augustus Inman, b. April, 1887.

ALICE WOOD married, July 12, 1891, George Ernest Litchfield, son of Anderson and Sarah (Taylor) Litchfield, all of Providence.

CHILD.

Ernest Inman, b. June 16, 1898, in Providence.

CHARLIE ELMER married, Jan. 1, 1890, Carrie E. Phillips.

CHILDREN.

George Elmer, b. May 8, 1895. Edith Julia, b. July 8, 1899.

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1029. ARTHUR MAY MOWRY, b. Jan. 19, 1862; married Blanche Swett, daughter of Henry A. and Mary M. Swett, of Gloucester, Mass., July 5, 1888; died at his father's house in Hyde Park, Mass., June 19, 1900, aged 38 years.

Arthur May Mowry was prepared for college in the school of which his father was senior principal. He graduated from Brown University in 1883, at the age of 21. He taught in High Schools and Academies in the following places: Barre, Vt.; Woonsocket, R. I.; South Williamstown, Gloucester, and Salem, Mass. In the latter city he was for six years at the head of the Department

of Science. He resigned this position to pursue his studies as a graduate student in Harvard University. From Harvard he received the degree of Master of Arts, and during his three years of study there he mastered most of the courses given in that University in Historical and Political Science, both undergraduate and graduate. The subject which he took for a thesis upon entering upon this graduate work he afterward expanded into a large volume which is soon to be published by Longmans, Green & Co., in the Harvard Historical Series. The book is entitled "The Constitutional Struggle in Rhode Island." It is now in the hands of the committee on publication. His intentions were to devote one year more to this line of study, when he would have received from Harvard the degree of Ph.D.; but his health failed and he went to Southern California to regain it. For four years he made a heroic fight for his life, but he could not prevail over the insidious disease tuberculosis. During his residence upon the Pacific coast his mind was very active, and jointly with his father he wrote and published two books, entitled "First Steps in the History of Our Country" and "American Inventions and Inventors." While at Harvard, he, with his father, had written and published a work of three hundred and more pages, entitled "A History of the United States." By himself he also wrote and nearly finished a text-book for the schools, entitled "First Steps in the History of England." As a scholar he was broad and accurate, as a thinker he was methodical and original, as a writer he was terse, clear, and critical. He made friends everywhere, and he secured from all the highest respect for his ability and his character. He left multitudes of friends, both East and West, who sincerely mourn his early death.

1030. RUTH EMELINE MOWRY, b. June 16, 1867; married, Oct. 30, 1889, Edward Waters Brown, of Northbridge, Mass., son of George R. and Emily C. Brown.

CHILDREN.

Mabel Mowry, b. in Boston, Mass., May 25, 1891.

Bancroft Huntington, b. in Hyde Park, Mass., Nov. 11, 1894.

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WILLIAM A. MOWRY, the editor of this vol-919. ume, has had a busy life, somewhat varied since the volume was published twenty-two years ago. He continued at the head of the private school which he had established in Providence until the summer of 1884. In the year 1874, he and his associate, Mr. Charles B. Goff, built a schoolhouse to accommodate their pupils. This building was situated on Snow Street, in the central part of Providence, in a very desirable location. It was more than ninety feet square, and consisted of three stories. It was a handsome and expensive building of brick, elegantly finished, with all the modern improvements, and admirably adapted to school purposes. It has often been called the best lighted, heated, and ventilated schoolhouse in New England. For about twenty years the first floor was occupied by the Providence Public Library and the two upper stories by the school. The school has had between three and four thousand different pupils, about five hundred of

whom have graduated and received the school diploma. Nearly five hundred of its pupils have subsequently taken a college course. At one time eight persons in the faculty of Brown University were graduates of this school.

In 1884 Mr. Mowry sold his interest in the school and removed to Boston. He became managing editor of the New England Journal of Education, and was one of three equal owners and proprietors in the New England Publishing Co. Subsequently he sold his stock in this com pany, and purchased from it the magazine Education, which he edited and published for a series of years. In 1891, and for several years subsequently, he was Superintendent of the schools of Salem, Mass. He resigned this position in 1894 and removed to Hyde Park, Mass., where he now resides. During the past six years he has divided his time between lecturing, principally at teachers' institutes, and writing, in which business he is now engaged. It has been estimated that he has given 1,600 different lectures to an aggregate of 80,000 different persons, most of them school teachers. Within the last six years he has lectured in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, North Carolina, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, and California. He has published from his pen the following books: "The Descendants of Nathaniel Mowry, of Rhode Island," "Richard Mowry of Uxbridge, His Ancestors and Descendants," "Talks with My Boys," "Studies in Civil Government," "The Elements of Civil Government," "History of Uxbridge Academy," and in connection with his son, Arthur May Mowry, he was co-author of a "History of the United States," "First Steps in the History of Our Country," and "American Inventions and Inventors." He has now in press, which will soon be issued, "Dr. Marcus Whitman and the Early Days of Oregon," and "The Territorial Growth of the United States." Besides these volumes Mr. Mowry has published many pamphlets, addresses, and magazine and newspaper articles.

