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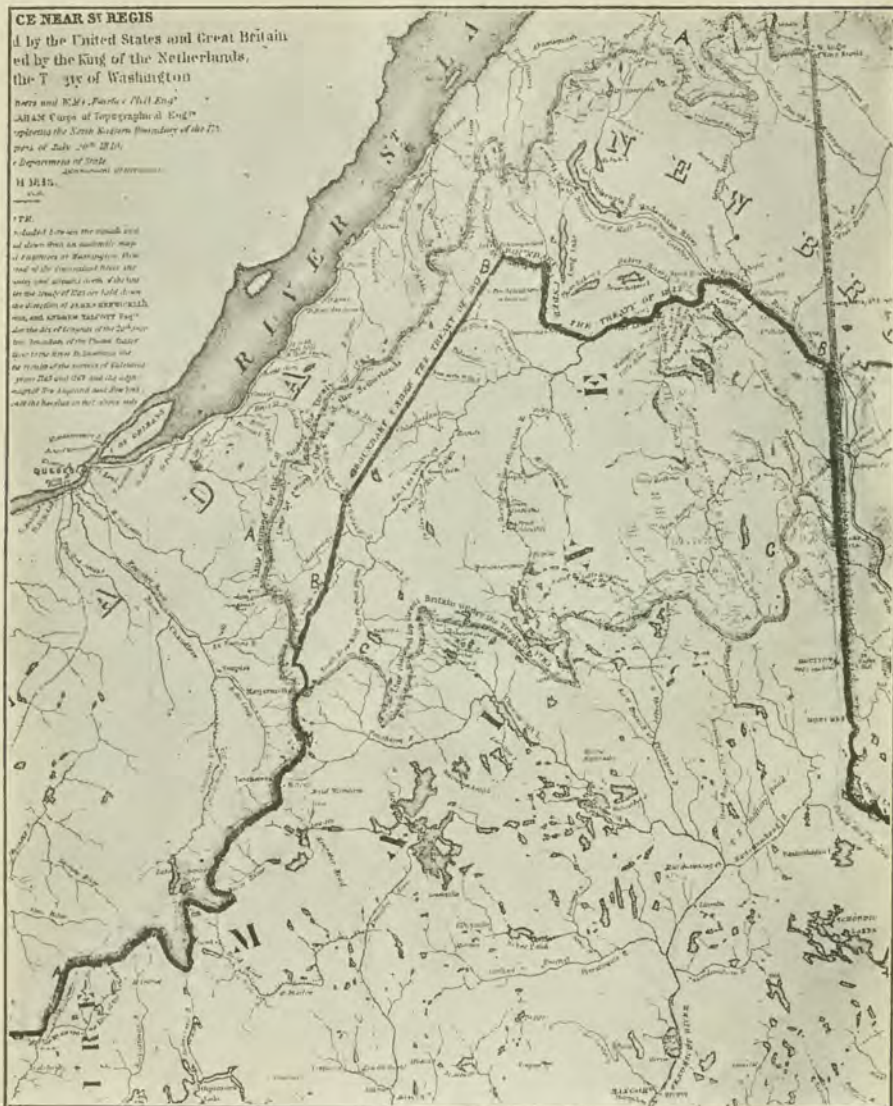
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The Germans in Maine

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THE SETTLEMENT AT BROAD BAY

The evident success which Penn achieved through the use of German protestants for colonizing purposes, as well as the equally successful colonization of a part of Virginia with Germans under the protection of Governor Spottswood, at the beginning of the 18th century, caused the property holders in other British colonies to cast their eyes toward Germany for the purpose of securing likewise strong farmer and industrious workmen for their enormous but wild stretches of territory. Only in New England was there still considerable delay in soliciting German colonists, although even in the first quarter of the 18th century German apprentices and merchants had settled in the larger cities of New England.

One of the most prominent of these German merchants was Jonathan Waldo,¹ who established himself in Boston and whose son, Samuel,² was destined to play a large part in the development of the settlement at Broad Bay.

(¹) Jonathan Waldo was born in Pommerania, of an old Swedish-Pommeranian family of nobility. His father was an officer in the Swedish service; his grandfather a colonel in the army of Gustavus Adolphus. The original name was "von Waldow," but Jonathan took the shorter form. He became a merchant in a Hamburg house and came to America in 1690, where he established himself as one of the first ship owners. His business took him often to England and Germany. He died in 1731. The family belongs even now to the first circles of nobility in Prussia; its seat is in Brandenburg.

(²) Samuel Waldo (1696-1759) was born in London according to Eaton, *Annals of Warren*, p. 109 (the Drake, *Dict. of Am. Biog.*, p. 947 says he was born in Boston). His mother was also of German descent. The influence of Boston even in those days was for culture and refinement, and young Waldo enjoyed the benefit of such an environment. From his father and in the Latin school he received some instruction but his education came mostly from men and things. At 18 he was clerk for his father, and later joined his brother, Cornelius, in a business of fish, naval stores, provisions and lumber, obtaining cargoes from the eastern part of the Province, which they exported to Europe and the West Indies. These transactions gave them early and extensive acquaintance with Maine; getting land at low figures they thus acquired the strong influence of landholders; in Falmouth also they were large proprietors. Waldo attended Harvard College and was later

While the Plymouth Council was in possession of the "Great Charter for New England" they made several grants of lands within the district of Maine, among which was the Muscongus or Lincolnshire patent.³

The lands herein included represented an area of 30 miles square and lay between the Muscongus and Penobscot rivers.⁴ On the second of March, 1630, these domains were granted by patent to John Beauchamp of London, and Thomas Leverett, of Boston, England. A fifth part of all the gold and silver ore found on the premises was reserved for the King, and governmental rights were retained; in other respects, however, the powers of the holders were unlimited. During the same year Ashley and Peirce, agents of the patentees, came with mechanics and laborers and established a trading post on St. George's river (within the present site of Thomaston). This settlement was broken up by the first Indian war, and from 1678 the whole region lay desolate for nearly 40 years. On the death of Beauchamp, Leverett acquired sole possession of the tract. Through him the patent descended to his son, Governor Leverett, of Massachusetts, and in 1719 to President John Leverett of Harvard College, the great-grandson of the original holder. Leverett associated with himself in the ownership at first 9 and later in addition 20 others, who came to be known as the "30 proprietors." But while this distribution of ownership relieved individual responsibility, and the erection of block houses offered security against the ever dangerous Indians, great inconvenience came to the owners through an officer of the Province, David Dunbar, who went by the titles of "Surveyor General of the King's Woods" and "Lord Governor of Sagadahoe."

With peculiar disregard of the rights of patentees he claimed a reservation of all the pine trees in Maine having a diameter of

sent to Germany to complete his education. There he entered the body-guard of the Elector of Hanover, and when the latter came to England as George I. Waldo accompanied him in that regiment to London and remained there until 1711, being advanced to the rank of major. When he came to Boston to assume his deceased father's business the King named him "Colonel of the militia of Mass. Bay." At the outbreak of the Spanish war in 1744 he was made Brigadier General of the New England troops, and was a leader in the expedition against Louisburg, which he took by storm. In business he was energetic and progressive, putting life into his enterprises, and is said to have crossed the ocean 15 times. He was of commanding presence, tall, stout, and of dark complexion. His portrait hangs in the picture gallery of Bowdoin College. He was married in 1722 to Lucy Walwright of Ipswich, who died in 1741, leaving five children.

(3) Coll. Maine Hist. Soc., Vol. IX, p. 77, series I, "Gen. Sam. Waldo," by Will.

(4) Rev. Dr. Pohlman, "The German Colony and Lutheran Church in Maine."

over two feet for masts for the British navy; he drove the lumbermen from their houses seized their timber and burned their saw-mills. His misdemeanors led to an investigation and a determination on the part of the outraged patentees to send an agent to England to secure redress. That agent was Samuel Waldo, "a gentleman from Boston," who prosecuted the case before the English government with great vigor. As a result, Dunbar⁵ was deprived of his extraordinary commission, but he remained surveyor for 9 or 10 years longer. For his valuable and successful services Waldo received one-half of the whole grant, and continued to be identified with the fortunes of the settlement until his death.

There is no doubt that the frequent attacks of the Indians retarded the development of these lands, and the settlement in some localities was slow as well as meagre. R. F. Gardiner⁶ says:

From depositions preserved in the (Kennebec) Company's records it appears that in 1728 there was only one family at Long Reach (now Bath) and all the country from Damariscotta Mills to the ocean was a wilderness. The difficulty of obtaining settlers when the expectation of sudden wealth had subsided and no inducement existed but the grant of a fruitful soil requiring patient labor and promising slow returns was very great—Europe had no surplus population, since the wars had decimated the people.

On the other hand, the fisheries which had been actively and successfully developed by the Plymouth colonists hastened the occupation of the Muscongus grant. And Eaton⁷ writes: "In 1730-1 there were 150 families and from 900 to 1000 inhabitants between the Muscongus and the Kennebec."

Waldo was interested not only in these land speculations but in the introduction of settlers as well. In 1732⁸ he had his possessions divided into severalty; careful surveys were made and extensive preparations instituted for colonization. In these enterprises he was not alone, however, for in 1733-4, when peace brought more settled conditions, the government and other proprietors began also to center their interest on this region and its colonial possibilities.⁹ The Irish¹⁰ had been brought there by Dunbar¹¹ and his friends; the English and New Englanders by Thomas Drowne and other proprietary aspirants of the Pemaquid grant, while the German element came (later) through Waldo and the Muscongus patentees.

(⁵) Eaton, "Annals of Warren," 1st Ed., p. 46.

(⁶) Coll. Maine Hist. Soc., Vol. II, p. 279, "Hist. of Kennebec Purchase."

(⁷) Eaton, "Annals of Warren," 1st Ed., p. 45.

(⁸) Der. Deutsche Pion., Vol. 14, p. 9. Also Coll. Maine Hist. Soc., VI, p. 322.

(⁹) Eaton's Annals, 1st Ed., p. 48.

(¹⁰) Williamson, "History of Maine," Vol. II, p. 284.

But Waldo's first transactions were with Scotch-Irish immigrants, not with Germans. In 1733¹¹ and 1735-6 Irish Protestants of Scotch descent located in the upper and lower towns of St. George's and on the land near its mouth; the English settled Medumcook (now Friendship). On April 13th, 1735, 27 families¹² of this same stock made a contract with Waldo to settle at Broad Bay; in the following year, however, they located not at that place but chiefly on the St. George River; in fact, the colony at Broad Bay always remained predominantly German. These settlers contributed zeal and energy to their task; they set about promptly to build houses, which were constructed of boards from Waldo's mill. The cellars were unwallled and reached through a trap door in the main room; in addition also to these discomforts they were continually exposed to the attacks of marauding Indians, and they as well as the cattle which some of them had brought suffered¹³ in no small degree from the intense cold. S. G. Drake, the historian, says: "The winter of 1736-7 was especially hard on the poor; many died from its severity, and sermons were preached on this subject." Meanwhile, however, Waldo was not insensible to the larger needs of the community; he started a lime kiln¹⁴ at this time (later there were two), and his saw mill, put up in 1735, met an urgent need.

But with it all, he felt and saw the need of a larger agricultural¹⁵ population, and it was this need which prompted him in great measure to seek and promote the immigration of Germans.

In a letter¹⁶ to Secretary Popple, Boston, Aug. 19, 1730, Col. Dunbar states:

Since I began this letter great Numbers of people inclined to settle to the Eastward have been with me, they were informed in towne that I am to begin but at Penobscott and that I can give them noe title to ye Lands I lay out and—they can have no Government—but what must be derived from a place at a very great distance. It is now the 29th of Aug., 3 days agoe there arrived here a ship belonging to this towne from Amsterdam with 230 pallatines, by their contract bound to Pensilvania, they were much crowded in ye ship which occasioned the death of some, & ye want of watre

¹¹ *Ibid.*

¹² Eaton's Annals, 1st Ed., p. 49.

¹³ *Ibid.*, p. 55.

¹⁴ Sewall (*The Ancient Dominions of Maine*, p. 269) says that Robert McIntyre discovered the properties of the lime rock in this region and made the kiln. Gov. Pownall in his *Journal* says: "General Waldo caused the manufacture of lime to be begun near St. George's in 1734." (*Coll. Maine Hist. Soc.*, Vol. V, p. 375, series I). It is probable that McIntyre was in Waldo's employ at the kiln.

¹⁵ A. B. Faust, "The German Element in the U. S.," Vol. I, p. 249.

¹⁶ *Coll. Maine Hist. Soc.*, Vol. XI, p. 36 seq., Documentary series.

brought them in here, the Master complained to Mr. Belcher that the passengers forced him in, which the Governor told me was an Act of piracy, the poor people being frightened with threats to be prosecuted accordingly by the Master and Owner, have been obliged to give up the obligations they had in writing to be put on shore at Philadelphia whither some of the familys & Acquaintance had been before them, and where by contract they were to be Allowed 3 Months time to pay for their passage, and are landed here & exposed to Sale like Negroes, and are purchasing by a Company of Mr. Waldoes proprietors to be planted where the pine Swamps are in Shepscot river to ye Eastward of Kennebeck; I begged Mr. Belcher to see that these poor creatures were not abused but he is gone to New Hampshire God help them they have a poor chance for justice—I am told that the Magistrate of this towne refused to lett the pallatines be landed here, they are yett upon Island 4 miles from the towne where quarentine is performed, and are to be put on board the Same Vessel & sent to Philadelphia, it would be a fine opportunity to furnish such a number of people to Nova Scotia.

In a letter¹⁷ of October 21 he continues:

The poor pallatines mentioned in my former letter to you are begging about towne, it would move any other people to see them, no dycing Crimnals look more piteously, they were bound to Pensylvania but brought in here as I formerly mentioned where they are likely to perish this winter.

There is also a communication¹⁸ of P. Yorke and C. Talbot dated August 11, 1731 as follows:

And therefore upon a Representation to His Majesty in Council that some Protestants from Ireland and from the Palatinate were desirous to Settle upon the said Tract of Land lying between the rivers St. Croix and Kemebeck, extending about 180 Miles in length on the Sea Coast, His Majesty directed that His Surveyor of the Lands in Nova Scotia should assign them land according to their desire, which he accordingly did about a year ago, and several Familys are now Settled thereon & improving the same, which were afterwards to be ratified to them.

Although no importations of Germans were made en gros until later, still in view of Waldo's early and active interest in immigration matters and the above reference of Dunbar to him it is not unlikely that some of these pallatines¹⁹ found their way to this region (Maine). Such an assumption would explain a somewhat unclear statement of Williamson,¹⁹ who after mentioning the settlements of 1733 and 1735-6 at St. George's and Broad Bay, chiefly by Irish and English, says that "Accessions (of Germans) were made in 1740 to the plantation at Broad Bay," basing his assertion, in a footnote, on a MS. letter of Mr. Ludwig.

(17) Ibid., pp. 65-66.

(18) Ibid., p. 117.

(19) Hist. of Maine, Vol. II, p. 285.



The Joseph Orono Monument, Orono, Maine.
Erected by the Knights of Columbus, October 12th, 1911.

Orono—Catholic Indian Chief

By REVEREND JOHN M. HARRINGTON.

The life of Joseph Orono is shrouded in much uncertainty and what history has been written of him is exceedingly conjectural. But from the maze of apparently contradictory statements I have tried to sift the errors and put together the following, which, I feel, may be relied upon as very near the truth.

There is very little authentic history of the chiefs or sagamores of the Penobscot tribe of Indians before Madokawando who lived in the 17th century. The time of his birth is not given by any historian, but it is certain that he was very active in the wars of King Philip and was on intimate terms with Baron de St. Castin, whom he met for the first time at Quebec. Madokawando, a Taratine chief, was the adopted son of Assiminasqua, a sagamore of the Kanabis, or Canibas, one of the Abenaki tribes.

In the summer time Madokawando, with his brother Indians, was accustomed to make yearly trips in their birch canoes down the Penobscot to its mouth, and in the salt water to catch fish in sufficient quantities to supply their needs during winter, in their homes around Orono. On these annual excursions he again fell in with Baron de St. Castin, who was then sojourning on a peninsula in Penobscot Bay, and which now bears that nobleman's name.

The sagamore and the explorer became fast friends and so great was his admiration for the Baron that he gave his daughter Matilde to him as wife, and of this union were born several children. Among them was one fair daughter who, afterwards, married a Frenchman of Castin's suite, and to them was born, about 1691, Orono, the hero of this sketch.

In confirmation of the above, Captain Joseph Munsell, of Bangor, Maine, who knew Orono well, said, and his words are on record, that Orono himself told him, (the Captain), his father was a Frenchman and his mother half French and half Indian. Hence, we may conclude as almost certain, that Orono was the grandson of Baron de St. Castin and Matilde, the daughter of the celebrated sagamore, Madokawando.

There are two other accounts of Orono's birth which I deem fit to give, but which I consider improbable.

First: Orono, according to a tradition that received credence among the old settlers of this town (Orono), was the child of

white parents and was kidnapped, in infancy, by the Tarratines, from the banks of the Androscoggin, near where the town of Brunswick now stands. But this story I hold to be incorrect. Mr. Phineas Vinal, at present a venerated citizen of Orono, told me that he had heard his mother say that Chief Orono was certainly part Indian; his countenance indicated it although he had but few, if any, of the characteristics of that race. Mr. Vinal says his mother knew the old chief well. On his mother's side Mr. Vinal is a grandson of John Marsh, the interpreter, who acted in that capacity between the Indians and the English in the war of 1812, when the latter occupied Bangor. Marsh Island, containing five thousand acres, (on which are Old Town and a part of Orono) was purchased by him from the Indians for fifteen bushels of corn.

Second: The other story is that he was a native of York in Cumberland County, this state, and was one of several captive children taken in 1692 by the Indians who ravaged that place. Orono, according to this story, was four years old at the time. Also the same tradition states that the Indians, soon after, sent back to the garrison-houses the old women, and the children between the ages of three and seven years, so as to recompense the English who, on a former occasion, spared the lives of several Indian women and children. Hence, if Orono, who was then four years, was among the captives, he must have been among those who were returned. Again this tradition says, that his family name was Donnel or Donnell, but, at that time, 1692, the Donnell family was one of the most, if not the most distinguished family in all that section, or in the province, and hence, if a son of that distinguished family had been taken captive, he would in all probability, have been returned or recovered. Besides, there is no mention of this, even traditionally, among the people of York.

Madokawando died about 1700. It is said that he always treated his prisoners well, and that he was known for his sagacity and sincerity.

We have no reliable data concerning his immediate successors, but of this we are certain, that at the beginning of the American Revolution, Orono, who had acquired the confidence of his people by his ability, integrity and prudence, was acclaimed their Chief.

Some reviewers of his life make him chief long before this date and place his birth in 1688; but I cannot find a particle of evidence to sustain the former; on the contrary, in 1754, when the Indians

were at war with the French, Tomasus was sagamore of the tribe and though Orono was at that time a man of ability and held important positions, yet we have no evidence of his being chief so early. Tomasus, or Tamor, as he is sometimes called, was succeeded by Osson, a chief who believed in the policy of peace until his patience was exasperated by the nefarious and bloody actions of Captain Casgill of Newcastle, who, one day with his company of volunteers, wickedly and unhumanely shot a party of peaceable Indian hunters on Owl's Head.

Osson died about the beginning of the American Revolution and Orono succeeded him.

Orono was a man of intelligence—though not much of a reader or writer—a gentle, benign chief, and very sedate. He was very thoughtful and reserved, saying little and that after mature consideration. When he expressed his views they were always to the point and in as few words as possible. He had an analytic mind and good common sense which served him in the place of higher education, "a sensible, serious man and a hearty friend."

Naturally, he knew both the French and Indian languages, his father being French and his mother half French and half Indian. He could also speak the English language quite fluently, particularly towards the end, when he associated a great deal with the whites.

Orono belonged to the Tarratine tribe of Indians who were among the earliest converts to Catholicity made by the Jesuit Fathers east of the Mississippi. He is sometimes referred to as a convert to the Faith, but this is a mistake, as his father and mother were both Catholics. To the Catholic religion he was ardently attached. He loved its ritual and considered it an honor to be allowed to take part in its ceremonies. He was a staunch supporter of the faith planted in the hearts of his sagamore ancestors by the "black robes," and when, after the Revolution, Protestant missionaries were sent to the tribe to proselytize them, they failed to shake the faith of their fathers.

In figure, he was tall and stately, finely proportioned, with noble bearing, fair hair, blue eyes benignly penetrating and intelligent—the grand specimen of a warrior, and it is said that in his gait, even in old age, there were a gracefulness and elasticity which at once attracted and marked his superiority. But his breadth of mind, his gentlemanly manners and kind disposition made him a

chief not alone among the Indians but also among the white men, and gave him that distinction which posterity recognizes.

Williamson says that:

His manners were both conciliating and commanding, and his habits worthy of all imitation. For he was not only honest, chaste, temperate and industrious, but his word was sacred and his friendship unchanging Though he was not deficient in courage or any of the martial virtues, he was so fully aware how much wars had wasted his tribe and entailed misery on the survivors, as to become, from principle, a uniform and persevering advocate of peace. He knew, and always labored to convince his people, that they flourished best and enjoyed most under its refreshing shade.

And even after Casgill's murderous assault, Orono, who was then a warrior passed middle age, was still for peace. "To kill the living will not bring the dead to life," said he, speaking of the Owl's Head wicked transaction.

The crimes of few never sprinkle blood on all. Strike the murderers! Let the rest be quiet. Peace is the Voice of God. Everyone is blessed under its wings. Everything withers in war; Indians are killed; squaws starve. Nothing is gained, not plunder, not glory. Englishmen are now too many. Let the hatchet lay buried. Smoke the calumet once more. Strive for peace. Exact a recompense by treaty for wrongs done us. None! Ay, then fight 'em.

Orono could not understand how England could persecute, plunder or enslave her colonies, which he looked upon as her children in a far off land, and he could not conceive how England, professing Christianity, could be a factor in such unnatural a warfare.

There was nothing so dear to Orono's heart, after his religion, as liberty. It was the sweetest sound to the Christian sagamore's ears. "Give me liberty or give me death," was the key note of his soul. On one occasion, addressing his braves, at the beginning of the Revolutionary War, before he proffered aid to the Americans, he made use of these noble and patriotic words:

The Great Spirit gives us freely all things. Our white brothers tell us they came to the Indian's country to enjoy liberty and life. Their Great Sagamore (the English King) is coming to bind them in chains, to kill them. We must fight him. We will stand on the same ground with them. For should he bind them in bonds, next he will treat us as bears. Indians' liberties and lands, his proud spirit will tear away from them. Help his ill-treated sons; they will return good for good, and the law of love runs through the hearts of their children and ours when we are dead. Look down the stream of time. Look up to the Great Spirit. Be kind, be val'ent, be free:—then are Indians Sons of Glory.

Captivated by these patriotic sentiments, his people applauded him and swore fealty to him, whatever cause he espoused. So, when the Revolutionary War broke out, resisting all solicitations of other tribes, he extended his sympathy and proffered the aid of his warriors to the American cause; and at a moment when Indians, in other parts of the state, were threatening to join the English, Orono, with three of his colleagues, as a deputation of the Penobscot Indians, arrived in Watertown, Massachusetts, two days after the battle of Bunker Hill, and tendered their services to the Provincial Congress held there on June 21, 1775.

Orono, addressing a committee of the Provincial Congress among other things, said:

In behalf of the whole Penobscot tribe I hereby declare to you, if the grievance under which our people labor were removed, they would aid with their whole force to defend the country.

The grievances, spoken of by Orono, were principally trespasses by the whites upon their timber lands and cheating them in trade.

Tho' the smoke of battle of Bunker Hill had scarcely cleared away, the committee of the Provincial Congress said nothing about accepting Orono's offer, but promised him that, "as soon as they could take breath from this present fight" their complaints should be attended to. In the same year the above-mentioned grievances were removed, and, on July of the following year, three of the Penobscot tribes acknowledged the independence of the United States, withheld all succor from the British enemy, and, eventually, some of them engaged in the war, under Captain John Preble, Lieutenants Andrew Gilman, Joseph Munsell and Orono, who then bore a Continental Commission as he led his braves to the field of battle.

When Castine, (the peninsula) was taken by the British in 1779, and other settlements on either bank of the Penobscot were under their sway, Orono proved himself faithful to his engagements and true to the American cause by communicating, with great despatch, to the government important and repeated intelligence, and his zeal to the last was inspiring to his tribe.

The war being over Orono entered into negotiations with Massachusetts. Through him assignments of large tracts of lands, for valuable considerations, were made to the State and the limits of the territory retained by the tribe were agreed upon. He then retired to his island home at Old Town, rich in years, honor and

known, respected by the commonwealth, loved by the whites and idolized by his tribe.

At that time, Father Romaine, a French priest, had charge of the Tarratines of this section, who held the faith through weal and woe, defying bribes and threats, since their conversion from paganism more than a century before.

In all the public services of the Church, Orono took a prominent part. His assiduity at Mass, his joining in its Chant, his responding to the litanies, and his reception of the sacraments, furnished a grand exemplar of all that was noble and elevating in Christian life, which materially advanced the spirituality of his tribe, by spurring them on to the practice of their religion. Whilst he never peremptorily commanded them to observe the laws of their Church, his example in this regard amounted to the same.

During his lifetime there were very few delinquents in religious matters among the Tarratines of Marsh Island, and it was a pleasure for the "black robes" to expound to them the teaching of the church.

At length, under the weight of over one hundred years, Joseph Orono died, (according to Captain Samuel Lowder, of Bangor) in his wigwam on a Sunday morning, 1801, on the banks of the Penobscot just opposite where Mt. Hope Cemetery now lies, mourned by all who knew him irrespective of creed or color. He retained his mental faculties to the last; and his erect attitude and sickly whiteness of face, flowing white hair and spirituelle aspect, gave him the appearance of a grand old saint.

Captain Munsell of Bangor, who talked with him in his last sickness, says that Orono told him he was 110 years at that time, thus fixing his birth in 1691. Mrs. Hall, who died over thirty years ago in this town, aged 100 years, had a distinct recollection of this chief, and saw his funeral cortege pass by. Captain Lowder says that he was buried on the Jameson farm, upper Stillwater, but more likely he was buried in Old Town, probably on Indian Island; but there is absolutely nothing left to make the spot where his remains were consigned to Mother Earth. All my investigations have failed to discover his grave, and not one of the Indians now on Indian Island knows where their great Chief's dust awaits the resurrection.

That nothing exists to indicate the grave of the celebrated Orono appears incredible, but such is the fact.

Nobody has yet explained what the grand and sonorous name—Orono—signifies, but it will be perpetuated and honored as long as this township exists, which was incorporated March 12, 1806, and called "Orono" in compliment to him.

To my astonishment I discovered a few years ago that the pupils of the public schools here did not know that Joseph Orono professed the christian faith, and to my great astonishment I discovered also that even some teachers, in the higher grades, never heard of Joseph Orono; though the town from which they get their living was called after that worthy chief. Had he descended from the "Pilgrim Fathers" (and held the creed of the "Reformers"), his name in all probability, would be emblazoned in letters of gold in the school rooms of the town; his praises would be sounded for the children, by every teacher in the district, and a monument would have been erected long since, by the citizens to perpetuate his name and speak his renown.

This honor was left for the Knights of Columbus, and on the 12th of October, 1911, the unveiling and dedication of a monument to the memory of the old Indian chief were carried out under the auspices of Joseph Orono Council by whose good work the monument was completed and erected on a lot owned by the writer of this sketch.

When the town was incorporated it is said that some protested against its being named after Orono. The protest came from those who hesitated to have the town named after a Catholic Indian chief, and whose descendants even today, objected to having this monument erected in the little public park of the town because, forsooth, the inscription read:—

Erected
in memory of
Joseph
Orono
—Catholic—
Indian Chief
By the Knights of Columbus
1911

But the shaft is erected to do honor to Orono, whose virtues are worthy of imitation by the noblest and best of our race, and on it is inscribed the word —Catholic— a word which is historic, brought here by the Northmen even before Catholic Columbus

touched the American shores, a word which is firmly rooted in our soil and which will adorn other monuments on this continent in centuries yet to come.

Orono, Maine, May 11, 1917.

MAINE INLAND SCENERY



Ready to climb the Mountain

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Welchville and Some of Its Early Families

By CHARLES E. WATERMAN

This historical sketch of the little village of Welchville is not written because it is more important or more picturesque than other places of its size in Maine, but because

The hills are dearest which our childish feet
Have climbed the earliest: and the streams most sweet
Are ever those at which our young lips drank—
Stooped to their waters o'er the grassy banks.

A further reason for personal interest is that the place might have been called Brownville, with equal propriety, after a paternal

great grandfather, Samuel Brown, who was the first settler in the vicinity. That was in 1795, before there was any village to name. Today, by the roads laid out with authority of the county and town of Oxford, in which Welchville is situated, the ancient domicile and the tomb of Samuel Brown is about two miles distant from the village, on the shores of Lake Hogan; but through the woods which line the shores of that body of water it is but a scant three-fourths mile; and for many years after Brown settled that was the only trail to the falls in the Little Androscoggin River. When the village budded, Brown built a second house near the outlet of the lake into the river, which forms the northern boundary of the village, where several of his children lived successively. The house has disappeared, leaving a depression where the cellar was, and the spring in the river-bank, where passing fishermen yet drink. A son, Cyrus, was a resident of the village his entire life, and a great granddaughter, Mrs. Alice King Wilson, yet lives there.

Samuel Brown came to Oxford (when that town was a part of Hebron) from Middleborough, Massachusetts. He was a Revolutionary Soldier, enlisting February 19, 1778, for three years, in Captain Benson's company, Colonel Putnam's Regiment of Continentals. His wife was Ruth, daughter of Josiah and Mary Deane, of Taunton, Massachusetts. Their children, according to the Hebron records were:

Celia, born August 4, 1789, married Zebedee Pratt;

Anna, born September 8, 1791, married (1st) Samuel Gerrish, (2d) ———
Drew;

Esther, born March 12, 1794, married Guy Bates Waterman;

Samuel, born November 4, 1795, married (1st) Sally Marble, (2d) Mrs
Diantha Carr;

Clarissa, born March 9, 1798, married Frederick Dennen;

Henry, born April 17, 1800, married Bethsheba Dennen;

Jacob Deane, born April 1, 1802, married Sally Gardiner;

Ruth, born July 2, 1804, married Moses Chesley;

Mary Staples, born July 24, 1806, married Moses Page;

John, born October 8, 1809, married Hanah Yates;

Leonard, born June 6, 1812, married (1st) Mary Ann Littlefield, (2d) Abby
C. Cox;

Cyrus, born April 5, 1816, married Susan P. Noble. They had no children, but brought up a daughter (Hortensia) of John Brown. She married Lorenzo King, and her daughter, Alice, married Frank L. Wilson, who yet lives in the village.

The earlier villages of Maine were of accidental origin, springing up at cross-roads, because convenient converging points for

settlers in building or attending churches, or sending their children to school. Here also a blacksmith was likely to set up his forge, and perhaps a cross-roads store was erected. Secondary villages grew up about water powers, when settlers arrived at the stage of abandoning their log cabins for frame houses. The earlier villages of this latter class were more than likely to grow up around small streams, because it presented fewer difficulties in damming, and because sawing lumber and grinding grain were, in their earlier developments, side lines to agriculture. Logs were generally sawed during the high water of spring, while the grinding of grain was likely to be restricted to certain days in the week, the head of water necessary for power being accumulated during the other days. The larger water powers were developed only after transportation facilities were opened. This accounts for the late development of Welchville, which is on the site of a considerable water power.

Roads are a convenience for settlers, consequently earlier roads followed the lines of settlement. The earlier clearings were made on hills for two reasons. One was because rivers were highways for Indians and settlers wished to get as far away from them as possible. The second was the frequent inundations. Thus the first highways were over highlands, crossing valleys and rivers only to go from one hill to another. The early settlers were not gregarious. Each family formed a unit of society, and produced on its parcel of land all things needful for life—food, clothing, shelter and light. It was only after settlements became thicker that they lost something of this independence, and began to yearn for things not produced on the farm. This gave an impetus to building roads leading to nearby seaports. The people of Welchville and vicinity were not different from those of other localities in Maine, or rather of Massachusetts, of which that district was then a part. The first settlements were made on hills, also the first roads. The first trunk road to Portland, its seaport town, located by the Court of Sessions in 1793, and built soon after, crossed the Little Androscoggin a mile or so south of Welchville.

Road building, and especially bridge building, was not an easy undertaking for pioneers. This is easily proved by the history of the first bridge on this road south of Welchville. The first means employed for crossing was on ice in winter and by a float bridge in summer. The latter was a long raft, anchored to a big granite boulder (yet to be seen) on the eastern bank. During the summer

months it was swung across the stream; but when the water began to congeal in autumn, it was detached from the western bank and allowed to swing parallel with the eastern one.

By and by a permanent bridge was constructed a few rods north of the float bridge, using a small island in the middle of the river as a part of the construction, because two short spans presented fewer difficulties of construction than one long one. It was called "The old Jam Bridge" because at the head of the island was a large jam of logs and other flootsam, which had been accumulating for nobody knows how long.

The building of the road opened up some of the intervale farms in due course of time.

Jacob Tewkesbury Washburn, born December 21, 1807, settled on the western bank near the bridge. His family was a prominent one in Welchville, for after he sold his farm in 1852 to Samuel B. Waterman, a grandson of Samuel Brown, mentioned in the first of this article, he moved to that village and died there. He married Mary M. Marston and had a large family of children, some of whom were life-long residents of the village. A list of them is given below:

Ellen Eliza, born December 5, 1830, married John Richards. He was lost at sea.

Mary Ann, born January 4, 1832, married Josiah Vaux.

Nancy, born May 5, 1833, married Capt. J. S. Crosby. They had Ada, John, Anna and Mary, and lived at Welchville.

Rosanna, born November 10, married Freeman Small.

Diantha Jane, born December 29, 1838, married John Cook. He and his family were killed by Indians at Lock Lake, Minn., in 1869.

Rachel Naomi, born December 29, 1840, married Harrison Wardwell.

Jacob Watson, born September 15, 1842, died in army during Civil War.

George, born December 23, 1845, died unmarried at Welchville.

Susan L., born July 17, 1846, married Emery Andrews.

Isaac, born April 2, 1848, married Anna Lunt.

Emma L., born April 16, 1850, died at Welchville, unmarried.

Angelia, born January 2, 1853, married Albert C. Jordan.

One of the first brick yards in Hebron was located near the Jam Bridge, carried on by Hanson Tarbox, a relative of the Washburns.

Two interesting items about the jam mentioned may be noticed in passing. The foundation for this mass of flootsam were old fashioned "punkin" pine trees, uprooted from the river banks farther up stream by freshets in generations previous to settlement and lodged on the projecting end of the island. Samuel B. Water-

man, mentioned above, sawed up some of the logs, which were three or four feet in diameter, into shingle blocks in the year 1870, and placed the shingles on a barn he built the following year, and where they remain to this day (1916) in a fair state of preservation, having been exposed to the elements for a period of forty-five years. These logs, as they floated down the turbid bosom of the river, possessed both roots and limbs. They were so long they effectually barricaded the eastern channel of the river, forming a kind of screen, through which the silt held in solution by the water was filtered, and gradually settled, filling up the bed, until today there is a mowing field where fifty years ago was a considerable stream of water.

The location of "The Old Jam Bridge" proved unfortunate. Freshets were continually doing damage to it, and it was abandoned in 1834. A new bridge was built that year a few rods above the island, known as "The New Jam Bridge;" but that also proved unfortunate and was discontinued in 1840.

The lots on the western bank of the river, running up to the Court of Sessions Road on Pigeon Hill, were early settled, and that part lying on the hilltop cleared. On the eastern bank, however, the road crossed the river at right angles and passed directly up onto highlands known as Robinson Hill, after Samuel Robinson, first settler. The settlers on this elevation were industrious and far-sighted. They were hard-workers because hard work was necessary in clearing rocky, hilltop farms.

In crossing the "Jam Bridge" they observed the natural meadows along the river-banks, and coveted some of the more easily worked bottom lands, therefore several of them took up lots north of the bridge. About 1820, five men from Robinson Hill, George Robinson, Samuel, Nathan and Ezra Wright, and Benajah Pratt, Jr., put a dam across the river and built a saw mill where Welchville now stands, and the village budded. They operated this as a local saw mill for about fifteen years.

Only two of these men took up residences in the village their energies had founded, and they lived in the outskirts.

George Robinson was the son of Samuel Robinson, who came to Hebron from Barre, Mass. He was born May 28, 1789. He married Hannah, daughter of Stephen March, of Worcester, Mass. Their children were:

George Oliver, born March 13, 1821, a graduate of Bowdoin College and lawyer.

Stephen March, born May 7, 1822, died young.
 Milton, born April 19, 1823.
 Everlyn Prudentis, born May 16, 1826.
 Julia, born August 19, 1828, died young.
 Sally Rawson, born January 19, 1831, died young.

Samuel Wright lived on the next farm to the Robinsons. He was a son of Samuel Wright, who came from Plymouth, Mass. He was born in 1790. He married Esther, daughter of James and Rachel Marston. They had these children:

Daniel, born September 22, 1820.
 Sarah, born in September, 1822.
 Samuel Chandler, born August 27, 1825.
 William Clark, born April 27, 1829.
 Charles Henry Durell, born February 10, 1832.
 Margeret Sutton, born April 14, 1834.
 Martha Ellen, born March 15, 1837.
 Ellen Louise, born October 18, 1838.
 Roscoe Greenlief Green, born October 16, 1840.
 Lois, born January 21, 1842.
 Emily Sargent, born June 6, 1845.

Nathan Wright, son of Samuel, Sr., was born September 8, 1778. Was a soldier on the War of 1812. Went to California and died there. He married Ruth, daughter of Peter and Joanna (Rider) Durell. Their children were:

Kate, born December 22, 1831.
 Almira, born February 22, 1833.
 Silas N., born October 31, 1835.
 Augusta M., born January 12, 1837.
 Susan D., born May 12, 1840.

Ezra Wright, son of Samuel, Sr., was born in 1786, and died in 1873. He held office and was a prominent man in the town of Oxford. He was a soldier in the War of 1812. He settled about a third of a mile outside the limits of the village of Welchville. One thing he was remembered for during his later years was the fact that he saw Lafayette on his visit to Portland after the Revolutionary War. He married Esther, daughter of Eliab Richmond. Children:

Chandler, born 1816. Died in infancy.
 Chandler, born January 7, 1817.
 Ezra Sewall, born July 22, 1819.
 Abigail, born September 4, 1821.
 Hannah, born November 10, 1822.
 John F., born December 10, 1824.

Nathan R., born March 9, 1826.

George W., born May 21, 1829.

Wilson W., born in 1837. Killed in Civil War.

Esther A., born in 1840.

Benajah Pratt, Jr., the fifth man associated in building the first mill at Welchville, was the son of Benajah Pratt, who came to Hebron from Middleboro, Mass. He was born in 1801. He was four times married, (1st) Margaret Steadman, (2d) Ruth Dennen (widow) (3d) Charity Elms, (4th) Mrs. Ruth W. Hall. He built a house in the outskirts of Welchville, near where the Grand Trunk depot now stands, but afterwards moved to Oxford village. He was the agent of the Welches, also of the Grand Trunk Railway. He was prominent in town affairs and represented Oxford in the Legislature.

Horatio K., born in 1825, was a son.

(To be continued.)

The Northeastern Boundary Controversy

On April 2, 1831, John G. Deane and Edward Kavanagh made a lengthy report to the Governor of Maine, relating to various subjects connected with the Northeastern Boundary Controversy. This report is now in the possession of the Maine State Library at Augusta. The following extracts are Appendixes, "A" and "B" to this report. These documents were never before printed:

APPENDIX A.

Extract from a letter from Mr. Deane to the Governor of Maine, dated November 2d, 1831.

In 1782, Pierre Lisotte, then a boy of fourteen years of age, strayed from his home in Canada, and found his way to the Indian settlement at the mouth of the Madawaska river, where he continued during the following winter. On his return to his friends, his representations were such as induced his half brother, Pierre Duperre to accompany him to the same place for the purpose of trade with the Indians, the year following. They commenced their business on the South side of the St. John, from two to three miles below the mouth of the Madawaska river. They were the first persons who commenced their residence at Madawaska.

Two or three years afterwards, say in 1786, the Acadian or neutral French, whose ancestors had been settled at the head of the Bay of Fundy, or in the Country which is now called Nova Scotia, and had been driven from thence and had established themselves at St. Anne (now Fredericton), and in that neighborhood, being disturbed by the introduction of the refugees and the acts of the Government of New Brunswick, which dispossessed them of their farms, fled up the St. John in search of places of residence out of the reach of the British laws and oppression. Twenty or more families moved themselves and settled on the St. John, below the trading establishment which Pierre Duperre made a few years previous. Here they continued in the unmolested enjoyment of their property for some years.

Pierre Duperre being a man of some learning, had great influence with his neighbors, and the British authorities of the Province of New Brunswick, seeing his consequence in the settlement, began early to caress and flatter him, and sometime in the year 1790 induced him to receive from them a grant of the land he occupied. Influenced as well by Pierre Duperre as with the hope of not again being disturbed and driven from their possessions, as they and their Ancestors more than once had been by the British, this large body of Frenchmen were also induced to receive grants from New Brunswick of the land they possessed, for which some were required to pay ten shillings and others nothing.

About this period, 1790, another body of the descendants of the Acadian or neutral French, who had sought refuge on the Kenebeckasis, were there disturbed in their possessions by the refugees and the acts of the Government of New Brunswick, and also quit their possessions and sought in like manner a refuge from oppression with their countrymen at Madawaska. After having resided at Madawaska some years, they were induced, as their countrymen had been, to receive grants of the land, which they had taken into possession, from the Government of New Brunswick.

Single families afterwards added themselves to the settlement. A few families established themselves in 1807, a few miles above the mouth of Madawaska river. They all lived in mutual good fellowship, recognizing and practising the duties of morality and religion, and governed solely by the laws of honor and common sense. They continued to live in this manner at as late a period as 1818. The British had made no grant higher up the St. John than Pierre Lisotte's, and had exercised no other acts of jurisdiction than those already mentioned, unless the transportation of the mail through to Canada and the granting a commission to Pierre Duperre in 1798 as a Captain of Militia, there being no military or militia organization there until 28 years afterwards may be called acts of jurisdiction.

In 1798, the river St. Croix was determined and its source ascertained under the treaty called Jay's treaty. At this period terminate all acts and pretence of acts of jurisdiction in the Madawaska settlement by the British, and for a period of twenty years, and until it was discovered by them, that Mars-hill was the Northwest angle of Nova Scotia, there is not even an attempt to exercise jurisdiction. The course of circumstances now became such as to excite the spirit of encroachment, and they issued two possesses against Citizens of the United States, who had settled in the wilderness, many miles beyond where the British had ever exercised any jurisdiction, before, but these were not prosecuted.

In 1824, Sir Howard Douglass arrived and took upon himself the Government of the Province of New Brunswick as its Lieutenant Governor. In December of that year, he appointed four Militia Captains and a competent number of subalterns at Madawaska, but the persons appointed did not accept their commissions until July, 1826, and at subsequent time the militia were fully organized. Licenses to cut timber were also granted by New Brunswick.

In May, 1825, Lt. Gov. Douglass granted a tract of land to Simon Hebert, at the mouth of the Madawaska river. In May, 1825, he made another grant to Francois Violette of a tract at the mouth of Grand river. He also appointed and commissioned many other military officers. In 1827, several processes were served against Citizens of the United States, only one of which, that against John Baker, was ever prosecuted, but many of our citizens were driven away by them.

In 1829 or 1830, for the first time, a civil magistrate was appointed in the Madawaska settlement and commenced acting as such. In a word, from the period Lt. Gov. Douglass entered upon the duties of his office, they have been constantly multiplying and extending their acts of jurisdiction.

The French inhabitants of Madawaska say they are satisfied their settlement is within the limits of the United States and that they should like to live under their laws, but the British come and enforce their laws upon them and they have been obliged to submit to their jurisdiction.

In 1820 or 1821, three or four persons went up and established themselves on the banks of the Aroostook. Several from the Province of New Brunswick and the State of Maine, the following year, joined them. After the commencement of Sir Howard Douglass' administration licenses were granted to cut timber in this region also, and civil processes were served upon the inhabitants. On this river, they have not, prior to his administration, exercised any act of jurisdiction whatever, that region adjoining the line having, in fact, been surveyed and granted by Massachusetts seventeen years before to the town of Plymouth and Gen. Eaton.

In 1792, the Government of Massachusetts contracted to sell the tract of land between the waters of the Schoodiac and Penobscot extending back to the highlands of the treaty. This tract was surveyed under the orders of the Government. The surveyor running and marking his line to highlands North of the river St. John, supposed at the time to be those described in the treaty of 1783.

In 1801, she granted the township of Mars Hill to the soldiers of the Revolution. In 1806, she granted the township adjoining Mars Hill on the West to Deerfield and Westfield Academies. In 1807, she granted a township of land to the town of Plymouth, lying on both sides of the Aroostook and bounded East by the line due North from the source of the river St. Croix to the highlands. In 1808, she conveyed ten thousand acres to Gen. Eaton, bounded East by the last aforesaid grant. All the aforesaid grants were made pursuant to actual surveys, which had been previously made under her authority. In 1808, or before the line from the source of the St. Croix due North was run, under the authority of Massachusetts, as far as the river St. John.

In 1820, an examination and reconnaissance was made, under the authority of Maine, of the whole Country on the Alligash river and on the St. John, from the mouth of the Alligash to the place where the line due North from the source of the St. Croix intersects it. The same year the census was taken in Madawaska, under the laws and authority of the United States.

In 1824, the Land Agent of Maine seized the timber, which had been cut by trespassers on the Aroostook. In 1825, the Land Agents of Maine and Massachusetts conveyed two lots, one to John Baker, and the other to James Bacon, lying on the St. John, about twelve miles above the Madawaska.

In 1825, the surveyors of Maine and Massachusetts completed the survey of two ranges of townships, extending North from the Monument, at the source of the river St. Croix, to within less than a half of a mile of the river St. John, and the States divided between them, according to the Act of Separation of Maine from Massachusetts, the townships in those ranges, which had not been previously granted.

In 1826, Maine and Massachusetts surveyed and divided five additional ranges of townships, lying West of the two ranges aforesaid, and extending nearly to the river St. John. And there never has been a moment, during which Massachusetts prior to 1820 and Maine since that period, has ceased to assert their jurisdiction over the whole territory.

APPENDIX B.

Extract of a letter from Mr. Kavanagh to William P. Preble, Esquire, dated November 19, 1831.

I deem it material in treating of the history of the Acadian, or neutral French, to present in prominent relief the facts attending their several migrations which go most conclusively to show that in all their movements, since their exile from Nova Scotia, they have endeavored to place themselves beyond the reach of the British jurisdiction. When their settlement was broken up in Nova Scotia, a few families escaped from the troops and settled themselves on the Kenebeckasis and others near the Bage des Chaleurs; but the young men who were not encumbered by wives and children fled to Quebec, then under French rule, there they remained until the cession to Canada to England in 1763. This event caused them to quit Canada and they removed to a place which they afterwards called St. Anne, where the town of Fredericton has been since built. It was at that time a wilderness. There they hoped to remain unknown. They gathered on that spot some of the remnant of their race, and commenced cultivating the soil, acknowledging no allegiance to any power on earth and most certainly disinclined to court the attention of British barbarity. In 1784 they were discovered and their lands were granted to a disbanded regiment of Refugees, commanded by one Colonel Lee, (of Massachusetts) it is said.

The first notice which those simple people had of the fact, was the appearance of British surveyors in their peaceful region; they remonstrated, and as a matter of special favor they were told that each might retain his dwelling-house and 200 feet of land about it. They soon learned the description of the boundary assigned to the United States in that quarter by the Treaty

of 1783, and their unsophisticated minds pointed out to them, at once, the highlands named in that Treaty. It followed of course in their process of reasoning that the line running due North from the St. Croix, must necessarily cross the St. John, and they retreated to a point more than thirty miles West from the spot where the Eastern boundary of the State, as established in 1798, intersects that river, and in that place, near the mouth of the Madawaska, they seated themselves with the firm belief that the boundary of the United States interposed a barrier behind which they would ever be secure from the tyranny of a power which had for so many years oppressed their ancestors and themselves.

Mr. Deane has explained in his communications the manner in which they were induced, in 1790 and 1794, to receive grants from the Provincial authorities of New Brunswick of the farms which they occupied.

In regard to the ecclesiastical jurisdiction exercised by the Catholic Bishop of Boston in the Madawaska settlement, I learn that the present Bishop, when he took charge of his diocese in 1825, received from the present Bishop of Quebec an offer to interchange faculties on the line dividing the limits of their Sees, and it was done.

Anna Boynton Averill

Born in Alton, Maine,

Died in Foxcroft, Maine,

February 25, 1843.

November 10, 1915.

(By MARY E. AVERILL)

There's a language lost and sweet that we
 May never speak in our veiled sphere,
 But thrushes sing it and lo, we hear;
 The lilies blow and behold we see:

Since she who sang thus began to give the world a token of the music that was in her soul, how delightfully, if tantalizingly near many of us have come to hearing this melodious tongue! She who has heard the thrushes sing with so fine an ear, and seen the lilies blow with so clear a vision, has not only described to us what she has heard and seen, but has herself spoken in that "lost, sweet language"—even though it be to her a language that one

"May never speak in our veiled sphere"—and those who have listened have longed for more.

(Edwin R. Champlin, in 'Six Maine Poets.')

Many of Miss Averill's poems, notably "Birch Stream," which has since found such favor, "The Wanderer's Grave," "The Wayfarer," and the "Heart of Maine," each of which called forth a letter of commendation from the poet Whittier, first took typo-

graphical form in "The Portland Transcript" when Elwell & Pickard were its editors, and when it was a literary paper of which Maine might well be proud.

Mr. Champlin, now the literary editor of the "Fall River News," Mass., in the sketch mentioned above, calls especial attention to "When the Wood Thrush Sings;" her "Swallow Song;" "Over the Hills"; "The Song of the Wheat"; "Before Dawn"; her "Even Song", and quotes from many others, all of which he says

Are marked by that peculiar combination of purity and sweetness as well as freshness of thought and grace, fluency and poetical strength of expression for which Miss Averill is distinguished in a large group of poets.



ANNA BOYNTON AVERILL

In a later communication to "The Piscataquis Observer, since her death, he says:

I could not help rating her from the first as the most notable, lyrically, of all the singers of Maine, living at that time, (1887); there were others equally poetical, but not one so purely and felicitously lyrical; and this standing she maintained, in my estimation, for years.

Her "Swallow Song" attracted wide attention and commendation from all parts of the country. Frances L. Mace, a sister poet and dear friend, sent her the following tribute on its first appearance in print.

O, Loving Poet, the birds will answer,
 If robin rapture could flow in speech,
 We know by the light in your dear eyes glowing
 Though still all hidden the wings are growing,
 The sunlight spaces are yours to reach,
 Soaring away
 Soaring forever as we soar today.

Our springtide gladness will soon be over,
 For days will darken and summer die,
 But when o'er our dust are the daisies growing,
 Thy song O, Poet, the sweeter flowing
 Shall float and mingle with sun and sky—
 Singing for aye—
 Singing forever as we sing today.

Anna Boynton Averill, oldest child in a family of ten, was the daughter of George Averill, a prominent farmer and lumberman of Alton, Maine, who in later life moved to Dover Village, and finally to the farm in Foxcroft, "Sunny Slope," now occupied by his son Luther M. Averill and family.

Anna's paternal grandfather, John Averill, was born at Pownalborough, now Alna, Maine, September 20, 1776. Here 27 years later, he married Anna Boynton, descendant of the Boyntons of Massachusetts, and here his first children were born, viz:—Mahala, Thomas, John, Elihu Baxter, and Luther. When Luther was one year old the family moved to Searsmont, Maine, where George was born, July 1, 1816, and Mary, in November, 1818.

In 1819, the family moved to Alton, Maine. Mahala, the oldest girl, married V. Brown of Oldtown, father of Albert Brown of that city, and the present editor of the "Oldtown Enterprise" is a grandchild of hers.

Elihu Baxter, the fourth child, a beloved minister of the Universalist Church, and well known throughout the state in religious and Masonic organizations, finally settled in Dover Village, building the house at the corner of Grove and Pleasant streets, where his daughters still live.

The youngest daughter of John Averill, Mary, was a well known teacher in both Penobscot and Piscataquis County. She married John Haynes, a lumber dealer of Bangor, who later moved west with his family, and Flora Haynes Loughead of San Francisco, novelist and journalist, is their youngest child.

In 1842, George married Nancy Burrill of Dover, Maine, daughter of Charles and Nancy Carter Burrill, and a granddaughter of

John Burrill, the Revolutionary soldier who sleeps in Rural Grove Cemetery, Foxcroft, Maine.

By a chance discovery in 1895 of an Essex County, Massachusetts document, which showed that on "April 6, 1742, Job Averill of Sheepscot County, York, gentleman" had given the power of attorney to Wm. Shillabar, Salem, to dispose of some land in Middleton, Mass., the first clue was found which united the Jefferson, Whitefield and Alna, Maine, families to those of Middleton, Mass., despite the different spelling of the family name. Then from examination of Essex County deeds, vital statistics and the town and church records of Middleton, it was proven that Job Averill mentioned, was the 4th lineal descendant in America of this branch of the family and that he was the identical "Granter Job" whose doughty deeds and exploits had been handed down in the annals of the family. Many daring encounters with the Indians are told of him.

At one time while threshing grain with a hand flail in his barn floor, two Indians sprang upon him to carry him a captive to Canada, when he killed his first assailant with his flail and turning upon the other put him to flight. At another time (1755) during an Indian raid, he was out with his brother-in-law after cattle, was surprised by Indians, his companion shot, himself wounded in the foot, captured and taken up on the mountain in full view of those inside the fort or stockade which surrounded his home, and tortured, but would not confess how many were in the fort. This mountain is still called Job's mountain. He was owner of land and mills, and a manufacturer, and his house had a stockade around it which in times of trouble was used as a fort. For three days he was held there suffering at the hand of the Indians but persisted in saying there were many in the fort, when in truth there were only the members of his own family. The Indians then took him to Canada, but he was ransomed after six months. His hair, which was dark when he went away was white when he returned.

An interesting letter of his, a business letter to his brother written in 1760 is preserved in the family of Luther M. Averill, Foxcroft.

He was born at Topsfield, Mass., 1707, and is mentioned in the "Averell, Averill, Avery," genealogy as a very enterprising and ambitious man of more than ordinary ability, and equal to the demands of the pioneer life which he very early chose for himself. Coming from Arundel (Cape Porpoise), now Kennebunkport, to Pownalborough, he was identified with the early history of both places. His direct ancestor was Job (3) of York, Maine, son of Wm. (2) Averell, son of William (1) of Ipswich, Mass., the first

Averill ancestor in America. This William emigrated from England to Ipswich, Mass., before March, 1637, as this is the date on which he received his first grant of land from that town. He was born at Ash, near Farmingham, Kent, England, 1611, son of Nicholas, son of Robert, (mentioned in Chancery, 1638) son of Thomas Averill of Ridley, Kent, England, (mentioned in Chancery) and who died September 11, 1556. Though these ancestors spelled the name "Averell" Tennyson in his "Aylmer's Field," (1793) makes mention of

When Aylmer followed Aylmer at the Hall
And Averill, Averill at the rectory.

using the spelling which many of the descendants now use.

The genealogy mentioned above, compiled by Clara A. Avery, of Detroit, Michigan, and published in 1914, contains as a preface to the American branch of the family, the following from the pen of Anna Boynton Averill, written in October, 1906.

WILLIAM AVERILL—1637

William of Ipswich! Art is long
And swift as a shuttle the full years flee.
And we vain would question the shadowy throng.
That peoples the distance from us to thee.

In the halls of silence we stand and wait
For far, faint echoes, We vainly peer
Through fading record and ancient date
To learn of the kindred whose names are here.
O, Vanished Immortal! How soon shall we
Emerge from the shadows to meet with thee,
William of Ipswich!

In the work above referred to, Mr. Champlin says:

Anna was a rugged strong child, but at four years of age, she received a fall by which her spine was injured and she was deformed. Happily, before many years she recovered from the worst effects of the accident and was again well and strong.

The *Piscataquis Observer* of November 25, 1915, had the following:

At a very early age, Miss Averill began to show uncommon literary taste and ability, writing witty and entertaining articles for school papers which were highly enjoyed by schoolmates and friends. She was always an omnivorous reader, devouring greedily everything printed that came within her reach. Her facility for verse was early disclosed and, naturally, the ambition developed to see something of her own in print. She was suc-

cessful in this attempt, and thus her literary labors were begun. Quiet, unassuming, studiously inclined, a devout lover of nature, and possessed with a keen sense of humor, she grew intellectually and spiritually, and gradually with the years her verses became known, admired and copied in various publications. She attended school at Foxcroft Academy where she was an eager, faithful student, but the calamity of blindness threatening her mother, and her devotion to the family of brothers and sisters who reeded her care, prevented her from prosecuting her studies as she would otherwise have eagerly done. She continued all her life to enjoy the best in literature. History and biography have ever been her delight. With her strong sense of humor and her buoyant, contented spirit, she has always been a well-spring of enjoyment to her friends, of whom she had many, some of whom she had known only by long and continued correspondence. Many who have become admiring friends through her poems, finding their pleas for a visit from her unavailing, have journeyed to her home and have never failed to repeat their visits, so much of an appeal did her personality make to them. If, instead of writing as she did from the pure love of expressing herself in verse, she had had the ordinary and not unnatural ambition for wide acquaintance and larger notoriety, she could easily have commanded these with her exquisite verse and peculiarly charming personality. Her poems won the commendation of the most cultured and critical.

Whittier, Bryant, Longfellow, Lucy Larcom and others have included poems of hers in collections compiled by them, while in John Burroughs' introduction to his collection of poems, "Songs of Nature," we find his acknowledgment of indebtedness to Houghton, Mifflin & Co., for selection of poems from such authors as Emerson, Lowell, Longfellow, Howells, Celia Thaxter, Mary Clemmer Ames, and in this list is the name of Anna Boynton Averill—truly an illustrious company in which to be immortalized. The poem selected was "Birch Stream" and Burroughs says "This collection represents on the whole my judgment of the best nature poems in the language."

Among the standard magazines which accepted and published other poems of hers, are "The Independent," "Atlantic Monthly," "St. Nicholas," "Youth's Companion" and "The Wide Awake." She was often urged to have a separate volume of her children's poems published.

In 1908 some of her friends who had always been desirous that her poems should be preserved in book form, organized themselves into a club for the purpose of seeing what could be done to accomplish that object. Circulars were printed and sent to old friends, schoolmates and townspeople, and the response was so cordial and satisfactory that the work was entered into with zeal, and the title "Birch Stream and other Poems" was given the volume. The poem "Birch Stream" had found much favor because of its appeal to a sentiment in every heart, an enduring love for some cherished childhood recollection. The stream which she immortalizes in this poem flowed through her father's farm in Alton and that portion of it was very dear to all the family and inevitably so to this true lover of field, wood and river. It was natural that she should idolize and idealize it. In her early life this dearly loved home was abandoned for her father sold his farm

and moved to Dover, in which town and later in Foxcroft, the family has since resided.

Miss Averill saw much sorrow in her life. Losing by death one after another of her nearest and dearest, she knew full well the keenest pangs of grief, but her strong faith and serenity remained undisturbed, a witness to the truth of the beautiful sentiments, which abound in all her poetry, of trust and resignation.

I am free from the bonds of the life I knew,
My beautiful day dreams all are true.

Miss Averill passed from this earthly life, November 10, 1915, the anniversary of a dearly loved brother's birth. All that was mortal of her rests in the family lot in Rural Grove Cemetery, Foxcroft, Maine.

Maine and the Federal Constitution

By LUCILIUS A. EMERY,

Formerly Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of Maine.

The impending constitutional convention to be held in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts the present year led me to read the proceedings and debates in the Massachusetts convention of 1788, called to consider the ratification of the proposed constitution of the United States submitted by the convention of 1787. Some facts relative to Maine's part in that convention of 1788 (Maine being then a part of Massachusetts) may interest your readers.

Several towns were not represented and out of a total of 355 delegates in the convention only 46 appeared from what is now Maine. I do not find that any Maine delegate advocated in debate the ratification of the proposed federal constitution, but some few did strongly oppose ratification. On the vote being finally taken the Maine delegates voted as follows:

In Favor of Ratification—Nathaniel Barrall, York; Rev. Moses Hemmenway, Wells; Nathaniel Wells, Wells; Jacob Bradbury, Buxton; Thos. Cutts, Pepperellboro; John Low, Coxhall; John K. Smith, Falmouth; John Fox, Portland; Joseph McLellan, Portland; David Mitchell, North Yarmouth; Samuel Merrill, Yarmouth; William Thompson, Scarboro; John Dunlap, Brunswick; Isaac Snow, Harpswell; John Dyer, Cape Elizabeth; Samuel Ferley, Gray; Thomas Rice, David Sylvester, Pownalboro; Nathaniel Wyman, Georgetown; David Gilmore, Woolwich; William McCobb, Boothbay; Samuel Grant, Vassalboro; Moses Davis, Edgecomb; David Fayles, Tremastor; Demmer Sewall, Bath—25.

Opposed to Ratification—Esaias Preble, York; Mark Adams, James Neal, Kittery; Elijah Thayer, Nathaniel Low, Richard Fox Cutts, Berwick; Ilios, M. Wentworth, Lebanon; Samuel Nasson, Sanford; Moses Ames, Fryeburg; Jeremiah Emery, Shapleigh; Rev. Pelatiah Tingley, Waterboro; Daniel Hsley, Portland; Stephen Longfellow, Jr., Gorham; William Widgery, New Gloucester; David Murray, Newcastle; Samuel Thompson, Topsham; Jonah Crosby, Winslow; Zaccheus Beal, Bowdoinham; William Jones, Bristol; James Carr, Hallowell; Joshua Bean, Winthrop—21.

The total vote in the whole convention was 187 yeas, 168 nays. To this slender majority of 19 in favor of accepting the constitution, Maine contributed 4. The Maine vote by counties was as follows, there being at that time only three counties in that part of the commonwealth. York, yeas 6, nays 11; Cumberland, yeas 10, nays 3; Lincoln, yeas 9, nays 7.

