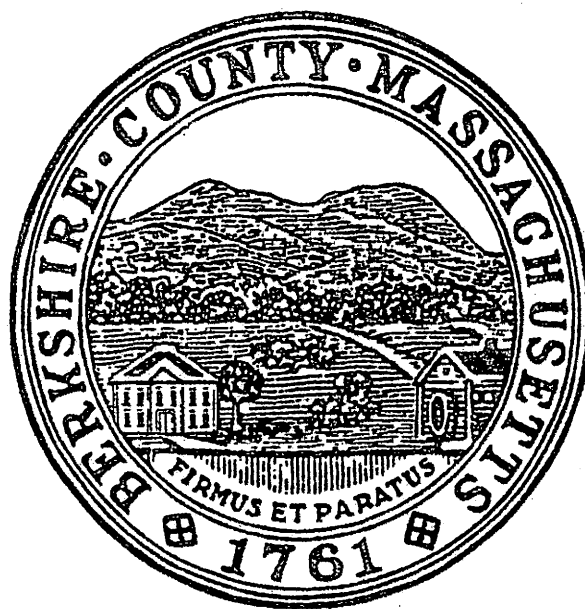


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## UNTANGLING THOSE BERKSHIRE WILLIAMSES

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### DEACON WILLIAM WILLIAMS - TOWN MENTOR

*"The prosperity of the Williams family helped found the town."*

Little has been written about the most important man in the Town of Dalton in 1784. Wealthy, affluent, Yale-educated, William Williams was chosen as the first Town Clerk. The reason why will become evident as you read his manuscripts. He led the townspeople through very difficult years from the Town's incorporation, shortly after the close of the Revolutionary War, for the next fifteen years. The post-Revolutionary War period found a new nation, and a Commonwealth with a new identity, but with a Constitution not readily acceptable or changeable. Combine a hold-back to old ways, a struggle to pay off war debts, and a need to support the new government. Morale was low and discontent was high.

The western frontier in Berkshire County had a patriotism of its own. These people had fought in many local battles of the war, because of their proximity to the action. They may have been mostly farmers, but they knew what they wanted for a new government. The town fathers reflected the anger and idealism in at least two documents created for assent by the townspeople. Both documents caught Williams in the uneasy predicament of pacifying the people without unduly arising the ire of the Commonwealth. The incumbent governor, James Bowdoin, was not particularly sympathetic to the struggle in the western part of the Commonwealth. Dalton seemed to be a constant problem for "Boston" during the remainder of the agonizing eighties.<sup>2</sup>

It wasn't until after Shays' Rebellion, and the election of a new governor (Hancock), that the town seemed to concentrate on its own infrastructure.

From 1774, until after the end of the Revolution in 1782, there was no judicial system in the county. From June 17, 1774 until April 10, 1781, the patriots of Western Massachusetts forbade the royal courts to sit.<sup>3</sup> Colonel Israel Williams and his son Deacon William Williams were out of a job! The people still needed law and order, but now there were no courts to resolve disputes. This was a major problem for all of the English in the Commonwealth. The "patriots" were putting pressure on all Tories in the Commonwealth; especially western Massachusetts. They basically drove them "underground." The great war of the revolution was starting.

Little has been recorded about the growing number of settlers in Ashuelot Equivalent, aside from what is in County history books and the Commonwealth's Archives. Without money from taxes, the towns were left to their own resources to raise the funds needed to get through each year. The Dalton Papers show the town was usually in arrears to the Commonwealth on levies for taxes and military supplies.

Some manuscripts show that after incorporation, the town would reconcile its balance sheet at the end of each "fiscal" year with the treasurer.<sup>4</sup> The first treasurer was William Williams. In later years the treasurer it was Abraham Porter. It is implied, through the manuscripts, that William Williams provided the town with loans and other financial support from his own assets. As J.B. Beers so aptly said in his description of Dalton: *"The prosperity of the Williams family helped found the town."*<sup>5</sup>

### WILLIAM WILLIAMS - THE EARLY YEARS

William Williams, son of Israel, was born at Hatfield on June 10, 1734. He graduated from Yale College in 1754, was admitted to the bar, and later appointed Clerk of Hampshire County Court.

After the royal courts were suspended in 1774, Colonel Israel and son, Deacon William, were no longer in business. They remained in Hatfield during the war. William moved to the family's holdings in the western part of Ashuelot Equivalent sometime in the early

1780's. His brother-in-law, Doctor Perez Marsh, had been established in the Equivalent since 1759 or 1760.<sup>6</sup>

Nothing has been uncovered (as yet) concerning the activities of young William from the time he arrived in Ashuelot Equivalent until the incorporation of the town in 1784.<sup>7</sup> One could speculate that because of his good name and famous Pittsfield cousin, Colonel William Williams, that he was readily assimilated into both communities.

His father, Colonel Israel, was a staunch Tory who owed much of his wealth and success in real estate to the Crown. The son, Deacon William, on the other hand was wise enough to sense the politics of the day, stay moderate, and align himself with the patriots. The son's experience as a clerk in the Hampshire Courts, as well as his prolific background made him a "natural" for a job as town clerk.

Prior to coming to the "Equivalent," William Williams was deacon in the Congregational church in his hometown of Hatfield. Later, he became deacon to the *Dalton Congregational Society*.

Deacon William Williams settled in the western part of town near the Pittsfield line. An early map shows Deacon William Williams on lot 46, this would be along Grange Hall Road near a southeastward curve. Farther south, a "Williams" (probably Israel) owned lot no. 62 in the southwest corner in 1750, as well as adjoining lot no. 61. A close friend, Oliver Partridge owned lot 64 in 1764. These properties are at the intersection of Kirchner and Washington Mountain Roads, and farther south and east along Washington Mountain Road. While Deacon William Williams lived on lot No. 46 (Grange Hall Road). He also was given the southeast part of lot 78, by his father, Israel, in a deed to Chester Marsh, in 1784.<sup>8</sup> This property contained a potash factory and other buildings.

Deacon Williams served in multiple roles as the first Town Clerk, the first Treasurer, and first Assessor. He continued in these positions until he became a State Senator in 1797.<sup>9</sup> He was comfortable with words, and comfortable with writing what he felt. Because of his background, his ministries, and his obviously great financial condition, he was more than any new town could hope for! We are now able to read his many manuscripts.<sup>10</sup> For example, his words on *Grievances To The (existing state) Constitution* (Inv. #803), and his words on the value of freedom, in the meeting on the *Ratification of the Constitution* (Inv. #819b). His moral fiber and conscience - when he abstained from the vote for *Annexation of Windsor Properties* (Inv. #948).

During his term in offices (1784 through 1799), the country acquired a Federal Constitution, Bill of Rights, a President, a Federal Congress, freely elected county judicial courts comprised of patriots with an allegiance to a the country (see Jury List of 1788, Inv. #833, and 1798, Inv. #839ab).

Union Library Society - Williams and other intellectuals set up this endeavor later in the development of the Town. He was instrumental in establishing the mission and the charter for Dalton's first library in 1796. This was a *proprietary* library, known as the Union Library Society.<sup>11</sup> It was operational until 1828 when it disbanded and the assets were sold off. The library served Dalton and Pittsfield people living within four miles, on either side, of what is now Dalton-Division Road. Annual meetings of the Library Committee often met at the home of Deacon William Williams. How fitting, since he was one of, if not the, most educated men in the community, and certainly comfortable with books. His personal library of 66 works listed in his estate,<sup>12</sup> did not duplicate the 135 books in the Union Library Society.

Unlike his father, Deacon William was not a Tory. He was considered by all who knew him to be a honorable and respected man. He gained the confidence of the townspeople and was the holder of many Town offices concurrently. A warrant calling for the first meeting of the Town was directed to Williams by Charles "Goodridge" (Goodrich), Esquire, of Pittsfield.<sup>13</sup> Beers stated: "that ... because of his education and ability, there were no other Town Clerks of equal to Dalton's when he (Deacon Williams) held the office."<sup>14</sup> A cousin of the late Ephraim Williams, he was prominent in the administration of Ephraim's estate, and in carrying out the designs for Williams College, and "...was one of the College's original and most valuable trustees."<sup>15</sup> A letter dated 3 May 1785 from William Williams to his father, Israel, de-

scribes preparation for the release of the monies from Ephraim's will currently in the hands of the executors, to the trustees. A subsequent letter dated August 3, 1785, entitled *Discharge of Executors of the Free School* (the future Williams College) describes the role of Deacon William Williams, then current Dalton Town Clerk, as a valued trustee for the establishment of Williams College.

After his Dalton tenure, he was elected (1797, 1799 & 1800) to the State Senate.<sup>16</sup>

William married Dorothy Ashley of Deerfield. Nine children survived him. He died March 1, 1808 and was buried in Pittsfield's first burial grounds. He was later reburied in the family lot in the "rural cemetery of that town"<sup>17</sup> (Pittsfield Cemetery). A Dorothy Williams died in Dalton in 1832.

### COLONEL ISRAEL WILLIAMS - THE MONARCH OF HAMPSHIRE

Israel, father of Deacon William, was born in Hatfield, Mass. on November 30, 1709. He was a product of his father's (William) second marriage. Israel graduated from Harvard College in 1727, and married Sarah Chester. The children were:

John b. 26-5-1732, d. 7-11-1751; graduated from Harvard in 1751.

William (Deacon) b.10-6-1734, m. Dorothy Ashley (cousin) in 1763- lived in Dalton.

Sarah b.1736, d. 1817; m. Dr. Perez Marsh- lived in Dalton.

Eunice m. Major Israel Stoddard- lived in Pittsfield.

Israel b.1744 d.1823, unmarried- lived in Hatfield.

Jerusha b. 1747, m. William Billings- lived in Conway.

Elizabeth b.1750, d. 1786, m. Elisha Billings- lived in Conway.

Lucretia 18 b. 1753, m. 1786 John Chandler Williams- lived in Pittsfield.

Colonel Israel would have been 65 years old in 1774. For years to come the Colonel was hounded by the patriots/revolutionaries. Eventually Israel had become the victim of Tory abusers, was sentenced to jail in April 1777 without proper judicial procedure. When he was released from jail in December 1777, through a petition of his son William "on behalf of his father and brother,"<sup>19</sup> he was confined to his home for a period of three years.<sup>20</sup> Coincidentally, a few months prior to Israel's release, General Burgoyne suffered a major defeat. This probably helped to softened the General Court for his release.

In 1785, after 31 years, Colonel Williams turned over the trust left by his cousin Ephraim's will, to his son William and others, initiating the founding of Williams College. This was one of the last public acts of the monarch's mammoth career.<sup>21</sup>

Unlike his son, Israel remained a Tory. Both he and his son were accomplished in law. Israel had a proprietary interest in several western Provincial Massachusetts townships including Ashuelot Equivalent. Colonial records of the *Original Proprietors and Subsequent Owners* indicates that lot No. 61 was solely in the Colonel's name *not as a proprietor but as a subsequent owner*. While three other Ashuelot Equivalent lots ( No.s 19, 23, 58, ) were owned by Israel as an original proprietor.<sup>22</sup> The relevance of this distinction is not known.

### ISRAEL'S EARLY YEARS

"In 1734, in the company of Colonel John Stoddard and Colonel Dwight of Northampton, (Israel) visited and viewed land grants in the Ware river Valley. In the same year, he was sent into extreme western Massachusetts, to supervise settlement in the Ashuelot grant area (now Dalton and Pittsfield, Massachusetts). Undoubtedly he kept an open eye for personal opportunities to obtain land.".....<sup>23</sup> Israel's service to the crown included protection of the western settlements of the Massachusetts Province. He earned military recognition as the leading local Hatfield commander and Colonel of the colonial militia.