During the last fourteen years he has been President of the Marthas Vineyard Summer Institute, where each summer have gathered for instruction from four hundred to six hundred teachers, representing forty different States. During the last few years it has come to be generally admitted and understood that this is a school of the highest rank, doing the most thorough and the best professional and scholastic work for practical teachers.

He served for six years as a member of the School Board of Providence, R. I., and for three years as member of the Boston School Board. In 1882 he received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from Bates College, Lewiston, Me. He has been President of the Rhode Island Institute of Instruction, the American Institute of Instruction, of the Department of Higher Education in the National Educational Association, of the Congregational Club of Providence, R. I., of the Massachusetts Council of the American Institute of Civics, and for many years he has been a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the National Council of Education, the New England Historic-Genealogical Society, and the American Historical Association.

The above facts concerning Mr. Mowry's later life have

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been compiled from the reports of the American Historical Association; a book prepared under the supervision of John C. Rand, published in Boston, 1890, entitled "One of a Thousand," being a series of biographical sketches of one thousand representative men resident in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and other sources.

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1001a. ADELBERT FRANKLIN MOWRY, son of William Francis, b. Feb. 26, 1865; married Isabelle A. DeLand, daughter of William and Eliza DeLand. She was born in Holyoke, Mass., May 12, 1865.

CHILDREN.

1045. Raymond Mayo, b. Nov. 12, 1889.

1046. Earle William, b. Aug. 17, 1891.

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A UNIQUE FAMILY MONUMENT.

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WITHIN the cemetery near Woonsocket, R. I., opposite the Friends' Meeting-House, and near the main entrance, has lately been erected a unique monument to one branch of the Mowry family in America, including nine generations. Excellent halftone cuts showing this monument and the inscriptions upon its four sides, from photographs by Merrill, the photographic artist in Woonsocket, are inserted in this pamphlet.

The monument is beautiful in design, of excellent proportions, every way attractive and imposing, and, standing as it does directly by the side of the thoroughfare, near the principal entrance of the cemetery, cannot fail to attract the special attention of all passers-by. It is made of white bronze, in color resembling granite; is five feet and a half square at the base, and sixteen feet high. It is surmounted by a figure of Hope, with one hand upon the anchor, and a face, exquisite in expression, turned upward. This monument was erected solely at the expense of Hon. Arlon Mowry, now of Providence, but a native and former resident of old Smithfield, later North Smithfield.

Mr. Mowry has been a successful business man, is now president of one of the banks in Woonsocket, and has served his town and State in various public offices. He has been a member of the General Assembly and has served as State Senator. He has shown great interest in historical and genealogical matters, and his loyalty to the family whose name he bears has impelled him to the erection of this unique monument.

Upon the panels and plinths of the four sides are placed the inscriptions, which include the entire genealogy of one direct line of nine generations of Mowrys in this country, beginning with Roger Mowry, one of the early settlers of Boston, and ending with the children of Arlon, including their husbands and wives.

These inscriptions include, as will be seen by reading them, a great amount of information respecting this line of descendants from the patriarch Roger. They give the names of more than one hundred persons, and the entire inscriptions embrace over one thousand words in telling the story.

The following are the inscriptions upon the four sides of this monument: ----

[NORTH SIDE. — FRONT.] ERECTED A. D. 1896. By Hon. Arlon Mowry To the Memory of ROGER MOWRY And Eight Generations Of His Descendants Through His Son Nathaniel.

MOWRY.

Roger Mowry registered in Boston, Mass., after his arrival from England, May 18, 1631. He lived in Plymouth for several years, and later in Salem from about 1635 to 1649. He then removed to Providence, R. I., where he resided till his death, Jan. 5, 1666.

He married Mary, daughter of John Johnson, of Roxbury, Mass. She died January, 1679.