Nathaniel Burrall of York expressed in debate his dislike of the constitution and intimated that a majority of his constituents were opposed to it, but he was satisfied it was the best that could be had and so voted for it. Samuel Nasson of Sanford made a fiery speech against giving Congress the power to raise armies and levy taxes directly on the people and voted against the constitution, but after the vote was taken he declared his acquiescence and that he would strive to induce his constituents to accept the result cheerfully. William Widgery of New Gloucester, who had spoken and voted against acceptance, also declared his cheerful acquiescence and sincere resolution to support the action of the convention.

Samuel Thompson of Topsham, who seemed to have the title of General, was apparently incorrigible. He attacked nearly every section of the constitution in debate, often vehemently, and does not seem to have expressed any acquiescence in the result. During the debate on the final question he insisted that it was unconstitutional to adopt the proposed constitution; that the delegates to the Philadelphia convention of 1787 were not authorized to propose a constitution but only to propose amendments to the articles of confederation; that it was a "wicked" usurpation for them to do anything more. He predicted that the ratification of this work would eventually destroy the liberties of the people.

I do not find that any others of the Maine delegates took any active part in the debates.

Maine Shipbuilding

In the last number of the Journal (Vol. 4, p. 318) we published a list of shipbuilding in Maine in 1854, taken from the Maine Register published in the year 1855, by George Adams, publisher, of Boston, Massachusetts, taken from page 255 of that book.

We have received a letter from Mr. George W. Johnson of Bath, Maine, calling our attention to the fact that the compilation in that publication, so far as it relates to the town of Bowdoinham, is inaccurate, and Mr. Johnson adds the following, "taken from a compilation from Bath Custom House and covers the year 1854 and also from 1781 to 1878:"

SHIPS BUILT IN BOWDOINHAM IN 1854

Lavinia Adams	882.77 tons
Juan Fernandex	1,019.44
Geo. L. Sampson	1,005.22
Agamemnon	894.00
Windsor Forest	1,256.22
Brig Rolling Wave	236.75
	5,294.40

FROM 1781 TO 1878 BOWDOINHAM BUILT

50 ships	55,612 tons
7 barks	3,143
18 brigs	5,331
3 schooners	240
Total	64,326

FROM 1781 TO 1878 BUILT AT BATH

1,230 Vessels of all kinds. Tonnage 609,622.

The Lewiston Journal Magazine recently published an interesting article on the "Century Old Drake House in Union (Maine). Occupied by a Real Daughter of the Revolution," from the pen of Lillian Achsah Cole, of Union.

Tombstone Inscriptions

SOME CURIOUS, SOME NOTABLE, SOME COMMONPLACE.

Collected and Annotated by EDGAR CROSBY SMITH

'Tis an old, old grave; the once trim mound
 Is level now with the sloping ground;
 From the tangled grass the buttercup
 With a startled, wild-fawn air looks up,
 And the coarse-leaved burdocks make their home
 Where the mower's scythe has ceased to come.

BETSEY,

Wife of

Dea. James Cleveland,

Born Dec. 5, 1797,

Married at the age of 20

& lived with her husband

62 years.

The mother of ten children

and lived to see

48 grandchildren,

& 16 great-grandchildren.

Died Apr. 10, 1879,

Æ. 82.

A dutiful wife, a kind mother,

a good Christian.

This interesting bit of personal history inscribed on this tombstone, leaves to future generations an interesting and valuable record. The grave is located in the Main street cemetery, Skowhegan, in that part of the town which was once Bloomfield.

The Clevelands were early settlers of Skowhegan; Joseph Cleveland settling in old Canaan in 1777 or 1778, in that part of the town incorporated as Bloomfield in 1814, and, in 1861, annexed to Skowhegan. Deacon James was an industrious farmer and prominent in the Baptist society. For 57 years he was a deacon of the church.

His wife was Betsey Parker before their marriage.

[FATHER]

Rev.

Elijah Kellogg

1813 - 1901

This simple and unassuming inscription chiseled on a small marble slab in the Western cemetery, Portland, marks the last resting place of a noted citizen of Maine.

An imposing monument was erected at Harpswell, and dedicated to his memory August 28, 1906, but his mortal remains rest without hearing of the roar of the railroad trains at Portland instead of within hearing of the roar of the ocean; that ocean that he loved with every fiber of his being.

Elijah Kellogg was born in Portland, May 20, 1813, and died in Harpswell, March 17, 1901. He was graduated from Bowdoin College in 1840, and from Andover Theological Seminary in 1843; ordained a Congregational minister in 1844 and the greater number of his years of ministrations were passed with the little church at Harpswell, Maine.

He was a powerful and eloquent preacher and might have filled high salaried churches, but to their calls he always turned a deaf ear. He was the author of more than thirty books, mostly written for young people, which today are large sellers.

General Joshua L. Chamberlain, who had a summer cottage just across the bay, was an intimate friend of Mr. Kellogg, and a fitting epitaph are General Chamberlain's words referring to the death of his friend.

"Now the black spruces stand in mourning, but our hearts go out with him."

HENRY LELAND

Died

June 26, 1835,

Æ. 74 yrs. 1 mo.

& 26 days.

This inscription on a plain marble headstone erected in the little cemetery at Knowlton's Mills, in Sangerville, Maine, tells no story to the passing stranger. Yet the memory of the man it perpetuates is like unto that of hundreds of Maine pioneers.

A native of Sherborn, Massachusetts, he came to this little inland settlement in the early part of the last century. He was a hardy

pioneer; a soldier of the Revolution, enlisting when not quite sixteen years of age and served three years. The marble tells nothing of this. The battles of Saratoga and Monmouth, the terrible winter at Valley Forge; he had his share in these; did his work well in war and in peace.

Henry Leland. Peace to his ashes.

(To be continued.)

MAINE COAST SCENERY



Mount Desert from Shore Walk

Courtesy of M. C. R. R. Co.)

Documentary

SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES
IN THE MASSACHUSETTS LEGISLATURE FROM MAINE
IN 1793.

From an early Massachusetts Register.

YORK COUNTY.

Simeon Frye.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Pelig Wadsworth.

LINCOLN, HANCOCK AND WASHINGTON.

Daniel Cony.

REPRESENTATIVES.

Ichabod Goodwin,	Berwick,
Mark Adams,	Kittery.
Joseph Tucker,	York.
John Storer,	Wells.
Jacob Wild,	Biddeford.
John Woodman,	Buxton.
Thomas M. Wentworth,	Lebanon.
William Thompson,	Scarboro.
John Fox,	Portland.
Daniel Davis,	Portland.
Josiah Thatcher,	Gorham.
John Cushing,	Freeport.
William Widgery.	
Isaac Snow,	Harpswell.
John Gardner,	Pownalborough.
David Sylvester,	
Jordan Parker,	Georgetown.
Francis Winter,	
Nathaniel Thwing,	Woolwich.
Charles Webber,	Vassalboro and Sidney.
John Farley,	Newcastle and Waldoboro.
William McCobb,	Boothbay.
Samuel Thompson,	Topsham.
Robert Page,	Winthrop and Readfield.
Jedediah Jewett,	Pittston.
Samuel Brown,	

NAMES.	Poles	R. Est.	P. Est.	F.	Sum total.
Nathl. Hill.....	1 5	3 8	0 8		0 5 9
Lemuel Hatch, Jr.....	1 5		0 3		1 8
Barak Kimball.....	2 10	3 8	7		7 1
Nathl. Kimball.....	1 5	1 3	5		3 1
John Kennard.....	1 5	1 7	2	7	3 9
Pelletiah Littlefield.....	1 5	2 11	1 3		5 7
Richard Laben.....	1 5	5	3		2 1
Jesse Littlefield.....	1 5	7 1	1 3		9 9
Captain James Littled.....	1 5	13 9	1 11	1 11	19 0
Isaac Littlefield.....	2 10	12 3	1 8		16 9
Elijah Littlefield.....	1 5		10		1 3
Joseph Littlefield.....	1 5	8 6	1 6		11 5
Joseph Littlefield, 3rd.....	1 5		1 3		2 8
Nichs. Littlefield.....	1 5	1 4	9		3 6
Daniel Littled. 3rd.....	1 5	4 4	1 8		7 5
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Depandance Littled.....	1 5	7 5	1 9		10 7
Solomon Littlefield.....	1 5				1 5
Joshua Littlefield.....	1 5	11 0	2 3		14 8
Nemiah Littlefield.....	1 5	7 0	1 3		9 8
Asa Littlefield.....			8		0 8
James Littlefield, Jr.....	1 5	1 4	6		3 3
Elias Littlefield.....	1 5				1 5
Benjamin Morrison.....	1 5	4 0	6		5 11
Josiah Morrison.....	1 5	2 6	8		4 7
John Morrison.....	1 5				1 5
Simeon Merrefield.....	1 5	2 9	11		5 1
Levi Merrefield.....	1 5				1 5
John Maxell.....		6	11		6 11
William Nason.....	1 5		10		2 3
Isaac Storer.....	1 5	3 2	1 3		5 10
					<hr/> 3 15 1
Widow Mary Storer and Son.....	1 5	4 8	1 4		7 5
Nathl. Storer.....	1 5	11	1 11		14 4
Jeremiah Storer and Son.....	2 10	7 9	1 7		12 2
Amos Storer.....	1 5	3 11	1 1		6 5
Josiah Storer.....	1 5		1		1 6
Dr. Clemm. Storer.....		4 1	10		4 11
Joshua Staples.....		3 9			3 9
Nicholas West.....		4 8	9		5 5
Nicholas West.....	1 5	1 7	5		3 5
John Winn Jun.....	4 3	4 2	1 1		9 6
Joseph Williams.....	2 10	3 8	8		7 2

Names.	Poles	R. Est.	P. Est.	F.	Sum	Total.
Thomas Wadley.....	1	5				1 5
Samuel Williams.....	1	5	6	0	1	8 5
Ebenezer Grant.....	1	5	2	3	9	4 5
						4 10 3
						3 15 1
						5 0 11
	13	6	3			
	3	12	4			13 6 3
	5	5	5			
	22	4	0			

To Capt. James Littlefield, Parish Collector, Sir—pay in unto the Revt. Doctor Moses Hemmenway Parish Treasurer the sum of twenty two pound four Shilling agreeable to this list and your warrant herewith committed unto you. Given under our hand this tent day of January 1795.

SAMUEL CURTIS	}	Parish Assessors.
ISAAC PO. E		
JOHN STORER		

It is a matter of uncertainty as to what assessment the column "F" refers to. Judge Morrill suggests that it might have been assessed under what was once known as the "faculty" tax. There was also a "field tax." By an act of the General Court of Massachusetts, of Feb. 24, 1786, the proprietors of common fields were authorized to regulate the affairs of their common property, with power to assess taxes and to commit them for collection. [Editor.]

(To be continued.)

AN ACT FOR THE ADMISSION OF THE STATE OF MAINE INTO THE UNION

Whereas, by an Act of the State of Massachusetts, passed on the nineteenth day of June, in the year one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, entitled "An Act relating to the separation of the District of Maine from Massachusetts, Proper, and forming the same into a separate and independent State," the people of that part of Massachusetts, heretofore known as the District of Maine, did with the consent of the Legislature of said State of Massachusetts, form themselves into an independent State and did establish a constitution for the government of the same, agreeably to the provisions of said Act. Therefore,

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, that from and after the fifteenth day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty, the said State of Maine is hereby declared to be one of the United States of America, and admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the original States, in all respects whatever.

Approved, 3d March, 1820.

The Desire of the Moth for the Star

Is the title of a beautiful little book of poems from the pen of Charlotte Louise Smith of Patten, Maine, one of Maine's bright and talented writers.

We take the following from this collection :

MELLINOKETT LAKE.

Where wild Aroostook clasps in fear
Her virgin daughters to her breast,
And hears the fatal axe, each year,
Ring closer to her greenest nest,
Caught on the lace of sedge and brake
Shines pearl-like Mellinokett Lake.

Through lonely forests, eager rills,
Thrilled by a thousand vague alarms,
Fly, singing, down the rocks and hills,
To fling themselves in her soft arms;
And there perpetual music make
'Round happy Mellinokett Lake.

When Autumn's carnival is done,
The merry maples by her side
Their faded masks fling one by one
With shout and song upon her tide,
And from her summer dreams awake
Sweet, startled Mellinokett Lake.

Her tranquil waters rest afar,
As soft and deep as twilight skies,
And safe and white as some pale star
The lily on her bosom lies.
The pirate wind scarce dares to shake
The calm of Mellinokett Lake.

In her primeval solitudes
'Twould be no wondrous thing to see,
Along the mosses of the woods,
Slim dryads flit from tree to tree,
Nor hear forgotten Pan awake
Echoes round Mellinokett Lake.

Her limpid tide no rock can hide,
Her gentle bosom holds no grave,
The wild face of the suicide
Has never flashed across her wave;
It seems as if no heart could break
Near peaceful Mellinokett Lake.

Little of earth's despairs she knows,
In her serenity sublime
She recks not how life frets and flows
Above the shifting sands of time.
Oh, that the human soul might make
Harbor like Mellinokett Lake!

The last Legislature enacted a law which becomes operative July 7th, providing that every vehicle on wheels whether stationary or in motion shall have attached to it at least one light so displayed as to be visible from the front and rear, one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise. The only exemption made was vehicles for the transportation of hay, wood, lumber or stone. Anyone driving a vehicle without such lights is subject to arrest and fine. In nearly every other state in the East all vehicles must carry lights. Two years ago New Hampshire enacted such a law without exceptions. While in this state, heavy teams are exempted, as a matter of safety and precaution, they should fall in line with the others.

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I shall be content if those shall pronounce my History useful who desire to give a view of events as they did really happen, and as they are very likely, in accordance with human nature, to repeat themselves at some future time—if not exactly the same, yet very similar.

THUCYDIDES. *Historia*. i. 2. 2.

The Duty of the State in State Historical Research

At the eleventh and last annual conference of American historical societies held during the meeting of the American Historical Association in Chicago, December 31, 1914, Professor James A. Woodburn read a valuable paper on "Research in State History at State Universities." In this he makes the undeniable statement that

It behooves the State to collect and preserve the materials of its history, not only for its own sake but for the sake of the country at large.

The State of Maine from 1889 when its legislature began publishing the "Baxter Manuscripts" until the legislative session of 1911, pursued quite a commendable policy along these lines.

During that time it also published a part of the ancient "York County Deeds," and was in other ways reasonably liberal in aiding town and county research work.

Since 1911 its policy in this regard has ebbed and flowed, ebbing, however, much more than it has flowed until the gate was entirely shut down by the Solons of 1917. Undoubtedly the first wrecking

of these historical resolves was caused by the then novel and somewhat *bizarre* processes of the "budget system;" yet several other worthy objects, notably the public library stipend, shared a similar fate and hung in the balance for some weeks but were finally rescued from peril by kindly hands.

It seems lamentable that the meagre appropriations of this character could not have been saved.

It is unfortunate that the precedent of a complete strangulation of everything connected with preserving some of Maine's rich historic sources should have been established.

We can only hope this was not done with malicious design, but that it simply happened almost unconsciously and thoughtlessly; and that future legislatures will treat these matters with more mercy and consideration.

From Professor Woodburn's important and interesting paper we make further excerpts as follows:

But a State is a people under some form of political organization, and every organized society, and more especially the State, owes something to its history. A state entirely indifferent to its history would be a sorry spectacle. Such a State is hardly known in the record of human life, because should a State sink to that low level or fail to attain above it, it would cease to have a history and would drop from view. Having lost all interest in its own ancestry it would cease to be of interest to its posterity. The State is under obligation, for its own sake, not only to preserve its history, as found in its materials and memorials, its archives and documents, but to celebrate that history, to publish it, and to make it available to its students, its historians, and its people. The State may, therefore, very properly endow and employ its university for the promotion of this end within limits consistent with the privileges and duties of the university in all other directions. This obligation the State ought to recognize and fulfill. There is not a better, more efficient, or more constant agency for this work of the State than the State university. It is the obvious medium, in connection with its State historical society and its historical commission, for the prosecution of this function of the State. . . . The department of history in a State university should be ready and willing, within the limits of its equipment, its powers, and its other duties, to lend its aid and cooperation to every agency in the State toward the promotion of a public interest in, and a knowledge of, the State's history; to an intelligent, public-spirited preservation of historical materials; and toward making the content of this material available in published forms. State and local historical societies, teachers' associations, the public schools, etc., may be sought by departments of history in State universities as fitting instruments for cooperation.

Notes and Fragments

What a shoot was that that England, carelessly, struck out across the ocean, into the waste land which it named New England! Hail to thee, poor little ship MAYFLOWER, poor common-looking ship; hired by common charter-party for coined dollars; calked with mere oakum and tar; provisioned with vulgarest biscuit and bacon; yet what ship Argo, or miraculous epic ship built by the Sea-Gods, was other than a foolish bumbarge in comparison! Thou little MAYFLOWER hadst in thee a veritable Promethean spark: the life-spark of the largest Nation on our Earth.—THOMAS CARLYLE.

According to Hildegard Hawthorne's "Old Seaport Towns in New England" (Dodd Mead & Co., N. Y. 1916) the first schooner ever built was launched in Gloucester in 1713, and was built by Captain Andrew Robinson. As the construction of the queer looking vessel progressed his neighbors and friends generally laughed and jeered at it and at him, but when she slid into the water a delighted bystander exclaimed, "Oh, how she scoons." All right said the undaunted Captain, "a schooner let her be," and, breaking a bottle of New England rum on her bows so named her.

Soon the most of the Gloucester ship-building was confined to schooners. Today the frigate and clipper, the pride of the brave sailor men of two centuries ago, have all gone, but the schooner remains and sails on every sea.

The same author also in describing Marblehead speaks of wandering down "Orne Street." This street was undoubtedly named for Colonel Azor Orne who was a prominent man there at the time of the American Revolution and the intimate associate of Elbridge Gerry, James Otis and Samuel Adams, and was ancestor of Judge Henry Orne, for whom the town of Orneville in Piscataquis County was named.

(See Journal, Vol. 1, pp. 131-6).

Major H. A. Shorey, the Nestor of the weekly newspaper editors of Maine, Bridgton, Maine.

"Sprague's Journal received. Was much interested in your sketch of Sir Hiram Maxim. Do you know that we have one of his machine guns and 200 dummy shells, the latter sent us from London just before the war broke out?"

The Portsmouth Times of May 10, 1917, published quite an extended article, relating to the Journal, under the title of "Maine's Historical Magazine," contributed by Justin Henry Shaw of Kittery, Maine.

Among other appropriate things the writer says:

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Joseph E. Foxcroft

The original proprietor of Township No. 5, Range 7, North of Waldo Patent, now the town of Foxcroft, and so named in his honor. Born in New Gloucester, Maine, March 10, 1773, and died there September 1, 1852. (See Vol. I, pp. 150-156, for an extended sketch of Col. Foxcroft.)

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Foxcroft Centennial

When the centennial of the incorporation of the town of Foxcroft was celebrated in 1912, there was no appropriation available to be used for publishing the proceedings of the day. At the annual meeting in 1917 an appropriation was made for that purpose, as will appear from the following:

TOWN RECORD.

Art. 49. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) or such part thereof as may be necessary to publish in a special number of Sprague's Journal of Maine History the Centennial proceedings of the town of Foxcroft, with appropriate cuts, similar to the number published by the Guilford Centennial, and appoint a committee with authority to arrange and contract therefor.

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The Chair appointed C. W. Hayes, E. D. Merrill and E. C. Smith, Committee.

A true excerpt from the town record, 1917. Attest,

W. M. STEWARD, *Clerk of Town of Foxcroft.*

Foxcroft's 100th Anniversary

Foxcroft celebrated the anniversary of its organization October 1st, 1912. The anniversary was August 31st, but belated enthusiasm delayed the celebration until then.

The affair had been planned in a short time and to some of the committees especially belongs a great deal of praise for the efficient work.

Tuesday was a cold, raw day and rain fell during the early morning and in the afternoon and evening. A heavy fall of rain made it impossible to hold the fireworks in the evening. During the passing of the trades parade the sun shone and this parade was the feature of the day.

At six in the morning the festivities began. The ringing of bells and the firing of bombs on Foxcroft bridge aroused the blood of every citizen and gave promise of a day of festival enjoyment, in spite of lowering skies. A decorator had been at work for 10 days on the buildings and the appearance of some of the residences and most of the business places, as well as of Foxcroft bridge, which was formally dedicated at noon, was one of gaiety and attractiveness.

It has been estimated by those who made a tour of the towns that there were about five thousand people on the streets during the day.

At nine o'clock the parade of trade floats and antiquities started on Main street, Foxcroft, being formed on this and streets adjoining. There were three bands in the parade and 65 teams, rigs, farming implements and floats. Some of the trade floats were very attractive creations. The first prize was awarded to Josef L. Brockway, florist, who besides having a beautiful creation, carried out a unique idea. The float was drawn by white horses, the harness being trimmed in pink. The entire color scheme was pink and white. The float represented a bridal party. At the front stood the clergyman, Josef L. Brockway, the "happy couple" were Bela Norton and Miss Ruth Day. They stood beneath an arch from which was suspended a wedding bell. The arch and bell were wound with smilax and decorated with pink roses. The rest of the float was occupied by four little flower girls, Rachel and Kathleen Stoddard, Eleanor McNaughton and Mary Moran. The ring bearer was Clifford McNaughton. At the four corners were white posts on which were palms. Other palms, ferns and white doves were part of the dainty, beautiful and artistic piece of work.

The second prize was given to Ober & Clark, dry and fancy goods dealers. The float was a creation of white trimmed with sweet peas. At each corner was a post upon which was an urn filled with asters. In the center was a birthday cake, three and a half feet in diameter bearing candles. The float bore a banner, "Our one hundredth birthday."

Geo. H. Hoxie, taxidermist, was awarded the third prize. His float was very striking. A small forest of green, with the head of a bull moose protruding through the front. In the body of the float was an Indian wigwam with children in costume. Other specimens



Centennial Parade.
—"100 years ago"—

of taxidermy added to the scheme. Following the float was Peter Bearce in the guise of an old trapper with his gun and coon skins, his hound in leash ahead of him.

The American Woolen company with its four teams added much to the parade. Beginning with a float, attractively trimmed, in which was a sheep in the front and wool in the rear, they showed the industry to the finished product worn by a party of young ladies seated in a neatly trimmed outfit.

The Dover and Foxcroft Light and Heat company had an attractive float. One half showed a fire-place, an old-time hearthstone, with the candles on the mantel. The other side had all the

modern electrical devices for lighting, heating and cooking. The first was presided over by an old time madam and the latter by a modern housewife. The trimmings and signs were pleasing to the eye.

The telephone operatives had one of the daintiest rigs of the day. It was of blue and white and a bower and arch were very attractively arranged. Some of the girls occupied positions on the float, dressed in attractive gowns. This last float got special mention from the committee we understand.

There were many other of the floats which deserve special mention. S. G. Sanford had three outfits showing his complete line of fine horses and carriages which were a great addition to the show. S. A. Annis' livery outfit carriage also attracted much favorable comment.

The list of floats and other features in their order is as follows:

Division one: Taylor's band; Company F, G. A. R. (2); Boy Scouts; Mayo & Son, woolen mills, (3); Dyer Brothers, grocers, (2); Elmer Nickerson, druggist; E. D. Eldridge, painter; V. L. Warren, hardware and farming implements, (2); W. J. Eldridge, dry goods; C. F. Dearth, cider mill; Smith Bros., gasoline lights; C. A. Brockway, milk; A. A. McClure, milk.

Division two: Monson band; Modern Woodmen; D. & F. Light and Heat company; A. W. Gilman & Co., grain, (2); Ober & Clark, dry goods; E. H. Chase, furniture; E. W. Judkins, grocer, (2); E. E. Cole, druggist; S. G. Sanford, livery and sales stable, (3); Lillian Harvey, dry and fancy goods; W. Cushing & Co., coke; Ober, Clark & Thayer, lumber; Will Williams, (driving horse with sleigh 125 years old attached); S. A. Annis, livery stable.

Division three: Guilford band; Eldorado Encampment, I. O. O. F., American Woolen company, (4); N. E. T. & T. Co.; Josef L. Brockway, florist; P. E. Ward & Co., furniture; O. H. Bragg & Co., \$2-trousers for \$2; five exhibits placed by the committee, oxen and farming implements; Hughes & Son, pianos; J. G. Sawyer, lumber, Wm. Buck & Co., druggists.

Division four: Drum corps: Union Hose Co.; Tiger Hose Co.; Hook & Ladder Co., hand tub; Curtis & Robinson, harness, trunks and bags; Dow & Boyle, clothiers; Lyford & Buck, grocers; J. J. Folsom, lumber; H. W. Thayer, shoes; Mrs. F. E. Gellerson, millinery; Standard Oil Co.; C. A. Harmon, ox team; F. D. Barrows, printer; George Hoxie, taxidermist; A. N. Merrill, Star theatre.

One of the features of the parade which attracted the attention of the reporter was the advertising car of the Voight Milling Co., driven by V. M. Boothby, eastern agent, who made a special trip from Portland to join the parade, which was very much appreciated by E. W. Judkins, sole agent for Voight's celebrated Royal flour.

Following the parade was a ball game at the Central Driving park between Henderson and Newport, the game being won by the latter 6 to 0. In the afternoon the winners were defeated by D. & F. 7 to 2.

Band concerts were given in the various squares at 10.30 by the three bands already mentioned and by the Milo band which arrived on the forenoon train. The work of these organizations has been highly complimented. The Monson band, made up of men from their town only, was deserving of especial mention.

The new Foxcroft concrete bridge was dedicated at noon. The exercises consisted of an address by Hon. W. E. Parsons, music by the band and the display of day fireworks.

The automobile parade at one o'clock was a disappointment, only two or three cars bearing any decorations. W. G. Parker had his Buick attractively trimmed. There was a good display of cars but no finely trimmed ones besides this one.

There was a football game at the park in the afternoon following the baseball game, between Higgins and Foxcroft academy which was easily won by Higgins, 38 to 0.

The historical program carried out in the Congregational church during the afternoon was as follows:

PROGRAM.

President of the Day,	A. W. Gilman
Prayer,	Rev. E. L. Gates
An Original Poem,	Anna Boynton Averill
Historical Address,	Rev. G. A. Merrill
Foxcroft in the Civil War,	Hon. Wainwright Cushing
Clergymen of Foxcroft,	Liston P. Evans
Doctors of Foxcroft,	Dr. Edgar T. Flint
Foxcroft Academy,	Hon. W. E. Parsons
Schools and Schoolhouses,	Supt. W. H. Sturtevant
Custer Command and Ladies of the G. A. R.,	Mrs. S. A. Martin
The Masonic Fraternity,	Hon. J. F. Sprague

In the evening there was a grand ball at Central hall and a dance in the Palace, both of which were largely attended. Kendall's orchestra furnished music for the former, giving a concert which was much enjoyed. The dance committee, B. T. Genthner; chairman, report a very successful outcome of their end of affairs.

On account of the heavy rain the fireworks were postponed to Thursday evening.

The marshal of the day was Walter J. Mayo. He was ably assisted by E. C. McKechnie, Elmer R. Blethen, Dr. E. D. Merrill, F. W. Mason, A. J. McNaughton and E. E. Whitney.

To Elmer C. McKechnie, chairman of the trades parade committee, especially, belongs much credit for the good showing made in this feature. He and the other members promised to furnish carts and horses for floats. They did furnish them; good carts and fine looking horses. If this had not been done the number of floats would have been much less.

DISPLAY OF ANTIQUES.

The display of antiques was one of the best ever shown at an occasion of this kind, the writer believes. Doctor Mary Lowell's display at her home was a very important part of this line of the day's features. Monday afternoon and all day Tuesday the Doctor entertained many people. The list of articles shown is as follows:

Seventy-eight pictures of some of the oldest residents of Dover and Foxcroft.

Pictures of Mary E. Chandler and Abbie Tower.

Desk set owned by Charles Parsons Chandler in 1828.

Pieces of flag staff and of flag from Marshall house (where E. F. Ellsworth was killed) secured by Col. Chandler.

Autograph letters from Colonel Foxcroft to C. P. Chandler, his Att'y.

Tall hat worn by Charles P. Chandler in 1825.

Muffler worn by Charles Parsons Chandler, 1825.

Umbrella used by Charles P. Chandler in 1825 when preceptor of Foxcroft Academy.

Shoe buckle, Col. Isaac Parsons, New Gloucester

Hand woven table cloth, Mrs. Charles Parsons Chandler, made by her mother, Mrs. Isaac Wheeler of Garland, in 1828.

Hand knit shawl, Mrs. Peleg Chandler St., made about 1780.

Baby bib worn by Emily Chandler in 1831.

Baby's bonnet, worn by Chas. Parsons Chandler who was born in 1800.

Baby's outfit made by Mary E. Chandler.

Pin cushion made by Mrs. Peleg Chandler of New Gloucester, after she was 86 years of age.

Hand made counterpane made about 1820.

Original bureau scarf.

Solid mahogany bureau, original brass trimmings, 1830.

Card table, Mrs. Chandler, 1830.

Solid mahogany dining table, Mrs. Chandler, 1830.

Feather bed (in cradle) made about 1794.



Centennial Parade.
On Foxcroft Bridge.

Cradle made by Peleg Chandler, 1762, in which Col. Foxcroft was rocked when a baby.

Collar embroidered by Mrs. Charles P. Chandler.

Set of dining-room chairs to match side table.

Side table for dining-room, 1830.

Bedstead used by Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Chandler, 1830.

Beaded bags made by Mary E. Chandler.

Beaded purse made by Mrs. Charles P. Chandler.

Brass cooking kettles. Brass clothes kettle.

Coffee mill brought from New Gloucester.

- Brass lamps made for using sperm oil.
- Steel knives and forks, dinner and breakfast set, 1830.
- Sampler worked by Mrs. C. P. Chandler, 1819.
- Syrup jar brought from New Gloucester, used by Col. Foxcroft.
- Tea set, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Chandler, 1830.
- Dinner set eaten from by Col. Foxcroft.
- First dinner set used by Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Chandler.
- Vases, wedding presents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Chandler, 1830.
- Soup tureen and platter 120 years old, Peleg Chandler, Sr.
- Platter 130 years old brought from New Gloucester by Peleg Chandler, Sr.
- Set of dishes 150 years old.
- Warming pan.
- Candle snuffer and tray.
- First dust pan in Dover.
- Wedding present to Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Chandler, 1830.
- Table made by Peleg Chandler prior to 1762.
- Decanter of New England rum brought from New Gloucester in 1828.
- Bells set up by Peleg Chandler, Sr., prior to 1793.
- Carpet 1830, house in Dover.
- Shawl worn by Mrs. C. P. Chandler, 1830.
- First catalogue Foxcroft academy, 1825.
- Second and third catalogues of Foxcroft academy.
- Complete set of catalogues of Foxcroft academy to 1902.
- Commencement program R. I. college 1794 where Peleg Chandler, Jr., was graduated.
- Picture of Bowdoin college.
- Massachusetts hall, Bowdoin college.
- First Cong. church, Brunswick.
- Pewter porringer given to Charles Parsons Chandler by his grandfather, Col. Isaac Parsons of New Gloucester, with Parsons' Coat of Arms, 1800.
- Light stand made by Peleg Chandler, Sr. in 1749.
- Desk chair over 100 years old, Peleg Chandler, Esq.
- Silver comb and tortoise shell comb, Mrs. C. P. Chandler.
- Shaving set, C. P. Chandler, Esq.
- Mirror, over 125 years old, Mrs. Peleg Chandler.
- Library of Peleg Chandler, Jr., over 90 years old.
- Foil picked up on battlefield of Vicksburg after surrender.

Gun picked up on battlefield of Bull Run, Va., by Maj C. P. Chandler, 1st Mass. Inf.

Rebel sword picked up on battlefield of Williamsburg by Col. Chandler.

Fire-place set and cooking utensils, 1830.

Cane, property of Peleg Chandler, Esq., New Gloucester.

Full set of pictures, five generations of the Chandler family.

Peleg Chandler, Jr.'s journal, kept in 1791.

Toddy glass and spoon brought from Gloucester, England, to Gloucester, Mass., in 1657, property of Geoffrey Parsons, grandfather six times removed of Mary Chandler Lowell.

Teaspoons of six generations back to 1739.

Doll, 1843. Mary E. Chandler, Mrs. Chas. W. Lowell.

Walking stick of Chas. Parsons Chandler, 1830.

Spoonholder, 200 years old, brought from England to Charles Parsons Chandler.

Six pieces of china that came from Duxbury, Mass., in 1701, to Mrs. Peleg Chandler, belonging to the great great great grandmother of Chas. Parsons Chandler.

Picture of eleven young ladies in Foxcroft academy, about 1855.

Chair made in 1728 in No. Yarmouth by Joseph Chandler, Jr., great great grandfather of Chas. Parsons Chandler.

Letters from 1788 to 1839.

Papers from 1788—1837.

One of the most interesting features of the Centennial was the display of relics and antiques in the Cong'l chapel. Many articles of great beauty and of great historical value were shown and the committee in charge deserve great credit for their diligence in searching them out. Unfortunately no list was made by the committee so we are unable to present the names of the articles and their contributors.

Centennial Poem

1812

FOXCROFT.

1912

By ANNA BOYNTON AVERILL.

Fair Foxcroft, throned upon her hills,
 Where mountain-lake and forest meet,
 The busy village with its mills,
 The gleaming river at her feet,
 Calls for her children far and near
 —To come in her centennial year.
 Leave toil and care and gather here
 In joyous fellowship to greet
 Old friends, old homes, old scenes so dear.



Anna Boynton Averill.

Her sturdy pioneers who came
 To wrest from forest lands a home,
 Soon saw the rugged wilds grow tame
 With bounteous crops of corn and grain.
 And grass enclosed with walls of stone.
 And then, with foresight of the seer,
 From hard-earned store they gave with cheer,
 To found a seat of learning here,
 That youth might reap where they had sown.

Had they foreseen, those sturdy men
(Who toiled with axe and saw and plow,
Seeking the future far to ken)
Machinery's triumph in this glen,
Man's power increased as it is now,
Or heard in e'en their wildest dream,
The motor's honk, the steam cars scream,
And seen the bright electric light
Shining beside these falls at night,
They'd thought the vision, it is plain,
A wild chimera of the brain.

And O, dear mother pioneers,
Now you, unselfish, brave, we see,
As horseback through the woods you came
Undaunted, child at breast and knee,
To share the joys, the hopes, the fears,
And hardships of the coming years.
The creaking ox-carts followed slow,
With precious household goods and so
The homes you made began to grow.

O, blessed homes! Your smiling fields
A royal wealth of tillage yields,
Where hardy, patient toilers wrought
For years to reach the goal they sought.
And higher riches multiplied
In these loved homes—for side by side
With toil and sorrow, joy and woe,
The treasures of the soul may grow,
And send their silent forces, far
Beyond the walls that seem a bar.

And now from over all our land
From every state, on every hand,
Come words of faithful love and pride,
From Foxcroft's exiles, scattered wide,
But loyal to the lovely town
By her twin sister nestled down
Among the hills. With added years,
Still lovelier she to them appears;
While from the crowded marts of care,
The gay world comes and finds her fair.

And here she stands—a model town,
 Triumphant over trials sore,
 That in the passing years she bore,
 And in their passing lived them down.
 The record clear, no touch of blame
 Doth tarnish now her honored name,
 And in her future, fair, we read
 But promised help for human need.

Historical Sketch of Foxcroft, Maine

By REV. GEORGE A. MERRILL.

To rescue from partial oblivion the main facts and incidents of one hundred years in the history of a town is no easy task. I claim no special skill in this kind of effort; and I must ask your pardon if any mistakes or inaccuracies have crept into my record. The story of a century, I have found intensely interesting. Much I have been obliged to omit, which I would have included gladly, had time permitted. What I bring before you today will, I trust, awaken old memories, encourage in you all the habit of treasuring up bits of history, which may become invaluable in after years, and increase your love for this beautiful town.

In 1794, the Massachusetts Assembly granted to Bowdoin College as an endowment, six townships in the district of Maine. The town of Foxcroft is one of these six,—being number five in the seventh range, north of the Waldo Patent, or, practically, the northern borders of Waldo County as it is today. The present boundaries of the town are, on the north, Bowerbank, on the east, Sebec, on the south, Dover and on the west, Guilford. At the time of its purchase, it contained 17,915 acres. A part of Sebec Lake is included in it; it is half a mile less than six in width; and a small strip north of the lake has been annexed to Bowerbank, so it falls short considerably of a full township. This deficiency, however, was made up to the purchaser by the grant of half a township in another part of the State.

In the earliest history of this town, one figure stands out more prominently than all others,—Col. Joseph Ellery Foxcroft, the

explorer and original proprietor, for whom the town was named. This man was the son of Rev. Samuel Foxcroft, who was a graduate of Harvard College and the first settled minister in New Gloucester. Col. Foxcroft became a business man of considerable prominence in his native town and was active in military and political affairs. It is well to note that he was a member of the Maine Constitutional Convention in 1819, a member of the Maine Senate 1820-'21, and an Overseer of Bowdoin College from 1821 to 1834. In October of the year 1800, Col. Foxcroft, in company with Thomas Johnson of New Gloucester, set out on a tour of exploration in the untrodden wilds to the North. Securing at Skowhegan a man by the name of Stephen Weston as guide,—who was also a competent surveyor,—they proceeded on horseback as far as Cornville. Leaving their horses here they pushed on on foot the remainder of the way, camping wherever night overtook them. Arriving at length upon the southwest border of the township they were seeking, they followed the river nearly down to the falls. In a letter, April 3, 1853, Col. Foxcroft says: "We crossed the river a little above the falls. This was a pleasant spot, many names marked upon trees, but all a wilderness, no sign that anyone ever intended to dwell there. We went down the river to the southeast corner of the township, and near it, upon the intervale, we found an opening occupied by Abel Blood and, I think, a hired man with him, but there was no family. They had corn growing, and garden roots. I well remember the large turnips and beets which they had raised, and thus the virgin soil and vigorous nature greeted these first efforts of husbandry with liberal productions."

Being favorably impressed by his explorations, Col. Foxcroft bought the township for \$7,940, or about forty-five cents per acre. The Committee of the College Trustees, William Martyn, Rev. Elijah Kellogg, and Isaac Parker, deeded the land Jan. 22, 1801, taking a mortgage back, which was cancelled fourteen years later. The college imposed as a condition the settlement of twenty-four families within a given period. This was no easy task, and it is a tribute to the energy and enterprise of Col. Foxcroft that the conditions were fully met. The town was first lotted by Moses Hodsdon of Levant in 1801. It was divided into two hundred acre lots, at a cost of \$200. In June of the same year, Samuel Elkins of Cornville was hired to clear twenty acres of land,—which was on lot nine, range one,—one of the lots on which the village is located. In 1802, Col. Foxcroft offered forty-six rights of two hundred acres

each, for sale, to be assigned by lot; and several were soon bought. These purchasers met in New Gloucester, legally organized as proprietors, and took measures to secure settlers.

Some of the first individuals and families to take up lots in Foxcroft located on the hilly portions of the town in the region of what is now known as the Centre. For several years permanent residents came in rather slowly. In 1802, the first road was cut out across the township, running from what was known as the "old Chandler place" to the "four corners," now Foxcroft Centre, and thence to "Morse's landing" on Sebec Lake. A number of clearings were made in 1804 and 1805; and in 1806, the first permanent settler, John Spaulding, came with his family from Norridgewock and settled in a log house near the falls. He was soon followed by his two brothers, Eleazer and Seth, who also moved their families from Norridgewock and occupied log houses near by. For some time the settlement was known as Spauldingtown. The first saw and gristmill, built by John Spaulding and Abel Blood, was in operation by Jan. 1, 1807. This was done at the special instance of Col. Foxcroft, who offered to deed a lot and the mill privilege to anyone who would build a mill and agree to keep it in repair for ten years. In 1807, the first framed house, with a brick chimney, was built by Samuel Chamberlain and Ephraim Bacon, near the site of the present soldiers' monument. The bricks were made at Abel Blood's brick yard at what is now East Dover. The same year the first barn was built by Eliphalet Washburn. The first child born in Foxcroft was Joseph Foxcroft Spaulding, a son of John Spaulding, and named for the proprietor. The date of his birth was April 16, 1806; but he died at the age of six years. Had he grown up he would have been presented with a lot of land by Col. Foxcroft. The second child was Sally J. Chamberlain, born Aug. 18, 1808. She became in after years the wife of Samuel Greeley and the mother of Miss Lizzie Greeley and Samuel Greeley of this town. Her death took place only a few years ago.

Among the early settlers were Joseph Morse, Tristram Robinson, John Chandler, Samuel Chamberlain, Ephraim Bacon, John Bigelow, Jesse Washburn Nathan Carpenter, Nathaniel, William, Moses and Daniel Buck, Gilman Greeley, John Bradbury and Joel Pratt. Tristram Robinson settled on the farm, later purchased by Cyrus Holmes and now occupied by his grandson, Irving Holmes. Cyrus' brother, Salmon, at a later date, occupied the land now owned by A. W. Gilman. The home of Nathan Carpenter was the well-known

Herring place on Park street. Eliphalet Washburn settled on a farm near the Averill place on the road to East Dover. Another early settler, David Moulton, father of Mr. Isaac Moulton, a prominent citizen of La Crosse, Wisconsin, who lately visited this place, lived on the farm now owned by Mrs. George Lebroke.

In the early twenties, William Stedman, William Shaw, and Daniel Fullen came from Hebron, Maine, and settled in this town. They were later followed by the Leavitts, Harmons, and Hazeltines from Buxton. The Howard brothers, Asel and Asaph, cleared the farms now occupied by E. A. Bolton and C. A. Foss respectively. Along with William Stedman—who cleared the place now occupied by Joseph King, came a young man by the name of Andrews, who made a beginning on the farm now occupied by F. S. Getchell. Young Andrews was engaged to a sister of Stedman. While he was busy in this pioneer work, she sent him some apple seeds; he planted them; and quite a nursery was the result, from which several orchards in the region of Foxcroft Centre were supplied with trees. A few of these old trees are now standing. The young lady who was responsible for this benevolent act died not long after, and young Andrews plans were changed. He sold his farm to Capt. Timothy Hazeltine, who, with his son, Timothy, Jr., occupied the place until their death.

Abram Bolster and Jacob Lebroke came from Paris, Maine, to Foxcroft in 1824. Jacob Lebroke was the son of James Lebroke, who was born in Paris, France, and came to this country with the French fleet, to fight under Lafayette, serving one year in the Continental army. He met his death by falling off the roof of a building when he lacked only one month of being one hundred years old. Jacob Lebroke moved here soon after the birth of his son, Augustus G., who in after years became one of the most able, eloquent, and influential lawyers in the State, and a prominent citizen of Foxcroft for many years. The oldest house in Foxcroft is located on North street and was built by Andrew Blethen in 1818. Mr. Blethen afterwards built the first mills at Greeley's landing, Sebec Lake, and also the Dennis Brawn home.

Eleazer Spaulding, with his two brothers, John and Seth, built not only the first mill, but the first dam across the Piscataquis River. We must realize that this work was done with the greatest difficulty in those early times. Hardly a horse could be found to haul the timber; every board and timber had to be hewed by hand; all the machinery and tools had to be hauled from Bangor, and for

twenty miles the road was nothing but a trail through the forest; the streams and bogs were not spanned by bridges; the load was hauled on two lang shafts, the ends of which dragged on the ground, making progress slow and tedious at best. In spite of all these difficulties, the dam and mill were finished according to the contract; but the dam was so leaky that the mill could be run only at high water, and people had to go elsewhere sometimes, to get their work done.

In those days "spirituous liquors" were considered a necessity whenever any task of importance was to be performed. When Samuel Chamberlain was about to raise his first large barn, which must have been about 1809, he announced that he should supply no rum. The prevailing opinion was that he would have no raising. In face of this direful prediction, however, a bountiful dinner was prepared, and the barn went up without a hitch.

In 1810, the population returned for No. 5, Range 7, was sixty-five; and three years later there were twenty-five voters for State officers. The people had made sufficient progress in 1810, to lead them to petition the Massachusetts Legislature for an act of incorporation. Mr. Nathan Carpenter carried this petition, signed by seventeen residents, to Paris, and sent it to Col. Foxcroft for him to approve and forward to Boston. I will read a copy of the petition.

"To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, A. D. 1811:

"We, your humble Petitioners, Inhabitants of township N, five, Seventh Range of Townships North of the Waldo Patent, County of Hancock and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Humbly shows that we labor under disadvantages by reason of living in an unincorporated Plan., the most essential one a want of Roards, schools, and many other difficulties incident to new countries, but needless to mention to your Honors.

"We therefore pray your honors to incorporate us into a town that we may have some way to remedy (in a measure) the difficulties that attend us. It is our unanimous wish to be incorporated into a Town by the name of Foxcroft—as in duty bound will ever pray."

(Signed) Eleazer Spauldin, Joel Pratt, Benj. Kittredge, George Harvey, Jeremiah Rolf, Joseph Morse, John Spauldin, John Coxe, Jesse Washburn, Met. Towne, Samuel Chamberlain, Nath'l Buck,

Junr., John Bradbury, Nathan Carpenter, Daniel Buck, Wm. Buck, Wm. Thayer.

Two years later, Feb. 29, 1812, this petition was granted, and Foxcroft became a legally incorporated town, being the second in what is now Piscataquis County,—Sebec being the first and just one day older. The final form of the Bill of Incorporation as it was approved in the Massachusetts Council Chamber, is as follows:

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

In the Year of Our Lord, One thousand, eight hundred and twelve.
AN ACT to establish the town of Foxcroft, in the County of Hancock.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, that the township numbered five in the seventh range, North of the Waldo Patent, in the county of Hancock, be, and hereby is established as a town by the name of Foxcroft, and by the following boundaries, viz., East by the township number four in the same range, South by the river Piscataquis, West by number six in the same range, North by number seven in the eighth range. And the said town of Foxcroft is hereby vested with all the corporate powers and privileges, and subjected to the like duties and requisitions of other towns, according to the Constitution and Laws of this Commonwealth.

Section 2. And be it further enacted that any Justice of the Peace for the County of Hancock, is hereby authorized, upon application therefor, to issue a warrant, directed to a freeholder and inhabitant of the said town of Foxcroft, requiring him to notify and warn the inhabitants thereof, to meet at such convenient time and place, as shall be expressed in said warrant, for the choice of such officers as towns are by law required to choose, at their annual town meetings.

In the House of Representatives, Feb. 29, 1812.

This Bill having had three several readings passed to be enacted.

E. W. Ripley, Speaker.

In Senate, February 29th, 1812.

This bill having had two several readings passed to be enacted.

Samuel Dana, President.

Council Chamber.

29th February, 1812.

Approved.

E. Gerry.

At the time of Incorporation Foxcroft was as will have been noted, part of Hancock County. Piscataquis County itself was not incorporated until 1838. It contains more than one hundred full townships, with an area of 3780 square miles.

Foxcroft's first town-meeting was held on Aug. 31, 1812. I will read the warrant, as it was posted.

"To Samuel Chamberlain, one of the freeholders and inhabitants of the town of Foxcroft, County of Hancock,
Greeting:

You are hereby required in the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the inhabitants of the aforesaid town, qualified to vote in town-meeting, to meet at the Dwelling House of Mr. Gilman Greeley, on Monday, the thirty-first day of the present month, at one o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:

- 1st, to choose a moderator to govern said meeting.
- 2d, to choose a town clerk.
- 3rd, to choose three or more selectmen.
- 4th, to choose three or more assessors.
- 5th to choose a treasurer.
- 6th, to choose a collector.
- 7th, to choose a constable.
- 8th, to choose what other officers thought necessary.
- 9th, to act upon all other necessary business.

And you are to make returns of this warrant and your doing thereon on or before the said 31st instant.

Hereby fail not.

Given under my hand and seal at Plantation No. 3, range sixth, this fifteenth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twelve.

Nath'l Chamberlain,
Justice Peace.

A true copy.
Attest:

John Bradbury,
Town Clerk.

Some of the officers chosen at that first town-meeting were: Joel Pratt, Moderator; John Bradbury, Clerk; Joel Pratt, Samuel Chamberlain, William Thayer, Selectmen; Nathan Carpenter, Treasurer. About every voter in town had an office. The collectorship was given to Nathaniel Buck for three-fourths of a mill on

a dollar. At the annual town-meeting the next year, \$150 was raised for the support of schools; and it was voted to build a town-house, 20 by 25 feet. One hundred dollars was voted as a sufficient sum to build this house. It was located near the place where W. J. Eldridge now lives. This same year it was "voted to accept one-half acre of land for a burying ground, laying on the south side of the road running northerly from the mill, about seventy rods from the corner of the road near Greeley's Mills." This location was at the junction of Main and Green streets. The yard was removed about 1854. Conveniences in the homes of these first settlers were extremely limited. One family of four daughters had only one needle. A frequent inquiry was, "Where is the needle?" An incident that may be recalled by some of the older residents belonged to this period. The Spauldings owned some steers, which in playing around an iron kettle used for washing purposes on the river bank, got their horns entangled, and, in trying to get away, pushed themselves into the river and were drowned. In 1812, a whiskey distillery was erected near the present site of Merrill's blacksmith shop in the village, and A. Blake began the making of potato whiskey. This gave a market for the farmer surplus potatoes; but it could hardly be called a worthy adjunct to the town. It did not pay either, and after a few years its fires died out. The building, known as "the old still house," was used for other purposes until destroyed by fire in 1830. In 1813, John Bradbury built a store, the first in town, on the corner now occupied by the Blethen block. The building was afterwards moved away to the corner of North and Summer streets. In 1816, Samuel Beal started a tannery, which was on the river bank between Clark and Thayer's saw-mill and Curtis and Robinson's harness shop.

On Sept. 2, 1816, the town voted, 15 to 5, in favor of separation from Massachusetts; and three years later, when the matter came up again, the vote was 19 to 1 in favor of separation. In 1820, there were forty voters in town, and the first Governor of the State, William King, received 30 votes.

Samuel Chamberlain was elected a delegate to the Convention to frame a constitution for the new State; and John Bradbury was Representative to the first Legislature in 1820, and also in 1821. In 1819, the town voted to raise \$150 to build a bridge across the Piscataquis River and \$500 more to be paid in labor. During this and the following year a substantial bridge was built and soon paid for by taxes, labor and grain.

Previous to the incorporation of the town, Col. Foxcroft visited the rising settlement on business, and, though not himself a professor of religion, advised the people to hold meetings on Sunday and conduct them as they could. This proposal was readily accepted, and the first meeting was held at the house of Eli Towne. Mr. William Mitchell, an old school-master, led the service, but no one was found to pray until Mrs. Mitchell consented to do so; and the Piscataquis settlement was devoutly dedicated to God by a woman's public prayer. In 1814, Mrs. Nathan Carpenter and Mrs. William Mitchell united with the church in Garland, then consisting of nine women and two men. These two women constituted the nucleus of the Congregational church of Foxcroft and Dover. Meetings were for a time held in the log house of Abel Turner and later in another log house. Here on Sundays Joel Pratt read the sermon and Deacon Carpenter read the Scriptures and offered prayer. As the cold weather came on and the snow became deep, those living at a distance could not come and the attendance dwindled to two, who came one Sunday morning and found the place cold and deserted. They remained through the day, despondent and dejected, but finally decided to make it the subject of prayer, and if no one came the next Sabbath they would give up. The next Sabbath came, the house was warm and well filled, and they took fresh courage. Subsequently the place of meeting was changed to the small town-house, standing, as I have said, on the lot where W. J. Eldridge's house is now situated. Occasionally, Rev. John Sawyer of Garland would visit the settlement and preach for the people. The Sabbath-school was organized in 1815 by Mrs. Carpenter, and is supposed to be the first in the county.

July 13, 1822, the town voted "to settle the Rev. Thomas Williams as our town minister on the following conditions, viz., that he is to have the public lands reserved for the first settled minister in Foxcroft. He is likewise to have the privilege of being absent one-third part of the time." Jan. 1, 1823, Mr. Williams was installed as pastor of this church, and the minutes of the installing Council are in the town records, signed by the town clerk. Quite a number of other ministers attended this installation, and so large an assembly was attracted, that the old schoolhouse would not hold all of the people, so Blake's "still house" was fitted up for the occasion.

Rev. Thomas Williams, long a prominent and influential citizen of Foxcroft, lived in a house on Park street, on the lot now occupied

by Mr. Chandler. Dec. 30, 1822, Mr. Williams, with the help of Rev. John Sawyer, organized eighteen members who had been dismissed from the church at Garland into what was called the Congregational Church of Foxcroft and Vicinity. Until the organization of the Christian Scientists a number of years ago, this was the only church in town. The first church edifice, erected in 1824, on the spot now occupied by Mr. Elbridge Libby on Lincoln street, was destroyed by fire Jan. 15, 1835, the day following its dedication. The members of the church were about to celebrate the Lord's Supper, when the house took fire. The weather was extremely cold, and the stoves, standing in the entry at the north end, were kept intensely hot, communicating fire to the partition. The wind drove the flames directly up into the belfry; it was impossible to save the building and it was soon laid in ruins.



Centennial Decorations.

The second meeting-house, built in the summer of 1835, stood on the lot on North street, where Mr. Charles L. Merrill now lives. This, too, was destroyed by fire, Oct. 21, 1850. After the burning of this church services were held for a while in the Academy. The present house of worship was built during the summer of 1851 and dedicated Oct. 22 of the same year. The present chapel was erected in 1875 and was largely the gift of Deacon J. G. Mayo. During the pastorate of Rev. H. A. Loring (1875-'80) the meet-

ing-house was extensively repaired, its seating capacity increased and a steeple erected, in which a town-clock was placed.

Previous to 1822, there has been no schools above the grammar grades, but this year, Mr. J. S. Holmes, a graduate of Brown University, opened at Foxcroft the first law office in the county, and being deeply interested in education, organized a high school in the village and was its first principal. A charter for an Academy was granted Jan. 31, 1823, and Foxcroft Academy then became the first incorporated school of this sort in the State, and lacked only three years of being as old as the State itself. The school has been, all through its history, as is stated in the act of incorporation, "for the promotion of literature, science, morality, and piety." The proprietor of the town gave \$50 toward the Academy's endowment. The site was a "half acre of land lying between the house of David Greeley, Esq., and his saw-mill; and here a building was erected and ready for occupancy in 1825. The Academy soon attracted students from the surrounding towns. Twenty years after its incorporation, it had considerably over a hundred pupils. In 1859, the first Academy building was moved to the north end of Foxcroft bridge, on the east side of Main street. In 1891, the building which replaced the first was repaired and remodeled, and in 1904, through the help of large gifts from Mr. and Mrs. Josiah B. Mayo, was greatly enlarged and remodeled.

With the high school scholars of Dover uniting with those of Foxcroft and other towns, the Academy has become one of the finest fitting schools in the State. The first Principal was James Gooch, A. B., of North Yarmouth. In 1825, half a township of land was granted by the Legislature as an endowment, and this was soon afterward sold for over three thousand dollars.

As has been intimated before, the drinking of liquors was not uncommon in the early part of the last century. We find in the Foxcroft town records that on Feb. 3, 1829, "Josiah Spaulding of Dover was licensed as a retailer of spirituous liquors at his store in Foxcroft for the space of four months." Similar licenses were issued later to other individuals. There was however, quite a strong sentiment against this business; and in 1832, it was voted that "the selectmen should not grant license to retail spirituous liquors," yet for some reason or other one person was licensed that same year. At a considerably later date, Elder Bartlett owned and occupied a store at the end of the bridge, in what has been known as the Brockway Block. He always sold liquors; and his son said his father

"sold large quantities of the Piscataquis river." The story is told of two neighbors, both of whom had been drinking and quite unsteady on their feet, who were walking up the street together, when one remarked that he would not be seen walking with a drinking man, and managed with difficulty to get himself into a near-by yard. The first temperance society, a branch of "The Sons of Temperance," was organized in the hall of the old Exchange in 1844 by a Mr. Dockham, who at that time was settled here as a tailor.

Every year from the beginning of the town's existence liberal provision was made for the poor. For the greater part of the time they were boarded in different families. For instance, in 1833, it was voted "to set up Elisha Gibbs and his wife at auction to the lowest bidder." "After several bids,"—and these are the words of the record,—"Elisha Gibbs and wife were struck to Silas Paul for the sum of forty-seven dollars and fifty cents for one year, to be maintained free of any expense to the town during said time." Evidently the "high cost of living" was no problem in those days as it is now. For some years the town maintained a poor farm which was on the shore of Sebec Lake near Steadman's Landing.

In the Act of Incorporation of Piscataquis County, approved March 23, 1838, it was enacted that the town of Dover should be the shire town of the county. There was considerable rivalry between Dover and Foxcroft, as to which should be the shire town. By a bill passed in the Legislature of 1841, the question was referred for final settlement to a vote of all the towns in the county. Feeling ran high, and when the votes were counted, on the second Monday of September, 1841, it was found that Dover had received 1097 to Foxcroft 1067. The vote not being decisive, the matter was again submitted to the people in 1842, and the result was that Dover received 1138 votes, Guilford standing next with 784 and Foxcroft third with 311. Foxcroft's records give the vote of Foxcroft at that time as 114 for Foxcroft, 33 for Dover, and one for Bowerbank.

The industrial development of Foxcroft is a most interesting chapter in its history. In 1820, the old mill built by the Spauldings was taken down by Daniel Greeley and replaced by a large saw and grist-mill. This was on the north side of the river near the site of the extension of Mayo's woolen mill. Two years later a mill for cloth dressing and carding was erected near by. This was first put in operation by Mr. E. R. Favor, but was not long after conveyed to John Bradbury, who in 1826 combined this business with that

of a saw-mill, which he erected on the southern end of the dam. This whole business was bought by Vaughan and Brown and when they started their factory in 1836 in Dover, they in turn sold out to Messrs. Jordan and Crockett, who kept up the business for many years. Deacon L. O. Farnham's tannery was also in operation about this time, a building which was twice burned and twice rebuilt. A fork and hoe factory, constructed of brick, was erected by Maj. J. Crooker and was operated for several years. In 1844, Hon. J. G. Mayo came to Foxcroft, and together with James Bush and E. J. Hale, bought the privilege for a woolen factory of Vaughan, Bush, and the Chamberlains, and erected a mill on the northern side of the river. Not long after, Mr. Mayo became the sole owner, and eventually secured control of one-half the water power,—associating with him in the business his son, Josiah B. Mayo, under the partnership title of J. G. Mayo and Son. In 1859, the upper story of the mill was destroyed by fire, but was rebuilt at once and another story added. Since that time the business has steadily increased, the mills have been enlarged and improved, and a few years ago a splendid reinforced concrete building was added to the plant. At present the mill gives employment to over one hundred men and women.

The waters of the Piscataquis river have occasionally been quite turbulent. Heavy freshets have done great damage from time to time. The freshets of 1854 and 1857 will always be remembered by those who witnessed them. Both swept away the Foxcroft bridge. The freshet of April 7, 1857, as related by an eye-witness, was caused by a jam formed at the island. It came down to what was then called "Goose Island" and rested there. For some time small cakes of ice were seen coming up from under the main body of ice. The tremendous weight of water finally pressed the whole body of ice across the cove and over South street, undermining the brick hoe and fork factory and carrying away also the grist-mill, then situated above Mayo's woolen mill. The bridge was taken and much more damage done. At this time a boy, living about three miles above Foxcroft, in some way got afloat on some drift-wood, passed down the river, and was captured by his father shortly before he reached the dam. Soon after this great freshet the covered bridge was built, last year replaced by the splendid concrete structure. For a long time a boat and rope were used by passengers while the bridge was being constructed or repaired. Rather than go across on this boat, one clear-brained young woman walked

across on a girder of the bridge then being built and carried her small child on her back.

Previous to 1870 a spool factory had been established in Foxcroft, and that year it was bought by L. H. Dwelley & Co., which company also increased their business by purchasing and operating the saw-mill built first by Andrew Blethen at Greeley's Landing, Sebec Lake. This spool factory was burned in 1877, but was soon rebuilt, this time of brick; and since that time, under the able management, first of Mr. Dwelley and later of the McGregors, father and son, the business has largely increased and gives employment to many hands throughout the year.

In February, 1866, Thomas F. Dyer came from New Sharon, and together with John F. Hughes, who came the previous year, purchased the interest of Jordan and Carr in the building at the north end of Foxcroft bridge, formerly the old Academy building, now occupied by Thomas & Weatherbee. They remained here one year. In the summer of 1867, the Foxcroft Foundry Co. erected the building, now occupied by J. H. Steward and Son, which they leased for five years. In 1872 they built the store on Lincoln street now occupied by Sanford Ritchie, remaining there until 1885, when they sold their grocery and hardware business and devoted their time to manufacturing. Soon after coming to Foxcroft, Mr. Dyer, who had formerly worked at the organ business, commenced the manufacture of organs and melodeons in a building which stood where the Gilman & Co. mill now stands, working alone most of the time for the first year. Meeting with much encouragement, Dyer and Hughes built a small mill on Mechanic street in 1869, where they added to their business as it expanded year by year, until 1889, when they began the manufacture of pianos, and erected the present factory. In 1894 Mr. Dyer retired from the firm, transferring his interest to Mr. Hughes, who now operates it with his son under the name of Hughes and Son. A good number of expert workmen are employed and a very fine grade of piano is manufactured.

Mr. Reuben D. Gilman, who died a few years ago, was for many years a well-known and successful business man in this town. In 1854, returning from an extended stay in California, he purchased the lumber mill now run by Clark and Thayer and operated it for nearly half a century. Besides this business he was also extensively engaged in lumbering and agriculture.

Cushing's Perfection Dye Works was started in 1881 by Mr. Wainwright Cushing, who later associated with himself his son,

C. H. Cushing. The present factory, 100 by 60 feet, was erected in 1892, and for twenty years a large manufacture and trade in high-grade dyes have been built up, packages being sent all over the United States and to foreign countries.

The H. J. Dexter Wood-Working Company, established in 1886, was a successful business plant up to three years ago, when it was almost entirely destroyed by fire. Since then it has not been rebuilt.