The Williams (Colonel Israel) received much of his wealth in property from the crown as a result of valued services to the royal governors of the Commonwealth in the French and Indian wars "In the wars of 1744 and 1755 Col. Williams of Hatfield, rendered (the) most essential services to his Country, in his offices of Colonel and Commissary..."<sup>24</sup> "When his father died, Israel Williams became the richest man in Hatfield."<sup>25</sup>

He was a trusted confidential friend to the royal governors. Colonel Israel Williams was, and for many years prior to the Revolution, been a clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas,<sup>26</sup> as well as a special justice in the Court of Common Pleas in Hampshire county. A references is in error when it states "In 1774 his run-in with patriotic revolutionists ('...smoke old Williams to a Whig...') soon led him to 'banishment' to his property in Ashuelot Equivalent."<sup>27</sup> In fact, Colonel Israel Williams never left Hatfield. He died in 1788, and is buried in the Williams Family plot in Hatfield.

### THE PITTSFIELD (COLONEL) WILLIAM WILLIAMS FAMILY

Colonel William Williams, of Pittsfield fame, was born in 1713. He was a product of his father's (William) first marriage. William graduated from Harvard college in 1729 as had his father in 1705, and his grandfather (also William) in 1683. After graduation, he studied medicine. Soon he abandoned medicine to become a merchant in Boston. He abandoned that also to become a commissioned Ensign under General Oglethorpe in 1740. Later, he returned to Massachusetts into the service of his uncle, Colonel Stoddard, and to Colonel Wendell.<sup>28</sup>

"Colonel Williams, in 1743, became a proprietor in one of the lots by agreement with Colonel Wendell and Stoddard ..... he later held important offices in the Pittsfield and the County; sometimes being at the same time; Chief Justice of the (Court of ) Common Pleas, Judge of Probate, Colonel of Militia, Representative, Selectman, Assessor, Moderator of town meetings, Clerk, Hog Reeve, etc...."<sup>29</sup> In 1759, Colonel William Williams owned at least 248 acres of first rate land in Poontoosuck Township (later Pittsfield), in the county of Hampshire and in the Province of Massachusetts Bay.<sup>30</sup>

Colonel Williams was one of the first settlers in Pittsfield (then Poontoosuc). He at one time built a house on outer East Street, just before the river. He later received permission from the Provincial government to fortify this house into what became Fort Anson. lent reading on Colonel William Williams, and the fortification of his home to become Anson is contained in the much referenced Beers History of Berkshire County. A daughter, Mirriam, married Pittsfield's Revolutionary war hero, Colonel James D. Colt.

Located on Williams Street at 494/6 Williams St., is a stone marker with the following inscription:

- COURT HILL -  
THE HISTORIC LONG HOUSE  
SCENE OF MANY COURT SESSIONS AND MEETINGS  
IN THE YEARS LEADING TO THE REVOLUTION  
WAS BUILT HERE IN 1764  
BY COLONEL WILLIAM WILLIAMS  
ONE OF PITTSFIELD'S FOUNDERS

This became final residence of Colonel William Williams, after his first home - the site of Fort Anson in the late 1750's. The present building is not the original but is on the original site. A 1783 Pittsfield map, in the Proprietor's book at the Registry Of Deeds, shows the Col. Williams house at this location. The Royal Court house at this location was logical since it was on a hill, on the turnpike, and well south of the swampy land surrounding Goodrich's pond. This Courthouse location connected with Dalton to the east, Lenox and Washington to the south (Holmes Road) and Pittsfield to the northwest.<sup>31</sup> The turnpike (Williams Street) was at one time called Honasada (way) by the Indians. A Honasada Street exists today near Holmes Road and Williams Street.

Col. Williams died in 1785. Originally he was buried, and his monument stood, within a few feet of the old meeting house (on East Street). The monument now stands south-west of St. John's Lake in the new cemetery.<sup>32</sup>

A grave stone was in the old part of the Pittsfield Cemetery on Peck's road reads "Here is Interr,d ye agreeable & Generous Mrs. Sara Williams.. (with her infant Babe).. Consort of.. Col. William Williams ..who died Febry 24th ca 1764" ...



(Colonel) William Williams of Pittsfield was the older cousin (by 21 years) to Deacon William Williams of Dalton.<sup>33</sup> Colonel Williams was, a mentor (albeit earlier) to the town of Pittsfield, and certainly must have been an inspiration to his Dalton cousin.

#### REVEREND WILLIAM WILLIAMS

Father of Colonel William Williams,  
Brother of Colonel Israel Williams.

Reverend William Williams, son of William Williams of Hatfield, and father of Colonel William Williams of Pittsfield, older brother of Col. Israel Williams of Hatfield, was born in Weston Mass., May 11, 1688. He graduated from Harvard College in 1705, and married Hannah Stoddard. The children were:

William (Col.) b. (1713)<sup>34</sup>; graduated from Harvard in 1729- lived in Pittsfield.

Anna b. 1717, m. 1734; Oliver Partridge<sup>35</sup> of Hatfield.

Nathaniel b. 1724.

Esther b. 1726 m. (1748); Dr. Thomas Williams.

Solomon - graduated from Harvard in 1747, lived in Salisbury, Conn.

#### JOHN CHANDLER WILLIAMS

Another Williams - John Chandler Williams - was also prominent in early Pittsfield history. His house once sat at the site of the Berkshire County Courthouse. John Chandler Williams, Esq., of Pittsfield, was in the French and Indian War (battle of Fort William Henry). He was an officer....in the year 1757, "and (was) present in that disgraceful and sanguinary massacre on the 9th of August of that year".....This relates to the massacre of August 9, 1757, which took place after the surrender of Fort William Henry when the French Indians slaughtered the British prisoners.<sup>36</sup> (He) "was appointed Deputy Sheriff under Col. Oliver Partridge of Hatfield....."<sup>37</sup> In 1786 he married Lucretia, daughter of Colonel Israel Williams.<sup>38</sup> For more information, read (.....the Very Elite of the Country.....) in the Williams Family.<sup>39</sup>

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1. See *Dalton Papers* 803, 891b relating to "Grievances."
  2. Among other things, twelve members of Shays' Rebellion came from Dalton.
  3. There were, however, special Courts of Sessions convened to try Tories. (re: Lion Miles)
  4. See, for example, *Dalton Papers* No. 838.
  5. *History of Berkshire County*, Vol. 1, J. B. Beers & Co. 1885, p.637.
  6. See *Dalton Papers* chapter on "March Family."
  7. From an unpublished work by the late Donald Baldwin, is a note that William Williams came to Dalton shortly before the death of his brother-in-law, Perez Marsh, in 1784.
  8. Deed, Israel Williams to Chester Marsh, September 29, 1784; Registry of Deeds, Pittsfield, Mass.
  9. Beers, p.304.
  10. Many are not signed; compare handwritings.
  11. Union Library Society; Inv. 238, T. C. Office.
  12. Berkshire County Probate Docket No. 2569
  13. Beers, op. cit. p.639.
  14. Ibid.
  15. Ibid.
  16. Beers, p.304.
  17. Ibid., p.639.
  18. Lucretia saved the noble elm in Pittsfield's Park Square; *Proceedings, First Church of Christ*, Sun Printing, 1889, p.29.
  19. *Papers of Israel Williams*, Mass. Historical Society; November, 1777.
  20. Personal communication of Lion Miles with author, February, 1997.
  21. Leverett Spring, *History of Williams College*, (Boston 1917), P.163.
  22. See Maps, *Dalton Papers*, Section H.
  23. *Israel Williams, Monarch of Hampshire, 1709-1788*, George Henry Merriam, Clark, Univ. Chapter 1, p.11.

24. *Williams Family*, Berkshire Athenaeum. 929.2 W67; p.xviii.
25. *Israel Williams, Monarch of Hampshire, 1709-1788*, George Henry Merriam, Clark, Univ. Chapter 1, p.15.
26. "Massachusetts Archives," XLII, 51-52.
27. Beers, p.638
28. *History of Pittsfield, Mass. 1734-1800*, J.E.A. Smith, pp.78-81.
29. *Ibid.*, p.285
30. Beers, Vol. 2 p.290.
31. *History of Pittsfield, Mass. 1734-1800*, J.E.A. Smith, map p.502.
32. *Ibid.*, p.439
33. *Shepard Papers*, Berkshire Athenaeum.
34. *History of Pittsfield, Mass. 1734-1800*, J.E.A. Smith, p.78 but birth at 1711.
35. Oliver Partridge deeded property to Josiah Lawrence, on the eastern line of Dalton.
36. Personal communication with Lion Miles, February 1997.
37. *Williams Family*, Greenfield, Merriam & Mirich, 1847. Berkshire Athenaeum 929.2 W67., p.xx.
38. *The Shepard Papers*, Berkshire Athenaeum.
39. Berkshire Athenaeum, Local History Section.

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## VOLUNTEER PAY ROLL

### The Elmer I. Shepard Collection

A Pay Roll of a Company of Volunteers under the command of Col. Joab Stafford who marched from New Providence in the County of Berkshire July 16th 1777 to reinforce Col Warner at Manchester in Pursuance of orders from Maj. General Schuyler. [The record is the same for all: they marched on July 16, 50 miles before drawing provisions, returned home July 30, a total of 15 days in service. Amount of wages £0, 10 plus 4d per mile to return home.

Col. Joab Stafford	Lt. William Jenkins	Bennoni Collins
Capt. Shubael Willmarth	Ezekiel Willson	Jona? Richardson
Capt. Abiather Angel	Ezekiel Mighles	John Bourn
Capt. Thomas Nichols	Aaron Case	Simeon Cole
Lieut. Jeremiah Brown	Reuben Simonds	Rufus Spencer
Lieut. Simon Smith	Humphry Tiffany	Doct. Towner
Lt. Lewis Walker	Hooker Low	Lt. John Willmarth

Suffolk Feby 4 1778

Test. Joab Stafford, Capt.

The original sworn to before Jabez Fisher, Jus Peac

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## CORRIGENDA

Re: Volume 21, Number 4, Page 124. Sally Light, of Austerlitz, NY, author of *House Histories*, has researched the Sheffield area extensively and informs us that "L. Clark" at B-6 should be J. Clark, and "G. H. Turner" at B-5 should be G. Warner. Careful examination of a clearer copy of the map indicates Ms. Light is correct.

Re: Volume 22, Number 1, Page 35, Line 18. Charles Tieman of Waterford, CA, who has done extensive research in this area, states that N.A. should denote New Ashford. ■

# A CUMULATIVE CENSUS OF PERU, MASSACHUSETTS, 1790-1920

Compiled by Alice Halvorsen

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YEAR	PAGE	LINE	FIRST	LAST	AGE	BORN
1790	1b	8	Betty	Parker		
1790	1b	16	Samuel	Parker		
1800	188	19	Abel	Parker		
1810	403	9	Abel	Parker		
1810	403	8	Ezra	Parker		
1810	403	7	Jonathan	Parker		
1810	403	24	Samuel	Parker		
1800	188	17	Abel	Parker, Jun		
1790	1b	1	George	Parkhurst		
1790	2	14	William	Parkhurst		
1800	188	29	Asa	Parks		
1860	250	21	Harland	Parsons	16	
1860	250	18	Maria	Parsons	55	Mass
1860	250	17	Thomas	Parsons	56	Mass
1910	1b	81	Andrew	Partner	38	NovaScotia
1800	188	16	Allen	Payn		
1800	188	31	Ebenezer	Payn		
1800	188	32	Stephen	Payn		
1920	2	19	Clara	Payson	33	Mass
1920	2	22	Edith	Payson	6	Mass
1920	2	20	Elisabeth	Payson	13	Mass
1920	2	23	Ellen	Payson	5	Mass
1920	2	24	Frederich	Payson	8/12	Mass
1920	2	21	Ruth	Payson	10	Mass
1920	2	18	Arthur J.	Payson	35	Mass
1880	557b	49	Albert	Pealt	26	Mass
1880	557b	50	Minnie	Pealt	36	Mass
1870	499	35	Rebecca	Pearce	75	RhodeIsland
1870	499	34	Rollin	Pearce	76	Mass
1800	188	34	William	Pearse		
1800	188	20	James	Pease		
1790	2a	8	Asabel	Peck		
1790	2a	9	Gideon	Peck		
1790	2a	10	Jatheel	Peck		
1850	579	3	Jane C.	Peck	7	Mass
1850	579	2	Juliett	Peck	31	Mass