CHILDREN.

| John, born about 1645. |
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| Joseph, born in 1647. |
| Benjamin, born in 1649. |
| Thomas, born in 1652. |
| Hannah, born in 1656. |
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THE MOWRY MONUMENT.

[WEST SIDE.]

NATHANIEL MOWRY. Son of Roger, born in 1644, married in 1666 Johannah, daughter of Edward Inman of Providence, (later Smithfield) one of the first settlers in Rhode Island. Nathaniel died in Providence Mar. 24, 1718. Johannah survived him.

CHILDREN.

Nathaniel, Sarah, John, Mary, HENRY, Johannah, Joseph, Patience, Martha. Marcy. Experience.

HENRY MOWRY, son of Nathaniel, born about 1670, married 1st, in 1701, Mary, daughter of Isaac and Mary Bull, of Newport. Married, 2d, in 1726, Hannah Mowry, widow of John Mowry, 2d, of Smithfield. Her maiden name was Packard. Mary died about 1725. Henry died in Smithfield Sept. 23, 1759. Hannah survived him.

CHILDREN.

Mary, born Sept. 28, 1702. Jeremiah, born Apr. 7, 1711. URIAH, born Aug. 15, 1705. Sarah, born Apr. 5, 1717. Jonathan, born June 1, 1708. Elisha. Phebe.

URIAH MOWRY, son of Henry, born Aug. 15, 1705, married, 1st, about 1724, Urania, daughter of John Paine, of Providence. She was born July 4, 1706. Married, 2d, in 1773, Hannah, widow of Wil-liam Arnold, of Providence. She was daughter of Job Whipple. Urania died Mar. 8, 1772. Uriah died in Smithfield Mar. 6, 1792. Hannah survived him.

CHILDREN.

Martha, born Apr. 1, 1726. Nathan, born June 10, 1729. Wanton, born Aug. 7, 1739. JONATHAN, born Mar. 10, 1742. Stephen, born Dec. 13, 1731. Philip, born Feb. 17, 1734. Gideon, born July 18, 1736. Mary, born Oct. 30, 1745. Elizabeth, born Oct. 30, 1748.

And others, Jonathan being the seventh son.

THE MOWRY MONUMENT.

[SOUTH SIDE.]

JONATHAN MOWRY,

son of Uriah,

born Mar. 10, 1742,

married in 1769, Deborah,

daughter of

Jabez and Mary Wing.

Jonathan died in Smithfield,

Mar. 25, 1814.

Deborah died July 13, 1825.

He was a noted doctor. He and his wife were both members of the Society of Friends and were preachers of note in that religious body.

CHILDREN.

Rebecca, born Feb. 9, 1770. CALEB, born Mar. 5, 1771. Anna, born Feb. 4, 1773. Robert, born Dec. 2, 1774. Martha, born June 7, 1777.

Abigail, born Mar. 30, 1780. Dorcas, born May 6, 1782. Urania, born June 21, 1785. Peleg, born Feb. 2, 1788. Deborah, born Oct. 6, 1789.

CALEB MOWRY, son of Jonathan, born Mar. 5, 1771, married in 1795, Nancy, daughter of David Mowry. Nancy, born Oct. 29, 1775. Caleb died in Smithfield Mar. 31, 1814. Nancy married, 2d, in 1818, Eliakim Mowry. Eliakim died in Smithfield in 1845. Nancy died Nov. 13, 1860.

CHILDREN.

Jesse, born June 4, 1796, died young. Duty, born Feb. 14, 1798. His monument in this cemetery. Urania, born May 22, 1800, married in 1824. Charles Bowen, born Sept. 16, 1800. BARNEY, born May 3, 1804.

BARNEY MOWRY, son of Caleb, born May 3, 1804, married, 1st, in 1828, Phila, daughter of Amasa and Anna Mowry, of Smithfield, who were married Apr. 24, 1800. Phila was born in 1806. Anna was the daughter of Francis Hamilton. Married, 2d, in 1846, Urania, daughter of Paoli and Martha Steere, of Smithfield. She was born July 29, 1821. Phila died Nov. 25, 1839. Urania died July 21, 1865. Barney died in North Smithfield Nov. 12, 1891.

CHILDREN OF BARNEY AND PHILA.

Orrin P., born May 24, 1829, died in North Smithfield Aug. 1, 1895.