Until about 1850, there were no bands from the present day standpoint, in any of the small towns in this and adjoining states. Previous to that time the music furnished at musters and parades was the fife and drum, and occasionally a clarinet and key-bugle were added. The first organization that was formed in Foxcroft, as I am told by Mr. Thomas Dyer, was Hale's band, organized in 1858, and was in existence five years. The members of the band were: E. J. Hale, Damon and Albion Brockway, Gilbert Chandler, Fred Kimball, Will and Bert Haskell, George Colcord, Frank Lougee, Henry Warren, Nathan McKusick, William Waterman, Frank Good, Sewall Shaw, Joe Porter and a Mr. Sauborn. In 1867, Major McKusick, who was a veteran of the Civil War, returned to Foxcroft and soon after formed a "Drum Corps," known as "The McKusick Drum Corps." This organization was composed of some eighteen or twenty men, but only the following names can be recalled: Nathan McCusick, James T. Roberts, Thomas P. Elliott, Isaac, George, and Joseph Colcord, Tim Lougee, William Waterman, James Bush, Austin Pratt and Charles Sherburne. This Corps served until after the Presidential campaign of 1872, when they did vallant service. Dyer's band was organized April 3, 1875, at a meeting held at Temperance Hall, with the following officers: William W. Miller, President; Fred D. Barrows, Secretary, William Brown, Treasurer. Members: Thomas F. Dyer, Will W. Dow, W. W. Miller, Fred D. Barrows, Geo. E. Mitchell, Thos. P. Elliott, Stacy, Wooster and Charles H. Mansfield, James T. Roberts, Ben Vaughan, Arthur S. Brown, Sewall C. Shaw, William H. Waterman, Charles Dow and George H. Jennison. They met for practise and rehearsal the following summer in a room in the organ factory. Their first public appearance was in September to serenade Senator-elect, S. O. Brown. Later they added to their membership until the band numbered twenty-four. This organization lasted for twenty years, when it disbanded, leaving behind this record: in all its life and its many public engage-

ments, it never had a member under the influence of liquor while on duty.

About twenty years ago, a drum corps was formed by some young men of the town, in connection with The Sons of Veterans. This organization was disbanded two years later.

The first Post-master of this town was John Bradbury, who held office from June 19, 1821 to July 29, 1833. He was followed by these individuals who are named in the order of their service: R. K. Rice, Moses Swett, George V. Edes, Melvin Stevens, Moses Swett, Hiram Doughty, D. D. Vaughan, William Paine, O. E. Crooker, Jonathan Roberts, J. D. Brown, James M. Weymouth, H. C. Prentiss, John F. Arnold, C. S. Ham, G. L. Arnold, A. P. Buck, Grace W. Buck, and Edward B. Buck. Of these, Mr. Prentiss held the office for the longest period, over twenty-four years, from March 19, 1861 to Aug. 3, 1885. The last three incumbents have held the office since 1898, Mr. A. P. Buck holding it two years, his daughter four years, and his son, since 1904.

Among the important characters in the early history of Foxcroft should be mentioned the town's first lawyer, Mr. J. S. Holmes. He was, as I have said, a graduate of Brown University, Principal of the first High School in town, and an able and influential man in all town affairs. He was a brother of Cyrus and Salmon Holmes who came to Foxcroft in 1818. For a while he was a law partner of Hon. J. S. Wiley, who was at one time a Representative to Congress from this district. The story is told of Esquire Holmes that, at one time, in trimming trees, he sawed off the limb on which he was sitting, letting himself heavily to the ground. Getting up and shaking himself, he expressed in vigorous and emphatic language, his opinion of the man who sawed off that limb. In 1838, George V. Edes came to Foxcroft. He was a printer by trade and came from a race of printers, his great uncle, Benjamin Edes, with John Gill having published the Boston Gazette during the Revolution; and another uncle was active in the publishing business in Rhode Island and Maine. George V. learned the trade with his uncle Peter in Hallowell. Going from there to Norridgewock in 1823, he published the Somerset Journal for fifteen years, when he came to Dover and started the Piscataquis Herald, the name of which was afterward changed to the Farmer, and then to the Observer. After a brief residence in Dover, he moved to Foxcroft, where he resided until his death in 1875. Mr. Edes' first printing was done with considerable difficulty, with a Franklin hand press, and, as

he had very little help, the work was often arduous in the extreme. His pay came from almost everything the surrounding farms produced. In 1839, J. S. Wiley, Moses Swett, A. M. Robinson and others started "The Democrat-Republican," which for a while competed with the Observer; but it was not a financial success; and in 1843, Mr. Edes purchased the whole outfit, and no further effort was made to establish another newspaper. In company with his sons Mr. Edes continued in business for many years. It has been stated on good authority that the first type set in the county was set by him in a building then located near Mayo and Sons' office in the village.

It is not my purpose to enter largely into the biography of the prominent men and women who have made large contributions toward the progress of our town. The lives of some of them will be quite fully treated in papers that are to follow. Before closing this section of my address, however, I wish to pay tribute to the late John G. Mayo and his descendants, who have done so much for the business, educational and religious advancement of Foxcroft. The Congregational church owes much to the benefactions of the elder Mr. Mayo; and the church and the Academy, as well as many other worthy objects have been largely aided by the benevolent-minded family. The good of the church and the school was uppermost in the thought of Mrs. Josiah B. Mayo, who went to her reward a few years ago; and her husband and husband's brother, though far advanced in years, are still actively interested in all that makes for the welfare of the town.

Previous to 1869, Dover and Foxcroft had no railway facilities. If one wished to take the train he was obliged to go by stage to Newport; and for a long time, before Waterville and Bangor were connected by railway, a stage was run all the way to Waterville. In 1869, the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad, now the Bangor and Aroostook, reached Dover. Foxcroft subscribed largely to its stock. At first, over \$17,000 was subscribed, and later, \$11,000 more. The first train reached Dover, Dec. 16, 1869. In 1871, the road was extended to Guilford, and eight years later it had reached Greenville. The building of the Dexter and Piscataquis branch of the Maine Central, brought through to Foxcroft in 1888, was a very great benefit to this town. The road could not have been built, had it not been for the untiring efforts of Col. Joseph B. Peaks, J. B. Mayo, S. O. Brown, and a few others. With the

completion of this road, our mail, express, freight, and passenger service improved greatly. The first telegraph instrument was installed in Foxcroft post-office Aug. 4, 1873 and was operated by Mr. H. C. Prentiss, then postmaster. The office was at that time, as it was for many years located in the center of the Hale Block. Foxcroft began to be lighted by electricity in 1891, when the original plant of the D. & F. Light and Heat Company was installed. The water-power at East Dover was bought in 1895, and a very efficient system of electric lighting has been maintained ever since. Before this improvement, the streets were lighted by kerosene lamps set on poles. The present water system was established in 1887, and the telephone company was organized a few years later. In case of fire, previous to 1887, water had to be taken from cisterns, reservoirs, wells, brooks, or, if it was near enough, from the river.



The Oldest House in Foxcroft.

No. 86 North St. Built by Andrew Blethen, 1818.

A comparison between the conditions existing in the earlier days of Foxcroft's history and those existing today is interesting and instructive. Before the fifties there was only one dwelling-house on the north side of Main street above the old Holmes place now occupied by Dr. C. C. Hall, Jr. That house was owned by Dr. Laughton, and is now owned by Mr. S. A. Annis. All the land was farms owned by Mr. Holmes, the Greeley heirs, and Mr. Paul as far as Dr. Tucker's, where Mr. Oakes now lives. These farms furnished pasturing, and nearly every family kept one or more

cows, so most of the dwellings were enclosed by high picket fences. The old part of the Exchange was the first public house. Before the railroad came there was much teaming from the up-river towns to Bangor, and a daily stage, one day up, the next back, making business for the inns. The old Favor House in Dover was the only other hotel until the Blethen House was opened. Before the Exchange was built where the main part of the building now stands, was a small office occupied by J. S. Holmes. This was burned, and with it may of the town records. On the south side of Main street, before the fifties there was no dwelling above that owned by Mrs. Lewis Bryant. Above this, as has been stated, the first burial ground was located. Where the church and chapel now stand were two cottages, one among the first in town, and for many years occupied by the family of Daniel Greeley. This was surrounded by a board fence. In the corner, next to Mr. Weatherbee's was a deep, abandoned well, enclosed by a curb, now covered and under the driveway to the church sheds. Ann Greeley, aged between three and four years, fell into this well, was taken out unconscious, and did not recover for twelve hours. Her first words were, "O pa, I drank a lot of that dirty water!" There was a place on the south side of the river, near the Dover House, where horses could be driven, to be watered. At one time, probably in the year 1840, a Mr. Crocker, who was riding in a two-wheeled chaise, drove down to this watering-place. His horse got in too far; the chaise was upset; the horse was drowned, and Mr. Crocker narrowly escaped with his life. Aside from Main street, probably North, Lincoln and Park streets are the oldest in town. North street was laid out very early as far as Goff's Corner; but it was not until the early seventies that it was put through to the Lake. Dr. Henry, father of Leonard Robinson, who was a dentist and had an office in the second story of the building now occupied by his son, named all the streets in town. He had signs painted at his own expense and put up at all the corners. Only a few of these signs are now in existence. Deacon H. C. Prentiss' father worked in a joiner's shop over where Curtis and Robinson are now located. He built a schoolhouse on North street, on the site of the present home of Mrs. Julia Vaughan. When the Foxcroft Grammar school building was erected in 1873, the land where it stands was exchanged for the old site by Mr. B. B. Vaughan, who was a trader and prominent citizen in town for many years. Previous to the building of the Congregational chapel, a store, kept by E. D. Wade, was located on its site.

These are only a few of the changes in outward appearance which have taken place in a century. It will be seen that none are now living who were alive when this town was incorporated. All honor to those sturdy pioneers who laid so nobly and well the foundations of our beautiful town. Though they have passed from earth, they are still calling upon us to walk worthily, cherishing their memories and imitating their virtues. May the historian of a hundred years hence be able to chronicle in a far better manner than I have done, the deeds of his fathers; and may he find inspiration in our lives, and a record worthy of those who have preceded us.

Foxcroft in 'The Civil War

By HON. WAINWRIGHT CUSHING.

Foxcroft was ever a loyal and patriotic town, and when repeated calls came from President Lincoln for men to go Southward to aid in suppressing the rebellion it sent forward its bravest and best.

The total number of men that were furnished to these repeated calls was 135, and in addition to which at least twelve residents of Foxcroft served on the quotas of other states. In all probability there were other residents of the town temporarily absent who entered the Union service of whom no record can be found. When President Lincoln issued his first call for 75,000 men there was a general uprising all over the loyal North. I can give no better illustration of the patriotic fervor that animated the boys of '61 in the Piscataquis valley than by quoting from Col. Charles A. Clark's admirable paper entitled "Campaigning with the Sixth Maine" read before the Iowa Commandery Loyal Legion of the United States. "On the 24th of April, 1861, I piled up my Greek and Latin books and enlisted. My fellow students very generally did the same. The classes in the old Foxcroft Academy were broken up. For ten days our recitations were a farce. When the news of the firing on Fort Sumpter came we went to Col. Paul's woods by night and felled two of his tallest pines. We hauled them by hand to the Academy grounds and all night long we wrought to splice and raise them. This made a liberty pole for that town for the war, and with the first gleam of dawn in the east we run up the stars and stripes with hurrahs which awakened the sober citizens. On that

very spot now stands a beautiful monument surmounted by a granite statue of an American soldier with arms at parade rest, forever telling of my comrades of that night who sealed with death their devotion to the cause for which our hearts then throbbed so hotly. I tossed a coin with Gray my chum and room mate to determine who should have the honor of placing his name at the head of the first enlistment roll of Piscataquis county in that mighty war, and I won first place. His name followed mine and as Captain of Co. A, he died like a hero in our charge upon Mayre's Heights at Fredericksburg, Va., in May, 1863."

FIRST COMPANY RAISED.

The first company raised in Dover and Foxcroft was recruited by Charles H. Chandler, Addison P. Buck and Charles Kimball. This company later was merged with the Brownville Rifles and became Co. A, 6th Me. Vol's. The 6th Me. Regt. was mustered into the U. S. service July, 1861, and formed a part of the Army of the Potomac and was in nearly every battle in which that grand army had a part. Recruits from Foxcroft who served in the 6th Maine Vol's:

Charles H. Chandler, mustered as 1st Lieut. Co. A., promoted to Capt. and Lieut. Col. Died in Seattle, Wash.

Addison P. Buck, mustered as 2d Lieut. promoted to 1st Lieut. and Quartermaster. Served on the staff of Maj. Gen. Sedgwick of the 6th Corps, as Chief Forage Master, was serving his second term as Postmaster of Foxcroft when he was finally mustered out. Edward L. Emery, Sergt. Co. A was a resident of Foxcroft at the time of his decease.

Oliver L. Brown, Corp'l Co. A, afterwards served as Sergt. in the 13th Maine. Died in Auburn, Maine.

James S. Holmes, Corp'l Co. A, promoted to Principal Musician. He was a son of James Holmes the leading legal light in Foxcroft before the war, and has joined the silent majority.

Wellington Besse, Private. Discharged for disability. Deceased.

Newton Blanchard, private, was severely wounded and discharged. A resident of Abbot at the time of decease.

Otis Chamberlain, private, discharged for disability. At the time of his decease was Ass't Engineer in the U. S. Navy.

Franklin H. Daggett, private, discharged for disability, deceased.

Geo. W. Dawes, private, was killed at Spottsylvania, C. H., May 10th, 1864.

Charles E. Edes, Corporal, was transferred to the Navy. Comrade Edes had the honor of having served under Commodore Perry in Japan prior to the war. At his decease was living with his brother, S. D. Edes.

Hiram F. Lebroke, private, was wounded at Mayre's Heights and died from the effects of his wounds.

Joseph D. Mansfield, private, afterwards served in the 16th Maine. Was a resident of Worcester at the time of his death.

Ichabod Macomber, private, discharged for disability, deceased.

Fernando G. Pratt, private, served his full term of enlistment. Was a resident of Foxcroft until his decease March 11, 1911.

Fred E. Plummer, private, served his term, disappeared on his way home and was last seen in New York city.

William G. Sewell, private, lived in Fresno, Calif., passed away May, 1912.

Rufus G. Chase, private Co. A. Joined regiment Dec. 4, 1861. Killed at the charge at Spottsylvania Court House, Va., May 10, 1864. Comrade Chase was a devout Christian.

Thomas M. Chase, private, discharged for disability. When last known was living in New Hampshire.

Dr. William Buck, appointed Ass't Surgeon 6th Maine Vols. Promoted to Surgeon. He served in the Maine Legislature and filled many offices of trust in town. He was a faithful, conscientious physician, and at his decease was sincerely mourned by his townsmen.

Dr. Freeland S. Holmes, a son of Salmon P. Holmes, Esq., one of the early settlers of Foxcroft. He was commissioned Surgeon of the 6th Maine. His wife was a sister of the War Governor of Maine, Israel Washburn, Jr. Dr. Holmes died in the service, and was succeeded by Dr. Wm. Buck.

Geo. T. Holmes joined the 6th Maine Reg't at Hospital Steward, serving with his brother, Dr. Holmes, and with Dr. Buck, deceased.

FIRST MAINE CAVALRY.

The next regiment to enter the service with members from Foxcroft was the 1st Maine Cavalry, which was mustered into service Dec. 31st, 1861. This regiment was in more battles and skirmishes than any other regiment in the Army of the Potomac.

Charles S. Sturgis, Sergt. Col. M, discharged for disability. He married a daughter of Col. Samuel Pillsbury and is a resident of Haverhill, Mass.

Alonzo B. Briggs, private, Co. M, discharged for disability, deceased.

Henry D. Thayer, private Co. M, discharged for disability, deceased.

Cyrus M. Geary, private, Co. M, died from effects of wounds.

Geo. W. Plummer, enlisted in D. C. Cavalry, transferred to 1st Maine Cav. Now living in Dover.

The 7th Maine Regt. was mustered into service Aug. 21st, 1861. It had a distinguished record in the Army of the Potomac. The only citizen of Foxcroft who served in this regiment was Henry F. Daggett, who served in this regiment as Sergt. and Q. M. Sergt. Is now living in Milo.

The 9th Maine Infantry was mustered into the service Sept. 22d, 1861, and saw active and meritorious service in South Carolina and Virginia in the Army of the Potomac.

Justin E. Batchelder, private, Co. D, 9th Maine, was severely wounded and lost an arm. Died in Barnard, Maine.

Joseph Tucker, Co. D, wounded and transferred to Veteran Reserve Corps. No record since the war.

John A. Hoyt, private, Co. I, discharged at close of war, deceased.

THE 13TH MAINE VOLUNTEERS.

The 13th Maine Volunteers was mustered into the U. S. service Dec. 4th, 1861. This regiment saw active service in the Dept. of the Gulf. Was in the Red River Campaign and at the siege of Vicksburg was transferred to the Army of the Potomac, where it did valiant duty under Sheridan in the Shenandoah Valley.

Alfred E. Buck was commissioned Captain of Co. C, 13th Me., and was promoted to Colonel in a colored regiment. After the war he settled in Georgia, and was virtually at the head of the Republican party in that state. Served in Congress and was U. S. Marshal for the northern district of Georgia, and at the time of his death was serving as U. S. Minister to Japan.

Chas. M. Buck, Co. C, 13th Maine, served with credit, was always on duty. Resides at Dover.

Chas. D. Labree, Co. C. Re-enlisted, transferred to Maine Vols. No record since the war.

Harvey Judkins, Co. C. No record since the war.

Cyril N. Walker, Co. C, deceased.

THE 14TH MAINE INFANTRY.

The 14th Maine Infantry was mustered into U. S. service Dec. 11th, 1861. Served in the Dept. of the Gulf and was transferred to the Army of the Potomac, where it distinguished itself in the Shenandoah Valley Campaign under Sheridan.

Chas. E. Washburn, Co. C. Died in New Orleans, Oct. 14, 1862.
 Chauncey C. Lee. Corporal Co. E, 14th Maine Since the war has resided in Foxcroft for 37 years. Has been a school teacher. For seven years he was an officer in the reserve militia of Maine.

The 18th Maine, also known as the 1st H. A., was mustered into the U. S. service Aug. 25th, 1862. Served in the defences of Washington until May, 1864. Received their baptism of fire May 18th, 1864, where the loss in killed and wounded was heavy. In Grant's famous campaign from the Wilderness to Petersburg the 18th Maine lost more men killed and wounded than any other regiment in the Army of the Potomac.

Ervin Chamberlain, Co. E. Wounded May 18th, 1864. Lived in Lacrosse, Wis., after the war, where he served with his cousin, Isaac H. Moulton, Esq., as Ass't Station Agent, deceased.

Thomas O. Eaton Sergt. Co. E. Now living in Montana.

Charles Eaton, Corp'l Co. E. Went to state of Washington after the war. Now deceased.

Leonard H. Washburn Co. E. was severely wounded and mustered out of the service. Resides in Foxcroft.

Daniel V. Plummer, Co. F, transferred from 17th Maine. Now living in Williamsport, Penn.

Lauriston C. Parsons, Co. E died of disease Feb. 16th, 1864.

Stacy T. Mansfield, Co. H. Mustered as a recruit Dec. 9th, 1862. Is a resident of Foxcroft.

Benjamin Weaver, Co H, wounded May 18th, 1864. No record since war.

William W. Warren, Co. H. Joined as a recruit. Discharged for disability. Resides in Dover.

Leonard W. Lee, Co. H, 1st H. A. Joined the regiment Dec. 4th, 1863. Killed in action in front of Petersburg June 18, 1864. At the time of his death was only 17 years of age.

THE 20TH MAINE INFANTRY.

The 20th Maine Infantry was mustered into the U. S. Service, Aug. 29th, 1862. Fresh from their homes they saw their first

service under fire at Antietam and the record of the Army of the Potomac would be a history of the 20th Maine. At the battle of Gettysburg on Little Round Top they earned undying fame their thin line withstood the attack of three lines of battle. Phineas M. Jeffords, Capt. Co. B, resigned in 1863, went West after the war and settled in Illinois, where he died. His widow lives in Genoa, Ark.

John S. Jennison, Sergt. Co. B. Died in the service, July 24th, 1863.

Cyrus G. Pratt, Sergt. Co. B. Discharged for disability in 1863. Resides in Foxcroft.

Job S. Bearce, Co. B. Wounded. Discharged at completion of service. It a resident of Foxcroft.

William C. Brown Corpl. Co. B. Served until the end of the war. Is now living in the state of Arkansas.

Thomas Daggett, Co. B. Mustered out June 15, 1865. Resides in Foxcroft. Has been a prominent agriculturalist and for some years a member of the Maine Cattle Commission.

Benj. R. Field, Co. B. Served his term of enlistment. No record since the war.

Jared F. Millet, Co. B. Transferred to the Invalid Corps. Died in Foxcroft.

Hudson S. Oakes, discharged with regiment. Lived in Foxcroft up to the time of his decease.

Alonzo Z. Parsons, Co. B. Killed in action, May 6th, 1863.

Randall H. Spaulding, Co. B. Mustered out at the expiration of his term of service. Deceased.

Andrew C. Deering, Sergt. Co. C. Re-enlisted. Discharged June, 1865. No record since the war.

Wm. H. Jackson, Co. B. Joined the regiment as a recruit, Oct. 2th, 1862. Discharged for disability. No further record.

Wm. H. Jennison, Co. B. Discharged for disability, March 13th, 1863. He re-enlisted and served as sergeant. Discharged June, 1865. Co. K, 31st Me. Comrade Jennison enjoys the unique distinction of being the oldest citizen of the town, being in his 88th year, and is in possession of the Boston Post gold headed cane.

Danville B. Oakes, Co. B. Discharged for disability, Jan. 3rd, 1863. He was an honored citizen and passed away at the ripe old age of 83 years.

Wm. Towne, Co. B. Discharged for disability. Was a resident of Dover at the time of his death.

THE 22D MAINE.

The 22d Maine was mustered into the U. S. Service, Oct. 10th, 1862, and for nine months served in the Dept of the Gulf. Was in the Red River campaign and at the siege of Port Hudson, where they were commended in General Orders.

Gilman E. Fisher, Sergt. Co. I. Graduated from Colby University after the war; has been prominent in educational matters, and is an authority on geography. He is now superintendent of schools in Detroit, Mich.

Love H. Ball, Co. I. Died in service, March 15, 1863.

Ebenezer Earl, Co. I. Served his term of enlistment. Deceased.

Samuel R. Gary, Co. I. No record since the war.

John H. Gould, Co. I. Son of Lincoln Gould. Died in Louisiana.

B. F. Pratt, Co. I. Served his full term. He was an honored citizen and passed away in July, 1912.

Edwin N. Pratt, Co. C. Served his term of enlistment and then re-enlisted in the 18th Maine. Died in the service. He was the only son of Roswell Pratt.

THE 31ST MAINE.

The 31st Maine Infantry was mustered into the service, April 29th, 1864. They took an active part in the Wilderness campaign and in the final work about Petersburg, which resulted in the end of the war. Their loss in killed and wounded was greater than some of the three-year regiments.

Joseph S. Harlow, Capt. Co. K. Mustered into service, April 29th, 1864. Killed in action, Sept. 30th, 1864.

Asa F. Davis, Sergt. Co. K. Discharged for disability, May 22d, 1865. Was a respected citizen of Foxcroft for more than thirty years, until his death.

Alanson Bullard, Co. K. Mustered into service, April 29, 1864. Killed in action, Oct. 4th, 1864.

William C. Kenyon, Co. K. Served his term of enrollment. Deceased.

COAST GUARD'S INFANTRY.

Lyman U. Lee went to Boston and enlisted in Co. M, 2d Mass. H. A.; went out as 1st Sergt. and later was commissioned as a Lieut. by Gov. Andrew and served during the war. He was present at the Foxcroft centennial.

Mellen G. Prentiss, Co. B. Served from January 6th, 1865, to May 15th, 1865. Resides in Brewer.

James T. Roberts, musician, Co. F. Served from Jan. 6th, 1865 to July 7th, 1865. Resides in Dover.

Geo. F. Mayhew, Co. F. Served from Jan. 6th, 1865 to July 7th, 1865. No further record.

Aid furnished Soldiers Families from 1862 to 1865. 70 families, 209 persons total amount \$2,796.29.

Total bounties paid by the town of Foxcroft during the war. \$20,425.84.

Contributions from citizens of Foxcroft to aid the Sanitary and Christian Commission \$1200.00.

Drafted Sept. 24th, 1864—Seth Brawn, furnished substitute; Alonzo H. Chandler, furnished substitute; Orin C. Dunham, furnished substitute; Hiram S. Davis, furnished substitute; Augustus W. Gilman, furnished substitute; Andrew J. Hammond, furnished substitute; Henry A. Robinson, furnished substitute.

Drafted and held for service—John S. Arnold, Co. E, 8th Maine; Chas. V. Bolton, Co. C, 8th Me.; Leonard F. Blood, 4th Co., unassigned; John P. Folsom, Co. C, 8th Maine; Isaac M. Parsons, Co. C, 8th Maine.

Drafted March 25th, 1865—John J. Bailey, furnished substitute; Augustus F. Chandler, furnished substitute.

Drafted and held to service—Alfonso B. Cole, 14th Maine; Samuel H. Gower, 14th Maine.

The population of Foxcroft in 1860 was 1102. It is estimated that one in five are liable to military duty, so that in the year 1861 there were approximately 220 citizens who could be called upon for military duty. The town of Foxcroft furnished 135 recruits during the Civil War or about 60 per cent.

When the great struggle was ended and the men who had fought for the integrity of the Union returned to the pursuits of civil life, societies were formed by the survivors to keep alive the memories of that great war. In 1881 C. S. Douty Post No. 23, G. A. R. (named for that gallant cavalry leader who as Colonel of the 1st Maine Cavalry gave up his life for his country at Aldie, Va.) was organized in Foxcroft and had its home for some years in the old Academy building at the end of Foxcroft Bridge. For many years its meetings have been held in Dover, its present headquarters being in Sampson's Hall. In 1893 while I was serving my term as Department Commander of the Dept. of

Maine, G. A. R., Charles Peleg Chandler Post was organized, and for many years held its meetings in the building now owned by C. S. Douty Circle Ladies of the G. A. R. Its ranks becoming decimated by death they surrendered their charter. Charles Peleg Chandler for whom this Post was named was the only son of Charles Parsons Chandler, the first Principal of Foxcroft Academy, an eminent lawyer and foremost in his profession in the county. Charles Peleg Chandler was born in Foxcroft, Jan. 4th, 1835, graduated at Bowdoin in 1854 and at Harvard Law school in 1857. He was in the law office of the War Governor of Massachusetts, John A. Andrew, from 1875 to 1861. He was commissioned Major of the 1st Mass. Infantry May 22d, 1861, later promoted to Lieut. Colonel and his commission as Colonel reached the camp the day he was killed at Malvern Hill, Va., June 30th, 1862. Comrade Chandler was the highest type of a citizen soldier, and who filled every station to which he was called with fidelity. His life filled with successes that came to him as a reward for honest endeavor, uprightness of character, and devotion to duty must serve as an inspiration to his surviving comrades.

List of Comrades who have become residents of Foxcroft since the War:

Osgood P. Martin, Sergt. Co. F, 20th Maine Vol. Infantry. Is now serving as Dep't Commander of the Union Veterans Union. In politics he is a Progressive.

James R. Martin, Sergt. Co. F, 20th Maine Vols. Was a resident nearly forty years until his death.

Isaiah B. Davis, 1st H. A. Lives on Main street. Has served as 1st Dep. Commander U. V. U.

Erastus T. Monroe, Co. E, 1st H. A. Is one of the Centennial Committee. Is serving his fourth term as Colonel of Custer Command, U. V. U.

Elbridge T. Crockett, Co. A, 6th Maine. Has passed to a higher life.

John H. Herring, Sergt. Co. M, 1st Maine Cavalry, deceased.

W. Cushing, Co. A, 6th Maine Vols. One of the Centennial Committee.

J. H. Manter, Co. D, 9th Maine. Has served as Post Commander C. S. Douty Post.

Wm. M. Hutchins, served in a California regiment. Was a resident of Foxcroft at the time of his death.

In conclusion I wish to thank all who have assisted in making this Centennial observance such a glorious success.

Clergymen of Foxcroft

By LISTON P. EVANS.

I have assumed that I was expected to write of the clergymen who have been connected with the Foxcroft church. Ministers who have served the Dover churches have lived in Foxcroft, but it would not be possible to ascertain who they were.

My work has been made easier than it could otherwise have been by a paper prepared by the late Major C. H. B. Woodbury on the occasion of the 75th anniversary of the institution of the Foxcroft and Dover Congregational church, Jan. 2, 1898, and he gave credit to a sermon delivered by Rev. J. H. Gurney on the 50th anniversary of the institution of the church.

The first minister in the town of Foxcroft was Rev. Thomas Williams, who was installed Jan. 1, 1823, over what was called the Congregational church of Foxcroft and vicinity.

He was to have no salary, only "the use of the lands located for the use of the ministry in said town" and likewise one-third of the time to be appropriated in such a manner as he might think proper. It is no wonder that Mr. Williams, in accepting the call, said that the prospects of providing for his family under the above conditions were by no means flattering, for the land was wild and the people too poor to give him additional support.

Mr. Williams' pastorate continued until April 3, 1835, 12 years and three months. During that time, in addition to the 20 original members, he received into the church 115 members, an average of about nine each year. He also baptized between 110 and 120 children.

Elias Wells, Jr., was called direct from the Seminary and was ordained and installed Nov. 7, 1837. His salary was \$300, with wood and a house, or part of one, and a vacation of three months. He resigned July 24, 1842, the principal cause being sympathy for the slave and hostility to the institution of slavery, which he denounced from the pulpit. He had no support in this position among his people and his resignation was inevitable.

Rev. Wooster Parker was installed Nov. 9, 1842. His salary was to be \$450. It would seem that Mr. Parker was wise to the experience a minister might have, for among the conditions of acceptance were these: 1st, that the salary should be understood as money; 2d, that such articles of produce and merchandise as he might re-

ceive should be at cash prices ; 3d. that the payments should be made promptly.

The salary was to be raised by subscription, but in case a sufficient sum was not pledged, the following persons agreed to be taxed in proportion to their means to make up the deficiency: Gilman Clark, S. P. Brown, Dominicus Mitchell, Nathan Carpenter, Jotham Ryder, G. W. Sawyer, L. Harmon, Lyman Lee, Joel Pratt, Caleb Prentiss, Benjamin Johnson, Gideon Dawes, James Bush, Samuel Greeley, Samuel Mitchell.



Congregational Church and Chapel.

Mr. Parker resigned August 28, 1856, after a pastorate of nearly 14 years. It was during his pastorate that the second meeting-house was destroyed by fire.

One hundred persons were admitted to the church during his pastorate, 65 on confession of faith. Among the number was his son Edwin P., who has but recently resigned as pastor of the South Church, Hartford, Conn., after serving with great success over 50 years.

Rev. E. S. Palmer was installed Oct. 13, 1857, and resigned Oct. 7, 1858, a reason assigned being "the prospect of inadequate support for the future."

There was a great revival throughout the country during his pastorate and 46 persons were admitted to the church during the year, 40 at one time.

Rev. Calvin Chapman was installed pastor of the church Oct. 26, 1859. His ministry did not prove successful and closed Jan. 1, 1862.

Rev. W. E. Darling was installed May 20, 1862, and resigned Jan. 20, 1864, because of ill health.

Rev. B. C. Chase was installed May 8, 1866, and died in office Oct. 13, 1868; deeply regretted by his people and the churches of Dover.

Rev. J. H. Gurney was installed Oct. 19, 1869, and resigned April 4, 1875. His ministry had been successful and his resignation was deeply regretted. Many before me today will recall his eloquent sermons and the impressive manner in which he read the hymns.

Rev. H. A. Loring was installed June 10, 1875, and resigned Sept. 1, 1880. The council held to dismiss him said: "They (the members of the council) wish to bear the strongest testimony to his ministerial and Christian character, to his faithfulness as a preacher, and especially to the earnestness and zeal with which he has labored, not only with his own people but also in all the region round about."

Rev. D. A. Morehouse was installed October 18, 1881, and resigned March 24, 1889, because of ill health. His pastorate had been very successful and his resignation was accepted with great reluctance and only when his decision was known to be final.

Rev. Wellington R. Cross was installed June 5, 1890, and died in office Sept. 5, 1891, three hours after preaching the morning sermon. Mr. Cross had been a faithful minister and his death was a great sorrow to his people.

Andrew L. Chase was installed Dec. 31, 1891, and resigned May 9, 1896.

Mr. Chase had been untiring in his efforts to advance the charitable and philanthropic phases of church life and the church is undoubtedly profiting today by his efforts along those lines. He was also an earnest preacher and devoted to all the interests of his people. It was largely through his efforts that the money was raised for remodeling the church building as it is today.

Rev. Norman McKinnon commenced his pastorate in June, 1896, and resigned February 24, 1900. Mr. McKinnon and his people

had worked together very harmoniously and the church had prospered under his ministrations.

Rev. V. M. Hardy, D. D., was called to the pastorate July 22, 1900, and resigned Nov. 19, 1904. Dr. Hardy was an able preacher and, as the council on dismissal expressed it, "a worthy, devoted and faithful Christian minister."

Rev. George A. Merrill accepted a call to the church June 3, 1906, and is its minister today. The future church historian will be able to speak well of his work.

Doctors of Foxcroft

By DR. EDGAR T. FLINT.

In attempting to give a brief history of those physicians who have practiced in Foxcroft, the chief obstacle has been that there are no records or documents available to which reference might be had, and it has been necessary to depend, with few exceptions, upon the memory of those now living. In such instances the information has been largely of a fragmentary character and somewhat speculative as to dates and names.

The time allotted to this task was very limited for such an undertaking and no claim is made for completeness or absolute accuracy.

It is hoped that with what few facts are here recorded the information and corrections which will undoubtedly come to our attention subsequent to this occasion, it will be possible to compile a better and more complete history of this profession.

Loring's history of Piscataquis mentions one physician, Josiah Hobbs, regarding whom no information can be obtained, and in the absence of such mention of him is hereby made in connection with the rest.

Loring's history records the fact that in 1808 Capt. S. Chamberlain being ill of a fever sent to Bangor for Dr. Rich, who made the trip up in twenty-four hours, presumably by horseback, and charged fifteen dollars. One year later a Dr. Winthrop Brown came here from Berwick, but his field was so limited that he soon sought another and until 1818 the settlers were without a local physician. At this time Jeremiah Leach came to Foxcroft and fortified his income by the manufacture of potash, but his health soon con-

pelled him to seek aid in Boston and in 1818 Dr. Stacy Tucker located here and remained until his death. He was a man of considerable consequence in the early history of the town, being identified with all public enterprises and holding many offices. He built the house on Main street now owned by William P. Oakes and had two sons and three daughters, Martha Tucker, Mabel Warren and Frank Turner, grandchildren of Dr. Tucker, still reside in this community.

Dr. Sumner Lawton settled in Foxcroft somewhere about 1840, at which date he was one of the founders of the Baptist church in Dover. He lived first on Lincoln street in a small house which was demolished some twenty-five years ago and which stood near the site of the residence now owned by Leo Libby. He later built and occupied the house on Main street owned by Stanley Annis, it being at that time the next house on that side of the street to the James S. Holmes residence, later occupied by Dr. Preston Fisher and at present by Dr. C. C. Hall, Jr.

Dr. Lawton enjoyed an extensive practice here and in 1849 moved to Bangor. He married Mary A. Parker and their children were Frances L. Mace, who went to California and was somewhat celebrated as a poetess, and F. M. Lawton, an ex-mayor of Bangor.

Dr. Josiah Jordan came here in 1848 and the next year bought the practice and good will of Dr. Lawton, who was about to leave as above stated. He built the residence on North street now occupied by Dr. Chamberlain, where he continued to reside until 1865. Dr. Jordan was a man of very engaging personality and had a wide practice, but in 1857 or '58 his two children died of diphtheria and he became so impressed with the futility of medical science in the face of disease at that time, that he gradually relinquished his practice and in 1858 was elected Register of Deeds for this county, a position which he held until 1862, when he enlisted in the army. was made surgeon and served until the end of the war. Subsequent to his being mustered out of the service he moved to Springfield, Mass., where he died. Dr. Jordan had two sons, Charles of Chicago and William of Massachusetts.

Dr. James Edgecomb came to Foxcroft in 1853 and remained about seven years. He first located in the village but later married Miss Julia Howard and moved to the farm cleared by her father, Asaph Howard, where they continued to reside until 1856, when the records show that it was sold to Ansel Crockett and the Doctor and Mrs. Edgecomb moved to Turner.

Dr. Freeland Holmes was a native of this town, a son of Salmon Holmes. In 1858 he located here to practice his profession and ultimately bought and occupied the house of Dr. Jordan on North street. Dr. Holmes enlisted in the army, was made surgeon and was killed on the field while in line of duty.

A diary kept by Mr. Henry Prentiss of this town makes note of the sad occasion when Dr. Holmes' body was brought home from the front for burial. A Rev. Mr. Godfrey preached the funeral sermon and the interment was in the Foxcroft cemetery.

Dr. Holmes was a popular practitioner and a public-spirited and patriotic gentleman, and his death was a sad blow to the community. He married a Miss Washburn, sister to Gov. Israel Washburn and to two other brothers, one a congressman from Illinois, the other a congressman from Minnesota and the founder of the Washburn flour mills.

In 1863 Dr. Joseph W. Cook, a homeopathic physician, came to Foxcroft, and resided on Lincoln street in a house now owned and occupied by John F. Arnold. Dr. Cook practiced here for a number of years and afterward moved to Dover. He corresponded for the Observer and reported many political meetings in the surrounding county, it being a time of political strife. He had one son and two daughters. Dr. Cook's reputation for professional ability was excellent.

In 1864 Dr. Costello Hamilton opened an office here and remained a short time. But little can be learned of him except that he was not in full sympathy with the government in relation to the Civil War and it is due chiefly to this fact that any record of his presence here was preserved.

Dr. William Buck was a native of Hodgdon, Maine, and received his medical degree in 1859. After serving as surgeon and being mustered out with the Sixth Maine Regiment, he spent a year in New York and located here in 1865. For many years he was a familiar figure about town and a welcome visitor to the sick, a public-spirited, kind-hearted and skilful physician and a surgeon of marked ability.

Dr. Buck occupied various municipal offices and represented this class in the legislature in 1877; he also served the county as treasurer for six years and was United States examining surgeon for thirty years. He was a member of the Maine Medical Association and a contributor of original articles to the County Medical Society. Dr. Buck died at his home on Main street in August, 1908, aged 75

years. He left beside his wife, a daughter, Anna, and a son, Lieut. Guy M. Buck, all of whom still reside in the old home. The pharmacy which the Doctor established in 1865 on Monument Square is still operated by his son.

Dr. Evelyn G. Buck, wife of Dr. John Buck, came here from Philadelphia soon after the death of her husband in 1870 and began the practice of medicine according to the homeopathic school. Dr. Buck remained here until 1879, having an office and home in the Masonic block over what is now Batchelor & Sawyer's store.

In 1879 she married Lyman W. Keene and moved to Atkinson, returning to Foxcroft in 1884, where she continued to reside and practice until her death in 1901.

The Doctor was licensed as a physician under the act of 1895. She resided at the time of her death at her farm on the North and South road near Foxcroft Center.

Dr. J. B. Cochrane, a native of Fayette, Maine, came here from Minnesota in 1873 and married Elizabeth M. Cochrane of Dover. He located in his present residence, the Cochrane homestead on Lincoln street, near the site of Piscataquis Falls and on the town line between Dover and Foxcroft.

Dr. Cochrane received his degree in 1866 and did general practice, serving between 1882 and 1883 as pension examiner, being secretary of the board. Dr. Cochrane retired from active practice several years ago and devotes much of his time to agriculture and the raising of small fruit.

Dr. A. T. Walker came here from Sebec Village in 1875, where he had been in practice since 1870. He boarded at the Exchange while building his residence on North street, the next above Osgood Martin's.

Dr. Walker remained in Foxcroft until the spring of 1883, when he removed to Falmouth, Mass., ultimately retiring in 1889 and now residing in Woburn, Mass. The Doctor sends greetings to his old friends and expresses the hope that the centennial will be a grand success in every way. While here Dr. Walker enjoyed an extensive practice and the reputation of a successful business man.

About 1877 Dr. T. H. Merrill came to this place and built the house on Main street now owned by W. L. Sampson. His office was in the apartment now occupied by Dr. W. G. Buswell as a dental office.

Dr. Merrill had several children, among whom was a son Fred, now a Congregational minister in Massachusetts. About 1890, Dr.

Merrill moved to Tacoma, Wash. He is now a resident of Brockton, Mass.

Dr. Preston Fisher came here in 1885 from California and resided in the James S. Holmes house on Main street. He remained about ten years and moved to Jamaica Plains, Mass.

Dr. Fisher had a wide practice here and in surrounding towns, was a practical, conservative man and one of good judgment although somewhat eccentric and the author of many original tales. His father practiced in Corinna, where Dr. Preston was probably born.

Dr. E. D. Merrill was born in Dexter, Maine, 1866, received his degree in medicine in 1885 and located here in 1886. He married Miss Lora Dyer of Foxcroft and maintains his office and residence on Winter street. Dr. Merrill is of the Homeopathic School, is a member of the Maine Medical Association and treasurer of the Piscataquis County Medical Society. He enjoys the distinction of being the senior physician in active practice as regards the date of his location in this community.

Dr. A. H. Chamberlain, son of Chester and Minerva (Spaulding) Chamberlain, was born in Foxcroft in 1861, received his degree in medicine in 1888 and located here in 1891. Dr. Chamberlain resides in the house on North street built and occupied by Dr. Jordan and later by Dr. Holmes. He attends to general practice but specializes to quite an extent in diseases of the eye and ear.

Dr. F. W. Merrill, son of Adams H. Merrill of Williamsburg, came here early in 1895 from Winn, and for two years occupied the W. L. Sampson house on Main street.

At this time there were registered in Foxcroft five physicians and some time in 1896 Dr. Merrill returned to Winn. While here he occupied as an office the rooms in the Opera House Block now occupied by the E. E. Whitney Insurance Company.

In 1894 Dr. A. H. Stanhope moved from Milo to Dover and opened an office in the Opera House Block in Foxcroft. He continued in this town until 1897 when he moved his office to Dover, where he still resides and practices. Dr. Stanhope is a member of the Maine Medical Association and an ex-president of the county Medical Society. Dr. Stanhope received his medical degree in 1887.

Dr. Harold C. Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Osgood Martin and a native of this town, was born Oct. 23, 1870. He received his medical degree in 1895 and after serving as surgeon for the Canadian Pacific Railroad and house physician at the Kineo House, Moose-

head Lake, he located in his home town in 1900, where he had an office in the building on North street moved from the site of the present Opera House Block.

Dr. Martin died of angina pectoris the year that he came here. He was an able, competent physician, a man of exceptional brilliance, and his untimely death was mourned by a host of friends who remember him for his many fine qualities and companionable nature. Dr. Martin was a member of the Maine Medical Association.

Dr. M. O. Brown, a native of Dover, after practicing in Aroostook county for several years, located in Foxcroft in 1908, maintaining his office and residence in the Masonic Block on Union Square. In 1911 he moved across the street into Dover, where he now resides.

Dr. Brown received his medical degree in 1902, is a member of the Maine Medical Association, and at present president of the Piscataquis County Medical Society.

In 1910 Dr. C. C. Hall, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Hall of Dover, having received his degree in medicine, located in Foxcroft and purchased the James S. Holmes house on Main street, formerly occupied by Dr. Fisher. Dr. Hall maintains an office in the Opera House Block formerly occupied by Dr. E. D. Merrill, is a member of the Maine Medical Association and at present vice-president of the Piscataquis County Medical Society.

Dr. Edgar T. Flint, son of Henry B. and Caro E. Flint of this town was born June 2, 1877. He received his degree in medicine in 1901 and practiced ten years in Aroostook county, coming here in 1911, residing at his old home on Lincoln street and maintaining his office in the Masonic Block. Dr. Flint was a member of the First Maine Regiment in the Spanish-American war and is a member of the Maine Medical and County Medical Society.

History of Foxcroft Academy

By HON. W. E. PARSONS.

Hon. Willis E. Parsons gave the following address upon Foxcroft Academy.

FOXCROFT ACADEMY.

Fellow Citizens of Foxcroft:

We observe today the centennial of this thriving municipality, not so much for our own pleasure, as that we owe it to the fathers, those sturdy pioneers who blazed the way, cleared the forest, let in the sunshine and the warmth, and here upon the banks of this beautiful river built their homes.

Through hardships and privations wholly unknown to the present generations, they persevered in establishing a settlement, which by their heroic efforts soon developed into a community worthy a charter from the General Court of Massachusetts.

We are now interested in the contrast between the log cabin and school house of those early days and the palatial residences and commodious school buildings of our own time, but more and above all we are interested in the character and unselfish motives of those noble men and women who then wrought so valiantly for themselves and posterity. They were not satisfied with a mere subsistence for themselves and their dependent families, but believed in a proper development of the mind, such training of their children in both heart and intellect as would fit them for the great battle of life and make them valuable citizens of the republic.

What big hearted men and women, what self-sacrificing fathers and mothers. We realize their characters and lofty purpose as we remember, that with all the burdens of a new town, the building of highways and bridges, schoolhouses and supporting schools, the town was only eleven years old when in 1823 they established here and where we now are an institution of learning that for 89 years has been of untold value to our own people and the whole State.

Of this institution, Foxcroft Academy, I am requested to speak. Owing to the length of the program, only a brief outline of its history can be given.

The town of Foxcroft, which is one of the six townships granted to Bowdoin College by the Massachusetts Assembly in 1794, and

purchased of that college by Joseph Ellery Foxcroft in 1800, received its first permanent settler in 1806.

Although incorporated as a town six years later, or February 29, 1812, clearing the forest and establishing homes in the wilderness proved a slow process, even for the sturdy pioneers of those early days, and when the act of separation from Massachusetts took effect in 1820, Foxcroft numbered but 211 souls.

Common schools, furnishing the rudiments of education, were then supported by Foxcroft and surrounding towns, but nothing like a high school was attempted until 1822.

Early in that year James Stuart Holmes, a brilliant young lawyer and graduate of Brown University, opened at Foxcroft the first law office in the county. Presumably while waiting for his first clients and seeing the great necessity of a higher branch of learning in the county, Mr. Holmes organized a high school in Foxcroft, acting himself, as preceptor.

This high school immediately became the Mecca of learning for the more advanced students of Foxcroft and other towns, and so much enthusiasm was created among the inhabitants by this young lawyer, that the next Legislature was asked for a charter for an academy, which was promptly granted, January 31st, 1823.

That charter the institution is still working under; hence, Foxcroft Academy lacks but three years of being as old as the State and it was the first one incorporated after Maine became a separate commonwealth.

By the act of incorporation certain conditions were imposed, which, if not complied with, would render the charter nul and void. From a perusal of that act we may understand something of what this then poor and sparsely populated town had to contend with in order to establish for themselves and posterity this higher institution of learning or what they termed "poor man's college."

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

State of Maine.

In the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three.

An Act establishing Foxcroft Academy.

Section 1st. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled: That William Emerson, Daniel Wilkins, Thomas Williams, John Bradbury, Samuel Chamberlain,

James S. Holmes, Philip Greeley, Joshua Carpenter, Joseph Kelsey, Samuel McClanathan, Samuel C. Clark and Jason Hassell and their successors forever, be and they hereby are constituted a body politic by the name of the Trustees of Foxcroft Academy, with power to prosecute and defend suits at law; to have a common seal and to alter it at pleasure, to establish an Academy at Foxcroft, in the County of Penobscot, for the promotion of literature, science, morality and piety; to make any bylaws for the management of their affairs, not repugnant to the laws of the State; and to choose such officers as they may deem proper, to hold any property, real and personal, by gift, grant or otherwise, the yearly income of which shall not exceed the sum of three thousand dollars, and to receive all property which may heretofore have been given or subscribed for the benefit of such Academy.

Section 2d. Be it further enacted, That said Trustees may at any time remove any one of their number whom they shall adjudge incapable of discharging such trust, and choose additional Trustees, and fill vacancies in said board by ballot. Provided, however, that the number of said Trustees shall at no time be less than nine, nor more than fifteen, any five of whom shall constitute a quorum.

Section 3d. Be it further enacted, That Joshua Carpenter, Esquire, is hereby authorized to call the first meeting of said Trustees, in such manner as he shall deem proper; provided, however, that the Legislature shall at any time have power to alter or repeal the provisions of this act; and provided further, that unless the said Trustees shall within one year from the passing of this act, be in possession of funds or property for the use of said Academy or vested in a building for the same purpose which together shall amount to at least fifteen hundred dollars, and have also commenced instruction in said institution, within that time, the powers granted by this Act shall be nul and void.

HOW TO RAISE \$1,500?

It will be seen by the act that the trustees must, within one year from its passage, have in possession funds or property for the use of said academy, or vested in a building for the same purpose, which together should amount to at least \$1,500, and also commence instructions in said institution within that time.

The voters of Foxcroft in 1823, as shown by the records of the town meeting held in April of that year, numbered but 57. The whole assessment for town purposes in 1823 was but \$1,140, of

which \$900 was to be paid in work on the highways, \$100 was for schools, \$90 for town charges and \$50 for powder and balls. The records do not show whether the powder and balls were to be used for bears or Indians, but the aggregate was \$1,140, or \$360 less than was required to be raised by subscription for the academy in a single year. The same ratio above our assessment last year would have given a fund of over \$35,000.

A meeting was promptly called, however, on Feb. 22, 1823, by Joshua Carpenter, esquire, as authorized in the act, at the house of John Bradbury, located where the Exchange now stands, and the trustees proceeded to organize under the act.

David Wilkins, esquire, was chosen president, and James S. Holmes, secretary, which position he held for many years, and Samuel Chamberlain, esquire, was chosen treasurer.

At this meeting a committee consisting of John Bradbury, Joshua Carpenter, Samuel McClanathan, Jason Hassell, Thomas Williams, Samuel C. Clark and Daniel Wilkins was appointed to ascertain "what sum of money could be obtained for the purpose of erecting a building for an academy and as funds for the use and benefit of the same."

And the records further say that "Nathaniel Chamberlain, Esq., then came before the board of trustees and informed the president that Joseph E. Foxcroft, esquire, had deposited in his hands \$50 to be paid over to the treasurer of the board of trustees of Foxcroft Academy for the use and benefit of said academy, provided the trustees should fulfill the requisition of the act establishing the same."

Other meetings were held in rapid succession to hear reports of committees on subscription and to discuss generally ways and means of raising the coveted amount. The subscriptions were made to be paid in labor, boards, shingles, and other necessary materials, with small sums of money, and so much encouragement was given that on March 8th of the same year a committee consisting of Joshua Carpenter, John Bradbury and Rev. Thomas Wilkins was appointed to select a site for the building.

CHOOSE THE SITE.

This committee a few days later reported in favor of a half acre of land "situate and lying between the house of David Greeley, Esq., and his sawmill." This half acre was secured and is the present site of the academy. The house of David Greeley, Esq., stood

where the Congregational Chapel is now located and his saw mill occupied the present site of Mayo & Son's woolen mill.

On the 28th day of the following May, Col. Joshua Carpenter was appointed agent to superintend the erection of a building for an academy, and a general superintending committee from whom the agent should receive instructions, was appointed, composed of John Bradbury, Thomas Davee and the Rev. Thomas Williams.

Work was soon begun, but the building was not ready for a school until 1825, although it was let for religious services as early as October 1, 1824.

One of the provisions of the act of incorporation was that instruction should be begun within one year from the passage of the act, and December 31, 1823, at a meeting of the trustees, a committee consisting of James S. Holmes, Thomas Williams and Thomas Davee, was appointed to notify the legislature that they had complied with the conditions of the act, showing that a fall term must have been held in 1823, although not in the academy building.

THE FIRST TEACHER.

The records also disclose the fact that James Gooch taught from March, 1824, until the following June, as a committee was then appointed to settle with him; and no other teacher being mentioned, it is presumed that he taught the previous fall term.

Then followed Charles P. Chandler, as preceptor, for several terms and Foxcroft academy was well launched on its long career of usefulness.

That the trustees understood the value of continuous educational work, is shown by the by-laws, which provided for three terms a year of twelve weeks each; and that they also stood upon a proper amount of decorum is evidenced by the fact that one of the first of the bylaws provided that no trustee should speak in any meeting of the board without first rising and addressing the president.

HALF TOWNSHIP OF LAND.

In 1825, a half township of land was granted to the academy by the legislature, being what is now the north half of the town of Springfield. This half township embraced 11,020 acres and was sold the same year for 30½c. per acre, thus creating a fund for the use of the academy of \$3,361.10. A small tuition of \$2.50 per term was charged, but in some instances even this was abated.

At the annual meeting in 1829, James S. Holmes, Charles P. Chandler, Thomas Williams and Thomas Davee were chosen a committee to "look into the propriety of purchasing some land to be connected with the academy whereby scholars, if they desire, may have the privilege of working thereon and thereby pay a part of their expenses, and further to consult the public opinion on that subject."

A MECHANIC SHOP.

Two years later, in 1831, a committee was appointed to inquire into the expediency of having a mechanic shop connected with the academy. So much interest was manifested that the committee was reappointed the next year although no such building was erected. They did, however, by their action anticipate instruction in manual training which is a comparatively new idea among educators in this country.

In 1832, a committee was chosen "to finish off the chamber and entry of the academy."

That the academy was formerly used by the preceptors as a stepping stone to the professions is shown by a vote taken in 1838, not to engage as preceptor any person "who is or may be studying for any profession or engaged in any other business than the care and attention of the academy." Certain it is, as will be seen by a perusal of the list of preceptors annexed to this article, that many did rise to professional distinction in later years.

The academy in the early days, the same as now, was a great blessing to the entire community. Students gathered within its walls from near and far and in 1843, there were 130 pupils. Young men did not cease their attendance on arriving at the age of twenty-one. Not having the present advantage of thirty-six weeks a year in the common schools but only a short term in the fall and winter, or winter and spring, rarely more than two terms a year, the young men and women were usually of a maturer age on entering the academy than now.

I remember well of hearing my father, Levi Parsons, who fitted himself for teaching in this institution, speak of the young men who attended after they had become voters.

The students had their exhibitions and one was given in 1840, which continued six hours. It does not state whether the auditors sat on benches or in cushioned pews.

DEBATING SOCIETIES.

The young men had, too, their lyceums, or debating societies. The first one in the academy was organized Oct. 4, 1842, and it may interest the good people of the present day to know that the first question opened for debate was in relation to temperance. "Resolved That the Old Temperance Society Has Done More Toward Advancing the Temperance Reformation Than the Washingtonian Society. Now in Operation."

A story is told of A. G. Lebroke, when a student in the academy, that indicated at least that masterly oratory for which he afterward became famous. He had entered into the spirit of one of the debates with such vigor that it was promptly decided in his favor. He thereupon asked for the privilege of speaking again, which was granted. He then took the other side, tore his former argument into fragments and won that side of the question, the students then and there voting that he had beaten himself.

LARGER BUILDING ERECTED.

In 1859, the first academy building, which had long been inadequate to the needs of the school, was removed to the north end of Foxcroft bridge on the east side of Main street, where it is now occupied as a store and workshop, and in 1860, a much larger and more commodious building was erected. Although this was done partly by subscription, it reduced very materially the funds of the institution.

In 1868, by Chapter 277 of the Resolves, the legislature granted one thousand dollars to the trustees of the academy to be deposited in the treasury of State the annual interest to be paid annually to the trustees of said academy. The annuity of sixty dollars, thus created, is received regularly by the trustees.

The second academy building, like the former, stood on stone posts and was heated with stoves. Its rooms were ill arranged, with poor ventilation, and in 1891, the trustees voted to make general repairs. A cellar was dug, a good stone foundation put under the building, large furnaces installed for heating, and the rooms generally remodelled at an expense of about 2,500, which was paid out of the balance of the funds and liberal subscriptions of the citizens. Also a large piazza was thrown across the front end of the building, adding much to its architectural appearance as well as the comfort of the students.

The piazza was the liberal gift of the late Eliza Ann Mayo, who later joined her husband, Hon. Josiah B. Mayo, in presenting to the trustees the imposing three story structure which, annexed to the former, makes one of the finest academy buildings in the State.

Many students from Dover as well as Foxcroft fitted for college, or completed their education in this old institution, and for many years there was a strong feeling on the part of some that it would be an advantage to both towns to unite in support of Foxcroft Academy.

Finally, in 1903, the voters of Dover discontinued their high school and voted to expend their free high school money in Foxcroft Academy to pay tuition for such of their high school scholars as wished to attend that school.

By this move the student body was increased about one-third and, although additional seats were provided and everything done that could be to make room for the increase, the old building proved wholly inadequate, and an enlargement of the building became absolutely necessary. Architects were employed to draw plans and specifications for a new building on the front of the old and annexed to it so as to make one large school building.

At a meeting of the trustees held March 4, 1904, the plans were examined and approved by the trustees but, as the academy had no funds for the purpose, the erection of a large three-story structure provided with an expensive heating plant, school furniture and necessary equipment, seemed an almost hopeless undertaking. It must be done by voluntary contribution.

While the ways and means were being discussed, one of the trustees Edward J. Mayo, in behalf of his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Josiah B. Mayo, made the following offer.—That if the trustees and other citizens would raise a fund sufficient to put in a good heating plant, build the foundation for the new building and thoroughly equip the school, that Mr. and Mrs. Mayo would erect the building, according to the architects' plans.

The generous offer was promptly accepted and an earnest vote of thanks and hearty appreciation of the same then and there spread upon the records. Two of the trustees, James Bathgate and W. E. Parsons acted as soliciting committee, and not only the trustees but citizens of both towns responded generously, raising a fund of about \$3,100 for the purpose.

Three trustees, E. J. Mayo, C. C. Hall and W. E. Parsons, were appointed a building committee, and work was immediately begun on the new building and the next year saw the present large and beautiful structure which faces Foxcroft Square, fully completed and thoroughly equipped as one of the best fitting schools in Maine.

NEW BUILDING DEDICATED.

In June, 1905, the new building was dedicated and formal presentation of the keys made by J. B. Mayo to the treasurer, W. E. Parsons, in the presence of a grateful throng of Dover and Foxcroft citizens.

In addition to the contributions previously spoken of, John G. Mayo gave \$600 for the purchase of a laboratory, which is of great advantage in physics and chemistry.



Foxcroft Academy and Soldiers Monument.

The school is now thoroughly equipped and in a prosperous condition, being well patronized by the surrounding towns. What it needs most is an endowment fund. Some years ago a small endowment fund was raised of about \$2,700, of which Josiah B. Mayo and Sarah C. Vaughan gave \$1,000 each. Hannah E. and Julia R.

Gilman by soliciting made up largely the balance, while Evans S. Pillsbury, one of its alumni, gave \$100. This fund was invested in the new dormitory.

The school has always been non-sectarian and has gathered within its portals for mental training and advancement the well meaning seekers of knowledge of every sect or denomination in the country. It has ever been the aim of the trustees to furnish a school where students could not only fit for college but where the great majority who could not afford to attend higher institutions of learning, could equip themselves for business and the great duties of life, and well they have succeeded.

The long list of illustrious names among its alumni testifies to that success. After the early struggles of this institution, followed by a noble career of usefulness, its future seems now assured. Its commodious building, its thorough equipment, and loyal support of Dover and Foxcroft bespeaks for it that success which must meet the expectations of its most sanguine supporters.

The recent development of the school has been such that reference to it can scarcely be made without giving credit to the Board of Trustees who labored so zealously for its accomplishment. The Board of Trustees in 1904 consisted of E. A. Thompson of Dover, president; J. B. Mayo of Foxcroft, vice-president; Willis E. Parsons of Foxcroft, secretary and treasurer; the remaining trustees being also residents of Dover and Foxcroft; S. O. Brown, J. B. Cochrane, J. B. Peaks, C. C. Hall, F. E. Guernsey, and Henry S. Towne of Dover, and William Buck, A. W. Gilman, W. T. Stubbs, John F. Hughes, E. J. Mayo and James Bathgate of Foxcroft; the fifteen trustees being divided as nearly as possible between the two towns, with a preponderance of one in favor of Dover.

Foxcroft Academy during its long career has been remarkably successful in its preceptors, being ranked today as one of the best fitting schools in Maine. In fact, it has been on the preferred list for several years, and is one of the few fitting schools of our State whose graduates are admitted to the New England colleges on certificates without examination.

A four years' commercial course is now well established, whose graduates are qualified to perform intelligent work in offices and business houses, for, unlike business colleges, no one can be admitted who has not had at least two years in the academy or its equivalent. No grammar school scholars can gain admission to the commercial department.

SCHOOL CITY GOVERNMENT.

A feature of the school is the school city government, introduced by Principal Fred U. Ward in 1905, with consent of the trustees which has proved a great success, and was the first to be undertaken by any school in Maine. It is no longer an experiment. Space will not permit an explanation of its workings, but by it the students take pride in not only maintaining the best of discipline in the assembly room, but in all departments of the school, so that the expense of one teacher is practically saved to the institution each year. And the students are also getting valuable training in the forms and duties of municipal government.

The graduating class of 1906, at an expense of \$100, furnished with desks and chairs a room in the third story of the academy for the school city government.

Other gifts have been made by friends of the institution. The Cosmopolitan club gave the institution \$50 for shelves and furniture in the library, and recently \$50 towards furnishing a reception room in the dormitory, the balance required to be made up by the club as needed.

The C. S. Douty Circle, No. 11, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, of Foxcroft, gave \$75 for furnishing an additional recitation room; the citizens, \$105 to furnish cabinets for the laboratory; and the Carnival committee gave a balance on hand of \$30 to the academy. Hon. J. B. Mayo donated some electric lights, and Sarah J. Lebroke a cluster of electric lights in the library in memory of her deceased husband, A. G. Lebroke, and daughter, Harriet Beecher; these gifts showing the kind regards which the people have for the academy. This substantial aid from time to time is greatly appreciated by the trustees.

This article would not be complete without a list of those trustees who in the past have given liberally of their time and moneys that it should not falter but be preserved in all its usefulness to future generations.

TRUSTEES.