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1850	579	1	Abner	Peck	32	Mass
1800	188	35	George	Peine		
1790	1a	38	Ebenezer	Peirce		
1790	1a	22	Levi	Peirce		
1800	188	26	Benjamin	Peirce		
1800	188	23	Ebenezer	Peirce		
1800	188	24	John	Peirce		
1800	188	25	Levi	Peirce		
1830	10	20	George	Peirce		
1830	10	16	Henry	Peirce		
1830	6	1	Isaac	Peirce		
1830	10	15	Levi	Peirce		
1830	10	18	Rollin	Peirce		
1830	10	10	Shadrach	Peirce		
1840	4	22	Benjamin	Peirce		
1840	1	9	Ebenezer	Peirce		
1840	3	4	Eli	Peirce		
1840	4	15	Emery	Peirce		
1840	4	18	George	Peirce		
1840	4	5	Henry	Peirce		
1840	4	23	Henry	Peirce		
1840	3	6	Isaac	Peirce		
1840	4	26	Isaac S.	Peirce		
1840	4	19	Lafayette	Peirce		
1840	4	14	Levi	Peirce		
1840	4	16	Rollin	Peirce		
1850	576	7	Aurelia E.	Peirce	39	CT
1850	576	8	Dwight	Peirce	6	CT
1850	573	25	Electa	Peirce	61	Mass
1850	576	17	Electa M.	Peirce	6	Mass
1850	576	12	James D.	Peirce	18	Mass
1850	576	11	Lydia D.	Peirce	18	Mass
1850	575	36	Mariett L.	Peirce	30	Mass
1850	575	35	Marsemas D.	Peirce	26	Mass
1850	573	29	Martha	Peirce	29	Mass
1850	576	16	Martha	Peirce	7	Mass
1850	573	26	Martin	Peirce	17	Mass
1850	576	15	Mary A.	Peirce	12	Mass
1850	576	18	Mercy	Peirce	6	Mass
1850	576	9	Otheman	Peirce	2	Mass

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YEAR	PAGE	LINE	FIRST	LAST	AGE	BORN
1850	575	34	Rebecca	Peirce	55	Mass
1850	576	13	Sarah E.	Peirce	16	Mass
1850	576	14	Wesley	Peirce	14	Mass
1850	573	28	Aaron	Peirce	31	Mass
1850	573	24	Ebenezer	Peirce	61	Mass
1850	576	10	Henry B.	Peirce	40	Mass
1850	576	6	Lorin	Peirce	46	Mass
1850	575	33	Rollin	Peirce	56	Mass
1870	499b	26	Ann L.	Peirce	45	Mass
1870	499b	28	Electa L.	Peirce	80	Mass
1870	499b	4	Lemanner	Peirce	52	Mass
1870	499b	27	Warren G.	Peirce	18	Mass
1870	499b	3	Benjamin	Peirce	50	Mass
1870	499b	25	E. Warren	Peirce	49	Mass
1880	557b	35	Lydia D.	Peirce	67	Mass
1880	557b	36	Sarah	Peirce	46	Mass
1880	557b	34	Henry	Peirce	67	Mass
1850	580	26	Amarilla A.	Pelton	9	Mass
1850	580	27	Armanella A.	Pelton	9	Mass
1850	580	29	Grafton S.	Pelton	5	Mass
1850	580	25	Laura	Pelton	43	Mass
1850	580	30	Mary J.	Pelton	3	Mass
1850	580	28	Sanford H.	pelton	7	Mass
1850	580	24	Alson H.	Pelton	39	Mass
1860	251	39	Amanella A.	Pelton	19	Mass
1860	251	40	Amarilla A.	Pelton	19	Mass
1860	252	2	Grafton S.	Pelton	15	Mass
1860	251	38	Laura	Pelton	53	Mass
1860	252	3	Mary J.	Pelton	13	Mass
1860	252	1	Sanford H.	Pelton	17	Mass
1860	251	37	Alson H.	Pelton	49	Mass
1870	497b	29	Ammarilla	Pelton	29	Mass
1870	497b	31	Grafton S.	Pelton	24	Mass
1870	497b	32	Mary J.	Pelton	22	Mass
1870	497b	30	Sanford	Pelton	27	Mass
1870	497b	28	Alson	Pelton	59	Mass
1880	555	43	Armanella	Pelton	39	Mass
1880	555	42	Alson	Pelton	69	Mass
1910	1	27	Mary R.	Penmann	12	Mass
1910	1	26	Anna E.	Penmann	14	Mass

YEAR	PAGE	LINE	FIRST	LAST	AGE	BORN
1910	1	23	Anna M.	Penmann	51	Germany
1910	1	25	George F.	Penmann	17	CT
1910	1	24	John J.	Penmann	19	Germany
1910	1	22	August	Penmann	52	Germany
1810	403	20	Sally	Pepper		
1790	2	7	Joseph	Perry		
1800	188	21	John	Perry		
1800	188	22	Joseph	Perry		
1850	578	18	Joseph	Perry	2	Mass
1840	2	10	Aalson	Petton		
1830	7	8	Ebenezer	Phillips		
1830	8	27	Smith	Phillips		
1880	555b	31	King	Phillips	21	Mass
1790	1a	23	Smith	Phillips		
1800	188	27	Smith	Phillips		
1810	403	22	Ebenezer	Phillips		
1810	403	11	Smith	Phillips		
1820	4	2	Ebenezer	Phillips		
1820	3	29	Smith	Phillips		
1840	4	29	Smith	Phillips		
1850	573	5	James P.	Phillips	12	NY
1850	580	38	Minerva	Phillips	48	Mass
1850	580	37	Washington	Phillips	39	Mass
1880	555b	30	Caroline	Phillips	56	Mass
1880	555b	29	C. Henry	Phillips	61	Mass
1880	555b	28	Frank	Phillips	22	Mass
1900	310	8	Flora	Phillips	15	Mass
1900	310	9	Mary C.	Phillips	5	Mass
1910	2	50	Flora B.	Phillips	25	Mass
1910	2b	51	Mary C.	Phillips	13	Mass
1920	3b	98	Flora	Phillips	39	Mass
1810	403	16	Benjamin	Pierce		
1810	403	12	Daniel	Pierce		
1810	403	13	Eli	Pierce		
1810	403	17	George	Pierce		
1810	403	15	Henry	Pierce		
1810	403	14	Levi	Pierce		
1810	403	19	Shadrach	Pierce		
1820	3	26	Benjamin	Pierce		
1820	3	28	Ebenezer	Pierce		

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1820	3	25	Eli	Pierce		
1820	3	30	Henry	Pierce		
1820	3	24	Isaac	Pierce		
1820	3	27	Levi	Pierce		
1820	4	1	Rollin	Pierce		
1830	8	11	Ebenezer	Pierce		
1830	7	26	Eli	Pierce		
1850	574	27	Ann-Lu	Pierce	25	
1850	584	35	Betsy	Pierce	22	Mass
1850	574	26	E. Warren	Pierce	29	Mass
1850	574	25	Electa	Pierce	60	Mass
1850	582	34	Elisabeth	Pierce	47	Mass
1850	582	37	Eliza	Pierce	39	Mass
1850	582	39	Ellen E.	Pierce	11	Mass
1850	582	38	Lewis L.	Pierce	17	Mass
1850	582	35	Lodema	Pierce	56	Mass
1850	584	36	McHindra B.	Pierce	2	Mass
1850	584	33	Polly	Pierce	25	NY
1850	584	34	Alvah B.	Pierce	25	Mass
1850	574	24	Eli	Pierce	77	Mass
1850	582	33	Henry	Pierce	47	Mass
1850	584	32	Isaac	Pierce	64	Mass
1850	582	36	Isaac L.	Pierce	47	Mass
1860	247	18	Abigail	Pierce	91	CT
1860	248	30	Ann L.	Pierce	35	Mass
1860	248	9	Benjamin F.	Pierce	42	Mass
1860	248	29	E. Warren	Pierce	39	Mass
1860	248	28	Electa	Pierce	70	Mass
1860	255	7	Electa	Pierce	67	Mass
1860	247	14	Elva A.	Pierce	7	Mass
1860	247	15	Emma J.	Pierce	6	Mass
1860	247	17	Ida F.	Pierce	3	Mass
1860	247	13	Lydia A.	Pierce	30	NY
1860	255	9	Melvina	Pierce	26	Mass
1860	255	10	Myrtilla M.	Pierce	1	Mass
1860	248	8	Polly	Pierce	70	RI
1860	247	20	Rebecca	Pierce	65	RI
1860	248	10	Samantha L.	Pierce	42	Mass
1860	248	31	Warren C.	Pierce	8	Mass
1860	255	6	Ebenezer	Pierce	71	Mass

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1860	248	27	Eli	Pierce	87	Mass
1860	248	7	Isaac	Pierce	75	Mass
1860	247	12	Levi L.	Pierce	34	Mass
1860	255	8	Martin	Pierce	27	Mass
1860	247	19	Rollin	Pierce	67	Mass
1860	247	16		Pierce	6	Mass
1900	310	48	Ada L.	Pierce	14	Mass
1900	310	46	Emma A.	Pierce	52	NY
1900	310b	57	Fannie	Pierce	60	England
1900	310	47	Florie B.	Pierce	17	Mass
1900	310b	58	Mariette	Pierce	80	Mass
1900	310b	56	Levi M.	Pierce	74	Mass
1900	310	45	William	Pierce	47	Mass
1910	2b	68	Ada L.	Pierce	23	Mass
1910	1	38	Eudora	Pierce	7	Mass
1910	2b	67	William R.	Pierce	57	Mass
1810	403	18	Levi	Pierce, Jr.		
1810	403	23	Barnabas	Pike		
1880	555b	27	Arthur	Pike	1	Mass
1880	555b	25	Ellen	Pike	36	Mass
1880	555b	26	Walter	Pike	10	Mass
1880	555b	24	Charles	Pike	35	Mass
1900	309b	64	Ellen C.	Pike	56	Mass
1900	309b	65	Walter H.	Pike	30	Mass
1900	309b	63	Charles B.	Pike	56	Mass
1920	1b	70	Matter H.	Pike	49	Mass
1920	1b	66	Ellen	Pike	77	Mass
1790	2a	11	Joseph	Plumb		
1900	309b	52	Edith S.	Plumb	31	Mass
1900	309b	51	Rev. Albert	Plumb	36	Mass
1800	188	28	Daniel	Pomeroy		
1800	188	18	John	Poole		
1920	1b	61	George	Porter	39	Mass
1800	188	33	Ichabod	Post		
1900	311	20	Charlotte	Powell	77	NY
1900	311	21	Edgar J.	Powell	42	NY
1900	311	19	Deverance	Powell	73	NY
1910	2	21	Edgar	Powell	55	NY
1850	583	42	Esther	Pratt	58	NY
1850	583	41	Dvid	Pratt	49	NY



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1790	2a	12	Thomas	Prentice		
1800	188	30	Thonmas	Prentiss		
1810	403	10	Joseph G.	Presho		
1860	248	22	Amanua	Rathbone	54	Mass
1860	248	21	Jonah A.	Rathbone	48	NY
1800	188	43	Jonas	Raymond		
1810	403	26	Amos	Raymond		
1810	403	28	William G.	Raymond		
1830	9	8	Asahel	Raymond		
1830	8	4	Joseph H.	Raymond		
1840	3	29	Asahel	Raymond		
1850	583	7	Abraham	Raymond	6	Mass
1850	583	2	Amos	Raymond	14	Mass
1850	583	4	Asabel	Raymond	10	Mass
1850	583	5	Asenath	Raymond	9	Mass
1850	583	8	Daniel G.	Raymond	5	Mass
1850	582	42	Electra M.	Raymond	19	Mass
1850	583	10	James M.	Raymond	9/10	Mass
1850	583	3	John	Raymond	13	Mass
1850	583	1	Louisa	Raymond	15	Mass
1850	583	6	Samuel	Raymond	7	Mass
1850	582	41	Slyvia	Raymond	32	Mass
1850	583	9	William L.	Raymond	2	Mass
1850	582	40	Asabel	Raymond	42	Mass
1860	257	2	Abraham J.	Raymond	16	Mass
1860	256	39	Asahel	Raymond	21	Mass
1860	257	6	Charles H.	Raymond	8	Mass
1860	257	3	Daniel G.	Raymond	15	Mass
1860	257	5	James M.	Raymond	11	Mass
1860	256	38	John	Raymond	22	Mass
1860	256	40	Lena	Raymond	19	Mass
1860	257	4	Lyman W.	Raymond	13	Mass
1860	257	7	Mary S.	Raymond	7	Mass
1860	257	1	Sam	Raymond	17	Mass
1860	256	37	Sylvia	Raymond	41	Mass
1860	256	36	Asahel	Raymond	51	Mass
1870	498b	31	Asenath	Raymond	29	Mass
1870	498b	33	Charles	Raymond	48	Mass
1870	498b	32	James	Raymond	20	Mass

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## ANCESTOR TABLES

[An asterisk preceding an entry indicates that the correspondent is seeking more information on that ancestor.]