Albert, born Mar. 9, 1831, died in North Smithfield Apr. 3, 1893. ARLON, born Feb. 23, 1833. Burial in Middletown, R. I. Stafford, born Apr. 14, 1835, died in Hampton, Va., Mar. 27, 1889. He was Quarter-Master in the 3d R. I. Cavalry, in the Civil War.

Atwell, born Nov. 18, 1836, died in Butte, Mont., Sept. 1, 1882. Child of Barney and Urania. Erwin A., born Dec. 8, 1847.



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THE MOWRY MONUMENT.

[EAST SIDE.]

ARLON MOWRY,

who

erected this monument, the third son of Barney, born Feb. 23, 1833, married in 1857 Harriet, daughter of Isaac and Susan (Borden) Wightman.

This name is spelled both Wightman and Whitman by members of the same family.

Isaac was born in Newport, R. I., June 22, 1803, and died in North Smithfield Feb. 15, 1882.

Susan was born in Fall River, Mass., Sept. 22, 1800, and died May 14, 1884.

CHILDREN OF Isaac and Susan Wightman.

Ruth R., born Sept. 16, 1832. Harriet, born Jan. 1, 1837, died Jan. 2, 1865.

CHILDREN OF ARLON AND HARRIET MOWRY.

These are of the ninth generation in this country.

Emma L., born Apr. 27, 1868, married, in 1886, Stephen E. Batcheller. He was born May 29, 1858, son of Alexander and Kezia (Wallin) Batcheller. Alexander was a physician in practice in Burrillville, R. I., and later in Cedar Falls, Ia.

Eugene C., born Aug. 12, 1860, married, in 1889, Daisy B. Underwood. She was born Jan. 12, 1867, daughter of William H. and Ellen (Ansell) Underwood, of Cambridge, Mass. Eugene is a physician in practice in the city of New York.

Wilfred L., born Nov. 15, 1862, died Nov. 17, 1866.

Harriet W., born Sept. 15, 1864, married in 1891, Albert E. Crowell. He was born Mar. 24, 1863, son of Nathaniel and Ellen M. (Macomber) Crowell, of Providence, R. I.

For further information concerning the descendants of Roger Mowry, see a volume entitled "The Descendants of Nathaniel Mowry of Rhode Island," by William A. Mowry, A.M., Ph.D., copies of which are in the Providence Public Library, the Harris Institute Library, and the Library of the Society of Friends in Woonsocket.

It is doubtful if another monument similar to this in design and scope can be found in the whole country. It places the genealogy of this one family for nearly three centuries in the most compact form and in a public place, where it will be read not only by the members of this family, but by thousands who otherwise would be entirely ignorant of the early history of the family in America.

The earliest mention of Roger Mowry in this country is found in the Boston records, as follows : —

"Eighteen May, 1631, names of such as desire to be made ffreemen, [among them] Roger Mawry, Roger Williams." Neither of these two Rogers remained in Boston to accept the duties and privileges of "ffreemen" in that colony. But, soon after, we find them both citizens of Plymouth; later both became citizens of Salem, and finally they lived side by side in Providence. Roger Mowry was in Salem from 1636 to 1649. He and his wife Mary were members of the church at Salem. The Suffolk records (vol. iii., p. 374) show that his wife was "the eldest daughter of John Johnson, late of Roxbury." In 1637 "he had fifty acres laid out" to him two miles or more from the settlement at Salem toward what was afterwards known as Salem Village. He built his house on the lot which is now the corner of Essex and Flint Streets, adjoining the Bowditch School. Indeed, this house-lot ran from what is now Essex Street northward to the river, and included the land upon which now stand the Bowditch School and the Catholic Church.

The records of the church in Salem show that his oldest son, Jonathan, was baptized April 2, 1637, and other children as follows: Bethia, 1638, June 17; Mary, 1640, June 16; Elizabeth, 1643, January 20; Benjamin, 1649, May 20; between Elizabeth and Benjamin were four other children, as given on the north side of the monument, and no record is found of their baptism. In August, 1658, in open Town Meeting, at Providence, Roger Mowry testified that his three youngest children,



Benjamin, Thomas, and Hannah, were born in Providence. It is supposed that the Salem pastor, when on a visit in 1649 to the members of his church then residing in Providence, found the infant Benjamin, baptized him there and entered the record upon the Salem Church book on his return home. The original records of that period of the Salem Church have been lost, although some of them were copied and kept in a later book which has been preserved. The above facts are gleaned from that book.