A list of the trustees not previously mentioned, and date of their election:

Trustees elected: Feb. 22, 1823, Thomas Davee; May 28, 1823, Oliver Crosby and Nathaniel Robinson; Nov. 17, 1824, Samuel Whitney. Nov. 15, 1825, Isaac E. Wilkins; Nov. 15, 1826, Isaac Macomber and Charles P. Chandler; Oct. 15, 1823, Costillo

Hamlin, Nathan Carpenter and Nathan W. Sheldon; Nov. 24, 1829, James Norcross; Oct. 20, 1830, David R. Straw; Oct. 19, 1831, Dennis Lambert, Anson Hubbard and Solomon Parsons; Oct. 17, 1832, Moses Greenleaf; Oct. 16, 1833, Jonathan C. Everett and John H. Loring; Oct. 15, 1834, Gilman Clark and Abram Sanborn; Oct. 21, 1835, Gilman Burleigh; Oct. 19, 1836, Jonathan F. Page, Caleb Prentiss and Harvey Evans; Oct. 18, 1837, William Oakes, Benjamin P. Gilman and Stephen P. Brown; Oct. 17, 1838, Calvin Chamberlain; Oct. 16, 1839, Richard K. Rice and James S. Wiley; Oct. 20, 1842, Salmon Holmes; Oct. 21, 1846, Benjamin Johnson; Oct. 15, 1850, Wooster Parker and Alex M. Robinson; Oct. 16, 1855, Simeon Mudgett and Elihu B. Averill; Oct. 19, 1858, Thomas S. Pullen; Oct. 15, 1861, Ephraim Flint; Oct. 21, 1867, Edwin P. Snow, Stanley T. Pullen and S. Orman Brown; Oct. 18, 1870, Elbridge A. Thompson, Theodore Wyman and David R. Straw, Jr.; Oct. 15, 1872, Elias J. Hale and William Buck; Oct. 21, 1873, William P. Oakes; Oct. 19, 1875, Ezra Towne and Benjamin F. Hammond; Oct. 17, 1876, Augustus W. Gilman; Oct. 15, 1878, Augustus G. Lebroke; Oct. 19, 1880, Josiah B. Mayo; Oct. 18, 1887, Willis E. Parsons, James B. Cochrane and William T. Stubbs; Oct. 15, 1889, Joseph B. Peaks and John F. Hughes; Oct. 25, 1892, Crowell C. Hall; Oct. 30, 1894, Edward J. Mayo; Oct. 23, 1895, James Bathgate; Oct. 27, 1898, Frank E. Guernsey; Oct. 29, 1900, Henry S. Towne; Oct. 31, 1906, Charles W. Hayes; Oct. 29, 1908, Walter J. Mayo; Oct. 25, 1911, Liston P. Evans; Sept. 27, 1912, F. C. Peaks.

Much credit is due to those members in the early days, who, living at a distance, were constant at the meetings of the trustees and active in their support of the institution, notably Colonel William Oakes of Sangerville and Joseph Kelsey of Guilford, both of whom were at different times president of the board.

The presidents of the board, in their order have been Daniel Wilkins, Thomas Williams, Nathaniel Robinson, Abram Sanborn, Thomas Davee, Joseph Kelsey, Dennis Lambert, James S. Holmes, William Oakes, Elihu B. Averill, Stephen P. Brown, Ephraim Flint, Elias J. Hale, Calvin Chamberlain, Alexander M. Robinson, Elbridge A. Thompson and the present incumbent, Josiah B. Mayo.

The secretaries have been six in number, James S. Holmes, Thomas Davee, John Bradbury, Caleb Prentiss, James S. Wiley and Willis E. Parsons.

In 87 years there have been seven treasurers, Samuel Chamberlain, Charles P. Chandler, James S. Wiley, Freeland S. Holmes, Ephraim Flint, James S. Wiley, Willis E. Parsons and Walter J. Mayo.

THE TEACHERS.

From the records of the secretary and books of the treasurer, a list of preceptors is gleaned and here given in the order in which they were employed and approximately their terms of service:

James S. Holmes, 1822-3; James Gooch, spring of 1824; Charles P. Chandler, fall of 1824 and until 1827; Samuel H. Blake, spring of 1827; Charles P. Chandler, fall of 1827; Randall A. Sauborn, Mr. Richardson, Dr. Stevens, William H. Ropes and James S. Wiley, then fill up the time to 1838; Thomas Moulton, fall term of 1838; Robert Wyman, spring term of 1839; and Samuel Johnson, fall term of 1839; Mr. Dole, 1840; Ezra Abbot, 1841; Thomas Tash from 1842 to 1848; in 1845, David Bugbee, late of Bangor, held his first writing school in the academy. Samuel F. Humphrey taught, 1848 to 1851; J. F. Butterfield, 1851-3; Freeland S. Holmes, 1854; Warren Johnson, fall of 1854; Silas Hardy, 1855; F. C. Davis, 1856-7; S. C. Belcher, 1858-60; Mark Pitman, 1861-3; Stanley T. Pullen, 1864; William S. Knowlton, 1865; M. C. Fernald, 1866-8; J. G. Soule, 1868-70; James S. Rowell, 1871-3; Thomas N. Lord, 1873; William S. Rix, 1874; William Goldthwaite, spring of 1875; James R. Brackett, fall of 1875 to 1878; Edwin P. Sampson, 1878-83; Stephen A. Lowell, 1883-4; Frank Rollins, 1884; R. E. Donnell, 1885-88; C. E. B. Libby and G. H. Libby, 1888-90; Eugene L. Sampson, 1890-4; William F. Sims, 1895; W. R. Fletcher, 1896-8; Lyman K. Lee, 1898-1903; Fred U. Ward, 1903-1907; 1907 to September 1911, Louis B. Farnham; 1911, G. W. Cole.

FAMOUS ALUMNI.

Among the alumni of Foxcroft Academy have been many who have distinguished themselves in civil and military life. Hon. Josiah Crosby, late of Dexter, is remembered for his great ability and legal acumen. Hon. N. A. Luce, once State superintendent of schools, is still remembered.

Mrs. I. M. N. Stevens, president of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union received her early training in this academy as did Hon. Charles E. Littlefield, late distinguished mem-

ler of Congress; the late Hon. Samuel F. Humphrey of Bangor, Hon. Alfred E. Buck, late minister to Japan, now deceased; the late Hon. A. G. Lebroke of Foxcroft, and Hon. A. M. Robinson of Dover. The late Hon. Lewis Barker, the lawyer, and David Barker, the poet, were both educated in this institution.

M. C. Fernald, so long president of the college of Orono, received a part of his training here, and there were the military heroes, General Jameson, Col. Calvin S. Douty, Col. Charles P. Chandler, Col. Lowell, Col. Clark, and a hundred more gallant defenders of the Union in her hour of peril, better qualified to serve their country by reason of the instructions received in the old academy.

The roll of honor embracing many, many distinguished citizens both living and dead, is a long one, too long to be given here, as I must close.

Already Maine is indebted to this academy as to but few others within her borders, and may the years to come increase its powers and prolong its usefulness to the State and nation.

It stands today a monument to those sturdy pioneers, who, by great sacrifice and heroic devotion to the cause of education, wrought valiantly in establishing for their own and succeeding generations such an institution of learning.

Schools and Schoolhouses

By SUPT. W. H. STURTEVANT.

The space of time allotted to me for the preparation of this article prohibits the careful study necessary to establish the accuracy of certain valuable historical information; while any attempt to give the complete history of the common schools of Foxcroft would simply weary the listener.

I shall at this time give just a brief account of our earliest common schools, the location of some of the first schoolhouses the names of early teachers, a flash light picture of school conditions in the town of Foxcroft nearly one hundred years ago, and contrast with that picture school conditions of the present, and allow some historian of the future to fill out the intervening space.

The earliest schools were, no doubt, held in private houses, or in barns, and in some of the school districts of Foxcroft there were no school houses until about 1830, or even later. In fact, persons

are still living in town who were fifteen or sixteen years of age before they ever entered a school house. The school in their district having been in a private house until they had reached that age.

It is stated that the first school in Foxcroft was kept by Miss Betsey Mitchell, the daughter of William Mitchell of East Dover, in a barn which stood on what is now the farm of Albert H. Boss. Miss Giddings of Brunswick also taught in this barn.

The settlers in the southeastern part of the town, which is now East Dover, but which at that time was considered a part of Foxcroft, sent their children to a private school in the house of Eli Towne. It is said and verified that one of those who taught here



Foxcroft Village School.

was a man who brought a jug of rum with him each morning and kept it behind the door in the hall, occasionally slipping into the hall to test its quality. In what is now the village limits of Foxcroft, there was also a private school which at one time was located in what is now the old part of Foxcroft Exchange.

The first school building erected by the town was in 1813 when a townhouse was built to be used for schools and also for religious and town meetings.

This building which was twenty by twenty-five feet cost \$100, and was located on upper Main street, where the residence of W. J. Eldridge now stands. This building in all probability continued

to be used for school purposes until 1822, when it was sold at auction.

At about this time, Eli Towne erected a school house in the East Dover settlement opposite where Henry Towne lives at the present time. This was a square room with a square roof. For seats, planks were placed along the walls. No desks were in the house. Books were few, necessitating that many use the same copy. The room was not finished inside. Spruce studs were used with the bark on them, only being scored down on one side with an axe so that boards could be nailed to them. This building was later moved nearer the upper village, and finally was destroyed by fire.

This schoolhouse probably accommodated the scholars in the southeastern section of the town until about 1822. In 1814 the town voted not to build a schoolhouse in the north west district of the town.

The amount of money raised for school purposes in 1813 was \$125; and from this time on the amount raised by the town was increased each year until in 1820 the town voted \$200. This same year, 1820, the town elected Eliphalet Washburn, Nathaniel Carpenter, and Daniel Buck as a committee to divide the town into school districts.

At the next town meeting the committee reported the following division: District No. 1, to include the village limits and west to the Guilford line; District No. 2, was east of the village and included the "Washburn neighborhood" and east to the Sebec line; District No. 3, was northwest of the village, the present Gilman school neighborhood; District No. 4 was the territory north of the village; No. 5 and No. 6 were respectively the northeast and northwest sections of the town.

As to how many scholars were in these districts in 1820 I am unable to ascertain but in 1827, District No. 1, had 47 scholars; No. 2, had 34; No. 3 and 6 which were combined had a total of 61; District No. 4 had 45; District No. 5 had 19 and District No. 7 had 13, a total of 219 scholars for the town; and the instruction of these pupils for the year cost the town \$312.31.

In 1824 the people of Foxcroft Center, District No. 5, engaged Samuel Palmer of Dover to teach a winter school. This was taught in Mr. Hersey's house, and the following summer a school was held in a barn a little east of the house of C. A. Harmon's. During this summer (1825) the old school house at Foxcroft Center was built. As its location was near the center of the town this

building was used for a great many years for religious and town meetings. This schoolhouse served the pupils of the district until 1903 when it was replaced by the present modern structure.

The records of the Gilman school District begin in 1828 and at the first meeting in May of that year, the voters deliberate as to whether they shall sell or repair their old schoolhouse. The building then stood opposite where Harrison Chandler lives. For years the question of location and whether to build a new schoolhouse or repair the old was discussed in nearly every meeting of the district. It was not until 1849 that the present Gilman school house was erected. The voters of the district not being able to agree upon a location the selectmen of the town were finally called into the district meeting and after hearing both sides decided the schoolhouse should be located upon the spot where it now stands.

As to what time the first schoolhouse in "Washburn neighborhood," District No. 2, was built, I am unable to ascertain, but it was probably between the years 1822 and 1830. In 1822 we find the scholars of Deacon Washburn and Major Crooker, the two leading families of the neighborhood, attending school in the Dow schoolhouse then located one-half mile south of East Dover. When erected the schoolhouse stood at the top of the hill northeast from the residence of Luther Averill. It was later moved toward the north until it stood half way between the two roads upon the farm owned by Mr. Lee. Still later it was moved still farther to the north and became the present "Lee schoolhouse."

In the village, the old schoolhouse, or town-house, erected in 1813 served the district until about 1822, and at about this time a second building was erected, but just where this building stood, I am unable to find any record. Tradition has placed it upon the west side of North street on the lot now occupied by B. A. Thomas. Wherever it stood, it was replaced by a new school building which was built in about 1840, and which is the "old schoolhouse" which many of the old inhabitants remember as standing upon North street on the Vaughan lot.

This building was outgrown and in 1873 the present grammar school building was erected.

The wages of the teachers in these early schools as well as the price of board form an interesting contrast with present conditions.

The winter term was generally kept by a "master," and was 10 weeks or in some cases, eleven weeks in length. The summer term, kept by a "mistress" was generally a ten weeks' term, and

for her salary she received the magnificent sum of one dollar per week and board, or if experienced and of especially ability, as high as one dollar and seventy-five cents per week. The teacher's board was bid off at the annual meeting of the district. For the board of the "master," the town paid \$1.50 or \$1.75 per week, while the "mistress" was bid off for about 90 cents. If the price paid for board is any indication the "teacher" was desired for the social rather than the financial gain.

The furnishing of wood for these early schoolhouses came up at the annual district meeting and was generally bid off by some person in the district. The prices paid for fuel ranging from 60 cents to 90 cents per cord for wood delivered and piled at the schoolhouse. The studies which occupied the attention of the pupils were for the most part the "three R's" reading, writing and arithmetic with spelling and grammar for good measure. History and geography were in the making and the pupils learned these at home by listening to the conversation around the fire place rather than from a text book at school. The old time lyceum and the spelling bee must not be forgotten in a historical picture of these early days, but each would require more time and space than could be given here.

Some of the teachers who taught in the town of Foxcroft between the years 1826 and 1836 are the following: Alphonso Whitman, Sarah S. Sprague, W. Godwin, George C. Campbell, Ira Allen, Estsy Dwinell, Samuel Palmer, Elisha Daggett, R. K. Rice, Thatcher Blake, Jr., Sally Buck, Minerva Garland, Jane Thayer, Susan P. Greeley and Ruth Daggett.

I cannot close this paper without showing what Foxcroft is doing along educational lines at the present time.

In 1813 the town of Foxcroft had one schoolhouse valued at \$100. In 1912 the estimated value of our school buildings and equipment was \$16,000. In 1813 the town of Foxcroft expended \$125 for common schools, this past year we expended over \$6800. In 1812 there were probably about 80 scholars in the town, the census of 1912 gives us 457. In all educational matters there has been a corresponding growth and the pioneer spirit of early days is still manifest in the desire to place Foxcroft schools in the front ranks. We were the first towns in the county to introduce regular instruction in music and drawing. Music being introduced into the Foxcroft schools in 1900 and drawing in 1910. At the present time, Dover and Foxcroft hire a special teacher as supervisor of

music and drawing. For the sake of improving their schools, Dover and Foxcroft formed a union in 1903, the second district to be formed in the State for professional supervision of schools.

We were one of the first towns in the State to send boxes of books from the public library into the rural schools, and also one of the first to send pupils to the library for regular instruction.

We have in our town a high school that practically governs itself, the only school in the State where the School City form of government exists. During the past year manual training has been introduced into our schools.

Our citizens are all interested; our teachers are trained and experienced; our schools are the equal of any in the State.

The spirit of self sacrifice and progressiveness in educational matters, shown so clearly by the early settler of Foxcroft, is still an active force in the town of Foxcroft in 1912.

Patriotic Societies of Foxcroft

By MRS. SARAH A. MARTIN.

Organization, 1886—C. S. Douty, W. S. R. C., No. 42, was organized in Favor's Hall, Foxcroft, May 13th, 1886, with twenty-four charter members. President, Mrs. Sarah Lucas Martin; Secretary, Mr. Abbie Z. Holmes.

Qualification for Membership, and Change of Name—The membership of this organization consisted of wives, mothers, daughters and sisters of soldiers and sailors of the Civil War. This kind of membership, restricted to wives, mothers, daughters and sisters, it has always maintained, though in process of time, for loyal reasons, the name was changed to that of C. S. Douty Circle, No. 16, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, which name it now bears.

Employment of New Name.—Although this change of name was not made until Nov. 5th, 1905, and although until that date, the organization was working under the name of C. S. Douty, W. S. R. C. No. 42, to avoid confusion the name of C. S. Douty Circle, No. 16, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, will hereinafter be employed in this paper, no matter to what period of the history of the organization reference is made.

Removal to Dover, 1889.—With the ease which has characterized organization in these twin villages, although our charter named Foxcroft as our home, owing to the increase in our membership and the inadequacy of Favor's Hall, after about three years we removed without any special formality to Dover. Our first meeting was held in Sampson's Hall on March 20th, 1889, where we resided in peace and ever increasing prosperity for a period of about four years.

Material Prosperity.—We added much to our household goods, but the first record I find of money deposited in the bank, was from the proceeds of a Centennial Observance of Washington's Inauguration, April 30th, 1889. Later the net receipts of a lecture by Mary A. Livermore of \$30 was added thereto, and a Trades Carnival in February, 1890, yielded net \$270.

Incited by this, we began to treasure thoughts of a hall for ourselves and the soldier organizations. We gave suppers and held entertainments in Sampson's Hall, all liberally patronized, and laid up much pelf.

Communication from Knights of Pythias.—Then the Knights of Pythias, having leased the hall, we were astounded at receiving the following communication from them under date of Feb. 24, 1893:

"By vote of the Lodge it has been decided there shall be no refreshments of any kind in the lodge-room. Neither shall there be any public entertainment in the lodge-room. Voted that the janitor shall be instructed not to open the hall for any such purpose.

C. H. CUSHING, C. C.

R. W. HUGHES, K. of R. & S."

Return to Foxcroft, 1893.—Our means of acquisition thus being torn from us, I find this vote appearing in the same record of the Ladies of the G. A. R., "Moved, seconded and voted that we remove immediately to Town Hall in Foxcroft." We did so, returning to the town of our birth and the cradle of our liberty, the record of the first meeting in Town Hall being on March 10, 1893.

This action, so innocent in appearance and intent, was fraught with consequences of importance.

C. S. Douty Post Separated from Us.—The birth-place of C. S. Douty Post, like our own, was in Favor's Hall, Foxcroft, and its charter named Foxcroft as its home. Like us it had migrated informally to Dover. We had assisted them on Memorial Days and divers other occasions through the period of seven blissful years.

They now looked with disfavor on this independent act, and took unto themselves another organization, not restricted to wives, mothers, daughters and sisters.

Organization of Charles Peleg Chandler Post, 1893.—Hence on Nov. 21, 1893, a petition from E. T. Crockett, O. P. Martin and twenty-one others for the formation of a Post in Foxcroft was granted by Wainwright Cushing Department Commander of the G. A. R. of Maine, and on Nov. 23, 1893, was organized with twenty-three members under the name of Charles Peleg Chandler Post, for Major Charles Peleg Chandler, a citizen of Foxcroft, a graduate of Harvard and a gallant soldier, killed on the battlefield.

Incorporation, 1893.—For many reasons it seemed wise that the Ladies of the G. A. R. should become incorporated. This was consummated on August 11, 1893. State President Mrs. Samuel L. Miller of Waldoboro and State Inspecting Officer Mrs. Atwood of Auburn were present. Hon. Willis E. Parsons acted as legal advisor and in the record of Aug. 25, I find recorded a copy of his receipted bill for his professional services, freely given us. A vote of thanks is recorded which we wish to renew in this paper.

Dedication of Soldiers' Monument—On Oct. 21, 1893, under the direction of the G. A. R. occurred the dedication of the Soldiers' Monument, situated in the square, where drilled the boys of '61-'65 in preparation for going to the front. I have no record of the exercises of that day, but our book shows that the Ladies of the G. A. R. served a free dinner to some four hundred people, the citizens of Foxcroft generously contributing with supplies. The rooms of the entire second floor of the Opera House were used as dining-rooms.

Purchase of Present Home.—In December, 1895, the organization having long desired a home of their own purchased of Timothy L. Jennison his shop situated on North street, Foxcroft, for \$1200. The building was but a shell and extensive repairs as well as remodeling were needed. With a membership of 82 and a bank account of \$942 this was undertaken. One hundred dollars of this sum was the gift by will of Mrs. Emily S. Douty, a valued member and widow of Col. Calvin S. Douty, for whom our organization is named.

The building was insured for \$1000. One thousand dollars was obtained by loan from the Building Association, who held the mortgage. A building committee, consisting of Mrs. Sarah Buck Davis, Mrs. D. M. Whittredge and Mrs. Sarah Lucas Martin, was appointed, who invited from the Post to assist them, Comrades

O. P. Martin, A. P. Buck and J. H. Steward. To these comrades they were deeply indebted.

A committee on ways and means was also appointed, namely; Mrs. A. P. Buck, Mrs. Ellen Ober and Mrs. Eliza Ladd. The first floor was fitted up as a store and readily leased.

Charles Peleg Chandler Post fitted up the third floor as a Post-room and continued to occupy it as such until they disbanded on May 26, 1906, about 13 years after their organization.

Placing of Cannon.—It was through Chandler Post, Comrade Martin acting as committee, that the cannon on the monument grounds were obtained from the Navy Yard and placed in position.

Memorial Gift to Charles Peleg Chandler Post.—The evening of Dec. 23, 1908, was a most pleasant occasion. A beautiful and valuable memorial volume was presented to Charles Peleg Chandler Post by the brothers J. B. and J. G. Mayo and their sons, Edward J. and Walter J., in memory of their father and grandfather, the late Hon. John Gould Mayo. In the volume are now inscribed the war records of the veterans. The volume is deposited in Thompson Free Library.

Disbanding of That Post.—We are indebted to Charles Peleg Chandler Post for aid and courtesies and many pleasant social hours through those busy years. On disbanding they turned over to the Ladies of the G. A. R., tables, chairs and flags, also the picture of Major Chandler which holds an honored position in our room.

The first meeting of the Ladies of the G. A. R. in their new building, the second floor, was Feb. 14, 1886.

The repairs immediately necessary when completed, as reported by Mrs. Davis, the careful and exact chairman of the building committee, amounted to \$934.16.

Completion of Payment for Home.—We pass swiftly over the following eleven years, to the joyful payment of the last assessment in the Building Association and the burning of the mortgage on July 16, 1907.

During that time we had further improved the building.

Custer Command, Union Veterans Union.—For sixteen years, Custer Command, Union Veterans Union, has been a most pleasant and profitable tenant, also good comrades. Their meetings are held in the same room on alternate Tuesdays from ourselves. Twenty of their number are honorary members of our organization and many of them are members of our former companion organiza-

tion, C. S. Douty Post. The free use of the small hall on the upper floor we have voted to Civil War veterans as a club-room.

Real Object of the Organization Being Carried On.—We are pleased to note that through those years, with debt upon us, we then, as now, forgot not the prime nature of our organization; the aiding of the needy, the sick and the sorrowing of families of soldiers and sailors.

We did some other things as well: A benefit for the band netted some \$80. We instituted the first successful efforts to resurrect the old Cemetery Association, and paid the first \$25 toward putting the water in the cemetery.

We have placed flags in every schoolroom in Foxcroft and furnished a room in the Academy at an expense of \$80. We share the labors and duties of Memorial Day and forget not the graves of our own dead. We send each autumn some gift to the Good Will Home, for there, sons and grandsons of veterans are under its fostering care.

Present Membership and Officers.—We now have a membership of 76 active and 22 honorary members. We are out of debt with a little surplus. The efficient chair officers at present are:

President, Mrs. Nancy Bearce.

Secretary, Mrs. Lola B. Hayes.

Treasurer, Mrs. Evelyn D. Buck.

Conclusion.—With the fleeting years, the mothers who so loyally and unselfishly gave to our country their sons, have passed.

Duty of Daughters and Granddaughters—The wives and sisters are keeping step adown the hill of life with the aging veterans. Upon the daughters and the granddaughters rests the duties and the privileges which have been ours.

When one hundred years more shall have passed, and at our second Centennial some one shall stand where I now stand and tell the story of the years, it will be her glory as a descendant of a Civil War veteran to say, "I am a daughter of the Grand Army of the Republic."

BRIEF SKETCH OF CUSTER COMMAND.

Organization, 1896.—Custer Command, No. 16, Union Veterans Union of Battle-field Soldiers, Department of Maine, was instituted in Town Hall, Foxcroft, April 30, 1896, by Col. F. E. De Merritte, National mustering officer, assisted by Lt. Col. Lewis Selbing, chief mustering officer, Department of Maine.

Charter Members—The charter members were twelve in number, namely:

Wainwright Cushing, William W. Miller, Osgood P. Martin, Leonard H. Washburn, John G. Herring, Edward L. Emery, Fernando Pratt, Isaiah B. Davis, Sewall C. Shaw, Asa S. Davis, Job S. Bearce, William W. Warren.

Five of these charter members have answered to the last roll call. The next meeting was held in the Post room of Charles P'eleg Chandler Post on North street, Foxcroft, May 12, 1896. At this meeting was received a communication from the C. S. Douty, W. S. R. C., now C. S. Douty Circle, Ladies of the G. A. R., offering the Command the use of their hall free of rent for all future meetings, paying only for heating, lighting and janitor service. The Command extended a vote of thanks for the generous offer and friendliness, but voted instead to pay full value for its use and have occupied it continuously ever since, over sixteen years in perfect harmony and to their mutual advantage.

Colonels of the Command.—The Colonels of Custer Command have been: Wainwright Cushing, 1896; J. G. Herring, 1897; Osgood P. Martin, 1898; Wm. W. Warren, 1899; Volney A. Gray, 1900; Wainwright Cushing, 1901; Job S. Bearce, 1902; Elbridge T. Douglas, 1903; W. W. Miller, 1904; E. T. Crockett, 1905; E. B. Fox, 1906; E. T. Monroe, 1907; E. T. Monroe, 1908; E. C. Morrill, 1909; E. T. Monroe, 1910; E. T. Monroe, 1911; E. T. Monroe, 1912.

Qualifications for Membership.—The organization of Union Veterans Union is peculiar in that it is composed only of those who on land or on sea actually battled for a nation's life; who have rendered at least six months' continuous service in the army or navy and have faced the enemy in battle.

Marked Growth of the Command.—Such is the membership of Custer Command. Organizing with but twelve members, they have prospered and grown in membership till now they are the largest Command in the United States; substantially proving that here in this little corner of the old State of Maine, went forth many who stood shoulder to shoulder where bullets hummed and stricken comrades fell.

Membership Statistics.—Custer Command has mustered in its ranks 180 in all. The largest membership at any time was 118. The number of members at the present time is 111.

Conclusion.—The days of active mustering of battle-field soldiers are well over. To the sons and grandsons must they look for recruits in an honorary membership to aid and maintain when the “keepers of the house shall tremble.” Yet still they sing in unbroken voices:

“We’ve stood on many a battle-field
A firm unbroken line
And faced the foe and scorned to yield
In days of Auld lang syne.

And as the years roll swiftly by
And weaker grows the line
Let’s keep together till we die
For the sake of Auld lang syne.

The Masonic Fraternity

By JOHN F. SPRAGUE.

Mosaic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, was granted a charter by the Grand Lodge of Maine, July 16th, 1827. Charles Fox was Grand Master, George Thatcher was Senior Grand Warden, Robert P. Dunlap, subsequently Governor of Maine, was Junior Grand Warden, and William Lord, Grand Secretary.

The charter members were William Frost, Moses L. Hobbs, Joseph Kelsey, James S. Holmes, Salmon Holmes, Tolman Cary, Hiram Folsom, Solomon Cushman, Andrew Cushman, Samuel Roby, John McLaughlin, George Haskell, Jedediah P. Leland and Samuel Pingree.

The first meeting of this Lodge was held at Carleton’s Hall in Sangerville on the 19th day of November, 1827.

The members present were William Frost, W. M., Samuel Roby, S. W., Jedediah P. Leland, J. W., Joseph Kelsey, Tyler, Samuel Pingree, John McLaughlin, Solomon Cushman, Salmon Holmes and James S. Holmes, Addison Martin, Appolos Pond and Orrin Morse.

James S. Holmes was chosen Secretary, Joseph Kelsey, Treasurer, Orin Morse was S. D., Jedediah P. Leland, J. D., John McLaughlin, S. S., and Salmon Holmes was J. S. The following were

made a committee to draft and report a code of by-laws: J. S. Holmes, Moses L. Hobbs, Pierce P. Furber and William Frost.

The second annual meeting was held December 17, 1828, when Samuel Roby was elected W. M. and John McLaughlin Secretary. Samuel Roby was re-elected W. M. in 1829. In 1830 Pierce P. Furber was elected W. M., and 1831, John McLaughlin was elected to this office.

The intense and bitter opposition to Free Masonry which had such a strange and almost phenomenal growth for several years throughout this country, extended to the State of Maine, and the lodges here suffered as elsewhere. It is evident from the few meetings which it held during the year 1831 that it was in a struggle for existence.

At the annual meeting December 14th, 1831, it was voted to suspend the operation of the sixteenth article of the by-laws which provided for the payment of annual dues of one dollar a year.

At this meeting James S. Holmes was elected Worshipful Master and John McLaughlin Secretary. The last meeting of that year was held February 15th, in Carleton's Hall in Sangerville, when there were present James S. Holmes, W. M., Samuel Roby, S. W.; Woodman W. Magoon, S. D. pro tem; William R. Goodwin, Secretary pro tem; B. Haskell, S. D., and Salmon Holmes, J. D.

This Lodge did not hold another meeting or communication and did no Masonic work of record till April 9th, 1845, when they met in Foxcroft and again made choice of James S. Holmes for Master and other officers to serve till the next annual meeting.

It does not appear in what place this meeting was held, but it was presumably at Academy Hall, as the next meeting of May 21st was held there. At the annual meeting in December, 1845, James S. Holmes was elected W. M. and at the annual meeting in 1846, Elihu B. Averill was elected to that office. R. K. Rice had been Secretary during the past year and this year was elected S. W. Mordicai Mitchell was made a proxy to attend the Grand Lodge.

The names of Russell Kittredge, Charles P. Chandler and S. L. Carpenter appear frequently at this time. Elihu B. Averill was also Master in 1847, '48 and '49. In 1851 John Sherwood was elected Master and also in 1852. In 1853 James S. Wiley was Master, in 1854 E. B. Averill, in 1855 James S. Wiley, in 1856 Sands Bailey, in 1857 Edward P. Edes, in 1858 James S. Wiley, in 1859 and '60 E. B. Averill, in 1861 James S. Wiley, in 1862 Ivory H. Jordan, in 1863 W. H. Edes, in 1864-5 Nathaniel Parsons.

Vol. I of the records of this Lodge begins with the first meeting, Nov. 19, 1827, and ends with the record of the annual meeting, December 8, 1864. The officers elected at this meeting were: Nathaniel Parsons, W. M. Charles F. Greene, S. W.; S. M. Sewall, J. W.; James S. Wiley, T.; A. P. Buck, Sec.; T. Hibbard, S. D.; T. L. Jennison, J. D.; F. E. Hutchins, S. S.; Daniel Whittredge, J. S.

Among the names frequently appearing in these early records are those of John H. Rice, D. W. Hussey, L. O. Farnham, Daniel Wyman, Edward Jewett, A. B. Brockway, Charles P. Chandler, Ivory H. Jordan, Samuel Webber, Simeon Mudgett, William Paine, William McCoomb, A. J. Chase, Henry C. Pratt, Richard Dearborn and Hiram Douty, either as officers, members or visitors.



Monument Square and Foxcroft Bridge, Masonic Block in the Distance

At a meeting Sept. 15, 1857, the visiting brethren were Lewis Parker and his brother David Barker, the well known Maine poet.

On January 16, 1862, there was a public installaton of the officers of the lodge when David Barker was expected to be present. "but," the record says, "did not make his appearance owing to the bad state of the travelling and a poem lately from his pen was read by Bro. Averill."

This was that stirring and patriotic poem by Barker, "The Old Ship of State," which may be found in his published works.

This was followed by singing "Burns' Farewell" and "Auld Lang Syne."

The record of this meeting closes as follows:

Thus closed the festivities of the evening and we cannot doubt that the occasion will long be remembered by all present, and that the Brethren separated with a warmer feeling of Brotherly love and a stronger attachment to the principles incarnated by the order."

In the Second Volume of records the name of Louis Annance, the old Chief of the St. Francis tribe of Indians, who lived around Moosehead Lake for so many years, occasionally appears as a visitor.

Since the year 1865 the Worshipful Masters have been: Charles F. Green, William Buck, Stanley T. Pullen, Elbridge A. Thompson, S. B. Jackson, Jas. E. Rowell, Asa S. Davis, James T. Roberts, Wm. T. Elliott, Wainwright Cushing, Thomas P. Elliott, Marcell W. Hall, D. E. Dinsmore, F. D. Folsom, John C. Cross, W. W. Thayer, W. L. Stoddard, C. W. Brown, Allen P. Clark, F. H. Glover, W. C. Woodbury, W. M. Steward, R. W. Hughes, W. W. Blethen, F. G. Warren, V. L. Warren, B. B. Anderson, J. W. Hawkins, E. S. Genthner, and E. W. Crocker.

In 1870-71 this Lodge erected the Masonic Block in Foxcroft in which is its present commodious and beautiful hall.

This hall was dedicated in accordance with the customs and rites of the Order, June 22, 1871.

The Piscataquis Observer in its report of this said:

"The dedication of the new Masonic Hall in Union Square in this village occurred yesterday with imposing ceremonies.

"The services were participated in by all the Masonic bodies in the county, and also Olive Branch Lodge of Charleston, Penobscot Lodge of Dexter, DeMolay Commandery of Skowhegan, and St. John's Commandery of Bangor.

"For two days previous the weather had been 'showery,' but on Wednesday nature gratified the craft with as beautiful a day as could have been desired.

"At an early hour the people began to arrive from the surrounding towns, and by ten o'clock it began to be wonderful where so many people came from. The hotels were full—the streets were crowded; until it was intimated that never had so many people been together in the county before.

"At 10.30 the special train on the Piscataquis road brought the Bangor Commandery, which was escorted to the Foxcroft Exchange by the Skowhegan Commandery which had arrived the evening previous, and had been quartered at the Blethen House.

"At eleven o'clock W. M. John H. Lynde, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine, conducted the services at the hall, which were said to be grand and impressive.

"At noon the procession formed under the direction of Chief Marshal J. B. Peaks, as follows:

ORDER OF PROCESSION.

Aid.	Aid.
Bro. G. F. Danforth.	Bro. T. P. Elliott.

FIRST DIVISION.

Bro. M. W. Brown, Marshall
Bangor Cornet Band
St. John Commandery K. T., Bangor
Doric Lodge, Monson
Mt. Kineo Lodge, Abbot
Mosaic Lodge, Dover and Foxcroft.

SECOND DIVISION.

Bro. T. J. Peaks, Marshall
Skowhegan Band
DeMolay Commandery, K. T., Skowhegan
Piscataquis Lodge, Milo
Penobscot Lodge, Dexter.

THIRD DIVISION

Bro. Wm. McComb, Marshall
Corinth Cornet Band
Olive Branch Lodge, Charleston
M. W. Grand Lodge of Maine
Orator, Poet and Invited Guests.

"The line moved through Main street, Dover, to State street, through State to Lincoln street in Foxcroft, through Lincoln and Main street to Chamberlain's Grove, where the different organizations filed into the tent provided for the occasion, and partook of a bountiful collation furnished by the wives, mothers, daughters and 'sweethearts' of the members of Mosaic Lodge.

"After refreshments were served for the fraternity, an oration was pronounced by General Harris M. Plaisted of Bangor, which was a credit to the orator and an honor to the fraternity to which he belonged.

"The poem by David Barker, Esq., was in the author's happiest strain, and everybody was ready to shout 'Long live the King'—of Poets.

"We never saw an affair better conducted, and never expect to see a more brilliant procession in the county."

Gen. Plaisted, the orator of the day, above referred to, was destined to later serve the people of Maine as representative to Congress and Governor of Maine, and was the father of our present Chief Executive, the Hon. Frederick W. Plaisted.

James S. Wiley was toastmaster, and there were responses by Lewis Barker of Bangor, Sumner A. Patten of Monson, Jeremiah Fenno of Bangor, John H. Lynde of Bangor, Rev. Mr. Fenlason of Exeter, Col. A. W. Wilds of Skowhegan, Wm. P. Young of Milo, and James Foss of Abbot.

In 1901 the Lodge owed a debt on this property amounting to \$711.56. This amount was raised and paid by a subscription among the members.

Its financial condition is now most excellent and satisfactory. The present membership is about 160 members. James T. Roberts, its efficient secretary, is now serving his twenty-seventh term.

Only seven years after Maine had changed from a Province under Massachusetts to a sovereign member of the government of States, these worthy men living in widely separated places in a new and sparsely settled region organized this Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

Of the charter members Solomon and Andrew Cushman resided in Monson. Hiram Folsom either in Greenville or Monson, Samuel Pingree in Parkman, James S. Holmes, a prominent lawyer, in Eastern Maine, and others resided in Foxcroft and vicinity.

When this Lodge was instituted Enoch Lincoln was Governor of Maine and John Holmes and Albion K. Parris represented the new State in the Senate of the United States.

The history of its small and feeble beginning, of its early struggles, its trials and adversities, its pathetic suspension of work for thirteen years in the dark days when the public mind was obsessed with an ignorant prejudice against this great fraternal order; and then when reason began to assert itself in the nation and the public viewed Free

Masonry from a more rational and tolerant view-point, its loyalty to the sublime principles of the Masonic brotherhood, and its determination to renew the work of Free Masonry here in this community and demonstrate that "Truth crushed to earth shall rise again," and its steady advancement to its present day of splendid prosperity, is an important part of the history of Foxcroft and of Piscataquis County.

No accurate history of our county and its development and the evolution of the high character and the intelligence and integrity of its citizenship could ever be written without giving this story of the achievement of Mosaic Lodge a prominent place in its pages.

And I will close this meagre and hastily drawn sketch by quoting the closing lines of Gen. Plaisted's oration on that bright June day more than half a century ago when he assisted in the dedication of Foxcroft's Masonic Temple.

"Moreover, also, we are here taught the great lesson of Masonic labor, that the search after truth, that divine truth symbolized by the 'lost word,' constitutes the work of life; and as it can never be thoroughly attained in this life, we must be content with its substitute, and wait with patience until the building of the second temple—the temple of Eternal Life.

"Finally, Brothers, may it be our happy lot thus skilfully to erect the living temple of thoughts, and words, and deeds, according to the designs laid down for us by the Grand Architect of the universe, and at last when raised from the filth and corruption of mortality, be accepted as living stones, fitted for a place in that temple not made with hands—Eternal in the Heavens."

Remarks of Willis E. Parsons at Dedication of Foxcroft's New Bridge

It has been thought by many that this occasion, our 100th anniversary, would be a fitting time to dedicate the new bridge in which all our citizens take an honest pride.

Poor indeed is that municipality which cares only for the present. Selfish and unworthy is any community that has no thought of the future, no desire to leave something for posterity. In all ages the world's great beacon fires have been kindled by men who loved humanity, who were spurred to great achievement and proud endeavor by the inspiring thought that their work would live after them, a blessing to all posterity.

So in the dedication of this bridge today, solid and substantial, erected for all time, or at least a thousand years, we feel that it is not alone for the benefit of the present generation, but when many centuries have rolled away here will stand a structure spanning the Piscataquis as it flows to the sea, speaking to the then flourishing population of the unselfish work of their fathers. We will have been forgotten, our records may be destroyed and every vestige of the men who fought for its construction disappear, but here will remain a monument to the whole town, speaking of the energy and loyal enterprise of the citizens who built not only for themselves but the generations to follow.

Our early settlers, as the little community grew, felt the necessity of some kind of a bridge across the river between Foxcroft and Dover, but it was not until 1819, seven years after our incorporation as a town that the people felt equal to the undertaking.

At a town meeting held April 6, 1819, the inhabitants, then but a handful at most, less than fifty voters, voted to raise \$150 in money and \$500 in labor for a bridge across the Piscataquis, and that a man should receive \$1.00 for eight hours' labor and a pair of oxen the same.

The next year, March 20, voted to raise \$500 in labor, and \$100 in grain, wheat at 8 shillings and rye at \$1.00 and to allow 12½ cents per hour; and again, March 12, 1821, the town voted \$100 to be paid in grain at the same price, making \$1,350 to build the bridge.

That it was not an up-to-date structure is shown by the records as at a meeting Sept. 8, 1823, the town voted to repair the bridge. 1825, voted to repair the bridge and raised \$300. 1828, voted to choose a committee to examine the bridge, and then a few days later, Sept. 27, 1828, voted to choose a committee to agree upon a plan and make a draft for a new bridge across the Piscataquis where the old one stood. The committee later made a full report, with plan and bill of lumber, estimating the entire expense at \$1,223.68, and that they would be allowed for the old bridge \$153.00. The building of the bridge as finally struck off to Alden Z. Dwinal, he being the lowest bidder, for \$1,300.

This second bridge, completed in 1830, seems to have been no more substantial than the first as the next year, 1831, the town



Foxcroft Bridge—1854.

raised \$300 to repair the bridge. In 1834 they again voted to repair. In 1837, still more repairs.

In 1842 the town chose a committee to examine the bridge, and that committee reported that on the south side they found most of the posts and long braces very rotten. Then began an old-fashioned bridge fight, and at a town meeting held Dec. 17, 1842, they voted to build a new bridge; but only eight days later, on Dec. 25, the anti-bridge party prevailed for the town voted to reconsider the vote to build a new bridge and voted to repair the old bridge.

March 13, 1843, another committee was appointed by the town to examine the bridge and its report was such that Nov. 25 of the same year, the town again voted to build a bridge, and that the contractor have his choice to build a brace bridge or an X bridge, and that the contractor have all the old bridge but the stone piers. Again the fight was on and the anti-bridge forces showed such strength that Dec. 11, the same year it was voted to reconsider the vote to build a bridge and all other votes relative to a bridge.

Voted to choose a committee to repair the bridge, but the rugged old fighters had worked up so much feeling that it was hard to find any of the leading citizens to act on that committee. Nathaniel Chamberlain refused and the town voted to excuse him and tried Chester Chamberlain. He refused and the town tried T. H. Chamberlain, but the town had to excuse him also. Finally Leonard Robinson was chosen who with Caleb Prentiss and Amos Morse made up the committee on repairs. But the fight was not ended. A meeting was again called, Dec. 25, less than a month later, and the town again voted to build a bridge. Abel Turner, David Gilman and Moses Swett were chosen a committee.

Dec. 30, a few days later, the town voted to build a covered bridge, but this was too much, a covered bridge, never! And again the anti-bridge forces rallied and on the 9th of January, 1844, reconsidered the vote to make it a covered bridge, and voted to build it like the old one and to be finished by the first day of November, 1844, and gave the contractor the old bridge. In 1850 this bridge had to be repaired at an expense of \$490. March 10, 1851, a committee was again appointed to examine the bridge.

May 9, 1854, a freshet having swept away this bridge, the town voted to build a bridge across Piscataquis River at the village similar to the old one. May 20, voted to reconsider the vote to construct a bridge similar to the old one, and June 2 the town voted to build a bridge according to Howes' patent, and out of the votes at succeeding town meetings evolved in 1854 the Foxcroft bridge as used for 57 years, being repaired from time to time until last season when we saw it disappear forever, to be replaced by the noble structure upon which we now stand.

March 13, 1911, the town voted that a committee of three be appointed by the chair to ascertain the cost of a new bridge, also the cost of repairing the old structure. Made choice of E. J. Mayo, S. F. Atwood and O. P. Martin, committee.

April 11, 1911, the inhabitants assembled in town meeting to hear the report of the committee and take action in relation to the bridge. I now quote from the records made by the town clerk.

"Voted on motion of W. E. Parsons that the town build a concrete bridge the present season across Piscataquis River on Main street, the roadway of which shall be not less than 30 feet wide with sidewalks on each side of not less than six feet, to take the place of the old wooden bridge. The number of ballots thrown, 346, 219 being 'yes' and 127 'no.'

"On motion of W. E. Parsons voted that we authorize the selectmen and town treasurer to execute in behalf of the town the obligations of the town either in notes or bonds as deemed best by the



Foxcroft Bridge—1911.

finance committee, for a sum not exceeding \$25,000, payable \$1,000 a year and interest, to be used in the construction of a concrete bridge, said obligations not to bear interest exceeding 4 per cent per annum.

"Voted that we appropriate \$1000 out of the highway money raised this year to be expended on the approaches to the new bridge.

"Voted that a committee of three be appointed by the chair, to be called a finance committee, to act in conjunction with the bridge committee and selectmen to finance the building of the bridge.

Made choice of G. L. Arnold, W. J. Mayo, W. E. Parsons, finance committee.

"Voted that the chair appoint a bridge committee of three whose duty it shall be in conjunction with the finance committee and selectmen to procure plans and specifications and execute a contract in behalf of the town and superintend the construction of the new bridge and grading the approaches to the same. Made choice of E. J. Mayo, S. F. Atwood, O. P. Martin, bridge committee."

The bridge committee thus consisted of nine members. E. J. Mayo was elected chairman and W. E. Parsons secretary, the committee serving without pay. Bearce & Clifford of Lewiston were the contractors and the contract price was \$20,926.00, and the extras, and a few changes, the building of a foot-bridge and the damage to abutting real estate owners, made the whole expense to the town practically around \$25,000.

The old wooden structures, four in number, with their endless repairs and never-ending expense of general maintenance, have been replaced by this concrete arch and broad roadway, which in point of construction is unsurpassed in all New England.

To the present and future generations who will pass to and fro over this principal highway of the county, it is now dedicated.

May it stand forever a monument to the courage and enterprise of our citizens, who having but recently passed from under one great burden, were willing to meet the expenditures necessary for so worthy an object and so beneficial to the present and future generations.

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Margaret Goff and Her Family

By LINA GOFF MCKENNEY

Lina Goff McKenney is a descendant of the subject of this sketch and was the first Regent of Margaret Goff Moor Chapter D. A. R., of Madison, Maine.

Margaret Goff Moor holds an unusually interesting place among the women who sacrificed loved ones to the cause of our country. She came of sturdy, old New England stock and bravely bore the hardships of the times in a manner which makes her a fitting example of those who shared the loneliness and heartache so heroically.

Her family has a record of service which should be of interest to any who love the reading of olden days.

Her parents were Colonel John Goff and Hannah Grigg.

Hannah Grigg was the granddaughter of James Grigg who was born in Ayrshire, Scotland, and located in Ireland in 1680. He married Janet Cargill, having four sons and one daughter. In 1718 he removed to America where his son, John, married Janet Rankin, who was the third daughter of Hugh Rankin, born in Antrim, Ireland, but arrived in Londonderry N. H., in 1722. These last had ten children, one of whom was Hannah.

The first Goff of whom we have any record was John Goff, of Scotch-Irish descent. He came to America in 1662 or 1663. He was a member of Increase Mather's church in 1663. His son, John born in Boston in 1676 was agent for the first Scotch-Irish immigrants and came to Londonderry where he was the proprietor's clerk from 1719 to 1723. He was a member of the first Presbytery formed in New Hampshire. He was a man of considerable business ability and performed his stipulated duties to the satisfaction of his employer as is shown by the fact that he had a special grant in the charter for his "good service in promoting the

settlement of said town." In addition to this he had bestowed upon him one hundred acres and half a mill stream. His son, John, born in 1701 and died in October, 1786, second day, married Hannah Grigg in Derryfield, New Hampshire, September 8, 1754. Thus we have the statistics of Margaret Goff's ancestors. In her own immediate family there were seven children of whom this much is known:

1. Marcia, married Nathaniel Martin, first settler of Weare, N. H.
2. ———, married Benjamin Kidder of Londonderry.
3. ———, married Edward Singfield of Londonderry.
4. Rebecca, married Samuel Moor of Manchester, N. H.
5. Margaret, married Col. John Moor of Manchester.
6. ———, married a Walker and had two daughters, who married Joseph and Abraham Moore.
7. John, a major.

"In the old graveyard, in Bedford, there rest, side by side, the mortal remains of John Goff, Esq., Col. John Goff and Major John Goff. At the right of each is buried his wife."¹

The father of Peggy Goff, as she was known, was colonel in the French war and military instructor during the Revolution; her husband, John Moor, was captain in the French war and entered the Revolution as captain but was promoted the day following the battle of Bunker Hill to the rank of major for bravery in the field; her father-in-law, Samuel Moor, was major in the French war; her brother, John Goff, Jr., was major in both the French and Revolutionary wars; her brother-in-law, Samuel Moor, Jr., served as a soldier in both wars; her brother-in-law, Joseph Moor, was a soldier in the Revolution; and her two eldest sons, Benjamin and Goff, did duty as soldiers in the Revolution.

Her very heartstrings must have been torn, for her best beloved were facing untold dangers that our own country might one day gain its independence.

Among all these brave men Col. John Goff stands out most firmly. His is an honored name in the records of New Hampshire. A brief sketch of his life cannot be amiss.

John Goff was a man of marked character and for sixty years was identified with the most stirring scenes of the exciting periods of our country's history—from Lovewell's fight of 1725 through the French and Indian war—and although too old to do active service during the Revolution he entered the conquest head and

⁽¹⁾ History of Weare, p. 132.

heart, doing as much by precept, example and money as did any other man in support of the cause.

"He was the military teacher of the Rogers, the Todds, the Hazens, the Stevens, the Starks and that host of brave soldiers in the Seven Years' War and the Revolution so nobly upon the battlefield did honor to their teacher and themselves."²

In 1759 Col. Goff had been second in command of the Regiment of New Hampshire under Zacheous Lovell who marched across the country and joined General Ampert at Lake George and after a cold, disagreeable winter proceeded on the expedition against Montreal.

"He filled many town offices, was represented in the Provincial Legislature and first Judge of Probate for Hillsboro County, holding that office from 1771 to 1776 and may justly be ranked with the prominent men of anti-Revolutionary times. His name is at the head of the names of the Justices of Hillsboro County Court and he seems to have taken the lead in the organization of the country."³

"Although a man of war, Col. Goff was thoroughly a religious man, often officiating as chaplain in his regiment and after his military career was ended sometimes officiated in the pulpit during the absence of the clergyman of the town."⁴

Of Margaret Moor, herself, there is not much told us. There is, however, a story of her which is explanatory of her sterling qualities and holds not a little of romance.

Shortly after the battle of Bunker Hill she heard that someone by the name of Moor had been killed. The anxiety and uncertainty preyed upon her until she resolved to learn for herself whether or not it was her husband. It was fearfully hot and she had to walk the distance of about four miles carrying her youngest child, then about two years old, most of the way. The mental torture and physical effort combined with the oppressive heat caused an illness from which she never recovered. Her husband was alive but her love for him was the indirect cause of her death, which occurred the following September, 1775.

She was magnificent in character, possessed of a dignified bearing and rightfully a leader of the women with whom she associated.

Such was our Margaret Goff Moor.

(²) History of Hillsboro County, N. H.

(³) Ibid.

(⁴) Ibid.

The Germans in Maine

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(Continued from page 7.)

During his many visits to Europe, Waldo was untiringly active in inducing emigrants to join his settlements. With such purpose he went to Germany in 1738²⁰ spread circulars among the people with most alluring notices and promises, making at the same time arrangements for the transportation of all who might accept his offer. The results of his efforts are embodied in the following citations.

There²¹ were two or three families at Broad Bay in 1739 and accessions were made in '40. A few²² emigrants located at Broad Bay, supposed to have come in the summer or autumn of '39 on a vessel which brought letters of marque and reprisal from the King of England against the subjects of Spain. In²³ '40 and '41-2 other families came from Brunswick and Saxony, tempted by the imposing offers of Waldo. A few²⁴ families came in '39; the next year more; by '60 nearly 1000. Germans²⁵ come from Brunswick and Saxony in '40. To Waldoboro,²⁶ Maine, 40 or more families of Germans had been decoyed by flattering promises, which were never fulfilled, as early as 1740. Waldoboro,²⁷ plantation name Broad Bay, was inhabited by the Germans and perhaps a few Irish as early as 1740. Accessions²⁸ were made to Broad Bay in '40. In²⁹ '40 Waldo succeeded in inducing 40 families to come. In the promises³⁰ of '40 Waldo gave lots of 100 acres, 25 rods in front and running back into the wilderness 2 miles. In 1740³¹ he succeeded in persuading 40 families from Brunswick and Saxony to accept his offers to form a colony at Broad Bay. They settled on both sides of the Medomak river, but lived in poor circumstances until a larger number joined them. They did not understand the art of fishing and complained much of disappointment in their expectations.

(²⁰) Eaton's Annals of Warren, 2nd Ed. p. 62. Also *Der Deutsche Pionier*, XIV, p. 9.

(²¹) Rev. John W. Starman in a letter to Wm. Willis Aug. 31, 1848.

(²²) *The German Colony and the Lutheran Church in Maine*, by Rev. Dr. Pohlman.

(²³) Eaton's Annals of Warren, 2nd Ed. p. 65.

(²⁴) *Hist. Sketch of the Moravian Mission in Maine*, by John W. Jordan.

(²⁵) *The Ancient Dominions of Maine*, by R. K. Sewall, p. 269.

(²⁶) *Hist. of the Evang. Luth. Ch. in the U. S.*, by Henry E. Jacobs (*Am. Ch. Hist. Series*).

(²⁷) *Williamson Hist. of Maine*, Vol. II, p. 398.

(²⁸) *Ibid.*, p. 285.

(²⁹) Rattermann in "*Der deutsche Pionier*," Vol. XIV, p. 9.

(³⁰) Rev. Dr. Pohlman, as above.

(³¹) Eaton's Annals of Warren, 2nd Ed. p. 62.

As Williamson's History of Maine appeared in 1832 the foregoing statements, all of which are later, are based on his findings, while he in turn refers³² to the MS. letters of M. R. Ludwig as authority. Even Ratterman's assertion rests on a similar one in Coll. Maine Hist. Soc., Vol. VI, p. 322 (series 1), which goes back to Williamson as source.³³ In speaking, however, of the arrival of the colonists of 42 Rattermann says:

By the few German families which had already settled here, from Brunswick and Saxony, they received with loud acclamations.

The evidences of a settlement in '40 at Broad Bay are therefore to the above extent clearly established.

But Waldo soon discovered that the business of immigration, if properly attended to would require more attention at home and abroad than he could personally bestow upon it; he therefore engaged Sebastian Zuberbuhler³⁴ to act as agent for him, and we find him in the Palatinate in the year 1741 working for the colonization of the Broad Bay settlement. Given ample freedom in his methods and movements, Zuberbuhler lived in Speyer at the hotel "zum goldenen Löwen" and caused to be distributed through the Palatinate a recruiting pamphlet, which he had printed entitled:

Kurtze Beschreibung derer Landschaft Massachusetts Bay in Neu England Absonderlich dess Landstrichs an der Breyten Bay so dem Königlichen Britischen Obristen, Samuel Waldo, Erbherren der Breyten Bay, zugehörig, sampt denen Hauptbedingungen nacher welchen sich fremde Protesfanten daselbsten ansiedeln mögen. Speyer. 1741.

It is signed by both Waldo and Zuberbuhler under date of July 14. During the ensuing winter Zuberbuhler was not idle, for he

⁽³²⁾ Williamson, Vol. II, p. 285.

⁽³³⁾ Williamson's Work (1832), while it antedates other published histories of Maine, is itself preceded by the manuscript data of Cyrus Eaton, which the latter embodied later (1851) in his "Annals of Warren."

⁽³⁴⁾ Sebastian Zuberbuhler (or Zeuberbuhler) was probably born at Linden in the Canton Appenzell, Switzerland. He was sent in 1734 to S. Carolina to make investigations for settlements there. He associated himself with one Simon, a ship owner of Rotterdam, and a Swiss, Tschiffell, in a plan to establish a colony of Appenzell Swiss on the Santee river near the border of N. Carolina, having acquired a large grant of land from English land owners. It is not known if he really founded the colony of New Appenzell. Beside his career as Waldo's agent he was at one time a magistrate of Lunenburg (Lunenborg) in Nova Scotia, and when he died was in good financial circumstances, as appears from the inventory of his and his daughter's possessions given by Des Brisay (Hist. of the Co. of Lunenburg, pp. 69-72).

got together more than 200 persons from Palatine and Wirtembergian families, most of whom were in good financial circumstances, among whom also were many Lutherans, who on account of the coalition³⁵ between the Reformed adherents and the Catholics in the Palatinate found more joy than sorrow in leaving thus their native land. Zuberbuhler had designated Mannheim as the rendezvous of the emigrants, and in March of the following year ('42) a party from Speyer under his personal leadership assembled there; they were soon joined by another party from Wirtemberg. They reached Müllheim below Cologne in safety but great difficulty was experienced in securing ships and they were obliged to remain there several weeks so that the middle of June was at hand before they could proceed. Again in Rotterdam vexatious delays were encountered, and the emigrants lost thus the best time of the year. That they felt these inconveniences is evident from the fact that about 30 of them forsook the expedition and embarked for Pennsylvania; some returned home and many young men joined the English army in service. Through these depletions the number of emigrants fell to 150-160. Finally they left Rotterdam early in August on the "Lydia," and on the 16th gained the open sea. It is probable from a letter of Zuberbuhler that they sailed north of Scotland to avoid French and Spanish privateers who infested the waters along the sea coast.³⁶ At length Marblehead was reached in October, where a brief stay was made. Waldo had foreseen the necessity of making a good impression on these newcomers, for he wished them to write home favorably and thus advertise his subsequent emigration plans. Accordingly he met them at Marblehead with Governor Shirley several Assemblymen and an interpreter, A. Keller. After being cordially greeted and entertained the Germans proceeded on their way under the escort of Waldo and Zuberbuhler, stopping at St. George's to land some Scotch passengers. They then sailed, on a November day, into the mouth of the Medomak, where in Broad Bay a few huts stood to mark the site of their new home.³⁷

The experience which lay before the settlers of '42 was marked by intense physical and mental suffering. To be sure their meeting

(³⁵) Bericht von der Pfaltzischen Kirchenhistorie, chaps. 13 and 14, by B. G. Struve.

(³⁶) Der deutsche Pionier, Vol. XIV, p. 54 seq.

(³⁷) A. B. Faust, The German Element in the U. S., Vol. I, p. 250.

with the Germans who had preceded them must have been pleasant in the extreme; but when the first greetings were exchanged and a moment of reflection came two facts stood forth only too clearly, that their new environment had been falsely represented to them and that they were helpless to cope with the crude realities of this veritable wilderness. They realized at once that precious time had been wasted in these long delays en route for the winter which soon set in was unusually severe, "as³⁸ had never been previously experienced in the region." The huts which had been hastily put together for their shelter had neither windows nor chimneys. Their clothing already worn and scanty, was utterly insufficient for the low temperature of that region. They could not sow until the next spring; hence their supplies had to be brought from Boston. But they could not fetch these themselves, and their money had already been spent for sustenance during the long detentions in the Netherlands. However willing their compatriots might have been to render assistance they were also desperately poor and suffering from the fevers to which unacclimated settlers were easily exposed. When we consider furthermore, that they could not speak English and were therefore segregated from all intercourse with their Anglo-Saxon neighbors; that coming from the interior they were not accustomed to shore life; that they had different ideas of meadow, glebe, woods, tide, land, etc., as applied to sea coast regions; that the land, covered with trees and dense undergrowth, seemed incapable of cultivation; that wharves, mills and other paraphernalia of civilization were lacking; they did not understand the art of fishing, an occupation so necessary in those meagre times; that the beasts and savages of the forests deterred them from hunting; when we consider, in addition to these untoward conditions, that the country itself was as bleak and desolate as the sea, it is small wonder that discontent and disappointment reigned among these colonists.

Their food for the winter consisted of pickled pork³⁹ and beef, with "Roggen," which their countrymen shared with them. Meal was ground at home with such devices as were at hand.

They had brought with them a learned and pious minister, Philipp Gottfried Kast⁴⁰ and an educated physician, Friedrich

(³⁸) *Der deutsche Pionier*, Vol. XIV, p. 60.

(³⁹) *Ibid.*, p. 61.

(⁴⁰) *Ibid.*, p. 54.

Kurtz;⁴¹ also a school teacher and a surveyor. These men were of no small comfort to the settlers during the joyless experience of that memorable winter. Zuberbuhler⁴² remained with them until December, then went to Boston and was never seen by them again.

One episode⁴³ stands out less painfully in the life of these German settlers against the darker background of suffering and gloom. It seems that they were not on good terms with their Scotch and Irish neighbors, a fact due largely to the influence of a Scotchman, Burns, and an Irishman, Boice Cooper, both practical jokers and boisterous characters. These two had on every opportunity stirred their kinsmen against the Germans of '40 and veritably terrorized them. But when the Germans of '42 came upon the scene the tables were turned; fists were freely used, and subsequently the worst mischief makers moved to the more congenial environment of the St. George.

When spring came the settlers could not improve their condition or depart from the country. They petitioned⁴⁴ Governor Shirley and the Assembly to be taken away and employed "in such business as they were capable of to support themselves, their wives and children." The appeal to the Assembly is a severe arraignment of Waldo, "who has failed in every part of his contract with us by which means we have lost our substance and are reduced to penury and want." It bears the date May 25, 1743, is signed by Dr. Kast and witnessed by Dr. Kurtz. The General Court investigated the matter and the report was given that Dr. Kast, the preacher of the Germans, and his Palatines had suffered greatly, and if help was not given soon they might stand in need of the compassion of the government. As Waldo was absent at this time a settlement was deferred until the next meeting of the Court.

(⁴¹) Dr. Jacob Friedrich Kurtz (later Curtius) appears in divers crooked transactions. Dr. Kast had a note against Zuberbuhler for 1000 Gulden; the latter denied the debt. Kurtz was called as umpire by the disputants and getting the note thus in his possession is said to have altered Zuberbuhler's interest, so that Kast lost his claim. The matter came before the court and Kurtz had to leave the country in flight. He is also said to have cheated a Boston merchant, named Baumgarten, out of a lot of goods. In New York (where he appears as Curtius) he defrauded a land owner of his lands, substituting his own name in the original deed, for which crime he was forced to leave America. He appears later in Rotterdam as a shipper.

(⁴²) Faust, p. 250.

(⁴³) Eaton's Annals of Warren, 1st Ed. pp. 62-3.

(⁴⁴) Mass. Resc. (MS), Vol. 15, A. p. 33 seq.

The committee maintained that each party had violated the contract: Zuberbuhler in not providing shipping in due time; Waldo in not paying the officers' wages; the Palatines in not paying their passage money. They recommended that a suitable person be appointed to settle their accounts, and that a sum of money be granted for provisions and clothing to aid them through the winter. The report was not adopted by the Assembly and the colonists were left to their own resources.

Faust⁴⁵ says:

The second winter must have been one of even greater trials, since the supplies of Waldo failed them after October, his contract requiring him to serve them only the first winter.

On the other hand Rattermann⁴⁶ states:

How the poor Germans fared during the second winter we have absolutely no information.

Mr. S. L. Miller, the historian of Waldoboro, in his "Hist. Sketch of Waldoboro" in 1873 doubted the existence of these early settlements, but acknowledges them in his "History of Waldoboro," of 1910. We offer documentary evidence which would settle such a contention.

There are two letters from Joseph Plaisted of York to Waldo, regarding certain supplies and provisions to be sent to the latter. These letters are dated Oct. 9,⁴⁷ and Nov. 26,⁴⁸ 1742. There is also a letter⁴⁹ from James Littell to Waldo dated Dec. 9, 1742, at Broad Bay, as follows:

This is to lett Know my Missfortunes Since you wass with us last ye Ingeneares man Hass Kilt a Steere of mine & Settled with ye Ingenear about It he fell a tree en him & Brooke his back they Killed & Kept him for nine Days & Sent ye 4 Quarters & hide to my house with a Gard of men thru them in & went thire way now body a tome but my wife I would Doo nothing to him until I sent you—If there is not Method taken with them they may kill All ye Creaters wee have—(Signed).