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## I.

1. Eileen Ella FULLER, 1948- ; Great Falls, Montana; Ellerbe.

## II.

2. Theodore Lane FULLER, 1904-1983; Estherville, Iowa; Montana.
3. Elizabeth Bertha FUERSTENAU, 1916- ; Montana.

## III.

4. Chauncey Orson FULLER, 1862-1943; Stony Creek, New York; South Dakota; Montana.
5. Alice Mary NICHOLS, 1867-1940; Iowa; Montana.
6. Paul Julius FUERSTENAU, 1866-1949; Watertown, Wisconsin; Fergus County, Montana.
7. Mary Franchesca FUCHS, 1883-1952; Faribault, Minnesota; Fergus County.

## IV.

8. Joel Chester FULLER, 1828-1906; Stony Creek; South Dakota; Warren County, New York.
9. Rachel Anna WELLS, 1832-1902; Warren County; South Dakota.
10. Luther NICHOLS, 1827-1916; Sardinia, New York; Iowa; Montana.
11. Henrietta Evalyn WOODMANCY, 1835-1932; Geauga County, Ohio; Iowa; Montana.
12. Wilhelm FUERSTENAU, 1830-1905; Pomerania; Illinois; Wisconsin.
13. Wilhelmine (Johanna) GRAMZOW, 1827-1921; Pomerania; Illinois; Wisconsin.
14. Christian FUCHS, 1842-1939; Faribault.
15. Augusta Marie MATHIS, -1933; Faribault.

## V.

16. Lyman D. FULLER, 1800-1891; Warren County.
17. Eliza Julia JEWELL, 1801-1856; Saratoga County, New York; Warren County.
20. Clark NICHOLS, 1797-1879; Coventry, Rhode Island; Sardinia.
21. Nancy HOWELL, 1806-1880; Sardinia.
22. David M. WOODMANCY, - ;
23. Dorothy , - ;
24. Johann Gottfried FUERSTENAU, 1805- ; Pomerania.
25. Marie Elizabeth MANTHEY, 1805- ; Pomerania.
26. Samuel Friedrich Gottfried GRAMZOW, - ;
27. Hanna FELSOW, - ;
28. Christian Frederick FUCHS, I, 1818-1845; Brandenburg.
29. Dorothea EICKHART, 1818- ;
30. Martin Frederick MATHES, - ;
31. Johanna Wilhelmine DRAEGER, - ;

## VI.

32. Thomas FULLER, ca1771-1846; Athol, New York; Stony Creek.
33. Lucy BURT, ca1777-1865; Stony Creek.
40. Reuben NICHOLS, 1763-1840; Coventry; Sardinia.
41. Freelove MATTESON, 1777-1811; Coventry.
44. Thomas WOODMANCY, - ; New Jersey. ☐

## THE FAMILY OF AGRIPPA HULL: NOTES AND SOURCES

By Emilie S. Piper

In response to an unusual number of requests for access to the research sources used in preparing our Agrippa Hull article (Volume 22, Number 1, Page 3) we are pleased to offer this supplement. Ed.

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Berkshire Collection. Berkshire Athenaeum. Vol. 42: *Stockbridge Cemetery Inscriptions*. Agrippa Hull, Jane D., James, Aseph, Margaret, p. 119.

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\_\_\_\_\_. Probate Records. Microfilm, Roll 29 (Vol. 52). Will of Charlotte Potter, Feb. 6, 1849, #7267. She names two of her husband's nephews, p. 65.

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- \_\_\_\_\_. Vol. 32: *Stockbridge Congregational Church Records*. Margaret Timbrook admitted, p. 10; Caesar, servant child baptized, p. 41; marriage of Charlotte Hull and Morris Potter, p. 157; death of James Hull, p. 182; death of Asa Hull, Sept. 6, 1836, p. 173.
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## DOCTOR PEREZ MARSH FAMILY

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Dr. Perez Marsh was one of the very first settlers of Ashuelot Equivalent. "The permanent settlement of Dalton (at that time Ashuelot Equivalent)...cannot date many months before the spring of 1760."<sup>1</sup> The Marsh family first settled in the western part of town near the Pittsfield line on lot No. 74. Perez likely bought or mortgaged this property from his father-in-law Israel Williams. Doctor and Judge Perez Marsh operated an inn and tavern. This was probably his chief livelihood. There is no record that he ever practiced medicine after the famous battle at Lake George in 1755. (Today, this property is just south and west of Grange Hall Road.)

### The Marsh Tavern Relocates

After his death in 1788, Colonel Israel Williams' will deeded lot 74 with the homestead and tavern to his daughter, Sarah, Perez's widow, and his grandson, Chester Marsh. A deed exists where Chester (1789) sells the property back to the estate and its heirs (Deacon William Williams).<sup>2</sup> Chester had on September 29, 1784 purchased property (lot No. 78) from Israel Williams. It was here, on Main near South Streets, that the second and final Marsh tavern was located. Sarah ran the tavern and inn for many years as attested in several of the Dalton Papers.

Nathaniel Kellogg and Joseph Chamberlin, at about the same time, made their homes further south on (or near) Kirchner and Washington Mountain roads east of Pittsfield's outer Williams Street.

### Before Lake George

Dr. Perez Marsh married Sarah Williams, Israel's daughter. Sarah, (born 1736) married Perez at the age of 23. Perez was 30 at the time. The courtship was interesting. It seems Colonel Ephraim Williams was "infatuated" with Sarah, his half cousin, and had proposed to her before he started for that fateful engagement at Lake George. It is recorded that he offered to make his will giving her all of his property, but she declined. She declined on the basis of age. At the time he was 40 and she was 19.<sup>3</sup> She, however, liked Perez, who was more her age. At time they both lived in Hatfield. The story becomes more interesting because Perez Marsh became surgeon's mate to (college-friend) Doctor Thomas Williams at the famous battle where Ephraim was killed in 1755. We all know the famous will was later rewritten to create a school for Upper Hoosac (Williams College). But that is another story.

Israel Williams and Perez Marsh were friends and neighbors in Hatfield before the marriage union took place. They were both in good favor with the Crown. This coupling of the two men would become very beneficial to, and help shape, the development of the Equivalent.

Much later, Deacon William Williams would settle in the area off South Street but near his brother-in-law, Perez Marsh. This would happen in the early 1780's, or as late as 1784. Joseph Chamberlin and Perez Marsh, later on, moved farther north to Main Street. Nathaniel Kellogg stayed in the south-western Equivalent, and is today buried in the East-Part Cemetery in outer Williams Street.

"Dr. and Judge Perez Marsh was born in Hadley, Mass on October 25, 1729. He was the son of Capt. Job Marsh, and Mehitable Porter. He graduated from Harvard in 1748. In 1754 he was appointed College Librarian but relinquished this position for graduate study in theology. He took an additional degree at Yale but abandoned Theology to settle on the frontiers, read medicine with Thomas Williams, and engage in Hatfield Militia politics. In 1755 he enlisted as Surgeons-Mate to Dr. Thomas Williams in the regiment being formed By Col.

Ephraim Williams for the Lake George Campaign."<sup>4</sup>

"After Marsh came to Ashuelot Equivalent (*Variously reported as 1755 to 1760-auth.*), he was appointed, in Pittsfield, Justice of the Peace (June 24, 1761), a Special Justice of the Court of Common Pleas (June 6, 1765), and a standing Justice of said court, to succeed Gen. Dwight (September 6, 1768). ....He died at Dalton, May 20, 1784, (barely two months after incorporation of the Town) leaving two sons (Chester and Henry) and several daughters....."<sup>5</sup>

A collection of early Dalton papers compiled by the late Donald Baldwin included a comprehensive listing of the Perez Marsh family. While a partial "tree" is presented here, a more detailed genealogy is contained in the *Hartford Marsh Family* book previously referenced. It resides in the Local History section of the Berkshire Athenaeum:

#2 Dr. Perez Marsh; (son of Capt. Joab) m. (1) Mehitable Porter, m. (2) Sarah Williams (1759) b. 25-10-1729 Hawley d. 20-5-1784 Dalton.

#3 Chester; (son of Perez) b. 1-10-1760 d. 1830 m. 30-1-1785; Hannah Burnham.

#3 Henry; (son of Perez) b. 11-9-1771 d. 8-9-1824 m. 26-3-1796; Betsy Lawrence.

#4 Henry, (son of Henry #3) b. 6-9-1797 d. 4-6-1852 m. 5-9-1821 Sarah Whitney.

#5 Dwight Whitney, (son of Henry #4) b. 5-11-1823, d. 1896 m. 19-10-1852 Julia White Peck.

The Marshes had five beautiful and accomplished daughters, (which) made his house a social center. They were Sarah, b. 1762; Lucretia, b. 1764 (died young); Martha, b. 1765; Eunice, b. 1767; Lucretia, b. 1774; Elizabeth, b. 1776; and Harriet, b. 1779 (died young).

All married well. One, Martha, was the (mother-in-law) of the poet Longfellow. She married Thomas Gold of Pittsfield.<sup>6</sup>

"Dr. Marsh is not included in the list of early physicians in the town, and seems not to have practiced, at least in his later years. He kept the leading tavern, in which he was succeeded by his widow (Sarah) after his death in 1785." <sup>7</sup> (20 May 1784-ed.)

Interestingly, the license for the for the second inn, was in the name of his eldest son Chester, although his mother ran the tavern.<sup>8</sup> Chester was a "Fence Viewer" in the first Town government of 1784.

The reader is directed to an account ledger of widow Sarah Marsh's tavern, appearing as Inv. No. 849 for a glimpse of the hospitality afforded one lucky resident; courtesy of the Town!

"Henry (the second and only other) son of Dr. Perez Marsh (also known as Squire Harry) in 1800 built a residence about three quarters of a mile from the center of town. The location had excellent water power. His residence, which was still standing in 1885, was known as 'The Old Marsh Place'. Levi Herrick bought the place in 1844 and built a saw mill and the first dam in this location."<sup>9</sup>

The estate of Henry Marsh, (son of Perez and Sarah), longtime Dalton resident, appears as Inv. No. 1022. This document includes a description of his worldly possessions, the amounts they were auctioned for, and the names of the buyers.

It is local legend that the Mitchell Tavern (1803) was built on the site of the old Marsh tavern at the northwest corner of Main and North Street.<sup>10</sup> The Colonial records shows that lot 78, owned by Williams and Marsh as of 1784, was the site of a "potash factory" at the time of Marsh's purchase.

A letter from Dr. Perez Marsh to William Williams, dated Albany July 7, 1755 substantiates the early role of Perez Marsh with Col. Ephraim Williams and his friendship with William Williams. At the time of the letter, 7 July 1755, Perez Marsh was but 26 years old, and about to head out to a critical engagement at Lake George. The young William Williams was 21 years old, a recent graduate from Yale, and about to enter his public career in Hatfield. Williams' sister, Sarah, was 19. The close ties and mutual respect of these Hatfield families

are very much in evidence.