When the book, "The Descendants of Nathaniel Mowry of Rhode Island," referred to above, was published, in 1878, it was not known that Nathaniel and John, as well as Joseph of Portsmouth and of Conanicut, were sons of Roger. The facts were discovered by Mr. John O. Austin, of Providence, and the evidence is clearly given by him in his "Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island," from probate records.

By this it appears that John Mowry died July 7, 1690, and his brother Nathaniel was appointed administrator upon his estate Oct. 3, 1690. Soon after that date he rendered a partial account, and among his payments was twelve shillings "paid to my brother Joseph Mowry of Conanicut." This shows that Joseph was brother to Nathaniel and John. But it was not yet known who this Joseph was.

Joseph died May 27, 1716. His wife Mary was executrix, under his will, which was proved and allowed May 31, 1716. By this will Joseph gave a small legacy to his "brother Benjamin," and another legacy to his nephew "Joseph Mowry, son of Benjamin." It was previously clear that Benjamin was the son of Roger, both from the church records of Salem and Roger's deposition in Town Meeting in Providence as to the birth of his children. Now if Joseph was brother to Benjamin he was son of Roger. Then if Nathaniel was brother to Joseph they were all sons of Roger. This evidence is very simple and very clear. The records of the Society of Friends, in commenting upon the death of Mary Mowry, widow of Joseph, state that "she was a valuable minister and celebrated doctress, and in great repute in the Society and with people generally." Joseph was evidently a man of superior intelligence, possessed of considerable wealth, and much respected by the people of the colony. He was constable, and served the town of Portsmouth as deputy to the General Assembly in the years 1686, 1698, 1699, 1701–3–5–8 and '11. He was one of forty-eight persons to whom was granted five thousand acres of land to be called East Greenwich. This was in 1677, and two years later he had fifty acres laid out. Thus we have traced several of the early branches of the family.

Roger Mowry was admitted freeman in Providence in 1655. He built a house about 1653, a portion of which is now standing, newer parts having been built to it from time to time during these intervening centuries. This house is on Abbott Street, near North Main Street, not far from the North Burial-ground. It has been known for many years as the oldest house in the city, and has been called the Olney House.

Professor Isham, of Brown University, has lately proven by real estate records that this house was built by Roger Mowry, as mentioned above. For a series of years he kept a "tavern" in the town of Providence. About the same time Richard Pray was licensed to keep a public house also. It would seem that the liberty-loving people of the town were accustomed to frequent the house kept by Mowry.

A story is told of a Massachusetts constable who had arrested a man at Pawtuxet and was carrying him to Massachusetts. He stopped with his prisoner over night at Pray's Tavern. During the evening some citizens of the town gathered at Mowry's Tavern, discussed the matter, decided that a Massachusetts constable had no right to arrest a man in their colony and carry him to the Bay Colony. They, therefore, suddenly summoned a meeting of the town council at Mowry's Tavern. The members of the council soon gathered and sent a messenger to the Massachusetts officer, demanding by what authority he held his prisoner. Some controversy ensued between the parties, but the result was that the officer did not carry his prisoner to Boston, but he was released.



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Roger's son Thomas, who was born in Providence in 1652, settled in Roxbury, where, in 1673, he married Susanna Newell. This Thomas had a daughter Abigail, born in 1681. In Roxbury one of the leading families in that early time was the Harris family. Robert Harris was one of the first settlers there, and his son Timothy was born in 1650, and did not marry until he was nearly forty-seven years old. When he was about thirty years of age, one day he rapped at the door of neighbor Mowry (Thomas), and as no one answered the summons he pulled the latch-string and walked in. Mrs. Mowry, being out at the time, had left her babe, Abigail, asleep in the cradle. The noise of Timothy's entering awakened the child, who immediately began to cry. While Timothy was trying to pacify the little one, Mrs. Mowry came in, and, amused at the old bachelor's attention to her babe, lifted up her hands, and exclaimed, "Good heart, old bachelor, I have some hopes of you yet." Looking up at her, Timothy immediately replied: "And well you may, good wife, for I propose to wait for this damsel until she be grown, and ask her for my wife."

He kept his promise, and on the second of April, 1697, Timothy Harris, then in his forty-seventh year, was married to Abigail Mowry, who was at that time sixteen years and three days old. They had four children; and Timothy lived to be eighty years of age, and his wife died in her eighty-seventh year.