While Littell's English would not indicate that the pen is mightier than the sword, the date and place are important for our present discussion.

(⁴⁵) Faust, p. 251.

(⁴⁶) *Der deutsche Pionier*, Vol. XIV, p. 62.

(⁴⁷) *Coll. Maine Hist. Soc.*, Vol. XI, p. 258 (Documentary series).

(⁴⁸) *Ibid.*, p. 269.

(⁴⁹) *Ibid.*, p. 269.

A letter⁵⁰ from Gov. Shirley to Col. Noble dated June 5, 1744, and containing orders for the assignment of soldiers, has the following items:

At Madomock & Broad Bay	10 (men)	
At ye new Block House one ye River being the Duch Church	10	
At Mr. Zuberbuhlers garrison	10	
At Capt. Lanes at the Point of Broad Bay	10	40

We have a memorial⁵¹ which states that Philip Christopher Vogler came with his father in '42 to America and located in New England near Broad Bay. There is also a legal paper⁵² endorsed by Elihu Hewes May 29 1797, for Lutevick at Broad Bay, which reads:

There is an instrument in being that the late Samuel Waldo signed and sealed to Seb. Zuberbuhler anno dom. 1741, for the transportation of 300 families from Rotterdam to New England. Signed Elihu Hewes to the descendants of the German families that settled at Broad Bay in the year '41-2.

M. R. Ludwig⁵³ states that a settlement of Germans was made at Broad Bay in '42. There must also have been Germans in Broad Bay before the Louisburg expedition of '45, for Eaton⁵⁴ writes that all the men of the settlement accompanied their leaders on that occasion. These references demonstrate beyond a doubt the existence of early German migrations to Broad Bay.

(⁵⁰) Coll. Maine Hist. Soc., Vol. XI, p. 206 (Documentary series).

(⁵¹) Eaton, 2d Ed. p. 67. Vogler (1725-1780) was born at Gundelsheim in the Palatinate. As a youth he learned the tailor's trade, became a farmer later, and was forced through the Indian war to become a soldier. Though brought up as a Lutheran he joined the Moravians at Broad Bay in '61 and went South with them in '70. He died at Bethania, N. C.

(⁵²) Eaton, 2nd Ed. p. 68.

(⁵³) The Ludwig Genealogy, p. 201.

(⁵⁴) Eaton, 2nd Ed. p. 67.

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Solomon Kimball, gentleman of place called Little Isle of Holt, in Penobscot Bay, bought said island of Massachusetts, Nov. 5, 1788 for 73 pounds, 18 shillings, said island containing 340 acres, on condition that said Kimball shall quiet the settlers who made distinct improvements on the same, prior to January, 1784, by granting them 100 acres each to be laid out together so as to include improvements made by them.

(From Isle Haute papers, Bangor Historical Magazine, Vol. 3, p. 2.)

Welchville and Some of Its Early Families

By CHARLES E. WATERMAN

(Continued from page 22.)

About the time these young men from Robinson Hill were taking lots near Welchville, people north of that hamlet and south of Norway and Paris had also discovered the desirability of the bottom lands and had begun settlements. As a result, a county road through the valley was built about 1820, which crossed the river a few rods north of the dam at Welchville, meeting the Court of Sessions Road on Pigeon Hill about a mile south of the village. For many years the town records called this "the new county road." The grades of this road were so much easier than the old court road, it took most of the travel and led to the abandonment of the "Jam Bridge." About 1841, a road was built along the eastern bank of the Little Androscoggin to Mechanic Falls, and that portion of the old Court of Sessions Road lying between the new road and the junction of the new county road on Pigeon Hill was discontinued.

Here an explanatory note of a sentence in the earlier part of this article might be inserted. It was stated the old Brown farm lay about three-fourths of a mile from Welchville, but by road it was two miles. The Brown farm is situated on a cross-road. At the time of settlement, there was no incentive for roads to the falls in the river, but there was for one to join the "Old Court of Sessions Road" on Pigeon Hill; therefore a junction was effected on that hilltop. When the new county road was built the way to the Brown farm from Welchville took the form of an acute angle, with the distance about two miles.

Welchville may have had the second hotel, or tavern as it was then called, in the town of Oxford. The building of the county road was responsible for this. The first tavern was built on Robinson Hill by James Soule, but when traffic changed to the new road, a new hostelry was needed. It was built on the northern end of the village by Benjamin Fessenden Perry son of James Perry, who came from Rochester, Mass., to settle in Hebron. He was born April 22, 1787. He married Christiania Cushman and had these children:

Charles Clark, born March 25, 1815.

Benjamin Fessenden, born March 4, 1817.

Christiana, born May 28, 1821.

Zebedee Cushman, born May 5, 1824.

Adeline Collins, born November 18, 1830.

Hiram Gilbert was probably the next proprietor. He came from Connecticut where he was born in 1811. He and his wife Sarah had these children:

Harriet W., born in 1837.

Cynthia N., born in 1840.

Elihu T., born in 1847.

About 1870, the last proprietor took the tavern, Abner Haven, who came from Chelsea, Mass., and was a descendant of Andrew Craigie, one of the proprietors of Hebron. There were five children in his family:

Abner, Susan, Ida, Genie and Frank.

The land about Welchville was a part of the original grant to Alexander Shepard, Jr., a civil engineer, for making a map of the District of Maine for the State of Massachusetts, and which was known as the Plantation of Shepardfield. In due course of time, quite a portion of the land became the property of Andrew Craigie, apothecary general of the Revolution and owner of the old Vassel house in Cambridge, Mass., headquarters of Washington during the siege of Boston, and later the home of the poet, Longfellow. Shepardfield was incorporated in 1792 as the town of Hebron, and in 1829 this town was divided, the western half becoming the town of Oxford.

On a hill at the northern outskirts of the village is an old building which is of interest. On May 4, 1829, the following communication was read at a meeting of the town called by the selectmen:

We the subscribers, heirs of the late Andrew Craigie, hereby authorize William C. Whitney, Esq., our agent at Hebron, to erect a meeting-house for the use of said town, to be located on the new county road leading from Poland to Paris, in such place as the said town shall determine, with the consent of said Whitney; the said house not to cost more than twelve hundred dollars, and we authorize the said Whitney to promise the said town, not exceeding three acres of land round the said meeting-house for a common burying-ground, etc., not to be more than sixteen rods wide on the road. Witness our hands this second day of March, 1829.

Samuel Haven.

Andrew Foster

Thomas Foster for himself and

John Foster

This proposition of the Craigie heirs was accepted. The church was built and the burying ground laid out. By vote the building was declared the center of the town, and municipal meetings have been held there from that year to the present (1916). It was the intention of the donors that the building should be used as a church by any denomination, upon paying the janitor bill. To prevent trouble, the town passed a vote at a meeting held November 5, 1832, that the denominations using the building shall be in the following order:

The Congregationalists the first Sunday of each month; the Baptists the second; the Universalists the third; the Methodists the fourth, and when there are five Sundays, the fifth shall be for any denomination which shall give reasonable notice thereof, by posting the same on the meeting-house door.

General Craigie bought the unsold portion of the Shepard grant. In 1832 his heirs sold their remaining lots, amounting to about six thousand acres, to Jacob D. Brown a son of the first settler, for which \$20,000 was the price named. Brown died in 1850. He married Sally, daughter of John Gardiner, April 19, 1827. They had these children:

Jacob Washington, born in 1829.

Lucy A., born in 1833.

Roscoe, born in 1837.

Mary, born in 1840.

John Welch, of Boston, a son of William Welch, one time commander of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery, who had won money in the West India trade, began to buy lands in Oxford in 1836. He has twenty-six titles recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds, acquired during a period of ten years. He bought six thousand acres of Brown's land, also the water privilege and mill built by the five Robinson Hill men. He did not give up his city residence, although he built a commodious house across the river from his mill where he spent a considerable portion of his time, and which was also occupied by his sons, who became voters of Oxford and held town office. He exported lumber and gave employment to a number of men; so the village which bears his name, grew. He died in 1850. He married Elizabeth Hunt and they had six children:

William F., captain of militia,

John Hunt,

Wilson Jarvis, a lawyer,

Thomas Jefferson,

George Washington,
Harrison Shattuck, who afterwards changed his christian name to Harrison Gray Otis.

About the time of the death of Welch, an important thing happened, not only to the village of Welchville and town of Oxford, but a string of towns stretching from Portland to the White Mountains. It was the building of the Grand Trunk Railway, or Atlantic & St. Lawrence Railroad at it was then called. Before the railroad was built all merchandise to and from Welchville had to be transported by the slow medium of horse or ox power; so it can readily be understood what an advantage the new method was over the old, and what an impetus to its growth.

Welchville took all the advantage she could from the new departure. A siding was built to the depot, which was situated a half-mile outside the village, and cars were hauled therefrom to the bank of the river opposite the mills, by ox power, to be loaded with lumber. This siding was used for about ten years when it was discontinued.

The first agent of the railroad, as has already been said, was Benajah Pratt, Jr.; the second was Robert T. Boynton, who became a prominent man in Oxford. The following children were in his family: Josephine, Clarence, Alice, Isabel, Irving and Ernest. One son died.

A few years after the death of Mr. Welch the balance of his holdings passed into the possession of Captain George W. King, of Portland, who carried on the mills and lumbering operations for some fifteen years. Beside lumber, he made boxes and matches—that is the wooden part. They were dipped in Portland. Captain King died about 1870 and the mill privilege was sold to A. C. Denison & Company of Mechanic Falls, when the sawing of lumber came to an end.

Captain King occupied the Welch house while at Welchville. His family consisted of five children (perhaps there were others):

Frank, who at one time was a steamboat captain on Moosehead Lake, and in 1853 had Henry D. Thoreau for a passenger, and afterward a merchant at Welchville. His daughter, Mary, married Horace Hall, a son of William Hall, a prominent man in Welchville. There was another son, Charles Hall, a lawyer;

Mary, the wife of Major William S. Dodge, who was quartermaster of the First Maine Regiment during the Civil War, and afterwards brigade and division quartermaster. After the war he

built a house on the opposite bank of the river from his father-in-law. He was much interested in politics;

William H.;

Minerva who married Lieutenant William Dodge, a son of Major Dodge by a first wife (there was another son by his wife, Fred). Lieutenant Dodge was stationed in Alaska at the time of his marriage and took his bride to that newly purchased portion of the United States. At that time it was considered a God-forsaken country of frost, snow and ice, unfit for human habitation. They lived in a dugout roofed over. Mrs. Dodge wrote home after the birth of their first child, that the baby was making mud pies on the parlor floor. After a time Dodge left the army and settled in Idaho;

Philander, married Susie Harper, daughter of Welchville's first woolen manufacturer. They settled in Idaho.

It might be added that to Mrs. Major Dodge passed the odds and ends of land that had belonged to her father, and by her was sold to individual owners, and thus ended the proprietary estate of Oxford. To Major and Mrs. Mary King Dodge were born these children:

Eva who married William Walker one time agent of the Harper Manufacturing Company; Myra, who died young; and Harry I.

A year or two prior to 1870, one-half of the water privilege was leased to John Harper, a Scotchman, who built a woolen mill. This mill was in operation until September 20, 1891 when it was burned down and was not rebuilt. Mr. Harper did not continue it as an individual industry, but made it into a corporation, known as the Harper Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Harper's family consisted of six children:

John, William, Mary, (who married Arthur McQuillan, assistant superintendent of the woolen mill); Susan; James and George.

Shortly after Mr. Harper began the manufacture of cloth, Emory Andrews, of Lawrence, Mass., came to Welchville for the purpose of manufacturing a substitute for leather, and leased the other half of the water power to that used by the woolen mill. According to the custom of Oxford and other towns manufacturing concerns were exempted from taxation as an inducement for them to locate. The Harper manufacturing company had been thus exempted, and Mr. Andrews had been promised the same favor. He in return had promised to build a factory, but instead had repaired and enlarged the King Mills. The town's people thought he had

not fulfilled his part of the agreement and refused to exempt him. Mr. Andrews thought he had not been rightly used, and litigation was brought about, whereupon the courts decided tax exemption unconstitutional. Mr. Harper, as well as Mr. Andrews, were thus forced to pay taxes by this decision.

Mr. Andrews very shortly after this decision opened a branch of his business at Kennebunk and after about ten years the plant at Welchville was moved to Hackett's Mills in the town of Poland.

This finishes the industrial history of Welchville so far as its water power is concerned unless notice is taken of an industry which flourished for a few years right after the Civil War. North of the village is a large tract of sandy land, covered today, mostly, with gray birch bushes, but which formerly supported a forest of pitch pine trees. Most of these trees had disappeared early in the history of the town but many fallen logs and stumps remained, and these were filled with pitch. At the time mentioned a mill and still were erected just below the woolen mill site to extract the pitch and distill turpentine. This spirit was deep red in color and sold under the name of red oil. The raw material from which this merchandise was extracted was soon exhausted, and, of course, the enterprise had to be abandoned.

Manufacturing caused the growth of Welchville, and such other life and activity as came to the community was incidental to the industry on the river banks.

Mr. Welch built and established a store, which was carried on by Captain King when he bought out that gentleman's interest in Welchville. Later his son Captain Frank King kept the store. It was sold by him to Captain J. S. Crosby, and by him discontinued. William King Staples opened a store in the early days of Welchville. He moved to Portland in 1866. The store was re-opened by Silas E. King, a nephew of Captain George W. King, who carried it on until his death. He was succeeded by Roscoe F. Staples, a prominent man, clerk and treasurer of the town of Oxford.

The Staples family has always been prominent in Welchville. Three brothers, Andrew, Simon and David, settled neighbors to Samuel Brown. Following are genealogical notes:

The children of Andrew Staples are as follows:

King, (died early) Eliza; Sally; Andrew; Almena; Harriet; Alvin T., and William King.

The children of Simon Staples were:

George W., (who married Flora L., daughter of Loved Andrews, and had these children: Louisa, George D., Dennis, Arthur, Caroline, Annie and Elizabeth); Cyrus E., and Sarah (who married Cyrus Crowell and had Thomas, Ada and Fannie.)

David Staples married Abigail Gardiner and had Olive, John G. (he married Sophia A. Woodsum and had seven children, five of whom died of diphtheria within a few days of each other. Diphtheria was at one time a great scourge in the town of Oxford. Roscoe F. Staples was one of the children saved) Orrin, Miranda S., Alden C.

Roscoe F. Staples married Mattie G. Everett. They have one son, Everett.

At a town meeting held March 24, 1842, William K. Staples, George Robinson and Leonard Brown were appointed a committee to petition the postmaster general for another postoffice in town. It was located first at Oxford Depot then moved to Welchville. The following persons have served as postmasters:

R. T. Boynton, Frank King, J. S. Crosby, Freeman Small, William King, Mrs. Ellen A. King (widow of William King), H. Blake and Roscoe F. Staples.

In 1831, Welchville received her first school, her territory having been set off from districts No. 2 and No. 7.

Outside the Union church, given by the Craigie heirs, Welchville had no church until 1870. The new church edifice was built by the Methodist denomination, and has always hired its pastor in connection with the church at Oxford.

Of course a village like Welchville must have a blacksmith and one settled very early in its history. Tradition says Andrew Pratt, a nephew of Benajah Pratt, Jr., set up his forge there early, but did not stay long. Thomas Abbott, however, came from Andover about 1830. In connection with this man, Samuel B. Waterman, who lived in the village at this time, has left a word-picture of the place. It consisted of one long street with a scant dozen houses upon it, surrounded by small clearings. The road crossed the river at right angles. About a quarter of a mile above the bridge the outlet of Lakes Hogan and Whitney joined the river. The banks of these streams were lined with drooping river maples and elms, interspersed with natural meadows. About the trunks of these trees and in the branches climbed woodbine and wild grape vines. Welchville being one of the few places in Maine where the latter

vines grow. Fish, muskrats, mink, otter and big water snakes swam the waters, making it an attractive place of venture for a boy of the age of Mr. Waterman.

Mr. Abbott, on his settlement, cut the natural grass on these intervales with which to feed his cow during the winter. This hay he cut with a sickle, bound into sheaves, and floated down to the village on a raft. In this work he was assisted by Mr. Waterman.

Mr. Abbott passed all his life in Welchville dying there March 26, 1877. He was the son of Enos Abbott of Andover. He married Elizabeth, daughter of William and Abigail Sampson of Rumford, and they had these children:

James Munroe, Levi Bartlett, John Gilman, and Hiram Emery.

James Munroe Abbott lived most of his life in Welchville. He was born January 13, 1823, and married Sarah Jane, daughter of William W., and Sally (Lovejoy) Berry. They had these children:

Sarah Elizabeth, Laura Ella, Charles Otis, Harriet N., Maria Elizabeth and Levi Edgar.

THE OXEN

By THOMAS HARDY.

Christmas eve, and twelve of the clock,

“Now they are all on their knees,”

An elder said as we sat in a flock

By the embers in hearthside ease.

We pictured the meek mild creatures where

They dwelt in their strawy pen,

Nor did it occur to one of us there

To doubt they were kneeling then.

So fair a fancy few believe

In these years! Yet, I feel,

If some one said on Christmas eve,

“Come: see the oxen kneel.

“In the lonely barton by yonder coomb

Our childhood used to know,”

I should go with him in the gloom,

Hoping it might be so.

Tombstone Inscriptions

SOME CURIOUS, SOME NOTABLE, SOME COMMONPLACE.

Collected and Annotated by EDGAR CROSBY SMITH.

(Continued from page 37.)

E. LINCOLN,

of Portland,

Gov. of Maine,

Died

Oct. 8, 1829,

aged 40.

In the state house park opposite the state house at Augusta, at the extreme eastern end and barely visible from the street, is a plain granite shaft erected by the state over the tomb containing the remains of one of her early governors.

Enoch Lincoln, the third governor of Maine, was of a family of governors. His father, Levi was lieutenant, and for a short time acting governor of Massachusetts, and his brother, Levi, was governor of that commonwealth from May, 1825, to March, 1834.

Enoch was born in Worcester, Mass., December 28, 1788. He was educated at Harvard and Bowdoin colleges, studied law with his brother, Levi, and was admitted to practice in 1811; practiced a short time at Salem and Worcester and settled in Fryeburg, Maine, in 1812. Removed to Paris, Maine, in 1818; was elected to Congress in 1818 and served continuously until 1826, when he resigned to become governor of Maine, January, 1827. He was twice re-elected and died in office October 8, 1829, and was buried in the state park facing the capitol.

In 1842 the Legislature, by a resolve, appropriated three hundred dollars to erect "suitable and durable monuments" over the graves of persons interred on the public grounds and authorized the selection of a portion of the grounds facing the capitol for the interment of "public officers dying at the seat of government." A tomb was constructed over the door of which is engraved on a marble slab:

ERECTED

BY THE STATE

1842

A granite monument, enclosed by an iron fence, was raised over the tomb, on the west face of which is chiseled the inscription to the memory of Governor Lincoln.

A double row of stately elms extending from the street to the sepulcher line a walk to the door of the tomb. The little plot is sadly neglected and overrun with tangled grass, weeds and brambles, and sorely shows the ravages of time.

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W. DELESDERNIER

of Baileyville

Died Jan. 16, 1842

aged 49.

William Delesdernier was the son of Lieut. Lewis Frederick Delesdernier, a Cumberland county, Nova Scotia, refugee, who came to Machias in 1776. In May, 1777, he was commissioned first lieutenant in the Continental Army by Col. John Allen, and acted as his secretary while Col. Allan commanded the Eastern Indians. Soon after the close of the Revolution he removed to Passamaquoddy and was the first collector of customs and the first postmaster of Eastport.

William was born at Eastport in 1792 or 1793 and in his young manhood was a merchant in his native town. He removed to Calais about 1830. He was active in politics and in 1831 was a representative in the state legislature from the latter town. He was sheriff of Washington county in 1833, '34 and '35. He removed to Baileyville and in 1838, '39, '40 and '41 represented the Baileyville class in the state legislature. In 1841 he was elected one of the Washington County senators and took his seat January 5, 1842. He was stricken with a fatal illness and died at the seat of government, January 16, 1842 and was buried in the state grounds.

It was undoubtedly the interment of Mr. Delesdernier in the state grounds that hastened the action of the legislature in dedicating a spot for the burial of officers of the state and erecting a suitable memorial. A resolve was introduced in the Senate in 1841 to erect a memorial to Governor Lincoln, but it seems that the House took no action thereon. In 1842 the House took the initiative, the Senate concurred, and the State Burial Ground was laid out and a tomb and monument erected.

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J. CUSHMAN,

of Winslow,

Died Jan. 27, 1834.

Aged 70.

Sometimes the memorial erected over the mortal remains of the departed serves as something of an index to the principal events of

a life. Not so, however, in this case. He who scans this simple inscription obtains no hint of any of the events in which this man participated.

Joshua Cushman, son of Abner and Mary (Tillson) Cushman, born in Halifax, Massachusetts, in 1758 or '59; soldier of the Revolution for three years; suffered at Valley Forge and witnessed Burgoyne's surrender. He was a graduate of Harvard in the class of 1788, and on June 10, 1795, was ordained as the first town minister of Winslow, which then included Waterville. He served the people of that town in this capacity for nineteen years, when, in 1814, by mutual consent and with feelings of mutual regret the relations between them were severed.

In 1810 he served Kennebec County as a member of the Massachusetts Senate; in 1811 and 1812 the town of Winslow as a representative in the Massachusetts Legislature. In 1819 he was elected a member of Congress for the Kennebec District, and served three full terms. He was a man of influence in the national house, his broad views and gift of oratory making him a powerful advocate or a strong opponent.

He was a member of the Maine Senate in 1828 and in 1833 was elected to represent the town of Winslow in the Maine House of Representatives. He presided at the organization of the House, January 1, 1834, but was in feeble health and twenty-six days later, January 27, he died. His body was interred in the state grounds.

In 1843 a resolve was passed by the Legislature directing the superintendent of public buildings to deposit his remains in the state tomb and to inscribe his name on the monument surmounting the same.

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C. WATERHOUSE,

of China,

Clerk,

Died March 1, 1839.

Aged 38.

Of Charles Waterhouse I am unable to find much data. He was first elected clerk of the House of Representatives in 1837, when the record gives his residence as Augusta. He was not clerk in 1838, but in 1839 he was again elected and his residence is then given as China. He died March 1, during the session, was buried in the state grounds, and in 1843 his remains were deposited in the state tomb and his name placed upon the monument.

No more interments have been made in the state grounds since 1842. For three-fourths of a century the tomb and monument have stood as a memorial to these four men who died at the seat of government while in the service of the state, and today very few residents of Maine know that such a memorial exists.

(To be Continued.)

LETTER FROM WM. SHIRREFF

Mr Epharim Perkins Sr.

You will emediately proceed with the Sloop Molly under yr Command to Windsor in the Bay of Funda & Receeve Such orders As Mr. Jones will give You Respecting your Cargo. Making every dispatch thats Possible, taking Care to touch at No Other Harbour unless it be absolutely Necessary —

Jos: Goldthwait
for William Sherriff
D Qr M Gl

Boston May 30, 1775

(Documentary History of Maine (Baxter Manuscripts), Vol. 14,
page 264)

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To the Honorable the Council & House of Representatives of the State of Massachusetts Bay in General Court Assembled.

The Petition of Joseph Chadwick Surveyr, Humbly Sheweth That in pursuance to Orders from a Committee of this Court in the month of Jany last he has protracted a Plan of the Inland ports of the Country, which lies from Penobscot to Quebec. His Labor time & Expençe in Accomplishing the said Plan he Values at the Sum of fourty pounds which sum the said Joseph Humbly prays may be Allowed him by an Order of this honorable Court.

& your petitioner as in Duty bound shall Ever pray &c

Joseph Chadwick

Cambridge March 10th 1778

(Documentary History of Maine (Baxter Manuscripts) Vol. 15,
page 383)



The Governor King House, Bath, Maine, now known as the King Tavern. Upon this building is a bronze tablet bearing the following inscription:

The Governor King House
The House Built and Occupied by William King
First Governor of Maine

Originally Stood on the Site of the Present Custom House and Post Office. Merchant, Mill Owner and Shipbuilder, He Established The First Cotton Mill in Maine.

Founded The Town of Kingfield.

Was President of The Convention That Framed The Constitution of Maine.
Author of The Betterment Act.

Commissioner of Public Buildings When The Present State House At Augusta was Built.

Colonel In War of 1812.

Governor of Maine 1820-1821.

Commissioner to France 1821.

Trustee of Colby College 1821-1848.

Trustee of Bowdoin College 1826-1852.

Born At Scarboro Feb. 9, 1768

Died At Bath June 17, 1852.

Marked By The Maine State Council Daughters of The American Revolution

Uncle Tom's Cabin

Written in Brunswick, Maine

John Clair Minot of Boston, a well known writer and former Maine man, contributes the following to the Boston Herald:

"In the always interesting rotogravure section of the Sunday Herald, I noted last Sunday a picture of a fine old house at Andover, Mass., 'where Harriet Beecher Stowe wrote Uncle Tom's Cabin.' That is an error which I am sure you will desire to correct. Presumably, Mrs. Stowe lived in the house shown in the picture, but it was after 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' was written and published. Mrs. Stowe wrote the great work that immortalized her name while a resident of Brunswick, Maine, where her husband was a professor in Bowdoin College. Prof. and Mrs. Stowe moved to Brunswick in 1850. The story appeared in serial form in the National Era between June, 1851 and April, 1852, and was published in book form in Boston in 1852. In that same year, but after all this had happened, Prof. Stowe moved to Andover to take the chair of sacred literature at the theological seminary there.

"There is no need of confusion of the place and time of writing the book, for Mrs. Stowe made it all plain in her diary and correspondence, from which her son has quoted liberally in his biography of her. She tells how the inspiration for the story came to her while she was sitting at worship in Brunswick's historic old church on the Hill, and how she wrote the book in the time that she could snatch from the care of her home and children. The house that Prof. Stowe and family occupied during those two years still stands under the elms of Federal street, Brunswick, and is yearly the shrine of many visitors. The Stowes lived in Andover for a dozen years, and it may be that later editions of the book were revised there. Certainly many editions were published in that time. But it is beyond dispute that 'Uncle Tom's Cabin,' from the first thought of writing it to its appearance in book form, was the work of Mrs. Stowe in Brunswick, and in the old colonial house on Federal street. Her residence in that town also resulted in another of her best known books, 'The Pearl of Orr's Island,' a story of the Harpswell shore near by."

MAINE COAST SCENERY



(Courtesy M. C. R. R.)

Bar Harbor, Maine.

A Bit of Maine Mining History

Hon. Arthur I. Brown, of Belfast in a recent issue of the Republican Journal says:

Preparations are being made to reopen and operate the old Douglass copper mine in Bluehill. It will be remembered by many, that a little less than forty years ago a mining craze swept over the state. The excitement was centered in Bluehill where copper ore was found and in Sullivan where the metal sought was silver. The Douglass was one of the pioneer mines. At least eleven so-called mines were opened within half a mile of the Douglass, the most noted of which were the Bluehill and the Twin Lead.

The region where these operations were carried on is broken by an irregular chain of ledge hills, not very high, the foot-hills of Bluehill mountain. A road winds along between these hills, which seemed to me never to have been built but to have evolved from an old logging road. The hills are mostly covered with a scanty and half starved growth of trees. The only farm within the mining area was the Douglass farm. Here lived Uncle Veenie Douglass, as we all called that good old man. His wife was a sister of Capt. Robert and Mr. Thomas Limeburner, who were so long residents of Belfast. A fine old couple they were, growing old together in their snug, little white house which was upon the sunny side of a few green acres of stony fields. Adjoining the fields on the westerly side was a pasture where was a little earth in places and much bald ledge. This pasture was of some 15 or 20 acres in extent and when the Douglass mine was organized the incorporators paid Uncle Veenie \$10,000 in good American money for the pasture and here was then, and now is, the Douglass mine.

Wells March 7th 1777

To the Hon. Counsell and House of Representatives now setting at Boston your Petitioner Prays that you will grant him Liberty to send a vessell that he has loaded in Wells to any French Ports in the Westingies that your Honors shall think proper. westingies goods is very much wanting with us for we Cant get any to the Westward were we always got our supplies So your Petitioner prays your Honors to give him a permite and your Petitioner will ever Pray.

Joshua Bragdon

(Documentary History of Maine (Baxter Manuscripts), Vol. 15, page 59)

Daniel Sullivan

From Frederick A. Gerrish's "History of Sullivan," in the Sullivan High School commencement proceedings.

Daniel Sullivan, for whom the town of Sullivan was named, was born in Berwick, Maine, about 1738. His parents, John and Marjory (Brown) Sullivan, were the founders of the celebrated family of that name in this country. John Sullivan was born in Limerick, Ireland, in 1690. He came to America in 1723 and landed at York, Maine. He settled in Berwick afterwards, remaining there until his death, June 20, 1795. Marjory Brown, his wife, was born in Ireland in 1714. She married John Sullivan about 1735 and died in Berwick in 1801. Six children were born to them, Benjamin, an officer in the British navy, who was lost before the Revolutionary war; Daniel; John, who was a Major General in the Continental Army and afterwards governor of New Hampshire; James, governor of Massachusetts; Eben, an officer in the Revolution and a lawyer; and Mary, who married Theophilus Hardy.

Daniel, second son of John and Marjory (Brown) Sullivan, was married to Anne Paul at York, Maine, March 24, 1758, by whom he had one daughter, Anne Paul Sullivan, born December 10, 1760. Mother and child died soon after, but no record is left of the death of either. Between this and 1762 Daniel removed to New Bristol, now Sullivan, Maine. He was married at Fort Pownal (now the town of Prospect) in Waldo county, to Abigail, daughter of John and Hannah Bean, June 14, 1765, by James Crawford, Esq. At that time there were no roads or conveyances by land, and he and Miss Bean went from Sullivan to Fort Pownal in a long canoe, the nearest place where a magistrate could be obtained to perform the ceremony. Abigail Bean was born in 1747 and died in April, 1828, aged 81 years.

The demand for bound volumes of the Journal is constantly increasing. Unfortunately, when it began, the foresight of the publisher was not clear enough to see this and too small an edition of the first volume was published. We want to purchase any of the numbers of Volume 1, except number 3. We will pay \$1.00 each for numbers 1 and 5 on renewal or for new subscribers.

An Appeal to Maine Writers

By CHARLES A. FLAGG, Librarian Bangor Public Library.

As far as we are able to ascertain, the only extensive and important Maine historical works now in preparation are the monograph on the Northeast boundary upon which the State Historian, Dr. Henry S. Burrage, has been engaged for sometime past, and Dr. Louis C. Hatch's three volume history of Maine during statehood, (a virtual continuation of W. D. Williamson's "History of the State of Maine").

This takes no account of our valuable periodical "Sprague's Journal of Maine History," the publication of the Baxter manuscripts in Maine Historical Society's Documentary series, addresses before our historical societies, the projected "Federation book," articles in the local press, etc.

We are just now interested to examine lists of Doctors' theses in preparation at our various universities. These have been gathered for the past twenty years by one of the leading American historians J. Franklin Jameson, director of the Department of Historical Research of the Carnegie Institution of Washington. For the past five years these theses have been arranged by subjects, and during that period there seem to have been theses on New England in preparation by 27 different students. Out of this number 4 deal with New England at large, none with New Hampshire or Vermont, 14 with Massachusetts, 1 with Rhode Island, 7 with Connecticut, while Maine seems to be represented by just one entry: "The Waldo colony in New England" reported in preparation in 1912 by a student at the University of Pennsylvania.

While we have no universities in Maine providing approved courses leading to the higher academic degrees, no inconsiderable number of our younger people of both sexes do obtain them elsewhere. Should not they be encouraged to exploit our eventful history? Indeed, as we recognize the great revival of interest in southern history in our own day, it is to be wondered if any of the older settled parts of the Union is so neglected by modern historians as Maine; home of some of the most warlike and most interesting of the American aborigines; with a more ancient colonial history than any state north of Virginia; the earliest frontier of French and English colonial interests.

Not only should such studies be made, but (as we bear in mind that scarcely half the doctoral dissertations are even printed) some provision should be made for publication. If the State Historian or the State Library are unable to bear the burden, perhaps some of our Maine patriotic societies or women's organizations might be interested. (From Maine Library Bulletin.)

RESOLVE. 1775.

In provincial Congress June 23d 1775

Resolved that there be paid out of the publick Treasury of this Colony to Mr. John Lane or order the sum of nineteen pounds ten shillings & eight pence to pay the expenses of himself four Indian Chiefs & an interpreter from Watertown to Penobscott. And the Receiver General is hereby directed to pay the same sum accordingly.

Accepted

(Documentary History of Maine (Baxter Manuscripts), Vol 14,
page 286.)

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TRADE WITH INDIANS. 1770.

In the House of Representatives Nov. 16, 1770.

Resolved that the Commissary General be & hereby is directed to hire a suitable house at Passamiquaddy for the purpose of Carrying on A Trade with the Indians there.

Sent up for Concurrence

T Cushing Speaker

In Council Novr 17th 1770—Read & Nonconcurd

Jno Cotton D. Seery

(Documentary History of Maine (Baxter Manuscripts), Vol. 14,
page 117)

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Machias December 23, 1777.

This may certifie that Colo Benjamin Foster, Mr. Jonas Farnsworth, Capt. Joseph Sevey, Capt. Joseph Libbee & Capt Stepn Smith and Leut Joel Whitney and the Militia Companies under their command except 8 men days, which were on duty at Machias the last summer, did not receive any Rations from the Committee of this place or from the Commissary

pr James Flinn Cler to the Committee

Stephen Smith Commissary

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page 321)

Documentary

NAMES IN A PARISH TAX

COMMITTED TO JOSEPH WHEELWRIGHT, JUNIOR, ONE OF THE COLLECTORS IN THE FIRST PARISH IN WELLS, MAINE, JANUARY 12, 1795, FOR 1794.

(Contributed by Honorable John A. Morrill, Auburn, Maine.)

(Continued from page 41.)

NAMES.	Polls.		R. Est.		P. Est.		F.		Sum total.		
	s	d	s	d	s	d	s	d	s	d	
Francis Butland.....	1	5	1	3		7			3	3	
George Butland.....	1	5							1	5	
Jonathan Butland.....	1	5	2	4		4			3	9	
Nathan Butland.....	1	5							1	5	
Simeon Hatch.....	1	5	4	11	1	2			7	6	
Wo. Margaret Emery.....			1	10		7			2	5	
Samuel Emery.....	1	5		4		7			2	4	
John Staples.....	1	5	6	4	1	11	1	11	11	7	
John Staples Jun.....	1	5							1	5	
William Littlefield.....	2	10	4	1	1	4			8	3	
Wo. Tabitha Littlefield.....				1		4			1	4	
Capt. Jonathan Littled.....	4	3	12	2	1	11			18	4	
Capt. Amos Eldredge.....	1	5	5	7	2	2	1	3	10	5	
B. Gen. Noah M. Littled.....	1	5	12	11		8			15		
Pelletiah Littlefield Jr.....	1	5			1	3			2	8	
Gedron Littlefield.....	1	5							1	5	
Capt. Aaron Wheelwright.....	2	10	4	10	1	4			9	8	
Capt. James Treadwell.....	1	5	7	8	1	7			10	1	
Jeremiah Stevens & Son.....	1	5	5	11	1	7			8	1	
Samuel Treadwell Jr.....				9						9	
Samuel Winn.....	1	5	3	6		9			5	8	
Samuel Morgan.....				8						8	
									46	8	2
James Davis.....			2	2		11			3	1	
Moses Davis.....	1	5							1	5	
Nathaniel Winn.....	1	5	1	11		2		7	4	4	
Isaac Winn.....	1	5							1	1	
Col. Joseph Hubbard.....	1	5	11	7	3	5	1	11	18	5	
Capt. Horace Patten.....	1	5	6	7	1	3			8	3	
Isaac Bourn.....	2	10	7	4	1	6	1	11	13	7	
Enoch Cusons.....	1	5	11	3	1	7			14	3	

NAMES.	Polls.		R. Est.		P. Est.		F.	Sum total.	
	s	d	s	d	s	d		s	d
Wo. Irena Goodale.....	1	5		7		3		2	3
Benjamin Kimball.....			7	7		6		8	1
David Kimball.....	1	5		8		7		2	8
Jonathan Kimball.....	1	5				2		1	7
Josiah Kimball.....	1	5						1	5
Joseph Bourn & Son.....	4	3	15	8	12		1 11 1	13	10
Joseph Morse.....	1	5	8	9	1	11		12	1
John Tibbits.....	4	3	4	1		10	1 3	10	5
John Mitchell.....	1	5		9		2		2	4
Joseph Dunnell.....	1	5	8	5	1	11		11	9
James Dunnell.....	1	5				6		1	11
Joseph Dunnell Jun.....	1	5						1	5
Joseph Winn & Son.....	1	5	7	9	2	3		11	5
Daniel Winn.....	1	5			1	4		2	9
								8	8 4
Jotham Littlefield.....	1	5		8		7		2	8
Timothy Littlefield.....	1	5	1	3		8		3	4
Alexander Maxell.....	1	5	8	2	1	3	1 11	12	9
Barak Maxell.....	2	10	7	8	1	9	1 11	14	2
Shapeigh Maxell.....	1	5						1	5
Joseph Maxell.....	1	5	2	6		9		4	8
James Maxell.....	1	5	1	4		8		3	5
Jonathan Maxell.....	1	5						1	5
David Maxell & Son.....	1	5	3	8	1	3		6	4
Jacob Pirkens.....	2	10	4	8	1	10		9	4
Elias Jacobs.....	4	3	5	5	1	3		1	11
George Jacobs.....	1	5		3		1		1	9
Jonathan Jacobs.....	1	5	1	7		7		3	7
Johnson Littlefield.....	1	5	3	11		11		6	3
Benjamin Littlefield 3d.....	1	5						1	5
Levi Littlefield.....	2	10	5	9	2	1		10	8
Josiah Littlefield.....	4	3	8		1	5		13	8
David Littlefield 3d.....	1	5	3	1		10		5	4
Abraham Littlefield Jr.....	1	5	1			3		2	8
Joseph Littlefield Jr.....	1	5	3	4		5		5	2
Eliab Littlefield & Son.....	2	10	6	1	1	6		10	5
								6	11 4
Stimson Littlefield.....	1	5	2	9				4	2
Jeremiah Littlefield & Son.....	2	10	8	5	2	4		13	7
Daniel Littlefield.....	4	3	2		2	6	1 3	10	
Joshua Gray.....	2	10	4	5	1	1		8	4
Joshua Gray Jun.....	1	5						1	5

NAMES.	Polls.		R. Est.		P. Est.		F.	Sum total.				
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Samuel Stuart.....	1	5	5	7	1	2		8	2			
Benjamin Stuart.....	1	5						1	5			
Elijah Stuart.....	1	5	3	8	1			6	2			
John Merrifield.....	2	10	7	8	1	4		11	10			
Elijah Stuart 3d.....	1	5						1	5			
Daniel Stuart.....	1	5		9		6		2	8			
David Stuart.....	1	5				2		1	7			
Hatch Stuart.....	1	5						1	5			
Shebual Boston.....	1	5	7	4		10		9	7			
Elijah Boston Jun.....	1	5				6		1	11			
Abraham Boston.....	1	5	2	3		3		3	11			
Gershom Boston.....	1	5	1	4		2		2	11			
Joseph Wheelwright.....			9	9	2			11	9			
Joseph Wheelwright Jun.....	1	5	5	7	1	6		8	6			
Noah Hubbard.....	1	5	2	6		7		4	6			
Wo. Katherina Furbush.....	1	5	6	1	1	5		8	11			
								6	4	2		
Samuel Curtis.....	2	10	1	0	6	1	10	1	11	1	7	1
Rubin Chaney.....	1	5	5	10	1	7			8	10		
Rubin Chaney Jun.....	1	5		1		8			2	2		
Joseph Chaney Jun.....	1	5		5		5			2	3		
Joseph Chaney.....	1	5	4	8		10			6	11		
Charles Curtis.....	2	10	3	4	1	2			7	4		
Wo. Eunice Low.....			5	4		9			6	1		
Asa Low.....	1	5	4	9	1	1			7	6		
Edmond Webbor.....	2	10	7	9	1	4		7	12	3		
John Webbor.....	2	10	7	8	1	6			12			
Edmond Webbor Jun.....	1	5	1	11		4			3	8		
Abraham Littlefield.....	4	3	10	11	1	7			16	9		
Elijah Allen & Son.....	1	5	6		1	4			8	9		
James Allen 3d.....	1	5				4			1	9		
Elisha Allen.....	2	10	9		1	10			13	8		
Nathaniel Littlefield.....	1	5	3	4		9			5	6		
James Boston.....	1	5	6		1	2			8	7		
James Allen.....	1	5	5	3		10			7	6		
James Allen Jun.....	1	5				2			1	7		
John Brock.....	1	5	4	7		7	1	3	7	10		
William Brock.....	1	5							1	5		
James Hasties.....	1	5	4			9			6	2		
Elijah Boston.....	1	5	5	5	1	3			8	1		
									9	3	8	

NAMES.	Polls.		R. Est.		P. Est.		F.	Sum total.		
	s	d	s	d	s	d		s	d	
Jacob Littlefield.....	2	10	7	4	1	11		12	1	
Rubin Stuart.....	1	5		1		1		1	7	
Lazerous Jones.....	1	5	4	2		9		6	4	
Zachariah Gatchell.....	1	5	1	11		3		3	7	
Joseph Hilton.....	1	5	1	7		7		3	7	
Ebenezer Hilton.....	1	5	1	8		9		3	10	
Benjamin Hilton.....	1	5	4	6		11		6	10	
William Hilton.....	1	5	9	9	1	3		12	5	
Edward Hilton.....	1	5						1	5	
William Hilton Jun.....	1	5				7		2		
Simeon Allen.....	1	5				1		1	6	
Wo. Meriam Littlefield.....			5	2	1	1		6	3	
Peter Littlefield.....	1	5	2	2		3		3	10	
Solomon Stevens.....	1	5	4	6	1	3		7	2	
Samuel Davis.....	1	5	2	11		7		4	11	
Josiah Winn.....	1	5	1	11		3		3	7	
Zacharah Goodale.....	1	5	2	6		6		4	5	
Samuel Furbush.....	2	10	5	11		7		9	4	
John Goodale.....	1	5	6	10	1	4		9	7	
Zachariah Goodale Jun.....	1	5		9		6		2	8	
Benjamin Kimball Jun.....	1	5	1	9		7		3	9	
Joseph Elwell.....	1	5	2	7		4		4	4	
								5	15	0
Jonathan Welch.....	1	5	2	11						
Robert Brown.....	1	5		7						
Aaron Jacobs.....	1	5								
Samuel Allen.....	1	5								
James Chaney.....	1	5								
Wo. Hannah Webbor.....	1	5	1							
Elijah Stuart Jun.....	1	5								
Samuel Goodale.....	1	5								
William Boston Jun.....	1	5	4	3						
Jacob Perkins Jun.....	1	5								
Nathaniel Goodale.....	1	5								
John Chaney.....	1	5		6						

Copy of a Tax committed to Joseph Wheelwright Jun. one of the Collectors of the first Parish of Wells for 1794, given under our hands this 10 day of Jan. 1795.

A NEW HAMPSHIRE REVOLUTIONARY MUSTER ROLL*

Contributed by Merton H. French, a Descendant of Capt. Abel French.

State of New Hampshire

Account of Expenditures of the Town of South Hampton, at the Alarm at Lexington in April, 1775.

MEN'S NAMES.	No. days.	No. miles Travel.	No. Horses.
Capt. Abel French.....	8	48	
Lieut. James French.....	3	48	1
Ens. Enoch Page.....			
William Cooper.....	6	48	
Benj. Clough.....	6	48	
William Graves.....	4	48	
Josiah Rogers.....	4	48	
Reuben Currier.....	4	48	1
Parker Cooper.....	6	48	
Henry French.....	6	48	
Richard Sawyer.....	4	48	
Theophilus Colby.....	6	48	
Ezekiel Flanders.....	4	48	
Jacob Flanders.....	6	48	
Ric'd Currier Flanders.....	4	48	
Onesiphesus Page.....	4	4	
Moses Flanders.....	3	48	1
Thomas Shephard.....	6	48	
Michel Worthen.....	3	48	
Nat'l Rowe.....	4	48	
Elip't Merrill.....	4	48	1

*(The original of this document was at one time placed in my hands by Merton H. French for the purpose of research in tracing his ancestry. From the appearance of the paper it is evidently contemporary with its date, and has every appearance of being an original document. I have examined the Revolutionary Rolls as published in the New Hampshire State Papers and fail to find it there. Capt. Abel French was for a time one of the selectmen of South Hampton, N. H., during the period of the Revolutionary War and this document has been in the possession of the family from that time and now is held by Merton H. French of Bangor, Maine. I believe it a safe conclusion, in view of the fact that Abel French was one of the municipal officers of South Hampton, that this is an original document; that for some reason unknown the roll was never returned to the state department; and that those whose names are inscribed thereon served their country as minute-men at the battle of Lexington. Many of the names I find credited with other services at later dates, but some, including that of Capt. French, I do not find credited as soldiers of the Revolution on the published rolls.

EDGAR C. SMITH.)

MEN'S NAMES.	No. days.	No. miles travel.	No. horses.
Nat'l Merrill.....	4	48	
Thomas Tuxbury.....	4	48	1
Theophilus Currier.....	4	48	
Nathan Currier.....	4	48	
James Hadlock.....	4	48	
Jacob Barnard.....	4	48	1
Philip Osgood.....	4	48	
Benj. Barnard.....	6	48	1
Nicholas Currier.....	4	48	
Joseph Jones.....	4	48	
Ezekiel French.....	4	48	
Nathan Brown.....	4	48	
Isaiah Dole.....	4	48	
Benj. Brown.....	4	48	
Rich'd Currier.....	4	48	
John Currier.....	3	48	1
Rich'd Greele.....	4	48	
Joseph Merrill.....	4	48	
Moses True.....	4	48	
Israel Sawyer.....	3	48	1
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	175	1920	9

The foregoing persons were supported at the expense of said town of South Hampton while in service.

Joseph Merrill in behalf of s'd Town.

BRUNSWICK PETITION¹

Province of the Massa. Bay.

To the Honble. Spencer Phips Esqr. Lt. Governour & Commander in Chief.

The Honble. His Majestys Council and House of Representatives in General Court Assembled May 26, 1756.

The Petition of the Select Men of the Town of Brunswick Humbly Sheweth.

That the said Town for many years past has been exposed to the Incursions of the Indian Enemy and many of said Indians killed and captivated; and that very lately they Surprised three of the Inhabitants in their return from the place of Publick Worship one of whom was taken and carried away the other very narrowly escaped; At the same time near the Borders of said Town Another Family was surprized, One Man Killed & his child at the Breast of its Mother who was dangerously wounded this necessarily Alarmed

(¹) Documentary History of Maine (Baxter Manuscripts), Vol. 13. pp. 29, 30.

the Inhabitants, obliged them to Neglect their Husbandry and to retire into Garrisons where they are at present confined by reason of the Enemy. Therefore your Petitioners humbly represent their distressed Circumstances at this day and earnestly pray the Compassionate Regard of this Honble. Court so far as to Allow a few Men to be posted at a Garrison situate in the centre of said Town near the Meeting house, on the Main Road from Maquoit to Fort George so necessary and convenient for Travellers & others, which has hitherto been Maintained at the Expence of the Owner Mr. Robert Spear, but he is now greatly Advanced in Years, Lame and without any help except one Son and he must necessarily quitt the Place unless some Relief be afforded—

Your Petitioners humbly hope that your Honours would be pleased to take this into your Consideration and afford them this necessary Relief at this so Critical Juncture And Your Petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray &c.

THOS. SKOLFIELD	}	<i>Selectmen of Brunswick.</i>
SAMLL. STANDWOOD		
ISAAC SNOW		

In the House of Representatives May 28, 1756—

Read and Voted That his Honr. the Lieut. Governor be desired to give Orders that fourteen Men belonging to the Scouting Company under the Command of Capt. Samuel Gooding Continually Scout on the back of the Inhabitants, from Fort George to Macquoit, untill the further Order of this Court.—

Sent up for Concurrence

T. Hubbard Spkr.

In Council May 29, 1756 Read and Concur'd

Thos. Clarke Dpty. Secry

Consented to S. Phips

In the House of Represents. June 4, 1756—

Whereas it appears to this House That it would be of great Service to have a suitable Number of Boats in Sebago Pond for transporting Men thro the Same to Amascoggin River in Order to Cut off the Indian Enemy in their descent upon or retreat from the Inhabitants on the Eastern Frontiers:

Voted That the Commissary General be directed to provide as soon as may be two Good Cedar Whaleboats for the Use of the Scouting Companies on the said Frontiers as Occasion shall offer the said Boats to be delivered to the Order of the Commander in Chief.

Sent up for Concurrence

T. Hubbard, Spkr.

In Council June 5, 1756 Read and Concur'd

Thos. Clarke Dpty. Secry

Consented to S Phips

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I shall be content if those shall pronounce my History useful who desire to give a view of events as they did really happen, and as they are very likely, in accordance with human nature, to repeat themselves at some future time—if not exactly the same, yet very similar.

THUCYDIDES. *Historia. i. 2. 2.*

Has Maine a History? If so, is it of Consequence?

Two false ideas relative to the importance of a knowledge of Maine history, we believe, are more or less prevalent among Maine people: (a) That because the ancient Province of Maine became a District, that for a time was under the political jurisdiction of Massachusetts, we have no distinct place in early American history; (b) That even if we have a history it is not of consequence, interest or value to any but lovers of anything that is antique and venerable; its usefulness in the work of today being, at most, only negligible.

A plain statement of the first proposition refutes itself. From the times of Waymouth and the Pophams to these days of Oakley Curtis and Carl Milliken, Maine has had a continuous record of events that are potential parts of the history of democracy in the world.

From the early years of the seventeenth century when the explorers, colonists and missionaries first began the making of American history, until 1775, people of the old world were coming to the new world, and coming here to Maine, for a shelter from tyranny

and oppression. They subdued a wilderness and replaced it with homes, fortresses and fertile fields. Thus they came here to Maine, as to other parts of the north Atlantic coast, with bare hands but with hearts full of longings for freedom that was then only a dream, and for liberty that they knew not how to use.

The development of representative government was a slow process. It was, at best, only an experiment. It was a political ideal that startled and amazed the greatest statemanship and most profound philosophy of the entire world. Our plan was unlike any other that had before been known. It was a governmental system outside of all known precedents, "without an example, ancient or modern."

The question of its success or failure centered around one single problem; whether or not man was capable of self-government.

In this way did the roots of democracy commence to sprout in this strange soil: a thirst for individual liberty. For many former centuries man had had a sovereign to direct him in his religious duties, and blood and treasure had flowed continuously to force him to pursue what his rulers conceived to be the right course. This new undertaking allowed him to choose his own religion and his own prayer book, or none at all, as his own conscience might dictate, and he was to be his own sovereign.

In 1782 the highest intellect and shrewdest judgment of the world sincerely believed that this scheme was doomed to collapse. Its success could only be demonstrated by actualities; the day of theories was done; the hour of facts had struck. The leaders in this majestic adventure constituted the most glorious band of patriots that humanity has ever known. But Washington, and Hamilton, and Jefferson, and Adams and all their great compeers were themselves alone powerless to solve the problem of self-government. The men who built log houses and cleared up farms, who run stores, taverns, saw-mills, stages and cooper shops, were the only ones who could prove to the world that man could govern himself without a king.

And so, in all parts of the American colonies, from the Carolinas to the Penobscot, it was in the homes of these grim old pioneers that we find the roots of democracy. It was these first settlers and their descendants, here in Maine, whose sacrifices and toil laid the foundations for a great state, and for its prosperous towns and cities, who helped work out this problem for all mankind.

The story of their lives is a part of the glorious record of man's supreme achievement in finally making himself capable of self-government. Their history is a part of the history of the world's struggle between despotism and freedom; it is the tale of the progress of humanity. And yet, there are many in Maine today who do not appear to perceive that such a history is of worth and inspiration to the present generation. It is full of fascination, but they see it not. It inspires patriotism and a love for their own state, but they know it not. Neither do they seem to realize that the educational system of Maine in not making town, county and state history a part of its regular course of study in every school, is doing a flagrant injustice to the youth of our state.

Judge Henry Sewall Webster

Judge Webster died at his home in Dresden Avenue, in the city of Gardiner, Maine, February 16, 1917.

He was deeply interested in all Maine historical subjects and had been a subscriber to the *Journal* from its first number, and an occasional contributor.

Judge Webster was born in Augusta, September 26, 1845, the son of John Milton and Sarah Hayes (Hussey) Webster. He was graduated from Bowdoin College in 1867 and after his graduation taught four years. In 1871 he was admitted to the bar and came to Gardiner in the same year. He entered the banking business in 1881 and in 1888 was elected treasurer of the Gardiner Savings Institution of which bank he was treasurer and trustee at the time of his decease. From 1885 to 1893 he served as Judge of Probate and Insolvency for Kennebec County. He was a member of the Maine and Massachusetts Historical Societies, New Hampshire Genealogical Society, the Sons of the American Revolution and the Society of Mayflower Descendants, a 32 degree Mason (Past Grand) High Priest of the Grand R. A. Chapter of Maine and a member of the Portland Consistory.

He had published various genealogical pamphlets, also histories of Hermon Lodge and of the Maine Consistory. For several years he was engaged in compiling the vital records of Gardiner and other Maine towns.

In 1876 he was married to Mary Chase Johnson of Augusta, who, with one daughter, Martha Tappan, survive him.

Honorable Nahum Morrill

Judge Morrill, whose death occurred at Auburn, Maine, March 3, 1917, was one of the last of one or two generations of able and notable lawyers in Maine, of whom Honorable David D. Stewart of St. Albans, now living, is also a representative.

Within its circle were such well known jurists and lawyers as Jonas Cutting, Edward Kent, John Appleton, John A. Peters, Josiah Crosby and Albert W. Paine of Penobscot; Augustus G. Lebroke, Charles A. Everett and Alexander M. Robinson of Piscataquis; Jewett and Gould of Knox; Joseph Baker and Artemas Libbey of Kennebec. Former Chief Justices Lucilius A. Emery of Ellsworth and William P. Whitehouse of Augusta, were among their immediate successors; products of what was, perhaps, a twilight zone between the strict common law days of the former group and the intensified case-law studying of the present time.

Judge Morrill was born at Limerick, Maine, October 3, 1819, the son of Colonel John A. Morrill, who was a pioneer and person of distinction in that part of Maine. He was educated at Limerick academy, Kimball Union academy, Meriden Village, N. H., and one year in Dartmouth college. He studied law with his uncle, Honorable Moses MacDonald of Bangor and Charles P. Chandler of Foxcroft.

Judge Morrill was admitted to the bar in Piscataquis county at the District Court for the eastern district held in Dover on the fourth day of March, 1842, and a few months later commenced the practice of law in Wells, where he remained about two years and moved to Durham.

Durham was then looked upon as the prospective business center of this section, and a large amount of general business was transacted there. Here he remained until the summer of 1846, when he removed to Lewiston Falls, establishing his office there on August 26, of that year. Lewiston Falls was, at that time, on the west side of the river—what is now known as Auburn, so that since 1846, up to the time of his death, Judge Morrill resided continuously in Danville and Auburn.

Judge Morrill very early took a prominent place in the practice of law because he was a man of eminent attainments, of broad, general culture. In 1854 he was appointed Judge of Probate by

Governor William G. Crosby and this office he held until by process of law it became an elective office and he declined to be a candidate.

In 1864, without solicitation on his part, he was appointed provost marshal of the second district of Maine and held the office until the close of the War of the Rebellion, receiving his discharge October 31, 1865. He was admitted to practice in the Circuit Court of the United States, July 1, 1868. He has been appointed many times by the Supreme Judicial Court as special master in chancery, auditor, referee, etc., to determine actions of large importance. While residing in Durham he was a member of the superintending school committee, was president of the board of trustees of Edward Little Institute and for years was president of the Androscoggin Bar Association.

He was a member of the firm of N. and J. A. Morrill, the latter his son, John A. Morrill, judge of the Androscoggin County Probate Court, an overseer of Bowdoin college and distinguished as an eminent attorney, of service to the state in the two latest revisions of the statutes of Maine.

Judge Morrill was married April 20, 1850, to Anna I. Littlefield, daughter of Walter Littlefield, Esquire, of Wells.

Calculation for Sundrys Necessary for the Troops to be sent to Machias,—for 6 months

Rations for 300 Men for 6 months 81,000 lb of Beef, 54,000 lb Flour & Bread 365 Bushels Peas 3,900 lb Rice 618 lb Soap 50 lb Candles 18,000 Muskett Cartridges 2,000 Flints,

Resolve on the Petition of the Committee of Machias & several Letters of Colo Allan respecting wanting one hundred Men for the Department of Sd Machias & giving an Estimate of Supplies for the Commissary and Truck Master—March 11, 1778

(Documentary History of Maine (Baxter Manuscripts). Vol. 15, page 384)

Baron St. Castin

Mr. George E. Googins, a well known member of the legal fraternity of Maine, is writing for the Bar Harbor Times a valuable and exceedingly interesting sketch of the Colonial history of Maine. We hope it may eventually be published as a school text book, as it is an accurate outline of this subject and is written in a style that is simple and yet fascinating, and it will appeal to everyone, whether a close and well-informed student of Maine history, or otherwise.

It is gratifying to us that he occasionally uses and makes reference to some of the work of the Journal. In his last chapter, devoted to Ancient Pentagoet and Baron de St. Castin he quotes (see Journal, Vol. 4, pages 296-310) as follows:

"Much has been written concerning the character and career of Baron Castin by historical writers, but in all the literature devoted to this man, no better tribute has ever been paid him than that which has recently come from the versatile pen of Hon. John Francis Sprague of Dover, Maine. 'No ancient record, manuscript or letter,' says Mr. Sprague, 'has yet been brought to light that reflects upon his integrity as a man. He was not robber, murderer or pirate. Not a line hints that he ever cheated, wronged or defrauded his fellow man. Only a big, kind heart could have throbbd in the breast of the man who won the love and devotion of a nation of wild savages and held it fast for thirty years.'"

War Office June 25th 1777

Mr Timy Parsons

Sir We rec'd your Letter pr post of the 17th Inst. We have order'd the Ship Gruel Capt. Proctor to leave Falmouth & proceed for Wiscasset as soon as a favorable Opportunity presents such things as we can procure that you have wrote for shall be sent you—in the mean time as soon as the Ship arrives you will get her loaded as quick as possible. We are Yrs &c By order of the Board

Saml Phips Savage Prest

(Documentary History of Maine (Baxter Manuscripts), Vol. 15,
page 136)

What Others Say About Us

Judge Justin H. Shaw of Kittery, Maine, in the Portsmouth (N. H.) Times, under the head "Doing Good Service," writes as follows:

"The July (quarterly) number of Sprague's Journal of Maine History is another issue of splendid interest and value. It has a wide range of subjects, a good variety of them, and some very high grade articles. Among the contributors are Prof. Garrett W. Thompson of the University of Maine; Hon. Lucilius A. Emery, formerly chief justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of Maine; Judge John A. Morrill of Auburn, and others to whom we are indebted for some very fine sketches. The Journal is in the best sense a state publication and appeals to every lover of Maine and her history. Its contributors have the right spirit, and it is probably doing more to cement the varied historical interests of the state than any one publication of which we have any knowledge.

"Editor Sprague regrets that the Maine Legislature has not been able to continue its aid to state history, but does not scold. He very properly says, 'We can only hope that this was not done with malicious design, but that it simply happened almost unconsciously and thoughtlessly; and that future legislatures will treat these matters with more mercy and consideration.'

"The editor graciously acknowledges a notice of the Journal printed in the Portsmouth Times on May 10, and thinks enough of it to reprint a useful paragraph. A review of some of the articles of local interest will undoubtedly find their way to the Portsmouth Times office before very long."

Nathanael Mahew of lawful age testifieth & saith that he received Two Bushels of Indian Corn of the State stores of Colo Josiah Brewer viz. One Bushell for himself, & another for the Widow Rose, and dividing said Corn between them at home, it fell short One peck of corn of ye measure, & ye Deponant saith none of ye said Corn was taken out of ye bag, or otherwise wasted, for which he paid ye money, & ye Deponant solemnly avoweth ye truth of ye above, as witness my hand at Penobscot November ye 12, 1777.

Test John Herbert

Nathaniel Mayhew.

(Documentary History of Maine (Baxter Manuscripts), Vol. 15, page 281)

The Telos Canal

Mr. Howard Wood in an interesting communication to "Maine Woods" describing Eagle Lake says:

In the far away reaches of the Upper Allagash, just below the site of the famous Lock Dam, that guarded structure which prevents the waters of the Allagash, Chamberlain and Telos lakes from entering their rightful channel into Eagle Lake, is situated the Island of Pillsbury, a gem in the setting of Eagle, to my mind the most beautiful lake in the whole of the State of Maine. This island contains some 400 acres, covered with a beautiful growth of pine, birch and balsam. In shape it is nearly round with an elevation, above high water mark, of perhaps 75 feet at the highest point, and descending on all sides gradually to the water's edge. There are several fine springs of purest water on the island and it has always been a favorite camping ground, for all the travel down the Allagash from the time the Indian in his birch-bark canoe explored this region to the present day of the modern Maine guide and his party of New York sportsmen. One and all linger to camp on Pillsbury Island and fill up on Pillsbury water and the pure ozone of the North woods.

Mr. Wood has hit the trail to an episode in the history of Maine that is unique and important.

Soon after the North Eastern Boundary Controversy was settled by the Webster-Ashburton treaty (1842), certain far seeing and energetic Bangor gentlemen representing the great lumber interests of eastern Maine obtained a charter from the Legislature of Maine granting them certain rights among which they were empowered to build and maintain the "Telos Canal" between Telos and Webster lakes which together with the lock dam referred to by Mr. Wood diverted a large volume of water from the St. John river to the Penobscot. First and last this occasioned much trouble between Maine and Canadian lumber interests. It became a disturbing international problem, which, with other serious disputes regarding navigable rights on the St. John, resulted in the appointment of the St. John River International Commission, which was composed of men appointed by American and Canadian governments jointly.