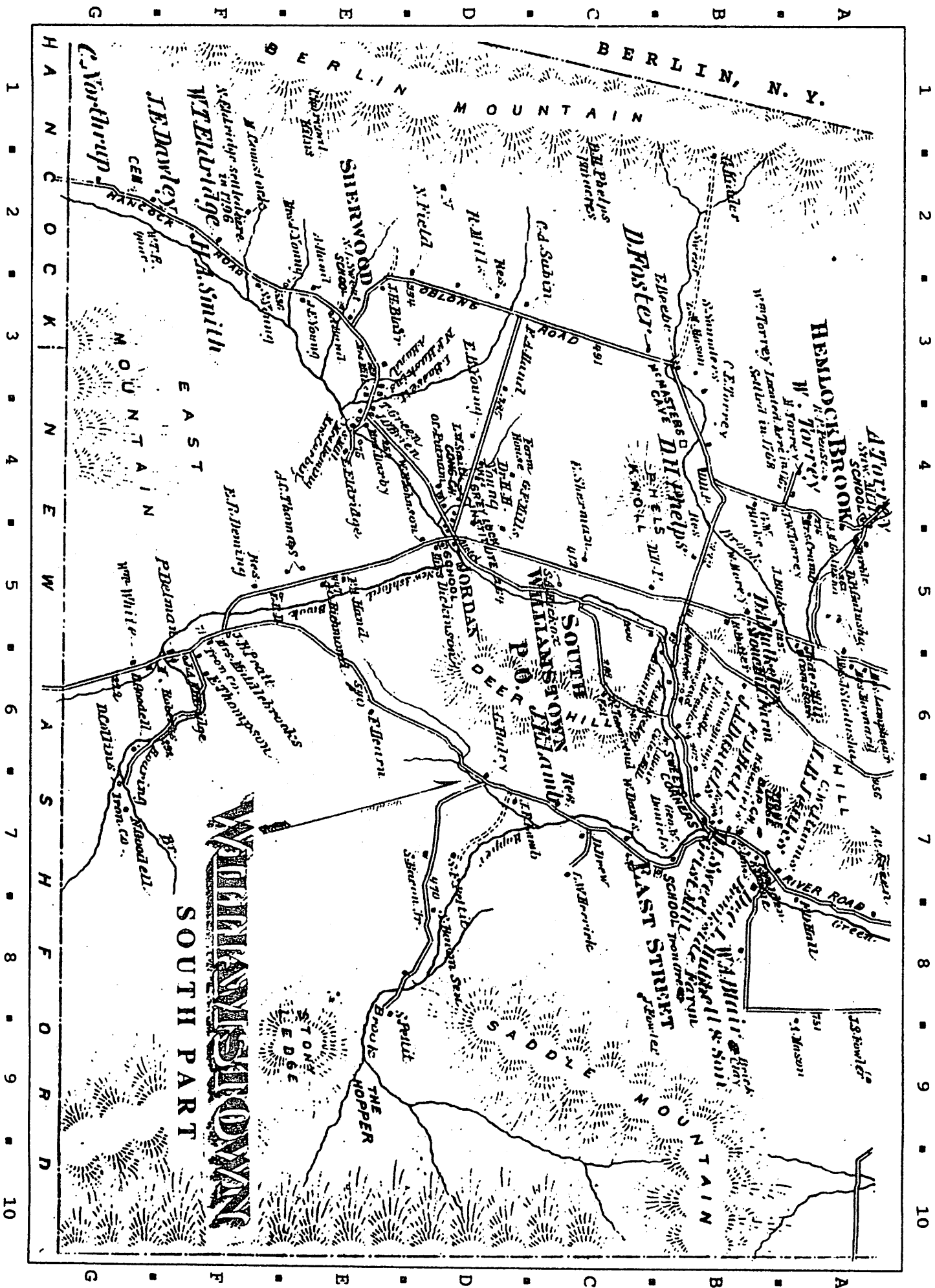
1. *History of Berkshire County, Massachusetts*, J.B. Beers & Co., 1885. Vol. I, p. 635.
2. Deed, Chester Marsh to Israel Williams, dated March 4, 1789.
3. Dwight Whitney Marsh No. 5251, *John Marsh of Hartford 1635-1895*, Amherst, Mass. 1895., pp. 403-407.
4. Personal Communication, Bernard Smith, Dalton, 28 April, 1997.
5. *Gazetteer of Berkshire County, Mass. 1725-1885*, Hamilton Child, pp. 131,132.
6. Granddaughter, Frances Appleton, married the poet Longfellow. In her Pittsfield house, the Gold/Appleton Mansion, the famous poem *The Old Clock on the Stairs* was written in 1845.
7. Beers, p. 636.
8. County Courthouse Records, "Docket A".
9. Beers, p. 674.
10. Personal Communication, Dorothy Bardin Ford to author, September 1994.

## WILLIAMSTOWN, MASSACHUSETTS (South Part) - 1876

Baron, S.	D-7	Fowler, J.	C-8	Morey, W.	B-5
Bassett, L.	E-3	Fowler, J. S.	A-9	Northrup, C.	G-2
Beebe, E.	B-3	Galusha, D. B.	A-5	O'Brien, J.	E-4
Blair, W.	C-6	Galusha, J. M.	A-5	Pease, R. P.	A-4
Blair, W. H.	B-8	Galusha, J. S.	A-6	Pettit, S.	D-9
Blake, G. W.	B-4	Goodell, D.	G-6	Pettit, S. F.	D-7
Blake, J.	B-5	Goodell, N.	G-7	Phelps, D. H.	B-5
Brooks, F.	B-7	Green, A. C.	A-7	Pratt, J. B.	F-5
Bulkeley, D. A.	B-6	Green, T.	E-4	Putnam, O. C.	D-4
Bulkeley, H.	C-6	Haley, G.	D-7	Richmond, J. C.	E-5
Butler, R.	B-5	Hall, F. D.	A-7	Roberts, H.	G-6
Collins, D.	G-7		B-7	Rounds, J.	B-7
Comstock, M.	F-2		B-8	Sabin, C. A.	C-3
Comstock, T.	A-6	Hand, A.	E-3	Saunders, S.	B-3
Corbin, Mrs.	E-4		E-3	Sherman, E.	C-5
Crumb, Mrs.	B-4	Hand, F. A.	D-3	Smith, H. A.	F-2
Cummings, J.	B-7		E-5	Smith, L. W.	D-4
Daniels, A.	C-6	Haskins, N. F.	E-3	Sweet, N. I.	E-3
Daniels, Geo. W.	B-7	Herrick, T. W.	C-7	Sweet, D. J.	B-7
Daniels, H.	B-7	Hickox, S. A.	C-5	Thomas, A. C.	E-5
Darby, Mrs.	E-4	Hills, Mrs.	E-4	Thompson, E.	F-6
Davis, W.	C-7	Hubbell, C. I.	B-7	Torrey, A.	A-4
Dawley, J. E.	G-2	Jenks, L. B.	A-7	Torrey, C. F.	B-4
Delman, P.	G-5	Johnson, W. R.	E-5	Torrey, J. M.	B-5
Deming, E. R.	F-5	Kidder, G.	B-1	Torrey, J. W.	B-4
Deming, Mrs.	E-4	Lamb, J. E.	C-7	Torrey, M.	A-4
Dickinson, Mrs.	D-5	Lamphear, Mrs.	A-6	Torrey, W.	A-4
Drew, D.	C-7	Marble	A-4	Townsend, R.	B-7
Eldridge, J. A.	F-6	Mason, A.	A-8	Walden, F.	B-7
Eldridge, L.	E-4	Mason, E. M.	B-3	White, William	G-5
Eldridge, N.	F-2	Maynard, Mrs.	A-6	Williams, C. W.	A-7
Eldridge, W. T.	F-2	Middlebrooks, Mrs.	F-5	Young, E. B.	D-3
Field, N.	D-3	Miller, G. F.	D-4	Young, H. H.	D-5
Foster, D.	C-3	Miller, R.	D-3	Young, J., Mrs.	E-3

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## EARLIEST SETTLEMENTS IN DALTON

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"About 1744 a plat of 9423 acres of land lying east of and adjoining the Boston township on Housatanuck (Housatonic) river, (was) laid out by Oliver Partridge Esq. & Chainmen on oath, to satisfy a Grant of the General Court to the proprietors of Lower Ashuelot.....plat accepted and land confirmed.....Archives CXV, 161-162. The records of the proprietors have not been found. In 1744, the principals (assumed to be the Proprietors) involved in Ashuelot Equivalent land-swaps were Edmund Dwight, Waitstill Hastings, Oliver Partridge, Obediah Dickenson, Samuel Mather, and Israel Williams."<sup>1</sup>

"In 1749, the (Ashuelot) Equivalent was divided into lots, by the order of the General Court and by action of the Superior Court. There were five Divisions. (Israel) Williams drew (lots) 1,10,28,39,46,62,71, & 88."<sup>2</sup>

The plot map showing the lot division is included in the Maps Section. The division of 21 lots to 6 proprietors is recorded in Colonial Records Proprietors Book.<sup>3</sup>

Ashuelot Equivalent was incorporated by the name of Dalton on March 20, 1784. The Town was named in the honor of Tristram Dalton, Speaker of the House of Representatives (Commonwealth of Massachusetts). Afterwards he became a U.S. Senator.<sup>4</sup>

The Earliest settlements of the Marsh, Kellogg, and Chamberlin families occurred at the southwestern part of Ashuelot Equivalent (now Dalton). The location of the Kelloggs and Chamberlins being along what is now known as Kirchner Road (previously called Pontoosuc Turnpike) or along Washington Mountain Road, in the early spring of 1760.<sup>5,6</sup> (Also see Doctor Perez Marsh.)

An early settlement is documented in a grant dated June 6, 1749.<sup>7</sup> The grant was for 700 acres made to one Seth Dwight by the House of Representatives. The Dwight grant was located "near the East branch of ye Housatonock River" at the southeast corner of Ashuelot Equivalent. The Dwight farm existed just south of this grant in Partridgefield (now Hinsdale). The northwest corner of the grant would be near the intersection of outer Kirchner (now Blotz) and Plunkett roads in Hinsdale. This grant had been surveyed by Oliver Partridge, and adjudicated by Col. Israel Williams, "Justice Pacs" (Peace). (Also see the information on The Williams Family.)

It is not surprising that an area on South street near Grange Hall Road would be occupied by the Marshes, et al; and later, on Grange Hall Road, in the early 1780's by the son of Israel Williams, the future Dalton Town Clerk, Deacon William Williams.

The Israel Williams and Perez Marsh families were both from Hatfield, and headed strong Tory families. The families were so "intimate" that Perez Marsh married the daughter of Israel Williams in Hatfield.

Captain William Cleveland (also Cleaveland) was given property by the Crown for services rendered in the French and Indian wars.<sup>8</sup> It is very likely that the property the Crown gave to Captain Cleveland is that property known as "Stone's Grant." Andrew Stone of London paid Edmund Dwight "5 shillings for 300 acres of land (within the bounds of the Equiv.) Bounded as follows: S20 W160 rds., W 10 N 300 rds., N 20 E 160 rds. Thence E 10 S to the starting point. Said 300 acres is in the northeast corner of the Equiv. July 18, 1744."<sup>9</sup> Somewhere it is written that Andrew Stone never came this country, hence never saw his land. It is likely that the Crown confiscated the unclaimed land and turned it over to Captain Cleveland for his valuable services fighting the Crown's enemies in the French and Indian Wars.

The transfer of "allegiance" from Windsor to Dalton is aptly described in several manuscripts (for example No's. 830, 868, 980). Besides the Clevelands, this area was settled by the Cady, Bardin, and Booth families. Before the transfer of lands from Windsor to Dalton in 1795, these people were legally Windsor inhabitants.