Abigail had a brother John who inherited the farm from his father, and was a man of property and high standing in the community. He was one of seventeen male members who organized the second church in Roxbury, now West Roxbury. This was in 1712. He presented the church with a silver christening basin, and when the third church was established, now the Unitarian Church, at Jamaica Plain, he presented it with a clock, which is still used,— a round, gilded, dial clock, at the present time in the chapel of that church.

The descendants of Roger Mowry are scattered in large numbers all over the country. His two sons, Nathaniel and John, were among the early settlers of northern Rhode Island, and at one time they were half owners, with three other partners, Edward Inman, Thomas Wallin, and John Steer, of thirty-five hundred acres of land, running from the Blackstone River, near Pawtucket, westward to the Connecticut line, and including the vicinity of what is now the city of Woonsocket. To commemorate the descendants of Nathaniel, in only one direct line, that of Hon. Arlon Mowry, this monument is erected.

The original spelling of the name is still a subject of conjecture. In the early Colonial times it was variously spelled, but much of this variety was doubtless due to the carelessness of the times in regard to spelling, and of the clerks who frequently wrote the name as it sounded when pronounced in their hearing. The signature of Nathaniel, in 1711, was spelled Nathaniel Mowrey, and in Salem the prevailing spelling of Roger's name was Mowry. The spelling, however, gradually settled into two forms, so that to-day, with almost entire uniformity, the descendants of Jonathan and Thomas spell the name Morey. I have been unable to trace any descendants of Benjamin. At one time it was thought that Roger came from Wales, and if so the name may have been Mawry, which would mean the "hill men," or the highlanders, from Mawr, a hill.

From what part of the old country Roger Mowry came is still uncertain, as well as the tradition that he was a relation of Roger Williams. It is stated that there are families in England to-day spelling their name Morey, and also others who spell it Mowry. A few years ago a stationer lived in Bristol, England, who spelled his name Morey.

The history of the family in America is an interesting one, and every way honorable to those who bear the name.

Most of the facts in this brief article have never before been brought together, but are culled from reliable sources after much research.

Twenty years ago a volume of three hundred and forty pages, entitled "The Descendants of Nathaniel Mowry of Rhode Island," and another volume of two hundred and forty pages,





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entitled "Richard Mowry of Uxbridge, Mass., His Ancestors and His Descendants," were published, having been prepared by the writer of this article. No genealogy of any other branch of the family has yet appeared, but in some directions wide research has already been made and much labor bestowed upon the subject, so that it is hoped the records of other branches of this great family will before long be rescued from oblivion and placed in proper form before the public.

When the Nathaniel Mowry book was published, twenty years ago, as has already been stated, it was not known that Nathaniel and John Mowry were the sons of Roger. As John's name first appears with the name of Edward Inman, and Nathaniel's name appears later, it was naturally supposed that John was the older brother.

In Savage's "Genealogical Dictionary of the First Settlers of New England," it is stated that a John Mowry came over in the ship *Blessing* in 1635. The supposition, therefore, would be natural that this John of Rhode Island was the John who came over in the *Blessing*. Subsequent investigations, however, proved that this supposition was entirely erroneous, and that Nathaniel was the older of the two.

Roger Mowry died in 1666. At that time his son Nathaniel was twenty-two, and John twenty-one years of age. Young as they were, we find them starting off into the wilderness of northern Rhode Island, bargaining with William Minnion — a petty Nipmuck chief, subject to the Narragansetts — for a large tract of land. Subsequently this land was divided into shares among the several proprietors owning it. The land was parcelled off into tracts of three hundred acres, including upland and swamps, and with each of these tracts were set apart six acres of meadow-land. The five proprietors then drew lots for the division of the land. The land being thus divided, each proprietor proceeded to locate upon his own premises as a homestead. John Mowry's home from that time till his death was on Sayles's Hill — as it has been known in later days, but in those earlier days for one hundred years it was called Mowry's Hill. John and his wife both died of smallpox in 1690. As we have already seen, his brother Nathaniel administered upon his estate.

It was not absolutely certain where the homestead of Nathaniel was, but it is supposed to have been on what is now known as Iron Mine Hill. Nathaniel died in 1718. By his will he appointed his son Joseph executor. He gave to his son Nathaniel one hundred acres at Wansecutt Hill; to his son John forty acres; to his son Henry fifty acres, "to be taken off on the north side of my homestead upon Wesquotomsit Hill;" to his son Joseph the "remainder part of my homestead, including dwelling-house, orchard, and one hundred and ten acres of land," this bequest being larger than the others, he says, because he had received money from Joseph.