The government at Washington, appointed in 1910, the late Honorable George A. Murchie of Calais, Maine, and the Honorable Peter Charles Keegan of Van Buren, Maine. In 1914 Mr. Murchie having died, Honorable John B. Madigan of Houlton, now a member of the Supreme Judicial Court was appointed to fill the vacancy. The Honorable Oscar F. Fellows of Bangor was United States Counsel for the Commission.

Good Work by the Sullivan High School

We have received a copy of the Harbor Beacon, for June, 1917, published by the Sullivan High School, of which Honorable Andrew P. Havey is the Principal.

It is one of the brightest school journals of Maine, but this number contains in addition to its interesting school items some valuable local history, being papers prepared and read by scholars as a part of their regular commencement week exercises.

These are: "History of Sullivan" by Frederick A. Gerrish, '19; "History of the Town of Gouldsboro" by P. S. K., '17, and "History of Hancock" by Raymond Hodgkins, '17; also "Sullivan High Schools," also by Mr. Gerrish, and the following editorial, which is not only to be commended for its literary merit, but also a sound and conclusive argument in behalf of advancement in local history in our Maine schools and should be read by everyone:

One of the leading topics discussed by the school boards and educational leaders of this state is that of teaching Maine history in the common schools.

In the public schools of our state at the present time we find American history taught to pupils of both the intermediate and grammar ages. They learn much of the history of our nation at large, and of other nations, but little do they know of the state in which they live, or even the town or city.

This is not as it should be. Maine has played a part in the stirring history of our country. Her sons have been among the honor men of our nation, and her children should know more of their deeds.

Some course should be arranged which would give pupils from the first grade to the senior year of the High School leading facts about Maine, not only her past, but present and future as well. They should know what right she has to her motto, "Dirigo."

Principal Havey is greatly interested in this movement and has arranged a course in civics which not only gives detailed information concerning the government of our nation, but pays special attention to our state. The students feel very grateful to Mr. Havey for this course; for nothing of this sort has before been introduced.

Mr. Daniel Whittredge of Foxcroft, Maine, recently brought to us some old Piscataquis County newspapers, etc., of consequence to those who are interested in the early history of that county.

Among them were copies of the "Piscataquis Herald," published by George V. Edes, at Dover in 1840 and the "Democratic Republican," published at Dover, the same year, by Samuel H. Davee and edited by George W. McFarland.

From the advertising and legal notices we learn that Robert Low, of Guilford, was County Treasurer; E. W. Snow, of Atkinson, Judge of Probate; Benjamin Dow, Collector of Taxes for Dover for the year 1839. C. M. Cobb, deputy sheriff, advertises to sell at "the Inn of E. R. Favor in Dover," all of the interest in a lot of land in Elliottsville that James True had by virtue of a written contract with Elliott G. Vaughan. Charles A. Everett was then a practicing attorney in Dover. Among the merchants were Charles E. Kimball in that town, and Isaac N. Meder in Foxcroft.

With the papers left was the first time table and announcement by the Maine Central Railroad Company of the opening of the new railroad between Dexter and Dover and Foxcroft, which occurred December 30, 1889.

Sayings of Subscribers

Mr. Newell White, Thorndike, Maine:

"I find much to interest me in every issue of Sprague's Journal and don't want to miss any of the numbers."

Miss Lillian A. Cole, Union, Maine:

"I did not know until recently about your valuable publication and what it is doing for the State of Maine. I feel it my duty to help your good work along."

Honorable Augustus W. Gilman, Foxcroft Maine; one of Maine's staunchest men and formerly Commissioner of Agriculture:

"When you started the Journal I thought it would not last very long, because historic material might soon become exhausted; yet I find every issue increases in interest and value. I read every word of every number, advertisements and all."

Honorable Willis E. Parsons, Foxcroft, Maine, a well known Maine lawyer, orator and politician; Grand Master of the I. O. O. F., and recently appointed a member of the Board of Trustees of the Maine State Hospitals:

"In my travels over our State I am constantly hearing favorable and flattering remarks from all classes of people regarding 'Sprague's Journal.' You are doing much for the cause of preserving Maine history which is being more and more appreciated. Your work will endure long after we all shall have passed away and been forgotten."

Honorable Stanley Plummer, of Dexter:

"On this rainy Sunday, following ten days of almost unbroken wet weather, I have read No. 5, Vol. 4, of your Journal, every word of it, from cover to cover, and what might have been a rather dull and irksome day has been thus rendered both pleasant and profitable, so you see how unconsciously to yourself you have served me.

"I wish to express the renewed obligation I feel to you for your publication, which you have not only maintained for four years, but steadily improved. Indeed this last number is, in my opinion, the very best."

Mr. Selden H. Kilgore, Commercial Freight Agent, Missouri Pacific Railway, 1226 North Market St., Wichita, Kansas:

"Through the medium of the 'Chase Chronicle' I have learned of the good work being done by Sprague's Journal of Maine History, and am enclosing a check that I may become a subscriber.

"I was born and educated in Somerset County, Maine, and therefore take a deep interest in the early history of the good old State of Maine."

Mr. Merritt Stinson, Merrill, Wisconsin:

"I enclose my check for one dollar to renew my subscription to Sprague's Journal, which is of great interest to me.

"I was born in Clinton, Maine, in 1843 and enlisted in the 20th Maine Regiment in 1862 and served in the Civil War and have lived in Wisconsin since its close. Please give my kindest regards to my old comrade, Osgood P. Martin of Foxcroft."

Judge Justin H. Shaw, Kittery, Maine:

The copy of an ancient tax list for Wells, Maine, in the current number of the *Journal* (Vol. 5, No. 1) was of particular interest, because when the number arrived I happened to be going over some

Kittery lists of that period. Three of these old Kittery lists examined (for 1793-1794-1795) are the property of Hon. Horace Mitchell of Kittery Point, who has loaned them for copying. They are bound into a pocket book with a leather cover, with a brass bottom and a leather strap fastener having a buttonhole. The pages are 4 by 6 inches. The lists are in splendid shape.

"The Kittery lists do not have the abbreviation 'F,' on which matter the Editor appends a note. But they do contain a term that remained a puzzle until it could be investigated. This was the word 'doom'd' which was applied to every tax assessed, a separate column being devoted to this particular entry, abbreviated to 'Do' as entered opposite the names.

"Every tax assessed was 'doomed,' except the parish taxes of 1793. The *Cyclopaedic Law Dictionary* (Shumaker and Longsdorf) has no explanation of the word, but the *New International Dictionary* does. It appears that the term was a local one, a word confined to New England only and in brief meant (to doom) to assess a tax by estimate, where an inventory had not been filed; an assessment based on descretion. The authority for its use in this respect is given as the works of John Pickering, American photoligist, 1777-1846.

"I was wondering, also, in going over the Wells lists, if it were not possible that the abbreviation 'F' may not have indicated the old common law *feoffee*, or more fully a *feoffee to uses*, or 'one holding the same position with reference to a use that a trustee does to a trust.' This is a property term which may have been in the mind of the old time law student. This interpretation is entirely conjectural, and without any evidence of mine of its use in this way whatsoever. But it might explain the use of the letter in the lists, and it will likely be looked into further."

Mr. George H. Kimball, Consulting Engineer, Pontiac, Mich.:

"The arrival of the current number of your valuable and interesting 'Journal' reminds me to renew my subscription which I enclose herewith.

"There is an item of Maine history about which I should be very glad to know more, and I question whether these few facts are generally known.

"A very early settlement was made in Maine, and I have been informed, so early no known record exists. At Kittery, Maine, on Spruce Creek, a tide water arm of the Piscataqua river, there is evidence of a very early settlement. It is just back of—that is North of—Kittery Village. There was a small tide mill and the old mill stones remain where they fell, now submerged at high tide. The settlement contained quite a number of permanent houses, and a place where bricks were made, beside the tide mill. My cousin, Harrison Philbrick, who owned the property and with whom I have gone over the ground, found in the ruins of one of the houses that is what was left of, a chimney or fireplace, a *brass-lined* iron kettle."

Mr. Charles M. Starbird, Danville, Maine:

"I have been a subscriber to your Journal for two years and wish to congratulate you on the excellence of the publication. It seems to me that it increases in interest and value with time. I read each number very carefully and get much pleasure out of them.

"Volume four has been especially commendable. The number containing the account of the Guilford Centennial was worth the subscription price of the entire volume.

"I have been much interested in the sketches of Maine's prominent sons of the present and past which have appeared from time to time in Journal. I am deeply impressed by the fact that so little has been written concerning the lives of Maine's state officials, Congressmen and Senators. I have had the good fortune to look up some on Maine's Representatives and Senators in Washington and find their lives and public services very interesting. In my opinion more should be done to give the public information concerning them.

"I take pleasure in renewing my subscription and am doing what I can to get some of the people of my community to subscribe. Keep up the good work, Mr. Sprague. Every good citizen of Maine knows that your Journal fills one of Maine's greatest needs."

Edward P. Blanchard, former County Commissioner, Blanchard, Maine:

"A story has been given me in the old days by some of the inhabitants of Blanchard, in regard to how the mountain in Blanchard received its name.

"As it was told to me, two men, one of them by the name of Russell, came to the foot of the mountain, on the south side, late in the afternoon in the early fall, and proceeded to camp. Russell decided to climb the mountain that night and started alone; he did not return that night and his companion went after him early in the morning.

"Hunting over the mountain was slow work, but towards noon Mr. Russell was found at the foot of a granite ledge, dead. It was reported by Russell's companion that there were fresh moose tracks near, and it might be that a moose had attacked him, or he had accidentally fallen over the ledge and been killed. This accident on the mountain gave it the name of 'Russell Mountain.'

"I do not know if the body was carried out of the woods or was buried on the mountain; I do not know where the two men were from, what they were there for, or the name of the companion of Russell. It was reported to me as a part of the story that perhaps Russell was murdered by his companion and the fresh moose tracks were invented to cover up the crime."

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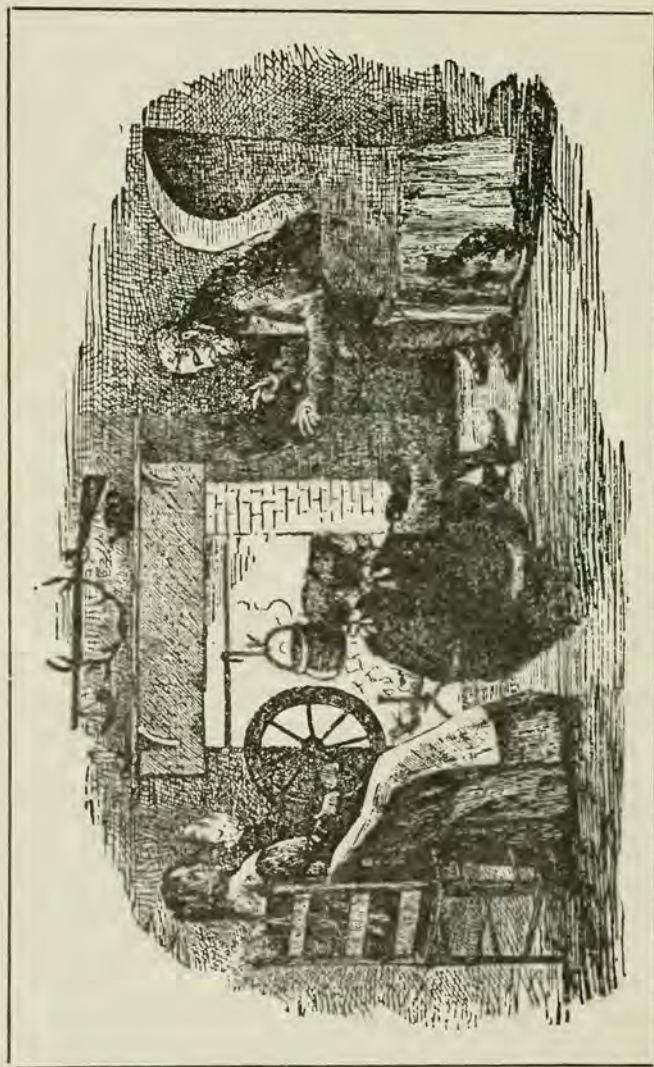
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An Alphabetical Index of Revolutionary Pensioners Living in Maine

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INTRODUCTION

For a quarter century past the popularity, growth and activities of our patriotic-hereditary societies have been features of American life. It is now considered the proper thing to cherish and prize the names and mementoes of the men of '76; perhaps even to idealize them and their services. And many who have never applied for admission to any of the various societies of Revolutionary descendants, take a just pride in knowing that they are eligible, and of the blood of the heroes who established our independence.

Maine, of course, was a part of Massachusetts at the time of the Revolution.

Very little has been done even yet in the publication of regimental histories and personal narratives of Revolutionary service—lines that have been so enormously expanded in the case of the Civil war. The histories of two or three Maine regiments which the late Nathan Gould prepared, and Dr. Frank A. Gardner's notable series of Massachusetts regimental histories, now running in the "Massachusetts magazine" of Salem, being practically all there is available in that field.

But when it comes to individual service, Massachusetts people are particularly fortunate because that state has, at enormous expense, printed all her Revolutionary muster, pay and other rolls,

as "Massachusetts soldiers and sailors of the Revolutionary war" in 17 large quarto volumes. No other state has done nearly as much in this direction.

But even these records, full as they are, leave much to be desired. Families were usually large and in the old home towns it was more the rule than the exception to find several contemporaries of the same name (middle names being very rare). In using the above work it is not uncommon to find two or more soldiers bearing the name of the ancestor one is in search of, from the town we know he lived in; and still others of the same name whose residence is indeterminate.

Unless it can be conclusively established that no other of the name could have served from that town at the time, or our family tradition is more definite than is usually the case, we really have found no evidence at all. Here is where the value of the pension lists comes in. While we may not know in whose company or regiment, or in what capacity the Revolutionary ancestor served, we can usually find out where he lived in later life, and if he survived to old age and drew a pension, the necessary link to the chain of evidence is often secured so one can identify the actual military service of the ancestor in "Massachusetts soldiers and sailors."

The U. S. Pension Office at Washington is a veritable mine of information, and once an ancestor is located on the pension roll, it is worth while to secure direct from the Office and at some expense, a copy of all papers relating to the claim.

It may be added that the Pension Office authorities give no very cordial endorsement of the printed pension rolls, having found them to contain numerous errors. It must also be added, however, that some of the lists preserve records whose originals have been lost in the destruction of the Capitol by the British in 1814 or in other ways. The important things to realize are that the printed lists are so useful and so largely used that a consolidated list like the following will be valuable; and that once the name desired is found it will almost certainly be worth while to write to the Pension Office for full details of service.

The difficulty in using the various printed pension lists springs from the fact that not one is strictly alphabetical, and they are so rare now that only the large libraries have them all.

Before we take up the various pension lists in print, it may be well to devote a little time to consideration of Revolutionary pensions in general, and fortunately Columbia University studies in history, economics and public law, volume XII, No. 3 (History of military pension legislature in the United States by W. H. Glasson) gives us an exhaustive sketch.

CLASSES OF PENSIONERS

Revolutionary pensioners really fall into four classes.

I. *Invalid pensioners.*

The first national U. S. pension law passed Aug. 26, 1776 promised half pay for life or during disability to every officer, soldier or sailor, losing a limb or being so disabled in the service of the U. S. as to be incapable of earning a livelihood. Proportionate relief was promised to such as were partially disabled. Apr. 23, 1782, it was enacted that Continental soldiers who were sick or wounded and unfit for duty were to be discharged and be pensioned at the rate of five dollars per month. An act passed June 7, 1785, further provided that when so disabled as to be unable to earn a livelihood, commissioned officers should be allowed a half pay pension and non-commissioned officers and privates five dollars a month, proportionate rates being allowed for partial disability.

This act was afterwards amended to include later disability resulting from wounds, to include state troops and militia as well as Continentals, and the rates were somewhat increased.

Invalid pensioners surviving at the dates of the service pension acts of 1818 and 1832 usually found it advantageous to secure entry under them.

II. *Half pay or commutation pensioners.*

As a result of Washington's appeal at a time when the depreciation of the continental currency and the gloomy outlook in the field were preventing the re-enlistment of many officers and men at the termination of their periods of service, Congress on May 15, 1778, voted to all American commissioned officers who should continue in service to the close of the war half pay for seven years after its conclusion; to all common soldiers who served to the end of the war a gratuity of eighty dollars. As these measures failed to secure the full results expected, Washington again appealed to Congress, which on Oct. 21, 1780, voted that all officers who should continue in

service to the end of the war, should receive half pay for life. These measures are believed to have been of the utmost importance in keeping the army together till the end of the struggle, but they were immensely unpopular, especially in New England, while opposition to Congress was very strong.

To the irritation aroused in the officers' minds at the suspicion that Congress intended to repudiate these obligations were attributable their "Memorial to Congress" of Dec. 1782 and the more celebrated "Newburgh addresses" of March, 1783.

Washington once more prepared an urgent appeal for recognition of the army's claims, and on March 22, 1783, Congress adopted a compromise known as the "Commutation act," substituting for the half pay for life, five years full pay in money or interest bearing securities.

As the Confederation had no funds, the officers received not money but "commutation certificates," but with no provision for paying principal or interest, these depreciated like the continental currency and soon came into the hands of speculators who profited when the first Congress under the Constitution provided for the refunding of these certificates.

The survivors of this group and their friends felt that justice had not been done and petitions were introduced into Congress from time to time until in May 15, 1828, just 50 years after the original act, a measure was passed giving full pay for life, beginning Mar. 3, 1826, to the surviving officers of the Continental line who had been entitled to half pay under the act of 1780, and the same allowance was made to the non-commissioned officers and privates entitled to receive the gratuity of eighty dollars promised in 1780. This act was executed by the Secretary of the Treasury rather than by the Secretary of War, who administered the other pension laws until in 1835 it was transferred from the former to the latter office.

III. *Service pensioners.*

March 18, 1818, was passed the first service pension act, which provided that every resident of the U. S. who had served in the Revolutionary war until its close or for the term of 9 months or longer, at any period of the war, on the Continental establishment or navy, and who was by reason of his reduced circumstances in need of assistance, should receive a pension; if an officer, twenty dollars a month, if a private eight dollars. Claimants were required to give up invalid and all other pensions. So many frauds were

perpetrated under this act that in 1820 Congress required of all pensioners under the act, sworn schedules of their property and income, and under this ruling thousands of names were stricken from the rolls.

In June, 1832, a still more sweeping service pension measure became law. It granted to all who had completed a total service of two years in Continental line, state troops or militia, or the navy, and who were not entitled to pensions under the Commutation law of 1824, full pay according to rank, to commence May 15, 1828, and not to exceed a captain's pay. All who had completed a service of not less than six months were to receive the same proportion of their full pay that their service bore to two years. Here again enormous frauds were unearthed.

IV. *Widows and Orphans.*

Aug. 24, 1780, Congress extended the half pay for 7 years to the widows or orphan children of officers who had died or should die in the service. This act was renewed under the Constitution in 1792 but nothing further was done till 1836 when provision was made that if any soldier who would be entitled to a pension under the service act of 1832 (see preceding paragraph) died leaving a widow whose marriage took place before the expiration of his service, she might receive his pension as long as she might remain unmarried. Varied later acts were passed supplementing and extending the above.

The report of the Commissioner of pensions for 1874 gives some interesting figures:

Soldiers in the Revolutionary army (estimate)	289,715
Revolutionary pensioners	57,623
Under act of 1818	20,485
" " " 1828	1,200
" " " 1835	33,425
	55,110

Leaving a balance 2,513, pensioned under early invalid acts or by specific measures. The Commissioner also stated that there were 39,295 widows who received Revolutionary pensions.

PENSION LISTS

Including the principal lists published by the U. S. government, as far as we have noted them. There seems to be no index available to special pensions granted after 1840. It is well known that Revo-

lutionary pensioners were on the rolls over a quarter century later. The venerable William Hutchings of Penobscot was present as an honored guest at the Bangor 4th of July celebration in 1865.

1792. Invalid pension claims. Communicated to the House of Representatives, Dec. 14, 1792. (American state papers. Class IX. Claims. p. 56-68.)

Tabular. Arranged by states (including District of Maine). Alphabetic by initial letter only. 7 columns: Names; Rank; Regiment; Disability; Date from which annual pension commenced; Monthly allowance; Arrears due.

1794. Invalid pension claims. Communicated to the House of Representatives April 25, 1794-[1795]. (American state papers. Claims. Washington, 1834. p. 83-122, 125-128, 135-145, 150-172).

Tabular. Arranged by states (including the District of Maine). Not alphabetic. Usually in 7 columns:—Names; Rank; Regiment or company or ship; Disability; When and where disabled; Residence [town]; To what pension entitled [or Monthly allowance and Arrearages]; Remarks.

'20. Letter from the Secretary of war, transmitting a report of the names, rank and line of every person placed on the pension list, in pursuance of the act of 18th of March, 1818, &c. . . . Washington. Printed by Gales & Seaton, 1820. 672 pages.

(16th Congress, 1st session. House. Doc. No. 55)

Tabular. Arranged by states of residence in 1820. Alphabetic by initial letter only: 3 columns:—Names; Rank; Line.

Practically all the names in this list are reprinted in the 1835 list, but occasionally there is variation in spelling name or added detail of service.

'28. Officers on the pension list. Letter from the Secretary of war, transmitting a list of officers on the pension roll of the U. S. designating the states to which the officers severally belong: January 30, 1828. . . . Washington: printed by Gales & Seaton, 1828. 29 pages.

(20th Congress, 1st session. House. Doc. No. 124.)

Tabular. Arranged by states; two classes under each: Invalid pension list, and Revolutionary pension list. Alphabetic by initial letter only. Gives name and rank only; no particulars of service or present residence. These "Revolutionary pensioners" are those officers pensioned under the "service" act of 1818 who were living in 1828.

'29. Officers, &c. pensioned under act of 1828. Letter from the Secretary of the treasury, transmitting a list of the names of pensioners under the law of May 15, 1828. January 13, 1829. [From Treasury dept.] 16 pages.

(20th Congress, 2d session. House. Doc. No. 68.)

Tabular. Alphabetic by initial letter only. 5 columns:—Names; Line; Rank; Sum annually; State or Territory of residence at time of application.

'31. Rejected applications for pensions, &c. Letter from the Secretary of war, transmitting a report respecting rejected applications for pensions. January 6, 1831. 84 pages.

(21st Congress, 2d session. House. Doc. No. 31)

In two parts, each subdivided by state: *a*. Persons whose claims to pension on account of Revolutionary service have been rejected (3 columns: Name, Rank and Reasons for rejection); *b*. Revolutionary pensioners placed on the rolls under the act of March 18, 1818, and who have been stricken from the pension list under act of May 1, 1820, not being considered in indigent circumstances (2 columns: Name and Rank).

The veterans in the second part would regularly be found in the '20 and '35 lists also.

'35. Report from the Secretary of war, in obedience to resolutions of the Senate of the 5th and 30th of June, 1834, and the 3d of March, 1835, in relation to the pension establishment of the United States. Washington: Printed by Duff Green, 1835. 3 volumes.

(23d Congress, 1st session. Senate. Doc. No. 514).

Tabular. Arranged (1st) by state, (2d) by class of pensioners: *a* Invalid pensioners; *b*. Heirs of non-commissioned officers, privates, &c. who died in the U. S. service who obtained five years' half pay in lieu of bounty land, under the second section of the act of April 16, 1816; *c*. Pensioners under the act of March 18, 1818; *d* Pensioners under the act of June 7, 1832, (3d) by county. Alphabetic by initial letter only. Section [*a*] contains very few Revolutionary pensioners and [*b*] gives heirs of soldiers killed in the War of 1812. Sections [*c*] and [*d*] are confined to Revolutionary pensioners; names are alphabetic under county by initial letter of family name only. 9 columns:—Names; Rank; Annual allowance; Sums received; Description of service; When placed on the pension rolls; Commencement of pension; Age; Remarks. Sections [*c*] and [*d*] include all veterans who had been pensioned under these two acts; many had died before 1835 but full entry is made, with date of death.

'40. A census of pensioners for Revolutionary or military services; with their names, ages, and places of residence, as returned by the marshals of the several judicial districts, under the act for taking the sixth census. Washington: printed by Blair and Rives, 1841. 195 pages.

Tabular. Arranged by states, sub-arrangement by counties and then by towns. Names not alphabetic. 3 columns: Names of pensioners; Ages; Names of heads of families with whom pensioners resided 1840.

There is no mark of distinction between the Revolutionary and the other military pensioners. The latter are evidently very few.

This list includes a considerable number of widows.

CLAIMS

While the foregoing lists include the veterans who were pensioned under the general laws and many others, they do not by any means give *all* Revolutionary pensioners; many of course died before the date of our earliest lists; and many must have been pensioned by special act between the date of the last list (1840) and the death of the last Revolutionary veteran in the late "sixties."

Fortunately each House of Congress publishes from time to time indexes of private claims brought before them and these claims include special pension bills. Furthermore these indexes are strictly alphabetical and therefore easy to consult (as the pension lists are not).

Such House lists are

- 1st-31st Congress, 1789-1851 (32d Cong. 1st session. House misc. doc. [unnumbered] serial no. 653-655).
 32d-41st " " 1851-1871 (42d Cong. 3d session. House misc. doc. no. 100. Serial no. 1574).

Senate list

- 14th-46th Congress, 1817-1881 (46th Cong. 3d session. Senate misc. doc. no. 14. Serial no. 1945-1946.)

NOTES

In connection with the use of following list and the various pension lists to which it serves as an index, there are several things to bear in mind. In the first place this index is intended to cover all the most important facts recorded, and at the same time, definitely locate the original entry in case completer history is desired.

As to "service", first there were the Continental regiments raised by Congress, such as Harrison's artillery, the Commander-in-Chief's guard, etc., and the various continental regiments raised by the individual states and turned over to Congress, such as the 16th Mass, etc. (indicated by "Mass. line", etc.) There was also the Continental navy. Then came the state line and state navy, raised and supported by the states for home defence when the Continental army and navy was engaged elsewhere (indicated by "Mass. state", "R. I. navy", etc.) Finally came the militia of the states—citizens called out for temporary or special service (N. H. mil. etc.)

The "residence" ("County" having a column for itself, and town being given in "Remarks" column if reported) in each case is the place of domicile at date of list; most of the lists giving no intimation at all where soldier resided or enlisted 1775-81. The 1835 list which does contain particulars of service has no more than the *state* pensioner served from. Maine men of course being accredited to Massachusetts. Indeed there is no list in print as far as known giving Revolutionary soldiers who enlisted from Maine, save as one might dig some information out of "Records of Mass. soldiers and sailors", already alluded to.

The "age" is of course age reported at time list was made; date of birth being approximated by subtracting age given from date of list;

e. g. Obadiah Abbee, the first pensioner on our list was born about 1705 (1835-70=1765.)

As to Maine counties, at the time of the first list giving county of residence (that of 1835) the state was divided into the following: York, Cumberland, Lincoln, Hancock, Washington, Kennebec, Oxford, Somerset, Penobscot and Waldo. Before the 1840 list appeared there were three new counties: Franklin and Piscataquis (1838) and Aroostook (1839) and since that date Androscoggin, Knox and Sagadahoc have been formed. So it follows that a man might live in the same place, and still be recorded in one county in 1835, in another in 1840 and still another at time of death.

No special effort has been made to identify different holders of the same name. If they lived in same county by the record and ages would approximately correspond the———has been used for entries after the first. In cases where there could be the least doubt, separate entries have been made.

Names from the 1820 and '31b lists are not given separate entry save in cases where name is not found in 1835 list; ('20) or (31b) in remarks column for names in '35 list signifying that name occurs in former list, any variations in form of name or additional information being noted.

The county abbreviations will be obvious. Other abbreviations are: d. for died, res. for residence, and Pri., Corp., Lieut., Capt., Surg., for private, corporal, etc.

Widow's names are italicized.

Aside from the works already referred to one should consult Saffell's "Records of the Revolutionary war", 1858, pages 401-467, which contains a full treatment of the Half-pay or commutation pensioners, and an extensive list of officers killed in the war or possessed of right to half pay at the end.

Maine also, since statehood, has made liberal provision for her Revolutionary veterans, as attested by "Names of soldiers of the American revolution who applied for state bounty under resolves of March 17, 1838, March 24, 1836 and March 20, 1836 as appear by record in the Land Office Compiled by Charles J. House". Augusta, Burleigh & Flynt, 1893. The introduction gives text of the resolves, and as the names are alphabetical, they are not entered in this index.

List.	NAME.	Service.	Rank.	Age.	County.	Remarks.
'35d	Abbee, Obadiah.	Mass. mil.	Private.	70	Kennebec.	
'35d	Abbee, William.	Cont. navy.	Lieutenant	87	Washington.	
'40	Abbot, Betsey.			73	Waldo.	Res. with Joel Abbot, Montville.
'40	Abbot, Henry.			85	Lincoln.	Same as Abbott, Henry. Residence Boothbay.
'35d	Abbot, Isaac.	Mass. line.	Private.	72	Oxford.	
'40	Abbot, Joseph.			78	Oxford.	Res. Frysburg.
'35c	Abbot, John, 2d.	R. I. line.	Private.	74	Lincoln.	('20 as Abbott) died April 18, 1824.
'35c	Abbot, Jonathan.	Mass. line.	Private.	75	Cumberland.	
'35d	Abbot, Joseph.	Mass. state.	Private and Corporal.	80	Oxford.	Died Nov. 30, 1832.
'35	Abbot, Nathaniel.	Mass. line.	Private.	86	Cumberland.	('20) d. April 8, 1830.
'35d	Abbot, Philip.	N. H. mil.	Private.	77	Oxford.	
'40	Abbot, Philip.			83	Oxford.	Res. Rumford.
'35c	Abbott, Abner.	N. H. line.	Private.	73	Oxford.	('20) d. Sept., 1823.
'35d	Abbott, Daniel.	Mass. line.	Private.	86	York.	('20 and '31b, as Abbot.)
'35c	Abbott, Henry.	R. I. line.	Private.	77	Lincoln.	('20) same as Abbot, Henry.

List.	NAME.	Service.	Rank.	Age.	County.	Remarks.
'35	Abbott, John.	Mass. line.	Private.	76	York.	('20 and '31b as Abbot).
'35	Abbott, Silas.	Mass. line.	Sergeant.	83	York.	Died June 30, 1826.
'35c	Acorn, Geo. Michael	Mass. line.	Private.	77	Lincoln.	('20) d. Feb. 27, 1823.
'35d	Adams, Amos.	Mass. line.	Private.	87	Kennebec.	
'40	Adams, Amos.			94	Somerset.	Res. Madison.
'35d	Adams, James.	Mass. state.	Private.	90	Somerset.	
'35c	Adams, Jedediah.	Mass. line.	Private.	83	Lincoln.	('20) d. July 17, 1832.
'40	Adams, <i>Jemima</i> .			83	Lincoln.	Res. Union.
'35c	Adams, Joel.	Mass. line.	Private.		Lincoln.	('20).
'35c	Adams, Joseph, 1st	Mass. line.	Private.	71	Lincoln.	('20) d. June 25, 1818.
'35c	Adams, Joseph, 2d.	Mass. line.	Private.	68	Oxford.	('20).
'40	Adams, Joseph.			74	Franklin.	Res. Jay.
'35c	Adams, Samuel.	Mass. line.	Sergeant.	89	Lincoln.	('20, as surgeon) d. March 6, 1819.
'35d	Adams, Samuel.	Mass. line.	Private.	76	Lincoln.	('20, 31b).
'40	Adams, Susan.			83	Lincoln.	Res. Bowdoin.
'35d	Adams, Solomon.	Mass. line.	Private.	99	Penobscot.	Res. Corinna.
'40	Adams, <i>Susannah</i> .			75	Kennebec.	Died Nov. 4, 1833.
'40	Addison, John.			72	Kennebec.	Res. Greene.
'35d	Additon, Thomas.	Mass. mil.	Private.	89	Cumberland.	Res. Freeport.
'35c	Adley, Peter.	N. Y. line.	Private.	71	Kennebec.	
'40f	Adley, Peter.			78	Somerset.	
1794	Airs, George.	Crane's a r regt.	Private.	79	Franklin.	Res. Berlin.
'35c	Akley, Samuel.	Mass. line.	Private.	76	Oxford.	Res. Arundel. Wounded at Brandywine. Tr'sferred from Windham Co., Vt., 1827.
'40	Akley, Samuel.			76	Oxford.	Res. Rumford.
'35c	Albee, Jonathan.	Mass. line.	Private.	90	Somerset.	('20).
'31a	Albee, William.					Rejected as not serving in Cont. regiments.
'35d	Alden, Silas.	N. H. line.	Private.	69	Oxford.	
'40	<i>Aldrich, Mary</i> .			79	Cumberland.	Res. Freeport.
'35c	Aldrick, Henry.	Mass. line.	Private.	72	Oxford.	Died 1822.
'35d	Aldricks, Nathaniel	Mass. line.	Private.	82	Cumberland.	Died March 5, 1834.
'40	Allbee, Jonathan.			97	Somerset.	Res. Lexington.
'35d	Allen, Amos.	Mass. line.	Private.	74	Lincoln.	('20, '31b).
'35d	Allen, Barsham.	N. H. state.	Private.	72	York.	
'40				76	York.	Res. South Berwick.

(To be continued.)

INLAND MAINE SCENERY



Poling Down a Shallow Stream

(Courtesy, R. & J. R. R.)

Dorothea Lynde Dix

BY JOHN FRANCIS SPRAGUE.

On the fourth day of April in the Year 1802, there was born in the State of Maine, one of the most remarkable women of the nineteenth century, or in fact of any other century since the beginning of the world's civilization.

Her authorized biographer, the Reverend Francis Tiffany, in the preface to his work published in 1890, says of her:

Here is a woman who, as the founder of vast and enduring institutions of mercy in America and in Europe has simply no peer in the annals of Protestantism.

To find her parallel in this respect, it is necessary to go back to the lives of such memorable Roman Catholic women as St. Theresa of Spain or Santa Chiara of Assisi, and to the amazing work they did in founding throughout European Christendom great conventional establishments.

The birthplace of Dorothea (christened Dorothy) Lynde Dix was in the town of Hampden, on a charming spot whose sunny slope reaches the waters of the beautiful River Penobscot, since made into a park known as the Dorothea Dix Park.

Her father's name was Joseph Dix, who was the son of Dr. Elijah Dix and was born in Worcester, Massachusetts. But little is known of the father except that he was in some way a failure in the battle of life.

Alfred S. Roe, in his paper¹ on Dorothea Dix avers as does Tiffany that she was surprisingly reticent regarding her childhood days. Tiffany makes no mention of her mother.

In speaking of her evident desire to conceal all facts regarding her parents and her life for twelve years with them, Roe speaks of the mother but once, as follows:

Mary Bigelow, Miss Dix's mother was christened May 4th, 1760, in Sudbury....and doubtless born that year.

Joseph Dix, whom she eventually married was not born till March 26, 1778.

.....Though the mother's name was Bigelow, possibly a relative of the distinguished Col. Timothy Bigelow, of Worcester, yet it seems probable that all the remarkable traits of our heroine (Miss Dix) date back at least a generation. Her father was an invalid and died early, though he rated as a merchant in Boston; and of the mother unpleasant stories were told

(¹) Dorothea Lynde Dix: A Paper Read Before the Worcester Society of Antiquity by Alfred S. Roe, Nov. 20, 1888—(Published in 1889) p. 4.

of excesses which would be inexcusable in the eyes of her more than puritanic daughter. To me, these statements seem to suggest family complications that to so proud a woman as Miss Dix, would have been intolerable if publicly discussed or even referred to.

In this connection Tiffany² says:

Her birth occurred during a temporary stay of her parents in the town of Hampden,.....one in fact of the very many places in which her father, who was of an unstable and wandering turn of mind, appears for a time to have lived.

.....Glimpses of this childhood are lighted on at various spots in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, as well as Worcester and Boston, Massachusetts. So painful, however, to the subsequent woman, always remained the memory of its bitterness that in no hour of the most confidential intimacy could she be induced to unlock the silence which to the very end of her life she maintained as to all the incidents of her early days.

She "ran away" from her parents in Worcester³ and put herself under the protection of her paternal grandmother, then a resident of Boston. She was then twelve years of age⁴. Her immediate parents being apparently below the average in energetic fibre, it becomes interesting to discover from what ancestral source had descended to the child the intellectual and spiritual powers and marked characteristics of greatness which she displayed in a half century of wonderful activities.

Dr. Elijah Dix, the grandfather of Dorothea, was a man of distinction in his day and a strong and forceful character. He was born in Watertown, Massachusetts, August 24, 1747. He was self educated and yet became a practitioner of medicine and surgery, settling in Worcester in 1770, where he remained until 1795, when he removed to Boston. He acquired eminence in his profession and amassed considerable wealth. Tiffany⁵ says he was

Strong in body, courageous and self-asserting in temperament, ambitious of power and position.

He was evidently aggressive in his ways and methods and so indifferent to public opinion that he was often unpopular with the public.

He was a public spirited citizen and one of the active promoters of the Worcester and Boston turnpike.

(²) Life of Dorothea Lynde Dix by Francis Tiffany (Houghton Mifflin Company, 1891) p. 1.

(³) Tiffany p. 2.

(⁴) *Ib.* p. 8.

(⁵) *Ib.* p. 4.

What few writers have studied his life and made reference to him have agreed that he was a man of some eccentricities and idiosyncrasies.

As strange as it may seem at this time, the fact that he was the first citizen of Worcester to advocate the planting of shade trees for the adornment of the town,—Tiffany asserting it was then considered “a remarkable idiosyncrasy of taste,”—made enemies of many of his townsmen: for the Puritans hated trees the same as they did the Indians and the wolves.

Roe⁶ states that a street in a residential part of the city of Worcester is known as Dix street thus named in his honor.

He was a large owner of real estate in Worcester and Mr. Roe⁷ estimates that his estate

Extended westward from Main Street, beyond Harvard; and possibly Dix Street may mark pretty nearly its southerly line.

While its authenticity may be questioned, a story has been handed down which is referred to by both Roe and Tiffany, to the effect that once some of the Worcester people having become enraged at the Doctor's dictatorial and arrogant manners concluded to drive him out of the town; Roe says to “ride him on a rail.” The plot was planned for a man to call at his house to summon him to the sick-bed of a pretended patient who lived out of town. Then the outlaws concealed in some bushes by the side of the highway were to make the attack upon a signal to be given by the messenger. The shrewd Doctor suspected that something was on foot but promptly agreed to make the professional visit. Before starting, however, he opened a window and in a loud voice said to his man-servant “bring around my horse at once, see that the pistols in my holsters are double shotted; then give the bull dog a piece of raw meat and turn him loose to go along.” This scheme never matured.

In Boston he was successful not only as a physician but in business enterprises as well. He established a large drug store on the south side of Faneuil Hall, and founded in South Boston chemical works for refining sulphur and purifying camphor.

It is evident that at one time Dr. Silvester Gardiner was a business partner with him. Dr. Gardiner was a large owner of Maine lands and being a loyalist when the American Revolution broke out,

(⁶) Roe's Paper (supra) p. 1.

(⁷) Ib. p. 7.

was obliged to flee that country and go to England where he remained for several years.

When Gardiner fled, Tiffany says, Dix was owing him money. Dr. Dix was himself a staunch patriot and as all of Dr. Gardiner's property was confiscated by the Colonial government, it is quite probable that had he taken advantage of this situation he might have avoided payment of his debt. But his sturdy honesty forbade him doing this and he crossed the ocean for the purpose of meeting Dr. Gardiner, making a settlement of their affairs and paying him what was his due. Probably the most carefully prepared sketch of Silvester Gardiner that has ever been written is that by the late Henry Sewall Webster*. In this work he makes no mention of the fact that these men were once partners, but in a letter which he publishes from Dr. Gardiner to his attorney, Oliver Whipple, dated "London, July 30, 1784" appears these words:

I think it proper to acquaint you that I have wrote you fully by Doct. Dix, a passenger with Capt. Calahan, that soon after I had closed and delivered that packet, etc.

This proves that Dr. Dix visited him and thus corroborates Tiffany's statement.

Dr. Dix also purchased and dealt in quite extensive tracts of lands in the District of Maine. Two Maine towns, nearly one hundred miles distant from each other, Dixmont in Penobscot County and Dixfield in Oxford County, have each honored his memory as he was the proprietor who sold lands to the first settlers in both towns. He often visited his holdings in Maine and was in Dixmont when his death occurred, June 7, 1809, and his body was interred in the burial ground near Dixmont Center.

Dr. Dix married Dorothy Lynde, Oct. 1, 1771. She was the daughter of Joseph Lynde and was born May 23, 1746. She is described as a typical example of the New England Puritan gentlewoman, austere, dignified and precise; with a conscience that was inflexible and a nature devoid of anything emotional or sentimental.

When Dorothea sought her protection she was a widow living in quite a grand residence in Boston that was known as the Dix Mansion. While it might have been a grim and joyless home, she was trained in habits of diligence and the change secured her several years of education.

(*) Gardiner, Maine, Historical Series No. 2 by Henry Sewall Webster (Gardiner, Me., 1913.)

She spent some years as a school teacher and governess, and all of these early experiences and duties were fitting her for the great life work which destiny ordained for her.

When quite a young girl she became interested in the then new religious teachings and philosophy of New England's great Unitarian divine, Dr. William E. Channing. By this means she emerged from the gloom of Puritanism and beheld the world and looked upon human life from an entirely new and more tolerant angle. It was not until 1841 that she first began to realize what suffering and degradation many of the human race were enduring through the ignorance of their so called superiors. Her first knowledge of the inhuman condition of the inmates of the almshouses and jails in Massachusetts started her on her great career. Soon the crying needs of the insane demanded her attention and it was her unprecedented accomplishments in their behalf which gave her world-wide fame.

To comprehend the magnitude of her labors and to fully understand why iron cages, chains, clubs and starvation constituted the system of caring for the insane three-quarters of a century ago, one would have to engage in tiring research and profound study of the causes—theological, political and social which produced this situation. The old theories of insanity were responsible for it. The human mind had not then entirely recovered from the superstitions of the middle ages when the insane were supposed to be no more nor less than children of Satan; and delusions and ravings the natural outbursts of a fallen soul. This conception of these unfortunate ones was, that they were outside the category of human beings and not entitled to be treated as such.

It was not until about the beginning of the nineteenth century that the more enlightened, progressive and thoughtful began to doubt the soundness of their beliefs.

Like every other reform movement for the betterment of the human race in every age of the world, the discarding of chains, bleedings and duckings in the care of the insane was a slow process, for, like everything else of its kind it had to grope its way through the devious and moss-grown paths of conservatism. They first began to unchain maniacs in this world in France in 1792. The radical who made this startling proposal to the world was one Dr. Philippe Pinel. He had charge of an asylum for incurable insane and asked the government to allow him to try his experiment on one-

fourth of his patients. This was promptly refused and it was only after a year's persistent effort that he succeeded in doing even this.

But a real new idea is seldom fully established among human beings in less than a century's time. This one at least had not become firmly rooted in 1841.

Space will not permit anything like a semblance of a detailed account of the magnificent and almost marvelous achievements of Miss Dix in breaking down the old barriers of barbarism which surrounded the insane and establishing asylums of mercy for them in every state in the Union and in European countries.

Prison reform was also a part of her work, which was the first step taken in a more rational treatment of criminals.

Someone in writing of her has well said that her "life work was a romance in philanthropy."

Her first work commenced with the East Cambridge, Massachusetts jail. Here she found the guilty and the innocent, degenerate and criminals, herded together with the insane of both sexes overcrowded at all times and without means of warmth in the severest weather. The task which she had allotted to herself was herculean in every sense of the word. Her part was to up-root and tear down the old and reconstruct on new and untried lines, to overwhelm ignorance with enlightenment and prejudice and bigotry with logic. She must enlist statesmen, politicians and publicists in her cause and revolutionize the public sentiment of her own country and of other countries beyond the seas. She was to face the undertaking of meeting and convincing members of state and national legislatures, of Governors, Popes, Kings and Presidents, that they were at the parting of the ways and should turn and travel a new way, that, lighted by heavenly love, led to human justice and mercy. Such a project would have appalled any but a genius called and fitted by fate to do and to act at this juncture of the world's progress.

Her first memorial to a state legislature was addressed to the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The awful disclosures contained in this document and its impassioned eloquence soon attracted the attention of Charles Sumner, Horace Mann, William E. Channing and many progressive men and advanced thinkers who rallied to her support. She was bold and fearless in her message to the people through their legislature. She told them that their system

Confined insane persons in cages, closets, cellars, stalls, pens; chained, naked, beaten with rods, and lashed into obedience.

The success of her memorial in her own state encouraged her to press forward into all the other states. Her campaign in Massachusetts ended, (1841-43), she visited Rhode Island, New Jersey, Delaware and Pennsylvania. Later she crusaded the southern states. She induced state after state to build hospitals for the insane. One of these, the Dixmont Hospital in Pennsylvania, was thus named by her in kind remembrance of and to honor the name of her grandfather, Dr. Dix. The year 1853 found her in Nova Scotia, and other parts of Canada. In 1852 she succeeded in getting Congress to make an appropriation for a hospital for the insane in the army and navy at Washington, D. C.

As early as 1848 it had become a settled policy of the government at Washington to grant tracts of lands to new states for education and internal improvements. In 1845 the amount thus granted for these purposes had reached an aggregate of 134,704,982 acres. Miss Dix conceived the idea of petitioning Congress to make similar grants to states to be used for the insane. Her first memorial asking for 5,000,000 acres to be thus used failed of passage. In 1850 she, for the second time, memorialized Congress for this cause and then asked for 12,225,000 acres. This bill passed both houses of Congress but was vetoed by President Pierce. He drew a line between government appropriations outside the District of Columbia for internal improvements and purposes of an eleemosynary character like the Dix bill. He contended that for this reason its constitutionality was in doubt and even if it were within the power of the government to do this it was inexpedient, because if this precedent should be established the states might sometime force all of their poor on to the nation.

Miss Dix had at this time wrought such a change in public sentiment throughout the country that this veto was bitterly criticised by many.

In 1854, having become greatly exhausted by her labors, she decided to visit England for rest and recreation. She engaged passage on the steamer "Arctic." When she went to pay her passage the clerk handed her a receipt for it but declined the money saying that he had been instructed by the owners of the ship to do this.

Mr. E. K. Collins, the chief owner of the line, was on board the ship and when Miss Dix approached him to tender her thanks he said:

The nation, Madam, owes you a debt of gratitude which it can never repay, and of which I, as an individual, am only too happy to be thus privileged to mark my sense.

Dr. Daniel Hack Tuke, a famous English alienist, and author of "History of the Insane in the British Isles," published in 1882, gives due credit to the work of Miss Dix throughout the British Empire and says that "she revolutionized the lunacy laws of the land." She extended her work to the Channel Islands and on the Continent. In some of the Italian cities she found the insane in a deplorable situation. Even in Rome the conditions were not much better and worse than in Naples. She decided that in order to institute a movement for reform that would produce results an audience with Pope Pius IX was necessary. Being only a woman, a foreigner and a protestant she had fears and misgivings as to the outcome. But whatever doubts may have troubled her were of short duration. Regarding this episode in her life which occurred in February 1856, her biographer says:⁹

Unfortunately, no letter or paper of any kind remains that might serve to recall the particulars of the interview Miss Dix ultimately obtained with Pope Plus IX. That it was one which, from the circumstances of the case,—the supreme spiritual authority of the Pontiff, the beautiful benignity of the man, and the far-reaching consequences it might entail,—must have called out her full resources, there can be no question. All that can be gathered today to illustrate the scene must come from the memories of certain of Miss Dix's still surviving friends, to whom, in those rare hours of intimacy in which she suffered her habitual reticence about herself to be broken through, she told the story.

She found Pius IX benignity itself. Happily at home in English, nothing of the power of the plea was lost by having to pass through the medium of an interpreter. He listened with fixed attention to her recital, and was painfully shocked at its details, promising her immediately to make a personal examination and appointing a second audience at a later date. A day or two after, he drove unannounced to the insane asylum, and taking its officials unawares inspected the wards himself. Then, at the second audience granted Miss Dix, he freely acknowledged his distress at the condition of things he had found, and warmly thanked her, a woman and a Protestant, for crossing the seas to call to his attention as Chief Shepherd of the Sheep these cruelly-treated members of his flock.

When the Civil War broke out in 1861 the world wide reputation which Miss Dix had attained made her the one person in the country that President Lincoln and his administration at Washington turned to for assistance in the matter of organizing nurses for the armies of the north. They had then no Red Cross organiza-

(⁹) Tiffany (supra) p. 288.

tion or anything similar to it but the exigencies of the war brought forth what was known as the Sanitary Commission and later on the Christian Commission, organizations with immense sums of money contributed by generous people of the northern states. Thousands of women nurses volunteered for the service but the majority of them were entirely untrained and inexperienced. Miss Dix was called by the government to take charge and have general supervision of this department. She was appointed

Superintendent of Women Nurses, to select and assign women nurses to general or permanent military hospitals, they not to be employed in such hospitals without her sanction and approval, except in cases of urgent need.

She continued to perform this arduous work until peace was declared. She won great fame in these activities and her name was well known in all the ranks of the Union soldiers and a household word throughout the north. Had she never done anything else of a public nature except this, history would have recorded her as one of the great women of the age. But even this work, as great and as noble as it was did not compare in magnitude with that of the years previous and it necessarily has a subordinate place in her career.

After the close of the Civil War she again took up her labors for the insane and unfortunate ones of life and continued them until within a short time of her death.

She was talented as a writer and during her busy life found time to write several books. She was the author of "Science of Common Things," a book that for one or two generations, had a place in almost every home in the country and was a standard reference. This little book passed through sixty editions. Other later books were, "Garland of Flora," "Private Hours," "Alice & Ruth," "Prisons and Prison Discipline."

She died July 17, 1887, and the burial took place in Mt. Auburn Cemetery near Boston, Massachusetts.

About a quarter of a century ago, after the fact that Miss Dix was born in Hampden had been fully established, certain patriotic men and women of Hampden, Bangor and other parts of Maine began a movement for a public park in her memory. This resulted in the formation of a corporation known as the Dorothea Dix Memorial Association. A tract of land which embraced her birth-place was purchased and on July 4, 1899, it was properly dedicated with impressive ceremonies and an oration delivered by the late

Colonel Augustus C. Hamlin of Bangor. The following account of the proceedings appeared in the Bangor Daily News in its issue of July 5, 1899:

Dorothea Lynde Dix, a woman who was brave, self-sacrificing and patriotic was honored by the Dorothea Dix Memorial Association in Hampden yesterday in a grand manner. It was the occasion of the dedication of the park and erection of the liberty pole in honor of this great woman who gave her life for the saving of humanity.

Arrangements for the celebration have been going on for several weeks and when the hour for the exercises to begin arrived, there were hundreds of people gathered at the park to participate in and listen to the interesting program. The procession formed in the public square at Hampden Corner at 10 o'clock. It was made up as follows:

Platoon of Bangor Police.
Newburgh Band, 20 pieces.
Co. A, of Hampden, 45 men,
Captain F. C. Turner, commanding.

Hon. Joseph S. Smith, chief marshal, of Bangor and staff.

Col. F. U. Whiting, chief of staff, Hampden.

Col. John F. Foster, adjutant general, Bangor.

Col. W. W. Emerson, quartermaster general, Hampden.

Col. Walter H. Nason, surgeon general, Hampden.

Col. Henry W. Mayo, judge advocate general, Hampden.

Lient. Col. Frank A. Garnsey, aide-de-camp, Bangor.

Lient. Col. Fred H. Small, aide-de-camp, Bangor.

Lient. Col. George E. Emery, aide-de-camp, Hampden.

Hannibal Hamlin Post, No. 165, Bangor 50 men, Junior Vice Commander
John T. Gilman, in command.

B. H. Beale Post, No. 12, G. A. R., Bangor, 75 men, Commander Fred E.
Sprague, commanding.

Frank G. Flagg Post, G. A. R., Hampden, 30 men, Senior Vice Commander
F. R. Packard, commanding.

State Relief Corps of Hampden, 35 members, Mrs. J. D. Stanwood, State
President, commanding.

National Relief Corps of Hampden, 40 members.

The procession marched to the park, which is situated about a mile below the town, followed by hundreds of people in carriages.

Upon arriving at the park a hollow square was formed about the liberty pole and at the command of Gen. Smith the stars and stripes were raised by Capt. Henry Snow of Brewer. As the red, white and blue banner broke to the breeze three rousing cheers were given by the assemblage. Prayer was offered by Prof. John S. Sewall of Bangor, chaplain of Hannibal Hamlin post, and Col. A. C. Hamlin of Bangor, the orator of the day, then delivered his address. Col. Hamlin was personally acquainted with Miss Dix and his address was listened to with a great deal of interest. A poem was read written for the occasion by Julia H. May. An address was also made by Mrs. H. C. Beedy of Farmington, Maine, the President of the Associa-

tion. Letters were read from General Nelson A. Miles, Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, and others. Colonel Jerre Fenno of Bangor read the following invocation which had been written by Mrs. Henrietta G. Rowe of Bangor:

Father of Mercies, Sovereign Lord,
We take thee at thy gracious word;
Tho' thine the power to loose and bind
The merciful shall mercy find.
To thee we raise our song of praise,
In thee we live and move; our ways
By thee are guided; and thy love
Fills earth below and Heaven above;
The heart that bleeds for other's woe,
The generous hand, the words that glow
With pitying love, the gifts that shine,
Are but a pale reflex of thine.

In connection with this story the News also published the following "Notes of the Day:"

The local military company presented a fine appearance under the command of Capt. F. C. Turner. The men were dressed in new uniforms such as the regular army and the volunteer soldiers wore during the Cuban campaign. The company colors were carried by Michael McAuliffe, who has seen service at many state musters in this capacity and who is a veteran of the Civil War.

Congressman Boutelle and Hon. A. R. Day, collector of the port of Bangor, were interested spectators at the celebration.

Many of the residences at Hampden were decorated in honor of the occasion.

The flag which was raised on the liberty pole was presented by Col. Charles A. Jones, proprietor of the American House, Boston, and a native of Hampden. The flagstaff which is about 50 feet high was made by Daniel A. Smith of Hampden, who is 76 years of age. The pole was given by Melville Atwood and the topmost by George Swett.

A party of young people came from Newburg to attend the celebration in a fine looking trap owned by John P. Dearborn and which was drawn by a handsome pair of horses.

Many Boston and New York people are passing the summer at Hampden and they all attended the celebration. Mr. Fletcher and family of Washington were interested spectators at the exercises.

The steamer City of Bangor passed up the river when the exercises were in progress and saluted the assemblage.

Patrolmen Baker, Pierce, Perkins and Harry Baker of the Bangor police force acted as escort to the parade.

Mrs. J. Sewall Reed of Boston, who is visiting Mrs. D. M. Reed in Hampden was one of the earnest workers for the success of the occasion.

THE PINE

Let others have the maple trees,
 With all their garnered sweets.
Let others choose the mysteries
 Of leafy oak retreats.
I'll give to other men the fruit
 Of cherry and the vine.
Their claims to all I'll not dispute
 If I can have the pine.

I love it for its tapering grace,
 Its uplift strong and true.
I love it for its fairy lace
 It throws against the blue.
I love it for its quiet strength,
 Its hints of dreamy rest
As, stretching forth my weary length,
 I lie here as its guest.

No Persian rug for priceless fee
 Was e'er so richly made
As that the pine has spread for me
 To woo me to its shade.
No kindly friend hath ever kept
 More faithful vigil by
A tired comrade as he slept
 Beneath his watchful eye.

But best of all I love it for
 Its soft, eternal green;
Through all the winter winds that roar
 It ever blooms serene,
And strengthens souls oppressed by fears,
 By troubles multiform,
To turn, amid the stress of tears,
 A smiling face to storm.

—*John Kendrick Bangs.*

Tombstone Inscriptions

SOME CURIOUS, SOME NOTABLE, SOME COMMONPLACE.

Collected and Annotated by EDGAR CROSBY SMITH.

(Continued from page 158)

(front)

In memory of
William Tyng Esq.,
formerly Sheriff of
Cumberland, afterward
intrusted with impor-
tant offices in the
Province of New
Brunswick, & late resi-
dent

(back)

greatly lamented by
an affectionate wid-
ow, who pays this
tribute of conjugal
love, & by a family
of adopted children,
to whom he showed
more than parental
kindness.

(right face)

dent in Gorham:
where, after a useful
life, marked with pro-
bity, he died, in the
firm hope of a joyful
resurrection, Dec'r
10, 1807, aged 70;
greatly

(left face)

"He that believeth in Me,
though he were dead
yet shall he live."

This quaint and interesting epitaph is engraved on a freestone monument in the Eastern Cemetery, Portland, which marks the grave of a noted Loyalist, William Tyng.

The inscription, commencing on the front face of the monument, reads to the right around the four sides and no attempt was made by the graver to complete a sentence, or a word even, before carrying forward the inscription to the next face. The catch-word such as was used at the bottom of the printed page of a century ago is here used.

William Tyng was a son of Commodore Edward Tyng and his wife, Ann Waldo, and was born in Boston, August 17, 1737. The father, although a resident of Boston, had large business interests at Falmouth. The Commodore died when William was eighteen years old. After becoming of age William opened a bookstore in

Cornhill, Boston, but his large holdings of real estate in Falmouth caused frequent and extended visits there.

In 1767, at the death of Moses Pearson the first sheriff of Cumberland county, William Tyng was appointed his successor. In 1769 he married Elizabeth, only child of Capt. Alexander Ross, and it was at about this time that he took up his permanent residence in Portland in the Madam Ross house on the corner of the present Middle and Franklin streets. He resided there until 1775, when his loyalist sentiments rendered his environment so unpleasant that he removed to Boston.

In 1774 he was commissioned a colonel by Governor Gage. The Crown had recently taken from the people the right to elect their civil officers, and the breach was fast widening between the Colonists and the home government. On account of his holding a military commission under the King and at the same time being sheriff of the county, Col. Tyng was looked upon with suspicion by some. On September 21, 1774, a meeting of delegates from Cumberland county towns was held and a resolution passed requesting Sheriff Tyng's presence and a statement from him as to what position he should take regarding enforcing recent acts of Parliament. He made a statement that he "would not as sheriff, or otherwise, act in conformity to or by virtue of said acts, unless by general consent of the County." Having abundant confidence in his integrity and holding the sheriff in high esteem, this statement was voted satisfactory.

After leaving Portland in 1775 he remained in Boston until March, 1776, when that city was evacuated by the British. He went, with many other Loyalists, to New York and remained there until Lord Howe's forces evacuated the latter city in November, 1783. The last hope of the Loyalists having perished many left their native soil and took up homes in New Brunswick; Col. Tyng was of the number, taking a tract of land at White's Cove on the St. John river.

He was there held in high repute and was appointed to various provincial offices and was at one time chief justice. But he never lost his yearning for his old home at Portland. In 1793 he resigned his positions in the province and returned. Madam Ross in the meantime had removed to the neighboring town of Gorham and there erected a beautiful home. Col. Tyng and his wife made it their's.

He was received most cordially by his old friends and neighbors and was at once restored to his former social standing. His estate, which had been confiscated, was restored to him for a nominal sum and he passed his declining years in happiness among his former associates. He died, suddenly, December 11, 1807.

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SOLOMON VOSE, ESQ.
who died Aug. 11, A. D. 1809
Aged 41.

Reader, if love of worth thy bosom warm,
If virtue please thee, or, if friendship charm,
Upon this marble drop a tender tear,
Worth, virtue, friendship, all are buried here.

Solomon Vose was one of Augusta's early lawyers. Although he lived but four years after locating in the town, in that short period he acquired a large clientage and was looked upon as one of the leading lawyers of the section.

He was a son of Col. Joseph Vose of Milton, Massachusetts, and was born there February 22, 1768. His father was an officer in the Revolutionary Army, entering as a captain, served seven years and discharged with the rank of colonel.

Solomon Vose received his education at Harvard and was graduated from the University with the class of 1787. He decided upon the practice of law as a profession and studied with Levi Lincoln, the elder, at Worcester, was admitted to the bar and commenced practice at Northfield, Massachusetts. In 1805 he came to Augusta. He was cut down suddenly in the strength of his manhood; on August 11, 1809, while walking up "Jail Hill" as it was then called, on his way to dinner, in apparent perfect health, he was stricken with apoplexy and fell, expiring immediately.

He married, September 11, 1796, Eliza P. Chandler of Worcester. Mrs. Vose and four young sons survived him. She lived a widow fifty-three years and died in Augusta in June, 1862. One of the sons, George H., died while in college; another, Edward J., died at the age of 25, soon after his admission to the bar and marriage. The other sons, Gen. Rufus C. Vose and Hon. Richard H. Vose, became prominent residents of Augusta.

Mr. Vose was of commanding appearance, quite a large man, with a military bearing. He was 41 years of age at the time of his death. His grave is in Mount Pleasant cemetery, Augusta.

THOMAS DAVEE

died

Dec. 9, 1841,

Aged 44 years.

The life of Thomas Davee is a marked example of how a man of force and character may rise from humble and obscure environment to state and national repute. He was born in Plymouth, Massachusetts, December 9, 1797, and at about the time he attained his majority came to Maine and connected himself with Charles Blanchard, a large merchant of Portland.

Mr. Blanchard furnished the merchandise and Mr. Davee opened a store in Hebron under an equal profit-sharing partnership; he traded there a few years and, coming to the conclusion that the Piscataquis settlement offered better prospects, in 1821, he removed to Dover and erected a potash and a small building for a store. He got his stock early in 1822 and became the first trader in Dover.

From his advent in the town he took a prominent part in municipal affairs and during his whole residence here held some town office. As his business increased and proved successful he became a large real estate owner. In 1825 he was elected a representative to the legislature and served in the legislature of 1826 and was returned in 1827. In 1830, '31 and '32 he was a member of the Maine senate. All this time he had kept up his business relations with Mr. Blanchard although he had personally acquired much land.

In 1831 he and Mr. Blanchard bought a large interest in Township 3, Range 3, Bingham's Kennebec Purchase, East of Kennebec River, and that year the town was incorporated by the name of Blanchard in honor of the senior proprietor. In the spring of 1833, Mr. Davee, having disposed of the larger part of his holdings in Dover, removed to Blanchard. The town was then in Somerset county. In 1835 he was a member of the Maine House of Representatives from this county, his previous service being as a representative and senator from Penobscot. He was elected speaker of the house and served about two-thirds of the session when he resigned to accept the honorable office of high sheriff of Somerset county.