To this day the Bardin family considers Windsor their original settlement. This area was replete with water power being the location of a large falls, now called Wahconah Falls. Here, at the northeastern part of Ashuelot Equivalent (formerly Windsor) was located a saw

mill, a grist mill, and later, a soapstone "factory." Records show that Jeremiah Cady purchased land in this area of Ashuelot Equivalent from Pittsfield's Colonel William Williams July 6, 1767.<sup>10</sup>

In 1749, Elias Van Schaack was given a grant of land in a land deal involving Seth Dwight ".....as an equivalent for his right and interest in the Indian town on 'Housatonock River' now called Stockbridge."<sup>11</sup>

Perhaps Seth Dwight, being nearest the southeastern corner of Ashuelot Equivalent, was the earliest resident in this area!

In the east-central part of the Equivalent near the "Housatonaac" river, the Lawrence and Park homesteads were located. (Years ago, the author saw the actual bill of sale between Oliver Partridge and Josiah Lawrence (Lot No.36) in the Lawrence house). These remain as the oldest of the surviving homesteads. Records show that Josiah Lawrence purchased Ashuelot Equivalent property from Pittsfield's Colonel William Williams July 6, 1767.<sup>12</sup> The Lawrences, Parks and Cadys were high-ranking officers in the Continental army.

Descriptions of roads connecting family homesteads are plentiful in the Dalton Papers. Documented road (way) -structuring starts almost immediately with the incorporation of the town. See, for example, the "way" connecting Cady's homestead in the northeast with the Lawrence homestead in the east-central, (No.827 dated May 1786). Following this route today, one would start at the Wahconah Falls road where Cady's homestead was located, proceed down North St. to Orchard St. then to East-Main to East Street where the Lawrence homestead is still located. However, this may also have been when a later Cady resident was closer to the Lawrences (Lots 36 & 37).

Early in the history of the town, the Marshs and Chamberlins moved north to what is now Main St.<sup>13</sup> In 1784, Marsh is shown as subsequent joint owner with Williams for lot No. 78. This lot is located north of Main street from the Pittsfield line to about Carson Avenue. Lot No. 78 is a likely the area for the (later) Marsh homestead and Tavern which served as a meeting house for a number of years.

Deacon William Williams owned considerable property along the old road to Pittsfield (now South Street) as well as along the western part of the turnpike -what is now Grange Hall road.<sup>14</sup> The Dalton Papers refer to unsuccessful attempts to build a meeting house near this intersection. Deacon William Williams lived on Lot 46, on the "turnpike" now Grange Hall Road, probably near its intersection with a creek The Kellogg homestead was located on Lot 63, on Washington Mountain Road, southeast from its intersection with Kirchner Road. N.Kellogg buried not far away in the East Part Cemetery on outer Williams street in Pittsfield.

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1. Colonial Records Proprietors Book, Registry of Deeds, Pittsfield, Ma.

2. *ibid.*

3. *ibid.*

4. *ibid.*

5. Beers, Vol.1, pg 635.

6. Childs, p. 131, also identifies Dr. Marsh, Daniel Frost, and Nathaniel Kellogg settling in 1755, while "soon afterwards, Joseph Chamberlin moved into the southern part of the town locating near the Pittsfield line."

7. Grant dated June 6, 1749, Item 72, Berkshire County Land Records.

8. Dalton News Record, September, 1964.

9. Personal Communication, Bernie Smith, April 8, 1997. His reference: Book "O pg. 87, 88 Spring." (Springfield, Ma. ??)

10. Index Middle District Records, Grantor, p. 835, Probate Court, Pittsfield, Mass.

11. Land Grant, *op.cit.* 1749.

12. Index Middle District Records, Grantor, p. 835.

13. This is evident from several Manuscripts, and later maps.

14. A plot map of the Town shows W. Williams with lots No's. 71,72,73,74,75,76, and 46.

## BENJAMIN GALLUP FAMILY

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From the Pittsfield Sun on 25 November 1841 we read about Mr. Benjamin Gallup: "At Dalton, on Sunday, the 14th inst. Mr. Benjamin Gallup, aged 102 years, (instead of 105, as noticed in the last Sun.) Mr. Gallup moved from Plainfield, Conn. into this town 71 years ago (1770). He was in the French War, and continued as a soldier for three years. In the Revolutionary War he was in service only about six months. He was a steady, industrious, peaceable citizen; as a neighbor, kind and obliging; and filled up his long life in benefiting society, by continued industry, to nearly the very last of life. He was a member of the Baptist communion, and lived without rebuke, from a fixed principle of intending to do right, and wronging no man. He had a uncommon share of that disposition which leads a man 'to mind his own business, and let other people alone.' And it might be among the number of 'possibles,' if not of probabilities, that this evenness of his way contributed to the length of his days, and at last, as if the vigor of nature, unshaken ever by disease, yielded only to the weight of years, he died as unobserved by his attendant, without a struggle or a groan."

Benjamin Gallup (AFN:9DZO-GJ)<sup>1</sup> born Jan. 1736 (or 1739-ed) in Voluntown, New London CT. married (first) Sarah Lawrence (AFN:9707-Z5)<sup>2</sup> and died 14 Nov. 1841 at Dalton, Mass., and (second)<sup>3</sup> Mrs. Abiah Everett, born (1753), who died 11 Jan. 1842.<sup>4</sup>

He moved to Dalton, Mass. with his brother John about 1770, being among the first settlers of that town.

"Among the Revolutionary soldiers were Benjamin and John Gallup from Dalton. Benjamin Gallup was on the Pittsfield list of soldiers Dec. 15, 1794... He was an inventor and manufacturer of the first plows made in Berkshire County, and also made fanning mills, spinning wheels, reels, and other implements adopted to the needs of the times....."<sup>5</sup> Benjamin signed a warrant on May 6, 1795 as Constable (not in the Dalton-Papers).

Benjamin's last Will and Testament was signed and witnessed on 2 Dec. 1835, and was probated in Lenox in Jan. 1842.

Issue:<sup>6</sup> (7-773). Lucy, m. Mr. Davis.

(7-775). Mehitable, b. 1765; m. Mar 22 1789 Thaddeus Hulbert of Pittsfield (sic).

(7-777). Luther, b. 1769, d. Mar 7, 1798.

(7-780). Priscilla, b. Dalton Aug. 9, 1771.

(7-782). Rebecca, m. Apr. 15, 1792 Solomon Bacon.

(7-884). Uzziel, b. 1769 (see below).

(7-786). Jacob b. Dec. 28, 1772.

(7-788). Sarah, Sep. 20, 1801 Lewis Holmes.

(7-790). Abigail, m. Perry Tanner.

(7-792). Mary, m. Isaac Thayer.

Uzziel, son of Benjamin and Sarah, was born in 1769 in Voluntown, New London, Ct., He married, 29 Oct. 1794, Lucinda Witherell. She died 21 Mar. 1849 in Dalton, Mass.

None of the provincial Dalton Lots were found, either solely-purchased or by shared-purchase, by Gallup from the original proprietors. He may have rented, or made a subsequent purchase from "subsequent Owners."<sup>7</sup>

1. From Ancestral File (TM)- Ver.4.12

2. Ibid.

3. Shepard Collection, Berkshire Athenaeum, Pittsfield, Mass.

4. From Benjamin Gallup Genealogy (marked 6-386)-authors collection.

5. Ibid.

6. Ibid.

7. Colonial Records, Proprietors Book, Registry of Probate, Pittsfield, Mass.

# STATE CENSUS OF MASSACHUSETTS, 1855

## RICHMOND

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Abstract by Meta L. Stark

87	88	John Nortly	15 M	Laborer	Ireland
		Lorin Kegin	18 M	Laborer	Ireland
		Michael Kegin	23 M	Laborer	Ireland
		Michael Scully	21 M	Laborer	Ireland
		John Folinsbee	21 M	Railroading	N. Y.
		Denison? Johonis?	22 M	Laborer	Mass.

RICHMOND, Part 3<sup>1</sup>

Date of Enumeration: September 26, 1855

1	1	David Andrews	39 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Phebe Andrews	62 F		Mass.
		Henry P. Andrews	13 M		Mass.
		Mary J. Andrews	11 "2		Mass.
		Catherine L. Andrews	7 "		Mass.
		Charles L. Andrews	4 M		Mass.
		Adeline Andrews	9 "		Mass.
2	2	Wm. Bacon	55 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Jemima Bacon	79 F		Mass.
		Priscilla Bacon	59 F		Mass.
		Matilda Bacon	39 F		England
		Wm. J. (or G.) Bacon	5 M		N. Y.
		Erna? Bacon	3 F		N. Y.
		Charlie Piper	15 M	B	Servant
3	3	Patrick Broderick	35 M	Miner	Mass.
		Joanah Broderick	29 F		Ireland
		Mary Broderick	6 F		Ireland
		Catherine S. Broderick	4 F		Mass.
		James Lyons	26 M	Miner	Ireland
		Daniel O'Brian	26 M	Miner	Ireland
		John Dunphy	22 M	Miner	Ireland
		Patrick Shehan	50 M	Miner	Ireland
		Andrew Larue?	55 M	Miner	Ireland
		John Follen	30 M	Miner	Ireland
		Martin O'Brien	32 M	Miner	Ireland
4	4	Darias? Barnes	74 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Mehitable Barnes	68 F		Mass.
		Henry Barnes	39 M	Carpenter	Mass.
		Wm. Barnes	36 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Eli Barnes	34 M	Shoemaker	Mass.
		Franklin Barnes	29 M	Farmer	Mass.
5	5	Lewis C. Sherrill	56 M	Farmer	Mass.

1. Three town selectmen, who served as the enumerators, divided the town among them and in doing so created three different sequences of dwelling and family numbers.

2. Mary J., Catherine L. and Adeline Andrews have their sex dittoed under "M"

		Nancy Sherrill	54 F		Mass.
		Nancy P. Sherrill	19 F		Mass.
6	6	Justus W. Barnes	24 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Lucy E. Barnes	21 F		Mass.
		Justus W. Barnes, Jr.	1 M		Mass.
7	7	Selah Andrews	85 M	Silversmith	Conn.
		Livona Andrews	78 F		Mass.
	8	Charles G. Miller	27 M	Miner	N. Y.
		Abby Miller	23 F		N. Y.
Date of Enumeration: September 27, 1855					
8	9	Jonathan Andrews	67 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Betsey Andrews	63 F		Conn.
		Eveline L. Andrews	35 F		Mass.
9	10	Truman B. Andrews	44 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Mary A. Andrews	42 F		N. Y.
		Mary A. Andrews	19 F		Mass.
		Harriett C. Andrews	17 F		N. Y.
		Jeremiah Delaney	15 M	Apprentice	N. Y.
		John Lee	46 M	Laborer	England
10	11	George Cook	38 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Betsey Cook	59 F		Mass.
		Sarah Cook	57		Mass.
		Florilla Cook	44 F		Mass.
		Thomas Meaghr	25 M	Labourer	Ireland
		James Cunningham	20 M	Boardin	Ireland
11	12	John Kalenher?	45 M	Miner	Ireland
		Mary Kalenher	35 F		Ireland
		Bridget Kalenher	10 F		Mass.
		Richard Calklam	19 M	Miner	Ireland
		Joseph Collins	22 M	Miner	Ireland
12	13	Thomas Cary	46 M	Miner	Ireland
		Mary Millrick	24 F		Ireland
		John Cary	13 M		Mass.
		Mary Cary	11 F		Mass.
		Wm. Cary	7 M		Mass.
		James Cary	5 M		Mass.
		Edward Cary	3 M		Mass.
13	14	Henry Worden, Jr.	43 M	Farmer	Conn.
		Olive Worden	43 F		Mass.
		Henriett Worden	8 F		Mass.
		Mary Nicholson	55 F		England
		John Dillon	28 M	Labourer	Ireland
		James Duane	30 M	Labourer	Ireland
14	15	Isaac J. Worden	20 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Sarah Worden	28 F		Mass.
15	16	Eli Richmond	59 M	Farmer	Conn.
		Almira Richmond	59 F		Conn.
		Frances Richmond	18 F		Mass.
		George Richmond	16 M	Apprentice	Mass.
		Elizabeth Richmond	8 F		Mass.
16	17	Calvin Stevens	38 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Sarah D. Stevens	42 F		Mass.
		Romenro? Stevens	13 M		Mass.