Joseph, the executor of his father's estate, was called Captain Joseph, and he rendered his account to the town council in 1791. This Captain Joseph was one of the leading men of the colony during his lifetime. His home was near the summit of a prominent hill, about a mile westward from the village of Stillwater, a large, square, two-story house, which is still standing and in excellent condition. It was built by him in the year 1708. The tradition in the family is that at the time this house was built it was the largest house in the colony. Here Captain Joseph died in 1746. A full account of this house is given in the Nathaniel Mowry book, beginning on page 40.

His brother Henry was doubtless older than Joseph, and was probably born about the year 1672. Henry's home was on the northerly side of Sayles's Hill, at or near the place lately known as the Tyler Mowry place. Very little more is known of Henry than is given in the Mowry book, beginning on page 32. He was evidently a man of prominence and of great activity. He held the important office of constable at a time when that office required considerable activity.

It will be noticed that the dates of the birth of the children of Nathaniel are not given. While the family lived within the bounderies of the town of Providence, yet they were about





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twelve miles from the principal settlement. Being so far away from the seat of government, the records of the family do not seem to have been kept. After that generation, however, the records were very carefully kept and are quite full. Henry was married, in 1701, to Mary, the daughter of Isaac and Mary Bull, of Newport. This family was one of the prominent families of that settlement. His wife died in 1725, having borne him seven children. He was afterwards married to Hannah, the widow of John Mowry, 2d. Henry lived to a great age, being at the time of his death between eighty-five and ninety years old. His oldest son was Uriah, who married, about 1724, Urania, the daughter of John Paine, of Providence. She bore him at least ten children, and died in her sixty-sixth year. Uriah married again when he was sixty-eight years of age. His second wife was Hannah, the widow of William Arnold, of Providence. She was the daughter of Job Whipple, of Providence. Uriah also lived to a ripe old age, being in his eighty-seventh year when he died.

Uriah's seventh son was Jonathan Mowry, who was for many years a well-known doctor. He married Deborah, the daughter of Jabez Wing. It is a notable circumstance that in addition to the fact that Jonathan was a doctor, he and his wife were both preachers among the Friends or Quakers. He was seventy-two at the time of his death, and although we do not know the date of his wife's birth, we do know that she lived fifty-six years after their marriage. Her death occurred eleven years after that of her husband.

It cannot escape the notice of all that generation after generation these were large families. Roger, the first ancestor in this country, had twelve children; his son, Nathaniel, had eleven; Nathaniel's son, Henry, seven; Henry's son, Uriah, ten at least; Uriah's son, Jonathan, had ten children; Jonathan's son, Caleb, had five; Caleb's son, Barney, six; and Barney's son, Arlon, four,— eight generations and sixty-three persons.

Let me give another series of facts to show the strength and

vitality of this race. Of the twelve children of Roger, the first generation in this country, all but one, the oldest, lived to maturity. In the next generation, all of the eleven children of Nathaniel lived to maturity, and all were married. Following the line which leads to the writer, Captain Joseph had five children, all of whom lived to maturity. Then his son, Captain Daniel, had six children, only one of whom died in childhood.

The next generation was Lawyer Joseph, who had eight children, and all of them lived to be married. The generation following was Preacher Richard, who had six children, all of whom were married. Gideon was the son of Richard, and he had nine children, all of whom were married. Then came his son, Jonathan, who had three children, all of whom lived to mature years, two being married and one unmarried. Of the two who were married, the writer has three children, all living, and his sister is the mother of ten children, all married, and all but one living at the present time, the oldest being fifty-five, and the youngest more than thirty-three years of age. Here, therefore, is the record of one branch of the family in one straight line, from the writer of this, and his children, back to the year 1631, a period of two hundred and sixty-seven years, with the record of the death of only two children prior to maturity, and including an aggregate of seventy-three persons. Seventy-one of these lived to maturity.

The race as a whole have manifested the same stalwart physical strength, and have quite uniformly shown commendable industry and enterprise, with a large degree of intellectual and moral worth. The family may be called a fair specimen of New England yeomanry.

Of the descendants of Nathaniel and John, very many are still inhabitants of northern Rhode Island and southeastern Massachusetts. But their descendants are also found to-day in the British Provinces, all of the New England States, New York and Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin, California, and doubtless other States.

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