In 1836 he was elected a representative to Congress and served as a member of that body from March 4, 1837, to March 3, 1841. On his return to his home in Blanchard, in the election of 1841, he was elected to the Maine senate, but died on the 44th anniversary

of his birth, December 9, 1841, before taking his seat. Had he lived but a few years longer he undoubtedly would have become governor of his state. He had acquired, through his years of membership in the state and national legislatures, his service as speaker of the Maine House and as sheriff of Somerset county, a large political following, and he was an avowed candidate for governor and strongly backed for the office.

He came to this locality a poor young man only 24 years of age and in 20 years was one of the leading citizens of the state. He lies buried in the little churchyard cemetery in Monson village, the spot marked by a plain marble monument with the simple inscription graven thereon as above given.

With this issue of the Journal we have commenced the publication of "An Alphabetical Index of Revolutionary Pensioners, Living in Maine," compiled by Charles A. Flagg, Librarian of the Bangor Public Library, whose ability for such work is well known. This is by far one of the most valuable historical items ever published in Maine. It will prove of immeasurable importance not only to students of Maine history but to members of the G. A. R., and D. A. R., and all who are aspirants to membership in these patriotic societies. We hope to be able to continue it in future numbers of the Journal until the entire list is complete.

WILLIAM DeWITT HYDE

(Read at the memorial exercises at Bowdoin College, Oct. 24th, 1917)

Laurels to those that win them: therefore bring
 Laurels for him, not tears, although his face
 We see no more forever in this place,
 Nor hear again the voice that used to ring
 With many a noble utterance. Let us cling
 To one high purpose still thru time and space,
 Remembering with what dignity and grace
 He walked life's ways among us like a king.
 With other work in other worlds afar
 This God-commissioned man dared not delay.
 After his task was ended, where we are.
 Crown then his memory, and rejoice today
 That in his journeying from star to star,
 He, scattering only blessings, passed this way.

—Samuel Valentine Cole.

York County

(F. A. GOODALL IN INDUSTRIAL JOURNAL 1890.)

The flourishing village of Cornish, the most northerly town in York County, is located about 30 miles from Portland, on the White Mountain Division of the Maine Central Railroad and is recognized as the trade center of the Ossipee Valley. The lands of Cornish, together with all that portion of York County lying between the Great and Little Ossipee Rivers, were bought of Captain Sunday, a celebrated Indian sagamore of Newichawnock, by Francis Small, an Indian trader of Kittery.

The deed which was made at Kittery, Nov. 28, 1668, mentions as the consideration, two large English blankets, two gallons of rum, two pounds of powder, four pounds of musket-balls and twenty strings of Indian beads. This title, with all similar ones, was confirmed by the commission appointed by the General Court of Massachusetts. Mr. Small sold an undivided interest to Major Nicholas Shapleigh, of Kittery, and April 30, 1711, transferred his remaining interest to his son, Samuel Small. The title appears to have been lost for a number of years subsequent, as there is no record of any transfer or occupation of this tract, which was known as the Ossipee lands, until the discovery of the original deed to Francis Small, in 1770, when the descendants of Small and Shapleigh took formal possession. A partition was effected Aug. 5, 1771, and Nov. 19, 1779, Joshua Small, of Ossipee,—now Linington,—sold that part of his estate included in the present town to Joseph Dow, of New Market, N. H., and Benjamin Connor, of Newburyport, Mass.

When white men first visited this part of the country it was found to be occupied by the Sokokis, a tribe of Indians whose chief dwelt on Indian, now Factory Island, Saco. A large village was located at the bend of the Saco River, in Fryeburg. In Hiram, just across the river, at the mouth of the Ossipee, a high bluff, the summit of which comprised about two acres of nearly level land, was occupied by another village. Years after, the circular spots of grass growing upon the sites of their wigwams gave proof of its long occupancy. Their chief stronghold was on the south side of the river, in what is now Cornish. After these Indians had seen the stout stockades and block houses of the white men, they employed carpenters from Biddeford to construct one for them, where they might defend themselves against the assaults of their enemies, the Mohawks, upon their favorite hunting grounds. The exact loca-

tion of this fort which was built somewhere between the present village and the mouth of the Ossipee, is unknown. It was strongly built of timbers, with bastions, or flankers, and was fourteen feet high.

EARLY COURT RECORDS

At the first court holden at Saco in June, A. D. 1640, the Grand Jury proceeded as follows:—"We that are of the greate enquest do present unto this Courte the grieuances of ourselves and the people in generall of this Province, or the major part thereof, the common crimes and injurious dealing of some inhabiting within this Province, who have and now practice contrary to the peace of our Sovereigne Lord the King and contrarie to the wellfare of this Commonwealth, as exacions, extorcious, regrating, forestalling and other unjust practices as follows.

INDICTMENT FOR EXTORTION.—Imprimis—"We doe present Mr. John Winter of Richmonds Island, for that Thomas Wise of Casco, hath declared upon his oath that he paid unto Mr. John Winter a noble for a gallon of aquavita, about two months since, and further he declareth that he hath credibly heard it reported, that the said Mr. Winter bought of Mr. George Lugton, when he was last in Casco Bay a hogshead of aquavita for 7 lb. starling about nine months since."

At the same Court the following Order was made :

It is ordered by this Court that the Worshipfull Tho. Gorges and Edward Godfrey, Counsellors of this Province, shall order all the inhabitants from Pascataque to Kennibonke, which have any children unbaptised, that as sone as a minister is settled in any of their plantations, they shall bring their said children to baptisme and if any shall refuse to said order, that then the persons so refusing shall be summoned to answer this contempt at the next Generall Court to be holden in this Province.

The old York gaol in York, Maine is said to be the oldest public building of the English Colonists in America that is now standing. It was built in 1653. It has been preserved with its massive stone dungeon and doubly barred windows of ancient days by the York Historical and Improvement Society. It is now used as a museum of local antiquities. An illustration of it may be found in the Journal, Vol. 1, p. 42.

Some years ago a writer in a Maine newspaper under the title: "Little Journeys in the Old Jail," said that "in it may be seen an old book by the Reverend Samuel Moody," and adds:

The fly leaf is covered with the handwriting of the Rev. Mr. Moody, and can be seen by any who desire to look through the glass at the faded ink. The title of the book is as queer as the man who composed it, and we repro-

The Gospel Way
of escaping
The doleful State of the Dammed
With a Representation
Of their More Aggravated Misery
who go to Hell
from under the Gospel
Being the substance of several sermons
preached at
York in the Province of Main
By Samuel Moody, A. M.
Pastor of a church of Christ there
Second Edition

The Rev. Samuel Moody was born in Newbury, Mass., Jan. 4, 1675, and was a graduate of Harvard, in 1697, and a year later came to York. One of his peculiarities was early evinced, when he refused to have any stipulated salary, but relied on what people were willing to contribute for his support. For 47 years the Rev. Samuel Moody continued in the ministry, and was at the memorable siege of Louisburg, in 1745, as chaplain in Pepperrell's regiment. He died at the ripe old age of seventy-two.

The Maine Writers Research Club held a meeting at the Hallowell House, November 10, 1917. This Club was a factor in the production of the two charming and valuable Club Women's books already published, "Maine in History and Romance" (1915) and "The Trail of the Maine Pioneer" (1916).

At this meeting the members discussed the matter of publishing another book the coming year along similar lines. The opinion seemed to prevail that the next publication should be of a character which would appeal to and inform boys and girls of grammar-school age something about the history of their own State.

Dr. Augustus O. Thomas, State Superintendent of Schools for Maine, was present as their guest of honor.

Dr. Thomas in a brief talk to the club explained how such a volume fitted admirably with plans he had in mind for a course of study in the public schools and gave the project his heartiest endorsement.

Within a month the members of the club will submit to a committee consisting of Miss Anna L. Dingley of Auburn, Miss Jessica J. Haskell of Hallowell and Mrs. Boyd Bartlett of Castine, a list of subjects from which the material for the book will be selected. It is expected the volume will be ready next September.

Documentary

OXFORD COUNTY

1803

(From Massachusetts Records)

To the Honourable Senate and Honourable House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled at Boston. Jan., 1803—

We the subscribers your humble Petitioners, knowing that the Legislature are at times willing to remove the Inconviences and redress grievances when known to exist in any part of the Commonwealth and are not insensible of the advantages and disadvantages of an incorporate and unincorporate State—We therefore pray the honourable Legislature that the Plantation called Oxford in the county of York may be Incorporated into a Town by the name of *Oxford* according to the courses and distances following, Viz beginning at a pond at the Northeasterly corner of Waterford—thence North twenty Degs West six miles and one hundred and thirty rods to the south line of Bethel thence West 20 Deg South bounded by Bethel five and one half miles thence South twenty Degs East, seven miles or thereabouts to Waterford line—thence by the Northwardly line of Waterford to the first mentioned bound and your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

(Signed)

ASA CUMMINGS
BANT, HASKELL
JONATHAN HOLT

Committee chosen in behalf of the Plantation of Oxford.

The Honourable the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts holden in Boston, May—1804;

We the subscribers having previously petitioned for the Plantation of Oxford in the county of York to be Incorporated into a Town by the name of Oxford—Having since been informed that we could not be Incorporated by that name, have at a meeting of the Inhabitants Voted to have it Incorporated by the name of *Albany* if your Honours think fit.

(Signed)

ASA CUMMINGS
BANT, HASKELL
JONATHAN HOLT

Committee

1754

The Province of Massachusetts Bay

To GERSHOM FLAGG

Dr.

For Work done by himself and the following hands employed by him by virtue of his Excellency's (William Shirley's Warrant for building Fort Halifax, &c., &c.

MEN'S NAMES.	Quality.	Time of entrance.
Gershom Flagg.....	Commander.....	July 12
Thomas Cocks.....	Carpenter.....	July 12
Thomas Clemens.....	Carpenter.....	July 12
Rignall Odell.....	Carpenter.....	July 12
Nathaniel Gulliver.....	Carpenter.....	July 20
Stephen Gulliver.....	Carpenter.....	July 20
Phineus Steward.....	Carpenter.....	July 22
Benjamin Estey.....	Carpenter.....	July 22
Ralph Homenway.....	Carpenter.....	July 22
Uriah Tucker.....	Carpenter.....	July 23
Henry Hascali.....	Carpenter.....	July 13
Abraham Wyman.....	Teamster.....	July 13
Edmund Savage.....	Carpenter.....	Aug. 12
Jonathan Gibbs.....	Carpenter.....	July 6
Jonathan Howland.....	Cook.....	July 22
Robert Williams.....	Mason.....	Jan. 17
John Edwards.....	Mason.....	Jan. 17
William Parks.....	Mason.....	Jan. 20

N. B.—Robert Williams and John Edwards, from the time of entrance until discharged, worked 14 days each for the Plymouth Company which I have deducted; William Parks worked 21 days for said company, also deducted—while waiting for the Passage, which are all paid by said Company.

Boston, November 29, 1754.

Errors Excepted,

(Signed)

GERSHOM FLAGG.

PETITION OF THE SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF BANGOR

(Contributed by RAYMOND FELLOWS of Bangor, Maine)

To the Honourable Justice of the Courts of Common Pleas to be holden at Castine on the First Tuesday of May, next

The Petition of the Selectmen of the Town of Bangor in Behalf of said town humbly prays that your honours would take into consideration the want and necessity of having a Bridge built across Condeskeag stream in said town. Want thereof renders it difficult to the inhabitants but more particularly to strangers as there is some months in the year there is neither crossing by water, nor Ice. The rapid settlement of the river above make it become publick utility to the county—Therefore we pray your Honours

to take it into consideraion and grant us such afsistance as you
in your wisdom may think fit as we in duty bound-will forever pray—

Bangor th 9 April 1800

NATHL. HARLOW
ROBERT HICHBORN JUNR
BULKELEY EMERSON

NB

From the above information the cost of building the bridge is estimated
at 2000 dollars the distance acrofs said stream where said bridge must be
erected is twenty five Rods.

(On Back)

To

The Honourable Justice
of the Court of Sefsions
at Castine

leave to lie on the
table

Petition of the Town of
Bangor to buil to bridge
acrofs Condeskeg stream

Petition of Selectmen
of the Town of Bangor.

FRAS' WALDO TO THE SURVEYOR GENERAL

Falmouth 11th August 1766—

Sir

On the 7th Currant about 11 Clo. AM. in consequence of an Infor-
mation, we the Collector and Comptroller of this Port went went to the house
of Enoch Hsley Shopkeeper, & after Searching it, demanded the key of
a Store belonging to him, but that not being granted we proceeded to
spring the Lock of said Store, in presence of Alexr Ross Esqr a magis-
trate who attended in obedience to a Writ of Assistance shewn him by
the said Collector, thereupon seven hogsheads, & one small Tierce of sugar,
& part of a hogshead, & part of a Tierce ditto, three hogshead of Rum
& 2 Ullages of ditto, were Seized and marked (with the T) by us the
Collector & Comptr and a lock then put on the said Store. Hereupon it became
our endeavor to procure a proper place to remove the Goods into, as
likewise Trucks and Horses for halling them, but every person to whom
we applied either refused, or were so backward that we could not obtain
either.

The same Evening about 6, Clo. upon hearing that a rescue of the Goods
was intended, we acquainted the aforementioned Magistrate thereof in
writing, and requested his Support & assistance (he being the only one
then in Town) thereupon he granted us his Warrant directed to the Sheriff
and his Deputys requiring them to assist us. After enquiring for the
Sheriff we found he was at a considerable distance from the Town—by
this time (7 Clo) numbers of people were assembled round the dwelling

House of the said Hsley in passing whom when in a quest of a Deputy Sheriff we Recd some small Insult from, and having found the Deputy Sheriff To' Noyes we committed the said Warrant to him, and enjoyned him to do the needful to prevent a rescue of the Goods. Night coming on the people assembling in great numbers we went to the Dwelling House of the Comptroller being in the neighbourhood of the said Hsleys and soon experienced the violence of the Mob, the House being beset and pelted with Clubs & Stones by intermissions until 10, or $\frac{1}{2}$ past 10 Clock when they dispersed it being said that in that time the aforementioned Goods were carried away by persons unknown and disguised—the Morning following about 9 Clock the Collector having visited the said Store accordingly found all the said Goods missing, and in presence of Benja Wait Esqr enquired of said Hsley whether he know by whom they were taken away, but his Answer was that he did not, he being sick and confined to his House—the aforementioned Deputy Sheriff declares that he was forcibly borne away by the Mob, his pockets Rifled and the Warrant taken away & he perverted from doing his duty.

Upon the best information we can git a considerable part of the Town were active in the said Rescue, and we conceive it becomes our duty to inform that we think ourselves unsafe at present, and that it is out of our power to carry the Laws of Trade into Execution without some other support than what we at present have.

We are very respectfully Sir

Your most obedt Humble Servants

Fras Waldo Collect

Ar. Savage Compr

Copy

Examd p Jno Cotton D. Secry

(From Doc. History of Maine (Baxter Manuscripts) Vol. 14 p. 8)

JONATHAN LONGFELLOW'S MEMORIAL TO GOVR HUTCHINSON

Provence of the Massachusetts Bay. To the Honourable Thomas Hutchinson Esqre Lieut Governor and Commander in Chief in and over his Majestys Said provence

Jonathan Longfellow of Machias in the County of Lincoln, humbly Represents to your honor, that since your Memorialist was appointed by your honor, as one of his Majestys justices of the peace for said County, a number of the inhabitants of Machias who are enemies to all law and government, have Combined together against your Memorialist, for no other Reason: bnt, for that of his being a Civil magistrate: they have at divers times put your memorialist in great Bodily fear by menaces and threatening speeches; and on Saturday the third day of November, as your memorialist was in the publick highway, in the peace of God and the King, four of the said disaffected persons; vis Samnel Kenney, Jeremiah Obron, James Southerland, and Joshua Webster, did attack the person

of your memorialist, and in a violent manner threw him down upon the ground; and then Beat, and mawled your memorialist with their fists, in a most Barbarous manner, so that your memorialist is wholly disenabled from going about his common business, and what makes his Situation still more unhappy is, that there is no Magistrate nigher than Goldsboro', which is about twenty leagues from this place; and those that where there, are now gone to Boston, and the Season of the year approaching, that makes it difficult passing either by land or water; So that it is impossible for your memorialist to Receive any present Relief, in the disabled circumstances that he is now in.

Your memorialist would also Represent to your honor, that, except he can have some other persons appointed as Justices of the peace in this place, he must Resign his Commision; it being impossible for him to do his duty without being in continual danger of his life from the lawless party, who are daly giving out threatening speeches against any Civil officer, that shall presume to take any one of their party; and that they are determined to Support themselves by Clubb law. Conscious of the deep wisdom of your honor, he most humbly Submits his hard case, and the agravated treatment he has Received, in consequence of his being appointed one of his majestys Justiceses; most humbly imploreing your honor to take the premises into Consideration and grant such Relief, as your honor, in your known great wisdom and impartiality, shall deem most for the advancement of Justice, and the preservation of peace, order, and good government
and as in duty bound Shall ever pray

Jonathan Longfellow

Machias November 8th 1770

(From Doc. History of Maine (Baxter Manuscripts) Vol. 14, p. 112)

THE CENSUS OF YORK COUNTY, MAINE, IN 1820
WAS AS FOLLOWS:

York	3224	Buxton	2590
Kittery	1886	Lebanon	2223
Eliot	1679	Sanford	1831
S. Berwick	1475	Alfred	1271
Berwick	2736	Shapleigh	2815
Saco	2532	Cornish	1088
Hollis	1762	Limerick	1877
Biddeford	1738	Newfield	1147
Arundel	2478	Parsonfield	2355
Kennebunk	2145	Lyman	1387
Wells	2660	Waterborough	1763
Limington	2122		

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INLAND MAINE SCENERY



A Canoe Load of Trophies

(Courtesy, B. & A. R. R.)

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THUCYDIDES. *Historia*, i. 2, 2.

Morrill Newman Drew

Honorable Morrill Newman Drew of Portland, Maine, died at his residence in that city September 27, 1917. He was born in Fort Fairfield, Maine, May 17, 1862, and was the son of the late Honorable Jesse and Clarissa (Wellington) Drew. His father was a native of Turner in this state, but removed to Aroostook County in 1858, settling in Fort Fairfield.

The late Honorable Hannibal Hamlin, Vice President of the United States with Abraham Lincoln and one of the founders of the Republican party was in many ways one of the most remarkable political leaders that Maine or the nation ever produced. He lived in a period before the later days of political "management" which was graphically described by Winston Churchill in his great novels, "Coniston" and "Mr. Crew's Career." He was one of the highest type of integrity as a statesman and politician. He assembled about him as political lieutenants a group of some of the staunchest and most honorable citizens of Maine. They were men of high character and standing in their communities. He had them in every county in the state. Men in whom he placed implicit confidence, who never betrayed him and were always true—such as

Sebastian S. Marble, of Waldoboro, afterwards (1887-8) acting governor of Maine; Hiram Ruggles of Carmel, Mason of York County, the late Hiram Knowlton of Portland and in those days a resident of Somerset County, and Ozias Blanchard of Piscataquis County. Prominent among such was Jesse Drew, the father of Morrill Drew. Thus he inherited taste and ability for politics.

He studied law with the late Honorable Llewellyn Powers at Houlton, Maine, who was himself not only an able lawyer but one of the keenest politicians that eastern Maine has ever produced. Mr. Drew was a graduate of Bates College and the Boston University School of Law. He was early admitted to the bar and began the practice of law in his native town of Fort Fairfield and was soon elected County Attorney, serving two terms as such. He was a member of the Legislature from his class in Aroostook County. Also from the City of Portland in 1903-5 and was speaker of the house in 1905. He filled other public positions at various times and was once chairman of the State Tax Commission. He was a Universalist and at one time president of the Maine Universalist Convention. He was also a member of the Society of Colonial Wars and the Sons of the American Revolution, of various city clubs and high in the Masonic fraternities and a member of the Portland Lodge of Elks. He was a Republican in politics, yet never a narrow partisan but broad and liberal in his views. He was chairman of the Maine delegation at the Republican National Convention in Chicago in 1912 and helped organize the progressive movement at that time. He was a close friend of Theodore Roosevelt, who relied upon him and believed in his ability as a political leader. He was also one of Portland's leading business men and was prominently identified with the banking interests of that city.

Before removing to Portland he had already organized the Fort Fairfield National Bank, serving as its president. In 1905 he organized the United States Trust Company of Portland and was its president from that time until his death.

He was modest and unassuming, always genial and courteous and a most agreeable companion. One of his strongest characteristics was his loyalty to his friends, who in turn were ever as true as steel to him. He had a host of them in Maine who will long remember him with feelings of affection. He was an upright man, a good citizen and Portland and the State of Maine have sustained a loss in his decease.

Sarah Martin

The recent death of Sarah Angelia (Lucas) Martin removed from the Dover-Foxcroft community a real woman; one of superior qualities in many respects, one of much culture and a strong personality which made a marked impress upon her friends and associates. She was born in Guilford, Maine, June 5, 1844 and died in Foxcroft, July 2, 1917.

She was the daughter and youngest child of William and Sally (Latham) Lucas, who moved to Guilford from Oxford County in 1833. Her ancestors on both sides were of those who fought for American independence in 1776, and on the mother's side she descended in the ninth degree from Mary Chilton of Mayflower fame.

On January 10, 1870, she was united in marriage with Osgood P. Martin, a veteran of the Civil War and a prominent and well-known Foxcroft man. Of this union three sons were born; Harold C., a promising young physician, who died in 1900; Herman S., a graduate of the University of Maine and now a civil engineer of irrigation and railway construction in Utah; Selden O., formerly assistant professor in Harvard University and now statistician of the American International Corporation of New York.

Although receiving only a common school education, she was in her earlier days a bright and ambitious scholar and a successful school teacher for several years prior to her marriage. She was a deep thinker and held positive convictions upon all subjects which engaged her attention. In her youthful days she read and studied the then engrossing topic of human slavery and her sympathies were early enlisted for the cause of the slave in the south and for the oppressed everywhere.

During her entire life she was a lover of books and a close and appreciative reader of the best in literature. She ever took a deep interest in early Maine history and was an active and useful member of the Piscataquis Historical Society and contributed to it valuable papers regarding the pioneer days of Piscataquis County.

She was also active and enthusiastic in the work of social and literary clubs and patriotic societies; a charter member of the local D. A. R., the Ladies of the G. A. R. and was a Harvard Dame. She was instrumental, with others, some years ago, in securing for Foxcroft the beautiful soldiers' monument, which stands on Monu-

ment Square in that village and which was presented to the town by the late Peleg Washburn of Parkman.

The work of the Red Cross appealed to her and she devoted much attention to it. Every movement, like the Community Chautauqua, that she realized was of benefit to the social life and enhanced the uplift of the community always found in her an assiduous and true friend. She was a religious woman in the best and broadest sense of the term; formerly and for many years a member of the Baptist, and later and at the time of her decease, a member of the Congregational Church, she was always faithful in her church work.

She occasionally wrote along literary and historical lines for magazines and newspapers, and her contributions were bright and entertaining and ought to be collected and published. Readers of Sprague's Journal of Maine History will readily recall her beautiful poem which she read at the Guilford Centennial, June 17, 1916.

From her girlhood she had believed that woman ought to have equal suffrage with man, and to this cause she loyally adhered and was a worker for it in both public and private life.

The writer was favored with her friendship for many years and, in brief, we believe that Sarah Martin was a splendid type of New England, intellectual womanhood. She had clear, logical and analytic mental powers and was an intelligent and interesting writer, both of prose and poetry. She possessed a fund of optimistic philosophy and her thought was ever of that which was highest and best in humanity. Its weaknesses and frailties did not attract, nor did gossip or scandal interest or defile her. Yet she had a keen sense of humor, but not of the kind that repelled or offended.

Her intellectual activities were always along progressive lines—whatever she believed would improve or elevate—and her vision constantly broadened in all things as her years increased.

She was a good and true woman and the world in which she lived was made better by reason of her presence therein.

Notes and Fragments

Plagiarism—What is plagiarism? I will tell you what it is not! It is not plagiarism when the second man tells the story better than the first man. (Felix Shay in Roycroft.)

But few people are now aware that Daniel Webster when a young man of 22, about the year 1804, visited Bangor, Maine, with the intention of settling there as a lawyer. He stopped for several days at Hatch's Inn on Main Street, where was in later years located the Bangor Exchange. He, however, decided not to remain there and returned home.

In 1855, upon the opening of the Bangor House, he was an invited guest and had then acquired a national reputation. On that occasion he referred to his first visit to that city.

George Cleeve was the first settler of Portland, but Richard Tucker who came with him was Portland's first farmer, and while not so prominent in history as Cleeve he was a sort of lieutenant for him and active in promoting his interests.

Richard Vines was the deputy governor of the province and lived at Saco. Once Cleeve sent Tucker to Saco to represent him on some political business before Vines. Cleeve and Vines were at odds with each other and Vines to get even with Cleeve caused him to be arrested and placed in jail for several days.

It is said that the soldiers in the American Revolution from the District of Maine numbered more than ten thousand.

A few years ago the Maine newspapers claimed that a native of Maine, Sumner C. Needham, was the first man to lose his life in the war of the rebellion. He was born in Norway, Maine, March 2, 1828, and was killed while a member of a Massachusetts regiment in the Baltimore riots.

Mathew Franklin Whittier, the only brother of the poet, John Greenleaf Whittier, was once one of Maine's quite famous humorous writers. His "Ethan Spike" letters generally written for the Portland Transcript, the Boston Carpet Bag and the New York

Vanity Fair found their way into the columns of newspapers and periodicals all over the country and in the forties and fifties he entertained thousands of readers.

Two epitaphs in the ancient cemetery of Wiscasset, Maine—a burial ground wherein, by the way, one of Washington's body guards, Ezekiel Averill, lies buried—on stones of husband and wife, side by side, are as follows:

In Memory of

Menasseh Smith, Esq.

Born at Leominster, Mass. Dec. 25, 1748
 graduated Harvard College 1775; was
 Chaplain in the Revolutionary Army; Clerk of
 S. Court of Jud. of Mass., settled
 in this town in the practice of
 law 1788: & declining public offices,
 devoted himself to the duties
 of his profession, happiness
 of his family, & offices of piety

Died May 2, 1823

In Memory of

Mrs. Hanah Smith

She was daughter of

Revd Daniel Emerson, of Holles.

N. H., born Oct. 11, 1745,

married to Menasseh Smith

Feb. 17, 1774, and died his

widow, April 16, 1825.

They were pious parents of

eight filial children; lived

exemplars of beneficence & ch-

arity, & died in the Christian's

hope of a happy immortality.

Swan Island in Kennebec River—the island township of Perkins—is a group of three islands, Swan Island, Little Swan Island and Spaulding Island. At one point between Little Swan Island and the Dresden shore the main channel of the Kennebec suddenly bends to the eastward for a short distance and is quite narrow with a very swift current flowing through a rocky passage, where it rarely freezes even in the coldest weather. This passage is

known as Lovejoy Narrows, taking its name from Abiel Lovejoy who anciently lived on the farm opposite in Dresden. Lovejoy was quite prominent in old Pownalborough records, but towards the close of the eighteenth century he moved up river to Sidney.

Charles H. Lovejoy, who for these many years has been known all over Maine as the diligent and faithful messenger to the Maine Senate, is, we believe, a descendant of Abiel.

Who, among the Journal readers now remember the name of one of Maine's sweetest singers of sixty years ago, Frances Laughton Mace?

One day when eighteen years of age she sent forth through the columns of the Waterville Mail a few verses and in a very few days found herself famous. These are the lines:

Only waiting till the shadows
Are a little longer grown,
Only waiting till the glimmer
Of the day's last beam is flown;
Till the night of earth is faded
From this heart once full of day,
Till the dawn of Heaven is breaking,
Through the twilight soft and gray.

Only waiting till the reapers
Have the last sheaf gathered home,
For the summer time has faded
And the autumn winds are come.
Quickly, reapers, gather quickly
The last ripe hours of my heart,
For the bloom of life is withered,
And I hasten to depart.

Only waiting till the angels
Open wide the mystic gate,
At whose feet I long have lingered
Weary, poor and desolate.
Even now I hear their footsteps
And their voices far away;
If they call me I am waiting—
Only waiting to obey.

Only waiting till the shadows
 Are a little longer grown,
 Only waiting till the glimmer
 Of the day's last beam is flown;
 Then from out the folded darkness
 Holy, deathless stars shall rise.
 By whose light my soul will gladly
 Wing her passage to the skies.

She was the daughter of Dr. Sumner Laughton, a well known physician of Bangor, Maine. Her husband was Benjamin H. Mace, once a prominent lawyer and democratic politician of eastern Maine.

In 1836, President Jackson discovering a surplus in the treasury of the United States, asked Congress to pass an act distributing the sum of \$28,000,000 to the different states which was done and was known as "Jackson's Surplus." Maine's share was \$956,000. This amount was allotted out equally to each individual and state agents were employed to make the distribution.

While Washington was the first President of the United States to set his foot on the soil of Maine—at Kittery when he visited Portsmouth, N. H.—yet James Monroe was the first President to make a visiting tour in Maine which was during the month of July, 1817.

A subscriber of the Journal has sent us a copy of the "People's Advocate and Independent Democrat," a newspaper published in Belfast, Maine, March 29, 1844. This issue is number five of volume one.

From its advertising columns we learn that Josiah Stetson was treasurer of the town of Lincolnville and advertised quite a long list of delinquent real estate tax-payers. The marine list in the port of Belfast was much larger then than in these days. Vessels arrived from many points on the Atlantic coast and from foreign ports as well.

The first log house built in what is now the village of Fairfield, Maine, was owned and occupied by Peter Pushard in 1776. He was closely followed by General William Kendall, and from this pioneer the hamlet took the name of Kendall's Mills, by which it was known for many years.

Mr. Manley Gower Brackett of Milo, Maine, is a descendant of Anthony Brackett who settled in Portsmouth, N. H., some years prior to 1640.

About all of the Bracketts of New England descended from either Anthony or Captain Richard Brackett of Braintree, Massachusetts. The latter is supposed to have come over with Winthrop in 1629.

The mother of Thomas Brackett Reed, the famous American statesman who was a native of Portland, Maine, was also of the same family of Bracketts. Her people were among the early settlers of Peaks Island. Two of the sons (Thomas & Anthony) of the original Anthony of Portsmouth married granddaughters of George Cleeve.

The town of Lebanon of York County, Maine, was incorporated under its present name June 25, 1767. On August 22, 1917, the people of that town unveiled a historical tablet having upon it the following inscription.

Lebanon, Maine.

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St. Francis Indians lodged in the Gully Oven, June 27, 1746.

First Meeting House erected in 1753.

Two Garrison Houses erected in 1755.

First Parish Organized June 26, 1765.

Rev. Isaac Hasey first settled minister, 1765-1812.

Town Incorporated June 17, 1767.

Erected by the Town 1917.

Prof. Hovey H. Cowell of Ashburnham, Massachusetts, was President of the day. George Walter Chamberlain delivered the historical address and Rev. O. M. Lord, Rev. A. W. Anthony, and others participated in the exercises which were of great interest. Original poems were read by Miss Ethel M. Wood and Daniel Hodgdon. Letters were read from Gov. Carl E. Milliken and other prominent men who were interested but could not be present.

One of the live business organizations of Maine is known as the Maine Commercial Travelers' Association. This association was originally formed in 1881 but had more or less of a precarious existence up to 1893 when it was reorganized. The records from

1881 to 1893 are incomplete but L. H. Loring of Portland, Maine, of the firm of Loring, Short & Harmon, was one of its first Presidents. Charles R. Phinney was Secretary and Treasurer as were also Charles K. Gage and William W. Roberts.

The names of its presidents from 1894 to 1915 are:

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1899, J. Marshall Hobbs,	1909, R. A. Bragg,
1900, J. Putnam Stevens,	1910, F. R. Jordan,
1901, Wm. F. Campbell,	1911, S. W. Humphrey,
1902, Albert Benjamin,	1912, I. A. Avery,
1903, Charles C. Blake,	1913, P. S. Brickett,

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A recent issue of the Portland Sunday Telegram has the following:

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the maiden name of Mrs. Thomas Abbott. Her name was Eliza Simpson, not "Elizabeth Sampson." She was the daughter of William and Abigail Simpson of Andover.

Mrs. Abbott was a cousin of the mother of Gen'l U. S. Grant and the sister of Daniel F. Simpson of Turner, Maine, who was my wife's father."

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I was born in the good old State of Maine a little over 80 years ago in the town of Pownal, Cumberland County. My great grandmother was a sister of the great Indian fighter Joe Wyer, who saved many families from the ruthless Indians during his life.

I look back to our trip to Waterville with a great deal of pleasure, for on that trip I found Sprague's Journal of Maine History. I have lived out of the State for many years but my love for the dear old State grows with my years. God bless you, Brother Sprague; may He keep you well that you may continue the grand work that you have begun. I read every work of each number with increasing interest, and as proof for what I say I am enclosing my check for two dollars for the next two years. I hope that I may have the pleasure of meeting you again."

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"Hoping the good people of Maine are giving you adequate support in your historical labors, I am with all good wishes."

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(This paper referred to is very interesting but we do not have space to publish it in this issue but hope to do so at a future time.

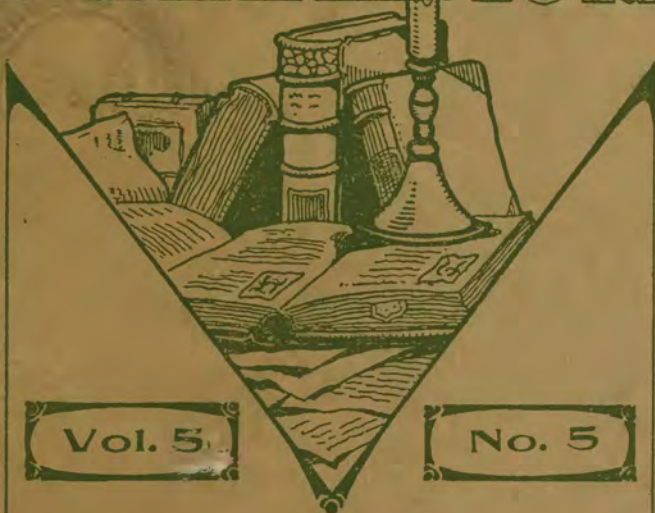
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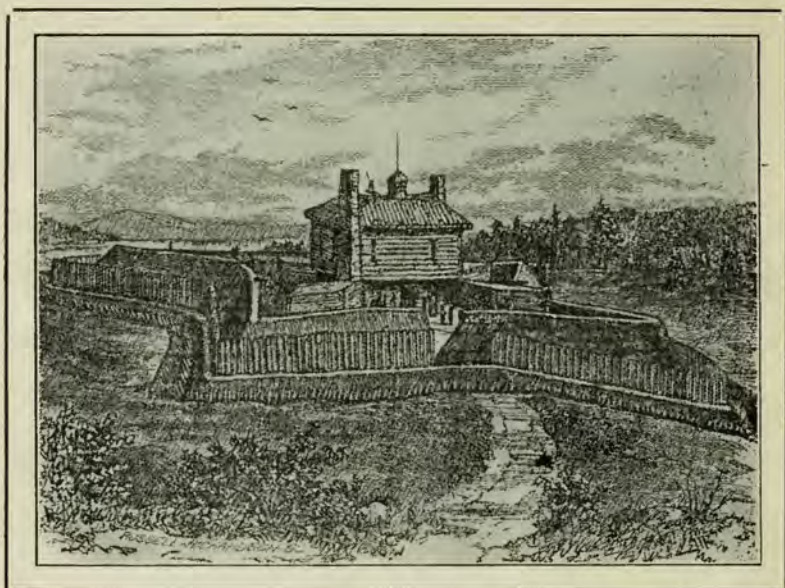
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Loyalists of the Kennebec And One of them—John Carleton

(BY REVEREND HENRY O. THAYER OF NEW YORK CITY.)

No man can think to put himself into another's net of circumstances and promise sure escape. No men, no leaders of men can now place themselves in the exigent conditions of various former periods of history and promise wiser judgments, or superior action. No statesmen of today can rightfully declare they would have entered upon the American Revolution with as clear vision, wiser counsels, as heroic purpose.

The passing of a century has set in clearer light the great struggle for independence; has also given a fairer view of the colonies in their relations with the mother country, and especially a juster appreciation of the deplored fact,—two parties in the colonies, one *against* the measures of the King and Parliament and another still standing *for* and approving: they bore the names, the whig or son of liberty, the loyalist, or in common speech the tory. The name tory once carried intense odium, a hiss and a sting of contempt; loyalist declared the fact, intending no dishonor. Now the juster judgment issues upon the principle of action,—*for* or *against* the king, not upon the insults, outrages, harm to property and person by either party upon the other. If now the loyalist be not adequately judged, certainly the harsh censures, implacable resentments are softened, or dissipated; in place of passions and heat then, are now candor and truth with fairness whether to condemn, apologize for, acquit, or approve.

By strong sympathies and attachments some did not, by fixed, firm opinions some consciously could not break allegiance with England, when resented exactions, taxes, and constraint were laid on the colonies. Men do not think alike, can not feel alike; judg-

ments will differ; it is a human trait, inherent, axiomatic, has been shown in every age, in every year, in all lines of thought and action, and the good man intelligent and sincere cries out regarding his friend equally sound and worthy—how can he take that side? So once with perplexity, or angry recoil, one spoke of his neighbor because he was a tory. Such considerations may temper harsh judgments while we review incidents of the war and deeds of whig and tory of the lower Kennebec.

In an early stage of the uprising that sagacious and intrepid leader, Samuel Adams sought to diffuse information, to incite discussion, out of which he believed would come convictions and action: to that end he proposed correspondence far and wide, which the historian Bancroft termed "organizing Revolution." Adams declared

if each town would declare its sense, our enemies could not divide us. This germinant idea grew into that efficient agency thruout the towns—"Committees of Correspondence, Inspection and Safety"—by correspondence to get and give information; inspection, careful scrutiny of persons and events in every town; safety, such action as the time required. Guiding and supporting were the town meetings which for the discussion of affairs the tory governor Hutchinson declared "ridiculous," and King George at first disliked and later denied the right to hold. Still New England held them all the same. Agreeably to suggestion from Boston special town meetings were held thruout the state in December 1772 from which reports went back to headquarters. In all Kennebec towns I assume townsmen assembled, but certainly in Woolwich. I do not learn that a Committee of Correspondence had yet been chosen, but the town met, voted, and sent on its response:

an infant people in an infant country do not think their answer perfect in spelling or the words well placed,

but had hearty good-will for the cause. I have failed to obtain in full the reply declaring the sentiments of the men of Woolwich in the first stage of the Revolution as they gathered in the old meeting house at Nequasset on that December day (unless it was too cold).

In the next year, 1773, the town meeting voted to draw an answer to a letter of correspondence from Boston concerning our liberties and privileges.

Similar action extended from Maine to Georgia, and there did not fail approval and applause for bold leaders in Boston when in December fragrant imported tea—342 chests, went overboard and

was put to steep in the harbor. It was currently reported some Indians did it.

In the next year, lines were drawn more sharply between whig and tory. Joseph Warren, soon to be the lamented patriot of Bunker Hill, proposed "The Solemn League and Covenant," not to buy nor to use the merchandise of Great Britain: no trade with those who would sell it, names to be published of those refusing to sign:—a veritable boycott then though the name was not known. Gen. Gage called it "an unlawful, hostile, and traitorous combination." It became intensely practical to the man and the family: was a test applied by the radical whig often despotically in order to hunt out the suspected, or the wavering. The Kennebec towns did not lack zealous men to apply the threat and force decision upon a man to write his name in promise not to buy British goods. In previous years here some who had the king's license to sell tea and coffee were Joshua Baily, James Blin, Samuel Gould, Israel Smith. No more of that trade at their peril.

In respect to events in these times of testing and turmoil much of our information comes from a loyalist source, the letters and journals of Revd. Jacob Bailey, the Episcopal missionary and rector of the West Pownalboro parish, now Dresden. He was ardently loyal to the British crown, as nearly all Episcopal clergymen and churchmen were. Intense in his feeling, severely hostile to "the rebels" as he termed those opposing British demands, he revealed by choleric epithets and overheated language the excess of his partisan bitterness; yet one should condone in a measure his asperity in view of what he suffered, as ill-treated, reviled, threatened, put under bonds, mobbed, property injured, ministry hindered, he wisely removed in the third year of the war, fled it may be said to Nova Scotia after nineteen years of service extended into adjacent towns, and to this town.

In 1774 the first Continental Congress was created by delegates of twelve colonies gathered in September at Philadelphia. The last days of August had brought the enforcement of the League and Covenant. Free acceptance, declared patriotism; denial was held to reveal enemies to liberty. Pushed, often fiercely, it yielded rancor, and turmoil for a time.

Excitement and wild doings at the Kennebec, not more than elsewhere doubtless, are narrated by Parson Bailey with vigorous and rasping language. He writes:

A furious mob at Georgetown [Bath mainly perhaps] was running about in search of tea and compelling people by force of arms to sign the solemn

It is likely that some packages of proscribed tea were cast into the Kennebec tides. He tells of another mob up river from which Mr. Nathaniel Gardiner fled: how they hunted up John Jones, the noted surveyor, and insisted on his signing the covenant. He stripped open his bosom and told them they might stab him to the heart. They threw him headlong into the river, and then dragged him about till they almost tore him to pieces. He writes that a mob led by the noted radical leader Samuel Thompson of Brunswick threatened to tear down Pownalboro jail and assaulted several persons on their route to Wiscasset. There they forced a trader to sign the league, and afterwards recalling an ill remark of the man "went back and almost demolished him." Also there they ill-treated Abiel Wood, a village merchant, importer, shipbuilder, bold in tory sympathies with whom the Provincial Congress of Massachusetts was forced to deal. These lawless deeds of vehement patriotism occurred in September 1774, for on the 23rd of that month Rev. Mr. Bailey was mobbed at Brunswick and soon after was obliged to flee from his home and be concealed for several days.

I assume that after the first hot outburst of unbridled radicalism milder forms of enforcing the League and Covenant prevailed. We may regret that some other pens more sober, less partisan, did not write full details of those tumultuous times.

In a few years the Kennebec atmosphere became too hot for Mr. Bailey's comfort and he fled to Halifax. The British had just seized Castine and to General McLean in command, Mr. Bailey sent back lists of men loyal to the king in these eastern towns. One must however believe that his own strong sympathy for that side would put into the lists every man believed by him to favor the British cause even in slight degree. Hence his list will show the open bold tory, the half tory, the toryish by policy of keeping quiet, the wavering, the undecided.

You who are here and others in town may wish to know his opinion of your ancestors, if he put the loyalist mark upon your grandfather, or great-grandfather. This list has the names in the order as he wrote them.

1. John Carleton, 2. David Gilmore, 3. Capt. James Fullerton, 4. Mr.—Stinson (Robert), 5. James Smith, 6 to 9. Philip White and 3 sons, 10. Mr. Chalmers (Wm.), 11. William Gilmore, 12. David Gilmore, Jr., 13. Mr. Blanchard (James), 14 to 17. Mr. Lancaster and three sons, 18. James Savage, 19. Mr. Brookings (Josiah).

There exists I conceive not the least reason now to conceal these nineteen names, nor for any one to hide the head, or blush, because standing in the family line leading back to one of these men. We can now see more clearly, judge more justly concerning personal opinions on the desperate issues of those times.

A few years previous Woolwich listed 127 polls. Nineteen out of that number shows 15 per cent, about the same ratio appears in Georgetown—the five present towns—36 in 322 polls. Pownalboro, east and west, has 53 listed out of 263 polls, or 20 per cent. I have no means to compare these Kennebec towns with other parts of Maine. In parts of Massachusetts and Connecticut and beyond, the proportion was greater: in localities the loyalists equalled the whigs, or were in excess.

In the list of Woolwich loyalists the first name is John Carleton. Of him Mr. Bailey has written

a man of the highest integrity, the most undaunted fortitude, and inflexible loyalty.

He had been an intimate and staunch friend of the Dresden rector. His father was also John Carleton of Andover, Mass., an original proprietor and settler of Woolwich, a great-grandson of the immigrant Edward, coming from an English family traceable to the 5th century. The younger Carleton had early married Jane Gilmore, the daughter and sister of neighbors likewise placed by Parson Bailey in the loyalist list. He was in 1776 thirty-six years old with eight children, increased later to nine. His and his father's farm bordered on Nequasset (Tuisset) bay (a short distance above the upper Hellgate of the tidal river Sasanoa) and was early termed Walnut Point, and is in full view with its ancient farm-house on the inland sail from Kennebec to the Sheepscot.

John Carleton was a useful townsman, was entrusted with office, stood in the highest social class—if indeed any social line were then ever thought of—and seemed to be in the path to matured years of large distinction. Then came the upheaval of the Revolution, when a new compelling force swayed him and drove him in the view of many townsmen into a path of dishonor, and to a wretched death.

Woolwich by its location shared in the riotous disorders arising between whig and tory disturbing the peace from Brunswick to Bristol. Another instance of mob lawlessness associated with those already mentioned is recorded by Mr. Bailey and concerned his friend John Carleton, and is a sample of the turbulent tactics of

fierce radicals in that campaign against the king's friends. He writes:

They seized Captain Carleton of Woolwich and having prepared a coffin commanded him to dig his own grave, but after all permitted him to escape. I fear Parson Bailey's imagination embellishes a first rumor into a telling story, for when a mob proposes to bury obnoxious people they do not stop to make coffins, nor do they carry them about in readiness; cold earth is thought good enough. Six years later in Halifax, recalling Kennebec events he writes this same incident more fully.

When the whole country was rising into sedition and mobs spreading their rioting in every region, nothing could shake his (Carleton's) firmness, or abate his intrepidity: and he was met in a lonely forest by near 200 men in arms requiring him to sign the Solemn League and Covenant, or consent to be buried alive: he nobly acquiesced with the latter and with great resolution assisted in digging his own grave, but finding him still unmoved by their menaces they allowed him to escape. There were generous spirits among them swearing he was a good fellow.

Now pruning off a few excrescences on the story and cooling the rhetoric a few degrees—notice no coffin this time—we still have a fact, a band of mobbish men voicing a wicked threat. We could wish a simple and unbiased statement without color. As written it reveals strong points of character. We can conceive a rugged independence which threats will not move, but responsive to calm reason, or kindly solicitation. Many men rebel at being driven. What elsewhere is disclosed of this man makes for belief that John Carleton never would have then written his name at torture, or real peril of life. Were there in town others who would stand an equal test? We can not know; some I believe. It may be that leaders of the wild crowd knew well the man, his opinions and his spirit, and gleefully used the chance to test his mettle. According to Mr. Bailey's story he met them fully half way.

Nor was this a single instance of insulting, terrorizing ordeal. In Topsham a Mr. Wilson was actually buried to the chin—they have nice white sand there—and was left for friends to dig out. In Harpswell in April, 1775 following a spirited address on Sunday afternoon by Rev. Samuel Eaton, an excited crowd seized upon a British supporter and local officer for the king and with fierce threats buffetings, kicks, did put him in peril of his life, and he was only saved by soberer townsmen. The adventure and assaulting test seems to have made no change in Mr. Carleton, nor in the confidence of his townsmen. He was chosen to act with two others to

lay out an important road. In the next spring, he with two other responsible men, Thwing and Fuller, agreed with business men of Georgetown and sent a vessel to Nantucket for corn, rye, and ammunition, and were to take 1-12 of the venture for Woolwich. Corn, rye, powder were essentials in 1775, certainly after the thrilling Lexington affair had forced the issue with George Third.

That year the town sent Capt. John Bailey as delegate to the Provincial Congress which convened at Concord and then removed to Watertown in April. Nor should any forget that in September Arnold's ships and men sailed along the Woolwich shore thru the Chopps towards Quebec on that disastrous expedition; a few weeks later as depressing to the whig, as joyful to the tory, was the return of Colonel McCobb's regiment and others of Col. Enos' division, containing Woolwich men—the hopeless march abandoned.

Slowly grew the demand of people and widened sentiment for full separation from Great Britain even against the doubts and recoil of good men. Indeed Washington when he took command of the army rejected the idea of independence, but in '76 declared "nothing else will save us." In March of that year his skill forced the British army out of Boston. Then in dismay were hundreds of loyalists, who had fled from home towns to British protection: now defenceless, powerless, hated; their former jeers at the sons of liberty cast back upon themselves, beggary threatening, no way was open but to flee to Nova Scotia. Eleven hundred tory refugees crowded the army transports to get away from the city. One among them was David Phipps, owner of Phipps Neck, but residing in Cambridge. His Woolwich property was soon in the grasp of the Provincial Congress under the tory confiscation act.

The confiscation policy was applied in June 1776 in Woolwich. Three estates were taken for the government by Nathaniel Thwing, chairman of the Committee of Correspondence and Safety. He was a judicious leader devoted to the cause of liberty. The one thousand acre lot at the Chopps, originally Robert Temple's grant, and possessed by Samuel Waterhouse, who had slipped away to London, was taken and leased to James Blair for one pound, ten shillings yearly. A farm of fifty acres at Monsweag in the possession of Philip Goldthwait was put likewise under lease but in the end by peculiar circumstances was restored to the owner, his brother. It was the Richard Hunnewell farm. The confiscated

Phipps estate, comprised five hundred acres, with a yoke of oxen and steers, six cows, a heifer and calf, and fourteen sheep. This was leased to Phipps' farmer, Jonathan Fuller for four pounds ten. By a legal technicality it escaped but Col. Phipps lost it all the same by that other omnipresent confiscation, even now, debt.

As the conflict went on from '76 to '78, the issue at times seeming desperate for the weak army, thirteen colonies against the British empire, harsher became the dealings with loyalists. In social and business life in sections of New England they were proscribed: millers would not grind their corn; in Worcester county forty-three blacksmiths pledged to do no work for them; no trading with, no labor for them was urged. Sometimes their guns were taken away: wealthy men, former office-holders were insulted, bullets shot into their houses. Tar and feathers was a common threat and in some cases applied. Also, laws were passed bearing severely upon them. In Massachusetts persons under suspicion for tory aid or sympathy might be disarmed, could hold no office, might be sent to jail, or into the British lines. To return would invite severe penalty. Still these men were only loyalists,—loyal to their accepted king and government, loyal to ingrown attachments, and in the main to conscientious convictions. Let us not fail to yield them proper respect, their honest due.

The Rev. Mr. Bailey wrote with bitterness: one must not deny measures of truth in his censure. He says:

They aimed to suppress the tories, so enacted the most cruel and unreasonable laws, putting in the power of any ill-natured and malicious man to ruin his neighbors.

He also charges arbitrary proceeding by magistrates, and asserts that several conscientious people to avoid their unjust and merciless tyranny fled out of the country.

Instances he gives, as do others, of that tyranny. Nathaniel Gardiner of the Gardiner family fled from enforcement of the Covenant; again aiding the enemy he was captured, carried to New Meadows, there taken by several men, called rebels—Wood, Lamont, and others, before Dummer Sewall Esq., at Bath, who at once sent him to Casco jail from which he escaped after several months. John Jones was also in that jail a while. William Gardiner was condemned to be transported. Captain Charles Callahan, one of Mr. Bailey's parish officers in Dresden, intending to be neutral was still harassed, fined, till believing himself unjustly treated he unmasked into a bold tory, became a daring scourge by seizing small vessels

in the river and outside, but was driven out by the coast guards in 1778, and became commander of a twelve gun man-of-war. John Bernard of Bath was under bonds awhile and in Casco jail, but later cast off the harsh charge of disloyalty and recovered lands at Mt. Desert. Edward Parry, mast contractor at Harward's cove for Halifax shipyards, was put under bonds, guarded, then sent far inland for safe keeping. I was told of two or three men of Arrowsic who slipped away, but returned after the war, but have learned of no Woolwich men except some young fellows who shared Mr. Carleton's adventures.

After the war, in the new era of Independence a resolution was offered in town meeting July 1783, by Nathaniel Thwing and voted concerning Absentees in severely accusing language.

It is not safe for those Tories, or Refugees, who have left their country and acted the unnatural part of parricides and murderers to come and have their lot and portion with us.

This may not intend—or it may—particular townsmen: more likely it declared the proper sentiment and attitude of the whole country towards refugees and loyalists.

Laws against loyalists did not lie inert in Woolwich more than elsewhere in New England. In July 1777 the town voted,

To choose a person firmly attached to the American cause to procure and lay before the court—the county board of justices—the evidence that may be had; and that the selectmen lay before town the list of persons who shall be thought inimical enemies to this or any of the United States.

An agent of the town was deputed to hunt out tories. The Committee of Inspection and Safety this year was,—Nathaniel Thwing, Samuel Harnden, Solomon Walker, Joseph Wade, Jonathan Fuller, Elijah Grant, Nathaniel Tibbetts,—the strong, leading patriotic men.

Mr. Samuel Stinson, afterwards the Baptist elder, was selected to seek evidence. Later within these very walls without doubt the list was presented to the assembly, Brigadier Harnden, Moderator,—a list exceedingly interesting now if we had it, showing whig opinions of suspected loyalists. We can only know this:—it was voted that four names be struck from the list, James Blanchard, John Carleton, William Gilmore, Robert Stinson. All were in Mr. Bailey's tory list; against all, or all but one, the court took action. But that day the town voted them off the black list. Why? One will ask in vain. What evidence, lack of evidence, what under-current of motive, or personal feeling, entered into that vote? The town did erase imputations of disloyalty from its agent's re-

port, and one man was his own brother. But who were left on the list?

Did any tremble? Nay, they would regard themselves light weight cases when four chief suspected men were freed from the charge. Intensity of feeling fired by trifles into wrangles, or insult revealed itself in this quiet town. It is told that a squad of militiamen at their drill wore the liberty emblem, the whig cockade. Two men in levity, or derision, twisted a handful of grass into a knot for their hats. The company, demanded quick removal of the mocking wisps, and apology under threat to bury alive. At a similar gathering the testing question was passed along a line of spectators, What are you? On which side? One or two not making reply were pulled forth, hooted at, threatened, "Speak out, tell what you are, or we'll dig a grave and shoot you into it." Several men met in the mill-house here, near the falls to consult regarding evidence and action against tories. A hint of it reached Mr. David Gilmore at the mill. Violently denouncing such business by whatever sentiment he stopped his saw, rushed to the house and into the room, jumped on their table smashing it, kicked away the papers and wrathfully drove all out with fists and feet, and only by a friendly arm was hindered from delivering a hard blow emphasizing an angry threat, onto the jaw of Reverend Mr. Winship, a spirited whig assisting the private inquiry. Such wrangles and brawls, threats and assaults, pertained, I think, to the first years of dividing opinions and drawing lines of fealty.

The Woolwich voters revised the list of suspects, names were carried to the old Dresden court house, and from other towns as well. On Oct. 7 a special court was held. Warrants and arrests followed. John Jones, then of Vassalboro, and eight others were haled before the magistrates, and Mr. Blanchard of Woolwich. John Carleton avoided arrest as Mr. Bailey tells with usual asperity: He was cleared by a unanimous vote of the town, but was pursued by a warrant from those inexorable and avaricious judges: he had the good fortune to conceal himself from their malicious scrutiny till the season of persecution was over.

Not now intrepid and defiant, as formerly in the woods, but shrinking and cautious, he put himself beyond the sheriff's reach.

Another name struck from the list was Robert Stinson. Nevertheless the court summoned him by officers with a warrant. By Parson Bailey's heated pen we get a glimpse of the distressing facts.

Pursued by the same virulent combination, but arming himself to resist officers who attempted to break into his house, his wife was so terrified at the commotion that she fell into travail and expired.

A tragedy in a few lines; truly a tragedy, threats of sheriffs, resistance, the terrors of death, with the infant's birth that day in that house on the hill. I wish I had more incidents by a calmer pen. We accept two facts—forcible entry in the name of the law, a wife's deplorable death in such a way at such an hour! Imagination must fill in details of the calamity. Yet public records supplement the woeful recital. "Mary Paine, wife of Lieutenant Robert Stinson, died Oct. 9, 1777, aged 38." Jane his (then) youngest child was born Oct. 9, 1777. Special Court sat at Pownalboro Oct. 7, two days previous to the attempted arrest. I will believe that those officers learning the occurrences, the terror, the bereavement, the dead, the living, a husband and eight children in that home, and one more, an infant of an hour, those men sworn to duty, imperative by law, yet humane and pitying, retired to report at court—no arrest.

If valid evidence against Lieutenant Stinson existed I may not say. His own brother had found it duty to bring in charges: the same, or others, went up to the court. The magistrates summoned him for examination. Then the tragedy, months of trial, merciless testing of his convictions, or wavering loyalty, and the wreck at home. Did his opinions need revision and did such chastening and the next year produce a change? I know not. Whatever had intervened, certainly his townsmen's confidence three years later made him selectman: he was selected to be one of the Committee of Correspondence and Safety, an office requiring judicious, active men of known fidelity to the cause of American liberty. In 1781 he served in procuring men for the town's quota in the army. Had he changed? I can not know only that sound conscientious men as that conflict grew on did not at first, not at once know the path of personal duty.

There was one, Thomas Percy, ancestor of the honored family of the name in these Sagadahoc towns, who had a sore trial in conscience and intelligent inquiry in respect to the stand he must take, but did put himself on the right side at length. Parson Bailey wrote him down a loyalist, as also his two sons, who after a time, with no alacrity, signed the Covenant, rather by necessity under complaint of General Samuel McCobb.

It was natural that some men slow in decision, unconvinced at the outset, in clearer light of events and drift of sentiment, should reconstruct their opinions, and approve and support the new patriotism.

At a second session of the tory court, Mr. Bailey says, James Blanchard was released by lack of evidence, yet that year both he and John Carleton paid twelve pounds in fines for not going into the Continental army.

If we would like to see those magistrates in session— Samuel Harnden and Nathaniel Thwing among them, in the old Dresden Court House, we may take Parson Bailey's eyes and pen at one trial:—

Justice Bowman sat swelling in gloomy solemnity surrounded with the accusers and other dark and determined instruments of his indignation. Each one of them had divested himself of every humane and tender sentiment.

Mild indeed were arrest, trials, fines in Maine compared with horrible deeds in other states: whig upon tory and tory upon whig, as plundering, rapine, murder, shrieking barbarities followed vengeful retaliations. I must believe that subsequent to those trials in the autumn of 1777, there was at the Kennebec cessation in tory hunting, and if no active disloyalty was shown, the open, or suspected loyalists as other citizens, applied themselves to their concerns, their struggles to get a living and bear the burdens of the war. Clothing and food for the army made demands: as late as 1781 Lincoln County was called on for 528,000 lbs. of beef: Woolwich's share was 2,177 lbs. Food was scarce with many at the Kennebec. Mr. Bailey knew families without bread for three months at a time: many even twenty miles inland sought the clam-banks.

Such privations in part, but more, increasing hostility to his unconcealed tory attitude, forced Mr. Bailey to abandon his parish.

He obtained official permission in Boston to leave the state. After forced delays he left the Dresden parsonage June 7, 1779: the family consisting of four persons. For farewell visits he went down directly to Squirrel Point, Arrowsic, to William Butler's. I have not found names of parishioners, or friends, visited by him which he did not put in his tory lists, except one, for Episcopal people were almost wholly on that side. Next morning unable to visit Mr. Percy at Cox's Head, the family with tearful farewells at the shore, a salmon and pot of butter from Mrs. Butler's

hand, swept up on the tide to Mr. (Joseph) Preble's at the head of the island,—“that friendly and loyal family” he remarks. Thence they sailed across the bay to Mr. Carleton's at Walnut Point. He made farewell calls on David Gilmore, then at William Gilmore's where on the previous autumn he had baptized a child of Captain James Fullerton. At evening he says he drank coffee, not tea of course, in a company of twenty-two, yet Mr. Carleton was absent, having gone to Wiscasset to procure supplies for the voyage.

Mr. Bailey was much alarmed at seeing a sail coming across the bay, and admitted grave fears in his acrid language, that it might be Sheriff Cushing, or some of his infernal attendants in a mischievous design to interrupt the voyage. In fact his fears had good reason, for he knew that he had papers highly treasonable which he, a citizen of Massachusetts, was carrying directly to the enemy. Had the sheriff searched him, what would be his fate? His alarm was dispelled for the boat brought only Mr. Carleton's brother.

In the home of “this generous, friendly hero,” as he calls John Carleton, he spent the last night in his mission field, disturbed at the thought of leaving such benevolent friends exposed to the rage of persecution and vengeance of rebels, which means that he knew that the friendly hero might be put in extreme peril. With sunrise they hasted away up the hill on to the old ferry—Tibbett's—where Capt. James Smith's little schooner of fifteen tons was moored in waiting. Many times have I gone forth from that same farmhouse by that road and have seen in imagination the company of pitying friends attending the minister and family into exile, and likewise beheld the little craft slip away by Hockomoc to the Sheepscot. But also now we must take a look at Skipper Smith at the wheel pictured by Bailey's facile pen:—

clothed in a long swingling coat and the ret of his habit (clothing) displayed the venerable signatures of antiquity both in form and materials. His hat carried a long peak before exactly perpendicular to the longitude of his aquiline nose.

Then in grim pleasantry he describes the raiment of himself and spouse, ancient, dilapidated, deep-worn, patched, and bedraggled, and mortifying, when he must first show himself at Halifax. But sadly for himself the one necessitous universal inner garment was more irritating than any rough robe of penance, because it was “a coarse tow and linen shirt manufactured in the looms of sedi-

tion." Alas! humiliated man, forced to the looms of sedition to obtain a shirt.

Here as he sails away we can not wholly bid farewell to Parson Bailey, whose affairs have been so closely entwined in this narration, because his pen furnished so much by aid of which could be exhibited the loyalists of the Kennebec. At Halifax he met the wife of David Phipps, a refugee there, and wrote her request to Mr. Carleton to point out her property to British officers if they come that way, that it might escape plundering. A British force had just seized the Penobscot and fortified Castine, and there was alarm lest they would sweep along the coast and take possession of Portland harbor.

Rev. Mr. Bailey highly appreciated the open-handed generosity of Mr. Carleton to himself and family, also to other loyalists, declaring that he had concealed in his house and aided to escape several men sought by sheriffs. However real his toryism at this time, how disguised or how open, he held his townsmen's confidence for at the next March meeting he was chosen surveyor of lumber and deer-reeve.

Within a year startling events occurred. Mr. Bailey wrote a friend:—

Mr. Carleton was plundered by the rebels and after a variety of adventures reached British lines in company with several young men of his neighborhood.