		Elizabeth Stevens	5 F		Mass.
17	18	Stephen R. Benton	41 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Fanny Benton	70 F		Conn.
		Charles F. Benton	39 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Sarah M. Benton	35 F		Mass.
18	19	Thomas Cone	66 M		Mass.
		Deborah Cone	65 F		Mass.
		Samuel G. Cone	30 M	Gent	Mass.
		Theodore R. Cone	25 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Mary Coyel	19 F	Domestic	Ireland
19	20	Henry Melius	45 M	Carpenter	N. Y.
		Mary Melius	44 F		Mass.
		Janett Melius	16 F		Mass.
20	21	Daniel O'Neal	37 M		Ireland
		Mary O'Neal	29 F		Ireland
		Margaret O'Neal	4 F		Mass.
		Edward O'Neal	2 M		Mass.
		Thomas O'Neal	4m M		Mass.
21	22	Levi Beebe	38 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Mary A. Beebe	37 F		Mass.
		John Linen	18 M	Labourer	Ireland
22	23	Perry Orsban	39 M		Conn.
		Elvira Orsban	34 F		Conn.
		James W. Orsban	14 M		Conn.
		Mary C. Orsban	?11 F		Conn.
		Mariah L. Orsban	4 F		Mass.
23	24	Jerry McDonald	30 M	Labourer	Ireland
		Catharine McDonald	26 F		Ireland
		Mike McDonald	3 M		Mass.
		Mary A. McDonald	1 F		Mass.
24	25	Timothy Tucker	32 M	Lawyer	N. Y.
		Elizabeth Tucker	27 F		England
		Ann E. Tucker	7 F		Mass.
		Mary S. Tucker	4 F		Mass.
		Pary? Tucker	5m		Mass.
	26	Powell N. Sprague	39 M	Labourer	Mass.
		Mariah Sprague	37 F		Mass.
		James Sprague	13 M		Mass.
		Jane Sprague	9 F		Mass.
		Joseph A. Lynch	51 M	Farmer	N. Y.
		Mariah Lynch	39 F		N. Y.
		Charles A. Lynch	15 M		Mass.
		Frances S. Lynch	14 F		N. Y.
		Helen E. Lynch	16 F		N. Y.
		Edwin E. Lynch	11 M		N. Y.
		James M. Lynch	8 M		Mass.
		Alice A. Lynch	5 F		Mass.
		Joshua N. Lynch	2 M		Mass.
		John F. Hornsby	22 M	Boarder	N. Y.
		Wm. S. Green	7 M	Boarder	England
		John Salsbury	25 M	Boarder	N. Y.
25	27	Richard R. Wilson	31 M	Manufactor	England
		Mary Wilson	25 F		Mass.
		William J.? Wilson	3 M		Mass.

		Dennis Casey	45 M	Labourer	Ireland
		Thomas Logan	32 M		Ireland
26	28	John Murphy	61 M	Labourer	Ireland
		Emily Murphy	60 F		Mass.
27	29	Thomas Fitzgerald	26 M	Laborer	Ireland
		Bridget Fitzgerald	23 F		Ireland
		Mary Fitzgerald	1 F		Mass.
28	30	Jarrit Troy	30 M	Miner	Ireland
		Mary Troy	30 F		Ireland
		Mary Troy	1 F		Mass.
		Arty? Troy	44 F		Ireland
		Edward Kelley	30 M	Miner	Ireland
		Davy Murray	27 M	Miner	Ireland
		Martin Nolen	57 M	Miner	Ireland
29	31	Michiel Troy	27 M	Miner	Ireland
		Joanah Troy	25 F		Ireland
		Thomas Troy	7 M		Vt.
		Bridget Troy	2 F		N. Y.
		Edmond Troy	3m M		Mass.
30	32	Michiel O'Brien	30 M	Miner	Ireland
		Joanah O'Brien	25 F		Ireland
31	33	Norman B. Crawford	29 M	Miner	Vt.
		Jane M. Crawford	19 F		Mass.
		George P. Crawford	8 M		Vt.
		James Jordon	22 M		Ireland
		Andrew Jordon	20 M		Ireland
	34	Hans E. Gaston	44 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Haritt Gaston	38 F		Mass.
		James A. Gaston	6 M		Mass.
		John Abott	30 M	Labourer	Ireland
32	35	Dennis Sullivan	38 M	Miner	Ireland
		Mary Sullivan	35 F		Ireland
		John Sullivan	11 M		Mass.
		Elen Sullivan	9 F		Mass.
		Abbe Sullivan	7 F		Mass.
		Franklin Sullivan	5 M		Mass.
		Thomas Sullivan	3 M		Mass.
		Mary Sullivan	2 F		Mass.
		Wm. Malone	30 M	Miner	Ireland
		Franklin Sullivan	45 M	Miner	Ireland
33	36	Richard Buckley	40 M	Miner	Ireland
		Mary Buckley	35 F		Ireland
		John Buckley	13 M		Mass.
		Mary Buckley	11 F		Mass.
		Margaret Buckley	9 F		Mass.
		Patrick Buckley	7 M		Mass.
		Michiel Buckley	3 M		Mass.
34	37	James Tobin	50 M	Miner	Ireland
		Mary Tobin	50 F		Ireland
		Michiel Tobin	28 M	Miner	Ireland
		Thomas Tobin	25 M	Miner	Ireland
		John Tobin	21 M	Miner	Ireland
		Margaret Tobin	14 F		Ireland
		David Tobin	12 M		Ireland



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		Wm. Sullivan	19 M	Miner	Ireland
35	38	Patrick Keffer?	45 M	Miner	Ireland
		Bridget Keffer	35 F		Ireland
		Catharine Keffer	9 F		Ireland
		Thomas Keffer	3 M		Mass.
		Mary Keffer	2 F		Mass.
36	39	James Bosseda	35 M		Ireland
		Johanah Bosseda	32 F		Ireland
		Bathalomy Bosseda	2 M		Mass.
		Bridget Bosseda	8m F		Mass.
37	40	Harry Hanessee	28 M		Ireland
		John Hanessee	1 M		Mass.
		Mark Casy	48 M		Ireland
		Morris O'Herron	22 M		Conn.
Date of Enumeration: September 28, 1855					
38	41	Martin Slosson	51 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Sabra M. Slosson	51 F		Mass.
		Rebecca Slosson	83 F		Conn.
		Electa M. Slosson	18 F		Mass.
		Mary A. Slosson	16 F		Mass.
		Sarah J. Slosson	12 F		Mass.
		Francis Slosson	9 M		Mass.
		Charles Vanbramer	19 M		Mass.
		Margaret Kief?	24 F	Domestic	Ireland
39	42	Nathaniel Cook	63 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Prudence Cook	57 F		Vt.
		Wm. Cook	32 M		Mass.
		Hiram N. Cook	21 M		Mass.
		Laura N. Cook	23 F		Mass.
		Catharine G. Cook	24 F		Mass.
		Betsey J. Cook	19 F		Mass.
		Martin Naughton	32 M	Labourer	Ireland
		Patrick Owen	23 M	Labourer	Ireland
40	43	Wm. Milona	45 M	Miner	Ireland
		Hanah Milona	41 F		Ireland
		Thomas Milona	12 M		N. Y.
		Mary Milona	7 F		Mass.
		Hanah Milona	4 F		Mass.
		Catherine Milona	3 F		Mass.
	44	Patrick McDanold	35 M	Miner	Ireland
		Bridget McDanold	31 F		Ireland
		Patrick McDanold	3 M		Mass.
41	45	Michel O'Brien	32 M	Miner	Ireland
		Joanah O'Brien	23 F		Ireland
42	46	Elisha Gaston	91 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Temperance Gaston	69 F		Conn.
	47	Franklin W. Gaston	31 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Mariah S. Gaston	28 F		Mass.
		Ella M. Gaston	7 F		Mass.
		Robert F. Gaston	1 M		Mass.
		Franklin W. Tyler	15 M		Ill.

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## THE BOOKSTALL

Reviews by J. Bradley Cooper

*The Essex Genealogist, Volume 16 - 1996*, by Essex Society of Genealogists, Inc., Essex County, Massachusetts. Soft bound, 284pp, 8 x 10-3/4, index. Price \$34.50 plus \$4.00 S/H. Order from Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD 20716.

This book presents in one volume the text of the four quarterly issues for 1996. The index combines those of the quarterly issues. Its articles relate to Essex County activities, to genealogical research in general or to specific families with ahnentafels and charts. This volume contains information on research in progress, "It happened in Essex County", Italian research, "Warnings Out", computers and genealogy and other feature articles. Specific information is given on the following families: Haskel, the Blaneys, Aborn/Ebourne, Parker, Newhall, Longfellow, Ballard, Richards, Farnum, Friend, Haddock, Phillips, Marshall, Townsend, Perley, Mower, Moore, Edmonds and Hammond.

*The Essex Genealogist Volume 17 - 1997*. Other data same as above.

The opening article of this volume presents the part Essex County played in the preliminaries of the Revolution and its ongoing prosecution. Another deals with the utilization of Revolutionary War records and the collateral information to be obtained from the 1840 U. S. Census. There are other articles on 19th and 20th century immigration with emphasis on Jewish research, genetics and genealogical research, and the Osborns.

There are a number of reports on research in progress - George Fraile of Lynn, John Edmands of Malden and Saugus, John Friend of Salem, Richard Mower of Lynn, Thomas Laughton of Lynn, Joseph Parker of Groton, Samuel Bennet of Lynn, Trevitt Family of Marblehead and Lynn, Michael Gaffney of Gloucester, Edmund Farrington and his descendants, John Fuller of Lynn, Thomas Farrar of Lynn, William Osborn of Peabody, James Smith of Woolwich, ME, James Smith of Marblehead, Anthony Newhall of Lynn, Derby family of Salem, Thomas and Acquilla Purchase and Joshua Wallace of Beverly.

Featured also are a number of ahnentafels, "It Happened in Essex County," as well as a number of queries.

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*A Surname Guide to Massachusetts Town Histories*, by Phyllis O. Longver and Pauline J. Oesterli, soft bound, 5-3/8 x 8 1/4, 425pp, self indexing by surname. Price \$36.00 plus \$4.00 S/H, Order from Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Pl., Bowie, MD 20716.

This book is a master guide to surnames included in 128 volumes of published histories of Massachusetts towns. It provides 56,000 citations to over 14,000 surnames. Each entry for a particular surname includes the name of the particular town and a code number tying it to specific listings in the bibliography.

That the name "Smith" is represented by around eighty entries in the bibliography is an indication of this as a valuable tool in genealogical research. A view of the towns connected with a particular surname provides an indication of the dispersal of families throughout the Commonwealth.

The bibliography provides a listing of possible localities to be covered in one's own searches. The citations are to published town histories. A combination of this material with the multi-volume Massachusetts vital record series provides a very potent search agent.

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*Searches of the first Emigrant Settlers - Norton Township - Old Gloucester Township - West New Jersey*, by John Clement. Soft bound, 465pp, 5-3/8 x 8 1/4, surname index, 3 fold-out maps. Price \$34.50 plus \$4.00 S/H. Order from Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Pl., Bowie, MD 20716.

This work is largely comprised of thumbnail sketches of the first settlers of this area of New Jersey: William Albertson, William Bates, the Burroughs, Samuel Carpenter, John Champion, Samuel Cole, Francis Collins, William Cooper, John Eastlack, Elizabeth Eastaugh, Thomas Gardiner, the Graysburys, John Hillman, John Hinchman, Thomas Howell, John Hugg, John Kaughn, John Kay, the Lippincotts, Edward Matthews, Archibald Mickle, William Matlack, Griffith Morgan, Mark Newbie, Samuel Nicholson, Thomas Sharp, John Shivers, Henry Stacy, Samuel Spicer, Thomas Stokes, Thomas Thakara, Robert Turner, the Woods and Robert Zane.

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*Selectmen's Minutes From 1769 Through April, 1715*, by Record Commissioners of the City of Boston, 1893. Facsimile reprint 2000, soft bound, 276pp, 5-3/8 x 8 1/4, index of persons and index of places and subjects. Price \$24.00 plus \$4.00 S/H. Order from Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD 20716.

This is a compilation of the records of the city of Boston from 1769 to 1775 inclusive. It records many and varied activities including the occurrence of smallpox throughout the period and particularly aboard ships entering Boston harbor, disciplinary problems with British troops quartered in the city, instruction to the Night Watch, fixing the weight for loaves of bread, arranging for care of destitute persons, inventories of hospitals, payment of private fire fighting companies, appointment of sealers of wood, unsafe chimneys, refusal of a shipment of tea, appointment of Committee of Correspondence and much more. Many names are mentioned which could be of interest to those searching for Massachusetts ancestors.

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*History of the Town of Plymouth [Mass.]*, by William T. Davis, soft bound, 188pp, 8-1/8 x 10-5/8, illus., index of persons. Price \$27.00 plus \$4.00 S/H. Order from Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD 20716.

The first chapter sets the stage by presenting the transition of England from Catholic country to one of Separatism and the Puritans - a span of nearly a century and a half. The genesis of the book is described in the author's own words. "The author has long realized the want of a concise, yet comprehensive sketch of the Pilgrim movement, its origin, its growth, its development of Plymouth to which it finally led; a history from which the general reader might obtain without laborious research, that amount of information which every educated man should possess in the various departments of American history."

Then follows the settlement of the town of Plymouth, treaties with the Indians, life in the colony, town government, town officers, King Philip's War, union of the colonies, expedition to Louisbourg, the revolution, the war of 1812 and the various town activities.

Following this material is a detailed appendix providing the names of many Plymouth residents, its soldiers of the several wars, etc.

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*Remarkable High Tories - Supporters of King and Parliament in Revolutionary Massachusetts*, by William H. B. Thomas. Softbound, 282pp, 5-3/8 x 8 1/4, illus., notes, index. Price \$27.50 plus \$4.00 S/H. Order from Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD 20716.

The author came into possession of the contents of a sea chest filled with letters, receipts, deeds, manuscripts and legal documents of five generations of the Thomas families of Marshfield, Massachusetts, particularly those of Colonel Anthony Thomas and Nathan Ray Thomas. From the source material are generated fourteen glimpses of life during the Revolutionary War era. During this period, Ray Thomas was a town official and genuine patriot while Anthony was a confirmed Tory.

The first of these backward glances is a description of a Marshfield tea party held three days after the 16 December 1775 event in Boston. Each of the fourteen vignettes portrays

some occurrence during this period and provides insight into life in difficult times.

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*A History of the Town of Duxbury, Massachusetts with Genealogical Registers*, by Justin Winsor, 1849. 2001 facsimile reprint, soft bound, 360pp, 5-3/8 x 8 1/4, appendix, index. Price \$28.50 plus \$4.00 S/H. Order from Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD 20716.

The town of Duxbury was settled by Plymouth and named in honor of Captain Standish - this being been the name of his estate in England. This historical work includes the settlement, incorporation, roads and bridges, distribution of the common ground, bounties and fines and taverns. The material on the first settlers includes notes on William Brewster, Miles Standish, John Alden, John Howland and others as well as a listing of town officials from 1638-1816 and of the men able to bear arms. Insight into the provisioning of the troops, military regulations and the town's Revolutionary War activity is discussed.

A genealogical section lists more than two hundred families. These include: Alden, Arnold, Baker, Bartlet, Bradford, Brewster, Chandler, Church, Cole, Delano, Drew, Freeman, Glass, Harlow, Holmes, Howland, Hunt, Loring, Pabodie, Partridge, Peterson, Phillips, Prior, Rogers, Sampson, Seabury, Simmons, Soule, Southworth, Sprague, Standish, Sylvester, Thomas, Wadsworth, Weston, Williamson, and Winsor families.

The appendix lists the Duxbury settlers receiving grants leading to the settlement of Bridgewater, maritime affairs and fisheries.

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43	48	James Shaughnesy	38 M	Pedlar	Ireland
		Hannah Shaughnesy	37 F		Ireland
		Mary Shaughnesy	13 F		Ireland
		John Shaughnesy	7 M		Mass.
		Jane Shaughnesy	5 F		Masas.
		Wm. Shaughnesy	3 M		Mass.
		Illegible			
44	49	Henry W. Lynch	34 M	Teamster	Mass.
		Harriet C. Lynch	31 F		Mass.
		John D. Lynch	11 M		Mass.
		George W. Lynch	4 M		Mass.
45	50	Charles Smith	62 M	Labourer	Ireland
		Alice Smith	51 F		Ireland
		Alice Smith	13 F		Ireland
		Thomas Smith	12 M		Ireland
46	51	John Malumpa	33 M	Labourer	Ireland
		Mary Malumpa	34 F		Ireland
		Julia Malumpa	3 F		Conn.
		David Malumpa	1 M		Mass.
	52	Patrick Dunaho	25 M	Labourer	Ireland
		Elen Dunaho	24 F		Ireland
		Timothy Dunaho	3 M		Mass.
		Mary Dunaho	6m F		Mass.
47	53	James Campbel	40 M	Labourer	Ireland
		Ann Campbel	38 F		Ireland

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## WHAT'S NEW IN CDs

Reviews by Richard C. Leab

Two more CDs have been released by Family Tree Makers, as part of their Family Archives Series. CD #7523 is titled *Early Maine and New Hampshire Settlers, 1600s-1900s Genealogical Records*. This CD incorporates 14 separate titles, previously published by Genealogical Publishing Company, all searchable by a master index. The records include vital records, local histories, gravestone inscriptions, census, pension and probate records. There are approximately 330,000 names to be found on this disc. Some of the titles include: *Genealogical Dictionary of Maine and New Hampshire*, by Sibyl Noyes, et al; *Maine Wills, 1640-1670*, by William M. Sargent; *Maine Biographies (2 vols.)*, by Harrie B. Coe; *Colonial Gravestone Inscriptions in New Hampshire*, by Mrs. Charles Carpenter Goss; *Maine Historical and Genealogical Recorder (9 vols.)*; *Pioneers of Maine and New Hampshire*, by Charles Henry Pope; *Military History of the State of New Hampshire, from Its Settlement in 1623 to the Rebellion of 1861*, by Chandler E. Potter; and *Heads of Families - First U. S. Census of 1790* (for both Maine and New Hampshire).

CD #7526 is titled *Massachusetts Genealogical Records, 1600s-1800s*. It incorporates 24 previously published volumes, covering vital records, family histories, passenger lists, cemetery, census and military records. Likewise, all the titles can be searched by a master index. Approximately 570,000 individuals can be found mentioned on this disc. Some of the titles include: *Boston Births, Baptisms, Marriages and Deaths, 1630-1699* and *Boston Births, 1700-1800*, both by William S. Appleton; *Pioneers of Massachusetts*, by Charles Henry Pope; *Genealogical Advertiser, a Quarterly Magazine of Family History*, Vols. 1-4, by Lucy Hall Greenslaw; *Port Arrivals and Immigrants to the City of Boston, 1715-1716, 1762-1769*, by William H. Whitmore; *Records of Massachusetts Volunteer Militias Called Out by the Governor of Massachusetts to Suppress a Threatened Invasion During the War of 1812-1814*; *Soldiers in King Philip's War*, by George Madison Bodge; *Loyalists of Massachusetts*, by E. Alfred Jones; *Early Massachusetts Marriages*, by Frederick W. Bailey; and *Heads of Families - First U. S. Census of 1790* for Massachusetts.

There are, of course, many other titles of equal value to the New England Researcher to be found on these CDs. Be sure to read the introduction on each CD, which gives an excellent introduction to each book found on that CD.

CD #7523 is priced at \$29.99, and CD #7526 at \$39.99, plus postage and handling fees of \$3.50 for the first item and \$1.25 for each additional item. Order from Genealogical Publishing Company, Inc., 1001 North Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202. Tel. 410-837-8271, Fax 410-752-8492, or visit their website at [www.genealogical.com](http://www.genealogical.com).

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## Richmond Census - from page 70

	Michiel Campbel	5 M		Mass.
	Mary Campbel	3 F		Mass.
	Edward Dunfy	37 M	Labourer	Ireland
	Henry Huss	35 M	Labourer	Ireland
	Michiel Campbel	19 M	Labourer	Ireland
48 54	John Raffeter	31 M	Labourer	Ireland
	Alla? Raffeter	30 F		Ireland
	Bridget Raffeter	6 F		Mass.
	Michiel Raffeter	4 M		Mass.

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## QUERY SECTION

Roger N. Anderson, Editor

01005

STEVENS-BROWN

Elisha STEVENS, Jr., b Richmond, MA, m Margaret BROWN, emigrated to Portage Co., OH with ch in 1808. Seek info on Elisha Sr., date and place of birth: m name, date and place: d date, place: and their ch.

Loyd W. Stevens, 1919 S. E. Franklin Av., Minneapolis, MN 55414-3614

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01006

WEED-LEWIS

Dan WEED b 1758 or 1756 CT, m 4 May 1780 Elizabeth LEWIS, d 18 Feb 1818 Great Barrington, MA. Need parents of Dan WEED.

01007

WEED-BEAMAN-STEVENS

Jonah WEED b 5 Apr 1711, s/o John and Mary Jackson BEAMAN, Derby, CT. m Elizabeth STEVENS 12 Sep 1734. Elizabeth b 17 Jan 1711. Need ch born to Jonah & Elizabeth. Possibly New Hartford & Oxford, CT.

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NEWTON-JIPSON

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ROOD-ROOT-PRIME

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### Richmond Census - From page 71

49	55	Thomas Raffeter	4m M		Mass.
		Erastus Parks	42 M	Carpenter	Conn.
		Rachel M. Parks	30 F		Conn.
		Thomas A. Parks	5 M		Mass.
		John Kay	58 M	Farmer	N. Y.
		Mrs. Norcross	32 F		Conn.
		Wm. A. Norcross	5 M		Mass.
		Henry M. Norcross	4 M		Mass.
		Harriet E. Norcross	3 F		Mass.
		Ty--- M. Norcross	1 M		Mass.
		N. Avery	37 m		Conn.

[To be continued]

## GUIDE TO INTERPRETATION OF THE 1855 MASSACHUSETTS CENSUS

The taking of a census in 1855 was mandated by an act of the General Court of Massachusetts, 21 May 1855. The act provided that a census of each city and town be taken between 1 June and 1 October 1855. The census was to be "as of" the first day of June of the census year.

Reports on the taking of the census stated that the instructions were generally "well observed". Some enumerators, however, were so negligent or heedless that their reports were "scarcely fit to be received". Cautions, still appropriate, were given against relying too absolutely on the census because of "the great liability to error", and the "usual difficulty of arriving at the truth" arising from ignorance and prejudice.

To secure uniform reporting, blank forms were provided and the following data were to be recorded:

1. Dwelling houses numbered in the order of their visitation.
2. Families numbered in the order of visitation, ("family" being all those living in one house, public house or institution.)
3. Name of every person whose usual place of residence was in this family 1 June 1855. Note: Excluded were those born after 1 June. Included were those who had died after 1 June and those temporarily absent. Relationship of household members to the head of the household was not recorded. An aid in establishing relationships exists, nevertheless, in the requirement that the enumerator arrange names in a given order:
  - (1) Master
  - (2) Mistress
  - (3) Children in order of age
  - (4) Male domestics, etc.
  - (5) Female domestics, etc.
  - (6) Boarders, etc.
4. Age. To be given as of last birthday unless next birthday would be within four months, then age at next birthday.
5. Sex.
6. Color. B for Blacks, M for Mulatto, no entry for Whites.
7. Profession, occupation or trade for each male over fifteen. For clergymen, initial letters of denomination.
8. Place of birth. State or territory if native born; country if foreign born.
9. Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper or convict.

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