This was written April 7, 1781. Another letter gives further details:

Carleton being taken by a British vessel and carried to Castine was sent in his own schooner by Col. Campbell as a cartel to Boston. But without any regard to the sanctity of a flag, the rebels seized his vessel and plundered his effects. He was fortunate enough to escape and with two or three young fellows belonging to Woolwich reached Penobscot in safety leaving a wife and ten (9) children to the mercy of rebels.

Spiteful whigs might say, sailed out on purpose to be taken. Much more is needed to complete Mr. Bailey's statement and to show the actual facts. High coloring, intense and bitter censure entered whatever he wrote concerning the so-called rebels, tho large freedom would be expected in private letters.

That year anxiety and distress prevailed in Maine. In February the Legislature petitioned for a vessel of war to cruise on the coast because

armed vessels commit horrid depredations and cruelties on the inhabitants of the sea-coast towns of Lincoln County.

Mr. Carleton took risk in sailing whatever were his enterprises. He was captured. At Castine he was known: his name was first in the list sent from Halifax by Bailey to the commander. Whatever was the report he made of himself, General McLean believed him a suitable messenger to army officers at Boston. We need the other side of the story of what happened there. I cannot credit fully so plain a violation of the white flag of a messenger. Rash radicals there were, blustering officers no doubt, also politic leaders who would not flatly disregard the usages of war nor affront an enemy able to seize Portland Harbor. Was there a reputed tory in the state not listed in the books of inspection committees? Mr. Carleton could not be unknown in Boston. Hence granting colorable truth to Mr. Bailey, a fair view will say that rash zealous men might arrest the master of this craft in the dock and rudely search his vessel, even confiscate articles thought contraband, before his credentials and the purpose of his coming were fully determined by the governor's officers. They might do it, for a Kennebec skipper and schooner in the service of the enemy would excite doubt or anger in hangers-on at the wharves or sounder men. Carleton would fall under suspicion, meet insolence or threats and feel insults to his crew. Out of imperfect reports by whomsoever made Rev. Mr. Bailey could construct his story, could write "fortunate escape" for Mr. Carleton, when having performed his messenger's duty he with due clearance sailed out free. He might well be sore or resentful at indignities and lawless threats.

He returned to Castine as in duty bound. The adventure and mishap by capture at sea seems to have forced him with no previous intention into undisguised and active toryism, obliging him to remain at Penobscot, a prisoner of war if the commander pleased or a voluntary refugee. Thus he was started on a path of dishonor and of peril and the way closed to a return home and to former town relations. I must believe that whatever were the actual facts of this obscure affair, it marked a turning point in his career, it separated him from his family. The adventure I place in February or March 1781,—yet possibly in the previous late autumn.

Now practically perhaps heartily identified with British interests and refugee life at Penobscot, he sailed away to the Kennebec in May under the white flag for some families. Many loyalists of Maine timid or resentful had fled to the British for protection. Some were from these river towns and now sought their wives and children. I heard one family name of Arrowsic men-

tioned but the matter is too uncertain to assign a name. It is only for conjecture also who were the young men of Woolwich in Mr. Carleton's schooner crew.

The aggressive enemy established at Castine brought on a form of border warfare. Loyalist residents there or in home towns becoming confederates and assistants made it more terrible. Therefore in May 1781, the General Court at Boston voted:—
Lincoln County being far from the seat of government and near the enemy and execution of the laws inefficient, the Committee of Safety are empowered to arrest any seeming dangerous to the Commonwealth and aiding the enemy, and send them if expedient to Boston with evidence. Active Tories were put in peril by this act, and it had a sharp threat for men like John Carleton.

He by luckless capture at sea, by insults and lawlessness at Boston, and by motives undiscerned had been driven over to the enemy,—perhaps by him now called friends because subjects and friends of his acknowledged king. Nevertheless to his credit, his heart drew him towards his family and soon he was devising means to return. He obtained from leaders at Kennebec promise of protection against radicals. In Woolwich, Thwing, Harnden, Walker and associates were good men and would deal fairly with him, but outside headstrong violent Whigs might spring a trap on him. He had written to Mr. Bailey his intentions to return home. His friend dissuaded, urging:

It would not be prudent to put yourself in their power for however honest Mr. McCobb's intentions, there is a power in the Governor and Council to apprehend any person they please and to proceed with him according to martial law, for it can not be denied that according to their laws you have been guilty of treason.

By such advice maturing his own convictions of wise policy he postponed the attempt,—a decision we may believe involving his ruin though he could not foresee it, by opening a new path hedged in by fated necessity and more perilous than the desired return to the Kennebec and his home.

In those momentous times the sea and the land alike witnessed the ravages of war. Yankee privateers up to the year 1778, had swept off British commerce to the extent of nine millions of dollars, as was declared by an English Lord in Parliament. In the entire war about 800 vessels of all kinds were taken by cruisers and privateers, but British cruisers captured about as many. Of armed vessels, the Americans lost 24 with 470 guns, but the British loss 102 vessels and 2,600 guns. But on land British soldiers

in some states wantonly burned villages and farmhouses sometimes adding murders with fiendish barbarity.

Seizure and destruction of an enemy's property was sanctioned by the laws of war. One instance, a sample:—Royal troops from New York made a raid on Martha's Vineyard, burned a score of vessels, many buildings, demanded large sums of money, and carried off at one time 300 oxen and 200 sheep. Refugee loyalists in towns held by the British were execrated for vengeful plundering as they became agents of the soldiers to raid whig property. Similar evil work was done in Maine.

Its seacoast, especially east of Casco bay, suffered incursions of large and small craft from the provinces and later from the post at Penobscot. Seamen tories piloted British craft or made raids on their own account. Thieving boats and sloops dodged along shore. They were called "shaving-mills." I do not get the point in that name, unless they shaved off everything wherever they could tie up in a cove or stream and get ashore unseen—cattle, sheep, crops, geese, pigs. Such shavings largely fed Penobscot refugees. An instance elsewhere reveals the doings and the excuses of loyalist plunderers. A party associated with the British holding New York, went to Nantucket, carried off every thing usable from the land, the warehouses, also vessels at the wharves. They left posted up a proclamation in their defence,—asserting that they had been compelled to abandon their dwellings and friends and to lose their property; therefore they believed themselves warranted by the laws of God and man to wage war against their persecutors * * and to obtain compensation for their sufferings.

No delay is needed with the ethics of that plea or the value of the excuse. We may believe it was a frequent form of self-justification of tory thieving, and often sufficed self-exiled men at Penobscot, respecting a sheep from the pasture, corn or potatoes from the field, West India goods in a warehouse, or boats at a wharf.

Among such foragers along the shores of Lincoln and Cumberland counties, must be placed John Carleton. Testimony has not been lacking. People of Phippsburg knew and told it all thru the last century. Whether much or little, alone or with companions no details remain,—pilot for a marauding craft, skipper for a tory boat crew, or as probable taking his trips alone on the shores he knew so well he did gather the fruits of other men's labors. I wish it were not the fact.

I urge a broadened view now, a true charity for the conscientious loyalist; for him a right of free opinion, however misguided. Less will be the charity, weaker the apology for the lawless ravager along the coast. Still it were easy for him to put himself on the same ground with the soldier foraging by the laws of war. A good woman, Mr. Carleton's granddaughter,—admitted to me the well-accepted fact; yet offering the excuse,—“to support his family”; evidently a concealing and palliating remark which had fallen into her ear in childhood. To her no reply could be made yet I felt a doubt to what extent a fugitive at Penobscot could supply his family in Woolwich. Yet a man of his resource and daring might slip into the Sheepscoot by night and by the tortuous channels up to some cove by Hockomock, thence bearing a sheep's carcass on his shoulders thru the dark forest could seek his path a mile to his home and to his own. He might take such a difficult and dangerous step once or twice risking much for his family but with slight benefit to them, but it must be doubted. This friend told also how little she ever knew of that part of her grandfather's life which put the stigma of dishonor on him; that the families, his sons and daughters in their homes, and to their children seldom referred to him and those years of trial; nothing to tell, everything to conceal that all might be forgotten. Those children therefore grew up to know scarcely more of their granmother's life in those years, than that he took the British side and lost his life.

In 1782, the last year of the memorable struggle, thoughts of peace were in the ascendant on both sides of the Atlantic. Statesmen sought wise methods of conciliation: no campaigns, only brief operations in Georgia and in the South. Some dastardly deeds of hate and retaliation by soldiery and vengeful Tories shamed humanity. The Maine coast towns still suffered by shaving mills and sly thieving.

Here an event startling and dubious comes into the Carleton family's history. In September a sheriff appears at the homestead at Walnut Point and makes attachment of the entire property. Two men force the legal process. And who? David Gilmore, the only brother of Mrs. Carleton, and Thomas Percy, an intimate friend at Cox's Head. Gilmore seized 90 acres, 16 tons of hay, one mare and colt. What did it mean? How hard, how cruel to secure debts at such a time of trial; to seize on the property and living of a wife and her nine children, whose husband had apparently abandoned her and was an enemy of the state. Or were

there explanations tempering the harshness and changing cruelty into real kindness? Indeed might not this affair be a scheme of friends under guise of the law to safeguard the family interests? Certainly the plan did have that effect. Other debts were threatening. The farm had been under mortgage for a dozen years. The creditor had fled in that loyalist crowd from Boston to Nova Scotia. There is a hint that he was now seeking to exact the debt; that could mean no less than taking possession. But could a tory do so? Yet assuredly when these friends had fastened their demands upon the property by the sheriff's hand, then one Thomas Brown a tory in Halifax would get slight notice in a Massachusetts court.

The claims of these friends were afterwards adjusted; the farm retained and passed down to son and son's son to the last descendant in that line, Deacon Franklin Carleton; after his early lamented death in 1885 it passed in a few years from the Carleton name, so held for 154 years.

One more chief event will fill out the narration. John Carleton while engaged in depredations along shore at last met his death. Just what were his operations, how much, how long, none can say. His doings became well known: no word of denial or of doubt can be raised in respect to lawless foraging. Therein his life warped from early honor by tory proclivities was at last by subtle forces given over to deeds which can not escape reprehension, and had a wretched ending. In that and in what had preceded was the sorest spot in the memory of family and friends.

One can consider the man: becoming an alien in his native town; opposed, insulted by radicals; hardships at Penobscot; separated from home, viewed needless; sense of ill-treatment; severe necessities; accumulated ills of his position: in all were sources of acute temptation not by us to be apprehended and wrenching moral staunchness in a previous inflexible soul. Such stress on him bent a strong man into reprobated lawlessness of border warfare. Who knows his own strength, how he may endure the test, the aching trial? Therefore one may apologize for this loyalist; but one may not go too far.

Associated and acting with the enemies of the new American nation, John Carleton necessarily was rated likewise an enemy. Did no acrid soul along Sagadahoc shores cry out, "Thief," and by deeds a despicable enemy? Can we apprehend the rancor, the engendered passions of those times?

By whatever disguised skill, by whatever bold dexterity in his foraging, his doings as of others were known, were well attested: he was watched for, was hunted. In order to spy out British movements but more the skulking shaving mills, all the prowling dodging crafts of marauders, coast guards were maintained. The Phippsburg militia held the shore with lookouts on Cox's Head and Morse mountain. Specially would men who had gone to the enemy-tories execrated with a hiss,—be hated and trailed when by keen spies sighted stealing into creeks and coves.

Anxieties by fear of British invasion, by raids on farmhouses for eggs and butter,—sheep and lambs gone by stealth,—caused sharp tension of feeling: the militia, responsible defenders, could feel they were dealing with pirates and robbers: the alert determined guard would be pardoned if he were more ready to shoot than to capture.

John Carleton did not become a prisoner of war. The bullet intercepted escape. All accounts assign his death to the vicinity of Small Point. One told me "Shot off the Point," another added "standing straight and bold at the tiller." He may have been so seen and fired on. The end was not there. Statements on which I rely declare the deadly stroke came on an island of Casco bay: One said definitely, Jaquish, now Little Bailey's island, on the charts. Some island seems well attested, and is probable for they were noted sheep pastures.

There is general agreement that he had gone ashore, doubtless had been discovered near or off Small Point; had been pursued; had escaped to the shore and sought concealment. The hunted man was alert against his hunters of the coast guard. On the watch he slightly raised his head above a protecting boulder or pile of logs for a moment, and that moment enough for a keen eye and a quick trigger to send the deadly missile thru his head. A devious path thru the years of loyalism had led to that island, to that rock, to the last step of a misguided life. Exact particulars,—the discovery, the trailing, the island hunt, the tragedy, were never written. It is known that the shot was not at once fatal: it did destroy his sight. Blinded, doubtless unconscious, he was taken to Small Point to the friendly Percy home tho another was named.

Death delayed, one said, four days. Dr. Philip Theobald a surgeon from the Hessian army who had settled in Dresden gave medical attendance. Of course his wife was summoned to watch thru days and hours of fevered agony while death waited. Not an

incident, not a word came to me from the scene at the death bed at Cox's Head; nor of the excitement abroad as the tragic tale of what had happened to this well-known man went flying from the soldier's report as the wind up the Kennebec valley nor of the suspense during delaying days as each morning and evening salutation of a man to his neighbor said, What of John Carleton?

I have not been able to certify definitely the fateful day in the loyalist's life, but evidence points to the month of September, 1782. He was then forty-two years of age.

This man so far portrayed belonged here;—(Woolwich, Maine,) here was his home; here now are his descendants; here was his work; yonder is his farm; in the town annals his name appears in duty and in office; once to it he gave the credit of his name for food and ammunition early in the war: yet also believing that George the Third was rightful sovereign here, he bowed and gave steadfast allegiance. When came entanglements and danger he held fast his loyalty; tempted and tested in dire straits as few men are, he was driven astray into a course of dishonor.

This however I must say and give him the honor due; he was loyal to his convictions; he believed not as others: he followed that line unswerving; he was true to himself. High commendation for any soul is it to be loyal to self, to conscience and to God.

It may be that John Carleton, because open and frank had right to higher honor than some about him, silent, truckling, hiding, prevaricating, rather than be true and make avowal.

Staunch, unbending convictions—God alone knew his heart—led this man into a net of circumstances, enmeshed with peril concealing a death-trap. There the end.

From a few facts obtained I construct the final scene.

To the fugitive and forager becoming burial was due. Not there certainly, the stricken wife would say, but at home, a dozen miles away. At once intelligence was sent up river: his near friends, Fullerton and Gilmore went down to Cox's Head and returning by night ensured for the Penobscot refugee at his death such a home-coming as had been furthest from his thought.

By the shore of Nequasset bay, at Walnut Point, forty years ago I knew a bit of pasture land, showing at least fifteen graves, beyond question the burial place of the early Carletons and neighbor settlers. There must have been the grave of the bold loyalist of the Kennebec.

In the dim autumn morning, the woe-freighted boat reached the shore. Soon privately, with a few friends the family gathered, the widow and all her nine children, I believe, bereaved as others, yet not as others but bearing a grief aching by a sting of dishonor. There in sight of the house he had built, yet now standing, the home which had lost him, in the stillness of the bay and the forests, with not a word, not a prayer, the loyalist was laid beneath the sod,—the end of life's aims, joys, conflicts, defeats.

At that burial place visited a few years since, now concealed by a tangled thicket of briars and bushes as it stood forty years ago, so now stands a giant oak, in diameter forty-four inches, and beginning to decay; and notice,—standing directly upon a grave mound, marked by rough sunken stones for a tall man. Was that one the tory's grave? On that day long ago, did a squirrel bury an acorn in the fresh earth? Or did a loving hand plant a shoot, a little sappling in that mound to grow, the only monument allowable for the dead? Why did that one stem thrive, why alone preserved becoming a tall tree to spread its branches above the graves? Did the family keep it for a memorial? I do not know: it is a pleasing fancy.

These few events at the Kennebec, are merely hints of others far more virulent, deeds evil in excess and foully outrageous in other colonies. Patiently endured then was the sacrifice, the exhaustion, nor counted too dear the cost and loss of that struggle for independence. Will any now refuse equal sacrifice or cry out in fear of immense cost of treasure and of life in the terrors and atrocities of world-wide war, that there may be secured a larger, a nobler freedom for the nations of the world.

Rather should we cry out for ourselves and our land as another for the motherland:—

God of our fathers, known of old!
 Lord of the far-flung battle-line:
 Beneath whose awful hand we hold
 Dominion over palm and pine:
 Lord God of Hosts: be with us yet:
 Lest we forget; Lest we forget.

An Alphabetical Index of Revolutionary Pensioners Living in Maine

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List	NAME.	Service.	Rank.	Age.	County.	Remarks.
'40	<i>Allen, Cynthia</i>			81	Kennebec	Res. Greene.
'35d	Allen, Daniel	Mass. line	Private and Corporal.	87or 81	Kennebec	('20 and '31b, Daniel 1st.)
'40	Allen, Daniel, 2d	Mass. line	Private	86	Kennebec	Res. Winthrop.
'35c	Allen, Ebenezer	N. H. line	Private	71	Lincoln	Res. Bowdoin.
'40	Allen, Ebenezer			71	Waldo	('20.)
'35c	Allen, Ephraim	See Alley, Ephraim.		80	Waldo	Res. Montville.
'35c	Allen, Hezekiah P.	Mass. line	Private	65	Lincoln	('20) d. Feb. 3, 1826.
'35d	Allen, Isaac	Mass. line	Private	82or 77	Cumberland	('20.)
'40	Allen, Isaac			83	Cumberland	Res. Minot.
'35d	Allen, Jacob, 2d	N. H. line	Private	75	York	('20, '31b.)
'40	Allen, Jacob			82	York	Res. No. Berwick.
'35d	Allen, Jacob	Mass. line	Private	71	Cumberland	('20, '31b.)
'40	Allen, James	Cont. navy	Seaman	76	Cumberland	Res. Scarborough.
'35d	Allen, Job	Mass. line	Private	79	York	('20, frigate "Raleigh.")
'40	Allen, John			71	Cumberland	('20.)
'31a	Allen, John		Private	77	Cumberland	Res. Pownal.
'35c	Allen, John	Mass. line	Private	86	York	Rejected as not serving in Cont. reg.
'35d	Allen, John	N. H. state	Private and Corporal.	76	York	('20) d. Feb. 27, 1832.
'35d	Allen, John	Mass. mil.	Private and Sergeant.	75	Kennebec	
'40	Allen, John		Private	81	Kennebec	Res. Vienna.
'35d	Allen, John	Mass. line	Private	73	Kennebec	
'35c	Allen, Joseph, 2d	N. H. line	Private	79	York	
'35c	Allen, Joseph	Mass. line	Private	75	Cumberland	('20.)
'40	Allen, Nehemiah			81	Cumberland	Res. Gray.
'35d	Allen, Nehemiah	Mass. mil.	Private	81	Cumberland	
'40	Allen, Peter	Mass. line	Private	76	Lincoln	Res. Pownal.
'35c	Allen, Peter	Mass. line	Private	69	Lincoln	Res. Bowdoinham.
'40	<i>Allen, Susannah</i>			82	Cumberland	
'35d	Allen, William	Mass. mil.	Private	82	Cumberland	('20.)
'35d	Allen, William	Mass. line	Corp. and Sergeant.	81or 87	Penobscot	
'40	Allen, William			83	Cumberland	Res. Poland.
'35c	Allen, Wright	Mass. line	Private	80	Oxford	('20) d. Jan. 2, 1832.
'35c	Alley, Ephraim	Mass. line	Private	74	Lincoln	('20) ('35c ns Allen.)
'40	Alven, Silas			80	Lincoln	Res. Boothbay.
'40	Alvin, Silas			74	Franklin	Res. Jay.
'40	Ames, Deborah			80	Oxford	Res. Waterford.
'35c	Ames, Eleazer	Mass. line	Private	79	Waldo	Res. Camden.
'35d	Ames, Jacob	Mass. mil.	Private	76	Kennebec	('20) d. Jan. 20, 1825.
'40	Ames, Jacob			76	Kennebec	
'35d	Ames, John	Mass. line	Private	83	Hancock	Res. Brooksville.
'35d	Ames, Samuel	Mass. state	Drummer	77	Oxford	Died Sept. 30, 1833.
'40	Anderson, Robert			75	Oxford	Res. Norway.
'35d	Anderson, Robert	Mass. mil.	Sergeant	81	Oxford	
'40	Anderson, Robert			78	Kennebec	
'35d	Anderson, Robert	Mass. mil.	Private	84	Lincoln	Res. Lewiston.
'40	Anderson, Robert			73	Cumberland	
'40	Anderson, Robert			79	Cumberland	Res. Otisfield.

List.	NAME.	Service.	Rank.	Age.	County.	Remarks.
'40	Andrews, Ephraim.			83	Piscataquis	Res. Guilford.
'35c	Andrews, Jeremiah.	Mass. line.	Private.	77	Oxford	('20) d. Feb. 25, 1827.
'35c	Andrews, John.	Mass. line.	Corporal.	78	Oxford	('20) d. Feb. 7, 1828.
'35d	Andrews, Robert.	Mass. line.	Private.	82	Cumberland	
'40	Andrews, Robert.			81	Cumberland	Res. Bridgton.
'35d	Andrews, Sam., 2d	Mass. line.	Private.	80or	Penobscot	('20 and 31b as Samuel.)
'40	Andrews, Samuel.			77		
'35c	Andrews, Samuel E.	N. H. line.	Private.	85	Kennebec	Res. China.
'35c	Andrews, Stephen.	Mass. line.	Private.	69	Oxford	('20) d. Jan. 1, 1822.
'35c	Andrews, Stephen.	Mass. line.	Private.	78	York	('20.)
'35d	Andrews, William.	R. I. line.	Private and Sergeant.	79	York	('20 as private.)
'35d	Applebee, Simeon	Cont. navy.	Private and Marine.	74	York	('20, ship "Ranger," '31b.)
'40	Applebee, Simeon			88	York	Res. North Berwick.
'35c	Arbour, Michael.	Mass. line.	Private.	80	Somerset	
'35c	Arno, John.	Mass. line.	Private.	87	Kennebec	('20) d. June, 1831.
'35d	Arnold, Nathaniel.	Mass. line.	Private and Corporal.	75	Kennebec	Died Oct. 13, 1833.
'35c	Arnold, Robert.	Mass. line.	Private.	87	Somerset	('20.)
'35c	Arskine, Alexander.	Mass. line.	Private.	84	Lincoln	('20) d. 1826.
'35c	Artherton, Joel.	Mass. line.	Private.	73	Oxford	('20) same as Atherton.
'40	Aspenwall, Nancy.			77	Waldo	Res. Unity.
'40	Atherton, Joel.			77	Oxford	Same as Artherton.
'35d	Atherton, John.	Mass. line.	Corporal.	72	Oxford	Res. Waterford.
'35c	Atkinson, William.	Mass. line.	Private.	73	Lincoln	('20.)
'40	Atkinson, William.	Mass. line.	Private.	75	Lincoln	Res. Lewiston.
'40	Atus, Lunun.				Washington	Res. Machias. Same as Atys.
'35c	Atwood, Nathan.	Mass. line.	Private.	77	Hancock	('20.)
'40				82	Hancock	Res. Bucksport.
'35d	Atys, London.	Mass. state artillery.	Private.		Washington	
'35d	Aunes, Stephen.	N. H. state.	Private and Sergeant.	79	York	
'35c	Austin, Benjamin.	Mass. line.	Private.	72	York	('20.)
'35c	Austin, John.	Mass. line.	Private.	100	Kennebec	('20) d. Jan. 16, 1820.
'35d	Austin, Jonah.	Mass. line.	Private.	81	Cumberland	('20, '31b.)
'35d	Austin, Stephen.	Mass. mil.	Private.	71	Kennebec	
'35c	Averill, Ezekiel.	Mass. line.	Private.	78	Lincoln	('20.)
'40	Averill, Ezekiel.			85	Lincoln	Res. Wiscasset.
'35c	Averill, Moses.	Mass. line.	Private.	74	Kennebec	('20.)
'40	Averill, Moses.			85	Franklin	Res. Wilton.
'20	Avery, John.	N. H. line.	Private.			Not in '35 under Me.
'35c	Avery, Samuel.	N. H. line.	Private.	78	Lincoln	('20.)
'35d	Ayer, Benjamin.	Mass. line.	Private and Musician.	70	Waldo	('20.)
'40	Ayer, Benjamin.			76	Kennebec	Res. Monmouth.
'35c	Ayer, Moses.	Cont. navy.	Marine.	85	Somerset	('20, ship "Hancock," '31b.)
'35c	Babb, Peter.	Mass. line.	Private.	72	York	('20.)
'35c	Babbage, Courtney.	Mass. line.	Private.	73	Hancock	('20, Babbidge.)
'35d	Babcock, Benjamin	Mass. mil.	Private.	75	Lincoln	
'40				82	Lincoln	Res. Boothbay.
'35c	Babcock, Jeremiah.	Mass. line.	Private.	78	Kennebec	('20, '31b.)
'35c	Bachelor, David.	N. H. line.	Sergeant.	67	Cumberland	Died Jan. 8, 1829.
'35d	Bachelor, Phineas.	N. H. mil.	Private.	73	Penobscot	Same as Batchelder, P
'40	Bachelor, Stephen			85	Penobscot	Res. Exeter. Same as Bachelor, S.?
'35d	Bachelor, Stephen	N. H. line.	Private.	79	Somerset	Same as Bachelor, S.?
'35d	Bacon, Josiah.	Mass. line.	Private.	72	Kennebec	
'35c	Bacon, Timothy.	Mass. line.	Private.	70	Cumberland	('20.)
'40				70to	Cumberland	Res. Gorham.
'20	Bailey, Eliphalet	Penn.	Private.	80		
'35c	Bailey, Eliphalet.	Mass. line.	Private.	77	Kennebec	('31b.)
'35d	Bailey, Eliphalet	N. H. line.	Private.	77	Kennebec	
'35c	Bailey, Eliphalet	N. H. state.	Artificer.	77		
'35c	Bailey, Israel.	Mass. line.	Private.	70	Cumberland	('20) d. May 22, 1830.
'35c	Bailey, John, 2d.	Mass. line.	Private.	78	Cumberland	('20) d. Aug. 31, 1822.
'35c	Bailey, John.	Mass. line.	Private.	71	Oxford	('20) d. July 19, 1833.
'20	Bailey, Joshua	Mass.	Private.			('31b) see also Bailey, Josiah.
'35c	Bailey, Josiah.	Mass. line.	Private.	80	Lincoln	('20.)
'35c	Bailey, Josiah.	Mass. line.	Private.	71	Lincoln	Error for Bailey, Joshua?

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'40	Bailey, Lucy.			73	Cumberland	Res. Minot.
'35c	Bailey, Prince	Mass. line	Private.	78	Kennebec.	(20.)
'40	Bailey, Rebecca			91	Cumberland	Res. Portland.
'35c	Bailey, Samuel.	R. I. line	Musician	78	Penobscot.	(20) d. May 11, 1829.
'35d	Bailey, Thaddeus	Mass. mil.	Private.	74	Kennebec.	
'40	Bailey, Thaddeus			80	Waldo	Res. Palermo.
'40	Baker, Asa G.			50	Lincoln.	Res. Boothbay.
'35c	Baker, John	Mass. line	Private.	66	York.	(20) d. Dec. 17, 1820.
'35d	Baker, Joseph	Mass. line	Private.	91	Oxford	Died Dec. 19, 1833.
'40	Baker, Mary			88	York	Res. York.
'40	Baker, Mary			71	Cumberland	Res. No. Yarmouth.
'35d	Baker, Samuel	Mass. mil.	Private and Sergeant.	81	Kennebec.	
'40				85	Kennebec.	Res. Albion.
'35c	Baker, Samuel	Mass. line	Private.	73	Cumberland	(20.)
'35c	Baker, Silas	Mass. line	Private.	75	Somerset	(20.)
'40	Baker, Silas			82	Franklin	Res. Strong.
'40	Baldwin, Nahum.			78	Somerset	Res. Mercer.
'35c	Ball, John	Mass. line	Private.	76	Somerset	(20) d. Sept. 3, 1823.
'40	Ballard, Betty			83	Franklin	Res. Temple.
'35c	Ballard, Frederick	Mass. line	Private.	76	Oxford	Transf. from Strafford Co., N. H., 1829. Died March 4, 1832.
'40	Ballard, Frederick			77	Oxford	Res. Greenwood.
'35c	Ballard, Jonathan	Mass. line	Private.	72	Kennebec.	(20) d. Nov. 28, 1830.
'35c	Ballard, Uriah	N. H. line	Private.	74	Oxford	(20.)
'40				80	Oxford	Res. Fryeburg.
'35c	Baloon, Samuel	Mass. line	Private.	74	Lincoln	Also given Maloon. Died Jan. 16, 1828.
'35c	Banks, John	Mass. line	Private.	76	York	(20.)
'35c	Banks, Moses	Mass. line	Lieutenant	88	Cumberland	(20) d. Oct. 10, 1823.
'40	Banks, Sarah			88	York	Res. York.
'35a	Barbarick, John	21st reg't.	Corporal.		Lincoln	Pensioned, 1785. Died June 25, 1827.
'35c	Barber, Solomon	Mass. line	Private.	77	Hancock	(20, '31b) d. June 12, 1827.
'35d	Barker, Benjamin	Mass. state	Private.	79	Oxford	
'40	Barker, Benjamin			77	Oxford	Res. Newry.
'35c	Barker, Daniel	Mass. line	Private.	89	Oxford	(20.)
'35c	Barker, Daniel, 2d.	Mass. line	Private.	78	Kennebec	(20) d. Aug. 22, 1820.
'35c	Barker, James	Mass. line	Private.	75	Cumberland	Pensioned, 1825.
'35c	Barker, James	Mass. line	Private.	74	Cumberland	Pensioned, 1818.
'40	Barker, James			80	Oxford	Res. Greenwood.
'31a	Barker, James					Deserted.
'35d	Barker, Jesse	Mass. line	Private.	92	Oxford	
'40	Barker, Jesse			75	Oxford	Res. Newry.
'35c	Barker, Jonathan	Mass. line	Private.	70	Cumberland	(20) d. Feb. 11, 1824.
'35c	Barker, Samuel	Mass. line	Private.	73	Oxford	(20, '31b.)
'20	Barnard, Daniel					Private.
'35c	Barnard, Daniel	Mass. line	Private.	72	Cumberland	
'35c	Barnard, Nathan	Mass. line	Private.	67	Lincoln	(20, '31b.)
'40	Barnard, Sarah			80	Lincoln	Res. Union.
'35c	Barnes, Abraham	Mass. line	Private.	62	York	(20.)
'35c	Barnes, Joseph	Mass. line	Private.	70	Washington	
'35c	Barrett, James	Mass. line	Private.	66	Cumberland	(20) d. June 30, 1819.
'35c	Barrett, John	Mass. line	Private.	75	Somerset	(20.)
'35c	Barrett, Nathaniel	N. H. line	Private.	69	Somerset	Retransf. from Rut- land Co., Vt., 1830.
'40				74	Somerset	Res. Fairfield.
'35d	Barrows, Asa	Mass. mil.	Private.	83	Oxford	
'35c	Barrows, Ephraim	Mass. line	Private.	72	Oxford	(20.)
'20	Barrows, Peter	R. I.	Private.			
'35c	Barrows, Peter	Mass. line	Private.	79	Waldo	Originally on invalid pension roll, 1789.
'40				85	Waldo	Res. Candau.
'35d	Barrows, William	Mass. line	Private.	78	Oxford	(20.)
'35d	Barry, Jonathan	Mass. mil.	Private.	78	Washington	
'35c	Barstow, Benjamin	Mass. line	Private.	62	Lincoln	(20, '31b.)
'35d	Barstow, Timothy	Mass. mil.	Private.	72	Cumberland	
'35c	Barter, John	N. H. line	Private.	74	Lincoln	(20)
'40	Barter, Joseph			57	Lincoln	Res. St. George.
'40	Barter, Mark			54	Lincoln	
'35c	Barter, Pelatiah	N. H. line	Private.	93	Lincoln	(20, Peletiah) d. Mar. 1, 1825.
'35a	Bartlett, Benjamin	Rev.?			York	Pensioned, 1807. Died, 1825.
'35c	Bartlett, Caleb	Mass. line	Private.	65	Cumberland	(20) d. Aug. 23, 1820.

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'35c	Bartlett, John	Mass. line . . .	Private . . .	82	Oxford	('20.)
'40	—	—	—	89	Oxford	Res. Sumner.
'35c	Bartlett, Joseph . . .	Mass. line . . .	Private . . .	80	Lincoln	Died June 2, 1828.
'35c	Bartlett, Joseph . . .	Mass. line . . .	Private . . .	75	Lincoln	From Mass. Died June 2, 1828.
'35c	Bartlett, Malachi . . .	Mass. line . . .	Private . . .	76	Kennebec	('20) d. Feb. 29, 1832.
'35d	Bartlett, Thaddeus . .	Mass. mil. . . .	Private . . .	75	Oxford	—
'40	—	—	—	81	Oxford	Res. Bethel.
'35d	Barton, Benjamin . . .	R. I. line	Captain . . .	75 & 94	Waldo	—
'35c	Barton, John	Mass. line . . .	Private . . .	82	Lincoln	('20.)
'35c	Bassett, David	Cont. navy . . .	Mariner . . .	85	Lincoln	('20, ship "Warren".)
'35d	Bassett, Samuel	Mass. state . . .	Private and Sergeant . . .	86	Kennebec	Res. Vassalborough.
'40	—	—	—	94	Kennebec	—
'35c	Basteen, Joseph	R. I. line	Private . . .	84	Washington . . .	('20.)
'35c	Baston, Jonathan . . .	Mass. line	Private . . .	80	York	('20) same as Boston?
'20	Baston, Thomas	Mass.	Private . . .	—	—	Same as Boston, T.
'40	Batchelder, Phineas . .	—	—	80	Penobscot	Res. Garland. Same as Batchelder, P.
'35c	Batchelder, William . .	N. H. line	Private . . .	71	Kennebec	('20.)
'40	Batchelder, William . .	N. H.	—	79	Kennebec	('20, William, 2d). Res. Pittston.
'35c	Batchelder, Gideon . . .	Mass. line	Private . . .	87	York	('20, Batchelder.)
'35d	Bates, Doughty	Mass. mil.	Private . . .	73	Kennebec	—
'35d	Bates, Jabez	Mass. line	Private and Seaman	73	Kennebec	—
'40	Bates, Jabez R.	—	—	79	Kennebec	Res. Leeds.
'35d	Bates, Jacob	Mass. line	Private . . .	74	Cumberland . . .	—
'40	—	—	—	80	Cumberland . . .	Res. Minot.
'40	Bates, Mary	—	—	77	Kennebec	Res. Leeds.
'40	Bates, Susannah	—	—	82	Somerset	Res. Fairfield.
'35d	Bates, Thomas	Mass. mil.	Sergeant and Fifer . . .	77	Kennebec	—
'40	—	—	—	83	Kennebec	Res. Waterville.
'35d	Battles, Asa	Mass. mil.	Private . . .	69	Oxford	—
'35c	Baxter, Benjamin	N. H. line	Private . . .	74	Somerset	Died Oct. 17, 1831.
'35c	Baxter, John	Mass. line	Private . . .	79	Somerset	('20, '31b.)
'40	Baxter, Reliance	—	—	84	Kennebec	Res. Vassalborough.

MAINE INLAND SCENERY



Along the River Kennebec

Tombstone Inscriptions

SOME CURIOUS, SOME NOTABLE, SOME COMMONPLACE

Collected and Annotated by Edgar Crosby Smith

(Continued from page 215)

Our vales are sweet with fern and rose,
Our hills are maple-crowned;
But not from them our fathers chose
The village burying-ground.

The dreariest spot in all the land
To Death they set apart;
With scanty grace from Nature's hand,
And none from that of Art.

The above, taken from a poem published in the Atlantic Monthly of February, 1858, well describes the greater number of early Maine burying-grounds. It was, indeed, with little thought of beauty or of art that our forefathers selected the sites for the burial of their dead.

As soon as a settlement of a few families was formed one of the first necessities was a common grave-yard and this plot of land was acquired with a view to its accessibility rather than with any sentiment regarding its natural beauty, or of any possibilities of artificial adornment at a future day. In sea-coast towns it was frequently near the water's edge, that it might be easily reached, especially during the winter months. In the inland towns a lot was chosen upon the principal thoroughfare of travel and as centrally located as possible. The chief requisite tending to its selection being that it was "sandy soil and easy digging."

In the course of ten to twenty years, according to the rapidity of the growth of the new town, a church would be formed and a few years later a meeting-house built, when it was a frequent custom to set apart a lot adjoining the edifice for a burial place. But this was by no means a regular custom, for often before the limited finances of the little community would permit the building of a house of worship, the bleak and lonely grave-yard had become populous and a change to the churchyard would entail the dividing of family burials or the removal of many bodies from the one to the other.

As the stern Puritanism of our ancestors became softened and mellowed by the influence of time and a broader culture the idea of making the places of sepulchre of their dead places of beauty and of art, instead of barrenness and of gloom was evolved, and the many beautiful cemeteries of today, adorned with natural and artistic beauty, have happily taken the place of

"The dreariest spot in all the land"
the country grave-yard.

Sacred
To the Memory of
Melatiah Jordan, Esq.
Collector of the Customs for the
District of Frenchmans Bay,
who died Dec. 22, 1818.
Æt. 64.

If real worth demands a tear,
Stop reader; pay thy tribute here;
The man who lies beneath this stone,
Equall'd by few, excell'd by none.

The foregoing inscription is copied from a tombstone in the little Congregational churchyard cemetery in Ellsworth.

Melatiah Jordan was an early settler of the town, one of its leading citizens, and a principal benefactor of the Congregational society. He was a descendant of Rev. Robert Jordan, the second Church of England clergyman who came to Maine under Gorges, arriving in 1640 and settled at Spurwink. Melatiah was a son of Samuel and was born at Biddeford, December 2, 1753 or 1754. His tombstone records his age as 64, which would make the year of his birth 1754; the historian of the Ellsworth Congregational centennial states that he was born in 1753.

He came to the Union River settlement at what is now Ellsworth in 1775. He was a member of the provincial militia and served in the Revolutionary War. He was commissioned a Lieutenant Colonel of the militia in 1802 and in 1808 received an honorable discharge. In 1789 he was appointed by President Washington the first collector of customs for the district of Frenchman's Bay, which office he held at the time of his decease in 1818.

He was one of the founders of the Congregational church at Ellsworth, being one of the thirteen original members at its organization in 1812. Mr. Jordan gave the society the lot upon which the church stands together with land for the churchyard cemetery in the rear, and in 1818, at his own expense, he erected the meeting-house and presented it to the society. The records of the society have the following entry :

The meeting-house built by Melatiah Jordan, esq., was raised on the 24th day of July, 1818, and dedicated on the 12th day of January, 1819. This meeting-house was built by the aforementioned gentleman, and given to the Congregational society of Ellsworth after reserving eleven pews, being one for each of his children.

His mortal part is interred within the enclosure which was his gift to his church. At the centennial exercises in 1912, a tablet was placed in the church, near the pulpit, as a memorial to his worth and in commemoration of his gift.

In 1776 Mr. Jordan married Elizabeth Jellison, of Ellsworth, and her body rests in the same cemetery, beside his. The inscription on her tombstone reads

Sacred
To the Memory of
Mrs. Elizabeth Jordan
Relict of the late
Melatiah Jordan Esq.
who died Feb. 22, 1819,
Æt. 62.

Friends nor physicians could not save
My mortal body from the grave,
Nor can the grave confine me here :
When Christ shall call me to appear.

From this worthy couple, through their eleven children, "came a line of good men and women who have helped to make the history of Maine and to make Ellsworth memorable."

Upon a granite monument in the Buck cemetery, in Bucksport village, is the following inscription:

COL. JONATHAN BUCK
The Founder of Bucksport
A. D. 1762.
Born in Haverhill Mass. 1718.
Died March 18, 1795.

This memorial was erected in 1852 by a few of Colonel Buck's grand-children.

Nearby is his tombstone, which apparently was set about the time of his decease, upon which is engraved the following:

In Memory of
the Hon. Jonathn Buck Esq
who died March 18, 1795,
in the 77 year
of his age.
He was a worthy citizen &
first settler in Buckstown.

Jonathan Buck was a son of Ephraim Buck and fourth in descent from Roger, who settled in Cambridge, Mass., in 1643. The statement on the monument that he was born in Haverhill is evidently an error; Woburn, Mass., was undoubtedly his birthplace. Both his grandson, Hon. Rufus Buck, and Col. Joseph W. Porter, in sketches of his life state Woburn to be the town of his nativity. The fact that when Jonathan was about four years old his father moved from Woburn to Haverhill and that all of his early life was spent in the latter town, probably accounts for the mistake of his grandchildren in supplying the inscription for his monument.

The date of his birth was February 20; the monument states the year to be 1718; his grandson, Rufus, says 1719; Col. Porter says "probably" 1720. The inscription on the gravestone records "in the 77 year of his age," which would conform to 1719, which is likely the correct date.

Col. Buck served in the French War as a lieutenant, his commission therein bearing date in 1754. In his earlier days he followed the sea to some extent and made trading voyages to the Penobscot.

He came to what is now Bucksport in 1762 and was its first settler, bringing his family the following year. He built a saw mill and other buildings and became one of the leading citizens of the Penobscot river region. He was appointed a Justice of the Peace in 1775 and was colonel of the Fifth Regiment of the Militia for some years.

He was an ardent patriot, and in 1779, when the British were in occupation of Castine and the surrounding country, they burned his house, mills, a vessel and some other of his buildings and he barely escaped capture himself.

In personal appearance he was quite tall and spare and of dark complexion. In temperament he was firm and strong willed; of positive convictions and ready to defend them. One of those iron characters of our pioneer days who were the foundation-stones of our future commonwealth. He died March 18, 1795.

In 1743, at Haverhill, he married Lydia Morse, by whom he had nine children. By his side in the Buck cemetery rests her mortal part, and on her gravestone is this inscription:

In Memory of
the amiable
Mrs. Lydia Buck
consort of
the Hon. Jonathn Buck Esq
who died
Decr 15 1789
Æt. 71.

Hon. Rufus Buck, in his sketch of the family written in 1847, said their descendants then numbered over 1000, scattered in all parts of the Union.

B O O K S

When all that is worldly turns to dross around us, these only retain their steady value. When friends grow cold, and the converse of intimates languishes into vapid civility and commonplace, these only continue the unaltered countenance of happier days, and cheer us with that true friendship which never deceived hope, nor deserted sorrow. (Washington Irving: Sketch Book: on Roscoe.)

QUESTIONNAIRES

The following verse, written by a well known lawyer of the Penobscot County bar and recently published in the Bangor Daily News, will be appreciated by the many lawyers who are readers of the Journal.

In editing these pages we ever bear in mind the fact that we are writing and preparing reading matter not only for the present generation but also for many readers centuries hence who will in studying the past history of the State of Maine, find and consult bound volumes of the Journal in the public libraries all over this country and in countless private libraries as well.

For the benefit of such who may not one hundred years from now, understand the full meaning of the word "questionnaire" as applied to any public affairs in Maine of the year 1918, we add that every lawyer in the United States is under orders of its Commander in Chief, President Wilson, to advise and assist free of charge "registrants," so called, who have been registered for military duty in America's part in the greatest world war ever known up to this time.

Every lawyer's making 'em, he's making 'em, today
 He's answering ninety questions in a calm, impartial way
 He's fixing frightened farmers, and mixed up married-pairs
 Every lawyer's making, faking. Questionnaires! Questionnaires!

Your clients may be waiting and your desk piled up with mail
 Your creditors a growling and a-baiting you with jail
 Your rent is due, your coal-bill, too. Your office-landlord swears.
 But you sit all day a-making Questionnaires! Questionnaires!

You do 'em nights and Sundays, and you do 'em in your sleep
 You do 'em for the waiter, while the hungry patrons weep
 You fix 'em for conductors, while they gingle in the fares
 Question-Answer! Question-Answer! Question-Answer! Questionnaires!

How many children have you? Age and color? Hair and eyes?
 What were you last in jail for? Taxes paid? What is your size?
 Are you still in the Asylum? Income? Outcome? Snarls and snares!
 You must find 'em, grind 'em through their Questionnaires! Questionnaires.

They stand around the office and they sit upon the floor
 They line up through the ante-room, they line-out through the door,
 They line up in the corridor and tail-off down the stairs
 And they're gripping, yipping, dripping—Questionnaires! Questionnaires!

Then fare you well, my family, and clients tried and true!
 When this cruel war is over, maybe we'll come back to you
 What though the trench be muddy, and the biting beastie shares
 Board and lodging—for we're dodging—Questionnaires! Questionnaires!

BARTLETT BROOKS.

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PONTIFF, LEO XIII.

As It Appears to the Editor

Number one of volume one of this Journal was issued in April, 1913. As we have before asserted, it was at first only an experimental venture. Were there people interested in Maine historical subjects of sufficient number to support a publication devoted exclusively to such matters? This was the question that we then considered.

The result has been satisfactory. We indulged in no false hopes. We never anticipated and have never received any large net income from the scheme; neither have we, thus far, suffered any loss.

So far as it has concerned the editor and publisher it has, from the first, been largely a labor of love.

The ability, character and standing of its contributors has, however, been highly gratifying. Without the means of compensating anyone for contributions to its pages, the fact that such as these have freely and voluntarily added so much to the value of the Journal, evidences its popularity among many of the most intellectual people of Maine. Among them are:

Clarence Hale

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Augustine Simmons

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In the year 1215 the confederated barons of England, on the meadow fields of Runnymede, with drawn swords extorted from King John that famous document known as the Magna Carta, or Great Charter of Liberties. This was the beginning of a tremendous world struggle between the forces of despotism and freedom.

The civil war in England, when the people beheaded their king; the long parliamentary struggles and the revolution of 1688; the declaration of American independence and the Revolutionary War;

Garibaldi; John Brown and Harper's Ferry; the American Civil War; Abraham Lincoln and the emancipation proclamation, were epochal events and renowned personages of this great conflict of the ages.

Today nearly the whole world is divided and arrayed on either side of the line marked out by these immortals.

America has entered this terrible battle of Armageddon. Every true American knew when the army of despotism invaded peaceful Belgium in its ruthless design to crush France, that we owed a sacred debt to that nation that could be paid in no currency other than the blood of freemen, and that the day of payment had arrived.

He also knew that as a nation it was our bounden duty to civilization to immediately take our place in the ranks of those fighting for the rights of humanity.

We are in it to crush despotism and to win such a victory in the conflict begun at Runnymede that future generations in all of the centuries to come may know that such as Washington and Lincoln did not live in vain.

The commercial and economic methods and systems of today as compared with those in vogue four years ago demonstrate fairly well that the world, our own country included, is directly on its way to be turned upside down.

America cheerfully submitting to all kinds of taxation, that at any other period in her history would have been impossible, is wearing a resplendent smile that is observed and welcomed in every corner of the earth, except such parts as are occupied by Germany and her partners in barbarism.

Her grim determination in the midst of this turmoil to see this thing through to the bitter end is so manifest and so solidified that it amazes mankind and is almost marvelous.

Speaking of taxation, it may be proper to observe that no one knows what we have yet to pass through.

After July first of this year magazines will be taxed under some sort of a complicated zone system. Publishers running big magazine concerns—so big that the entire business of the Journal in one year would hardly keep one of these fellows supplied with cigars—are studying this matter and, so far as we know, have not yet arrived

at any conclusion as to what it means and are awaiting the promulgation of rules concerning it by the post office department at Washington.

Occasionally they send forth pessimistic opinions regarding it. They are positive that there are certain "classes" of magazines which will be utterly destroyed by its workings. How well they understand, or how much they misunderstand the situation, we do not know. We can only hope that fate has not placed the Journal in a "class" of publications that is doomed for destruction.

When the great taxation machine rolls over the whole mass of newspapers and periodicals next summer it is possible that the Journal, being so small, may drop into some little cavity of safety undiscovered by the great minds who contrived this law, about which there is so much complaint and confusion.

So it may be that our very smallness may save us from serious internal injury.

But yet, the subject has a grave aspect. We fully realize that we stand in need of the cooperation of every friend and subscriber of the Journal, in order to survive while this war is being waged.

If every person who reads these lines and believes we are doing a commendable work for the State of Maine will make a personal effort to influence some other one to subscribe for it, that person will have "done his bit" towards its survival.

In this awful crisis we should avoid becoming panicky. We should not get into a state of mind whereby we may become pessimistic, niggardly or parsimonious. Such are never successful in war or any other undertaking.

Americans have probably been for many years the most wasteful of any people in any of the enlightened nations. Wastefulness, however, can never be cured by false economy, which is often in itself one of the chief causes of waste. Neither can the extreme pessimist ever be a safe leader in times like these. Rather do we need more optimism, and certainly more cheerfulness.

Recently a Portland (Maine) dispatch called attention to an organization known as the "State of Maine Agricultural and Industrial League," claiming for it that it was established

for the promotion of better farming, better marketing, better business, better living in Maine.

We know nothing about it whatever and hence hold no brief for it; but these words have the true ring.

We again call attention to the fact that subscribers having all of the numbers of volume 5 of the Journal may forward the same to us, with 75 cents, and receive in return a volume bound in the same style as have been all of the previous volumes.

As the Journal has heretofore observed, the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs has already done the state inestimable service in adding to the historical literature of Maine two valuable books: "Maine in History and Romance" (1915), and "The Trail of the Maine Pioneer" (1916).

The members of the Maine Writers Research Club are now engaged in a work, if possible, more laudable than the former, which is preparing for publication a book for the public schools to be devoted entirely to Maine historical stories and sketches.

As our readers are well aware, the Journal has been constant in endeavoring to convince the people of Maine that in allowing its school system to neglect the study of Maine history to such an extent as has long existed, is little short of a crime; that the youth of our state are entitled to this knowledge and that no study can be devised that will better aid in making patriotic Americans, than this. First teach the boys and girls to know and love their own town, county and state, and you have gone a long way towards making them know and love their country.

Hence we are profoundly gratified to see the bright and able women of Maine undertaking with enthusiasm a job that the men of Maine have for a long time shunned and shied at.

By reason of the index to volume 5 inserted in this issue, we have been obliged to delay the publication of several valuable contributions; among them Elmer W. Sawyer's sketch of the late Judge Simmons of North Anson; a valuable document, contributed by Charles W. Stephens of Old Town, referring to the organization of

Penobscot County, and one on Michael Philbrick, by Professor Daggett of Orono. These will appear in the first part of the next volume.

We call especial attention to the leading article in this number, "The Loyalists of the Kennebec," by that well-known writer of Maine history, Reverend Henry O. Thayer, of New York City.

Monvel's Journal

Prior to General Knox coming to Thomaston, Maine, to assume control of the Waldo Patent which his wife had inherited, he caused to be sent to that territory, in 1792 a French mineralogist, M. Monvel. From May 18 to October 11, in that year, M. Monvel explored and examined the geological conditions of the Waldo Patent.

In it were situated Thomaston, Waldoboro, Union, (then called Porter's Field) Camden, Lincolnville, Belfast, Searsport, Prospect, Frankfort; and he also explored Brigadier's Island, Islesboro, Blue Hill, Mount Desert and some of the islands in the mouth of Penobscot Bay.

On November 1, 1792, Monvel, at Philadelphia, delivered to General Knox a book in which was daily written his "Journal of Observations Upon the Waldo Patent." After the death of General Knox this book was missed. Ever since then historians, antiquarians, book collectors and scientists have searched much for it without avail.

About February 15 of the present year, Dr. G. L. Crockett, of Thomaston, discovered it and is giving it publicity in the *Courier-Gazette*, a Rockland (Maine) newspaper. Three parts of this Journal have already been printed in its columns, contributed by Dr. Crockett. We understand that these contributions will continue until the full text is published. It is a valuable Maine historical document and ought to be published in a brochure and accessible in the public libraries.

Documentary

Letter of Charles Sumner, referring, in part, to the North Eastern Boundary Controversy:

Portland, Me., February 2, 1918.

Mr. John Francis Sprague,
Foxcroft, Maine.

My dear Mr. Sprague:

Mr. Frank J. Wilder, of 46 Cornhill, Boston, has asked me to send you a copy of the letter of Charles Sumner which we recently acquired from him; and this I enclose.

I have tried to copy it exactly, with reference to punctuation, insertions, erasures, etc. It was a little difficult to read, but I think I have deciphered it correctly; and it is extremely interesting to see what views Sumner held concerning war when he was a young man. His mind evidently changed later in life.

I suppose the letter was written to Richard Fletcher, of Boston; but no first name is given.

Yours very truly,

EVELYN L. GILMORE,
Librarian, of the Maine Historical Society.

LONDON TRAVELLERS' CLUB,

March 20th, 1839.

MY DEAR MR. FLETCHER:

I hope you received my letter of Dec. 28th, because it contains the answer, somewhat at length, to some of the queries contained in your favor of the 29th. I then referred you to *Chitty on the Prerogative* as a book, which contains a statement with regard to the law governing what is called the *petition de droit* & the *monstrans de droit*. Since I wrote you, I have conversed with the *Attorney General* & *Solicitor General*, & found them, (not to speak disrespectfully of these distinguished functionaries, nor vainly of myself,) knowing very little more about the matter than I did. The *Solicitor* had on his table the papers in a case of a *petition de droit*, but it was the *first* or *second* that had come before him during his holding office, which has been for *five years*. With great frankness, he professed ignorance of all the *minutiae* of the process, & said that it was so seldom resorted to that few, if any, knew anything about it beyond that which is to be found in the books, & all this I had read, as well as he. It seems, therefore, that this process is *practically* very little known; & there is very little occasion to resort to it, for the different officers of the *Crown* are suable & are often sued; thus the *Lords of the Treasury* are sued on any matter growing out of their duties. I have not, however,

been able to get any details about this which I could transmit to you. But if you should wish for *specific answers* to a series of questions I can obtain them for you at anytime, either before or after my return to the U. States. It does not seem that there is any complaint in England of a failure of remedy.

With regard to the other matter upon which you enquired, *private business* in Parliament, I have also endeavored to get some light. I believe I referred you to *Dwarris on Statutes*, a work which is in Boston. There is also a recent work by Mr. *Holcomb* on the *mode of managing private business*. But this is only one of several that have been published. I think my friend L. S. Cushing has some of these; and also our Law Library at Cambridge. Further reports on this subject have been made to Parliament, of which I enclose a memorandum, being a note from Mr. Booth, of the Chancery Bar, to Mr. Parkes of whom I made enquiries. I have not procured these, because I understood there is a complete set of all the Parliamentary Reports in the Library of Congress. You will be able to find these, by observing the dates in Mr. Booth's note. I have enquired of many persons, members & parliamentary barristers on this subject, & have been always told—"Don't follow us; we are in inextricable confusion, & it will be worse than the blind following the blind."—I am sorry that I have been able to give you an answer so little satisfactory as, I fear, this will be on your two matters of legal enquiry. I think that I have written you at some length on some of the other matters, about professional character & conduct. To Judge Story I have written fully about the bench & bar.

I hope that you will be calm and quiet at Washington & not allow us to be blown into war. *Do not believe the English newspapers; they are not the government.* The Govt. are kindly disposed, & wish to do justice. Their great fault is *indifference* to, & ignorance of, the matters in dispute between us. I have talked with several of them, & have found them *entirely ignorant* of all that relates to the *North Eastern Boundary*. We should press them to study it, & examine it; & I shall not regret all Gov. Fairfield's misguided zeal if it have this effect. But, *do not go to war.* I doubt not that you would agree with me, that *peace* is the duty of nations before all things; & that the hazards of war are not to be encountered, even for some paltry acres of land. I would rather give up the whole state of Maine, & Massachusetts to boot, than go to war. Excuse me for touching upon this; but I have this moment read the speeches in Congress of Feb. 27th and 28th, & have been much troubled by observing the blustering, not to say, the war-like character they have.

I am now on the point of leaving England, where I have staid longer than I ever expected to, & have received the most constant kindness. I go to Italy; my address in future will be to the care of *Draper & Co.* Paris, as it will be better to receive my letters, while on the continent, through Paris.

Mr. T. C. Grattan, a gentleman of considerable literary celebrity, the author of the *History of the Netherlands*, & of several novels &c, has been appointed British Consul at Boston. He is about 50 years old, & is a very gentleman-like person. He has been introduced to me by many of my English friends, & has asked me for letters to Boston. He will

arrive in June or thereabouts, with his wife, a daughter of 12, & a very pleasant son of 21, & will fix his residence among us. He is desirous to know all the most distinguished people that we have, & I have promised myself the pleasure of presenting him to you.

Believe me ever very faithfully Yours,

CHARLES SUMNER.

(This letter has never before been published. (Ed.))

Elbridge A. Flanders was born in Dexter, Maine, November 22, 1851 and died at his home in North Dexter, November 7, 1914. He was a direct descendant of Stephen Flanders, who, according to the History of Penobscot County (1882) was the first of that name who emigrated to America during its early history sometime before 1650. One of his descendants, Reuben Flanders, was born in the town of Cornville, Somerset county, Maine, in 1811. He was brought up on a farm in that town until nineteen years of age when he came to Dexter village where he engaged in the business of cabinet-making and was the pioneer of that branch of business in the village. He followed his trade in Dexter about thirty years, when he sold out and in 1867 he purchased the Charles Jumper mill property about four miles north of the village, and for many years was there engaged in the manufacture of long and short lumber, and was the founder of the village that has ever since been known as North Dexter.

His son, Elbridge A., succeeded him in business and at one time established there a woolen factory and carried on considerable wood working business. His activities in the lumber industries at times extended into Kingsbury Plantation and other places. He was a man of broad intelligence, a lover of books, who read them with a discriminating mind. He took much interest in Maine historical subjects and had been a subscriber to the Journal from the first. Progressive and enterprising, he was always public spirited and stood with those whose desire was to go ahead and do something in the world. He was a man of integrity and high sense of honor with many endearing characteristics.

The writer's relations with him were close and friendly for many years and he felt honored to be reckoned as one of his friends.

Sayings of Subscribers

Honorable William P. Whitehouse, former Chief Justice of Maine Supreme Judicial Court:

"Your calendar the 'Colonial Kitchen' is fine and greatly appeals to me. I have read 'Sprague's Journal of Maine History' with increasing interest from the first number to the last, and have been amazed at the amount of original, interesting and valuable historical matter you have published. It deserves splendid success."

Honorable W. H. Waterhouse, Mayor of the City of Old Town:

"Please accept my thanks for the splendid calendar received from the Journal of Maine History office. It is like the Journal itself, instructive, artistic and entertaining."

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".....I do think you are giving us a high grade publication year after year."

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Mr. R. C. Tobey, Editor Brunswick Record:

"The Journal comes along regularly and as I took up the last number the thought came to me that not only were the separate issues interesting and valuable, but every subscriber should preserve them for binding. The articles and illustrations will make books of inestimable value to students of Maine History in years to come."

Miss Anna L. Dingley, Chairman of Publishing Committee of the "Maine Writers' Research Club:"

"I am an ardent admirer and constant reader of Sprague's Journal."

Mr. T. H. Smith, Chicago, Ill.:

"Although I have been unable to be out of doors during this severe winter, which reminds one of old times, I have received your number four of volume five, and read it as always with a great deal of interest. I note in it that you print Mrs. Mace's beautiful poem: "Only Waiting." Do you remember that David Barker's poem "The Blind Gateman" p. 208 of the edition of Barker's Works published (1876); also on p. 193 of the second edition published by O. F. Knowles & Co. (1886) was said to have referred to the same party, Paul Demeritt."

Hon. Dudley P. Bailey, Everett, Mass.:

"I value your publication highly, and I am glad that someone can be found with nerve enough to keep a record so valuable in regard to local history."

Rev. George A. Martin, Pastor of the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

"Your Journal grows better with every issue and I look forward for its coming as for an old friend. Every article is read with a keen relish and with much profit."

Mrs. Janet Harding Blackford, Rochester, Vt.:

"It is a great pleasure to read the many interesting articles in the Journal."

Mr. Frank J. Wilder of Boston notifies us of the sad death of Otis G. Hammond, late superintendent of the State Historical Society at Concord, N. H. He died at the Brooks hospital in Boston, Sunday, February 10, 1918. He had a wide circle of friends especially among book men and historical writers throughout New England, all of whom deeply sympathize with his family in their affliction.



THE SMITHS GIVE A GREAT DEAL OF TROUBLE

POWHATAN BLAINE. *"Just let me give him one whack to show how strong I am."*

POCAHONTAS CHAMBERLIN. *"No, don't, Jim; you'll make a mess of it."*

A cartoon from Harper's Weekly of February 7, 1880, referring to an episode of moment and seriousness in the history of Maine politics, known as the "count-out."

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I

Mine eyes have seen the beauty
Of many a tropic clime,
Where freezing breath of winter
Ne'er chills the Summer time.

II

Where always tree-clad mountains,
With palm-blest vales between,
Rejoice in endless verdure
Of never fading green.

III

Put sequence of two seasons,
Unvarying wet and dry,
Produces weary sameness,
On land and sea and sky.

IV

Give me our far north climate,
Where seasons four unite
To dress their dear earth-mother
In countless colors bright.

V

Where swelling buds of Springtime,
As clouds with shadows play,
Sketch swift on laughing landscapes
New wonders every day.

VI

Then follows close the glory
Of radiant floral bloom,
For all-year tropic splendor
Doth here find summer room.

VII

Now comes our "sober" Autumn,
Yet, by a shrewd device,
Puts tints on field and forest
He stole from Paradise.

VIII

But winter, grand old winter!
He works in black and white;
Revealing in his paintings
The mysteries of light.

IX

No southern skies of azure,
No tropic sunset glow,
Like these that fondly linger
O'er fields of spotless snow.

X

I'll never lose the picture,
More delicate, more sweet,
Than e'er enraptured dreamland,
Or poet fancies meet;

XI

The vision weirdly charming,
Which came with morning light,—
But bear it with me, even,
To realms where dwells no night.

XII

Earth dressed in bridal whiteness
To meet her spouse, the sky;
The eager sun uplifting
With joy his glowing eye.

XIII

Till every snow-rapt branchlet,
Till each bright icy spray,
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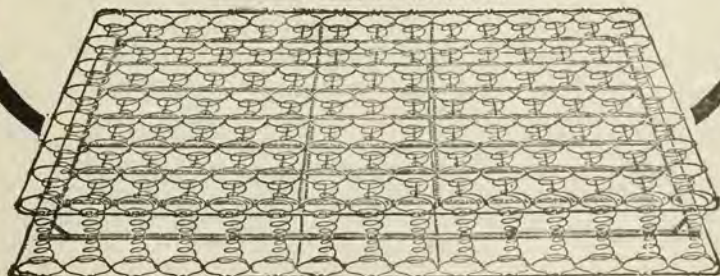
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